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Many offered support for the defendant

work with him in a briefcase. Medina said the weapon "made him feel comfortable, knowing that he was 'strapped,'" the witness told police.

"This case destroys all the stereotypes of what gang members are and what types of lives they come from," prosecutor Jeff Dusek said after Medina was sentenced. "David Medina had all the benefits of life and yet he still turned to gangs. It's unexplainable why he did that."

During yesterday's hearing, Medina told San Diego Superior Court Judge John Thompson he had been wrongly convicted. Two of the killings were gang-on-gang violence, while two other victims were bystanders in the wrong place at the wrong time, authorities said.

Back at trial, that



David Medina had a reputation for impulsive violence and, some say, an enthusiasm for high-tech weaponry.

Yesterday, he told the presiding judge he had been wrongly convicted in the killings.

quez, authorities said, he was targeted in the mistaken belief that he was a gang member.

The two other victims — Hector Martinez, 16, killed in

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Crime scenes; top: 1193 Thalia Street in Nestor; top middle: 7-Eleven on H Street, Chula Vista; bottom middle: Hospitality Point, Mission Bay; bottom: Jefferson Avenue near Sierra Way, Chula Vista

Trigger Happy or Just Plain Happy? Who is David Medina?

Dressed neatly in a white oxford cloth shirt with a blue pullover sweater, David Medina, a.k.a. "Happy," pursed his lips and appeared to listen closely as Judge John Thompson handed down Medina's sentence — nine consecutive life terms plus 156 years. It was August 1, 2001. Medina was 24 years old.

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LETTERS

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What Is The Deal?

What is the deal with the solution to the crossword from last week (January 3)? Why is it half correct? What am I missing?

Darren Brelesky

David Levinson Wilk responds: To all enthusiasts of the Reader crossword: my humble apologies. The top right quadrant of the answer grid to the puzzle of January 3 was incorrect. The grid that ran showed the answers to an earlier version of the puzzle. I chose to reconfigure that part of the crossword in the hopes of creating a stronger puzzle. I will continue working at making the best xwords I can, while avoiding such errors in the future. Sorry for the confusion. Happy crosswording. (The correct answers to the January 3 puzzle are printed with this week's puzzle.)

Don't Stop

To the movie critic who responded (January 10) to the letter writer who last week (January 3) offered to pay him to quit reviewing: If you quit reviewing, I may swear off cinema. Or I may watch more of it, as there is the assaulting tendency to garner too much pleasure from a review and simply stay indoors. If the Reader ever allows you to depart, I will stop lining my nest with it. Or start, whichever conveys the sentiment best.

U.B. Lovegrove

Cheers And More Cheers For Duncan

There are at least three reasons to add another letter with regard to film critic Duncan Shepherd to the flood swamping the Reader: (i) It will be almost another 15 years before he will raise his voice and reply to the critics again (here we do not count the final remark in last week's article!); (ii) recent issues of the Reader sport more writing about D.S. (seven letters in the previous three copies) than by him; (iii) owing to the blunt insults by some readers, albeit poorly disguised as criticism of his reviews, it is appropriate — if not an obligation — to stress that there are people who appreciate reading his opinion week by week. In fact, the generally insightful, witty reviews contrast present-day releases in an interesting

way with his wealth of knowledge about earlier films and rarely fail to capture the key aspects (although, naturally, I do not necessarily come to the same conclusion about all the films).

More to the point (of the earlier letters in the Reader issues in question), it seems important to acknowledge that there are people in San Diego

- who enjoy film and reading quality film reviews;
 - who know how to spell “intellectual” and who cannot only read, but actually look forward to read articles by D.S.;
 - who, to some extent, rely on his expertise and appreciate the comparison in an historical context (in which, let's face it, art has to be viewed!);
 - who are still puzzled how a simple sentence comparing the earliest and latest Coen film can turn out to be a conundrum;
 - who agree happily that *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* is not worth the celluloid it is on;
 - and who care about wit and depth of vocabulary in a film review (unlike some big mouths in demand of what they refer to as “simple reviews,” i.e., a *précis* lacking context).
- Undoubtedly not just speaking for myself, but in the name of all cineasts, I hope to see many more Duncan Shepherd reviews in the Reader.

A. Jim Kopf

Will Durant Joins The Fray

Not every historian agrees that the words Stephen Heidrick (Letters, January 10) attributes to Flavius Josephus were actually his words. For example, Will Durant writes in *Caesar and Christ*, p. 554:

“What evidence is there for Christ's existence? The earliest non-Christian reference occurs in Josephus's *Antiquities of the Jews* (A.D. 93?):

“‘At that time lived Jesus, a holy man, if man he may be called, for he performed wonderful works, and taught men, and joyfully received the truth. And he was followed by many Jews and many Greeks. He was the Messiah.’

“There may be a genuine core in these strange lines, but the high praise given to Christ by a Jew uniformly anxious to please either the Romans or the Jews — both at the time in conflict with Christianity — renders the passage suspect, and Christian scholars reject it as almost certainly an interpolation.”

Richard W. Amero
Uptown

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Mister District Attorney The name of the biggest campaign-money launderer in San Diego history has turned up on the list of contributors to District Attorney **Paul Pfingst's** reelection bid. **Frank Gatlin**, a shopping-center developer based in Del Mar Heights, gave the DA \$500, as did Gatlin project manager **Rich Ruff**, according to records on file with the county Registrar of Voters. Back in September 1996, Gatlin and his firm Gatlin Development agreed to pay a \$192,000 fine for orchestrating a scheme to funnel more than \$28,000 in 108 individual campaign donations



Paul Pfingst

to San Diego City Council members and county supervisors during an 18-month period between 1992 and 1994. Gresham, Varner, Savage, Nolan, and Tilden, a San Bernardino law firm retained by Gatlin, aided the plot by reimbursing the firm's attorneys, staff members, spouses, and business associates for contributions they made to campaigns designated by Gatlin. City and county laws forbid corporate donations and at that time limited contributions to \$250 a person per election cycle. "The violations were clearly part of an organized scheme to build influence with decision makers," said **Ravi Mehta**, then-chairman of the state Fair Political Practices Commission, which prosecuted the case against Gatlin and handed down the fines. "When taken into account, the enormous number of laundered campaign contributions together with the repeated nature of the violations over a year and a half shows a deliberate pattern of laundering activity." In addition to Gatlin's fine, the Gresham, Varner firm paid \$228,000 for its violations. The fines were the fourth largest ever handed down by the state at the time. Gatlin, a well-known developer of large strip malls featuring Wal-Mart stores, had bulldozed his plans through the San Diego City Council despite neighborhood objections. In a written statement issued at the time of the fines, Gatlin claimed that "at no time did I act intentionally to deceive or violate the law. Nevertheless, on behalf of Gatlin Development Company, I accept full responsibility for my actions and want to extend my deepest apologies." All recipients of the Gatlin contributions, including then-city councilman **Ron Roberts**, who voted for the Gatlin projects, denied knowing that the funds were tainted. ... **Robert Fellmeth**, the ethics law specialist from University of San Diego, also appears on Pfingst's latest campaign-disclosure



Robert Fellmeth

list with a \$300 donation. Last week Pfingst announced that Fellmeth was being hired to investigate the connections between Duke Energy and ex-port commissioner **David Malcolm**, who was a \$20,000-a-month Duke consultant. Other Pfingst donors listed include school district public relations man **John Spelich**, San Diego City Councilman **Ralph Inzunza**, UCSD vice president **William Taylor**, and Judge **Peter Deddeh**.

Law man Sheriff **Bill Kolender**, keeping up his blistering political fundraising pace, has raised more than \$107,000 as of the latest filing date and has \$80,544 cash in the bank, ready to spend against his opponent, sheriff's deputy **Bruce Ruff**. Recent donors to the Kolender cause include embattled ex-port commissioner David Malcolm (\$500); Qualcomm mogul **Irwin Jacobs** (\$500); state Democratic senator **Steve Peace** (\$250); and San Diego City Council candidate and lobbyist **Kevin Faulconer** (\$100).

No account Arthur Andersen, the big accounting firm under investigation for shredding records in the Enron bankruptcy case, handles the books and audits a number of San Diego-based outfits, most notably Peregrine Systems, the troubled software company founded by Padres owner **John Moores** ... Ex-San Diego mayor **Susan Golding** went through many staff members in her day, and now one of them has finally hit the big time. **Todd Harris**, 30, who was Golding's press secretary from March 1997 to January 1998, is joining the staff of Florida governor **Jeb Bush**, brother of the president, the *Miami Herald* reports. Harris, who will be the Bush campaign's communications director, is currently working in Zagreb, Croatia, where he is a "political communications consultant" for the Croatian government. After working on Golding's abortive U.S. Senate campaign, Harris joined the failed Republican presidential bids of **John McCain** and **John Kasich** before heading off to Europe.

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Jean Lucas in Parliament cigarette advertisement, 1950s

Model Smoker

By Robert Kumpel

Jean Lucas's Rancho Bernardo townhouse is full of boxes. Paintings of elephants and lions lean in a stack against the wall.

She is clearing her place of old junk and painting the walls to get rid of the nicotine smell. She seems to be preparing for a move; in fact, she is, although she won't be around to see it happen. Lucas is dying of lung cancer.

A former fashion model and attorney, Lucas takes responsibility for her predicament.

While it's not unusual for a 72-year-old woman to have cancer, Lucas's case is more poignant because of the position she held in 1956: She was the model for that year's Parliament cigarettes advertising campaign.

In the 1950s she was Jean Ball. "That's from my first marriage that was annulled.



Jean Lucas, 1950s

I had that name when I first started modeling, so I kept it. I was a nurse and...well, I think colleges tend to overlook reality sometimes. I got out in the real world and saw what was going on in hospitals, and it was depressing. The conditions in the hospitals were simply something that I couldn't be a part of. It was frightening — the lack of care for the patients and total inadequacy. I don't know if it's any better today, but it can't be much worse. When some friends in the modeling business approached me, I thought it was some kind of a joke!"

Lucas's East Coast accent, dry delivery, and sharp wit are reminiscent of Dorothy Parker. "I was quite thin. I lost 30 pounds in that first marriage — the hard way!" she laughs. "Modeling was a lot better. I was making \$200 a month as a nurse, where in modeling I could make \$50 an hour. That's not much now, but in those days it was an awful lot of money. That first marriage was really my own fault. He threatened to kill me, and I was so naïve and had little family backup. My father had just died, and I thought it was better to be wed than dead! So I married him. I threw the diamond ring in the fireplace, but that didn't seem to impress him at all!"



Jean Lucas

A modeling career was sheer necessity for Lucas. "I wanted to be on my own and get out of this unhappy marriage. I just couldn't support myself on \$200 a month, 48 hours per week. Most models have very small bones. I was lucky, because I looked thinner than I really was; I had broad shoulders and wide hips and a small waist. I could get away with more weight than most girls could." Lucas's last modeling stint was in 1959, as she was entering New York University Law School. Her scrapbook is loaded with "comp" photos and elegant advertisements for New York department stores and cosmetics. She was admitted to the New York Bar in 1962.

"I modeled for the Frances Gill agency in New York. I don't even know if it's still in existence. She was a

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Quick Crossers

By Ernie Grimm

For two years, I've crossed the border once a month to visit friends who live in Playas de Tijuana. I've learned to go after 7:00 p.m. on weekdays. But in the beginning I always went on Saturday, midmorning. Big mistake. "Weekends are usually packed," says Aldo Ortega, who crosses every weekday on his way to work as manager of a Chula Vista medical transportation company. "A lot of people have the day off, and people down here decide to try to go early, 7:00 a.m., and they'll be across before 8:00. The problem is, the stores won't be open, so you have to have breakfast somewhere and then go shopping."

If I'd heard that advice two years ago, my border crossings would have been more pleasant. Instead, each month I spent an hour and a quarter sweating in the noontime sun, fretting as I watched the needle of my temperature gauge creep toward the red zone. "It's going to overheat," I thought to myself, "and I'll be stuck

in this foreign land with 300 people behind me, honking and yelling." Then, as the needle flirted with the red zone, the thermostat would trigger the electric fan, and the needle would slowly recede.

One day, just after I'd learned to pay no attention to the temperature gauge, the thermostat failed to turn on the fan, my engine boiled over, and a hot cloud of Prestone-infused steam shrouded my car. It happened to be the day that the line was the longest I'd ever seen. I was sitting on the south side of the bridge over the Tijuana River, a half mile from the border. Luckily, I had a friend with me that day, and we pushed my minivan all the way to the border inspection booth.

I crossed on Saturdays because I figured the traffic on weekdays, when people crossed to work, would be much worse. According to Ortega, I was mistaken. "My

average wait at that time has been 45 minutes," he explains. "Right now, I'm in the line by 7:15. I'm usually on the north side by 8:00, 8:10 at the latest. I work so close to the border here in Chula Vista that by 8:15 I'm at work."

That was Ortega's routine until and including September 11, 2001. "I was able to come across just before they

closed the border. I got to the border at about 7:15 or 7:20, and by 7:45 I was already on the north side of the border. That's about the time they closed it."

Like many daily crossers, Ortega decided to leave his car at home the next day and cross *la frontera* on foot. "Those first few days," he says, "the word spread through Tijuana that it was

faster walking. The first couple of days I made it over on foot in an hour and a half, max. It was two to two and a half hours in the car. But after that it got really, really crazy. The lines were up to about 3000 people walking. I know people who were in the line up to five hours."

A friend of mine, Bob, is an American who lives in El Mirador, between downtown Tijuana and Playas. He telecommutes for his San Diego-based job and crosses the border only once a month to meet with his boss. He had to cross on September 12. "It took about an hour and half," he says. "I thought that was long, but the subsequent months have taken longer."

Bob found the situation very orderly on September 12. "Most of the people in line were Mexicans coming over to work," he recalls. "I was one of the only *gringos*. Many people came up to me and told me how sorry they were about what happened in New York and Washington. Everyone was very somber and polite and cooperative. The only ugly scene I saw the whole time was made by an American tourist. He was an older guy, in his 60s maybe. He was trying to cut into the front of the line because he said he had an appointment he had



Aldo Ortega

to get to. He was being very rude and belligerent. Finally, some Tijuana police officers told him he would have to go to the back of the line."

Bob walked across the border again in October and November. "Those times," he says, "after waiting an hour and a half just to get to the customs building, they were stopping everybody and taking people into the building in groups of ten. That took another hour."

And the patience and understanding he saw on September 12, Bob says, is no longer as universal. "The Tijuana police have started putting extra officers at the border to keep people from cutting into line and to break up fights."

In December, Bob decided to take a shuttle bus across. "But, for some reason, all the shuttle buses got di-

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real nice lady. After I took my law degree, I married again and went to Puerto Rico. I wasn't able to practice there, though I'd hoped to do so. You have to take the exam there in Spanish, and I couldn't speak Spanish. I tried to get a position with the federal court system there, but at that time it was more difficult for women, even though I had no trouble getting into law school."

Born Jean Conley in Upstate New York, she studied nursing at Skidmore College. Married in 1951, Lucas divorced her first husband in 1953. She married her second husband at the height of her modeling career in 1956. "We were married a number of years, though we were eventually separated. He wanted to travel and wanted to live all over the world. That just didn't fit my plans. That separation was perfectly friendly. It's hard to imagine what turned out to be a divorce being friendly, but it was. He died of breast cancer 10 or 15 years ago."

Lucas continued to work in New York as general counsel for an oil company, then quit. "The outside counsel was always sneaking things in behind my back and doing things that were illegal. In my opinion, it was unethical, and I just couldn't handle having responsibility without any authority, so I moved to the Natomas Company in San Francisco — another oil company. That was 1977. I didn't last long there, because the president was cheating on his stock-appreciation rights. My immediate supervisor was helping him! I put a stop to that, so they immediately fired me.

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"I didn't work again. I was so disappointed. I guess I was naïve, but seeing the way lawyers behaved! I moved to San Diego, not knowing what I was going to do. I tried to work here, but I never did. No one was breaking down my door, and I didn't go out looking for work, and I had no reason to believe that anything was different here than in San Francisco. I got sick of the dishonesty then, and I still can't get used to it. Some of the things I see going on around me frighten me. I guess this is a good time to die!"

Modeling for Parliament cigarettes put Lucas's image on billboards, the back covers of magazines, and all over the New York subway system. "It was wonderful for me. I had about one ad a month for a year and a half. They were on *Time*, *Vogue*, all the big magazines. I was on television also, but it wasn't a speaking role. It was on what became *The Tonight Show*. Mr. John, a popular designer, designed a hat made of cigarettes for that. It was funny because I had just relieved myself of my first husband, and he was dating another woman. The woman complained that everywhere she went she would see me!" she laughs. "I was on every shelf and wall!"

Like any honest endorser, Lucas was a smoker. "I smoked all different kinds of cigarettes. I became a smoker when I was in college — I was 17, maybe 18. I guess I started partly as a revolt against my parents, who were against smoking. The other part was peer pressure. All the girls were smoking in college. During my third year, I was at various hospitals in New York. I guess I was a little homesick, so I just started to smoke. Nobody thought there was anything terribly

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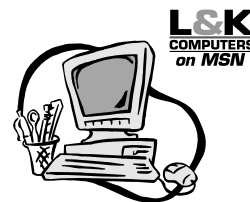
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Model smoker

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offensive about it then, and nobody knew about any of the dangers of it. Although, while I was still modeling, a doctor named Ernst Winder was lecturing in New York, and he claimed that cigarette smoke and tar caused cancer. He was experimenting with mice. I dated him for a while, and he used to say, 'You shouldn't smoke,' but he smoked! I just took it as sort of a joke. But my parents were against it. I think they just thought it was sinful. They were fairly religious people — not ranting and raving or anything. A lot of adults in those days didn't smoke. It was mostly youngsters.

"The thing is, what they're doing now, they're trying to get children — young girls, especially. Not so much young boys, because they have the sports, which require them to have strong respiratory capacity. They'd rather be the star football player than smoke. But the

girls don't see anything wrong with it, and they don't believe they're ever going to die. Girls worry about their looks, and nobody has come forward and said, 'Look what it does to you.' "

As she points to the wrinkles that converge around her mouth, Lucas explains: "Just look what it does to your face. Not only can you die from it, but you'll look like this forever! Drawing on the cigarettes does this to your skin. You can tell the wrinkles of a smoker, because they go criss-cross."

As she describes the way she discovered her cancer, Lucas's disgust with the medical profession seems unchanged since the 1950s. "I smoked two packs a day for 55 years. I quit in February of 2001. I'm a nurse; I knew what was going on, and I knew I had lung cancer. I didn't know how bad it was or how far along I was. I hadn't had an X-ray in 13 years. This new doctor spent 14 minutes with me — which is about what you can expect. He said, 'Your lungs sound awful.' He did a chest X-ray,

and he called me and told me there was something in my upper right lung. He then ordered a CAT scan. I wasn't too hot on that; I didn't know him at all. That was around the end of January. After the scan, he had somebody I didn't know call me one morning. She said, 'The doctor wants you to have a lung biopsy.' Well, I knew what that meant. I asked her why, and she said, 'I don't know.' So I told her no. I said, 'I need to know why. It's beginning to sound like gun time to me.' It's outrageous to have somebody who doesn't even introduce themselves to call you and tell you that you have lung cancer.

"They called the police. They have this thing at the Center for Health Care that says if a person mentions a gun, they have to call the police. So they dragged me out of here in my nightclothes and handcuffs..." Lucas pauses for a deep breath. "They impounded my dog. It took me about ten minutes to convince them I was not crazy or dangerous, but it was too late for my dog." She

begins to cry. "They force-fed him — I think that's what killed him. He was 15 years old. I begged them not to take him, but they were in and out and gone with him. When I got home, it was too late to do anything."

Lucas regains her composure. "They didn't take me to jail. They took me to what I call the 'Loony Bin' " — she laughs — "County Mental Health in Point Loma. I was frantic when they dragged me in there. I wanted my dog worse than...you know, it reminded me of women having their children torn out of their arms in [Nazi] Germany."

Lucas's behavior has gotten her into trouble more than once. "When I hung up, I expected to hear from the doctor. I went in the kitchen just shocked that he would have this woman call me. I've never been able to find out who she is, and they won't tell me. They called the police on me another time too. I was trying to locate my old doctor there, and they told me that he no longer practiced there and left no for-

warding address. Well, I said, 'That's not possible.' After going this way and that way, she said, 'We can't release his address.' So I told her that I needed to talk to a doctor that I have some rapport with. She said that she thought he might be with a hospice in the area, and I told her, 'Under the circumstances that might be coming in handy.' And, my God, here come the police again! It's just outrageous!"

Regardless of her humor, finding out she had terminal cancer was a shock for Lucas. "My dog died right then too. I was pretty torn up, but, you know, there are worse things that can happen to you." Her voice begins to break. "All my friends here have died."

Her advice to young people thinking about smoking is simple: "Don't. After I was diagnosed with my 'blob,' I found out that my respiratory capacity was only half. I have COPD, which is 'chronic, obstructive pulmonary' something or other. Don't smoke. If you stop, you'll gain a little weight, but it goes away.

"I never tried to quit smoking. I've come out of oxygen tents for cigarettes. I tried to cut back a little once, because I got clotted arteries in my legs, and I've had a terrible time walking. One day I got down to four cigarettes, then I said, 'Forget it. I can't stop.' That was three years ago. I was getting such cramps in my legs from poor circulation. When I finally quit, almost a year ago, it was the easiest thing. I just bought a lot of peanuts. And I ate peanuts! It was totally oral. I think there's serotonin in cigarettes. Same thing that Prozac has, and people get hooked on that for sure."

I wondered how Lucas felt about today's fashion models. "I guess it helps a lot if you look like you're on drugs! The dark circles under your eyes and all that.

"Models were not big cheeses in my day. I did all my own makeup. I'd go to the hairdresser at my own expense. Still, for a day's shoot, which would be maybe up to 20 shots, they'd pay me \$250. That was more than I made in a month nursing." ■

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Quick crossers

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verted to Otay Mesa. And after the extra time to get to Otay, we had to sit in a traffic jam of buses. And there was

a huge line of people who were getting off the buses to cross on foot. Well, one busload of people piled out of their bus and tried to jump into the front of the line, and things got very tense. The people who were already in

line started chanting, 'linea...linea,' which means line. There was some pushing and shoving, and I thought for sure that a riot was going to break out. Finally, a kind of rent-a-cop came out and told the new-

comers that they had to go to the back of this huge line. You should have seen the looks on some of their faces. I've never seen people more dejected."

Ortega walked over September 12 and 13, but

word started spreading that, for the first time in memory, crossing by car was the fastest way across. "So I decided to get back in the car. I was doing an average of two hours, two and a half hours in the car. That lasted until pretty

much the first week of December."

That first week of December, Ortega's average wait dropped back below an hour again, and now, "It's pretty much where it used to be. What I've noticed is that in the past we used to have customs agents and some immigration officers as well. Now, I've seen border patrol officers in the booths coming across. So I guess they increased staff that way."

And, while every driver was made to stop and open the hood and trunk for about a month, by Ortega's estimation, after September 11, that situation has loosened. "It varies depending on who's at the booth," he explains. "I see the same people over and over at those booths, and I've seen certain officers that sit in the booth, and they don't even walk out to your car. They don't even check your ID. They just say, 'Go ahead,' and wave you through. I've seen other officers who are really strict. They make everybody open up the hood. They make you open up the trunk. They check the car. Usually, it's the same officers who do that. So it actually depends on who the officer is in your line."

Though he's never seen riots or near-riots at the border, Ortega has witnessed a few lost tempers. "And I've heard stories from other crossers about that. Especially after September 11, when everything was going crazy, people were getting a little desperate. I saw a lot more cutting in, more anger, and I heard stories of actual fist-fights breaking out. I never saw them, but I heard stories from some of my employees who live down there as well."

Asked how he keeps his cool at the border, Ortega responds with a laugh. "Well, I take a crossword — not all the time, but I do carry them once in a while. And I make calls on my cell phone to check on my employees. But mostly, I'm just mentally prepared to spend some time in line. I'm already used to it, and I don't mind the line at all. But, because I'm familiar with it, I do know that it can be pretty stressful to some people. What I recommend is that they just allow themselves to get used to it. The line is always going to be there." ■

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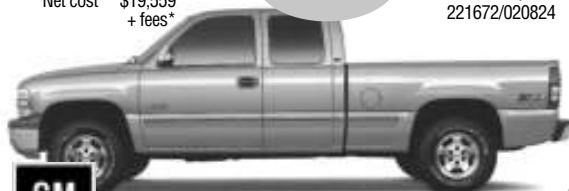
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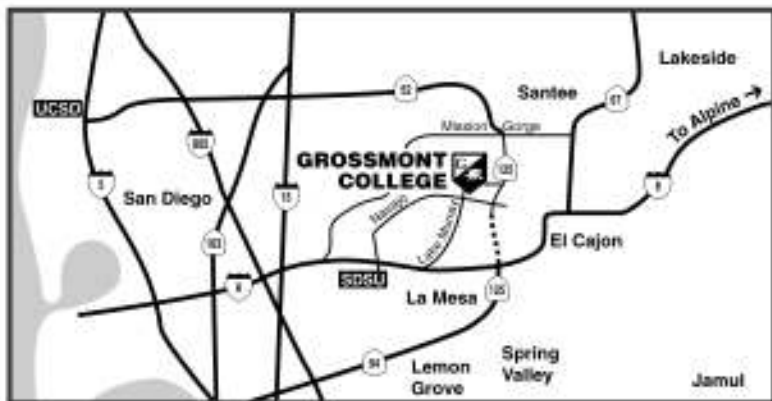
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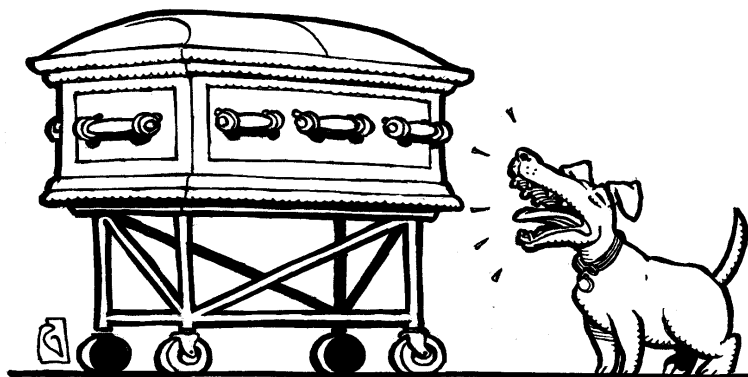
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

Illustration by Rick Geary



Matthew Alice:

I am a civilian employee working at 32nd Street Naval Station. The files of deceased service members are referred to as "blue barks." Can you find the history of this name?

— L. Peacock, Golden Hill

This query is dated July 25, 1997. In the bustling Alice offices, it has its own fat file that documents four years of sleuthing, probing, cajoling, threatening, whimpering — all the sure-fire research techniques we've always relied on. We even gave the assignment to our elite squadron of CIA-trained elves. They've earned medals for bravery in combat during campaigns to get info from Disneyland and Hollywood film companies. But we finally had to send in the choppers and extract them from this operation. They're not used to losing. It was a pitiful sight. After four years of searching, we've found no one who knows the origin of "blue bark."

So why should we talk about such a bitter defeat at all? First, to let you know that even if you sent us a question in a previous lifetime, there's always a chance we'll decide on some whim or other to finally answer it. Second, because this is officially the most difficult question we've ever received, it deserves some recognition.

"Blue bark," according to the Department of Defense dictionary: "U.S. military personnel, U.S. citizen civilian employees of the [DoD], and the dependents of both categories who travel in connection with the death of an immediate family member. It also applies to designated escorts for [said] dependents. Furthermore, the term is used to designate the personal property shipment of a deceased member." I'll spare you further research details, even though I could make quite a drama out of it, to the point where all of you would feel very sorry for all of us and send chocolate-walnut brownies and large bags of pistachios and money to comfort us in our hour of loss. That little ploy has worked before.

Anyway, one evening not too long ago, while searching for new blind alleys to follow, I chanced upon someone who has firsthand knowledge of how weird military names come about. There is somewhere in the Department of Defense a number of offices that make up names like Operation Constant Vigil (our drug "war") and Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) — the big, official stuff. But there's a lot of military jargon that falls into the category of slang or nicknames and doesn't come out of any DoD office. "Blue bark," it seems, is officially classified as a nickname, even though the concept seems to have no alternative or formal name — like putting "Fatso" on your kid's birth certificate. I'm told that blue bark is a very old nickname; the origin is lost in time.

To show how some of these names come about, consider my source's story about her husband, who was in charge of contingency planning for a military mission in Central America. One of his jobs was assigning temporary code names to various operations. He named one after the family dog. Imagine one day a military historian puzzling over the origin of Operation Fido. Much like us pursuing "blue bark."

Matt:

It's kind of a gross question, but that doesn't make it any less worth wondering about: In the cold I can see my breath, but how come I can't see my fart?

— Matt, Vienna

Heck, Matt, it makes the question *more* worth wondering about. Everybody needs the answer to this, even though they didn't know they needed it until you asked. Consider it a public service.

A fart and a sigh are very different things. They might seem like twin exhalations from opposite ends of the same tube. But no, my friend. When you breathe out, you're ridding your body of the byproducts of respiration. Those byproducts are carbon dioxide and water. When you fart, you're ridding your body of the byproducts of bacterial action on undigestible cellulose and carbohydrates in your lower gut. Those byproducts are nitrogen, oxygen, carbon dioxide, methane, and perhaps hydrogen sulfide. More than 50 percent of your fart will be CO₂ and hydrogen.

So what do you see when you see your breath? It's the moisture that you exhale as it moves from the warmth of your body to the cold air outside. Warm air can hold more moisture than cold air, so outside your body the moisture condenses and becomes visible. A fart doesn't have the proper water content, so we have no similar telltale butt cloud.

And while we're on the subject, as another example of our public service dedication, here's some info on one man's crusade to rid the world of another kind of telltale butt cloud. Buck Weimer of Pueblo, Colorado, is married to a woman who suffers from a serious bowel disease that makes her unfortunately fragrant. To spare her the embarrassment and him the smell, he invented UnderEase, air-tight underwear with a strategically located charcoal filter that removes the offending gasses (*under-tec.com*). The Weimers are used to the snickers; but according to users' testimonials, it's a boon to the afflicted.

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. A searchable archive of past columns is available at SanDiegoReader.com.

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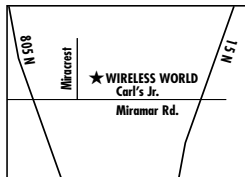
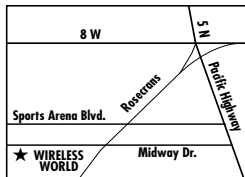
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SportingBox

By Patrick Daugherty

Schottenheimer's Heartbreak

On the NFL calendar, January is Show Time, and I don't mean the reliably boring Super Bowl. *Au contraire!* True sports enthusiasts know January is that extra-special time of year when NFL coaches are fired. January is when the headlines on 100 sports pages scream, *Beloved Team Leader and Community Pillar Fired by Heartless Owner. Pathetic, But Respected Sacked Coach Huddles by Free-way Onramp Clutching a Wet Cardboard Sign That Says, "My Infant Daughter Needs Medicine."*

Sportswriters write this dreck even though sportswriters know the rules of the game and, in fact, are paid to explain said rules to the public. Rule One in the NFL Book of Rules states that every coach who's hired will be fired.

The authors of these *Golly, They Fired the Coach* articles are living in a time sink-hole, stuck in 1953, long before the big money came in — make that, long before the *small* money came in. In those bygone days, NFL players hired on for a carton of Lucky Strikes and Friday-night beer money. Their coach, if he had a winning year, got to work the lot at the local Oldsmobile dealership during off-season.

But, as they say, that was then and therefore a waste of our time to think about now. The point is, one can rest easy in the certainty that the criminally overloaded TV-money train did not leave NFL coaches standing in a cornfield with no place to park their limousines. NFL coaches are cashing in, stuffing their faces deep into the NFL money trough just as hard and as fast as any Number One draft pick out of any football factory you can name.

Regard my new favorite coach, the recently fired Marty Schottenheimer. The lad was head coach of the Washington Redskins for 375 days. As per his contract, Schottenheimer will rake in 2.5 million dollars a year for the next three years, which will bring his total salary for 53 1/2 weeks of employment up to an agreeable 10 million dollars.

Marty was gracious as he packed his bags and left Washington. He told reporters that ownership had the right to hire whomever they wanted and wished the team well. It's just a darn shame things didn't work out for the very wonderful fans, wonderful organization, wonderful city, make that region of Washington, our nation's capital and corporate headquarters of the free, near free, and enslaved world, known far and wide, as earth, the best damn planet in our galaxy, bar none.

A class act, don't you think? Still, if you can't be gracious for the length of one 20-minute press conference in return for 7.5 million dollars that you don't have to work for, then you shouldn't be allowed to share oxygen with the rest of us.

Perhaps I'm being too harsh. Perhaps, the real problem, the underlying dilemma of professional sports, is that we don't have enough stupid people in positions of authority? That may well be, and certainly someone will have to make inquiries into this matter.

In the meantime, let's clap our hands for the new Redskins head coach, the former Florida football head coach, Mr. Steve Spurrier! Spurrier, to the everlasting joy of every other coach in the NFL, has inflated the going rate

for his brethren by signing a five-year contract worth 5 million-plus dollars a year, double his predecessor's salary. That's not bad for a man who has not worked a single NFL game, although, I should note, that there are more than a few college coaches who would dispute Spurrier's claim that he never coached professional football.

Spurrier joins the small but rapidly growing 5 million dollars a year coaching clubhouse whose members include Mike Shanahan (Denver Broncos) and Mike Holmgren (Seattle Seahawks). Incidentally, the next clubhouse inductee will be opening the new 6 million dollars a year wing on what members say is, after all, a clubhouse that has seen better days.

And when you get down to it, who else would you want scissoring that opening-day ribbon than the champ of contract dispute, the prince of legal loopholes, the king of *It's*

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All About Me, Big Bill Parcells! Parcells is reported to be the next ravenous leech to feed off the eternally hapless piece of beached blubber known as the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

I feel better. I hope you do too.

Naturellement, you want to know where San Diego stands in all this. Well, the Chargers paid Mike Riley 750,000 dollars a year, which says everything you need to know about Riley and about the Chargers ownership.

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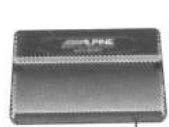


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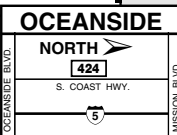
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UNSURE IN UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

Dear Unsure,

My dear, of course you're not an idiot. This happens all the time: we fall for someone we insisted was just a casual fling. Love or great fondness or attachment surprises us by sneaking in the back door disguised as carnality. Then it throws off lust's cloak and announces, **HERE I AM! NOW DEAL WITH YOUR FEELINGS!** You're probably going to have to come clean. Have a frank talk with this guy. That will take courage, and could be uncomfortable. You're also going to have to be prepared for the possibility that this man likes things just as they are. As the old fortune-telling Eightball toy used to say, "signs point to" his being content with the status quo. If he says that your confession is what he's been longing to hear and he grabs your hand and starts singing Cole Porter songs, great. I hope that's what happens. However, if he says he wants your relations to remain confined to the bedroom, and you ache for dinners out, mutual friends, commitment, devotion, any of the above, you'll have some serious thinking to do. Unless he's genuinely enthused about your proposed upgrade in affection levels, you'll need to look elsewhere if you want a bona fide boyfriend and not a sometime lover. Whether you dump him or keep trying depends on what you want your love life to be and with whom. The things you're longing for aren't unreasonable. The right man would be flattered and delighted by your proposal. If this guy isn't willing to kick the relationship up a notch, I bet my bicycle you'll find another man who is.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I have a co-worker who is consistently negative about everything. If you pay him a compliment, he denigrates himself. Say that the weather is nice, he's sure it'll rain tomorrow. Offer him a cookie, he's on a diet or is allergic to at least two of the ingredients. This is someone I have to deal with for eight hours a day, five days a week, and he's not a bad person...just relentlessly pessimistic. It's starting to make me

depressed! What can I do?

ON MY LAST NERVE IN
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Dear Last Nerve,

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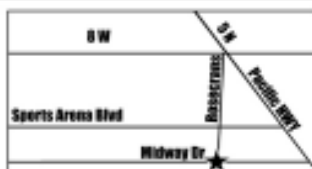
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Trigger Happy or Just Plain Happy? Who is David Medina?



David Medina

Earlier during the sentencing hearing, Medina explained to Judge Thompson that he had been wrongly convicted on July 3 of four counts of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted murder in gang-related shootings between 1996 and 1999. "I know I've made a lot of poor decisions in my life," Medina said, "but I also know I can say I've been convicted of crimes I didn't commit."

Before Medina pleaded his case to the judge, his mother read a prepared statement explaining her family's "unconditional love for our son" and her belief that "David is innocent of the charges against him." She commended her son for "facing this indescribable ordeal with courage and dignity" and vowed to "do everything to exonerate David and reunite him with his family."

After her statement, Armando Vasquez, one victim's father, read a brief statement. "I'd also like to reiterate my unconditional love for my son," Vasquez said. "David Medina is a poor excuse for a human being."

Medina's crimes stunned his family and friends; they simply baffled everyone else. People that I spoke with could not fathom that someone with his talents and intellect could murder for the sake of a small street gang. Medina's story doesn't corroborate anything anyone knows, or thinks he knows, about gangs and urban violence. Though the crimes themselves are solved, the motives will always be a mystery.

David Medina was a kind son, a loving father, a *cum laude* graduate of UC San Diego, a passionate advocate for social justice, and a trigger-happy leader of the Southeast Locos — a local gang with turf from Southeast San Diego down to Chula Vista. The gang's 30 or so members had a reputation for being well educated, employed, and violent.

I gleaned this narrative of Medina's life,

crimes, and trial from a variety of sources, including the prosecution's statement of fact, court documents outlining grand jury and trial testimony, police interviews with witnesses and suspects, letters between attorneys, and interviews with the few people willing to talk about the case. The single best source for information about Medina is the sentencing document presented to the court by his appointed defense attorney, Douglas Brown. The bound book — submitted about three weeks before the day of the sentencing to aid the defense's request for leniency — includes chapters on Medina's family, "early years," "college years," "commitment to social justice," and brief marriage. It also includes an appendix of letters written in support of Medina by his family, friends, professors, and coworkers. The district attorney's office and the court did withhold certain documents, however, because the second trial of Ruben "Bandit" Bernal, a Southeast Loco charged with some of the same crimes as Medina, was still pending while I worked on this story.

The Student

"He likes *Far Side* cartoons and tuna fish," the defense's sentencing document explains. He is an "avid weight lifter" and "wants to go to law school so that he can utilize the law to help poor people." By all appearances, Medina was a normal, though gifted, college graduate. David Arturo Medina was born on September 29, 1976, in Delano, California — a farming town on Highway 99 between Bakersfield and Fresno. His parents, Eliseo Vasquez Medina and Dorothy Ann Johnson, were volunteers with the United Farm Workers of America — César Chávez's farmers union.

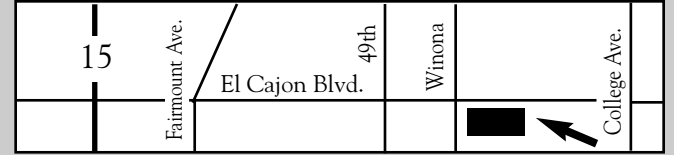
Medina's father and Chávez were close friends and comrades during the 1970s. Eliseo Medina emigrated from Mexico when he was ten. He was the son of a Mexican farmworker who participated in the U.S. bracero program, which ran from 1942 to 1964. The U.S. Department of Labor had brought in Mexican braceros — "a pair of arms" — during World War II to fill jobs vacated by Okies and others shipped off to join the military or to work in urban factories. According to Susan Ferriss and Ricardo Sandoval, authors of *The Fight in the Fields: César Chávez and the Farmworkers Movement* (1997), during the postwar years the bracero program "was riddled with abuse. Delighted with what turned out to be a compliant, dutiful, and cheap workforce during

In her letter in the sentencing document, Medina's mother recalled, "When he got to UCSD, it was as if he discovered new talents and new possibilities within himself."

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World War II, western farmers had successfully lobbied federal agencies to continue the bracero program into peacetime.” Ernesto Galarza, an educated advocate for better conditions for the braceros, described in his 1964 book *Merchants of Labor* how the workers were forced to eat “sheep heads,” “chicken necks,” and “moldy leftovers.” These were the conditions that Chávez sought to improve through his union programs.

Eliseo grew interested in organizing because he experienced some of the awful working conditions himself when he was an 18-year-old farm laborer in Delano. He told Ferriss and Sandoval about an unscrupulous contractor who cheated his workers to cover bad debts. “Every Saturday we’d have to get up at six in the morning, and the whole crew would go and stake out his house and not



The United Farm Workers executive board, 1977; Eliseo Medina fourth from left, César Chávez far right

leave until he paid us,” Eliseo said. “Here, this group of people had taken this guy and made him pay back wages. This guy was the biggest labor contractor around, and he got dinged!”

It was during the 1965 Delano grape strike — when Filipino, Mexican, and Chi-

cano workers walked out of the fields — that Eliseo first met Chávez. On September 16, Mexican Independence Day, Eliseo sat at home nursing a broken leg and watching *I Love Lucy*. When he heard of the strike, he hobbled on crutches to Our Lady of

Guadalupe Church, in Delano, and watched the small-statured Chávez galvanize the crowd. That night Eliseo shook all the money out of his piggy bank, went to the union office, and paid three months’ worth of dues, \$10.50, all at once. He was quickly seduced by the cause.

“We were standing tall,” he told Ferriss and Sandoval. He moved up the ranks and became one of the youngest organizers to earn Chávez’s trust.

When Eliseo was just 21, and before he had ever been east of Texas, Chávez ordered him to Chicago to organize a grape boycott. Ferriss and Sandoval report, Eliseo “led the boycott in one of the biggest cities in the country, rubbing shoulders with powerful politicians and speaking at huge labor conventions. Eliseo found Chicago’s supermarkets tough to crack, however, and he resorted to organizing sit-ins in the middle of stores.” When Eliseo grew homesick, he called Chávez and asked if he could return to Delano. Chávez told him to stick it out, and Eliseo remained in Chicago for two years.

“We got every single chain store in Chicago to

stop selling grapes,” Eliseo later recalled.

Eliseo parted ways with Chávez in 1978 after an argument over changes in the legal department of the United Farm Workers union. Eliseo recalled for Ferriss and Sandoval that Chávez challenged him to leave if he did not like the changes. “So I did,” Eliseo said. Still, he remembers those years as among the best in his life. Eliseo remained a labor organizer and has climbed the ranks of the Service Employees International Union, one of the nation’s largest unions. He was a driving force behind the successful Justice for Janitors campaigns in Los Angeles and San Francisco and today, as executive vice president of the union, is organized labor’s de facto point man on immigration and amnesty issues. He is also masterminding a major campaign to organize L.A.

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Medina was born just two years before Eliseo and Chávez went their different ways, but when he was growing up, he accompanied his father on voter registration drives and other union campaigns. The family moved around between hot, dusty cities, like Fresno and Keene in the Central Valley and Indio in the Coachella Valley. In 1979 the family moved to Long Beach; a year later Medina's sister Elena was born. In a letter submitted with the defense's sentencing document, Elena, an undergraduate at UCLA, said that she admired her brother and respected his intellect. "He never pulled my hair, beat me up, or read my diary," she wrote.

In 1981 the Medinas moved to Austin, Texas,

where Dorothy entered law school. In Austin, Medina lived like most young boys. He collected baseball cards (and reportedly still has a great collection) and idolized the Cincinnati Reds outfielder Eric Davis. In a letter submitted with the sentencing document, Eliseo remembers Medina's compassion on the soccer field. "David was always the first to help up his hurt teammates," he wrote. Medina's aunt, Shirley Johnston, remembered him as a "bright and cheerful little boy." When Medina was ten, the family moved yet again, settling this time in Chula Vista. Medina entered the fifth grade at Kellogg Elementary. In 1989 Eliseo and Dorothy were separated; they divorced in 1993, when Medina was 17. Eliseo remarried in 1995; four years later, he and his wife adopted a daughter.

Medina attended Hill-



Doug Brown

top High School in Chula Vista, where he befriended gang members even as he managed to carry on a fruitful relationship with Claudia Martinez, graduate with honors in 1994, and win acceptance to UC San Diego. Medina had applied to

UC Davis, UC Santa Barbara, and UC San Diego. He was accepted at all of the schools and entered Thurgood Marshall College at UCSD in 1994. In her letter in the sentencing document, Medina's mother recalled, "When he got to

UCSD, it was as if he discovered new talents and new possibilities within himself." At UCSD Medina majored in sociology and minored in Urban Planning and in Law and Society. Medina took a wide variety of courses, includ-

ing Spanish, Chaucer, African-American Literature, and Homelessness in America. He got an A in Youth, Crime, and Gangs.

At UCSD Medina also worked in the Summer Bridge Program, which helps underrepresented minority and economic populations prepare for college life. Throughout his years in college Medina impressed his professors. A sociology professor, Maria Charles, wrote, his "academic performance was excellent. I regarded him as one of the most talented and promising students in his cohort." An ethnic studies professor, George Lipsitz, had a huge impact on Medina and admired his work ethic. Professor Lipsitz wrote, "During his last quarter at UCSD, I had many conversations with him in my office about his career goals and personal ambitions." He added that Medina "radiated intelligence

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and empathy” and that others turned to him for “guidance.”

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A fellow student, Carl Christopher, also wrote a letter on Medina’s behalf: “I saw in David an unyielding passion for knowledge and human justice.” Another friend, Niroshi R. Disanayake, wrote, “David is

undoubtedly the single most inspiring figure in my life.”

Medina also worked in the weight room at UCSD’s recreational complex. He started as a supervisor and was quickly promoted to a “lead” position. His boss, Jeff Milton, wrote, “He was one of our best.” Jake Lacy, a coworker, noted, “Not only did David handle the pressure of being an honor student... he also is a very loving father.”

On December 29, 1995, Medina’s high school sweetheart Claudia gave birth to the couple’s daughter, Maya. Their parents were unhappy about the pregnancy, but Medina assured Claudia’s

parents in their living room that he would care for the child and Claudia. In her letter, Claudia remembered that during her pregnancy

separate nine months later, though they shared custody of Maya. Maya’s baby-sitters said in their joint statement that she would cry for

her letter in the sentencing document, Maria Martinez recalled that when Claudia was in high school, Medina would go around to her teachers when she was sick to collect her homework assignments. Medina’s mother described how he would pack Maya lunch because she liked watching him make his own lunches to bring to work. Medina also paid for Maya’s health-care premiums.

In 1998 Medina graduated *cum laude* from UCSD with a cumulative GPA of 3.66 and a 3.79 GPA in his major. He made the provost’s honor roll six times.

In January 1999 Med-

ina started his first job. He commuted to Integrated Resources Institute in Irvine, an employment agency that helps clients with mental and physical disabilities find mainstream jobs. He would comb the want ads for jobs for his clients and would help them write résumés and prepare for interviews. Several months later, in March 1999, he learned of a position at the Fair Housing Council of San Diego. The position called for someone with much more experience and a master’s degree. But Medina performed so well in his interview that in April he was hired. He was serious about the job and

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traveled to Washington, D.C., on several occasions for work. Medina reportedly saw fair housing and fair loan laws as an antidote to weaknesses in civil rights laws. His mother recalled that he "learned how to run meetings and work with government officials." The sentencing document quotes Medina as saying that he was particularly proud about one case he worked on. On behalf of a Spanish-speaking tenant, he intervened with an apartment manager. The tenant's son, who was four, was incontinent and urinated in the building. The manager wanted the tenant out of the building, but Medina mediated an agreement. Mary Scott-Knoll, Medina's supervisor at the Fair Housing Council, wrote, "David always showed...the utmost... respect." Another coworker at the Fair Housing Council, David R. Estrella, called Medina "charismatic."

But, according to Medina's attorney, Doug Brown, he maintained ties to friends whose lives were headed in another direction. Three years before he was hired, he had already committed one of the murders he was eventually convicted of. Just months after he started work at the Fair Housing Council, he would take part in three more murders. One witness later testified that Medina had boasted to him about carrying a semiautomatic handgun to work in his briefcase. The witness said that the weapon made Medina "feel comfortable"; he liked "knowing that he was strapped."

The Crimes

On October 29, 1994, months after he enrolled at UCSD, Medina crashed a party thrown by Martina Tangen for her son Matthew. Medina allegedly started a fight and Tangen asked him to leave. Medina threatened to shoot her, then fired a shot in the air. Detectives retrieved a casing from a .380-caliber handgun at the scene.

On June 21, 1996, 16-year-old Hector Martinez, a Hilltop High student, was walking toward the 7-Eleven located at Broadway and K Street in Chula Vista. He was with his 14-year-old brother, Jose, and two friends. They were

allegedly members of the Varrio Chula Vista street gang. Meanwhile, some Southeast Locos attempted to enter a nearby nightclub, but because of their appearance they were not allowed in. The Southeast Locos then drove down Broadway; David Medina was

behind the wheel of a green Ford Taurus. At Broadway and K Street, they saw the Varrio Chula Vista members; both sides threw up gang signs with their hands. The Southeast Locos drove away and the Varrio Chula Vistas continued down K Street. Several blocks away,

the two groups saw each other again. Three of the Southeast Locos jumped out of the car and chased the Martinez brothers and their two friends on foot. Medina and a Southeast Loco named Julio Aguilar gave chase in Medina's car.

Jose Martinez later

remembered that a car pulled up when his group was at the intersection of Jefferson Avenue and Sierra Way; it was "bumping music," he said. The car peeled away, and Hector told his younger brother that he had been shot. Hector was bleeding from the chest. Another wit-

ness remembered seeing a hand point out of the car window and then flashes fire from a gun.

Julio Aguilar later testified before a grand jury that the evening had begun at his house. The group decided to leave the house and go to Club Diversity.

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Aguilar went with Medina in a green Taurus, which belonged to Medina. After they were denied entry at the club, they went for a drive. When they encountered the Varrio Chula Vista gang, they threw their signs. Then they chased the Martinez brothers and their friends. Shots were fired. They drove back to Aguilar's mother's house. Aguilar testified that Medina said, "I hit him." Medina then told Aguilar to pretend that he did it.

Hector Martinez died from his wounds. The bullet, from a .380-caliber handgun, entered the right side of his heart, fractured his ribs, and caused severe bleeding. Casings from the gun were later compared to a .380 casing found at the Tangens' in 1994 and at the site of an attempted murder in 1997. The casings matched.

The 1997 attempted

murder occurred on January 24. Alina Jefferies and her boyfriend Rafael Cruz were at the 7-Eleven on H Street in Chula Vista. Medina and a friend, David Bury, ran into the couple in front of the store. Bury, whom Jefferies knew as "Super Dave," allegedly confronted them. Cruz went into the store and Jefferies told Medina and Bury to leave them alone because she was pregnant. When Cruz walked out of the store, Medina and Bury told him to shut up before he got "capped." Then they followed Jefferies and Cruz across the street to La Tostada taco shop and started to beat them. Jefferies was shot in the stomach, but her fetus was not injured; Cruz was also shot. A limousine driver later identified Medina as one of the suspects.

Two and a half years later, on September 10, 1999, Adam Joshua Vasquez, 18,



Thomas Warwick Jr.

and Victor Manuel Vega IV, 19, were gunned down and killed as they left a party at 1193 Thalia Street in Nestor. Vasquez and Vega were

cousins and members of a large, close-knit family. Police said that neither of them was a member of a gang. Vasquez, of Chula Vista, was

a freshman at Southwestern Community College and a graduate of Castle Park High; Vega, who was born in National City, worked for a dry-cleaning company. Witnesses identified the assailants as up to 15 party-crashers in three cars who returned to the party after they were denied entry.

A female witness to the shooting said later that a green Honda drove by — "it was real shiny," she recalled. "There were five guys in the car. It looked like they were 'mad dogging' my boyfriend." Then she reported hearing gunshots. Another witness, Anthony Lam, said he had just arrived at the party when his car was shot at. He sped away.

A detective arrived at the scene at 11:55 p.m. He reported that a fence was knocked out. A red 1987 Toyota pickup had crashed through it. The headlights

were on, the stereo was blasting, and the engine had stalled. Vega and Vasquez were in "grim" condition, the detective said. They had both been shot in the head. Vasquez's brain stem was perforated; Vega had a bullet hole near his right ear.

Almost two months later, on November 6, 1999, Medina and a friend, Ruben Bernal, attended a party at Hospitality Point on Mission Bay. They were at a bonfire with other Southeast Locos west of the gazebo. Three parolees who were members of another gang, the El Cajon Dukes, arrived and attempted to mingle with the group of Southeast Locos. Among the group of El Cajon Dukes were twins, Paul and Peter Truong. They got into a confrontation with Medina and Bernal, who was known as "Bandit." A fight broke out and both twins were shot. Peter was shot several times but



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lived. Paul lay facedown and begged for his life before Bernal allegedly executed him. Four types of casings were found at the scene: two from 9mm handguns, one from a .32-caliber handgun, and one from a .40-caliber handgun. An unidentified motorist dropped off both of the Truongs at a nearby hospital. Paul was shot in the sternum, though it was a shot to the heart that killed him. Police said that Peter initially declined to give them information about a possible motive or the location of the shooting. However, there were many witnesses to the murder.

One witness, Frank Mariscal, was a friend of the Truong twins. Mariscal

said he was at his aunt's house that day because she had just died. Mariscal picked up Peter and Paul to go to Hospitality Point. Mariscal testified during Medina's trial that a fight soon erupted. Mariscal said that he had blood on his face and that Peter and Paul were down on the ground. They drove to the hospital and then Mariscal fled.

Just after midnight on June 17, 2001 — after his testimony in Medina's murder trial — Mariscal was shot in the chest and killed at an apartment complex on Broadway near Ballantyne Street in El Cajon. He had been visiting a friend when several people began arguing outside the apart-

ment, El Cajon police said. Timothy Haman, 23, of El Cajon, was arrested and booked on a homicide charge. Police did not believe Mariscal's death was linked to his testimony in the Hospitality Point murder. One person who saw Mariscal testify, and who wished to remain anonymous, said she was not at all surprised that he was shot.

"He was a bad guy," she told me. "A real shit. Lots of people probably wanted him dead."

Lennette Williamson, who was 17 at the time of the Hospitality Point shooting, testified that she arrived at the bonfire at 11:30 p.m. and a fight was going on. She said she saw "Bandit"

(Bernal) shooting at one of the Truongs. Bernal was saying, "Yo, see here, fool." The victim, meanwhile, was yelling, "It hurts, fucking quit it." Williamson saw the shooter pull the trigger six or seven times. The victim was saying, "It hurts. Stop. I'm sorry."

Robert Simon also testified about the shooting. He saw Truong get shot in the head and later identified Bernal in a lineup. In return for his testimony, the prosecution provided Simon with witness relocation for his protection.

Another witness, Justin Bell, was standing next to Bernal when Bernal allegedly hit a guy over the head with a beer bottle. According to

Bell, Bernal then grabbed a gun from his back and started firing. He was shooting at several people and seemed to be enjoying it, Bell said.

Matthew Boyd was a friend of Bernal's brother. At a gathering days after the shooting, Boyd said he heard Medina refer to the shooting and say, "I have to blow people's heads off when I get in gunfights."

The Case

The case against Medina and Ruben "Bandit" Bernal was built on witness testimony, phone records, ballistics, and the results of police investigations. During January 2000 a police task force diligently tracked

the path of two guns — an AK-47 and a 9mm semi-automatic handgun — that left telltale shell casings at the scenes of at least four killings. They had suspected members of the Southeast Locos and were tracking Medina and his associates. On January 29 investigators caught a break when police spotted Medina's green Honda Civic traveling erratically on the 1800 block of Garnet Avenue in Pacific Beach. Medina and Bernal were pulled over for speeding. The 1999 Honda was registered in the name of Dorothy Johnson, Medina's mother. One officer at the scene stated that the inside of the car smelled like a brewery. Bernal was driv-

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ing and was arrested for driving under the influence. Medina consented to a search of his car. In the trunk cops found holsters, gun-cleaning equipment, and eight guns — six handguns, a rifle, and a shotgun. Medina and Bernal spoke in the back of the police cruiser, but the tape of that conversation was later dismissed from evidence. After being arrested for gun violations, Medina made bail, but in the following days ballistics tests linked some of the weapons to some of the shootings. Two guns matched casings found at the scene of the Hospitality Point incident — a 9mm registered to Medina and a .40-caliber handgun registered to a onetime Southeast Loco named

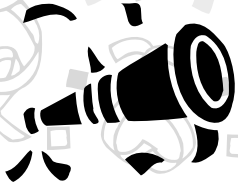
“Bullet.”
Almost a month later, on February 25, 2000, Medina and Bernal went downtown to the San Diego Police Department headquarters to retrieve the guns and were arrested on suspicion of murdering Vasquez, Vega, and Paul William Truong. They were also suspected in the Hector Martinez murder. Medina, who lived at the time with his mother in Bonita, was reportedly clean-cut when he was arrested. He was wearing his work clothes — a coat and tie. At the same time, 240 agents, officers, and detectives from 12 law enforcement agencies served search warrants at 14 locations around the county and arrested 15 fellow gang

members or associates for parole and probation violations. The task force seized eight other weapons, including automatic handguns, sawed-off shotguns, and revolvers during the sweeps, which began simultaneously at about 7:00 a.m. Both Medina’s and Bernal’s homes were searched. Eleven Southeast Loco properties were also searched.
That same day Jose Manuel Astorga, or “Woody,” gave a statement to police that he had overheard some Southeast Locos saying that they had “unloaded on some El Cajon Dukes.” Astorga said that he had met Medina and Bernal at the Love Shack, a gang hangout. He said he had brought an 18-pack of MGD and that


Happy (Medina) and Bernal had brought a bottle of tequila and a big bottle of Presidente brandy. They were all doing shots. Astorga said that Medina seemed happy about the shootings. According to Astorga, Medina said that the Dukes had made the mistake of shaking hands in the wrong way, thus giving away their gang affiliation. Astorga added that Medina was drinking tequila and beer and bragging about shooting some “Chinos” at the beach. Happy laughed when he told the story, Astorga said. Investigators wrote down Astorga’s version of events: “At the beach and nearby were some Lords, Old Town National City, and El Cajon Dukes. Some Locos and Dukes

(Paul) shook hands, but Paul wouldn’t let go, which was seen as a challenge to Bernal. The Chinos then took their shirts off. Medina then said that he started to unload on the Chinos. The witness said that Medina got so excited telling the story that he scared the witness.”
On February 26, 2000, police placed Medina in a lineup. Alina Jefferies identified him as her assailant. Investigators matched .380 casings at the scene of the Jefferies and Cruz shooting with casings found at the site of the Hector Martinez murder.
Three days later police charged Medina with the murders of Martinez and Truong and with the assault

on Alina Jefferies. They also began an investigation into his connection with the murders of Adam Vasquez and Victor Vega. Deputy District Attorney Colin Murray said that Medina and Bernal were suspects in that case and that ballistics tests pointed to them, though not enough evidence had been gathered to file charges. (They were later charged in the murders.) At this time prosecutors entered controversial rap tapes into evidence for the first time. Medina, investigators said in court, had made rap recordings in which he boasted of shooting people. Murray told reporters that on the tape Medina “recounts some of the shootings he committed with his




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gang."

Medina's family retained attorney Thomas Warwick Jr. for his defense. Warwick is one of San Diego's most prominent defense attorneys. He is a director of the San Diego County Bar Association and a member of the Judicial Council of California. When Alicia Pfin-

gst, the sister of San Diego's district attorney Paul Pfin-
gst and an employee of the DA's office, was arrested in April 1999 for two counts of driving under the influence, she hired Warwick to defend her. As further evidence of the respect that Warwick commands in local legal circles, he was hired

to defend Kent Hoflen in October 2000. Hoflen, a detective in the San Diego Police Department's domestic violence unit, was arrested on September 21, 2000, for soliciting a prostitute during an undercover sting operation by the El Cajon Police Department.

In front of Superior

Court judge Richard Hanscom, both Medina and Bernal pleaded not guilty to murder charges. The courtroom was full of the defendants' family and friends. Several other suspects also pleaded not guilty, including David Bury, 23; Julio Aguilar, 23; Rafael Hernandez, 20; and Michael Sierra, 19. Murray said he would be filing allegations against Medina and Bernal that could lead to the death penalty or life in prison without the possibility of parole if they were con-

victed. Judge Hanscom ordered Medina and Bernal held without bail. Bury, Aguilar, Hernandez, and Sierra were each ordered held on \$1 million bail.

So the district attorney's office arraigned and charged Medina with:

Count one: the murder of Hector Martinez on June 21, 1996 (also charged were David Bury and Julio Aguilar).

Count two: the murder of Paul Truong on November 6, 1999 (also charged was Ruben Bernal).

Count three: the attempted murder of Peter Truong on November 6, 1999.

Counts four and five: the attempted murder of Rafael Cruz and Alina Jeffries on January 24, 1997 (also charged was David Bury).

Count six: the negligent discharge of a firearm at the Tangens' party on October 29, 1994.

On March 24, 2000, the preliminary exam for Medina, Bernal, and Bury was continued to June 13, 2000,

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and a discovery motion was set for May 17, 2000. The trial was assigned to Judge John Thompson.

On May 10, 2000, there was some legal wrangling in court over the withholding of witness addresses. Over 50 people witnessed all the crimes, and Warwick asked the court for their names, addresses, and copies of their statements. Medina promised the court that there were no safety issues as far as the witnesses were concerned. But after the Hospitality Point murder, two associates of Medina's, Eduardo and Jesus Garcia, visited Robert Simon, a witness, and told him to keep quiet. On May 17 the court ruled that the witnesses did not have to supply the

defense with their addresses. In the end, most of the witnesses opted not to share the information.

During the discovery in May the defense team asked the court to let the suspects dress in street clothes in order to avoid the stigma of having to wear prison clothes in front of a jury. Judge Thompson granted the request. Also in May, David Bury joined the discovery, meaning he would cooperate with prosecutors. On July 11 Bury pleaded guilty to charges relating to the murder of Martinez and the assault on Jefferies and Cruz and was convicted.

Ultimately the prosecution provided the defense with 900 pages of discovery evidence including crime

scene reports, autopsy reports, ballistics, and witness statements. Medina asked for the criminal records of the witnesses and urged the prosecution to investigate their backgrounds.

On May 11 Julio Aguilar pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter and offered to testify in the Martinez case in exchange for leniency. As is usual in these cases, the prosecution requested that Aguilar's three prior criminal convictions be sanitized so that he would appear to the jury as a more reliable witness.

The rap tapes came up in court again on May 17. The prosecution objected to having to share copies of the tapes with the defense, but the judge insisted that

Medina's team had a right to listen to the tapes. Also, Medina's defense requested that the judge set bail for him. The judge denied the request.

On June 6, 2000, Medina was indicted on nine counts:

Count one: the murder of Hector Martinez on June 21, 1996.

Count two: the attempted murder of Jose Martinez on June 21, 1996.

Count three: the murder of Adam Vasquez on September 10, 1999.

Count four: the murder of Victor Vega on September 10, 1999.

Count five: the attempted murder of Anthony Lam on September 10, 1999.

Count six: the attempted

murder of Matthew Malosi on September 10, 1999.

Count seven: the attempted murder of Matthew Acosta-Mesa on September 10, 1999.

Count eight: the murder of Paul Truong on November 6, 1999.

Count nine: the attempted murder of Peter Truong on November 6, 1999.

On June 30 Dorothy Johnson, Medina's mother and an attorney at the San Diego law firm of Post, Kirby, Noonan and Sweat, made a request to join her son's defense team. Two months later, Doug Brown, a San Diego attorney, replaced Thomas Warwick as Medina's lawyer. "I was appointed by the court," Brown

explained to me. "Tom Warwick defended him initially, but the case expanded when they added some murder charges, and some financial considerations came into play as well. So he had to get off the case and I was appointed."

Brown has recently attracted some national attention for his defense of James Parker, 16, of Chelsea, Vermont. Parker is one of two boys accused in the stabbing deaths last January 27 of Half and Susanne Zantop, two Dartmouth College professors.

I asked Brown about what role Medina's mother played in her son's defense.

"What she did was assist the defense," he said. "She was of great help in the review

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of documents, the organization of documents, and the review of the discovery materials. There were hundreds and hundreds of videotapes and audiotapes that she helped review as well."

I asked Brown if Dorothy assisted the defense with a mother's eye or a lawyer's eye. "I'm sure a little bit of both," he responded. "She didn't participate in court or in the trial, but she assisted in putting our case together."

In early 2001 Medina's case was still going through discovery motions. On January 3, 2001, Giselle Serrano, a witness to Hector Martinez's murder who had made statements implicating Medina, told the judge that she had received threats. The prosecution explained that they had evidence that some Southeast Locos might put a "green light" on her. They also presented evidence that more witnesses possibly had been intimidated by jailed Southeast Locos.

On March 1 and 2 investigators interviewed a man named William (or Guillermo) Inzunza who

had known Medina since the seventh grade. Police were interested in Inzunza because a gun found on Medina and traced to the Hospitality Point shooting was registered in his name. The Navy had confirmed that Inzunza was at sea at the time of the murder, but Inzunza told police that in 1999 he had bought the gun — a .40-caliber Sig Sauer — at a Del Mar gun show. He said that he had given the gun to Medina.

Inzunza also said that he had been in the Southeast Locos from 1992 to 1995. He explained in his statement that when he was in the gang, there were 80 to 100 members. They hung out around 26th and Market in Sherman Heights, he said. Inzunza also had information about the rap tapes that police had discovered in Medina's home around the time he was arrested. Inzunza suggested that they had been made between 1993 and 1994, when Medina was at Hilltop High School. The songs, Inzunza explained, were an "old school" type of rap, and the lyrics came from rumors

that circulated in the neighborhood. On one of the tapes, Medina raps over music by bands such as N.W.A. and mentions repeatedly a guy named Casper, who investigators speculated was the ghost of someone Medina may have killed.

In April, Medina's defense team argued that the rap tapes shouldn't be entered into evidence. They maintained that the tapes were made when Medina was in high school, before the murders occurred, and thus had no bearing on the case. The prosecution rebutted, arguing in a written statement, "Gang rap tapes are extremely relevant to prove motive and intent to kill."

On May 11, 2001, the prosecution summed up its case against Ruben Bernal. The two cases were remarkably similar. Bernal, a friend of Medina's from Chula Vista and a fellow Southeast Loco, was charged in some of the same crimes. He was also a seemingly upstanding member of his community. Bernal was an honors student at South-

western Community College and, like Medina, was drawn to social justice issues. He counseled teenagers at Palomar High School as a paid employee of the Gang Risk Intervention Program, a program run by the San Diego County Office of Education. The program operates in 11 San Diego County schools and provides mentoring, tutoring, counseling, field trips, and alternative activities to at-risk students.

The prosecution argued that Bernal was also a gangster nicknamed "Bandit," who allegedly grinned as he killed Paul Truong at Hospitality Point and bragged about the murder several months later. Bernal's attorney, David Bartick, claimed that prior to the murder his client had reformed, renounced his membership in the Southeast Locos, and had nothing to do with the killing.

Bartick, like Warwick, is a high-profile San Diego defense attorney. Earlier this year he defended David Frediani, a former financial analyst charged with strangling Del Mar DNA researcher

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During Bernal's trial, Bartick blamed Paul Truong's killing on Medina. But during the closing arguments, prosecutor Jeff Dusek cited testimony that Bernal had fired the fatal shots. A witness identified him in court as the shooter, saying Bernal smiled just before opening fire. Dusek also cited the testimony of Jose Manuel Astorga, the witness who had drunk tequila and brandy with Medina and Bernal at the Love Shack. Astorga was the one who claimed that the two had bragged about the shootings. During the trial, prosecutors argued that Medina had fired the shots that wounded Paul's twin brother Peter. Bartick rebutted that Astorga was too drunk to remember the conversation accurately. He also argued that other witnesses were unreliable, noting that several had been unable to pick Bernal out of lineups and had given contradictory statements to police. Bartick said Bernal went to great lengths to remove himself from gang life, even going so far as to have several gang-

related tattoos removed.

"The mistake he made was to socialize with these individuals," Bartick told the jury.

On May 22 the judge declared a mistrial in Bernal's case after the jurors announced that they were hopelessly deadlocked on whether he had killed Paul Truong. The jurors, who deliberated for over a week, split 8 to 4 in favor of conviction. Bernal was tried again last month, and the day after Christmas Judge Thompson declared a second mistrial. This time the jury deadlocked 11 to 1 in favor of conviction. Bernal is being held without bail while Dusek plans a third trial.

The day after the first mistrial, jury selection began in Medina's case. On May 30 Jeff Dusek made his opening arguments in San Diego Superior Court; he accused Medina of killing Martinez, Vasquez, and Vega and aiding and abetting in the murder of Truong. He told jurors that Medina is "a remarkable individual — someone who will shatter your stereotypes about what gangsters are all about." He told the jury that Medina had recorded an album in which he rapped about "putting fools to sleep" and "shooting tokers in the head."

In one song, Dusek said, Medina sang, "Say the last word before you're doomed / And watch your family cry at the funeral soon."

In court Doug Brown acknowledged before the jurors that his client had associated with a Chula Vista gang since high school, even doing a film on gang life as a college project. But he also argued that Medina had never shot anyone. He said

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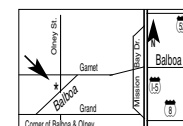
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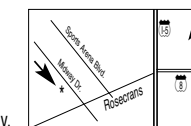
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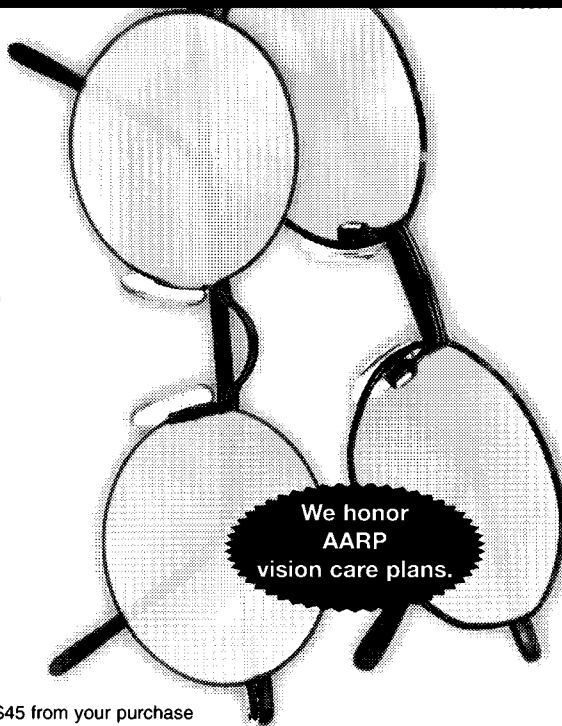
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that the prosecution was relying on witnesses who had constantly changed their stories or been pressured by police to make damning statements. Medina's arsenal of weapons — including an AK-47 and a shotgun — was legally owned, Brown said.

Testimony in the case began on May 31. In June a stream of witnesses testified against Medina, linking him to the murders and the attempted murders. The prosecution read Astorga's statement, and Julio Aguilar testified that Medina, or "Happy," was the most respected member of the Southeast Locos because he was "trigger happy." He said that Happy got his name because he always smiled and that Bandit got his name because he was always stealing cars. Aguilar added, "Come nighttime [Medina] would go blast, be with the homeboys. Come daytime he would go lift weights." Another witness testified that Medina boasted about carrying a semiautomatic handgun to work in a briefcase. The witness said that the weapon "made him feel comfortable, knowing that he was strapped."

The defense would later point out that many of the witnesses had come to court from prisons and juvenile detention facilities in Denver, San Diego, Alpine, Chino, Ventura, and Vista.

On June 14 the prosecution played the rap tapes for the jury. Aguilar explained that Medina made the tapes with a "kindergarten recorder." He would add to the tapes, Aguilar said, after certain incidents, but some of the songs were make-believe. Brown urged the jurors not to jump to the conclusion that Medina was a bad guy because of the tapes.

"They're stupid and they're awful, but they've got nothing to do with this case," Brown argued.

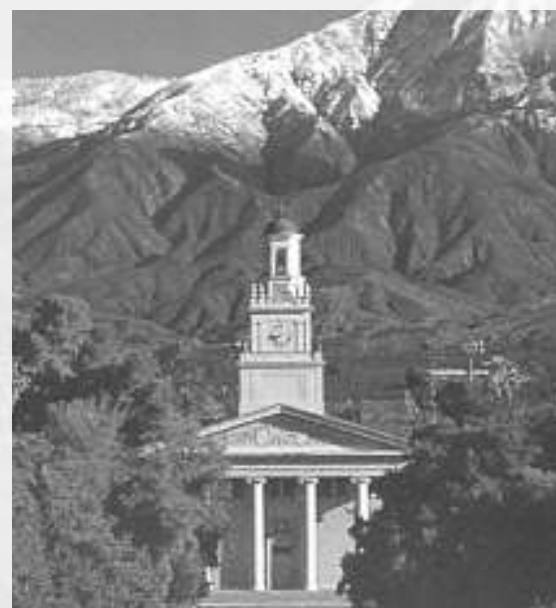
On July 3, 2001, after six days of jury deliberation, Medina was convicted on four counts of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted murder. His sentencing was scheduled for August 1.

Brown asked for a new trial on the grounds that the jury should not have been allowed to hear the rap tapes because Medina

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made them in high school, well before the killings. Brown also argued that testimony against Medina came from felons, gang members, and people "working off criminal beefs." Brown submitted the sentencing document that included the letters written by family, friends, employers, and professors. Nevertheless, Judge Thompson sentenced Medina to nine consecutive life terms plus 156 years.

Brown told me in early November that the case is on appeal. "We will raise the lawfulness of the search of Mr. Medina's car, the lawfulness of admitting tapes of rap music, and whether or not the counts should have been severed and tried separately," he explained. "The appeal will go before the Fourth District Court of Appeal; it probably won't be heard before a year. We're certainly hopeful that the appeal will give him some relief.

"Our main theory as a defense," Brown added, "was that Medina conceded he had joined a gang as a young boy and had some bad associations. But he maintained throughout the case that he hadn't participated in any of the homicides and that he didn't shoot anyone. He said other gang members committed the shootings. What complicated our case was the fact that so many of the prosecution witnesses, both before trial and during trial, lied. There were a huge number of inconsistent and contrary stories by a large number of the witnesses. This made it difficult to wade through what was true and what was false. Many of the witnesses were involved in the homicides themselves and were either lying to protect themselves from criminal prosecution or lying to avoid charges in other cases. What was unusual about this case, of course, is that David Medina is in many respects a brilliant young man with a tremendous future. It's very sad that he got drafted into this way of life. He was a perfect gentleman with me at all times; he was, and is, very intelligent. From my interaction with him, I don't believe that he is the type of individual to shoot anyone." ■

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iii: Bill

"Shut up!" Bill whispered. "Shut up, damn it!" The laughter stopped as he looked around warningly. He slid his hands into his hip pockets and pulled his shoulders back. He felt he had handled it pretty well when Pappy had come in.

The smoke that filled the room stung his eyes, and he said, "Hey, Paul, how about opening a window." He held his breath, waiting to see if Paul would do it.

Paul said, "Sure, Bill," and rose obediently.

"Well," Bill said, "you hate to see a good fraternity falling apart and nobody doing anything about it. You really do." He looked around the room at the ten juniors — all the juniors except Marshall — who were waiting to hear what he had to say. Randy Weir, standing beside the door, was grinning at him with

one eyebrow raised.

"What do they do about it at Dartmouth, B.S.?" Randy asked.

"At Dartmouth it's the best house on campus," he said. "Here it's not. But it ought to be."

Paul came back and sat down again, and Andy Baker and Dick Welsh fanned smoke toward the open window. Russ Thompson watched Bill thoughtfully, chewing on the bit of his corncob pipe.

"Well, what're we supposed to do about it?" Dick Welsh asked.

"That damn stupid Pappy!"

"It's not just Pappy. All the officers."

"All the seniors, for Christ's sake. Those jerks."

Bill glanced commandingly around the room until it was quiet again. "Listen," he said. "We've got to throw those officers out or national's going to throw us out. One or the other. They're ruining this chapter — if they haven't ruined it already. They're no rotten good, and we've got to throw them out."



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"They seem to lack a certain perspicacity, all right," Randy said, and Andy Baker said, "Not only that, but they aren't very smart."

Bill had to raise his voice to make himself heard above all the laughter and joke-making. "What I'm talking about is a revolution!"


Everyone fell silent.

"I mean it," he said. "Let's throw them out, Pappy, Bingo, Kelly, and Hugo. All of them but you, Mac."

"Well, thanks," Mac said.

"How the hell can we?" Russ Thompson demanded.

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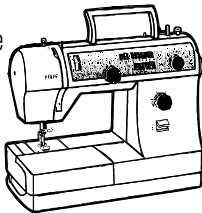
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"They're in till the end of the year."

"Impeach them."

"We'd get impeached."

Bill shook his head. "Maybe we can do it. It takes a two-thirds majority though. Paul and I've been trying to figure out who we would count on to —"

"How many seniors are there?"

Paul had his notebook open. "Seven," he said and ticked the names off with his pencil. "Pappy, Hugo, Kelly, Bingo, Larry, Beans, Brock. There're eleven of us, but..."

"Pappy can't vote except in a tie."

"That's right," Bill said. "But we can't count on Marsh's vote. So that's ten against six — seven with the football hero."

"Uh-uh," someone said. "Not enough."

"I know how we can do it," Randy said, running his finger up and down the side of his nose.

Bill felt suddenly cold. "You got it fingered out, Foxy?" Andy Barker asked.

"Spit it out, Weir!"

Randy grinned steadily at Bill. "What gripes the

sophomores most, B.S.?"

Bill strained his lips to grin in return, cursing himself for not having thought of it, cursing his stupidity at having let Randy get ahead of him like this, silently, fervently cursing Randy Weir.

"Yeah!" Paul cried. "Man, how I hated those bastards that swatted me after I'd already gone through hell-week as a pledge!"

"And that they can't vote in senior meeting," Bill said loudly.

"Maybe we ought to fix it so they don't have to put up with that crap anymore," Randy said.

"Hey, they'd love us!"

"It would only take a simple majority vote in senior meeting," Bill said. He slapped his hands together, trying to get the attention away from Randy. "It's only a house rule. We could do it Monday night, and then, with the sophomores voting, impeach the officers a week from Monday."

Paul, who had put his glasses on, looked up from the list he had been making. "Nine sophomores. But we'll lose Jake Hardaman. Eight



El Cortez Hotel, 1943

votes maybe."

"Landslide!" Andy Barker cried.

"Foxy Weir!"

Bill clenched and unclenched his fists. This had been his idea. He had started it, he had done all the work of organizing it this far; now Randy had come in to

get the credit and try to take over. He watched Randy light a cigarette and let smoke leak out of his thin nostrils. What if his mother had seen and heard him be outsmarted and outmaneuvered like this tonight? He flushed with shame, and with an obscure and illog-

ical fright.

Even Paul had turned toward Randy. "Who gets elected proxy?" Paul said. "We might as well decide, uh?"

"I suggest a three-man junta with dictatorial powers," Randy said. "A kind of Politburo. With three men we can please most of the factions and move fast and get organized and get tough fast until this new deal starts rolling."

"You and what other guys?"

Randy grinned more broadly. "Oh, I'd say you, Andy, because you're from the valley. And —" He paused for a long time, glancing around the room. Finally he turned back toward Bill. "And B.S., I guess. Because he's rush chairman."

Bill felt himself relax, not just because he had been included, but at the mention of rushing. He had spent all summer, except for the time he'd been in National Guard Camp, working on rushing. He had gone through every high school annual in the Bay Area to get lines on the outstanding

high school graduates who would be coming to Cal. Then he had read the lists of names to his mother, who knew infallibly whether or not they came from good families. With the lists screened down, he had gone to work on each prospect, determining if they had girlfriends, if the girlfriends were coming to Cal and what sorority they might pledge. He sought names of friends or groups of friends and the identities of high school fraternities, checking carefully if any of the friends were legacies or certain to go to another house, and, if so, if it were feasible to try to create a split between the prospect and those friends. He'd managed to meet almost all those he felt Omega Alpha should be interested in, and he had done quite a bit of private rushing, at which he knew he was effective. He'd spent nearly the whole summer at it, and now he was certain it was going to pay off for him.

Everybody was talking at once, and Bill caught Randy's eye and grinned back at him. He had just

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thought of the money Randy owed the house. Mac had said Pappy wouldn't let him write national about it. If national were to find out, Randy would be in trouble. He looked over at Andy Baker, who was laughing, showing his broad white, widely spaced teeth. Andy was from the valley so there was no problem there. Bill and Paul had made a pact to blackball any valley men who came up in rushing. He raised his arms and stretched; he felt very sure of himself.

Somebody was talking about going down to the Log Cabin for hamburgers. "Let's go, men," Andy said.

"We can take my car," Paul said. "Come on, Bill."

He shook his head. "I've got to get to work on the rushing program." He raised his voice. "Nobody talk too much!" Paul nodded and winked, and the others nodded. He felt in control again. "Damn good scheme, Randy," he said, putting his hand on Randy's bony shoulder.

"There's only one guy to worry about," Randy said seriously. "Joe could screw the works for us with the sophomore vote. He's their big, stern muscleman, you know. Joe's got no use for Pappy, but he's not so hot on me either. Maybe you'd better butter him up a little, B.S."

"Don't you worry about Joe," he said. "I was his Big Brother when he was a pledge. And he's my roomie, isn't he? I'll fix it with Joe."

He stood in the doorway, watching Randy trail down the hall after the others, his green pants drooping slackly over his buttocks. He had better talk to Joe, but that would be easy. He, William Bishop Strafford, could understand Joe very well; he could see just enough of himself in Joe for that, see sympathetically but a little contemptuously what was strictly controlled and directed in himself, so confused in Joe. Joe would be on their side in this, unless, possibly, Marshall got wind of what was going on. But Marshall was too stupid ever to know what was going on.

Bill closed the door and stretched again, completely at ease. The impeachment of the officers would work, he knew it, and the stark terror that Randy had beaten him was gone. He would have the Omega Alpha presidency; he could picture his mother when he told her he had been elected. He would make Phi Beta Kappa next year, and he was pretty sure of becoming president of the California Men's Club.

But it wasn't enough. It was never enough. He should try to get a date with June Herzog. He remembered his mother smiling at him and saying, "You must realize how important it is, whom you come to know during your college days. I think you really should make an effort to know June Herzog, dear. They're such an important family in San Francisco."

But June Herzog was so fat — and Jewish. He had known better than to remark on her fatness, but when he had referred to her as a kike his mother had lectured him on racial discrimination. "I'm really very unhappy about some of the things you picked up during your year at Dartmouth, dear," she had said. "Really, Jewishness doesn't matter nearly so much on the West Coast as it does in the East. So many Jewish families here are so old and socially prominent. And the Herzogs are one of the finest, dear."

He had promised to get a date with June Herzog, and he had to try. He pictured the scene if he failed. There would be no scene, really; his mother would be very cheerful and would joke with him while he made whatever excuses he could think of, but after a time her ulcer would begin to pain her, and she would go in to lie down. Presently he would hear her crying, and he would enter the bedroom, where she would be lying on the bed with her face pressed into the crook of her elbow, and he would have to say, "What's the matter, Mother?"

"Just look around you, Bill," she would whisper. He would look around, as he had done so many times at her request, at the scratched bureau and dressing table, the dingy little desk, the three cheap Cézanne prints against the dull wallpaper — the poor bedroom in the

lonely apartment on the wrong side of Nob Hill. His mother knew everyone who mattered in San Francisco, but no one who mattered in San Francisco knew her. Out the window Nob Hill rose steeply to the Mark Hopkins Hotel, where for a time she had worked as a kind of social hostess and San Francisco adviser to the rich guests; he would see it in her eyes as she watched it — large, shining, distant and ineluctable in the sun, like a fairy castle with the drawbridge raised.

He remembered that Pappy had wanted to talk to him about rushing, and he got the folder of rushing material out of his top drawer. Going down the narrow hall to the president's room, that would soon be his room, he told himself that he absolutely had to phone June Herzog tonight. He had to forget how fat she was and that she was Jewish. Because the Herzogs were a fine old San Francisco family, almost as fine a family as the Crowns. His face burned as he thought of Laura Lee Crown.

It had always seemed to him wildly crazy that Marshall Trask, the stupidest lout of a valley oaf in the Omega Alpha house, the original dumb football player, should be going with one of the richest girls at the university. The whore. Probably it was just that Marshall had plenty of what she wanted. The bitch. The night he had asked her out she had sat over very close

to him while he drove her convertible across the Bay Bridge to the city, and she had thrust her hand inside his belt, her hand icy against his stomach that sucked in even now at the remembered sensation. At 20 he was still a virgin, and she had known he was frightened and had laughed at him, resisting when he tried to pull her hand away. He had almost swerved into an oncoming car, and she laughed at that too. The hot-pants whore. Marshall was just the kind of dumb ox she would like, the vile bitch.

iv: Marshall

"Come on in, darling," Laura Lee said. She was smiling the tight, hard smile that showed only a thin line of her teeth, the smile that made Marshall feel big and clumsy and very much from the country. She held the door open, her arm stretched across the opening, so that when Marshall tried to go in the arm was against his chest. She put her other arm around him and bit him on the side of the jaw. "Two hundred pounds of Marshall Trask," she said when she let him go.

He rubbed his jaw. It hurt where she had bitten him. "I thought you might want to go down to the libe and study econ," he said.

Her long blond hair was tied back and fell low between her shoulders, and under her white turtleneck sweater he could see her small breasts. "Econ?" she

said. "Sorry, it's the wrong time of the month. How would you like a little Marilyn?" And she called, "Marilyn, do you feel like a little forny with March tonight?"

"Oh, shut up, you filthy thing!" Marilyn called back.

"I've really got to study tonight," Marshall said hurriedly. "Really."

"But not the way we studied last year, is that it?" Laura Lee shut the door and moved over to the studio couch. Above the couch were two of Marilyn's smeary bright-colored paintings, and beside Laura Lee's desk was a new radio-phonograph, the largest he had ever seen.

He was about to comment on it when Marilyn appeared in the doorway of her room. She had on blue flannel pajamas, and her brown hair was in curlers. She was smaller than Laura Lee, with a tiny spoiled face. She gave Marshall a hostile look.

Laura Lee said, "Change your mind?"

Marilyn's face twisted furiously. "Oh, shut up!"

Marshall put his books down and sat uncomfortably on the couch beside Laura Lee, who immediately laid her head on his shoulder. The fingers of her right hand, which gripped his arm, were stained dark yellow. "Two hundred pounds of econ-studying man," she said.

"Your apartment really looks good," Marshall said.

"How do you like the new combo?" Marilyn asked

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shortly. "It just came this afternoon."

"It looks fine."

Laura Lee took a cigarette from the little red box on the coffee table and shook his arm. He lit a match for her. Marilyn remained leaning in the doorway, staring at him and Laura Lee, her arms crossed tightly over her chest. He knew Marilyn did not like him.

"Well, this is sure better than the Gamma house," he said. "I'll bet you're glad you left."

"That's a nice way of putting it," Laura Lee said. Her fingernails dug into her arms.

Marilyn's face reddened. "Sometimes I really hate you!" she cried and jerked around and disappeared.

Frowning, Marshall turned toward Laura Lee. A little curl of tobacco had stuck on her lower lip, and he picked it off. "Thanks," she said. "Are you really going to study tonight, Marsh?"

"I have to. I've really got to get busy this semester. They're going to bounce me out of here if I don't get that accounting made up.

I thought you might want to go study econ down at the libe."

"What's the matter with studying here?"

"Well, we wouldn't get much done. You know. That's okay for you because you're smart, but I have to study like hell to keep up."

"You're stupid, is that what you're trying to say?"

He flushed and for a moment felt angry; he stared down at the stretched knees of his cords.

"Well, you're worth 500 of the smart ones, stupid."

He knew what she meant, and he felt the terrible, helpless embarrassment he always felt when she talked this way. Some nights she would get started like this, and once he had got mad at her for it and had hit her, and she had fallen and cut her forehead, and he had wanted to die for doing it. Because he loved her so much. He never should have come tonight. He would never be able to keep his mind on econ now, after seeing her.

Laura Lee tugged at his arm. "A thousand," she said.

He got up. "I guess I

better go, Laura Lee. I've really got to study tonight."

But she still gripped his arm, so that he had to bend over. Her eyes caught his. What he saw in them was not what he had thought, but he didn't understand, as he had never understood anything about her, except that she was from another world. Then the shadow in her eyes was gone, and she smiled the thin hard smile. "When're we going to get married, darling?" she said loudly. "When're you going to make an honest bag out of me?"

Marilyn's arm flashed in her doorway, and the door shivered shut. Laura Lee didn't appear to notice.

"Listen, Laura Lee," he said, "why don't you come along and we'll study for a couple of hours and then go get a hamburger? Don't you feel like it?" He picked up his books from the table.

"You just want to read my notes," she said. "You just want to use me one way or another. Oh, all right!" She moved past him into Marilyn's room. In a few minutes she came back with her leather binder. She had

painted her mouth carelessly. "Bye-bye, honey," she called to Marilyn. She put her arm through his as they went to the door. "It's the sulking I like," she said. "- Don't you ever sulk, Marsh?"

Downstairs she handed him the car keys. She sat very close to him in the car, and he bent to kiss her. Her breath smelled strongly of cigarettes, and she put her hand inside his letter sweater and pinched cruelly the skin of his belly. Then she pushed him away. "Let's go study econ," she said. "Come on, get moving."

He let off the brake, and the car coasted down the hill. The cracked asphalt of the street and the trees and houses were bleak under the headlights. "The funny thing is," Laura Lee said, "I really love you in a way. I really do, and it's so damn

queer."

He didn't say anything. "You think you know the way, but you're crazy," Laura Lee said. "You don't really have the slightest idea, do you?" He didn't answer. "Do you?" Laura Lee said in her cruel, mocking voice. "Do you?"

Maybe she did, he thought. It seemed impossible when he thought of the Crowns' house in San Francisco and Mrs. Crown and her English voice, when he thought of the Crowns' house on the Peninsula with Mr. Crown and his red-haired girlfriend both tan and lithe on blue mattresses beside the pool and the Filipino boy bring tall frosted drinks on a silver tray. And it seemed impossible when he thought of his own father and mother, of his brothers Jeff and Ben and Frank, and

his sisters Clare and Irene, when he thought of his father going off with his lunch pail to work in the freight office in Modesto. But maybe she did, he thought. Maybe it wasn't all that.

But he had nothing else in the world except that in common with her. He was stupid and slow, and she made straight A's without even trying. His father was assistant freight agent in Modesto, and her father was president of the Western and Russian River Lumber Company, and member of the board of trustees of a bank, and about 11 other things. It could never have been anything but that since the first time, since he had met her at an exchange dinner the Omega Alphas had had with the Gammas and she had asked him to

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drive her home. They had gone instead to the top of Grizzly Peak, where she had made him take her, there on the cold leather seat of the convertible, and she had been so completely passionless and practical and efficient but at the same time so fiercely demanding that it had frightened him. He had never understood all the things that had happened that night: it had been perverse and terrible, as Laura Lee herself was perverse and terrible, but he loved her until he could think of nothing else — who had just said for the first time, in a voice that did not mock and sneer,

that she loved him. “And it’s so damn queer,” she had said.
He found a parking space near Sather Gate, pulled up ahead of it, and backed the car in, cutting the front wheels so that they nudged into the curb at precisely the right moment. He snapped off the lights and turned toward Laura Lee. When he kissed her mouth again her face felt wet. He touched her cheek with his fingers. She was crying, and he would have thought she never cried. Pity swelled enormously in him. “Honey,” he said hoarsely. “What’s the matter, honey?”

Her eyes shone like glass in the light from the street lamp on the corner. She said, “Have you ever thought of killing yourself, Marsh? Have you, Marsh?”
He stammered something. “Let me go,” she said and opened her door and got out. He picked up his books and slid over after her, hurrying to catch up as she moved quickly along the sidewalk toward Sather Gate. The campus was dark and silent. “Wait, Laura Lee,” he said. “Maybe we better...”
“Let’s go study econ,” she interrupted, and her voice sounded as though nothing had happened. She took his arm lightly. Her

hair looked silver in the darkness. When they went in through the tall doors of the library, whatever had happened inside her in the car was over. She looked at him casually and with a little smile said, “Maybe you’d better wipe the lipstick off. Do you want the other boys to think I neck?”
v: Con
On the way home Con let Gary Sprague put his arm around her. She leaned against his shoulder, dialing the radio. Finally she got Ella Fitzgerald singing “A-Tisket, A-Tasket.” Gary turned in to one of the side streets and went up the hill.

Con knew he was going to park somewhere and try to neck, and the thought of it made her tired. They had been dancing at the Collegiate Club in the park, and afterward she made him take her to a bar in downtown San Diego for a drink. And that had been a mess. “I have to go home,” she said.
“Aw, it’s early Connie. It’s only a little after midnight.”
She was forced over against him as he swung the car around the corner. He had asked her to wear her Glen plaid dress tonight, and she had, thinking he was bringing some special

flower for her to wear with it. But instead he had worn a Glen plaid suit, obviously new, and all evening she had felt uncomfortable and angry because his silliness had made her look silly too.
And all evening she had been irritated because her mother had had Charley Brooks over for supper. “I have to go home, Gary,” she said. And then she said, “I’m afraid I’ve lost my pin.”
“What pin?” he asked, and she wondered why she had said that. She had decided not to wear Joe’s pin tonight because she had seen no reason to, just as she saw no reason to sit at home and not accept dates

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“Joe Bailey’s fraternity pin,” she said. “I hope I haven’t lost it. Maybe I left it at home.”

He had his foot on the brake and was slowing for a turn. She put her hand on his arm. “I have to go home. I mean it, Gary.”

He stepped down hard on the accelerator, and the car spurted forward. He turned back down the hill. “What the heck are you doing out with me if you’re wearing somebody’s pin?”

“I’m not married,” she said. She wondered if she could stand it till she got home. The evening had been dismal. Nothing in San Diego was anything but dismal; you went to a show or to the Collegiate Club, where you could get Cokes and where everybody Balboaed to the fast numbers; you went to San Diego State College formals at the El Cortez Hotel or at the Hotel del Coronado, where you weren’t allowed in the bar, but if you were with the right people someone might have a bottle in the car and you could go outside and drink bourbon straight and giggle because it was so daring. San Diego made her sick, and San Diego State College made her sick, and everybody in San Diego and at State made her sick.

She had almost hated Joe when he had gone back to Berkeley last month. Jealously she wondered if he were dancing somewhere in San Francisco tonight, or sitting in a dim and crowded bar with someone, or if tonight there was one of those terrific drunken fraternity parties he had told her about. When he had given her his pin he had said he would not be going out at all because he didn’t have any money and there was no one but her he cared about, but she was sure there were many parties at his fraternity house. Oh, why hadn’t her mother let her go away to college? “Who is this guy, anyway?” Gary asked.

She didn’t answer at once, thinking of Joe. During the summer Joe had taken her to bars. He hadn’t drunk his drinks guiltily and hastily because they weren’t 21 yet; he had not been frightened, as Gary

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Sprague so obviously was. She said, "He's an Omega Alpha at Cal. He plays football."

"Oh. At Cal?"

"Yes," she said and disengaged herself from his arm and leaned back against the seat. She shook her head when he asked if she wanted to get a Coke at Topsy's, and when he stopped the car in front of her house she let herself out before he could put his arm around her again. But at the gate she let him catch up, staring down at the dark bulk of Charley Brooks's car parked in the sunken driveway beside the house.

She took Gary's arm as they went up the steps, and on the empty porch she sighed and drew away. "Thanks for the nice time, Gary."

"Hey, Connie, would you like to go to the Collegiate Club again tomorrow night? Saturday night's always more fun."

"I'm sorry, Gary. I can't tomorrow night. Call me again though, won't you?"

He said he would and tried to put his arms around her. She saw he wouldn't leave until she went in. "Good night," she whispered and opened the door.

There was no one in the living room. Only one lamp was on, casting a broad funnel of light on the carved Chinese bench. She stood inside the door, listening to Gary Sprague's car start up and the rocketing sound of the exhaust fade away; then everything was too silent. She put her purse down on the Monterey chair and hesitated before she called, "Mother?" Maybe they had gone out, she thought. But Charley's car was in the drive.

There was no sound. "Mother?" she cried.

The light in the hall snapped on. Her mother

stood in the hall doorway, her dressing gown tied tightly to the waist so that her breasts looked huge and round. Her face was white, without make-up, and the prominent pads of flesh over her cheekbones cast triangular shadows on her cheeks. The black hair, with the slash of gray she maintained so carefully, was disarranged and fell loosely over her shoulders.

Her mother was sleeping with Charley Brooks.

She hadn't wanted to know it; it had frightened her even to think of it. She kept anything from showing in her face.

"What's the matter, darling?" her mother said. "You sounded frightened."

"Oh, no," Con said. "It just seemed a little lonely." The words came from her in a whisper, and she said more loudly, "I was just wondering where you were."

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robe tighter at the waist, as thought she were cold. "Did you have a nice time?"

"Yes," she said. She had to go down the hall now. Keeping her face stiff, she moved past her mother. She stared in fascination at the doorknob to her mother's room, thinking of her mother who hadn't let her go away to college because she might let herself be seduced like Charlotte, might become pregnant like Charlotte, might kill herself like Charlotte—and her mother was sleeping with a car salesman named Charley Brooks.

In her room she stood with her back against the door and her hands at her sides, staring at her desk, where her textbooks and art folio stood, and propped against the wall four drawings of angular, sexless, stylized mannequins in forms she had designed. On her dresser was the picture of Joe cut from the *San Diego Union*, his arm raised, his hand grasping a football, his face determined and self-conscious. Opposite Joe, with her jewel box between, was her father's brooding face, topped by the thick snow-white hair. She let her purse drop to the floor as she heard the faint click of a door down the hall. Her mother had gone back into the bedroom. Her breath came hard with outrage now. She knew her father had other women. She had seen one of them in Washington, a chic blonde with high-piled hair in that black dress she would always remember. But her mother going back into the bedroom to Charley Brooks!

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He must be 12 or 13 years younger. He had come to demonstrate the Buick her mother had bought last year, and then had started dropping in from time to time until he was staying for dinner, then staying the evening, and now sleeping with her mother; a heavy-set, friendly man who had dirt under his fingernails and made mistakes in English, who - hadn't even finished high school; who once had come to the house unshaven and drunk, to talk loudly about his raise in pay, about his years as a tuna packer and a truck driver, and how now he was the best salesman the Buick agency had. "Now

I'm on my way," he had said in the hoarse, drunken voice. "Now I'm going up. They still can't keep a good man down in this old USA, can they?"

Quickly she crossed to the dresser and fumbled in her jewel box. From the tangle of bracelets, earrings, and necklaces she extracted Joe's pin and clutched it in her hand, feeling its hard sharp shape. She uncurled her fingers and looked down at the tiny shield edged with pearls, the symbols — ΩΑ. On the back was engraved JOSEPH MITCHELL BAILLEY, BOND 606. She wished she had worn it tonight, as though somehow it could

have warded off Charley Brooks.

At last she went into the bathroom. She stayed in the shower a long time, and when she came out she sat down at her dressing table and inspected herself in the mirror. Her mouth looked pale and small without lipstick, her nostrils flared stiffly, and there was a deep vertical frown-crease down the center of her forehead. She smoothed at it with her hand, wondering if she resembled her mother, trying to recall what Charlotte had looked like. She was satisfied with her own face; she liked her eyes, and her eyebrows, which curved

up with an oriental cast and never had to be plucked; her mouth was a little too small. She ran her hands over her breasts. The nipples felt hard. She remembered Joe's hands on them the night before he had gone back to Berkeley, and she whispered into the mirror, "Oh, Joe!" and thought again, vividly, as it would always come to her, of Joe and the tramp.

When she got into bed she lay stiff and motionless between cold sheets, hearing the crickets and the steady dull ticking of the clock on the bedside table. Then she heard whispering, the whispering fainter

and finally gone. After a long time footsteps came softly back down the hall. They stopped before her door.

"Constance?"

She didn't answer. The door opened, an angle of faint light cutting across the dresser and the black lake of the mirror, disappearing as the door was closed again. Her mother sat down on the bed.

"Constance?" her mother whispered.

"What is it?"

"I'm going to marry Charley."

She felt her heart swell painfully. "What about Dad?" she asked.

Her mother blew her nose. In the darkness her face was a broad patch of white. "He's wanted a divorce for a long time. There's another woman, darling. I don't know how much you know about this, but —"

"I've seen her. One of them."

"I'm going to get a divorce," her mother said. "I'm in love with Charley."

Con pulled her knees up to her chest, staring at the shape that was her mother, seeing them in the bedroom, in the bed, the two bodies tangled in the bed, her mother and Charley Brooks.

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say anything?" her mother asked in a choked voice.

"What am I supposed to say?"

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"Why can't you just go on like you were tonight?"

Her mother made no sound.

"Mother, he's so far beneath you! Beneath us.

A car salesman! And he worked in a tuna cannery. He's the kind of man who used to come up from Old Town to ask to mow our lawn when we lived in Mission Hills. Oh, Mother, how —"

"How can I ask you to understand when it's taken me so long to understand!" her mother cried. "But you have to try. Darling, you have to try."

"But he's such a crumb! And he's so much younger than you are. Why can't you just go on having him for a lover? I don't care."

Her mother's hand caught her shoulder. "Don't talk like that!"

"All right, do what you want to."

"I can't marry him if you feel that way toward him."

Con tightened her arms around her legs, squeezing them against her chest until her breasts ached. Maybe she'd give herself cancer, she thought. Her mother was crying, and the sound angered her. "I told you how I felt," she said. "I told you what I thought you should do."

Her mother rose. The angle of light cut across the dresser and the mirror again as she went out. Con listened to her sobs fade away, feeling very cruel now and

very selfish.

She said aloud, "Small-time." Her mother was small-time, as everything in San Diego was small-time and grubby. And she, Con, was small-time too; they were trying to make her cheap and grubby too. But someday Joe would graduate from the University of California and get her away from it, from San Diego, from her mother and the degrading affair with a cheap car salesman.

Still, she felt deeply ashamed of the way she had acted. She pitied her mother. She was sorry for hurting her. She rose and took her robe from the closet. She was

crying as she hurried to her mother's room, to tell her she was sorry and hadn't meant it, and to go ahead and marry Charley Brooks if that was what she wanted.

vi: Joe

Joe sat on the bench along the rear wall of the chapter room with the other sophomores, listening to the discussion of the rushees. Opposite him was the dais where the officers sat, Pappy in the center, flanked by Clarence Kelly, the secretary, and Hugo Williams, the treasurer. At the right of the dais was the plaster bust of Apollo, and, next to it, Bingo Edwards, who as

vice-president sat at the head of the senior bench. On the other side of the dais was the thick Bible — closed now, because it was not a formal meeting — guarded by Marshall Trask, the sergeant-at-arms. The other juniors sat next to Marshall, on the bench at the left-hand side of the room.

"All right, let's have the sergeant-at-arms pass the box," Pappy said. Marshall rose and started down the senior bench with the box into which the black or white marbles were dropped. The marbles thumped into the box at first, then clicked as it began to fill. Marshall turned and moved along

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the junior bench, limping. It took two black marbles to put a rushee off the list this time. Next Monday it would take only one. Joe dropped in a white marble.

He had been excited about the meeting tonight. Bill Strafford had explained the whole plan to him, and he and Bill together had talked to all the sophomores except Jake Hardaman. At last Monday's meeting the juniors had fixed it so that the sophomores had suffrage in general meeting, but now Joe's excitement at the impeachment maneu-

ver, which would soon be sprung, was overshadowed by his indignation at the discussion of the rushees. Listening to Bingo Edwards's or Paul Clay's or Bill's comments about a freshman, he would wonder bitterly what they had said about him before he had been pledged. Beans Brock, who had also gone to San Diego High, would have known he lived in a crummy part of town, that his father ran a garage — maybe even about Uncle Dick. "For Christ's sake!" he could hear Bingo Edwards say. "Here's a fine rec on this jerk. His old man works in a filling station and his uncle got

shot by the cops. No info on his mother; San Quentin, I guess. What's his name? Jukes?"

He glared at Bingo, who was resting his elbow on the base of the statue of Apollo. Then he glanced at Bill, leaning back against the wall on the other side of the room, his arms folded, his legs crossed to show red and green Argyle socks. He wondered what Bill had said, the prime snob of all. Beside Bill lounged Randy Weir, and next to Randy, Paul Clay and Andy Baker were whispering together. Marshall, who had put the blackball box back on the edge of the dais, was frown-

ing and rubbing the knee he had hurt in the Oregon game. Worrying about his grades, Joe thought. Then the sour frustrated rage rose in him once more as he listened to Bingo saying the next rushee on the list was a fairy and he would bong him again at the next meeting.

"That's your privilege," Pappy said. "But he's only got one blackball, so he stays on now. All you fellows who don't know him try to meet him before next time."

"Don't bother," Bingo said, pointing a finger like a pistol at the head of Apollo. "I'm going to bong the damn fairy."

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"Any more old business?" Pappy asked, and Red Thornton, the sophomore sitting at Joe's right, whispered, "Here we go." Norm Holliday nudged him from the other side.

There were stirrings, a sudden feeling of tension. Someone coughed. Bill leaned forward, rubbing his hands together. Pappy banged the gavel down. "Any new business?"

Bill rose quickly, was recognized, cleared his throat. "I want to say that this chapter's in a bad way," he said. "We've been on probation for two years now. Unless we do something, national's going to take away our charter. Everybody knows that."

"Tell us how they do it at Dartmouth, B.S.," one of the seniors whispered.

Bill's face turned red. "The alums have been sending in bad reports," he continued unevenly. "And the mothers' club gave a poor report the last time they were here."

Pappy was scowling and turning the gavel over in his fat hands. Clarence Kelly tipped his chair back and folded his arms. Bill raised his voice. "If we don't get a good bunch of pledges this time, and we'll be awfully lucky if we do" — he pointed dramatically at the shield on the wall behind and above Pappy — "then we can kiss that crest good-bye!" He stood there, pointing at the crest, and Pappy ducked his head a little.

"How many times do we have to hear about it, for God's sake?" Jack Bates said from the senior bench.

"Shut up," Paul Clay said.

"I have the floor," Bill said. "I want to make a motion." He paused and looked around the chapter room. "I move the impeachment of the president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer!"

"I second the motion," Paul Clay said, rising.

The two of them stood facing the dais. Pappy, Kelly, and Hugo looked frozen. Kelly's chair scraped as he let the front legs down. No one spoke.

Bingo said, "You what?" "You heard him," Randy said.

"You can't do that." "Did you ever get around to reading the con-

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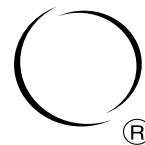
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stitution, Mr. Vice-President?"

"Takes a two-thirds majority," Pappy said.

Jack Bates shot to his feet, followed immediately by Randy. Pappy recognized neither of them, staring at Bill. His voice was steady. "All those in favor of Brother Strafford's motion."

Hands went up. Joe had just started to count them when Bingo jumped up and faced the dais. "Christ, what about discussion, Pappy?" Someone moved to dispense with discussion, someone seconded, there were shouts to table, shouts moving the question. Pappy slammed the gavel down.

"All those in favor of the motion before the house raise your right hands."

The hands went up again. Joe saw that Marshall had not raised his. He avoided Marshall's eyes, holding his own hand high. He heard Bingo whisper, "What the hell's the matter with you, Pappy?"

"Seventeen," Hugo said huskily.

"Eighteen!" Paul Clay cried.

Pappy was still counting. "Eighteen," he said.

"That's it!" Joe whispered. He glanced down at the sophomore bench to where Jake Hardaman was sitting with his fists clenched

in his lap.

"All opposed," Pappy said in the soft steady voice.

Joe counted the hands: Hugo, Kelly, Bingo, Bates, Larry Graves, Beans Brock, Jake Hardaman. Seven. Marshall hadn't voted this time either; he was sitting with his head bent down, rubbing his knees.

"The motion is carried," Pappy said.

"Well, screw you bastards!" Bingo burst out. He rose and walked slowly across the chapter room, glancing furiously from side to side, and Hugo and Kelly slowly rose and followed him. Hugo's face was a bright red, Kelly's white. Pappy still

sat behind the dais, his fat square features set and expressionless. When the door had slammed shut behind the other officers he said, "Nominations are now in order for president."

"Brother Weir."

"I move that instead of regular officers we elect a three-man governing committee," Randy said. "As a temporary expedient to be dissolved when the present emergency is over." It was voted. Bill, Randy, and Andy Baker were elected, and Pappy rose and handed the gavel to Bill. Jake got up and put his arm around his brother's shoulders, and they left the chapter room

together. Bill, Randy, and Andy took the chairs that had been vacated. A long wrangling over the state of the fraternity began, but finally the meeting quieted down while Bill gave a speech on the necessity for working terrifically hard during the remaining ten days of rushing. He asked for a schedule of fines for non-participation and uncooperative attitudes. The committee of three was given the power to levy the fines.

A coup d'etat, Bill had said this was going to be, and he, Joe, admired immensely the way Bill had organized it. He admired Bill, all right, but he didn't

have to like him — he didn't have to like any of them who had helped pull this off: Bill Strafford, who dressed the way he would like to dress and got the grades he would like to get, who was a slicker, a politician, a snob, and social climber; Randy Weir, who had spoken of going to join the International Brigade in Spain and talked about how the workers would rise, saying between this teeth, "The workers will rise!" while holding his thin hands half open and shaking them spastically, but who didn't want to work himself and would owe money to the house and everyone in it

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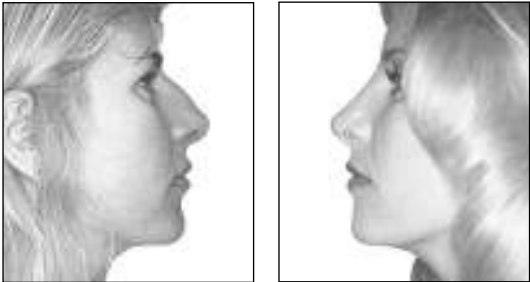
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rather than get a Saturday job; Andy Baker, who wasn't a bad guy except for the boring and constant bragging about his women; Paul Clay, who was a bootlicker and hanger-on with too much money and a new Ford he would never lend except to someone with whom he wanted to make time. He glanced around the chapter room at the intent faces of his fraternity brothers. Marshall Trask was the only one he could really like, Bill Strafford the only one he could really admire.

And he thought suddenly of Peter. He had hitchhiked down the Peninsula to Stanford a week ago yesterday, not having seen

Peter — who was trying to finish college as quickly as he could and had stayed in Palo Alto for summer quarter — since last spring. That hadn't been any good either. He had told Peter about being pinned to Con, and Peter had been politely glad for him. He had asked Peter about his engineering courses and his flying lessons. But there really hadn't been anything to talk about. There seemed not much left of their friendship, which had been so valuable to him but which in some way had lost its reason for being. Peter had been his comforter and confidant, but now something seemed to stand in the way of that relationship, and more and more the trips to

Stanford to see Peter were an obligation rather than a pleasure.

Bill was outlining the new rush program, and he heard his name mentioned. "Joe, you and Marsh work on Don Crown and Johnny Folsom. Don's Laura Lee's cousin, Marsh, and they're both out for football. Maybe you can work on them through Laura Lee some way. And see them at football practice. They're from two of the very best families in San Francisco, and if we get them away from the Betas, we can really clean up next year. Okay?"

Joe nodded sullenly. "Well connected," that was a term they used. And if a rushee was well connected

and flashy in some other respect as well he was a "nugget." A goddam nugget, he thought; he certainly had not been one. He caught Marshall's eye and whispered, "Goddam snobs," but Marshall only looked puzzled. Now Bill was talk-

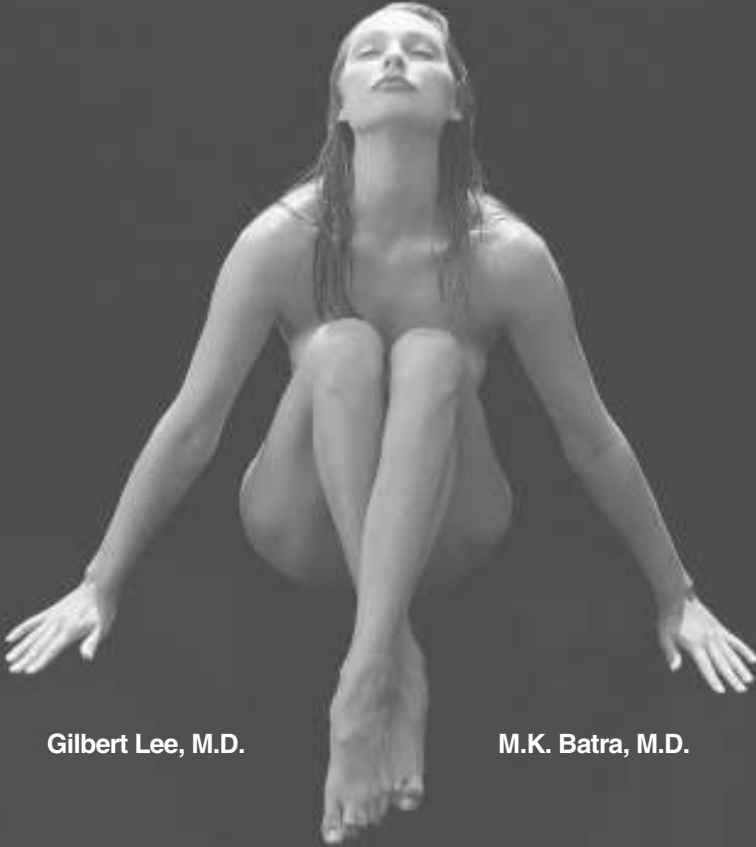
ing about somebody named Dean Hunter, who had terrific Piedmont connections, and Joe remembered Randy and Bill arguing about rushing, Randy saying, "Free, white, gentle, bourgeois Americans exercising their inalienable right to choose

free, white, gentle, bourgeois American friends"; and Bill saying, "Exactly the same thing that goes on in life. You can't say it's peculiar to the fraternity system"; and Randy, "Oh, that gives it the odor of sanctity, does it?" and Bill, "Well,

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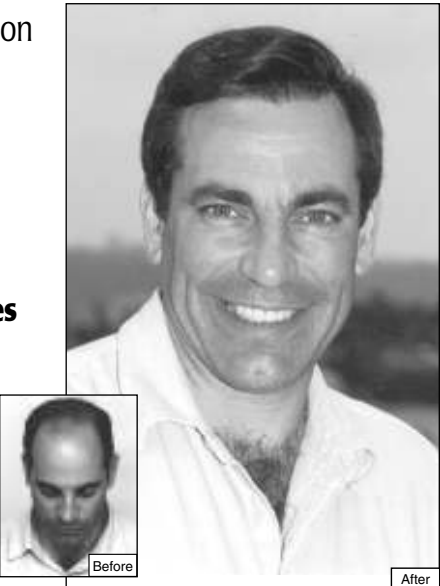
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nobody's going to change it, so you can either go along with it the way it is or go live in a cave somewhere." Randy had replied that there was a lot to be said for living in caves, but that he would stick with the people who were going to make the changes.

Joe shook his head. He had joined this fraternity and he would try to live in it on its own terms. But it was making him sick tonight. He was glad when Bill smacked the gavel down and said the meeting was adjourned to the back room of the Golden Bear, which he had reserved for the occasion. Everyone cheered and started out. Joe let them jostle past him, waiting for Marshall, who as sergeant-at-arms had to close up the chapter room.

"Coming along, Joe?" Bill asked. His face was flushed and his eyes looked very bright.

Joe shook his head. "Come on, Joe," Andy Baker said. "We're going out serenading afterwards."

"Have to study," Joe said and moved away from them. They would all drink beer until they were sloppy drunk and then go out serenading the Kappas and Thetas and probably end up pissing on the Betas' lawn. It might have been fun last year; now it seemed asinine. "Well, what do you think about it all?" he said to Marshall, who was draping the black cover over the Bible.

Marshall didn't answer immediately. He turned off the light behind the crest. His scarred neck was red, and his long legs looked very thin in tight Levis. Everyone else had gone out. They were singing the Omega Alpha song as they mounted the steps from the basement. "I feel pretty sorry for Pappy," Marshall said.

"He sure looked a lot better than anybody else here tonight."

Joe and Marshall went up to the third floor to get Cokes and into Marshall's corner room to drink them. "Where's Bill get this crap?" Joe demanded. "This good San Francisco family and terrific Piedmont connections crap? We're going to have a good time sucking around these two rich boys."

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the crowd somebody's gone around with in high school," Marshall said. "All I knew was a bunch of Mexicans and Japs there at Modesto."

"Turn in your bond," Joe said. They both laughed. "Well, the Baileys are really a terrific family in San Diego," he said sarcastically. "Really well connected."

"The Trasks are about the biggest family in Modesto."

"Can't count that. Jesus, Marsh, it's really a bunch of crap, isn't it? The whole damn business."

"What?"

"All these phony dorks. The fraternity."

Marshall took a long drink of Coke. "Well, but it's meant a lot to me. You know. There were an awful lot of things I had to learn." He was sitting at his desk, and he opened and closed the cover of the book lying in front of him. "I know how to handle myself with guys like you all now, and with nice girls and at a dance and places. I don't get so shy, and I don't feel so stupid when I go somewhere like out to George Davis's. I've been pretty happy here. It's been real good for me."

Joe nodded. Marshall was right in a way; the fraternity smoothed a lot of rough edges. And it was hypocritical for him to say he hated the falseness. He was a fine one to say anybody else was a phony.

"You can get a lot out of it," Marshall said, still facing away from him. "But you've got to put a lot in first, I guess. I mean, that's the way with anything, isn't it? Like football too?"

"Waltz me around again, Daisy," Joe said, and Marshall turned toward him, flushed and trying to grin. Marshall was embarrassed, and to change the subject Joe said, "Well, I guess all the seniors are out getting tight too."

"I guess so," Marshall said. "Why don't you come study up here, Joe? When all those guys come back you won't get anything done down in your room."

"That's for sure," Joe said and went down to get his books.

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ond-floor hallway, then on the third floor doors were slammed and radios turned on. "Here's to old Omega Alpha!" someone sang next door. "We'll give our all for old Omega Alpha!"

"Red Thornton," Marshall commented.

Joe closed his physics book with a clap. He could do the lab problems tomorrow. "I guess everybody got good and stewed," he said. He sat on the edge of the bed and stretched. Between the windows was a small neatly printed placard: "Next Time

Tri Delt." There was another over the door: "Chi-O Silver!" Someone shouted violently.

He got up and looked out the door. Bingo Edwards was standing in a doorway at the far end of the hall, the sleeves of his sweater pushed up on his arms, yelling at someone within the room. Behind him were Jack Bates and Norm Holliday, and Joe saw Bingo jerk his arm away from Jack's

grasp.

"Cut it out, Bingo," Bates said. "You're tight, fella. Come on, let's go down to our room."

Bingo paid no attention to him. "You're chicken, you bastard!" he yelled at whoever it was in the room. "All you double-crossing bastards're chicken." He slammed the door shut and came stiff-legged on down the hall.

Red Thornton's head

appeared. "What's going on?" he asked.

Joe shrugged. Marshall came up behind him.

Bingo flung another door open, cursed, slammed it shut. Bates and Norm Holliday followed him until he halted in front of Red. "You want to tangle?" Bingo demanded.

"As a matter of fact, no," Red said and backed up a step.

"You're a goddam red-headed pimp," Bingo said, leaning toward Red.

Two other sophomores appeared, standing on tiptoe and craning their necks to see what was going on.

With his feet braced apart, hands on hips, spit spraying sibilantly from his lips, Bingo cursed Red.

"What're you sore at me for?" Red cried. "What the hell did I do to you?

Can't a guy vote —"

"You didn't do anything to me! You won't do anything to me either, you goddam sophomore. You know why? You're a goddam chicken —"



"Aw, you're drunk," Red Thornton said. "Why don't you go sleep it off?" He looked at Joe as though for reassurance.

Joe was very conscious of the eyes of the four sophomores, and he wondered what Bingo, who was out to pick a fight with someone, would say to him. "You're not going to talk that way to me," he said.

Bingo swung around. His black eyes were wide and unfocused. "Aaaaah!" he said thickly. "You San Diego jerk, you big-nose jerk, you scrub, you goddam third-string San Diego halfass piss-off, what the hell do you

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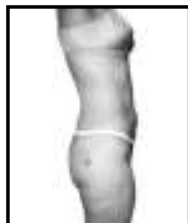


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double-crossing screws think you're doing in a fraternity anyway, you ..."

"You better shut your damn — !" Joe's shirt was caught from behind as he started forward. Marshall came out past him and put his arm around Bingo. "Come on, Bingo," he said. "Let's go down to your room. Nobody wants to tangle with you. You're too good a boxer."

But Bingo cursed and pushed Marshall against Norm Holliday. "You stupid hayseed football clown!" he screamed. "You better keep your hands off me before I smash your goddam face — I'll smash your goddam face so that whore of a Laura Lay won't even know you!"

Marshall turned white. Bingo had his fists up, jerking the left one back and forth, weaving his shoulders. "You don't need to call names," Marshall said. "Nobody wants to fight you."

"Bingo!" Joe said, and Bingo lurched around. Joe slapped the heel of his hand against the other's forehead, and Bingo roared and lunged. Joe hit him in the stomach as hard as he could.

Bingo bent as though he were trying to touch his toes, fell, curled up with his hands to his belly, began to vomit. Joe dropped his fists to his sides and carefully did not look at the other sophomores.

"Give me a hand," Marshall said, and he and Jack Bates helped Bingo up. Bingo was groaning, and vomit was smeared down the front of his sweater. With their arms around him, Marshall and Bates half carried him down the hall and into the lavatory.

"Nice going, Joe," Red said. "Hey, he really put the burd, didn't he?"

"Well struck, old man!" Joe turned on his heel and went back into Marshall's room. He was shaking. "Let's all give Joe a big hand," he whispered. "Hell," he whispered. "Goddam it to hell!" He rubbed his hand over his eyes, hearing the shower beating in the lavatory.

It seemed a long time before Marshall returned. "Is he okay?" Joe asked.

"He's okay. You hit him pretty hard, but I guess it was the only thing to do."

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"I guess he felt like hell, though. Getting thrown out like that. I guess all those guys must feel like hell."

Marshall stood at the door, scratching his head. The sleeves of his varsity jacket were dark and wet, and there were dark spots on the front of his T-shirt. "Well, he gets pretty antsy when he's drunk. I've seen him that way before."

"You weren't going to hit him," Joe said. It wouldn't have occurred to Marshall

to hate Bingo Edwards' guts for what he didn't even know for sure had been said about him as a rushee. Marshall hadn't needed to be scared, even with Laura Lee, of what Bingo would yell at him, drunk and mad and hurt. Marshall didn't have to show off to the sophomores that he wasn't afraid of Bingo. "You didn't have to hit him," Joe said.

Marshall didn't say anything.

"Where is he?" Joe

demanded.

"Down in his room."

"Well, hell," Joe said and picked up his books and went downstairs. The door of his own room was open. Bill, Paul Clay, and Andy Baker were there.

"Hey, roomie," Bill called. "Congratulations on cleaning up on Bingo." Joe went on past the doorway without replying, and Andy called after him, "Hey, come and give us the scoop, Joe. All we've heard is a lot of

sophomore rumors."

He didn't stop. Bates, Larry Graves, and Kelly were in Bingo's room, and Bingo was lying on the bed with only his striped shorts on. His face was yellowish. The four of them looked silently at Joe.

"I'm sorry Bingo," he said. "I didn't have to hit you like that when you were tight."

"I asked for it," Bingo said.

"Well, I'm sorry."

"Forget it."

Joe locked his lips. Bingo had called him a third stringer, which was true, a San Diego jerk, which might be true, and probably would have said more if he had not been stopped, also true — but he didn't have to make Bingo into a Christian martyr because he had socked him one in the belly. Bingo remained a crud, and if he couldn't help it that Bingo was a crud, he could try to help it if he himself

was.

"Forget it," Bingo repeated. "No," he said, and shook his head as he backed out. He kept shaking his head angrily as he retraced his steps down the hall to his room, where Andy and Paul and Bill Strafford were waiting. ■

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A Run for (a Little) Money

The San Diego Marathon

San Diego Marathon owner Lynn Flanagan had just returned from her lunchtime run, when she paused to consider what ownership of San's Diego's oldest marathon means.

It confers "a pretty stressful burden," the 61-year-old Flanagan said. "What it means is that I have total financial responsibility."

Flanagan was speaking from the Solana Beach offices of her event

marketing and management company, In Motion, Inc., where she and four other full-

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time employees have spent an entire year planning the race that takes place in Carlsbad this weekend. What did Flanagan buy in 1990, when she went from being the event's promoter to its proprietor? A marathon is not exactly a tangible asset. "Actually, I bought just the name — and the history and the mailing list." She likened a marathon to a concept, an idea — "something, really, that you create."

Asked if she draws a salary or profit, and what the figures have been in recent years, Flanagan would say only that she isn't getting rich but makes a living by producing special events, including several other major road races in San Diego.

Flanagan used to run the San Diego Marathon herself before becoming its manager in 1985. Then, 11 years ago, she bought it from Bill Burke, the L.A. Marathon's controversial president. Los Angeles owns that race, but Burke has been criticized for using his entrepreneurial skills and political connections for making the annual occasion a personal profit center.

That criticism is unfair, some argue. Such a monstrously complicated and expensive entity as a marathon can no longer be left to those who would organize it purely for love of the sport.



2001 San Diego Marathon

Back in the late 1950s, when the San Diego Track Club founded the San Diego Marathon and the runners raced from Oceanside to Mission Bay, there was no traffic to divert. No field hospital to set up at the finish line. No crew of bicycle-riding doctors to be enlisted to monitor the course. No professional race-timing company to be hired for computing finishers' times as well as their "splits," which are the times they register at certain mile markers along the way. ("Runners expect so much more now," said the owner of a 21-year-old race-timing company in San Diego, who reminisced about the days when a marathoner merely handed over a numbered Popsicle stick at the finish line.)

Nor were there corporate sponsors that could determine the financial success or failure of a race.

All runners take home the "goody bags" that are filled with those sponsors' products. In a Carlsbad warehouse one long day last week, volunteers for the San Diego Marathon prepared 9000 of them, each containing 50 products. Working on every aspect of the race, there are 2000 volunteers in all,

coordinated by Flanagan's daughter Ellen.

Some runners like to feel as if their energy is being expended for a good cause. The San Diego Marathon has 13 nonprofit sponsors this year.

Competitors may or may not realize that no part of their entry fee goes to the sponsoring charities. According to Nancy Palo, Flanagan's event coordinator, who spoke during a break from assigning the 24 entertainment groups their locations along the course, "The fee goes for things like the medal that a finisher gets at the end, the marketing, and the T-shirt, which is actually a \$40 value for the Cool Max shirt alone."

The charities do reap rewards, of course. Participants are encouraged to make donations directly or to collect pledges, earning premiums (a sweatshirt, for example) for reaching various dollar goals. On race day, the groups are given space along the route to create "awareness."

Capping registration at 5000 half-marathoners and 3000 marathoners was Flanagan's idea. "Gradually, we may add to that, but we're not interested in becoming a mega-marathon," she said.

Walkers, breakfast burritos, and chalk art for kids don't harm the marathon's image as a serious runner's event (an official qualifier for the Boston Marathon), in Flanagan's opinion. "We do have a little bit of prize money," which ranges from \$3000 for first place

to \$100 for fifth. "The elite runners are not paid; we have a very small budget." But Flanagan makes an effort to attract them. "We do have some plane tickets and some hotel rooms, and we take very good care of them when they're here."

Bill Burke gave up ownership of the marathon because he "didn't feel he had enough local support to get the community behind him," Flanagan said. It does require finesse. The least of it is knowing how to handle the neighbors, not all of whom may be delighted by P.A. systems starting up with the Kahuna Cowboys at 7:30 on a Sunday morning. Flanagan recently moved from Solana Beach to a house right on the race route. So this year she walked that neighborhood, informing everyone of the "times of impact," since, "if people know what's coming far enough in advance, they can prepare for it."

— Jeanne Schinto

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Lynn Flanagan (2nd from left) and Flanagan daughters: Christine Adams (far left), Ellen Flanagan (2nd from right), Katie Johnson (far right)

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Healing Walks for those who have experienced grief and loss are offered by the Elizabeth Hospice, so that participants may “enjoy the beauty of nature while moving in a healthy direction.” Walkers meet on Monday mornings at 9 a.m. in Del Dios (across from Hernandez’ Hideaway, 19320 Lake Drive) and at 9 a.m. on Tuesday mornings at the Carlsbad seawall (take I-5 to Tamarack, exit, and head west to the parking lot at the foot of Tamarack).

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Historic Golden Hill is the subject for a new and improved Walkabout outing slated for Wednesday, January 23. This moderate one-hour

walk starts at 10 a.m. at 25th and A Street and will cover the nine square blocks of the oldest part of Golden Hill. Bring water and money for a Mexican bakery stop. Free. 619-231-7463. (GOLDEN HILL)

DANCE

Bellydancing and live Middle Eastern music is promised at Claire de Lune coffee lounge tonight, Thursday, January 17, at 8 p.m. The featured dancers this week include Lucia, Sheera, Mahira, and Judeah. Open dancing is planned. Admission is \$5. Find the coffeehouse at 2906 University Avenue; 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

Cha Cha Cha. Learn, learn, learn when the Calico Twirlers of National City sponsor classes on Friday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. The class is open to adults and to youth from 15 to 18 if accompanied by an adult. Singles or partners welcome. Go to the Kimball Recreation Center, 1221 D Avenue. The first class is free; \$3 thereafter. 619-426-9407 or 619-477-5733. (NATIONAL CITY)

Contra-Fun, the community band performs and Graham Hempel calls for the contradance on Friday, January 18, at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Dancing begins at 8 p.m., following beginners’ instruction at 7:45 p.m. Admission: \$6. Wear soft-soled shoes. For more information, dial 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

“Sometimes, Something Different: Intimate Cabaret Dances” are being presented by choreographer Jean Isaacs and dancers from the San Diego Dance Theater January 18-20, at the San Diego Museum of Art. The music is by Brecht/Weill, Mississippi John Hurt, Marais Marin, and Crazy Freilacht. Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 6 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$20, available by calling 619-696-1966 or through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (BALBOA PARK)

“The First National Ballet of Belarus” is said to be an apt description for Khoroshky, hitting the stage at Copley Symphony Hall on Saturday, January 19. The 65-member company travels with full folk orchestra to perform its “Big Concert Program” in two acts. Performances

begin at 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$30 to \$50, available at the Copley box office and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). Find the hall at 750 B Street. (DOWNTOWN)

A Fusion of World Cultures is on offer when Urban Tap hits the stage at UCSD’s Mandeville Auditorium on Saturday, January 19, 7:30 p.m. The company’s dancers, musicians, and singers from around the world — led by Herbin “Tamango” Van Cayseele — mix cultures and styles in “Caravane.” Expect “part circus, part vaudeville, part jazz set, part cabaret act, with some African drumming tossed in.”

Tickets are \$22 general. Call 858-534-8497 for information and reservations; tickets are also available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LA JOLLA)

Learn West African Dance Moves to the pulsating beat of live drumming when Nikola Clay leads a class on Saturday, January 19. Class begins at 11 a.m. at Coast Athletics (613 Westlake Street). The fee is \$15. For information, call 858-793-0178. (ENCINITAS)

Jump, Jive, and Swing It Live when local crooner David Patrone and his quintet perform on Saturday, January 19, at the Champion Ballroom (3580 Fifth Avenue). Doors open at 8 p.m., beginning and intermediate swing lessons start at 8:30 p.m., and Patrone and company play from 9:15 p.m. to 12:15 a.m. Admission is \$10. Call 619-291-7722 for information. (HILLCREST)

Premiere, John Malashock’s newest work, *Misjudgment in Paris*, co-directed by Rosina Reynolds, has its premiere at the Globe Theatres. With a story by playwright Allan Havis and original score by Lisa Bloom Cohen, the evening of dance retells three classic Greek tales in contemporary style: Pegasus and Bellerophon, Orpheus and Eurydice, and the Judgment of Paris. The program runs through January 20. Tickets are available at the Globe box office; 619-239-2255. (BALBOA PARK)

Beginners’ Square-Dance classes are being offered by the Ruffles n’ Beaus Square Dance Club on Sunday, January 20, from 6 to 7:45 p.m., in room 207 at the Casa del Prado. The fee is \$3 per person (first night free). For more information, call

619-469-4865 or 858-277-6621. Open enrollment concludes on January 27. (BALBOA PARK)

Give Those Abs a Workout and “get in touch with your core self” in belly-dancing classes with Genevieve. They’re offered every Wednesday and Thursday evening, 6 to 7 p.m., \$10 per class, at Blisswoman, 4839 Newport Avenue. 619-523-5543. (OCEAN BEACH)

FILM

Not So Silent, the Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films may be seen and heard on Saturday, January 19, at 11 a.m., in the Seuss Room at Geisel Library at UCSD. The small novelty orchestra of toy instruments and orchestral noisemakers will provide live music and sound effects as classic silent films roll. Guests are encouraged to join the musicians in the pit for some sound effects solos. Play a real theremin — if you *dare!* Admission and parking are free. Dial 858-534-8074 for further information. (LA JOLLA)

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The Effects of Exclusion and Hostility are examined in *Viehjud Levi* (*Jew Boy Levi*), Didi Danquart's 1999 film set in prewar Germany. See the flick when it screens — in German and Yiddish with English subtitles — for the Sunday Matinee at the San Diego Public Library on January 20, at 2 p.m. Find the library at 820 E Street. Free. 619-236-5810. (DOWNTOWN)

"Stars and Crosses: The Cinema of Christian-Jewish Relations" is the theme for a film series planned in the library at Temple Emanu-El. The series continues with *Solomon and Gaenor* on Sunday, January 20, at 7 p.m. This 2001 film is described as a "tragic love story between a Jewish man and a Welsh woman in the beginning of the 20th Century."

SDSU professor Lawrence Baron leads the discussion following the film. Find the temple at 6299 Capri Drive. Tickets for nonmembers are \$6.50. For information or reservations, call 619-286-2555. (GRANTVILLE)

A Stirring Eulogy to the Loss of Youthful Hope, it took the silver prize at the Carthage Film Festival in 1998, and now *Date Wine* screens for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library on Tuesday, January 22, at 6:30 p.m. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. Free. In Arabic with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

"The Grifters," this film screens as part of the Carlsbad Library's ongoing series examining "Con Games" on Wednesday, January 23, 6 p.m., Schulman Auditorium, 1775 Dove Lane. Free. 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

"The Year of the Comet," the Creative Arts Consortium's film series — offering comedies with lead women dealing with issues of mental illness — continues on Wednesday, January 23, with this 1992 "off-pace romp" starring Penelope Ann Miller

and Timothy Dalley. It screens at 1 p.m. in the auditorium of the San Diego Library, 820 E Street. It's free. 858-481-7069. (DOWNTOWN)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, *Bears* is a close-up look at the black bear, brown "grizzly" bear, and polar bear. You'll follow the complexity of their social lives, their importance in the ecosystem, and their ancient mythological and spiritual significance. Environmental factors are threatening the survival of North America's bears. The IMAX film was shot in Montana, Idaho, and in Alaska's Katmai Preserve. It screens through Friday, May 31.

Experience the challenges and countless mysteries of great animal migrations in *Amazing Journeys*. The film follows monarch butterflies, birds, migrating whales, the red crabs of Christmas Island, the great migration of zebras in Africa, and Maasai warriors on their travels. Take the journey through Tuesday, April 30.

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 Thursday, March 7.

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

LECTURES

"The Creative Being" will be presented by stage, TV, and film actor Bob Fimiani for the National League of American Pen Women on Friday, January 18. The talk explores Fimiani's creative process and passages from his favorite roles. Hear the talk at 1 p.m. at the Rancho Bernardo Public Library (17110 Bernardo

Center Drive). Free. 619-469-0732. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Controversy at Elderhelp? Dr. Larry Goldstein from UCSD will examine "Stem Cell Research and the Future" for the "retirement living" class on Friday, January 18, 1 p.m., at Elder-Help (4069 30th Street). Free. 619-284-9281. (NORTH PARK)

Get to Know the Coast, Serge Dedina, director of Wildcoast, has helped protect more than 1 million acres of coastal and marine habitat in the Baja California Peninsula, including Loreto Bay National Park and the Bahia Concepción Peninsula Reserve. Dedina will discuss "Coastal and Marine Biodiversity Conservation in the Baja California Peninsula" on Friday, January 18, at noon, at the Tijuana River National Estuarine Reserve visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Free; you're welcome to bring

a sack lunch. For more information, dial 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Blinded by Egypt's Treasures, Barry and Corinne Smedley's most recent travels took them to Egypt, the subject for their slide-illustrated Sierra Club presentation on Friday, January 18, at 7:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of the zoo's main entrance). Call 619-299-1744 x1040 for information. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

The duo will also present their Egypt travel show at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 23, at the Coronado Public Library (640 Orange Avenue; 619-522-7391). Free. (CORONADO)

Dress Comfortably for the "Cikitsa — Intro to Yoga Therapy" class planned by certified yoga instructor Jaruska Solyova on Friday, January 18, at 5 p.m., at the La Jolla Cove Bridge Club (1160 Coast

Boulevard). Free. For reservations, call 858-456-9964. (LA JOLLA)

Writers Wanted, the 18th annual SDSU Writers' Conference expects to attract hundreds of aspiring authors, poets, and playwrights to attend the event, taking place at the Doubletree Hotel, Friday through Sunday, January 18-20. There are workshops, critique sessions, and more. For details and registration, call 619-594-5152. (MISSION VALLEY)

Old and Twisted, Cindy Read plans a bonsai demonstration teaching techniques of tray planting on Saturday, January 19, at 10:30 a.m., at the Japanese Friendship Garden. The fee for nonmembers is \$15. To register, call 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

"One Hundred Years Ago at the Beach" is the topic of a slide-illustrated lecture planned for the Pacific Beach Historical Society on Satur-




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LOCAL EVENTS

day, January 19, at 1 p.m., at the Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (Pacific Beach Library; 4275 Cass Street). 858-272-6655. Free. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Examine Verdi's *Rigoletto* during the opera preview addressing the music, drama, and history of this upcoming San Diego Opera production planned by vocal music specialist Ron Shaheen at 10 a.m. on Saturday, January 19, at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-434-2920. (CARLSBAD)

"Architect as Developer: Housing, Office, and Retail Together" is the topic when architect Allard Jansen speaks for the Friends of San Diego Architecture at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 19, at the New School of Architecture (1249 F Street). For information, call 619-287-0050 or 619-235-4100. A \$3 donation is requested. (DOWNTOWN)

"What's Ahead in the World for 2002?" Get answers to this question when astrologer Terry Lamb moderates a panel discussion for the National Council for Geocosmic Research on Saturday, January 19, 1 p.m., at the Kearny Mesa Parks and Recreation Center (3170 Armstrong Street). Admission is \$12 for nonmembers. For more information, call 619-443-7581. (KEARNY MESA)

Make Your Own Media, the San Diego Independent Media Center is offering a series of workshops "to share skills with all the communities of San Diego." Get the scoop on "Real Journalism for Real People" — with Mark Gabrish Conlan of *Zenger's Newsmagazine* — on Saturday, January 19, 2 to 5 p.m.

The suggested donation is \$10 (flexible). Find the group in the studio at 740 1/2 16th Street. To make the requested reservations, call 619-233-5002. (DOWNTOWN)

Positive, Progressive, Peace-Filled, all of these are in the future for planet Earth, according to those at the Unarius Academy of Science. There's a lecture entitled "A Peace-Filled Future for Planet Earth" scheduled during the open house on Saturday, January 19, 1 to 4 p.m. Find the Unarians at 145 South Magnolia Avenue; 800-475-7062. Free. (EL CAJON)

"Involuntary Institutionalization: Could It Happen to You?" Find out when psychiatric social worker Esther McIlroy and clinical psychologist Jane Rand discuss for the Hemlock Society how the Welfare and Institutions Code 5150 on mental health ward confinement might apply to a "suicidal" terminally ill person. The talk starts at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 20, at the Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Free. 619-267-5810. (HILLCREST)

"War and Revolution" is the subject when Maxine Gaiber leads a tour of "European Art, 1870-1940: War and Revolution" and presents an "insight gallery talk" on Sunday, January 20, at 2 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. The lecture is included in regular museum admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

More Than 2000 UFO Sightings have been recorded at the Sattva Sanctuary, located near Mount Adams in Washington. James Gilliland, the person in charge of the sanctuary, will speak when the San Diego UFO Society meets at 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 20, in the San Diego Zoo's Otto Center. Call 619-299-9157 for information. Admission: \$15 for nonmembers. (BALBOA PARK)

Writers Talk About Writing, join the San Diego Writers/Editors Guild when novelist Diane Klein addresses the group on Monday, January 21, 6:30 p.m., at the Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Her books include *In the Name of Help* and the forthcoming *Until Proven Innocent*. Admission: \$5 for nonmembers. For more information, call 858-576-3800. (HILLCREST)

Make a Bowl, Bird House, or covered container when Carol Lang leads a gourd art class on Monday, January 21, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). Lang will also demonstrate basket-weaving techniques for decorating the gourds. Materials are provided in the \$50 fee for nonmembers. Call 760-436-3036 to reserve a spot. (ENCINITAS)

"Dutch Painting in the Golden Age," this lecture series at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library continues on Tuesday, January 22, at 7:30 p.m. The presenter is John F.M. Stewart. In this talk, he will discuss Rembrandt van Rijn, his artistic development, printmaking, and recent controversies surrounding Rembrandt attributions. Find the library

at 1008 Wall Street. Nonmember tickets: \$12. For information, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"Patriotism and Dissent: The Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr." is the subject when the "Monthly Dialogue Series: Matters of Controversy" gets underway on Tuesday, January 22, at 7 p.m., at the First Unitarian Universalist Church. The idea is to "gather knowledge, hear guest speakers, and share your own ideas...turn information into action." Find the church at 4190 Front Street. Free. 858-459-4650. (HILLCREST)

Get Outside! Wilderness ethics, first aid, equipment, water filtration, nutrition, map and compass — all of these subjects and more will be covered when the Sierra Club offers its annual "Wilderness Basics Course" starting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). Classes continue for ten weeks, with lectures and outings.

To register, call 858-272-9229; registration is also available on the first night. The fee is \$95. (MISSION VALLEY)

Get Your Creative Juices Flowing when creativity coach/performance writer/improv comedian Jill Badonsky presents "The Playground of the New Year's Imagination" during a writing workshop set for Tuesday, January 22. The class convenes at 7 p.m. at Bridge Way Books (162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, suite A-30). The fee is \$15. All levels of writers are invited. 858-720-0050. (ENCINITAS)

"The Life and Artistry of John James Audubon" is the topic when Andy Mauro speaks for the Buena Vista Audubon Society on Wednesday, January 23, 7:30 p.m., in the Cannon Art Gallery at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Mauro will focus on Audubon's unconventional life and give special note to the Audubon images depicting species found locally. 760-439-2473. Free. (CARLSBAD)

Arrangements Using Pine will be demonstrated by Winette Waggoner of the Saga Goryu School when Ikebana International meets on Wednesday, January 23, at 10 a.m., in room 101 of Casa del Prado. The demonstration will be followed by a program on Japanese cooking. 619-223-8879. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

The Challenges, Stories, and Experiences of the "Making of the Movie *Ocean Oasis*" will be discussed when co-executive producer Don Steele

speaks at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, January 23, at the San Diego Natural History Museum. Admission is \$5 general. Call 619-232-3821 x203 for more details. (BALBOA PARK)

IN PERSON

An Inquiry into Hate and the thoughts and feelings of an American community are gathered in *The Laramie Project*. After the murder of Matthew Shepard in 1998, members of the New York-based Tectonic Theater Project visited Wyoming six times to interview more than 200 Laramie residents and officials.

Playwright Moisés Kaufman will discuss his work and show clips of his film *The Laramie Project* tonight, Thursday, January 17, at 7 p.m., in the Black Box Theater at La Jolla Country Day School (9490 Genesee Avenue). The film stars Christina Ricci, Laura Linney, Jeremy Davis, Steve Buscemi, Janeane Garofolo, and Camryn Manheim. Free. For more information, call 858-453-3440 x119. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Up for a "Space Western"? One that explores the juxtaposition of the true-grit personality, the mythologizing of Old West iconography, and the culture of waste? If you answer yes, pardner, head over to Sushi Performance and Visual Art when RK Corral presents *Good Guy/Bad Guy* Thursday through Saturday, January 17-19. Expect performance art, multimedia, narrative, photographic, and old-radio-style fun. The Corral is a collaborative group of five artists who've been creating satiric performance together since 1996.

Tickets are \$15 general. Sushi is located in the ReinCarnation Building, at 320 11th Avenue. For reservations, call 619-235-8468. (DOWNTOWN)

Reading, Writing, and Rhythm, this world music series continues when Italian acoustic guitarist Beppe Gambetta performs on Friday, January 18. You'll be treated to traditional and classical tunes reflecting his various musical influences, from his native Italy to American flatpicking, from Celtic to European and Mediterranean dance tunes.

Concerts begin at 7 and 8:30 p.m. at the Sunshine Brooks Theater (217 North Coast Highway). Tickets are \$7. For information, dial 760-435-5570. (OCEANSIDE)

A Multimedia Performance is promised when Drought Buoy per-

forms with acoustic bass, modern dance, and spoken word on Friday, January 18, at 7 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). The group includes dancer Terry Sprague, bassist Gunner Biggs, and speaker/vocalist Brandon Cesmat. Free. For more information, dial 760-434-2881. (CARLSBAD)

Seattle Poet J. Glenn Evans will read from *Window in the Sky* and *Seattle Poems* on Friday, January 18, 8 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Evans is the poetry editor of *Poets West*. Free. Call 858-456-1800 for details. (LA JOLLA)

Everybody's a Critic! Professional actors and the NewWorks Theatre are presenting "New Plays from New Works," wherein five new plays are given dramatic staged readings at Saint Paul's Cathedral. Audience feedback will be recorded and presented to the playwrights.

The series gets underway on Friday, January 18, 8 p.m., with Laurence Waddy's *Without Frontiers*. The play is based on the true story of one woman's survival during WWII and her journey to forgiveness of the "everyday Nazi soldiers and prison guards forced to do their duty."

Tickets are \$10 at the door. Find St. Paul's at 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Fifth and Nutmeg). For information and reservations, call 619-262-6162. (MIDTOWN)

Let Out Your Inner Mirth with improv comedy games designed for laughter and play during events planned on Friday, January 18, at 7:30 p.m., at Bridge Way Books (162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, suite A-30). All levels are invited to this workshop facilitated by creativity coach and author Jill Badonsky. The \$15 fee "includes surprises." 858-720-0050. (ENCINITAS)

Set on a Rooftop in the Bronx, a young Latina "is seduced into the art of making glass cords" in Evelyn Diaz Cruz's *Glass Cord*. See performances at 7:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday, January 18-20 (and January 25-27) at the Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex (3795 Fairmount Avenue). The requested donation is \$8 general, \$5 for seniors and students. For reservations, call 619-641-6103. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Laugh Out Loud when the Comedy Codependents perform at the Creativity Centre (4716 32nd Street) on Friday, January 18, at 8 p.m. Suggest-

tions from the audience fuel the fun. Free. 619-280-5177. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Northern California Poets Maria Melendez and Eric Gudas will read from *Mark My Words: Five Emerging Poets* at D.G. Wills Books. The reading begins at 8 p.m. on Saturday, January 19. Find the shop at 7461 Girard Avenue; call 858-456-1800 for information. (LA JOLLA)

Science Fiction and Horror Merge in David Brin's new book, *Kilm People*. Head to Barnes and Noble when Brin signs and discusses his book on Saturday, January 19, at 12:30 p.m. Find the book at 1040 North El Camino Real; 760-943-6400. Free. (ENCINITAS)

Once a Diehard Rocker, Don Conoscenti now follows in the acoustic footsteps of Woody and Arlo Guthrie. He'll perform for San Diego Folk Heritage on Saturday, January 19, at 7:30 p.m., at San Diego United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). Tickets are \$10. For reservations, dial 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

Experimental Electronica is promised when the Fresh Sounds Music Series at Spruce Street Forum continues with Aspects of Physics on Saturday, January 19. Jason Soares, JFRE eRoboti Coad, and F. Mathias Lorenz blend genres of music with interactive visuals to "create an exciting live scenario." The program says, "Art at 7, music at 8, and a colloquium afterwards" focusing on their "energy language system." Admission is \$15 general. Find the Forum at 301 Spruce Street; 619-295-0301. (HILLCREST)

Fantasy Author Robin Hobb will sign and discuss *Fool's Errand: The Tawny Man Book I* on Saturday, January 19, at 4 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. Dial 858-268-4747 for details. (CLAIREMONT)

Laugh and Giggle at the improvisational puppetry of Margaret Katchur when she brings her "curious and loving characters" to life at Lestat's Coffeehouse on Saturday, January 19, at 3:30 p.m. The show is interactive and appropriate for all ages. Find the coffeehouse at 3343 Adams Avenue. Call 619-282-0437 for more information. Admission: \$2. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Katchur also plans a show on Sunday, January 20, at 3:30 p.m., at Gelato Vero Caffe (3753 India Street). Admission is \$2. For details, dial 619-295-9269. (MIDDLETOWN)

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Each afternoon after the opening event, a different set of globes will be removed from the locked cases so visitors can shake 'em up, baby. Free. Call 858-534-8074 for more information. (LA JOLLA)

All That Glitters...the Del Mar Fairgrounds are the site for a gem fair January 18-20, with precious and semi-precious gems, jewelry, beads, mineral specimens, lapidary tools, and more. Show hours are noon to 7 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For information, dial 760-747-9215. General admission is \$5. (DEL MAR)

Time to Redecorate? The 17th annual home decorating and remodeling show runs January 18-20 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Over 340 booths will feature "the very finest" in interior and exterior design, furniture, art, gardening, and much more. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For information, call 800-999-5400. Admission is free. (DEL MAR)

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Oriflamme Canyon's gurgling waters are borne to the open air high on the east slope of the Laguna Mountains. For five miles they trickle over polished granite and schist bedrock, tumble over small waterfalls, and nourish a line of oaks, sycamores, willows, and cottonwoods. At Mason Valley, off County Highway S-2, they finally sink into the porous sand of the Anza-Borrego Desert.

The scant precipitation of the last three rainy seasons hasn't done much to sustain a copious flow of water down the bottom of the canyon, but one or two good storms this winter season should resuscitate the stream. At one spot in the canyon, the water cascades over a 15-foot precipice tucked within a hidden grotto of rock framed by overarching ripar-

ian vegetation. This is the modest destination of the short but semi-rough three-mile desert hike described here. Wear long pants, or else you'll be subjected to intolerable levels of flagellation meted out by low-growing catclaw shrubs and prickly pear and cholla cacti.

From mile 26.8 on Highway S-2 (1 mile south of the Box Canyon Historical site), turn west on the dirt road signed "Oriflamme Canyon." (Four-wheel-drive vehicles are recommended beyond this turnoff.) Drive two miles, stay left as the road forks, and continue for one more mile to a rough side road on the left. Park off the road, descend to the canyon bottom, and then make your way upstream (southwest). You'll travel alongside a trickle or a torrent, depending on the recency and intensity of the winter rains. Alternately, you can try to find and follow an old, mostly overgrown cattle trail that stays up on the right side of the canyon for about one-half mile before it dips to cross the canyon bottom. In the narrowing canyon bottom ahead, you walk back and forth across the bubbling stream and over orange and brown leaf litter. Look for Indian morteros — grinding holes worn into streamside granite outcrops where the Kumeyaay Indians once processed acorns and other foods.

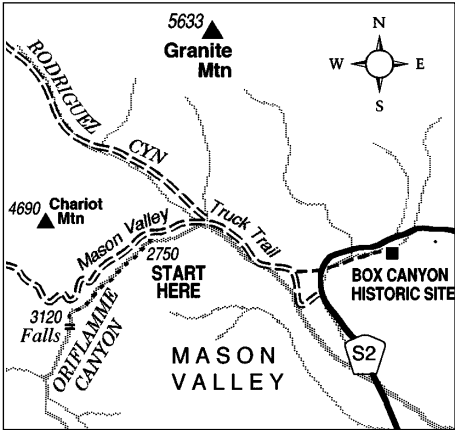
After 1.3 miles, a rocky tributary canyon comes in from the right (west). Forge ahead another five minutes or so to where you can hear water falling down the 15-foot-high cataract, below



Oriflamme Canyon waterfall

and to the left of the trail. Watch out for poison oak if you choose to scramble or wade to the shallow pool at the foot of the falls.

Storm activity could render the four-wheel-drive road impassable for vehicles, so check with Anza-Borrego park headquarters (760-767-5311 or 760-767-4205) for the latest information. If time and energy allow, you can always walk, instead of drive, that road, adding a somewhat tedious six miles to your hike.



the North Park Community Center (4044 Idaho Street). One three-hour pose is offered per session. The fee is \$5. For more details, dial 858-621-0850. (NORTH PARK)

Marching Bands and Floats are promised when the 22nd annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade takes place on Saturday, January 19. The theme: "Living the Dream — Let Freedom Ring." The parade starts at 10 a.m. at G Street and Harbor Drive.

Viewing is free.

The parade will be followed by the fourth annual Multicultural Festival 2002, with live entertainment, exhibits, and food from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the San Diego Children's Museum and along Union Street and Island Avenue. Admission is free. For information, call 619-533-7148. (DOWNTOWN)

The Best in the West is promised by the Winchester Widows during their

first ever chili cook-off, slated for Saturday, January 19, from 10 a.m. until "the cows come home," at the Ranch (5457 Alpine Boulevard). Expect Old West skit competitions and dancing. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids 7 to 12 (free for those younger than 7). For more information, dial 619-390-5176. (ALPINE)

Thar She Blows! Whale-watch weekend at Cabrillo National Monument is slated for Saturday and

Sunday, January 19 and 20, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. The event celebrates the return of the Pacific gray whales to Point Loma (as part of their annual round-trip migration from Alaska to Baja California). With luck, whales will show themselves while passing the point, and organizers plan guest speakers, children's programs (some featuring Ms. Frizzle), a booksigning by Sam Ridgeway, and more. There is a \$5-

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From Shoeboxes to Impalas, you'll see it all when Chevys from the '50s and '60s star for the San Diego Stadium Auto Swap on Sunday, January 20, from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Qualcomm Stadium. View vehicles on display and for sale, along with "acres of parts and accessories." Admission is \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342. (MISSION VALLEY)

Philatelic Fun, the monthly San Diego Stamp Fair is set for Sunday, January 20, with many stamp and cover dealers offering their wares. Find it all at the Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Admission is free. 619-469-0337. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (KEARNY MESA)

Searching for a Destination for your next vacation? Head to the San Diego Travel Show, slated for Sunday, January 20, at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). Many of the exhibitors are from "drive-to destinations," and there will be a "brochure library" for browsing. Admission is free. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, dial 619-644-1515. (MISSION VALLEY)

Whale Watching and Whaling History are promised when the Chula Vista Nature Center hosts an adventure aboard the *Mustang* on Sunday, January 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participants will learn about whaling in San Diego Bay and see migrating gray whales along the coast. The fee is \$25. Call 619-409-5903 for reservations. (SAN DIEGO BAY)

All Races Come in Unity, the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration at the World Beat Center is set for Monday, January 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Organizers promise African drumming, live reggae, steel pan drumming, children's and family activities, and an international food and crafts fair. Find the center at 2100 Park Boulevard. Admission is free. For details, call 619-230-1190. (BALBOA PARK)

What a Clown! It's what your friends say about you after you take part in the San Diego All-Star Clown Club's annual clown class, running Mondays, January 21 through March 28, 6:30 p.m., at the American Legion (7815 Armour Street). The resulting clowns do volunteer work in the county. For more information, call 858-581-3071 or 619-282-9668. (LINDA VISTA)

A Celebration of Water in Public Spaces, last summer, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California solicited nominations of public artworks celebrating Southern California's special relationship with water, using water as an element, subject, or theme. The artworks comprise fountains, sculptures, and paintings.

The 20 winning "Liquid Art" selections were captured by photographer Tom Bonner. An exhibition of these photos may be viewed weekdays (7 a.m. to 6 p.m.), from Monday, January 21, through Friday, February 15, at the Comerica Bank Building (600 B Street). For more information, call 800-225-5693 x6485. Viewing is free. (DOWNTOWN)

The Cream Silk Medieval Gown and Cape worn by Loretta Young in *The Crusades* are on view — along with movie props, posters, and other costumes — through Wednesday, January 30, in the donor corridor of the SDSU Library (5500 Campanile Drive). The collection of memorabilia spanning 65 years is owned by sociology professor Norman Tipton. Viewing is free. 619-594-1645. (SDSU)

Take a Taste of 18th-Century Ship-board Life when the *Hawaiian Chieftain* and *Lady Washington* replica tall ships visit the Maritime Museum Thursday through Sunday,

January 24-February 3. The “grand arrival” is slated for next Thursday, January 24, at 2 p.m.; tours are free on this date from 3 to 6 p.m.

Tours are offered from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. Tours are included in regular Maritime Museum admission (\$6 general, \$4 for seniors and those 13-17, \$2 for kids 6 to 12, free for those 5 and under).

Battle reenactment sailing with costumed crews take place from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The fee for these sailing adventures is \$40 for adults, \$20 for children. For reservations and information, call 800-200-5239. Find the museum at 1306 North Harbor Drive (at Ash Street). (DOWNTOWN)

FOR KIDS

“Songs, Rhyme, and Pantomime” are promised when Puppet Express performs through Sunday, January 20, at the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next, celebrate Chinese New Year when the Weaver’s Tales present *Weaving of a Dream* January 23-27.

Performances begin at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday and at 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. For more information, call 619-685-5045. (BALBOA PARK)

Antipholus of Syracuse Searches for his long-lost twin brother in William Shakespeare’s *Comedy of Errors*, the next production for the San Diego Junior Theater. The show is directed by Brian Bevell.

Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Friday and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday through January 20 in the Casa del Prado Theater. The *Errors* on January 19 are ASL interpreted. Tickets are \$7 to \$10 adults, \$5 to \$8 seniors and children 13 and under. For reservations, call 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

Didja Ever Get Up on the Wrong Side of the Bed? Based on the book by Judith Viorst, *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day!* is the current production for the J*Company Youth Theatre. The show can be seen at the Garfield Theatre at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center.

Find the center at 4126 Executive Drive. Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, January 19, and at 1 p.m. on Sunday, January 20. Tickets range from \$5 to \$25. Call 858-362-1348 for reservations. (LA JOLLA)

The Lovable Rascal from *The Magic Flute* wanders through the forest into the world of Operaland when the San Diego Opera presents *Papageno’s Phenomenal Adventure* for Operaquest. The 45-minute program designed for children 5 to 11 years old includes opera basics and famous musical excerpts sung live in English.

The fun begins at noon on Saturday, January 19, at Aviara Oaks Elementary School (6900 Ambrosia Lane). Free. For more information, call 760-434-2904. (LA COSTA)

Marathon for Munchkins, San Diego Marathon 2001 events include the “kids’ marathon mile” stepping off at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 19. For information and registration information, call 858-792-2900. (CARLSBAD)

What Makes Gray Whales So Special? Find out when the Birch Aquarium-Museum focuses on the “World of Gray Whales” for those in grades one through three on Saturday, January 19, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Participants will learn why they swim from Alaska to Mexico and back and how their numbers have grown since re-

ceiving protection from commercial whalers. Hands-on activities are included.

The fee is \$20. Find the aquarium at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). For the required reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Cuddle with Corduroy when this lovable bear visits White Rabbit Bookstore for story time on Sunday, January 20, at 2 p.m. Find the shop at

7755 Girard Avenue; 858-454-3518. For children three and older. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Explore the Polar Regions while learning about polar bears, penguins, and a variety of whales and seals during a class hosted by the Birch Aquarium-Museum on Sunday, January 20, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The class promises hands-on activities and a craft. The fee for “Polar Pals” is \$20 per child (with an adult chaperon admitted free). The aquarium

is located at 2300 Expedition Way. For the required reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

“**Space Cadet**,” a new play for school-age children, will be presented by the Carlsbad Playreaders next Thursday, January 24, at 4 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. For information, call 760-792-3383. (CARLSBAD)

MUSEUMS

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

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 develop-

ment 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)

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READING

Shoes Outside the Door: Desire, Devotion, and Excess at San Francisco Zen Center



Michael Downing

Counterpoint Press, 2001; 385 pages; \$26

FROM THE DUST JACKET: The remarkable 40-year history of the people who established the first Buddhist monastery outside of Asia in the history of the world has never been told. Michael Downing wondered why. "I'm living proof of why you better not speak out," explained one ordained Zen priest. "The degree to which I was scapegoated publicly was most effective in keeping everyone else quiet."

In 1959, a Soto Zen priest took leave of his family in Japan to minister to the congregation of a Buddhist temple in San Francisco. Alan Watts and others spread the word that an authentic Zen Roshi was living there, and students, poets, drifters, and seekers began to attend his lectures. Impressed by their sincerity and commitment, Suzuki-Roshi began to offer instruction in *zazen* (meditation) and other Buddhist practices to these devoted young spiritual pioneers. The San Francisco Zen Center was born.

By the 1970s, San Francisco Zen Center had grown to be hugely successful, accruing wealth, property, and prestige, its aes-

thetics tinged with the glamour of celebrity. Zen Center's real estate included the Tassajara Hot Springs resort near Big Sur, Green Gulch Farm in Marin County, a clothing company, and a bakery. *The Tassajara Bread Book* was riding the bestseller lists, and Zen Center's popular upscale vegetarian restaurant, Greens, was inspiring an entire generation of cooks and chefs. Hundreds of students who had come to dedicate their lives to Zen practice found themselves serving dinner to the famous: then-Governor Jerry Brown, Gary Snyder, Gregory Bateson, Ken Kesey, Steward Brand. For a long moment, Zen Center seemed to be the hot core of the counterculture.

And then, in 1983, meltdown. A sex scandal rocked Zen Center, and it triggered tragedies and headlines about abuse of power that called into question the whole matter of alternative religious practice in America. Overnight, the most prominent community of Buddhists in the West found itself at the vanguard of a cultural revolt against spiritual authority.

For *Shoes Outside the Door*, Michael Downing spent three years studying documents and interviewing more than 80 people who were there, at ground zero. As engaging as any mystery, as mysterious as any political campaign, as political as any family fathering, this story will haunt and challenge readers as they unravel this essential chapter of American history.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY: From *Publishers Weekly*: This intense investigation/indictment from novelist Downing (*Breakfast with Scot*, etc.) uncovers the alleged abuses of power of Richard Baker, former abbot of the nation's most influential Zen center. Downing devoted three years to exploring how and why Baker, the only Dharma heir of Shunryu Suzuki, the founder of San Francisco Zen Center (SFZC), was toppled from the abbacy of SFZC by popular demand in 1983. He interviewed more than 80 participants in Baker's rise and fall. Downing tells the story with a novelist's attention to character and detail, and what unfolds is a gripping account of how the bright and charismatic Baker helped Suzuki and Zen gain a foothold in the West; took over SFZC; expanded its activities dramatically (by, among other initiatives, creating the fabled Greens restaurant); grew increasingly alienated from his followers while surrounding himself with celebrities and physical luxury; and finally

stumbled by having an affair with the wife of one of SFZC's main backers. The problem with the book, and it's a serious one, is that Downing takes sides; for example, he refutes point by point the text of Baker's letter to him. What might have been a grand account of the making of a tragedy, then, is instead a mitigated tale of villainy. Yet because the debacle at SFZC holds lessons for anyone who cares about how religious structures, perforce hierarchical, can and should operate within a democratic society, this book deserves a wide reading, and not only by the many Buddhists who will buy it lickety-split.

From *Booklist*: As soon as Downing, author of the novel *Breakfast with Scot* (1999), began work on his groundbreaking history of the San Francisco Zen Center, the first Buddhist monastery established outside of Asia, he realized that Richard Baker, the charismatic and controversial dharma heir of the center's Japanese Zen Buddhist founder, Suzuki-roshi, was the epicenter of a complex and mutable tale. Baker became abbot when Suzuki-roshi died in 1971, then fell spectacularly from grace a dozen years later after turning a modest venture into a thriving organization that owned valuable real estate and successful businesses such as the famous vegetarian restaurant Greens. Rather than imposing a rigid narrative structure, Downing wisely takes a Zen approach and weaves together diverse voices, including Baker's, to create a fascinating, multifaceted chronicle that reveals the monumental challenges the center faced in creating an American form of Zen Buddhism, the intensity of the participants (including high-profile figures such as poet Gary Snyder and former California governor Jerry Brown), and Baker's mercurialness. Is he a bold visionary or a womanizing megalomaniac who lived in luxury while his penniless followers worked like indentured servants? Downing's masterfully orchestrated inquiry is an invaluable portrait of the heart of the contradictory, still evolving, and unquestionably significant American Buddhist movement.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Michael Downing was born in 1958 in the Berkshires, in Kentfield, Massachusetts, into what he described as a "very observant Catholic family." (When I asked, "Dorothy Day Catholics?" he laughed and said, "Yes."). Downing is the youngest
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museum features "Those Who Served at Home and Abroad," on view through February. The exhibit pays tribute to the Barona Native Americans and Barona community

members who served in previous wars, five of whom received the Purple Heart. Guests will see historic artifacts and individual contributions. The museum and cultural center is

found at 1095 Barona Road (one mile north of the Barona Casino). For information, call 619-443-7003 x219. (LAKESIDE)

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)

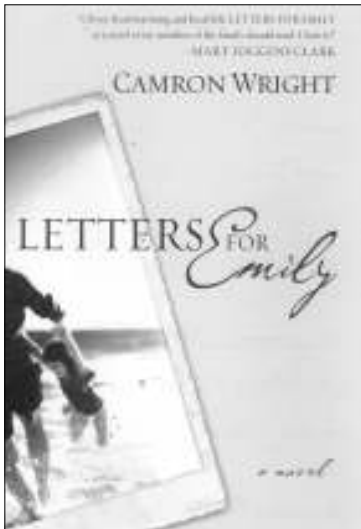
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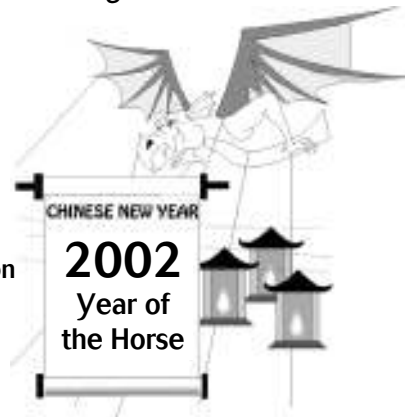
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of nine children. His father died at 44 when Downing was three. Downing remained in Kentfield until his graduation from high school. “Then,” he said, “I got out of town and came to Cambridge. I went to Harvard.” At Harvard Downing studied with the legendary William Alfred, the playwright whose *Hogan’s Goat* in 1966 made the young Faye Dunaway a star. Downing took Alfred’s popular seminar on *Beowulf*. Since acquiring his B.A. in 1980 with a major in American literature, Downing has taught in several colleges and served as editor of several magazines. In addition to *Shoes Outside the Door*, his first nonfiction book, Downing is author of four novels. Nowadays he teaches creative writing, half-time, at Tufts University and, writes.

Given the controversial nature of Mr. Downing’s book and given that many people who are quoted in the book have unhappy things to say about one another, I was interested in the responses of people about whom he writes in *Shoes Outside the Door*.

Some people, Mr. Downing said, “a few, are very unhappy and many others are convinced the book will serve the Buddhist project and Zen Center. But you know, it is complicated, and I should say that these people were very generous before and after they read the book. There’s a very wide range of reactions from delighted to very upset, but they have been remarkably reliable in their sense that this is a part of the process, talking about it and getting the story out. Michael Wenger is the person who gave me access to the Zen Center archive and is the dean of Buddhist Studies at the Zen Center. We did a radio show together about the book, and I think his reaction is telling. When he read the galleys, he called me and said, ‘This is the most depressing book I’ve ever read.’ And then he called me back and said, ‘This is the most heartening book I’ve ever read.’ I think it’s something like that for many people there.

“And then a lot of other people, many of whom rarely have spoken and who felt very much harmed [by their experience at Zen Center], have been tremendously supportive of the book. Many of the people featured in the book have not kept up with each other, so that for all them — for many of them, I should say — there is something heartening about hearing so many of their colleagues telling a story that they can catch up with 20 years later.”

I was curious as to why there were no photographs in the book. I asked Mr. Downing if it were a matter of the cost of using photos that kept him from using them.

Cost wasn’t the issue, he said. “I really didn’t want pictures in

the book. I felt like there was something dramatically particular and not particular about this experience, something that could not simply be located in these lives, specifically. Also, so much of the material is exotic for readers who don’t know anything about, or don’t have any direct experience of, Eastern tradition. Photographs reinforce the exotic aspect. I mean, you see a man in a black robe and shaved head.... So I avoided using photographs. But there were many pictures. Many great ones, I might add.”

I was curious about what else might have been said to Mr. Downing about the book.

“A number of rather prominent Buddhist writers are much happier about the book than I would have imagined they would be. I had not understood that so little attention has been paid to the formation of the early Buddhist communities in America and to the people who did the early work in America. So that has more meaning than I understood it would have for many people.

“There is a woman who is in the book, Lucy Calhoun, who became Richard Baker’s live-in assistant. She was very harmed. And she had been the only person, when I wrote the book, who insisted on anonymity. Other people who asked for that, I didn’t want to do that, and I simply agreed not to interview them because I thought so many other people were out in public with their stories that it was unfair to use sources who were speaking under cover. But I felt that Lucy was truly exceptional because hers became a signal story within the community, so I agreed to have her be an anonymous speaker in the book. However, when she read the galleys, she called me and said, ‘I want my name in the book.’ And that surprised me, but it was really an important moment. First, in the simple sense I thought, ‘Good. Okay.’ And while, when I started this project, I didn’t know I was entering into some kind of civil war, there was such a war. So that I thought, ‘If there are sides, this is the side [Lucy’s] I would be on.’ And the second thing it did, which was really profound for me, right before the book came out, was it just took me out of the story. I understood that this is really not my story; this story belongs to a lot of other people. I just felt blessed. I felt much less attached to the whole thing as my project.”

Mr. Downing interviewed many, many people associated with Zen Center. *Shoes Outside the Door* is told through many voices. I said to Mr. Downing that reading the book felt, at first, a bit like reading a Russian novel that was jam-packed with hundreds of characters, that it was difficult to keep track of who was who. But after perhaps 20 or so pages, the reader begins to accumulate enough

facts about the various people as to recognize them when they appear in the text.

“That was really my hope,” Mr. Downing said. “And it’s exactly why I really fought not to have an index of names and not to have any other material that would let the reader again pull away from the experience. I thought that after a while you’ll just know who’s speaking.”

Early in the book readers are introduced to Dan Welch (ex-husband of Deborah Madison, author of the best-selling vegetarian cookbook, *Greens*) and to Betty Warren, who was one of the first Caucasians to sit *zazen* at what eventually became Zen Center. Then, as the book moves toward its end, Dan Welch and Betty Warren again are featured.

“Those are two of the people who really deeply got to me in

For all this work, which could keep a resident busy for as long as 18 hours per day, they received very small stipends. Baker, however, lived like royalty.

a very simple way. I loved being in their presence. Even when I didn’t understand what they were doing or quite what they were saying, I trusted them. I felt completely at home. Every hour with them there was a kind of pointed question popping up in my head that I just wouldn’t bother to ask. I just went, ‘I don’t know, we’ll see where this one goes.’ But overall, just their kindness was totally present.”

Richard Baker, the former San Francisco Zen Center abbot,

assigned arduous and time-consuming tasks to Zen Center residents, both in the Center businesses like the famous restaurant, Greens, and in his home, where, when he hosted elegant dinner parties, the residents cooked, served and cleaned up after this dinners. For all this work, which could keep a resident busy for as long as 18 hours per day, the residents received very small stipends. Baker, however, lived like royalty, traveling to Europe and New York, buying exquisite antiques. As I read about all the cooking and carpentering and waiting on tables and scrubbing that residents did, it seemed to me that many of them really were simply slaves. I asked Mr. Downing about this.

He agreed. “They were. Absolutely. There are so many factors that were influencing their motives. And one thing clearly that

exhibit honoring the San Diego International Dragon Boat Racing Team, features trophies, plaques, and medals of this winning San Diego team. See the exhibit through Thursday, January 31.

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 Avenue. 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)

Gemological Institute of America Museum, “The Glitter Merchants” is a photographic essay by New York photographer Greg Kinch chroni-

cling the path of a diamond from its “rough state” as it leaves the mine, through each phase of the manufacturing process, to its eventual sale and use in jewelry.

Also on view are “From Trading to Grading,” following diamonds from trader through grading at the GIA Gem Trade Laboratory; and an exhibition of animal motif jewelry from the 1830s to present. All of the exhibits are on view through April. Find the GIA at 5345 Armada Drive; 760-603-4000. (CARLSBAD)

George White and Anna Gunn Marston House, this historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Ro-

mantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebard 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 phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collec-

tions — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an “Industrial Product Collection,” with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with “some classics and a concept car.”

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, vintage photographs, books, desks, cafeteria menus, and other school paraphernalia are on display in “From Barn to Cyberspace: Lemon Grove Schools Evolve.” The current Lemon Grove School District has its roots in the town’s once-thriv-

ing orchards. William Hurst, an early pioneer in the local fruit-growing industry, offered his barn in 1893 as a schoolroom, and a district was born.

The work of marine and aviation painter Richard DeRosset is on exhibit as part of the museum’s ongoing “Noted Regional Artists Series.” The Lemon Grove artist is known for his epic, “super-realistic” paintings of U.S. military history, and he’s currently painting a six-part mural in the chapel of the Veterans Memorial Center in Balboa Park.

Also on exhibit, “Fruit, Fruit, Fruit! Lemon Grove’s Agricultural Heyday” examines the rise of the citrus industry that gave the town its name and claim to fame, along with the fruit labels that once adorned the boxes of oranges and lemons. “The Parson’s Study” is a decorated late-Victorian room with original furnishings, including a piped “Chorister” organ, evoking the museum’s origins as the town’s first church.

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seems to be there in the story is just a tremendously misplaced sense of affection and desire to please. I think that's actually operating in there. Fantastic labor. Also, many of these people were, in fact, in some productive way of the world, underutilized. They hadn't quite figured out how to make themselves productive in the world. And I think most of them had a longing to be productive. So even though the jobs that they were given were not the jobs that they might have thought themselves suited to, they became engaged at a level that I don't think anyone quite anticipated because there was this pent up energy of, 'Can't we do something?' They really believed that the world was something to be changed, you know. And that's a complicated idea and a little scary. But it apparently really produces adrenaline."

"The residents serving the meals for Baker's rich friends was appalling," I said.

"A couple of times, speaking to a couple of people, I felt like I fully got the flavor of those moments, and how he managed to make that happen. There's a little bit that's a sort of simple logic that goes like this, that may, in part, explain it, 'If I leave Zen Center, here I am, 26 years old, I've been here for four years, we're in *Time* magazine, Stewart Brand [founder of, among other things, *The Whole Earth Catalogue* and author of several books] is at the table, Linda Ronstadt is at the table, the governor of California is coming and bringing the most famous people in America to the table. If I leave Zen Center, I'll want to be at Zen Center, and I'll never be this close again.' And, one of the way hierarchies work is that even the lowest people on the pole understand that the next person who comes after him or her raises the status, right? So leaving it is a desperate move if the place is, per se, desirable, because you're always going to have to start low. And it had never occurred to me until I really thought about these people's lives that the hierarchy was a way of making them stay. Punitive as it was, it made them stay. And also, you know, I think one other thing was that at many of the work sites, it was the one chance — and I think this actually might have helped to complicate the idea of work practice — that people had to talk to each other and be sort of, somehow, unobserved. It became a communal experience that they hadn't had before. And I think that was rewarded."

"Well," I said, "I just found it appalling that these residents were working like slaves while Richard Baker was living like a modern-day king."

"And he really did. He had the best of everything."

I said that Baker's reign at Zen Center reminded me of the Jim and Tammy Faye Baker story. "About the only difference," I said, "is that Baker had good taste in furniture and clothes and food and houses and painting and music and literature."

"You're completely right," Mr. Downing said. "It was precisely the same model. It's a recurring model. And what was most astonishing to me is that it had happened right at the start of Buddhism in this country. I couldn't believe that. Here, in the foundations of Zen in this country, this is precisely the same series of events that seemed so laughable in other settings."

I said that at the Zen Center the fact that the food was vegetarian and everything was austere lovely seemed to make it okay to the residents that they worked like slaves and that Baker lived like a crowned head.

"You're onto something really key with this sort of almost punitive aesthetic and punitive quality of how aesthetics were established, which made people feel stupid if they objected. There was the pretense that it's different because it's a chest made in the 15th Century of persimmon wood and not some chest you pick up at Target."

"And that," I said, "really is the only difference."

Mr. Downing did not agree. He said, "Here's the one other difference. It's not just the aesthetic layered over, but there was a sort of implicit transformation of the self, they hate the phrase, 'transformation of the self,' by virtue of sort of assimilating into a culture that's not your own. This pretense that you were becoming Japanese. Most of them didn't bother to learn the language, didn't have time."

I said, "You wouldn't have time to learn Japanese if you worked as many hours a day as the residents did."

"You really wouldn't. And yet you're praying in Japanese. And you're dressing as a Japanese priest might have dressed in the 19th Century."

"And doesn't," I said, "dress now."

"Never would. And behaving as no Japanese layperson ever behaved."

"I thought it was absolutely amazing."

"It's riveting," Mr. Downing said, "riveting, as highly ritualized life is often riveting to witness. The fact that it is not quite natural, not quite comprehensible carries a certain deeply unnerving quality."

The question is asked in Mr. Downing's book as to whether or not the Zen Center, during Richard Baker's regime, was a cult. I said to Mr. Downing that I thought the chapter in which he asks this question was very fair and measured.

If the question of whether or not the Zen Center under Baker was a cult or not a cult had not been such an important question for many of the people with whom he talked, Mr. Downing said that he might not have been so alert to that question. "Cults," he said, "really do destroy people, and so we should be aware. But also there's a way in which Zen Center's not being a cult became a way of rationalizing and overlooking everything that did go on at Zen center. Right? And that's a danger too. And I think it wasn't a cult. It really wasn't. It did not cross that line. What happens short of that border, or within the borders of apparently traditional religious practice, that is really the key thing for me. Zen Center had permeable borders, and thus did not meet the definition of a cult. But that doesn't mean it was a healthy place to be simply because it was not a cult."

Richard Baker for many years now has been the abbot of a center in Colorado. Mr. Downing visited Baker there and talked with him about the past and the accusations that San Francisco Zen Center residents had made against him. "What," I asked, "was Baker like when you visited?"

"He seemed like a person who is used to talking a lot. He talked a lot. He seemed like a person who is accustomed to being believed. What he seems like is someone with a perfect record of convincing people or of wearing them down and getting them to see the story as he sees it. It takes a lot of work on his part — re-inventing the story and making it credible to someone else, and he's accustomed to that project. It's as if he understands, 'If I just

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keep talking, there's kind of a critical mass that accumulates,' or, 'We will have gone in circles so many times that we'll get to a place where you'll come around.' ”

I said that Richard Baker, in the accounts of many people interviewed by Mr. Downing, also seemed like one of those persons who takes for granted that any time he gives you is a special gift.

“You’ve got him precisely right. And he keeps noting how much time he’s spending with you.”

I said that when Mr. Downing interviewed Baker that Baker seemed so surprised that so many people from his past were critical of him.

“Right. He often expresses his shock about people’s perceptions of him, and whenever he describes a relationship with a student that went wrong — and many of them did — he adds a note of complete surprise. This is odd, given the intuitive nature of the teacher-student relationship. Still, almost every normal human reaction to his behavior over the years seems to have occasioned a shock for him.”

How did the work on *Shoes Outside the Door* change you, I asked Mr. Downing.

“It made me sad.”

“But,” I said, “you can get up on any day and make yourself sad or be made sad.”

“It’s true. But it made me sad about something that I had not, prior to this, these four years, been sad about, which is the project of intimacy, the larger project of establishing and having a communal life. I was surprised by the degree to which it went wrong for lots of people, and the way it went wrong for people whose work and ideals seemed original, seemed innovative to me. So that was one way.”

Another way his work on *Shoes Outside the Door* changed him, Mr. Downing said, had to do with the differences between his life in Cambridge and his life as an interviewer of residents of the Zen Center. “I still feel,” he said, “a little bit like a bigamist, like I have another full life in the Bay Area, that is ongoing, and that I don’t

know how to quite attend to anymore because I don’t get to travel so much. So many people are in my mind, many of them really deeply in my heart, people who were tremendously harmed and whose stories really got to me, in the way they were willing give their stories to me really meant something.

“The real piece of news delivered to me in this book, in terms of something I just had not heard articulated in the way before, is this idea that Dan Welch would not relent on. He said it every day to me. Wrote me e-mails about it, sent me sermons about it, was this problem of the speck of dust. [In *Shoes Outside the Door*, Mr. Downing quotes Dan Welch as saying to him “If you feel you want to do something, if you want to do something as small as picking up a speck of dust, you should know unequivocally, it is going to cause myriad problems. Don’t fool yourself. Be fully prepared to pick up all of the suffering of the world with that speck of dust.”] That really impressed me. That changed me in some way, just trying to understand that profound notion about harm as I make my way through the world. And that’s a caution that I didn’t have before. And that probably has made me more cautious. So that’s one thing. It’s a funny thing to say, given that it’s a book about, or the heart of it *is*, Zen. But it made me believe that time is much tougher than I understood it to be. It’s not nearly as benign as I often thought it was.”

“You mean,” I asked, “that you had believed that with the passing of time, some of the strong feelings about what happened at Zen Center would have weakened?”

“That’s right. A passing of time, of 30 years, in the lives of people who are still living. It’s remarkable to get access to an overview of so many lives, to be able to see those same lives from within, too, so you can see the whole arc and the daily truth, right? And I thought, we really don’t have to argue with time. I’ve always sort of carried the notion that the Shakers had of the fullness of time, of time as something more than the linear aging process we mark in our individual lives.

“Writing this book made me think that time can be really tough on a person, that it is not necessarily so disposed to accommodate individual lives. And this isn’t a surprise, exactly, but it really is more profound as a feeling and a belief in my daily life than it was before I wrote this book.”

Another change, Mr. Downing said, that had come over him as he worked on what became *Shoes Outside the Door* was his belief in the stories that women tell. “I don’t think of myself as a man who

has ever had difficulty crediting or believing women, but I have to say, I underestimated the degree to which women are treated as unreliable reporters on experience, even the experience of their own lives. It is really astonishing. And I thought I was pretty alert to that and had a good sense of how it’s changed over the last 30 years. But the degree to which women simply were not considered reliable witnesses at Zen Center — and the risk they take by speaking honestly many years later — that’s important, and I didn’t know that. I see now that I was susceptible to the idea of the unreliability of women as witnesses and reporters. And that changed, and that’s a good thing. I think, in fact, I would have told myself comfortably, I’d already learned it. So, that’s a big change, and, I hope, that will be with me along with the sadness.”

Mr. Downing said, about the writing of *Shoes at the Door*, that he finished two complete drafts that he tossed away into the trash. “Every word was wrong. One was as dull as a doctoral dissertation. I’d lost sight of my initial idea. I started out calling the book a biography of a phenomenon. I completely forgot about it, didn’t know how to do it when I tried to do it, and felt embarrassed to be trying to do it. Everything went wrong until I was really looking at a deadline, and I thought, ‘Okay, you’re insane, you have nine months, get cracking.’ What genuinely surprised me though, when I finally finished the book, is this: it was the book I had initially hoped that I could write, the book I had hoped someone could write about Zen Center and the book that I had dreamed could be written about Zen — and, about life.”

I said that I came away from reading Mr. Downing’s book feeling that he did not have axes to grind and bones to pick. “I felt,” I explained, “that the book did not so much have a ‘moral agenda,’ in a narrow sense, but rather that it had a narrative agenda. And what that narrative agenda was, was to have all these people tell their stories to the reader, and for the reader to read the last page, close the book, and ask himself, ‘Well, now, what really happened at the Zen Center?’ ”

Mr. Downing did not quarrel with this notion of mine. “Really,” he said, “the only genuine narrative agenda I had is precisely what you describe. I thought, ‘What made this experience remarkable was my time in dim rooms with these surprising people.’ All that you can do is deliver that experience to the reader. Let the people who lived the story tell the story. And they did say great things.”

— Judith Moore

pla, and a 1958 Metropolitan, a 1959 Swift Cat, and 1949 Crosley Hot Shot, among others. See these vehicles through Sunday, January 27.

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, created in 1905 when an irrigation project backfired, the Salton Sea has had a “boom and bust” history. Developers in the 1950s and 1960s dubbed this desert area “California’s New Mediterranean,” envisioning a tourist haven. The sea’s salinity levels have increased dramatically in recent years, driving away many of the tourists and boaters. “In

Search of El Dorado: The Salton Sea” features black-and-white photographs by Christopher Landis, digitally reproduced by Nash Editions. See these haunting works through Sunday, May 5.

“Win, Place, and Show Off: Hats and the Del Mar Racetrack” features a collection of 43 hats from the estate of Del Mar socialite Mrs. W.H. Sally Tippet. See the hats — dating from the late 1930s through the early 1970s — through Saturday, February 2.

Drawing from the society’s fine art collections and augmented with loans from area collectors, “Capturing the Light,” on view through Sunday, March 3, celebrates the San Diego landscape as perceived and painted by almost 20 artists. Look for work by Maurice Braun, Charles A. Fries, Alfred R. Mitchell, and Charles Reiffel, the most celebrated of S.D.’s early 20th-Century painters, as well as their contemporaries and 19th-Century predecessors.

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, almost every year for 250 years, a ship loaded with silver from Spain’s New World colonies crossed from Acapulco to Manila, then made the hazardous return trip laden with treasures from Asia. “Treasures of the Manila Galleons” focuses on the Manila galleon trade, the original commercial link across the Pacific. The exhibit includes recently discovered pieces from the cargo of a ship that wrecked on the shores of Baja California about 1575, the earliest-known Manila galleon shipwreck; Spanish silver and pieces of eight; and artifacts, documents, and hands-on activities. View the exhibit through November.

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.

Skeletal remains reveal fascinating stories from the past in “The Bones Don’t Lie: Stories from the Grave,” on view through January 27. 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.

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, celebrates contemporary fetish carving. Expect to learn about fetish history, symbolism, process, and materials.

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There are lots of young string quartets around, and among them there are lots of extremely good ones. The Miró Quartet, however, has qualities that give it an outstanding profile even in that distinguished company. They made a stunning impression in their concert in the UCSD Chamber Music Series, partly because of their own virtues, and partly because of the unusual venue: the auditorium of the Neurosciences Institute.

Violinists Daniel Ching and Sandy Yamamoto, violist John Largess, and cellist Joshua Gindele have been together for five years now (the violinists will be wedded in June, giving the group extra stability), and they have developed a preternatural sensitivity to each other's playing, responding to the needs of the moment with total empathy, and to the common interpretive approach with total unanimity. That approach — as they demonstrated in quartets by Beethoven, Shostakovich, and Grieg — is brisk, intense, highly focused, with a strong sense of drama, and an unsentimental objectivity that is nevertheless full of passion. They are also exquisitely matched in terms of sound, with each instrument vividly distinctive (the luminous silkiness of the first violin, the burnished darkness of the viola...), yet with an overall coordination of bowing and vibrato

that fuse the four players into a single, lucid, robust, eloquent voice. They are, simply, terrific.

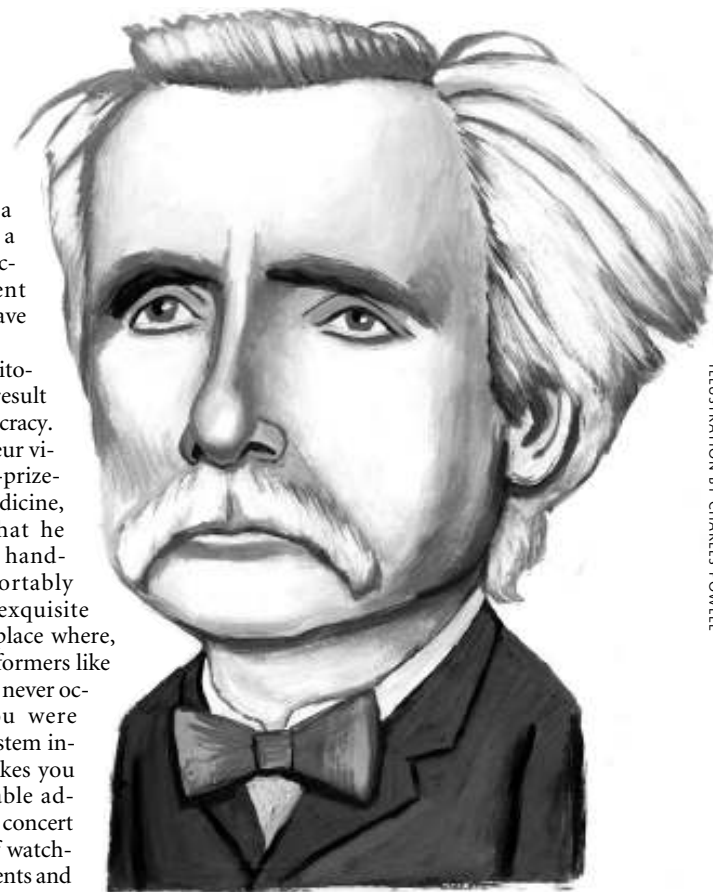
At the Neurosciences Institute, the audience got to hear this voice in all its richness, for the acoustics there are extremely live. The sound had a breathtaking presence, surrounding the listener's consciousness from all parts of the hall. The UCSD series has traditionally been held in Mandeville Auditorium, which has provided a thoroughly

wretched framework for the exceptional chamber groups that have made up the roster year after year (the other quartets scheduled for this season include the Tokyo, the Vermeer, and the Juilliard!). Mandeville is ugly, misshapen, and depressingly lighted. Its acoustics, in the few decent seats, do little more than not interfere with the sound, while never enhancing it. The front section, designed for avant-garde musical experiments that have never taken place after the hall's embarrassing opening concert, is noisy, makeshift, uncomfortable, ridiculous. Mandeville is no good for music, no good for dance, no good for films, no good for lectures, no good for anything. It is not even soundproof, so that often the expressive pauses in the slow movement of a Schubert quartet will be filled with the distant whoomp-whoops of a rock concert at the

Price Center. But what else would you expect from a concert hall designed by a democratic committee of eccentric music department faculty (most of whom have long since left)?

The Neurosciences auditorium, in contrast, is the result of good old-fashioned autocracy. Gerald Edelman, an amateur violinist as well as a Nobel-prize-winning scientist (for medicine, 1972), knew exactly what he wanted, and he got it: a handsomely designed, comfortably appointed, acoustically exquisite small hall — the sort of place where, when you are hearing performers like the Miró Quartet, it would never occur to you to wish you were listening to your stereo system instead. It is a hall that makes you appreciate the irreplaceable advantages of attending a live concert (of which the pleasures of watching the musicians' movements and faces are the least important part).

The Miró musicians brought a wonderful freshness to each of the works on their program. The Beethoven Quartet No. 1 in F, Opus 18, No. 1 (actually the second to be composed), with its brilliantly tight construction in the opening movement, its violent outbursts of *Sturm und Drang* in the second, and its charming consummation of the Haydn style in the *Scherzo* and the *Finale*, received a performance that made one aware of how the composer (himself



Edvard Grieg

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 Beethoven, *Quartet No. 1 in F, Opus 18, No. 1*; Shostakovich, *Quartet No. 8 in C Minor, Opus 110*; Grieg, *Quartet in G Minor, Opus 27*.

just about the age of these performers) was asserting his mastery of the medium. It was also a delightful idea to offer, as the encore demanded by the enthusiastic audience, the *Scherzo* from



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CLASSICAL MUSIC

the composer's final quartet (Opus 135), still evidently Beethoven, yet far more daring, imaginative, and profound.

The Miró's reading of Shostakovich's Eighth Quartet (Opus 110, in C Minor), was — as might have been expected — at an extreme of fieriness and poignance, for these exceptionally intelligent musicians seem to have a powerful and subtle grasp of each composer's (and each work's) inherent emotional language. But the big surprise of the evening was what they managed to do with Grieg's Quartet in G Minor, Opus 27 (the composer's only completed string quartet). This artfully written and tuneful work rarely makes much of an impression, for it is usually played as a pleasing, lyrical piece of minor folkloristic Romanticism. The Miró, in contrast, took the music seriously, imbuing it with a sense of nobility and urgency, and at the same time underlining the originality of Grieg's musical language and of his personal development of the quartet form. Who ever thought the Grieg Quartet could be so exciting, and so moving? ■

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Beethoven, Liszt, and Schumann are on the program for a recital by pianist Fei-Ping Hsu, tonight, Thursday, January 17, at 7 p.m., in the Copley Auditorium of the San Diego Museum of Art; \$20 general. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Taking Its Name from 17th-Century Italian Painter Artemisia Gentileschi, the eight-member female ensemble Cappella Artemisia performs for the San Diego Early Music Society on Friday, January 18. Expect to be treated to music from Italian convents in the 16th and 17th Centuries, accompanied by lute, viola da gamba, and harpsichord. The concert starts at 8 p.m. at St. James by-the-Sea (743 Prospect Street). Tickets are \$18 general. Dial 619-291-8246 for reservations. (LA JOLLA)

"The Unanswered Question" by Ives, Copland's "Concerto for Clar-

inet," and the "Symphonie Fantastique" by Berlioz may all be heard when guest conductor David Robertson leads the San Diego Symphony and clarinetist Sheryl Renk on Friday, January 18, at 8 p.m. Robertson was named Musical America's Conductor of the Year in 2000. Enjoy the music in Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. Tickets \$15 to \$70. Call the box office at 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

The Pipe Organ Concert Series at the First Church of Christ Scientist continues with a concert by baritone Myles Mayfield and organist Edward Low on Friday, January 18, at 7:30 p.m. Find the church at 8262 Allison Avenue (at Palm). Free. 619-442-8201. (LA MESA)

Who Is Jangoo Chapkhana? This "famous organist from Perth, Australia," will present a varied program of French organ works on the Aeolian Skinner organ at Saint Paul's Cathedral on Saturday, January 19, beginning at 8 p.m. Find the cathedral at 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Fifth and Nutmeg). 619-298-7261. An offering will be received. (MIDTOWN)

One Man's Degenerate Lifestyle leads to the destruction of his one valued possession — his daughter — in Giuseppe Verdi's *Rigoletto*, described as "one of the most popular Italian operas of all time." Australian film director Bruce Beresford conceived this new production as a "story about the abuse of power and sexual dominance" and sets the opera in contemporary Hollywood. Performers include baritone Mark Rucker, tenor Frank Porretta, and soprano Maureen O'Flynn. The opera is performed in Italian with text projected in English above the

stage.

Enjoy the production — conducted by Karen Keltner and directed by Christopher Harlan — at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (January 19, 22, and 30), at 8 p.m. on Friday (January 25), and at 2 p.m. on Sunday (January 27). Tickets range from \$33 to \$107. See the opera at San Diego Civic Theatre, 202 C Street. For reservations, dial 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

Not So Silent, the Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films may be seen and heard on Saturday, January 19, at 11 a.m., in the Seuss Room at Geisel Library at UCSD. The small novelty orchestra of toy instruments and orchestral noisemakers will provide live music and sound effects as classic silent films roll. Guests are encouraged to join the musicians in the pit for some sound effects solos. Play a real theremin — if you *dare!* Admission and parking are free. Dial 858-534-8074 for further information. (LA JOLLA)

Take a Musical Joyride of Love Songs — with solo pieces by Bach, Purcell, Mozart, Tosti, Gershwin, and Loewe, as well as duets from *La Bohème*, *West Side Story*, *Phantom of the Opera*, and others — on Sunday, January 20, 7 p.m., at La Jolla Presbyterian Church. Tenor Andrew Richards and soprano Barbara Toler, San Diego Metropolitan Opera Audition winners both, will join forces for the concert.

Admission is free. Find the church at 7715 Draper Avenue. Call 858-454-0713 x321 for information. (LA JOLLA)

Noise at the Library, the series — highlighting 20th-Century classical

music — continues at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library on Sunday, January 20. This concert promises a premiere by Southern California composer Steve Voigt; flutist Jane Rigler will perform the flute duet by John Fonville ("Mong Songs"), and you'll also hear "Hour" by Andressien, Elliott Carter's "Enchanted Preludes," Brian Ferneyhough's "Carceri d'invenzione," and a text piece by Kenneth Gaburo.

A pre-concert talk begins at 6:30 p.m., with music starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 1008 Wall Street. For reservations, dial 858-454-5872. Tickets are \$15 for nonmembers. (LA JOLLA)

Choristers Evensong, the men's and boys' Choristers sing evensong at Saint Paul's Cathedral on Sunday, January 20, 5 p.m. Listen for the Herbert Sumson "Office in G," and the Henry Purcell anthem "O, God, Thou Art My God." Find the cathedral at 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Fifth and Nutmeg). An offering will be received. Call 619-298-7261 for details. (MIDTOWN)

Civic Organist Carol Williams presents a concert on Sunday, January 20, at 2 p.m., in the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. For further information, dial 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Music for MLK, head to the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library on Monday, January 21, when the Odeum Guitar Duo presents music in honor of the birth of Martin Luther King Jr. Fred Benedetti and Robert Wetzel plan to begin the recital at noon. Find the library at 1008 Wall Street and by calling 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

"La Mandragore" by Tristan Murail may be heard when pianist Luciane Cardassi presents a recital on Wednesday, January 23, at 8 p.m., in the Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center.

Additional selections on the program include Elliott Carter's "Two Diversions," "Klaveristücke" by Karlheinz Stockhausen, György Ligeti's "White on White," "Douze Notations" by Pierre Boulez, and premieres by Brazilian composer Antonio Cunha and UCSD alumnus Richard Carrick. Free. Dial 858-534-4830 for more information. (LA JOLLA)

Watts Takes on Celebrity, pianist André Watts performs for the La Jolla Chamber Music Society's Celebrity Series on Wednesday, January 23. The program includes solo piano masterworks including Musorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition."

The music begins at 8 p.m. at the San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). A pre-concert lecture for ticket holders is planned by Watts and KPBS radio correspondent Dan Erwine at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$15 to \$95. For reservations, call 858-459-3728. (DOWNTOWN)

Classics and Beyond, the series continues when the La Jolla Symphony and Chorus chamber music concert series presents "Klezmerized" — with a performance by the 2nd Avenue Klezmer Ensemble — next Thursday, January 24.

Events begin with wine and cheese at 5:30 p.m. at the San Diego Museum of Art; the one-hour concert starts at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$15 general, including admission to the museum galleries (available through Ticketmaster). For more information, call 858-534-4637. (BALBOA PARK)

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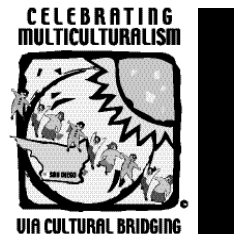
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GALLERIES

Let It Snow, it's the winter quarter at the UCSD Art Libraries and time for the annual "Snow Globe Show." An opening reception is set for Friday, January 18, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., for "everyone's favorite kitschy souvenir." Artist Margaret Nee will demonstrate how to care for your collection. Snow globes from vacations past and new and original snow globes made especially for the exhibit are on display on the lower level of Geisel Library at UCSD. The library staff will demonstrate how to create your own snow globe.

Each afternoon after the opening event, a different set of globes will be removed from the locked cases so visitors can shake 'em up, baby. Free. Call 858-534-8074 for more information. (LA JOLLA)

L.A. Comes to S.D., that is, Los Angeles artists David Lloyd (showing "Super Kroma") and Hilary Baker (exhibiting "Suburbia") have work on display at the R.B. Stevenson Gallery. Meet the duo at a reception planned on Friday, January 18, at

6 p.m. See the show through Saturday, February 23, in suite 103 at 2400 Kettner Boulevard. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. 619-595-0558. (DOWNTOWN)

Limited-Edition Serigraphs and hand-painted wearable art by Chet Wooding are on exhibit through January at Chet Wooding Graphics (1733 University Avenue), along with "mesmerizing" lithographic prints of line drawings by Nathan Weedmark. Meet the artists during a reception slated for Friday, January 18, at 6 p.m. Regular viewing hours are 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 619-295-5993. (HILLCREST)

"Illumination" features work by "women in creative photography" — the show opens with a reception on Friday, January 18, at 5 p.m., at North County Camera Center and Gallery (945 West Valley Parkway). See the show through Thursday, February 28. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. 760-737-6002. (ESCONDIDO)

A Plethora of Artists are participating in the "Open Studio" exhibition taking place on Friday, January 18, 6 to 9 p.m., at the Studio Arts Complex (2400 Kettner Boulevard). For information, call 619-696-7230. Free. (LITTLE ITALY)

"Balancing Reality" features recent works by New York artist Lito Vales and includes a video installation and listening stations featuring his own music, upon which his art is based. The show opens with a reception on Saturday, January 19, at 8 p.m., at Gallery Now (8053 Broadway), and continues through Tuesday, February 12. Also on view is work by local artist David Kietzman. Gallery hours are 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and by appointment. 619-469-0775. (LEMON GROVE)

"Body and Soul" provide the theme for sculptor Maryella Fetzter, whose work is featured through Sunday, March 10, at the San Diego Sculptors' Guild. Meet the artist during a reception on Sunday, January 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. Also on view: selections in bronze, neon, terra cotta, and wood by other guild members. Find the guild in studio #36 of the Spanish Village; 619-238-0522. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. (BALBOA PARK)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, the first sculptural installations in the ongoing "Public Projects" series are by San Diegan

Kenneth Capps. The 20 metal sculptures can be viewed through Sunday, March 10, sited by the artist and the museum curator around the center and in adjacent Grape Day Park. This is one of the largest displays of Capps's minimalist works.

The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard. For information, call 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, the James L. Greaves Collection is a unique assemblage of more than 230 pre-Columbian objects dating from the First Century to about 1500 A.D. Primarily fashioned from clay, the collection also includes works in stone, metal, and fiber depicting fish and other sea life as well as fishermen. Many of the forms are musical instruments. *Pre-Columbian Art — Marine Animal Forms* continues through Sunday, May 12.

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, artist Alexis Smith and poet Amy Gerstler are exhibiting "The Sorcerer's Apprentice." The exhibit includes sculpture, collage, wall text, and dozens of brooms, addressing themes such as fairy tales and their archetypal characters; witchcraft and folk beliefs and their relationships to sexuality; domestic life and drudgery; how women and girls have been cast as the custodians of everyday existence; and the varied meanings of the word "sweep" and related metaphors. See this collaborative sculptural installation through Tuesday, January 22.

Surveying the depth and range of the museum's holdings, "Selec-

tions from the Permanent Collection: The 1970s," on view through Tuesday, January 22, suggests the variety of approaches employed by artists in the U.S. during this decade. It was a "decade of tremendous experimentation and innovation." The exhibit includes works by sculptors and painters associated with minimalism, such as Donald Judd and Robert Mangol, as well as conceptual art pieces by Barry Le Va and Bruce Nauman.

Also on view: "Renovation and Expansion: MCA in Downtown San Diego, Gluckman Mayner Architects in Association with Architect Milford Wayne Donaldson," an exhibit including architectural drawings, models, and photographs of projects by those creating an architectural renovation plan for the museum's proposed new downtown location. Check out the ideas through Sunday, April 21.

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)

San Diego Museum of Art, the development of American picture frames over a 100-year period when artisans created a wide range of styles, often based on regional experiences and tastes, is examined in "The Frame in America: 1860-1960." All 98 included frames are displayed without pictures to minimize distraction. In addition, approximately 17 frames from the museum's collection replete with their paintings are integrated to reveal how a painting benefits from a successful pairing with a great frame. Consider this opportunity to "appreciate what is often an overlooked and undervalued aspect of Ameri-

can decorative arts" through Sunday, February 2.

A reinstallation of approximately 40 European paintings from the museum's collection and from private collections exploring the impact that the politics of war and revolution had on art between 1870 and 1940 is offered in "European Art, 1870-1940: War and Revolution," on exhibit through Sunday, July 28. During this period, there was a tremendous vitality of the arts in Europe. The exhibit illustrates how artists' personal statements expressing outrage at the horrors of war are among the strongest images in the history of art. The works included in the show "reveal how images of incredible power and beauty could be born out of cataclysmic change, intellectual ferment, physical and psychological dislocation, and social discord."

"I-5 California: Four Decades of Contemporary Art" has been reinstalled for viewing through Monday, March 18. The exhibit surveys art in California since 1960, with works grouped by media, thematic displays based on an idea, historical period or style, and a selection of works from the 1990s by artists who have gained national and international attention, along with a space for viewing film and video.

The second rotation of Indian

miniature paintings, gathered in "Krishna: Lover and Hero," picks up the story of the Hindu god Krishna (where the previous exhibition of Krishna's childhood left off). These paintings tell stories of Krishna's exploits as a young man — as an amorous playmate, ardent husband, and a heroic counselor in war "called upon to manifest his divine nature." Enjoy these paintings through Sunday, January 27.

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

Timken Museum of Art, "Choices and Inspirations: The Temptation of Saint Anthony" is an instructive exhibition exploring how a work of art is brought into being. The exhibit traces the specific creative influences on 16th-Century Venetian painter Giovanni Savoldo's *Temptation of Saint Anthony*, a painting in the museum's permanent collection. Savoldo's painting is contrasted with Dutch master Hieronymus Bosch's three-panel *Last Judgment*, on loan from the Groeningemuseum in Bruges, Belgium. See the show through Sunday, March 31.

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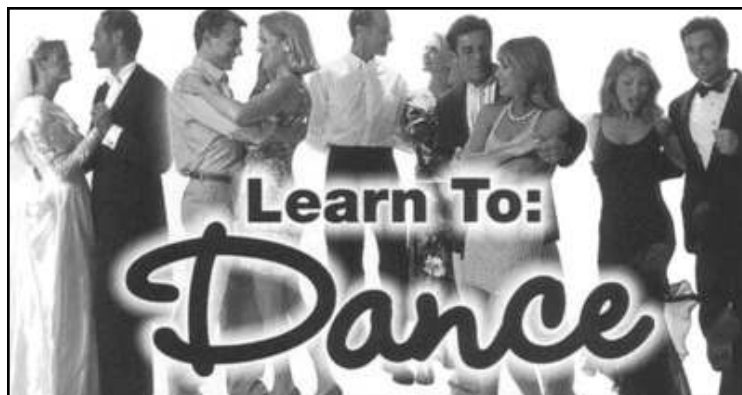
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Grammar of the Feet

Most acting in America takes place "from the neck up."

American theater has lost its body. For the past 50 years, Method acting reigned. Following the tenets, sometimes misinterpreted, of Konstantin Stanislavsky, the Actors Studio turned out generations of psychology-based actors, who build characters from the inside out and plug in personal experience to generate emotion. Wanting to get produced, playwrights create in this mode, and most critics evaluate performances based, often exclusively, on psychological believability. According to a growing horde of practitioners, however, this narrow approach stifles theater.

John Jory, who developed the Humana Festival of New American Plays, now a national showcase, bemoans the situation. "We've wrung every drop from Naturalism," he wrote in 1995, adding that most acting in America takes place "from the neck up." Two schools want theater out of this crisis. Gaining in size, and enemies, is David Mamet's "practical aesthetics." Bored stiff with the Method and actors gushing too much from their heads — some now call it "facsimile acting" — Mamet demands mere line readings. Actors interpret nothing, add nothing personal, just disappear into the story. Some laud the simplicity of this approach. Others say it only works for Mamet's plays and eliminates acting even "from the neck up."

A second tack re-explores physicality onstage. Many admire Tadashi Suzuki's severely stylized "grammar of the feet." And the current rage, Anne Bogart, may become the Stanislavski of the

next 50 years. Bogart advocates corporeal theater, where the body does the listening and the head doesn't lead. This emphasis isn't new — in the '50s and '60s, San Diego's Harry Partch had musicians perform his compositions with extreme athleticism — but a renewed focus on the body has become more than a trend on American stages.

As part of this movement, dance companies create "dance theater," combinations of texts and choreography. Eveoke performs dance theater regularly, and Malashock Dance's current offering, *Misjudgment of Paris*, combines both in fresh, inventive ways.

Misjudgment retells three Greek myths: Pegasus and Bellerophon, the Judgment of Paris, and Orpheus and Eurydice. Many myths comfort. They explain origins and imply continuity. The ancient Greeks, however, served dysfunctional deities who ruined lives on a whim. This is a world where one misstep — in each case a heart's willful choosing — incites disaster.

Playwright Allan Havis relocates each tale in a modern setting. Instead of combating the evil Chimera aloft, in royal blue skies, Bellerophon and Pegasus, the flying horse, become Beller and Peg, a fading aerial act at Cirque Hippocrene. "We've squandered our savings," he tells her, "we aren't headliners today." And Beller's got eyes for the owner's daughter. The Judgment of Paris, which led to the Trojan War, takes place not on Mt. Olympus but at a Parisian beauty pageant in the



Misjudgment of Paris

Misjudgment of Paris, adapted by John Malashock and Allan Havis
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'50s. Prince Paris is "Monsieur Chocolat," best dessert-maker within sight of the Eiffel Tower, whose frequent eating of his creations led to a chronic case of "flatulence."

Havis teaches playwrighting at UCSD (and should have his works produced locally). He fills the core myths with unexpected choices and wit — more wit, in fact, than the production acknowledged; some cast members gave his lines flat readings, missing their inherent tang. While the first two stories concern "everyday" people, Havis puts Orpheus and Eurydice in Granada, Spain, and their separation unfolds like a Lorcan tragedy. An Andalusian gang abducts Eurydice. Their leader's name is Death. Orpheus learns too late he "misdirected my love to my music," loses his beloved, and experiences the ultimate curse of Greek mythology: he'll live, a long life probably, with in-consolable loss.

I'm not a dance critic (I wouldn't recognize a jeté or a gavotte if it hit me in the word processor). So I can't say whether John Malashock's polished choreography is new or used. I can say that the movements — and Lisa Bloom Cohen's eclectic score — heighten the stories and give a



Joan Schirle in *Second Skin*

mythical, otherworldly aura to the everyday. In performance, if one element dominates, "dance theater" could become an oxymoron. Except for the occasional lame line readings, this doesn't happen.

Like Havis's hybrid texts, the choreography also doubles. There are two Bellers, two

Chocolats, two Circus Owner's daughters. When Beller describes an event, for example, the second Beller lives it, with other dancers, in woven, sinewy, animated shapes. It's a credit to Malashock's direction that the three languages — speech, music, and movement — don't feel separate. In

some moments a kind of aural-visual poetry emerges.

As I watched *Misjudgment*, I had a behind-the-scenes thrill. Here, on our stages at least, is a relatively new kind of art made by *local collaborators*. Depending on one's mood, or the lateness of the hour, or the weight of the world, San Diego is/is not a theater town. We have all the ingredients for a theatrical renaissance, but our companies tend to become insular — they don't take advantage of outside resources or talent — and what's often lacking is what's onstage at the Old Globe: a sharing of gifts, and disciplines, in the service of a collective project.

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Standing ovations have at least three different speeds. Some bob up and down; like contestants on the TV show *To Tell the Truth*, they may or may not rise. Others come as afterthoughts. The one I participated in last Saturday, at UCSD, felt like a drill sergeant just shouted "ten-hut!" When Joan Schirle concluded her solo performance of *Second Skin*, 100 people rose as one.

Wearing a long, faded white dress — which became the melting Wicked Witch, a tent, Marilyn Monroe's windblown skirt — Schirle performed with chubby-cheeked commedia masks. Each precisely etched character talked about things beyond and within: can Marilyn Monroe's soul inhabit someone else? (After all, "Beauty must go somewhere.") Does reincarnation use a conveyor belt? Can souls fall off? In Schirle's words, masks are a "second skin, just like clothing, makeup, social masks, past lives, and visions of who we wish we were."

Using movements and gestures that would elate Anne Bogart, plus crackly, eccentric, human voices, Schirle did what shamans do. She stood at the portal between this world and the next. She gave us glimpses of each and showed that the entrance, contrary to scientific dogma, may be but a fragile membrane, itself a "second" skin. ■

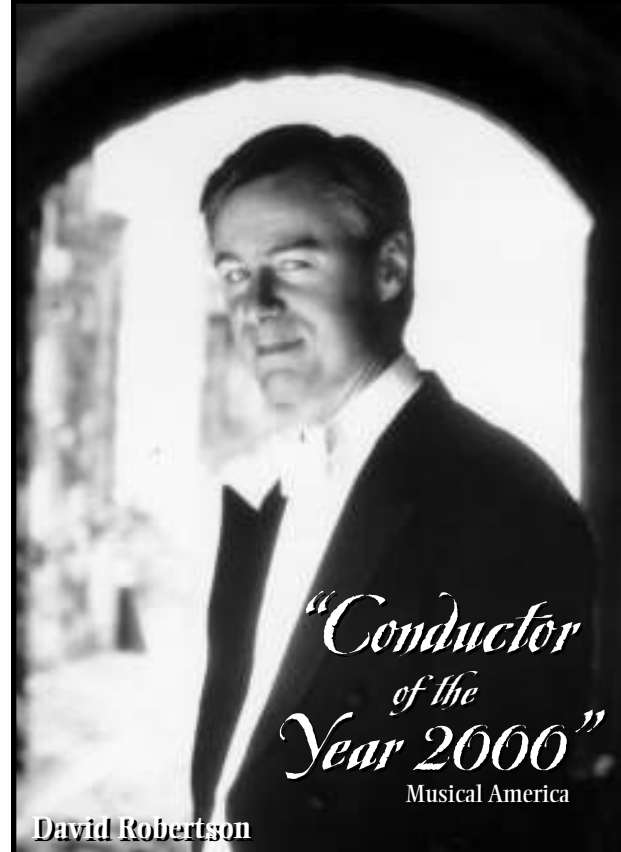
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Jeffrey
Paul Rudnick's "comedy about AIDS" couldn't be more relevant. In an age of plagues — global terrorism, lethal diseases — people want to ostrich themselves from life. Or become morbidly preoccupied with potential disaster. Rudnick's message, similar to Peter Barnes's *Red Noses*: sure there are atrocities, even some without names as yet, but so what? Live life anyway. Jeffrey used to be the gay "sexual pushover of Manhattan." When he decides to flee from possible happiness, a priest berates him: "When did despair become enjoyable? Grief, yes; tears, of course, but terminal gloom? Even Brecht wrote musicals." *Jeffrey* makes a heroic Bronx cheer at

doom mongers. The first act — it's in the writing — comes close to diluting the gravity of AIDS. It's a mite silly, and you wonder where the play's going. In Act two, as if his orchestration suddenly added a bass clef, Rudnick's comedy and drama resonate. *Jeffrey* is Diversionary Theatre's third quality production in a row. Director Tim Irving has a knack for finding the core of humor and the heart of a play. And Adam Edwards, who plays Jeffrey, is fast becoming a local actor whose name alone should draw audiences. His impish charm makes him a perfect match for Jeffrey. Other standouts: Manuel J. Fernandes is a hoot as Father Dan, the world's hippest priest, and Laura Bozanich is terrific as a gaggle of sharply etched, screamingly funny women, ranging from Mother Teresa to Debra Moorehouse, a "postmodern self-help guru" who has no credentials; she just likes to talk. **Worth a try.** DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, THROUGH JANUARY 19; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

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Misjudgment in Paris

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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 AcroTurf. 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.

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Things are different at MP3.com. Just look at the parking lot.

"Two years ago you saw brand-new Mercedes and

company with creative, musical types. It's just the technical people who are left."

Two months ago it was announced by MP3.com's new owners, Vivendi/Universal, that it was eliminating 130 jobs, or 20 percent of its workforce from its web music divisions. But it did not outline specifics.

in MP3.com to allow for a more efficient business structure," Vivendi spokeswoman Laurie Rubenstein said last week. "There were some layoffs in the radio division.... Full-time employees were eliminated, but we're not giving out any names."

The MP3.com radio division now only produces syndicated radio shows for "college radio."

— Ken Leighton

"I feel vindicated to be in *Penthouse*."

Historically it's a thin woman's magazine."

Previously Candye Kane had appeared in porn magazines (including *Fat!So?*) as a way to support herself and her family. This time she's the topic of a feature article in the February issue of *Penthouse* — and she's clothed.

"I'm glad I'm fully clothed. The whole article is almost entirely about music with a dash of politics. Which is all right by me."

The article covered her role as a fat-rights advocate, included lyrics from her songs, and also exposed her penchant for Tupperware.

"Music is feast or famine. When you are doing art for a

living, you always have thin times. I have two children. One's in college. The other one is in middle school. I need to be able to make ends meet."

To pay the bills she throws Tupperware parties. She learned about them a year ago from Phranc, L.A.'s famed Jewish lesbian folksinger.

"I was recently divorced. I had just been rejected from my third job interview. I needed to make money. Phranc approached me in a parking lot in L.A."

Candye knew Phranc from their days kicking around the '80s L.A. punk scene.

"We used to cross paths a lot." Now they both sell plastic kitchen goods in living rooms.

"Phranc is the number-one Tupperware saleslady in L.A. She drives a Landrover that is paid for by Tupperware. She has done Tupperware parties in L.A. for Steven Spielberg and Melissa Etheridge. Tupperware is the new fun thing for the nouveau riche."

Kane said Phranc taught her the value of bringing show business to a Tupper-

ware party.

"It doesn't hurt to be a Jewish lesbian folksinger or a blues diva because people are more willing to invite you into their home for a Tupperware party.... I've done about



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KANE GRACES "PENTHOUSE" — WITH CLOTHES

150 parties so far. I make an extra couple hundred each week if I have a party every week. It's a fun way to socialize, sell product I believe in, and pass around my CDs."

Kane says she brings along her collection of 150 vintage aprons. "I picked

them up from Lincoln or Omaha for 40 or 50 cents while I was on tour. At the [Tupperware] parties I ask everyone to wear one to get into the Donna Reed housewife mood. Sometimes the straight men protest. I tell them to get in touch with their feminine side and to just have fun with it. You can tell the ones who are relaxed with their sexuality and the ones who aren't. The guys who make a big deal about it, you have to wonder about." And before it comes time to order a lettuce crisper or a pie holder, she breaks out the guitar and sings a song. This weekend she is in Seattle hosting a Tupperware party for Starbucks.

"This is a good way for starving artists and musicians to make money, people who should not be afraid of honest work."

Candye says there is a connection between peddling Tupperware and getting paid to show skin.

"Tupperware and sex work have something in common. They both allow women to be financially emancipated."

Candye Kane appears with Sue Palmer every Wednesday at the Calypso Café in

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the inside track

Beemers and Volvos. Now all the guys who made a killing from the IPO — the dot-com millionaires — have since fucked off and moved up to L.A."

That's according to a former MP3.com employee, who says those who personally benefited from MP3.com's salad days have left the auditorium. The employee also said that the creative music types who used to buzz around the company's UTC offices have also exited.

"MP3.com is no longer a

Specifics like the fact that it virtually eliminated its radio division. Local radio personalities like Shannon Leder (Rock 105.3), Nick Upton (KSON), Butch da Baker (Channel 9-3-3), and Mike Halloran (92/1) were hired to "voice" hour-long shows in various formats like rock, alternative, and Top 40. Those shows were distributed to stations from Miami to Salt Lake City. "I think we went to 200 stations," said the former employee.

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— Ken Leighton

Last February the House of Blues chain of nightclubs was threatening to sue the Juke Joint Café. At issue was the Juke Joint's use of the phrase "Gospel Brunch." The HoB wanted the Juke Joint to pick another name.

Things got better for the Juke Joint, the Gaslamp eatery and nightclub that seats 275. Grammy nominee Alicia Keyes played the Juke Joint in October. And the House of Blues pulled an about-face.

"Now we're working together," said Juke Joint owner Trey Brady. "We're talking about doing things together in the future."

But as the new year began, Brady was forced to take on a different challenge.

After four years in business, Brady is being sued over noise complaints by a group of residents who live in the adjacent Pioneer Lofts.

"It all started in October," said Brady about constant complaints lodged by Marion and Mark Sickman. "She came over and said, 'We've got some issues with you. It's too loud, and there are too many people loitering outside.' My response to her was that we could certainly reduce the volume." Brady said he would also redirect the line of people outside.

But Brady said in spite of his efforts to be neighborly,



JUKE JOINT OWNER GETS AN EARFUL

"All hell broke loose.... They started calling the police almost every night. The police would come down but chose to take no action

because we were operating within the parameters set forth by the zoning for the Gaslamp. We did all the things we promised we would do."

Then Brady said attorney Al Rava, who also lives in the Pioneer Lofts, got involved. "Five officers on bikes showed up. Rava and Sickman were on the sidewalk, encouraging the officers to have me arrested. The policeman eventually told them, 'I'm sorry. But this man is operating according to his license,' and he also told them, 'It sounds like he's willing to work with you because he has made changes.' This went on and on.... I'm down here because this is the only entertainment zone in the city that I'm aware of. [Sickman and Rava] can't move next to me and tell me I can't do something I've legally done for four years. Before I was here there were other nightclubs here, and they had live music. They can't expect to live downtown and expect it to be like they were living in Rancho Bernardo."

Brady said Mark Sickman has been relentless.

"Mark came down here and told my bar manager he's not gonna be satisfied until I'm out of business. They circulated flyers to their neighbors. He made the ones who didn't sign up against us feel like they were part of an

enemy team."

But Brady said he has the law on his side.

"If you live in the Gaslamp Quarter, you sign an agreement that says you waive your right to any claim against your landlord over any disturbances emanating from licensed establishments within the district. They can't get me with the police, they can't go after their own landlord, so they come after me with a civil lawsuit against my landlord. And they have an added leverage because they have an attorney who is not charging them. It doesn't cost them a dime, and it doesn't cost [Rava] anything except his time."

Marion Sickman said she would have no comment for this story.

Attorney Al Rava did respond. When asked if he was receiving any money for representing the neighbors, he said, "I am not doing this pro bono." When asked again if he received any retainer or a fee of any kind, he responded, "I am not doing it pro bono."

When asked if he signed a no-sue agreement regarding ambient noise in the Gaslamp when he moved in, he said, "It is not relevant what I signed because I'm not a plaintiff."

When asked if the plaintiffs signed an agreement, he said, "I am not aware of any such provision in any of the

lease agreements signed by my clients," said Rava.

When asked if he was aware that he lived in an entertainment district designated as such by the city, he said, "I don't know if I live in such a district. The plaintiffs have no legal agreement with the landlord of the Juke Joint regarding noises and vibrations emanating from the Juke Joint."

And even if his plaintiffs did live in an entertainment district, Rava asked, "What if they had Metallica playing on the rooftop until 4 a.m.?"

"That's not what we do," said Brady.

The lawsuit is asking for \$500,000 in general damages. Rava said he has approximately 25 signed declarations from former or current tenants who have complained about noise and vibrations coming from the Juke Joint's music and outside crowds.

"That's not how many he filed with the court," said Brady. "But he is probably recruiting as we speak."

Rava made it clear that the plaintiffs have only sued the Juke Joint Café's landlord and not the café itself at this time.

— Ken Leighton

Earl Thomas can't prove why he was scratched as the opener for Buddy Guy. But he has his

theories. Guy is set to play at 4th & B February 1. Bluesman Thomas said he was listed as the opener in six consecutive weekly ads placed by 4th & B. Last week Thomas was told that Guy's agent wanted somebody else on the bill.



EARL GETS BUMPED

Earl Thomas and the Blues Ambassadors were replaced by Joe Bonamassa.

"I used Buddy's band as my backup band in '92 at the Montreaux Jazz festival.... I have a video to prove it.... I really, really kicked butt with his band backing me." Thomas wonders if Guy and his people might remember this. "You can't have the headliner upstaged by anyone."

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Bonamassa is also represented by Buddy Guy's agency, Monterey Peninsula Artists. It is common for agencies to use other artists in their stable to open for their more famous artists.

Maria Matias of Monterey Peninsula Artists says that having Thomas open for Buddy Guy was never cleared with them. "Buddy Guy comes with his own opener," she said. Jeff Gaulton, 4th & B talent buyer, had no comment.

"The reason it hurts is I have my band here from Copenhagen," says Thomas. "I brought them over here for this 4th & B show, and it cost me a lot of money. The sad thing is, I was planning this to be my CD-release party."

Thomas said he worked all year last year as a dental assistant to fund his new CD *The Elector Studio Sessions*, released on his own label, EK Records.

Thomas said this is the second time he was bumped as a 4th & B opener.

"I was scheduled to open for Keb' Mo' back in the

spring. Three weeks before the gig, they pulled me off the bill. They said Keb' Mo's management wanted their own act to open." But he said 4th & B was more than honorable, offering him a chance to open for a sold-out Ray Charles show a few weeks later.

"I'm good for a few thousand [ticket sales]...at least a few hundred. Someone from 4th & B inadvertently told me that they had to give refunds for 150 [Keb' Mo'] tickets because I wasn't on the bill anymore."

Earl Thomas and the Blues Ambassadors appear 4-8 p.m. every Sunday at Winston's. The CD-release party is to be rescheduled.

— Ken Leighton

John Rippo publishes the *Espresso*, a large-format newspaper that covers the local coffee-house scene. Last year he warned that a new city ordinance overseeing all-age venues would squash the live arts. The law says the police chief can now grant or deny an entertainment permit to coffeehouses.

Rippo reports in the latest issue of the *Espresso* that the Living Room in Hillcrest "has been the target of vice cops checking the house's guests for ID and the vio-

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lation of curfew law. This is likely a first step by police to discourage younger visitors from patronage and also a



SOMEONE TELL "ESPRESSO" THAT THE LIVING ROOM HAS NO ENTERTAINMENT

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handy way to keep businesses from expanding, making more money, or having

entertainment in their establishments."

If the SDPD is coming down particularly hard on the Living Room, it's news to the Living Room management.

"We are the ones who usually call the police," said one Living Room staffer.

"The sidewalk can get crazy out there. People hanging out there at night can get irritating to our customers."

Living Room general manager Jeremy McMillen agrees with his employee.

"[The police] came at our request. We are into keeping a clean neighborhood." He said the Living Room supports the efforts to get late-night stragglers connected with the Alpha Project. "It helps gets the kids off

the streets and on the right track.... We inherited a crowd that just hangs out [outside], and that is detrimental to the business." He said the police have been restrained and professional. "They have been very, very passive."

Besides, he wonders, what does this have to do with the entertainment law passed last year?

"We don't have entertainment," said McMillen. He said that although the Hillcrest Living Room may have had live performers in the past, it hasn't recently. According to the Living Room's owner, it's been two years.

Only one problem, says Rippo — the Living Room is

for sale. And should new owners want to bring back live entertainment, the record of police activity could give the police chief carte blanche to deny an entertainment license.

"What will all these police visits do to the value of the business?" Rippo asks.

McMillen says the Hillcrest Living Room does just fine without entertainment. "We decided that it wasn't the best business model for us."

— Ken Leighton

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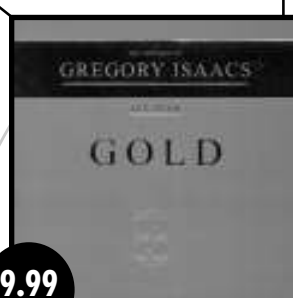
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"Tell the people to take their damn hats off and put them over their chests."

Since the September 11 attack on the World Trade Center, the U.S. flag graces cars, clothes, and any other place where it can be displayed, often breaching flag etiquette. Nearly two generations of Americans recognize the symbols of patriotism but don't know how to properly observe them. Another example is the national anthem. Although fans are cheering more loudly after "The Star-Spangled Banner" is played at football games, an alert listener quickly realizes that not everyone knows the words. This version is from the first printed version, circa September 17, 1814.

O! say can you see by the dawn's early light, / What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming, / Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight, / O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming? / And the Rockets' red glare, the Bombs bursting in air, / Gave proof through the night that our Flag was still there; / O! say does that star spangled Banner yet wave, / O'er the Land of the free, and the home of the brave?

The words were written in 1814 by Francis Scott Key, an attorney who was inspired after seeing a 30- by 42-foot flag raised over Fort McHenry in Baltimore after a night of heavy shelling by the British. Key was forced to spend the night on a British ship downstream from the fort and was overjoyed to find the flag still flying the next day. The text has changed slightly over the years. The origins of the melody are debatable, but most agree it came from a British drinking song. President Wilson ordered the song to become the national anthem in 1916, and Congress made it official in 1931. There are additional verses, but they are seldom used.

When random Christmas shoppers at local malls were asked if they knew the words to the national anthem — or the story of its composition — many found their confidence shaken before finishing the first stanza. Some preferred other patriotic songs.

Michael Frey, a 19-year-old Mesa College student, believed he knew the lyrics and began reciting. "Oh say can you see, by the...dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed...." I can

do this." He starts to sing. "The twilight's last gleaming. Whose broad stripes and bright stars...." I don't think I know it. I know parts of it, but I don't know the next part. I believe it was written by — hold on, I know this — it was an Italian

guy — there was a war going on and bombs were lighting up the sky and he was on a boat. I forgot his name though. I don't know if this is patriotic, but I used to like

"This Land Is Your Land."

Frey's cousin from Pennsylvania, **Kayla Nicolas**, 18, tried to coach him with the words. Confident that she can do better, she begins to recite and gets stumped. She sings the melody quickly, like a record recorded at 33½ and played at 45 rpm. "Oh no! I gotta sing it...." Through the perilous night, and the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming. And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air, gave proof to the night that our flag was still there. Oh say does that star-spangled banner — Wait! 'Ba-an-ner yet wa-ave. O'er the land of the free and the home of the —' What is it? 'And the home of the brave!' I knew it!"

"The Star-Spangled Banner" is not her patriotic song of preference.

"I like that Lee Greenwood song, 'Proud to Be an American.'"

Ken Johnson, 21, is a sometime student who works at Sea World. "I know parts of it." He clears his throat and sings. He gets to the bombs bursting in air and then gets stuck. "I don't know the rest!" He chuckles. "It was written by...Key? He wrote it while he was somewhere. It was during the war, I don't know which one...for independence from Britain, and he saw what was going on, and he just started writing about it." When asked if he is more comfortable with any other patriotic songs, he says, "The pledge of allegiance."

Katy Hillier and **Nicki Vasquez**, both 18, seem to do everything together. Friends from Point Loma High School, they now attend Mesa College. Hillier tries first. "Oh say can you see by the dawn's early light...uhm...what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming. Oh say does that star-spangled banner let...." That's



Michael Frey



Kayla Nicolas



Ken Johnson



Katy Hillier and Nicki Vasquez



Mark McIntosh



Bill Schludenberg

all I know."

More secure that she knows the words, Vasquez starts to sing. "Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming. Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight. Oh say does that star-spangled banner yet wave. O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave." I know the poem is, like, so long and the chorus is, like, short, and it confuses me, because I studied the poem. It's by Francis Scott Key; he was a lawyer, I believe. He was stuck in some sort of barracks or underground, and he wrote the poem while he was in there. He knew we had won the war because when he looked in the morning, our flag was still flying. It was — was it the Civil War? Oh my God! It's so horrible that we don't know!"

Mark McIntosh, 23, is in the Navy. Originally from Los Angeles, he has no idea whether he will be deployed soon or not. As he begins to sing, it becomes apparent that he knows most of "The Star-Spangled Banner," but not all of it. McIntosh is stumped when asked about the history of the song. When asked if he likes any other

patriotic songs, he says, "The national anthem."

Bill Schludenberg, 37, has been in the Navy for 19 years. Born in Maryland, Schludenberg is visiting from Florida. He begins to sing in rapid cadence. "Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming." Long pause. "Whose broad stripes and bright stars were so gallantly streaming. And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air, gave proof through the night that our flag was still there. Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light — No! I've just got to go back to the beginning. 'Oh say, can you see?' His mother coaches him with "does" and he finishes. "Oh say does that star-spangled banner yet wave, o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Schludenberg knows a bit more about the song's history. "I believe it was written while on a ship overlooking one of the ports during a battle of the Revolutionary War. I think it was Francis Scott Key." Even though he struggles to remember the words, Schludenberg still prefers the national anthem to other patriotic songs. "I don't know any other song that puts chills up my spine when hear-

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ing it. And you should tell the people at the Chargers' stadium watching football games that when the colors are paraded and presented and we stand at attention to sing the national anthem — take their damn hats off and put them over their chests — don't leave them on!"

Kirsten Loewen, 19, attends Point Loma Nazarene College. She begins to recite. "Oh say, can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hail at the twilight's last gleaming..." Her two friends try to coach her as she struggles to recall the words. Kirsten knows nothing about the anthem's history. She tries to think of any other patriotic songs she might know. "The amber waves of grain? God bless America? That's pretty easy to remember."

Judge Richard Huffman, 62, is going to get his car while his wife waits. They seem to be having more fun than most of the teenagers at the mall. "I can just recite them. 'Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming. Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous night...' You got me!" He starts to quietly sing to himself. "Through the perilous fight where so proudly..." Hah! I'll be damned!" He starts singing again, more loudly and slowly. "And the rockets' red glare the bombs bursting in air, gave proof through the night, that our flag was still there, oh say can — oh say does that star-spangled banner yet wave, o'er the land of the free and the



Kirsten Loewen



Judge Richard Huffman



Joe Basinski



Daniel Levin



Antonio Garcia

home of the brave.' I made it!"

He seems incredulous that his memory failed him. "I had to stop and sing it because I've always sung it." Judge Huffman is more confident about the song's history. "It was Francis Scott Key, as I recall, and it's the War of 1812. I can't remember the fort, but he witnessed a battle and, as a result of that, wrote the words that became 'The Star-Spangled Banner.'"

Joe Basinski, 21, is a student at Southwestern College. His singing — a screeching delivery that frequently changes key — betrays no inhibitions. Basinski's assessment of the song's history resembles a rambling answer to an essay question designed to fool the teacher. "I know different wars over time gave different ideas for the writer. Most of the time I'll sing 'The Star-Spangled Banner' in the shower, even though I don't know most of the words. I'll just make up the rest of the words."

Daniel Levin, 31, waits in a long line with his girlfriend at Starbucks. A zoo employee, Levin is sure he can sing the national anthem. "Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed as the ramparts lay..." Ha! Ha!



Christy Chaney



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Ha! No, no no — 'Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed as the ramparts lay gleaming. Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight, for the —'...wait, I did it again! You got me!" He tries one more time before admitting he doesn't know all the words. Unruffled by his failure, Levin volunteers what he knows about the song. "There was a war in the 19th Century, I'm not exactly sure — it was the Spanish-American War or something, but we lost the battle, but this was a patriotic song to commemorate the battle by F. Scott Key, or Francis Scott Key or somebody like that. We've been singing quite a few

patriotic songs lately." He then launches into a flawless version of "You're a Grand Old Flag."

Antonio Garcia, 20, a student at Southwestern College, is sure he knows the lyrics to the national anthem until he is asked to sing them. "Oh say, can you...uhm, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed? At the twilight's..." Is it 'last gleaming'? 'Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight...' Uh, 'for the —' Oh, wow. Something 'the last — ramparts' or something? Something 'we lost —' Wait! 'Were so gallantly streaming in the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in the air, gave proof through the night that our flag was still there. Oh say,

does that star-spangled banner yet wave for the...land of the free and the home of the brave.' I know this was written in a war against Britain and some guy wrote it. I know the song pretty well, but I guess I'm having a hard time remembering now that I'm on the spot."

Christy Chaney, 26, is expecting her first child, and the extra burden of pregnancy has left her exhausted after a night of shopping. When asked for the lyrics of the national anthem, she ponders for a half-minute before saying, "I think so. Is it cheating to ask if 'The Star-Spangled Banner' is the same as the national anthem? I'm not going to sing it." She begins reciting quickly and

gets as far as "gallantly."

"Oh my gosh! My brain just stopped. I missed a whole line! I can't think of it — I'm having that issue lately. I was told, 'You'll start to forget things when you're pregnant.' It's true. I forgot my name the other day. I think it's just 'whose broad stripes and bright stars and the rockets' red glare. The bombs bursting in air gave proof through the night that the flag was still there. Oh say does that star-spangled banner yet wave, o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!' It's just that one part in the middle — the part about 'gallantly' something or other. It was written by Francis Scott Key when Fort McHenry was bombed. And it's



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in Baltimore. My family's from Annapolis. I know 'God Bless America' and 'America the Beautiful.' Some people think 'The Battle Hymn of the Republic' is really patriotic, but I couldn't give you all the lyrics."

It's a slow night for the mall's resident **Santa Claus**. There are no children waiting to see him, and he sits in his chair looking depleted and bored. "I used to know the words to 'The Star-Spangled Banner.' He recites. " 'Oh say can you see by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed by the twilight's last gleaming? I'll have to sing it. I'm trying to remember the melody. I can't say as I do."

With a busy week ahead, it's understandable that Santa doesn't have his history straight about the song. "Let's see, the flag was flying at Fort Sumter after a Confederate attack, and a song was written about that. It's a little harder melody than most patriotic songs, and it's a mouthful of words."

Glen Phelps, 48, is originally from Pontiac, Michigan, and says that he knows the anthem from singing it at Big 10 football games. "I try to be as patriotic as everybody else. I put my hand over my heart, and I hum it along. I pick up on the lyrics from my grammar school days and try to sing along. I went to a one-room schoolhouse in Michigan and walked three miles there and back, and we had a music teacher who came around once a month. She was a traveling music teacher from all the old country schools. We had an old piano in the corner, and she used to play the piano and taught us that and other songs. I think it was written when some fort was under siege."

Susie Rosenthal, 32, teaches at Nye Elementary School in Valencia Park. After teaching first grade for nine years, she is certain she knows the national anthem. Her sister, Maureen O'Grady, watches as Rosenthal sings. Her delivery is on key, and she doesn't need to pause to recall the lyrics. When asked about the song's history, she is slightly less sure. "The flag was still standing and it told something. It was a symbolic representation of something." Her sister breaks in. "He was on a ship." When I ask Rosenthal who was on the ship, she replies, "Francis Scott Key. He was still on the ship. He was looking out, I think — I don't know if it was on the land or another ship. There was a battle going on, I think between the ships, that's about all I know. But because the flag was standing, they knew that they had kept the ground or won. I'm more comfortable with songs like 'You're a Grand Old Flag,' 'Three Cheers for the Red, White, and Blue,' and 'Yankee Doodle Dandy.' 'The Star-Spangled Banner' is really hard for first graders." ■

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Reissue Raptures

One is transported back to that little bar on a steamy Sunday afternoon 40 years ago: a most intoxicating experience.

Bits and pieces: jazz. Of late I've come across a handful of wonderful rereleases, remasterings, or just plain stuff I've been hunting around for and either couldn't find or it was out of print. That happens, you know. Just like with books. So think twice before you unload a treasured CD because you may not ever find it again.

I've written at length about Bill Evans and his matchless June 25, 1961, performance at the Village Vanguard, perhaps the most unforgettable Sunday of piano jazz ever to be recorded. The material has been issued in a number of formats, but usually on two discs: *Waltz for Debby* and *Sunday at the Village Vanguard*, both on Riverside. One can get all the tunes now on a single disc, *At the Village Vanguard*, but which does not include alternate takes: those are available on *Bill Evans: The Complete Riverside Recordings*, which will set you back a pretty penny but it's worth it, if you're a Bill Evans nut.

Riverside has now rereleased the *Waltz for Debby* material with three alternate takes and a bonus track, "Porgy (I Love You, Porgy)," in a special edition, mastered in analog utilizing the 20-bit K2 Super Coding system. It makes for fascinating listening. Without rereviewing the music, a couple of things jump to the fore while listening to this material with enhanced sound clarification — or three things, come to think of it. One, as to be expected, is Evans's breathtaking voicings on the piano and the startling chromaticism he is able to pull from every chord. Another is the now-legendary interaction between Evans and the bassist Scott LaFaro, who was to die in a highway accident just days after the session was completed. Paul Motian is very empathetic on drums, but the interaction between Evans and La-

Faro has never been registered with such clarity as in this remastering job under the supervision of Tamaki Beck for JVC Studios with mastering engineer Shigeo Miyamoto. Finally, the extraordinary new sound reminds the listener that this historic session took place not in a studio but in a working bar, with people talking and drinking, and all the attendant noises: waiters, busboys, all manner of ambient noise. At one point the sound of glasses clinking, presumably being bussed to the kitchen by some doopey underpaid kid who had no idea he would be part of history, is so vividly, brightly intrusive that I thought the recycling man was

at work out the front door. But it was the wrong day for recycling; it was coming from my left speaker. Does it destroy the effect? Oddly, no. One is transported back to that little bar on a steamy Sunday afternoon 40 years ago: a most intoxicating experience.

The Japanese, a jazz-mad culture and an informed one, reissued one of the greatest and most

difficult to find sessions of the mid-'60s. Sam Rivers's classic *Fuchsia Swing Song*, with Rivers on tenor sax and a dream rhythm section with fellow Bostonian Jaki Byard on piano, Ron Carter on bass, and Anthony Williams on drums. This was Rivers's debut album as leader, and for my money, he was never this good again. He was to embrace free jazz after this session, and as gifted a player as he is or was, he never succeeded quite like this. I like artists at the point of transition, and on this disc Rivers is in the process of emerging from his hard-bop foundation, incorporating the new, expansive vocabularies of Coltrane and Ornette Coleman, but still swinging very hard and eco-

nomically. All six compositions are by Rivers, who was either 34 or 41 years of age when he was recording the album, depending on which book you're looking at, but in either case, not a kid. This is desert-island-caliber music, remastered here with 24-bit technology by RVG.

Another recently remastered classic available on Japanese Blue Note is Horace Parlan's 1960 hard-to-find trio session *Headin' South* with George Tucker on bass and Al Harwood on drums, with the addition of Ray Barretto on conga. Any of Parlan's Blue Note trio sessions are worth grabbing. Parlan is an unusual and much-undervalued player. Mingus knew what he was worth, using Parlan on piano in his Jazz Workshop between 1957 and '59, great years. Roland Kirk knew as well, playing between 1963 and '66 (his greatest, Mercury years) with Parlan leading the rhythm section.

Parlan is a heavily blues-influenced pianist, with his particular rhythmic inflections approaching soul-jazz, but more understated. Like the jazz pianist Carl Perkins, Parlan suffered from polio as a child, and it crippled his left hand. Though some of his melodic figures tend to be limited, Parlan compensates with extremely

rhythmic right-hand phrasing and emphatic bass chords with his left hand. What makes *Headin' South* so special is the addition of Ray Barretto, in particular on the title track and "Congolesse." Latin rhythms had been in the air (in U.S. jazz circles) since the late '40s when Dizzy Gillespie and Chano Fozo got together for what

turned out to be a thrilling marriage: *Cubop*. There are countless children from this marriage, some brighter and more beguiling than others. This Horace Parlan session turned out very nicely, indeed.

A sensational and neglected jazz man who played with Parlan, Mingus, Jaki Byard, among others, is Booker Ervin, a tenor sax phenom from Denison, Texas, with that huge Texas sound, who died tragically young at age 40 in 1970. I

don't know if that ever went out of print, and it was remastered in 1996, but I hadn't seen Ervin's *Space Book* around in a while. It's one of a series of *Books* he recorded for Prestige between 1963 and '65, and I believe his best; also, one of the

best of the era, another desert-island disc. On board he has one of my favorite rhythm sections, if not my favorite: Jaki Byard, Richard Davis on bass, and Alan Dawson on drums.

Eric Dolphy enjoyed playing with this rhythm section too. They could follow him wherever he chose to go and feed him lots of fuel along the way. The three kept pace with Ervin, who is less an outside player but still a very probative

one. Influenced by Coltrane, among others, but sounding very little like him, Ervin kept to the realm of traditional chord changes but superimposed alternative harmonic patterns, an approach that generated all sorts of captivating tensions and sonorities, somewhere in the vicinity of modal or limited-chord jazz.

This fabulous quartet recorded only two sessions, this one and *Freedom Book*, a year earlier. There was never even one club appearance, just these two studio dates. After *Space Book*, Dawson returned to Boston to teach and play local gigs. Richard Davis worked in and around New York, and Byard returned to Mingus's quartet, where he enjoyed a difficult but productive relationship with the leader. Ervin, like so many black jazzmen of his era, went to Europe for a protracted stay, playing in Denmark, Germany, France, England, and Spain, where his music was, presumably, better appreciated. He returned to the States in '68 to record with his own groups, and he visited the U.S. long enough to perform as a sideman in Randy Weston's memorable performance at Monterey in '66. Great players, all. This CD is no longer available, but the same group, if not the same performance, is available on a disc called *African Cookbook*. ■

The Bill Evans Trio, *Waltz for Debby* (Riverside RCD-9399-2)

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Aspects of Physics: Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, January 19, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

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Michael Rose & His Band /749/: 4th & B, Sunday, January 20, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.

WEDNESDAY

Kris Delmhurst: Java Joe's Coffeehouse, Wednesday, January 23, 9 p.m., 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356.

EXTENSION 4001

UPCOMING CONCERTS

JANUARY

Loudon Wainwright III /842/: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, January 24, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with the **Bill Cunliffe Sextet**: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, January 24, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

Luis Miguel /601/: Cox Arena, Thursday, January 24, and Friday, January 25, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Sum 41 /188/, **Unwritten Law /261/**, and **gob /310/**: RIMAC Arena, Friday, January 25, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

The **Temptations /966/**: Pechanga Entertainment, Friday, January 25, 8 p.m., 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. 888-732-4264 or 619-220-8497.

The **Watts Prophets**: East County Performing Arts Center, Friday, January 25, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277 or 619-220-8497.

Eek-A-Mouse /734/ and **4th Ave. Jones**: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, January 25, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

The **Word** (featuring **John Medeski**, the **North Mississippi Allstars**, and **Robert Randolph**): Belly Up Tavern,

Saturday, January 26, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

The **Brooklyn Sax Quartet**: Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, January 26, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

Tha Liks, **Living Legends**, and **Defari**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, January 27, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Wesley Willis /607/: The Casbah, Sunday, January 27, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355.

Jonatha Brooke /468/: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, January 31, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with **Frank Morgan** and **Art Hillary**: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, January 31, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

FEBRUARY

Buddy Guy /910/ and **Earl Thomas /946/**: 4th & B, Friday, February 1, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.

Baaba Maal: Mandeville Auditorium, Friday, February 1, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Merl Saunders & His Funky Friends /512/, **Government Grown /426/**, and **Ten Pound Brown**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, February 1, 3105 Ocean Front Walk,

Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Raw Materials: Spruce Street Forum, Friday, February 1, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

Tre (formerly of Pharcyde), **Kim Hill** (of the Black Eyed Peas), and the **Icons**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, February 2, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

The **Strokes /104/**, **Long Wave**, and **Har Mar Superstar**: 4th & B, Sunday, February 3, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.

"Voices on the Verge" featuring **Jess Klein**, **Beth Amsel**, **Rose Polenzani**, and **Erin McKeown**: Java Joe's Coffeehouse, Sunday, February 3, 9 p.m., 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356.

Jay Farrar (of Son Volt) and **Brian Henneman** (of the Battle Rockets): Belly Up Tavern, Monday, February 4, 8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

Blue Öyster Cult /536/: 4th & B, Wednesday, February 6, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.

The **Classified**, **Larger Than Life**, **F.O.N.**, and **Rochelle, Rochelle**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, February 6, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Willie Nelson /783/: East County Performing Arts Center, Thursday, February 7, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277 or 619-220-8497.

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Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>Marcia Ball and Larry McCray: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, February 14, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>Little Feat /435/: Cannibal Bar, Friday, February 15, Catamaran Resort Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-539-8650.</p> <p>BeauSoleil /854/: Mandeville Auditorium, Friday, February 15, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>Jivewire: The Casbah, Friday, February 15, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355.</p> <p>The Samples and Maroon: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, February 15, and Saturday, February 16, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.</p>	 <p><i>Eric Johnson, January 17, 4th & B</i></p> <p>"The 21st Annual Bob Marley Day Celebration" featuring Luciano /754/, Sizzla, Gregory Isaacs, the Ghetto Youth Crew, Morgan Heritage, Tony Rebel, Junior Kelly, Bushman, and Midnight: San Diego Sports Arena, Monday, February 18, 1 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. Festival hotline: 619-230-1237; 619-220-8497.</p> <p>David Lindley /445/: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, February 21, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>Bobby Short /654/: California Center for the Arts, Friday, February 22, 8 p.m., 340 N. 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Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>Flogging Molly /316/: 4th & B, Sunday, March 17, 7:30 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.</p> <p>Crosby, Stills, Nash, & Young /507/: San Diego Sports Arena, Wednesday, March 27, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-220-8497.</p> <p>John Hammond and Charlie Musselwhite: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, March 28, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>Omara Portuondo: California Center for the Arts, Friday, March 29, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.</p> <p>APRIL</p> <p>The Reverend Horton Heat /134/, Nashville Pussy /154/, and Tiger Army: 4th & B, Wednesday, April 24, 7 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.</p>
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Ilya: The Casbah
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Inora: Epicentre
258**Jack's Broken Heart:** The Casbah
200**Jason & Jane:** Java Joe's Coffeehouse
Juice: The Casbah
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Ladwig: Blind Melons
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118**Anya Marina:** Java Joe's Coffeehouse
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138**The Price of Dope:** Belly Up Tavern
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213**Ribofflavin':** Blind Melons
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319**Surf Report:** Tiki House
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The Bibulous Bassist: Sham Rocks Shack
414**Billy Midnight:** Moondoggies
Blind Luck: Second Wind (Santee)
Bone Yard: Coyote Bar and Grill
Boom Shaka: Winstons
Bordertown: Coyote Bar and Grill
498**The Joey Bowen Band:** Winstons, Buffalo Joe's
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The Bumpin' Uglies: Blind Melons
Cave Cat Sammy: Tio Leo's Lounge
Cheap Date: Bub's Whiskey Dive
Circle the Cat: Winstons
Collage Menage: Plum Crazy East
The Dixie Dregs: Cannibal Bar
8 Ball Rack: Tiki House, The Casbah
The Electric Waste Band: Winstons
Footloose: The Del Dios Country Store
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The Greyhounds: Winstons
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461**Hera's Olive:** Dick's Last Resort
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531**Gary Hoey:** Cannibal Bar
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467**Eric Johnson:** 4th & B
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407**The Million Dollar Playboys:** Belly Up Tavern
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404**Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors:** The Kraken
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Pepper: Blind Melons
Positive Approach: Pal Joey's
585**Powder:** Brick By Brick
489**Private Domain:** Dick's Last Resort
Pure Flow: Second Wind (San Carlos)
The Rockin' Aces: Dick's Last Resort
Saturday Night Special: Smokeys II
Secret Weapon: The Kraken
Sensation: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub
Seven Nations: Buffalo Joe's
6one9: Dirk's Niteclub
540**Snake Oil Revival:** Brick By Brick
424**Social Distortion:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
Steal Dawn: Boar Cross'n, Henry's Pub
Stonelikgod: Blind Melons
Super Funk Fantasy: Jimmy Love's
Triple Shot: Carvers
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Y3K: Fogerty's Pub
The Yacht Lizards: Neimans Bar and Grill
Zone 4: Brick By Brick

EXTENSION 4004

POP/TOP 40

608**Cowboy Mouth:** Belly Up Tavern
D.J. Miles: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)
The Disco Pimps: Buffalo Joe's
Diva Soul: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)
80's and Gentlemen: Jimmy Love's
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The Rhythm Dogs: The Alley
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NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

From the *Didjeri News*, Portland's didgeridoo newsletter, I learn that didgeridoo — long, hollow, primitive tubelike noisemakers, the signature of Australia's outback — are each tuned to a particular key. This I did not know. D, Bb, E, Eb, C, and so on. "As for tuning a didge, the main tool is pretty much a saw," writes **Randy Graves**, founder of the local ensemble Didginous. "If you need to tune up to a desired pitch, you gotta saw some off."

There is something ominous and comical in the deep, melancholy tones that resonate from a didge played well. It is a powerful sound, a hypnotic drone that is recognizable and, once heard, unforgettable. It is the rock guitar of primitive Australia. World music composers/didgeridoo mavens like Graves (and ethnic groups like the Tjapukai



RANDY GRAVES

Dancers) have been making pop music with the instruments for years.

Graves began learning to play in earnest in 1993, while enrolled at UCSD. He says that he used lengths of PVC pipe, cardboard wrapping-paper tubes, or anything else that was long and hollow before settling on a vacuum-cleaner wand, which became his main instrument for three months.

Today, Graves has a collection of the real things. He has learned from Australian craftsmen to make them himself. He has perfected the art of circular breathing — inhaling through one's nose while blowing. He gives didgeridoo lessons and founded Ginger Root Records to put out his own and friends' didge recordings. I've heard Graves's stuff. It is skilled, sometimes tribal, sometimes spooky, intelligent music. His acoustic compositions include a variety of ethnic instrumentation, vocal harmonics, and spoken word. For those who are

interested, he holds a monthly didge gathering and is currently seeking participants for his next trip to Oz. Graves can be reached at www.gingerroot.com.

Walt Young and guests also perform.

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NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Cheap Trick was my favorite band when I was ten years old. I didn't know much about music, but I knew that the guitar player and the drummer were funny and that "I Want You to Want Me" and "Dream Police" sounded great on my little AM radio. But the best was "Surrender."

It's still one of my favorite songs, but it wasn't until recent years that I understood what an oddball it is. Like many of Cheap Trick's best numbers, it starts off as bubblegum music and then quickly grows dark and sleazy. "Mother told me, yes she told me, I'd meet girls like you," **Robin Zander** begins (the lyrics were by guitarist **Rick Nielsen**), but soon he's talking about venereal diseases, drug addiction in the military,

and his mother's sexual history before she met Dad. Later, Robin walks in on his parents when they're smoking pot, making out on the couch, and listening to his Kiss records.

But the weirdest thing about the song is its wonderfully anthemic chorus. The lifeblood of rock 'n' roll is adolescent rebellion, but here Cheap Trick sings, "Mommy's all right, Daddy's all right, they just seem a little weird / Surrender, surrender, but don't give yourself away." It's a very adult sentiment: Sometimes you just have to accept things as they are and not let them affect you.

I think that's the key to why this band looks less ridiculous than many still carrying on long after their glory days: Cheap Trick never took the adolescent-rebellion thing seriously anyway.




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South along I-5, rolling past the Mile of Cars (and passing a mile of cars in Jerry's speedy SUV), we were talking about where to get authentic Mexican food on both sides of the border. The talk turned to El Agave, the most serious, regionally oriented Mexican restaurant in Old Town, generally regarded as among the city's best. As they serve you, the waiters name the region where each of your dishes supposedly originated — but I wondered just how accurate they really were. Tom was just the person to check with; he's a lifelong scholar and teacher of Mexican languages and cultures.

"One problem with El Agave," he said, "is that their ads and menu list Mexico's three great pre-Hispanic cuisines as Aztec, Mayan, and Náhuatl — but I think they've confused the word Náhuatl with the third great tradition in Mexican cooking, the Zapotec, or Oaxacan." Tom verified my suspicion that the menu is a tad cavalier about the cultures. "The term Náhuatl refers only to the language of the Nahuas, the descendants of the Aztecs, who are also called Mexicas," he continued. "So you can't use it as an adjective to describe the cuisine. In general, though, I've been to El Agave six to eight times, and to me it seems overrated — the only great dish I've eaten there is their Oaxacan black mole. All their dishes sound exotic and wonderful, but I find the preparations frequently fall short."

"I think people always remember their experience there as being wonderful because of all the great tequila they've consumed," said Tom's wife Alma. "You really can find much better traditional regional Mexican cuisine in Tijuana." And that's precisely where the five of us were headed late one January afternoon, to sample some of the ambitious, creative, but tradition-based delicacies at La Diferencia, which opened in July 2000. "I believe the owner used to be a partner at Cien Años," said Tom, as we roamed through a spacious exterior courtyard with a large central fountain and a smaller wall fountain with a Nativity tableau around it.

"Should be good, then," I answered. The main dining room is an indoor courtyard, where two shallow tiers of tables surround a six-foot-tall fountain, a Talavera ceramic from Puebla. There's an open-raftered ceiling, a few original paintings on the walls, and a floor decorated with handsome tile-work. Several additional dining rooms (for private parties or busy nights) are arranged around the



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edges. That weekday evening, the crowd covered the spectrum of the Tijuana middle class — businessmen, families, dating couples, Euro travelers, even a few tables of gringos like us, everybody visibly and audibly enjoying themselves.

Complimentary to the table, along with greaseless tortilla chips and tart salsa, is a bowl of earthy black beans with a spellbinding hint of epazote, a minty herb that's reputed to tame the digestive effects of legumes. "We really come here for the beans," said Tom. "It's hard not to fill up on them before dinner," said Jerry, an energetic botanist who works in Baja. (Their names really are Tom and Jerry, fated to be friends since grade school.) A bowl of sweet, airy crescent dinner rolls arrived with straw-tied cornhusk pouches containing herbed Mexican cream cheese, which is closer to Neufchatel (a.k.a. Philly Light) than to Philly regular, but minus the strong guar-gum flavor of the gringo cheeses. "It takes a lot of self-control to keep from gobbling them," said Alma, daintily nibbling half a roll.

From the vast menu, we chose one of the

great traditional delicacies — crepes stuffed with *cuitlacoche*, a subtle-flavored black "mushroom" that grows on fresh corn ears. (Its English name is the ugly "corn smut." The Spanish word is uglier yet: "It's from the Náhuatl *cuitlail*, meaning 'caca,' because that's what it looks like," said Tom.) The substance under any name is delicious and is evidently a specialty of La Diferencia, featured in seven different preparations. Usually, an order consists of two crepes, but since there were five of us, the servers graciously presented us with five separately plated crepes (for the price of a pair), so that we'd each have a whole one to enjoy. Their batter thin as silk, they were lightly glazed with a delicate, slightly piquant green sauce made from puréed chile poblano (the mild pepper used in authentic *rellenos*), with a touch of melted Oaxaca cheese on top. "I didn't mean to eat that much," said Jerry, mopping his plate. "It just slid down too easy."

It was only the first marvelous appetizer of several. A *sopa de camarón con nopal* with tomato and a "touch of chipotle" had little pieces of nopal cac-

La Diferencia

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tus pads and several whole, head-on shrimp in a warming, knock'em-sock'em chicken and tomato broth. A *chile poblano relleno de camarón* was a total surprise — a crisp, raw green chile stuffed with apple chunks, chopped shrimps, and a few pine nuts bound with a slightly sweet house-made mayo, served on a pool of thick, rose-red raspberry vinaigrette. An outrageous combination, but it worked brilliantly. (I'm definitely gonna try this at home.) We also loved the *budin de flor de calabaza*, a gently sensuous tortilla "pudding" with squash flowers,

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corn kernels, melted cheese, a touch of jalapeño, and another luscious poblano *salsa verde*. Squash blossoms are so mild-flavored, with such an easygoing texture, I think they're just an excuse for a creamy, cheesy sauce — the custard cups of the vegetable realm. The only starter we didn't care for was a *mousse de aguacate y espinaca* — a purée (not a molded mousse) of avocado and spinach over a very tart almond vinaigrette, altogether resembling an anorexic guacamole. We wondered what we were supposed to do with it. By itself, it seemed incomplete.

Main courses are served individually, but the veggies and starch are served family-style, to help yourself to — and if you finish them, you have only to ask for more. They were a bowl

of *arroz verde* ("green rice") flavored with cilantro and dotted with green peas, and a platter of lightly cooked carrots, green beans, and chayote squash slices.

Our outstanding entrée was *mixiote de conejo*, shredded rabbit-meat marinated in an achiote-laden adobo and baked in a parchment paper wrap (the menu specifies dried maguay leaf, but the difference hardly mattered). This must be one of the best ideas anybody's ever thought up for the lean, lean meat of rabbit. It's bathed in a complex, citrusy sauce involving orange juice and the deep notes of powdered chiles — not spicy, but well-spiced. Accompanying the rabbit is a bowl of avocado sauce — a mixture of diced and puréed avocado to use as a topping. The sauce adds a light, bright contrast to the intense meat mixture, much as Ethiopians and East Indians use yogurt as relief from spicy dishes. Still, this entrée is best shared — for a single eater, it's too much and

too potent. I asked Tom if *mixote* is from Yucatán, as the wrapping and spice mix are so similar to *pollo pibil*. "This is done Oaxaca-style," Tom answered. "The marinade is sweeter."

Another winning dish was *filete de res La Diferencia*, a hunk of fine choice-quality steak, wrapped in bacon, pan-fried, and served over mashed potatoes with gravy — the "gravy" consisting of a vibrant red sauce of semi-hot *chile guajillo*, marinated onion, and red wine, including chewy strips of chile skin for texture. The waiter had asked how we'd like it done. We all looked at each other, trying to be polite. "Why don't you just say 'azure' like you always do?" my sweetie asked. "Azul," I corrected him, enunciating very clearly with *almoht a Cathtilian lithp* on the z. The waiter's body language registered surprise, presumably that the *gabacha* knew the secret word. "Cuarto" (medium-rare) said Jerry, and "medio" (medium)

said Tom simultaneously. The waiter stood silently, looking for direction. "¿*Un poquito menos de medio*?" I pleaded, and the waiter nodded and walked away. Happily, "azul" ("blue," or really rare) was what stuck, to my good luck — the fine meat arrived rosy and juicy. (I was doing better in Tijuana than at Mexican restaurants this side of the border — where the default starts at medium, and "rare" beef is usually pinky-brown even if you say "azul" until you're blue in the face.)

Cooked quite a lot longer than *medio* were our other entrées. *Pato en salsa de tamarindo* is roast duck in thick, tangy-sweet tamarind sauce, mouth-filling and beautifully matched to this rich poultry. The bird, a flavorful Muscovy, was very well done, edging on dry, with the fat under the skin almost completely rendered away. Completely dry, alas, was a thick hunk of grilled salmon *al mojo de mango*, with a suave, spicy-sweet sauce of

puréed mango touched with *habanero* pepper. Unfortunately, most Baja Mexicans seem to prefer seafood overcooked. Even more unfortunately, an order of *calamares relleno de cuitlacoche*, stuffed squid, was drastically overcooked but could have been saved with a further hour of simmering. With squid, if you pass the magic three-minute mark, the flesh toughens up and needs long, slow cooking to soften again. These calamari, from the worst of all possible worlds, were cooked too long but not long enough, exhibiting the texture of doggy-chews. The stuffing of corn fungus puréed with bread crumbs (with a color and mouth-feel resembling blood sausage) did not love the calamari envelopes any more than I did; the flavors seemed mismatched.

La Diferencia has quite an array of desserts, ranging from simple *ate con queso* (fruit paste with cheese) to flan to chocolate extravaganzas cakes. The waiter brought them all out on

a tray. We sighed, tempted. We averted our eyes. "I love desserts best of all," said Alma, "but not so soon after eating so much." Or eating, for the most part, so interestingly and so well.

Returning to the U.S. took longer than going, but there was plenty of diversion to keep border boredom at bay. The air smelled like hot canola oil, scented by numerous churro stands at the edges of the roadside, and hordes of vendors walked between the crawling cars, hawking trinkets, flowers, handsome ponchos. As we neared the customs post, a man carrying a bouquet of nodding red roses approached the car and was startled to see Jerry driving — Jerry had recently advised the man's brother about the proper fertilizer for the family flower farm. They joshed back and forth in rapid Spanish, until Jerry finally asked, "So are you going to make me a present of those roses?" We crossed the border in a cloud of sweet scent. ■

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Eye Openers

The sidewalks peter out ten yards past each bus stop.

Aaargh! This is why I hate Mission Valley. Here I am, walking in the mud alongside Hotel Circle South, huddled like a refugee. Seven-thousand-pound hunks of metal hurtle past me, inches away. My crime? I'm a pedestrian! Sidewalks? Yeah, right. They peter out ten yards past each bus stop. I'd taken the number 6 up here to talk to this guy about a "marketing" job he was advertising. Turned out to be selling vacuum cleaners. Nothing against Willy Loman or anything, but can you see me hauling half a dozen stand-up vacuum cleaners onto the number 6 bus?

So I'm walking the half-mile back to the bus stop, getting splashed with mud, comforting myself that nothing can get worse, when I run into a hive of bees swarming on a bridge. True! You try crossing a busy road surrounded by 10,325 mini-kamikazes. It's an art.

Result: I'm not in that great a mood when I see the sign "Adam's Steak 'n Eggs Breakfast." Then I think, what the heck. I'm gonna have a steak breakfast. Recharge my batteries.

Adam's is right next to a Travelodge main entrance. Squat, '50s, sun-bleached gray sort of place with a low porch. Place called Albie's is on the other side. Lunch and dinner. Adam's is for

breakfast. All part of the same deal.

I bat one last bee out of my hair and swing through the front door. Wow. The silence. That rumble and whisk of I-8's freeway traffic is gone. You're in a brick, dark-wood, clubby kind of place, with pictures of old San Diego and Indian teepee scenes on the walls and tables making an "L" around the counter and kitchen. Servers in red golf shirts and black aprons whip back and forth with coffee urns. And, now I'm adjusting, you hear a real buzz going. It's not just people talking. It's people talking business.

"I want in on this, Jack."

"I tell you, sky's the limit. We can franchise."

Stab to the heart. Always dreamed of being part of one of those hotshot conversations. *Sigh.* "Our hostess will seat you," says the sign. "Entire party must be present to be seated."

"Party of one?" asks this guy. "Armando," says his name tag.

"Well, if you don't count 10,000 wannabees outside," I start to say. "Uh, yes. One."

Armando seats me at a table and pours me a coffee. But I shift up to a counter stool. Company seems more lively there. Guy leaving holds his morning paper out to me. I nod and accept it. Nice. Tells you a lot about the place. This guy next to me, Dud-

ley, and his wife Heidi munch away at their breakfasts with gusto. He's got a mess of corned-beef hash and two eggs that he punctured and mixed in. I check it out on the tablemat menu in front of me: \$6.99. Heidi says hers is huevos rancheros (fried eggs on a corn tortilla "drenched with our Spanish sauce," with frijoles and hot flour tortillas, \$5.99). "My all-time favorite," she says. "And we know the menu: We've been coming here for five years."

"Try the sausage patty," Dudley says. "It's spicy. Beautiful. Number 4. It has biscuits, gravy, grits, eggs; \$6.99." He says they go to Albie's next door in the evenings too. "Same people. They have this candied carrot with baked potato and steak I love. Lot more expensive. But what I always remember is that carrot."

"Eye Openers," says the menu, up front. "Tequila sunrise, \$3.50; screwdriver, \$3.50; hot Mexican chocolate with brandy and Kahlúa, \$4.00." Sounds like they have the work-hard, party-hard Mission Valley conventioners in mind.

Chuck, the cheery-looking manager guy says "Adam's" and "Albie's" opened in 1966. Named after the original owner's sons. Oh. He's waiting for me to order. What's the point in dithering? I came for Adam's steak 'n eggs. "Our Namesake!"

Comes with a couple of eggs, hash browns or hominy grits, and toast or tortillas. It's \$8.50. Plus (endless) coffee, \$1.75.

When it lands in front of me, I believe it's a good deal. The menu says "top grade sirloin steak," and it's a high-wall chunk of steak that's almost as thick as it is round. And tender? I spot A-1 on it, mess the eggs into the hash browns, and carve into that medium-rare (as ordered) flesh. Gr-r-reat! And filling. I chat with a fellow named Gary who's glooping up his hot oatmeal (with raisins, dates, sunflower seeds, almonds, pineapple, and coconut in it, \$3.50) at the corner seat. "Been eating this for three weeks," he says. "Lost 16 pounds so far. Can you believe? I've been coming here 30 years. Eaten everything. Still come, even though I live in Bonita now. I guess it's the consistency. Tony, the cook—he's been here 25 years—his carne asada is always charred outside and pink inside. The thing about this place is: no disappointments."

No disappointments. I'm thinking: Here's Gary. In sales. Looks prosperous. He may have a job for you, man! Never know. Try him. Speak out! If you don't want to be walking with the bees for the rest of your sorry life.

"Uh, Gary..." ■

The Place: Adam's Steak 'n Eggs, 1201 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley (619-291-1103)

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Ambitious Blend

"They're standing outside, checking each other like gunslingers in the Old West."

Last December, I attended the Wine Brats' annual holiday dinner, held for the second year in a row at chef-owner Chuck Samuelson's Bird Rock Café on La Jolla Boulevard. The association has proved a happy one on both sides. Recalls Wine Brats' San Diego chair Anne Dierickx, "We had our holiday dinner at Bird Rock Café [in 2000], and we sold it out in a day. I called Chuck and said, 'Can we take over another part of the restaurant?' We sold that part out in three hours the next day. About eighty percent of the people who went said they had never heard of the place, and now Chuck says he sees them there all the time." Members of Wine Brats made a happy gustatory discovery, and the restaurant gained new regulars.

But for Samuelson, the pleasure went beyond an increased customer base. "Over the last six years at Bird Rock Café, the most fun I've had is whenever we did wine dinners." He enjoyed it when "we had a great winemaker or vineyard owner down here... and I got to taste everything beforehand and, to the best of my ability, perfectly match a dish to a [given] wine and make a progression, a meal. [That was] the most fun I've ever had in a restaurant."

Fun was getting to be something of a rare commodity at the six-year-old Bird Rock Café. "I had grown tired of the menu and was unable to change it because so many things were favorites of the neighborhood — 'You can't possibly take this dish off the menu.' It wasn't enough for me just to do three or four specials every night. I really wanted to track the seasons with our menu."

Samuelson's desire and dissatisfaction threatened like thunderheads, but the rains didn't break

on Bird Rock until the spring of 2001, when the nearby Bird Rock Bar and Grill went out of business. There was "a great deal of confusion between the names, and as part of the confusion, a lot of people thought we had closed anyway." La Jolla's

restaurants had already been feeling the effect of devalued stock portfolios, and in Samuelson's eyes, the rough patch created an opportunity to do something new. He shut the restaurant down, remodeled it, and went to work overhauling the menu and wine list.

"My wife and I spent a lot of time talking about what I wanted to do. We have friends who own restaurants up in wine country, in particular, a buddy of mine who has a restaurant in Santa Rosa called Syrah. He does food that is completely in tune with the seasons, and being up there, he has such great resources for artisanal goat cheeses and breads and tiny little herb farms. When we decided to change the concept, those were the things that came to mind — a style of restaurant which spoke to us of wine country."

Happily, that didn't mean simply importing NoCal to SoCal; San Diego yields fruits of its own. "I've always had a produce company that will find anything for me if it is humanly possible. They hand-pick things; they'll give me a pound of this or five pounds of that. A buddy of mine found a guy in Ramona who does phenomenal figs. When I need local produce for a wine dinner or something special, I go out to the local farmer's markets. It's kind of my touchstone; by going to those, I know what's fresh. Last weekend, the apples were great, the perennials, the Blue Lake beans were really nice, and

brussels sprouts, of course. And they can rave about Chino ranch's [vegetables] all they want; the gal that I think is the best is Stephanie Coughlin up at Seabreeze Farms in Del Mar."

Samuelson had a sense of his theme, what he needed was a name (the Four Seasons, after all, was taken). "We've always had difficulty describing my cuisine," he admits. "It's not enough to say it's eclectic, because everybody is eclectic — 'There's a great eclectic burger place down the street!' How to find a word that describes what we want to do with the new restaurant? The food is a blend of all the different things I've done in 35 years in kitchens. I've been a wok fry chef in a Chinese restaurant; I lived in Hawaii for ten years; the first place I ever worked in was a little coffee shop, so comfort food is really high on my list of things that are just nice to cook for people. We thought of things like 'Melange' and then thought, 'That's so pretentious.'"

The epiphany came from the same place as the fun. Because of his experience with wine dinners at Bird Rock Café, he knew the new restaurant "was going to be wine-focused: how could we do [those wine-and-food pairings] on a daily basis? It had to be about the wine and the food together; they had to be of equal importance. When we arrived at that clear concept, then the name Cuvee came to us." From *The Oxford Companion to Wine*: "Cuvee: French wine term with many different meanings in different contexts... cuvee may be used to describe any ambitious blend, particularly of different wine varieties."

The front page of Cuvee's wine list contains the following: "As the winemakers of the great Chateaux of Bordeaux have always known, some grape varieties work better when blended with others. We feel that these cuvees often bring out the



best of each of the individual grapes, much like the pairing of wine and food tends to highlight the finer nuances of each partner."

Samuelson makes his own analogy strictly within the edible realm: "It's the same thing I do when I'm cooking: if you roast a duck and it's a fabulous organic duck raised in Sonoma and it's some cross-breed of organic duck, it's going to be wonderful with a little salt and pepper. But when you add to the duck maybe just a little bit of spice rub and add a little something sweet on the side and put a little butter in the sweetness — soak apricots in wine, sauté them, and finish with butter — and put that underneath the duck, suddenly you're building layer upon layer of flavors. Since that's the way I cook, those are the wines I tend to like more as well." He already had his cuvee of foods; what remained was to assemble the wines.

He called upon Roderick Michener, who had served as general manager and wine buyer at Bird Rock, and they put the word out to suppliers that they were looking to expand their 60-bottle list to roughly double its current size. "You tell that to a wine rep, they pull up with a truck. They're standing outside, checking each other out like gunslingers in the Old West." ■

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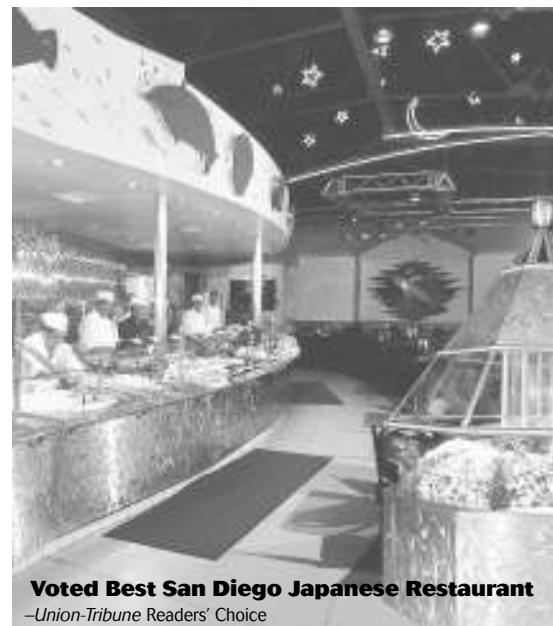
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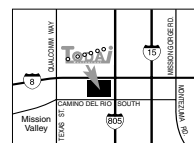
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RESTAURANTS

Mar; mini-branch near Fashion Valley. — *N.W.* (9/01)

HEIDI AND BERNIE'S GERMAN BRATWURST TENT North Park Thursday Night Market, North Park Way (between 29th and 30th Streets), no phone. Also Scripps Ranch Saturday Morning Market (10380 Spring Canyon Road) and La Jolla's Sunday Morning Farmers Market (Genter and Girard), 619-588-1288. Heidi and Bernie have kept it simple — just a blue and white square tent with a table and chairs. The menu is simple too: "Bratwurst Sausage in a Bun, Kosher Polish sausage, Louisiana Hot Link, Smoked Turkey and Chicken Sausage with Artichoke and Roasted Garlic, Hot Dog, Double Double Burger," and "Single Burger." But you know from Bernie's authentic Bavarian background that these sausages are the real, earthy thing. And the sauerkraut is sweet. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

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.*

JOE'S CRAB SHACK A seafood chain with a good Cajun corporate name (Landry's) based in southern Louisiana wouldn't survive without some pluses besides a Bourbon Street party atmosphere. Joe's is silly with crab-shack ambience (campy nautical paraphernalia on down to souvenir gimme caps) but the food's not bad. One tasty starter is "crabioli," fried wonton stuffed with crab and melted cream cheese ("crab Rangoon" by another name, but

smoother). You can choose buckets of steamed, barbecued, or garlic crab (of various subspecies) or go for fried or grilled seafood or steaks, or salads. Grownups may prefer the patio to the rockin', raucous interior. Full bar, not much wine. Inexpensive to low moderate. 7610 Hazard Center Drive, Mission Valley, 619-260-1111; 4325 Ocean Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474. — *N.W.* (5/01)

ROCKIN' BAJA LOBSTER 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. At the birthplace of San Diego's Rockin' Baja Lobster restaurant chain, the decor is Puerto Nuevo lobster house. All palm frond thatch, green wood-slat bar, support poles with green painted iguanas climbing them, signs on the ceiling joists like "Viva Bonita!" and "Work is for people who don't surf." The menu's big draw is the "big Baja bucket" (stuffed with slipper lobster tails, marinated chicken, grilled *carne asada*, and Baja-style shrimp) plus beans, rice, tortillas, and a Caesar salad. And wraps are great. Try the Chinese chicken wrap: grilled chicken, salad greens, crispy noodles, scallions, orange pieces, and oriental dressing in a "cilantro tortilla." Open seven days. Friday happy hour free buffet 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. Other locations: 310 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6333; 3890 Twiggs, Old Town, 619-260-0305; 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos, 760-744-7550; 258 Harbor Drive South, Oceanside, 760-967-6199. — *E.B.* (9/01)

SAMMY'S CALIFORNIA WOOD-FIRED PIZZA You have a vast choice of wood-fired pizzas here, including many exotic toppings. Salads are popular and are available as half-orders. Same menu lunch and dinner. Continuous service. Open daily. 702 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-456-5222; 770 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-230-8888; 8650 Genesee, Costa Verde, 858-404-9898; 12925 El Camino Real, Del Mar, 858-259-6600; 1620 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 858-456-5222. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

STAR OF INDIA 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-459-3355; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar,

858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It's the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like vegetable *pakora* — a bunch of veggies dipped in chickpea batter and fried, or a nice mess of eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry *masala*, and maybe the first cooked spinach you ever loved, *palak paneer*. At the PB location, you sit under a sky-blue cupola. Ask owner Kulbir about his 14-year-old yogurt culture and its health benefits. Seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (11/01)

UNO CHICAGO BAR AND GRILL The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago's better-known exports (along with Oprah and steaks). Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, steak'n cheese burgers) is the wicked "grilled honey-mustard salmon." Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to stick to the staple: deep dish pizzas and salads. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. 4465 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-483-4143; Fashion Valley Center, 619-219-1866; 5th & H, Chula Vista, 619-420-8660. — *E.B.* (8/01)

NORTH COASTAL

BIRD HOUSE GRILL 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-2882. Turkish food is the order of the day at this cute, small café decorated with birdcages, birdhouses, and birds' nests all over. The most popular order is the "Super Combo Plate" of charbroiled gyro meat, *kofte* (ground meat kebabs), and moist chicken kebabs, plus fragrant rice pilaf, Turkish salad, pita, and *tzatziki*, the traditional yogurt-cu-

cumber sauce, made here with plenty of dill and a thick, luxury-grade yogurt. Other appealing choices are the vegetable kebab or the house special *Iskender* kebab, a pile of very fine-grained halved sausages (resembling soft-skinned hot dogs with Middle Eastern seasonings) dressed with tomato sauce and billows of the terrific yogurt. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (9/01)

CAFE SEVILLA CARLSBAD 3050 Pio Pico (off Carlsbad Village Drive), 760-730-7558. The atmosphere is cozy and pleasant. Dine upstairs for larger tables. Tapas and Spanish specialties of average competence. Music will warm your blood. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly, to midnight Friday and Saturday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE ZINC 132 South Cedros, Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table. Dogs are welcome. Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculpture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (9/01)

DEL MAR PIZZA 211 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-8088. If you've heard about, dreamed about, or were merely curious about New York pizza, the best local practitioner is now in Del Mar complete with New York manners. The hot sandwiches are good, but the pizza is in a league by itself. The secret lies in the crust. Lasagne and stuffed eggplant also available as well as cannoli for dessert. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EPAZOTE SOUTHWEST RESTAURANT 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-259-9966. Patrons

frequently call this establishment the New York Stock Exchange because of its high energy, young crowd, and exciting atmosphere. Good dishes include southwestern-style tapas and spit-roasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte. This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

J. TAYLOR'S L'Auberge Del Mar Hotel, 1540 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-259-1515. Early evening dinners, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. nightly, offer a well-prepared bargain-priced four-course meal. Excellent value, good service, relaxing atmosphere. — *E.W.* (6/00)

NEIMANS 300 Carlsbad Village Drive (corner of Carlsbad Boulevard), Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. The peaked dining room has been refurbished and looks like a circular country inn. All-you-can-eat buffet brunch with all-you-can-drink champagne, mimosa, orange juice, and coffee. Traditional offerings include fried chicken. Daily, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Expensive. — *E.W.*

PACIFICA DEL MAR 1555 Camino del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-792-0476. Select the fresh fish prepared in the simplest manner and you'll do fine here. The setting and view remain delightful and the service excellent. Wok items available. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

PARIOLI ITALIAN BISTRO 647 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-2525. Italian dishes from every section of Italy are prepared with loving care in time-honored tradition. Specialties are risotto, ravioli, leg of lamb, duck breast, fresh fish. Charming atmosphere with fireplace. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

PISCES DELICACIES OF THE SEA La Costa Spa, 2100 Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111. This long-established and still-excellent restaurant is located at the spa itself, in a gorgeous room one flight down from the lobby. The menu includes fresh Maine lobster, lobster thermidor, and Dover sole. Abalone and Maryland soft-shell crabs are seasonal. Please call for directions. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

ROSANNA'S 806 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-0738. The original Rosanna's across the street from the Lumberyard is under renovations to become a full-service Italian dinner house. Meanwhile, Rosanna's Deli, 1070 North El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-633-4546 (open daily 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.) is the town's secret Italian weapon, furnishing fresh-baked breads (and who knows what else?) to some of the best local eateries. The house-made sausages are juicy Sicilian-style classics of coarse-ground, fennel-seasoned fresh pork, and the bright green frozen pesto is fresh and delicate. You'll also find frozen pizza dough and ravioli (with fillings such as lobster, wild mushrooms, or eggplant, as well as cheese), plus cold cuts, salads, and imported foodstuffs. Don't miss the *sfogliatelle*, a light, moist, faintly lemony multi-layered breakfast pastry. The eat-in/take-out menu includes pizza, pasta, and deli sandwiches. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

RUBY'S DINER 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-RUBY (7829). One thing about Ruby's: You can build an appetite just getting there. It's at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There's a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby's is part of a themed "forties diner" chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it's still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca Cola signs, "Dewey-Warren" presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too, from omelets to the "Super Burger" with Swiss cheese and avocado on a grilled Parmesan sourdough bun. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/01)

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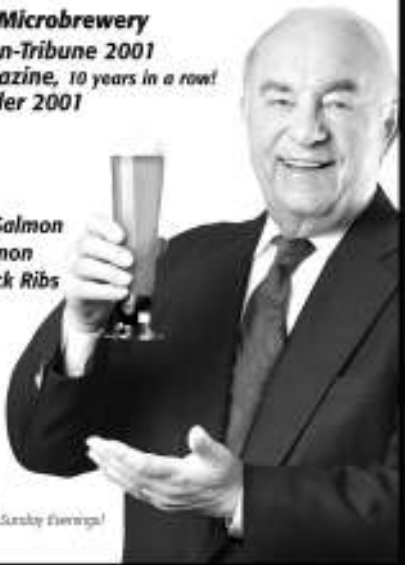
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TERIYAKI 101 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-8813. This surfer hangout has a secret: Behind a gate just south of the restaurant there's a sheltered outdoor dining patio decorated by a tropical mural of island life above and below the water. "Eat Healthy, Feel Good" is the motto on the menu, and teriyaki is the dish that dominates it But this is Hawaiian teriyaki, with lighter, cleaner flavors than the Japanese version. The dark-meat "Maui chicken" skewer and the moist ono (pink snapper) kebab are especially succulent; you can also opt for pork, veggies, numerous combos, and charbroiled burgers (of beef, fowl or veggies). Everything comes with rice (white or brown), pleasingly touched with teriyaki sauce. Open Tuesday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (10/01)*

TOM GIBLIN'S IRISH PUB AND RESTAURANT 640-A Grand Avenue, Carlsbad, 760-729-7234. Opt for Irish rather than American dishes. Recommended are the stew, shepherd's pie, and fish and chips. Boxty dishes added to the menu. A brown bread, baked on the premises, is available for takeout daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W. (3/99)*

VILLAGE MILL BREAD COMPANY 12845 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley (Del Mar Heights), 858-794-4994. Sixteen varieties of bread, all fine for sandwiches. Best bets are honey sunflower and cinnamon swirl, which makes excellent French toast. The bread is soft with soft crusts; children love it. Open daily. — *E.W.*

VIVACE Four Seasons Resort Aviara, 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6999. The well-prepared food is no more expensive than the offerings in any upscale San Diego restaurant, but it's an experience to dine in such luxurious surroundings. Menus change seasonally. The appetizer list offers unique selections. For entrées try chicken in clay pot or lauly fresh fish. The Four Seasons lounge is a great place to visit and listen to live music. Go see the hotel. It's worth the trip. Open nightly, 5:30 to 10:30 p.m., dinners only. Expensive. — *E.W.*

WILD NOTE CAFE 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-259-7310. Located adjacent to the Belly Up Tavern, this uniquely decorated room offers excellent salads, pasta, fresh fish, and burgers. The new chef adds luster to the new menu. Loving and attentive

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NORTH INLAND

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CHICKEN PLUS GREEK 309 West Mission, Escondido, 760-480-1348. This pleasant little spot (mainly for takeout) has multiple personalities. First, there's very basic rotisserie chicken. Then, there are parboiled "barbecued" baby back ribs and a prime rib plate. The latest twist on these dishes is "Cajun" seasoning. But the most savory personality is Greek, with decent gyros (grilled pressed ground lamb and beef), souvlakia (kebabs), *dolmades*, *tyropita*, and good gooey *spanakopita*. Although the salad dressings and *tzatziki* (the cuke-yogurt gyros dressing) taste mass-produced, you get a lot of wholesome food for little money. Lunch and early dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (5/01)*

FISH HOUSE VERA CRUZ 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346. This family-style restaurant serves seafood and fresh fish that changes daily. Simple but honest preparation, good value. Open daily for lunch and dinner (dinner menu is served from opening to closing on Sunday). Inexpensive to expensive. — *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. (11/00)*

KARL STRAUSS BREWERY GARDENS 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Mesa, 858-587-2739 (behind San Diego Tech building). The garden with bridges, koi pond and outdoor seating are major attractions for summer diners. Cooking is done by first-rate chef and portions are massive. Try Thai chicken salad; oven-roasted salmon; salmon salad; fish-and-chips; filet mignon. Up to a dozen beers may be available. Buffet brunch average. Closed Saturday. Lunch weekdays, dinner Sunday through Friday. Sunday brunch. Additional location at 1157 Columbia Street (between B and C

Streets), 619-234-2739. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA TAPATIA 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

MILLE FLEURS 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will, everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations

a must. Very, very expensive. — *N.W. (5/01)*

MING COURT 12750 Carmel Country Road (Country Plaza Shopping Center), North City West (adjacent to Del Mar), 858-793-2933. Elegance describes the interior of this restaurant. Some unusual preparations are cilantro chicken, pungent shrimp, three-mushroom delight, tangerine beef, and items on the Ming Court specialty list. Service is first-rate. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

ONAMI JAPANESE RESTAURANT 240 East Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido, North County Fair, 760-738-7522. 160-foot Japanese seafood buffet, hot Japanese dishes, salads, desserts, all you can eat. Tons of

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RANCHO VALENCIA 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-1123. The dining room and surrounding grounds are gorgeous, the meals beautifully prepared. Great place to take a guest to lunch. Best bets, fresh fish. All California cuisine dishes have Mediterranean influence. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SAN DIEGO ARTISAN BAKERS 1551 South Escondido Boulevard, Escondido, 760-740-5963. The grains are ground daily for this wonderful European-style bread. Every bread has dense consistency and an amazing crust. Among the best bets are the baguette, the sourdough with Greek olives, and the country sourdough. Recipes come from France, Italy, and Germany. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

LA JOLLA

BARBARELLA 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. Don't miss this lively bistro that offers sandwiches, soup, pizza, entrées. Lively atmosphere. Bib salad and Max's pizza outstanding. Arrive early or late to avoid wait for tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* (3/00)

THE BIRD ROCK CAFE 5656 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-551-4090. Don't miss this small café that serves delightful food. Dishes are divided into small, medium, and large plates. Try the free-range chicken, tuna, risotto, crab cakes, or salad. Unpretentious but worth seeking out. Patio available for outdoor dining. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE JAPENGO 8960 University Center Lane, Aventine complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. The decor is smashing and the Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California — is beautiful to behold. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best. Please make note of the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

DAILY'S Renaissance Towne Centre, 8915 Towne Centre Drive, La Jolla, 858-453-1112. The restaurant is owned by a doctor who has devised a menu that's low-fat, low-calorie, low-sodium. The dishes look and taste wonderful. All items available for takeout. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

DOVANO'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-450-6666. Very noisy room and distracted service tend to make the experience more stressful than relaxing. Average steaks and chops, though nothing memorable. Popular "in" spot. Closed Sunday. Dinner, Monday through Saturday. Expensive. — *E.W.* (4/99)

HOPS! BISTRO AND BREWERY 4353 La Jolla Village Drive (next to Macy's, University Towne Centre), La Jolla, 858-587-6677. Hops! serves the best food of any brewery in San Diego. The same menu is served continuously from lunch to closing. Best dishes are spit-roasted chicken and penne with salmon and shrimp. All beers are brewed on the premises. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

MAITRE D' 5523 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-456-2111. Two separate dining rooms, an elegant ambiance, and the presence of the owner himself (formerly with the Plaza Hotel in New York) contribute to a fine dining experience with faultless service. The half-lobster appetizer is a house specialty, and the rack of lamb or fresh fish are always outstanding. Excellent place for large parties and Russian specialties when available. Closed Sunday and

Monday. Dinners only, Tuesday through Saturday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

MARRAKESH 634 Pearl Street (at Draper), La Jolla, 858-454-2500. The North African fare of Morocco is like no other in the world — influenced by Arab cuisines, but more intense and sheerly hedonistic. At our sole Moroccan restaurant, the fare is arranged into a nightly five-course prix fixe feast, with superb lentil soup (*harira*), a salad plate, *bastilla* (a chicken-filled filo pie), an entrée, and finally mint tea poured from on high to accompany almond baklava perfumed with orange-flower water. The setting and service are dramatic — tented ceilings, low banquette seating at carved round tables, belly-dancing interludes, servers in fezzes. (You're the Sheik of Arab.) A short list of entrées (a maximum of two choices per table, to be shared) features fine chicken (or lamb) with olives and preserved lemons; moist, fatless duck; lamb with couscous; and rather dry fish. On quiet weeknights, you can request the dreamy lamb with honey, an extravaganza that includes fruits, almonds, sesame, and cinnamon. Dinner nightly, reserve for weekends. Moderate. — *N.W.* (4/01)

PANDA COUNTRY 4150 Regents Park Row #190, University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-552-1345. Gorgeous surroundings and stunning presentations carry the day here. The extensive menu does particularly well with its 11 appetizers and its 30 seafood and fish dishes prepared Mandarin or Szechuan style. Scallops and shrimp receive special treatment. Open daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE PANNIKIN CAFE 7467 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-5453. The outdoor seating area is almost always crowded with tea and coffee drinkers who sun themselves, read, or chat. Light meals, including breakfast (steamed eggs, bagels, fruit plates) and sandwiches, soup, salads, as well as beverages and sweets are served. It is a well-known hangout and always crowded. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

ROY'S 8670 Genesee (Costa Verde Center, across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost

of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi's ever-expanding chain has elements of both "top chef" and "chain" about it. That is, a potentially fine restaurant is somewhat stunted by celeb-chef silliness, with the staff working too hard to sell us on the place. (Cool out, guys, it's San Diego.) And it takes a few visits to decode Roy's Rules of Ordering, which make all the difference between a mediocre dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters (for starters or mains) — the same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu *ahi poke*) by asking for it; 3. Don't waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks, when the wine list is brilliant. (Try the "Loess is More" with seafood.) The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are pot stickers, *lumpia*, "Kahana" *shutome* (swordfish), or the chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Open nightly. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the raucous bar. Very expensive. — *N.W.* (4/01)

SADAF 613 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry — those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, especially at lunch. The appetizers are free: a basket of *lavash* (unleavened bread), and beside it, butter and a large sliced raw onion. Eating bread with onion makes you hungry, say the Persians. Then try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad, or *albalo polo* (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spicing. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (10/00)

SKY ROOM Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and

the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — *E.W.* (10/99)

TAPENADE 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-551-7500. Surely one of the best restaurants in the county, you'll find superb, utterly assured French cooking by famed chef-owner Jean-Michel Diot. This is the modern style of French cuisine, light and clean to let every ingredient shine, unmasked by heavy sauces. Each dish is perfect. Pork tenderloin, Muscovy duck, foie gras, and the fresh fish are small triumphs. Worth every penny. Expensive to very expensive. — *E.W.* (7/98)

CLAIREMONT & KEARNY MESA

THE GOOD EGG 7947 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-4244. The menu offers omelets, gourmet pancakes, waffles, and several different kinds of frittatas. Freshly squeezed fruit juices are available, and for lunch there are burgers, salads, and a long list of sandwiches. Good value here. Open approximately 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

HIDEYOSHI JAPANESE RESTAURANT Hazard Village, 9340-B Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa, 858-569-9595. A delightful restaurant tucked away at the far end of a small shopping center. Fine sushi bar, and unusual appetizers. A feast named "Taiko special," for two or more, is worth ordering. Visually and gastronomically a treat. Closed Sunday. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner, Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

SHEILA'S CAFE & BAKERY 4577 Clairemont Drive, Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A "Glatt Kosher," a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant with a mission: Sheila was determined

to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying — from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that everybody else wouldn't know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don't need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here. But it's comforting to know everything down to the least lettuce leaf has gotten extra-careful preparation. Closed Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (11/01)

TROPICAL STAR 6163 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Very modest surroundings; good authentic inexpensive food. Closed Sunday. Same menu all day Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* (8/99)

WINE SELLAR AND BRASSERIE 9550 Waples Street #115, Mira Mesa, 858-450-9557. This is the sister restaurant to Laurel, and the food is a delight to the palate. Lunch on Saturday served by itself or in conjunction with the wine tasting. Call for directions and specific hours. — *E.W.*

THE BEACHES

BALEEN Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham), Mission Bay, 858-490-6363. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida's famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chandeliers, peeking from the paintings) and mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers are charmers. The wine list is long and rather steep at the bottom end with bet-

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CHATEAU ORLEANS 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. The interior of this Cajun and New Orleans restaurant has rarely looked better. All dinners include house salad, a Cajun stuffed pastry, and popovers. The menu offers blackened prime rib, crawfish étouffée, and Cajun-style chicken, fish, and pasta. Very large portions, excellent service. Closed Sunday. Open Monday through Saturday, diners only. Low moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HUMPHREY'S BY THE BAY 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-3577, www.humphreysbythebay.com. Most diners at this resort/concert venue restaurant eat at the prix-fixe pre-show dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door ampitheatre. They're missing the best food, which emerges once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features top-quality seafood, juicy meats, and prime steaks with lively, seasonal veggie garnishes. Reserve for show-nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (11/01)*

KONO'S 704 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB burger (chicken breast, green chili, pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Inexpensive, breakfast and lunch only. — *E.B. (10/00)*

QWIGS BAR & GRILL 5083 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-1101. A splendid ocean view, a good sushi bar, sprightly salads, and fresh fish are the main attractions here. Friendly service. Long flight of stairs to the dining room, with an elevator for wheelchair access. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

SAPPORO JAPANESE RESTAURANT 5049 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It's small, but Sapporo has big deals. Particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables, and noodles) and *Champon* noodle soup (*udon* noodles, scallops, shrimp, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl — a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables and a swag of rice. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

SASKA'S 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Saska's is the perfect spot for insomniacs. Hearty breakfasts, which can include meat and eggs, are served Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.; the dinner hour extends to 2:00 a.m. as well. Saturday and Sunday brunches offer Mexican specialties. Beachcomber atmosphere. Open daily. Breakfast inexpensive; dinner moderate. — *E.W.*

THE VENETIAN 3663 Voltaire Street, Loma Portal, 619-223-8197. For bargain hunters who like vast portions and home-style Italian cooking, try this family restaurant. The pizza is marvelous. For entrées, try shrimp scampi over linguine or eggplant parmigiana. One dining room is partially outdoors. Complete menu to go. Reservations taken for parties of six or more. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Inexpensive (pasta, pizza) to moderate. — *E.W.*

WORLD FAMOUS 711 Pacific Beach Drive, Pacific Beach, 858-272-3100. Low

cated directly on the boardwalk with an unobstructed view, this casual restaurant offers patio or indoor dining. Food preparation is straightforward — nothing fancy, but fresh, wholesome, and offering large portions. Thirty appetizers available in the bar. Combination dinners with steak and seafood are expensive. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday to 3:00 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

MIDWAY, OLD TOWN & MISSION VALLEY

CAFE COYOTE 2461 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-291-4695. Cafe Coyote is a good spot for a light Mexican meal with Southwest influences. Best bets à la carte are black bean chile, quesadilla with papaya relish, *carne asada*, *carnitas*, and Margarita chicken. Breakfast includes blue corn pancakes and American dishes. Young adults gather here. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

FAIROUZ CAFE AND GALLERY 3166 Midway Drive, 619-225-0308. Seek out this family-owned-and-operated restaurant for wonderful Lebanese and Greek food. The owner, a noted artist, displays his paintings on the dining room walls. The extensive menu offers excellent lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and a wide selection of exotic vegetarian meals. Copious all-you-can-eat buffet available at lunch or dinner in addition to the regular menu. Given 24 hours, this café will prepare an astonishing Lebanese feast at low cost. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

JACK AND GIULIO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT 2391 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-294-2074. The former owners of Giulio's in Pacific Beach now operate Jack and Giulio's. Best bets are angel hair pasta, minestrone soup, and their famous scampi. Old-style

chicken cacciatore always on the menu. Outdoor patio is one of the strong features. This is a low-cost family restaurant with fresh, casual food. Open daily, lunch and dinner; continuous service weekends. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

PREGO Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars Road), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall, a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters include the antipasto platter, sparkling salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust). Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are near-perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or rotisserie meats and fish, but the nightly specials are where chef Josh McGinnis gets to strut his stuff. Service is warm and well-informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

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ALPINE INN 2225 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, 619-445-5172. If you're a beef lover, try the Texas burger served on a Kaiser roll with steak fries. Stay with beef here. Dark interior with large booths. Very crowded for both brunch and dinner on Sunday. Early bird dinner Monday through Saturday for \$7.95. Call for hours. Open daily. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly. Brunch Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

ARIGATO 5575 Baltimore Drive, Suite 110, La Mesa, 619-469-3157. Here's a great bargain Japanese restaurant. Among the best are the combination plates which contain sesame chicken, tempura, and *gyoza* dumplings. The vegetable and shrimp tempura is outstanding. Closed Sunday. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

BURNING TREE NATIVE AMERICAN GRILL 40080 Old Highway 80, Boulevard, 619-766-3442, www.nativegrill.com. This place feels like someone's baronial country retreat. Since 1917, it has sat under a grove of California Live Oaks 60 miles east of downtown. It once housed the Chateau Basque restaurant. Elk heads, dark timbers, mottled yellow windows — you start wishing you'd brought your tie. But don't worry. Jim Buel and his family keep prices reasonable and attitudes casual. They collected Native American recipes throughout the Southwest to create a pretty interesting fusion of American Indian recipes. Fry Comanche fried frogs' legs in a cornmeal crust, or hunter's stew with venison and rabbit, sirloin of buffalo, or "Skokomish Huckleberry glazed duck." Open Wednesday through Sunday for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

D.Z. AKIN'S Alvarado Plaza, 6930 Alvarado Road, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother's. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

EFFIN'S PUB AND GRILL 6164 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-229-9800. Come here after a hard day's hittin' the books at nearby State. It's a brass-on-the-fan-blades, wild west-looking place where things can get pretty lively. The surprise is, they have some pretty good food, especially the pizzas. Check the house specials: Monday Madness (an "x-large pizza with domestic draft pitcher"), Taco Tuesday (tacos are bi-ig), and Wing Wednesday (hot & spicy wings go for a song). But, best of all, you can come up to the bar and say "Gimme an Effin beer" and not have to duck. Inexpensive to moderate. Closed Sundays. — *E.B. (11/01)*

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 café 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. (10/00)*

LY'S GARDEN 6011 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 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.*

MAX DELI AND MARKET 734 12th Street, East Village, 619-239-9568. Architectural students, diesel mechanics, and guys off the street hang out at this restaurant-market in one of Center City's more knockabout neighborhoods. Don't worry. Max is South Korean, a lifelong sea captain. He can handle any little problems. Fact is, this is real neighborhood. Some customers have been coming in 10, 15 years for a sandwich and a beer. Best buys are Max's thick homemade soups and his sandwiches. And at least one regular swears Max serves up the "best hot dogs this side of Coney Island." Breakfast and lunch. Closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

OLD OAK INN 1367 Dewey Place, Campo, 619-478-9924. Don't blink, or you might miss this hub of way-out-there downtown Cameron Corners, near the Campo steam train depot. Makes a great Sunday drive destination. The family who runs it has been homesteading this patch of country since 1868. So naturally the food is good, solid traditional American fare, from ham, eggs, and hash brown potatoes to barbecued beef "piled high" on a toasted bun with French fries and salad, to the three-piece chicken basket dinner. The great pleasure is to fill up, go outside, and then just listen to the



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silence. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, kitchen closed from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

RAMON'S SMOKEHOUSE BBQ 1730 Alpine Boulevard, Suite 110, Alpine, 619-938-1008. You're 2000 feet up here, and the mountain air sharpens your appetite. The smell of mesquite wood burning under fresh-cut beef rib is beyond resistance. The secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, especially, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire, disappearing into the clouds of fragrant smoke to flip the racks of beef and pork ribs. In good weather you can eat out back next to an authentic chuck wagon. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

ROCKY MOUNTAIN FOOD JUNCTION 9330 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-938-1511. Maybe it's the clean country air, but Rocky Mountain Junction's food tastes sharp and fresh in the mornings. Check out the "Macho Man" breakfast: three eggs, two bacon strips, two sausages, two pancakes, country potatoes or fries, and toast. Or the "Big Honkin' Omelet": six eggs, ham, turkey, bacon, sausage, bell pepper, mushroom, tomato, onion, country potatoes or French fries, and toast. On the lunch menu: the Junction Burger — with or without cheese — big and juicy. Also good: "old fashioned" BLT sandwich and chunky chicken breast salad. Early breakfast through lunch, Tuesday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/01)*

RODEO BAR AND GRILL 10109 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-390-7996. Agnes and Ildikor are the two blue-eyed Hungarian-born sisters who run this only-in-Lakeside institution. It's a low, red, grapevine-covered onetime produce barn near the rodeo grounds. A dirt parking lot hides under the trees, and an old freezer door is the main entrance to the restaurant, which has decor straight out of Dodge City. The menu has two sides: the A-side features big steaks, while the B-side offers bargain-priced sandwiches like grilled barbecued beef or the Pony-burger, a flame-broiled quarter-

pounder with steak fries, barbecue beans, and fixin's. On Thursday nights, the sisters' mom cooks one of her special Hungarian dishes, depending on what the customers have asked for — so get on down there and vote! Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (10/00)*

TOSHI SUSHI 5943 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-287-3536. 17 appetizers, 20 items of sushi, 19 specialty rolls — all excellent and exciting — are served in a modest premise that seats 10 at the sushi bar and holds 12 tables. The hot mushroom special, the "3 of a kind roll," and the Toshi tempura roll are all worth the trip. Diners are modestly priced, but watch cost of rolls. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinners nightly. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W. (11/99)*

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ASMARA RESTAURANT 4433 El Cajon Boulevard (at Fairmount), 619-563-3666, www.asmara-sd.com. The fare here is Eritrean (which proves very similar to Ethiopian), and the menu is long and uncommonly interesting. The meat combination platter is a terrific array, including top-notch *tsebhi derho* (known as *ye-doro wat* on Ethiopian menus), chicken and an egg in a rich, dark sauce, a similar dish with beef, *gored-gored* (lightly seared meat cubes in spicy butter), and lamb *al'cha*, a stir-fry in a mild curry sauce. From the à la carte choices, consider *zilzil t'bsi*, char-grilled meat in butter, and *kulwa*, a sprightly stir-fry of lamb, beef, or chicken. Vegetable dishes are luscious, too. Entrées are served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which serves as an edible spoon and edible tablecloth — use pieces of it to scoop up morsels (in your right hand). Meats are cooked (or not cooked) to your order and seasoned to your specifications (understand that "hot" means seriously spicy). Open daily; vegetarian-friendly. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Can be noisy on weekends. Cash only. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (11/00)*

LAO & CHINESE CUISINE 4212 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-263-0914. This restaurant is a simple place, large and spare around

Formica tables, that serves uncomplicated, home-style Lao cuisine. I highly recommend the *larb*, a spicy salad with poached minced beef, chicken, or pork and seasoned with lime juice, hot pepper, cilantro, onions, fresh mint, and ground toasted rice. This dish is earthy and wild, spectacular. Other tasty dishes include papaya pog-pog salad (papaya, chilis, and tomato), *tom yum* soup, and *pho* and *pad si-ew* noodle dishes. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (2/99)*

LUCKY STAR SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 3983 54th Street, corner of University in K-Mart Shopping Mall, 619-229-8228. The Cantonese and Mandarin menu runs to 225 dishes, not to mention the dim sum lunches from roving carts bearing goodies. The huge room is perfect for large parties (call ahead to reserve) or banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog legs. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W. (9/99)*

PAESANO 3647 30th Street (at Landis), North Park, 619-291-4090. Is that Cher pulling up a chair? There's a definite *Moonstruck* atmosphere about this place. Joe Romano and his family started here in 1967, painting the interior to look like you're among the stone arches of some Italian village grotto. Pictures of Italian tourist attractions line the walls, and the music is Italian mandolin ditties. The food is traditional Italian-American, with pittance-priced "daily specials" like eggplant parmesan and spaghetti with meatballs, plus salad and garlic bread. Regular dishes are bargain-priced, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

PEKIN RESTAURANT 2877 University Avenue, North Park, 619-295-2610. This old-time Chinese eatery was founded in 1931 by an immigrant from Canton; his grandchildren now run it and it's hardly changed in 70 years. You'll find red-tasseled hanging lanterns with translucent pictures of songbirds, mother-of-pearl wall decorations, and big cushioned booths. The food is Gold Rush-era Cantonese-American: chop suey, chow mein, barbecued pork, bean cake with shrimp and rice — all for a song. Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

PHOENICIA 3381 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To

find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree, an American flag, and the word "Phoenicia" written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafra* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions and seasonings, but you'll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

ZIA'S AFGHAN CAFE 4118 30th Street, 619-285-1635. This storefront café with only eight tables serves inexpensive but very well prepared Afghan food. Try three-bean soup, stuffed pockets appetizers, banana squash with spicy yogurt sauce. Lunch and dinner buffet of basmati rice with six toppings for \$6.49. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

UPTOWN

ADAMS AVENUE GRILL 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

BOMBAY EXOTIC CUISINE OF INDIA 3975 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest Cinemas complex, 619-298-3155. Don't miss the elegant food, the lovely setting, the loving service. Owned by the

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COTTAGE CAFE 2321 Fifth Avenue, 619-696-0071, uptown, www.cottage-cafesandiego.com. The Polish feel of this midtown café is palpable. But you can eat American if you want. The "Farmer's Breakfast" is a roundup of chopped ham or sausage, onions scrambled with two eggs, home fries, and toast. Or go Polish with a grilled Polish sausage sandwich stuffed with peppers, onions, and sauerkraut on rye. But maybe the most Polish is the all-you-can-eat buffet. Expect items like stuffed cabbage, beef stroganoff, sausages and cabbage, and chicken paprika. Try the Polish beer, "Okocim, 1845," but be careful — it's 8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

EL ZARAPE 4642 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-692-1652. This stylish little Mexican restaurant on a tony stretch of Park Boulevard is proof that not all taco shop food is equal. Try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada and you'll know what we mean, with their generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat. Many enjoy their unusual scallop burritos, vegetarian potato-filled burritos and rolled tacos, and well-prepared soups. We go for the stewed meat. El Zarape is dependable, serving Mexican with solid, homemade, handmade flavor. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (1/00)*

EXTRAORDINARY DESSERTS 2929 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001. If you've been searching for a place to have dessert after a movie or other cultural event, keep this dessert café in mind. Baker-owner Karen Krasne prepares sensuous cakes, tarts, cookies, and all manner of chocolate goodies. Teas and coffees are uniformly good. In summer, the patio is especially charming. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend lunch, and until late evening: Sunday through Thursday to 11:00 p.m. and weekends until midnight. — *E.W.*

FIFTH AND HAWTHORN 515 Hawthorn, uptown, 619-544-0940. Excellent, very fresh fish and seafood dinners are to be found here. The price of the entrée includes soup or salad. Best

bet is the bargain-price per couple prix fixe dinner, which consists of four courses (with a choice of entrées) plus a bottle of wine. À la carte choices are available, too. This restaurant is often frequented by actors and writers, which can add cachet to the evening. Open daily, lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *E.W.*

ICHIBAN 1449 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick udon noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "*ichi-ban*" means. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

IMPERIAL HOUSE 505 Kalmia Street, 619-234-3525. If you are close to Balboa Park, this is an excellent place for lunch. The special, which costs \$8.95, includes soup or salad plus hot entrée. For dinner try steak, fresh fish, Anna potatoes. Tableside service and a charming view of the park. In a separate room is the Mystery Dinner Theatre which includes dinner plus theater on Friday and Saturday. (Call for prices.) Closed Sunday. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner, Tuesday through Saturday; dinner theater, Friday and Saturday in separate room. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

KAZUMI SUSHI 3975 Fifth Avenue, Suite 120, Hillcrest, 619-682-4054; sandiego.citysearch.com/E/V/SANCA/0004/13/05/1.html. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, *gyoza*, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of *nabeyaki udon* (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. In-

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LOTUS THAI 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegan-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *satay*, beef salad), featuring a very tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties, try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce “Crazy Duck” salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) “three-flavor” whole fried fish, accompanied by jammy garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they’re spicy), since the kitchen shuns Thailand’s fish-based “secret sauce,” *nam pla*. It doesn’t help that the flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they’ve been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you’re best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

MANDARIN DYNASTY 1458 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-8899. A splendid place to order a feast for a large party (give at least four hours notice). Banquet dishes include casserole soup, scallops in pepper, General Tso’s chicken, and shrimp in Chinese sauce. New vegetarian menu with over twenty items. Imitation chicken, beef, and pork prepared from soy or wheat gluten. Entrées from the menu may be Americanized and are of average competence. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

THE MISSION NORTH PARK AND CITY BAKERY 2801-2805 University

Avenue, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its Russian pecan bread and cinnamon rolls. Lunch and dinner offer California food with Asian and Latino influences. Lots of items under \$10.00. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (7/98)

THE PARKHOUSE EATERY 4574 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays, three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (10/99)

PICASSO SPANISH RESTAURANT 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren’t the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed *empanadillas*, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed green-lip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house’s workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons’ favorite beverage. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

SHAKESPEARE PUB & GRILLE 3701 India Street, 619-299-0230. Probably the most convincing English pub in town, named after the most revered writer you’ve never read. The Bard’s brew-house boasts bare-board floors, diamond lead-glass windows, and au-

thentic Brits sitting around the bar quaffing ale from their own pewter mugs. Pub grub is bluff and plain-spoken. Shepherd’s pie, bangers and mash, ploughman’s plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing) — all are great with a pint of rich English beer, say a Boddington’s Pub Ale. Sunday’s roast beef dinner is worth dragging yourself out of bed for, too. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

WHOLE FOODS MARKET 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods’ prepared food section will feed you better, and faster, than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their *farofa* salad, like American stuffing, but it’s couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods’ vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — M.N. (4/99)

DOWNTOWN

A LA CARTE ON SIXTH AVENUE 921 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich

makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.W.

AUBERGINE 500 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-8100, www.aubergineon4th.com. You’ll think you’ve stepped into a chic Manhattan supper club, but the gorgeous young staff — clad in Calvin Klein, no less — are sweet and skillful. The fare is a puzzling melange of Mediterranean roasting, American grilling, and pan-Asian wokking, aimed to satisfy all appetites. Preparations vary unpredictably; safest choices are grilled meats (especially the succulent pork slab) and wok dishes. Slightly dressy; noisy weekends with loud live music; long and busy bar. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

THE BLARNEY STONE 502 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-255-8519. This handsome establishment, made of dark wood from the Emerald Isle, includes a large, good-looking separate dining room that opens when the dining public forms a critical mass, or around 8:00 p.m. Like most local Irish pubs, the menu is mainly American and gringo-Mex snack foods, including an “Irish quesadilla” (corned beef and cheese on a flour tortilla). The three wannabe Celtic dishes are an indifferent corned beef and cabbage, “steak Kildare” (a tough, mushroom-smothered rib eye), and “fish and chips Lifey,” which aren’t noticeably different from, say, fish and chips “Thames” or “Afton” or even “Missouri.” Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

BLUE POINT COASTAL CUISINE 565 Fifth Avenue (at Market), Gaslamp District, 619-233-6623. Very classy atmosphere and menu — mostly fish and seafood — to match. You can eat appetizers at the bar, but best bets are

nightly fish entrées or steak and crab cakes served with lots of organic vegetables. A welcome addition to downtown. Dinner only, from 5:00 p.m. Expensive. — E.W.

CROCE’S RESTAURANT AND JAZZ BAR 802 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-233-4355. If you enjoy premises with doors open to the street and nightly jazz in the adjoining room, try Croce’s. The chef prepares excellent appetizers, pastas, salads, and entrées. Menus change seasonally. Outdoor as well as indoor seating. Nightly jazz. Dinner only. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

DAKOTA GRILL AND SPIRITS 901 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-234-5554. First sign that you’ve arrived in hipotle/chile country: the toddler-sized cowboy boot on your table that serves as vase to a faux agave plant. This kind of cooking runs the risk of losing its focus in a multitude of ingredients, something Dakota does a decent job of avoiding. When everything works, it plays like comfort food with a kick. The seafood ravioli — spinach pasta stuffed with a blend of salmon, halibut, and swordfish planted atop wilted greens and topped with pickled jalapeno relish — melds into a pleasant whole. The blue cornmeal-crust chicken salad, similarly well-conceived, is gussied up with crispy potato strings, tortilla rajas, and dried apricots that sweetly counter the blue cheese in the dressing. The apricot-whole grain mustard glaze on the pork prime rib makes sense, as do the giant, multiple-straw margaritas. Meat — sizable quantities of it — is usually well-prepared; sides may feel cursory. Moderate to expensive. — A.M. (5/01)

DEMEDICI 815 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-702-7228. This

lovely, cream-and-sepia dining room evokes an Italian Renaissance villa, while its sidewalk patio offers a prime pageant of Gaslamp follies. Either way, you’ll enjoy exceptional service — attentive but utterly unobtrusive — and a menu centered on succulent pastas and refined seafood dishes. The nightly specials and the waiter’s recommendations for the freshest catch will lead you to the evening’s best entrées. Fish dishes are exquisite, and anything with calamari (fresh local catch) is worth ordering: Atlantic shellfish, though, tend to be a tad overcooked. Reserve, and dress on the spiffier side — some Hollywood celebs hang their Borsalinos here, upping the clothing curve. Dinner nightly, moderate-priced valet parking available. Moderate (simpler pastas) to very expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

DOWNTOWN FISH JOINT 407 C Street, 619-239-3506. Surprise: If you grab a shrimp taco at the Fish Joint and come sit outside at their sidewalk tables, you’ve found one of downtown’s least-appreciated weekday lunch locations. With red trolleys, shady green trees, the old California Theater, and lunchtime foot traffic, the place feels positively swank. Most ask for fish and chips. But if “8 ounces of North Atlantic cod, 5-6 pieces” is too much, ask for the children’s half-order. For a splurge, order the 8-ounce grilled salmon or the grilled seafood plate. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (11/01)

EL COMAL 2822 Imperial Avenue, Sherman Heights, 619-239-7101. No border compromises here — just great home-cooking from Michoacan, Guerrero, Jalisco, and Oaxaca, prepared by Luz Herrera Ibarra, a biology teacher from Acapulco. Try the *huarache* (cactus slices with carne asada, frijoles,



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cheese, and onions) or the *mulita carne adobada* (pork, melted cheese, and guacamole inside two tortillas) and have a glass of *nuez* (a refreshing walnut drink). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

THE FIELD IRISH PUB AND RESTAURANT 544 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, physically transported whole-hog from the Ould Sod, offers delicious Irish music live most nights, and also attempts serious Irish cooking — with some successes. Forget their dried-out corned beef and cabbage (that’s Irish-American, anyway) or the rather overcooked seafood, and try the lovely herb-rich Irish stew, or the boxty, potato crepes rolled around your choice from a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Or start the day here with a huge, carnivorous Irish breakfast. Open daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

GREYSTONE STEAK HOUSE 658 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-0225. This elegant three-story building with a romantic top floor serves more than steaks. Fish, including Dover sole and live Maine lobster, as well as pasta, poultry, and game meats make lively dinners. Food is well prepared, but costs can easily soar. Excellent service. Open nightly for dinner. Reservations strongly urged. Expensive. — *E.W. (9/99)*

GYROSCOPE GREEK CAFE 926 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-235-4635. You want cheap *and* interesting food in the Gaslamp? Gyroscope’s one of the few that make that list. They have the usual medium-priced beef kabob, moussaka, *spanakopita*, *dolmades*, tiger shrimps, and steak. But you can also get amply filling “sandwich” size plates for just a few bucks: beef kabob, lamb, chicken breast, and of course the gyro (marinated lamb and beef slices in pita bread). Get one of these, a glass of burgundy, and a table with a view of the passing parade, and you’ll be feeling like a king. Even cheaper at lunchtime. Open seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

HUFFMAN’S BAR-B-QUE 5039 Imperial Avenue, downtown, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammed Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman’s fabulous southern soul food. Try their gravy-smothered fried chicken served with collar greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread. Or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sandwich and half-pound rib tips. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, to 3 a.m. weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

KARL STRAUSS’ OLD COLUMBIA BREWERY AND GRILL 1157 Columbia Street (between B and C Streets), downtown, 619-234-2739. The star attractions here are the ales and beers brewed on the premises. Up to a dozen beers may be available. Food includes burgers, pastas, soup and salad, fish and chips, grilled sausage. During weekends the noise can be shattering, but it’s fun. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. Another branch at 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Valley, 858-587-2739. Call for hours. — *E.W.*

LA GRAN TAPA 611 B Street, downtown, 619-234-8272. Here is a good spot for a light meal, especially before or after a cultural event. Tapas, Spanish appetizers, are prepared hot or cold, and the seafood, such as shrimp in sherry sauce and fresh octopus, is always fine. Try *tortilla española* (cold potato and egg “pie”) and paella. Lively, casual atmosphere. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W. (1/99)*

LA STRADA 702 Fifth Avenue (at Fifth and G), Gaslamp District, 619-239-3400. The setting is lovely, but the Northern Italian food preparation may be uneven. Stay with pasta dishes and low-priced items. Open daily for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Late hours weekends. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

MORTON’S OF CHICAGO 285 J Street, Gaslamp District, 619-696-3369. This famous Chicago steakhouse is swanky, in a manly way: dark, clubby, luxurious, and louche. You go to Morton’s for great steak. Their Nebraska

beef is aged and meticulously grilled to your specifications. You can get a one-and-a-half-or three-pound porterhouse, which will be juicy, marbled with flavorful fat. You can also get good fish at Morton’s. The big, golden salmon fillet flakes to the fork and is moist, sweet, buttery. The pricey à la carte sides are either bad or mediocre. The Godiva Hot Chocolate Cake is exceptional. But go for the steak. Expensive. — *M.N. (9/99)*

PETE’S QUALITY MEATS 1742-1/2 India, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete’s Meats was just a butcher’s shop until Pete’s daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian specialties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around two cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and breadcrumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

ROYALE BRASSERIE 224 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-237-4900. Like a theme park for nostalgics yearning for bygone Bohemian Paris, Royale’s eye-popping Art Nouveau decor re-creates a *fin de siècle* brasserie — but “re-creation” or no, it makes dinner a recreational activity. You’ll find competent reproductions of French bourgeois classics — *escargots*, frogs’ legs, *charcuterie*, et al. — with an emphasis on impeccable seafood. The newfangled yellowfin tartare is to die for, the Belgian-style mussels with *frites* to dive into, and the huge cold shellfish platters are to share and to swoon over. To accompany the feast, the wine-by-the-glass choices are super-savvy. Often very noisy; heated patio; reservations necessary. Moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (11/00)*

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE 1355 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-233-1422. Six cuts of steak are available, all cooked in a special broiler at 1800 degrees. The U.S. prime steaks are aged and hand cut daily. They’re fabulous, but nothing is on the plate except the piece of meat. Vegetables and eight styles of potatoes are à la carte. Lobster tail, fresh fish, chicken, and chops also available. Gorgeous view and service. Open nightly for dinner. Reservations recommended three

to five days in advance on weekdays. Call a week in advance for weekends. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SADAF 828 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp District, 619-338-0008. Vegetarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There’s excellent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch’s kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. — *N.W. (12/00)*

TAKA 555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-338-0555. This restaurant is a knockout. Gorgeous food and beautiful setting. Entrées, which combine Asian and Continental elements, can be ordered in half portions. Don’t miss linguine and seafood, filet mignon, salmon sauté. Highly satisfying food at prices you can afford. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

TOP OF THE MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-234-4867. The upper-crust upper floor of the downtown Fish Market (see Multiple Locations listing) has largely the same food as the downstairs, plus a few luxury items (e.g., abalone) and occasionally some creative appetizer specials. Prices are about 25% higher for identical items, in exchange for a slightly elevated view and a dressier, white-tablecloth setting that’s almost “formal” by San Diego standards — flip-flops and tank tops (on men) aren’t allowed, and collared shirts (e.g., polos) are suggested at dinner. That doesn’t mean that the atmosphere is quietly gracious — the room’s just as huge, packed, and raucous as the lower realms, even on the terrace. Reserve, and expect a short wait anyway. Elevator provides wheelchair access. Open daily. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

TURF SUPPER CLUB 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, “re-established” in 1998), if your meat’s done wrong, it’s your own fault. Every night’s an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that’s the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat’s a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you’re an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you’d miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

VINCENZO RISTORANTE ITALIANO 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181, www.vincenzoristoranteitaliano.com. The specialty at this tourist favorite (Texans are rife) is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant’s fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete’s Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant’s hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you’ll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Easy parking a block east in lot on Columbia. Moderate. — *N.W. (8/01)*

THE WESTGATE GOURMET DELICATESSEN Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It’s part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich who just can’t live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. The Hawaiian chicken salad (with walnuts, pineapple, chutney, fresh seasonal fruits, and non-fat mayo) is filling and healthy. But the best deal is the soup

and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops. Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

BINO’S EUROPEAN COFFEES AND CREPES 1120 Adella Avenue, Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café has to be good: it’s a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fantasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crepes are delicious and filling too. Bino’s wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

CAFE 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chapman has created a French café atmosphere with round Parisian tables and slat chairs outside and a balcony inside. Here Coronado’s arty types mix with admirals, CEOs, and SEALS. Big fat cups of tea are a favored drink. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs, Swiss cheese and ham, a side of fruit and sliced baguette. Lunches are sandwiches (like curried tuna or brie con pesto) or salads (try the chicken). Best deal: the Combo Special, a half sandwich and soup or salad. And there’s always an art exhibition going on inside. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

CATHIE’S PLACE CAFE Sharp Coronado Hospital, 250 Prospect Place, Coronado, 619-522-3634. Cathie’s may look like a hospital cafeteria. It certainly serves patients, doctors, employees, the retirement home across the road, and the visiting public. But this place is run by a Marriott spin-off. And what meals! Beef burgundy with stuffed potatoes and seasonal vegetables, plantation pork loin with fruit and nut chutney, baked fish with lemon sauce.... Breakfasts are forgettable — lunch and din-

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ner are where it's at. The menu changes daily, but you can call ahead or ask Cathie (she's real and she's Scottish) to fax you the weekly "take-out dinner" menu. Weekdays only, breakfast to early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/00)

DA KINE'S PLATE LUNCHES 1635 Sweetwater Road, National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of Hawaiians do, every day. You'll find Hawaiian license plates and surfboards on the walls, "Aloha Maid" Guava Nectar, and island food. Although the *Kalua* pig here isn't cooked in an *imu* — a hole in the ground — it sure tastes like the real thing and comes with cabbage, rice, macaroni salad, and kimchee. But beware of the *Haupia* cake — it may cause serious addiction. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/00)

THE HUDDLE BY THE PARK 333 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-425-0335. Run by Janet, daughter of Ruth Henricks, famous for her community work, who started the original Huddle up in Mission Hills. Like mom's place, Janet's has good, robust, homey, easy-on-the-wallet food, and waitresses you can actually talk to. Omelets, like the three-egg "truly vegetarian" omelet, come stuffed with everything from mushrooms to guacamole. Daily specials like the biscuits, sausage, and gravy are real deals. But don't leave without slopping some of their marmalade on your toast — mom makes it. Breakfast and lunch seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

MCDINT'S 105 East 8th Street, National City, 619-474-6771. A historic, sprawling bar with a diverse, mellow family scene — all ages, all races, chatting, playing pool, cozying up to the all-encompassing jukebox, or smoking under a roofed front "patio." Or chowing down on industrial-grade pub grub, made largely of restaurant-supply products (including the vaunted corn beef, bland as packaged ham). But the fresh vegetables are surprisingly good, so choose something that includes the luscious mashed potatoes and look

upon the rest as garnish. No wheelchair bathroom. Open daily. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/01)

MCP'S IRISH PUB & GRILL 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5280. With a crowd ranging from Navy retirees to chic singles barely of drinking age, the perpetual party on McP's patio is nurtured by above-average Irish-Mexican-American pub grub (burgers, potato skins, nachos, etc.). The Irish fare includes a pleasing Mulligan stew served in a hollowed bread-loaf, and an absolutely fabulous corned beef and cabbage plate, with tender, thick slices surrounding cabbage so young and sweet it ought to be carded. Good soups, too. Daytimes, try the hearty (and then some) Irish meat-fest breakfast. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

MIGUEL'S COCINA 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. (Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, 619-224-2401.) Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

THE OLD BONITA STORE 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. The menu is strongly influenced by Baja Californian/Mexican cooking. The signature dish is the bucket of Baja-style lobster for two. The bucket includes slipper lobster tails, shrimp, grilled chicken, and carne asada, plus Caesar salad, rice and beans, and tortillas. Open daily. Moderate. — E.W.

VFW 557 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6917. You may have to get over the feeling you're intruding on a private club here, but boy, is it worth

it! One, everybody has a story. Two, the "public is welcome" lunches are home-cooking at genuine Korean War prices. Mondays and Wednesdays it's burgers. Tuesdays and Thursdays are "Guess What?" days — typically, enchilada casserole, baked chicken or spaghetti, or a fried-rice dish that's full of good things. Two really tasty occasionals are liver with mashed potato and onions or chicken-fried steak with fried rice. First and third Friday nights of the month, outsiders are invited to join the weekly fish fry from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Check out the photos and memorabilia from wars fought from Siberia to Vietnam. Lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/00)

TIJUANA

(The prefix for all Tijuana numbers is 011-52-664. From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.)

ANTOJITOS DEL PAIS Gobernador Balazere, 9750 Fraccionamiento America, near Azteca hotel, 686-2424. Open 24/7 except from midnight on Sunday to 7 a.m. Monday. Hit at lunch hour, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and you'll find 22 waitresses and cooks serving you on the street, stirring huge steaming pots of soup, foot-high clay pots simmering with frijoles, and dark-brown ceramic bowls of meat simmering on the flames. This isn't TJ, it's Central Mexico. Some great choices include *bistek ahumada* (smoked beef) or *costilla de res* (beef ribs), *pollo en mole*, *lengua de res* (ox tongue), and *carne de cerdo* (pork), all around \$3, including soup, dessert, and pleasant culture shock. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

BOTANICA EL PARAISO Avenida Niños Heroes, between 1st and 2nd streets, Tijuana. Health food? This place has everything from healing herbs to curative roots to love amulets. They serve drinks for livers, kidneys, cholesterol. Diabetics can down cactus concoctions. And they also make a good

lunch. Start with a blood-red *jugo de verdura*, a vegetable drink of carrots, beet root, celery, and orange. Then try a thick brown-bread tuna sandwich with avocado, cucumber, ham, and tomato, and end with a fresh fruit salad. So healthy, you won't need a potion (unless you still need that love potion). Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

CHIKI JAI 1388 Avenida Revolución (corner of 7th Street), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. The new dining room, constructed from the ground up, is lovely to behold and offers old favorites as well as new Spanish dishes. Best bets are fresh cod, fresh nightly fish, paella. All dinners served with hot rolls, Roquefort cheese, soup or salad, dessert. Superb service, loving atmosphere. Open seven days, 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.W. (6/98)

LA ESCONDIDA Santa Monica #1 in Fraccionamiento Las Palmas, Tijuana, 681-4458. "The Hidden One," located in a converted mansion, boasts two gardens and patio dining, and is especially

beautiful at night. The roasted baby goat and roasted quail, and the Châteaubriand (for two) are all worthwhile. Very civilized experience, complete with live music on Fridays and Saturdays. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente. Proceed on Agua Caliente past the racetrack, approximately one-half mile. Turn right at Las Palmas. Two short blocks up, turn left at the "Pescaderia Playas" sign. The entryway to La Escondida is straight ahead. Open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 a.m., and Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Moderate. — E.W.

LA ESPADANA 10813 Avenida Sanchez Taboada, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. Beautifully prepared meals that include appetizer, soup or salad, and entrée are available in this structure whose name means bell tower and whose exterior resembles a mission. Best bets here are filet steak on a skewer (*brocheta de filete*),

baby back ribs (*costillar de puerco*), and leg of lamb (*pierna de borrego*). The portions are mammoth, and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service, delightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Moderate. — E.W.

PALM GRILL Cantamar (halfway to Ensenada), 614-1203. The A-frame building looks like a thatched hut and has two interior floors and an upper- and lower-level patio. Food is American, French, and Continental with a few Mexican dishes. Lots of atmosphere and fine service. Best bets are daily fresh fish. Watch your costs here as prices rival good American restaurants. Open daily. Take Ensenada Cuota road to Cantamar exit. Turn right. Two toll charges. (Free road: 46-1/2 km Carretera a Ensenada.) Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

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Everyone — well, *almost* everyone, although maybe not so much me — was impressed with the first twenty minutes of *Saving Private Ryan*, the immediate and prolonged submersion in blood-and-guts combat. Or more exactly the submersion in literal blood and guts. The makers of *Black Hawk Down*, accordingly, seem to have calculated that it would be several times more impressive to submerge us there for the length of an entire movie, except for the first twenty minutes of peaceful preparation: a sort of *Saving Private Ryan* in inverse proportion.

The combat in this case, a faithful re-enactment of a 1993 incident in Somalia, is the eighteen-hour urban firefight that ensues when an intended neat, clean, in-and-out raid into the heart of Mogadishu (colloquially called “the Mogue,” or just “Mogue”) goes bad. The preparatory twenty minutes, to be sure, are not terribly impressive: the blue-tinted slo-mo opening, the voluptuous visuals, the unctuous pop songs, the hard-ass posturings of the

young actors, the superficial and clumsy coverage of political issues. (And yes, there are interesting parallels to the hunt for Osama bin Laden: the pockets of support within the country for a brutal and elusive war-

lord named Aidid, and the overconfident American promise of “We will find him.”)

At the same time, however, these twenty minutes establish a level of war-movie conventionality that was *Private Ryan*’s real and underestimated source of strength: the stock figures, here, of the gung-ho rookie (“I’m here to kick some ass!”), the desk jockey pressed into hazardous duty, the hard-bitten veteran, the sensitive new sergeant, the taciturn commander, etc., and the intramural rivalry between fighters of different stripes (Ranger vs. Delta Force). Beyond that, the remaining two hours manage to sustain, and build upon, the intermittent *Private Ryan* virtues of laying out, in advance and in clear detail, the operational plans, and then fitting the resulting action into the specific terrain.



Black Hawk Down

All in all, it delivers a mixed experience, even, you might say, a mixed message: harrowing yet spectacular action, unglamorous yet gorgeous, rugged yet slick. The director is Ridley Scott (*Alien*, *Blade Runner*, and on down through *G.I. Jane* and *Gladiator*), so the spectacular, the gorgeous, the slick are givens; the harrowing, the

unglamorous, and the rugged must be counted as bonuses, neither to be taken for granted nor taken lightly. (The damage done to the bodies of some of the soldiers goes well beyond indignity.) Though some of the faces — Josh Hartnett, William Fichtner, Ewan McGregor, Ron Eldard, and that latter-day Aldo Ray, Tom Sizemore — are more familiar than others, there has been a concerted effort to steer clear of big stars, and to spread the dramatic interest evenly among the sizable cast: no one-man-armies, no centers-of-the-universe, no empathy-magnets, in this group.

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Kandahar, no, is not the first opportunistic quickie to attempt to capitalize on our new-found interest in Afghanistan. That film is still (if ever) to come. This one was already in

the can as of the Cannes film festival last May. In one way, it is rather less timely now than it was before September 11, in that its main subject, the plight of women under the Taliban, has since been glaringly illuminated in the media and radically altered in actuality. (A secondary subject, the peril of land mines, has been far more illuminated than altered.) In another way, it is nonetheless timelier now, in that it better meets our hunger for information. We might wonder when (if ever) we would have seen it if not for the catalyst of the toppled Twin Towers. And whatever edge it may have lost in the way of a scoop, it more than makes up for in the eye of an artist, namely the eye of Iranian filmmaker Mohsen Makhmalbaf (*Gabbeh*, *The Silence*, *A Matter of Innocence*, et al.), instead of that of a TV reporter. Image quality, too, is commensurately superior.

The narrative peg — an exiled Afghan journalist sneaking back into the country to reach her sister before the latter’s pre-announced suicide in concert with the final eclipse of the 20th Century — may be overly contrived and corny, and the acting might often be stiff and awkward, and the first-person English narration a little rudimentary and remedial, but the glimpses of the people and their culture do indeed meet the aforementioned hunger for information: the classroom where young boys are drilled simultaneously in the Koran and in weaponry; the communal clothes-washing by

veiled women around a village well; the examination room in which a doctor and his female patients are separated by a blanket with a silver-dollar-sized hole in it (the African-American doctor, a figure of compassionate liberalism on screen, is in real life, you have probably heard, an accused Islamic assassin); and the Red Cross outpost where landmine victims line up, after a year’s wait in some cases, for their prosthetic limbs. The capper to this last scene: the crowd of impatient patients hopping and hobbling on crutches to catch up with the sets of false legs lowered to earth on parachute strings. One could only wish Buñuel were alive to see it. ■

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The Affair of the Necklace —

Skulduggery in and around the court of Louis XVI, based on fact, with interpretive leeway. So stuffy and stilted a costume piece (“How skillfully you play the rogue. Yet even you cannot mask such impenetrable loneliness”) that it approaches parody. When Christopher Walken turns up in the part of Cagliostro, the union is sealed. (And the Cardinal’s red cushion is surely meant to evoke Monica Lewinsky’s famous remark about

“Presidential kneepads.” And evoke titters, too.) It can’t help much to have an overreaching director, Charles Shyer, whose specialty has been contemporary light comedy: *Baby Boom*, *Father of the Bride*, *I Love Trouble*. One of the things that seems to be parodied is the notion of a classy encore for a recent Academy Award winner, namely Hilary Swank of *Boys Don’t Cry*. She was more believable (if not a lot more) as a man than as an 18th-century French countess. Jonathan Pryce, Joely Richardson, Simon Baker, Adrien Brody. 2001. ● (HORTON PLAZA 14, THROUGH 1/17)

Ali — Will Smith’s impression of the self-proclaimed “Greatest,” né Cassius Marcellus Clay. For entertainment purposes, it can’t touch Billy Crystal’s impression of him. (Though, for those same purposes, there can be no quibble with Jon Voight’s Howard Cosell: a glued-on nose as phony as the hairpiece.) The two-and-a-half-hour skim through the prime of his life, from the first Liston fight through the Foreman (shy of the third Frazier fight, the “Thrilla in Manila,” worthy of an entire movie unto itself), is processed through Michael Mann’s cinematic Mixmaster: desaturated color, gilded color, frosted color, blue-rinsed color; Steadicam, unsteady cam, bob-and-weave cam, float-like-a-butterfly cam. These stylistic pretensions, coupled with the historical-sociological-cultural-epical pretensions, dampen what might have been

an agreeable stroll down Memory Lane in the company of one of the great sports figures of the 20th Century. Possibly, yes, the greatest. With Jamie Foxx, Jeffrey Wright, Ron Silver, Jada Pinkett Smith. 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; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Amélie — Cutesy art-house item looks at the world (at Paris, more precisely) through the primrose-colored glasses of Jean-Pierre Jeunet: a delayed-meeting romance à la *And Now My Love*, *Sleepless in Seattle*, et al., and a fashionable juggling act of fate, chance, coincidence, etc. The dementedly winsome heroine (Audrey Tatou), prone to conspiratorial glances at the camera, and egged on by a waggish narrator, is a self-denying do-gooder whose secret mission seems to be the spiritual enlightenment of others, often by the most devious means: reprogramming a speed-dial button from “Mother” to “Psychiatric Helpline.” The boundless, bounding imagination tends to be grounded, however, by the air of effortfulness. The best of it — the broad omniscient view of humanity combined with an eye for random trivial detail — was done better, and funnier, in Jane Campion’s apprentice work, *Passionless*

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★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

A Beautiful Mind — Laundered biography of the Nobel Prize-winning mathematician, and madman, John Forbes Nash, Jr. It's his madness, of course, and not his math, that makes him a viable screen subject, and director Ron Howard nurtures it with care. (And with more taste and restraint than are his custom.) But between the West Virginia accent and the nerdish introversion, much of what he says — or rather, what an emasculated

Russell Crowe says — is lost in transmission. With Jennifer Connelly, Ed Harris, Christopher Plummer, Paul Bettany. 2001.
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Behind Enemy Lines — Contemporary war story about a U.S. Navy flier downed in the demilitarized zone of Bosnia-Herzegovina, the posse of Serbs hot on his heels, and the rescue effort thwarted by a NATO busybody of divided loyalties. (Opportunity, there, to reprise the wistful Vietnam refrain about taking the gloves off

and untying one hand from behind the back.) All in all, it affords a good case study, no better or worse than numberless others, of the American (or the Hollywood) Way: the lack of interest in what the NATO pooh-bah calls "the Big Picture," the total focus instead on what we must call the Little Picture, the individual, the hero, the star, the center of the universe — even if it's only Owen Wilson and not, say, Matt Damon. There is one truly creepy sequence in which the flier's mates on the aircraft carrier (Gene Hackman in command) watch a satellite thermal image of the posse closing in on the flier's prone body, an image that fails to show, in its bare outlines, that the flier is submerged in a muddy mass grave. Though survival details are minimal (food, shelter, and such), the movie is a tolerably old-fashioned chase thriller, all the way to its cavalry-to-the-rescue climax. Tolerably, that is, provided you can tolerate

the modish photographic gimmicks of a skipping, sliding, swivelling camera, and the overall complexion of ice-locker blue, and the inflated, slowed-down, drawn-out action. Directed by John Moore. 2001.
★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HARBOR DRIVE IN; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Black Hawk Down — Reviewed this issue. With Josh Hartnett, Ewan McGregor, Tom Sizemore, and Sam Shepard; directed by Ridley Scott.

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Brotherhood of the Wolf — There might be a presumption of seriousness about a ravaging-monster movie in which the monster stays off screen for the first hour, and comes freighted with political symbolism. (To say nothing of the English subtitles! Or of the venerable presences of Jacques Perrin and Edith Scob!) But there is plenty of ridiculousness in refutation: from the *Matrix*-y camera moves and abrupt changes of speed, to the Hong Kong brand of martial arts practiced by an 18th-century

French naturalist and his Mohawk Iroquois sidekick. The monster's first appearance, at least, is good cheesy fun, till spoiled by a rational, albeit incomprehensible, "explanation." Samuel Le Bihan, Mark Dacascos, Vincent Cassel, Emilie Dequenne, Monica Bellucci; directed by Christophe Gans. 2001.
● (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Charlotte Gray — The title is colorless on purpose. But by the end — and quite precisely in the meaningful curtain line — it acquires a richness of shade and tint. The heroine will by then, in the common phrase, have shown her true colors. An old-fashioned, grandly romantic WWII espionage thriller (vaguely reminiscent of the Melanie Griffith mush-pile, *Shining Through*: nothing reticent about *that* title!), it sets forth a modest definition of heroism, a capability that meets a need, an opportunity that rises to a duty. Our heroine, a young Scotswoman, has been spied (so to put it) by a nondescript Graham Greene-y civil servant in a railway car, where she chances to be reading Stendahl in the original French, a skill worth recruiting for use in the war office. In the meantime, her blazing affair with an RAF flier is interrupted when his plane gets shot down over France. It is her own idea that her language facility might be put to even better use in occupied territory. Maybe she will be able to pick up her lover's scent in the bargain. The Australian director, Gillian Armstrong, brings the proverbial woman's touch to this feminist

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adventure story, this internal odyssey, this journey of self-discovery. (She never dwells on the physical action, the sporadic violence. She is much more interested in choices and consequences.) Personal identity is at the heart of the story — and what better framework for such a subject than a spy yarn in which the protagonist is called upon to assume a false identity, and comes eventually to the realization that the false is the true? The spy genre and the character study benefit mutually from the arrangement. The espionage gains some psychological depth. Dry psychology gains the poetry of metaphor. With Cate Blanchett, Billy Crudup, Michael Gambon, Rupert Penry-Jones. 2001. ★★★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Devil's Backbone — Ghost story from Mexican filmmaker Guillermo del Toro (*Cronos*, *Mimic*), set in the Spanish Civil War at an ad hoc orphanage for the children of slain Loyalists (identified in the subtitles as “Leftists,” to cut through the mists of ancient history). Cerebral, somber, sure-footed, and creepy (highly evocative image of an unexploded bomb standing in the courtyard like a sculpture, nose in the dirt), but not at all scary, a bit static and overlong, with a pretty passive (if imaginatively and tastefully visualized) ghost. Eduardo Noriega, Federico Luppi, Marisa Paredes. 2001. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition — The harrowing tale of that aborted and rerouted attempt to cross Antarctica on foot, just after the outbreak of the First World War. It's quite a tale, all right, and documentarist George Butler puts it into a tidy little package of tinted footage and still photos taken by the party's official historian, Frank Hurley; supplementary drawings and paintings from the period when the film supply was running low; new color footage of the region; readings from the men's diaries and letters; interviews with their descendants; and narration spoken by Liam Neeson. Two arduous years in a painless hour and a half. 2001. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Gosford Park — From Robert Altman, a pleasant if overlong *divertissement* that combines the British class-conscious social satire with the dark-and-stormy-night murder mystery: Evelyn Waugh meets Agatha Christie. In short, Altman hell: etiquette, decorum, hierarchy on the one side, and convention, formula, artifice on the other. However much the director might distance himself from the nitty-gritty of detective work (Stephen Fry's clueless inspector, more Clouseau than Poirot), the body in the study, much like the murdered screenwriter in *The Player*, gives the movie an impetus often missing in an Altman ensemble piece, and somewhat checks his tendency to run to flab. Every little push helps, because there is very little new (except to Altman) in the class portrait: the

upper crusties talking in the presence of servants as if in the presence of furniture, etc. (Nice point of emphasis: the below-stairs people are addressed not by their own

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researching his next Charlie Chan opus and observing the ways of the landed aristocracy — affords Altman an outsider with whom to identify. Or at least — in a pet expression of an Evelyn Waugh character — up to a point. (Bob Balaban, who plays the producer, also happens to share the story credit with Altman.) The director's democratic inclinations, sometimes indistinguishable from his misanthropic inclinations, come out clearly in the casting, seeing to it that the servants (Helen Mirren, Emily Watson, Kelly Macdonald, Eileen Atkins, Alan Bates, Derek Jacobi, Clive Owen, Rupert Grant) are as stellar as their masters (Kristin Scott Thomas, Maggie Smith, Michael Gambon, Jeremy Northam, Charles Dance, James Wilby). The winsome Macdonald and stoical Owen best survive any misanthropic inclinations. 2001. ★★ (COVE; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone — The children's book by J.K. Rowling, now a movie by Chris Columbus — maker of, among others, *Adventures in Babysitting*, *Home Alone*, *Mrs. Doubtfire*, *Nine Months*, *Stepmom*, and *Bicentennial Man*, chief rival of Steven


Spielberg for his in-touchness with the Inner Child. No longer applicable, quite plainly, will be the line of defense to the effect that, however good or bad it might be, the kids at least are *reading* it, reading *something*. Even if you haven't read it yourself, you can infer a slavish fidelity to the text on the grounds that no special-effects movie, no “event” movie, no movie scored by John Williams, would otherwise keep so leisurely and strung-out a schedule of dramatic incident. It's more a matter of going new places and meeting new people (or new owls, goblins, trolls), a social schedule. The bespectacled little hero, if you didn't know, is a put-upon orphan who, on reaching his eleventh birthday, and despite the interference of an abusive adoptive family of Dickensian grossness, discovers that he is a natural-born wizard and is eligible for admittance into Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, there to develop his infinite inner potential. In short, he is a close cousin to every neglected, unappreciated, unloved, scorned, mocked, but ultimately (sweetly, revengefully) triumphant hero out of Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tales. In the end, his plodding path will lead him to a confrontation with the evil entity who slew his parents. But this destination is not signposted with the efficiency or urgency of

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a *Hamlet* (for instance). Maybe admirers of the book will be content with what amounts to an ancillary text of lavish illustrations. Still, it's not the, or a, book. More bluntly, it's not anything special. With Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint, Robbie Coltrane, Ian Hart, Alan Rickman, Richard Harris, and Maggie Smith. 2001.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; ENCINITAS 8; 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)

Impostor — An identity question is posed. (Is Spencer John Olham a weapons scientist or is he an alien replicant with a bomb for a heart?) A chase ensues. And continues for the duration. Frenetic direction by Gary Fleder, in a dark blue fog. With Gary Sinise, Madeleine Stowe, Vincent D'Onofrio, Mekhi Phifer. 2002.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

In the Bedroom — A dealing-with-tragedy movie (a summer romantic idyll turned violent) with dangerous tendencies toward a Lifetime Channel original. But first-time director Todd Field proves himself to be a true director, cunning in his omissions, his obliqueness, his attention to off moments, his focus on marginal details: the family photos in the D.A.'s office, or the jingling of coins in the D.A.'s pocket during an impromptu conference on the street. He can also be a trifle pedantic: the military action figure given as a birthday present by a hot-tempered father, or the bedtime reading of *The Wyeths* to supplement the Wyeth-esque landscape of the film. (It's set in Maine, the heart of Wyeth country.) Field, of course, was already known as an actor (*Ruby in Paradise*, *Eyes Wide Shut*, et al.), and it is thus hardly surprising that he should strive to carve out human-sized roles for which his cast — Tom Wilkinson, Sissy Spacek, Marisa Tomei, Nick Stahl, Richard Mapother, William Wise — would



A Beautiful Mind

be grovellingly grateful. Spacek, alone of them, belongs to that rare subspecies of actor who never seems to be acting, and who thus never seems to exhaust or recycle her repertoire, and who thus never wears out her welcome. For her particular role, the viewer can thus be as grateful as she is. 2001.

★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius — Animated children's fantasy with the voices of Martin Short and Patrick Stewart, directed by John Davis.

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Joe Somebody — Nothing much. A white-collar cog becomes a sudden celebrity when he challenges the company bully to a rematch. Occasion for sitcom moralizing ca. 1959. With Tim Allen, Julie Bowen, Hayden Panettiere, Kelly Lynch, Patrick Warburton, and Jim Belushi directed by John Pasquin. 2001.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Kate and Leopold — Time-travel romance (or in the words of the whiz-kid

Cupid who makes it happen, "a 4-D pretzel of kismatic inevitability") uniting a Type-A Manhattan career woman and a 19th-century British duke, who tumbles through a time-portal into the present day. The matching of Meg Ryan — tossing around and peering through a grass-skirt haircut — with Hugh Jackman almost transforms it into an older-woman-younger-man thing, to boot, but that only underscores the novelettish swoony-mooniness of it. (All that perky, plucky, ditz, daffy stuff of Ryan's has doubtless gotten a little old. It got there a little ahead of Ryan herself.) The woman's chosen career, market research, sanctions a satirical dig at modern filmmaking practices — "You people with your tests!" fumes the movie's actual director, James Mangold, in a cameo. "You're sucking the life out of American cinema!" — but this comes ill

from a movie which itself is pure manipulation and massage. Liev Schreiber, Breckin Meyer, Natasha Lyonne. 2001.

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The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring — Dr. Tolkien's home-cooked myth. First course only. All manner of visual invention, photographic trickery, computer magic, etc., cannot alter what is in essence an overblown bedtime story. They can only blow it up bigger. And the burden of it is more or less tripled by the knowledge that these three hours are just a third of it. Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen, Ian Holm, Viggo Mortensen, Sean Astin, Liv Tyler, Cate Blanchett; directed by Peter Jackson. 2001.

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The Majestic — An apolitical blacklisted screenwriter (Jim Carrey, pining after the Oscar that got away) hits the road to nowhere, drives off a bridge into the river, knocks his head, and wakes up on the beach with amnesia, right outside a California town where he happens to be a dead ringer for a WWII casualty — son of the local theater owner — whose body happened never to be found. Talk about convenient! After that, it's a soggy slog through lost-love tearjerking, postwar flag-waving, anti-McCarthy piety, nostalgia for small towns and old movies and neon. Sort of a chopped salad of *Hail the Conquering Hero*, *The Return of Martin Guerre*, *Guilty by Suspicion*, *Cinema Paradiso*, and (explicitly) *The Life of Emile Zola*. The man with two false fronts — neither a commie



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nor a war hero — is buried in false sentiment. Director Frank Darabont’s only degree of restraint (there’s no quota on nose-to-the-screen closeups) is to cut it half an hour shorter than the three hours of his *Green Mile*. With Martin Landau, Laurie Holden, David Ogden Stiers, James Whitmore, Bob Balaban, Ron Rifkin. 2001. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HARBOR DRIVE IN; LA JOLLA 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Man Who Wasn’t There — The first Coen brothers film to disappoint. That’s not to say it’s not good, certainly not to say it’s not even as good as their first, *Blood Simple*, when there could be no expectations and so no disappointment. The brothers have not suddenly lost their touch. They do for Billy Bob Thornton what they did with George Clooney in *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* and Tim Robbins in *The Hudsucker Proxy*, namely make an unpalatable actor palatable, largely by gifting him with an interesting and well-written character, in this case a morbidly withdrawn barber employed in his brother-in-law’s shop in post-WWII Santa Rosa, and a would-be ground-floor investor in a new-fangled enterprise known as dry cleaning. (It’s delightful how this term doesn’t just trip off the actors’ tongues, but

falters as if in a foreign language.) Where the Coens lit fires under the cool Clooney and Robbins, they throw a muzzle over the usually unbridled Thornton. Open and gabby enough in his first-person narration (“Me, I don’t talk much” and “Me, I don’t like entertaining”), he is practically catatonic in demeanor, allowing us to study and appreciate the Edward G. Robinson plushness of his lips, the Walter Huston boniness of his skull, not to mention the aerodynamic crimp in his toupee. (The barbering details, particularly the live illustrations of men’s hairstyles from the Butch to the Flattop to the Executive Contour, are precious but few, and are never as compelling as the barber’s dark inner thoughts on his profession: shorn hair as a form of human waste.) A mostly morose, spasmodically winking pastiche of James M. Cain, the film has the artistic detachment we expect of the Coens — always happy to put words such as “Wop,” “Nip,” “Heinie,” and “pansy” into the mouths of their characters, even the more sympathetic ones — and it has, in some measure, the ingenuity of plotting we expect as well. (The hero’s money-raising scheme: to blackmail his wife’s lover anonymously for the affair he secretly suspects.) Yet there is something unexcitingly *déjà vu* — Eng. trans., *been there, done that* — about the spiralling way in which the plot goes awry, and something

hand-me-down about the roundabout way (straight from the Cain fields) in which justice ultimately gets done. Then, too, the suspicion arises that the novelty of the brothers’ first essay in black-and-white was supposed to make up for any lack of freshness and originality elsewhere. And the black-and-white, at least the daytime black-and-white, no matter how “appropriate” or “correct” (or pedantic or obvious) a choice it was for a period *film noir*, looks a little pale, a little milky, a little washed-out. Frances McDormand, James Gandolfini, Michael Badalucco, Jon Polito, Tony Shalhoub, Scarlett Johansson. 2001. ★★ (LA PALOMA, FROM 1/18)

A Matter of Taste — French psychological thriller, with Jean-Pierre Lorit and Bernard Giraudeau, directed by Bernard Rapp. (KEN, 1/18 THROUGH 24)

Monsters, Inc. — Plump and rubbery computer animation prefaced by a refreshingly retro (ca. 1960) two-dimensional title sequence. Safely recommendable to any child up to the age of five, and less safely as his age increases. The whole premise of a parallel universe of monsters making nightly forays into our own universe, bottling the screams of children for fuel, all the while shivering in

terror of the children themselves, is insufferably condescending to monsters and truckling to children (“Kids these days, they just don’t get scared like they used to”). And the “salute” to the master of stop-motion animation, Ray Harryhausen, in the form of Harryhausen’s Sushi Bar, seems more an insult, a passing wave to the covered wagon from the window of the jetliner. The sheer industriousness of it all — the cranking-out of gags, the copious visual detail, the dam-bursting rush of the action — would be easier to applaud, easier to link up with old-time Looney Tunes, if the artwork were easier to look at. Instead of, for instance, a pop-eyed and beer-

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bellied Bigfoot dyed green with purple spots, a one-eyed pea with twiggy limbs, a Jabba the Hutt in a doorman’s vest and bowtie. Only the slithering crossbreed of chameleon and mantis approaches the tolerable. And each of these, in any case, is overpowered by the overfamiliar speaking voice of John Goodman, Billy Crystal, James Coburn, and Steve Buscemi, respectively. Is there some inherent handicap in computer-animation programs to manacle the draftsman? Or is it simply the marketing necessity to co-ordinate efforts with the toy manufacturer? Directed by Pete Docter. 2001.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Not Another Teen Movie — Another teen movie. A crass, tacky spoof after the fashion of *Scary Movie*, but really just a pot calling a kettle.... With Chyler Leigh, Chris Evans, Jaime Pressly, Mia Kirshner, Randy



Jimmy Neutron

Quaid; directed by Joel Gallen. 2001.
● (HORTON PLAZA 14; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM

PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

Ocean's Eleven — Superdeluxe remake of a Rat Pack lark of 1960: a happy-go-

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CENTRAL

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DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15
701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400)
Ali (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 2:15) 4:05, 5:15, 7:00, 8:20, 10:05; Sun.-Mon. (1:10, 2:15) 4:05, 5:15, 7:00, 8:20, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:10, 2:15, 4:05, 5:15) 7:00, 8:20, 10:00; **Gosford Park** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:25) 4:20, 7:30, 10:20; Sun.-Mon. (1:25) 4:20, 7:20, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (1:25, 4:20) 7:20, 10:10; **How High** (R) Fri.-Mon. (2:00) 4:45, 7:05, 9:20; Tue.-Thu. (2:00, 4:45) 7:05, 9:20; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Mon. (1:05, 3:00) 5:00, 6:55, 9:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:05, 3:00, 5:00) 6:55, 9:00; **Joe Somebody** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 4:50, 10:25; Tue.-Wed. (4:50) 10:25; Thu. (1:10); **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:45, 3:10) 4:30, 5:45, 7:00, 8:15, 9:45; Sun.-Mon. (1:45, 3:10) 4:30, 5:45, 7:00, 8:15, 9:30; Tue.-Wed. (1:45, 3:10, 4:30, 5:45) 7:00, 8:15, 9:30; Thu. (1:45, 3:10, 4:30, 5:45) 7:15, 8:15, 9:30; **The Majestic** (PG) Fri.-Wed. (1:40) 7:20; Thu. (3:15) 9:50; Mul-

holland Drive (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:55) 7:10, 10:10; Sun.-Thu. (1:00, 3:55) 7:10, 10:05; **Ocean's Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:35) 4:35, 7:15, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (1:35, 4:35) 7:15, 9:45; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20, 2:30, 3:20) 4:40, 5:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:40, 10:30; Sun.-Mon. (1:20, 2:30, 3:20) 4:40, 5:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:40, 10:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:20, 2:30, 3:20, 4:40, 5:30) 7:30, 8:30, 9:40, 10:20; **The Shipping News** (R) Fri.-Mon. (1:15) 4:30, 7:25, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 4:30) 7:25, 10:05; **Spy Game** (R) Fri.-Mon. (1:30) 4:25, 7:35, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:30, 4:25) 7:35, 10:15

Horton Plaza 14
475 Horton Plaza (619-234-8602)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 12:10, 3:10, 4:20, 7:00, 7:35, 10:05, 10:35; **Behind Enemy Lines** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:50, 5:05, 10:20; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 12:00, 12:30, 2:40, 3:40, 4:10, 6:20, 7:00, 7:30, 9:40, 10:10, 10:45; **Brotherhood of the Wolf** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 12:20, 2:50, 3:50, 7:05, 7:40, 10:15, 10:50; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 11:15, 2:30, 5:45, 9:10; Tue. 11:15, 2:30; Wed.-Thu. 11:15, 2:30, 5:45, 9:10; **Impostor** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:20, 7:50; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:15, 4:00, 7:15, 10:00; **Monsters, Inc.** (G) Fri.-Sun. 10:55, 1:10, 3:30, 5:40; Mon. 10:55, 1:10, 3:30; Tue.-Thu. 10:55, 1:10, 3:30, 5:40; **Not Another Teen Movie** (R) Fri. 8:00, 10:25; Sat. ; Sun. 8:00, 10:25; Mon. ; Tue.-Thu. 8:00, 10:25; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:10, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:40, 2:10, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:40, 1:40, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40

LA JOLLA

Cove
7730 Girard Avenue (858-459-5404)
Gosford Park (R) Fri. 5:00, 8:00; Sat.-Mon. (2:00) 5:00, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. 5:00, 8:00

La Jolla 12
8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)
Black Hawk Down; **Snow Dogs**; **Orange County**; **Vanilla Sky**; **Ocean's Eleven**; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone**; **Monsters, Inc.**; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring**; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius**; **Ali**; **A Beautiful Mind**; **Kate and Leopold**; **The Majestic**
La Jolla Village
8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831)
Amelie (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:15, 10:00; Sat.-Mon. (10:55) 1:40, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:40) 4:20, 7:15, 10:00; **In the Bedroom** (R) Fri. (2:10) 5:05, 8:00; Sat.-Mon. (10:35) 2:10, 5:05, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. (2:10) 5:05, 8:00; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri. (1:55) 4:30, 7:25, 10:15; Sat.-Mon. (11:05) 1:55, 4:30, 7:25, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:55) 4:30, 7:25, 10:15; **The Shipping News** (R) Fri. (1:25) 4:05, 7:00, 9:55; Sat.-Mon. (10:45) 1:25, 4:05, 7:00, 9:55; Tue. (1:25) 4:05, 9:55; Wed.-Thu. (1:25) 4:05, 7:00, 9:55

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18
10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700)

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MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18
7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. 12:50, 4:00, 7:05, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. 1:20 (4:15) 7:10, 10:15; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Mon. 12:10, 3:45, 7:00, 10:30; Tue.-Thu. 1:35 (5:00) 8:25; **Behind Enemy Lines** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. 2:15, 5:10, 7:45, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. 2:10 (5:25) 7:55, 10:25; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri. 12:30, 3:10, 3:50, 6:30, 7:15, 9:50, 10:35; Sat.-Sun. 11:45, 12:30, 3:10, 3:50, 6:30, 7:15, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. 1:25, 2:15 (4:50) 6:35, 8:15, 9:45; **Gosford Park** (R) Fri.-Mon. 12:15, 3:30, 7:10, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. 1:55 (5:10) 8:20; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 12:05, 3:25, 7:15, 10:35; Tue.-Thu. 1:50 (5:15) 8:30; **How High** (R) Fri.-Mon. 2:35, 5:00, 7:25, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (5:30) 7:35, 9:55; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Mon. 12:45, 3:05, 5:20, 7:30; Tue.-Thu. 2:20 (4:35) 7:05; **Joe Somebody** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 12:10; Tue.-Thu. 2:05; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. 1:50, 4:50, 7:40, 10:45; Tue.-Thu. 1:45 (4:45) 7:35, 10:20; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri. 12:25, 3:00, 4:25, 7:00, 8:25, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 12:25, 3:00, 4:25, 7:00, 8:25, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. 1:15, 2:00 (4:55) 6:30, 8:35, 9:50; **The Majestic** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 7:05, 10:20; Tue.-Thu. 7:20; **Monsters, Inc.** (G) Fri. 2:00, 4:30; Sat.-Mon. 11:40, 2:00, 4:30; Tue.-Thu. 1:40 (5:05); **Ocean's Eleven** (PG-13) Fri. 2:05, 4:45, 7:35, 10:00; Sat.-Mon. 11:20, 2:05, 4:45, 7:35, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. 1:55 (4:40) 7:25, 10:05; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri. 1:20, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sat.-Mon. 11:10, 1:20, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. 2:25 (5:35) 7:45, 10:00; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri.-Mon. 12:00, 2:40, 5:15, 7:55, 10:30; Tue.-Thu. 1:45 (5:10) 7:50, 10:25; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri. 1:00, 3:25, 5:50, 8:15, 10:40; Sat.-Mon. 11:00, 1:00, 3:25, 5:50, 8:15, 10:40; Tue.-Thu. 2:30 (5:20) 7:40, 10:10; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Mon. 1:05, 4:10, 7:20, 10:40; Tue.-Thu. 1:30 (4:30) 7:30, 10:30

Hazard Center 7
7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-291-7777)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri. 12:10 (4:05) 7:05, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. 12:10, 4:05, 7:05, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. 12:10 (4:05) 7:05, 10:05; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri. 12:00, 12:30, 3:45 (4:15) 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 12:30, 3:45, 4:15, 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 12:30, 3:45 (4:15) 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:45; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri. 12:20 (4:20) 7:15, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 12:20, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:20 (4:20) 7:15, 10:00; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri. 12:00 (4:00) 7:45; Sat.-Sun. 12:00, 4:00, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:00 (4:00) 7:45; **Ocean's Eleven** (PG-13) Fri. 12:25 (4:10) 7:10, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. 12:25, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. 12:25 (4:10) 7:10, 10:10; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri. 12:15, 2:25 (4:30) 7:20, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. 12:15, 2:25 (4:30) 7:20, 10:20

Mission Valley 20
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
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Cinerama 6
5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:05, 3:50) 7:30, 10:20; Mon. (12:55, 3:40) 7:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:05, 3:50) 7:30; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:25, 7:05, 10:00; Mon. (1:00) 4:30, 8:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:20, 4:25) 7:05; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 4:20, 7:10, 10:10; Mon. (12:30) 4:15, 7:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:30, 4:20) 7:10; **How High** (R) Fri.-Sun. 9:15; Mon. 7:50; Tue.-Thu. 7:30; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:10, 3:05) 5:15, 7:15; Mon. (12:05, 1:55, 3:50) 5:45; Tue.-Thu. (1:10, 3:05, 5:15); **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:15) 4:45, 8:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 4:45) 8:15; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 7:55, 10:05; Mon. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:15, 9:25; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 3:30, 5:45) 7:55

Ken
4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909)
A Matter of Taste (Not Rated) Fri. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Mon. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Tue.-Thu. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Amelie (R) Fri. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 9:55; Sat.-Mon. (10:30) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55; Tue. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 9:55; Wed. (1:15) 4:15, 9:55; Thu. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 9:55; **Charlotte Gray** (PG-13) Fri. (1:25) 4:25, 7:25, 10:05; Sat.-Mon. (10:35) 1:25, 4:25, 7:25, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:25) 4:25, 7:25, 10:05; **The Devil's Backbone** (R) Fri. (4:35) 10:10; Sat.-Mon. (10:40) 4:35, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (4:35) 10:10; **The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition** (G) Fri.-Thu. (1:35) 7:35; **In the Bedroom** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; **Kandahar** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 9:50; Sat.-Mon. (10:45) 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 9:50

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1875 El Prado (619-238-1233)
Amazing Journeys (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00; Mon. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00; Tue.-Thu. 1:00, 3:00; **Bears** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Sun.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; **Journey Into Amazing Caves** (Not Rated) Fri. 8:00; Sat. 11:00, 8:00; Sun. 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 5:00

lucky, jolly-good-fellows, high-tech, clean-as-a-whistle casino heist, with a star-studded cast (Clooney, Pitt, Damon, Julia Roberts, Andy Garcia, Carl Reiner, Elliott Gould, Don Cheadle, Bernie Mac, Casey Affleck, Scott Caan). There are sellouts, to be sure, and then there are sellouts, and Steven Soderbergh’s philosophy apparently holds that if you’re going to be one, you might as well be a big one. Bigger than he was in *Erin Brockovich*, bigger than in *Traffic*. The biggest. (The original was directed by the man who had made *All Quiet on the Western Front* and *Of Mice and Men*, so there’s an immediate precedent.) Maybe the stigmatization of a Vegas fat cat — “This guy is as smart as he is ruthless” — makes it easier for Soderbergh to look at himself in the mirror, but it doesn’t make it easier to look at the screen. Fat cats are plentiful there. 2001.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; 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; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Orange County — Confused-teen-crazy-

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 4:00) 7:15, 10:20; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:00, 10:15; **Behind Enemy Lines** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 3:50) 7:20, 9:55; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 12:45, 3:30, 4:15) 6:50, 7:30, 10:00, 10:45; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 4:20) 7:30, 10:40; **How High** (R) Fri. (12:10, 2:30, 4:55) 7:35, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (4:55) 7:35, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:55) 7:35, 9:55; **Impostor** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 5:00) 10:05; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 2:45, 4:50) 7:10, 9:30; **Joe Somebody** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:45, 5:15) 7:45, 10:25; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 4:00) 7:05, 10:00; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 1:30, 4:15) 6:30, 8:00, 10:15; **The Majestic** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 3:30) 6:50, 10:10; **Monsters, Inc.** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:20, 4:40); **Not Another Teen Movie** (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:40) 7:35; **Ocean's Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 4:10) 7:10, 9:50; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:15, 4:30) 7:50, 10:10; **The Penny Promise** (G) Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 2:30); **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:30, 5:00) 7:25, 9:50; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 3:40) 7:05, 10:25

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Grossmont Center
Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:25) 4:20, 7:15, 10:10; Mon. (1:10) 4:05, 7:00, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (1:10, 4:10) 7:00, 9:50; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 3:40) 7:30, 10:40; Mon. (12:45, 3:50) 7:10, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 4:05) 7:05, 10:10; **Gosford Park** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:35) 4:35, 7:35, 10:30; Mon. (1:05) 4:10, 7:05, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:05, 4:15) 7:10, 10:10; **In the Bedroom** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:40) 4:40, 7:40, 10:35; Mon. (1:25) 4:20, 7:15, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (1:25, 4:20) 7:15, 10:10; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Mon. (12:30, 2:40) 5:10; Tue.-Thu. (1:30, 3:35, 5:35); **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 3:35) 7:10, 8:30, 10:45; Mon. (11:50, 3:25) 7:25, 8:30; Tue.-Thu. (1:20, 5:00) 7:40, 8:40; **Ocean's Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:50) 4:30, 7:20, 10:15; Mon. (1:50) 4:40, 7:20, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 4:40) 7:20, 10:00; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:15, 3:30) 5:40, 7:45, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 3:30, 5:40) 7:45, 9:55; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 4:50, 7:25, 10:25; Mon. (1:45) 4:50, 7:35, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 4:50) 7:35, 10:05; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:25) 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Mon. (11:30, 2:00) 4:30, 7:30, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:30, 9:50

world comedy, fairly formulaic (a gallery of stereotypes, a splash of gross-out, a dab of sentiment, an instructive moral), notwithstanding the genuflections to Fine Literature. Agile comic turns by Jack Black, Catherine O’Hara, Lily Tomlin, and John Lithgow. But the romantic leads, Colin Hanks and Schuyler Fisk, bear so strong a resemblance to their real-life thespian parents — Tom Hanks and Sissy Spacek, respectively — that they have a hard time staking their own claim. The director, Jake Kasdan, is the son of the director of *The Big Chill*, *Silverado*, *I Love You to Death*, *Grand Canyon*, *French Kiss*, etc., but outside of an uncredited token appearance by Kevin Kline, the resemblance is not so apparent. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; 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; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Porn Star: The Legend of Ron Jeremy — Unpenetrating piece on a



Kate and Leopold

stubby, chubby, hairy veteran of the adult (as it flatters itself) film industry. Probably

more than you want to know, and yet (once you’ve made the commitment) less, too.

Directed by Scott J. Gill. 2001. ● (KEN, THROUGH 1/17)

Grossmont Trolley

8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
Ali (R) Fri.-Mon. 7:10, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. 9:45; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Mon. (1:00) 4:10, 7:15, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (2:05, 5:10) 8:20; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone** (PG) Fri.-Mon. (12:35, 3:50) 7:05, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (2:10, 5:35) 8:45; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Mon. (12:45, 2:40) 4:35; Tue.-Thu. (2:35, 5:20) 7:10; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri. (12:50) 4:05, 7:00, 9:55; Sat. (12:50) 4:05, 9:55; Sun.-Mon. (12:50) 4:05, 7:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (2:20, 5:25) 8:10; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (12:30) 4:15, 8:30; Tue.-Thu. (2:00, 5:30) 9:20; **The Majestic** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 7:00, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. 9:30; **Monsters, Inc.** (G) Fri.-Mon. (2:10) 4:25, 7:10; Tue.-Thu. (2:30, 5:15) 7:25; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Mon. (12:30, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (2:25, 5:05) 7:15, 9:35; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Mon. (2:30) 5:00, 7:25, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (2:15, 5:30) 8:15

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)
Black Hawk Down; **Not Another Teen Movie**; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring**; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius**

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

555 Broadway (619-338-4214)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 7:15; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 12:30, 3:45, 7:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 12:30, 3:45, 7:00; **How High** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:00; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 4:00, 8:15; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:45, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)
Black Hawk Down; **Snow Dogs**; **Orange County**; **Impostor**; **A Beautiful Mind**; **Vanilla Sky**; **Not Another Teen Movie**; **Ocean’s Eleven**; **Behind Enemy Lines**; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone**; **Monsters, Inc.**; **The Lord of the Rings**; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius**; **Joe Somebody**; **Ali**; **How High**; **Kate and Leopold**; **The Majestic**

Rancho Del Rey 16

1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 4:20) 7:25, 10:30; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Thu. 6:55; **Be-**

hind Enemy Lines (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:15, 10:10; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 12:30, 3:05, 4:30) 7:10, 7:55, 10:20; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 3:00) 6:35; **Impostor** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:35) 10:05; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 2:40, 4:45) 7:20, 9:30; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 4:10) 7:05, 9:50; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 1:30, 4:15) 6:15, 7:50, 9:55; **The Majestic** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:05; **Monsters, Inc.** (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:55); **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 3:00) 6:50, 9:40; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:40, 2:25, 2:50, 4:35, 5:10) 7:00, 7:30, 9:35, 10:25; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:45, 10:15; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:30, 5:00) 7:35, 10:00; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:10) 6:45, 9:55

Vogue

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436)
Monsters, Inc. (G) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 3:45, 7:30; **Shallow Hal** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:35, 5:30, 9:30

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado (619-423-2727)
Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392)

Behind Enemy Lines; **The Majestic**

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:25) 4:20, 7:05, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (2:10, 5:10) 8:00; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:55) 7:15, 10:25; Mon. (12:45, 3:55) 7:15, 10:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:40, 4:50) 8:15; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:10) 4:15, 7:20, 10:20; Mon. (1:10) 4:15, 7:20, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (2:30, 5:25) 8:25; **How High** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:45, 3:50) 5:55, 8:10, 10:10; Mon. (1:45, 3:50) 5:55, 8:05, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 3:50, 5:55) 8:20; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:30, 9:25; Mon. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:40, 9:30; Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 3:40, 5:30) 7:20; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 3:30) 7:00, 10:30; Mon. (12:10, 3:35) 7:00, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 4:40) 8:05; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:00) 5:00, 7:50, 10:15; Mon. (2:00) 5:10, 7:50, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (2:20, 5:00) 7:40; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:35, 3:40) 5:45, 8:00, 10:05; Mon. (1:35, 3:40) 5:45, 8:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (2:00, 3:55, 5:50) 8:10; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:55) 5:20, 7:40, 9:55; Mon. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:40; Tue.-Thu. (1:25, 3:35, 5:40) 7:50

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri. 1:30, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 10:30, 1:30, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Mon. 10:30, 1:30, 4:45, 7:45; Tue.-Thu. 1:30, 4:45, 7:45; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.

1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mon. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; Tue.-Thu. 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri. 12:30, 2:45, 5:00; Sat.-Mon. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00; Tue.-Thu. 12:30, 2:45, 5:00; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 7:15, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 7:15; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 4:00, 8:00; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri. 1:45, 4:30, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:00, 9:45; Mon. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:00; Tue.-Thu. 1:45, 4:30, 7:00; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Mon. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Tue.-Thu. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri. (1:15) 4:15, 7:25, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:15) 4:15, 7:20, 10:20; Mon. (1:15) 4:15, 7:10, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 4:15) 7:10, 10:05; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 7:00, 10:00; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri. 12:45, 1:30, 3:55, 4:45, 7:15, 8:15, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 12:30, 1:30, 3:45, 4:45, 7:15, 8:15, 10:30; Mon. 11:30, 12:30, 2:40, 3:40, 5:45, 7:05, 8:50, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. 12:45, 1:30, 3:45, 4:45, 7:05, 8:05, 10:05; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone** (PG) Fri. (12:30, 3:40) 6:45, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 3:30) 6:45, 9:55; Mon. (12:20, 3:30) 6:45, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (12:30, 3:40) 6:45, 9:50; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri. (12:50, 2:50) 4:55; Sat.-Mon. (12:15, 2:20) 4:55; Tue.-Thu. (12:50, 2:50, 4:55); **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:40) 4:20, 7:10, 9:55; Mon. (11:05, 1:40) 4:20, 7:10, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:10, 9:55; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri. (12:55) 4:30, 8:30; Sat.-Mon. (12:45) 4:30, 8:30; Tue.-Thu. (12:55, 4:30) 8:30; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 4:40, 7:25, 10:10; Mon. (11:15, 1:45) 4:40, 7:25, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 4:40) 7:25, 9:55; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:40; Mon. (11:10, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:40; Tue.-Thu. (1:10, 3:20, 5:30) 7:40, 9:40; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:35, 7:45, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:10, 7:45, 10:15; Mon. (12:00, 2:40) 5:10, 7:35, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (2:40, 5:10) 7:35, 10:00; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri. (12:35, 3:00) 5:10, 7:30, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; Mon. (11:00, 1:20, 3:50) 6:15, 8:30; Tue.-Thu. (12:40, 3:00, 5:20) 7:30, 9:50; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:30, 7:35, 10:25; Mon. (1:25) 4:30, 7:05, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (1:20, 4:30) 7:05, 9:45

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (10:45, 1:45, 4:45) 7:45; **Ali** (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 7:15; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 1:00, 4:15) 7:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (10:00, 1:00, 4:15) 7:30; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15, 2:45) 5:00; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:30) 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:30) 5:15, 8:00; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 3:30, 4:30)

7:30, 8:30; **The Majestic** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 3:15) 7:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 3:15) 7:00; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 1:15, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (10:15, 1:15, 4:00) 7:00; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

626 Main Street (760-789-3422)

Ocean’s Eleven; **The Lord of the Rings**

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)

Call theater for program information

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (760-599-8221)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 4:30, 8:15; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:00, 7:00; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri. 3:20, 6:30, 9:30; Sat.-Mon. 12:30, 3:20, 6:30, 9:30; Tue.-Thu. 4:30, 7:30; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri. 3:30, 6:45, 9:50; Sat.-Mon. 12:15, 3:30, 6:45, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. 4:40, 7:40; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri. 3:45, 7:45; Sat.-Mon. 12:00, 3:45, 7:45; Tue.-Thu. 4:15, 7:50; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri. 4:45, 7:15, 9:40; Sat.-Mon. 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:40; Tue.-Thu. 5:00, 8:00

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

12905 El Camino Real (858-646-9420)
Ali (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 7:00; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri. 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri. 2:30, 4:30; Sat.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:30; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri. 3:45, 7:45; Sat.-Thu. 11:45, 3:45, 7:45; **Ocean’s Eleven** (PG-13) Fri. 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:45; **Orange County** (PG-13) Fri. 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30; **The Royal Tenenbaums** (R) Fri. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Snow Dogs** (PG) Fri. 12:45,

The Royal Tenenbaums — Not just a dysfunctional family; a determinedly, unrelentingly oddball, eccentric, wacky, weird, kooky, cracked family; but only a rarely and very mildly funny family. (None of this deters Gene Hackman, as the long-absent head of the clan, from his normal excellence.) Wes Anderson, the director, favors frontal and centered compositions, or frontal and symmetrical ones — the visual equivalent of hammer blows. (Nailing down, if nothing else, the sameness and monotonousness of it all.) And no scene would be complete without a musical selection from the eclectic soundtrack: Ravel to Vivaldi, the Ramones to the Beach Boys, Dylan to Nico. With Anjelica Huston, Gwyneth Paltrow, Ben Stiller, Luke Wilson, Owen Wilson, Danny Glover, Bill Murray. 2001. ★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Shallow Hal — A high-concept low comedy from the Farrelly brothers, Peter and Bobby. The concept, which might from these filmmakers pass for sensitivity, enables the babe-chasing hero (Jack Black, a serviceable Joe Blow) to see the inner

3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Vanilla Sky** (R) Fri. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15

Flower Hill 4

2430 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (10:45, 1:45, 4:45) 7:45; **Gosford Park** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (10:00, 1:00, 4:00) 7:00; **In the Bedroom** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (10:30, 1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Kate and Leopold** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 2:15) 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:15, 2:15) 5:15, 8:00

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 12:40, 4:25, 7:30, 10:25; Mon. 12:40, 4:25, 7:30; Tue.-Thu. 12:40 (4:25) 7:30; **Black Hawk Down** (R) Fri.-Sun. 12:15, 4:00, 7:20, 10:30; Mon. 12:15, 4:00, 7:20; Tue.-Thu. 12:25 (4:00) 7:20; **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 12:30, 3:45, 7:00, 10:15; Mon. 12:30, 3:45, 7:00; Tue.-Thu. 12:20 (3:45) 7:00; **Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius** (G) Fri.-Sun. 12:20, 2:45, 5:00, 7:25, 9:30; Mon. 12:20, 2:45, 5

Calendar MOVIES

beauty of the people around him after he has spent a short time in a stalled elevator with “that TV guru guy,” Tony Robbins (as himself). This hocus-pocus, rather than opening any doors to issues of sexual politics, much less any doors to sensitivity, opens a door only to issues of internal logic. Inner beauty, in order not to overcomplicate or redefine the topic, proves to have as narrow a range as the hero’s notion of outer beauty. In most cases, it looks exactly like the supermodels, calendar girls, starlets, and mannequins he was chasing at the outset, regardless of whether the outer person more closely resembles a horse or a hippo. (Doesn’t anyone’s inner beauty have any chinks in it? Doesn’t anyone have any inner hideousness?) His sense of touch apparently can’t tip him off to the true contours of the outer person (“The brain sees what the heart wants it to feel”), but an article of clothing that appears to him as a



A Matter of Taste

Size 4 will be revealed, when removed, in all its tentlike splendor. This doesn’t tip him off, either. The hero is sometimes able to

see the inner beauty of men as well (GQ types), but prior acquaintances in his life, from his pudgy best bud to the brunette hottie across the hall, look just the same as before. At one point, and only one, it is

suggested that the apple of his eye (Gwyneth Paltrow, a snooty sort of beauty) is herself capable of seeing inner beauty without the help of Tony Robbins, although this seems to mean that she has

no idea of the actual age of a prune-faced co-worker. Possible complications are explored no further than the doorsill. 2001. ● (VOGUE)

The Shipping News — From the E. Annie Proulx novel about a widower named Quoye who returns with his daughter Bunny to his Newfoundland roots, and becomes (among other things) the ace reporter on a local rag called *The Gammy Bird*. A tall tale, a dark tale, a droll tale, arch, sardonic, grotesque, gaudy, absurd, odd, occult, unnatural — loaded, in short, with the hallmarks of contemporary Serious Fiction. Kevin Spacey (acting like a half-wit), Cate Blanchett (acting like a cream tart), Judi Dench (acting crusty), and Julianne Moore (acting with an accent) invest it with some of the traits of Serious Cinema as well. Sample: the hero’s aunt shows up unannounced on the day of his wife’s accidental death, close on the heels of his parents’ double suicide, and she pilfers his father’s — her own brother’s — ashes, replacing them in the urn with ordinary fireplace ashes, so that she can take them home in a plastic bag, dump them down the outhouse potty, and piss on them. (She has her reasons, it turns out. They involve revenge for incest. Lasse Hallstrom, the earthy director, is the one who also made *The Cider House Rules*: a thematic pattern develops.) With Scott Glenn, Pete Postlethwaite, Rhys Ifans. 2001. ● (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Snow Dogs — Sled-race comedy with Cuba Gooding, Jr., and James Coburn, directed by Brian Levant. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; 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; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 1/18)

Vanilla Sky — Cameron Crowe follows up his most “personal” work, the semi-autobiographical *Almost Famous*, with the umpteenth Hollywood remake of an art-house import, Alejandro Amenábar’s science-fiction brain-twister, *Open Your Eyes*. The most personal ingredient here, aside from the selection of oldies on the soundtrack, appears to be the latex mask worn by the intermittently disfigured Tom Cruise, looking in it uncannily like the horse-faced writer-director: a rather literal enactment of a storyteller’s desire to live vicariously through his glamorous, gorgeous, girl-getting hero. (The star and director had worked together before on *Jerry Maguire*.) Still and always a crowd-pleaser above all, Crowe is at some pains to elucidate the obscurities: the commentative and mood-setting pop songs; illustrative cutaways to help explain and emphasize; continual repetition to allow slowpokes to keep pace; much overacting. (How does Penelope Cruz, reprising her role from the Spanish original, feel about her first kiss from Tom? Perhaps there’s a clue in her bouncing up and down on the couch after his departure, her squealing like a teenager at a Beatles concert, her running-in-place at sprint speed.) At bottom — and at the root of Hollywood’s ongoing plunder of European cinema — this is for people who need Tom Cruise and no subtitles in order to sit through a foreign film. Cameron Diaz, Jason Lee, Kurt Russell. 2001. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; 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)

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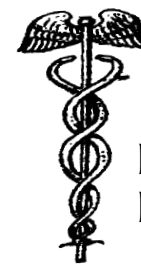
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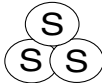
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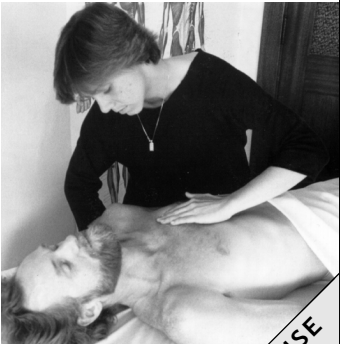
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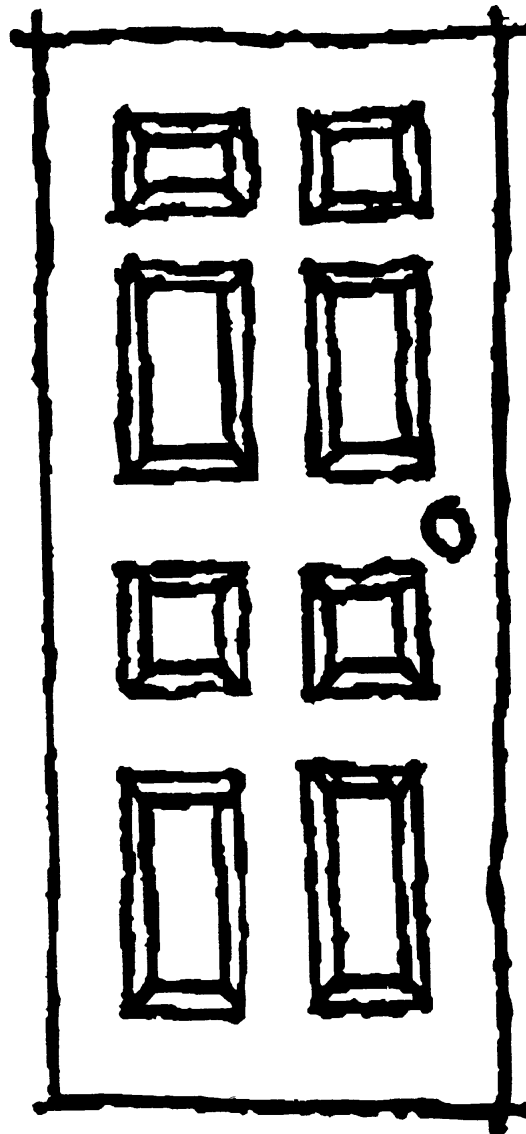
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A.R.E./EDGAR CAYCE program: "Tame the Clutter Madness," 2/3, 1-3pm. Your outer environment reflects your internal world—How? La Jolla Village Square Community Room. 619-669-0331 or www.arepacificsw.org.

ABSOLUTELY SAFE YOGA Therapy-presentation by Jaruska Solyova. Taste immediate benefits! Friday, January 18. La Jolla Cove Bridge Club, 1160 Coast Blvd. 5pm. 858-456-9964, solyoga@yahoo.com.

ADDICTION PROBLEMS? Women for Sobriety is a non-12-step self-help program meeting Monday, Wednesday, Saturday. 858-549-3533 or www.womenforsobriety.org.

ALLERGY PROBLEMS? You are not alone. Share stories/information about allergies/asthma with those who can relate. Kleenex optional. Thursday nights, 7pm. 619-283-6368.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL works for human rights. Meetings: 7pm, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, First Unitarian Church, 4190 Front (opposite UCSD Medical Center). Information, 858-576-3811.

ART THERAPY. Individuals, couples, children, families. Effective treatment for broad range of issues. Specialization in grief/loss, bereavement, traumatic loss. Mission Valley. Lisa Falls, ATR-BC, 619-295-2787.

ASCENSION CLASS. Open house 1/27 at 4pm. Go from Victimhood to masteryhood. Join us and find out how this class has brought profound changes to its students' lives. Phone Barbara. 619-465-8801.

AURA HEALINGS. Healing night. Aura healings, chakra balancing. The Church of the Earth and Sky in Vista. 760-631-7900.

BE A FOSTER PARENT. Share your heart and home. County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency. Foster Home Licensing. Call toll-free, 877-792-KIDS.

BHAGAVAD-GITA CLASSES by a Vedic scholar, 8:15-9pm, following an international vegetarian feast, Monday-Thursday. Hare Krishna Temple, 1030 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-9389.

BIBLE PROPHECY MUST READ! www.geocities.com/ynh369—Introduction missile defense spiritual warfare. Copy with Internet Explorer immediately before site closed. Needs wisdom, courage, humility, face truth.

BISEXUAL? GAY? LESBIAN? Unsure? Friendly group meets monthly, 2nd Tuesday, 7:30pm for discussion, support, social interaction. Community Church, 115 Thorn, Hillcrest. 858-452-2474.

CAN'T FALL ASLEEP? Men/women, 20-65, having trouble falling asleep needed for study of effects of herbal supplement on insomnia. Receive \$100 upon completion. Noha Farag, MD. 619-543-5831.

CAN'T STOP EATING? Can't stay on a diet? Food Addicts Anonymous has a solution. No dues or fees. 619-220-1330 or http://hometown.aol.com/faascig/myhomepage/club.html.

CHANGE A CHILD'S LIFE! Parents and families needed. Provide healing homes for youth. Compensation, training. 24-hour support and guidance. Open your heart and your home to a child. New Alternatives, lic-370602760. 858-278-1137.

CHILDREN/TEENAGERS with depression. UCSD study offering nondrug treat-

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CONCERNED UNITED Birthparents welcome birthparents, adoptees, and adoptive parents to our monthly support group meetings. CUB information, 619-685-7673 or www.CUBirthparents.org.

CREATE A POSITIVE future for San Diego. Mentor a child before or after school. To volunteer, call Mentor San Diego, where the future begins, 858-831-0434.

DEBTORS ANONYMOUS. Do you have problems with debt, overspending, credit card use? There is a 12-step program that can help you! Call today, 619-525-3065.

EARN \$80/5 HOURS. UCSD/VA study of decision making. Looking for healthy male, English speaking volunteers, ages 25-50, without mental health problems. 858-552-8585 x5374.

FELLOWSHIP OF OLDER GAYS (FOG). Social club, full calendar of activities. Free strictly confidential information. PO Box 4271, San Diego 92164-4271. 619-298-1388 or 619-702-4586. www.geocities.com/westhollywood/park/9411.

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FREE DEXA SCAN. Are you 65 years or older? Have you or someone you know been diagnosed with breast cancer in the last 4 months? You may be eligible for free body scan. 858-822-1001.

FREE MEDITATION CLASSES: Find perfect harmony in an imperfect world through meditation. Every Saturday, noon, Ocean Beach Women's Club, 2160 Bacon Street. 858-831-1770. info@meditationsandiego.org.

FREE PSYCHIC READING/healing clinic. February 4, March 4, April 1, Mondays, 7:30pm, by students in Vessa's Clairvoyant Program, 4305 Gesner #200. 858-715-9445.

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HEAL FROM THE HURT. DivorceCare is a special seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. Call for more information, 619-222-4673 x204.

HERPES AND COLD SORES: San Diego City HELP is a self-help support group. We offer support and accurate medical information. For recorded information, 619-491-1194.

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LOST SOMEONE TO DRUGS? GRASP, Grief Recovery After Substance Passing, free support for family/friends. 3rd Saturday monthly, 4720 Kensington Drive. For times: 619-656-8414, mom@jennysjourney.org.

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE. The Guardian Angels need volunteers to stop crime and violence in the community. Free martial arts training. 619-507-8753.

MEDITATION. Mondays, Tuesday, and Thursdays, 7pm, Saturdays, 11-30am. Free classes. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue, Suite 303, Ocean Beach. 858-616-6308 or www.dharmacenter.com.

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NAR-ANON FAMILY GROUPS. If you have a family member or loved one with a drug problem, we can help. 12-step fellowship program. 858-492-8720.

NARCOLEPSY SUPPORT GROUP. Meeting is January 25th, 6:30pm at the Schatzel Center, Scripps Memorial Hospital complex. Please call or leave message at 858-623-3222 or 858-657-0550.

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PERSONALS

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ST. JUDE. Thank you for all your answered prayers. AC.

THANK YOU Holy Spirit for prayers answered. All.

MATCHES

SHARED INTERESTS

FRIENDSHIP. Female, 49, North County, seeking lasting friendship, honest, trustworthy male/female. Fishing, ocean, boating, travel, walks. Good conversationalist, sense humor, nonjudgmental, patience, into life. (1/30) 20718

FRIENDSHIP. Fun, smart, happy female, 32, looking for the same for going out, exercising, beach, dining, etc. Easygoing, platonic friends only. Single moms a plus. (1/30) 20719

FRIENDSHIP. Are you a lady who is a good conversationalist and would like to enjoy weekly walks with a retired gentleman from NYC? (1/30) 20720

FRIENDSHIP. Female, 30, new to San Diego, looking for females/males for coffee, foreign movies, sports, events and meeting other people. (1/30) 20722

FRIENDSHIP. Female seeking platonic gal pals for visiting at home, movies, restaurants, music and emotionally supportive conversation. No kids but moms welcome. 37, El Cajon. (1/30) 20723

FRIENDSHIP. Female pals sought by sometimes mature, always outgoing female for conversation, shopping, exercising or walking, meeting men, whatever. Be 50+, nonsmoker. Let's chat. (1/30) 20738

LUNCH PARTNER, female, to follow the trail left by Naomi Wise. With retired downtown guy. (1/23) 20627

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MATCHES

WOMEN SEEKING MEN

LOOKING FOR A NONSMOKER, affectionate, attractive, caring, honest, fit, romantic gentleman. Me: Hispanic single mom, 5'7", 147lbs., brown eyes, blonde hair. No games. (1/30) 90779

ASIAN, SEXY, SULTRY, sensational, exotic, healthcare professional, 5'3", 115lbs., childless homeowner. You're fit, successful, nonsmoker, generous white professional. 35-53. Let's enjoy food, music and more... (1/30) 90788

I'M A 28-YEAR-OLD female, long brown hair, 5'2", 150lbs., round in all the right places. Looking for a good time. (1/30) 90743

ME: SINGLE, WHITE FEMALE, 40; pretty, independent, unencumbered. Seeking companionship and laughs, dressed up or down, indoors or out. You: Employed, hip, with a clue. (1/30) 90744

CLASSY, PROFESSIONAL, European lady, 47, slim, 5'8", very outgoing, seeking professional, classy, African-American gentleman, 45+, for friendship, maybe more. (1/30) 90756

TRIM, ATTRACTIVE LADY seeking non-smoking gentleman for dance classes. If more develops, fine. If not, we'll have fun dancing! Take a chance. 50+. (1/23) 90707

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ATTRACTIVE, HISPANIC LADY, 40s, independent, physically fit, tall, slim, old-fashioned values, seeking independent, well-grounded man for romance, golf, bicycling, movies. (1/30) 90747

CLASSY, ATTRACTIVE, ROMANTIC, sexy, fit, intelligent, educated, financially/emotionally secure lady, professional, seeks tall, healthy, handsome, educated, financially/emotionally secure, white man, 43-53, relationship. (1/30) 90758

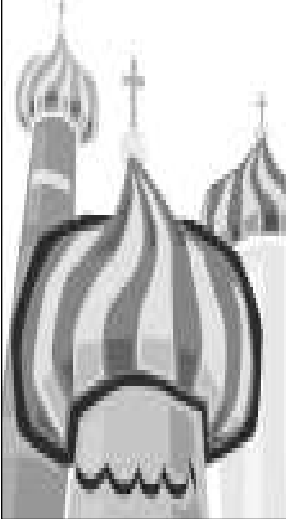
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SOCIABLE, FUN, FIT, adventuresome, pretty, late 30s (looks late 20s) seeking honorable, mindful gentleman for friendship/relationship. Self-confident, trustworthy, relaxed, reasonably happy, soulful, appreciative. (1/30) 📞90721

ATTRACTIVE SINGLE PARENT, North County, active, financially secure, light brown hair, blue eyes, 31, seeking male, attractive, good job, affectionate, thoughtful, likes to communicate. 27-41. (1/30) 📞90737

FIT TRAVELER SOUGHT BY slim, petite, attractive woman, 55, working in the arts. Let's explore interesting places, enjoy a glass of wine and quiet moments. (1/30) 📞90745

FEEL LIVE POETRY, know big family, love justice. Me: Doing Ph.D., 32, 5'4", 130lbs., no kids yet. You: 30s, big hearted, sensual, critical thinker, stable. (1/30) 📞90724

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HUSBAND, 28-48. Financially secure. Listener, emotionally aware, liberal. No smoking, alcohol, drugs, pets, children. Dancing. Laughing. Petite, playful, peaceful, honest, vegetarian. Want/give a lot. (1/30) 📞90768

ATTRACTIVE, ATHLETIC, well educated, fun, creative, early 40s, look younger. Love current music, outdoors, dry humor, dogs. Looking for guy with same interests and values. (1/23) 📞90706

A CUTE GOLFER, ORIENTAL, 5'5", 115lbs., fun, eclectic, humorous, intelligent, loving, caring, passionate, pretty, seeks 5'8"+, 38-48, fit, loving, nonflirter, caring, sensitive, very successful; relationship. (1/23) 📞90698

LONELY PLANET TRAVELER: If you're happy with yourself, this altruistic, active, adventurous, optimistic, hiker, 50+ white female seeks loving, trusting, exclusive, symbiotic, mutually nurturing relationship. (1/23) 📞90710

SEEKING FRIENDSHIP FIRST. 50s+ dancer, music, dinner, movies, beach, camping, sports; young at heart. Me: 50s, warm, caring, attractive, fun, energetic, optimistic, interesting, baggageless Christians. (1/30) 📞90725

YES, LIFE IS EXTRAORDINARY! 43, attractive, curvaceous, 5'7". Share love, authentic communication, fitness, community, nature, fun, endless possibilities! Share life with me, friend/life partner. (1/30) 📞90776

GRINGA EVANGELICA professional busca equivalente caballero. Que tenga 26-34 anos, sea generoso, honesto, humilde, chistoso, ambicioso, romantico, bilingue, culto. Soy rubia, alta/delgada, ojos azules. (1/23) 📞90715

BALANCED, WITTED, attractive, 39, fit, white female, positive outlook, outdoorsy, humorous, workouts. Love animals, travels; emotionally and financially stable, soulful; same in a man, 36-45. (1/30) 📞90741

ATTRACTIVE, MULTICULTURAL seeks attractive, tall, African-American, witty, funny, bald, 35-45, intelligent. Me: Black hair, brown eyes, 5'4", 130lbs., divorced, no kids, pretty, professional. Friendship. (1/23) 📞20588

EUROPEAN, COSMOPOLITAN, attractive, sexy, athletic, health conscious, inter-

ested in a masculine gentleman, 45-60, who desires to share the wonderful things that life has to offer. (1/30) 📞90729

PASSIONATE, PLAYFUL PISCES seeks attractive, intelligent, outgoing professional. I'm 5'8", 124lbs., 40ish; live healthy, physically active lifestyle; in love with life; wishing to share with special gentleman. (1/23) 📞90714

HOTTIE WANTED! You: Good-looking, nice body, white, 21-34, 5'11"+. Fire-fighter/cop extra plus! Me: Pretty, brunette, beautiful legs, passionate, sensual, fun, exciting! (1/23) 📞90689

BROWN-EYED GODDESS conserving positive energy for right man! You are emotionally/financially secure, honest, humorous, affectionate, attractive, 6'+, 33-40ish, nonsmoking, monogamous Dad. And more... (1/23) 📞90702

ASIAN, CLASSY, SWEET, open-minded, seeks thoughtful, honest, athletic, white, 30s, college educated, 5'10"+, 185lbs., slim, sense of humor, sports, animal lover, childless, genuine personality. (1/30) 📞90763

SURFER, SKIER, 35+, TALL. You appreciate nature, music, dance, fireplaces. Me: 40+, exotically younger looking, ethnic blend, smiling outdoor honey. Buddies, friends, confidants, compatibility. (1/30) 📞90734

EUROPEAN EDUCATED, GORGEOUS, petite. Seeking successful, stylish, nonreligious, loyal, truthful, passionate, decisive, compassionate man; sports, friendship, no previous kids, 36-46, 5'9"-6'1". No Republicans. (1/23) 📞90705

BEAUTIFUL, SEXY, BLACK female professional, 51, enjoys concerts, plays and jazz. Seeking passionate, romantic, gentle black man, 40-63, looking for that special lady. (1/23) 📞90718

WHERE ARE YOU? You're black, tall, easygoing, stable, 45-55, nonsmoker. No games. Me: Latin cutie, 45, secure, ready, willing, able to pursue life's amazing possibilities. (1/30) 📞90740

ART LOVER! JOYOUS, emotionally mature, woman-of-depth. 5'4", 165lbs., classy brunette, 49, enjoys spiritual growth, communication, easygoing, stability. Seeking male counterpart, age 45-55. (1/30) 📞90757

I AM FUN, INTERESTING, love to bicycle, walk Torrey Pines; enjoy reading, Bach, jazz, opera. I need a compassionate, understanding, financially secure, athletic guy, 45-55. (1/23) 📞90683

33, HISPANIC FEMALE seeking a new boyfriend. Be 5'10" or taller. I don't ask for much. Just be nice and I will give you the same respect back. (1/30) 📞90759

FORMER CINDERELLA who finally gets it! Seeking white professional, humorous, compassionate, gentle, loving, 50+ male. Be 6+, enjoy and respect life. I'm ready and waiting. (1/30) 📞90780.

CLASSY, ATTRACTIVE, intelligent, 27-year-old black female, great smile, seeks affluent, caring, generous, much older white male for a mutual satisfying friendship. (1/23) 📞90708

OPEN CASTING: Zany, brainy, adventurous, spiritual, dependable—mosaic of Harrison Ford, Tigger and Ghandi? Leading lady: Rubenesque, redhead, 5'4", 41. Totally improvisational production starts soon! (1/30) 📞90781

COOL, INTELLIGENT, genuine lady for a man who has already found himself and knows what he wants in his life. (1/30) 📞90766

ATTRACTIVE BLONDE professional, 5'8", 125lbs., 52, seeking intelligent, enjoyable, comfortable, handsome, wonderful guy. Single dad? Terrific! Asking a lot? How about just a wonderful guy? (1/30) 📞90789

SEEKING BRAVE-HEARTED troubadour. Disillusioned, 50, original flower child looking for like-minded soul for expatriate life in Costa Rica or Panama Archipelagos. Beach peace. (1/30) 📞90790

PETITE BLONDE PROFESSIONAL, 41, seeks emotionally/financially secure gentleman who can make me laugh. Concerts, romantic dinners, walks, movies and a shared love of dogs. (1/23) 📞90694

BEACH LOVER LOOKING FOR another white professional, nonsmoker, childless; beach walks, bonfires, barbecues, movies; easygoing. Let's not stay home alone another night. Friends or more. (1/30) 📞90731

WHITE, ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, 5'1", successful, stable, brown/brown, unencum-

bered. Looking for white, single, reliable, caring, honest, good-looking gentleman, 45-60, to share quality times. (1/30) 📞90783

PRETTY, BLONDE, YOUTHFUL, fit 40s. Seeking 5'10"+, college degreed, professional. Health conscious, active; like outdoors, hiking, sailing, dogs, bike riding. Nightlife, music, dancing, traveling, laughing. (1/23) 📞90684

MOORISH-AMERICAN woman, 47, com-passionate, Scorpio, voluptuous, seeks affectionate gentleman with secured lifestyle of Cristal Champagne, 4-star dining; wanting exclusive monogamous relationship. Race unimportant. (1/30) 📞90749

NEW YEAR, NEW FRIEND, new love. Attractive redhead, 40s, outgoing, dining, movies, sports, weekend getaways. Seeking tall, outgoing, secure, romantic, fun-loving for endless possibilities. (1/23) 📞90712

ADVENTURESOME, CREATIVE brunette, 36, down to earth, loving, humorous. Enjoy travel, music, theatre, gourmet cooking. Seeking kind, intelligent, expressive, professional, family-oriented man of integrity, 38-45. (1/30) 📞90736

ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE seeks male for romantic companionship. Must be honest, monogamous and have multiple interests/hobbies. Nonsmoker preferred. Race open. (1/30) 📞90761

BROWN-EYED GIRL, 40, looking for love or good conversation. Height/weight proportionate and want same. Hopeful romantic. Integrity, happiness, spirituality high on my list. (1/30) 📞90767

SINGLE MOM PREFERS MAN, 29-39. I am 5'7", green eyes, Irish, pretty, independent, outgoing, personality, sense of humor. Must like animals. Social drinker. (1/23) 📞90687

BIG WITH SEXY CURVES! Handles well! Seeking male, 25-45, for outdoor adventures and romance. Let's travel and explore life's possibilities. Take a chance! (1/23) 📞90690

FUN, VIVACIOUS, GOOD SENSE of humor, gorgeous eyes, great skin, pretty, 40s blonde seeks 40s-early 50s pal; chatting, dining, dancing, adventure, great times. (1/30) 📞90730

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? (1/30) 📞90777

LOVELY, EDUCATED, 46-year-old desires attractive, spontaneous gentleman. Enjoy sports, outdoors and movies. No smoking. (1/30) 📞90753

PRETTY, SLIM, ACCOMPLISHED partner dancer seeks attractive male counterpart. Trim, 5'9"+, 40-55, fun loving. Also enjoy plays, movies, interesting restaurants. (1/23) 📞90713

NO BALD, INADEQUATE WOLF wanted. Quit your job and rat race! Self-employed homeowner. Sexy, passionate nature lover. May all good things come to you! (1/30) 📞90726

HIPPIE, GYPSY. BRUNETTE, 32, 5'9", medium build. Dig: Joplin, Floyd, Jim Carrey, Coen Brothers, animals, nature, unpretentious people. You similar? Smoker OK. Can you dig? (1/30) 📞90755

LIFE IS GOOD, Shapely, active, cuddler, 40s, 5'8". Seeking tall, hairy, romantic rogue, funny, kind, gallant, genuine, strong, seasoned, active, fit, adventurous, articulate, adorable, solvent. (1/30) 📞90782

NONDISTRESSED DAMSEL, 39, 5'8", seeks chivalrous and have multiple interests/hobbies. Nonsmoker preferred. Race open. (1/30) 📞90761

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WHITE MALE PROFESSIONAL, 30-37, is sought by attractive black female, 30, for long-term relationship. My interests are movies, amusement parks, fine dining, travel. (1/30) **☎**90772

ATTRACTIVE SINGLE MOM, 32, with a loving heart, seeks a down-to-earth gentleman to date that is attractive and caring, honest. No drugs. (1/23) **☎**90677

HAPPY, ATTRACTIVE BLONDE, 43, white, seeks well-adjusted white man with a job, a brain and a spine. Kids OK. Are you there? North County. (1/30) **☎**90760

JUST ANOTHER AD. Slim, devilish, fun-loving blonde wants to meet you. For possible friendship, maybe more. You be 37-47, happy and honest. Coffee? (1/30) **☎**90778

WOMAN TO WISH FOR. Beautiful, friendly, upbeat personality. Seeking attractive, nice, kind gentleman with great, friendly, outgoing personality, for friendship first. You won't be sorry! (1/30) **☎**90784

EXOTIC BEAUTY QUEEN. Honor integrity, high morals, educated, artist, model, dancer, gourmet cook, never married. Seeking handsome, fit, quality gentleman, 37-53. Never married; military plus. (1/23) **☎**90703

ITALIAN-AMERICAN, ITALIAN at heart, good-looking, petite, shapely, open-minded, fun-loving, seeks man, 50ish, secure, to enjoy the finer things in life. (1/23) **☎**90691

HAPPY, ACTIVE, RETIRED designer desires to meet retired gentleman. Golf, dining, music, theatre, walks, travel. 5'3", blonde, green eyes. (1/30) **☎**90733

GORGEOUS-LOOKING LATINA, 5'4", 118lbs., affectionate, adventurous, fit, good sense of humor. You: Very handsome, 5'11"+, 42 to 46, successful, honest, sense of humor. (1/23) **☎**90676

LOOKING FOR A REAL MAN, not afraid of commitment. 31, auburn hair, 5'11", 140lbs. Mom of great kids. Love outside. Love time with/without kids. (1/30) **☎**90751

WHITE MILITARY MAN, I want you! Full-figured, attractive, black female seeks white man in uniform; fun times, great memories. Let's make great memories together. (1/30) **☎**90750

SPORTS NUT, KIND, LIKES travel, photography, architecture, walks on beach. 22, 5'9", slim, blue eyes. You: Taller than me, athletic, caring, sense of humor, nonsmoker. (1/23) **☎**90717

JEWISH, 49 YEARS OLD, attractive lady, divorced, looking for a sincere gentleman for a serious relationship. Enjoy cooking, movies, dining out, walks and intimate moments. (1/30) **☎**90735

NO DECEITFUL WOLF ALLOWED. Want clean, honest man for love and adventure, motor home, travel, music, dance, laughter. Petite country girl, pretty, sensual, fun, wild. (1/30) **☎**90728

BOOKS, BEETHOVEN, BANTER! Life, love, laughter! Independent, active, thoughtful, interesting mind. 58, 5', 125lbs., nonsmoker wants to share mind, body, soul, with compatible man. (1/23) **☎**90716

VERY PRETTY REDHEAD with streamline figure seeking lots of laughs and fun times with 58+, 5'10"+, huggable, snuggable, lovable hunk. Please, no baggage. (1/23) **☎**90673

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION. Ever gaze into your angel's eyes? Love life/laughter, books, camping. Seeking one man, professional, sincerity. Looking for possible long-term relationship. (1/23) **☎**90675

YOU'RE THE ONE: 42-54, Caucasian, nonsmoker. I'm 51, 5'6", brown/brown, size 14, larger frame. Looking for humor, dreams; gentle man to explore life together. (1/30) **☎**90754

JEWISH, 62, DARK BLONDE, long hair, green eyes, very feminine shape, 5'2", 125lbs., look 40s, M.A. degree. Interests are arts, Judaism, travel, movies, dining out. (1/30) **☎**90739

MARGARITAS, TATTOOS OK. Outdoor activities, sports, ethnic restaurants. Me: 30s, 5'3", professional, brunette, cute, responsible; music; no college degree, sense of humor. Let's go out. (1/23) **☎**90699

ONE DIEGO LADY WANTS one Diego guy. I am intelligent, funny and independent with a nice body, big brown eyes, chocolate complexion and great smile. (1/30) **☎**90773

COWBOY WANTED! No skinny, poney, dirty, feminine, fake cowboy. Play hard, camp, nature, waterfalls, excitement. Want a real man, not a sissy, wolf-type baby. (1/30) **☎**90727

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WHITE MALE, 6'2", attractive, seeks female. Age and race open. Looking for fun and intimacy? Dinners, dancing, travel, music, romance, humor; someone you will remember. (1/23) **☎**20604

LIKABLE, 43, MALE looking for female companion who enjoys sports, movies, walks, children. Looking for friendship with possible relationship in the future. (1/30) **☎**90775

BEHOLD, PHYSICIAN, 42 EARTH years, seeking tall, beautiful woman to explore the galaxy with. Star date early 21st century to include music, travel, adventure, discovery. (1/30) **☎**20703

LOOKS OF IRISH HOOLIGAN THUG (36 years/6'4"/200lbs.), mind of stealth street-wise punk, heart/loyalty of White Knight... sometimes good guys don't wear white! (1/23) **☎**20599

GOLF PROFESSIONAL ready to settle down but not settle. 38, 5'11" 170lbs., great shape, no baggage, attractive, fun. You: Attractive, great shape, 24-36, fun. (1/30) **☎**20698

HANDSOME, CHARMING, successful executive, 50s, centered, romantic, jeans to tux, 5'8", eclectic. Seeking, classy, sophisticated, stylish, sensual, passionate, well-educated, fit lady, professional. 35-55. (1/30) **☎**20704

BODY BY PITT, smile by Dreyfuss, heart by Peck, funnybone by Cleese, c'est moi. You: Andie's warmth, Joan's zaniness, Helen's heart, Katherine's passion. Or? (1/30) **☎**20713

TALL, PASSIONATE professional, 6'4", 50. Dancing, sailing, skiing. Emotionally available, appreciative, playful, creative, well educated, open minded, intelligent, energetic, adventurous, spiritual. Seeking spiritual woman. (1/30) **☎**20673

STYLISH DAD; fresh out of a long-term relationship, good looking, fit and adventurous world traveler. Enjoy dressing fashionably and going to happy hour. (1/30) **☎**20659

OLDER WOMAN, YOUNGER MAN. Attractive white male, 45, professional, well built, athletic, seeks very attractive woman, 60-65, for romantic relationship. North County. (1/30) **☎**20725

BLOND, TALL, HANDSOME, athletically and musically inclined 48 seeks attractive, physically, fit, late 30s-early 40s into good conversations, romance. (1/23) **☎**20606

DO YOU LIKE HILLCREST Cinema films? 30, tall, fit, attractive, dark features, funny, adventurous, caring, thoughtful, educated, homeowner. Likes: Arts, humor, indie films and music. (1/30) **☎**20734

SEARCHING FOR DANCE partner/nice lady for activities or lifelong soul mate.

Christian gentleman, 50s, with old-fashioned values and beliefs. Are you out there? (1/30) **☎**20668

DEVELOPING A MEANINGFUL, monogamous, together relationship is all this 52-year-young, nice guy is searching for! Is this still possible? Take a chance? (1/23) **☎**20641

BIG, TALL, 41-YEAR-OLD white male. Quiet, perceptive and loyal. Interested in attractive, fit woman for possible long-term relationship. (1/30) **☎**20697

AFRICAN-AMERICAN sought, 25-40, attractive, fit, healthy lifestyle by white professional, attractive, kind, sincere, caring, passionate, loving, good sense of humor. Let's start 2002 together! (1/23) **☎**20592

ASIAN PRINCESS, 20-35, sweet, attractive, affectionate, loving, wanted for relationship. Me: 43, 5'11", 165lbs., athletic, scientist, good sense of humor, family-minded, homeowner. No baggage. (1/23) **☎**20610

WHITE MALE, 39, LOOKS 30, 5'8", 138lbs., green/brown, honest, caring, sensitive, educated, funny, seeks soul mate in 18-45, height/weight proportionate, nonsmoking, childless female. (1/23) **☎**20636

MOUNTAIN MAN SEEKING Wrangler Jane. Must enjoy tent camping, motorcycle, hiking, Western exploration. Be semi-fit and fun. I'm 39, childless, quiet but adventurous, parrothead. (1/30) **☎**20701

HELP, HELP! White male, 48, 5'6", 140lbs., brown/brown, seeks attractive, open-minded, passionate 30-45. Canned heat a plus! Possible long-term relationship. East County. (1/30) **☎**20664

Tired Of California

White male, 45, good looking, starting new life. Looking for real friend to travel across states. Let's find new love, home, a true companion. Love outdoors, adventure on open hearth. (1/23) **☎**20634

LAST GENTLEMAN IN SAN DIEGO: White male, 34, fit as a whip, a hip wit, seeks lass with intellectual pulse, happy, dancing, feet, warm eyes. (1/30) **☎**20732

NORMAL HEIGHTS HOMEOWNER, 54, retired, giant garden gnome, smokes, drinks, eats red meat; intelligent, humorous, mellow; seeks proportionate lady, daytime adventures, romance, long-term relationship. (1/23) **☎**20617

HUGGABLE AND FIT, SLIM, 5'8", 40s, college graduate, many interests. Seeking sweetheart, kind, caring, sincere. (1/30) **☎**20662

LOVE MUSIC? ARTS? Financially secure, advanced degree, fit, semiretired, excellent health, handsome, affectionate, sensual, passionate. Seeking trim, passionate, touching, feeling, affectionate, 45+ female. Very selective. (1/23) **☎**20619

SINCERE, GENUINE, loyal, funny golf professional seeks athletic, fun, down-to-earth, lovable woman between 29-46 for good times and intimate moments. (1/30) **☎**20687

HELLO, EVERYBODY. It's 2002. Call this ad and this chef will make dinner for two. 29-50; for romantic evenings, dancing, movies, beach. Let's get together. (1/23) **☎**20578

SENSITIVE DOCTOR, 38, handsome, tall, blue eyes, fit, mellow, humorous, compassionate, Jewish, plays three instruments; enjoys reading, concerts, intelligent conversation; seeks one sensitive, intelligent female. (1/23) **☎**20621

BALANCED, UNCOMBERED, educated, professional, athletic, 51, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social, Midwest values. Seeking compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (1/23) **☎**20579

CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST MALE, 35, looking to date a Christian Scientist female, 21 through 40, no games, sincere, faithful, loving; long-term relationship, slender, loving! (1/30) **☎**20716

26, DOWN-TO-EARTH, employed, athletic, intelligent, humorous, handsome, nondrinker/smoker seeks female, 23-29, intelligent, sense of humor; enjoys arts, travel, for dating, intimacy, etc. (1/30) **☎**20705

IF YOU ARE INTELLECTUALLY brilliant, looking to have some fun and laughs, especially motivated by strong, independent and positive inspiration, let's do lunch and connect. (1/30) **☎**20710

JAZZ, MOZART, PUCCINI, Renoir, Rodin, Italian opera/cuisine, The New Yorker. Slim gentleman seeks slim lady for loving, caring, sharing relationship with a chemistry. (1/30) **☎**20665

SINGLE DAD WITH LITTLE girl, 4 years. 45 years, 5'10", 170lbs., blond/blue, Chula Vista. Seeking lasting relationship with loving, caring, easygoing, thin woman. (1/23) **☎**20582

ATHLETIC ASIAN-AMERICAN. 5'10", 40s, young looking, attractive, fit, fun, witty, multitallented, successful. Need Asian to share life, sports, travel leading to long-term relationship. (1/23) **☎**20637

LOOKING FOR A PUNK rock girl. (1/23) **☎**20643

BLACK MALE SEEKING FEMALE. Attractive, 5'10", 175lbs., 32. Seeking honest female, 30-45, any race, outgoing, open minded, educated, sensitive, friendly; possible relationship; likes music, movies. (1/30) **☎**20656

6'1", 185LBS., 27 YEARS, handsome Caucasian, vegetarian, atheist. Outdoors, tennis, swimming, social dance. Don't smoke/drink. Looking that special someone of like mind. Race open. (1/23) **☎**20595

SAILING? VIETNAMESE FOOD? Hawaiian sunsets? If any of these interest you, take a chance and call. Guy, 43, looking for someone nice. (1/23) **☎**20589

I MAY BE OLD numerically (75), but sedentary is not in my vocabulary. I'm more active today than 20 years ago. Try me and see. (1/30) **☎**20651

SEEKING SPORTY FEMALE for beach, travel, sports, fitness, movies; for 37, white male for possible long-term relationship. Let's have fun. (1/30) **☎**90774

WAITING FOR YOU! Accomplished, introspective, tall professional, no vices, no kids. Seeking kind female counterpart, 35-50, with nice smile. Integrity, intellect, beauty, all equally important. (1/30) **☎**20686

I LOVE KIDS! Seeking an attractive mom! I'm attractive, fun, intelligent, athletic, humorous, romantic, affectionate, business owner, 6'2", 190lbs., brown/green. Seeking fun, affectionate mom. (1/23) **☎**20594

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ENCINITAS. \$625 includes utilities. Female for quiet room with walk-in closet, private bath. No smoking, drugs, storage. Association pool, jacuzzi, golf. Available now. 760-944-7402.

ENCINITAS. \$550, deposit, 1/3 utilities. Room for rent, 3 bedroom house. Big yard, share kitchen/bathroom. Available 2/1. 1 mile from beach. Call evenings. 760-479-1896.

ENCINITAS. \$500. Shangri-la! Great neighborhood, I-5/beach 1/4 mile. Giant yard, trees, windows, driveway, fireplace, new everything. Customizable room/closet. No pets. Female preferred. 760-753-0509; 619-235-2415, x31381.

ENCINITAS. \$400/month plus 1/2 utilities. High Country Villas. Prefer female, nonsmoker. Clubhouse, pool, golf course, jacuzzi, washer/dryer. References required. No pets. 760-942-7483; 619-235-2415, x20496.

ENCINITAS. \$700 plus deposit. Upstairs master bedroom with balcony, private bath, vaulted ceilings, skylights, in clean, quiet end unit with ocean view/breezes.

Washer/dryer, storage, fireplace, parking, new kitchen. 760-942-2197.

ENCINITAS. \$700 plus deposit. Upstairs master bedroom, vaulted ceiling, balcony, own phone. Walk to beach, ocean view. Washer/dryer. No pets. Smoking OK. 760-753-5822.

ENCINITAS. \$490 plus 1/2 utilities. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 mile from beach. Room not furnished. Female preferred. No pets. Available 1/20. 760-943-8982.

ENCINITAS. \$550, 1/3 SDG&E plus deposit. Male preferred. 4 bedroom home. Great location. Laundry, cable, hardwood floors. Close to all. Have cat. Nonsmoker. 760-436-7015.

ENCINITAS. \$550 plus deposit. 1 bedroom available. Large 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. Fenced yards, garage/carport, washer/dryer. Leave message, 760-634-2654.

ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA. \$525, 1/3 utilities. Large, sunny room in small, quiet beachhouse. Private entrance/phone line. Share bath, walk to beach. Nonsmoking female preferred. 760-436-9446.

ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA. \$575, deposit, 1/4 utilities. Ocean-view house. Room/private entrance, skylight, wood floors. Laundry. Walk Moonlight Beach. No smoking/pets/heavy drinking. 760-944-8400.

ESCONDIDO. \$750. View Lake Hodges. Gorgeous, new, 6000 square foot estate. All amenities. Pool, spa, secluded private paradise. No pets, smoke, drugs. Female preferred. 760-737-9010.

ESCONDIDO. \$450 total. Bedroom/private bathroom. Gated complex with pool, spa, washroom. Minutes from freeways and shopping. Available 2/1. For viewing appointment, call 760-737-6026; 619-235-2415, x17349.

ESCONDIDO. \$600, 1/3 utilities. Master bedroom with private bath available now in beautiful house with fireplace, hot tub, citrus trees and many creature comforts. 760-432-0794; 619-235-2415, x32460.

FASHION HILLS. \$500, includes utilities. Female roommate wanted to share house. Ocean view. Washer/dryer. Private, quiet cul-de-sac. No pets. Star 82, 858-565-7294.

FASHION VALLEY. \$500, 1/3 utilities, deposit. Female to share townhouse. Private bedroom/bath. Garage. No pets. Available 2/1. 619-294-8031.

FASHION VALLEY/USD. \$495. Female. Master bedroom in condo. Pool, jacuzzi. Nonsmoker. Furnished, washer/dryer, parking. Near I-5, I-8, 163. Security patrolled. No pets. 858-278-0241.

GOLDEN HILL. \$500, 1/3 utilities, deposit. Share Victorian house. 1 bedroom available, private entry, own bath, 10-month lease. Washer/dryer, fireplace. Male preferred. 619-239-4662.

GOLDEN HILL. \$475/month. Large bedroom in beautiful Victorian house. Exceptional, common areas, kitchen, washer/dryer, hardwood floors. Shared community. Available 1/31/02. Call Nancy, 619-238-0789; 619-235-2415, x27639.

GOLDEN HILL. \$550, \$300 deposit. Room with view in large, remodeled home. Male or female, nonsmoking, no pets. Cable/

utilities included. Available 2/1. Victoria, 619-239-1864; 619-235-2415, x11758.

GOLDEN HILL. \$450, utilities included. Large, quiet, centrally located, 3 private bedroom apartment, share 1 bath. Street parking. No smoking/pets. Deposit. 619-464-4441.

GOLDEN HILL. \$700. Your own bedroom/bath in gorgeous large Victorian. Nice yard, views. No smoking. Have cats, no more please. Deposit required. 619-544-1531.

HILLCREST. \$850. Share large 2 bedroom, 2 bath custom house, hardwood floors, lots of windows, dining room, living room, veranda, washer/dryer. Available now. 619-804-4141.

HILLCREST. \$500, \$300 deposit. Nice, clean 2 bedroom apartment. Safe, secure building. Off-street parking, washer/dryer. Female only. Nonsmoking/pets in building. 2/1/02. 619-299-3500.

HILLCREST. \$465/month plus deposit, includes gas and water. Female only. Laundry on site, neat, clean. No smoking, drugs or pets. 619-235-2415, x29763.

HILLCREST. \$487.50 plus utilities. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment in downtown Hillcrest. Walking distance to all. Available February 8/9. 619-994-5136.

HILLCREST. 2 rooms \$600 and \$500, utilities included. Share 3 bedroom house. Includes parking spot, close to UCSD Medical Center. No smoking, drugs, pets. 619-726-6370.

HILLCREST. \$550. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment to share. Georgia Street, walk to Henry's/Balboa Park. Quiet neighborhood, view, laundry, new carpet. Cat OK. 619-987-0044.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$450, 1/3 utilities. 3 bedroom house, 1-1/2 bath. Great location. No smoking/pets. Available now. Call for appointment, 619-298-1310.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$475 plus deposit. Large 2 bedroom, 1.25 bath apartment. Balcony, berber, dishwasher, washer/dryer. Secured building. Home theatre, cable modem. Ample room. Jason, 619-318-1292.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$475/month, 1/3 utilities. Room for rent in 3 bedroom house. Washer/dryer, private phone, maid service. No pets or smoking. Walk to beach. Available now. 619-818-4895.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$550. House near ocean. Fireplace, oak floors, master bedroom, tropical landscaping, maid service, laundry, quiet neighborhood, private entry/phone. Female preferred, nonsmoker. 619-423-1713; 619-235-2415, x11194.

LA COSTA. \$600, utilities included. Bedroom available in beautiful condo on golf course. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Washer/dryer. One month security. No smoking. 760-436-7606.

LA COSTA. \$475, 1/4 utilities, \$425 deposit. Available now. Roommate to share 4 bedroom house with washer/dryer, fireplace, garage parking. Share bathroom with female. 619-235-2415, x25340.

LA COSTA. \$695 plus. Master suite with balcony in large house on beautiful 1/2 acre. No smoke/drugs. No more pets. Washer/dryer, cable, fireplace. Garage available. 760-943-9679.

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6. The deadline for placing voice mail ads is Monday at 6 pm; however, print-only ads can be placed until Tuesday at 6 pm by calling (619) 235-8200. All voice mail ads will be placed on the Hotline within 24 hours. So call today! No cancellations accepted.

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8. Advertisers are responsible for checking their Roommate ads for accuracy and reporting errors by 6 pm Monday, following publication. Call (619) 235-8200.

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For questions regarding Roommate ads, call (619) 235-8200, x265.

LA COSTA. Share townhouse. \$675, 1/2 utilities. Private bedroom/bath. Washer/dryer, patio, barbecue, housekeeper, golf course view, gated parking, very clean place in quiet/safe neighborhood. Sorry, no pets. 760-931-8183.

LA COSTA. \$650 plus deposit. 2000-square-foot, 2-floor condo, 2 bedrooms, 3 baths. Fireplace, washer/dryer, pool. 14-1/2x12 master bedroom/bath/deck. Tom, 619-235-2415, x25600.

LA COSTA. \$500 plus 1/3 utilities and cable. Share 2 master bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Washer/dryer. No pets, smoking or drugs. 760-918-9318; 619-235-2415, x23831.

LA COSTA. \$550, utilities, deposit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Quiet neighborhood. Washer/dryer, cable, private phone line. Near shopping/beach. Nonsmoking/pets. Available now. 619-235-2415, x32309.

LA COSTA. \$525, includes utilities. Beautiful 4 bedroom, light-filled home. Fruit trees, vaulted ceilings, quiet neighborhood, great location. Female preferred. No pets. 760-931-7878.

LA JOLLA SHORES. \$990. Less than block from beach. 1 person to share 4 bedroom, 3 bath home. Own bedroom, share bath with female. Fireplace, washer/dryer, parking. Whitewater views. Nonsmoking/drugs. 619-386-1771.

LA JOLLA. \$600, 1/2 utilities, plus deposit. Seeking roommate to share 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath quiet condo. Close to all, washer/dryer, split level, pool, jacuzzi, nice, modern. Have cat. 858-202-1590.

LA JOLLA. \$700/each plus utilities. 2 females, nonsmokers, to share beautiful, sunny, furnished, equipped townhouse. Near UCSD, freeways, shopping, theaters. Patio, pool, jacuzzi. 858-457-7567; 619-235-2415, x24449.

LA JOLLA. \$650. Quiet 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse with one. Near UCSD/shopping. Woodlands North. Tennis, garage, pool. Male/female. Available now. Garth@san.rr.com. 858-453-1884.

LA JOLLA. \$525, 1/2 utilities, deposit. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, 2-story townhouse. Pool, jacuzzi, laundry. Near beach/h-5. Furnished living area. Nonsmoking, drugs, pets. 619-235-2415, x15608.

LA JOLLA. \$650, 1/2 utilities, deposit. Share quiet, clean, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, old beach cottage with ocean view. Prefer nonsmoking female. No pets. 858-456-2508.

LA JOLLA. \$550/month includes utilities. Roommate needed to share 2 bedroom apartment in Downtown La Jolla. 1 block from the beach. David, 858-454-4614.

LA JOLLA. \$1200. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Garage, balcony, laundry, kitchen, pool. Utilities paid. 2 blocks to Tourmaline Beach. La Jolla Blvd. Nonsmoking/pets. 858-454-4556.

LA JOLLA/MT. SOLEDAD. \$795 plus 1/3 utilities. View home, near beach, quiet cul-de-sac, easy parking. Nonsmoker. No pets. Washer/dryer, fireplace. Available now. 858-272-0234.

LA JOLLA/MT. SOLEDAD. \$700. Large 13x18 bedroom, Share million dollar home. Garage negotiable. Washer/dryer, ocean view. No smoking/pets. Credit check required. 858-456-1132.

LA JOLLA/PACIFIC BEACH North. \$650, 1/5 utilities. Available 2/1. Share big ocean view house. Large backyard. Cable Internet access, washer/dryer. 619-235-2415, x32561.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$575, 1/2 utilities. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo in La Jolla Colony. Washer/dryer, garage. No smoking/pets. Available now. 858-385-6578.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$800, \$425 deposit. The Villas of Renaissance. Visit web: <http://www.iac-apts.com/communities/community.asp?i=128>. Luxury master bedroom in 2-story apartment. Walk-in closet, master bath with oval tub,

storage, parking garage. Call immediately, 619-867-7571.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$750, 1/2 utilities, deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Washer/dryer, secured parking, pool, jacuzzi, gym. No drugs, smoking, pets. Available immediately. 858-643-9393; 619-235-2415, x20784.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$675 plus 1/2 utilities, \$500 deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Hardwood floors, vaulted ceiling, balcony, garage parking, pool, jacuzzi, racquetball. Call Karen, 858-457-8544.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$788, 1/2 utilities. Beautiful, dual master bedroom in Costa Verde, pool, gym, washer/dryer, balcony, underground parking. Nonsmoking female please. Elaine, 858-450-1380.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$700, \$100 deposit. Furnished bedroom in house. Includes towels, sheets, utilities. Washer/dryer. Own phone line. Smoker OK. Available 2/1. 858-453-4467; 858-442-4542.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$695/month, 1/2 electric, deposit. Private bath, all amenities plus washer/dryer. No smoking or drugs. Female preferred. Available now. 858-382-5332; 858-450-3442; 619-235-2415, x31972.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$650. Large bedroom in huge 3 bedroom, 3 bath 2-story luxury townhouse, near mall. Washer/dryer, 2-1/2 car garage, pool, jacuzzi, fireplace, 2 decks, big screen TV/surround. No pets/smoking. Eric, 858-455-1291.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$772/month. Female wanted to share dual master bedroom suite condo in upscale complex with amenities. Available 2/1. 858-458-1330.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$690. Charming 2 bedroom townhome with pool, jacuzzi, washer/dryer, 2 cats. Large unfurnished bedroom available. Nonsmoker. Available 2/1. Laura, 619-894-3198.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$637, 1/2 utilities, deposit. Seeking nonsmoking female, share dual-master apartment, washer/dryer. Gated parking, pool, jacuzzi. No pets. Available 2/1. 858-458-1763; 619-235-2415, x21866.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$700-\$800, depending on room. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath house with big yard, washer. 1-1/2 blocks to Windansea. Parking. Pet negotiable. 858-705-3488; 619-235-2415, x13301.

LA MESA, WEST/SDSU. \$550. Share amazing house with view. Private bedroom, garage, laundry, fireplace, home theater, jacuzzi, air conditioning, garden and more. Available now. 619-235-2415, x25067.

LA MESA. \$400 plus 1/3 utilities. Nice townhouse near SDSU, shopping, freeways. Female nonsmoker preferred. Available 2/1. 619-917-6016; 619-667-6674; 619-235-2415, x26718.

LA MESA. \$500, 1/3 utilities. Large, private room, big closet, private patio, great view, freeway close, quiet neighborhood. Share 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Available 2/1. 619-460-3894.

LA MESA. \$500, utilities included. Room in 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Washer/dryer privileges. Close to freeways. Female preferred. Available immediately or 2/1. 619-466-8062; 619-235-2415, x29289.

LA MESA. \$455, 1/2 utilities, \$285 deposit. Room/own bathroom in 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated parking, laundry. Female only. No smoking. 619-460-1786; 619-867-1688.

LA MESA. \$600. Large room with 1/2 bath. Near SDSU. Share 3 bedroom house. Washer/dryer, storage available. Own phone/cable in room. Female preferred. Gary, 619-708-8068.

LA MESA. \$550, 1/2 electricity. Private bedroom/bathroom. Luxury apartment, country setting, pool, jacuzzi, barbecue, air conditioning, laundry, dishwasher, up-

per unit, near lake/SDSU. Female. No smoking, drugs, pets. 619-741-3348.

LA MESA. \$500. Own room in 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Washer/dryer, parking. Nonsmoker please. References. Near SDSU. 619-698-6429.

LA MESA. \$375. One 10'x19' room separated from quiet house. QuickBooks Pro/ high speed Internet. All male roommates. Nonsmoker. No pets. Michael, 619-469-8196.

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LA MESA. \$385 and \$425 includes utilities. Bedroom/private entrance, share bath. Furnished. View home, laundry. Clean, quiet. No pets. Absolutely nonsmoking. After 6pm, 619-465-2487.

LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA. \$450, 1/2 utilities. Share 2 bedroom house. Washer/dryer, home theater, easy access to stores and public transportation. Have dogs. 619-733-8333; 619-235-2415, x12298.

LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA. \$400 including utilities and cable. Deposit required. Room in house. Spa. Female preferred. Nonsmoker. Small pet OK. 619-469-3457; 858-361-4577.

LAKESIDE. \$500 plus deposit. Large bedroom, private entrance available in 3 bedroom, 2 bath. All amenities, washer/dryer, pool, jacuzzi. Nonsmoking/pets. Beautiful mountain view. 619-235-2415, x28104.

LEMON GROVE. \$400/month plus 1/2 electric. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bathroom. Close to Hwy 94. Gated community. 619-286-1194; 619-235-2415, x13358.

LEMON GROVE. \$495, 1/3 utilities, small deposit. Bedroom/own bathroom, large house, washer/dryer, swimming pool, garage, quiet neighborhood, nice area. Easy freeway access. 619-303-2899; 619-235-2415, x31916.

LEMON GROVE. \$425, 1/3 utilities. Nice neighborhood. Female preferred. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Backyard, washer/dryer, patio, parking. No pets. Available 2/5. 619-464-2937.

LINDA VISTA. \$400 plus deposit, 1/3 utilities. Share nice, clean 3 bedroom, 1 bath house in good location with large yard. Days, 858-626-3948; evenings, 858-268-9407.

LINDA VISTA. \$497.50 plus utilities, no deposit required. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 patios, parking, pool with sauna, laundry. Nonsmoking. Call Mark, 858-565-4419; 619-235-2415, x30474.

LINDA VISTA. \$400, \$200 deposit. Room for rent in apartment. Female preferred. Nonsmoking/pets. Easy freeway access, close to shops. Immediately. After 6pm only, 858-715-0149.

MIRA MESA. \$550 plus utilities. Corner house, furnished bedroom, washer/dryer, full kitchen, pool, share bath, all amenities, DSL Internet, phone, full deposit. Available 2/1. 619-235-2415, x23734.

MIRA MESA. \$650 includes cable, 1/2 utilities, \$225 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Pool, jacuzzi, dishwasher, laundry, parking, gym. Female preferred. Available immediately. Debra, 858-695-3935; 619-235-2415, x22645.

MIRA MESA. \$450. Female roommate. Single bedroom, large house, quiet. No pets, no smoking. Washer/dryer, cable, community pool. Includes all utilities. 858-271-1035; 619-235-2415, x10868.

MIRA MESA. \$465. Female only. Private, furnished bedroom/bath. New, quiet home. Laundry. Close to shopping, I-5 and Miramar College. No drugs/smoking. 858-860-6400, x3051.

MIRA MESA. \$475/month. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment to share. Private room with bathroom. Laundry, gym, pool. Near I-15. Male preferred. Available 2/1. 858-547-4440.

MIRA MESA. \$550/month, \$550 deposit. Rent 1 room in 3 bedroom house with 2 males. 1 bath, washer/dryer, small garage, yard. Noah, 619-993-2800; 619-235-2415, x10543.

MIRA MESA. \$390. Own room/share bath. Female preferred. In-house laundry, all kitchen appliances, garage parking. No smoking/pets please. 858-549-8069.

MIRA MESA. \$400 plus 1/4 utilities. Share large 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house. Available now. 858-578-1670.

MIRA MESA. \$510, share utilities. Male. Large, clean, furnished house. Fireplace, cable TV, laundry. No pets, no smoking, light drinking only. 858-578-6385; 619-235-2415, x17367.

MIRA MESA. \$525 first and last, \$300 security. Female only. Share 2 master bedroom condo. Laundry in house, pool and spa nearby. 858-336-1146.

MIRA MESA. \$340. Quiet, furnished, second story room. Washer/dryer, microwave, cable. Nonsmoking, no pets. \$340 deposit, share utilities. 858-278-0952.

MIRA MESA. \$525 plus \$350 deposit. Near Miramar College. Quiet neighborhood. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment to share. Laundry facilities. Parking space. Nonsmoking/pets. 858-693-5869.

MIRA MESA/RANCHO PENASQUITOS. \$700, \$700 deposit, includes utilities. Own bedroom/bath in beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome. Fireplace, washer/dryer, garage, partial use of third bedroom. Pool/hot tub. No smoking/drugs. 858-577-0010, bthorsten@hotmail.com.

MISSION BEACH, NORTH. \$700 plus deposit. Bedroom with balcony available in 4 bedroom condo in Mission Blvd. Ocean/bay views. Available now. Leave message, 858-488-0773.

MISSION BEACH. \$600, 1/3 utilities, deposit. Master bedroom in 3 bedroom apartment. Washer/dryer, parking, bay view, steps to beach. Available 2/1. 858-488-6953.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$875. Oceanfront, on the sand! (Not the boardwalk.) House, 2 patios, washer/dryer, nicely furnished, satellite TV, cable Internet. Male roommate. 619-807-9318; 619-235-2415, x18779.

MISSION BEACH. Room with separate entrance. Furnished or unfurnished. Utilities and cable included. \$575/month. \$600 deposit. 858-488-8891.

MISSION HILLS. \$550. Male/female, share 3 bedroom beautiful townhome, private bathroom, vaulted ceiling, directly off Washington St./I-5. Garage, fenced yard, view. Jay, 858-336-8662.

MISSION HILLS. \$850/month plus deposit. Large room with private bath. Quiet, serene setting. Nonsmoking. Call 858-847-6425; 619-235-2415, x30104.

MISSION HILLS. \$450/month plus utilities and deposit. Share clean, quiet apartment with 2 roommates and 2 small dogs. Own room and bath. Available 2/1/02. 619-235-2415, x16306.

MISSION HILLS, SOUTH. \$600, 1/3 utilities. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with view, hardwood floors, washer/dryer. Seeking nonsmoking female. Call Beth, 619-692-

3538; Rachel, 619-296-4810; 619-235-2415, x25205.

MISSION HILLS. \$600, 1/2 utilities. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, large upstairs apartment. Amazing view, hardwood floors, laundry, fireplace. No smoking/pets. Female preferred. Available 2/1. 619-235-2415, x29511.

MISSION HILLS. \$550 per month. Private studio. Kitchen, patio, courtyard. Fully renovated. Shared bathroom. Full year lease. Kirk, 619-572-2030.

MISSION HILLS. \$575 plus 1/2 utilities, \$300 deposit. Share 2 bedroom with male, have dog. Great view, parking included. Available February 1. 619-291-5143.

MISSION VALLEY. \$680, 1/2 utilities plus deposit. Own room/bath in 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer, fireplace. No smoking/pets. 619-977-7978.

MISSION VALLEY/FASHION VALLEY. \$710, 1/2 utilities. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, luxury, fireplace, underground parking, amenities, washer/dryer, pool, jacuzzi, clean. Nonsmoking. Quiet, deposit. Available 3/1. 619-379-9927.

MISSION VALLEY. \$850/utilities. Share large home with 1 other. Garden room, fireplace, washer/dryer, yard with canyon view, quiet neighborhood. Downtown/beach areas convenient. 619-235-2415, x23706.

MISSION VALLEY. \$640/month plus utilities. Share spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom apartment with 2 females. Call for details. DeAnna or Sara, 619-294-4876.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$450 plus deposit, 1/2 utilities. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath triplex on 34th Street. Mostly furnished, except room. Nice place, laundry. 619-459-1154.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$300 plus utilities. Female preferred to share 3 bedroom house with 2 females. 619-692-2054; peacelovingwoman@cox.net.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$350, plus security. Chemical, smoking and drug free. Bright room, large closet in secure top-floor apartment. Some furniture if needed. Bobi, 619-922-6191.

NORTH PARK. \$450. Great house. 2 bedroom, share bath. Female preferred. 1/2 utilities. Deck, yard, \$200 deposit. 619-255-2534.

NORTH PARK. \$500, share house and utilities, \$400 deposit. Big home/bedroom. Seeking female, share bathroom with female. No pets, have dog. Nice neighborhood. 619-284-9399; 619-235-2415, x16394.

NORTH PARK. \$425/month, 1/2 utilities, \$200 deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath with female. No pets. Near freeways. Available 2/1/02. Please call 619-521-4740; 619-235-2415, x20562.

NORTH PARK. \$500. Share canyon house near Morley Field. 1/3 utilities. Private phone. Washer/dryer, garage, huge terrace, backyard with garden, hardwood floors. First, deposit. Darrell, 619-282-4596.

OCEAN BEACH. \$600, 1/2 utilities, \$200 deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with female. Clean, laundry facility, off-street parking. No pets. Available 2/1/02. 619-523-5460.

OCEAN BEACH. \$500/month, 1/2 utilities, \$475 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Surfers paradise. No smoking, drugs, alcohol. Available 2/7. Leave message, 619-607-7369.

OCEAN BEACH. \$625 plus utilities. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Patio, washer/dryer, off-street parking, hardwood floors. Pets negotiable. 619-523-4173.

OCEAN BEACH. \$590. Roommate to share small 2 bedroom house, 3 blocks to beach, small yard, off-street parking, quiet neighborhood. Available now. 619-252-1175.

OCEAN BEACH. \$695. Room in beautiful 3 bedroom condo. Ocean view, sun deck, laundry. Beach 3 blocks. No smoking, pets, drugs or excessive drinking. 619-246-8560; 619-235-2415, x10022.

OCEAN BEACH. \$430. Share 2 bedroom apartment for month of February, short term or long term. Block to beach. Parking space, clean. No pets. 619-224-4008.

OCEAN BEACH. \$675, 1/3 utilities, \$600 deposit. 1 bedroom in 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Tile floors, big yard, garage. No pets. Available now. 619-222-8464; 619-235-2415, x14130.

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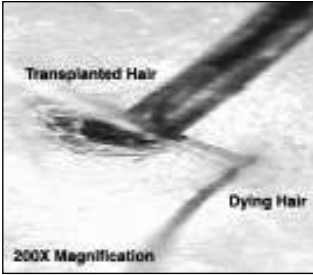
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- It may hang by the neck
- Takes a snooze
- In
- Words said while holding the nose
- Colorado natives
- "Maria ____" (1941 hit song)
- Desertlike
- Kiss from the Godfather of Soul?
- Line on an invoice
- Bank holding
- Sit in on
- The Sorbonne, e.g.
- All-seeing ones
- Reporter's pride
- Iran-contra name
- Gird one's ____
- Nevada resort
- Flammable 60's item
- Tommie of the Miracle Mets
- Attach a button anew, say
- Something on a radar screen
- Undergrad degrees: Abbr.
- Light lunch
- The "t" in NAFTA
- Continuing
- Honored, as with one's presence
- Provides
- Word before "and be merry"
- White House dog from 1988-92
- Former Surgeon General C. Everett ____
- More, in Managua
- Marks in the snow belonging to 1971's Cy Young Award winner?
- Legal beginning?
- "I'll do it"
- Rick who sang "Disco Duck"
- Jazz lick
- Adam's arboretum
- Desertlike
- "So what ____ is new?"

Down

- Cleveland Indians slugger Gonzalez
- Meanie
- Fibs from a letter-turner?
- Hallucinogen
- Marriageable
- "____ Grows in Brooklyn" (classic novel)
- Lowly laborer
- Duluth-to-St. Paul dir.

- Hold onto tightly
- "The Philosophy of Right" philosopher
- Like a Three Stooges routine
- Jokers, e.g.
- Subject of a will
- Thin
- Horror film actors Chaney and son
- Movie
- Marveled aloud
- Spill the beans
- Lotus position discipline
- Kind of decongestant
- Squeals
- Letters sitting on the desk of a 20th-century U.S. Supreme Court justice?
- Hitchhiker's wish
- Copied
- Oakland man with a helmet
- Raisin ____
- Skunk feature
- Result from using 4-Down
- Kind of oath or vow
- ____ Pointe, Mich.
- Stroll
- Did a temp's job, perhaps
- High-pitched woodwind
- New grandparent, often
- Medial meniscus site
- Canine clamor
- Call at home?
- Some bracelets, briefly
- Start to fix?

RULES OF THE GAME

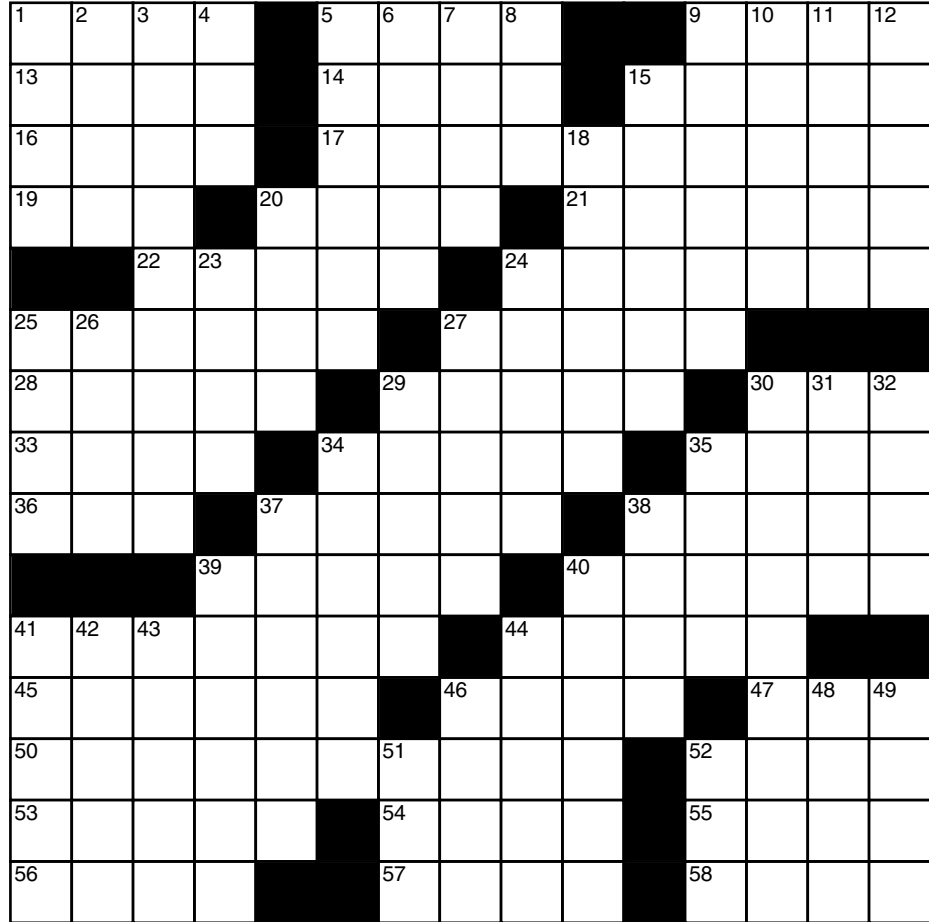
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HILLCREST. Robinson Avenue. \$740. Large intercom-gated 1 bedroom, 1-1/4 bath apartment. Microwave, ceiling fan, wide windows. Redecorated. Always maintained in top shape. Assigned park-

ing. Discount cable. Easy move-in. No pets. 619-296-7255.

HILLCREST. Fabulous, old world 2000-square-foot, 2 bedroom, 2 bath penthouse, hardwood floors, 15-foot ceilings, huge balcony, a steal at \$2200. 1751 University Avenue, by appointment, 619-299-7727.

HILLCREST. \$1225. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in the heart of Hillcrest. Attractive building, dishwasher, small patio, laundry, parking, fireplace. No pets/smoking. 727 Robinson (at 7th). 619-294-9434.

HILLCREST. \$1950. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, Craftsman-style house. Parking, laundry. Small, well-trained pet OK. 4062 First Ave. 619-843-7827.

HILLCREST. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, Craftsman-style house. Parking, laundry. Small, well-trained pet OK. 4064 First Ave. 619-843-7827.

HILLCREST. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, Craftsman-style house. Parking, laundry. Small, well-trained pet OK. 4062-1/2 First Ave. 619-843-7827.

HILLCREST. \$750. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, dining and barbecue area, sun-deck, sauna. No pets. Available 2/15. 3620 Georgia. 858-483-3534.

HILLCREST. \$1100-\$1350. 2 bedroom, 2 bath located in the heart of Hillcrest! 9-foot ceilings, central air. Fireplaces, balconies in some units. Gated parking and entry. Skytop Jacuzzi, laundry. Small pet upon approval. 4050 Third Avenue. Janine. 619-295-2500.

HILLCREST. \$645. Studio available. Best location, hardwood floors, laundry. Free utilities, kitchenette, parking. Charge. 858-571-1078.

HILLCREST. \$725-\$1050. 1 and 2 bedroom homes, walk to everything, great freeway access, hardwood floors, laundry, balcony, parking. Charge. 858-571-1078.

HILLCREST. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Great location. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 4043 First Avenue. Call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

HILLCREST. \$925. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet. Ceiling fan. Walk-in closet. Gated community. Lots of storage. Blinds. Ceramic tiled kitchen. 548 University Avenue. Call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

HILLCREST. \$650. Studio. Large unit in quiet complex. Walk to shopping and more. Good freeway access. 3685 7th Avenue. Laura. 619-692-1004.

HILLCREST. \$745. Studio. Hilltop Terrace. Great location in quiet area. Off-street parking. Laundry. Pool. 4166 4th Avenue. Les. 619-298-7868.

HILLCREST. \$1900. 2 bedroom master suite condo. Views. Fourth floor. Pool. Gated. Charming built-ins. Garage parking. Laundry. Surround sound. Elegant. Steve. 619-297-7368.

HILLCREST/DOWNTOWN. \$550. Studio. Available now. \$1395. 1 bedroom apartment. 650 and 1200 square feet. Available now. Premier location! Laundry. Courtyard. Close to freeways, entertainment, dining, shopping, bus, Balboa Park. Walking distance to downtown. Pets OK. Park Boulevard Apartments, 3525 Park Blvd. For appointment, 619-692-0461. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1087.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. Studios, \$775. Beautiful location beside lush canyon. Elevator. Pool, Laundry. Intercom. No pets. Park View Apartments. 3700 Tenth Avenue. 619-298-6768.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1600. Bright 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Balcony, washer/dryer, parking. Great location! 3606 1st Ave. Move-in special; \$500 off. 619-261-6601.

HILLCREST/DOWNTOWN. \$650. Studios. Utilities paid. Security building. Laundry. 2142 5th Avenue. Agent, 619-260-1368.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 850 square feet. Downstairs corner unit, quiet courtyard, laundry, storage. No dogs. See 4025 Alabama, vacant, 619-294-8737.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage with garage. Lovely garden courtyard. Hardwood floors. Remodeled. Private yard. Laundry. Small pet accepted. Near UCSD Medical Center. EOH. 619-299-8746.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$795. Spacious, upstairs, 1 bedroom apartment in 8-unit complex. Ceramic tile kitchen/bath, generous closets, off-street parking, laundry room. 619-298-0982.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1795. Stunning, huge (approximately 1500

square feet) vintage Craftsman 2 bedroom nonsmoking duplex. Hardwood floors. Formal dining room. Balcony. Courtyard. Laundry. No dogs please. 619-299-4769.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1525/month. Brand new, luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. All appliances included. Secured complex, underground parking. Call agent for appointment, 619-574-5168.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath includes all utilities. New carpet, paint, blinds. Private entrance. Laundry. Shared yard with barbecue. Nonsmoking. Cat OK. 1520 Tyler avenue. Frank. 619-295-4270.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. Border. \$695. 1 bedroom in quiet garden 9-unit complex. New laundry. Available 2/1. 4116 Oregon. 619-298-8383.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$825. Recently remodeled, quiet, 1 bedroom apartment, bright, hardwood floors, centrally located, laundry, large garage included. Cat OK. Nonsmoking. 4621 Campus Avenue. 619-269-4314.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Spacious apartment. Ceiling fan. Gated community. Parking/laundry. Close to bus, shopping. Quiet street. 1276 Essex Street. 619-295-3700.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$865. Spanish charmer. 303 Olive Street. 1 bedroom with white walls, arches, leaded glass, cedar closets and more. No pets. 619-295-8909.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1850. New luxury townhouse, 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2000 square feet. Panoramic view! 2 balconies, living, dining, family rooms. New appliances, washer/dryer in unit, 2 car garage. 619-692-3255.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$700. Spacious new studio. hardwood floor. All new appliances. Central location. Walk to everything. Columbia Street and Chalmers. 619-692-3255.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$970-\$1075. 2 bedrooms. \$795-\$825. 1 bedrooms. Centrally located. Pool. On-site laundry. Storage. Easy freeway access. Close to downtown and shopping! Aspen Park Apartments, 3505 Reynard Way. 619-683-9239.

IMPERIAL BEACH. Large 3 bedroom condo, 2.5 bath, 3 decks, washer/dryer hookups, fireplace, 2-car garage, near beach. \$1675/month plus security. John. 619-575-8455.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$895. 1 bedroom. Live at beach, steps to sand. Recently renovated, in small private complex. Laundry facilities, parking. 1003 Ocean Lane. Agent, 619-423-9632.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1600. Gorgeous, ocean front, breathtaking view. Condo, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, penthouse level, quiet, fireplace, tropical setting, pool, jacuzzi, gym. Security parking. \$760-747-7608.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$750. 2 bedroom, 1 bath in garden setting. Laundry. Pool. No pets. 1445 Grove. Manager, 619-575-0778.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$950-\$995. Affordable beach leaving. 2 bedroom apartments. Spectacular estuary, lights of Mexico view. Newly remodeled interiors. 1365 Seacoast. Kinsella & Associates, 619-429-0065.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1750. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace. 2-car garage. Large backyard. Pets negotiable. Available February. 1604 Halley Street. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

JAMUL. \$1200. Fine country living, 15 acres, 360-degree mountain view, charming patio garden duplex, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, full kitchen with laundry. Mexican tile floors throughout, hacienda-style, immaculate. Beautifully, completely furnished, off-street parking, DirecTV hookup, trash pickup/water paid. Horses welcome. Must see! 619-445-2934.

KEARNY MESA. \$825. 1 bedroom. Den. Pool. Patio. Spa. Centrally located. Near freeways. Great location. Nice area. Clean. Near Mesa College. Available 2/1. 858-344-4866.

KENSINGTON. \$850 plus deposit, includes utilities. Private cottage available in quiet neighborhood. Completely remodeled. New appliances. Cable, laundry available. Pets considered. Nonsmoking. Must like dogs. 619-281-5603.

KENSINGTON. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment available to sublease. Bright, airy very private. Small pet okay. Excellent area. 1 block from Adams Avenue. \$975/month. Loretta, 619-594-5159.

KENSINGTON. \$1025. Deluxe 2 bedroom, 2 bath corner suite. Best value in area! Nice floor plan, Quiet security building. laundry, parking. No pets. 858-456-2098.

KENSINGTON. \$925. \$800 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Light, airy. Parking. Security entry. Pool. Updated bathroom. Cat OK. 5116-1/2 Marlborough Drive. Ed Marks, 619-280-9742

KENSINGTON townhome. 2 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, attached garage, hardwood, Air-conditioning, fireplace, patio, balcony, courtyard entry, indoor laundry, all appliances. \$1600 lease. 619-840-1720.

KENSINGTON/TALMADGE. \$900. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. New carpet and vinyl. Washer/dryer included. Fireplace. Carport. No pets. 4444 Highland Avenue. Agent, 619-469-7790.

KENSINGTON. \$1150. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with wood floors. Stove, refrigerator, large private patio, coin laundry. 4180 Madison. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

LA COSTA. \$1275. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, top unit. Maytag stackable appliances. 1-car garage, pool spa, sauna, clubhouse. 7476 Altiva Place. 760-519-8350.

LA COSTA. \$1800. Gorgeous 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, fireplace, kitchen with granite counter. Gated community with pool/spa. 6390 Alexandri Circle. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

LA COSTA. \$1750. Private end unit, 1600-square-foot 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Large kitchen, den, dining/living room with fireplace, 2-car garage, night tennis courts. Pool/spa. Pets OK! 858-775-5192; 619-531-3137.

LA COSTA. \$1425. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Luxury garden complex. Central air conditioning. Full-size washer and dryer in apartment. Spa, sauna, pool. Near golf and shopping. No pets. 2385 Caringa Way. Manager, 760-431-7575.

LA COSTA. \$1325. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo on golf course, wonderful view. 1400 square feet. Refrigerator, dishwasher, air-conditioning, washer/dryer hookups, fireplace. No dogs/smoking. Available mid-February. 2607 Pirineos Way #313. 858-292-6248.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. Luxury rentals, prestigious setting. Select homes: Pargo, faux granite countertops, crown molding. New appliances. Full-size washer/dryer. Fireplaces available. Experience our poolside Cybernet Cafe! Resort-style amenities. Jogging trail. Pet friendly! 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1225. La Cima, 7503 Charmant Drive. 858-452-7447. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1054.

LA JOLLA SHORES. \$2000. Fabulous southwestern, completely furnished private home in the Shores. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Near beach, shopping. 1-year lease. Available now. Mario Boone, 858-274-1256.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$2400. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Fireplace, spa/tub, pool, air conditioning, washer/dryer hookups, elevator, garage for two. Small pet OK. Available 1/12. 7555 Eads Avenue. 858-456-0406.

LA JOLLA Village from \$900. Charming 1 bedroom flats. Gated entry, pool, laundry. Walk to beach, dining and shops. Sorry, no pets. 7621 Eads. www.casalindaapartments.com. 858-459-8254.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Second floor spacious unit with balcony in controlled access building and off-street parking available. No pets. Third floor 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1325. Call 619-838-0666.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. Ocean view 1 bedroom, 1 bath with parking from \$1295. No pets. Also have 2 bedroom, 2 bath from \$1700 and studio, \$900. Call 619-851-4388.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$1525. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in garden setting. Dishwasher, microwave, washer/dryer, 2 parking. 7601 Eads. Open Saturday, January 19, 11am-noon. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$1525. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in garden setting. Dishwasher, microwave, washer, dryer. 2 parking. 7601 Eads. Open Saturday, January 19, 11am-noon. Torrey Pines Property management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA, VILLAGE. \$1500. 1 bedroom, 1 bath guest house. 1-car garage, hardwood floors, covered deck, ocean views, walk to shops. Available immediately. 858-945-1497.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, luxurious, new carpet, garage. Located on Girard

Avenue. \$1650. Lease. 619-293-3118 or 619-504-9004.

LA JOLLA. \$1975. Executive condo. Top floor, quiet, sunny 2 bedroom with balcony. New remodel, garden complex, walk to beach. Pool, sauna, spa. 619-709-0557.

LA JOLLA. \$980. Ocean-view studio! Pool. Free security parking. Steps to beach. No pets. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-456-1432 or 858-756-9941.

LA JOLLA. Live in one of the city's historic destination buildings, center of downtown La Jolla. This charming converted apartment-hotel built in 1925, block from ocean, bus, restaurants, shops. Studios \$1195-\$1350 including utilities. 619-645-8082. Cable ready. Laundry on site. For photo, floor plan, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1075.

LA JOLLA. \$1775. Great village location. Quiet, gated 10-condo complex. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Furnished or unfurnished. Remodeled. New appliances. 909-584-9276; 858-456-0461.

LA JOLLA. Free rent during January! Indulge yourself! Resort-style living! Villas of Renaissance. Resort style living! 4-pools/spas. Fitness center, saunas. Massage therapist. Personal trainers. Pilates, kickboxing. Step aerobics. Clubhouse, big screen TV. Great social activities. 5280 Fiore Terrace. Toll free, 1-888-218-0377. Visit web site: www.sdreader.com/rent/1051.

LA JOLLA. \$1500. 2 bedroom, custom kitchen house, refrigerator/stove. Secluded in greenery. Extra storage space. Near ocean with view. Fee. 858-581-1290.

LA JOLLA. \$1495. Close to Windansea, 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Laundry, storage, near shopping and village. Pets OK. Call Mark, 858-829-1962 or 858-459-9229.

LA JOLLA. \$1000. Pets OK. Small (16x16) 1920's guest studio. Full kitchen/bath. 1 occupant, private yard perfect BBQ's or sunbathing. 1.5 blocks to Windansea. Nikksin@aol.com. 858-729-0383.

LA JOLLA. \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, near beach. Hardwood floors, garage, fireplace, washer/dryer hookups, dining room, quiet. No pets. Available now. 5836 Beaumont. 858-483-3534.

LA JOLLA. \$850-\$950. Large studio and 1 bedroom apartments. Only 1 block up from the Windansea beaches! Controlled access. Laundry. No dogs. 363 Playa del Sur. 858-459-8235.

LA JOLLA. Specials! 1 and 2 bedrooms, 1/2 block to ocean. Hurry! No pets. 365 Bonair. 858-454-1397; 858-569-1212. www.weststarproperties.com.

LA JOLLA. Panoramic ocean views. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Modern. Immaculate. Controlled access. \$1500. Must see! Open Saturday, 1/19, 1-2pm. 5538 La Jolla Boulevard. Torrey Pines Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA. \$1025. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in heart of Village with garage. Quiet upper unit. Coin laundry. 7427 Herschel. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove. Refrigerator. Garage. Unit is being remodeled. 6234 Dowling Drive. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

LA JOLLA. \$1675. Large second

LA JOLLA/UTC. What a steal! 1 bedroom, \$950/up; 2 bedrooms, \$1250/up. Cat OK. Free real estate agent, Spectrum Properties, 619-688-2101.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$1950, utilities included. Beautiful setting. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, garage, patio, washer/dryer, blocks to beach. 858-551-9283.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 5051 La Jolla Boulevard. Wood floors, garage and ocean view. Secured building. Small pets negotiable. Available 3/1. Call Anna Marie, 619-840-6683.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$900. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, microwave, coin laundry. Charming brick courtyard. Gated entry. 415 Colima. Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071; www.delsolpm.com.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Spectacular Rose Canyon views! 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1335. Garages available. Resort-style amenities, services. Gated community. Fitness center. 2-pools, spas. New appliances. Washers/dryers. Patios/balconies. Air conditioning. Near shopping, dining, freeways. Pets welcome! Lucera at UTC, 7110 Shoreline Drive. 858-452-2112. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1048.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Feeling lucky? Enter Las Vegas giveaway! 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1050. Washer/dryer. Gated parking. Premium homes with Pergo, faux-granite countertops, more. Location near shopping, dining. 2 pools, spas, fitness center. Great 1-bedroom values! Nobel Court, 8895 Caminito Plaza Centro. 858-452-3622. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1037.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2000/month. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. 1760 square feet, large patio, appliances, new paint/carpet. No pets. 12-month lease. 858-829-4477.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1450. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Walk-in closet, washer/dryer, dishwasher, balcony, garage, pools, jacuzzis, saunas, racquetball, gated community. 858-587-1492.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1350 month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upper unit, washer/dryer, refrigerator, pool, jacuzzi, garage. No pets, non-smoking. 12 month lease. 619-920-2915.

LA JOLLA/UCSD. \$1500. Fully furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Available now. Private patio, pool, washer/dryer, fireplace, carport, Berber. 3945 Camino Calma. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2000. Extra large 2 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse available 1/20. 3 levels with patio, balcony and 2-car garage. Washer/dryer and all appliances included. Spacious walk-in closets, separate dining and living room with fireplace. Well-kept home with many amenities. Pool and spa included. No pets. 4355 Nobel. Orion Property Group, 619-749-6545.

LA MESA. \$650-\$775. Studio and 1 bedroom. Quiet. Spacious. Pool. Jacuzzi. Sauna. Recreation room. Laundry facilities. No pets. 619-464-8797.

LA MESA. \$625. Large studio condo. Full-sized kitchen. Queen wall bed, new carpet. Patio, pool/spa. Great area near Coleman College. 858-549-1116.

LA MESA. \$925. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated complex, parking, laundry, air conditioning. Cat OK, no dogs allowed. 7594 Park Ridge Blvd. Stan, 619-287-3938.

LA MESA. \$725. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Ceiling fan. Pool. Parking. Laundry. Close to 94 freeway. 7137 Waite Drive. Call Phil, 619-667-9011 or 619-295-3700.

LA MESA. \$815. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Upgraded, small complex, laundry, parking. Near 70th and University. Open daily from 1-4pm. 4218 Harbison Avenue. 619-224-7526.

LA MESA. \$650 to \$925. 1 bedrooms, 1 bath to 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Newly remodeled, carpets, blinds, tile, etc. Laundry, parking. Call 619-644-0009.

LA MESA. \$1000. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated complex, parking. Elevator. View of beautifully landscaped courtyard. Laundry room. Spa. Cat OK. Year lease. 619-464-5592.

LA MESA. \$1150. Move-in special, \$250 off! Large, spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath (1400 square feet). Centrally located in the heart of La Mesa. Pool. Laundry room. Off-street parking. Upgraded with new appliances and carpet. Available now. 8600 Lemon Avenue. Manager, 619-466-1532.

LA MESA. \$1700. Large 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Front yard. Patio. Off-street parking. Nice location. 7656 Normal Avenue. Agent, 619-465-9934.

LA MESA. \$795. 1 bedroom condo at Lake Park. Berber carpet. Large kitchen. Next to pond. Pool. Jacuzzi. Off-street parking. Laundry. Agent, 619-234-9553.

LA MESA. \$685. Lovely 1 bedroom. Quiet. Barbecue/picnic area. Laundry. Air conditioning. No pets! Highland Apartment, 4325 Lowell Street. 619-461-7386.

LA MESA. \$795-\$1025. Large 1 and 2 bedroom. Cul-de-sac. Close to trolley, shopping. Patio. Dishwasher. Ceiling fan. Covered parking. Air conditioning. Pool. No pets. 619-465-9849.

LA MESA. 2 bedroom with hardwood floors. Quaint and charming unit in small quiet building with on-site laundry. Walking distance to shopping and restaurants. 619-296-2787.

LA MESA. Heatherwood Garden Apartments. 1 bedrooms, \$835/up. 3 bedroom, \$1650. Heated pools. Lap pool. Jacuzzi. Sauna. Exercise room. Air conditioning. Playground. Lounge. Billiards. Patio or balconies. Sorry, no pets. 5333 Baltimore. Call now. 619-461-3541. For photo, floor plans and directions, www.sdreader.com/rent/1004.

LA MESA. In the heart of La Mesa! From \$875. 1, 2 bedroom apartments. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with loft townhouses. Air conditioning. Cable. New appliances. Dishwasher. Laundry. Balcony/patio. Pool. Spa. Sauna. Recreation room. Parking. Close to shops, restaurants, bus. 4700 Williamsburg Lane. Tharrison49@home.com, 619-464-7676. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1009.

LA MESA. Save up to \$390 with 6 month lease. Limited time offer! 1, 2, 3 bedroom apartment homes. Near Lake Murray, military bases and close to freeway. 3 swimming pools. Private courtyard. Unique floor plans designs. Parkway Plaza Apartments, 7576 Parkway Drive. 619-460-2209. Visit web site: www.sdreader.com/rent/1009.

LA MESA. Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom, air-conditioned apartment homes. Close to lovely parks and shopping centers. Enjoy quality, comfort and convenience at a price you can afford at Vista Amaya. Call us now at 619-697-3285. For photo, floor plans, map and directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1035.

LA MESA. Villa Sangria. 1 bedrooms, \$825/up. 2 bedroom, \$1000. Spacious resort style living. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Patio or balcony. Covered parking available. Clubhouse, heated pool, spa, sauna. 8633 La Mesa Boulevard. 619-462-1633. For photo, floor plans, directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1002.

LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Like new! Carpet, blinds, vinyl. Garden setting. Small community. Easy freeway access. Washer/dryer hookup. Balcony. Carport parking. 7007 Saranac Street. Please call 619-460-8773 or 619-441-9726.

LA MESA/SAN DIEGO. 1 bedroom apartments. All utilities included. From \$675. New paint/carpet. Small pets considered. Ask about move-in specials! Contact David, 619-741-5529.

LA MESA/SAN CARLOS. \$905. Spacious 1 bedroom, \$1105. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Heated pool and jacuzzi. Fitness center. Beautiful clubhouse. Patio/balcony. Dishwasher and microwave. Lots of closet space. Summit Park Village, 8563 Lake Murray Blvd. 619-460-4673.

LAKE MURRAY. \$950. 1 bedroom condominium. Available 2/15. Across the street from bus line and markets. Convenient. Parking space. Upstairs unit. Immaculate. Balcony. Walk-in closet. Dishwasher. Air conditioning. Sauna, pool, jacuzzi, washer/dryer access. 619-460-7606.

LAKESIDE. \$775-\$925. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Some with washer/dryer hookups, yard and balconies. Laundry facilities. Gated community. Pet policy. 619-561-7086.

LAKESIDE. \$900. Move-in special! Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath Marilla Sundance Apartment homes. Large dogs accepted. Available now. 619-561-2922.

LAKESIDE. \$710. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. 9721 Wintergardens Blvd. Upper unit with large closet. Bath with separate dressing area. Small dog or cat OK. To view, call Maria or Cheryl, 619-297-0274.

LEMON GROVE. \$700/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. New paint, appliances. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 619-962-1887.

LEMON GROVE. \$1250. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath 2-story duplex. Newer carpet, paint, linoleum. Yard, washer/dryer hook-up. Large bright kitchen! Available 2/1. No section 8. 619-850-4781.

LEMON GROVE. \$800. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath with garage. Country-style hacienda. Nice yard, secluded sunlit kitchen, custom patio. Fee. 858-581-1290.

LEMON GROVE. \$1800 per month. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 1-car garage, fireplace, large backyard. 619-644-1463.

LEUCADIA. \$1150. Plus security deposit. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath apartment. Walk to beach. Newly refurbished. Laundry on site. Off-street parking. No pets. 131 Diana Street. Call for appointment. Available now. 760-632-1900.

LEUCADIA. \$2900. West of 101. Remodeled, 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Fireplace, garage, new carpet, freshly painted. No pets please. 1203 Neptune. Leasing Unlimited. 760-436-7273.

LEUCADIA. \$1125. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stairs to beach, garage, washer/dryer, freshly painted, new carpet. 1478 Neptune. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

LEUCADIA. \$650. Private studio apartment west of I-5. Small, but newly remodeled. Beautiful neighborhood. 760-942-4470.

LEUCADIA. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Beautiful condition. Steps to water. Off street parking. Near Stone Steps Beach. 760-942-4470.

LINDA VISTA. Genesee Summit. Secluded, private. From \$995-\$1295, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments. Garages available. Spa, patio. Air conditioning. Laundry hookups. Central location, near all. No dogs. 2219 Judson Street. 858-576-0420. For photos, floor plans and map, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1043.

LINDA VISTA. \$820-\$920. 2 bedroom, 1 bath townhouses. Convenient location, some with fenced backyards, assigned parking. No pets. Office at 2451 Ulric Street. Please call for appointment. 858-278-3610.

LINDA VISTA. \$625. Studio with utilities included. Laundry, near bus, gated parking. Near Fashion Valley. No pets. 2285 Ulric Street. Call Monday-Friday for appointment. 858-277-4213.

LINDA VISTA. \$1400. Excellent 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 2-car parking, pool, jacuzzi, refrigerator, washer/dryer, near Fashion Valley mall and USD. 858-571-8559.

LINDA VISTA/USD. \$1050. Charming condo. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Lease. Washer/dryer. Fireplace. Refrigerator. Balcony off living room. 2 parking spaces. Available 2/1. 858-274-1256.

MIRA MESA. \$1175. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. New carpet/paint. Convenient Miramar location. Near I-15, highways 52/56. 858-578-5983.

MIRA MESA. \$1500. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. Custom Kitchen, secluded in greenery. Near shops. Quiet street. Newly remodeled. Fee. 858-581-1290.

MIRA MESA. Dynamite specials! 1 and 2 bedrooms, \$833/up. Air conditioning, dishwashers. Pool, laundry. No pets. 10152 Black Mountain Road #67. 858-566-1424; 858-569-1212. www.weststarproperties.com.

MIRA MESA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Nice upper end unit. Pool, spa, washer/dyer, air conditioning. Small pets OK. 619-462-3027.

MIRA MESA/Sorrento Valley. \$1450. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath loft townhouse. Washer/dryer, pool, air conditioning, private yard, nice quiet area. Webpage: www.hometown@aol.com/summerdalecondo. 866-220-4666.

MISSION BAY. \$650. Studio in controlled-access complex. Excellent location. 1 parking. Coin laundry. 2821 Morena Blvd. Manager, 619-275-1352.

MISSION BEACH SOUTH. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Walk to beach. Parking. Laundry. Fully renovated. Available mid-January. No dogs. 858-551-6049.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, with parking. Bay view. Steps to the bay. 1-year lease. 858-488-1759.

MISSION BEACH. \$1895. 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Pet OK. Carport, hardwood floors, view. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1650. Quiet bayside condo in three-unit complex. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with 2 master suites. Vaulted ceilings. Available now. No pets. 619-995-8184.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. Newly redecorated, ocean-view 1 bedroom at the beach. Parking. No pets. 3612 Oceanfront Walk. 619-230-9005.

MISSION BEACH. \$1095. Large unfurnished 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 block from beach. No pets. 3251 Mission Blvd. 619-230-9005.

MISSION BEACH. \$1375. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, 2-car parking. Steps away from everything. 3745 Mission Blvd. By appointment only. 858-488-1580.

MISSION BEACH, NORTH. Charming bungalows on boardwalk. 1 bedroom duplex, \$1150, 2 bedroom duplex, \$1575, excellent location on the blue Pacific. Parking, laundry. 858-456-9983, 800-779-7263.

MISSION BEACH. \$1200. Charming oceanfront 1 bedroom on boardwalk.

Parking available with long-term lease. 3951 Oceanfront Walk. www.photos.yahoo.com/oceanfrontwalk. 858-775-2687.

MISSION BEACH. \$655. Charming bungalow, 1 bath with patio. Refrigerator/stove oceanfront walk near beach. Easy move-in. Must See. Fee. 858-581-1290.

MISSION BEACH. \$2400. Deposit \$2450. 3 bedroom plus den and 2 bath. Very nice upper unit in duplex. Steps to beach and bay. Laundry on site. 1 parking space. Available now. No pets. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-2835.

MISSION BEACH. \$1025. Deposit \$1075. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Furnished units. Very nice. 1 parking space. Available now. No pets. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-2835.

MISSION BEACH. \$800. Deposit \$850. Nice unfurnished units. Close to beach. Street parking only. No pets. Available now. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-1235.

MISSION BEACH. \$1795. Almost oceanfront. Bright sunny upstairs 2 bedroom classic apartment. All redone! High ceilings. Hardwood floors. Granite counter kitchen. Ocean view. Steps to sand. Appliances. Laundry. 712-B Santa Rita. 858-272-547.

MISSION BEACH. Large 2 bedroom apartment available. Also a huge 3 bedroom house is available. Both are at the beach with decks, parking, granite, marble, air, dishwasher, alarm. Beautiful! E-mail jmann30@aol.com or call 858-488-9985.

MISSION BEACH. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, beach side, spacious with garage, deck, dishwasher. No pets. Available 1/25. 2954 Mission. 858-483-3534.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, walk to beach, newer carpet, dining and barbecue area. Near all. No pets. Available 2/1. 3290 Mission. 858-483-3534.

MISSION BEACH, NORTH. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Courtyard setting. Block to beach! New carpet. Gated. Parking. Laundry. Patio area. 4751 Mission Blvd. Agent, 619-295-3700.

MISSION BEACH. \$1950. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 parking. Steps to beach. Washer/dryer, dishwasher. Recently remodeled. Available 2/1. 619-818-3552.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$875. Large 1 bedroom apartment. Excellent condition. Coin-operated laundry. No dogs. 2944.5 Mission Boulevard. 858-488-8803.

MISSION BEACH. \$1400. Brand-new 1 bedroom, 1 bath unit completely renovated inside and outside! Must see to believe, in the heart of Mission Beach. Available now. 803-09 Venice Court. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. 1 bedroom, 2 bath house with garage and fenced yard. Dogs welcome. \$2000 month to month. Available now. 619-203-3164.

MISSION BEACH. \$1700. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, ocean view apartment. Remodeled, all-white interior. Parking. Laundry. Steps to beach. 3737 Strand Way. 619-518-8371.

MISSION BEACH. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Near beach/bay, balcony, electric appliances, 6-month lease. 619-294-9434.

MISSION HILLS. \$1295. Gleaming hardwood floors. New deco bathroom. Garage available. Charming 2 bedroom in nonsmoking building on very quiet street. Laundry room. No dogs please. 619-299-4769.

MISSION HILLS/PARK WEST. \$1085/month. \$125 off first month's rent. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, security courtyard, block to park. Laundry. Nonsmoking. 426 Fir Street. 619-269-4314; Fager, 619-290-8261.

MISSION HILLS, SOUTH. \$700. Studio. Utilities included. Off street parking. Upper unit. Laundry. View. Near bus/trolley. Nonsmoking. No pets. 619-692-4035.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$1675. 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath townhouse. Garage. Private yard. Air conditioning. Washer/dryer. New carpet, paint, kitchen, stove. Hardwood floors. No pets. 3830 Dove Street. 858-643-9212.

MISSION HILLS, SOUTH. \$1695/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Victorian cottage style. Front porch, quiet area, private yard, deck. Large rooms. Wood floors. 1005 square feet. Washer/dryer, stove, refrigerator. Available now. No smoke. No dogs. 619-542-1553.

MISSION HILLS. \$995+. Unfurnished, spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo, laundry. Controlled access building. All amenities. Air conditioning. Parking. No pets. 3549 Reynard Way. 619-464-1652.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$825 and \$850. 1 bedroom. Newly remodeled. Quiet, pool, recreation room and barbecue. Dishwasher. On-site laundry. Cov-

ered parking. No pets. EOH. 619-299-8746.

MISSION HILLS. \$1585. Large 2 bedroom, new carpet, air conditioning, fireplace, verticals, appliances, washer/dryer, balcony, some view, underground parking, access entry, near all. No pets. 619-886-3146.

MISSION HILLS. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Laundry and parking. \$1250. 3671 Brant Street. 619-688-9300.

MISSION HILLS. Something special! \$1095. Italian tile floor. Throw your vacuum away. New granite kitchen and bath. Spacious nonsmoking 1 bedroom duplex. Covered parking. Laundry. No dogs please. 619-299-4769.

MISSION HILLS. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, townhouse. Upscale, all appliances, private balcony, 2 garage spaces. Quiet cul-de-sac, ocean/bay views. No smoking/pets. 619-224-1580.

MISSION HILLS/OLD TOWN. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condominium. Bay view. Pool, spa, workout room. Washer/dryer, storage room. Will consider pet. 858-484-2363.

MISSION HILLS. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, spectacular view, pool, upstairs, elevator, breakfast bar, barbecue area, near all. No pets. Available now! 1767 Torrance. 858-483-3534.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$900. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Now ready! Nice area. Near all. Cat/small dog OK. 3330 Reynard Way. 619-295-7570.

MISSION HILLS. \$895. Studio, 1 bath. Upper end completely remodeled. New bath. Tile counters/floor kitchen. Antique stove. Microwave. Gated. Laundry. 3650 Fourth Avenue. 619-295-3700.

MISSION HILLS. \$1075. Unfurnished 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Den. Large end apartment. New carpet, microwave, ceiling fans, verticals. Mirrored doors. Laundry. Parking. 4090 Falcon. 619-295-3700.

MISSION HILLS. \$800. Upper, cozy studio. New carpet. No pets. Laundry room. Available mid-February. 1219 West Montecito. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath on top floor with view in upscale building. Elevator, new carpet, gated parking, coin laundry. No pets. 4022 Albatross. Manager, 619-293-0373.

MISSION HILLS. \$1200. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage with surrounded deck view of downtown. New appliances. Laundry and parking. 1767 Guy Street. www.mckeecompany.com, McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700.

MISSION HILLS. \$1995. Luxury 3 bedroom, 3 bath penthouse with 180 degree view of downtown, bay, ocean. Airport view without the noise. 3826 Kettner. 619-299-5334.

MISSION HILLS, NORTH. 1 bedroom in small 8-unit property. On-site laundry. Lots of charm and character. Walk to shops and restaurants. Great location. 619-296-2787.

MISSION HILLS. \$825. Clean and quiet 1 bedroom apartment. Utilities included. Panoramic ocean view. Close to Park. Parking. Gated. No pets. Nonsmoking. 619-294-2206.

MISSION HILLS. \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, apartment, behind house, above garage, includes 1 garage space, quiet. 4147 Falcon Street. www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100.

MISSION HILLS. \$1800. 2 bedroom plus bonus room, 1 bath. Wood floors, fireplace, 1-car garage, laundry hookups. 4145 Falcon Street. www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100.

MISSION HILLS. Duplex, 1 bedroom, just remodeled with super cool decor, garage, yard, secluded street, wood floors, fresh paint inside and out. Will consider small pets. \$1100. 619-778-8888.

MISSION HILLS. \$1150. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Underground parking. Walk to town. Shadow Glen Apartments, 808 Fort Stockton. For viewing, call Mike. 619-295-2624.

MISSION RIDGE. Starting from \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment homes available now! Designer kitchens, appliances. Patios/balconies. Pool. Spa. Sundeck. Courtyard. Workout facility. Near park. Washer/dryer. Fireplace. Garages, select units. Near freeways. Cats OK. Avalon at Mission Ridge, 2745 Meadowlark Drive. Please call 858-278-2131. website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1091.

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conditioning, private balcony/patio, controlled access garage, assigned parking, laundry. Mission Pacific Apartments. 4424 44th Street. 619-282-1191. www.pacificliving.com, Visit website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1010.

MISSION VALLEY/TIERRASANTA. Call for move-in specials! 1 bedrooms from \$940, 2 bedrooms from \$1115. Conveniently located to all major freeways, Mission/Fashion Valley shopping, downtown, trolley. Gas fireplace, 2 pools/spas, tennis, racquetball. Fitness, business center. Professional caring management. Tierrasanta Ridge, 5410 Repecho Drive. 858-292-7494. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/2007.

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MISSION VALLEY. Move-in specials! From \$1145. 1, 2, 3 bedroom apartments. On-site trolley connection. Computer niche. Spectacular kitchen. Dishwasher. Microwave. Patio/balcony. Washer/dryer. 2 pools, spas. Garages available. Fitness, business centers. Sports room. Pets OK. Archstone Mission Valley. 2288 Fenton Parkway. 100% satisfaction guarantee. mgr-mnv@archstonemail.com, 888-600-4737. www.sdreader.com/rent/1074.

MISSION VALLEY/SDSU(San Carlos. Brand-new 1, 2 bedroom gated community. Move-in specials! From \$1105. Spectacular views! Lush landscaping. Sparkling pool, spa. Play center. Built-in computer niche. Large closets. Washer/dryer. Fitness, business centers. Garages available. Canyon View Apartments, 7149 Navajo Road. Toll free: 1-877-317-6347. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/2011.

MISSION VALLEY. Save over \$1500! Exceptional 2 bedroom apartments from only \$999 per month. Pools, spa, fitness center. Come home to exceptional service! The Prado. 6304 Rancho Mission Road. Open daily 9am-6pm. EHO. 619-280-5383.

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MT. HELIX. \$1975. Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Cul-de-sac. Spa, landscaped, Berber, tile, granite. Included gardener. Lease. Must see! 4018 Corte Tierra Alta. 619-660-8714.

NATIONAL CITY. \$700. Gated, cottage community, newly remodeled 1 bedroom with beautiful patios, gated parking, manager on site. Close to shopping mall and freeways. \$200 off first month's rent. Call now for more information, 619-696-7941. www.rentinsandiego.com.

NATIONAL CITY. \$950. Remodeled, spacious, 820 square foot 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Quiet area, off-street parking, washer/dryer, refrigerator, range. No pets. 619-247-0603.

NATIONAL CITY. \$650/month. 1 bedroom fully furnished. Low \$150 deposit. No SDG&E deposit or hookup required. 624 East 24th Street. Office open daily. 619-474-3787.

NATIONAL CITY. \$850, 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, townhomes. Lease. Gated. Ceiling fan. New appliances. Balconies/patios. No pets. Admiralty Apartments. 940 Palm View Drive. 619-336-0436.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$725. \$500 deposit. Deluxe 1 bedroom. Upstairs. Fireplace. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Refrigerator. Newer building. Intercom. Near Adams Avenue. 4675 Ohio Street. 619-582-7235; 619-282-3736.

NORMAL HEIGHTS/NORTH PARK. \$875. Large, recently renovated, 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse-style apartment with dishwasher, disposal, large closets, private patio and off-street parking. Please call 619-501-5109.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$835. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, apartment. Reserved parking, downstairs, gated entry, on-site laundry, newer carpet, paint, vertical blinds. No pets. 4253 35th Street. 619-265-8889.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$625. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator. Clean, downstairs unit with garage. No pets. Mr. A's Property Management, 619-697-1888.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1300. 2 bedroom, 1 bath Spanish home. private, hardwoods, air conditioning, laundry, wood deck, nice yard, carport and storage, garage. Some pets OK. 4370 Felton Street. 619-507-7352.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. Spacious apartment, 1 bedroom. Next to Antique Row and restaurants. Courtyard, fruit trees and laundry. Available 2/1. Week-end or weekday. 619-297-5844.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1075. Lovely 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Being remodeled. Two story. New paint, carpet, appliances. Parking. 619-280-5177.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1100. 2 bedroom house, charming but old. Hardwood floors. Fenced yard. 1 pet considered. Available 2/1. 3576 Madison Avenue. 858-578-8268.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Starting at \$700. 1 bedroom apartment, 1/2 off first month's rent. Close to Adams. 858-454-8857 x311.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$995. 4556 36th Street. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath Craftsman. Tile, hardwood floors. Moldings. Front porch. Private fenced yard. Parking. Laundry. Cats on approval. Available 2/1. 619-607-0810.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$655. Immaculate 1 bedroom, 1 bath, fenced yard, secluded in greenery. Custom kitchen. Washer/dryer hookup and extras. Fee. 858-581-1290.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. All new. No pets. Available now. 4620 Hawley Boulevard. 619-297-7359.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$875. Large, immaculate 2 bedroom with 950 square feet of sparkling new decor throughout. Quiet building. Laundry, parking. No pets. 619-582-0306.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$850. North of Adams Avenue. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Large apartment, clean, quiet building. 32nd Street. 619-584-5904. Pager, 619-290-3860.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1100. 2+ bedrooms, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, washer/dryer, newish carpet and paint. Off-street parking. 4429 36th. No pets. Available 2/4/02. 619-865-6978.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with garage, hardwood floors, fireplace, dining room, porch and patio.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. Deposit \$800. Very large 1 bedroom, 1 bath in duplex. Washer/dryer on site. Parking. No pets. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-2835.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. 1 bedroom. Cute unit in quiet complex north of Adams Avenue, courtyard setting, laundry. Close to all. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. Cottage studio (house), beautiful backyard and garden. Full bathroom and kitchen. Recently refurbished. Water, sewer paid. No smoking. Available immediately. 619-423-9452.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$625. Studio. Separate bath and kitchen, hardwood floors. Cats OK. Off Adams Avenue. 4655 Felton Street. 619-282-7972

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1450/\$1000 deposit. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Hardwood floors, quiet dead-end street, large carport, washer/dryer hookups. 3623 Eugene Place. 619-504-1476 or 619-563-1356.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet, small gated complex. Small pet OK. Available now! 4426 Wilson Avenue #1. Rob, 858-874-6799.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. Newly remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Gated courtyard with pool. Laundry. Off-street parking. Near Adams. Victor, 619-563-7098.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$675/\$690. Large renovated 1 bedroom, 1 bath available now. Clean and quiet. New carpets and paint. On-site laundry and parking included. Close to all. No pets. 4476 39th Street (off Meade). Pacifica Management, 619-244-7368.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$745, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$950, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Half off first month's rent! Lovely gated building with underground parking. Microwave, air conditioning, dishwasher, laundry. No pets. 4526 Illinois Street. 619-280-3867.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. Cute 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Small yard. Pet upon approval. 4228 Wilson Avenue. Agent, 619-229-2540.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Large 1 bedroom furnished or unfurnished. \$690 (includes utilities). New carpet, paint. Small quiet building North of Adams. Available now. Call Tom, 760-271-0625.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$680. Cozy 1 bedroom cottage in quiet fourplex. New paint and carpet. Near Adams Avenue. Agent, 619-298-7724.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$860. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Clean, well maintained. Washer, dryer, microwave, air conditioning. Off-street parking. No pets. 4774 33rd Street. \$860 deposit. Available now. Cassidy, broker, 619-275-LIST.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Tiled kitchens and bath. Hardwood floors. Canyon views. Off-street parking. Near Antique Row. Freeway access. Call Jon or Daniel, 619-282-3308.

NORTH PARK. \$845. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Spacious upper end apartment. Ceiling fan. Large closets. Laundry. Parking. Gated. Small complex. 4185 Texas Street. 619-725-3648.

NORTH PARK. \$915. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house, 1-car garage off alley. New carpet, paint. Fenced from yard. On-site laundry. 4247 35th Street. 619-229-9060.

NORTH PARK. \$875. 2 bedroom. Upstairs. Nice and quiet. Kansas Street. Agent, 619-260-1368.

NORTH PARK. \$900. Near Hillcrest. Delightful, large 2 bedroom upper corner with view, privacy. Small gated complex with charming garden courtyard. 3975 Mississippi. 619-297-1286.

NORTH PARK. \$795. 2 bedroom apartment. Large bedrooms. Stove, refrigerator, new carpets. No pets. 4141 Wabash. Available now. 619-284-1332, 619-286-8467.

NORTH PARK. \$740. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. \$925. Underground parking, balcony, microwave, dishwasher. Near I-805. Cats OK. 3928 Illinois. 858-967-0687.

NORTH PARK/CITY HEIGHTS. \$635. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Deposit \$575. Fresh carpet/paint. Quiet. Laundry, parking. No pets, no smoking. 800-608-8269 x9.

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NORTH PARK. \$650. Beautiful, spacious, 1 bedroom, 1 bath with new carpet and paint. Security building. 1/2 off January rent. Senior complex. 619-204-6796.

NORTH PARK. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath top floor apartment. Newly renovated. Includes sunroom and porch and dining room. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. 1-car garage. Off-street parking. Available immediately. \$875. 619-516-4283.

NORTH PARK. \$975. 2 bedroom, upstairs (30th/Redwood). Secure carport, storage, shared fenced yard (pets), free laundry, ceiling fans, bright/breezy. Gas/water paid. 858-546-8214.

NORTH PARK/HILLCREST. \$865. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Dishwasher. Gated garden complex, pool, laundry facilities, off-street parking. Close to all. 3722 Alabama. 619-299-1699.

NORTH PARK. \$1250. 2 bedrooms, 2 bath luxury condo. Gated, downstairs unit, fire-place, washer/dryer, garage, walk to shops. Must see! Available now! 619-624-9450

NORTH PARK. \$1195/month. Deposit \$1195. 4210 Utah Street. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Garage. Laundry hookup. New paint, carpet. Close to all. Drive by first, 858-273-0344.

NORTH PARK. \$1500. Adorable 2 bedroom, Craftsman house, dining room with built-ins, appliances, new carpet, paint, vinyl. No pets. 3514 32nd Street. Agent, 619-686-8950.

NORTH PARK. \$995. Beautiful 2 bedroom apartment, completely remodeled with new appliances, carpet, paint. Laundry, off-street parking. No pets. Agent, 619-686-8950.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Large 1 bedroom. Pool, new paint and stove. Great location. No pets. 619-516-2613.

NORTH PARK. \$795. 3379 30th Street. Completely renovated, 1 bedroom cottage, great new kitchen and bath with ceramic tile, hardwood floors, charming gated courtyard. Laundry, no pets, no smoke, close to transportation. 619-239-6208; agent, 619-686-8950.

NORTH PARK. \$845. Clean, quiet 2 bedroom, 2 bath with 1-car garage. Laundry in unit. Available now. For information, call 24 hours. 619-725-5430, x3204.

NORTH PARK. \$950. 3 bedroom including den, custom patio. Pets negotiable. Sunlit kitchen. Low deposit. Refrigerator/stove. Easy move-in. Fee. 858-581-1290.

NORTH PARK. \$675. Deposit \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Nice large unit in small complex. Washer/dryer on site. 1 parking space. No pets. Available 2/1. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-2835.

NORTH PARK. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath courtyard apartment. Lots of light. Like-new carpeted bedroom, vinyl, blinds. Microwave. Cool older building with laundry on site. If you want something in North Park that's a little different, come by. No dogs. Available now. 4516-1/2 Illinois Street. 619-563-1215.

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NORTH PARK. \$675/month plus security. Available 2/1. 3068 Polk Ave (behind 3070). No dogs. Cats OK. 619-284-6909.

NORTH PARK. \$850. 1 bedroom. Senior/disabled complex (55+). 4443 Idaho. 619-243-4000 x0.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. \$795-\$900. Multiple locations. Upstairs and downstairs available. All completely redone. Some with pool. Laundry. Parking. Cats OK. 4120 Kansas. 619-269-9083.

NORTH PARK. \$850. Nice 2 bedroom apartment. Upstairs. New carpet and vinyl, blinds. Off-street parking. Laundry facilities. No pets. 4136 Iowa Street. Agent, 619-469-7790.

NORTH PARK. \$800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. Parking and laundry. No dogs. New paint. Available 2/1. 4366 Texas Street. Call Larry, 858-550-2811.

NORTH PARK. \$650. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with parking stall. Redone and ready! Quiet neighborhood, bright and sunny. 3528 Herman #C. 619-813-8626.

NORTH PARK. \$1595. Beautiful remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. 900 square feet. Hardwood floors, large yard, garage, washer/dryer. 4120 34th. Broker, 858-467-1776; 619-838-7410.

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NORTH PARK. \$1550. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house, completely remodeled. Modern kitchen, hardwood floors, large enclosed patio, detached garage. 4321 Arizona Street. 619-640-7530.

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NORTH PARK. \$850. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, gated, air conditioning, dishwasher. Fire-place, dining area. No pets. available now. 4070 Iowa. 858-483-3534.

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NORTH PARK. \$825. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Spacious upper end apartment. Ceiling fan. Walk-in closets. Laundry. Parking. Gated, small complex. 4275 35th Street #7. 619-295-3700.

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NORTH PARK. \$675. 1 bedroom upper apartment. Wood floors. Lots of light. Pets welcome. 2610 University. XILA, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$1350. 3 bedroom, 2 bath upper unit with garage, lots of light, parking. Small pet welcome. 4121 Kansas. XILA, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$850. 2 bedroom apartment. Completely remodeled, new carpet/tile. Small pet OK. Coin laundry. 3708 Monroe. XILA, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$800. 1 bedroom apartment. Walk-in closet, parking, coin laundry. Small pet welcome. 3927 Mississippi #6. XILA, 619-683-7638.

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NORTH PARK/HILLCREST. \$845. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large, immaculate, renovated apartment with character. Large rooms. New, carpet/vinyl. Off-street parking. Coin laundry. Excellent location. 4109-1/2 Arizona. No pets. 619-296-8802.

NORTH PARK. \$895. Large, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, new carpet/vinyl/paint, dishwasher, patio, garage, on-site laundry. No pets. Nonsmoking. 3746 Swift Ave. 619-281-4698.

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NORTH PARK. \$950. Deposit \$800. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Fireplace. Dishwasher. Air conditioning. Gated. Laundry. Parking. No smoking. No pets. 4459 Arizona. 619-282-4054.

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NORTH PARK. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Beautifully renovated Craftsman. Newly refinished hardwood floors, sun room, fenced yard, parking. 3129 Hawthorne Street. www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100.

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NORTH PARK. \$700. King-size 1 bedroom, downstairs, corner apartment. 15x20 living room, off-street parking, small complex. No pets/smoking. 619-462-6629.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$800. 1 bedroom apartment. Upstairs. Dishwasher, pool, parking. 4944 Narragansett. No pets please. Available 2/4. 619-223-2988.

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washer, laundry room, more. No dogs. 619-221-8158.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1200. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Hardwood floors. Fireplace. Deck. Private patio/yard. Washer/dryer. Gardener. No dogs/smoking. 5034 Voltaire. 619-224-0985.

OCEAN BEACH. \$850. 1 bedroom apartment. Near Robb Field. Laundry, off-street parking. No pets. 4419 Montalvo. 619-523-0763.

OCEAN BEACH. \$900. 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom duplex. 1/2 block from the beach. Parking. 5161 Muir Avenue. www.mckeecompany.com, McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$925. Large, 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator, coin laundry, parking, nice neighborhood, steps to ocean. Unit being remodeled. 4853 Orchard. Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071. www.delsolpm.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1200. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath, lower unit with storage, dishwasher, laundry and 1 parking space. Available now. 619-222-6677.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$1200. Large 1 bedroom apartment with off-street parking, steps to cliffs. Walk-in closet, heated pool, barbecue area, recreation room, gym, sauna, on-site guest rooms, on-site laundry. No pets. 4930 Del Mar Ave #111, 619-523-4295.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage near Dog Beach. Available now. 5020 Lotus Street. www.cethron.com. Agent, 295-1100.

OCEAN BEACH. \$950. 1 bedroom house, hardwood floors, fenced yard. 4323 Banning Street. 619-222-5239.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath available 2/10. Upper unit, close to shops. Small, quiet property. No pets. 3822 Voltaire Street. Orion Property Groups. 619-749-6545.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, upstairs apartment. New carpet, new vinyl. New refrigerator, parking, laundry. No pets! 4878 Cape May #5. Sunset Pacific Realty. 619-222-4836 x40.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$2050/month. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Fireplace, washer/dryer, patio, dishwasher, frost-free refrigerator. No pets. 1030 Agate #3, #1. 619-297-5100; 858-488-4919.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$1700. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Quiet neighborhood.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$1495. Immaculate Crown Point 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Quiet area. Fireplace, dishwasher, parking. Laundry. 2 blocks to bay. No pets. Nonsmoking. 858-558-3692.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$2195. Large, 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse, garage. 4 private patios, walk-up attic. 6 blocks to beach. Fireplace, washer/dryer, dishwasher, microwave. No pets. 1420 Grand Avenue #A. 858-831-1800.

PACIFIC BEACH. Studios. Pool, laundry, close to beach. 5050 Cass St. See manager at apartment #11 or call 619-921-7708.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$900-\$1325. 1 and 2 bedroom. 1 year lease. Near bay. Parking. Laundry facilities. Quiet. Cats OK. 4040 Lamont. Available 2/16. 858-581-2224.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$920. 1 bedroom. Parking, laundry, courtyard, close to bus and Pacific Beach Plaza. No pets, Nonsmoking. 1933 Hornblend St. 858-483-1933.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Fenced yard. Available February 2. 858-273-7368.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1240. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, third floor, view from balcony. No pets. 6-month lease. 4467 Dawes. 858-483-4553.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1700. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse. Cat OK. Parking, wet bar, washer/dryer. Low fee. 858-272-

7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$725. Studio. Parking, laundry, courtyard. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$1550. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Cat OK, parking, den. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

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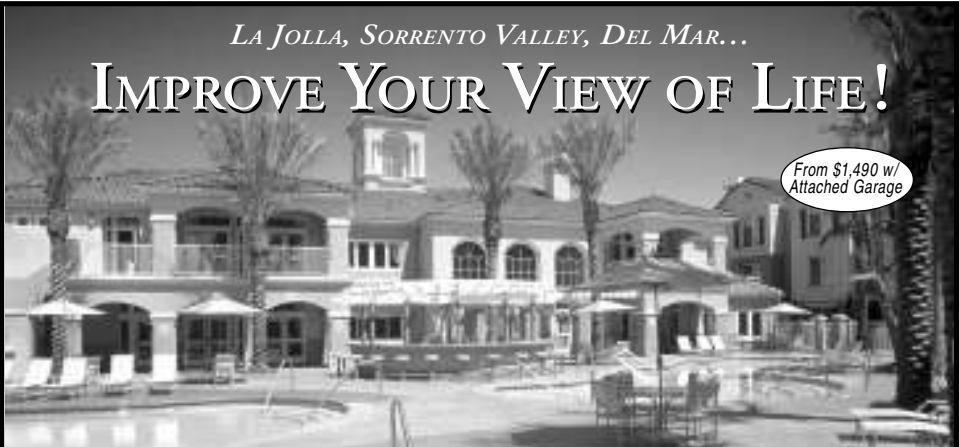
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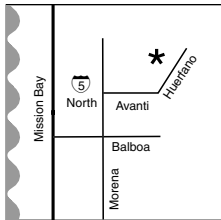
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Cindy Celesio

Temecula

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San Juan Capistrano

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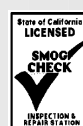
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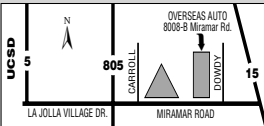
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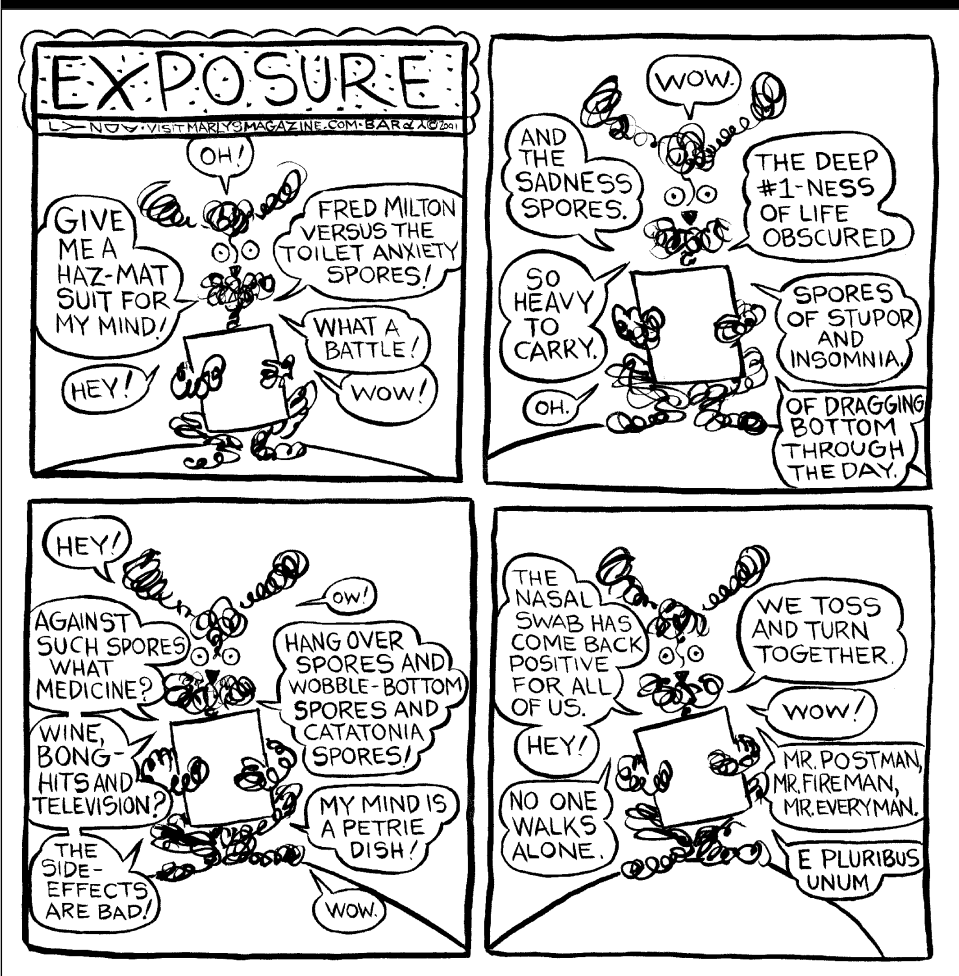
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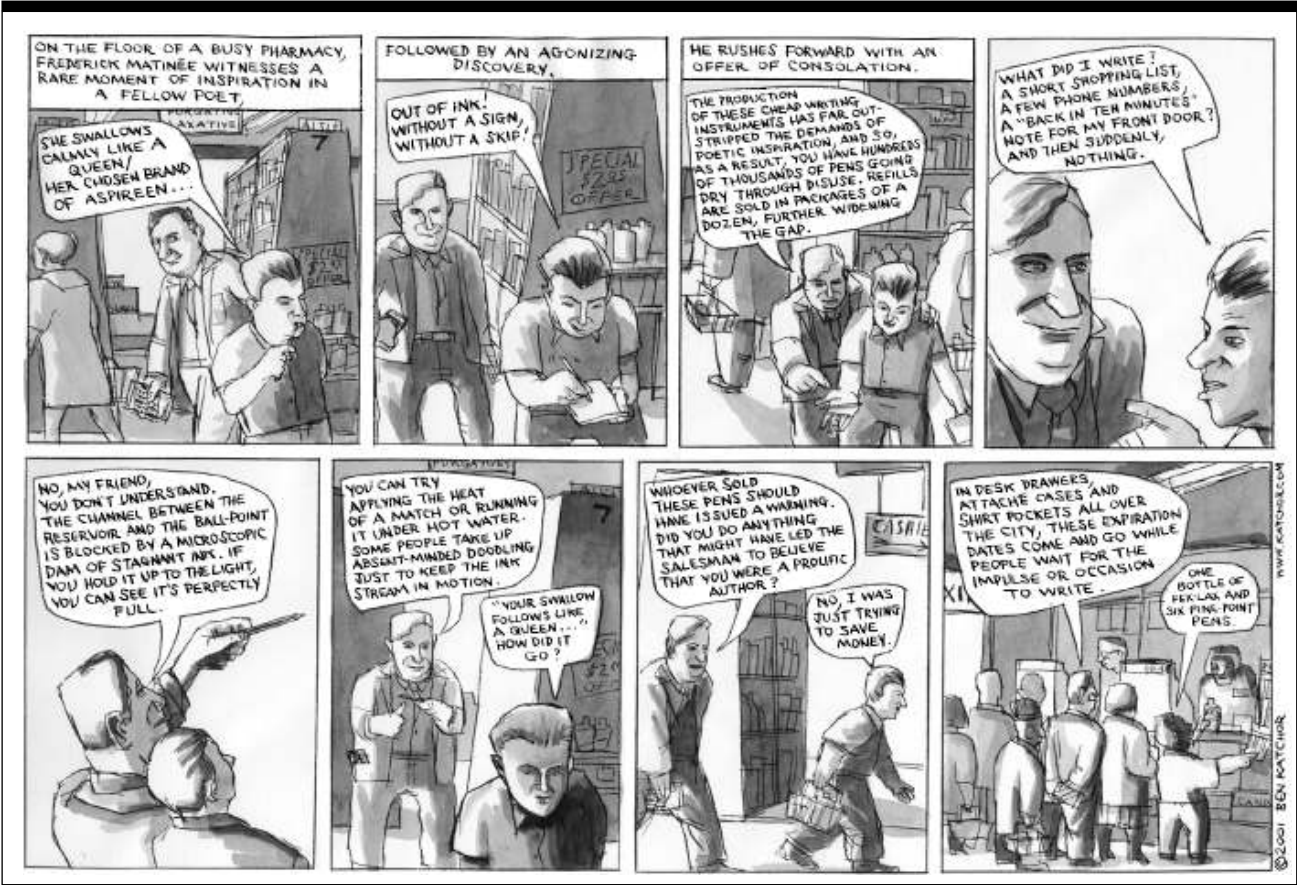
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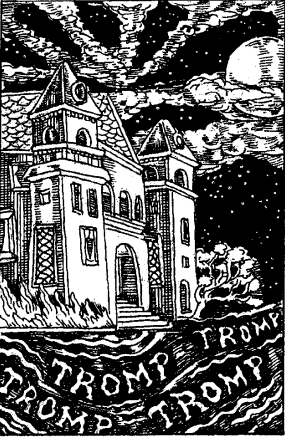
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MISS EMILY HAD LONG-BELIEVED HER HOUSE TO BE HAUNTED BY THE GHOST OF CAPTAIN ROLAND PICKWICK, WHO HAD FALLEN ON HIS OWN SCABBARD IN MAY OF 1908, JUST TWO WEEKS SHY OF THEIR WEDDING DAY.



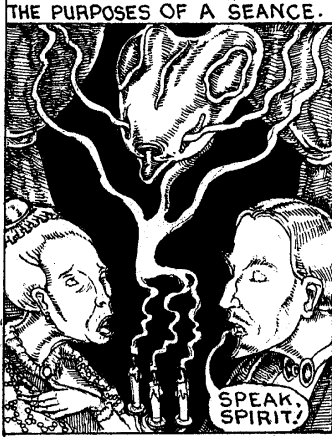
WHAT ELSE COULD EXPLAIN THE OMINOUS FOOTSTEPS THAT NIGHTLY RATTLED THE WINDOWS IN THE KITCHEN?




OR THE SUGARBOWLS THAT DANCED ON THIN AIR OR THE FRESHLY-PICKED BLUEBERRIES THAT WERE REGULARLY SPIRITED AWAY AS IF BY UNSEEN HANDS?




IT WAS IN THE HOPES OF HELPING CAPTAIN PICKWICK MAKE PEACE WITH HIS TRAGIC FATE THAT MISS EMILY HIRED A MEDIUM FOR THE PURPOSES OF A SEANCE.




BUT THE SPIRIT WHO CAME A-CALLING BELONGED TO SOMEONE MISS EMILY HAD SUMMARILY DISMISSED FROM HER MEMORY.




I - AM - HE WHO DIED BY YOUR HAND IN MAY OF 1908




I WAS WENDING MY WAY TOWARD THE WINDOWSILL, SEDUCED BY A BLUEBERRY PIE COOLING THERE, WHEN YOU BRUTALLY SQUISHED ME UNDER YOUR INDEX FINGER




IT WAS I IN MY ECTOPLASMIC FORM WHO SURPRISED YOUR HUSBAND-TO-BE, CAUSING HIM TO TRIP CLOWNISHLY UPON HIS OWN SWORD AND MAKE A SPINSTER OF YOU, HA-HA!



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T.G.I.F.

Tourists from the East are making a nipple-stiffening point of being photographed in swim gear.

By John Brizzolara

Winter solstice fell this year on a Friday; four or five days ago, depending on how you reckon it, from this writing. It is Christmas Day, just before noon. I am sitting in a womblike patch of sunlight in the park just across the street from the (naturally closed) Coronado Public Library. (That libraries are closed on Christmas is yet another sad aspect of this holiday to me — especially in recent years, son grown and all that — but one I don't expect much ruing over. Enough wouldn't miss them, libraries I mean, at all, if they vanished en masse one day, as long as there were malls and stadiums, bars and video rental parlors, I suppose.)

But winter solstice is the prime root of Christmas (to take nothing away from commemorating the birth — exact date vague as it may be — of the most influential human being in recorded history), in the vegetation myth sense, and on a primal level that is really what is being observed here.

This pool of subtropical sunlight, me at its exact center, and this day of high-60s weather are benign reprieves from weeks of chill — “colder than a well-digger's ass,” as my friend would say — and constitutes, in my estimation, a penultimately appropriate interlude as observation of the solstice. The ultimate acknowledgment being, my guess would be, to get up in the dark and observe the sun rising while wearing wreaths of holly or whatnot and dancing some Druidic boogie in gratitude for

old Sol's (or Apollo's, etc.) promised return, as if it had never been broken in the memory of man or beast.

If I turn my head left to right and squint: left to a palm tree limned in California's famous golden benediction of incandescent promise, and then right, squinting at some sort of firs or pines in chill shadow (woods lovely, dark, and deep), it seems the solstice is a solipsistic event contrived solely for my own amusement.

Blocks away, at the beach, tourists from the East are making a nipple-stiffening point of being photographed in swim gear, surf breaking behind them, the Hotel Del like some cinematic matte to stage left. “This was us on CHRISTMAS DAY!” Blocks in another direction, folks from similar reaches are guffawing about what San Diegans call “cold.” At one time I was one of them, but I have long since become a thin-blooded weakling who senses the onset of Snow Moon, Wolf Moon, and Hunger Moon with an array of hypochondriacal symptoms that would render Felix Unger absolutely Schwarzenegger-like.

Yes, it was last Friday's crux of midnight that announced the lunar cycle I have come to think of as “Snow Moon.” In late January, this is followed by “Wolf Moon” and then “Hunger Moon.” Where did these names come from? I am unsure except to say, a man named Fritz Leiber.

His name will be familiar to science fiction and fantasy fans. Known for brilliant and dark works of sword and sorcery, astronomy, disturbing vector analyses of the human psyche, and often its tribal, reptilian, chthonic interface with technology and contemporary culture, Leiber also wrote a column for some years called “Moon & Stars & Stuff” for a sci-fi trade magazine called *Locus*. Where Leiber got these evocative and romantic monthly monikers I am uncertain. I could find out but it might well take me until “Thunder Moon” (July) to be sure. And Fritz Leiber is dead.

If you happen to know, drop a card, letter, fax, e-mail, or phone call. I am curious. At times I suspected this lunar lore may have derived from pulp writer Robert E. Howard and his world of Cimmeria or Aquilonia, or possibly Clark Ashton Smith's worlds of Zothique or Hyborea. It may have been Celtic or some arcane system of the Druids or Picts, but I don't think so. Native American? Possibly, but I suspect it was Leiber's own fashioned nomenclature. And I love it more than Caesar's or Gregory the XIII's calendar.

The Random House Dictionary of the English Language, second edition, defines solstice as “either of the two times a year when the sun is at its greatest distance from the celestial equator: about June 21, when the sun reaches its northernmost point on the celestial sphere, or about December 22, when it



“Snow Moon”

reaches its southernmost point.” The second definition is my favorite, however, somehow more to the point in the lives of men: “A furthest or culminating point, a turning point.”

It is that that I am thinking about, in my circle of sun, squinting into the summer past and the future winter. Culmination — a turning point. And I'm thinking of it very personally. It is that or stasis. Death. Is it coincidence that the tradition of New Year's resolutions follows quickly on the heels of the winter solstice?

On a scrap of newspaper arcing and stumbling across the park then coming to rest on my boot, I read: “SECOND WARMEST YEAR: The Earth's average temperature in 2001 is expected to be the second highest in 140 years of global record keeping, according to the World Meteorological Organization report.... WMO's deputy secretary general Michael Jarraud said temperatures are getting hotter, and they are getting hotter faster now than at any time in the past.”

Staring at the shut doors of the library, I feel annoyed; a great gathering summer looming before us in the decades ahead? Centuries? Winter cancerous from the exhaust of a billion sport utility vehicles like Apollo's chariot?

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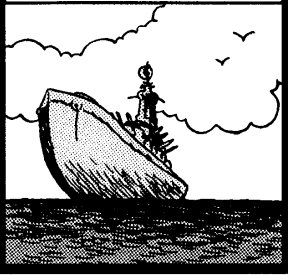
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My wedding gown — a raw-silk affair with rose work at the shoulders that still makes my husband sigh at the memory — is languishing at the back of a spare closet in my parents’ Connecticut home. After my wedding, I shed it like a butterfly sheds a cocoon and left it behind while my new husband and I packed other, more essential belongings and flew westward to begin our life as marrieds. My mother had the dress dry-cleaned for me; the dry-cleaner returned it in the standard plastic bag, and that was how it went to its current resting place.

Seven years later, I have a daughter of my own, and it occurred to me recently that she might one day be pleased at the thought of walking down the aisle in her mother’s snowy finery. Something in me suggested that a flimsy plastic bag might not be the best storage container for a 20-odd-year storage period. My parents were coming for a visit; I knew my mother would be happy to bring the dress.

I called around town for wedding-gown preservation info. After speaking with many cleaners — and getting suggestions that ranged from vacuum sealing, wax-lined boxes, and boxes equipped with plastic viewing windows — I hit upon several establishments that offered “museum-quality” preservation. They sounded like the top of the dress heap, so I inquired further.

Over the phone, Jan of Crystal Cleaners in El Cajon (619-440-6165) gave me an overview of the process. “First, we inspect the gowns. We look them over to see what types of soils are on them, especially the type that don’t show, like champagne or some other clear liquid that would have sugar in it. If you don’t get that out, then over a period of time, it will turn brown. We do all of the pre-spotting on the gown, and then the gown is cleaned. Then we go back and do any small repairs like tightening beads or buttons — anything that needs to be done. We also make sure to take out any falsies, because they are made of foam and will deteriorate and give off a gas that causes yellowing.

“How a dress is cleaned depends on the fabric and how it is decorated. Some dresses are cleaned in perchloroethylene,” a chlorine-based dry-cleaning fluid. “Some of them are

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cleaned in a different type of solution that doesn’t affect beads.” “Perc,” while it is the strongest dry-cleaner, can damage sequins and cause beads to become tacky and even melt; a less-powerful petroleum-based solvent may be used in these cases. “Some of them can be wet washed.” After cleaning, the gown is hand-pressed, stuffed through the sleeves with acid-free tissue (acid can cause yellowing), wrapped in more tissue, and wrapped again in a muslin sheet. The finished product is then placed in a museum-quality acid-free cardboard box, which is in turn placed inside a muslin bag tied with a ribbon.

Prices at Crystal Cleaners, which generally run from \$175 to \$300, are based on the material of the dress (silk will run more than polyester), intricacy of decoration, and degree of soiling. Observed Jan, “Some dresses come in and you look at them and think, ‘Man, she had a good time.’ Others make you think, ‘Poor little thing, she must have stood in the corner.’”

Lynda Valenti of Forever Treasured (call 619-522-0339 for appointment) told me she uses wet cleaning by hand exclusively, “unless the customer insists, I [dry-clean] it. I use wet cleaning because it removes all the soilings that get on wedding gowns, whereas perchloroethylene does not. Unless a dry-cleaner is very responsible, working the dress by hand on what they call a board and using steam and solutions and then flushing it out with dry-cleaning fluid,” you may still have a soiled gown post-cleaning. “Perc is really good for greasy substances, but that’s not the normal thing that gets on a gown; it’s usually food, makeup, sweat, and handprints.

Perc won’t remove sugar stains, and it doesn’t dissolve the perspiration and deodorant under the arms. Underarm areas are the worst; [if they’re not cleaned properly], a lot of times, that part will start decaying and yellowing first.” Stains like these “have to be flushed out by hand on a board or completely cleaned out the way I do — by submersion and cleaning and rinsing.”

Valenti continued. “Basically, I soak the gown and work it on a long table that is white,

so that everything that is not white stands out. I go from top to hem; I turn it inside out and clean every layer, so there’s nothing missed.” If the stains are particularly nasty on a tricky fabric like silk, “I have special tools I use to open up the fibers to accept the solution.” After washing, “I completely flush it all out, and then it is air-dried and hand-pressed.

“I have a really long acid-free tissue that I use as a box liner; it goes under the dress and folds up and over.” She eschews the muslin sheet (also, the muslin cover bag). “I get my information from the Los Angeles Art Museum. They have textile conservators on staff. When I started hearing that more and more people were using muslin liners, I called the conservators and let them know what was being done on the outside as far as preservation. They said, ‘No way. That’s like food for a bug. I wouldn’t want anything cotton next to something I don’t want a bug next to.’”

Once the dress is finished and wrapped, “I put it in a museum-quality box. The boxes I use are manufactured with an additive that repels any kind of bug. The box has to be acid-free inside and out. A lot of cleaners use the term ‘acid-free,’ but it is very costly, so what happens is that box manufacturers make a cheap acid box with a thin liner on the inside and call it acid-free. The box isn’t acid-free,” only the liner. “In a short time, you’re going to have acid migration, which will cause yellowing,” Valenti said that the box must also be lignin free — lignin is a glue pulp that can also leach out and yellow a dress — and buffered, so that the box will not pick up acid from the atmosphere in which it is stored.

Finally, “the clue to a true preservation box is that you will not find a viewing window. The window actually traps moisture and does not allow the fabric to breathe completely — you could end up with mildew over a period of time.” Also, “plastic is made with a chemical that does give off fumes, and those fumes cause pearls and sequins to change color — to orange. It’s very selective; wherever the plastic has been touching the dress is much worse.”

Valenti said that vacuum packing is to be avoided for similar reasons. “If they truly removed all the air during vacuum packing, the box would be smashed like a pancake, and those wrinkles would never come out of the dress, no matter how you pressed it. So they don’t remove all the air; what you have is air still in the box, surrounded and encased in plastic. Any temperature change acts as con-

densation in the box, and you end up with moisture and mildew.”

Valenti closed by advising, “Key questions for girls to ask cleaners are, ‘Is it 100 percent hand-cleaned entirely? Are the boxes acid-free and lignin-free? What is the pH level of the box?’ Forever Treasured charges a flat fee of \$250 for cleaning and preservation, with an additional \$25 for dresses over 25 years old and additional charges for dresses that need extensive beadwork.

Margaret’s Cleaners in La Jolla (858-454-2375) follows the same strict cleaning and preservation methods as Crystal Cleaners, paying attention to detail in the prewash phase, so as not to let invisible sugar stains and the like pass undetected. John Horst, one of the owners, gave me a tour; their plant features heated sinks for soaking soiled hemlines. After washing in the appropriate fluid, gowns are rinsed in virgin (soap- and sizing-free) solvent so that nothing is left behind. Explaining his procedure, he told me, “We belong to a group of wedding experts that we get information from monthly. It’s a group of about 300 other cleaners throughout the world that do wedding gowns. We exchange ideas — what’s working for them, what’s working for us.”

Horst favors the muslin wrap and bag. “The muslin cotton sheet and muslin bag filter the air. If you left a white garment hanging in your closet for a year, the shoulders would turn yellow. If you put a cotton sheet over it, the garment is not going to yellow, because the sheet is filtering the dirty air. We suggest washing the bag once a year.” The wrap, he said, also acts as a buffer to the dress, absorbing any atmospheric moisture.

Margaret’s Cleaners also suggests checking the gown annually — being careful to wear the white cotton gloves the company provides, so as not to get any skin oils on the pristine dress — and refolding it along new lines, thus avoiding permanent creases. Gowns should not be stored in basements or closets with exterior walls because “these areas are conducive to moisture”; attics should be avoided because “temperature extremes can cause the fabric to become brittle.” Prices for cleaning and preservation at Margaret’s also vary based on material, construction, and soiling; Horst put the average price at \$300.

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My first bike was blue. When I was five, I walked out into the living room Christmas morning to find a shiny blue Schwinn cruiser. I didn’t know my dad had purchased the bike weeks before at the Salvation Army and spent the time in between sanding and painting and shining it up. Every day after school, I rode my blue Schwinn around the blacktop roads near our house in Pine Valley. I pretended to be a school-bus driver, stopping at appointed spots and picking up pretend pupils.

When I was in junior high and high school, we lived in Mammoth Lakes in California’s eastern High Sierra. Our second summer in Mammoth, I inherited a tanklike, beaten-up ten speed

from some friends. The bike was an indeterminate color and weighed nearly as much as I did. Every morning and afternoon, I rode the bike the winding three miles into town for cross-country running team workouts. I never wore a helmet. Nobody did back then. I remember flying down the Lakes road with the icy morning air blowing my hair hard, straight back away from my face. One morning, some campers in a pickup truck drove along beside me for a quarter mile or so. The woman leaned out the window. “You’re doing 45,” she shouted over the roar of the wind. I gave her a thumbs-up as the pickup pulled ahead and disappeared around a corner.

In law school, I upgraded to a \$300 Nishiki Olympic entry-level racing bike a friend helped me buy. The three years I lived on the West Side while attending UCLA Law, I took long rides along the beach or up into the hills. I remember late-winter afternoons pedaling north on the bike path that runs between Venice and Santa Monica. The sky above me was clear, but a low, misty bank of clouds hung just off the coast. A stack of books waited at home in my little rented room. But for the moment, all that existed were the sensation of speed and the salty air and the satisfying ache in my quads.

When I got married and had kids, I didn’t ride a bike for ten years. I didn’t swear off cycling. I just never had the time. During those ten years, I gave birth to five children. When I wasn’t preg-

nant, I was nursing. When I wasn’t pregnant or nursing, I was too heavy or too preoccupied chasing little kids around. Every now and then, I would gaze up at my Nishiki hanging from hooks in the garage. One day when my husband Jack was cleaning out the garage, he pointed at my old bike. “Do you think you’ll ever ride that thing again?” he asked.

I thought about all the miles I’d ridden. I looked down at my again-pregnant belly. “Probably not,” I sighed. Later that month, we sold the bike at a garage sale.

As our kids got older, we bought them tricycles and then bikes. First, Rebecca got a bike when she was about five. When Rebecca turned seven, she got a new bike. We gave Rebecca’s old bike to then-five-year-old Angela. Lucy came next. Then Johnny. Fifteen-month-old Ben doesn’t have a bicycle yet. But he has a garage full of hand-me-down bikes waiting for him.

Two summers ago, Jack got a fancy road bike from his brother. After months of training, the two of them took a two-week bike tour through France. I stayed home, pregnant with Ben. Last January, I started to think about losing the weight I’d gained with Ben. “Maybe I’ll get a bike,” I told Jack. “I used to love to ride. Maybe we could ride together.”

We looked at ads in the paper. “If you get a good road bike so you can ride with me,” Jack said, “it’ll cost at least \$500. But you prob-

ably want to get a mountain bike so we can put a baby seat on the back and go for family rides. A mountain bike will be about \$300.” We never found enough money in our budget to buy either kind of bike.

Last year, I lost 40 pounds. I started working out. I went running on the trails near our home in San Marcos. This Christmas morning, I sat in the living room watching our kids open their presents. Jack told Rebecca, “There’s a present around the back of the tree for mom.”

Rebecca handed me a medium-sized square box. I tore away the paper. “A bike helmet,” I said. As I looked up, Jack wheeled a silver bicycle through the door that leads from our garage. For a moment, I couldn’t speak. “How did you do that?” I asked.

“You know that money I hid away?” Jack answered. I started to cry. In the months leading up to Christmas, Jack had appropriated some gift and bonus checks I wanted to use for family expenses.

I nodded. “Merry Christmas,” Jack said. “It’s a hybrid. You can ride it like a mountain bike. Or you can flip the handlebars down for long road rides.”

I thought about all the miles we would ride together and with the kids.

“I think Mommy likes her present,” Rebecca told Jack.

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