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PAY FOR PLAY

Around San Diego's city hall, it's hard to argue with an institution called the "Pro Kids Golf Academy and Learning Center."

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LETTERS

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Memory
Your cover story of March 28 (“They Won the Biggest Family Contest”) sent me hurtling back to my youth as if sent back in a time machine. I, too, grew up in National City in the ’60s, alongside Ronnie Lovell. I was the fifth child in a family of 13. I remember Ronnie in the school orchestra playing his viola and me my violin. Thank you for printing that story. And thank the Lovells for the courage to reveal the trials as well as the joys of being a part of a large family. I will send copies to my brothers and sisters. I’m sure they’ll enjoy reading it as much as I did!
Tina Degracia Lee
Mira Mesa

Recreational Racism
I have a question with regards to the van Dam article (“Are the van Dams Fit Parents?” “City Lights,” March 28). I was wondering why any time you guys write an article describing drugs somewhere in South Bay, like in the Chula Vista area or Logan area, you mention marijuana and cocaine. But when it’s a rich neighborhood like where the van Dams live, out in Sabre Springs, where the houses cost \$400,000 and above, all of a sudden marijuana becomes a “recreational drug.” Just curious, curious to know what’s going on, see if there’s any racism there.
Name Withheld

Dollar Mystery
This refers to the “Tin Fork” in this week’s Reader, March 28. The restaurant is called Bale’s Café. Everything is priced at \$1.99 in your paper, but when you go into the place, everything is \$2.99 and above.
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Ed Bedford replies: I called Mr. Pham, owner of Bale’s Café, who said he had raised prices since my visit (which was toward the end of February) along with per-serving quantities. But then he decided the original formula was best, and he has now returned to the basic \$1.99. Please try him again. This man is going where few have dared!

Anne’s Struggle
Congratulations, Anne Albright, for “That Help She Needed” (“Kid Stuff,” March 28). In reading your views on the Andrea Yates case and your heartfelt honesty regarding your own struggles with the “black hole,” I was very moved. Your views on the trial and the issue of a

crime versus mental illness is not an easy topic — thank you for addressing it. I think this was the absolute finest column ever published in the Reader. Keep up the good work!
Sylvia C.

Untranslated Jibe
The quote “*Los críticos son unos pendejos*” holds true when reading Duncan Shepherd’s poor review of *Y Tu Mamá También* (Movie Review, March 28). Need subtitles for this?
Luis Torres

Yes, Duncan!
I have not often found myself in agreement with Duncan Shepherd’s opinions — and the times that I have I never had the nerve to express such agreement publicly — but after reading his review of *E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial* I can hold my tongue and fingers no more. Duncan, I wholeheartedly and unreservedly concur!
Sitting in the Loma Theater those nearly 20 years ago, surrounded by a miasma of sniffls and moist eyes, I found myself moved to neither tears nor laughs, only irritation. Irritation at Spielberg’s attempt to bludgeon my mind to death with phony manipulation. Irritation at the way the film took a truly remarkable creature — a being from another planet, whose intelligence and technology obviously far surpassed our own — and reduced him to some dour little boy’s plaything. Spielberg has never really subscribed to the “less is more” philosophy of filmmaking, but *E.T.* seems excessive even by his standards. Thanks, Duncan, for not climbing aboard the bandwagon.
Ed Felstein

Dude, Where’s My Hobbit?
Maybe Duncan Shepherd should watch *The Lord of the Rings* before he reviews it. His review is pathetic and shows his utter lack of understanding of a classic movie. Maybe *Dude, Where’s My Car?* is something he could understand.
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Excessive Comparison
“Time and Time Again” (Movie Review, March 14), very poor review, hard to follow, too many comparisons, author. Works from the premise that the reader has already seen the movie and knows the names of characters. Was it good or bad? Strong points and weak points are all lost in the constant and far-too-excessive comparisons to other movies, actors, authors. After reading this “review,” I needed to search for another. I rarely send comments on-line, but I could not help thinking at least five times while reading the article that it is more of a review to be read and appreciated by other movie critics. I’m sure the majority of the article was not understood by most readers.

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Drunken rowdies Union-Tribune publisher **David Copley**, 50, who is also president and chief executive officer of the paper's holding company, his mother's Copley Press, has been arrested for driving under the influence and is set for arraignment this morning at the downtown courthouse, according to court records. This is



David Copley

at least the third DUI arrest for Copley, who was appointed U-T publisher and chairman of the Copley board a year ago. He was busted in La Jolla in 1986 and in South Mission Beach in December 1989, and did time at a county work camp after the latter conviction. The latest arrest, which reportedly happened in La Jolla in late January, came as the U-T was promoting Proposition G, a ban on alcoholic beverages at Pacific and Mission Beaches. "The violent crime rate in Mission Beach is about



Pacific Beach drinkers

three times the city average," said a February 13 editorial. "In a two-year period, the two beach areas reported over 17,000 alcohol-related arrests, about one-third of the entire city's total." Added the paper: "Imperial Beach is an infinitely nicer place since the city banned alcohol on the beach. People in Carlsbad say that when their beach went alcohol-free, it was like night and day. Problems simply ceased." In a July 23 editorial, the paper said, "Ask juvenile court judges about underage drinking, and they'll tell you the beach is a favored spot for kids to abuse alcohol." It concluded, "Once the bans are in place, the drunken rowdies are gone; the beaches and parks suddenly become places where families and others who like peaceful surroundings want to go." In December, the paper ran an editorial entitled "Teens help spread the message of sobriety," saying, "After years of decline, drunken driving is on the rise. And the holidays are always the worst time for this offense." And before that, the paper called for a moratorium on liquor licenses in Pacific Beach. "In fact, Pacific Beach leads the county in the number of arrests for driving under the influence of alcohol and is second only to Mission Beach in arrests for public drunkenness."

Charging out The Orange County Register is out with a story that says that the Chargers "have emerged as the favorites to move" to

Los Angeles. "Of all the recent NFL stadium deals, that one is the worst. It's a terrible deal from a PR standpoint," the paper quotes **Marc Ganis**, president of Sportscorp LTD, a Chicago-based sports-consulting firm, as saying. Ganis, the paper says, "described the people of San Diego as 'pure obstructionists' for failing to support tax-supported pro-sports projects. "I doubt very seriously that **Alex and Dean Spanos** want to go through the litigation process that [Padres owner] **John Moores** went through. I'm not trying to cause trouble for Alex and Dean Spanos, but if you just look at the relocation with the fewest [stumbling blocks], the Chargers, by sheer logic, are the most likely candidates to move." ... **Christine Tsung**, onetime finance director for the City of Poway, has stepped down as the economics minister of Taiwan after less than two months on the job, according to London's *Financial Times*. "[I] have been like a rabbit that strayed into a jungle, completely unaware of the political traps lying all around. Now I want to say: let me rest," Tsung, the country's first woman to hold the post, declared in a statement of resignation. Opposing members of Taiwan's parliament had attacked Tsung for wearing expensive jewelry, lack of experience, and having insider ties that got her the job.



Chargers fan

Dead cat alley Democratic San Diego state assemblywoman **Christine Kehoe**, a former San Diego city councilwoman who bragged in her campaign spots about how she was the one who could get dead cats out of alleys, is causing a stir with a bill to allow handicapped people to park their cars in street-cleaning zones. "We are very concerned," **Mohammed Nuru**, San Francisco's clean-streets guru, told the *San Francisco Chronicle*. "For every car the mechanical street sweeper has to get around, that's at least 60 feet of curb space that doesn't get cleaned, and this program is the backbone of our street-cleaning program." Replied Kehoe, "In urban areas, especially, it's unrealistic to think that someone can just move their car and park across the street on street-cleaning day. Some people have to park a long way away, and that's a hardship."



Christine Kehoe

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Robotic assisted surgery

Tijuana's Robot Surgeons

By Ernie Grimm

To many, Tijuana's medical reputation is associated with alternative medicine. Cancer patients and others who are seriously

ill, disillusioned by mainstream medicine's offers of little hope and harsh treatments, flock to the border city for experimental therapies, legal and illegal. Now the city is acquiring a reputation as a hotspot for the relatively new science of robotic surgery, thanks to one physician.

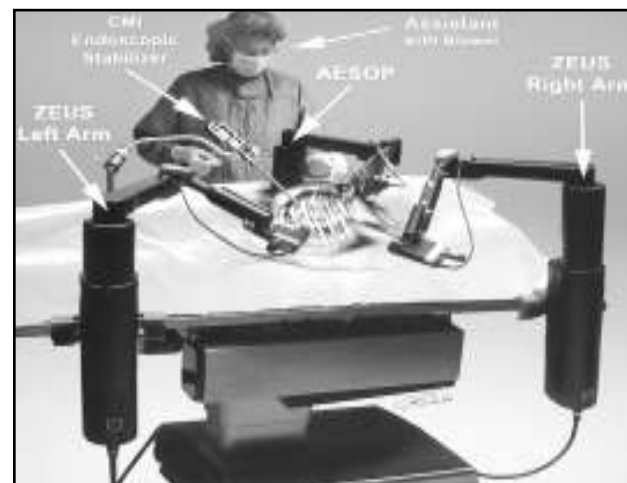
Dr. Harry Miller, 42, grew up in Mexico City, the son of New Yorkers who had relocated there before he was born. He studied medicine at the Universidad Anahuac in the capital city, graduating in 1985. In Veracruz, he did his surgical residency at the National Medical Center of the Mexican Institute of Social Security, better known by the Spanish acronym IMSS (pronounced *eems*), a semi government-socialized health-care system serving over 50 million people in Mexico and border regions of the United States. Upon completion of his residency in 1991, Miller opened a practice in Tijuana to be closer to his parents, who had moved from Mexico City to Chula Vista. A dual citizen, he resides in San Diego, yet he keeps his practice in Tijuana. "I'm only licensed to practice in Mexico," he says.

As a general surgeon, Miller became expert in laproscopic surgery, or "minimally invasive surgery." Instead of making incisions and operating directly on a pa-

an assistant works the camera, the surgeon uses these instruments to perform the surgery. "Nowadays, we can do with minimally invasive surgery spleen surgery, gall bladder, colonic surgery, pancreatic surgery, a whole bunch of things," Miller says.

Though it's a relatively new art, laproscopic surgery is undergoing a revolution due to robotics developed in the last decade. A soft-spoken, medium-sized man with a pleasant smile and thinning blond hair, Dr. Miller was quick to see the revolution coming. And now, nine years later, he has trained almost all of the doctors competent in robotic surgery in Latin

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PHOTOGRAPH BY JOE KLEIN

Dr. Harry Miller

Thieves Grab Green Gold

By Ernie Grimm

Over 90 percent of the avocados grown in the United States are grown in California, and half of those are grown in San Diego County. The cultivation of avocados, particularly the durable and tasty Haas variety, is a \$150-million-per-year business in the county. By some estimates, that figure would be 15 to 20 percent higher were it not for avocado theft.

"I manage 200 acres," says avocado farmer Noel Stehly, as he steers a dilapidated pickup through his Valley Center grove, "and in the last

couple of years we've gotten theft down to about \$5000 a year. In that time the price we get for the fruit has averaged between \$.90 and \$1.10 a pound. So it could be 10,000 pounds a year we have been losing. That's just me. Industry-wide, it's a pretty big thing."

Stehly pulls over to let a newer pickup truck full of gardening equipment speed by. "That guy," he explains,

"takes care of the landscape of that house up on top of this hill. He drives through my groves all the way up there. I've already talked to him; he seems pretty nice. But the last landscapers, I told the owner, 'I don't want them on the property anymore. Every time they drive down the hill they pick a few fruit.' He said, 'Well, what's a few fruit?' I said, 'That fruit is my livelihood.'"

But it's not passersby snagging a few avocados to make guacamole who are causing the 15 to 20 percent crop losses for avocado ranchers. "I generalize the categories of thieves," says Charley Wolk, who owns and manages avocado groves all over the North County. "You've got the casual thief, probably stealing for drug or booze money. Then you got a thief who is a regular thief, but he's a small-time operator, maybe steals small amounts from different groves and sells them at either the swap meet or to mom-and-pop restaurants. Then you've got the big-time operators coming in in teams. Actually, what they'll often do is they'll hire laborers off the street corner and put them in the grove so they're only at risk when they put them in and when they pick up the fruit. The people who are actually doing the harvesting, if you stop and ask them what they're doing, they honestly tell you that they're harvesting fruit. Because from their perspective, they don't even know they're stealing. That element is moving a lot of fruit."

Deputy district attorney Elisabeth Silva, who runs the agricultural crime project for the district attorney's office, says there is no profile that fits all avocado thieves. "But the most prominent thread is drugs," she explains. "An awfully large percentage of my defendants have been stealing in order to get drug money. But not everyone has. Another common thread has been industry insiders. But neither one holds true every single time."

The methods used by thieves are as varied as their motivations. "Any scenario you create, I've probably had it happen to me," Wolk says.



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Stolen avocados usually have broken stems; growers cut stems



Noel Stehly



Charley Wolk



Fallbrook packing center

"They do it with sacks, they do it with picking poles. I've had them stealing from the roadside. I've had them cut through fences like a zipper and drive right into the grove. I take care of two ranches up in Rainbow that are pretty close together. I had a problem one time where I had two picking crews, one in each ranch, but one of the bin-lift jeeps was broken. So I told the crew leader, 'After you move your [full bin of] fruit out of the grove, just run up to the other ranch and move the empties into the grove

and pull their full bins out.' Well, he did that; he pulled a full bin of fruit out. And in the time it took him to drive from that ranch over to the other one and back, somebody came along and stole half the bin of fruit. [A bin is 800 pounds.] They probably drove up with a pickup truck, reached in there with their hands, threw it into their pickup truck, and drove off."

"When they can drive in with a truck," Stehly says, "that's when they can really take a lot. And it's easy to hide a pickup truck in an avocado

grove. There could be one behind that first row of trees right now and I wouldn't be able to see it. But even without a truck, two or three guys can steal a lot of fruit. They've been known to walk a half a mile with a gunny sack or a trash bag slung over their shoulders. Avocados are expensive enough that a guy can pick 60 to 80 pounds and sling it over his shoulder and walk out, and he's got himself a little extra cash. If you've got a guy working for minimum wage, 80 bucks here

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Robot surgeons

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America. Miller starts his story in 1993. "There was a big meeting in San Diego that year," he recalls, "called

Medicine Meets Virtual Reality. An expert in robotics named Dr. Yulun Wang — he had done projects for NASA making arms used in space — came to that convention with an idea; in laproscopic surgery, one problem is the

person holding the camera can get lost. They put the camera in there and sometimes they don't know where to go and they get lost. Or maybe they had a couple of tequilas the night before, or a big fight with their spouse

that morning, and their hands are a little shaky. It's very frustrating for the person who's doing the surgery. So they sent Dr. Wang to Dr. Jonathan Sackiert at UCSD, who was very surprised and very pleased with the idea.

They both got together and formed a company called Computer Motions, and they developed the first robotic scope holder. It was called Aesop 1000. Aesop stands for automated endoscopic sys-

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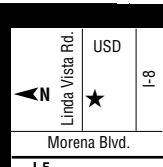
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tem for optimal positioning. So, in 1993, they did the first laproscopic gall-bladder case at UCSD. They used this robotic system. The way it worked was, the surgeon was using both arms for the surgery, but with his foot he had a pedal control with which he could move the scope around. And it had memory positions; it could go back to previously set positions.”

When Miller heard about the robot-aided surgery he grew excited about the concept, and he wanted to learn more. “I called Jonathan Sackiert,” he recalls with a laugh, “and I told him, ‘I’m Harry Miller. I’m a surgeon in Tijuana. I want to train in robotic surgery.’ Maybe it was my English name, but he thought it was a joke.”

Once Miller made it clear that he wasn’t joking, Sackiert agreed to train him in the field. In 1996, Miller and a friend, Dr. Adrian Carbajal of Mexico City, performed the first robotic surgery in Mexico. “In 1996,” Miller says, “we spoke to Yulun Wang from Computer Motions, and we borrowed an Aesop 1000 model, and we brought it down to Tijuana, and we did the first two gall bladders at Regional General Hospital Number 20 of the IMSS.” In 1999, Miller started holding “competency courses” in robotic surgery. “I’m the only guy in Mexico teaching it,” he says. “I’ve taught four two-week courses since then. The last one was just finished in February. We had four students. We can’t have too many students — four to six, maximum. I say students, but they’re surgeons. They’re skilled surgeons who already do minimally invasive surgery, and they want to know what’s cooking with robotic surgery. One of the students came from Spain. Another one came from Mexico City, a very renowned surgeon who has written books; and two local students that were here in Tijuana. It’s a two-week educational program. This year, what we did is, we took the students and they did 20 cases in our hospital. We did hernia repairs endoscopically, we did gall-bladder surgeries, and reflux

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surgery.”

The students in Miller’s course learn on the latest version of the Aesop scope holder, the 3000, which is equipped with a voice-activated system instead of the foot pedal or remote hand control of earlier models. The new model features a greater range of motion than the two previous. “Aesop 1000 and 2000 have 6 degrees of freedom,” Miller explains. “Movement along one line in space is 1 degree of freedom. For laproscopic surgery, we need robotics with at least 5 degrees of freedom. Aesop 3000 has 7 degrees of freedom, plus voice activation. For comparison, a human hand and wrist has over 23 degrees of freedom.”

Miller’s students also become competent on another surgical robot manufactured by Computer Motions, which is headquartered near Santa Barbara, called Zeus. “It’s used for microendoscopic abdominal or chest surgery. Zeus has three robotic arms. One of the robotic arms is Aesop — the model 3000. The other two arms are controlled remotely by the surgeon, who sits at a console away from the operating table. He controls one of Zeus’s arms with his right hand and another with his left hand, and the scope with voice commands.”

The latest version of the Zeus machine features micro wrists at the end of the instruments that give surgeons nine degrees of freedom, allowing them to perform complicated suturing knots on internal organs from across the room — or across an ocean, as happened recently. “It was called Lindbergh Project,” Miller explains. “What they did is they had a patient in Strasbourg, France, and a French surgeon named Jacques Marescaux was in New York, and they did a gall-bladder surgery. The patient was a 68-year-old woman. Telecom France has six lines of very wide fiber-optic communication lines, very high speed, laid across the Atlantic. And, using those, they did the surgery with a delay time of 150 milliseconds. Between moving your instruments in New York, the signal going all the way to France, and coming back to New York, it took 150 mil-

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Robot surgeons

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liseconds, a sixth or seventh of a second. That permitted the surgeon to do the surgery. They removed her gall bladder and they released her 48 hours later. That proved, for the first time on a human patient, that you can do surgery at a very long distance."

Currently, the costs of the surgical robots — \$100,000 for Aesop, a million dollars for Zeus — are too high for most Mexican health-care systems, especially considering that the surgeries they fa-

cilitate can be performed without them. But Miller believes that robotics are the future and points out that they already save money by lowering the number of operating-room personnel and shortening expensive operating room and recovery times. He says the IMSS has expressed interest in acquiring the robots, though to date, they haven't done so.

In all, Miller has trained around 30 surgeons in robotic surgery. Half of them are in Tijuana, making the border city the leader in Mexico — and among the leaders of the world — in the field

of robotic surgery. Asked how much he charges for the course, Miller answers, "I don't ask them for a nickel. They don't pay for it."

Though not a boastful type, when pressed, Miller admits that he's proud to be boosting the standing of medicine in Tijuana and Mexico. "I'm trying to make something happen faster than it should happen naturally in Mexico," he says. "We usually lag behind the States in technology. But if we can get help from American companies, and they bring down all the technology, we're making the future come faster to Latin America. And we want the world to see that if you give Mexican surgeons these instruments, they're as skilled as anybody in any part of the world." ■

Green gold

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and 80 bucks there adds up really fast."

Avocado theft, says Silva, is the biggest agricultural crime in San Diego County in terms of loss incurred by

the growers. Several factors contribute to that standing, the largest of which is the high price of the green-skinned fruit. "Why would a thief go steal oranges?" asks Wolk. "You can buy them at roadside, ten pounds for a dollar. That's one of the reasons that they steal avocados." Currently, the price farmers get for their fruit is around \$1 a pound. The higher the price, the greater the theft problem.

Another large factor in the avocado-theft equation is the long picking season. "Usually we're from November through August," Stehly says, "though sometimes we start picking in October. Past August, I've got fruit that, to me, is a little rancid. Not everybody would know it, but if you cut it open and smell it, it smells different to me. We'll pick large-sized fruit off a tree in October or November, then let the other stuff grow some more, and then go back. So we would go several times through the grove. One tree could be picked many times."

But the longer an avocado

hangs on a tree before picking, the greater the odds are that it will end up in a thief's gunny sack before its rightful owner gets around to picking it. "Then," Stehly says, "we go to pick a grove and we walk up to a group of trees and say, 'Damn, they were loaded a month or two ago. Now there's no fruit there.'"

But it's not always after the fact that thieves are discovered. "I was walking through my grove just a couple of months ago," Stehly recalls, "and as I'm walking out one end, I see a guy in a red shirt behind a tree. I walked behind the tree and said, 'Can I help you?' He's got a sheet lying on the ground with a pile of avocados on it. He answers, 'No.' 'Are these your trees?' He says, 'I thought this was an abandoned grove.' I told him, 'This grove is alive. They don't stay alive if they're abandoned.' I reached for my phone and called 911, because, though he was being cooperative, I thought this guy needed to be reported. The sheriff came out and talked to him. He told him, 'I'm going to have to take you

in, and Mr. Stehly is going to file a complaint. So why don't you get in the car.' He got him in the car and then turned to me and said, 'Do you really want to file a complaint?' I said, 'Let's find out if he has any prior convictions.' He didn't have any priors, and he hadn't piled up enough fruit to make a good conviction. It would have been a misdemeanor for a guy like that. So I just hoped that he learned his lesson."

"We had one case," Wolk says, "where my irrigator caught him and told him he should get out of the orchard, that he didn't belong there. And he took his license number. The thief tried to talk him out of it, saying he'd share some of the money he made with him. The irrigator said, 'No, you'd better get out of the grove.' Unfortunately, the truck the irrigator was in didn't have a radio in it. But the thief was so stupid, he came back the next day and tried the same thing. The irrigator, instead of saying anything to him, drove back to the office and called the sheriff. The sheriff came out and arrested

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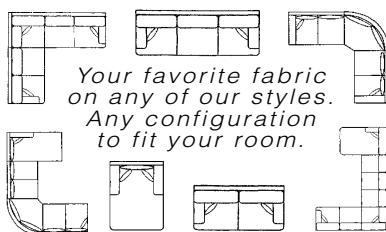
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him, and he was convicted. We had another case where we knew they were stealing on a regular basis. One day, they almost ran over the irrigator. They were going to run him down to get out of the grove. Well, the irrigator, my foreman, and I went out and got on high ground where we could see into the grove but remain not seen. We did that in the evening. Nothing happened. Later on, my foreman figured out that they were stealing fruit in the daytime. So he and the irrigator went out there in the middle of the day and waited. Sure enough, they came into the grove and caught them. The problem was, they didn't understand what the legal requirement was to get a conviction, and they didn't let them get far enough."

Wolk adds, "They have to have the fruit, they have to take it off the ranch, and you have to be able to identify that it came from that particular ranch. Those are the elements you need to get the conviction."

Silva says two of those three elements are necessary. A thief does have to have the fruit in his possession, and a prosecutor needs to link it to a particular ranch. But you don't want him to leave the ranch, she says, because, "Once the crook leaves the grove with the goods, it becomes difficult connecting those goods back to that field."

"Preferably," says Jackie Cruz, a civilian employee who runs the sheriff department's agricultural crime office, "we like to catch them in the grove. When you catch them in the grove, you have multiple crimes to charge them with. They're trespassing, because the grower has not given permission, and then they're caught with the product."

"In order for me to have a felony crime," Silva adds, "I have to have caught him in the act of picking \$100 worth of avocados, and that's \$100 based on the wholesale price the day of the theft."

Silva says she could count "on two hands" the number of felony avocado-theft convictions she's had in North County over the past five years, "Though there have been many complaints of felony-level theft." Not that she only prosecutes felony

fruit theft. "I always remember my first one," she says, "in which a guy had stolen \$13 worth of avocados."

In addition to catching thieves, busting the packing houses they sell fruit to is another means used to combat

avocado theft. Silva and Cruz and local growers are all still buzzing about the conviction last summer of Fallbrook fruit packer Ariel Varela, who was convicted for buying stolen fruit. Yet Stehly and Wolk both say there are other

packing houses that they suspect of dealing in stolen fruit, though neither will name one. "Because I can't prove it," Stehly explains. "But there are guys out there that a lot of the ranchers suspect. And the sheriffs have been informed,

and supposedly they're watching them."

Along with educating sheriff's deputies on how to spot and arrest avocado thieves, Cruz spends part of her time giving ranchers tips on how to be hard targets.

She recommends secure gates and fences with thorny hedges outside of them, but she recognizes that these measures are often cost prohibitive. She's in the process of taking satellite global positioning system (GPS) read-





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Though these measures are important, Silva says the most effective way to combat theft would be increased patrols within the vast, hilly labyrinth of orchards in north San Diego County. "But the bottom line," she concedes, "is people crime comes first. And when there is violence in the urbanized areas, there simply cannot be as much patrolling in the rural areas. Everybody understands that. The question is, where's the balance? But the sheriff and the district attorney have been really good about putting resources into combating agricultural crime."

Charley Wolk seconds that thought. "Before Pfingst and Kolender, we had the worst case. The sheriff, because of lack of knowledge and probably a little bit of attitude, was nonresponsive. The growers' reaction to that over time was, 'Why report it? Nobody is going to do anything about it!' Then what happened was, you didn't have the reports made, and it was a vicious circle because, from the sheriff's perspective, it was not a problem because there were no reports made. From the DA's perspective it was, 'Why the hell are you talking to me about doing something about avocado theft? Nobody is reporting it, and the sheriff is not making any arrests. There's nothing I can do.' Paul Pfingst and Bill Kolender both promised during their campaigns that they would do something about agricultural theft. Both of them have honored their promises. Bill Kolender formed the group that Jackie Cruz heads up, and she's been extremely successful educating not only our own county sheriff patrolmen but the city policemen, the highway patrol, the border patrol, and everything else, making them aware of what to look for, how to make the arrest so that the evidence is not lost. I know a lot of our deputies, and they're very excited about the challenge of making agricultural crime arrests. And the DA is willing to go after them and convict them. Paul Pfingst has assigned deputy DAs to prosecute agricultural

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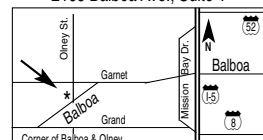
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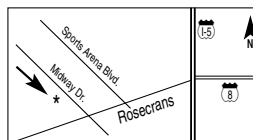
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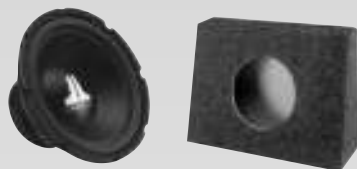


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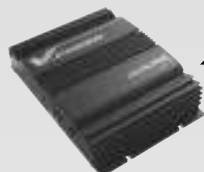
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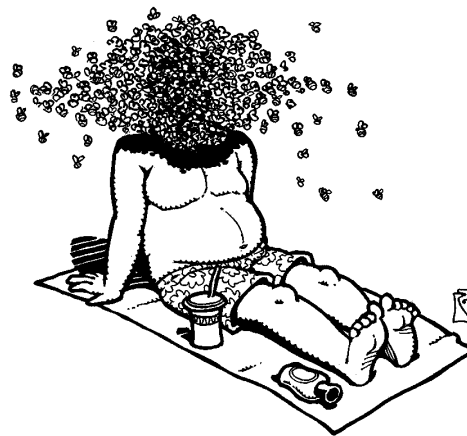
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

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Dear Matthew Alice:

Recently my partner found himself standing inside of a huge swarm of bees on Midway Drive, near the Sports Arena—West Point Loma Boulevard intersection. He described the swarm as about as tall as a two-story building and as wide as Midway Drive. He said he first saw a shadow approaching and then realized the bees were so solid they blocked out the sun. He and several others took shelter in a nearby building until they passed, heading toward Ocean Beach. When I mentioned this to a co-worker, she said she had seen similar swarms on several occasions in the same area. What's with these bees? Are they migrating? Looking for food? Where do they live when they're not hanging out in OB? How many bees are in a swarm that size?

— Nancy J, the net

So, Nancy, were these OBees carrying coolers and little beach chairs? Sounds like Zonies on Fourth of July weekend. Or something out of one of those '50s horror films with bugs amok in a small Midwest town, where the sheriff drives a Plymouth and the hysterical populace turns to the scientist from the nearby university to help them, but his beautiful daughter gets carried off to the gigantic hive in a cave outside of town, and the handsome cub reporter saves her, but not before nearly drowning in honey and ruining his hat, which remains on his head no matter how furious the action becomes.

Sorry. Don't know what happened there. Anyway, if we're dealing with bees, we'd better check in with George Jones, the county ag department's go-to bee guy. He's seen it all. All except a two-story-tall, four-lane-wide swarm. In his own soft-spoken way, Mr. Jones suggests that when people see a swarm of 8-, maybe 10,000 bees, their eyes get big and they go all googly, and their sense of proportion takes a hike. The beach-bound bees were looking for a new home. The old one didn't suit them for some reason. Overcrowded maybe. So part of the old hive took off with a new queen. Mr. Jones doesn't know that there's anything in particular that would attract bees to that area, though he does say he's removed three large swarms in the OB-Sunset Cliffs area since December. Two of the swarms were Africanized, he says casually. If you don't disturb their nests, they won't disturb you.

Bees don't migrate, exactly, but when they change homes, they move as a swarm. It can look a little spooky if you've never seen one before. Unless you're in the middle of traffic at the Sports Arena area, you'll hear the swarm before you see it. First a loud, ominous hum, then a roiling ball of bees moving like a school of slow fish. Startling, not dangerous. County ag has a honey-bee hotline, where you can leave questions about the fuzzy guys (800-200-2337). But if you have a batch o' bees on your property, don't call Mr. Jones, don't call county ag, and definitely don't take things into your own hands. Call a private extermination company that knows how to handle them.

Hello, Matt:

With all these energy drinks out lately and my full agenda, I've found myself hooked (on Red Bull). I'm up to one or two a day. What I'm wondering is how safe are they? Do they (whoever they are) know what the ingredients will do to us in the long run? I mean, is a doctor going to tell me that the reason I have grown an extra testicle is because I've consumed too much taurine?

— Kurt, the net

Ha-ha, sucker. The first one was free, wasn't it. Now you're up to two a day. You're hooked. Hooked like a carp. Floppin' around on the deck wondering how you got into this situation. And how to get your sorry self out. Worst of all, Red Bull is bull. Red Bull is caffeine and sugar. Red Bull is just coffee in a can. SoBe, 180, all the rest of them, ditto. Do they give you energy? Ha. Caffeine buzz, sugar rush. Are they sports drinks? Would you drink a tall cup of Starbucks house juice before a workout? How about the claim that they sharpen your mind? Yeah, same as a cuppa joe. Can you "party like a rock star"? Red Bull will not make you want to trash hotel rooms.

So what about Taurine? We already have plenty of that amino acid in our bodies. A smidge more won't hurt. Guarana? Just another form of caffeine. Ginseng? We can talk ourselves into believing anything is effective. Red Bull and vodka? Equals buzzed drunks who may not realize how drunk they really are. Doctors declare energy drinks (the ones without ephedra) safe in moderation and completely pointless. Except when you spend anywhere from \$2 to \$7 a can, when you definitely want to convince yourself it really works.

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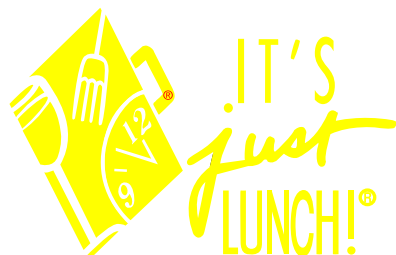
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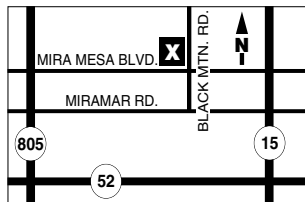
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By Patrick Daugherty

Good Gig

A chilly, wet day at the Lake San Marcos Country Club, a rather bland, one-story country club and semi-arid golf course on San Pablo Drive in San Marcos. Today, the joint is jumping due to the annual Aztec Invitational hosted by San Diego State University women's golf team.

I am sitting on the patio with Felicia Brown, SDSU's women's golf team coach. Brown, 35, is a homie, having gone to San Marcos High School — was, in fact, the only girl on the boys' golf team. Many jobs and one college degree later she came home to work as a club pro on this very course. "How many tournaments do you play?"

"We host one tournament a year and go to ten events."

Brown has short blond hair, oval face, and a powerful set of shoulders. She has a coach's demeanor, which is another way of saying that she projects confidence.

"How is collegiate golf organized?"

"The NCAA ranks by district. We're in the West District. I believe the top 19 teams go to the NCAA regionals and the top five teams from there go to the finals." [According to golfweek.com, Women's Division I golf has three districts. The East District includes 101 colleges, the Central District has 68 colleges, and the West District has 42. As of March 17th, the latest posted rankings, San Diego State stands 18th in the West.]

"And, how many years has San Diego State had a women's golf team?"

"I don't know."

Now, that's a rare and appreciated answer. "How long have you been coach?"

"I was hired in August."

Direct and simple. "From?"

"I was working here as a teaching professional. The year before, I was on the futures tour, playing professionally."

"How did you do?" Nobody leaves the pros on their own.

"Not well. That's why I'm coaching." Brown smiles. "I turned pro in '88, went to qualifying school in '90, and missed my tour card by four shots. The next year I ripped out all the cartilage in my left thumb. I couldn't hold a club for 18 months."

"I had an itch to try the professional tour one more time, got through the qualifying school for the Futures Tour [LPGA developmental tour], went out for a year, missed eight cuts by one shot."

I wince. "That must have been excruciating."

"Yes, but I had a great time. I traveled all over the United States with a girl from Australia. We drove my '92 Toyota Corolla. I think we put 32,000 miles on it. But, I just didn't have that fire anymore. So, I worked here and down in El Cajon at a driving range for a while. Then, I tried the tour again. No good. Came back, took a couple of part-time jobs, and then this came up."

"What a great gig." This is said quietly.

"Yeah, great gig."

One heartbeat. Two heartbeats. "What's the hardest thing to teach?"

"I don't do a lot of instruction. By the time girls get to this level, they have a game and they have their own pro. If you look at the pro tour, you'll see nobody swings the same. Different pros have different theories. And so, when these girls come to me, I don't try to change their swings. I work on their short game, 30 yards and in — putting, chipping, and pitching."

Raindrops splash our tabletop. "What's the most important part of the close-in game?"

"Putting. It's the one part of the game you can master. The ball might not always go in the hole, but you can always give it a good run. That's half the battle."

More splash. More wet. "Why can you mas-

ter putting and not other parts of the game?"

"Because when you putt, the whole shot takes place within eyesight; whereas, in the golf swing, the club goes behind you, you can't see it anymore. If you're a few degrees off in a full swing, you'll see a big motion 150 yards down the fairway. There's more room for error when you putt."

Last question. I'm calling this a rainout. "What separates the player who is very good from the player who has the makings of a pro?"

"Strength at the bottom of the swing. Some girls aren't as strong when they go through the ball. They break down at the bottom. When they make contact, you can see her hands and wrists

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give; whereas a stronger player swings through the ball. She's very strong, very quick.

"That's the first ingredient that you have to have on the pro tour. The other ingredient is to be able to work the ball left to right and right to left. A lot of collegiate players are cookie-cutter players. They always hit a draw no matter where the hole is. They force the hole to fit their draw, instead of making their shot fit the hole."

We'll do one more week with Brown as preparation for the Masters.

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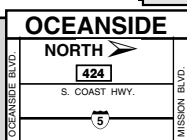
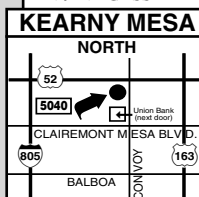
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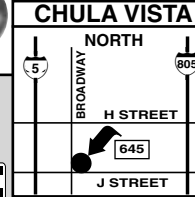
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My husband and I recently received a birth announcement from an old college friend, a woman who was my sorority sister (Pi Beta Phi) at a university in the Southwest. The announcement was beautifully engraved on exquisite stock. A quick perusal of this card revealed that my sorority sister and another woman were the "couple" announcing the birth of an eight-pound son. From the announcement it is difficult to ascertain whether one of these women is the birth mother or whether the boy has been adopted. I have called several of our sisters, and they do not know either. How do we find out who had the baby? How do we know who is the mother and who is the father (our sorority sister was very feminine and not masculine at all) without seeming rude? My husband thinks the whole thing is disgusting and said he wishes I would not send a gift.

PERTURBED IN POWAY

Dear Perturbed,

Is your husband disgusted because he feels birth announcements are elegantly printed gift solicitations? If you agree, then send nothing. One is not obligated to ante up a gift in response to every announcement. I like giving gifts, but I suppose that's a typical old-lady trait. I've even given dogs small tokens of esteem on graduation from obedience school, but only those I was especially fond of and not in response to being dunned by announcement cards. I understand that you're curious about whether the new baby was adopted by your sorority sister and her partner or given birth to by one of them, etc. It's natural for us humans to be inquisitive about each other's lives, particularly concerning momentous occasions like birth, death, and, even in some cases, sex. But I don't see what difference the baby's provenance makes in deciding to send a present or not. Whether this baby was adopted or carried in the womb of one of these women, they are now proud parents announcing his joyful arrival in their lives. If they had wanted to "announce" the circumstances of his birth, they could have done so. Since they did not, I conclude that they wish to keep the matter private. Though we might be burning with curiosity, sometimes it's best to respect other people's privacy, even if it means our curiosity goes unsatisfied. Perhaps that respect is the most appropriate gift you can offer this new family.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I'm going to be married in a few months to a girl who's stuck with me through thick and thin. I think I love her, but I'm not sure. She's got a decent amount of sex appeal, and she's a good per-

son. To not marry her would be cruel. She's put in the hours. I owe it to her. She's expecting me to go through with it. But I'm suffering from "cold feet," big-time. I travel a lot in my work as a news photographer, and I see tons of beautiful young women I'd like to sleep with. My fiancée wants to have children in two years. I can see my life heading in a settled-down direction when I want it to stay where it is, full of excitement and hot babes. To be honest, I can't stop thinking about having sex with young women. When I get old they'll still be young. My fiancée is in her early 30s. Add kids and a few more years, and she's done. She probably won't be cute at all. I want a wife who'll turn 30 when I'm 60. Am I being unrealistic?

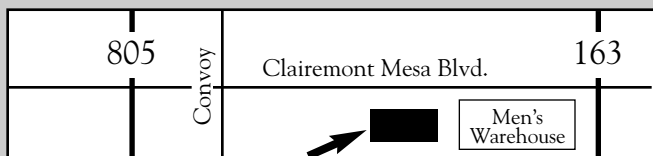
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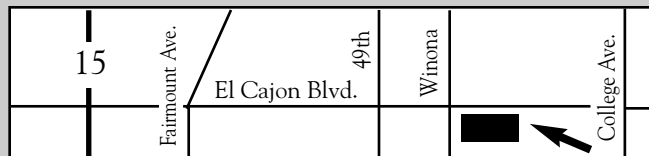
Marriage is not for everyone, and right now you seem like a very poor candidate for husband. Most marriages involve embracing the idea of devoting much love and attention to one person. You seem horrified by this idea and disinclined to practice it. There are all kinds of marriages, but I'm hard-pressed to think of any sort of successful marital union you could have over the long haul, given your attitudes, tastes, and sexual ambitions. And I hope the women you're lusting after aren't minors. I have the sick feeling that you and your fiancée have almost nothing in common in terms of what you think marriage is and means. I recommend you let your fiancée know exactly how you feel. Show her the letter you wrote me. What you "owe her" is not to marry her despite grave reluctance and great unsuitability for marriage but honesty about what you're really thinking. It would be cruel not to tell her. Then, if she still wants to marry a man who considers a woman over 30 discardable, like a disposable camera, at least she'll be marching down the aisle into the lion's den forewarned.

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PAY FOR PLAY

Continued from front page And it's even harder to argue with Ernie Wright, a former Charger who says he founded Pro Kids eight years ago "in order to give our neighborhood kids a fighting chance at navigating this bumpy road we call life." Wright's nonprofit academy leases the Colina Park golf course from the city and uses it to teach golf to children from the surrounding, predominantly poor and minority neighborhoods.

"I've been chairman since we started. We now have over 7000 kids in this area who are card-carrying Pro Kids golf academy members," Wright says. Padres owner John Moores kicked in a million dollars to start a \$25 million endowment fund, he adds. The Building Industry Association contributed \$1.3 million worth of labor and materials for a new \$1.7 million, two-story clubhouse

featuring executive offices and a computer-training room.

"Thanks to the great game of golf, these kids aren't on the street anymore," Wright says. "They are exposed to new challenges and opportunities. We teach them skills to take on the world. If it wasn't for this program, a lot of these kids wouldn't stand a chance. They'd be hanging around

on the streets."

But lately Wright finds himself answering questions about campaign contributions made by himself and others associated with Pro Kids and whether the money is being used to buy influence with the city council, which controls the awarding of federal block-grant funds to local charities such as Pro Kids. Over the years, that convoluted, secrecy-

cloaked block-grant awards procedure, critics say, has been corrupted by councilmembers' increasing use of the process to raise money for themselves.

Word of the Pro Kids-related contributions comes at an awkward time for the city council, which is considering adoption of a new 44-

sions and bar former city employees, including councilmembers, from lobbying at city hall for a year after leaving city employment.

The law would also forbid a city official from using "his or her position or prospective position, or the power or authority of his or her office or position, in any

and had delayed further consideration of the ordinance until April 16. Meantime, their fundraising proceeds full speed ahead.

Since last March, according to city campaign-disclosure records, at least 16 individuals with links to Wright and Pro Kids have contributed a total of \$8100 to help retire the 2000 campaign debt of city councilman Jim Madaffer. Most of the contributions came in on the same date, according to the disclosures: December 13, 2001.

The bulk of Madaffer's debt is owed to the councilman himself, and therefore, much of the money he collects has been going directly into his own pocket. A former legislative aide to ex-councilwoman Judy McCarty, Madaffer's campaign reports show he sunk more than \$25,000 of his savings into his campaign effort and has been paying it back since the November 2000 election.

At the end of the most recent disclosure period, covering the six months through the close of 2001, Madaffer still owed himself about \$13,000. During the same period, the Madaffer cam-



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Brick outside Pro Kids Golf Academy

page conflict-of-interest law proposed by the city's Ethics Commission, created by the council largely in response to the Valerie Stallings-John Moores influence-buying scandal. The ordinance would ban solicitation of campaign funds from council appointees to city boards and commis-

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paigned paid the Primacy Group, a political consulting firm owned by Madaffer's consultant Larry Remer, \$16,500. The Chase Company, owned by Madaffer fundraising consultant Nancy Chase, received \$9750, and Aimee Faucett, a Madaffer campaign aide, got an \$8000 "bonus." At the end of the year, the campaign still owed the Primacy Group \$9914.

That Madaffer's campaign debt has been steadily shrinking is due in no small part to money that Wright freely boasts he has raised on behalf of the first-term Seventh District councilman. Those associated with Pro Kids who have given the maximum \$500 contribution to retire Madaffer's debt included Wright himself, Margaret



Michel Anderson

Wright, Ernest Wright II, and Victoria Wright. Former Charger Doug Wilkerson and his wife Deborah also gave \$500, as did a raft of Pro Kids executives and directors and their spouses, including president Nicholas Krnich and vice president



Larry Remer

Donald Odom. Other donors included Deborah Keough, listed as the chief financial officer of Wright's EHW Management Corp., and Michel Anderson, identified by Wright as his lobbyist.

"Jim Madaffer, as you know, is the city councilman



John Moores

for the district that we're in, City Heights, and before that he was chief of staff for Judy McCarty, and Judy and Jim have been absolutely super supporters of our program there in City Heights," explains Wright. "We operate a city-owned golf course, and they

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have been very helpful in our applications for block-grant monies to improve that golf course and that facility for kids in that neighborhood.

"And we feel that, since they've supported us in what we were doing to help the kids in that community, that we should support Mr. Madaffer in his efforts to seek election. He had to run for office, and he has debts to pay off, and as with any elected official, if we can help, we help." As for the fact that most of the money is going directly to Madaffer personally, Wright says, "He had the courage of his convictions, so he put his own money down. He ought to be able to get it back if he wins."

Wright says he can't remember how he found out

about Madaffer's post-election fundraising needs or his campaign debt. "Maybe I asked him. Maybe his assistant tapped me. Maybe my lobbyist told me about it. I can't recall. I'm always looking out to help my friends, though, so it probably was my idea to pitch in with a little extra."

Madaffer himself, who was reached on his cell phone as he arrived for an event at San Diego State University's Cox Arena last Thursday, also says he doesn't recall the specifics of how the Pro Kids group came to donate money to him more than a year after his campaign ended. "I made lots of calls. I can't remember. When you say a group of folks, I can't say yes, I can't say no. There's prob-



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In any case, Madaffer insists, there was no linkage or coercion involving the contributions and his support of the Pro Kids block-grant proposal. "No, no, no. I've supported Pro Kids for years. They're a great program. Any program that helps the youth of San Diego is a program that I'm interested in helping out."

He adds that he was also not sure of the source of the personal funds he loaned to his campaign. "The thing I do remember is probably from my American Express investment brokerage account, where that money came from."

Wright says he has been successfully working city hall's block-grant system for years

on behalf of Pro Kids. Under a city council policy adopted in June 1996, the council splits the annual federal block-grant allotment into two portions. Forty percent is earmarked for citywide projects, such as street and sewer improvements. The remaining 60 percent is parceled out by council district, allowing each councilmember to wield virtual veto power over which organizations and projects receive funding.

Insiders know it therefore helps for groups to maintain a friendly relationship with each council representative. Outspoken political foes of incumbent councilmembers need not bother to apply, council observers who are familiar with the process agree. The block-grant awards, coupled with election of councilmembers by district, enacted by San Diego voters in 1988, has given individual councilmembers enormous power within their districts, which is leveraged by them to gain favor with various constituencies. The competition for funding is intense. Last year, more than 200 groups, seeking a total of \$74 mil-



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lion, vied for a share of the more than \$11 million of new block-grant money distributed by the council.

Over the years, Wright says, Pro Kids has received at least a half million dollars of

city funding, and as a result of his lobbying efforts, he has become a skilled grants seeker. This year, he says, Pro Kids is taking its case for funding to two other councilmembers as well as Madaffer.

"We've made block-grant applications to three different city council people because of the area we serve in their districts. We have made them to Toni Atkins and George Stevens and Jim Madaffer. They are all up for consideration; they won't vote on them until April or May.

"The whole is about \$180,000 from all three different districts. That would be to improve the golf course. The golf course had not had any substantial work done on it in many, many years, and what we want to do is to upgrade the facility so that the children who play in our program will have a competitive golf course, so when they go other places they will be competitive.

"We have raised through the Building Industry Association shares for kids; we raised over \$1.7 million in private funds and built the brand-new clubhouse and learning center on that program. So we have not just been asking for money from the city. Over 125 businesses donated money, time, materials, and work to build a \$1.7 million clubhouse and com-

puter learning center at private expense. So we think we have a very good public/private relationship going on here."

According to figures supplied by Wright, Pro Kids receives a total of about \$1.1 million of revenue each year in grants, donations, and income from special events such as golf tournaments and dinners. Government's contribution is \$265,000, and individuals and foundations contribute \$507,000. The group spends \$537,261 on salaries, with the balance going toward items such as golf-course maintenance, travel, scholarships, and fundraising overhead.

The \$179,400 in block-grant funds requested in the currently pending block-grant application would be used to pay for part of the \$931,500 golf-course renovation project, Wright says. In addition to that block-grant contribution, another \$250,000 of block-grant money left over from previous years would be used, as well as a \$200,000 grant from the United States Golf Association and \$127,000 worth of artificial turf from the

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Wright, who has become a wealthy man by pioneering "commercial corrections facilities" — otherwise known as private prisons — outlined his personal history during testimony in a 1997 court hearing: "I arrived in San Diego in 1961 with the San Diego Chargers, played nine years with San Diego and four years with Cincinnati," Wright told a hearing officer. "I maintained my home here in San Diego the whole time I was in Cincinnati, and my family and I commuted — not commuted, spent half the year in Ohio and half a year here.

"After my playing career, I got into the agent business. I was an agent for professional athletes for over 17 years and, in 1986, started Pacific Furlough Facility. And the purpose of that was to house and rehabilitate low-risk offenders assigned by the court in lieu of serving time in the county jail.

"Subsequently, we obtained a federal contract with the Bureau of Prisons, and we've been — in fact, we're in our seventh year of contracting with the Bureau of

Prisons. We also work with the INS, Border Patrol, Federal Pre-Trial. July 1, two years ago, we successfully bid the County Work Furlough Facility for the Board of Supervisors, and we are operating that facility under the guidance and jurisdiction of the San Diego Probation Department.

"And currently we are in the process of getting the City of San Diego to approve a new 256-bed detention rehabilitation facility in the Midway area." In a recent interview, Wright said that bid has since been turned down by the previous city council.

Wright's career has not been without its own controversies. Just last month, former Deputy District Attorney Peter J. Longanbach, convicted of felony grand theft for using county office workers to further his personal real estate business, was sentenced to perform 350 hours of community service at Pro Kids, teaching golf and organizing a charity golf tournament there.

After a public outcry ensued, a week later Wright announced that the deal was off. "We don't want any felons



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dealing with our kids," he told the *Union-Tribune*. "The board felt that it might set a bad example for someone who has pleaded guilty to a felony to do their time at a youth program." Today,

Wright claims that the Pro Kids board was not in on the arrangement to begin with and had never made the offer.

Wright also had an uncomfortable brush of his own with the law. It began on

the evening of April 25, 1997, as he and his wife were returning to their Carlsbad home following a meal at Scalini's, a Del Mar restaurant.

"We were supposed to arrive at Scalini's around 8:00," he later testified. "I got there at about 8:30, and she was about the same time because she's always late, but anyway, I think we left Scalini's around 10:20, 10:30, and proceeded down 5 to La Costa Boulevard. I was in my car. She was following me. We had our mobile phones on, we were talking.

"And then we turned right [on] La Costa Boulevard, we hadn't gone too far and she said, 'I think there's a patrol car behind me.' And the lights came on.

"I said, do what they tell you to do. I can't turn around here, and I doubt if they're going to stop you. This road is bad. So I proceeded all the way down to El Camino Real and made a left turn on El Camino Real and pulled into El Camino Real Shopping Center. She told me on the phone that they'd stopped her. They got on speaker and said, keep driving and we'll tell you when to stop. So I

waited. The light had changed. I made my turn. They came up. I saw her turn on her signal and turn left and then it went off.

"I thought they were going to stop on the right side, but she pulled into the plaza there and they followed her. The car followed her. I sat there for a minute, hoping it would just be a routine stop and they'd let her go.

"I saw an officer — it was too dark for me at that time to tell what agency because there's a Sheriff, Carlsbad Police, and Highway Patrol all in that area — approach the car, lean over, and have a conversation, eventually got documents. And when they got her out of the car, then I opened my door, shut it, and started walking over to where she and the officer were. And it's less than 100 yards. It was kind of a long walk. I'd walked over half the way before I said, 'Officer?' And he said, stay where you are. And I said I want to talk to you, that's my wife. And I kept walking. And at that time Officer Salas came up and around the car in order to

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talk to me, and then he stopped and we started our conversation.”

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“I was asking the officer under what legal right did he have to arrest me on a DUI, when he had no probable cause to arrest me on a DUI, when he had no probable cause to stop me, because he did not stop me. And when I was told I would be arrested for DUI, my statement to the officer was, ‘Well, we’ll have to let the courts decide this.’

“Very simply, I was extremely agitated; however, in working with law enforcement agencies for the last 11 years, I tried to maintain the best professional decorum I could, respect for the badge. Knowing that they are trained



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to control the situation, I was trying my best to make sure and ensure him that that was the situation. I disagreed with them on why I was being arrested, and the officer put the handcuffs on me and I went with him.

“I was agitated. I thought I wasn’t being given an opportunity to discuss or talk about things. I didn’t feel that I was a threat. I made no hostile moves or yelled or anything, and I just—I was just a little agitated that I

was being treated like a common criminal.”

Because Wright refused a Breathalyzer test, his license was automatically suspended for a year, from September 11, 1997, through September 11, 1998. In an attempt

to get the suspension lifted, he took his case to court, where prosecutors weighed in with their version of the incident.

“Petitioner had been lawfully arrested, and that Petitioner had been admonished that refusal to submit to a chemical test or failure to complete a test would result in a suspension of his driving privilege for one year or a revocation for two or three years,” according to a declaration filed by state deputy attorney general David M. Tiede. “Petitioner refused to submit to a chemical test after being requested to do so by a peace officer.

“On April 25, 1997, at approximately 10:50 p.m., California Highway Patrol Officer Salas observed Petitioner driving on El Camino Real at La Costa Avenue, stop and exit his car, and approach Officer Salas after Officer Salas had pulled over the Petitioner’s wife, who

was driving a separate car. “Upon contact, Officer Salas observed ‘strong’ objective symptoms of intoxication: bloodshot/watery eyes, an odor of an alcoholic beverage on Petitioner’s breath, slurred speech, and an unsteady gait. After Petitioner’s failure of several field sobriety tests, Petitioner was arrested at 11:03 p.m.

“Petitioner was admonished concerning the consequences of refusal to submit to a chemical test but refused to submit to a test. Petitioner was then given an order of suspension/revocation.”

“Petitioner was requested an administrative hearing which took place on July 25, 1997.

“Officer Salas testified that immediately after the arrest and placing the handcuffs on Petitioner, he informed Petitioner that ‘by California law he’s required to submit to a chemical test and that test could entail

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"Upon arriving at the jail in Vista, at approximately 11:39 p.m., Officer Salas read Petitioner the admonishment verbatim from the back of DMV form DS 367 regarding Chemical Test Refusal. Officer Salas then asked, respectively, whether Petitioner would submit to a breath test, a urine test, or a blood test. Petitioner responded by saying 'no' to each of the three, separate, chemical test requests made by Officer Salas.

"Petitioner makes numerous arguments in an attempt to establish that he either did not hear, could not read, or otherwise could not understand the admonition. Whether Petitioner did or did not actually hear or understand the admonition, due to the drinking that left him with objective symptoms of intoxication, his ability or inability to read without glasses, or because of legitimate concerns about his wife, who was also in custody with her own set of problems, is not the point. The real question is whether, after the proper admonishment, Petitioner refused the test."

Concluded Tiede, "Since Petitioner was properly admonished, his refusal to submit to a chemical test warrants the suspension of his driving privileges." The court sided with the state and refused to order that Wright's license be returned to him until after the end of the original yearlong suspension.

Today, Wright says he has become more philosophical about the incident. "The Highway Patrol never saw me operating a vehicle, they just saw me get out of a parked car, and one thing led to another, and that was the upshot of it," he says. "I think driving is a privilege extended by the state, and if they feel that they should take my license for a year, that's what they do. I have no problem with that." ■

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i Mr. Johnson, the manager of Bayside Transit-Mix Concrete Company was a tall, hunched over, lantern-jawed Swede who wore horn-rimmed glasses and smoked a big pipe. Joe would probably not be interested in what they had to offer him, he said. It was the dispatcher's job. It paid \$350 a month, which was less than Joe had received from George Davis. The hours were long and there was no pay for overtime, although overtime could be taken in days off so that it usually worked out to be a five-day week, and sometimes less. The present dispatcher was quitting in three weeks to take a new job, and Joe could go to work on the following Monday and get two weeks' pay while he learned concrete-truck dispatching — if he felt he wanted to take the job. Joe said he would like to try it, and Mr. Johnson nodded, refilled his pipe, and took him out to meet Bill Blount, the dispatcher who was leaving.

He spent the rest of the afternoon with Bill Blount in the dispatcher's office. It was a busy place. Orders for the following day came in each after-

noon at 4:00. The bills gave the amount of concrete required, time and place of delivery, and the type of mix. There were 28 trucks of varying capacities in operation. The capacities had to be considered by the dispatcher, as did the distance of the haul, and the fact that some of the trucks were designed to keep agitated a larger load of concrete if it had been premixed. Twelve of the trucks were equipped with two-way radios, so that they could call the office if part of their load was remaindered, or be contacted for rush orders.

Covering the entire wall above the gray General Electric radio set was a map of San Diego in which red-headed pins marked the major pours, blue pins the lesser ones. There were three phones and an intercom system by which the dispatcher kept in touch with the gravity-loading towers and the front office, and one of these means of communication seemed to bring a crisis at least every hour. To help the dispatcher there was a girl who tended the radio and typed and filed; an older woman who handled the intercom, the phones, and a huge date-book listing the orders; and a boy of 22 who was a kind of assistant dispatcher and errand boy.

That evening after work, when Joe and Bill Blount were



alone in the office, Joe confessed that he didn't know if he could handle it. Blount was a dried-up profane little man in a leather jacket. "Sure you can," he said. "You'll screw up at first, but you'll get into it."

"It looks to me like the whole thing would drive you nuts."

"Oh, it does," Blount said. "Stomach ulcers, piles, and insomnia. Hell, yes. But not for a while. When it does they get you a new dispatcher." He grinned at Joe. "Don't worry. All you have to do is keep a cool head. And a tough skin. Those're all you need anyway to get along in this screwed-up world we got."

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Joe had not mentioned the possibility of the job to his father, who, when he got home, was in the living room reading the paper. "Well!" he said when Joe told him. "How did you know they needed a dispatcher down there?"

"I just went in and asked for a job. I guess they know a good man when they see one."

"I guess they do," his father said.

Joe sat down and put his feet up on the ottoman. He was grinning, and he struck himself on the chest and said, "By God, I got it myself too."

"Pretty proud of yourself, are you?"

"Damn right. First job I ever really got on my own hook. Except it looks like I'll be jumping to keep it."

"They always look tough to begin with. Then you whittle them down to your size."



Mission Valley cement operation

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Joe shook his head doubtfully. He couldn't help bragging a little. "This really looks tough. The dispatcher who's quitting says they wore out about one dispatcher a year."

"I'm not worried."

Ruth came in and his father told her about the job.

"Well, that's fine," she said. She stood there, stout and solid and gray. "Are you going to have Polly come down now?"

"No," he said. "Not right away." He could feel her disapproval. He turned toward his father. "I just got the job. I haven't seen if I can do it yet. I'm pretty scared of it."

"You'll be all right,

son."

"Well, that's what I've got to see," Joe said.

"Everyone has to go along his own way," his father said. "No one's trying to butt in on your affair, son."

Joe saw Ruth's eyes flicker and her cheeks reddened. "Well," he said quickly, "I guess tomorrow I'd better go out and find a place to live."

"Oh no," Ruth protested. "Stay here with us. Stay with us until Polly comes down."

Two nights that week he went to see Hickey and Betty. He went again on Sunday, and he and Hickey spent the afternoon drinking beer. Each time it was a little easier to get along with Hickey, but still there were times when he said the wrong thing that was wrong only because Hickey was too sensitive, and then there would be the tense

silence, or the flare-up, or Betty's quick intercession.

But on Sunday when he and Hickey were alone, talking about their high school years, he said, "I guess I was the supreme hardnose in those days."

"Were you! What a beak you had. Jesus, what a beak!"

"Well, we had to move out of Mission Hills where all you rich kids lived. And then my uncle got shot. I thought everybody was either laughing at me or pitying me. Pitying me, mostly. And I couldn't take that."

Hickey squinted at him, rubbing the side of the brown beer bottle against his cheek.

"I was a great one for saying screw you, one and all, and stalking off," Joe went on. "I guess I was pretty hard to live with."

"Oh-oh," Hickey said in a flat voice.

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"I know how I was," Joe said. "Pete used to tell me."

"Screw you, one and all," Hickey said. "You allegorical, moralizing bastard. Did you ever try to stalk with a bad foot?"

"No," Joe said. "How is it?"

Hickey took a long swallow of beer then grinned crookedly back. He raised a hand and scratched his bad shoulder. "Ain't easy," he said.

Joe went to see them more and more often. He was drawn to them because he was lonely, and because Hickey had always been a good friend, but it was more than that. It seemed to him that he was gaining self-confidence from Hickey's bitter lack of self-confidence. Sometimes it seemed almost a competition. He was ashamed to feel this, because he knew that Hickey was not aware of it; but he knew too that Hickey saw what the dispatcher's job meant to him and envied him.

When Bill Blount left, Joe thought despairingly that he would have to quit before he was fired. The days were inexorably slow, filled with one crisis after another, and nights he got little sleep, dreading the next day. And finally his big error came — too few trucks assigned to a pour for Clayton and Mathews, one of the biggest accounts. Clayton and Mathews threatened to cancel their contract, and Mr. Johnson telephoned to say that he wanted to see Joe in his office.

He put down the phone, stood up. Virginia had the earphones on and was saying into the mike, "Number 22, number 22; over." Mrs. Dunbar was copying the yellow bills into the book. Al Quade was leaning on the counter, sucking a Coke. "Well," Joe said, "this is it."

A voice squawked from the radio. Mrs. Dunbar looked back at him worriedly. "It had to come some time."

"Tell him to drop dead," Al Quade said. "Tell him to drop dead twice."

"While you're in there, think about all the mistakes he's made in his life," Mrs. Dunbar said. "That helps. Try that."

He tried to grin as he moved toward the swinging door in the counter. Mrs. Dunbar patted his arm as he passed. "Good luck, Joe!" Virginia called.

"Well," he said. "Sing no sad songs for me."

"Tell him to DDT," Al Quade said, still leaning on the counter.

He left the dispatcher's shack and walked across the hard gray dirt toward the back of the office building. At the door that was marked "Employees Only" he stopped and to himself told Mr. Johnson coolly and unhurriedly to take his job and ram it, because he, Joe Bailey, was quitting, and they could find themselves another patsy. But he knew he would not quit. He remembered George Davis's words on the telephone to the manager of the lumber mill: "You've got to look at it and figure out whether the guy's going to make any more mistakes, and if he isn't, forget about it, and if he is, can him.... If you decide he's not going to make any more mistakes and you keep him on and he does, that's your mistake." He grimaced and nodded. He had been wishing this was Al Quade's mistake, not his. But it would still have been his responsibility to Mr. Johnson, as it was Mr. Johnson's responsibility to the owners. He opened the employees' door and entered.

Mr. Johnson was leaning back in his swivel chair, looking angrily at his pipe, which he held in his right hand. "Come in and sit down," he said. Joe seated himself, and Mr. Johnson leaned forward toward him. "Do you know how much money a year the Clayton and Mathews contract is worth to us?"

Joe shook his head. "Around 50 times your yearly salary. Do you realize what losing a few contracts like that would mean to this company?"

Joe nodded. Mr. Johnson's face turned red. "You seem to be taking this very lightly, young man. If we lose that contract you should not only be dismissed, you should be open to prosecution for damages in a court of law, if the law allowed such a thing. I was prepared for a certain

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amount of laxness in the dispatching office when Mr. Blount left, but it must be obvious to you that the operations there have been completely unsatisfactory. Every day there are the fumbblings and errors, the trucks late and —”

“Mr. Johnson,” Joe said, “just a minute now. You pay a certain amount of money for this job I’m trying to do. If that amount were larger, you could have hired a trained dispatcher, which I never claimed to be. You hired someone who had to learn a very complicated procedure. I’m trying to learn, and I’m doing my best, but —”

Mr. Johnson slammed his pipe down on the edge of his desk. “I’m not interested in the best you can do. I’m interested in the job being done properly.”

“It’ll be done properly too. But no one’s going to go in there green and —”

“Mr. Bailey,” Mr. Johnson said icily.

“Wait a minute,” Joe said. “I’m not taking this

lightly. I feel bad about jamming up that pour, not just because it’s Clayton and Mathews, but for failing at all. I’ll try not to jam any more, but you’ve got to expect —”

“Mr. Bailey,” Mr. Johnson said again. “You seem to have heard from Mr. Blount that if you come in here and attack me, I will not have time to say anything to you. I’m not interested in your excuses. The dispatching end of this company is not being managed satisfactorily, and the responsibility for managing it satisfactorily is yours.”

“All right,” Joe said.

Mr. Johnson grunted and looked down at his pipe again. Then he put it in his mouth and leaned back. “All right,” he said. He didn’t sound angry now, but as he talked, he warmed up to it again, until he was haranguing Joe and enumerating and exaggerating the shortcomings of the dispatcher’s office. He rose to the peak of the Clayton and Mathews error,

gradually descending from it, calming down, and veering into warnings and advice on the dispatching of concrete trucks, and advice on a great number of unconnected subjects as well.

Joe took it, surprised that he could take it, and more surprised that he hadn’t minded it. It had always been hard for him to take any personal criticism, but somehow he had been able to equate this criticism not with the Joe Bailey he was, but with the dispatcher of the Bayside Transit-Mix Concrete Company, whom he could view with more detachment. It hadn’t been as bad as sessions Bill Blount had described, and not nearly as bad as the scenes he had previewed so many times in his own mind.

When he started back for the dispatcher’s office, which was still his office, he couldn’t help swaggering a little. That was over, and so the dread of it gone. He still had to fire his first truck

driver, but he knew who it would be, and he thought he might as well do it tomorrow — or today, for that matter. In the office he sent Al down to the drugstore for Cokes, and he, Mrs. Dunbar, Virginia, and Al drank them spiked from the half-full pint of Old Crow that Bill Blount had left in his desk drawer.

He had been working for Bayside Transit-Mix just five weeks when he got the second telegram from Polly:

JOE ARE YOU COMING BACK TO ME.

It was a question he couldn’t answer yet, but he could write her now. He told her about the job. “It’s hard,” he wrote, “and it’s complicated as hell and the pay isn’t wonderful, but I think maybe it’s the right kind of therapy for what you called my ailing ego. I want you to know I’m not procrastinating. I’m trying to figure out what’s wrong with me, and then I have

to do something about what’s wrong. I can’t just go on ignoring it or running away from it — this courtesy of my father. And there are things wrong between us too, but I’m hoping everything will automatically straighten out if I can get straight.

“I’m going to ask you to bear with me a few months more — say, three at the most. Which will give me time, I think, to get started straight, and surer of the way I feel now I have to go, and surer of myself. I love you. There’s no one else and nothing else. Except me, of course, who’s all screwed up. I don’t know how to tell you how sorry and ashamed I am I ran out on you, and on that particular night. It was a rotten, cowardly thing to do that I’d sworn not to do in this me-you-your-father business, but maybe I can try to explain when I see you. Anyway, please give me three months more, at the outside.”

Reading the letter over

he felt very confident.

ii It was ten days before he received Polly’s reply. It was the first letter she had ever written him, and the salutation was “Dear Awol.” The letter was very long, in parts humorous, humorously bitter, flip, and crisply explanatory, and he could feel in it Polly straining not to seem serious. He knew it must have been as hard to write as his own letter to her had been.

She had taken a job on Treasure Island, working as a stenographer for the Navy. “A lousy civilian employee,” she said. “Oh, how we used to hate their un-uniformed guts when I was a Wave. It’s funny how right off when I thought I’d better get a job and help conserve the old bank account till this escrow period or whatever it is (what is it, anyway, Buck?) is over, all I could think of was the Navy.” She was working for a Commander Mack, she wrote, “an Annap median foul-up, the

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red-haired, freckled, gold-toothed type, but easygoing and mainly pleasant. Except I worry sometimes about us old taxpayers' money getting thrown around by these Cmdr. Macks."

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He made a face as he saw the words "this old 60 percent." She had written, "I'm not going to say that this old 60 percent of yours didn't get hit pretty hard that lovely Night of Parting, because I did. And don't think there aren't any recriminations, because there are. (But I'll probably forgive you.) And I mean hit plenty damned hard. And a little fed up with being on the bottom end of a couple of pecking orders. On Treasure Island there's a pecking order too, so when Cmdr.

Mack gets pecked he pecks me — but Ha! I rise up off the desk and peck the lower orders like crazy. All right unless you're the seaman third or fifth rank pvt or whatever, which I'm not — here.

"Mixed up in here is why when I thought I'd better get a job I scooted right back to the USN. I guess I liked being Ensign P. Davis, as against Pauline Davis, Jr. (or maybe even a little Mrs. Joseph M. Bailey). Now I'm officially (on the record here as, anyway) Bailey, Polly, Mrs. I don't know if I *really* like it much, but I think it's kind of good for me. For a change, I mean. Brief and temporary. Three months, did you say?"

He read her letter many times, at home in his room, and, carrying it folded in his wallet, read it surreptitiously at his desk at work. He read it with the same secrecy that he practiced writing on his scratch pad the firm names "Bailey Sand & Gravel Co.," or "Joseph Bailey Construction Company," or "Bailey & Wallace, Sand and Gravel." It was as though the things that Polly said in her letter and his thinking about the gravel pit and crusher in Mission Valley fitted together somehow, as though Polly's letter in his wallet spurred him on to look into the gravel pit more thoroughly, to start writing down, and less secretly now, the first of a long series of calculations he was to make.

He had heard much about the high price of gravel, and he had heard of Walter Peake, who had been an almost legendary figure in Southern California construction during the war. He had heard, too, of the gravel pit in Mission Valley, though only as a detail in Walter Peake's story. But the whole thing seemed to come together for him, congeal in his imagination, at the same time that he received Polly's letter, and, when he finally worked himself up to phoning Walter Peake in Los Angeles, Polly was the first person he told, in his next letter to her.

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iii Betty met him at the



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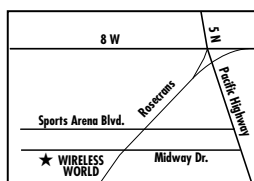
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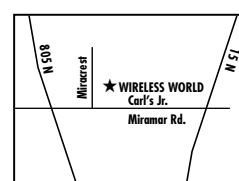
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door. In her green house dress her breasts were beginning to look impressively large, overshadowing the little round low-slung belly. Hickey had been reading a pocket book on the davenport, with his feet propped up on one end. "Hey, there's the demon dispatcher," he said, sitting up. "Where you been all week?"

"Finding a way to break into the entrepreneur system," Joe said. "Have you got \$27,000?"

Hickey raised an eyebrow. "You've been watching those check stubs, Bett. How about it?"

Betty giggled and sat

down, folding her hands over her stomach. "I don't think quite that much."

"Well, sorry," Hickey said. "Sit down, man. What's this all about?"

Joe grinned at them. The grin felt very large and foolish. He had warned himself not to get into a fever about this, but it had been occupying almost all of his thoughts now for over a week, and a good part of his movements as well. He had gotten into a fever over it. It looked so good, not just as a way to make some money and to work for himself, but as a means and end and answer to so much more than that.

"How'd you like to go into the gravel business, Hick?" he asked.

Hickey gave him a look that asked whether he was serious or not.

Joe nodded to it and said, "I've heard them bitching at Bayside Transit-Mix about the cost of gravel. And then I happened to hear about Walter Peake. He's a big Los Angeles contractor who built a slew of new buildings for the Navy down here during the war. It was a tremendous job, and it looks like he was a little different from the ordinary run of contractor who worked these cost-plus-fixed-fee contracts.

He didn't want to hook the government for any more than he had to, and he didn't like the cost of gravel, so he bought a hunk of cliff face way up in Mission Valley in Mooney Canyon, where there's sand too. He put in a big crusher, and set it going 24 hours a day, and did his own hauling. Then when he was finished he shut it down."

"Uh-huh!" Hickey said. "Where it languished until that bright young Joe Bailey happened along."

"I did some snooping around," Joe said. "I went out there with my father, who knows stuff like that, and I phoned Walter Peake.

I got the dope from him on all the equipment he'd used and found out rental prices and what kind of crew would have to be hired and what it would all cost. Peake will sell the pit and crusher all for \$12,000 down and the rest of \$40,000 over five years. My father says it would take \$1500 to get the road from the highway into shape, and he guesses \$3000 to fix up the crushers. Then we'd have to operate about ten days without any money coming in to get a big enough stockpile to hold us in case of breakdowns. It would take a couple D-eight cats — those are the big ones — one with a

bulldozer and one with about a 12-yard scraper, and a spare scraper to play it safe, and a loader. Probably at first we'd have to subcontract the hauling, and we'd have to hire two operators and a laborer to help them, two conveyor-belt men and a weighmaster, and maybe two other laborers for the crusher. And a couple of night watchmen. Then at first we'd need a superintendent, which would cost us about \$150 a week. I think I could handle all the office-type accounting and payroll and taxes and dealing around, because I know that end of it pretty well. But we'd

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have to pay this superintendent until you learned the job.”

“Me!”

“Who did you think I’ve been talking about?”

“You haven’t been talking about me.”

“Well, let me go on telling you about these things,” Joe said, grinning. “It makes me sound like I know so much. I guess I’ve figured the costs now about 50 times: payroll, equipment rental, fuel, trucks, insurance — all operating expenses shouldn’t go more than \$800 a day, and —”

“Only \$800 a day!” Hickey exclaimed. “Why, a few lousy bucks! Listen, aren’t you starting to go a little Asiatic on this dispatcher job?”

“Listen,” Joe said. “Peake says the crushers can run 500 yards of gravel on an eight-hour shift. So even cutting the going prices a little we can gross over a thousand a day. Providing nothing goes wrong, which it always will. But there’s a fairly safe margin. I figure around \$27,000 would see us in the clear.”

“Tell me somebody it wouldn’t see in the clear, for Christ’s sake! Listen, don’t you see what these other guys would do? As soon as you got going they’d cut their prices and run you out of business. It wouldn’t take long at \$800 a day.”

“Sure. But before we start, we’d get our contracts. If we could sign up Bayside Transit-Mix, they’d take enough of our output to keep us in business. One other big contract, say, with California Aggregate, and we’d be really set.”

“Get the contracts before starting at all?”

“Sure. As you say, we’d be crazy to start without them. But we’d have a good chance then, because the other rock companies aren’t going to cut prices till we start operating, and by then we’d have it sewed up.”

“Sounds great,” Hickey said. “Except that money part.”

“How’d you like to go into the gravel business?” Joe asked again.

Hickey’s face reddened, and he glanced at Betty. Then he scowled. “You don’t think we’ve got anywhere near that kind of money, do you?”

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"If we could rustle up about a quarter of it, we ought to be able to get a bank to lend us the rest. GI loan. I thought we might go into partnership."

Hickey slid down farther on the davenport. "Oh hell," he said. "I wouldn't be any help to you. I don't know anything about anything like that. I wouldn't be any damn —"

"You took engineering in college, didn't you?"

"Oh, for Christ's sake! So what?"

"You've had a little experience at it, Joe," Betty said. "But Hickey hasn't had any, and —"

"Oh, damn," Hickey said.

"— and it seems like it would be sink or swim. I don't see how he could help."

Hickey was looking at

her darkly, his lower lip thrust out. When he spoke his voice trembled. "That means she wants me to do it. She said that so I'd get mad and go in with you just to prove I could do something. What the hell could I do, though?"

"Could you raise \$4000 if I raised four?"

"There goes our new house, Bett. How do you like it now?"

"And my Packard," Joe said. He took from the brown envelope the sheets of paper on which he had figured the costs and spread them on the floor.

Hickey knelt beside him. "Am I supposed to be able to dig all this?" he demanded, but he seemed to understand well enough, explaining it all once more to Betty, who leaned over them, and occasionally

cursing with a kind of fierce amazement. When Joe stuffed the papers back in the envelope Hickey was more excited than he was. "Jesus," he said, "how can we lose?"

"Lots of ways, I'm afraid."

"Yeah, man, but pretty quick they're going to start putting in all those developments around Mission Bay. Have you been reading in the paper all they're going to do? We'll have to buy about 11 more rock crushers."

"That's why we ought to move fast. Before somebody else starts thinking about all the rock they'll need for that job."

"Hey," Hickey said, "I guess pretty quick I can go down and tell the V.A. to kiss my butt, uh?"

"Hickey!" Betty said.

"Steady," Joe said. "It's just an idea yet. When do you want to go take a look at this place with me?"

"How about tonight?"

"How about tomorrow after work?" Joe laughed.

Going out to the Packard, his back still stinging from Hickey's parting backslap, he felt like yelling at the top of his lungs or turning a cartwheel. He slid his hand over the rear fender of the Packard, thinking he had better turn it into cash soon while the used-car market was high. He hoped his father would still be up when he got home, so they could go over his figures once more. After making sure that Hickey and Betty had gone back inside, he took two running steps and leaped into the air, twisting his body and swinging his arm as though he were throwing a ball to a receiver 50 yards downfield and in the clear.

The next evening he and Hickey went out to the crusher site, and they sat up late in the living room

of the little house in Pacific Beach, figuring costs over and over again and asking each other questions and shouting at each other, joking and drinking and smoking many cigarettes.

He felt, or thought he should have felt, that they were building up a big dream that surely would soon collapse. But the more they investigated, the less it showed signs of collapse, the less it seemed like a dream, the more it gathered momentum.

On Sunday they visited once more what Hickey now called the gravel mine, with Joe's father and a friend of his named Mac, a short, fat, jovial man who was supposed to know all about crushers. They walked along in the shadow of the cliff face, climbing over the jagged boulders and kicking at the rusting, tattered lengths of steel cable, listening to Mac talk about the crushers and rock and decomposed granite and famous crap games among the crusher crews on which he had worked. Mac had worked for Walter Peake once and said that Peake

was a great guy, square as they made them. Joe's father sat on an old cable drum while Mac shoveled gravel through a portable screen set he had brought with him, and Joe and Hickey went to climb through the rusting structure of the crusher, which was overgrown with vines and weeds. They watched for rattlesnakes in the sunny spots, as Mac had warned, Hickey, who had worn his red and yellow USC traveling jacket, moving with difficulty, alternately cursing and laughing and making outrageous jokes. When they returned, Mac had packed up his screens; Joe's father had been worried about the content of the gravel, but there seemed to be plenty. Mac said that the jaw crusher was pretty chewed up, although good for a long time yet. The cone crusher was missing, but he said he'd bet Walter Peake had it in his Los Angeles yards and would turn it over to them if they asked him.

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Walter Peake again, and Walter Peake said he thought he still had the cone crusher and of course would include it. Joe had already talked to Mr. Johnson, who told him that Bay-side Transit-Mix was always interested in cheaper materials and was sure California Aggregate would be interested as well. Hickey had investigated GI loans; the government would guarantee \$2000 on a limit of \$10,000 per veteran, at four percent interest. The property would have to be

assessed, to see that they were not paying more than its reasonable value, before the V.A. would touch it, and the whole affair from this point on had to be taken up with a bank. He wrote to Polly then, telling her to come down to San Diego. He left the envelope on his dresser, sealed and stamped, to mail after he and Hickey had been to the bank. iv It was a warm cloudless Saturday morning in April when he and Hickey

went to the bank, and he took the weather as a good omen. They arrived before the bank was open and stood with several others on the steps in the bright sunlight. Joe clutched the brown envelope under his arm. "Beach weather, man," Hickey said. "It really is." "All the kids will be out there this afternoon. They'll freeze in the water." "Yes," Joe said. He hadn't been to the beach since he'd gotten out of the service. Hickey was sock-

ing his fist into the palm of his other hand. "What's this friend of your old man's name?" "Finch," Joe said. "I don't think he's a friend. My father's just done business with him." "You think we're going to get tossed out of here?" "Why should we be?" Hickey shrugged. "Well, get ready," he said as a man in a blue uniform opened the doors. A fat woman came grunting up the steps and was the first one inside.

The interior of the bank was dim. The fat woman's heels made a rapid clacking on the floor. Their own steps made a slower, hesitant sound, and Joe found himself listening for the distinguishing pause of Hickey's limp. Someone thrust past him with a "pardon me" — a man with a briefcase hurrying toward the back, where there were tall marble pillars, a clock, and a large picture of Washington painted on the wall, beneath which was the cap-

tion, "Buy Savings Bonds and Stamps, Invest in a Secure Future." He looked around him at the tellers behind their grills, at the fat woman writing at one of the breast-high tables. Behind a low marble wall in which there was a swinging door, six or seven men sat at desks, and beyond the desks, along the far wall of the bank, was a series of offices with low partitions and clouded glass doors. Behind one of the glass doors would be Mr. Finch, whom his father had told him to see.

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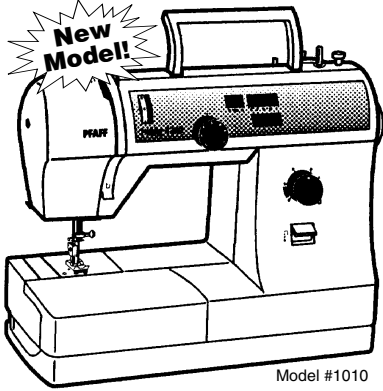
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He slowed his steps and stopped, feeling calm now as he listened to it growing and coiling inside him, as though he were listening to a clock ticking — the slow, cold, twisting and paralyzing doubt. He wondered how he could have been so oblivious to it these last weeks.

He looked at Hickey, who grinned back at him. “Well?” Joe said.

“Can’t chicken out now.”

They moved toward the low wall. The young

man sitting at the desk nearest the swinging door directed them to Mr. Finch’s office. They went single file, Joe leading, down the aisle between the desks. No one looked up at them. Mr. Finch’s door was open; he sat behind a green metal desk, an old man in a dark suit, with gray hair slicked down tight against his skull.

“Yes?” he said.

“Mr. Finch?” Joe said.

“I think you know my father, Thomas Bailey. He said you could give us some information about getting a loan.”

“Oh, yes,” Mr. Finch said, rising and reaching across his desk to shake Joe’s hand. A yellow elk’s tooth hung from his watch chain. “You’re Tom Bailey’s boy, are you?”

“This is Mr. Wallace,” Joe said.

“How do you do, Mr. Wallace.” Mr. Finch asked them to sit down, seated himself again, and rested his elbows on the green blotter on his desk. He had sharp blue eyes, but Joe saw that he looked directly at neither of them. Joe took a

straight chair and laid the brown envelope on the corner of the desk. Hickey sat very stiffly, his hands in his coat pockets.

“Now,” Mr. Finch said. “What kind of loan were you interested in. A home loan?”

“A business loan,” Hickey said. “GI.”

“We’d like to find out how to go about it,” Joe said. His chair was uncomfortable; he found himself sitting with his knees close together, his elbows resting on his thighs, his shoul-

ders slumped. He tried to picture his father sitting in this chair, waiting for Mr. Finch’s judgment.

“And how much did you wish to borrow?” Mr. Finch picked up a pencil by the tip and the eraser and held it up before his eyes, as though measuring something.

“Twenty thousand,” Hickey said.

“We want to buy a gravel pit and crusher,” Joe said. “We’re both veterans, and we’re going into partnership. I’ve got all the fig-

ures here.” He picked up the envelope, then put it down again. He made no move to open it. He knew he was going to have to explain, to sell, their calculations to someone, but he was not going to start unless Mr. Finch expressed interest. “We’d just like to find out what the procedure is,” he said.

“Well, I suppose I should tell you first that business loans for veterans are a little hard to get just now.”

Joe nodded.



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D.K.: For two weeks we e-mailed each other, sometimes twice a day. There’s an anonymity to e-mail, so our messages became more and more intimate. All our mental, spiritual, and emotional bonding had taken place on line by the time we met. All that was left was the physical attraction.

Mayumi: We had already described each other physically, so I knew what he looked like when we got to the Gulf Coast Grill. I don’t remember what we talked about that night, but we did close the restaurant. And we’ve been together almost every night ever since.

D.K.: About three months after we

met, Mayumi took me to Japan to meet her mother, who doesn’t speak English. I only know a few words of Japanese, but we connected over a Japanese soap opera that came on every morning at 7:30.

Mayumi: My mother would knock on the bedroom door to wake him up so they could watch it together. It was something they could share and I think it made her happy.

D.K.: We got officially engaged Christmas of ‘99 in our house, on the couch. Mayumi said, “Do it right!” So I got down on my knees.

Mayumi: We were married on November 11 at the Mission Valley

Marriott. My mom flew over from Japan, D.K.’s parents came from Alabama and his daughter came down from Oregon.

D.K.: It was a cool ceremony. We exchanged roses along with the vows. All five of the bridesmaids were Japanese, and we had Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese and Hispanic friends and family there. Our minister called it the United Nations wedding.

Mayumi: We were brought up in totally different cultures. I was taught to be reserved and never disrespect my parents.

D.K.: Mine was more confronta-

tional. Mayumi is the yin to my yang. I love her spirituality. She’s good at the things I’m not.

Mayumi: I like his laugh most of all. I’ve learned a lot from D.K. We butt heads quite a bit, but he’s taught me how to separate what you do from who you are.

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“Eighty percent!” Hickey said. “You mean 80 percent go *broke*?”

“Yes, I’m afraid so,” Mr. Finch said with a calm

smile.

Joe nodded again. His father had tried to warn him. His father had told him not to get excited until they had seen about a loan, that it might be difficult, or impossible, for them to get one. Mr. Finch had taken several forms out of his

desk drawer. He handed them to Joe. Joe scanned the one that was headed “Application for Term Loan: Business.” It wanted to know if he was single, married, separated, divorced, or widowed. It wanted to know his number of years in this community. It wanted a

complete financial statement. It wanted a list of his real estate and improvements and encumbrances thereon; he thought of the ranch in Yuba County he had never even seen. It wanted information on Machinery, Fixtures, and Automotive Equipment,

and he thought of the Packard, which was half Polly’s. Schedule B asked for a list of his stocks and bonds. This form had nothing to do with him. It had not been made up for anyone like him. His hand was shaking as he placed it and the other forms neatly on

top of the battered brown envelope.

“Of course, I’ll be glad to tell you the procedure,” Mr. Finch was saying and began to explain. Joe heard the words “security” and “collateral” and “certificate of reasonable worth” and “statement of personal

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worth” and “references” and “experience.” With a slow, controlled movement he sat up straight and gazed around him at the barren office, at Mr. Finch’s neat desk, at the black mechanical pencil with which Mr. Finch was emphasizing what he was saying, as though beating time. He heard the words “one quarter but probably one third” and “Veteran’s Administration,” and “the government” and “one third” again, and “interest” and “experience” again. He looked at Hickey, who was nodding and frowning slightly, and wondering how Hickey could fail to comprehend what Mr. Finch was telling them.

He understood, and he felt bitterly embarrassed for the two of them. They were not going to get the loan, and they were not going to get the gravel pit, and they had been fools to ever think they could do anything like this. He thought of Hickey’s father saying what made them think they could ever swing it, of his own father trying to warn them without scaring them off, of Mr. Johnson watching him and nodding blandly while he, Joe, who should have known better by now, outlined the wonderful deal. He picked up the forms, folded them, and thrust them into his coat pocket. He picked up the brown envelope, which he would not need to open. Mr. Finch had finished and was smiling at them.

“Well,” he said, “you fill out the forms and bring them in.”

Joe stood up. “But we wouldn’t get the loan, would we?”

“That, of course, is up

to the board. I —”

“Well, thanks,” said Joe. “Thank you very much. Let’s go,” he said to Hickey.

“Give my regards to your father,” Mr. Finch said. “Glad to have met you young men. Fill out those forms and bring them in, and we’ll —”

Joe swung around and walked out. As he moved down the aisle between the desks and started across the lobby, he stared up at the painted, stony profile of Washington on the wall. And suddenly he was seeing Jerry Butler running downfield against the green grass and the white lines and the vast escarpment of faces rising forever against the sky, seeing Jerry Butler’s twisted face looking back at him, Joe, for the pass that could never have been good; and seeing Con’s face when she told him she could not marry him that night in Yuma, dissolving into tears as he refused to throw the pass at all, saying only, “I understand. Forget it,” and Con’s face merging into Polly’s tortured face with only the imperfection of the mole to pick them

apart; Polly looking up at him as he said, “Let’s get out of here. Are you coming?” when of course she would not come. He thought of the letter he had written her and left on the dresser; at least he had had sense enough not to send it. In it he tried to make Polly, and himself, think that the gravel pit was not important, when of course the gravel pit had been everything and the only hope, and of course there had been no hope at all.

He swung the glass door open. It seemed very heavy. Outside, at the top of the steps, he stopped in the sunlight that made him squint and raised his eyes to the building across the street. The windows were pink in the sun, the gray walls rising to a ledge where pigeons sat and then rising clean and pinkly fenestrated toward the bright arch of the sky.

“Doesn’t look so hot, does it?” Hickey said, coming out beside him. “That about collateral. One third! Got any ideas for hunting up some more dough?”

He didn’t answer. He

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By Meira Noonan as told to Donna Steichen

My insurance company introduced me to the New Age and even financed the introduction. In 1980, I was married in an auto accident in Hawaii. After two years, I was still in too much pain to raise my own coffee cup to my lips. My sister, a California attorney, called me to see



Meira Noonan

Diocese Takes Tiny Step

But Will Anything Happen Until Bishops Feel the Lash?

By Robert Kumpel

A few years of restrictions from parishes about handing out pro-life voting information, the diocese reached an agreement with pro-lifers to allow them to put Christian Coalition voter guides in churches.

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lunch a couple of times (last July), he expressed interest. The next step was to get the pastor (Father

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wondered how Hickey could still think there was some chance. If they found more collateral there was still the experience barrier to stop them, and even if they had the experience, there would just be something else. No, no one else got in on the profits of the profit system and the freedom of free enterprise. They sucked you along, holding up as examples the smart boys who bought fruit carts and ran them into \$20 million empires. But the \$20 million fruit carts were propaganda fakes and supposed to be reassuring, not tantalizing. The door had long ago been shut and

locked. They were not letting anyone else in on the good thing. The door looked open so long as you didn't try to crash it, but if you did you got the kick in the teeth and the corn cob of the way things really were and laughs all around.

He started to say it, but he should not say it. His own stupidity and silly enthusiasm had aroused Hickey's; if Hickey was still happy playing with their daydreams, let him have at it. He stared at Hickey's sunken shoulder. Wordlessly he handed him the brown envelope.

Hickey took it, giving him a puzzled look. "What're

we going to do now?" "I don't know. I guess we — I guess we ought to work on it a little more. I..." "Listen, let's go over and get a cup of coffee or a malt or something while we rally the old forces. And we could start making out those forms."

He shook his head. The forms rustled in his pocket as he turned away. "I've got to go," he said. He started down the steps. His head felt filled with a buzzing, hot emptiness. Below him people hurried along the sidewalk — all the suckers, all the good citizens who thought the door was open any time they

wanted to enter. A horn honked.

"Hey, wait!" Hickey called. "Where you going?" Joe glanced over his shoulder to see him starting carefully down the steps, limping. "I'll see you," he called back. "I'll phone you. We'll think of something, Hick." He hurried away, taking the forms from his coat pocket and wringing them into a small tight rope of paper, and then almost running along the crowded sidewalk in the shadow of the bank.

▼ Ruth was not at home when he got there. The letter to Polly was on his

dresser. He tore it in half, and again in half, and dropped the quarters into the wastebasket. In the bottom drawer of his dresser he found his old swimming trunks and an ancient sweatshirt with chopped-off sleeves. He put them on and pushed his feet into the stiff, torn insides of his moccasins he had worn almost throughout college. He was going to the beach.

He stopped neither at Mission Beach nor at the La Jolla Cove. There would be people there, possibly someone he knew, and he wanted to see no one. He was going to Del Mar; he was going to the beach to

be alone, and he would not let himself think about Polly, because that was hopeless now.

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low water green and span-
gled with white dots and
eyes and long smears that
had a form and a rhythm
like an abstract design. Along
the beach the foam was bril-
liant and white in the sun,
and the cliffs, beyond this
separation in them, rose
and marched again to the
north, the highway run-
ning black and straight along
the beach, then angling and
climbing the overpass above
the railroad tracks past the
sign that marked the San
Diego city limits. Climb-
ing steadily, it disappeared
in a cut with the eucalyp-

tus trees tall and dusty green
on either side; from that
point it was only coasting
distance to Del Mar.
The beach would be
warm, but the sand cool
when he dug his toes in,
and the water would be very
cold. But he would feel new
when he came out of the
water, washed and whole,
an object at that moment
of pure physical sensation,
and something good and
completely existent because
of that pure sensuousness.
He would feel that too when,
body-surfing, he fell swiftly
and smoothly down the

green cliff of water before
the crest of the wave, and
only that, with everything
else baked out but the small
indestructible core of ani-
mal happiness, when he lay
in the sun on the hot sand
with only the brightness
and heat and the sound of
the rollers.
He parked in the empty
lot above the boardwalk.
There was a fisherman on
the pier, tiny out at the end,
and as soon as he had
stopped the motor he could
hear the surf, like a long,
strong, steady exhalation.
He took off his moccasins

and left them in the car. He
paused on the boardwalk,
leaning against the rail,
watching the waves hump
out beyond the pier, to spill
over and rush along the
piles, which were mossed
below the water level, slap-
ping violently against each
one. He remembered what
Peter had written: "Like a
boy with a stick along a
picket fence."
To his right were the
pergola and the dressing
rooms, yellow stucco fret-
ted with brown, closed and
empty still because this was
only April. Beyond them
the beach stretched flat and
white except for occasional
dark piles of kelp, fringed
by the wire grass and by
the wooly foam of the
water's edge, extending on
and on into the haze where
the bluffs rose again. Except
for the fisherman there was
no one in sight.
He went down the
wooden steps to the beach.
He dug his toes into the
sand as he walked. He took
off his sweatshirt and
dropped it, breathing deeply
of the salt air and the iodine
scent of the kelp. He ran
down into the water with

his legs splashing, tripping
finally and diving forward
and coming up gasping
with the cold. He swam out,
breasting the waves at first,
then diving beneath them
and coming up in the white
churn of their wakes. When
he got out to where the
waves were breaking, he
could not touch bottom.
The first wave gath-
ered itself and reared, but
he was in a little too far,
and it crested before it
reached him. He swam
father out, and this time
jumped with the wave just
right, thrashing his arms
in the hard, quick, side-
wheeling stroke. But it got
away from him, sweeping
off and away toward the
shore with just the fringe of
white spuming above its
green back. He'd forgotten
to kick, he told himself; the
feet were most important,
he must kick hard with his
legs held stiffly. He must
think of nothing in the
world but the stroking of his
legs and arms. But he missed
the next one too, and the one
after that.
He kept at it until he
knew he was far too tired,
but still he waited for the

waves to come, lunging with
each one and swimming
furiously with limbs that
grew heavier and heavier —
slipping always, at last,
unsuccessfully back, to float
along in the backwash.
When finally he tried
to swim in to shore, the
waves crashed down on
him. They came at him
steadily from behind,
swarming over his head and
sucking him under so that
he had to fight his way up,
blowing and gasping for
breath. He felt a growing
fear of them, and a fear for
his own strength, which
was almost gone, and even
when he felt the bottom
beneath his feet and tried
weakly to stand he was
knocked down again. Drag-
ging himself up out of the
water, he was almost crying
with humiliation.
He made his way up
the beach to where he had
left his sweatshirt and lay
down with his head on it.
He was panting ceaselessly,
and his nose would not stop
running. He lay there tiredly
waving away the flies that
droned over from a stink-
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When he could breathe

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with his mouth closed he sat up and wiped his nose. He stared out at the waves coming in toward him; from here they seemed no longer malevolent, merely impersonal. Watching them, he remembered how small his sweatshirt had looked from out there, and he thought how small he must look, how small he really was; from far enough away he would be but a speck, finally invisible on the beach, where he was only slightly larger than the grains of sand themselves. But he was Joe Bailey, an existence, a consciousness, a personal awareness. He had to be something; he had to be

more than an indistinguishable speck on the beach; he had to be because of that awareness, because of that consciousness of being Joseph Bailey. He had to be something, not to prove the fact to all the other specks, but to prove it to himself. And he felt nothing now, as though he were too far away, looking down frantically at this beach, where there was nothing distinguishable.

“You have to *be* someone,” Con had said, the statement so pitifully childish, and now so damning. He covered his face with his hands. Why had he ever been fool enough to make

the effort toward the gravel pit? So much more had been lost than ever could have been gained. Why had he even tried? If he had not tried he would not have had to witness again his own defeat. Again, and for the last time, he had swung and missed, badly, awkwardly, and he had that familiar detached ability to see, and usually, although it had failed him this time, to foresee, himself missing badly and awkwardly. And what about Polly now?

He got to his feet and began to run, cutting down toward the water’s edge and running along the hard dark wet sand, slowly at first,

then more swiftly, feeling his exhaustion as only a loosening tiredness now, accelerating his pace until he was running almost as swiftly and as easily as he had ever run. But gradually his arms began to flap a little and the muscles in the calves of his legs began to feel like fists held clenched too long. He sprinted wildly till his breath tore at his lungs and a stitch wrenched his side, but before he had to stop from exhaustion he was brought up by a broad layer of rock that extended from the water to the bottom of the bluff.

The rock was rough, not high, tumbled into sandy

craggs and small pools. It was hot as he climbed up on it and sat down and cooled his feet in one of the pools. Ripples moved in widening parentheses around his ankles, and he could see a pink crab at the bottom, sea anemones in clusters spotted with bright crumbs of shells, and as the ripples flattened and the pool became smooth and greenish once more, he saw his face. He was leaning over toward it and he did not move, staring at that 30-year-old face, at the chin crookedly cleft, at the mouth that was severe and deeply indented at the corners, at the eyes, unhappy and bewil-

dered, the face of what should have been a man by now but was not.

Abruptly he got to his feet. The face broke into ripples that moved out toward the rock walls, and, when he had jumped down onto the sand to start back toward his sweatshirt, which he couldn’t even see from here, he knew the pool would have calmed and solidified into a mirror once more, reflecting only the sky. ■

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WHY (AND HOW?)

Did a Navy SEAL Die in Afghanistan?

More than 1200 people attended a memorial service in Little Creek, Virginia, on Monday, March 11, for Petty Officer First Class Neil Roberts, the first SEAL to die in Afghanistan. Several retired SEALs who had fought in Vietnam joined the dignitaries, relatives, and active-duty SEALs at the service. Although I didn't make the trip to Little Creek, I had attended my share of such services that marked the first SEALs to die in other conflicts: Billy Machen (Vietnam); Al "Spanky" Schaufelberger (El Salvador); Ken Butcher, Bob Schamberger, Steve Morris, and Kevin Lundbergh (Grenada); John Connors, Don McFaul, Chris Tilghman, and Isaac Rodriguez (Panama).

Burning topics of conversation at every gathering were how these men died and what could have been done to prevent their deaths. We spoke of how "Spanky" never should have gone day after day to pick up his Salvadoran girlfriend at the same place at the same time; how the officer in charge of the parachute jump that killed Ken Butcher and his mates never should have launched them

off the ramp of a C130 into gale-force winds and a nighttime sea, running far too high and fast; how this same officer never should have ordered his men on a midnight dash up a backlit runway without a reconnaissance to discover and prevent what lurked at the end of that runway: an ambush that killed the four SEALs and gravely wounded six others. Unforgiving Vietnam SEALs called this officer — perhaps unfairly — "Mr. Oh-for-Eight" because of the men who died under his command in Grenada and Panama.

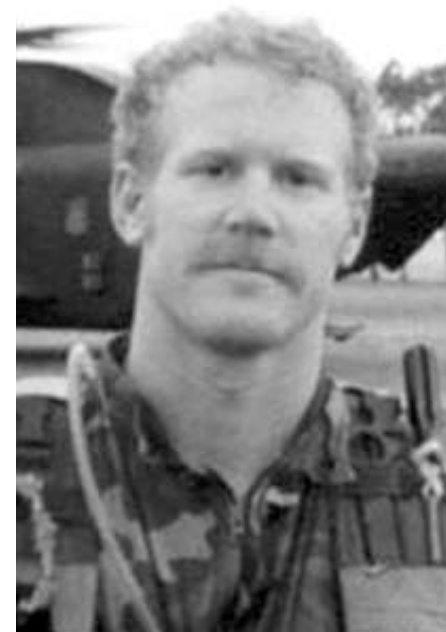
Within a few days of Neil Roberts's memorial, old SEALs from the Vietnam War were predictably talking of how Roberts died and what — if anything — could have been done to prevent his death. The SEALs had learned details of Roberts's death from sources well placed to know what had happened that frozen night, 10,000 feet up among the

mountains of Afghanistan. The story these sources told was quite different from official versions. I heard the first official story uttered during a press briefing in the clenched speech of the Pentagon's "Queen of Mean," Victoria Clarke. According to Clarke's truncated account, a Navy SEAL had tumbled from a helicopter at 0300 on 4 March as the helo touched down to insert special-operations forces during Operation Anaconda. The SEAL fell as the helicopter abruptly lifted off when it received small-arms fire and was struck by a rifle-propelled grenade, or RPG. No one

missed the SEAL until sometime later, after the damaged helo crash-landed a mile or so away. Clarke said an unmanned Predator spy plane had transmitted real-time video that showed the SEAL being dragged away by three enemy soldiers and executed.

The next day, at another press brief-

General Schwarzkopf praised the small groups of Special Forces men who for days occupied these "hides" and acted as his "eyes and ears."

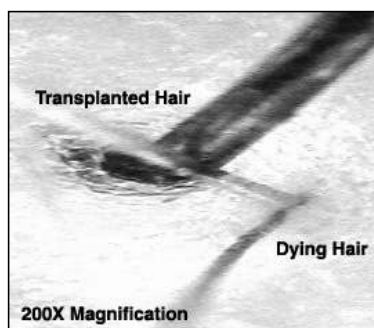


Neil Roberts

ing, General Tommy Franks, commander of U.S. forces in Afghanistan, contradicted Clarke. The general said the SEAL fell several feet from the helo, which never touched down but maneuvered up and out of the landing zone when the RPG struck. According to this version of the official story, the SEAL probably died from the fall, or enemy fire could have been what killed him in the helo. In either case, Franks emphasized the SEAL was dead when he hit the ground and was not dragged away and executed by al-Qaeda. A specter of Mogadishu appeared to be

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haunting the general.

Another incomplete version of Roberts's last moments emerged in a *New York Times* article on March 7 under the headline "Combat Mystery: Last Moments of Navy Man Still a Puzzle." And four days after Roberts's widow received his posthumous award of a Bronze Star and Purple Heart in Little Creek, the AP carried a short article based on information provided by a Navy spokeswoman, Dawn Cutler, which returned to the original account: "Roberts fell out of the helicopter as it hurriedly left the scene of a grenade attack. Video from a remote-controlled spy plane showed him being dragged away by al-Qaeda fighters."

But at the March 11 memorial service, a much different story emerged in quiet conversations among groups of active-duty and retired SEALs after Neil Roberts's casket had been piped from the chapel and driven away. Here is that story.



MH-47 (Chinook) landing

Roberts had been point man for an R&S (or reconnaissance and surveillance) team of SEALs. This team and others were to insert ahead of the main ground force from the Army's 10th Mountain Division. Their mission was to construct the kind of clandestine observation posts much publicized by the army during the Gulf War. General

Schwarzkopf praised the small groups of Special Forces men who for days occupied these "hides" and acted as his "eyes and ears" to guide the advance of lethal armored columns. Roberts and his fellow SEALs were to act as the eyes and ears of the 10th Mountain and, of course, our bombers. Terrain and threat would dictate the



MH-53 helicopter

size of the team, but it had to be small enough to avoid detection. As point man, Roberts had positioned himself on the rear ramp of the MH-47 Chinook helo to lead his team out of the bird upon touchdown. Roberts was next to a crewmember on the ramp who manned a machine gun to cover the insertion. Unlike Roberts, the

machine gunner was tethered to the deck of the helo. Just before touchdown, automatic-weapons fire raked the helo, and not one but three RPGs struck the bird. None, however, detonated, but one shattered the helo's Plexiglas cockpit. The pilot instinctively jerked the 47 sideways and veered up into the night. All was chaos in the

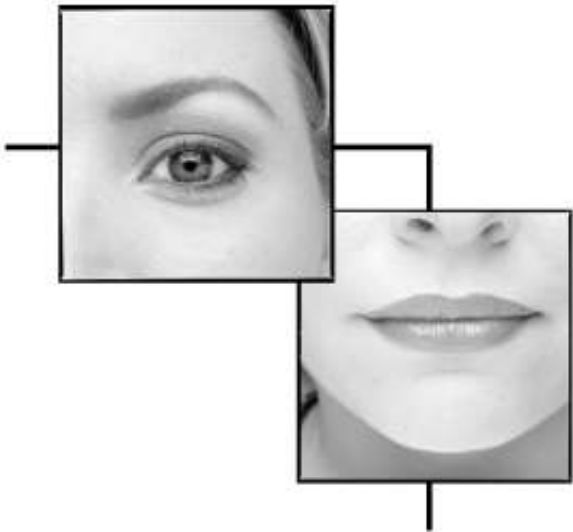
troop compartment: the enemy gunfire had ruptured hydraulic lines, and fluid sprayed across the SEALs and over the deck. On the ramp, Roberts grabbed for the machine gunner as the helo's sudden moves flung the gunner into space at the end of his tether. This heroic act, coupled with the treacherous footing and wild maneuvering of the helo, sent Roberts tumbling onto the hot LZ (landing zone) some ten feet below.

Men inside the helo noticed Roberts was missing almost immediately — not several minutes later when the helo crash-landed. But the damaged hydraulic system prevented any immediate return for their mate. In fact, an empty second helo in the area for just such an emergency had to rescue the remaining SEALs and crew before it could do anything for Roberts. The helo was further delayed because it had to refuel.

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fall without serious injury. He scrambled under fire into the rocks and activated his beacon — a transmitter SEALs carry preset to an emergency frequency. Aircraft in the area monitor this frequency. When the aircraft receive a signal, they suspend all activity and execute a plan to rescue the downed SEAL. The SEAL can guide the rescue and call in close air support with the same radio that contains the beacon.

A reaction force is on standby whenever a special-operations team inserts. The force this time was a helo loaded with Army Rangers, but the force landed several kilometers from Roberts, and al-Qaeda ambushed the Rangers. The enemy killed six men, and the survivors fought for their lives. They could do nothing for Roberts.

A SEAL rescue force finally reached Roberts's body after a battle that left three SEALs seriously wounded. Real-time video and evidence the rescue force discovered revealed

Roberts had died fighting. Although shot several times, Roberts had nevertheless assaulted a machine-gun nest using grenades and his nine-millimeter SIG Sauer pistol. Roberts did not lose the SIG during his fall because SEALs wear the weapon holstered and strapped to their legs.

Rather than attempting to hide or surrender, Roberts had attacked the machine-gun crew because of the threat they posed for any rescue helo. In all, the SEALs estimated Roberts engaged a force of some 50 terrorists and killed or wounded several until he ran out of ammunition and was himself killed. The SEALs were certain of one fact: Neil Roberts went down fighting; he was not dragged away and executed.

Retired SEALs had hard questions for whoever provided intel and planned such a flawed mission — indelicately known as a “goatfuck” among Vietnam vets. Why, these SEALs wanted to know, couldn't staff officers at Central



“Queen of Mean” (Victoria Clarke)

Command or elsewhere discover such a large enemy force planted precisely at the insertion point? What good are all the infrared, thermal imaging, and real-

time video devices that the DOD and the CIA have loaded onto Predators, satellites, and God knows what else if the devices can't discover a horde of al-

Qaeda about to ambush our men?

Other questions focused on the choice of helicopters for the mission. Why use a relic of the Vietnam War like the Chinook, which SEALs had seldom if ever relied on to insert? The Chinook was used in Vietnam primarily to ferry troops and supplies in non-combat areas. When the bird was used in combat, it carried 40 or more men of a larger fighting force, such as a company or battalion, and rarely approached an LZ without massive prepping fire from artillery and air strikes — the sort of action portrayed in the film *We Were Soldiers*. The clandestine nature of SEAL missions prohibits the use of such firepower until after contact with the enemy.

What makes the choice of the Chinook particularly puzzling is that two much newer helos are available that are more maneuverable and present less of a target: the HH-60 and MH-53. These helos, unlike

the Chinook, were designed for special operations. Perhaps the planners chose the bigger, clumsier Chinook because they believed a single HH-60 or MH-53 at 10,000 feet could carry too few SEALs and they did not want to lay on more of these special-ops helos. Perhaps the planners wanted to insert more R&S teams during one landing or make multiple insertions. Whatever the reason, the choice was disastrous. A wire-service story appearing the day after Roberts's death noted what it called a “sad milepost: the Chinooks have accumulated the highest casualty toll of any piece of military materiel in the war so far.”

One old SEAL warrior asked me, “Where the fuck was the CAP?” CAP stands for combat air patrol and usually applies to fighter jets that carriers launch to protect a task force from enemy air attack. When SEALs from Vietnam use the term, they mean the on-call air support that

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Despite the intelligence and operational failures, however, Neil Roberts demonstrated the courage of a hero, the kind of courage SEALs believe should be recognized with more than a Bronze Star. They are heartened by talk that Rear Admiral Eric Olson, the SEAL commander, may have directed his staff to gather information in support of a much higher award. Whatever comes of this effort, a stretch of hallowed ground high above the Shah-e-Kot valley in Afghanistan already bears the name of yet another fallen warrior in that tortured land: Roberts Ridge. ■

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The guy who sat in his Jeep has stepped inside, as expressionless behind black glasses as he was while reading a hunting magazine and smoking white cigarettes. As has the girl who blared Pink Floyd, also smoking cigarettes. The white man who stepped from a truck with a bumper sticker that reads "Honk if you like my balls" holds the hands of brown children. Mexican girls wearing Disney sweatshirts convert a banister into a jungle gym, while their *abuela* dabs eyes with tissues.

It's no mystery why some folks prowl the Internet for prison babes and studs — nothing is quite as empowering as another's loss of freedom. And one's first visit to Las Colinas feels carnivalesque. Trapped behind fences, walls, waiting alive

and imprisoned, these girls have nothing to look forward to except to speak with you, and only you, via that phone which you hold to your head.

"They're in the tank," a military-shouldered female deputy shouts. And in come the lovers, sisters, wives, daughters, nervous and excited and scared, with their hair disheveled, wearing baggy sweats.

Ponytailed men rise from their seats with phones clutched to their breasts and touch the glass that separates two hands. Children step forward, wave, turn around. *Abuela* fishes another tissue from her purse, her head holding the phone to her shoulder. And Rachel Gallardo stands in the window, wondering why she was instructed to sit

at booth number two.

She remembers my letter, sits on her stool, picks up her phone, and vents.

"Do you know what it's like to have to wash the toilet before you sit on it?" Gallardo asks. "I'm in here with 64 caged rats. Junkies and crackheads kicking heroin and chicks with every sexually

transmitted disease imaginable. There's an 84-year-old woman in here on a suspended DUI and another woman who's gonna do 16 months in prison 'just for the fuck of it,' she said."

Drug Enforcement agents stung 23-year-old mother-of-four Rachel Gallardo, her husband, and a team of codefendants at a McDonald's holding two pounds of ice and two pounds of meth. Her biological mother, whom she met for the first time in 1999, resides in prison because "some black guy" threw crack in her car. Her father — her "best friend" — is imprisoned in Colorado for transporting marijuana. And Rachel, with her fire-starter eyes and arena-rock hair and thin, maybe penciled lips, sits in Santee on \$250,000 bail



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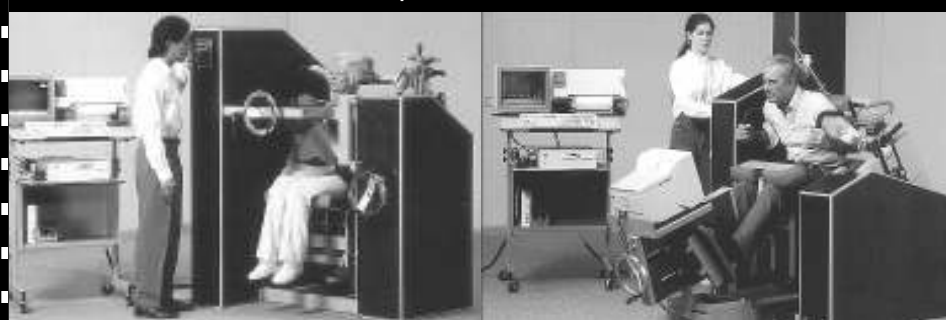


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“I loved challenges. When I was younger I figured, why not? I hung around with gangs,” Gallardo says. “Even when I got pregnant at 16, still nobody could tell me what to do.”

Especially not her stepmother Janet, whom Rachel says is “51-50,” not entirely sane. Janet sat in this room the weekend before, speaking to Rachel through a phone.

“She’s just gonna have to go clean,” her stepmother said to me, the space between her nose and her lip mustached and trembling, her fingers picking at what looked like pencil lead embedded under her neck skin. Rachel says that her stepmother used to be very attractive. Before their fights rocked their Clairemont home. Before Rachel started smoking meth and beating her stepmother, who retaliated with salvos of ashtrays and knives.

“I’m used to being at home, taking a shower whenever I want to, eating whenever I want to,” Gallardo says. Once upon a time someone scratched the words “Puerto” and “Rico” into the one-half-inch-thick pane of glass that separates us. “Great, I’d have to be next to a loudmouth,” she sneers at the woman sitting next to her.

A man wearing a greasy cap says to the woman, “No, honey. You’re the best-looking gal in here,” while a child sitting at his feet snaps together Legos.

“Times were hard, you know?” Gallardo says. “But this last time, I knew it was DEA. I could tell. I could just tell. All I wanted was a cheeseburger. I remember telling my husband that all I wanted was a cheeseburger and that I knew it was DEA. He thought I was just being scared. But I knew. What was I going to do? Run? That would have just made it worse. I just wanted my kids back. This was going to be it. We were gonna break free and get the kids back and get a place somewhere.”

Because of the Gallardos’ tendency to argue and fight (“just a bit of drama” is how Rachel describes their fighting), compounded with

Mama’s being addicted to meth, Child Protective Services placed their four children in the custody of Rachel’s mother-in-law. This last score and the resulting sting occurred, according to Gallardo, while she was on her way to domestic violence classes, which she attended to regain favor with the authorities who took away her children. But the details are a little bit fuzzy. She has smoked meth off and on since she was 16, almost as long as she has been with her 25-year-old husband.

“I can’t take this shit anymore. I knew what was going on. I know the parts they play. I knew the guy was DEA and I knew it was a bad idea. But they can’t stop the drugs. And you know, it’s not worth it to work in Southern California. I was trained as a medical assistant, but after I paid for a baby-sitter and gas and taxes, what would I have, two pennies? Once you’re convicted of a felony, you can’t get a real job. And you know why?”

“Because everybody is out to fuck one another in Southern California.”

For a moment it feels as if we’re bullshitting in some bar, bitching about the psychological idiosyncrasies of locales, destinations, origins, geography, populaces. Until she jumps from her seat and disappears single file with the rest of the girls. Their departure forces all left sitting to exit through the waiting room, which is swarming with folks queuing for the 1:45 visiting session behind a large Native American woman assigning visiting times and booth numbers.

Brown children slap at a video game, and white girls dressed like Britney Spears study printed lists for inmates’ numbers. Mendozas, Martinezes, Joneses, Wallaces, columns of names and numbers set on a shelf beneath a plaque dedicated to sheriff’s deputies who died on duty. Deputy Dean Witt, California–sepia-toned–Charlton Heston handsome. Kelly Ann Bazer, Kristie McCaullaufish. Theodore Leroy Beckman was proud to wear that uniform. At the bottom of the plaque:

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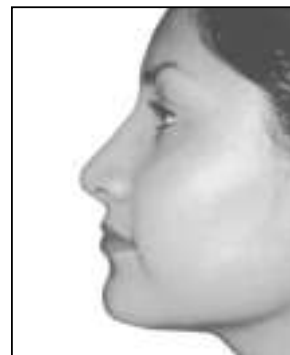


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for his friends.”

Outside, the sky is cloudy. Santee’s firefighters jog by. Behind chain-link fences and wood and mesh lives Rachel. There also lives the woman whom a grandfather sucking on oxygen can’t walk up the ramp to visit, and the girl to whom a young black man with Allen Iverson cornrows carries a car-seated baby. The man holds the baby underneath giant American and Californian flags, while overhead a prop plane tows an aerial banner advertising tequila.

“Man, I like beaches and bonfires. I like being outdoors,” a young Mexi-

can man says to an older woman. “I don’t want to go in there. I don’t want to know anything more about jail than I already know. Which is nothing.”

Troublemakers

Felony arraignment is ground zero for 304,749 felons living under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Corrections, though not all passed through Judge Szumowski’s courtroom. Here in courtroom 12, officials process about 150 felons a week who will spend up to one year in county jail, or considerably more time in one of California’s 33 state prisons, 38 wilderness camps,

or 8 prisoner-mother facilities. Szumowski estimates that 65 percent of the cases he sees are drug offenses but that maybe 20 percent more are drug related.

According to the California Department of Corrections website, “Since the early 1980s, Corrections has been involved in the largest prison-building program in the United States. The Department of Corrections’ Master Plan predicts that the growing inmate population will exceed maximum operating prison capacity of 177,197 in April 2004.”

That’s a city of people marooned on cement and razor-wire islands through-

out California — junkies and burglars, rapists and extortionists, murderers and cons whose population, according to the Department of Corrections, decreased last year by 1589 inmates.

Judge David Szumowski says, during a recess interview, that though he believes fewer crimes are committed nowadays, there are absolutely more people in state prison today than five years ago.

“Some people just don’t know how to conform to society, and they’re always going to be in trouble. If they turn bad enough, you just have to get them out of the

way,” he says.

* * *

“Everybody makes money off the guy that goes to jail. The judge, the lawyers, the guy who delivers bologna sandwiches,” bail bondsman King Stahlman says one day over cigarettes and air conditioning, his neck and fingers adorned with gold. “Everybody is making money off of these goofballs. The court system is probably the biggest moneymaker in California.”

With a 2001–2002 budget of \$4.8 billion, the Department of Corrections employs 48,380 humans: 41,004 to staff the institutions, 3165

to handle parole, and 3989 administrators. Not included in these statistics are the salaries of 29,873 sworn peace officers, one of whom raps his knuckles against the frosted windows of a Plexiglas holding cell.

“Keep it down in there,” he shouts at snickering defendants sequestered in the courtroom’s holding chamber. They had passed through a doorway that revealed a hive of halls and passageways between offices, jail cells, parked vans, and filing rooms.

Judge Szumowski sits above it all beneath a light emblazoned with Maryland’s coat of arms, processing the

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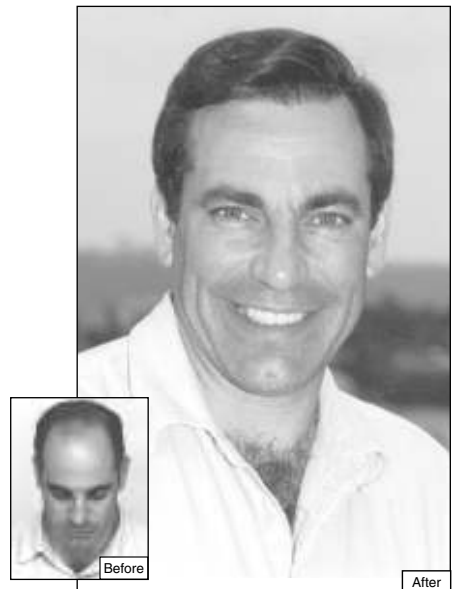
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public defender's and the district attorney's assertions that this defendant is a threat to society, this one just made a mistake.

"The head-butting incident frankly disturbed me," the judge tells a thickset Mediterranean man.

"He is no longer dating the woman, your honor," this man's lawyer volunteers to the judge.

"You know now that alcohol breaks down one's ability to control anger and aggression."

"Yes, your honor."

The Friday-night head-butter is slapped on the wrist with codes that the lawyer translates for his client. And

the head-butter walks away smirking, content that on this Tuesday morning his drunken rage is now buried in files, ready to disappear upon graduation from an anger-management course.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays are busy, the days of the week by which someone arrested during a week-end must stand in front of the judge. Though some are fortunate enough to make bail hours after being arrested, most will wait to see the judge in the hope of having their bail reduced. Some know they don't have a chance of walking the street for a long time.

A white man with

leukemia, hair ripped out by chemotherapy, asks the court to pardon his probation violation so that he can see his kids.

"Well, sir, you have lots of balls in the air," the judge tells him, and a woman in the back of the courtroom sobs.

A translator jaws a Latino gang-banging dishwasher's fate into his ears.

"Tell me one reason not to send you back for breaking your probation. Tell me one reason," the judge says to this little man who cannot say anything in response. Not because he doesn't speak English. Not because he doesn't understand Span-

ish. But because he has no ability to make a verbal stand for himself.

"Do you remember Charlie Brown?" public defender Lei-Chala Wilson rhetorically asks from behind her desk one day after work. "Do you remember the parents, and the teachers, and how they spoke? *Wagh wa, wagh wagh wa wa*. That's what these people hear when the judge and the district attorney speak."

Hopscotch and Gossip

During recess, comments bounce back and forth about the heat, the stuffiness, that funny movie about that airplane ("You mean *Airplane*"),

while deputies discuss their Sesame Street Band-Aids.

"What else do you have on there?" one asks.

"Cookie Monster, Big Bird, Elmo. Who's the orange guy?"

Another clerk leans from behind her computer and says, "Sesame Street is so you, Enrique."

Judge Szumowski steps down from his bench, holding a walking stick and feeling the wall. In his chambers, underneath his desk, relaxes a silent black Lab, Szumowski's Seeing Eye dog. On the wall hangs a case displaying medals from the Vietnam War. Republican elephants decorate the judge's

tie.

"Everything is done according to schedule, and everything is done very quickly," the judge says. "If it's long and involved, more than five or ten minutes, I don't do it. Because of the volume that I have, I don't have the time to linger on things."

He pushes forward papers, one of which states the mission of the judiciary.

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the Constitution of California and the United States," this paper reads.

The criminal-case flowchart sprawls across a 16-inch-long sheet of paper. Crime committed; police investigation; defendant not arrested but named as a suspect, or defendant arrested; followed by the prosecutor's review. Insert the defendant in the box labeled "arraignment" and watch him or her hopscotch for weeks across 12 inches of pretrial and trial boxes, following arrows all the way over to sentencing.

"You see the judge within 48 hours if it's a felony," Szumowski says. "A committee of judges has figured out a bail figure to put on all crimes, and I actually had to be the chairman of that committee. Somebody is arrested, they're booked in, that dollar amount goes on that crime."

The felony-bail schedule is a quarter-inch-thick list of crimes and punishments and suggested bails, dollar amounts congruent to a crime's gravity and intended to insure that the defendant appears in court. Wrecking a train equates to life in prison, or death, and \$500,000 bail. Prostituting your wife is two, three, or four years and \$20,000 bail. Commit sodomy with someone residing in a mental hospital, force someone to have sex with a foreign object, process peyote, falsely report a poisoning — every crime imaginable has its sentences and its money. Though for some crimes, such as killing a cop, the posting of bail is prohibited.

A train-wrecker is not responsible for the entire \$500,000. A train-wrecker pays 10 percent of \$500,000 to a bail bondsman, who

then posts a \$500,000 bond to insure that the train-wrecker appears in court — though a bail bondsman wouldn't post \$500,000 for just anybody, even if he or she could pay the \$50,000. Proof of collateral is required.

To make matters more arduous for some defendants, as happened to Rachel Gallardo, the judge can slap a case with 1275.1 of the California Penal Code, which reads, "Bail, pursuant to this chapter, shall not be accepted unless a judge or magistrate finds that no portion of the consideration, pledge, security, deposit, or indemnification paid, given, made, or promised for its execution was feloniously obtained." In other words, you can't buy freedom with the money that you made smuggling heroin or robbing a bank.

An arrest on multiple charges piles up the bail. If

during arraignment the district attorney decides that only two of a defendant's five charges can be proven in court, bail is adjusted accordingly. Some people wait in jail to see the judge to have their bail adjusted. Some people arrive dressed in street clothes after having posted bail within hours of their arrest.

Judge Szumowski at first balks at commenting on why people commit crime or whether the war on drugs is being won or lost. He is fatherly, soft-spoken, determined, conservative, and his voice carries no trace of vengeance or pity.

"I'm not a sociologist or a psychologist. I'm not here to figure out why it went wrong. I'm here to try and fix it," Szumowski says. "Jail isn't always the answer. I try and separate the vicious from the unfortunates and

treat them accordingly. I'm tough on people who are truly evil, who are violent, who hurt people. And I'm less tough on those who are in a circumstance where they just haven't gotten their act together and are doing low-level stuff. I recognize the difference between who should be hammered and who shouldn't, I hope."

As for the war on drugs, Szumowski believes that the supply has to be curbed for treatment to be effective — though I am tempted to ask him how to curb the supply of something cooked or grown in a basement.

His 12 years spent as a district attorney combined with his soldiering have awarded him the opportunity to sit on the bench for three years now. Though he may recognize the difference between desperate and sinister actions, his opinions stem from that firmly grounded, sanctimonious American belief that hard work plus family plus religion results in an overall harmonious existence free of

addiction, strife, and prison. And his past is the touchstone by which he deals with the endless parade of defendants he sees each day.

"I had a liberal arts education. I've had experience with a solid family structure and good values. I think I understand the difference between right and wrong. I had a Catholic upbringing," Szumowski says. "I served in the military. I did blue-collar work as a kid through college. I think my experience has given me the scope of the parameters of right and wrong and what should be done and what shouldn't be done."

According to Szumowski, statistics show that 95 percent of the people who pass through felony arraignment are guilty. Almost everybody that passes through felony arraignment, when faced with the choice between "right" or "wrong," chose wrong. And whether or not their parents are in jail, they have no education, they hear voices in their head, does not matter. You stab someone, get caught with four pounds of speed, rob a bank, you might be sorry, but you're sorry that you were caught.

"And no matter how bad some of these guys are, they're gonna get out," Szumowski says. "You can try and rehabilitate somebody through the rehabilitation process. Perhaps you squelch the anger and the animosity that necessarily is going to build up as they term at state prison. Because when these kind of people come

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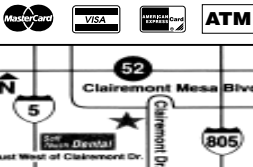
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out, they're going to be ticked. They come out with that chip and they're right back in the system. It's going to be a revolving door."

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Courtroom 12's revolving door swings back into action, and probation officer Margo Bower takes a seat next to a young district attorney.

A prisoner who looks similar to Rachel Gallardo enters the courtroom handcuffed and slouched. She violated the terms of her probation and now must face Bower, who has invested a considerable amount of time in this woman's rehabilitation. Though she is not Rachel Gallardo, she might as well be. They are cut from the same cloth.

"You'll notice by her disheveled appearance that she was a heavy amphetamine user and is now going through withdrawal," Bower tells the court. "When we went back to the house, we found a mirror with traces of meth on it and a marijuana pipe."

The woman does not look at Bower as the judge smacks her with county jail time, and she and Bower walk away from the court without saying a word to each other. And Bower is disgusted.

A middle-aged blond woman with eyes that hint at a mischievous past, Margo Bower has been a probation officer for 17 years. Working alongside the Health and Human Services Agency, she deals with babies left to crawl through shit, rock-bottom junkies, and macho men who refuse to listen to her.

"My girl initially had more of an alcohol problem," Bower says when asked about the woman whom she testified against. "Meth was sort of a side drug, so to speak, that she would also use from time to time. But she didn't care about herself. I know she loved her little girl, but not enough to give up the alcohol or the drugs."

This woman, Bower explains, has had abusive relationships and carries a felony theft record, a result of stealing from stores while stone drunk. Even after numerous run-ins with the law and years spent in rehab, this woman always finds her way back to the street, doing what she has always done. And though Bower knows

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how to spot the signs of addiction, such as unkempt hair and not being able to hold a job, it is an overall loss of motivation — the ability to care — that makes rehabilitation so difficult.

“They know that if they hit despair, they’re going to

have the cuffs slapped back on them. I’m not a psychologist, but I know you have to somehow get to the person. You’re always going to have somebody who wants to make their money off of selling drugs, so you have to work with the person head

up, and that’s hard to do,” Bower says matter-of-factly.

“And we’re not winning. I know we’re not winning,” Bower says when asked about the war against drugs and its cousins, despair and incarceration.

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Rustee Williams stands outside the courthouse smoking cigarettes fastened to a vintage cigarette holder. An environmental technician from Santee, Williams is here because his son was arrested for indecent exposure and resisting arrest. And this leather-necked man in a black cowboy hat with the rich voice of a healthy smoker is worried.

“I can’t afford an attorney. The public defender is more of an administrator than a defender. They’re like used-car salesmen,” Wallace

says. “Look at that gentleman Carruth, the football player. He played in the Super Bowl. And my son, because he resisted arrest, they’re going to slam-dunk him.”

Williams’s son is a tough kid, he says, who probably put up a fight after getting caught pissing in a parking lot after drinking beer — though he is not entirely sure what happened. If he is, he does not want to speak about it. All he knows is that there are two types of justice, one for the rich and one for the poor, and that the state’s intentions are clearly outlined by which buildings the state chooses to construct.

“In the last 12 years, they’ve built 22 prisons, 1 university, and no power plants. We’re all set,” Wallace says. “When that energy crunch hits, everybody who owns a small business is

going to be out of a job. The only person this all serves are the rich.”

He removes a fresh cigarette from his pocket and swipes a match across the back of a packet that reads: IF YOU’RE IN JAIL AND IT SEEMS A FRIGHT CALL “KING” STAHLMAN CAUSE THE PRICE IS RIGHT.

“All this idiotic war on drugs does is subsidize organized crime,” Wallace says before reentering the building to wait to see his son. “And make rich people richer.”

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The district attorney is elected with a mandate from the people, and the public defender is appointed by county bureaucrats.

“I think people favor law enforcement. People don’t really understand what the public defender does

and they don’t really care,” says Lei-Chala Wilson, a 12-year veteran of the public defender’s office.

“I wouldn’t say the county gives them more money, but they have more sources of money. There are different funds for law enforcement. If you prosecute this type of case, you get this. I believe we’re on parity as far as pay scale.”

Though Wilson sees no conspiracy to warehouse an entire demographic swath, she does recall an aphorism: Poor people go to criminal court, rich people go to civil court. But when asked if justice has become a business grounded in a state-funded campaign to build more prisons, Wilson says that justice is not a business, though the fact that people make money from building prisons disturbs her.

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putting people in prison. And there's a benefit for people committing crimes, and someone is making money off of it. But I guess if you were smart, you could find out what companies are building prisons and start buying stock in them."

Drugs, Wilson estimates, are at the core of 97 percent of the cases she sees in felony arraignment. Residential burglaries, robberies, and muggings often stem from the desperation of drug abuse.

The State of California invested \$60 million in the Substance Abuse Treatment Trust Fund to kick start the Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act, otherwise known as Prop 36. It also invested \$4.8 billion last year in incarceration.

According to the state's Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs website, "Under the Act, certain non-violent adult offenders who use or possess illegal drugs would receive drug treatment in the community rather than incarceration.... Vocational training, family counseling, literacy training, and other services may also be provided."

A percentage of the cases that flow through felony arraignment are diverted to drug court, where treatment, rather than prison, is the panacea. But for the unlucky souls who commit a serious crime in order to purchase drugs, prison continues to loom large. And if you cause harm to someone during a robbery, that proverbial book will be thrown at you.

"I think that with Prop 36, the people are saying we want to give treatment and not prison," Wilson says. "But I bet over 90 percent of the cases we see are drug related, because the person caught stealing may be stealing to support their habit. And if you see an assault, it may be drug related. Take away the drugs and maybe the offense wouldn't have happened."

Cathy Stevenson, chief of pretrial services and a 17-year veteran of the district attorney's office, has worked the spectrum from juvenile crimes to sex crimes. Stevenson's office, along with several other sponsors, began in the fall a pilot tough-love literacy project downtown. If it works, it will take root and expand to other areas.

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"If you're dependent on drugs, dependent on crime, we're saying if you are serious about wanting to overcome [illiteracy], we're going to help you with it, and so basically your condition of probation is going to be to go to school," Stevenson says, after stressing that the folks eligible for such programs have been thoroughly separated from the criminally violent.

"I don't know if that means it will solve their addiction. I don't know if it means that they'll never commit crimes again. But it at least gives them — and I hate to use these clichés — but it sort of gives them another arrow in their quiver."

But though illiteracy is a source of despair for some of the addicted, Rachel Gallardo isn't illiterate. The fact that she had gone to school and received medical assis-

tant training only concentrated her despair.

Nor are all drug users from the poorer white areas, the black and Mexican neighborhoods, and downtown San Diego.

"You expect that everybody on your team has the same goal—that we all want to eradicate the use of controlled substances in good old America — but that's not true," Stevenson says. "There are a lot of people who...want drugs for recreational purposes."

It Is Best to Simply Have the Ear of the King

Two women stand in the lobby of the San Diego jail, located one block north of the county courthouse. One, Mary Ann Zingg, wears a jacket that reads "King Stahlman Bail Bonds." She is here to post bail for a kid

from Texas. The other shouts at the figure on the other side of a piece of thick aqua glass.

"I can't stand to be away from him, I can't stand it anymore," the woman shouts. "This all started with an eviction. I am his wife. This all happened for no reason except for the obvious."

The figure hands her a piece of paper through a slot.

"I can't write. I can't write. Can't you see that I'm disabled?" she says. "I can't write."

Mary Ann Zingg has worked for King Stahlman since 1993 and knows the jailhouse's routine. She walks out of the building and past an iron fence.

"A mother called us from Texas saying that her son was caught in the possession of illegal drugs. He told her that he got caught

leaving the pharmacy with legal drugs and was arrested. So much of this is just stupidity," Zingg says. She is a calm woman who disapproves of profanity. "We're just supplying a service. We're not here to judge people. So don't call me up and every other word be an MF."

We walk past storefront bail bond offices tattooed with neon. One establishment has co-opted the "don't tread on me" serpentine insignia. Another one smacked a "The King Is Dead, Forever Live the Empire" bumper sticker to his window.

Enter King Stahlman's office and there are trophies, plaques, business cards, a large television, and a stack of magazines titled *Presumed Innocent: A Magazine for the Accused*. In this issue: "Bail — Everything You Need to Know," "3 Strikes — Is All

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"I've had quite a few articles written about me. Just last week in the *Police Gazette*, also in the *Union-Tribune*. I've had a lot of interviews," Stahlman says. "And I have a theory I go on. Early to bed, early to rise, work like hell and advertise."

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I ask him about the bumper sticker in the window next door heralding his demise.

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One of his young guys asked me when I was going to drop dead of a heart attack. He's a first-class a-hole," he barks, leaning forward in his chair, pointing at the wall. But when a large, older black man wearing overalls steps into his office, Stahlman relaxes back into his throne.

"Tell this gentleman how long you've known me, Arthur," Stahlman says.

"Since I worked in the locker room at his old club in Mission Valley, before they ran the trolley through there," Arthur Handy says with a Texan lisp. "He been just a daddy to me. I lost my daddy. But my daddy always said, watch out for 'ticky fingers. He give me good advice and everything. But my daddy good and gone."

This man could talk for hours.

"Arthur's a very devoted person. A good associate," Stahlman says. "He cleans up the front. Still works at 62, ready to begin collecting Social Security."

Stahlman points at Handy.

"My advice, Arthur, to you, is to leave that pussy alone. Ain't cost you nothing but money and trouble. You told her you had a 12-inch dick and then she found out it wasn't 12 inches. You lied to her and she found out."

Stahlman pushes back in his chair with both hands, laughing.

"Yes, in 54 years I've seen it all. You can get yourself in trouble overnight. Go to work, Arthur. You stay out of trouble now."

"You might think you can get away with this or that, or your hands get too 'ticky."

"Okay, Arthur."

"Been just like a daddy to me. My daddy good and gone."

"Okay, Arthur."
"Just like a daddy."

"Arthur, get my son. Tell George Jr. I want to talk with him."

It is the only way Stahlman can make Arthur stop talking, and Arthur heads out of the office.

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"And 54 years later here I am," Stahlman says. He has been in this location on Union Street for 40 years. "These eyes have seen so much shit."

There was the alcoholic couple arrested one night for endangering their children. The wife came to Stahlman for bail.

"And while she's sitting here with me, the jail called to tell me that the sheriff threw him in the felony tank, someone called out that he was a child molester, and three guys rolled him in a blanket and kicked him to death."

There was the old black man who, along with his wife, suffered serious heart problems. Her frequent visits to the emergency room forced her husband to routinely confront their two white hippie neighbors who habitually blocked his parking spot. When they blocked his spot one too many times, this old black man shot them both dead. Stahlman posted his bond without charging a fee.

"The reason people commit crime is that they don't think that they're gonna get caught. But this guy, very definitely, my heart went out to the poor old guy. I could see what he was going through. The unfortunate thing was that he killed two people. That was sad. But a lot of people would say those two were troublemakers. He did sit in judgment. And he was wrong in doing it. But I could see why he was driven to it. But I can't say why a guy is driven to rob a bank because he just wants the dough.

"Some people are just prone to trouble. They know

they're wrong. They know they shouldn't do what they're doing. But they figure what the hell. They'll do it anyway. There are a lot of weak people out there. They have their choice and they chose to do screwy things. But they're all idiots.

"It's like this war on drugs. In a war you have to have two factions. We're waging war against ourselves. If some dumb son of a bitch wants to shoot coke, make him buy it. Christ, when I first started doing this I was bailing people out on opium charges. They say drug addiction is a sickness. Let me tell you what it is. It's a weakness. It's a real weakness. If someone does dope, they're a dumbshit. I'm a dumbshit. I've been told I have emphysema and I'm still smoking. Not because I'm addicted but because I'm a dumbshit. I'm a dumbshit who sleeps with an oxygen line in his nose. I'm not addicted, I'm a dumbshit. I laugh at that Robert Downey piece of shit. He's a dumbshit. Look, is that a little dog out there in that parking lot?"

Stahlman stares at a hanging television that monitors his front desk and a parking lot. Beneath his long white Cadillac adorned with gold self-advertisements he thinks he spots a stray dog.

"No, it's a cat. Cats can take care of themselves." Stahlman gets up from his seat and he is massive. "I have a real soft spot in my heart for animals. They're helpless. Not like this dumbshit acquaintance of mine."

Stahlman tells a story about a young man he knew who overdosed after leaving prison. This man was released into a treatment center, his friends brought him heroin, and he overdosed in a hospital bed.

"But I love dogs. I have a little dachshund, 17 years old. He's got arthritis, kidney problems, heart problems. I love him to death. I hope he dies in his sleep. Until then, we'll give him lots of love."

He looks at me and realizes that he is no longer talking about crime. He points his finger in the air and leans forward.

"The people who go to jail, who do drugs, who commit crimes are dumbshits. And intelligent people who snort this powder up their noses, they're dumbshits. And everybody capitalizes on their stupidity. These gangbangers get out of prison, and rather than staying home, they have to be out on the street with all their other dumbshit buddies.

"I wouldn't have a job if everybody got up one day and decided to quit. People on welfare, usually they smoke, they drink, they smoke dope, they blow their money on booze and cigarettes, play the lotto, go to the casinos — but they can't feed their kids. Because they don't care. I saw this thing on HBO about dwarfs, small people. It was absolutely fascinating. This guy was this tall."

Stahlman, sitting down, points at his shoulder.

"He has all the strikes there are in this world against him...and he's an orthopedic surgeon."

The Blue Line

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skinned black man wearing a Panama hat who boarded alongside her.

"He's going back to prison," she says.

"How long have you been married?" he asks.

"Three months. He's not Mexican. But he speaks Spanish. And he has that Mexican attitude."

"How old is he?"

"Twenty-three," she says.

"How long was he in before?"

"Four years."

"Well, then, you know," he says and removes his hat and wipes his thick, sweaty hair with a gray handkerchief.

"Know what?" she asks.

The trolley stops and passengers shift on and off.

"You know that he had to go back."

She flicks her tongue across her lips and fingers an ice-tea lizard hanging from her fanny pack. Cherry red lip balm appears in her grasp, and she smears it across her lips and looks at herself in the tinted window.

"I'm going to see him."

"But you understand that he had to go back, right?"

"Yeah, I know."

She adjusts her bra and looks at herself in the window.

"He just doesn't know what he's missing." ■

— Edward Carlson

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Classic case of over-engineering.

Perry Hitt

Still Remember

For about 14 years I have enjoyed reading Duncan Shepherd's movie reviews. At first, I was puzzled with the ratings because I did not always agree with them and, because of that, I wasn't sure that Duncan liked his job. However, I always appreciated his finely crafted criticism and lively sense of humor. After a while, I wanted to know him better and felt as though he were an old friend. I started making sure that I went to all his five- and four-star-rated films because I was intensely curious about what he considered really superb. The first one I saw was about an Australian aborigine rescuing two children who were lost (-don't remember the name of the film). That film and subsequent similarly rated films evoked such intense and deep emotions within me that I thought about them off and on for days, weeks, months, and, in at least one case (the Australian), years. Going to a Duncan Shepherd-highly-rated film has awakened an appreciation of the true beauty that great film can bring into a person's life.

Thank you, Duncan.

Virginia Hall

The Australian film is Walkabout. — Editor

Profitable English

I read your lead article titled "Speak English" (March 14) with great interest. The ESL industry is a small but growing segment of the United States economy. One which reflects the importance of the English language, particularly American English, throughout the world. I have been an ESL teacher for nine years and have come to realize the value placed, internationally, on the ability to communicate in English. Currently, I teach at one of the schools mentioned in the article, International Academy of English. Having taught at several commercial schools, as well as the University of California and Pepperdine University, I am moved to say that the International Academy of English is, without doubt, the best of the bunch. IAE is a profitable commercial enterprise where the teachers, staff, and management are genuinely concerned about the well-being and success of our many students. In my opinion, the International Academy of English could qualify as the standard by which other English-language schools may be measured.

Thomas P. Webster

Racism Torch

The "Name Withheld by Request, Downtown" (Letters, March 21) person should learn, as should many others, that to

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assault someone's native language is to carry the torch of racism. I would bet she was one of those "dedicated" folk who ran out and bought American flags to show love and support for these United States in the face of our shared "awakening." "Crazy" is a way of saying persons behave "foreign" to what we have been taught is the norm for behavior. "Weird" is another word of the English language we use to define what is strange or unfamiliar to us. I'm sure Señora Claudia Ramirez of Bogotá, Colombia, has experienced "crazy" people in her own country enough to identify someone acting a bit odd or different, and no matter the country, ignorance can be trying on one's temperament.

In this world where nothing is sure, a person has a right to be concerned with their safety. I don't ride the bus, train, or trolley. If my vehicle is non-operative, I will call a cab or seek a ride with someone I know and trust. True, there is no way to control the many peoples utilizing public transportation, and travel is always a risk in small or large groups of strange/unfamiliar persons.

In my school days (high school), I used public transportation, and I must say that my experience from then is why I do not use it today. There were persons who had no hy-

giene training and were quite aromatic, even sickening on a rainy-day bus ride, or the one who cussed the driver and the children for no reason at all, even threatened us sometimes. Consider how the operators of these forms of public transport must feel, dealing with these type folk daily. Just recently a man was shot by officers for threatening passengers with a knife and stabbing a trolley operator. Was he not validly crazy and were not the passengers on that train upset at their traveling experience that day? Don't use language barriers as the reasoning for lambasting a person for having their opinion, as many of us imported Americans have.

The United States of America was originally the land of the so-called Native American, who has now been "reserved" throughout their ancestral homeland and continues to struggle for civil rights. Their language, the former tongue and dialect of America, is almost extinct, their culture subject to approval, and what was once their home is no longer theirs. In that sense, we should all go home, if we know where our ancestors come from and/or could pick one of our nationalities and return to their lands. Where would the Native American go then? Where would you go, Name Withheld?

The English language is only 2000 years old. It is con-

tinually upgraded and changed as time continues. And yet somehow people believe the world over should know it. How about we learn other people's languages (the ancestral speech) and culture and develop a respect for our differences. English is the youngest and newest language in the world and is comprised of all other native tongues: Latin, Spanish, German, French, Arabic, Hebrew, etc. So don't diss when someone gets pissed.

I think America as we know it is really about multiculturalism and the unification of persons of culture. Have lunch or dinner with a "foreigner" sometime this year. Don't clutch your purse when you see a potential purse snatcher.

Princess Naima
Bracken-Birdsong
East San Diego

False Nobility

If what I was about to discuss weren't such a serious issue, the comments of Name Withheld detailed in the Letters section of your March 21 *Reader* would be laughable. He describes the responses to his poison-pen letter in the February 21 *Reader* as being "savage" and "violent." I would guess that for those who would tell lies, fabricate alleged facts, and attempt to mislead us into believing he was some kind of psychological authority, the

truth and opinion of others would seem like a "savage" and "violent" attack. It is obvious, Name Withheld, that you don't even know the meaning of the words.

What do you know about "savage" and "violent" attacks? You sit in your \$250,000-plus home, looking at your diplomas espousing your "titles and degrees"; drive your Mercedes, Lexus, or other luxury car; and type on the computer, inciting those like you to commit heinous acts of violence and savagery against boys and girls, men and women, who have done nothing more than to find love in someone of the same sex.

You want to talk "savage" and "violent," let's talk about a young college boy in Laramie, Wyoming, who for no reason other than his sexual orientation was beaten lifeless by two men and then left tied to a barbed wire fence. Let's talk about two boys in South San Diego who were shot and killed on the street, maybe for no other reason than their association with a neighborhood. Let's talk about countless attacks and murders of innocent people of all walks of life who were beaten and killed for no other reason than they were different in one way or another, by people who believed that they were as self-righteous as you.

Where were your sensibilities and your indignation then? Where was your voice to speak out against this savagery and violence? Where were your letters to the editor denouncing such actions and to preach your Christian beliefs of love, hope, and charity for all walks of life? Where are your organizations of "reparative therapy" to assist those who are intolerant to find tolerance, those who hate to love, and those who are bigots to understand

that every person in every walk of life is of worth? I find, Name Withheld, that your priorities with saving the world are completely screwed up. You would point your finger at the gay community and say that we are "pathological," but when was the last time you heard or read of a gay person bashing or killing a straight person, simply because they were straight? Which community is truly the pathological one?

I see you, Name Withheld, as the type of person to rationalize violence to certain groups of people, believing that in some way their lifestyle contributed to the violence which has occurred to them. Like Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson, who said after the attack on the WTC and Pentagon that God was punishing the U.S. because of its issues involving gays and abortion. I hear you saying, "Women who dress seductively are asking to be raped...Matthew Shepard deserved what happened to him because he was gay." Following it up with "Had he not been gay, he'd still be alive today." The sorry part about that last sentence is, it's probably true. What a sad commentary that is for our society today.

In closing, Name Withheld states that he chooses to remain anonymous because he fears repercussions of the gay community would befall his associates. How falsely noble of him. Frankly, you give yourself too much importance! The only reason I waste my time replying to your foolishness is to illustrate to the rest of the readers of this paper just how much of a condescending bigot and liar you are. But once again, I stand by what I wrote in my last letter: "Hiding behind anonymity allows this individual to 'throw out' untrue and

irresponsible opinions and judgments without personal impunity. The true sign of a coward!" I don't suppose you'd like to carry on this discussion face to face. I thought not!

Joe Covino
North Park

Decode The Modern

Now that Jonathan Saville has given us the key we lacked to understanding the human meaning of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony (Classical Music Review, "That's Our Opinion, What's Yours?" March 14), perhaps he will now do us the favor of decoding the allegory of every piece of music he writes about, even those that seem to resist yielding their human meaning, or wish to remain alien or remote and autonomous, or perhaps merely modern.

Name Withheld

Homegrown Star

Several weeks ago (February 7), one of your "Blurt" music folks reviewed Danielle LoPresti's *Dear Mr. Penis Head*. So I bought the CD, intrigued, ironically, by the provocative lyrics dismissed by your reviewer as too-rich fare. I found that LoPresti has a strong, agile, and deeply beautiful voice, emotionally matched to her poetic lyrics. Yes, this is no blink-182 or Jewel, even, no In-N-Out or Krispy Kremely sound bite you'll have to purge afterwards. LoPresti is a compelling songwriter, uniting vocal composition and instrumentation both moody and layered, soulful and ecstatic. So come on, *Reader*. Why not just insist that your music reviewers listen to the music? Then you could say you were among the first to have heard a true and homegrown rising star.

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Flamenco Arm Technique

To paraphrase an annoying old adage about writing and paperwork, dancing is easy, except for the footwork.

Try arm work, too. Flamenco dancers, like Marisol Lopez, call their arm work *braceo*. That's the Spanish word for the curvilinear arm technique that characterizes flamenco, along with foot stamping, rhythmic hand clapping, and the lifting of ruffled skirts.

Lopez's *braceo* class on Sunday is about learning to isolate movement in the arms, hands, and wrists. She will

also work with students on *filigrana* — finger-by-finger movement.

Think of the flamenco dancer's castanets and you'll understand *filigrana*'s importance.

Are you getting a vicarious pinkie cramp already? It gets harder.

"One exercise I have students do is wrist-isolation movements with their arms held out in front of them," says Lopez. To insure against cheating, the arms support a wooden pole. The arms don't move; only the wrists do.

"It's a workout," says 30-year-old Lopez. "And oftentimes I'll have students add wrist weights of one or two pounds." The weights are meant to build strength — "so that the arms are able to do whatever they have to do while the rest of the body is doing something else." You need graceful arms, but also strong arms, to carry out the dance.

Are there images that students should hold in their minds to make their arms, hands, and fingers perform better? "Yes, I have them visualize drawing a circle with their fingers; they imagine they're creating a circle in the air. I also have them imagine that they're holding a basket while they're picking apples. And I ask them to imagine that their arms are a bookshelf."

What does the rest of the body do during a *braceo* class? "It focuses on the arms. Once the arm technique is in place, then you can throw in hip movement, footwork, traveling — you know, actual dancing. But for the workshop, the body will be there only as a support to what the arms are doing."

What do arms look like when they're doing it wrong? "They're flaccid; they have no strength. They look tired. I imagine a tree with beautiful leaves, colors, and strength,



Braceo arm work

and then one branch is broken."

The opposite of flaccid is Frankenstein. "Yes, there's a subtle balance between flexibility and rigidity" that students must seek. "The dance requires both tension and softness. Students need to learn when to add tension and where — to what part of the body."

Some cues are supplied by the music. Lopez teaches her students to go where the music leads them. "If the music is giving you tension, you have to adjust your body to express that."

"It hurts to be beautiful" is another one of those annoying old adages, and Lopez says her *braceo* class would be useful for any dancer who must create a beautiful line by isolating arm movements from the rest of the body. One dance whose arm movements share similarities with flamenco's is belly dancing, and Lopez has incorporated belly dancing into her technique.

But belly dancers would need different music, wouldn't they? "They're basically the same rhythms, because the dances are

interconnected," says Lopez. Both have roots in sounds and movements from India. As the Indian style of dance traveled into the Mediterranean region, each culture adapted it.

The *braceo* workshop is a one-shot deal, but Lopez teaches an ongoing *Sevillanas* class. That's a popular, contemporary dance from Seville. "It's a couples dance, an opportunity for people to socialize. Both children and adults dance this particular dance." And the arm movements one would learn at the *braceo* workshop could be used for that — "most definitely."

What does Lopez recommend that people wear to the workshop? "Flamenco shoes or character dance shoes," which have a small heel. "We aren't doing any footwork, but I want them to feel the posture, and dance shoes are needed for that."

Women should wear a long full skirt, with either a leotard or a T-shirt. "The arms are also learning to use the skirt to create a beautiful line that has to be continuous."

Optional supplies are wrist weights, a wooden pole (about five feet

long), and a nine-inch embroidery hoop. The hoop is for? "The circle that students have to create with their fingers." So the hoop is temporary reality, and then it's taken away? "Yes."

And where did Lopez herself learn flamenco? While she has taken many classes and workshops with visiting artists who have come to San Diego, and has also worked some in the Bay area and in New York, Lopez says that most of her learning has been "empirical."

"I have learned at parties and from hanging out with flamenco artists — dancers, singers, and musicians — and they have taught me the music, the rhythms. From there the body takes over."

— Jeanne Schinto

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BAJA

Folkloric Latin American Music is on tap when Inti-Illimani performs on Friday, April 5, at 8 p.m., at the Jai Alai Palace (located on Avenida Revolución). Tickets are \$22 and \$27 U.S. Dial 011-52-664-685-7833 for more information. (TIJUANA)

A Concert is planned by Ely Guerra on Friday, April 5, at 8 p.m., at Baby Rock (found at Diego Rivera and Paseo de los Héroes, in the Zona Río). Tickets are \$27 U.S. For more information, call 011-52-664-634-2405. (TIJUANA)

De Granadas, Mi Vida,” this contemporary dance concert will be presented by the Mujeres en Ritual Company on Friday and Saturday,

April 5 and 6, at 8 p.m., at the Tijuana Cultural Center. Tickets are \$12 U.S. Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río. Call 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

Cover 45 Miles of Beautiful and Rugged Terrain during the Off-Road Poker-Run Ride planned on Saturday, April 6. Events begin at 9 a.m. at Hacienda Santa Veronica. Playing cards in sealed envelopes will be issued to every registered participant at four checkpoints along the course. At the finish line, the best poker hand wins. Competitors may use SUVs, dune buggies, motorcycles, ATVs, and other off-road vehicles. Participants have six hours to finish the ride. The fee is \$30. For more information, call 011-52-661-612-2525. (TECATE)

Rock ‘n’ Roll is promised when the Fabulosos Cadillacs perform at Terrenazo (at Caliente Race Track, on Boulevard Agua Caliente). The concert is slated for Saturday, April 6, at 9 p.m. Admission is \$23 U.S. Questions? Call 619-220-8497 for answers. (TIJUANA)

Where Is Guadalupe Valley? Find out when Belle Marie Winery leads a Guadalupe Valley Vineyard Tour to this Baja California spot on Saturday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Organizers promise a vineyard tour, wine tasting, lunch, and transportation. The fee is \$50. To reserve a spot, call 760-796-7557. (GUADALUPE VALLEY)

Join 8000 of Your Bicycling Buddies for the 16th annual spring Rosarito-Ensenada bike ride on Saturday, April 20. The 50-mile ride begins at 10 a.m. in front of the Festival Plaza Hotel and follows the scenic coastline route south before turning inland through the countryside; the

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The ride is followed by the Finish Line Fiesta with music, food, and more, from 1 p.m. until sunset. Registration is \$20 per participant; \$25 after April 5. On-site registration running from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. For additional information, call 619-583-3001. (ROSARITO BEACH)

Omnimax Films, currently showing: *Oasis in the Sea*, featuring treasures of the Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Peninsula; *Dolphins; 3-D Mania*; and *All Access* — with concert footage of B.B. King, Carlos Santana, Sting, and others.

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OUTDOORS

Warmer Temperatures and increased humidity coincide with the subtle onset of San Diego’s spring season. By April’s end, the intermittent showers, Santa Ana winds, cold nights, and crystal-clear, sun-drenched days of winter will likely be distant memories. The nocturnal, low overcast hugging the coast, which may linger until the late morning, will gradually build into “June gloom” — the days-long episodes of perpetual overcast most common during May and June.

San Diego’s Earliest Sunrise this year occurs on Saturday, April 6, near 5:30 a.m., owing to both the steady lengthening of the daylight hours but more importantly due to the fact that daylight savings time starts the fol-

lowing day. If daylight time were not in effect through late spring and summer, the earliest possible sunrise in San Diego (4:39 a.m.), would take place on June 15.

Fremont Cottonwoods along the San Diego River in Mission Gorge are showing their best iridescent green foliage this month. The Old Mission Dam parking area on Father Junípero Serra Trail, off Mission Gorge Road (west of Santee), is a good place to begin a stroll along the riverbed. Be careful when scrambling around — rattlesnakes may be out and about this time of year.

A Remnant Population of California bay-laurel trees may be found in McCain Valley, the destination for a Canyoners hike on Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This broad, rolling valley in the In-Ko-Pah Mountains is strewn with numerous large granitic rock formations that tower above the chaparral-covered landscape.

Sound inviting? Find the trailhead by driving to Boulevard and then following McCain Valley Road north to the end. Free. Call 619-232-3821 x203 for information. (BOULEVARD)

Early Spring Migrant Warblers such as Nashville and Wilson’s are possible sightings, along with the Pacific-slope flycatchers, when the Audubon Society leads an outing at the Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Saturday, April 6, from 8 a.m. to noon. Meet at the entrance to the preserve; find the reserve on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. There will be considerable hiking of a moderately strenuous nature on level ground. Free. 619-280-7710. (POWAY)

Find the First Wildflowers when naturalist Liz Kennedy leads “Spring Has Sprung” on Saturday, April 6, at 9 a.m., in the Blue Sky Ecological Reserve. Naturalist Laurann presents an

“Introduction to Blue Sky” on Sunday, April 7.

Both outings begin at 9 a.m. Find the park on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. For information, call 858-694-3049. Free. (POWAY)

Got Sense? Suzy Wilbur brings her “Snake Sense” program to Dos Picos County Park on Saturday, April 6, at 1 p.m. She’ll discuss local snakes and their benefits. Find the park at 17953 Dos Picos Park Road; 858-694-3049. Free. (RAMONA)

Observable History, Offshoot Tours offers its monthly hour-long history walk, blending Balboa Park history with its wealth of architectural and botanical treasures, on Saturday, April 6, at 10 a.m., starting at the visitors’ center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

Boots and Paws, take a ranger-led interpretive walk with your dog and learn about the importance of dog care when in Mission Trails Regional Park on Saturday, April 6, at 8 a.m. Bring water for yourself and your canine friend, along with a bag to pick up after your pet. Join the group in the Kumeyaay Campground parking lot, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. Dial 619-668-3275 for details. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

A Guided Nature Walk takes place at 9:30 a.m. on April 6 (and on the first Saturday of each month), in Marian Bear Memorial Park. Trail guide Don Wetzel leads nature lovers through the oak and sycamore trees and chaparral, pointing out the birds and wildlife who call the park home. To reach the staging area, take the Regents Road exit off Highway 52 and look for a parking lot and restroom on the west side of Regents Road. 858-581-9961. Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. (CLAIREMONT)

Explore the Plant World around the Mission Trails Regional Park’s Kumeyaay Campground with a ranger during a native plant walk on Saturday, April 6, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Many native plants from different habitats around Southern California are found in the park. Meet in the parking lot at Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. Dial 619-668-3275 for details. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Urban Foresters Unite! Join People for Trees to plant trees from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 6. The starting point is found at 4595 33rd Street (at Madison Avenue). Free. Bring drinking water, shovels, gloves, and sturdy shoes (if you have them). For information, dial 619-222-8733. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Learn About the Ecology and Geology of the Santa Margarita Ecological Reserve during a field trip planned by the San Diego Natural History Museum on Saturday, April 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The reserve is a 4200-acre spot just north of Fallbrook, a corridor for many plant and animal species. The \$69 fee includes van transportation. To reserve a spot, dial 619-232-3821 x203. (FALLBROOK)

OB Is an Attitude, Not a Zip Code, according to Patty Fares, who plans a three-mile Urban Safari exploring this time-warped town on Saturday, April 6, at 10 a.m. The fee is \$10. For reservations and directions to the starting point, call 619-944-9255. (OCEAN BEACH)

Rescuing Wild Animals in Trouble is the job of Wildlife Assist, conducting an orientation at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, at the Clairemont Community Service Center in Clairemont Town Square (behind Vons, at 4731 Clairemont Drive). Participants are involved in all aspects of the work. 619-921-6044. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

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Nature Hike, local naturalist Clint Powell leads nature hikes around Lake Cuyamaca the first Sunday of every month, including April 7, at 1 p.m. With over 30 years of study in the area, he'll explain the lake's history and the mountain ecosystem, including birds, plants, and animals. The three-hour hike covers about 3.5 miles. Bring binoculars if you have them.

The hike is free, but there is a \$6 per car day-use fee. The Lake Cuyamaca Recreation and Park District center is at 15027 Highway 79. Call 788-581-9904 or 619-447-8123 for details. (JULIAN)

Pacific Daylight Time, or "daylight savings time," starts on Sunday morning, April 7, at 2 a.m. No time is "saved" by advancing our clocks by one hour. This sneaky trick in civil time is designed to rouse us out of bed an hour earlier so that we can enjoy what seems to be an extra hour of daylight before the sun goes down.

Bring Your Camera when Heather and Sara lead an outing around Lake Hodges in San Dieguito River Park on Sunday, April 7, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. For reservations and directions, call 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Plant Communities, hike along Daley Ranch's east trails with naturalist and botanist James Dillane in search of early wildflowers and a talk about the resident plant communities on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m. Join the group in the main parking lot (on La Honda Drive) with water and hiking boots. 760-839-4680. Free. No pets. (ESCONDIDO)

Go Birding, a docent-led bird walk is offered at the Tijuana River National Estuarine Reserve on Sunday, April 7, at 3 p.m., at the visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). For reservations, call 619-575-3613. Free. Bring

binoculars and field guides if you have them. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Searching for the Buddha in National City, Buddha's birthday was April 8 (or so they say); join the enlightened among the Walkabout walkers for a moderately paced outing in search of images of Buddha on Wednesday, April 10. Join the group at 9:30 a.m. in the parking lot at Plaza Boulevard and Highland Avenue. Free. For more information, call 619-231-7463. (NATIONAL CITY)

DANCE

Contradance, Lime in the Harp makes the music and Martha Wild calls for the contradance on Friday, April 5, 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)

A Lindy Hop Swing Dance Workshop is planned by Shesha and Terra on Saturday, April 6, 1 to 6 p.m., at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). Expect instruction in "lead and follow technique," beginning Lindy hop, beginning shadow Charleston, and the "shim-sham." The fee is \$35. For information, call 760-966-1296. (ENCINITAS)

Lindy Hop Swing Instructor Emily Belt plans a seven-week series of classes beginning on Saturday, April 6, at the Champion Ballroom (3580 Fifth Avenue). Classes are offered in Lindy 1 (at 10 a.m.) and Lindy basics (11:15 a.m.). For information, call 858-565-6645. The fee is \$10 per class, or \$56 for all sessions. (HILLCREST)

Neither Experience nor Partners Are Necessary for the Latin dance partner workshops planned by Sarita Streng on Sundays through April 14, 4 to 5:30 p.m., at Eight Elements West (6830 La Jolla Boulevard #201). Dance the merengue and Cuban-style salsa on April 7. The fee is \$15 per class. To reserve a space, dial 858-459-0899. (LA JOLLA)

"Tapdog" Alumnus Jason Kalish toured with the troupe from 1997 to 1999. He'll conduct lessons in "his own style of tap (rhythmical with a bit of funk, swing, and bop)" on Sunday, April 7, at C-K Danse Eclectique (in the Poway Valley Center at 13378 Poway Road). Students 8 to 12 dance from 1 to 2:30 p.m.; those 13 and up dance from 3 to 4:30 p.m. The fee is \$30. For information, call 858-748-0701. (POWAY)

Spend an Hour on Flamenco Arm Techniques when the San Diego Center for the Moving Arts hosts a "Braceo Workshop" on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m. Find the center at 3255 Fifth Avenue; to make the suggested reservations, call 619-846-5030. The fee is \$16. (HILLCREST)

April Is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, so Flamenco Vivo Productions is hosting a benefit flamenco and music show benefiting the Polinsky Children's Center on Sunday, April 7, at 5:30 p.m., at Dizzy's Place (344 Seventh Avenue). The cover is \$12. To make reservations, call 858-571-5683. (DOWNTOWN)

Swing and Jitterbug Dance Party, Pattie Wells' Dancetime Center hosts dancing on Sunday, April 7, for singles and couples of all ages. The DJ plays music for dancing from 7 to 9:30 p.m.; the jitterbug and swing dance lessons start at 8 p.m. Find the center at 1255 West Morena Boulevard. 619-275-3533. Admission is \$5; free for first-timers. (BAY PARK)

The University Dance Company presents a preview in Smith Recital Hall at San Diego State University on Wednesday, April 10, at noon. For information, call 619-594-6060. Free. (SDSU)

Cajun, Zydeco, and Waltz will be featured when the Bon Temps Social Club hosts its weekly "Thursday Club" get-togethers at the Balboa Park Club (take Presidents Way off Park Boulevard). Jane Hance focuses on "dance basics applicable to any social dances and not just for beginners" in April.

Dance lessons begin at 7 p.m., with open dancing from 8:15 to 10:30 p.m. The requested donation is \$3; kids are free and welcome. Partners are not required. For more information, call 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

Vivid Musicality and Daring Movement are hallmarks of modern dance work by Doug Varone and Dancers. Varone and his company of nine dancers are said to "exhibit extraordinary dynamism — an ability to hold on to the integrity of a physical line while moving at considerable speed." Enjoy a performance by the troupe when it hits the stage at UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium on Saturday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m.

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

Embracing an Eclectic Body of Works and exposing audiences to the many facets of modern dance vocabulary, the White Oak Dance Project embraces an ever-changing roster of dancers and choreographers. The company returns — with founder Mikhail Baryshnikov — to the California Center for the Arts, Escondido to perform *Chacony*, *The Experts*, *Early Floating*, and *Largo*. Performances begin at 8 p.m. on

Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11. Find the center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard (at Valley Parkway). For reservations, call 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

FILM

Some of the Finest New Films from around the world are featured when the San Diego International Film Festival 2002 continues through Sunday, April 14, in UCSD's Price Center Theater. The festival boasts the San Diego premiere of all of the films included. This week's titles include *Wild Flowers*, *Die Bad*, *Gamera 3*, *Gleaners and I*, *Bangrajan*, *Song of Tibet*, and *Millenium Mambo*, hailing from the Czech Republic, South Korea, Japan, France, Thailand, Tibet, and Taiwan. Festival passes are \$65 general, or \$8 per screening. For details, call 858-534-TIXS. (LA JOLLA)

Best of the Fest, animated short films from around the world are showcased in Spike and Mike's 2002 Classic Festival of Animation, offered in Sherwood Auditorium at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla. Each screening offers a variety of animation styles and techniques; the roster includes *Your Face*, *Balance*, *The Toy*, *Bob's Birthday*, *Bambi Meets Godzilla*, *Creature Comforts*, *For the*

Birds, and others. All 16 films are shown at each screening.

Screenings begin at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 5, and at 7 and 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 6. The festival, suitable for all ages, continues through April 27. Tickets are \$9 (available through Ticketmaster, 619-220-TIXS). Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-0267. (LA JOLLA)

"The Grandfather," a 1999 film from Spain, screens for the International Film Series on Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m., in room 3601 at MiraCosta College (at One Barnard Drive). Call



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The Transformation of Los Angeles from a neglected little town to America's largest metropolis boils down to William Mulholland's vision of a pipeline stretching across California. *Cadillac Desert* — Mulholland's *Dream* uses news footage, clips from *Chinatown*, and interviews with historians and residents of the areas sucked dry to describe how one desert was exchanged for another early in the 20th Century.

See the 1997 film when it screens for the Sunday Matinee on April 7, at 2 p.m., at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). UCSD history professor Theodore Strathman will moderate the following discussion. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

The Fears, Concerns, and Failures of four Phoenix slackers are probed in the "no-budget indie" flick *Green*, screening for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street) on Monday, April 8, at 6:30 p.m. Free. Call 619-236-5800 for additional details. (DOWNTOWN)

The Cultural and Religious Aspects of Islam are being explored in this

season's "Film for Thought" series co-hosted by CSU San Marcos and the California Center for the Arts, Escondido. The series begins with *Destiny* on Monday, April 8. The film is an Egyptian historical epic about the revolutionary philosopher Averroes set in 12th-Century Spain exploring the philosopher's conflicts with fundamentalist clerics that mirror divisions in present-day Islam.

Discussions are led by history professor Patty Seleski. Screenings begin at 6:30 p.m. Free. For more information, call 760-750-4366. Find the center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard (at Valley Parkway). (ESCONDIDO)

In Preparation for Earth Day, the San Diego Independent Media Center hosts an evening of short films and music focusing on "The Environment — What We Can Do" on Tuesday, April 9. The program includes *Keepers of the Coast*, *Mining the Bay*, *Terminator Seed*, and *Beyond Organic* and singing by local "Filipina lesbian singer-songwriter" Monica Fontanoza.

Doors open at 7 p.m., films run 7:30 to 9 p.m., and the music starts at 9:30 p.m., at La Casa (4862 Voltaire Street). The suggested donation is \$5, but no one is turned away for lack of funds. 619-233-5002. (OCEAN BEACH)

"Trading Democracy," the Bill Moyers/Sherry Jones film "unraveling the hidden repercussions of the

NAFTA agreement," screens at the San Diego Public Library in collaboration with San Diego WTO Alert on Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m. Molly Morgan leads the following discussion. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Short Films from the public television and cable showcase *The Short List* will be screened by producer and host Jack Ofield on Wednesday, April 10, at 7:30 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. Among the two dozen films on tap: *Femme Fatale*, *Surprise, In Our Image*, *Round About Five*, and *The Bloody Olive*. Tickets are \$7. For information, call 619-594-6902. (BALBOA PARK)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, the incredible everyday story of life — that is, the daily biological processes that go on without our control and often without our notice — is told in *The Human Body*. The film takes the audience on a fantastic voyage with great detail and sound through the summer.

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.

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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.

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

LECTURES

The African Literature Association hosts its 28th annual meeting, sponsored by the UCSD department of literature, through April 7. Lilia Momple from Mozambique and Okey Ndibe from Nigeria will speak for the Heinemann 40th Anniversary Luncheon (at the Radisson Hotel (on La Jolla Village Drive at I-5) today, Thursday, April 4, at 12:40 p.m.

Hailing from Kenya, Ngugi wa Thion'o presents a lecture today, Thursday, April 4, at 8 p.m., in SDSU's Montezuma Hall. Free.

Osonye Tess Onwueme from Nigeria speaks for a luncheon on Friday, April 5, at 12:40 p.m. Kamau Brathwaite from Barbados gives the associations' keynote address at a banquet planned on Saturday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m. Events conclude with musician Thomas Mapfumo and Blacks Unlimited from Zimbabwe appearing at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, at the UCSD Price Center Ballroom.

There will be dance as well.

For complete information and fees, call 858-534-3986. The full conference fee is \$95; one-day registration is \$25, with additional charges for the luncheons. (LA JOLLA, SDSU)

"American Indian Celebration: A Festival and Marketplace" is planned in April at the University of San Diego. In conjunction with the event, award-winning jewelry designer Gail Bird from the Laguna and Santo Domingo Pueblos will examine "The Evolution of Indian Craft Markets to Juried Art Shows" today, Thursday, April 4, at 7 p.m., in room 168/169 of USD's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice; the campus is found at 5998 Alcalá Park. 619-260-4238. Free. (LINDA VISTA)

"Lost and Found Cities of the Andes" will be explored by Douglas Sharon at the San Diego Museum of Man today, Thursday, April 4, at 7 p.m. Sharon is an anthropologist who is also the executive director of the museum, and he's traveled extensively throughout Latin America. Three "lost cities of pre-Columbian Peru" — Vilcabamba, Patate, and Vira Vira — will be discussed during this slide-illustrated lecture. Admission is \$7. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Archaeology of a Mystery: Amelia Earhart and Nikumaroro," "Maritime Archeology in California," "Archaeology and Young Students" — all these topics and many more will be pondered when the 36th annual meeting of the Society for

California Archaeology takes place Thursday through Sunday, April 4-7, at the Doubletree Hotel Mission Valley (7450 Hazard Center Drive).

The fee is \$110 for the entire conference, or \$40 for a single day. For more information, call 619-980-8944 or 619-446-5372. (MISSION VALLEY)

Exercise While You Sit after Judy Sarkasian brings her "Exerchair" fitness program for the "workout challenged" to the Retirement Living Class on Friday, April 5, at 1 p.m., at ElderHelp (4069 30th Street). Free. 619-284-9281. (NORTH PARK)

The Use of Divination in cultures throughout history will be discussed when Taoist priest Ted Kardash speaks on "The I Ching (Book of Changes)" on Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m., at the Taoist Sanctuary (4229 Park Boulevard, at El Cajon Boulevard). 619-692-1155. Free. (NORTH PARK)

"Toward a More Civil Society: Women in Politics" is the topic for the 2002 Legislative Summit hosted by the local Soroptimist International. The summit, which is open to the public, includes a panel of female elected officials from various levels of government discussing the impact their presence has on the political process, legislation, elections, and policy-making with Senator Dede Alpert, Assemblymember Christine Kehoe, and councilmember Toni Atkins. There will be sessions on "Violence Against Women and Children" and "Peace in Our Schools."

The summit runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, April 5, at the Bahia Hotel (998 West Mission Bay). To make the required reservations, call 714-537-2802. (MISSION BAY)

"Put Some Flesh on Those Bones: German Sources About Our Ancestors" is just one topic when Helmut Schmahl from the University of Mainz, Germany, speaks for the German Research Association on Saturday, April 6. Other topics: "Transplanted but Not Uprooted: 19th-Century Immigrant Communities in the Midwest" and "Finding Birthplaces of German Immigrants to North America."

The fee is \$15 for nonmembers. The seminar runs from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:15 to 3 p.m. at the Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Vermont Street. To register, call 619-420-4557. (HILLCREST)

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present “The Hero’s Two Journeys: Secrets from the Inside” on Saturday, April 6. They’ll divulge “the essential tools and principles for moving your screenplay, novel, or film project from the rejection pile to the production slate.”

The workshop runs from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Mission Valley Stadium, 3805 Murphy Canyon Road. The fee is \$125. To register, call 800-477-1947. (MISSION VALLEY)

Learn to Make “Japanese-Style Books” when Sadra Erbetta leads a class on Saturday, April 6, at 10:30 a.m., at the Japanese Friendship Garden. The fee for nonmembers is \$15. Call 619-232-2721 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

In Southern Siberia, near the countries of Kazakhstan, China, and Mongolia, there are several million acres of land hanging in critical balance; this land is the last remaining breeding ground for the snow leopard in Siberia. Meet wildlife biologist Vyascheslav Trigubovich, director of the Siberian Interregional Center, when he presents slide-illustrated talks on his part of the world and what can be done to preserve this ecological treasure.

Trigubovich will speak on Saturday, April 6, at 2:30 p.m. at the Mission Trails Regional Park visitors’ center (north of Mission Gorge Road at Jackson Drive) and on Monday, April 8, at 7 p.m., at the Ranch House in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve (west of the ballfields of Canyonside Park, off Black Mountain Road,

north of the Black Mountain Road and Mercy Road intersection). For more information, call 619-299-1797. (CLAIREMONT, PENASQUITOS)

Middle Eastern Drumming will be taught by Walid Assaf beginning on Saturday, April 6, at 1:30 p.m., at the Art/Dance Academy (1837-A South Coast Highway). For fees and information, call 760-757-4470. (OCEANSIDE)

“Moving Waters: The Colorado River and the West” explores the institutions and politics of the Colorado River through lectures, panel discussions, and exhibits at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). The series continues with a look at “Institutions and Politics of the Colorado River” by social ecology professor Helen Ingram on Saturday, April 6, at 2 p.m.

The current state of affairs of “The River We Know,” focusing on the challenges on the Colorado River that most people don’t know about, will be addressed by Jack Simes on Wednesday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m. Simes is group manager of the Yuma office of the United States Bureau of Reclamation.

The talks are free. Call 619-236-5821 for information. (DOWNTOWN)

Back to Basics, the North San Diego County Genealogical Society hosts a beginners’ class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, at the Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. For information, call 760-723-1342. (CARLSBAD)

Had a Near-Death Experience? Share the powerful firsthand recollections of a person whose life was profoundly changed by just such an experience when Suzanne Boehm, author of *Beyond the Tunnel: A Near-Death Experience*, speaks for the International Association of Near Death Studies. The group meets on Saturday, April 6, at 1 p.m., in the seminar room at the Scripps Ranch Library (10301 Scripps Lake Drive). Donations accepted. 619-540-0953. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

“Art and Contemplation” is being presented by Sister Madeleva Williams on Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Saint Paul’s Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue), in conjunction with an art exhibit of works by Sister Corita Kent and Williams on the theme of the Resurrection during Eastertide.

David Eddy will focus on Corita Kent’s art during a forum on Sunday, April 7, at 9:15 a.m., and present a video on her life and work. For information, call 619-298-7261. (MIDTOWN)

The Impact of War and Terrorism on the family unit is the subject when a group of family therapists from China, Israel, South Africa, Canada, and Holland gather to present a symposium hosted by the California School of Professional Psychology at Alliant International University on Saturday, April 6, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fee is \$55 for adults, \$35 for students. Find the campus at 10455

Pomerado Road. To register, call 800-457-1273 x207. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Get Outside — it’s where you’ll be inspired to go after the San Diego Home Gardening Seminar, offered by the San Diego Master Gardeners. This year’s event takes place on Saturday, April 6, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Marina Village Conference Center (1945 Quivira Way). New and experienced gardeners are invited to the selection of 40 classes on all facets of gardening. For space availability and fees, call 858-694-2860. (MISSION BAY)

“The Safe Child,” this panel discussion and community forum is slated for Saturday, April 6, 9 to 11 a.m., in Copley Auditorium at the Institute of the Americas, UCSD (10111 North Torrey Pines Road). Expect discussion on child safety, child abduction, and sexual abuse; speakers will be on hand from the Polly Klaas Foundation and radKIDS. UCSD psychologist Jerold Phelps will address ways for parents to deal with anxiety and help their children cope with anxiety. There will be child-safety activities for those five to ten, by reservation only. Free. Call 858-822-1479 for information. (LA JOLLA)

Make Your Own Media, say the organizers of a silkscreening workshop hosted by the San Diego Independent Media Center on Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participants will proceed step-by-step through the entire process. The requested donation is \$10 (but no one

is turned away for lack of funds). The studio is found at 740 1/2 16th Street. Call 619-270-5201 for the materials list. (DOWNTOWN)

What Is Meditation? Is there a difference between meditation and reverie? Find out when Dorothy Smothermon speaks for the Edgar Cayce Association for Research and Enlightenment on Sunday, April 7, at 1 p.m., in the community room at La Jolla Village Square (8657 Villa La Jolla Drive). The requested donation is \$5. 619-295-7080. (LA JOLLA)

San Diego Pastel Artist Toni Mizisin will demonstrate her “unique techniques” of pastel artistry for the Pastel Society of San Diego on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m., at the De Anza Cove community room (2727 De Anza Road). 858-274-9545. Free. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Dog Days, head to Borders Books and Music when the focus is on dogs on Sunday, April 7, at 11 a.m. Folks from the San Diego Humane Society’s behavior and training team will be on hand to answer dog behavior questions and teach about the “Gentle Leader” training system. Dogs will be available for adoption. Find the shop at 159 Fletcher Parkway. Free. 619-299-7012. (EL CAJON)

New Books Don’t Have to Sink Without a Trace, according to the Pen Center USA West. “Getting the Word Out: Promoting Your Own Book” is the subject when Anita Hal-

ton, Barbar Desantis, Margaret S. Keller, Joyce Spizer, and Kimberly A. Porrazzo present a panel discussion and answer questions on Sunday, April 7, at 7 p.m., at the Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Admission is \$6 general. For information, call 213-385-5948. (CARLSBAD)

Beyond Nibbling Nasturtiums, garden and food writer and landscape designer Rosalind Creasy presents the fifth annual “special talk” for the Horticultural Society on Monday, April 8. Creasy, author of *The Complete Book of Edible Landscaping* and *Cooking from the Garden*, will highlight landscapes around the country and cover basic design rules.

The lecture begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Surfside Race Place at Del Mar on the Del Mar Fairgrounds. The fee for nonmembers is \$18. Call 760-630-7307 for space availability. (DEL MAR)

Sub-Saharan Africa is the subject when Corinne Waldenmayer, president of the African Conservancy, presents a slide-illustrated lecture for the North County Sierra Club on Monday, April 8. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m., at the Rancho Bernardo Joslyn Senior Center (18402 West Bernardo Drive). 760-489-8842. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

“The Presence of the Past: Why Holocaust Films Continue to Be Made” is the subject when Michael Renov speaks on Monday, April 8,

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11:30 a.m., in ACD 102 at CSU San Marcos. Renov is professor of critical studies at USC's School of Cinema-Television and author of *Eye and Thou: Jewish Autobiography in Film and Video*. Free. The campus is found at 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road; 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

Meet the Masters, she spent 20 years as a regional interpretive specialist at Hearst San Simeon State Monument, and on Tuesday, April 9, Victoria Kastner will discuss "William Randolph Hearst: Collector of the Decorative Arts" at the San Diego Museum of Art. Kastner is the author of *Hearst Castle: The Biography of a Country House*.

Lectures begin at 11 a.m. (\$18 for nonmembers, or \$36 with lunch) and at 5:30 p.m. (\$20 for nonmembers). For reservations, call 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

The Computer Genealogy Group of the North San Diego County Genealogical Society gathers on Tuesday, April 9, for a discussion of "Internet Service Providers" with Bob Crabtree, Graham Henstock, and Collette Jones. The talk starts at 1 p.m. in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-723-1342. Free. (CARLSBAD)

Discover New Ways to Listen and understand how classical music is created when Eric Bromberger presents an "Introduction to the Symphony" with pianist Mary Barranger on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:30 p.m., at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Participants meet guest artists, conductors, musicians, and "behind the scenes" people. The fee is \$17. Call 858-454-5872 for reservations. (LA JOLLA)

"Why Is Mars Red?" You'll learn the answer to this puzzler when Gary L. Peterson from SDSU's geosciences department speaks for the Eyes on the Universe series at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center on Wednesday,

April 10, at 7 p.m. Admission is \$6.75 general. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Backyard Ponds are the subject for a class planned at the San Diego Natural History Museum on Wednesday, April 10, at 7 p.m. Participants will learn how to design and install a garden pond that's affordable and maintainable and will attract wildlife. Participants will make a field trip on April 13 to sources for aquatic plants, materials, and fish. The fee for nonmembers is \$40. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to register. (BALBOA PARK)

Artists from Tosca will participate in the artists' round table — an informal question-and-answer session — hosted by the San Diego Opera on Thursday, April 11, at 5:30 p.m., in the Beverly Sills Salon of the Civic Theatre (202 C Street). Admission is \$5. For information, call 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

"The Unique Culture Created at the Border" provides the subject when San Diego State University's sociology department hosts its 12th annual graduate symposium on Thursday, April 11, at 6:30 p.m., in Casa Real, in Aztec Center. Four speakers from both sides of the border will focus on issues including gender, identity, art, and literature. Free. 619-594-5449. (SDSU)

What Was the "Plastic" of Antiquity? According to independent scholar Marianne Stern, the answer is glass, the most flexible material of antiquity. Learn about the artisans who blew the glass and the impact of this novel technique on society when Stern highlights "The Glassblowers of Ancient Rome" for the Archaeological Institute of America on Friday, April 12. Commercial glassblowing dates from the beginning of Emperor Augustus's rule (c. 25 B.C.).

The talk begins at 7:15 p.m. at the Lemon Grove Community Center (3146 School Lane). Free. For information, call 619-465-3841. (LEMON GROVE)

Focus on San Diego's Energy Future when the League of Women Voters hosts an educational program to inform the public about the range of opportunities for and issues involved in planning our energy future.

Moderator Mark Bernstein will lead the talks on a variety of subjects on Saturday, April 13. The program runs from 9 a.m. to noon in the Recital Hall at Balboa Park. Free. For additional information, call 619-299-5944. (BALBOA PARK)

Come to Order! What exactly is parliamentary procedure? The Sigma Delta Unit of California Association of Parliamentarians hosts a public workshop on Saturday, April 13. Sessions will focus on "Member Rights and Responsibilities: Your Participation Matters," "Bylaws: The Backbone of the Organization," and "Amendments: Polishing the Motion." A problem-solving session is planned.

The workshop runs from 9 a.m. to noon, in the lounge of Christ Lutheran Church (4761 Cass Street). There is a \$10 materials fee. For information and to make the required reservations (by April 6), dial 619-435-1350. (PACIFIC BEACH)

What Occurs in the Mind of a Person while listening to a musical work? Almost nothing is known from the standpoint of experimental psychology on the subject, but UCSD composer and professor Roger Reynolds and psychologists Dr. Stephen McAdams and Emmanuel Bigand "have been working collaboratively over the past four years on a project" focusing on a number of related issues. Do listeners hear musical materials in the ways that the composer expects?

The trio will examine "The Perception of Form: An Intersection of Art and Science" on Monday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m., in Peterson Hall 108 at UCSD. Admission is free. Call 858-534-6270 for information. This talk is part of the "Humanities Dialogues" series. (LA JOLLA)

"The Latest Finds in the Turkana Basin" will be illuminated when paleontologist Louise Leakey speaks on Saturday, April 20. Leakey and her mother, Meave Leakey, have continued to recover important hominid and faunal remains, most notably the discovery of a 3.5 million-year-old skull and jaw. Louise Leakey represents the third generation of the

famed Leakey family.

This lecture, hosted by the San Diego Museum of Man and the National Science Foundation, starts at 2 p.m. in UCSD's Warren Hall. Tickets are \$20. For reservations and information, call 619-239-2001. (LA JOLLA)

"Experiences beyond the Earth" provide the subject when Joe Allen, selected by NASA as a scientist-astronaut in the Apollo era, speaks on Saturday, April 27, at 1 p.m., at the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Allen flew on the first operational shuttle mission, *Columbia STS-5*, in 1982 and in 1984 made daring free-flying space walks from *Discovery STS-51A* to retrieve two malfunctioning satellites and return them to Earth. He currently works with the Challenger Learning Centers. The talk is included in regular museum admission. Call 619-238-1233 for details. (BALBOA PARK)

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Tick Tock! See *All in the Timing* by David Ives when it's performed by the San Marcos High School drama department on April 4 and 5. The show features "six hilarious one-acts," with performances at 3 and 7 p.m. on both Thursday and Friday. Find the campus at 1615 San Marcos Boulevard; 619-744-5944. (SAN MARCOS)

Artists on the Cutting Edge X, the "Cross Fertilizations" literary and music series at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla led by artistic director Quincy Troupe continues through May 2. The series opens with poet Kamau Braithwaite, author Ana Menéndez, and jazz musician Gary Bartz today, Thursday, April 4; guests on April 11 include Pulitzer Prize-winner Robert Olen Butler, poetry Brenda Hillman, and musician Fred Ho.

Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. Five-night series tickets for nonmembers are \$65; nonmembers pay \$15 per individual event. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). Find the museum at 700

Prospect Street. Call 858-454-3541 x444 for information. (LA JOLLA)

A Mystery of Druid Worship and psychic powers in a Welsh town is told in *Evans to Betsy*, starring Constable Evan Evans. Author Rhys Bowen signs and discusses the book on Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

He Traveled 1000 Miles with a Donkey along the mission trail in Baja California, and on Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m., Graham Mackintosh will present a slide-illustrated lecture and signing at the First Spiritualist Church (3777 42nd Street, at Wightman). Mackintosh's books include *Into a Desert Place* and *Journey with a Baja Burro*. Free. Call 619-692-9542 for information. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Five San Diego Poets — Eloise Hepburn, Joe Milosch, Jihmye Collins, Jan Ande, and Brad Steffens — will read from their published works on Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m., at Open Door Books (4761 Cass Street). Free. Call 858-270-8642 for information. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Fresh Sound, Chicago percussionist Kahil El'Zabar, New York violinist Billy Bang, and New York saxophonist Hamiett Bluiett perform their "West African-inspired improvised style" for this series at the Spruce Street Forum on Saturday, April 6, 8 p.m. Find the Forum at 301 Spruce Street; 619-295-0301. Tickets are \$20 general. (HILLCREST)

Who Is America's Greatest Conceptual Juggler (and who knew we even had one)? The moniker has been applied to Michael Moschen, who brings his amazing and mesmerizing form of the art to the stage at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido on Saturday, April 6, at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$20 to \$35. Find the center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard (at Valley Parkway). To reach the box office, call 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

Expect Jazz Improvisation when Return to One performs the final Music at Founders Hall concert of

the season on Saturday, April 6. Ensemble members include woodwind players Ward Baxter and Lee Elder-ton, bassist Josh Jones, and percussionist Nathan Hubbard.

The recital starts at 3 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito, 1036 Solana Drive. The suggested donation is \$10 for adults, \$5 for those 13-17, free for kids 12 and under. 760-942-3950. (SOLANA BEACH)

University Professor and Writer Carmen Alea Paz will discuss *Labios Sellados* on Saturday, April 6, at 7 p.m., at Casa del Libro (1735 University Avenue). The lecture and presentation will be in Spanish. Free. Call 619-299-9331 for details. (HILLCREST)

Saturday Night at Templar's Hall, the Peter Puppington Quartet and Jim Earp perform for San Diego Folk Heritage on Saturday, April 6, at 7 p.m., in Templar's Hall in Old Poway Park (14134 Midland Road). Tickets are \$100. Dial 858-566-4040 for reservations. (POWAY)

Roots Rock Raza, Tijuana punk rock pioneers Jesus and Martin Hernández of the group Mercado Negro kick off the monthly Roots Rock Raza singer-songwriter showcase at Voz Alta on Saturday, April 6. The evening promises discussion, question and answer, and acoustic performances; an acoustic open mike follows (sign-ups begin at 7:30 p.m.). Find Voz Alta at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues) and by calling 619-231-1869. Admission is \$5. (DOWNTOWN)

"Your Eyes, My Hands," Peter Cook is an internationally known deaf performing artist, who tells his stories in American sign language incorporated with pantomime, acting, and an innovative style of movement. When he performs for the Storytellers of San Diego on Saturday, April 6, he'll be accompanied by a speaking interpreter.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Manchester Conference Center on the campus of the University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). The program is suitable for adults and children over 12. Tickets are \$7. Dial 619-298-6363 or 619-260-4584 for reservations. (LINDA VISTA)

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Mystery Author Earlene Fowler signs and discusses *Steps to the Altar* at Mysterious Galaxy Books on Sunday, April 7. The event begins at 2:30 p.m. at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. Call 858-268-4747 for more information. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

Indonesian Music and Dance may be enjoyed when the Asian Story Theater and students of the Museum School perform on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m., at the Lyceum Theater in Horton Plaza. The Puspa Warsa Balinese dance ensemble (with students from third to sixth grade) will perform to music performed by student musicians of the gamelan (described as a “hand-carved percussion orchestra” imported from Bali). Balinese musician and puppeteer Nyoman Sumandhi will present traditional shadow plays with music and mask dances. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for children. For reservations, call 619-544-1000. (DOWNTOWN)

Open Poetry, sign-ups begin at 7:30 p.m. and open readings run from 8 to 10 p.m., on Monday, April 8, at Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard, at Madison). Sign-ups start at 7:30 p.m. Call 619-296-0616 for information. Free. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Music and Dance from Africa may be heard during programs beginning at 6 and 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 8, in Smith Recital Hall at San Diego State University. Tickets are \$10 general. Call 619-594-6031 or 619-594-6020 for further information. (SDSU)

Gypsies Have Played an Important Role in shaping the music of the region around Istanbul, Edirnee, and Smyrna since the Tenth Century. The leading contemporary interpreter of these traditions is said to be Burhan Öcal, who brings his Istanbul Oriental Ensemble to UCSD’s Mandeville Auditorium on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:30 p.m. Instruments to be heard include the bass *darbuka* (single-headed goblet drum), *bendir* (stringed frame drum), *kös* and *kudüm* (kettledrums), and Middle Eastern stringed instruments such as the oud, *tanbar*, and *divan-saz*.

Tickets are \$20 general. Call 858-534-8497 for information and reservations; tickets are also available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LA JOLLA)

Author Larua Davis will discuss and sign *I Thought We’d Never Speak Again* — *The Road from Estrange-*

ment to Reconciliation on Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m., at Earth Song Bookstore (1440 Camino Del Mar). Free. 858-755-4254. (DEL MAR)

Learn How to Care for Your Body when Meredith Llewelin discusses her *Body Owner’s Manual* for the Mind, Body, Spirit book circle at Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:30 p.m. Find the store at 10755 Westview Parkway and by dialing 858-684-3166. (MIRA MESA)

Avo Follies 2002, this variety show features music, comedy, and dance from entertainers who call the North County home. Headliners include Murray Davison and His North County All Stars, C.C. Sanders, Peggy Padilla, and the Hot Flashes. The fun begins at 2 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, April 10 and 11, at the Avo Playhouse (303 Main Street). Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door. For reservations, dial 760-724-2110. (VISTA)

“Heroes of Light,” *Rain of Gold and Thirteen Senses* author Victor Vilaseñor will pay tribute to Cesar Chávez, Martin Luther King, and Gandhi and shed light on changing society through peaceful methods rather than war on Wednesday, April 10. The talk starts at 7 p.m. on the Dome Terrace at CSU San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road). Free. 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

Expressions Unlimited, writers and poets Starla Lewis and Sherehe Rozé read for this open-mike jam session on Wednesday, April 10, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Malcolm X Library (5148 Market Street, at Euclid). All forms of spoken word and artistic expressions are welcome. Free. 619-527-3405. These forums take place on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. (ENCANTO)

“Buddha in the Waiting Room: Lessons I Learned from My Patients” will be discussed by author Paul Brenner, M.D., at Earth Song Bookstore on Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m. Find the shop at 1440 Camino Del Mar and by calling 858-755-4254. Free. (DEL MAR)

Author David Faber witnessed the murder of his parents, five sisters, and one brother during the Holocaust and eventually survived eight Nazi concentration camps. He’ll sign and discuss his book, *Because of Romek: A Holocaust Survivor’s Memoir* (in its sixth printing) at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 11, at Yellow Book

Road (8315 La Mesa Boulevard). Free. 619-463-4900. (LA MESA)

A Thriller About a (Fictional) First Family is told by Susan Ford, daughter of President Gerald Ford, in *Double Exposure*. Ford signs and discusses her book at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 11, at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

Local Author Jacqueline Jorgensen will discuss and sign her *Beyond Mud and Vines* on Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

Play Time, head to the Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex for the one-act play *Music Lesson*, written and performed by Kurt Reichert and Linda Vickerman, on Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m. The play examines the “reality of getting old” compared with the way it is portrayed in songs. Find the annex at 3795 Fairmount Avenue; 619-641-6100. (CITY HEIGHTS)

One of the Works of Art Destroyed in the World Trade Center disaster last September was *Cathedral in the Sky*, a 35-foot-wide, 19-foot-tall wood relief sculpture by Louise Nevelson. The sculptor didn’t achieve critical recognition until she was 60 years old but became went on to become an “institution” until her death at 87 years old.

Actress Lyla Graham uses costumes, props, music, and examples of art to portray the life of Nevelson on Thursday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m., at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). The fee is \$12 general. For reservations, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

The Psychological and Societal Changes that took place in one American barrio as a result of the upheaval of the ’60s are explored by Patricia Santana in her novel *Motorcycle Ride on the Sea of Tranquility*. Santana will discuss and sign her book on Thursday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m., at Warwick’s Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Sous le Grand Chapiteau, 55 artists from ten countries perform a variety of high-caliber acts created specially for Cirque du Soleil’s newest show, *Dralion*. Ancient Chinese acrobatic tradition is fused with the avant-garde in Cirque shows, which feature teeterboard, double trapeze, hoop

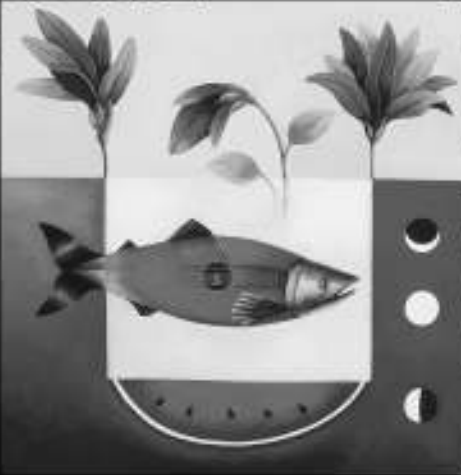
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Dralion will be presented from Thursday, April 18, through Sunday, May 12, at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Tickets range from \$45 to \$65 for adults, \$5.50 to \$31.50 for children. For specific showtimes and reservations, call 800-678-5440. (DEL MAR)

Two Funny Voices, Two Funny People, social satirist David Sedaris and comedic social observer Sarah Vowell present a “night of humor and sarcasm” at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido on Friday, April 19, at 8 p.m. They’re often heard on NPR’s always-intriguing *This American Life*.

Tickets range from \$18 to \$36. Find the center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard (at Valley Parkway). For reservations, call 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

SPORTS

On September 11, 21 players of the Fire Department of New York’s “Bravest Football Team” lost their lives. In spite of this loss, the remaining team members are traveling to San Diego to compete against the South Bay Los Angeles Police Department Blue Knights in the National Public Safety Football Game scheduled for Friday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m., at Southwestern College (900 Otay Lakes Road). Tickets are \$10, and proceeds go to the FDNY Bravest Fund. For information, call 858-488-9690. (CHULA VISTA)

Goodbye (For Now) to the Gulls, the season draws to a close for the San Diego Gulls. The Long Beach Ice Dogs arrive for a match-up on Friday, April 5, at 7 p.m., and the Tacoma Sabercats play the final game against the Gulls on Sunday, April 7, at 5 p.m., all at the San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets range from \$5 to \$17.50, available by calling 619-224-4625. The games are broadcast on KSDO (AM 1130). (SPORTS ARENA)

The Boys of Spring, the San Diego Padres are in San Francisco for games against the Giants April 5-7, Friday through Sunday, with games at 1:05 p.m. all three days. The first home stand takes place in Qualcomm Stadium against the Arizona Diamondbacks April 8-10; games are at 3:05 p.m. on Monday and at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Tickets range from \$6 to \$28. For additional details, call 888-MY PADRES. All games are broadcast in English on KOGO (600 AM) and in Spanish on KURS (1040 AM). (MISSION VALLEY)

Rev It Up and Go, Cajon Speedway hosts competition in the sportsman, street, bomber, pony stock cars, and train divisions on Saturday, April 6. The first race starts at 6:45 p.m., with qualifying runs starting at 5 p.m.

The 3/8-mile track is located next to Gillespie Field. Take I-8 to Highway 67, and use the Bradley exit. Drive left for two blocks to Wing Street, then right one block to the track entrance. Adult admission: \$10 (west side) and \$12 (east side); \$5 for those 6 to 12; free for kids under 6 with an adult. For information, call 619-448-8900. (EL CAJON)

Bring a Bike, Bird Book, and Binos when the Chula Vista Nature Center hosts “birding by bike” on Saturday, April 6, at 9 a.m. Participants will ride along the many South Bay bike-

ways and stop for excellent birding opportunities. Free. For directions to the start point, call 619-409-5903. (SOUTH BAY)

Over 3500 Rowers from across the U.S. will gather at Crown Point Shores for the 29th annual San Diego Crew Classic on Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7. Competition begins at 7 a.m. both mornings, and there will be entertainment and food for sale. Admission is \$5 for adults, free for those under 12 (but viewing is free from vantage points all around the bay). Call 619-682-3407 for additional information. (MISSION BAY)

Scope Out La Jolla Caves when Hike Bike Kayak San Diego leads a guided kayak tour on Saturday, April 6, at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The fee is \$55. To reserve a spot, call 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA)

Walk and Roll for Independence, this event hosted by Canine Companions for Independence is slated for Saturday, April 6, at Lake Miramar. Registration runs 7:30 to 9 a.m., with the event running 7:45 to 9:30 a.m. The event is wheelchair accessible, and you’re invited to bring your well-behaved, leashed dog for this gentle one- or two-mile walk by the lake. For pledge forms and information, call 760-901-4307. (MIRAMAR)

Flat, Fast, and Fun, the 17th anniversary Carlsbad 5000 is slated for Sunday, April 7, boasting “the world’s fastest certified loop,” wheelchair invitational, and a series of “people’s races.” Race-day registration starts at 6:15 a.m. on Harding Street. For details, call 858-450-6510. (CARLSBAD)

Where Is Honey Springs? Find out when San Diego Bicycle Touring Society bicyclists head out to this spot, and also to Japatul and Alpine, on Sunday, April 7. The 80-mile ride

starts at 8:45 a.m. at McDonald’s (551 Telegraph Canyon Road). Expect hills to pedal up (and down)! Bring money for lunch. 619-583-8547. (CHULA VISTA)

Two Rides for the Price of One! Bicycle out with the Knickerbikers on Sunday, April 7, and you’ll have to make a choice between using a road bike or mountain bike. Both rides start at 1:30 p.m. at Collier Park (at the corner of 7th and E Streets); bring lunch to devour in downtown Mesa Grande (population: zero). The roadies get there via the Old Julian Highway, then Highways 78 and 79, while the mountain crew goes up Black Canyon; the elevation gain is 1800 feet. 619-659-1523. (RAMONA)

SPECIAL

Under the Big Top, Circus Vargas is in residence at the Valley Drive-In (3480 Mission Avenue) for performances through April 7. The local run ends with shows April 8-10 at Parkway Plaza (415 Parkway Plaza).

You’re invited to visit each site at 11:30 a.m. on opening day to watch the raising of the big top, take a sneak look at the petting zoo, go on a behind-the-scenes tour, and experience a “clown encounter.” For showtimes and tickets, call 619-297-0350. (OCEANSIDE, EL CAJON)

Sig-Alert in Del Mar? Over 2500 hot rods, custom cars, street rods, muscle cars, street machines, classic cars and trucks, all made before 1964, will be taking part in the Eagle One Del Mar Nationals April 5-7 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. In addition to the car show, there will be a museum collectors’ car auction, manufacturer and supplier exhibits, live entertainment, and more.

Show hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

on Friday and Saturday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$15 general, with discounts for seniors and kids. 925-838-9876. (DEL MAR)

“Honor Our Native American Educators” when the Native American Student Alliance’s 31st annual contest powwow takes place April 5-7 in Cox Arena at San Diego State University. There will be competitive dancing in many categories, drum and bird-singing contests and more, and arts and crafts vendors. Admission is \$4.25 general, \$3.25 for students, \$2.25 for children, free for those under 6 and over 54. For more information, call 619-465-1083. (SDSU)

Listen for Opera Stars Warming Up their voices for *Tosca* when the San Diego Opera hosts backstage tours at the Civic Theatre on April 5 and 7. What does it take to put a massive opera production together? Find out at 6:30 p.m. on Friday or at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free, but reservations are required; 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

The Diamond Jubilee Morgan Horse Show takes place April 5-7 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday. Admission: free. For more information, dial 760-597-0168 or 760-633-6307. (DEL MAR)

Ranunculus Rainbows Return, the 50 acres of giant ranunculus flowers are blooming at the Flower Fields. Visitors may stroll on pathways through the fields from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. A Strawberry Festival and arts and crafts fair is planned on Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7. Admission is \$5 general, with discounts for seniors and children; season passes are \$10. Find the fields by taking the Palomar Airport Road exit from I-5, head east for two blocks, and turn left on Paseo del Norte Road. For information, call 760-930-9123. View the flowers through Sunday, May 12. (CARLSBAD)

The Legendary Faust Meets Mephistopheles in part I of Goethe’s *Faust*, which the Great Books Reading and Discussion Group examines on Saturday, April 6, at 2 p.m., in the third-floor conference room at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 858-755-8978. Free; newcomers are welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

Long Live the Queen! Queen Elizabeth I and her royal court, accompanied by a troupe of entertainers, food vendors, merchants, and “hundreds of Renaissance re-enactors” will converge upon Felicita Park for a Renaissance Faire on Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. The Long Beach Shakespeare Company will present some of the Bard’s most popular plays beginning at 11 a.m. each day. Expect two stages of continuous

entertainment, period music, battle pageants, pirate encampment, madrigal singers, and more. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$6 for those under 12, free for those under 5; parking is \$2.50. Find the park at 742 Clarence Lane. For information, call 805-496-6036. (ESCONDIDO)

Book Sale, the San Carlos branch library plans its monthly book sale from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 6. Paperbacks and hardbacks of all types are offered. The library is found at 7265 Jackson Drive; 619-442-1860. (SAN CARLOS)

Victorian Days are being celebrated in Heritage Park on Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Organizers promise historic displays, music, live animals, and family activities. Find the park at 2450 Heritage Park Row (at Juan and Harney Streets). Admission is free. For information, call 619-291-9784. (OLD TOWN)

Over 100 Corvettes will be on hand for the second annual Rescue Task Force fundraiser planned by Ye Olde Plank Inn on Saturday, April 6, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free; donations benefit medical clinics in Honduras and other countries. Find the Inn at 24 Palm Avenue (at Seacoast); 619-423-5976. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Happy World Tai Chi Day! Students and faculty of Pacific College of Oriental Medicine will participate in World Tai Chi and Qi Gong Day events on Saturday, April 6, near Sixth Avenue and Laurel Street. The gathering is designed to educate the public about the health benefits of the two practices. Free. 800-729-0941. (BALBOA PARK)

Carved Zuni Fetishes are revered by American Indians for their beauty and power and are also prized by collectors. The San Diego Museum of Man hosts its annual fetish show and sale on Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Zuni trader Donald Sharp will display a collection of these intricate carvings, made from materials including turquoise, antler, and shell. The show is included in regular museum admission. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Psychic Fun, a metaphysical conference and psychic fair is scheduled at Alexandra’s BookStore noon to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7. Tarot, palmistry, numerology, and other psychic arts will be featured; pay \$20 per reading. The shop is located at 3545 Midway Drive, suite G; 619-298-3422. (SPORTS ARENA)

“Impressions of Mission Trails,” an exhibit of Impressionist oil paintings paired with haiku to express the changing moods and seasons of the park by Cathy Carey, opens with a reception on Sunday, April 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The show continues through Thursday, May 30, at the Mission Trails Regional Park visitors’ center (One Father Junipero Serra Trail). View the show from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Living History in San Pasqual, cannon-firing drills, demonstrations of crafts and skills from the 1800s, history lectures, entertainment, volunteers in period attire, and authentic food for sale are all part of San Pasqual History Days, taking place from 11 a.m. to 2/s>p.m. on Sunday, April 7, at San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road; 760-737-2201. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Tour Four Opulent Gardens in Rancho Santa Fe and Olivenhain during a benefit for Fraternity House on Sunday, April 7, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$20. For locations and tickets, call 760-736-0292. (RANCHO SANTA FE, OLIVENHAIN)

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Yoga at the Cove, relax and enjoy the amazing views at La Jolla Cove when Hike Bike Kayak San Diego hosts this event on Sunday, April 7, at 11 a.m. The fee is \$10. For reservations, call 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA)

Some 4000 Used Books (fiction and nonfiction) will be for sale on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 9 and 10, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., in front of the San Diego Mesa College learning resource center. Find the campus at 7250 Mesa College Drive; call 619-338-2696 for more information. (KEARNY MESA)

Feast Your Eyes and Stomach when the Art of Dessert is offered on Thursday, April 11, from 5 to 8 p.m. The tasting tour involves 14 restaurants along South Coast Highway 101, with musicians performing along the way. Photographs and paintings by local artists will be on exhibit at each participating restaurant. The fee is \$10, benefiting the 101 Artists Colony. For information and ticket outlets, call 760-943-1950. (ENCINITAS)

Celebrate the Cambodian New Year when the Cambodian Buddhist Society hosts its 25th annual festivities on Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m., at Colina Del Sol Community Park (5319 Orange Avenue). Take in the traditional folk dances, business and student organization booths, food, and other activities. Admission is free. For more information, call 619-840-6651 or 619-203-9796. (EAST SAN DIEGO)

Rails Across Time, characters from the past including Casey Jones, John Henry, and Abraham Lincoln will be on hand to present “railroad vignettes” when the San Diego Model Railroad Museum hosts this day of history. Go back in time on Sunday, April 14, from 1 to 4 p.m. The museum is found at 1649 El Prado; 619-696-0199. The event is included in regular museum admission; \$4 for adults, free for those under 15. (BALBOA PARK)

Decide a Defendant’s Fate when you act as a volunteer juror for mock trials presented by the USD lawyer-

ing skills classes Monday through Wednesday, April 15-17 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the South Bay Courthouse (500-C Third Avenue). Jurors sit in the jury box and listen to the trial, deliberate and reach a verdict, and give feedback to student attorneys after the trial. Free. To register, call 619-260-6843. (CHULA VISTA)

Explore Vest Pocket Herb Gardens during the eighth annual Golden Hill Herb Walk, slated for Saturday, April 20, at 9:30 a.m. Joan Keif of Katy’s Herbs and Things leads this leisurely walk through South Park and Golden Hill; she’ll provide gardening tips for incorporating herbs into landscaping and discuss herbs that thrive in this climate. The one-hour walk starts at Studio Maureen (2963 Beech Street, at 30th Street). The tour is free, but reservations are required; 619-233-6679. (GOLDEN HILL)

FOR KIDS

“**Mother Holly**” is being performed by the Weaver’s Tales through Sunday, April 7, at the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: *The Jungle Show* presented by Puppet Express April 10-14.

Shows 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)

A Children’s Production of Godspell is planned by the Judah Youth Theatre April 5-7 at the New Visions Theatre (7140 University Avenue, suite B). Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 4 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$5. Call 619-433-4045 for information. (LA MESA)

Wee Folk Are Invited to a fairy party planned on Friday, May 5, at 6:30 p.m., at Bridge Way Books (162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road). “Little People” are encouraged to dress up (or arrive unadorned) to play with “Grand Fairy Storyteller” Cat Espinosa as she weaves magic with stories, music, and fairy cakes. 760-943-7875. (ENCINITAS)

“**How Do Dinosaurs Say Good-night?**” Find out when this delightful book by Jane Yolen and Mark Teague is read at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10775 Westview Park-

way) on Saturday, April 6, at 11:30 a.m. Participants will also make dinosaur finger puppets. 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

Children’s Museum of San Diego, there’s a skateboard extravaganza planned on Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be demonstrations, vendors, workshops, presentations by professionals, and a skateboard ramp for your use. These activities kick off “The Art of Skateboarding” exhibit on view through April. The exhibit explores the history and evolution of skateboarding, including a board-making station, fingerboard courses, and film screenings.

See colorful 3-D ceramic wall sculptures when local artist Doug Snider exhibits “Ceramic Puzzles” in April. Continuing exhibits include “The Book Stop,” “Improv Theater,” and “Cora’s Rainhouse.” Find the museum at 200 West Island Avenue. Dial 619-233-8792 for additional details. (DOWNTOWN)

Expect a Gold Medal when you participate in the 13th annual Junior Carlsbad on Saturday, April 6; it’s a running event for kids aged 12 and under, where the “emphasis is on fun, not speed.” Ten separate races for different age divisions begin from 8 to 10:30 a.m. in downtown Carlsbad. Questions? Call 858-450-6510 for answers. (CARLSBAD)

Science Adventures, get the skinny on “Pterosaurs — Giants of the Air” during this class for kids in grades one through three planned at the San Diego Natural History Museum on Saturday, April 6, at 9:30 a.m. What did they eat, and how did they differ from birds? The fee is \$20 for non-members. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to reserve a spot. (BALBOA PARK)

Make a Portable T. Rex Puppet from a paper bag in conjunction with the exhibit “T. Rex on Trial” at the San Diego Natural History Museum on Saturday, April 6, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The workshop is included in regular museum admission. For information, call 619-232-3821 x203. (BALBOA PARK)

Exquisite Plein Air, the Museums of Contemporary Art offer Free-for-All First Sunday activities on April 7. Landscape artists will be painting and drawing panoramic views of the ocean and coastline; with tips and guidance from the experts, participants will create their own landscapes using pastels and watercolor pencils



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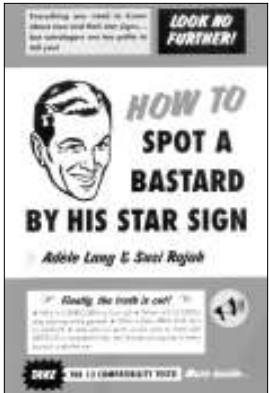
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ABOUT THE AUTHORS: Susi Rajah was born in Malaysia. On the afternoon that we talked, she from her home in Los Angeles, she said, "I lived on a tropical island and in a few cities in Australia, and I've lived in New Zealand and Singapore, and I went to live in Sydney just before I moved to L.A. I moved here in June. I'm really enjoying it. The weather here is just amazing." Ms. Rajah, a designer with a degree in graphic design from the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Australia, is also a Clio Award-winning art director and copywriter.

I asked about Ms. Rajah's co-author. "Ah, Adèle's English. She lived half her life in Australia and half in England. She writes astrology columns for *Heat* magazine in London; it's, like, the top celebrity magazine. And she also is the astrologist for *Marie Claire* in London. We met when we both worked in advertising in Australia. That's when we came up with the book."

Adèle Lang, who lives and works in London, is also the author of a novel, *Confessions of a Sociopathic Social Climber*. She is also the monthly astrologer for *Cabinet Office*, a magazine produced

for the British Government's Cabinet Office staff.

"So," I asked Ms. Rajah, "have you for a long time been something of an astrology buff?"

"Oh, yes, both of us are, although Adèle is much more so than I am. But we both have been interested in it for a very long time. We used to do things like play guessing games at parties as to what sign a person was and always surprised ourselves with how accurate we could be. And I guess that's one of the reasons that we became interested in this area. Also, we kind of got sick of reading astrology books which put a positive spin on everything. Kind of like, 'He's an ax murderer...'"

"But he's nice to his mother."

"Exactly. So we thought, 'Well, now let's take the other approach.' At the time we were kind of broke and we were a bit brokenhearted."

"That's a good combination for getting a book written, 'broke and brokenhearted.' What sign are you?"

"I'm a Leo, and Adèle is a Sagittarius. But it doesn't work for women. All women are goddesses."

I asked how Ms. Rajah and Ms. Lang put together *How to Spot a Bastard by His Star Sign*.

"We found between us we had enough dating experience to cover just about the whole zodiac, and what we didn't have we went out and got, in the name of research. So it's, I guess it's not so much about astrology as it is about the people we knew who were those signs. It's based on real life. And our experience with real people. And the women we've spoken to that have read the book agree wholeheartedly with our analysis."

"Why do you think that so many good women put up with men who are so lousy?"

"I have no idea. I see it all the time. I see it among my sin-

for "Plein Air Panoramas" at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). (LA JOLLA)

Jonathan Borofsky's *Hammering Man* continuously hammers away at an imagined project on the plaza outside MCA Downtown. During the "Exquisite Corpse" workshop, children may create giant cut-outs of their bodies with moving limbs to explore the repetitious, and often mindless, nature of daily tasks like brushing your teeth and making your bed. Find MCA Downtown at 1001 Kettner Boulevard. (DOWNTOWN)

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The Plucky Parisienne Madeline visits White Rabbit Bookstore for story-time fun on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m. Find the shop at 7755 Girard Avenue; 858-454-3518. For children three and older. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Everybody's Somebody's Lunch, and you'll learn about food webs found in the estuary when the Junior Rangers meet on Thursday, April 11, 3:15 p.m.,

at the Tijuana River Estuarine Reserve. The free program takes place at the reserve's visitors' center (301 Caspian Way) for kids 7 to 11 years old. 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

MUSEUMS

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

Bancroft Ranch House Museum houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area and is run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; call 619-469-1480 for more information. (SPRING VALLEY)

Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is an educational component of the Scripps Institution

of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing marine life of the Pacific Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). For more information, call 619-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

California Surf Museum, "Early California Surfriders, 1900-1940" honors Doc John Heath Ball, the first surf documentarian, telling the stories of those pioneering surfers in photographs by Ball and text. Many of the photographs, surfboards, and other artifacts have never been on public display before.

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia — such as surfboards and clothing — of local

legends Phil Edwards, John "L.J." Richards, and Peter Johnson, and that way-cool megastar from Hawaii, Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, is located in the middle of Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. The facility is home to fish and invertebrates that inhabit the mud flats and marshes of San Diego Bay. Visitors can use a Bioskanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. At other exhibits, visitors can pet sharks and rays, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. For more details, call 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Computer Museum of America, "Secrets, Lies, and Teletypes: A History of Cryptology" explores the development of cryptology and code breaking from ancient times to the present, focusing on the role of ma-

chines and computers. The National Cryptologic Museum, part of the National Security Agency, has loaned the German Air Force Enigma Machine; the three-rotor Enigma was used by the Nazis in World War II to secure messaging. Also on view, the M-209, a U.S. Army Signal Corps machine used by American troops to send and receive encrypted messages. Visitors will learn about the use of semaphore, punch card equipment, teletypes, and other machines.

Ongoing exhibits include vintage video games like Pong and Space Invaders, punch cards, a rare "millionaire calculator," and a Hectotron, described as "a 1970s vacuum-tube, sound-responsive electronic kaleidoscope." Find the museum at 640 C Street (at Seventh Avenue). For additional details, dial 619-235-8222. (DOWNTOWN)

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. On exhibit are Indian artifacts from the Kingery family. The museum is open on the last Saturday and Sunday of every month from 2 to 4 p.m., at 2116 Tavern Road. For information, call 619-659-8740. (ALPINE)

Flying Leatherneck Museum, the museum is dedicated to the Marine

Corps who provided air support, from the propeller-driven fighters and bombers of the 1940s to the modern jets and helicopters currently in use. Static displays of a variety of aircraft are included, along with equipment, insignia, paintings and photographs, scale models, and a research library. The museum is located in building T-2002, at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar. For information, call 858-693-1723. (MIRAMAR)

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Heritage Museum, an interpretive wall, replicas of the early post office and general store, and a school room are part of this museum. A mural painted by Michael Strong depicts six periods of Poway's past. Find the museum in Old Poway Park, at 14134 Midland Road; 858-679-8587. (POWAY)

Heritage of the Americas Museum, more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 BC) through the Ming periods (1368-1644 AD) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China," on view through May. From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments in death or as proudly worn orna-

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gle female friends, you know, that they are such smart, intelligent women, and they date these awful men who treat them badly. And I don't know why it is. If I look at the problem at a deeper level, I think maybe men have kind of lost their identity. You know, women have been sort of working out who we are for the last 30, 40 years. Whereas men haven't done that. I think maybe this is a result of that. The women I know know who they are and where they're going. Yet the men they date don't. I think that is a problem.

"When we wrote this book, people asked us, 'Why don't you do the opposite for men?' And the reason we didn't is because men wouldn't read it. It's women who will put the work into relationships; it's women who are interested in analyzing relationships. So it's women that do all the work. And really, you know, there are women who are beautiful with men who have, you know, beer bellies, and these men will constantly criticize these beautiful women. I think that's actually a Libran characteristic."

"Really?"
Ms. Rajah laughed, "Oh, it's probably across the board, that characteristic. In the book what we've done is we've picked the bad characteristics of each star sign and sort of categorized it so that, at the very least — because we're not going to all end up in a convent — at the very least we can work out which bastard is the least distasteful to you."

"Is there one sign that produces the nicest men?"
"Mmmm. I think that there are some that are easier to deal with than others, but I think it depends on you, personally. What you can and can't put up with. For me, I'm actually married to a Gemini, and he's exactly like he's described in the book. But, you know, I can live with that. Whereas, the biggest bastard in the book for me would probably be a Pisces."

"Tell me about a Pisces."
"Pisceans are pathological liars. And they'll lie for no reason. Unfortunately, some of the things in our Pisces chapter are true; they actually happened. They didn't happen to me, but they did happen, which I think is appalling. I found that every time a girlfriend of mine gets involved with a Pisces, I'm, like, 'No, no, don't.' And every time something awful happens, I just know the fellow must be a Pisces. You know he'll accidentally forget to mention the ex-girlfriend and two kids. Or the current girlfriend and two kids, or, after sitting him down and telling him that he really has to put some work into the relationship too, he'll come back and say, 'Yes, I agree, I want my relationship to last, therefore, I'm going back to my wife.' That's my personal sense of things, you know. Other people hate other signs and have had the biggest trouble with other signs. Scorpio is a good one too."

"Tell me about Scorpios."
"Mmm. Scorpios. I was once on a talk-back radio show, about this book, and the interviewer asked me, 'Who is the sleaziest?' and I said, 'Oh, definitely, Scorpios.' And instantly a guy rang up, he was a Scorpio, and he tried to pick me up on air. I couldn't have had a better illustration. I mean, they are quite good at getting the girls, but then, you know, once they have them, they just torture them. In the book, we say that a Scorpio makes Darth Vader look like the Pillsbury Doughboy, and it's true. There is no one more sadistic than the Scorpio."

"Did the idea for this book just come to you and your coauthor one day?"
"No. Not really. We worked together in advertising, and as part of our job we came up with ideas for ads. So idea generation is something we're used to doing together. And one day this idea came up."

"Did you just laugh and laugh and laugh when the idea came to you?"
"Yes. We did. And then we talked about it for a while, and it took a couple of months for us to think about it seriously. Our boss at the time had a contact at a publisher, and he mentioned the book to this publisher. Suddenly we had a phone call saying, 'Where is it?' This is the first book for both of us, and all the things that they tell you never happens happened with this book. We had the publisher asking for it. So we had to sit down and write a proposal, and then from the proposal we had a deal within a week, which, again, is unheard of. This is in Australia. And since then it's been published in the U.K. and in Germany and Italy, and we're looking at France at the moment, and it came to the U.S. And the U.S. was always the market we thought was right for this book, because I guess all the American women I've met in my life

"I don't think very many people will find themselves compatible with these guys. And if you do, you probably should have yourself committed somewhere."

have been such strong women, and much more — for want of a better word — more *aggressive* than, say, Australian women or English women, which I've always admired. So I've always thought this was the market for this book."

The book offers for the reader a series of quizzes that serve as compatibility tests. There are 12 tests, one for each of the astrological signs. The title of these quizzes is "Which Bastard Are You" (continued on page 78)

ments in life. Jades were symbols of dignity and rank (as early as the Late Stone Age) and were status symbols closely connected with the conviction that jade brought long life.
The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. A mural by Mona Mills depicting ancient Teotihuacan in its days of glory is now on exhibit, resulting from the

artist's extensive study of this ancient "City of the Gods" that was once home to 200,000 people in central Mexico. The museum also features wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art.
Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Heritage Walk Museum, the museum includes the restored Victorian House, the city's original Santa Fe Train Depot, a railroad car with model train, working blacksmith shop, and a barn. Find Heritage Walk in Grape Day Park, at 321 North Broadway; 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)
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accessories from 1700 to 1800 are also on display. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.
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Compatible With?" I asked Ms. Rajah about these quizzes.

"I don't think that very many people will find themselves compatible with these guys. And if you do, you probably should have yourself committed somewhere."

I read from the Aries compatibility test:

"Take this test and you'll see that to date an Aries bastard is to experience life in a simpler era. A time when men banged rocks together all day long and were still considered valuable members of society. This chest-thumping paradise was otherwise known as the Neolithic period, which, scientifically speaking, started just after housework was invented and ended well before sensitivity was first discovered in men. Highly evolved Aries is not. But hirsute he certainly is."

Question number four in the Aries compatibility test asks: "Which of the following traits initially attracts you to a man?"

- a. a strong smell of sweat
- b. spitting
- c. chest beating
- d. a penis"

I said to Ms. Rajah that I found these little tests very funny.

"Unfortunately, this is all true. And we had a friend of mine who has been an astrologist 25 years, she had one of her clients bring this book to her, asking, 'Is this true, is this true?' And she read it and said, 'Unfortunately, yes.'"

"What have men said to you about the book?"

"Actually, we get the same reaction from all men. I think that deep down they are narcissists and they love to read about themselves because they will pick up this book and turn to the chapter on themselves and read it. And everyone, with the exception of two signs, Taurus and Aries, everyone agrees with the description

of them. But Taurus will definitely say, 'No, no, this is wrong.' But then, Hitler was a Taurus. And Aries, he's the he-man; evolution just passed him by completely. So he won't believe anything written by a woman. But most guys agree with what we've written, and some guys are secretly pleased. Like, Scorpios tend to be quite flattered by it, you know, and we found, too, that you know it's attracted men to us rather than the opposite. We had thought, 'Well, once this book is published, we'll never, ever have another date again.' But the reverse has been true. Every guy seems to think that he's the one that can prove us wrong. It's actually very amusing."

"Who's the greatest lover, in the bed?"

"Unfortunately, it's probably the worst signs, probably Scorpio or Pisces. I guess that's where the bad-boy attraction comes in. Where women are attracted to men who are bad for them because those are the ones that are, you know, 'better in the sack.'"

"What signs seem to produce the guys most likely to be sexually unfaithful?"

"There's a lot of them. Okay, perhaps it would be easier to say the ones capable of commitment are probably the earth signs — Capricorn, Virgo, and Taurus. But they would probably also bore you to death. Sagittarius will sleep with anything. Or have sex with anyone. Pisces, it can pretty much be guaranteed he'll be unfaithful. Libra, too. But Libra's a bit lazy, so the other woman will have to do all the work. And Scorpio is capable of being faithful but, even if he is faithful, will always make you think he's being unfaithful."

"Which sign is most likely to be a good provider?"

"Capricorns will always get ahead financially. Leo can be. Aries can be. But you have to take everything else that they are, as well. Taurus is pretty good too."

"But a Taurus you seem to think might be somewhat dull, boring."

"He is, yes, somewhat dull. He's also very stubborn, won't budge, likes to take over your life. He's a control freak. Again, remember, Hitler was a Taurus."

"Is there a sign who makes a particularly good cook? Is good with the housework?"

"Not Aries. Yeah, Taurus can cook."

"It begins to sound like a Taurus is not a bad deal if you can put up with boredom and a bit of a Hitler."

"True. If you actually want a good solid partner, Taurus or Capricorn or Virgo is probably it."

"Do they make pretty good dads? These three signs?"

"I think so. Not being a parent, I don't know for sure. I haven't done the research there yet."

"Surely," I said, "some of the book's readers must have rather violently disagreed with the authors' conclusions."

"The only people we found who disagree with the book is a certain kind of woman, and that kind of woman is the woman who has just fallen in love. She will disagree violently with the description of her loved one, but a few months later, after she and he have been together for a while, we find that these women have completely come around to our way of thinking. We've had such a good reception of this book. People do see that it's meant to be funny, you know. And we don't hate men. We love men. We don't take this book too seriously. But at the same time, I also think there is a bit of reality to this book, where I think that perhaps women do have too romantic an idea of what relationships should be. And anything that brings it back down to reality might be a good thing, you know. It can't hurt to have your eyes open. I would just like to say to all the women out there, 'Don't say we didn't warn you!'"

— Judith Moore

Harbor are currently on display. The first exhibit presents a number of paintings by noted aviation artists, including R.G. Smith, along with "some of the actual drafting tools

that Ed Heinemann, who is arguably the nation's foremost designer of naval aircraft, used to design many of the aircraft depicted in Smith's art"; and models of aircraft, flight

helmets, and more.

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including a replica of the Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III),

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sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. View four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, an interactive toy train, and a refurbished toy train gallery with a Lionel O-gauge exhibit. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading. The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. For admission and museum hours, call 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)


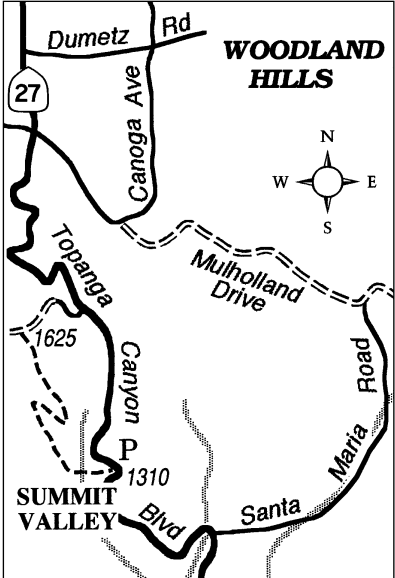
San Diego Natural History Museum, Tyrannosaurus rex — predator or scavenger? Guests use scientific methods to recreate a "crime scene" to determine the meat-eater's guilt or innocence in "T. Rex on Trial." World-renowned paleontologist and T. rex expert Jack Horner weighs in, acting as judge in the case. Complete casts of fossil skeletons of Tyrannosaurus, Allosaurus, and Deinonychus are included in the exhibition. One series of exhibits shows how paleontolo-

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

Summit Valley, a.k.a. Edmund D. Edelman Park (named in honor of a Los Angeles County supervisor), is a recent addition to the public lands of the Santa Monica Mountains. The park spreads across both sides of Topanga Canyon Boulevard south of Woodland Hills and features an easily accessible trail on the west side of that highway. Come see Summit Valley at its best, within the next few weeks, when the landscape is spring green and showy with wildflowers. This hasn't been a banner year for rainfall up north in the Santa Monicas, but that region has been significantly closer to the Pacific storm tracks than we have been.

From Topanga Canyon Boulevard's intersection with Mulholland Drive on the spine of the Santa Monica Mountains, drive south 2.6 miles to a sweeping 180-degree curve. On the inside of this curve (west side of Topanga Canyon Boulevard) is a dirt parking area for Summit Valley. From the parking area, head west down a ravine for 0.2 mile to a south-flowing drainage (an upper tributary of Topanga Canyon) adorned with a number of giant coast live oaks and many stream-hugging willows. Eucalyptus and California walnut trees dot the slopes higher up in this bowl-like valley. The walnut



Live oaks, Summit Valley

gists uncover evidence, develop hypotheses, and excavate items at research sites. Guilty or innocent? You make the call through Monday, May 27.

An assemblage of museum specimens, rocks, fossils, live plants,

and animals tell stories about the region's prehistoric and current habitats in "Natural Treasures: Past and Present." The ongoing exhibition is said to "display old treasures most loved by the community and to introduce new fossils that have

never been seen by the public," as well as highlighting the museum's extensive paleontological collections. Visitors will also discover why dinosaur fossils are rare in San Diego (the region was underwater during dinosaur times).

The museum also offers the "giant-screen film" *Ocean Oasis*, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Desert. For more information, call 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Dieguito Heritage Museum, the museum offers informative dis-

plays on the unique history of the San Dieguito area at 561 South Vulcan Avenue. For more information, call 760-632-9711. (ENCINITAS)

Serra Museum, "Treasures Uncovered: Trade and Exchange at the San Diego Presidio" features artifacts recovered from the Presidio archaeological site, dating to the first European settlement in California (in 1769) when Father Junípero Serra established the Basilica San Diego de Alcalá. "Treasures" in the form of ceramics, religious, and personal goods representing just a fraction of the more than one-half million excavated to date at the Presidio site are on view. See the show through summer.

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish Colonial furnishings, art, and artifacts. It's located at the site of the West Coast's first European settlement, found at 2727 Presidio Drive. 619-297-3258. (PRESIDIO PARK)

Wells Fargo Bank History Museum, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. There's an audio-visual theater presenting short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the 1800s; an exhibit of Concord Coach #251, a restored stagecoach built in 1867; and the Davies watch. The museum is located in the reconstructed Colorado House, at 2733 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)

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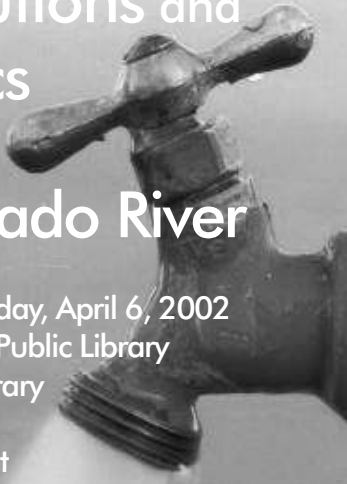
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The Callas of the Clarinet

What counted here was the sense of fun.

David Shifrin, who appeared in a recital at the Athenaeum with pianist Vicki Ray, is one of the greatest of clarinetists, and also an exceptionally engaging human being. His technical brilliance and deep musicianship can be heard on his numerous recordings (for example, his superb Brahms and Mozart Clarinet Quintets with the Emerson Quartet, his Brahms Clarinet Sonatas with Carol Rosenberger, the collection of five modern American quintets with the clarinetist's long-time colleagues of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, or the Weber Clarinet Concertos conducted by Shifrin's close friend, the late David Golub). But the personality that lies behind this music-making can only be encountered in Shifrin's live performances, especially ones like that at the Athenaeum, with its intimate, informal atmosphere. Every motion he makes, every look on his face, every word he speaks reveals, with the utmost spontaneity and sincerity, how much he loves the music he plays, how warmly he relates to his audience, and how fond he is of his instrument.

Well, everyone is fond of the clarinet, which, of all the woodwinds, most resembles the human voice (indeed, the soprano or mezzo-soprano voice) in its diversity of colors and its expressive range. Shifrin's playing reminds one variously of *bel canto* opera or of a *Lieder* recital: one can al-

most detect the words. He is the Maria Callas or Lotte Lehmann of the clarinet.

Clarinet-and-piano concerts, however, are far rarer than art-song recitals, not because people have anything against the clarinet, but because the repertoire for this combination is relatively meager, even though the two instruments sound lovely together. Of the truly great pieces for clarinet and piano, Shifrin's La Jolla concert included maybe half: the Poulenc Sonata, one of the two Brahms Sonatas (which are also heard in alternate versions for viola), and Debussy's *Première Rapsodie* (better known in its orchestral form). Add the other Brahms Sonata, the Bernstein Sonata, and the Schumann *Phantasietstücke*, and you've got pretty much the whole lot. (There is, of course, an abundant repertoire for clarinet with orchestra and for clarinet in chamber ensembles, and this includes not only works by great composers but also a large amount of delectable music by such prolific 18th- and 19th-century writers for the clarinet as Krommer, Danzi, Crusell, Weber, Spohr, and Carl Stamitz.)

The three main works on Shifrin's program represent three ways composers have used the instrument's possibilities. The Brahms Opus 20, No. 1 (in F Minor) is one of the richest expressions of the composer's disciplined Romantic sensibility in the autumn of his career, and —

like a great singer — Shifrin plumbed its depths. The Poulenc Sonata, while it often calls to mind the music hall, also touches on areas of poignant sadness and turbulent passion — and what was most striking about Shifrin's performance was the ease with which he negotiated the mercurial shifts of mood and style, pulling the work together so that it made musical and emotional sense. As for the *Première Rapsodie*, that offered Shifrin the opportunity to display the instrument's sensuality, with every exquisite nuance of color and phrasing given its full measure of evocativeness.

Stravinsky's quirky Three Pieces for Clarinet Solo does not figure among my list of great clarinet works, but as an interesting minor offshoot of the terrific clarinet music in *L'Histoire du soldat*, it is well worth hearing now and then. It also occasioned one of Shifrin's most charming and enlightening little commentaries, as he explained the differences between the B-flat and A clarinets, both of which Stravinsky employs in this composition.

The last section of the concert (including the encore) was devoted to another aspect of the clarinet repertoire: music that, with no pretensions to profundity of thought or expression, revels in pure virtuosic display. This, too, is a reflection of opera, and anyone who enjoys hearing Joan Sutherland or Marilyn Horne in a Rossini opera showing off her *fioritura* will get the same kick out of a consummate clarinetist like Shifrin producing the wildly exuberant effects of the composer's Introduction, Theme and Variations. A similar



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David Shifrin

David Shifrin, clarinet; Vicki Ray, piano
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Poulenc, Sonata for Clarinet and Piano; Brahms, Sonata in F Minor, Opus 120, No. 1; Stravinsky, Three Pieces for Clarinet Solo; Debussy, Première Rapsodie for Clarinet and Piano; Rossini, Introduction, Theme and Variations.

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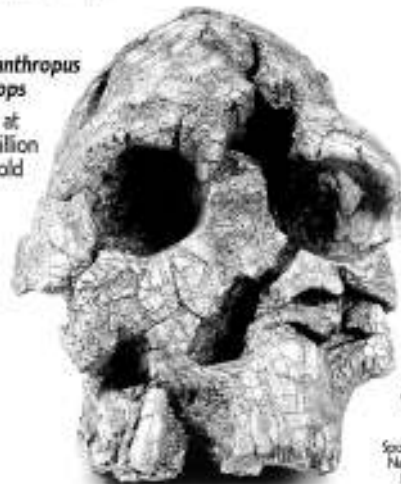
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experience of high delight in the superficial was provided by a *potpourri* Shifrin had arranged from the Weber Second Clarinet Concerto. Only the Grinch would have complained that this sort of thing callously ignored the integrity of Weber's structural imagination. What counted here was the sense of *fun* that Shifrin and his able accompanist communicated to the bedazzled Athenaeum audience. ■

Events that are underlined occur after April 11.

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A Festival of Early Music is being offered at the University of San Diego April 4-7. This year's event highlights the "Instrumental Sound of the Baroque — Exuberance and Splendor." The festival gets underway on April 4 when Les Hoboïstes de Prusse present "Blast from the Past: Music at the Fountain" at 12:15 p.m. in Colachis Plaza (in front of the Immaculata Church). Listen for "an outdoor concert of baroque civic music for three baroque oboes, bassoon, and two horns." Free.

Explore "The World of Baroque" during an interdisciplinary symposium "examining the European 18th Century and considering baroque music in its historical and cultural context" slated for Friday, April 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall. Marianne Pfau moderates this event, when each panelist (including Georg Corall, Nikolaus M. Broda, Britta Hinrichs, Carolyn Beck, and John Thiessen) presents a short talk followed by open discussion. Free.

A performance workshop themed "Playing Baroque Chamber Music" is planned on Saturday, April 6, 1 to 3 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall. Georg Corall, director of Les Hoboïstes de Prusse, leads this workshop for individual performers, and prepared ensembles of any Baroque instruments/voice are invited. The event is free and open to observers.

Les Hoboïstes de Prusse present

"No Strings Attached" on April 6 at 8 p.m. in Founders Chapel, Founders Hall. Tickets are \$12 general.

The festival wraps up with "Just Strings — Baroque Masterpieces for String Band" when the La Monica early-music ensemble presents Transalpina-German gems for Baroque strings, guitar, and archlute on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m. Admission is \$8 general.

Find USD at 5998 Alcalá Park. For more information, call 619-260-2280. (LINDA VISTA)

"Americana: A Journey through America's Past" is the theme when the Philharmonic Wind Quintet performs for the Escondido Library's First Thursday series on April 4. The audience will be treated to music by Cole Porter, Sousa, Joplin, and George Gershwin. The performance begins at 7 p.m. in the Turrentine Room of the library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

A Percussion Recital is planned by Kristy Cheadle on Friday, April 5, at 8 p.m., in Erickson Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. The recital is a "collaboration with a dancer/choreographer and various improvising musicians to explore music/movement in the space of shifting percussion landscapes and atmospheric allusions." Sound like your cup of tea? Admission is free. Call 858-534-4830 for more information. (LA JOLLA)

Take One Tempestuous Diva, a Handsome Painter, and a sadistic police chief, create a treacherous love triangle, add staging and music by Giacomo Puccini, and you've got *Tosca*. The San Diego Opera will be joined by American tenor Richard Leech, Russian soprano Galina Gorchakova, and baritone Kimm Julian to present *Tosca* through April 10. The opera is performed in Italian with text projected in English above the stage.

Enjoy the production — conducted by Edoardo Müller and directed by Ian Campbell — at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 5; at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 7; and at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10. Tickets range from \$33 to \$107. See the opera at San Diego Civic Theatre, 202 C Street. For reservations, dial 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

Spotlight Series, the Brentano String Quartet performs for this Mainly Mozart series on Friday, April 5, at 8 p.m., at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). The ensemble will play Haydn's "String Quartet in C No. 2," the "String Quartet No. 1" by Janáček, and Mozart's "String Quartet in F." Tickets for the available "auxiliary seats" are \$30. For tickets, call 619-440-2277. (LA JOLLA)

Classical and Original Compositions may be heard when Glenn Kramer presents a piano concert on Friday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m., at the Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex (3795 Fairmount Avenue). For information, call 619-641-6100. (CITY HEIGHTS)

A J.S. Bach Festival is planned by the Cabrillo Chamber Orchestra on Saturday, April 6, beginning at 7 p.m., at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (890 Balour Drive). Listen for "Orchestral Suites Nos. 2 and 3" and the "Cantata No. 51 (Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen)" with soprano Virginia Sublett. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. Call 619-300-5520 for more information. (ENCINITAS)

Named for 19th-Century Painter Dante Gabriel Rossetti, the Rossetti String Quartet is said to capture his "naturalist spirit beautifully with its natural and very personal performance style." Quartet members include violinists Nina Bodnar and Henry Gronnier, cellist Eric Gaenslen, and violist Thomas Diener, and the musicians plan a program including Haydn's "Quartet in D Major No. 2," the "Quartet in G Minor" by Debussy, "Quartet No. 5" by Villa-Lobos, and Kodaly's "Quartet No. 2" when performing on Saturday, April 6.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium. Tickets are \$22 general. Call 858-534-8497 for information and reservations; tickets are also available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LA JOLLA)

Masks, Formal Wear, and Period Attire are optional when the San Diego Young Artists Symphony Orchestra presents a Viennese ball on Saturday, April 6. The orchestra, directed by Louis Campiglia, will present waltzes and polkas by Strauss, Suppé, Lehár, and others starting at 8 p.m. at the Balboa Park Club. Hors d'oeuvres and a beverage are included in the admission price — \$30 per person, or \$55 per couple. For information, call 619-445-5284. (BALBOA PARK)

An All-Age Easter Messiah Sing-Along is planned by the La Jolla Symphony and Chorus on Sunday, April 7, at 4 p.m., at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church (6628 Santa Isabel Street). Audience members will be invited to sit alongside chorus members, soloists, and a chamber orchestra. For information, call 858-534-4637. (CARLSBAD)

Keyboard Conversations, the Jeffrey Siegel Keyboard Conversations series concludes for the season at the East County Performing Arts Center with a look at "The Classic Moderns" such as Bartók, Prokofiev, Rachmaninoff, and Leonard Bernstein on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12, \$17, and \$22. Find the theater

at 210 East Main Street. Reach the box office by calling 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Dvořák's "Piano Quartet in D Major," Turna's "Piano Quartet in A Minor," and the Brahms "Piano Quartet in C Minor" are all on the program when the Lake San Marcos Chamber Music Society convenes on Sunday, April 7. Performers include Yuri Kharenko (violin), Wanda Glowacka (cello), Scott Yoo (viola), and Mykola Suk (piano).

Tickets are \$20 general. The concert begins at 2:30 p.m. at the San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). For reservations, call 760-744-7516. (ENCINITAS)

Noise at the Library, the series — highlighting 20th-Century classical music — continues at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library on Sunday, April 7. The program features "The Tiger's Mind" by Cornelius Cardew, "Hout" by Louis Andriessen, a solo cello work by Huber, and a premiere by American composer Matthew Burtner performed by Alan Lechusza and Christopher Adler.

A pre-concert talk begins at 7 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)

"Great Romantic Seconds" are on tap when the Palomar Symphony Orchestra performs on Sunday, April 7, at 2 p.m., in the concert hall at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). What "seconds" does the concert title refer to? Listen for the "Symphony No. 2" by Brahms, and Rachmaninoff's "Piano Concerto No. 2," as well as Mozart's *Magic Flute Overture*. Tickets are \$10 general; call 760-744-1150 x2453 for reservations. (ESCONDIDO)

"Sundays at Seven," concert pianist Brian Verhoye performs favorites from both the classical and romantic periods for this San Dieguito Performing Arts Association series on April 7, at 7 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Tickets are \$15 general, \$12 for seniors, \$8 for those 18 years and under. 760-752-5078. (CARLSBAD)

Based in Michigan, "inspiring" pianist Alex Zsolt will perform on Sunday, April 7, at 7 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church (500 Farragut Circle). An offering will be received. 619-447-1943. (EL CAJON)

What's on Tap when civic organist Carol Williams presents an organ concert on Sunday, April 7, 2 p.m., in the Spreckels Organ Pavilion? You'll have to attend to find out! Call 619-702-8138 for details. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Guest Artist Alejandro Escuer performs flute and electronics selections on Monday, April 8, at noon, in Smith Recital Hall at San Diego State University. For more details, dial 619-594-6031 or 619-594-6020. Free. (SDSU)

And the Winners Are performing for the San Diego Mini-Concert at noon on Monday, April 8, in the Lyceum Theatre at Horton Plaza. The musicians in question are winners of the 43rd annual La Jolla Symphony and Chorus Young Artists Competition, and they include soprano Cindy Choi, violinist Lauren Mindoro, tenor Alexander Brown, and Lisa Tolentino on marimba.

Admission is free. The music lasts about 50 minutes — bring your lunch! 619-236-1980. (DOWNTOWN)

Celebrity Series, Cuban pianist Horacio Gutiérrez performs for this La Jolla Chamber Music Society concert on Tuesday, April 9. Listen for Haydn's "Sonata No. 46 in C Major,"

George Perle's "Nine Bagatelles (1999 — Dedicated to Horacio Gutiérrez)," Robert Schumann's "Fantasy in C Major," and the "Sonata in B Minor" by Liszt.

The music begins at 8 p.m. at the San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). A pre-concert lecture for ticket holders starts at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$15 to \$95. For reservations, call 858-459-3728. (DOWNTOWN)

The Odeum Guitar Duo performs on Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m., in M-113 at San Diego State University. Free. Call 619-594-6031 or 619-594-6020 for further information. (SDSU)

"House of Mirrors" will be performed by co-creators Ed Harkins (trumpet) and Mark Dresser on Wednesday, April 10, at 8 p.m., in the Warren Music Studios at UCSD. Admission is \$8 general. Dial 858-534-4830 for more information. (LA JOLLA)

The Jacobs' Masterworks Series hosted by the San Diego Symphony continues with concerts April 11-14. Maestro David Lockington and pianist Angela Hewitt will join the symphony to perform Ravel's "Bolero" and "Piano Concerto in G Major," Debussy's "La Mer," the overture to *Orpheus in the Underworld* by Offenbach, and Faure's "Ballade."

Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Thursday at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard), at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets range from \$15 to \$70. For reservations, call 619-235-0804. (ESCONDIDO, DOWNTOWN)

Described as a "Pianist's Pianist," Richard Raymond will present a recital on Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. Tickets are \$20. Call 619-696-1966 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

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GALLERIES

What Are the Sexual Undertones of Dried Gourds? Sculptor Thomas Glassford explores these alleged undertones in “wild assemblages” and has juxtaposed the gourds with everyday functional objects, from furniture to lighting, in “Stripes and Solids.” The exhibit includes a new body of work entitled “Partituras (Musical Scores),” with wall sculptures created by commercial anodized aluminum molding.

Meet the artist during a reception on Friday, April 5, at 6 p.m.; the show continues through Saturday, May 11, at Quint Contemporary Art. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appoint-

ment. Find the gallery at 7661 Girard Avenue; 858-454-3409. (LA JOLLA)

The Featured Artist at the San Diego Art Institute through Wednesday, April 24, is Roland Dion, whose “Man’s Work Reconsidered” features photographs created with ambient light and no filters or special papers. The current regional artist show and “9/11 Wall” shows were judged by Jane G. Lazeroow. The David G. Fleet Young Artists Gallery has work from Santana High School. Meet the artists during a reception on Friday, April 5, at 6 p.m.

Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call 619-236-0011. Regular admission is \$3. (BALBOA PARK)

New Paintings by Bjarne Sorensen and Kathy Moss are on exhibit through Saturday, May 11, at Scott White Contemporary Art (7661 Girard Avenue; 858-551-5821). Moss paints objects that surround her in life placed in “rhythmic compositions on the canvas, both making and breaking patterns.” By applying thin layers of paint, often with contrasting colors, Sorensen’s canvases depict complex linear and massive forms that overlap one another, “creating an image that emulates depth.”

Meet the duo at an opening reception slated for Friday, April 5, at 6 p.m. Regular viewing hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. (LA JOLLA)

“Here and There,” featuring oil paintings by Dorothy Finley, may be seen along with “New Works” in oil by Vera Felts at the Artists Gallery (7420 Girard Avenue). There’s a reception planned for the duo on Saturday, April 6, at 2 p.m.; the exhibit continues through Saturday, April 27. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 858-459-5844 for information. (LA JOLLA)

“Cul-du-Sac,” the M.F.A. thesis exhibition by Brad Craw, opens with a reception on Saturday, April 6, at 6 p.m., in the Everett Gee Jackson Gallery at San Diego State University. The show continues through Thursday, April 11; viewing hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The gallery is found in the lobby of the fifth floor of the art department building. 619-594-6511. (SDSU)

Go Ask... Grace, head to the Fingerhut Gallery when Grace Slick is on hand for a reception on Saturday, April 6, at 6 p.m. Slick, formerly of

Jefferson Airplane, has been painting professionally for 2.5 years. See the show through Saturday, April 20, at 1205 Prospect Street. Call 858-456-9912 to RSVP for the reception and gallery hours. (LA JOLLA)

“Encounters Near and Far” are documented in the show on display through Sunday, April 21, at the 101 Artists’ Colony (25 E Street). Participants include Dick Kuffner, Marita Redondo, Mark Kingsley Brown, and Jesse Miller. Meet the four when the gallery hosts a reception on Saturday, April 6, at 5 p.m. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS)

“Body of Worship,” a series of drawings by Julia Wren, is on exhibit along with “First Paintings,” through April at the Mixed Media Art Gallery. Meet Wren when the gallery hosts a reception on Saturday, April 6, at 6 p.m. See the work from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and on weekends by appointment, at 4576 Federal Boulevard. 619-527-2508. (SAN DIEGO)

Large-Scale Acrylic Paintings by Robert Michael Sartor are on exhibit, along with “wing designs” by Aileen Julian, in the Broker’s Building (402 Market Street) through Sunday, April 14 (by appointment only). The reception is slated for Saturday, April 6, at 7 p.m. 619-702-3797. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

“The Glass Bead Game I,” a sculpture installation by Judit Hersko, opens in Grossmont College’s Hyde Gallery with a reception on Tuesday, April 9, at 7 p.m. Expect to see a “truly unusual and very evocative piece” evoking “both an ethereal effect and a contemplative one,” on exhibit through Friday, April 26.

Grossmont College is found at 8800 Grossmont College Drive. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday. 619-644-7299. (EL CAJON)

“Liquid Landscapes/Paisajes Líquidos,” an exhibit of paintings by Franco Méndez Calvillo, opens with a reception on Thursday, April 11, at 7 p.m., at Moctezuma Books and Gallery. Calvillo spent 20 years as an endoscopist in Tijuana before deciding to close his practice and dedicate himself to the visual arts. The reception will include a reading by playwright, novelist, and essayist Federico Campbell.

Find the gallery at 289 3rd Avenue; 619-426-1283. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. See the exhibit through Wednesday, May 22. (CHULA VISTA)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, a wide-ranging assortment of two-dimensional works examining the impact of science and technology on humanity is on offer in “Interface:

A Juried Exhibition Exploring Science, Technology, and Art.” Show jurors Don Bacigalupi, Sally Yard, and David Ávalos chose for inclusion “artists with an interest in science and working scientists with a passion for artmaking.” See the show through Saturday, June 29.

The media arts are in the midst of what many have called a “digital revolution”; the technology behind this revolution has affected everything from the tools and distribution channels to the aesthetics and viewing experience of the moving image. “DV Noir: Video Art from Under the Shadow of Hollywood” features single-channel video works by ten Los Angeles area artists who have attained technological expertise in the commercial entertainment industry while maintaining careers as independent artists. The artists selected for “DV Noir” are said to “share a commitment to exploring the conceptual, aesthetic, and sociopolitical boundaries of contemporary art.” View the results through Saturday, June 29.

Site-specific installations by an international group of artists whose creative material is light are currently on view. “Light” examines subjects including “the nature of time, space and infinity, and the consequences, both positive and negative, of our increasingly intimate relationship with technology.” The exhibition concludes on Sunday, May 5.

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

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, a comprehensive exhibition of African arts of daily life from across the continent is offered in “African Art — The Pulse of a Continent,” continuing through Sunday, June 30. Highlights include a beaded chief’s robe from Nigeria’s Yoruba culture, a wedding costume from the Ndebele people of South Africa, feather hats, ivory hairpins, and stools carved from single pieces of wood.

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, a collective vision of life in the United States through the experiences of citizens from diverse communities is offered in “Indivisible: Stories of American Community.” Twelve accomplished photographers visited locations across the

nation “and recorded the ways in which citizens have erased poverty, soothed racial tensions, and protected the environment.” In each location, “the artists documented the ways residents work together to address crucial issues and create positive change.” Be inspired through Sunday, April 21.

See “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)

Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, the progression of Wolfgang Laib’s career over the past 28 years is traced in “Wolfgang Laib: A Retrospective.” The exhibition includes 24 sculptures and installations as well as 26 drawings. Laib is an artist whose work is said to deal with the spirituality of everyday materials and objects. Laib lives in a remote area of Germany’s Black Forest. In his art, “Laib has gathered pollen to create glowing floor installations, has built rooms and other architectural elements from beeswax (which allude to antiquity), and explored the shamanistic role of the contemporary artist.” Interested? View the retrospective through Sunday, May 19.

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

Museum of Photographic Arts, 35 photographers and 15 writers were commissioned to record their responses to culture at the end of the 20th Century. The work they produced addresses an array of issues including tradition, family, diversity, and immigration. The resulting exhibition, “Photographers, Writers, and the American Scene,” features a large selection of the images and excerpts from the writings, on display through Sunday, June 2.

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

Oceanside Museum of Art, curated by former *National Lampoon* art director Michael C. Gross, “Smile,” opening on Saturday, April 6, celebrates humor in art. The exhibit includes the work of 22 distinguished contemporary artists “designed to make you giggle, chortle, smirk, and laugh” through Sunday, May 26. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, Mexican, British, and American scholars who have made a special study of

20th-Century Mexican art and of the artistic and cultural relations between the United States and Mexico were brought together in the development of “José Clemente Orozco in the United States, 1927-1934.” It’s the first major exhibition of Orozco in the U.S. in more than 40 years, featuring over 120 paintings, prints, drawings, watercolors, and preparatory studies for murals. All of the pieces showcase Orozco’s “revolutionary artistic vision.” The works in the show demonstrate the significant impact that living in the U.S. had on Orozco’s art; he continued to focus on the intellectual and social issues that had long been his central concerns, but he no longer treated them exclusively in terms of Mexican subject matter. The exhibition concludes on Sunday, May 19.

Explore the “art of collecting” when 76 “Master Drawings from the Collection of Alfred Moir” are exhibited through Sunday, April 7. Drawn from the collection of baroque art scholar Alfred Moir, the exhibition includes fine examples by Annibale Carracci, Pietro da Cortona, Luca Giordano, Salvator Rosa, and Simon Vouet.

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.”

The third rotation of Indian miniature paintings, gathered in “The Way of Rama: A Prince in Exile,” follows the twists and turns of the Indian epic *The Ramayana* from the museum’s Edward Binney III collection of South Asian paintings. The exhibit focuses on the adventures of the Hindu god Rama who, like Krishna, is an incarnation of the great god Vishnu, born as a mortal to bring divine powers into the course of events on Earth. Rama’s legendary honor and nobility are witnessed in images made at various courts on the subcontinent between the 15th and 19th Centuries. See the images through Sunday, July 14.

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

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Role Play

“I’m brilliant while I’m onstage and in the bar afterwards, and incompetent when I’m driving home.”

For the San Diego Rep’s *Merchant of Venice*, Ron Campbell played Shylock as an oppressed, righteously angry Jew. His presence exposed racism and bigotry, the spiritual decay of modern-day Venice. For Mark Leiren-Young’s *Shylock*, also at the Rep, Campbell makes a different choice. He enters as a ghoul, his voice a twisted screech of vengeance, his wide eyes the height of melodramatic villainy.

For *Merchant*, Campbell played against stereotype; for *Shylock*, Campbell’s character — an actor named Jon Davies — plays it full bore, which generates controversy and cancels the production eight weeks early. We see Davies on closing night, at a post-show forum. He’s alone and, as he slowly gets out of character, peeling off makeup, false hair, and a big hook-nose, he justifies his interpretation.

“If not for that one pound of flesh,” he says, “*Merchant* would just be one big happy family comedy.” Davies played the character twice before: as a clown (an “ethnic fool”) and as a victim (“a wounded Jew, a victim of anti-Semitism crying out for acceptance”). Though sensitive to Shylock’s volatility with modern audiences, neither reading served the play, which panders to Elizabethan bigotry. So this time Davies became “the type of villain Shakespeare’s audience would have hated and booed and hissed...a negative character.”

During his “talk” (which permits no questions from the real audience), Davies recounts his struggle with Marcia T. Berman, a Jewish woman who spit at him and wanted the production boycotted. At issue is censorship. But in no time she becomes the villain of *Shylock* — stereotyped as a Stalin-esque bowdlerizer of art (plus, her shoes cost more than Davies’s car; ergo, she’s not one of “us”) — and he emerges as art’s true defender, however dangerous, or insulting, its intent.

Shylock raises questions about art in society (Should theater sensitize itself for the politically correct? Should artists second-guess themselves?) but doesn’t push them far. Whenever he hears definite assertions, in fact, Davies backs away, relying much more on the tactics of persuasion than the logic of argument. He ends up the winner not

by the case he makes but by the force of his personality.

Shylock skims where it could probe. Running in repertory with the Rep’s *Merchant*, it’s more a footnote than a companion piece to Shakespeare’s difficult — and, to many, offensive — comedy.

There is one compelling reason to see this show, however. Ron Campbell excels in solo performances (as Buckminster Fuller in *History and Mystery of the Universe*, at the Rep and around the country; and in *The Thousandth Night*, where he played more than 30 roles). And Campbell does first-class work here.

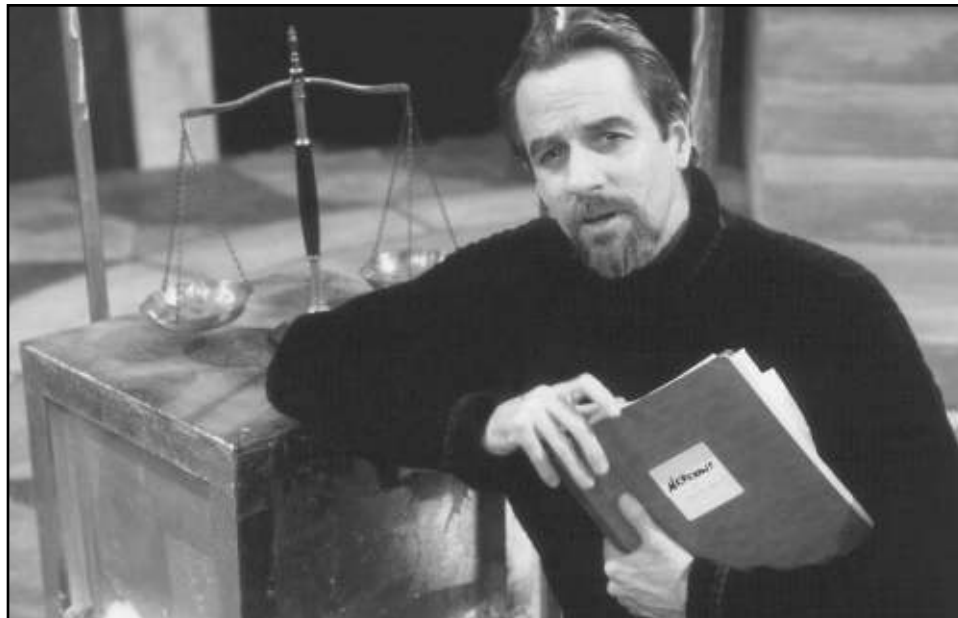
A subtext for the play, and the Rep’s staging, is choices: choosing a script (and taking responsibility; artistic self-censorship is evil, true, but Davies learns that all choices have consequences); selecting an interpretation; and also various ways of playing a “moment.” Campbell gives a tour de force presentation of the latter. We watch an actor behind the scenes, making interpretive decisions. He shows us Shylock the monstrous villain; Shylock the victim, passive and hurt and de-fanged; Shylock the clown, a taffy-voiced doofus — and shows, as well, how one choice works better than others.

Campbell also does cameos of different characters, like Tony Q. Fulford, the snooty, morally spineless director; and the bowdlerizing Marcia T. Berman. Throughout he has an excellent rapport with his audience; it’s as if you’re at a real post-show forum — and he’s talking to you — not watching an actor faking it.

“I’m an actor,” Davies/Campbell says. “That means I think I’m brilliant while I’m onstage and in the bar afterwards and incompetent when I’m driving home, picturing all the things I could have done better.” Campbell’s excellent performance makes you suspect he’ll see few “pictures” on the ride home.

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Caryl Churchill’s *Cloud 9* (1979) is one of the most important plays of the past 50 years. And, because the first act takes place in 1880, in a British colony in Africa, and Act Two is set in London 100 years later (though the characters age only 25 years in the interim), it’s a monster to stage. Churchill



Ron Campbell in *Shylock*

***Shylock*, by Mark Leiren-Young**

San Diego Repertory Theatre, 79 Horton Plaza, downtown

Directed by Todd Salovey; cast: Ron Campbell; scenic design, Robin Sanford Roberts; costumes, Paula Peasley; lighting, John Martin

Playing through April 14; Tuesday and Sunday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

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***Cloud 9*, by Caryl Churchill**

Diversionsary Theatre, 4545 Park Boulevard, San Diego

Directed by Brendon Fox; cast: Adam Edwards, Manuel J. Fernandes, David Radford, Jeremy Shepard, Lisel M. Gorel, DeAnna Driscoll, Jessa Watson; scenic design, David Weiner; costumes, Shulamit Nelson; lighting, Jennifer Setlow; sound, George Ye

Playing through May 11; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

For information call 619-220-0097.

uses humor as an analytical tool, which makes *Cloud 9* as funny as it is thought provoking, often in the same instant. Diversionsary Theatre’s been on such a roll in the past year, they could be praised for attempting such a theatrically complex, tonally tricky script and forgiven if their efforts fall short. Not so. Director Brendon Fox and a top-notch cast delivered one of the most polished opening-night performances in recent memory.

Although we’ve all aged 23 years since it first opened, *Cloud 9* remains a template for progress. In Act One, Churchill spoofs the pieties of Empire. Everyone knows his place, his traditional role, and the next generation is getting indoctrinated as well. The patriarchal Clive, who sees

himself in a direct line to the Queen and God, demands that the “dark” lusts of the “weaker sex” must be squelched. His wife Betty agrees (“women have their duty as soldiers have”) but deep down wants to feel “dangerous.” Act One teems with Victorian hypocrisy; no matter what the characters say in public, in private each does the opposite.

In Act One, oppressive order rules. In Two, people become sexually liberated, free to follow their preferences. From afar, the second act looks like the answer to the first (where men chase men, women chase women, men chase boys, everybody denies everything, and chaos lurks in the background). But here’s where Churchill ups the stakes. Both acts depict periods of transition.

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Chaos rules Act Two. Though individuals become sexually open, the ruling orthodoxy hasn't changed in 100 years. The characters discover that personal independence isn't enough. They can't separate sexual politics from economics. To break through colonialism on the home front, they must forge a new kind of order.

To stress differences, and taking her cue from Jean Genet, Churchill requires cross-gender casting, a white actor as Joshua, the black slave (because

he now thinks "white"); and two-year-old Victoria played by a dummy. After intermission, the actors reverse roles again. Diversionary's performers show such precision and versatility, it's unfair to single any out. Each does terrific work. But, like the collaborative society Churchill envisions, it's their ensemble efforts that make the production so outstanding. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith. Information is accurate according to material given us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket

availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.

Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. *Beehive* celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as

Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin' " back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. What are those big black round things all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency.

Worth a try.

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The Caretaker

Once a year the Renaissance Theatre Company stages a 20th-century

"classic," this year adding Harold Pinter's canticle of desolation to their *Waiting for Godot* (2000) and *Long Day's Journey into Night* (2001). *The Caretaker* unfolds like a camera slowly coming into focus, but never completely. Who are the brothers, Aston and Mick? Is the grubby Davies a "tramp" or everyman trapped in a Manichean no man's land? All three use disinformation to achieve (and preserve) their status in the "game." Pinter called it a "battle for positions," and the Renaissance Theatre Company honors the strange struggle with a first-class production. As Aston and Mick, Bryan Bevell and Jeffrey Jones create a good cop/bad cop tandem, leaving the "why" — except for an overexplanatory wink — the brothers do what they do to the audience's imagination. Ron Choularton is special as Davies: grimy, cantankerous, off-putting, yet also assertive, quite comical, and human. Choularton and this production get what Pinter was after. "*The Caretaker* is funny," Pinter wrote, "up to a point. Beyond that point it ceases to be funny, and it was because of that point I wrote it."

Critic's pick.

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Catskills Conspiracy

Mystery Cafe's new dinner theater show takes place at Camp Skills in 1962, where some of New York's finest gather, and die.

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Chalk It Up to Murder

In HIT Productions newest mystery dinner-theater show, Texas Ranger Slate Montana must find the truth. Did Butch Spikehorn kill Hank Anderson, as people have long believed, or was it someone else?

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Closet Land

Radha Bharadwaj's drama, based on a movie starring Madeline Stowe and Alan Rickman, raises crucial questions about censorship, governmental surveillance, and unthinkable brutality in the name of order. A woman writes children's stories for seven- and eight-year-olds. Paranoid functionaries read allegories of subversion into these "harmless pieces of fluff." Several interrogate her relentlessly — for days, years? — using harassment, manipulation, and severe torture. By the end of the 90-minute piece, she's battered but unbroken: her prior, "closeted" life a gruesome preparation for government intelligence tactics. The play and its message, which includes an ostrich-like citizenry that enables such horrors to occur, are disturbing. The Muse Theatre's production, however, plays as a series of unrelieved torments, the only differences being the stance of the interrogator (sometimes he's slick and trusting, others a draconian goon) and his horrific methods. Although Mary

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Burt Godwin has some strong moments as the woman, Michael Sc-ahill rarely convinces as her antagonist, and the production has a one-note quality (each time the lights come up, you wonder, "Now what?"). It's probably unfair, but inevitable, to imagine Stowe and, especially, Alan Rickman giving the roles more nuance and depth. MMPAC, 3010 JUNIPER STREET, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH APRIL 14; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-239-2894.

Cloud 9
Reviewed this issue. DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, THROUGH MAY 11; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEES SUNDAY, APRIL 21, APRIL 28, AND MAY 5 AT 2:00 P.M.

The Cocktail Party
Patio Playhouse stages T.S. Eliot's comedy of manners, which "examines marriage and adultery over cocktails." Richard Grant directed. PATIO PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH APRIL 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Compleat Female Stage Beauty
The Globe Theatres present Jeffrey Hatcher's "provocative new play" about famed Shakespearean actor Edward Kynaston, banned by the king's new regime from playing the female roles that made him a star. Mark Lamos directed. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, SATURDAY, APRIL 6, THROUGH APRIL 27; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

The Dazzle
South Coast Repertory presents the West Coast premiere of Richard Greenberg's comedy about shut-in brothers — really shut-in brothers. Mark Rucker directed. SOUTH COAST REPERTORY, THROUGH APRIL 28; TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Death Rides the Stage
HIT Productions new interactive comedy-mystery, written by Beth and Scott McNellen, is set in Texas: "You survived a stampede, Lucy Tyler is looking for your underwear...and there's a dead body in the next room." SHIRLEY'S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Everybody Loves Opal
If the title of John Patrick's comedy is true, then why does a trio of con artists want to "do her in"? Keith A. Anderson directed. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, FRIDAY, APRIL 5, THROUGH MAY 12; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Harlem, Harlem:

Women Who Sing the Blues

The Ira Aldridge Repertory Players, in association with Creative Visions, present a montage of song, poetry, and dance playing tribute to female singers during the "Harlem Renaissance." Calvin Manson directed. Rosemary Bivens choreographed. CULY THEATRE, 338 SEVENTH AVENUE, DOWNTOWN, FRIDAY, APRIL 5, THROUGH APRIL 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-283-4574.

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San Diego Comic Opera opens its 23rd season with Gilbert & Sullivan's popular Savoy operetta, subtitled "The Lass That Loved a Sailor." J. Sherwood Montgomery directed. CASA DEL PRADO THEATER, BALBOA PARK (TAKE VILLAGE PLACE EXIT OFF PARK BOULEVARD), THROUGH APRIL 7; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Actor's Asylum Productions presents Terrence McNally's popular "serious comedy," recommended for mature audiences. Robert Dahy directed. ACTOR'S ASYLUM, THROUGH APRIL 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-465-3742.

Memoir

The Globe Theatres stage John Murrell's intimate portrait of the

"divine Miss Sarah," actress Sarah Bernhardt. Joseph Hardy directed. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, THROUGH MAY 5; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

The Monkey King:

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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 ActroTurf. 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 audi-

ence, they played "Emotional Symmetry," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try.

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

Pageant

Beauty pageants rank among the safest of targets. Robert Longbottom's satire tears into the genre but raises the stakes twice. While his contestants send up the various competitions — talent show, Q&A, swimsuit — the actors are in their own contest, "Miss Glamouresse," judged each night by the North Coast Rep's audience. One other thing: men play the six female contestants. And play them so well you become convinced that, say, Jeffrey Merrell's Miss Texas is a woman playing a man playing a woman (whose hobbies include "working with the beauty-impaired"). After a while you wonder what you are judging: talent (as when David McBean performs triple ventriloquism with two puppets and stops the show cold), likeness to actual contestants, or the ability to satirize the baroque hoopla of pageants. On the Grand Scale of Cosmic Significance, *Forever Plaid* probably stands closer to *Hamlet* than *Pageant*. The latter's a one-note show, but a game cast, decked out in wigs and an almost endless array of classy/chintzy cos-

tumes, sounds that note with all they've got. *Pageant*'s a hoot. (Note: due to popular demand, the North Coast Rep extended its run.)

Worth a try.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH APRIL 21; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Rhinoceros

The Fritz Theater presents Eugene Ionesco's political farce about a small town where the citizenry become rhinos. One man resists. Mark Stephan directed. ST. CECILIA'S PLAYHOUSE, 1620 SIXTH AVENUE (AT CEDAR), SAN DIEGO, THURSDAY, APRIL 4, THROUGH MAY 5; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 5:00 P.M. MONDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-233-7505.

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Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH APRIL 28. FOR INFORMATION (AND A

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Shylock

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Theatresports

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

Worth a try.

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Trapped
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There’s also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept char-acters. One’s a whiz at the piano.

Another’s a first-rate mime, and the third’s a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of diffi-culties to overcome, you wish they’d quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the origi-nal cast members have been re-placed.)
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Correction: In the March 14 issue of the *Reader*, Juke Joint Cafe owner Trey Brady was quoted about attorney Al Rava, "He only asked her two

"People sit here and say, 'What are you doing?' The city is gonna shut you down.' Or, 'You are out of your mind. You can't do this in a strip club.' I tell them this is a cabaret," says Dino Palmiotto, 28, owner of Exposé.

"Everyone has lost the meaning of cabaret. It used to

bringing live music to strip clubs."

A former Marine,



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EXPOSÉ GIVES "CABARET" A WHOLE NEW MEANING

Palmiotto took over Exposé in January. "I started out as a doorman. When I was coming up the ladder, I started to realize how much money these clubs made. It was disgusting. I told myself I was gonna buy one one day. I'm now the youngest owner [of a strip club] in San Diego."

For the last two weeks, Exposé has presented live bands Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and occasional Thursdays. Bands that have played include Earthride and Fith. Bands get tickets and can sell them for \$5. The

musicians keep whatever money they make. There is also an \$8 admission charge, whether or not you have tickets, which includes two non-alcoholic drinks.

"This is about rock and roll, not rap or R&B." Palmiotto predicts that all the strip clubs will start having live music. "I bet everybody's gonna do it now."

Uncalledfor and Skipjack appear tonight at Exposé in Mira Mesa.

— Ken Leighton

The Del Mar Fair is paying \$100,000 for "Elvis the Concert," a tribute act where a band plays in front of a big-screen video of Elvis performing at one of his last Las Vegas gigs. There's not even an impersonator.

"The money is outrageous," said Bob Tedde, who anchors local tribute bands the Steely Damned and Rockola.

The theme of the Del Mar Fair this year is "Elvis, It's Now or Never." To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the King's death, the fair will sell Elvis food like peanut-butter-and-banana sandwiches, pork chops, and jelly doughnuts. Fairground gates will get

made up like Graceland. On the last night of the Fair, July 7, the Flying Elvii will fall out of the sky.

But it's on opening night, June 15, when "Elvis the Concert" is the big attraction.

"It's not a video, it really is a big production," said the fair's general manager, Tim Fennell. "It's a total entertainment experience."

Barry Nussbaum is the president of the Del Mar Fair board of directors, which must approve all expenditures on grandstand acts. He admits that he initially had reservations about spending six figures for a dead headliner.

"The theme of Elvis seemed to lend itself to some kind of Elvis act on opening night. This is the number-one act of this kind.... This has been done at 27 different dates. It has incredible numbers. I wouldn't have voted for it otherwise."

How could "Elvis the Concert" cost the fairgrounds \$100,000? Agent Jim Gosnell of the Agency for the

Performing Arts did not return a phone call to describe what or who was in the act. But fair spokesman Steve Fiebing shared the secret. "The band is actually



DEAD ELVIS MAKES \$100,000

playing while Elvis sings. When he says something, the band members talk back to him."

No one at the Fairgrounds could say who would be playing live except Becky Bartling, the Del Mar Fair's talent buyer. "Joe Guercio is the main guy. He was Elvis's conductor in the '70s."

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questions.... One was if we [Brady and his manager Jessica Geddes] were having an affair."

The transcript from the March 8 hearing includes nine questions by Rava of Geddes, the seventh and eighth of which were "Q. And what is your relationship with Mr. Brady? A. I work for Mr. Brady. Q. Is there any relationship that you have with Mr. Brady? A. No."

The *Reader* regrets any misunderstanding.

be that cabaret meant live entertainment, where gentlemen would come in and see women entertain while they read poetry or danced to an orchestra."

Exposé is one of nine strip clubs in the city of San Diego that does not serve alcohol and has an 18-and-up admission policy. It also just became the only San Diego club that lets its all-nude dancers shake it to live rock.

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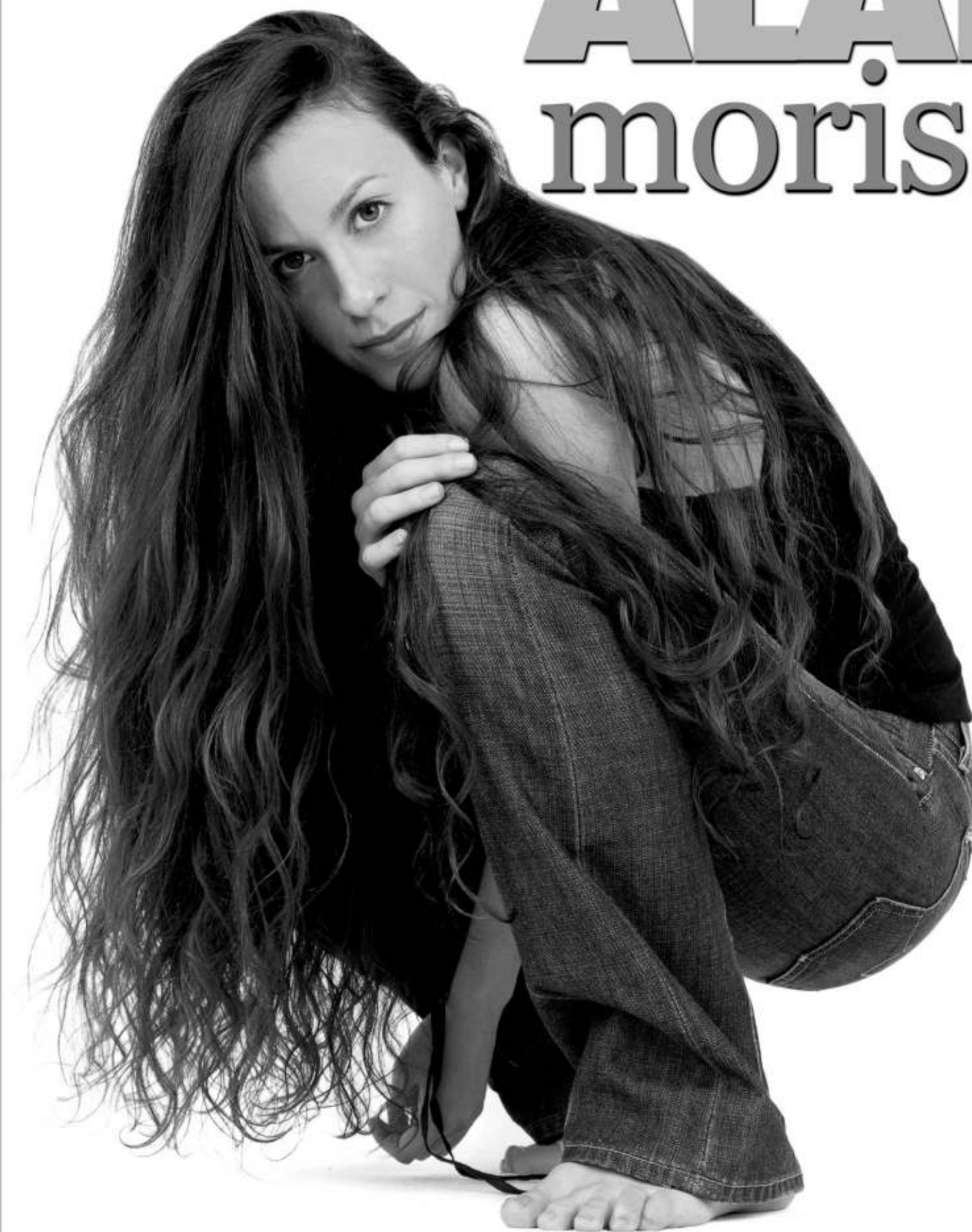
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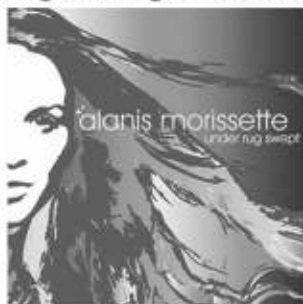
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Atomic Groove lead singer Carrie Weiland isn't surprised that a show centered around an old video can get such a plum booking. "This goes along with the whole idea of people going to see a show without really seeing a show. It's what our industry is coming to. I saw Britney Spears giving a show without singing live. If you can do it with a live person, why not do it with a dead person?"

Elvis the Concert, June 15, 7:30 p.m., is free with Del Mar Fair admission, \$9.50 for adults, \$4.50 for children.

— Ken Leighton

"It started with a mole on my back. I said to myself that I didn't remember having a mole there. A month went by. My mom saw it and freaked out

and told me to get to the doctor. They did a biopsy. Two days later they said it was malignant melanoma."

Terrin Durfey, singer/bassist with Boilermaker, has made it through interferon treatments and lymph-node removal. Now he is dealing with chemotherapy.

"My last treatment is April 8.... They said that I would start losing my hair after the second treatment, but I still have hair. But sometimes I feel pretty down. There's a lot of throwing up."

The local music community is scheduling a series of fundraising shows for Durfey that will benefit a fund set up by Durfey's mother. Durfey is covered by a COBRA health insurance policy that carried over from his last job, but there are other expenses.

"I got laid off in December."

Durfey worked in the prop house for local filmmaker Stu Segall

Productions. "It's slow in the movie business right now." He now has to pay for his monthly insurance premium as well as other expenses. "The insurance doesn't cover



PHOTOGRAPH BY RYAN LOYKO

ROCKERS TURN OUT FOR TERRIN

preserving sperm. This treatment can kill your reproductive system, so you have to do that."

Durfey is at a loss for words when it comes to thanking his fellow

musicians. "I can't believe people are willing to do that. I want to thank them as best I can."

Jack's Broken Heart, Ilya, the Drop Science, and the Jealous appear Saturday at the Casbah. Proceeds from the \$10 admission go to the Terrin Durfey Get Well Fund. A second fundraiser is also in the works for an all-ages venue in June.

— Ken Leighton

Fox "shouldn't have set a date they couldn't keep," said an insider connected with San Diego's only TV show dedicated to rock. *Fox Rox* announced its February 8 debut — "There was a full-page article in the *Union-Tribune* and in *San Diego* magazine about it" — but the show has yet to air.

Insiders say a lack of sponsor interest has held the show back. "The latest word is that it will start in April. That's the third date I have heard."

XETV assistant news director Mark Jacobs (and producer of *Fox Rox*) did not return phone calls last week, but four weeks ago he said,

"We're in a holding pattern. We were originally trying to get local sponsors. Now we're looking at larger sponsors." He said he is hopeful the eventual arrival of a certain business would give the show "name" sponsorship.

Does this mean the *House of Blues TV Show* is coming to Channel 6?

Jacobs would not confirm or deny.

— Ken Leighton

Local insiders have been saying that former SOMA owner Len Paul is back in town after spending years sailing around the world. According to rumors, he is going to reopen the all-ages nightspot in either Escondido or Poway.

Paul launched SOMA in late 1988 in a two-story warehouse in downtown San Diego. In 1993 he moved it to

Bay Park. In its 11-year history SOMA hosted bands like Rocket from the Crypt, Lucy's Fur Coat, and Inch as well as then up-and-comers like blink-182, Unwritten Law, and Buck-O-Nine. It was the mandatory local stop for touring national acts like Green Day, Bad Religion, NoFX, and Rancid.

"Everybody played there," said Rick Savage, co-host of the *Go Loco* local music show



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from Paul in early 1999, but it was over by June.

"Goldenvoice walked away and Len voided the lease," said Paul Coulan, the owner of the Bay Park building that housed SOMA. Goldenvoice gave up on SOMA when it faced massive city-mandated changes to bring it up to code.

SLAMM magazine writes about the rumor as becoming "less rock dive bathroom talk and more a reality by the day."

But planning staffers at the cities of Escondido and Poway say they have had no contact from anyone about opening an all-ages live-music club.

"I find it hard to believe there would be enough support in this town for another SOMA," said Jeremy Guffey, SOMA manager for over eight years.

— Ken Leighton

I went to see Willie Nelson at a sold-out concert at the East County Performing Arts Center in El Cajon on February 7. I waited

awhile before the show to see if I could get him to autograph a few CDs. Within half an hour, the crowd had grown to about 15 people. After the third tour bus showed up, a guy with a black leather jacket and silver hair got out and said, "Willie will sign autographs and take pictures with everyone if you meet him here after the show. But right now, we just don't have the time." Someone said, "Yeah, but there'll be hundreds of people here then." The guy, who said he was the tour manager, responded, "There always are lots of people, and he meets with each one of them."

I decided to wait anyway.

A tall blonde guy in overalls showed up with his son in tow. He was talking a mile a minute about how he recently got full custody of his son and it was his son's fourth birthday that day. He went on to explain how he worked for lots of famous musicians, including Prince, but that Willie was the nicest. "I want my son to meet a legend."

I glanced at his son, who seemed more concerned with playing with his bucket of toys.

A few minutes passed, and Willie Nelson walked out and waved. We all called him over, and as he walked toward us, we could see the disappointment on his tour manager's face. The guy in

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overalls handed his kid to Willie and retold his story. Nelson stood there, holding the boy, as this guy started snapping pictures and talking away. The rest of us stood back waiting, and finally another guy stuck an album out, and Nelson signed it. Nobody could ask him anything, because the blonde guy wouldn't shut up.

Then the kid dropped his bucket of toys. His father briefly looked down at the toys and continued to yap at Willie. Nelson got down on his knees and started helping the little boy pick up his toys. The father, instead of helping, grabbed his camera again to take pictures. He said, "Yeah, Willie Nelson is picking up my son's toys!"

As Willie reached under the bus for a toy, another

man said, "You're a classy guy, Willie."

— Josh Board

CD review: Mahvash Azhir, *Koocheh* (Zaman Productions, 2001)

Writing on behalf of the General Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church, Daniel T. Benedict Jr. lays down the law.

"During the '70s," he wrote, "someone started a very popular trend of singing the tune of 'Edelweiss' with other words as a benediction song or for other uses. It was all very nice and very illegal."

Benedict explained that there is no authorized use of the tune of "Edelweiss" — the song about the revered alpine flower that is featured in *The Sound of Music* — unless it remains intact. "Only if you

wish to use the original tune with the original text," he said, "should you seek permission from the administrator of Rodgers and Hammerstein's material."

No word yet on whether Azhir, the Iranian expatriate who lives in San Carlos, will face a legal challenge for her Farsi version of "Edelweiss" on *Koocheh*, a collection of nine songs arranged by Eric Stein, who, along with his brothers Edmund (violin) and Rudolph (cello), plays on the album.

The title track is a musical version of the famous 1961 poem ("The Alley," or "The Little Back Street" as it's called here) by the recently deceased Iranian poet Fereydoon Moshiri. "Rocks, you cast at me, / I did not fly away. / I did not fall apart,"

Moshiri wrote in this aloof little poem.

"It's not traditional Iranian music," Stein told the *U-T* last November. "It's really a mix of many different styles and cultures. One of my brothers described it as 'Persian music meets Julie Andrews, by way of Steely Dan.'"

Not sure either if Steely Dan has filed papers.

— Justin Wolff

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“Christian companies don’t want to be accused of ripping off some poor bankrupt Jesus freak.”

Escondido music instructor Linda Menendez has another job locating and contacting MIA songwriters and musicians for clients like Rhino and Sony Records. These labels pay her to help secure permission to reissue vintage recordings, piece together “reunion” acts to tour, or even talk aging artists into recording or providing unreleased tracks.

“A lot of these guys I’m hunting down got so badly burned the first time around and had such tragic experiences that they want nothing to do with the music industry. Their old careers are bad dreams they don’t want to relive, or they’re too suspicious or jaded to get their hopes up about another supposed ‘shot at the top.’”

Menendez receives a commission for such efforts, ranging from 5% to 10% of the royalty amount. “I was looking to deliver a \$50,000 check to a...guy from the East Coast who recorded an obscure Christian rock album in the ’70s under the name JamMaster Jehova, *Life Saving*. He called it that because he thought his ‘musical ministry’ would save lost souls and because he spent his life savings making the record. He had 10,000 copies pressed and sold them out of his [car] trunk, shipped them to radio stations all over the country, and ended up only selling a few hundred to religious bookstores before donating the unsold albums to thrift stores. His biggest distributor was the Salvation Army, and they don’t pay.”

Gideon’s Gate Records does pay, though the label didn’t come into existence until 20 years after JamMaster Jehova (real name Brian Benoit) gave up his dreams of a musical ministry. The gospel and Christian rock label released Benoit’s songs (copyright clear due to the songwriter’s business naïvete) on numerous compilations, as “inspirational video” soundtracks and recorded by other artists as well as reissuing *Life Saving* on CD.

“The CD alone sold tens of thousands of copies, and my client [Gideon’s Gate] kept aside the standard residuals since, well, Christian companies don’t want to be accused of ripping off some poor bankrupt Jesus freak. I had this huge check [for Benoit], but I couldn’t track him down through social security, DMV, or law-enforcement records; he didn’t own property or a registered vehicle; the address on his last tax return was no good anymore, and he didn’t have any utility or bank accounts in his name.

“I did find a marriage license placing him in [Northern California] and, even though he’d moved from that address, a neighbor said [Benoit] had taken a job as a traveling salesman. This gave me a hunch.... I found a portable phone account with Sprint PCS, but every time I called, a recording said, ‘Phone turned off’ or ‘Customer not responding.’ So I went cybersleuth and downloaded a printout of calls made from his origin

number [you’re not supposed to be able to do this, but she said she’s learned a lot of “hacker tricks” while searching for people on the Internet] and dialed up the number he called most often, figuring it was his home. The woman who answered was Benoit’s wife, and I said I was a courier with a delivery for him, but the address on the package got mangled and could she please confirm their address? She gave it to me, and when I said her husband would need to sign a delivery receipt — all basically true except me having an address to start with — she even told me when her husband was usually home. I got \$3000 for making that delivery, plus his wife made a wonderful roast beef dinner.”


With a circulation of 12,000 readers, *Ugly Things* prides itself in its coverage of “Wild Sounds from Past Dimensions” — from 1920s rural blues to obscure 1960s beat, garage, and psychedelic music. The magazine debuted in 1983, just over two years after publisher Mike Stax moved to San Diego from London to perform with the Crawdaddys and then the Tell-Tale Hearts. “There was a small ’60s




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Mike Stax

scene in town, but the music on MTV and in *Rolling Stone* was A Flock of Seagulls, Culture Club, or the Psychedelic Furs. *Ugly Things* was a



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reaction to that...and it grew to the point where I started trying to actually track down bands, to get firsthand information and access to their archives and memories, instead of just rewriting what I found in

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books and magazines.”

Stax’s magazine has uncovered and interviewed many one-time hitmakers who are today remembered only by cult devotees — bassist Ray Benich of the Damnation of Adam Blessing, the Outsiders’ Wally Tax, Phil May and Twink of the Pretty Things, producer Shel Talmy, and Sky Saxon from the Seeds.

“The way I usually track these guys down is by going through phone directories from all over the country, just finding people with the same last names and making phone calls to everyone in hopes of finding my guy directly or maybe a family member who can put me on the right path.”

Stax says that long-lost rockers often respond to his efforts to find them with bewilderment. “Most are completely baffled as to why. They’re a bit skeptical or suspicious of what my motives might be. But once we start talking about their music and naming songs and specific details, they realize that I really do appreciate what they did.”

One of the most satisfying hunts, says Stax, was tracking down the Monks, five American GIs who formed a band while stationed in Germany in 1966.

“Since they couldn’t grow their hair long like most rock and rollers, they shaved their heads like monks, dressed in black robes with a rope around their necks, and actually got signed by Polydor Records. They had a minimalist, stripped-down sound, with tribal drumbeats, feedback, an electric banjo they used as kind of a percussion instrument — very ahead of their time. This was before anyone had ever heard of the Velvet Underground or Jimi Hendrix. They all had common names, so I was having no luck finding them through phone books. Then, quite by accident, it turned out that a friend of a friend’s uncle was Eddie Shaw from the Monks. Once I got a hold of Eddie by phone, I drove all the way out to Carson City, Nevada, to meet with him. We spent a weekend going through all his scrapbooks and photos, his original clothes, even his bass guitar. It was quite amazing, this long-lost time capsule he dusted off for us.”

Persistence and detective work went into finding Sid Herring from the Mississippi band the Gants. “He was still writing songs, but he never did find an audience for what he did, and [he] was just doing some anonymous jobs like aluminum siding or something. He ended up getting the Gants back together a couple of years ago. They’ve played New York City a few times and some huge Mis-

issippi State ball game.”

When Stax caught up with pop Svengali Kim Fowley, who in the ’70s put together the all-girl band the Runaways (remembered only for the inclusion of then-teenager Joan Jett), the loquacious producer provided several hours of insider insight. “He made quite a lot of sexual references and offensive remarks about women...as you would expect from Kim.”

Stax admits it’s not always easy, even after he finds his quarry. “Not all of these guys have pleasant memories to share. A lot of them went through some real painful stuff, some serious tragedies. For the second issue, I tracked down Sean Bonniwell, [guitar player] from the Music Machine. They had a top 10 hit in 1966 [actually, “Talk Talk” charted in the Top 40 only], but nobody had ever talked to him about those days.... I tracked him down through a contact I had at Rhino Records, as they were considering [releasing] some reissues [of Music Machine recordings].”

Two decades past his band’s glory days, Bonniwell ends up living in a garage with no running water, on a horse ranch in Porterville, California, north of Bakersfield, while waging war in court against the Music Machine’s original label, Original Sound, to recoup songwriting royalties.

Bonniwell’s memories of the ’60s aren’t the least bit rosy. According to an *Ugly Things* interview, Bonniwell said, “We’d play almost anywhere, any time, but our resources were never coordinated at all. That, and the fact that we rarely got paid. You couldn’t take a check from a promoter back then, because it would bounce. So I’d have a big brown shopping bag and take the cash from the door.” The Music Machine dressed themselves all in black, and each wore a black leather glove on one hand — years before Michael Jackson’s “gloved one” persona.

“I went into one place in the South and wanted to use the restroom,” Bonniwell says. “And this was still in the days when there was segregation. The owner said, ‘The white restroom is here, the black restroom is there, and you ain’t got one.’ ” ■

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Bach with a Hangover

Zounds, behold this vast passacaglia made up of a series of threefold units.

The first time I heard the *Goldberg Variations*, or was made to sit still and listen, I didn't have much of a reaction. Of course, I was young and had little experience of Baroque

keyboard music, but I did try to make out what I was hearing. The occasion was a "class," held in a little stucco bungalow facing out on the Straits of Juan de Fuca, in the winter of 1971-'72. The teacher was the British poet Basil Bunting. The class was, in theory, a "creative writing/poetry" session, but Bunting almost immediately registered the folly and obnoxious nature of such an enterprise and had those few of us whose egos weren't too mutilated to his modest, temporary home to listen to music and to listen to poetry read aloud. He thought it might do us some good, if anything could. Bunting had supported himself in the 1920s and the early '30s as a music critic, first in London then New York. His taste was for Renaissance and Baroque music: Purcell, Dowland, Byrd, Scarlatti, Monteverdi, and Bach, at least the *Goldbergs*.

But the first time I actually heard the "Goldberg Variations" was some ten years later in Seattle. I was driving with a friend whom I'd met years before in Bunting's class, McGonagall of Vancouver, the flamenco aficionado I've mentioned in this column before. We were hung over, having given a poetry reading the night before, and driving from downtown up to the University district. It was one of those awful little tin cans from England that a lot of Canadians drove back then, an Austin-Healy or Mini-Minor or something. The heater didn't work, and I had a wretched cold that dovetailed cruelly with the hangover. But I had one of my greatest musical experiences that morning. McGonagall had two cassette tapes he'd brought down with him from

Canada. One was the magnificent Scottish singer Jean Redpath performing various settings of poems by Robert Burns. (A Scotsman, necessarily, travels with such things.) The other cassette was the legendary 1953 performance by Glenn Gould of Bach's *Goldberg Variations*.

Upon hearing it I did not say to myself, *Zounds, behold this vast passacaglia made up of a series of threefold units, each consisting of two variations in free style followed by a canonic variation, the canon occurring at successively larger intervals*. What I did hear was Bach in all of its clarity of structure, without any of the Romantic inflection or smearing, the ornamentation understated, in the French style, its

32 parts as a unity. Much, I thought to myself, as Bach would have played it himself, had he a modern piano close at hand.

What with that hangover and cold, I'm doubtless giving myself too much credit. But that was a beginning of a love affair with Bach's keyboard music, especially Gould's handling of it.

And I like no Bach better than the *Goldbergs*. For those of you who don't regularly wrap your ears around Bach and might want to give him a try, I list 14 versions of the *Variations Goldberg*, as the French would have them. The three piano versions — by Gould, Tureck, Nikolayeva, and Perahia, the most recent — are all superb. The Gould is the earliest. If you enjoy his interpretation and *attack*, you might want to try out his studio recording from 1981, also on CBS/Sony. I have, this past year, been taken with the Tureck performance, a studio recording from Hamburg in 1998, and not only is the playing matchless, but the sound is without

equal. The Russian Nikolayeva handles *Variation 25*, the long *Adagio* movement, unforgettably. You think for a moment you're listening to Mahler, such is its expressive force.

The history of performances of the *Goldbergs* is interesting. Apart from a 1928 performance by Rudolf Serkin on a player piano, the *Goldberg Variations* were not played in their entirety until 1933 in Paris, by Wanda Landowska on the harpsichord. The work could not be performed complete on solo piano until the 1950s. Even with the most recent recordings, because of the limited CD format, the *Variations* are seldom performed with all of their "repeats" (repetition of melodic or dance figures with accompanying ornaments), particularly in the longer variations.

If you'd like to hear the *Goldbergs* the way they probably sounded in Count Keyserlinck's drawing room in 1742, you might like Trevor Pinnock's version on a restored 17th-century two-manual harpsichord. As for the assorted transcriptions, listed are perfor-

mances by string trio, string orchestra, organ, accordion, two pianos, and cimbalom. There is also a most interesting mixture of piano and harpsichord, the former played in most instances in a syncopated or jazz manner, by the pianist and former member of the Modern Jazz Quartet John Lewis, and his wife Mirjana, who clearly comes from the classical end of

the spectrum. There are other jazz versions of Bach, usually awful, but this one on the *Chess Game* is fascinating in the interactions between the two instruments and thoroughly dissimilar approaches.

Musicians love to transcribe Bach, and the *Goldbergs* are no exception. Of the two versions for string orchestra, the Stuttgart performance on Mono Poly far outstrips the early NES Chamber Orchestra performance on None-

such. The latter enjoyed large success on its release in 1995, but it has nothing like the orchestral texture and color of the Stuttgart version, nor the imagination or variety in the transcription. The organ, accordion, and cimbalom adaptations are more curiosities than successes. I held out some hope for the organ version, but it brings very little to the piece, likewise the accordion, for similar reasons, as it is a similar instrument.

The *Variations Goldberg*, a version for two pianos by Joseph Rheinberger in 1883 and revised by Max Reger in 1903, works very well indeed, and it makes perfectly good sense why it might, as most of the *Variations* are designed for two keyboards. I recommend this disc, as well as — and even more emphatically — the version for string trio on the Orfeo label and Kurt Rodarmer's transcription and performance on guitar on Sony Classical. This last is really extraordinary. If you like Bach and you like guitar, run down the street and *go git it!* ■

Bach, *The Goldberg Variations*, Gould (CBS MYK 348479)

J.S. Bach, *Goldberg Variationen*, Rosalyn Tureck (Deutsche Grammophon 289 459 599-2)

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Wayne Shorter /687/: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, April 20, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

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Sizzla /744/: Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, April 23, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

The Strokes /104/: 4th & B, Tuesday, April 23, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Cracker /400/: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, April 24, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

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.

"Pop Disaster Tour" with blink-182 /158/, **Green Day /198/**, and **Jimmy Eat World /514/**: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, April 25, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Jack Johnson /823/: RIMAC Arena, Friday, April 26, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

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Alan Jackson /777/: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, April 28, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Slayer /538/: 4th & B, Tuesday, April 30, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.

MAY

Alanis Morissette and **Ryan Adams**: Cox Arena, Wednesday, May 1, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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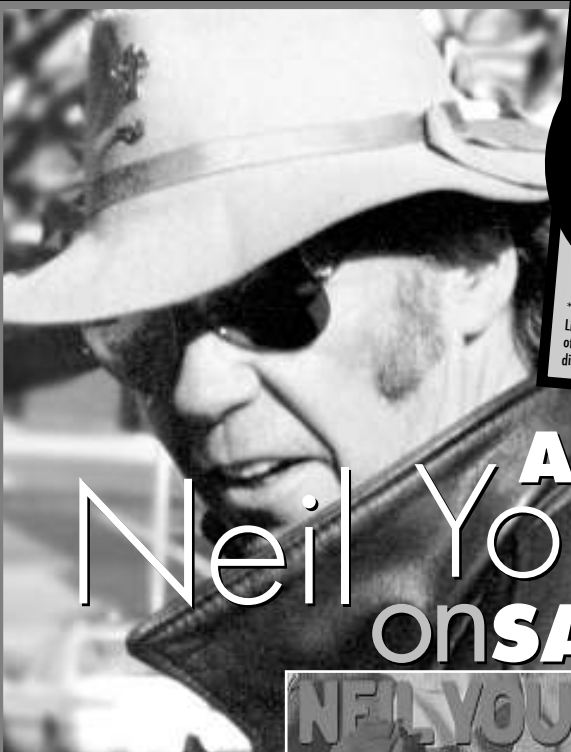
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REO Speedwagon /567: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, May 9, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Julio Iglesias /615: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, May 10, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Dave Matthews Band /202/ and **Government Mule:** Coors Amphitheatre, Monday, May 13, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Jonny Lang /953: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, May 16, and Friday, May 17, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Motörhead /226/ and **Morbid Angel:** 4th & B, Sunday, May 19, 345 B

Street, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-231-4343.

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B.B. King: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, May 20, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

David Sylvian: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, May 21, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Knitters: The Casbah, Friday, May 24, and Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Peter Murphy /220: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, May 26, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Trey Anastasio: Open Air Theatre, Tuesday, May 28, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Jethro Tull /566: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, May 29, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Bad Company (featuring **Paul Rodgers**): Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, May 29, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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JUNE

The Neville Brothers and the **Fabulous Thunderbirds:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 2, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Simple Minds: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, June 18, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Buena Vista Social Club (featuring **Omara Portuondo**): Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Robert Cray Band and **Taj Mahal & the Phantom Blues Band /960:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 20, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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JULY

Keali'i Reichel: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 1, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dan Fogelberg and **Cindy Bullens:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 3, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Martina McBride /801: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 9, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Huey Lewis & the News /562: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 13, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Chieftains /867: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Pat Benatar /561: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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Trisha Yearwood: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 26, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Natalie Cole /435/, **George Benson /612/**, and **Chris Botti /689:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 27, 7 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Randy Travis /779: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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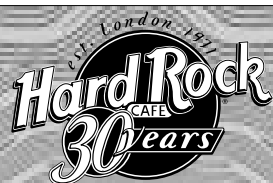
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263**The Rugburns:** Belly Up Tavern
Scissorhands: Club Xanth
201**Scorch:** Tio Leo's Lounge
Secondwind: Jolt'n Joe's (Escondido)
The Shady Acres: The Scene
The Shoetoe Project: Blind Melons
255**Shot Out Hoods:** Brick By Brick
Sole Duncan: Tio Leo's Lounge
Soledad Brothers: The Casbah
Spell Toronto: Dream Street
Split Decision: Dream Street
Square Circle: The Casbah
Static Halo: The Playhouse
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The Matthew Stewart Project: The Playhouse
Stumpy: The Scene
Subside: Blind Melons
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208**Superunloader:** Blind Melons
Swilbilly: Dream Street
Thicker Than Thieves: Jolt'n Joe's (Escondido)
3P Soope: Blind Melons
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Trite: The Playhouse
Troy's Bucket: The Playhouse
21 Rest: Brick By Brick, 'Canes Bar and Grill
2 Cents: Blind Melons
The Ultimate Fakebook: Epicentre
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The Uprights: The Scene
Von Bondies: The Casbah
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Waterline Drift: The Casbah
Western Waste: Blind Melons
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The Bastards of Glory: Tio Leo's Lounge
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The Big Eddie Band: Fannie's
Blind Luck: Second Wind (Escondido)
Bone: Surf N'Saddle
Boneyard: Coyote Bar and Grill
Bottomline: Fogerty's Pub
John Bowe: Humphrey's
498**The Joey Bowen Band:** Blind Melons, Buffalo Joe's
449**The Church:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
The Classics: Second Wind (San Carlos)
Daemos: Brick By Brick
Craig Dawson: Buffalo Joe's
Dead Kennedys: Brick By Brick
The Electric Waste Band: Winstons
493**fluf:** The Casbah
Footloose: Carvers
The Full Circle Band: Blind Melons
Full Xposure: Dirk's Nitedub
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461**Hera's Olive:** Dick's Last Resort
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Ir: Winstons

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EXTENSION 4004

POP/TOP 40

Brother Love: Surf N'Saddle
611 **Nikka Costa:** Belly Up Tavern
The Disco Pimps: Buffalo Joe's
The 80z Allstars: Buffalo Joe's (Carlsbad)
Stephen Knight: Shooters Bar and Grill
606 **Liquid Blue:** Boar Cross'n
Danny Lopez: The Butcher Shop
Makai: Humphrey's

Modern Rhythm Band: Humphrey's
The New Breed Band: The Alley
Jack Pollack: Shooters Bar and Grill
622 **Robberecht the Pianoman:** The Westgate Hotel, Roger's on 5th
Roz & the Wrecking Crew: Jimmy Love's
Slapp City: Jimmy Love's
603 **Spiritualized:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
Stayin' Alive: Viejas Casino
Super Funk Fantasy: Jimmy Love's
Sweet Dreams: Neimans Bar and Grill

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ/ BIG BAND

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies, Viejas Casino
Black Mambo: Chuey's Numero Uno
The Boogie Woogie Duo: Juke Joint Cafe
703 **John Cain:** Hotel del Coronado
Calima: The Raintree
The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bar
667 **Gilbert Castellanos:** Lilo's
The Gilbert Castellanos Quartet: Juke Joint Cafe
Mike Cea: The Beach House
Judy Chamberlain: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge
Kenny Cougar: Seacoast Fine Dining
The Credit Union: Neimans Bar and Grill
Jo Dark: The German-American Societies

Dean Davidson: Chesapeake Bar & Grill
The Dirty Dozen Brass Band: Belly Up Tavern
E.S.P.: Dizzy's
638 **Glen Fisher con Alma:** Croce's Jazz Bar
644 **Hollis Gentry:** Coyote Bar and Grill
Cynthia Hammond: Juke Joint Cafe
Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del Coronado, Juke Joint Cafe
The Chris Klich Jazz Quintet: The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe
674 **Kokopelli:** Humphrey's
La Octet: Dizzy's
Carrie Landsgaard: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza
Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado
718 **Tim Maglione:** Jimmy Love's
660 **The Shep Meyers Quartet:** Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar
Larry Moore: Moray's Lounge
Mystique: Jimmy Love's
Neon: Croce's Jazz Bar
641 **Sue Palmer:** Juke Joint Cafe
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Jimmy Patton: Miracles Cafe
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Pro2Call: Humphrey's
682 **Quiet Storm:** Humphrey's
Ras 1: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)
Dean Paul Ratzman: The Tin Fish, La Bocca Ristorante, The Boathouse Restaurant
665 **Robert Walter's 20th Congress:** The Casbah
Rick Ross: The Beach House

659 **Rick Ross-Piano:** The Inn at the Park, Moray's Lounge
The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn Suites
Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time: Jimmy Love's
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655 **Tony Taravella:** The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, Kensington Coffee Company
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The Jaime Valle Bossa-Jazz Quartet: Tutto Mare
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REGGAE/ SKA

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Earth Ride: Henry's Pub
Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations: Belly Up Tavern, Buffalo Joe's
Jah Blood & Fire Angels: Winstons
The Jerry McCann Band: Coyote Bar and Grill
Nathan Moore: Victor's Restaurant & Bar
740 **Psydecar:** Victor's Restaurant & Bar

747 **Semisi & Fulabula:** The Beach House
Shine Eye: Neimans Bar and Grill, Buffalo Joe's
The Slip: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

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Wishbone: Magnolia Mulvaney's
The Working Cowboy Band: The Del Dios Country Store

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC/ FOLK

Aja: Il Forno Bistro
880 **Berkley Hart:** Belly Up Tavern
Cindy Lee Berryhill: Belly Up Tavern
860 **The Boxty Band:** The Field
Cobblestone: The Field
Robbie Dodos: Java Joe's Coffeehouse
Evans: Kelly's Pub
Glenfinian: The Camelot Inn
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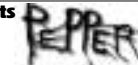


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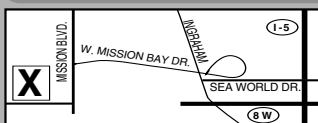
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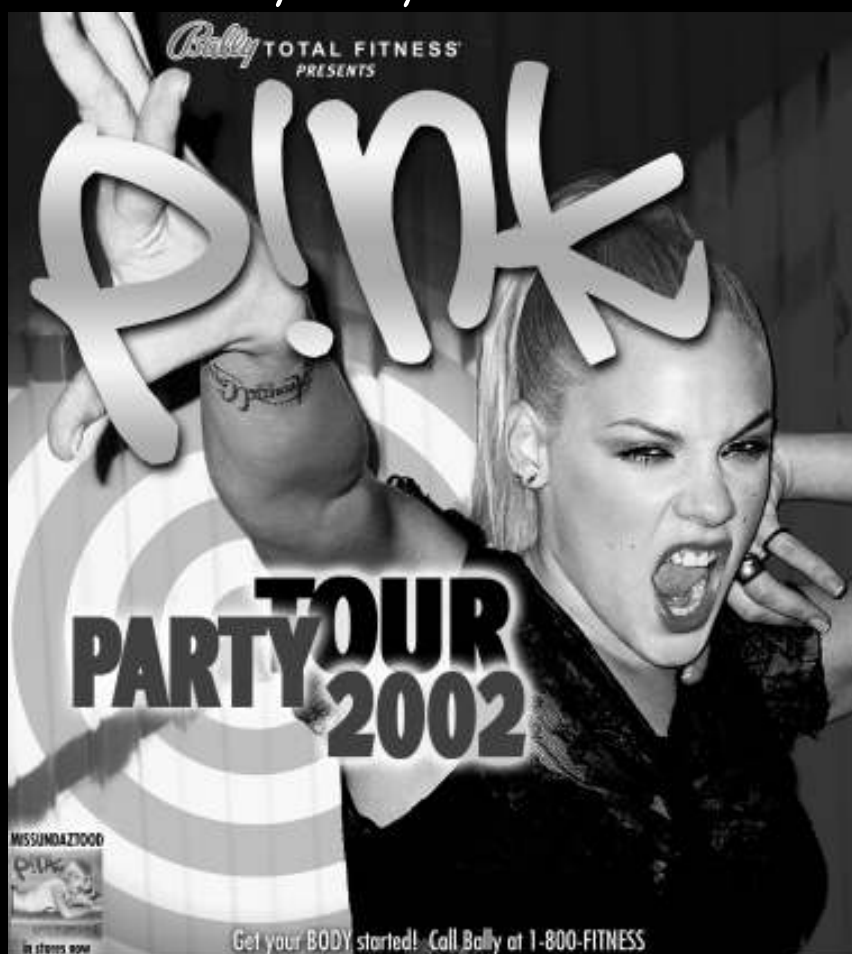
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965 **Whitey Conwell:** Buffalo Joe's

932 **Tomcat Courtney & the**

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910 **Jeff Moore and the**

Witchdoctors: The Kraken

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Lady Star & the Bustin'

Loose Blues Band: Viejas Casino

952 **Michele Lundeen:** Patrick's II

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921 **Len Rainey & the Midnight**

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918 **Ruby & the Red Hots:**

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913 **Shelle:** Juke Joint Cafe

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945 **Soul Persuaders:** Humphrey's

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Tones: Neimans Bar and Grill

916 **The Swingin' Kings:**

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929 **Theo & the Zydeco Patrol:**

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OF NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

First things first: that band name sounds like the title of a slasher film, but the Austin four-piece insists it comes from a phrase used in both ancient Mayan writings and the Egyptian Book of the Dead. Whatever its origins, it's one heck of an attention-grabber. And you will know them by the cool band name.

Once they have your attention, how do they keep it? They are notorious for their live act, in which instruments get smashed (they are later pieced back together with duct tape). They have reportedly been banned from many clubs. And you will know them by the trail of guitar parts.

On *Source Tags and Codes*, their first

album for a major label, the **Trail of Dead** boys try to focus all that energy into dynamic arrangements and an ambitious, powerful piece of work. Obvious benchmarks are Sonic Youth and Fugazi, but Trail of Dead adds string and horn arrangements, shortwave-radio noises, and other effects. And you will know them by the wall of sound.

But there's another element to this band that's harder to understand. The first clue is in the ornate calligraphy of the logo. You'll also notice a surprising amount of medieval imagery in the CD booklet and on the band's website. And then there are lyrics like "You were fair and fey as a sun that evil day" and "Ride the apocalypse...Fallen angel, no need to hide."

I liked *The Lord of the Rings* too, but



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this is kind of weird. And you will know them by their Dungeons and Dragons manuals.

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Brass Rail, 3796 Fifth Avenue,
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www.hollywoodstargirlie.com.

Ice House Young Adult Dance Club: Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D and guest DJs spin hip-hop, R&B, and Latin house; DJs Battle and Shakes spin trance, progressive house, and jungle on the patio. Thursday, April 4, Spring Break Jam 2002. All ages; high school ID required for admittance. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido, 760-741-1271.

Karma: Thursdays, house music from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, midtown, 619-294-9590. www.clubmontage.com.

Klub Kaos: Wednesdays, weekly guest DJs spinning trance, house, and hard house. No dress code. Large outdoor area with fire pit. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. 680 San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. Event information, 760-744-4120.



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Moonoggies: Thursdays and Sundays, DJ R.I.O. spins hip-hop 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesdays, hip-hop and house with DJ Joey Jimenez. 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-6550.

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Sasha and Digweed: Friday, May 3, 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.; 18 and up. San Diego Sports Arena, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

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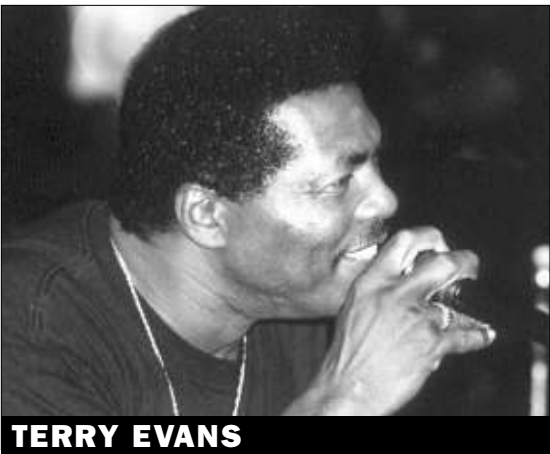
BY DAVE GOOD

Fans of the film *Crossroads* may want to rewind their video copies to the beginning and take note — that's **Terry Evans** singing J.B. Lenoir's "Down in Mississippi." It's a good read, and it sets a bone-weary share-cropper tone for the rest of the movie. The golden age of blues singers happened decades ago, but Evans, whose home was in the Delta, is still at the microphone.

For my money, I'd like to see something else behind Evans other than the slick-sounding L.A.-style soul band he has assembled, and I'd like to see him reach deeper into the material than bar struts and shuffles dedicated to the ladies for his live shows. But then again, Evans did earn the stamp of approval

from roots-music gadfly Ry Cooder, who toured him throughout Europe and donated a song or two to Evans's recordings. Cooder also produced Evans's first album (*Blues for Thought*) in 1993 and played slide on subsequent releases. In turn, Evans's first work for Cooder was on the guitarist's *Chicken Skin Music*.

What I like most about Terry Evans is that fat, soulful preacher's baritone he sings with. He began singing in the Mount Pilgrim Church choir in Vicksburg, Mississippi, when he was 12. He formed the Knights fresh out of high school. The group was a cappella, and Evans claims he sang most octaves. He made the jump from the Deep South to the shallow West when he landed in L.A. in 1962. There, he wrote songs for Pop Staples and Louis Jordan, among others. Evans broke into the national scene with a



TERRY EVANS

group called the Turnarounds and Stingers and their R&B single "Birds and the Bees." He has since worked with the late John Lee Hooker, John Fogerty, Joan Armatrading, and Boz Scaggs.

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North County

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

The Beach House, 2530 South Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-753-1321. Performances begin at 7 pm. Thursday, *Rick Ross*, jazz. Friday, *Trio du Jour*, jazz. Saturday, *the Justin Brothers*, acoustic. Sunday, 6 pm to 9 pm, *Mike Cea*, jazz duo. Wednesday, *Semisi & Fulabula*, reggae.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, 9:15 pm, *the Rugburns, Berkley Hart*, and *Cindy Lee Berryhill*, acoustic. Saturday, 9:15 pm, *the Dirty Dozen Brass Band* with *Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations*. Sunday, call club for information. Tuesday, *Umphrey's McGee*. Wednesday, 8:30 pm, *Nikka Costa* and *Maroon 5*.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Liquid Blue*, pop rock.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall. I-5 at Via de la Valle,

Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, *the Chris Klich Jazz Quintet*.

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Chesapeake Bar & Grill, 1068 North El Camino Real, Encinitas. 760-943-0177. Friday, *Dean Davidson*, jazz.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Blue Largo*, blues, jazz. Friday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Jerry McCann Band*, reggae, rock. Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, *the Ventilators*, rock, blues, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Len Rainey & the Midnight Players*, blues. Sunday, 2 pm to 4:30 pm, *Blue Largo*, blues, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Hollis Gentry*, jazz. Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Late Late Show*, rock. Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Boneyard*, rock.

The Del Dios Country Store, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733. Friday and Saturday, *the Working Cowboy Band*, country.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Bottomline*. Wednesday, *Identify Crisis*.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *Nude BBQ*, rock. Saturday, *Tommy Price*, acoustic.

Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 760-743-7665. Friday, *Thicker Than Thieves, Not For You*, and *Secondwind*. Saturday, call club for information.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, *Jeff Moore* and *the Witchdoctors*, blues,

rock. Friday, *Tommy Budd & Windy City*, blues. Saturday, *Secret Weapon*.

La Casa del Zorro, 3845 Yaqui Pass Road, Borrego Springs. 760-767-5323. Fox Den: Thursday through Saturday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Tony Lencioni*. Sunday and Monday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Dick Matson*, piano and vocals.

La Costa Coffee Roasting Co., 6965 El Camino Real, Suite 208, La Costa. 760-438-8160. Music hours are from 7 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *Sonny & the Rumble Tones*, blues. Saturday, *Brian Koehler*, folk.

La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge, La Costa Resort and Spa, Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad. 760-438-9111. Friday and Saturday, live pop music.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at "D" Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *Ras 1*. Tuesday, 9 pm, *the David Patrone Quartet*.

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Surf N' Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474.

Thursday, open mike. Friday, *Brother Love*, pop. Saturday, *Bone*, rock.

Beaches

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *2 Cents*, *Western Waste*, *Subside*, and *Pity the Fool*. Friday, *Superunloader*, alternative. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *3P Soope*, 8 pm, *Ghoulspoon*, the *Joey Bowen Band*, and *Agrokulcher*, alternative/rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, *the Shoetoe Project*, 8:30 pm, *Ricksha* and *Luke's Wall*. Monday, *the Diablotones*, ska.

Tuesday, *Terry Evans*, blues. Wednesday, *the Full Circle Band*, rock.

'Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the Church* and *Jason Mraz*. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, *Spiritualized* and *the Black Rebel Motorcycle Club*. Sunday, *Zero Day*, *Maypole*, *Kramer's Rule*, and *Cockpit*. Wednesday, *the Brothers from Another Planet*, *Big Bad Zero*, *21 Rest*, and *Falling Aspirations*.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Friday, *Fish & the Seaweeds* with *Private Domain*, funk, blues, rock. Saturday, call club for information.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. All shows start at 8 pm. Music is alternative. Thursday, *Koro Remoh*, *Down Machine*, *Forwater*, and *Petty*

Cash. Friday, *Center Fugue*, *Swillbelly*, *Overflow*, and *Zone 4*. Saturday, *Sunveil*, *Product*, *Hot Box*, and *Spell Toronto*. Wednesday, *Middle Finger*, *Split Decision*, *Karma*, and *Nixon Rules*.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Friday and Saturday, 8 pm, *Judy Chamberlain*, jazz.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 619-454-5101. Friday, *Theo & the Zydeco Patrol*, blues.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday and Saturday, call club for information.

Il Forno Bistro/The Room, 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. Thursday and Friday, *Fabizio*, classical music. Saturday, *Robert Wetzel*, classical guitar, Flamenco. Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Aja*, contemporary, folk, pop.

Java Joe's Coffeehouse, 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Friday, *Jason Hill*, *Brian Karscig*, and *Robbie Dodos*. Saturday, *Jackass Nebraska*. Sunday, *Lucy Kaplanski*. Monday, Wendy's open-mike night.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Barry Levich*, piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Leviticus*.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 8:30 pm to midnight, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Sunday through Tuesday, 8:30 pm, *Larry Moore*, piano and vocals.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Club Tremors, call club for information.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Jack Pollack*, piano. Wednesday, *Stephen Knight*.

Victor's Restaurant & Bar, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Saturday, *the Slip*, *Nathan Moore*, and *Pysdecar*, reggae.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Ir* and *Harmony 24*, rock/alternative. Friday, *Lake Trout* and *the Baldwin Brothers*, rock. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *Snake Oil Revival*, 8 pm, *Melvin Seals' Melting Pot* with *the Damn Dirty Apes*, alternative. Sunday, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors*, 9 pm, *Jah Blood & Fire Angels*. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, rock. Tuesday, *the Devastators*, rock, reggae. Wednesday, *Jive*.

San Diego

Anthony's Star of the Sea, 1360 North Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-232-7408. Thursday and Friday, 5:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Duo*, Brazilian-Latin jazz.

Beans Cafe, 4176 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa. 858-627-0888. Saturday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Tuan To*, pianist.

The Boathouse Restaurant, 2040 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego. 619-231-0489. Wednesday, 7 pm to 9 pm, *the Louisa West-Jimmy Patton Duo*, jazz. Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Scare Tactic*, *Warface*, *Under the Stone*, and *Daemos*. Saturday, *Piece of Mind*, *Rage*, and *Not For You*. Tuesday, *Downside*, *21 Rest*, *Luke's Wall*, and *Friction Switch*. Wednesday, *Dead Kennedys*, *Shot Out Hoods*, *Betty Ford Allstars*, and *Noise God*.

Club Hollywood, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102. Call club for information.

Club Xanth, 6179 University Avenue, San Diego. 619-584-2720. Thursday, 7 pm, *Scissorhands*, alternative. Saturday, midnight to 4 am, *Cathedral*, alternative/gothic, Industrial/Techno.

The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, 3865 Fifth Street, Hillcrest. 619-298-5908. Saturday, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *Tony Taravella*, jazz.

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The Tin Fish, 1706 Sixth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-8100. Saturday, 11:30 am to 2:30 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

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Sushi Island

Some things in life are greater than the sum of their parts — the Chrysler PT Cruiser, say, and a few restaurants, too. Tomiko is one. Through some alchemy of the food, the view, and the accommodating service, it produces an oddly fulfilling sense of pleasure and ease.

The charm takes hold as soon as you step inside the door. With its dark, rustic beams, Tomiko's architecture calls to mind the sort of Japanese country inn where you might encounter Toshiro Mifune in samurai drag, doing chopstick-fu between bites of rice. It's actually an old boathouse, a hexagonal wood-and-stone building high on a bluff above the railroad tracks that run alongside Old Highway 101. (A boathouse atop a hill, a quarter-mile from the beach? The surf must have been really huge the day they built it!)

As you step up to the hostess station, you're dazzled by the panoramic vista of the railroad tracks (complete with one eyesore billboard), the grassy hills overlooking the sea, and serene Moonlight Beach. One wall displays a mesmerizing saltwater fish tank, complete with coral, clown-faced fish, fan-finned fish, and a large plump gray fellow, purse-lipped and dreamy-eyed, resembling a preoccupied computer coder. Most tables are set into small booths, and a few moveable shoji screens divide the room into more intimate areas. Directly in the center, where the ceiling comes to a pinnacle, is a long sushi island that's serene on weeknights, slammin' on the weekends.

Although the sushi bar is the center of attention, the cooked foods from the kitchen are at least equally pleasing. San Diego has probably a few hundred sushi bars that also serve a routine "Japanese" dinner menu. At Tomiko, the dinner menu isn't just an afterthought: The kitchen offers 16 appetizers (about half of them traditional Japanese snacks) plus ten entrées, which tend more toward Pacific Rim fusion.

Appetizers are a very strong suit here. The showpiece of the starters is a "salmon tower tartare," three layers of fried wonton skins, each topped with silky salmon sashimi, capers, chopped tomatoes, and an exciting "creamy miso dressing" in which Japanese mayo and a touch of hot sauce play Oscar-worthy supporting roles. I was even more enchanted by a generous portion of



"drunken black cod" — drunken because it's marinated in a mixture of sake, miso, and a touch of sugar. This standard yakitori offering is exceptionally tender here, grilled with admirable precision.

When they're available, don't miss the plump, pristine raw oysters. A vibrant *ponzu* dipping sauce with orange and lime juices gussies up a soy and *mirin* mixture. Spring rolls are filled with a slightly sweet mixture of shrimp (in ample quantity), shiitake mushrooms, spinach, and clear noodles. Monkfish liver is treated like maritime duck liver (which its dense, creamy texture resembles) and pressed into a somewhat bland paté. Steamed clams are the essence of Japanese taste — the tiny Manila clams are perfectly cooked in a simple, almost neutral broth based on gingered sake dotted with scallion tops. (If you order this, move fast and snag those bivalves before they cook any further.) Another classic is *agedashi* tofu, large cubes of "silken" bean curd lightly deep-fried with custard-soft centers, set atop a tempura sauce with

a spicy bite from shredded raw daikon. Thread-like bonito flakes coating the tops of the cubes wave disconcertingly in the steam like tiny tentacles and imbue the neutral tofu with a fishy flavor.

The sushi island is one of Tomiko's most popular features and is usually jammed on weekend evenings. Local fans often call ahead to find out if their favorite chef is on that night — especially head sushi chef Kazuo Morita, who works five days a week. If you can't snag a seat at the bar, you can order sushi from your table — as a starter course or a full meal — but wherever you sit, the weekend rush can affect the quality. On a quiet weeknight, we sampled two lifetime-so-far sushi bests: The *toro* ("fat tuna" belly) was so rich it literally melted in our mouths — it was like eating clouds. And a near-ideal spicy scallop hand roll boasted perfectly seasoned (just hot enough) Japanese mayo with cucumber sticks and plump, perfectly fresh Pacific "bay" scallops running all the way through the cone, rather than huddling at the top as they do

REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

Tomiko

★★ (very good)

87 Encinitas Boulevard (at Best Western, just west of I-5), Encinitas; 760-633-3587; www.tomiko.com

HOURS: Lunch weekdays only, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Dinner Sunday–Thursday 5:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m., weekends to 10:30 p.m. (closing later in summer).

PRICES: Appetizers \$3–\$8.50. Entrées \$14–\$21. (Lunch entrées about 30% less.)

CUISINE AND WINE: Japanese classics, Pacific Rim fusion, and sushi. Good sake list, plus some California wines. Full bar.

NEED TO KNOW: On the south side of Encinitas Boulevard, look for small Best Western sign (one driveway west of Denny's) and make a sharp right up the winding driveway to the top of the hill. Free parking in lot or hotel garage. Reserve for weekends, especially for jam-packed sushi bar. Crowd a bit dressy on weekends. Live music in adjoining Sake City bar on Friday nights.

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in inferior hand rolls.

On a hectic weekend evening, though, a California roll (included on a combo platter) had the texture of a washcloth and a dull flavor, despite an abundance of genuine sweet crab meat — it suffered from not enough cucumber, mediocre avocado, and uneven seasoning, with evil little pockets of salt hiding in the rice. A "Rasta Roll" proved to be merely a Philadelphia roll variation, a reverse-roll with rice on the outside wrapped around smoked salmon and cream cheese. If in the late '60s, we had Frank Zappa's

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“Suzy Creamcheese,” since the ’90s we’ve had a role reversal — cream cheese sushi. Frankly, I’m convinced that cream cheese rolls are a perversion that ought to be confined to strict house arrest back in Philly. I don’t get the Rastafarian connection, either.

The kitchen is an altogether different scene, quite separate from the sushi bar — although Morita keeps an expert eye on the quality of the incoming fish for both venues. Dinner includes miso soup or salad. Even if you haven’t developed a taste for miso, this soup may yet convert you, with its thick, almost-creamy broth and very mild soy flavor. The salad (a typical fodder array, a-riot with raw carrot slices) has a slightly sweet dressing based on sushi vinegar.

The entrée list emphasizes

seafood (with grilled chicken, Korean-style beef strips, and New York steak for fish-haters). A house specialty, flame-broiled Chilean sea bass, was pillow-tender under a smooth mango-citron sauce that was best during the first four bites, until its sweetness wore out its welcome. Another evening’s “catch of the day,” grilled salmon, was cooked until dry and garnished with a rather ordinary mango salsa. Seafood brochettes glazed with Asian black bean sauce were better handled: The sea bass and fine-quality scallops were grilled *à point*, although the small shrimp (40–50 size to the pound) were slightly overcooked. Along with two skewers of marine life there was a brochette of vegetables with the same glaze, including onions, red pepper, and an ingredient that will surely sound like an oxymoron: terrific zucchini,

thickly sliced, with a toothsome texture from the grill.

In the past, the menu included a half-dozen combination plates. Now there’s just one: “Three’s a Charm” is a dinner-sized expansion of a Bento box lunch, with beef or chicken teriyaki, mixed tempura, and the aforementioned California roll. The kitchen blends its own low-sodium soy sauce, with a mellow, subtler flavor (and palpably less salt) than store-bought brands. You can taste the difference in the exemplary beef teriyaki. Lightly rubbed with house-made teriyaki sauce, that night it came off the grill still juicily pink in the center. The tempura (of shrimp and assorted vegetables) was a perfect lacy frizzle, cooked in oil so hot that a sweet onion slice remained nearly raw under the greaseless batter.

Typically, Japanese restaurants offer only a couple of exotic ice creams for dessert. Not Tomiko — here, along with not two but four exotic ice creams, there are several elaborate confections. Among them, the intense “Passion Supreme” is best shared, as befits its name. A pistachio-crust sponge cake, soaked in a sweet syrup, is topped with creamy passion fruit mousse, a fine balance of sweetness and tartness. A milkshake topped with whipped cream is also rich enough and large enough for two — it’s a thick shake of Japanese-style ginger ice cream, with an optional shot of rum (quite a hefty pour the night I tried it). The rum adds three extra flavor layers — alcohol, sugarcane, and a hint of bitterness. Fittingly, the dessert section of the menu is headed “Happy Endings.” We’ve always

been happy, indeed, when eating at Tomiko. Maybe it’s the air up there.

ABOUT TOMIKO

Tomiko was founded in May 1999 by Tomiko Carrillo and sushi chef Kazuo Morita. Tokyo-trained Morita (nicknamed “Kaz”) was head sushi chef at the highly regarded Yae in Rancho Bernardo and then worked at Nobu in Solana Beach, a branch of a deluxe chain owned by celebrated sushi pioneer Nobu Matsuhisa. Tomiko was a partner at Nobu. After working together for a while, she and Kazuo decided to team up and start a restaurant of their own, highlighting both reasonably priced sushi and a full menu of modern, health-conscious Japanese and Pacific Rim cuisine. They found a 15-year-old boathouse in Encinitas, across

the lane from the Best Western, turned it into a restaurant and sushi bar (with a separate but adjoining bar-lounge that’s also an art gallery), and set up shop.

“Tomiko herself originated the kitchen’s menu, but she does give some freedom to the chefs, letting them create new things and try them out,” says manager I-chuan Liu. “She still oversees the kitchen every day. We have somebody who does the ordering for the kitchen, but Kazuo personally goes through every single order of fish before he accepts it. A lot of times, when we’re out of something, it’s because we refuse to carry it because of the quality. Kaz really likes to teach people about fish, too. He’s always willing to talk to people, explain what to look for to judge the quality. He’s taught everybody here a lot!” ■

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Hard to see the hot-pad defense holding up in divorce court, but to be on the safe side, I decide to walk. That is, ride the trolley up through Mission Valley to a place called IKEA, which my buddy Mark says is cheap and stocks everything domestic from headboards to hot pads.

I jump off at Fenton Park (one stop before Qualcomm Stadium) and head up toward a big warehouse emporium with the blue and yellow IKEA sign nearby.

Inside, right before you plunge into the whole "home interiors" maze, there's, well, this in-house eatery. IKEA Restaurant and Café. I make a bold decision: eat first. You need time to think, look at the catalog.

The café's all blond wood furniture, white chairs, plastic geraniums, two clocks, one showing "San Diego time," the other "Småland time" — wherever that is — and moms feeding whining babies, and other little kids playing in a playhouse with wooden learning toys all around. But it's kind of nice, in its middle-class Euro way.

Turns out IKEA is, like, Sweden's revenge for McDonald's. They're spreading across the

world with their eco-sensible houseware warehouses. So no surprise the menu looks health-foodish. Color pictures of the day's dishes hang on the wall above the self-service counter. A "fresh vegetable plate" with munchies such as carrot sticks, raw cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms goes for \$2.95. A "shrimp sandwich" is \$3.25. A chicken Marsala with rice and vegetables costs \$4.95.

Huh. Good prices. There's a salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli for \$6.95 and a "Gravad Lox Plate," \$4.75. "That's salmon seasoned with salt, sugar, dill, and white pepper," says Vuokko, the cook. She says she's Finnish, but Finns and Swedes eat pretty much the same.

Looking for quantity here. I see they have a "special linguini with meat sauce" for \$4.00. But that doesn't sound Swedish, and now I want to know what Swedish tastes like.

"I think you want the Manager's Special," Vuokko says. I see it now. Meatballs with potatoes, soup or salad, and a drink for \$5.95. "These meatballs are made in Pennsylvania, but they are the Swedish recipe," she says. "Beef and pork — hormone-free, of course. We are very particular about that — eggs, onions, bread-crumbs, and allspice. It's a very Swedish dish."

She scoops up — I count 'em — 15 meatballs in gravy, three red-skinned potatoes, a pile of red jam ("Cranberry?" "No! This is lingonberry!") Someone tells me later lingonberry is a moun-

tain cranberry; sure tastes similar), plus a bowl of chicken noodle soup and a big bun and butter. And I get a cup of refillable Swedish Löfbergs Lila coffee, which is nice, smooth.

I set my tray down at a big blond timber table and start chomping. And here's the funny thing. I hear conversation nearby, but I can't understand a word. "Sköv-de..." "Öland..." It sounds like English being played backwards. Turns out they're real live Swedes. Gunnel and her son Marcus. She comes from the island of Öland, in the Baltic. He used to live in Skövde.

"That's 'Skerv-der,'" he says, to make sure I get it right.

"You might call this café 'Little Sweden,'" says Gunnel. "There are at least 10,000 of us Swedes here in San Diego. This is where we come for a taste of home. Open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, meatballs."

"Meatballs?" John the manager's doing a walk-about. "I get through 50,000 meatballs a week."

I have to ask him about the word "IKEA." Turns out the founder's name was Ingvar Kamprad, who lived at the Elmtaryd farm in the village of Agunnaryd, in Småland in southern Sweden. And — voila! The initials of founder, farm, and village spell IKEA.

The meatballs have a light herby flavor to them. I'm swallowing number seven. Already starting to feel full. The red lingonberry jam adds that sweet touch. Good, but we're not talking taste explosion — this is sensible Scandinavia, remember.

Mind you, I've stolen more butter to grease up the boiled potatoes. Also, slurping the chicken noodle soup helps it all down. Soup's rich with big noodles and bits of celery and carrot. It's a deal. No doubt about it.

Not everybody's totally happy. "We had the shrimp sandwich, and we want more shrimp on it," says this lady, Gunnur, at the checkout. "I'm Swedish, from Stockholm. We get more shrimp back home."

"Well," says John, "we'd have to charge more. Which do you prefer?"

But it's only after I pick up the hot pads (\$2.95 for two!) and go downstairs that I discover the absolute best food deal of all. At "The Bistro," you can chow down on hot dogs for 55 cents each! Or \$1.00 with a soda. Or a jumbo dog for \$1.25; \$1.50 with a soda. And these prices include tax. I swear. Gotta hand it to these Swedes.

Now, only one problem left: Carla's going to hear about this place. ■

The Place: IKEA Restaurant & Café, 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley (619-283-6166 x1200)

Type of Food: Swedish, American

Prices: Fresh vegetable plate, \$2.95; shrimp open-faced sandwich, \$3.25; chicken Marsala with rice, vegetables, \$4.95; salmon plate with potatoes, broccoli, \$6.95; Gravad Lox Plate (seasoned salmon), \$4.75; linguini with meat sauce, \$4.00; meatball plate with potatoes, soup or salad, soda or coffee, \$5.95; D'Aim chocolate torte, \$1.50. At the Bistro: hot dogs 55 cents, with soda, \$1.00; jumbo dogs \$1.25, with soda, \$1.50

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"It sends a subtle message — actually, not so subtle — which is, 'I don't completely trust what you're pouring.'"

Allen Meadows didn't set out to be a wine critic. He loved wine; specifically, loved wine from the Burgundy region of France. Meadows strove to prove his devotion: he visited. He volunteered at a winery. He charmed his way into the cellars of the finest producers, there to sample near-mythical wines straight from the barrel. In short, he made friends with Burgundy. So when he decided to take his online moniker, Burghound, and turn it into the title of an online magazine devoted to critiquing Burgundies, the captains of the industry did not protest. They knew that here was a man who understood and valued the unique character of the region, who was not out to expose them as charlatans who charged vast amounts of money for wines that could be maddeningly inconsistent.

Burghound.com made its debut in January 2001; it treated wines from the 1999 vintage. The timing was coincidental, but it surely did not hurt Meadows's standing with the industry that 1999 was, in Meadows's words, "widely acclaimed to be a great vintage in red Burgundy and a very good vintage in white." Meadows says, "I didn't have too much negative to say. It was hard to make bad wine in '99." Grape yields were enormous, so much so that vintners requested and received a staggering 40 percent increase in their allowable crop size. (French law limits Burgundy crop yields to insure fruit quality; overcropping can result in diluted juice. A 20 percent allowance is almost standard, but 40 percent is unheard of.) The notoriously thin skins of the Pinot Noir grapes used to make red Burgundy — skins that break easily, thus encouraging rot — grew unusually thick, so even wineries that were not as careful in sorting their fruit before crushing tended

to produce clean wine. Happy days for a critic.

The 2000 vintage was another story. According to issue five of *Burghound.com*, yields were again high, and some growers applied for (and cropped for) a 30 percent allowance. When the government's regulatory agency granted only 20 percent, it did not help improve the concentration of the fruit — it just meant that a lot of grapes hanging on the vines couldn't be used. On top of that, the Côte de Beaune (the southern part of Burgundy) received a disastrous amount of rainfall just before harvest, diluting the resultant juice still further and hastening the spread of rot in the vintage's thin-skinned grapes. Meadows had to break out his less complimentary descriptors.

Meadows does nearly all of his tasting *sur place* — from barrel, in a given domaine's cellar. "It can be a cat-and-mouse game," he admits. "The domaines I trust, unless I pick up something that seems off, I'll let them choose the barrels. But if I've had mixed tasting results in the past, I generally ask to taste the same wine from several different barrels. It sends a subtle message — actually, not so subtle — which is, 'I don't completely trust what you're pouring.'" (Some barrels may contain better batches of wine than others, and the domaine may be trying to put its best foot forward, holding back the weaker stuff to blend in during the eventual bottling.) "Generally, they respect that, because they understand that you're a pro and you're trying to get the right answer.

"If I get a consistent dose of new oak, I'll ask what the final blend [of wines aged in old and new barrels] is going to be.... I've had domaines ask me point blank, 'How much oak do you like?' It's not very subtle: 'If you like a lot of oak, we can give it

to you,' " pulling wine only from new oak barrels, regardless of the intended final blend. "The best guys will make the blend for you on the spot. What I try to do is, if somebody says [they use] 50 percent new wood, then I ask to taste out of a new barrel and an old barrel."

For all its riskiness, Meadows prefers tasting *sur place*. "If they make wine that is not up to snuff and they ask me what I think, I tell them. I say, 'I don't think this is up to your usual standards. Why don't you tell me what happened?' They wince, but they all know this is how relationships are made. Someone may get away with [lying] once, showing only the best barrels or saying, 'No, no, we had no troubles,' but the wines speak for themselves." Most people "understand that it's better just to admit, 'We were a little disappointed ourselves.' Therefore, the journalist doesn't leave deceived and then write something stupid, only to find out later the wine sucks. If it happens to me, I'll issue a retraction...saying, 'What I tasted in barrel does not appear to resemble closely what I subsequently tasted from bottle,' and leave an open question about whether or not the domaine is being completely honest."

When it comes to pointing out particular flaws, "It could be any of 15 to 20 things. You can tell things are amiss either because the wine doesn't *show* the way it normally does, or because there's a technical flaw. Technical flaws are becoming rarer, which is not to say they don't exist." Sometimes, Meadows picks up "a tinge of rot" — though it's not an easy business. "A lot of times, the exuberance of fruit aromas in young wine will cover it up, but it surfaces later."

If he finds rot, he asks what happened. "It's a dicey question, because it suggests that somebody wasn't too careful [in the sorting], or it calls into question their description of the quality of their grapes. A comment that is more typical — and eas-



Pulling Burgundy from a barrel

ier for them to be up front about — would be, 'This strikes me as slightly dilute compared to prior vintages.' It's fairly easy for them to say, 'Yeah, despite all our best efforts to be conscientious, Mother Nature won. The harvest was simply too abundant, and we didn't get the extraction or density that we normally do.' It's harder to say, 'Well, we screwed up.' "

Still, sometimes he hears just that, and he's glad for the candor. "The last time I was in Burgundy, I was reviewing a guy's wines, and I said, 'With all due respect, these are awfully oaky.' He said, 'Yeah, I misjudged the concentration. The wines took up the new oak flavors very fast, and now I'm stuck between a rock and a hard place,' " trying to decide whether to bottle it prematurely or leave it in barrel and risk its becoming even oakier. "It was an honest mistake, but a mistake nonetheless.

"As far as how it gets handled, I figure that, within reason, if somebody discloses it — especially if it's a qualitative issue — then I'll disclose it as well. If it's somebody that normally makes good wine, it doesn't hurt to say, 'He's disappointed by the quality...and you may want to think twice about buying wines from this particular vintage.' But that's very different from saying, 'These wines suck, and I wouldn't ever buy anything this domaine makes.' " ■



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BULLY'S NORTH 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-1660. Especially during summer, this branch is the most colorful and is jammed with the sporting crowd, which makes the place exciting. Food is the same as at other Bully's, but the high intensity carries it. Steak, prime rib, hamburgers, fries, and fresh fish are favorites. Open daily. Moderate. Other locations: 5755 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, 858-459-2768; 2401 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2685. — E.W.

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN Here's a good family restaurant where you can take your children and grandchildren for salads, pasta, or pizza. There are 28 pizzas. The chicken tequila with spinach fettuccine is great, as are vegetarian sandwiches. Same menu, lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive. 437 South Highway 101, Suite 601, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999; La Jolla Village Square, 3363 Nobel

Drive, 858-457-4222; and Carmel Mountain Plaza, 11602 Carmel Mountain Road, 858-675-4424. — E.W.

THE FISH MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy ever-multiplying restaurants —namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed or pan-fried fin fish and shellfish, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consistent among locales. The chain's facilities near San Francisco purchase, process, and truck the catch to its various branches. Hence, when the menu refers to a species as "local," it doesn't really mean nearby waters, but rather, the Pacific. At the small retail fish market in the downtown branch, products prove slightly fresher than most supermarkets', but less vibrant than at the top fish markets (e.g., Point Loma or 99 Ranch). Identical seafood is served in the dining room, the oyster bar, and at Top of the Market. But there's better quality at the sushi bar, emphatically the top Fish Market venue. The sushi rice is well seasoned and just sticky enough, the seafood there is pristine and preparation is careful and sometimes creative. The "Ichiban Hamachi" (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding — and for a truly sexy treat, share a pair of "Honeymoon Oysters" with your honey. No reservations, but the space is vast, so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del 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)

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. Other branches at 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Valley, 858-587-2739; 5801 Armada Drive, Carlsbad, 760-431-2739; 1044 Wall Street, La Jolla, 858-551-2739. Call for hours. — E.W.

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 Twigg, 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)

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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

THE ARMENIAN CAFE 3126 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-720-2233, [www.thearmenian-cafe.com](#). Long ago, Turkish conquerors brought Armenian food to Greece. At this large cottage with a sun-deck overlooking Highway 101, some dishes (e.g., gyros) have traveled in the opposite direction, and the menu also translates the Armenian specialties to the more familiar Greek food vocabulary. The gyro meat mixture is made on the premises; other good choices are Armenian marinated rack of lamb and shish kebab, including kebab-filled breakfast omelets. Music and belly dancing Friday and Saturday evenings. Three meals, Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

BARONE'S TRATTORIA DEL MARE 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Del Mar,

858-259-9063. Pleasant interior, 27 pastas, low prices, huge portions of tasty food make this a winner for all bargain seekers. On weekends, try the paella, large enough for two. Linguine rustica and chicken Marsala best bets. Lunch, Tuesday through Friday; dinner, Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (1/00)

THE BRASSERIE La Costa Resort & Spa, Costa Del Mar Road off El Camino Real, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111, x4500. This hotel dining room offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner. All-you-can-eat Sunday buffet brunch with champagne is \$32.00. Seafood buffet Friday, from 5:30 p.m. Outstanding service. Reservations recommended. Pisces Delicacies of the Sea is also located in this complex. Expensive. — E.W.

CAFE 101 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. Inexpensive. This is the oldest li'l eating establishment in Oceanside. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. The cafe is named after Route 101, the Pacific Highway. Old-timers remember when everyone, from truck drivers to movie stars, would stop for a bite before heading on to San Diego and Tijuana. Try the ABC (avocado, bacon, and cheese) omelet, the 101 original cheeseburger on a grilled bun with its "secret sauce," chicken fried steaks with eggs and, of course, the great Depression dish, biscuits with gravy and home fries. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/01)

CALYPSO CAFE 576 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-632-8252, [www.calypsocafe.net](#). This "Calypso" has nothing to do with Caribbean music (or food), despite its tropical tiki-hut decor. The cuisine is French, ranging from old warhorses like onion soup and *coq au vin* to newfangled Gallo-Cal-Italian-Pacific Rim hyphenates such as *ahi pissaladière* (seared tuna pizza). The traditional dishes are generally the most successful. Mussels are the house specialty, and their rapid turnover here ensures freshness. Although there's nothing revolutionary coming from this kitchen, the cooking is generally agreeable. Dinner nightly, reservations advised. Upper moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

D.B. HACKERS SEAFOOD CAFE AND GRILL 101 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3162. Parked next to the train tracks, this cute little café shakes, rattles, and really *rocks*. They've been serving superb British-style fish and chips here since the mid-1970s. The fish is New Zealand hoke, a cod-like species with fine flavor, carefully fried in an airy, greaseless batter. (Sprinkle on some malt vinegar and sit back and think of England.) The "chips" are thin oval potato slices, a hybrid of French fries and potato chips. Classic New England clam chowder, fish tacos, seafood quesadillas, salads, pastas, and a handful of seafood platters are also worthy candidates. Open

daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

FIDEL'S CARLSBAD 3003 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-729-0903. A sister restaurant to the venerable establishment in Solana Beach, the stars here are *carnitas*; quesadilla with chicken, beef, or pork; tostada *suprema*; and breast of chicken Milanesa. Open daily lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

FIRENZE 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, West Village Center, Encinitas, 760-944-9000, [www.firenzetrattoria.com](#). This big, beautiful, gracious restaurant (located in the same mall as Harvest Ranch Market, just north of Rancho Santa Fe) offers both a handsome interior and a romantic fire-lit patio. The well-spaced tables are laden with huge portions of accomplished, multiregional Italian cuisine and reasonably priced Italian and California wines (with bargain wine prices Monday nights). Vegetarians will rejoice in the two dozen meatless selections. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, dinner-only on Sundays. High moderate. — N.W. (11/01)

HILL STREET COFFEE HOUSE 524 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-966-0985. Organic in Oceanside? Really! Look for the sign: "Organic Restaurant and Espresso Bar" in front of a restored yellow-and-white Victorian house from O'side's past. The menu is full of healthy dishes: tofu/spinach breakfast scramble, fritata *espinaca* ("Greek eggs"), and *pain perdu* (for us peasants that's French toast) with fresh fruit and syrups. After 11:00 a.m., try their Cajun chicken. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

JOHNNEY MANANA'S 308 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-9999. Local teachers hang out at this green-, white-, and red-tiled place because it's such good value. Most dishes are either Mexican or Costa Rican. There's a Caribbean chocolatey, black bean, paprika, curry-in-the-rice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted chicken is delicious. The Big Breakfast Burrito Special (eggs, onions, beans, cheese, and potatoes, wrapped in a large flour tortilla) is *muy popular*, but then so is J.M.'s Great All-American Cheeseburger. Seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

KIM'S RESTAURANT Lumberyard Shopping Center #103, 745 First Street, Encinitas, 760-942-4816. Closed Monday. Both Vietnamese and Chinese dishes are offered in a calm atmosphere with quick, pleasant service. The menu lists 265 items, including 18 Vietnamese house specialties, 28 seafood dishes, and a whopping 45 vegetarian/vegan dishes, many made with *seitan* (mock poultry). The seafood isn't necessarily fresh catch — some shellfish is evidently obtained frozen, scallops are phosphate-preserved, and the rea-

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sonably priced abalone dishes involve slightly chewy, rehydrated dried abalone from Asia. On the other hand, portions are enormous, and the cooking is careful and tasty, although some flavors have evidently been adapted to American palates and ingredients. Open Tuesday through Sunday, continuous service lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/01)*

LA ESPECIAL NORTE 604 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical decor (take a look at the blue ceramic “pond” in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen regional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — the authentic Mexico City-style chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the albóndigas soup is equally genuine — and even the so-called “small” bowls make a full meal. The menu includes some unusual dishes, and flavors are vivacious and earthy. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

MILTON’S DELICATESSEN, GRILL AND BAKERY 2660 Via de la Valle, Flower Hill Mall, Del Mar, 858-792-2225. You’ll find 200 items on the menu. They include Jewish deli; Chicago-style pizza; and grilled ribs, steaks, vegetables. Two recommended items: Chinese chicken salad and skirt steak sandwich. Not the greatest Jewish deli; not the worst. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

NObU JAPANESE RESTAURANT 315 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-0113. The menu at this gourmet Japanese restaurant offers 100 sushi items, 20 stunning and unique appetizers, and a long list of entrées. Two dining rooms are available; the livelier is at the sushi bar. Especially on the weekends, arrive early to avoid waiting for a table. Reservations advised for dining room, not accepted for sushi bar. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

PACIFIC COAST GRILL 437 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-794-4632. Many dishes here are under \$10.00. Best bets: baby back ribs, fresh fish, variety of burgers served with salad and fries presented in a paper bag. Sunday brunch from the menu, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Warm, casual atmosphere. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

POTATO SHACK CAFE 120 West I Street (off South Coast Highway 101), Encinitas, 760-436-1282. Check out the cute potato-toon mural on the side of the building — a sign for spud-lovers to load up on portions sized for lumberjacks from The Lumberyard across the street. American fries (served “All you can eat!”), French fries, potato patties, and baked potatoes with various toppings are the heart of the menu, along with eggs, omelets, biscuits with sausage gravy, and beer-battered onion rings made from sweet reds. If size counts, consider the daunting inch-thick “manhole” pancake that’s bigger than the plate. Lunch runs to “deli” sandwiches (with potatoes), or a hearty bowl of chili con carne. Arrive early weekends. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (10/01)*

RED TRACTON’S 550 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-755-6600. Truly mammoth portions of prime rib, steak, chicken, and fish are served in lovely surroundings. Dinners come with corn on the cob (when in season) or baked potatoes or vegetables. Salads are à la carte, but are enough for two people. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SPICES THAI CAFE 3810 Valley Centre Drive, Piazza Carmel Shopping Center, Del Mar (east of Carmel Valley turn-off), 858-259-0889. Superb Thai restaurant that’s not only elegant but whose food contains no MSG and very little fat. The seafood dishes rate highly. Among other delicacies are duck and frog legs. Put Spices Thai Café at the top of your list. Also in La Jolla. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

SUSHI @ LA KAZ 3870 Valley Centre Drive, Carmel Valley, Del Mar, 858-792-5509. Outstanding, sophisticated sushi includes caterpillar roll (eel and avocado), soft-shell-crab roll, tem-

pura roll. Good hot dishes include “Dynamite” and sukiyaki. Elegant sushi. Closed Sunday. Open for lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

THE VILLAGE GRILL 2833 State Street, Carlsbad, 760-729-3601. This little café is famous for two things: its vintage Coca-Cola decorations and its delicious Tommyburgers, named after the guy who opened this place back in 1976. Tommy believed in fresh ingredients, says son Dale, now in charge, who orders only “extra lean” meat from the local butcher for his burgers. For breakfast, check out the eggs and sausage-patty special with fried-skin potatoes and hot-buttered toast. And if you surf, bring your board — the beach is just across the tracks. Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. weekdays, to 4:00 p.m. Saturdays. Breakfast and lunch only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

NORTH INLAND

A LITTLE BIT OF GERMANY 1717 East Vista Way, Vista, 760-941-4626. Authentic German menu offers most of your favorites: chicken in champagne sauce, *sauerbraten* (beef in wine-vinegar sauce), Wiener schnitzel. Hot potato salad, made-on-the-premises *spatzle*, and strudel major pluses. Call for directions. Closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

BERNARD’O RESTAURANT 12457 Rancho Bernardo Road, Rancho Bernardo Village Shopping Center, 858-487-7171. The restaurant is elegant in food, service, and ambiance. The cuisine is California-French, menus change seasonally. Best bets are rack of lamb, filet mignon, daily fresh fish, and crème brûlée. You’ll have a good experience here. Lunch weeknights, dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W. (8/99)*

DELICIAS 6106 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-8000. The room is smashing and the menu offers excellent pastas, fresh fish, first-rate meat and chicken, gourmet pizzas. Open for dinner nightly. Expensive. — *E.W.*

DICRESCENZO’S 11625 Duenda Road, Westwood Shopping Center, Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-2776. Should you be in Rancho Bernardo and seeking great Italian sandwiches or pizzas to eat in or take out, keep this Chicago-style “deli” in mind. The Italian beef and Rocco’s Imperial sub are knockouts. Closed Sunday. Open Monday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EL BIZCOCHO Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8550. You get what you pay for at one of San Diego County’s premiere dining destinations — stunning new French cuisine in a lovely, civilized room. The left side of the menu lists traditional golf-and-tennis-folk favorites (lobster bisque, filet mignon), but the right side is a daily-changing array of creative dishes by chef Patrick Ponsaty, including a five-course tasting menu. These dishes are not merely luxurious, they’re the food of thrills and revelations, with flavor combinations that are intense and balanced, audacious and refined. The wine list is awesome and pricey, with numerous half-bottles and some near-bargains in the higher realms (the legendary Chateau Grillet Condrieu at \$126). Dress rules aside, the atmosphere is anything but stuffy: A charming room captain puts you at ease and servers are pleasantly attentive. It’s an ideal restaurant for a special night out — and the Sunday brunches are lavish, too. Jacket required, ties usual, women’s attire chic or prosperously dowdy, reservations essential. Very expensive. — *N.W. (2/01)*

HERNANDEZ’ HIDE-AWAY Rancho and Lake Drives, Del Dios, Lake Hodges, 760-746-1444. The popular bargain priced breakfast/brunch on Saturdays and Sundays offers steak and eggs, *chilaquiles*, sausage, beans, and omelets. At dinner, most tables sport pitchers of margaritas to wash down standard So-Cal gringo-Mex dishes. Reservations urged, especially for weekends (when non-reservers may have to wait over an hour for a table); ask for driving directions when you call. Weekend brunch; lunch and dinner

Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

ISLAND BOY GRILLE 10066 Pacific Heights Boulevard, Sorrento Mesa, 858-452-7708, *www.islandboygrill.com*. It’s the last thing you’d expect up here in Corporate Lunchland, but Pua Macario’s Hawaiian food sanctuary is the real thing. Pua (“Flower”) serves genuine items like purple *taro poi*, seven-hour cooked *lau-lau* (beef, pork, and fish slow-steamed in taro and banana leaves), rice delivered by the ice-cream scoop, potato salad delivered hot with shrimp and crab in it, and mahi mahi, lots of lovely flame-seared mahi

mahi. Delivered in a standard polystyrene box, eat in or out. And heavy! The Wasa Plate will include, say, two big pieces of mahi mahi, a pile of shredded kalua pig and cabbage, or kahuna shrimp, or teriyaki chicken, plus two scoops of rice, salad and any side dish. If you’re a really big kahuna, the Kanaka Plate will deliver three main entrées and three scoops of rice. Sparse decoration: eggshell blue walls with photos of real hula-dancing, and a long-board by Hawaiian Julian Cruz (it’s yours for \$450). Warning: only open 11 a.m. to around 2.30 p.m. Always crowded. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/02)*

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MIIKI JAPANESE RESTAURANT AND SUSHI BAR 9823 Carroll Canyon Road, Eucalyptus Square, Scripps Ranch, 858-566-0206. You’ll find a first-rate sushi bar tucked away in this tiny shopping center. The fresh yellowtail, scallops in spicy sauce (*ho-tategai*), or the special order of baked salmon roll are all wonderful. Fifty-three items appear on the sushi list, all prepared by a master chef. The cooked combination plates are also fine. If you sit at the sushi bar, you may be disappointed because chairs, not stools, are used and you can’t watch the chef. If you’re in the area, don’t miss this one.

Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Sunday, dinner only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

REAL TEXAS BBQ 6904 Miramar Road, Miramar, 858-566-5235. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, and links that are smoked rather than cooked over a fire. The room is unadorned but very clean. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily, continuous service. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

SAND CRAB CAFE 222 Micro Place (at Oppen, off Barham), Escondido, 760-480-2722. Sandy Crabbe (honest,

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that's his name) owns this fun, funky dive in the wilds of industrial Escondido near the San Marcos border. A visit offers the primordial, preschoolish joy of whacking crabs to pieces with mallets and eating them with your hands. (Bibs are optional.) Everybody gets into the party spirit. There's a huge à la carte list of appetizers, soups, snacks, and main courses, often at bargain prices. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked to a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Most of the shellfish were flash-frozen on shipboard, but they're still tasty. The melted non-butter "spread" accompanying them appeals to the area's many health-conscious residents. (Or you can BY-OButter and they'll melt it for you.) Fine tangy housemade key lime pie is a perfect finale. Full bar; not much wine, but good margaritas. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

TONG SZECHUAN 609 North Broadway #E-F (Albertson's Shopping Center), Escondido, 760-480-9438. The "New Style Favorites" of North County Chinese restaurants feature fresh fruits. Tong's has several variants, mainly cornstarch-battered fried proteins in honey-based sweet-and-sour sauce, lightened with loads of seasonal fruit chunks — pineapple, papaya, pear, etc. They're tasty dishes. For the rest, the Szechuan specialties (hot-and-sour soup, *kung pao*, *ma la*, etc.) are better than the old "Chinese-American" standards on the menu. Lunches are big, bargain-priced, and popular. In this quiet, pretty room, you may overhear northern or western Chinese dialects at nearby tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive (lunch) to low-moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

TONY'S GIANT PIZZA 122 El Norte Parkway, Escondido, 760-738-9121. Tony's claims to serve "New York

pizza" and they're not that far off — the crust is thin enough (if not quite crisp enough), but what's special here is the honest, gooey mozzarella — it doesn't get stringy when hot or rubbery when cool. You can get plain or pepperoni pizza by the humongous slice (it laps over the plate), and fancier (if still pretty basic) toppings on pies of up to 28 inches. There's also a mean meatball sandwich with small flavorful balls and an okay sauce swathed in that yummy cheese. There are video games for the kids and a neighborly atmosphere, although most orders are take-out or delivery. Inexpensive. — N.W. (5/01)

TORREY PINES CAFE 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 858-259-5878. The menu is similar to the sister restaurant, the Bird Rock Cafe, with many salads, pastas, and an excellent Sunday brunch. But there are terrific new additions: paella and tender short ribs cooked in a barbecue sauce plus mashed potatoes and vegetables. Neither is to be missed. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

VINCENT'S SIRINO'S 113 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-745-3835. French-born chef-owner Vincent Grumel serves Gallic classics in an intimate, small-town bistro setting. This is a cuisine of rich dark sauces robbing fine ingredients, such as a huge, flavorful veal chop (no factory calf, that). Mushrooms and vegetables (from local farmers or Grumel's own garden) are the season's best and sensitively treated. Desserts are worth every calorie — save room for the spectacular Bavarian. Full bar, fine wine list. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Saturday. (Closed annually from third week of June to third week of July.) Expensive. — N.W. (6/01)

LA JOLLA

AESOP'S TABLES Costa Verde Shopping Center, 8650 Genesee Avenue #106, La Jolla, 858-455-1535. The chief attributes of this Greek and Mediterranean restaurant are fresh food, tasty preparation, and low cost. The salads are a good buy. Entrées are large

enough for two. All items available for takeout. Lunch, Monday through Saturday. Sunday, dinner only. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

AZULLA JOLLA 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The unobstructed ocean view and opulent interior are glamorous. Cuisine is Mediterranean with California influence. Menus change daily. When available try pan-seared scallops and the outstanding asparagus soup, not duplicated anywhere. Fresh fish and seafood. Moderate to expensive. — E.W. (7/99)

CHOPAHN Renaissance Towne Center, 8935 Towne Center Drive #111, Golden Triangle, 858-677-0100. Located in a romantic, elegant dining room, this Afghan restaurant offers first-rate food — possibly the best Afghan menu in the city. Be sure to order two or three appetizers and the house specialty Kabob-E-Chopahn, lamb loin chops on a skewer or lamb and chicken kabobs. Rice and vegetables are a good choice for vegetarians. Loving ownership; personalized service. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W. (11/98)

ELARIO'S BISTRO & SKY LOUNGE 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, Hotel La Jolla (formerly Summer House Inn), 858-459-0541. The 11th floor view carries this restaurant. Good preparation of gourmet American food, fish, seafood, steaks, and chicken. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and weekend brunch. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

FLEMING'S STEAK HOUSE AND WINE BAR 8970 University Center Lane, Aventine Complex, La Jolla East, 858-535-0078. Beautiful atmosphere, excellent service, very fine preparations. Very crowded weekends. Steaks and chops first rate. Vegetables à la carte. Open dinners only nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — E.W. (1/00)

FOREVER FONDUE 1295 Prospect Street #201, La Jolla, 858-551-4509. Also at 6110 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-295-7792. If you stay with the cheese fondue, house salad, or shrimp with spicy cocktail sauce, you'll have a good meal. Steel plates make the food

cold. The prix fixe dinner for two is very affordable, but not necessarily a best buy. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily for dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

GEORGE'S AT THE COVE 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-4244. The always-excellent George's, with its first-rate fish and meat menu, boasts three dining levels on its ocean-view site. The first level is the fine dining room, with full menu and gourmet lunch and dinners. Above is the Café, and on top is the Terrace, which is romantic on balmy nights. The Café and Terrace offer identical menus: light meals for lunch, extensive menu for dinner. The Ocean View Room offers high quality California regional cuisine, with higher prices. Food is well prepared and their famous roasted chicken, bean, and broccoli soup is still on the menu. Incomparable service. Call for exact hours. Expensive, George's gourmet room; moderate to expensive, other rooms. — E.W. (9/99)

LA TAVERNA 927 Silverado (at Girard), La Jolla, 858-454-0100. Reservations are a necessity at this tiny trattoria, especially if you'd prefer the relative quiet of the roofed sidewalk patio to the din of the cute but cramped dining room. Don't look for meatballs and red sauce except at lunch because dinner is Tuscan-style, showcasing pastas with simple, fresh sauces. Highlights include chef-owner Mary Ann Vitale's housemade Sicilian-style fennel sausage, and if the feather-light potato gnocchi are a special, just say yes. Save room for a slice of house-made layer cake. Service is downright endearing on weekends, when Jimmy Vitale (the owner's husband) charmingly plays maitre d'. Moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

THE MARINE ROOM 2000 Spindrift Drive (off Torrey Pines Road), La Jolla, 858-459-7222. High cuisine, high adventure, high seas, high prices.... With the arrival of chef Bernard Guillas, the romantic Marine Room has become the quintessential great San Diego restaurant. The exhilarating coastal view meets Cal-French-Pacific Rim cuisine that's as exuberantly out-front as the waves whacking the windows.

Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with ultra-fresh ingredients makes every visit a voyage of discovery, and preparations are so elaborate that each listing on his precise menu reads like a whole tasting dinner. The wine list is sublime, too; just bring your trust fund. Reservations required; resort-casual to dressy. Call ahead to arrange wheelchair access. Very expensive. — N.W. (11/00)

ROPPONGI 875 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-551-5252. In terms of atmosphere and food preparation, one of the best restaurants in La Jolla. The Euro-Asian fusion menu offers a vast choice of 20 appetizers, or *tapas*, including several sushi rolls. Don't overlook the Thai coconut soup, Atlantic salmon, and duck confit at dinner, the *niçoise* salad at lunch, or the excellent Sunday brunch. Beautiful interior; lovely heated patio; excellent service. Be sure to reserve, especially for brunch or dinner, to avoid a very long wait. Open daily. Moderate (tapas) to expensive. — E.W. (12/99)

SANTE RISTORANTE 7811 Herschel Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-1315. The name is Italian for "saint," and the Northern Italian/regional cooking shines here, especially the fish and seafood dishes. Fresh seafood specials are available every night, in addition to those on the menu. Excellent chopped salad, pasta with mushrooms, ravioli with quail, and lamb chops. Separate room for bar; separate private dining room. Lunch weekdays; dinner nightly. Enclosed patio for lunch. Not to be missed. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — E.W. (4/99)

SUSHI ON THE ROCK 7734 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-1138. This noisy, high-energy spot, a boxy, saloon-like space with a sushi bar in back, draws a lively, twenty-something crowd (although older folks will have plenty of company, too). Unlike more traditional sushi bars, there's a vast selection of "rock and rolls" — huge, creative *futomaki* party sushi. And they're fabulous, with sparkling fresh seafood and immensely clever combinations. Try, for instance, the shrimp tempura roll, which wraps fried shrimp, crab shreds,

daikon sprouts and Japanese mayo in deep-fried salmon skin — the combo would be just as impressive as an appetizer at a top Cal-French restaurant. The Orange Crush is another sublime invention, fresh and crunchy with veggies and *tobiko* wrapped in suave salmon. Even simple rolls are so well-conceived, and the rice so nicely seasoned, you won't need soy-wasabi dip. The onetime menu of cooked dinner entrées, however, is now minimal. No reservations, long waits (in cramped entryway) on weekends. Full bar, good sake list. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly, with deep discounts for Happy Hour specials. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

TRATTORIA ACQUA 1298 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0709. You'll do fine if you stay with the simplest dishes: marinated grilled chicken breast on pizza dough, grilled portobello mushrooms, or pasta dishes. Entrées from shores other than Italian don't fare as well. The restaurant is located two flights down and offers an ocean view and patio as well as indoor dining. Elevator located at garage below on Coast Boulevard. Open daily. Moderate (some pastas) to very expensive. — E.W.

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94TH AERO SQUADRON 8885 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-6771. One of Diego's hidden jewels: there's classic American fare (honey-glazed pork tenderloin, farmhouse chicken) in the "Officers' mess," but better yet is the free buffet Happy Hour — pig heaven weekdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Selections might include a "stroganoff" of Polish sausage, veggies, cheese potatoes, nachos, etc. (Of course, you have to buy something — say, a pitcher of Bud for two.) Thursdays and Fridays, the outside "Runway" grill features kebabs. The biggest attraction is the place itself. Built to mimic a WWI French farmhouse taken over by a bunch of Yankee flying aces, it has a garden full of an-

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ALADDIN'S CAFE 5420 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 858-573-0000; Uptown Shopping Center, 1220 Cleveland Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-574-1111, www.aladdin_cafe.com. These cafés offer a bright, clean atmosphere for bright and clean if rather generic Middle Eastern favorites (hummus, tabbouleh, kebabs, *shawerma*, etc.), plus imaginative Levantine-flavored pizzas and salads. There are ample choices for vegetarians. The Hillcrest location offers beer and wine. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

BACRISTORANTE 1955 W. Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-2094. If you have been eating low-fat, low-calorie food, consider this place a special treat. Be sure to order at least two pastas (parties of four or more can request a combination pasta plate) and fresh fish or chicken. Excellent fried squid and the best *zabaglione* (dessert) in the city. Salt may be more than usual. First-rate service. Open Monday through Saturday. Closed Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

EMERALD CHINESE SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 3709 Convoy Street, Pacific Gateway Plaza, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6888. San Diego's best Chinese restaurant for fresh seafood and fish. Live fish, prawns, and lobsters are kept in tanks and prepared minutes after you order. Superb dim sum, served daily, is especially fine on Saturday and Sunday, when 100 items are available. Open daily. Upper moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HSU'S SZECHUAN CUISINE Hazard Village, 9350 F-G Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa, 858-279-9799. This restaurant is noted for its hot and spicy Szechuan dishes as well as for its Mandarin specialties. For Mongolian barbecue, you have a choice of beef, pork, lamb, or turkey with stir-fried vegetables (barbecue is not available Sunday morning). Extensive menu with many unusual dishes. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

MANDARIN GARDEN RESTAURANT 8242 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa, 858-566-4720. From the *dim sum* served Saturday and Sunday to its variety of exotic dishes, this restaurant is worth seeking out, especially at dinner. Located in the Mira Mesa Mall, it offers many unusual and hard-to-find appetizers. The noteworthy main dishes are steamed whole fish, twice-cooked pork (spicy), fresh eel served in brown sauce. The extensive menu includes standard dishes favored by Americans. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

PHO TAU BAY RESTAURANT Full name: La Cai Mi Gia, va Pho Tau Bay. 7604 Linda Vista Road, Linda Vista, 858-268-3161. The building looks like a converted McDonald's, but the interior is oriental and swanky with large fish tanks, blue carpet, gold metallic wainscoting, silk roses, a golden three-foot-tall laughing Buddha, and a red altar with three black-bearded gods. For lunch and dinner you can choose such exotics as quail, boar, alligator, and "Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut Milk and Curry." Breakfast is cheap, filling, and very Vietnamese. Try *Mi Ga*, a gentle rice noodle soup with shredded chicken. Or order *banh mi thit*, eight inches of French bread with traditional South Vietnamese beef stew. Puzzled? Ask for Mr. Le. He will explain all. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/00)*

SAN TONG PALACE 4690 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. This unassuming, strip-mall restaurant is easy to overlook, but once found, impossible to resist. San Tong's hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions tastiest styles. Their Rain-bow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. Their seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for Westerners. At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (4/99)*

SHOGUN KOBE 5451 Kearny Villa Road, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-7399. This restaurant specializes in well-sea-

soned Japanese-style steaks, either by themselves or in combination with lobster, shrimp, or scallops. All entrées arrive with soup, salad, rice, and Japanese-style vegetables. Seating is communal at the *teppan* tables. There's also an attractive, well-stocked sushi bar. Open 7 days, moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE BEACHES

GUAVA BEACH BAR AND GRILL 3714 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-6688. Old-fashioned American cooking such as meat loaf with mashed potatoes and macaroni and cheese (on children's menu) are prepared here, along with Mexican and seafood specialties. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

HARBOR'S EDGE Sheraton Harbor Island Resort, 1380 Harbor Island Drive (across from airport), 619-291-2900. The restaurant has a stunning bay view and contemporary interior. Good California cuisine includes fish, chicken, pastas. For inexpensive diversion, try the Bakery (adjacent to the dining room) where sandwiches and pastries are served. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and Sunday brunch. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HUDSON BAY SEAFOOD 1403 Scott Street, Point Loma, 619-222-8787. Fresh fish and seafood, burgers, and salads served in room on the dock. Great view and you may eat on the outside deck or inside. Very casual. Best bets: fish and chips and fresh fish sandwiches. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

JARED'S 880 East Harbor Island Drive, 619-291-1028. The house specialty is steak, offered in a room directly on the harbor. Presentation, in the manner, of Morton's, is to show you the entrées raw. Price of entrée includes nothing else; vegetables, potatoes à la carte. Excellent appetizers, especially five-onion tart. First rate bread and bread pudding. Closed Monday. Dinner only, Tuesday through Sunday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

LAMONT STREET GRILL 4445 Lamont Street, Pacific Beach, 858-270-3060. Most entrées here include salad or soup, potatoes, vegetables, and fresh fruit dipped in chocolate. This restaurant boasts a genuine fireplace on the heated outdoor patio. It's really romantic. Dinners only, nightly. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *E.W.*

REUBEN E. LEE 880 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-291-1880, www.islandsedge.com. This docked faux-riverboat replica serves seafood without a sea breeze — the windows are sealed and it can get stuffy when the weather's warm. The food can be inconsistent. Best bets are an appetizer of steamed clams and a surprisingly authentic, zesty bouillabaisse. Otherwise, the cooking style tends to be corporately cautious. No disability access, but you can order from this menu downstairs at sister-restaurant Jared's. Dinner Wednesday through Saturday. Bargain-priced buffet Friday evening includes all their best items. Otherwise, expensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

SAM CHOY'S HAWAII AT THE BALI HAI 2230 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-222-1181. Unpretentious Hawaiian/Chinese creations emphasize seafood here, in a family-friendly setting with spectacular views. Dinner prices include soup and a salad with an addictive sesame dressing. Simpler entrées are best. Try the coconut-stuffed halibut in pineapple cream sauce or a sashimi-lover's sampler of three different fish species, seared "ahi-style." The weekly specials can be risky; wokked entrées run to old-fashioned "Cantonese-American" fare. Full bar, with well-made "umbrella drinks," pitiful wine list. Champagne brunch buffet Sundays. Reservations get a view table. Noisy on Sundays. Moderate. — *N.W. (3/01)*

SPORTSMEN'S SEAFOODS 1617 Quivira Road, Mission Bay, 619-224-3551. Fifty years ago this restaurant-fish market was a tuna cannery, part of San Diego's late-lamented fishing industry. The same Sicilian family still owns it, and still knows everything about fish and how to cook it. The menu is devoted to the "fruits of

the sea" and includes a wonderful seafood platter (shrimp, squid, clams, fish, fries, and salad). And, of course, a crispy-crunchy fish and chips platter. Eat outside on deck, contemplating the small ships on the bay. Open seven days, lunch/early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

THEE BUNGALOW 4996 West Point Loma Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-2884; www.theebungalow.com. The very soul of Ocean Beach resides in Ed Moore's charming, comfortable historic "cottage," where the menu covers classic French bistro fare from pate to soufflé, including comfort-food entrées like *grandmaman* used to make. And like *mamhre's*, the cooking is a little inconsistent. Skip the over-rated duck and head for the seasonal specials, the rich stews, and — of course — the pates and soufflés. When the peppery corn soup is on the menu, leap for it. A huge wine list at very low markups is a special blessing. Slightly dressy; reservations strongly advised. Expensive, but with affordable early-bird weeknight dinners. — *N.W. (11/00)*

MIDWAY, OLD TOWN & MISSION VALLEY

ELAGAVE 2304 San Diego Avenue (at Old Town Avenue), Old Town, 619-220-0692. Reservations recommended. Wheelchair access difficult (steep ramp). You'll find upscale, unusual Mexican specialties in an intimate Spanish-style dining room or on a small heated balcony. The menu celebrates three great pre-Hispanic cuisines — Aztec, Mayan, Nahuatl — with discreet admixtures of France, Spain, and Italy. (It's the history of Mexico on a plate.) Among the highlights are the five different Oaxacan moles (plus a sixth from Chiapas), Yucatecan-style venison, local sea bass in tangy jamaica (hibiscus) sauce, and a unique appetizer, *tlacogos cuilacoche*, ovals of blue corn masa topped with a sort of "mushroom" that grows on corn ears. (In English it's called "corn

smut," but it tastes much nicer than that sounds.) The bar stocks over 600 tequilas and makes a food-friendly on-the-rocks Margarita with fresh fruit juices. Moderate. — *N.W. (2/01)*

EL FANDANGO 2734 Calhoun Street (next to Bazaar Del Mundo in the Plaza), Old Town Historic Park, 619-298-2860. This indoor-outdoor café sits right on the tourist-packed plaza. But come early, like 8:00 a.m., and you'll be practically alone. You're suddenly in a Mexican town, say 1840. Order up a chorizo (Mexican pork sausage) scrambled with eggs and rice and refried beans, or scrambled eggs mixed with *nopalitos* — cactus pads — and chile verde and frijoles, and maybe add breakfast champagne. Soon you'll be conjuring up all the fandangos — dances — that happened here, as well as the hangings, shoot-outs, and revolutions. Seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (12/01)*

GEORGIA'S GREEK CUISINE 3550 Rosecrans Street, Grosvenor Square Center, Loma Portal, 619-523-1007. This small, immaculate Greek restaurant serves food that will please anyone on a budget. Lunch is an especially good buy. All entrées, as well as sandwiches and appetizers, are prepared for takeout. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

OLD TOWN MEXICAN CAFE 2489 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-297-4330. This boisterous café is noted for its excellent breakfasts, served from opening to closing. Try also the rotisserie-roasted chicken, the carnitas, or the fajitas. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

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CAFE ZIA 6686 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-337-3937. South Asia meets Mexico! Khaled Zia had the brilliant idea of combining tacos (or wraps or bagels) with chicken and South Asia's great gift to the world: chutney — mango chutney, papaya chutney, peach, apple, even a serrano chili pepper chutney. The combo works with them all. As soon as you smell the chicken strips hissing away on the grills, you're hooked. Then when they come smothered in peach or mango chutney, or cooling yogurt, along with sweet-sauced potatoes, what can you do? Do as half San Diego State does: just say yes. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

DULZURA CAFE Highway 94 at Dulzura, 619-468-9591. Breakfast and lunch seven days, dinner Friday through Sunday. Think *Grapes of Wrath*, Okies, the 1930s. Dulzura Café is the real thing, serving big hot meals to weary westerners since 1910. The walls are cluttered with license plates, pots, brass cream-separators, corn-shuckers, horse-collars, railroad lanterns, ancient egg-beaters, six-foot snake skins, deer antlers and a seedy stuffed bobcat head. The food's for filling. Big juicy hamburgers with lanky home-cut fries, thick slices of meat loaf, or if you arrive early, steak and eggs or a hefty Denver omelet. This is frontier food before slim spelled "success." Listen for speeding cars rounding the corner as you cross into the dirt parking lot — and watch for the scorpion in the counter-top. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

JOHNNY B'S 4738 Fourth Street, La Mesa, 619-464-2465. This "Burgers and Brew" bar is a real 1950s place, with burgers to die for and good bar snacks, including a zesty jalapeño dip. Play pool, watch *West Wing*, hide from your ex on the smoker's patio out back. On Sundays (2:00 to 7:00 p.m. only), their 10-oz. New York steak, fries, beans, and salad is a must-eat at a rock-bottom price. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

LEMON GROVE DELI 7860 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-464-2928. More than one local has called this

small and spare deli one of the best sandwich shops in East County. Arrive at lunch time and you will find neat stacks of rolled pastrami, beef, and chicken, and cole slaw and sliced tomatoes in giant coolers ready for midday's rush. Lots of "Build Your Own Sandwich" suggestions on the wall menu, but one of the best has to be the pita pocket grilled chicken with mushrooms and onions. Closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

THE MOUNT SIGNAL CAFE 1201 West Highway 98, Calixico, 760-357-1379. Out in Yuha desert, west of Calixico, this 40-year-old restaurant remains in the era when Mexicali and Tijuana were rivals for the best bull-fighters and bulls north of Mexico City. The owner's mom, Maria de Jesus, was a *banderillera*, known to fans as "Manolita," a member of perhaps the only female bullfighting team ever. Surrounded by hundreds of bullfighting photos, you'll find traditional *casera* (homestyle) Mexican dishes. Keep an eye out for old matadors as you dig in. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

OWL CAFE 674 Main Street, El Centro, 760-352-3951. This classic American café is over 50 years old and still serves good rib-sticking food morning, noon, or night. Try breakfast special #1: pancakes, two eggs, and two bacon strips. For lunch, the French dip sandwich. Full-plate dinners — and they are full — include roast beef, liver and onions, and chicken-fried steak. Open 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. (Bar open until 2 a.m.) Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/01)*

SALA THAI 6161 El Cajon Boulevard, Campus Plaza, 619-229-9050. You will find this Thai restaurant as charming as its owner. The menu is extensive, the service attentive. Try the spicy seafood combination or the Chinese specialties. Loving experience and gastronomically satisfying. Open Monday through Saturday for lunch and dinner. Sunday dinner only. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

SUNNY GARDEN CUISINE OF CHINA 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa, 619-464-2288. This neighborhood restaurant (formerly Cheng) offers 18 chicken preparations at low cost, plus diced chicken in lettuce cups and smoked chicken with fried greens — the last two are appetizers. Good neighborhood restaurant in gorgeous surroundings. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

TOMMY'S PIZZA 1164 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-440-2676. This old-fashioned pizza house also prepares superb Italian sandwiches that include Italian roast beef, meatball, sausage, and various combinations. Call for hours. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

TYLER'S TASTE OF TEXAS 576 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-444-9297. Unfussy home cooking. Some dishes outshine others. The slab

of smoky ham steak that comes with the first-rate breakfast is in itself enough to rouse the sleepiest appetite. Expertly sautéed onions and mushrooms lend flavor to fried potatoes and omelets, respectively, while pebbly-smooth hash and gingery sweet potato pancakes give the lineup character. For lunch and dinner, the Texas menu features Texas-style barbecue (chicken, beef, pork, and sausage) that's sufficiently smoky, but a little uneven in texture. BBQ beef is reliable and the sweetish sauce shows well on the chicken. Pleasant surprises: a substantial, peppery cornmeal crust on the tender catfish and the fried green tomatoes, and the rich stock in the vegetable soup. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *A.M. (2/02)*

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EL MORELENSE 317 Dewey Street, Logan Heights, 619-234-2750. Morelos-style cooking: more pungent than CalMex or TexMex. The Cecina (a kind of *carne asada*), served with rice, beans, and tortillas, is richly marinated and filling, as is the *carne de adobada* (pork dish). *Caldo de res* (beef soup), *huevos rancheros*, and *menudo* or *pozole* soup (weekends only) are worth trying. Owner Santos, a true Morelense, makes all dishes from scratch, including salsas and tortillas. This used to be a tough area, but the new central police station next door has helped change all that. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

JYOTI-BIHANGA 3351 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-4116. Oh sure, you'll be watching Sri Chinmoy, the Bengali guru, on TV juggling, declaring Geneva International Airport a "Peace Blossom," or boarding his Italian "*Treno della Pace*." Plus, his books, his portraits, his paintings, and his chant-songs surround you. Apart from that, not only is this heavenly blue-domed restaurant run by his students peaceful, but the fresher-than-fresh Bengali-tinged health food is delicious. Their chutney-topped "Neatloaf" bursts with nutty, intriguing flavors. Even the accompanying mashed potato and gravy tastes different. Also delish: Brahma Burrito, "Infinite Blue" (interesting brown rice salad with bleu cheese dressing), and the Shiva Wrap (tofu and fresh veggies with a well-integrated curry flavor). On cold days, start with a steaming sweet pea soup. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

KENSINGTON GRILL 4055 Adams Avenue, Kensington, 619-281-4014. This new addition to an old neighborhood proves change can be good, delivering intelligent, inventive cuisine. Salads are well prepared, as is the savory smoked duck appetizer with cheese-bread pudding. These preparations follow the convention of contrasts in so-

phisticated cuisine — sweet vs. salty, soft vs. crunchy, hot vs. cold — as do the entrées. From the complexity of grilled salmon over pea greens, baby lettuces, sticky rice, and jicama slaw, to the tradition of lamb loin, Kensington Grill proves a talented, hard-working kitchen. Open for dinner nightly. Moderate. — *M.N. (8/99)*

KENSINGTON VILLAGE CAFE 4090 Adams Avenue, 619-283-7546. This small, friendly café, a great favorite with the locals, is often filled with local politicians and folk from the nearby Kensington Library. Best morning bet: the Village Breakfast (three eggs, thick bacon, sausage, potatoes, onions, peppers, cheese, cooked frittata style) or the half-pound Village Burger with fries, potato salad, macaroni salad, or coleslaw. Lighter standards include Caesar salad with grilled chicken, or a Polish sausage on a roll with sautéed peppers, onions, and cheese. Open Tuesday to Sunday, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/01)*

RED SEA RESTAURANT 4717 University Avenue (at Euclid), City Heights, 619-285-9722. You'll find richly seasoned (and potentially very spicy) Ethiopian cuisine, served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which looks like an edible dish towel and serves as both an edible spoon and an edible tablecloth. (Use pieces of it to scoop up morsels in your right hand.) The meat combination platter here isn't nearly as exciting as several of the specialties. The *kitfo* (spicy beef tartare) is very good, the *gored-gored* (meat cubes in spicy butter) is excellent; both are cooked (or not cooked) to your order, and seasoned to your specifications (if you say "hot," expect fire). Vegetables are fine, too; the yellow split peas, especially, sing with flavor. Open daily, very inexpensive. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Vegetarian-friendly. Can be noisy on weekend evenings. — *N.W. (12/00)*

UPTOWN

ALEX'S BROWN BAG 2550 Fifth Avenue, uptown, Suite 171, 619-231-2912. The reborn Alex's (now in the Mr. A's building), is rightly famous for its "Original Philadelphia cheese steak sandwich" (with fried bell peppers, onions, mushrooms, and mozzarella). Benito Guidagni says what makes his sandwiches so special is that he has the meat trucked in from cheese-steak central, South Philly itself. Other Italian-American goodies include the "Italian Stallion" (Genoa salami, capocollo prosciutto, and mortadella sausage meat), egg plant parmigiana with hot garlic bread, and grilled pastrami cheese on rye. Partly, of course, you come to see Benny and his family at work. It's, well, very Italian. Open for breakfast, lunch, and early dinner weekdays. Closes 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. — *E.B. (9/01)*

ANTICO TOSCANO 1288 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-2768. Home-style cooking from Tuscany, unpretentious, filling, inexpensive. Good soups, salads, pastas. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (2/00)*

ARRIVEDERCI 3845 Fourth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. The chef has

cooked at major European hotels and the food is outstanding. You won't go wrong with any of the pastas, and you may order small portions in combination. The appetizers and salads are also excellent. Chicken and shrimp fare well here. Modest physical plant, but it delivers in flavor and light preparations. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

BREAD AND CIE 350 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-683-9322. Twelve varieties of bread are baked daily in a 10,000-pound French stone hearth oven. Outrageously good because of the crusty exteriors and density. Among the best are multi-grain, sour-dough wheat, and fig-anise. Baguettes, brownies, and biscotti are first-rate. The sandwiches to eat in or take out are spectacular. Don't miss this one. Open daily. — *E.W.*

BUSALACCHI'S RISTORANTE 3683 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-298-0119. If you like old-fashioned Sicilian-style cooking — tons of tomato sauce, olive oil, and garlic — then try this converted cottage which serves it. Lots of pasta dishes, veal, chicken, and fish. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CITY DELICATESSEN 535 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2747. Jewish specialties available here include brisket of beef, chicken-in-the-pot, chopped liver, and a wide variety of sandwiches and vegetarian items. Breakfast specials weekdays; early bird dinner for \$9.95. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner, to midnight during the week and to 2:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

CREST CAFE 425 Robinson Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. Onion rings served in a loaf, homemade potato chips, chicken, steak, pasta, and a variety of extra-lean charbroiled hamburgers, plus the continuous service from breakfast to late night keep this café crowded. Breakfast omelets particularly good. Desserts are homemade. Noisy and high spirited, this café is open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

GULF COAST GRILL 4130 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-295-2244. www.gulfcoastgrill.com. Like its food — "Sassy southern and southwest cuisine" — the place has a brassy, planky, bollardy, pelicany, ropey, cozy, jokey Jimmy Buffet feel. And you can either eat rich ("Mississippi mustard catfish," "New-Orleans style BBQ shrimp," "Cajun Strip") or poor — if you hit the place during Happy Hour. Baja clam chowder, grilled vegetable quesadilla, cornmeal crusted brie cheese, fried oysters, and the BBQ baby back ribs are all great sunset bargains. Best Happy Hour seats: patio or bar. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (10/01)*

LAUREL RESTAURANT 505 Laurel Street (at Fifth Avenue), uptown, 619-239-2222. Douglas Organ's French provincial restaurant is sophisticated and stylish, featuring an ever-changing seasonal menu of fresh, appealing dishes and a superb wine list (as you'd expect from the sister of the North County's Wine Sellar Brasserie). The crowd, many coming straight from work or business conventions, are on the dressy side. Dine early in the week

for quiet, as weekends are jumping. Reservations are a must. The site now includes a small gourmet market, open from 4:00 p.m. Expensive to very expensive. — *E.W.*

LIAISON 2202 Fourth Avenue (at Ivy), 619-234-5540. This French restaurant with its romantic atmosphere offers an à la carte menu and fixed-price meals. Pleasant food, excellent service. Patio dining, weather permitting. Closed Monday. Open Tuesday through Sunday for dinner. Low moderate to expensive. — *E.W. (3/00)*

MISSION HILLS CAFE 808 West Washington, Mission Hills, 619-296-8010. Here's a good bargain restaurant for dinner. There are two dining rooms with the atmosphere of a casual neighborhood restaurant — nothing fancy, but good value for the money. Closed Monday. Open Tuesday through Sunday. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Breakfast items available until 4:00 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W. (6/99)*

PRADO House of Hospitality, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. Despite the mixed ethnicities, the food brings few surprises, but is generally flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes, a refreshing eggplant "napoleon," and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana Tres Leches cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum-crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Dinner reservations vital. Interior is vast and prone to loudness, but heated, umbrella-topped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — *N.W. (12/00)*

TASTE OF SZECHUAN 670 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1668. The Mandarin Szechuan menu offers standards with few surprises. But the three best features are the lovely room, the astonishing friendliness of the management, and the late hours. The Peking duck is excellent and so is the chopped chicken in lettuce cups. If you have favorite dishes, they will be prepared upon request in advance. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

TERRA 3900 Vermont (Uptown Center), Hillcrest, 619-293-7088, www.terrasd.com. Co-owner Jeff Rossman, formerly in charge of the front of the house, has moved into the kitchen to serve as chef at this comfortable neighborhood spot, serving venturesome, if uneven, tropical-influenced American cooking. You can settle in a spacious southwest-tinged dining room or people-watch from a sheltered outdoor patio (with smoking permitted). Generously sized tapas can serve as appetizers or as a sustaining bite before venturing into Trader Joe's across the street. The dinner menu changes seasonally, featuring barbecue items during the summer, comforting fare in colder weather, and special dinners on all major holidays. Good wine list with several flights available, full bar with tropical cocktails (Pisco Sours, Caipirinhas, et al.). Reservations advised, especially for weekends, holidays and

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SISTER PEE WEE'S SOUL FOOD 2971-1/2 Imperial Avenue, Grant Hill, 619-236-0470. One of the oldest, best soul food cafés in the county, but get there early (it closes at 8 p.m.). Sister Pee Wee says her daily lunch and dinner menu depends on what she feels like cooking that day — you might find big pork ribs with mashed red-skin potatoes, black-eyed peas, collard greens and two-inch-thick corn bread, or Southern-fried chicken, or seafood gumbo, or catfish fillet with all the trimmings. Sister's special is chitlins and catfish. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, ham, sausages, and hominy grits. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

THE SNACK GALLEY Greyhound Depot, 120 West Broadway, downtown, 619-234-4522. At 4:00 in the morning you don't expect Cordon Bleu, Pink, or any other color. The great thing about Snack Galley is that it's open at all. If you can get past the sleeping bodies, ask for the breakfast sandwich: bread stuffed with egg, cheese, and bacon, sausage or ham. Sausage is best — it feels like you get more to munch. Order a large coffee to wake you up, or sober you up, whatever you need. Open 24/7. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

STAR OF THE SEA 1360 North Harbor Drive (Ash Street), downtown, 619-232-7408. This is not your father's Star of the Sea. In a chic new setting with the same romantic view, a talented new chef offers superb sea catch in fresh flavor combinations that are bold but sane. Menus change seasonally, but one constant is an always-ravishing chef's tasting menu, which can include a cleverly paired wine flight. À la carte dishes are equally alluring, and wines are interesting, mainly affordable, and poured generously into good large goblets that show off their noses. Service is very considerate. Is this perfection? Quite possibly so. Somewhat dressy, reservations urged. Expensive to very expensive. — *N.W. (2/01)*

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

BUON GIORNO 4110 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-475-2661. The menu includes antipasti, soup, salad, pasta, pizza as well as chicken, meat, and fish. Try the Caesar salad topped with grilled fresh chicken breast, or linguine al pesto. Fish does very well here. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CROWN ROOM, HOTEL DEL CORONADO 1500 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6611, ext. 7284. Open only for Sunday brunch and special events. The food is competent, but the room is outstanding, especially the crown-shaped ceiling. Expensive. — *E.W.*

D'LISH PIZZA AND PASTA 386 East H Street, Chula Vista, 619-585-1371. The pizzas and pastas are tasty and the salads are huge and fresh. Excellent service. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

GRANDMA'S PANTRY RESTAURANT AND BAKERY 875 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-424-5800. Kids will appreciate Grandma's notice — pinned above a heap of cheese-cakes, pies, and cakes — that says "Enjoy Life More: Eat Dessert First." The menu ranges from Belgian breakfast waffles heaped with strawberries and cream to "Hot Juan" frittata (eggs, chorizo, onions, cheese, flour tortilla, salsa, and sour cream) to homemade meat loaf with mashed potatoes, veggies, a roll, and chilled pudding. Friday and Saturday nights, try their "All-The-Fish-You-Can-Eat" special. Then go and have your second dessert. You can walk it off on IB's pier. Breakfast and early dinner six days, Sunday to 2 p.m. only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

ISLAND WOK 922 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6835. This tiny indoor-outdoor-takeaway café is a standby with locals, especially the high school crowd. It serves good Vietnamese-Chinese food, and plenty of it. The owner, Xuan, makes scrumptious fresh (not fried) Vietnamese spring rolls wrapped in rice paper with shrimp, pork, or chicken and vegetables in the middle. But most customers go for the steam table combination plates. You always get chow mein, fried or steamed rice, and a fried spring roll

to start off, and then you can add entrées like orange chicken, Kung Pao chicken, or sweet and sour pork. Seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

JADE HOUSE CHINESE RESTAURANT 569 H Street, Chula Vista, 619-426-5951. Fairly bare bones, but comfortable, decorated with red dragons and paper lanterns. William and Anna, cook-owners from Hong Kong, seem to change the revolving "All U Can Eat" lunch buffet dishes quicker than you can say "Refills!" Kung Pao squid, beef broccoli, orange beef, and fried yam are great, but hang in for (in my opinion) the star turn: William's batter-covered crab puff — imitation crab with cream cheese. Or go menu and try the Pu Pu Appetizer Tray (for two) including fried shrimp, crab puff, and paper-wrapped chicken with flaming habachi. Seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

KARIHAN RESTAURANT 2220 Plaza Boulevard, Suite B, Grove Plaza Center, National City, 619-470-7491. Miss Philippines (USA), Miss Sweden, and Miss Argentina ate here, so it can't be bad. It looks like a grass hut and features about 16 different dishes at remarkably low prices. *Hamonado*, *binagoongan*, and *sinampalokan* turn out to be sweet and sour pork in pineapple sauce, pork with salted shrimp, and chicken in tamarind soup. Filipinos like to mix sweet and savory flavors, like *kare kare*, beef tripe and oxtail cooked in peanut butter sauce. And everybody loves *pancit*, Filipino chow mein. Open 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

LA BELLA PIZZA GARDEN 373 Third Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. From the outside, La Bella looks like an Italian farmhouse, with geraniums, bright green shutters, and maroon canopies. A real extended family runs this business. Their secrets are: long hours (from breakfast until after midnight daily), big meals, and small prices. The menu includes standards like spaghetti with meatballs or lasagna, including sides of garlic bread, soup, or salad. The hit with kids is "Papa's Favorite," an 8-inch pizza with mushrooms, pepperoni, and sausage. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

LYDIA'S CAFE AND NIGHTCLUB 1628 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-429-3603. This easygoing dancing eatery has a faithful following that goes back to 1957. And yes, there is a real Ly-

dia, age 76, mother of six, grandmother of 26, great-grandma of 44. (Give her a hand!) But before you dance, eat! Check out the *birria en su jugo* (goat in its juices) with beans, rice, and tortillas or enjoy filling snacks like *taquitos*, *cucaracha* (a corn tortilla stuffed with ham, cheese, and sour cream), or the snack Lydia says she invented — *botanas* (beans, pork, and melted cheese over corn chips). And now — ¡*bailé!* Open early to very late, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

MARCO'S FINE ITALIAN FOOD AND PIZZA 736 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-424-3636. You hardly notice it tucked into a row of TV repair shops, but Marco's is a jewel. Marco, Frank and Rosa Palombo ran the place for 30 years. Now Alex Pacheco does, but nothing has changed. There are the classic red tablecloths, murals of Italian scenes, white trellises, dripping plastic grapes, and Chianti bottles. Try spaghetti, mostaccioli, or rigatoni with meat sauce and meatballs. Live a little! Order a half carafe of Burgundy and sing along with the music — "*Funiculi, Funicula*." Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

PEOHE'S The Landing, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4474. This gorgeous, view-endowed restaurant offers upscale, Hawaiian-inspired fish and gargantuan steaks in a plush tropical-style setting with indoor waterfalls and three separate patios. Given the visual splendor, much of the food is better than it needs to be, featuring top-quality seafood prepared with care, e.g., halibut in a lush, sassy Frangelico-touched macadamia *beurre blanc*. A chocolate shell filled with macadamia nut ice cream may be worth the calories, too. Full bar. Open daily, lunch, and dinner. Reservations advised. Bargain-priced "early bird" dinners Monday through Thursday, otherwise expensive. — *N.W. (3/01)*

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ZORBAS FAMILY RESTAURANT 100 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-8853. All-you-can-eat Greek buffet daily, lunch, midweek dinner, weekend dinner with entertainment of belly dancers and Zorba's dancers. Plenty to eat. Not gourmet food, but fun. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

TIJUANA

(The prefix for all Tijuana numbers is 011-52-664. 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.)

EL TAURINO 7531 Sixth Avenue (off Revolución), Tijuana, 685-7075. Located in the heart of the old section of Tijuana, three blocks west of Revolución, this restaurant provides superb value in an excellent setting. Basically a steak house, it also offers fish, seafood, and fowl. The price of the entrée includes grilled quail, soup or salad, and mammoth amounts of the main course. Almost everyone orders *cabreria*, or try *empapelado*, fish and shrimp cooked in silver foil. Superior service. The menu is printed in Spanish and English, and the maitre d' speaks perfect English. First-rate bargain for high quality. Open daily 12:00 noon to 12:00 midnight. Continuous service. Inexpensive to moderate except for lobster. — *E.W.*

GRAND BISTRO Grand Hotel Tijuana, 4500 Agua Caliente Boulevard, Tijuana, 681-7000, x4188. Visit this Tijuana restaurant for its formal elegance, mystery, romance. Visit Grand Bistro for its prime rib! The tastiest I've ever eaten. This thick and juicy portion of Mexican beef comes with an outstanding side of "creamed spinach," slow-cooked with bits of smoky bacon and minced onion. Along with a fine Bistro salad and a selection from their excellent and affordable wine list, it's a voluptuous, if fatalistic, meal. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (3/99)*

LA COSTA 8131 Galeana (Seventh Street between Revolución and Constitución), Tijuana, 685-8494 or 685-3124. An extensive menu, consistently fresh product, and huge portions have made La Costa the reigning seafood house for Americans. Identical lunch and dinner menus offer lobster, shrimp, grilled fish, fish with sauces, squid, abalone, and oysters, all in a variety of preparations. Price of entrées includes soup, salad, rice, dessert, beverage, and after-dinner drink. Almost always crowded. Open Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

LA LENA 11191 Blvd. Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-2920. Don't miss the charming room, the open grill, and the tortilla maker who prepares fresh tortillas as the diners are seated. Dinners come with an appetizer and soup, and some of the entrées are extraordinary. Try the *pufios* ("fist"). Roasted quail and chicken do well here. Open daily, lunch to late dinner. Take Revolución to the left-hand bend where it becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin high-rise towers of the Grand Hotel. A large sign marks the restaurant (on the right side of the road). Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA VUELTA 2004 Avenida Revolución, Tijuana, 685-7309 or 684-2611. For an extravagant evening of mariachi music, good food, and high spirits, remember that La Vuelta is open every day, 24 hours a day. Mariachi available daily. Authentic Mexican food and atmosphere. English spoken. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

SAVERIO'S RESTAURANT MEDITERRANEO Avenida Carlos Robirosa 260, Tijuana, 686-3604 or 681-8496. This "in" restaurant attracts a young crowd. Pastas and pizzas are available, but the best bets are the fish and chicken dinners that arrive with soup or salad. Top price is \$14.00. Crowded and noisy weekends. Open daily, same menu noon to 11:00 p.m. Sunday to 10:00 p.m. Low to moderate. Take Revolución until it turns into Boulevard Agua Caliente. Continue until you see the Hotel Grand on your right. There, turn left onto the side street Avenida Carlos Robirosa. You'll see Blockbuster Video. Saverio's is across the street. — *E.W.*



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For a Change

Because it ambles along more like life, its interruptions seem ruder.

Advice word on *The Son's Room*, by way of the last Cannes festival, had it that the film was a startling change of pace for its director and star, Nanni Moretti: "the Italian Woody Allen."

That's hard for us to gauge, however, much less appreciate, when only one of his nine features and numerous shorts, 1993's *Caro Diario*, has found its way to our neck of the woods. (I can't pass up a chance to grouse about the spottiness of foreign-film distribution, particularly Italian-film distribution, excepting only Giuseppe Tornatore.) Not much pace can be built up from one film. So, for you and me, the most noticeable change is just that we are seeing anything of Moretti's at all. No doubt, too, the heavy drama of *The Son's Room* marks a change from the first-person humorous "essay" of *Caro Diario*, though the change, to be a stickler about it, is more in tone than in pace. The "relaxed tempos" and "muted climaxes" that I noted in my remarks on the earlier film (thank you, Internet movie archive) are characteristics of the new one as well. Characteristics, one might extrapolate, of the film-

maker in general. For now, *The Son's Room* must stand solely on its merits. And on those, it can stand tall.

A more accessible point of comparison — more so, that is, than the unseen remainder of Moretti's output — would be our own recent *In the Bedroom*.

Two films to do with the loss of a child. The American one, notwithstanding its "independent" and "art-house" credentials, concerns itself with the extraordinary, the newsworthy, the sensational, the melodramatic, the violent case, closer in form to the mainstream Hollywood thriller than to the art film. (Or for that matter, to the "straight" novel.) One has the sneaking suspicion that the whole thing has been constructed backwards from the "shocking" ending: that everything leading up to that point was fabricated as justification. The Italian one meanwhile concerns itself with the everyday, the mundane, the typical, the universal, the internal. Paradoxically, Moretti's easygoing, meandering, random-sampling manner of storytelling creates much bigger surprises, much bigger emotional dam-bursts, than the ominous and monomaniacal manner of

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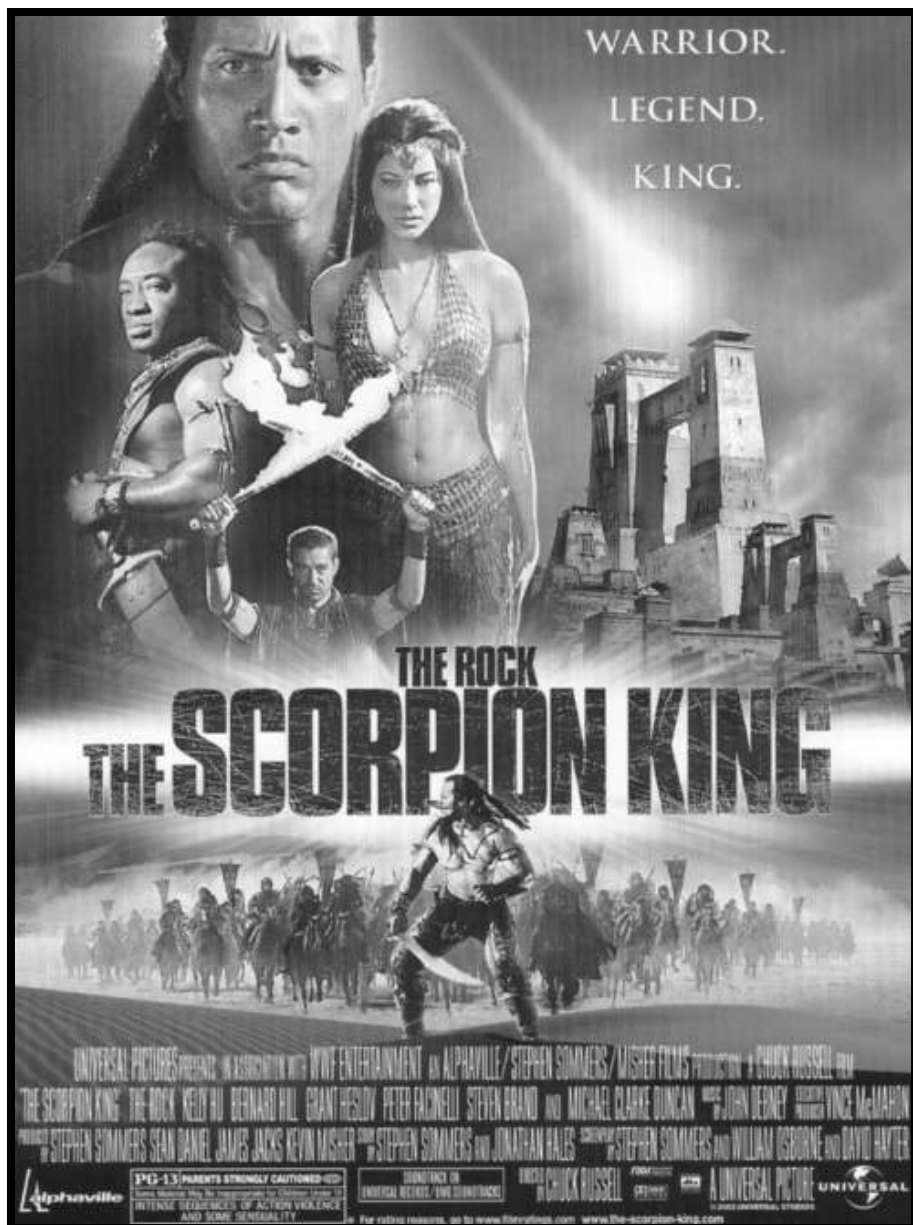
The Son's Room

Bedroom. Because it ambles along more like life, its interruptions seem ruder. Reason enough (if faded memory since seeing it three months ago were not) to withhold details of the story, even the smallest and most insignificant. In fairness to Hollywood as well as to America at large, and in resistance to cultural generalization, one

only wants to say that the subject matter and even the treatment of the Italian film would not always have been glaringly out of place in our own commercial cinema (*now* maybe yes, but not always), fitting comfortably under the umbrella of the tearjerker, the soap opera, the women's picture, call it what you will. And on the other

hand, *The Son's Room* in its own country navigates the commercial mainstream, not some tortuous artsy tributary. Its appeal to an audience is clear and direct, simply not strident and strong-arming.

In the lead role, Moretti's dour bearded countenance doesn't give away much: an ideal countenance for



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the character's vocation of psychotherapist. There is perhaps a hint of triteness, a slight impression of padding, in the sessions with his clients, punctuated as they are by discreet eye-rolling and daydreaming. These nevertheless occupy an important place in the broad and balanced pattern of homelife and worklife, and they set up a resonant backdrop of human fears and feelings. And the blame that the therapist cannot help but attach to one hapless client, who had tampered with destiny on the fateful day, is a fascinating wrinkle in the fabric. Ideal as his countenance might be on the job, it is ill-adapted to the role of grieving father; and his excruciating discomfort in that role, his losing struggle to stay buttoned-down, enables him to summon up deep emotion with minimal emoting. (Wife and daughter come in for their fair share as well.) More simply: for all his reserve, he's a very likable guy. And an even more likable filmmaker. If we feel, in one curious instance, that maybe it's middle-aged wishful thinking (rather than Italian good taste) when a long-haired record-store clerk is seen recommending a Brian Eno album to a shopping grown-up as something a young person might enjoy, it only endears Moretti the more. The lovely sample on the soundtrack, "By This River," amounts to a goldie-oldie.



The film currently is scheduled to open at the Hillcrest on Friday, April 12. Then again, it was scheduled for the past month to open there this coming Friday, April 5. Before that, it was scheduled to open a month earlier. Etc. (I complained about Miramax's shiftiness several columns ago.) I hereby wash my hands of the matter. Open it. Don't open it. I don't care anymore.

Spike and Mike's twenty-fifth-anniversary animation anthology, Fridays and Saturdays all through April at the Museum of Contemporary Art, assembles a selection of the best of the past quarter-century. Good idea. If there was room for *Bambi Meets Godzilla*, I might have thought there'd be room also for *Quasi at the Quackadero*.

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The Count of Monte Cristo —

Somewhat rushed retelling of the Dumas revenge story. Granted, there's a good deal of story to be gotten through, and the speed might be hoped to counteract the snags: the details of the tunneling in the Chateau d'If are not altogether credible (the dirt is disposed of in the chamber pots?); and a neatly trimmed beard, along with the passage of sixteen years, seems an insufficient excuse for a man's oldest friend to fail to recognize him — especially when the man speaks as strangely, as haltingly, as gulpingly, as Jim Caviezel. With Guy Pearce, James Frain, Dagmara Dominczyk, Luis Guzman, Michael Wincott, Richard Harris; directed by Kevin Reynolds. 2002.

★ (GASLAMP 15; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

Death to Smoochy

Death to Smoochy — Garishly dark comedy, if that's imaginable, set in the cutthroat world of children's television. KidNet's star attraction, Rainbow Randolph, is exposed as a "degenerate scumbag," forcing the network to replace

him with foursquare Smoochy the Rhino: “He’s a bottle of pancake syrup with legs.” Danny DeVito directs him to death, along with everyone else, even before Randolph hatches his revenge plot and before Smoochy rangles the money men with his incorruptibility. Overstatement runs wild, but nowhere wilder than Robin Williams. With Edward Norton, Catherine Keener, Jon Stewart, Harvey Fierstein, and DeVito. 2002.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;
FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6;
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Dragonfly — Communication-from-beyond-the-grave chiller. Kevin Costner loses his wife in a Venezuelan bus mishap, searches the river in vain for her body, attends her memorial service, and performs a C-section that same day on a deceased mother in the ER, all before the end of the opening credits. A total nonbeliever (“When you never wake up again,” he counsels a would-be suicide, “don’t say I didn’t warn you”), he nonetheless starts to doubt his own mind, even his sanity, when a series of funny happenings (funny-

strange, not funny-haha) suggests his wife is trying to get in touch with him. Director Tom Shadyac, far removed from *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective* and *The Nutty Professor*, seems intent to demonstrate that *Patch Adams* revealed his true self: a pig for mush. (Even visually, the movie has something of the pigpen about it: the muddy dullness.) Costner, meanwhile, gets to add another portrait to his gallery of droopy, doleful heroes. (Not that he hadn't already done a withdrawn widower: *Message in a Bottle*.) His perpetual boyishness — the cracking voice, the evasive gaze, the aw-shucks awkwardness — transforms the effect, though, into an unattractive and overdramatic case of the sulks, such that the Costner *oeuvre* emerges as one of the most reliable remedies yet discovered for sufferers from self-pity. Just pop a Costner tape into the VCR and embarrass them into bucking up. Kathy Bates, Linda Hunt, Joe Morton, Ron Rifkin. 2002.

● (VOGUE)

E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial — Nothing more ought to be required to dismiss Steven Spielberg's pretense of sweetness and innocence, or to dismiss the movie *in toto* from respectful consideration, than a glance at the death-scene of the monogrammatic spaceman. This sickroom spectacle is milked for all it is worth, with the normally cigar-colored creature having turned to the color of ash, his full-moon eyes narrowing to mere crescents, and the ten-year-old boy who has befriended him,

and who is symbiotically wedded to him, at first wasting away in tandem, then regaining sufficient strength to wail in protest when the selfless little alien severs all ties. For cruelty to characters and audience alike, the expiration of E.T. bears comparison to Dickens's polishing-off of Little Nell. No one but a card-carrying masochist would want actually to carry out such a comparison, and, in any event, the relevance of the comparison is very soon squelched. For sheer manipulativeness, for utter shamelessness in pursuit of popular approval, Spielberg leaves Dickens choking in his exhaust when, once having shut E.T. away in his coffin, he arbitrarily brings him back to life again. The threshold of shamelessness is crossed over at many other points as well, particularly in Spielberg's courtship of the under-twelve viewer, or of any other viewer willing to switch off his brain in an effort to feel that young again. With Henry Thomas and Dee Wallace.

1982.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HARBOR DRIVE IN; 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; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Festival in Cannes — Henry Jaglom's portrait of film folk on the French Riviera, with Anouk Aimee, Greta Scacchi,

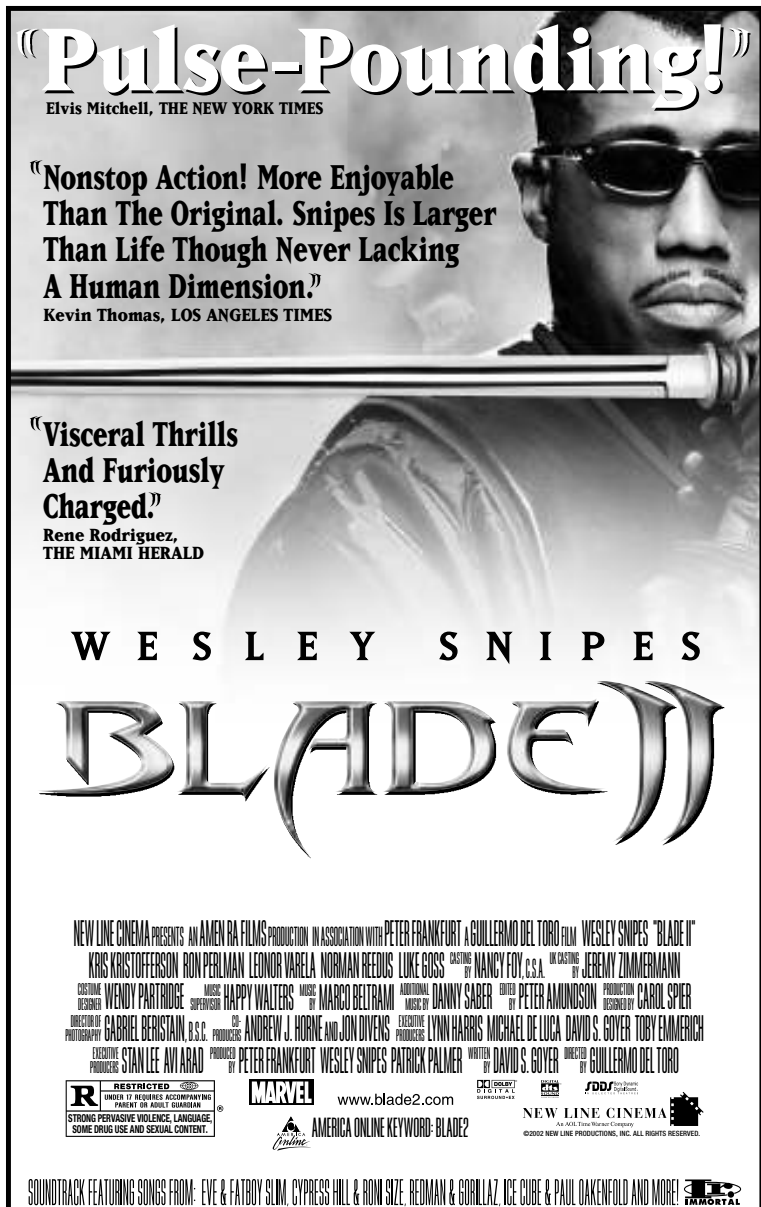
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40 Days and 40 Nights — Can a healthy young heterosexual male keep a vow of celibacy for the duration of Lent? Can he get over his old girlfriend and make a true “connection” with a new one in that time? Can we care? Very youthful, very hip, very glib, very one-track-minded, very cocksure. Not very embraceable. The fabric-stretching boner now seems to be as much a comic staple as the pie in the face. And if it was funny once, it will be funny again and again — won’t it? Josh Hartnett, Shannyn Sossamon, Vinessa Shaw, Paulo Costanzo, Griffin Dunne; directed by Michael Lehmann. 2002.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18)

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 names but by the names of their employers.) The inclusion among the houseguests of a Jewish homosexual vegetarian Hollywood producer — 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.

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,



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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 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.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

High Crimes — Military-justice drama directed by Carl Franklin, starring Ashley Judd, Jim Caviezel, Morgan Freeman. (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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 4/5)

I Am Sam — Queasy-making entertainment. And not only, or even largely, because of the jiggly, jostly, zoomy, freeze-frame-y camerawork under director Jessie Nelson. No: Sean Penn's impression of a mental defective, complete with a new whisk-broom haircut to add to his tonsorial portfolio, no doubt offers many rewards, not the least of which is the license to laugh with impunity at the less fortunate. It is somewhat reminiscent, in its levels of observational detail and skill in mimicry, of Mickey Rooney's memorable performance in the made-for-TV *Bill*. But what kept the earlier film from the threshold of queasiness was its lower dramatic pressure, its lighter mood. So perhaps, on second thoughts, it might be more reminiscent of John Malkovich's Lenny in *Of Mice and Men*. The storyline here, as there, is fashioned for nothing other than to torture the character and spectator alike, to wrest pain from the one and pity from the other. The titular Sam is the single dad of a normally bright, abnormally cute little girl who, nearing her eighth birthday, has already caught up with and outdistanced the mental capacity of her father. When a social worker takes an interest in the situation — takes the daughter away from the father — it's not because the movie, too, is interested in the situation, but because it is interested, as mentioned, in torture. The whole brutal business is almost a sort of *Saturday Night Live* gag on a cinematic "heart-tugger" — *They wouldn't let his daughter come out and play with him anymore!* — except that it goes on and on, and no punch line ever arrives. (Small mercy: at least it isn't Robin Williams in the part of the permanent child.) With Michelle Pfeiffer, Dakota Fanning, Dianne Wiest, Laura Dern. 2002.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Ice Age — Three mammals and a baby. A computer-animated woolly mammoth, sloth, and saber-toothed tiger (your species needs to have an interdenial sound in it — *oth ... oth ... ooth* — in order to join this fraternity) on a trek to restore a foundling to his migrating tribe. The wordless prologue — of a high-strung squirrel looking to bury an acorn in a winter landscape, wedging it forcefully into the ice, and creating a fast-growing fissure and a major avalanche — is practically a cartoon unto itself, and very funny. Then the talking starts (voices of Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, and Denis Leary), and we revert to the stock-in-trade of contemporary animation: smart-ass repartee, hipness, hardness, abrasiveness, and anachronism: "Hey, does this look like a petting zoo to you?" and "I don't eat junk food" and so forth. (The intermittent reappearances of the nonverbal squirrel are always welcome.) The inescapable end-of-an-eon melancholia is restricted to one scene of animated cave paintings depicting the extinction of the mammoths, and is a

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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 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.

★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY)

Iris — Dramatization of John Bayley’s two tributes to his novelist wife, Iris Murdoch: *Iris: A Memoir* and *Elegy for Iris*. The back-and-forth between early Iris (Kate Winslet) and Alzheimer’s Iris (Judi Dench) keeps the film from ever quite getting going, though there’s an undeniable poignancy in the spectacle of a meticulous wordsmith losing her connection to words and meanings. (Regardless of how little an idea we’re given of her actual work.) Jim Broadbent and Hugh Bonneville are an excellent match for the two ages of the unworldly, academic, stammering Bayley. Directed by Richard Eyre. 2001.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Italian for Beginners — Danish romantic comedy made in strict adherence to the Dogma ’95 guidelines for unwatchable cinematography. Pity, because the loose-knit cast of characters — a widowed pastor, a cranky restaurateur, a shy hotelier, a clumsy baker, a somber

hairdresser, and a sunny Italian waitress — is not without its charms and its chemistry. The newspaper ad and the promo trailer want you to believe the film takes place, rather than merely ends, in Venice. What with the indoor, up-close, hand-held camerawork, it doesn’t give you a very clear sense of where it does take place. With Anders Berthelsen, Anette Stovelbaek, Ann Eleanora Jorgensen, Peter Gantzler, Lars Kaalund, Sara Indrio Jensen; written and directed by Lone Scherfig. 2001.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Kissing Jessica Stein — An alternative-lifestyle romantic comedy starring and co-written by two unknowns, Jennifer Westfeldt (reminiscent of Lisa Kudrow around the mouth) and Heather Juergensen (reminiscent, for those with longer memories, of Suzanne Pleshette around the eyes). Their characters are, in their separate ways, thwarted heterosexuals — a routine dates-from-hell montage is entered in evidence — who are primed to switch teams. One of them, a SoHo art dealer, is gung-ho from the get-go. The other, a copy editor at the fictitious *New York Tribune*, and hence attracted by the first one’s citation of Rilke in her women-seeking-women ad and by her use of the word “marinate” in a fresh context, is more hesitant: indeed, “the Jewish Sandra Dee.” The two writers and actresses, as distinct from the two characters, achieve a certain level of perception and personal chemistry, dragged down a bit by their proneness to preen and boast, but nudged up again by the seeming honesty of the ending. Scott Cohen, Tovah Feldshuh; directed by Charles Herman-Wurmfeld. 2002.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 4/5; GROSSMONT CENTER, FROM 4/5; HILLCREST CINEMAS; TOWN SQUARE 14, FROM 4/5)

Last Orders — An elegy on an entire generation — the one that came of age during the Second World War — but narrowly focussed on four East London drinking buddies, and most particularly on the two whose friendship dates to the North African theater of the war. The title, from the Booker Prize-winning book by Graham Swift, refers not to any commands issued at that time, nor to the final call at the Coach and Horses pub, but instead to the deathbed wish of one of the four — Jack — to have his ashes scattered from the

Margate pier. (Michael Caine begins the movie inside a jar in a cardboard carton: hence, in an aside from one of his cronies, “Jack in a box.”) The narrative flits back and forth through time with a novelistic, free-associative agility, easy as changing tenses. The screen version has no trouble with the time shifts per se, even without (thankfully) any needless visual cues on the order of different focuses, colored tints, and whatnot: every setting is equally sharp and clear, as it would appear to those occupying it. Where the movie hits a snag, where the fluidity tends to coagulate, where we seem to have switched channels into another movie, is in the common problem of trying to match younger actors with older. Some things simply work better on the page, in front of the mind’s eye. We know too well what Michael Caine, Bob Hoskins, Tom Courtenay, David Hemmings, and Helen Mirren looked like when they were young: *Zulu*, *Zulu Dawn*, *The Loneliness of the Long-Distance Runner*, *Blow-Up*, and *Age of Consent*, respectively. But these, together with Ray Winstone as Caine’s and Mirren’s adopted son, are seasoned players, with no cause to grandstand; and they all reap plenty of poignance from memories of their former selves, when not usurped, anyhow, by imposters. Directed by Fred Schepisi. 2001.

★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 4/4)

Lone Star — Ostensible, possible murder mystery. Two souvenir hunters on a long-deserted rifle range in a remote corner of a nonessential military base discover, among the cacti and yucca, a single set of human remains. Initial indications — the Mason’s ring that got the attention of the metal detector, a rusted tin star — point toward the infamous corrupt sheriff who went missing forty years back. And initial suspicions point toward the late, legendary sheriff who succeeded him. The current sheriff happens to be the legend’s son, and if for no other reason than the heaviness of the shadow under which he toils — “Sheriff Deeds is dead, honey. You’re just Sheriff Junior” — he would not personally be all that unhappy at posthumously proving the old man a murderer. (It’s nice to see Chris Cooper in a lead role, and looking, under the added exposure, even more worried, burdened, squashed than usual.) Director, writer, and editor John Sayles, and lodestar (though not lone star) of the American independent cinema, makes use of this

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situation to survey a Texas border town geographically and architecturally, in crisp, clean photography. And, clearly more important to him, to dispense civics lessons and history lessons, liberal editorials and human-interest vignettes. He does not use the situation, at the same time, to develop anything resembling suspense, excitement, pace, or narrative nicety. The outcome is broad in scope and broad in mind (in scope, as broad as anything of his except maybe *City of Hope*; in mind, as broad as absolutely everything of his), but offsettingly flat in tone and slack in tension. Elizabeth Peña, Joe Morton, Kris Kristofferson, Frances McDormand. 1996.

★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 4/11, 7 P.M.)

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.

★ (GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VOGUE)

Lost in America — Something seems to be missing here, as compared with the earlier Albert Brooks movies, *Real Life* and *Modern Romance*. Not laughs, surely; at least not in significant numbers. And the basic idea — of a young Establishment couple who, with the dim pre-Established memory of *Easy Rider* as inspiration, renounce the rat race, liquidate their assets, and set off to live out their lives as nomads in a Winnebago — is as potent as, or more so than, what Brooks had started out with before. But at the same time, there is the gnawing impression that this idea has gotten less far off the drawing board than the others, less far beyond the idea *stage*. And too many of the people around the two principals — at the ad agency, at the going-away party, at the Hoover Dam tourist site, at a roadside diner, at a trailer park — are just blurs. What we certainly have plenty of, however, is Albert Brooks himself, and any reservations to do with how narrowly couple-centered the movie is, how little more than an old Mike Nichols-Elaine May routine, will be largely offset by the fact that one of the couple is Albert Brooks. Here as before, his great contribution to the comic pantheon is the creation of a character who doesn't know his own mind until he opens his mouth to speak, and who can reel himself into any position once he has hooked onto the nearest pop-psychological catch phrase. No comedian has struck a richer motherlode of mush at the heart of modern man. That spotty self-knowledge, that faulty communication with self — these things, though they virtually kill him as role-model or hero-figure, bring him brilliantly alive as a fictional character. He, more than any of his comic contemporaries, demands that the viewer look beyond the screen. It is a tribute to him as an actor that we need to; and it is a tribute to him as a director that we want to. With Julie Hagerty. 1985.

★★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 4/5, 1:30 AND 7 P.M.)

Melvin and Howard — Director Jonathan Demme and writer Bo Goldman tell you almost nothing about the strange case of Melvin Dummarr and the \$156 million left to him by Howard Hughes in the disputed Mormon Will, cramming all of that to-do into the final fifteen minutes and offering instead a friskily affectionate portrait of Dummarr's blue-collar background. The seamy-side-up view of America — gambling casinos, topless bars, bus stations, quickie wedding chapels, TV game shows, prefab housing developments — might be more fun if you didn't have to peer through Tak Fujimoto's grainy and garishly lit photography. The workmanship overall, in fact, gives an impression of sloppiness, with the movie's tone pitched uncertainly between funny

and sad, and never quite in harmony with one or the other or both. And what was the point of hiring Gloria Grahame to play Dummur's mother-in-law and then permitting her to speak only one word ("Two"), two or three times? With Paul Le Mat as Dummur, Jason Robards as Hughes, Mary Steenburgen and Pamela Reed as the two Mrs. Dummars. 1980.

★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 4/5, 9 P.M.)

Monsoon Wedding — A gathering of the clan for an arranged marriage in modern Delhi. You won't be alone if you have a hard time telling who's who and how they're related: even one of the invitees voices the complaint. It's a standard comic situation (*Father of the Bride*, etc.), almost a can't-miss one, and the Punjabi exoticism goes far to compensate for all the conventionality. It may not, however, go so far as to compensate for the belated dark turn down the side street of molestation: a new comic convention, but no less a convention, now that every TV sitcom feels obligated to Address Important Issues. The conflict between the old ways and the new, too, is standard for Eastern cinema (Ozu, etc.), although Mira Nair's scrambling catch-as-catch-can camerawork — 16mm blown up to 35 — leaves no doubt, for even a moment, where her own sympathies lie. The movie comes to a somewhat premature climax, albeit a moving one, at the cathartic celebratory dance the night before the ceremony. It would all feel a lot more barren, though, without the delightful figure of the weaselly wedding planner ("Ten minutes," he promises, "exactly and approximately"), with his polka-dot scarf, his leisure suits, his calculator wristwatch,

his clip-on pager. By himself, this inch-by-inch social climber embodies the strengths and weaknesses of the whole: complacently formulaic yet infused with a palpable humanity. However large a laughingstock, he is not denied his own romantic yearnings and his inhibiting self-awareness. Naseeruddin Shah, Lillete Dubey, Vasundhara Das, Parvin Dabas, Vijay Raaz. 2002.

★★ (COVE)

Monster's Ball — Swiss-born filmmaker Marc Forster focuses on the middle man (Billy Bob Thornton) in three generations of Georgia corrections officers. The film starts right out throwing haymakers — first-thing-in-the-morning vomit, wham-bam-thank-you-ma'am sodomy, good-ole-boy bigotry, Death Row, the Last Walk, more vomit, a suicide, and a hit-and-run fatality — before it settles down to a hesitant, awkward, muted interracial romance (with Halle Berry, a Death Row widow), and more vomit. By that time, it's all punched out. The electric-chair diaper is a new screen detail, if you're keeping track. With Peter Boyle, Heath Ledger, Sean Combs. 2001.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Panic Room — After his *Fight Club*, *The Game*, and *Seven*, David Fincher's next step is apt to seem a rather modest and old-fashioned thriller: a straightforward damsel-in-distress thing, two damsels to be exact, a well-compensated divorcee with mild claustrophobia and her diabetic daughter, holed up together in an impenetrable secret chamber — a kind of

"castle keep" — in their New York brownstone, besieged by three intruders whose objective happens to lie within the chamber. Weighing against the old-fashionedness are, among other things, the splatter measurements of the violence and the monochromatic artiness of the photography — all in mossy, moldy, scummy shades of green, as if the action were taking place after-hours in a public aquarium. However, the central situation, in constant danger of petrification, is efficiently set up (the arrival of the invaders outside the windows in the rain, in the dark of night, is creepy in the extreme), well sustained, credibly complicated — in spite of any unhappiness you might feel over the handling of the cops-at-the-front-door — and ingeniously rearranged on the fly. (The script is by David Koepp, writer as well as director of the underrated *Stir of Echoes* and *The Trigger Effect*, and writer only on the exemplary *Bad Influence*.) Jodie Foster and the boyish Kristen Stewart are both excellent in their clenched and controlled manner: no time, under the circumstances, to explore "character" and "relationship." Forest Whitaker, Jared Leto, Dwight Yoakam. 2002.

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Resident Evil — Brand-new brainstorm from the maker of *Mortal Kombat*, Paul W.S. Anderson (not to be confused with the maker of *Boogie Nights*, Paul Thomas Anderson): back to the video-game shelf for an ugly, ultra-violent, live-action dramatization, set somewhere called the Hive, underground headquarters of something called the Umbrella Corporation, sometime in the far future. It keeps you in an extended state of not knowing what the hell is going on — extended, to be more exact, well past the point of caring. Befuddlement tends to nullify suspense, no matter how many lethal laser beams and flesh-eating zombies are coming at you. Michelle Rodriguez, as a second-banana commando, again demonstrates her rightness and readiness for a tough-chick role (“Blow me”), if ever one should come along in a decent movie. Milla Jovovich, Eric Mabius, James Purefoy. 2002.

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adequate copiers. But Wendy, by some dubious arithmetic (even though the delay in fictional years is closer to forty), is now a young mother in London under the Blitz — perhaps there’s a fountain-of-youth benefit from a short stay in Never Land — and her shoes will have to be filled by her daughter Jane: a chance to “rectify” any out-of-date attitudes in the forerunner and to bring the story more in line with Disney’s new-found feminism. *Et voila*: “the very first Lost Girl.” (There will be no sign whatsoever of retrograde redskins.) For pace, balance, variety — and in spite of its pre-PC elements — *Peter Pan* remains one of the top two or three of all the Disney animated features. Reason enough, right there, not to have attempted a sequel. Especially not to have entrusted it to what amounts to the B-team, Walt Disney Television Animation in alliance with Walt Disney Animation Australia. The unimaginative results (a giant octopus in place of the crocodile, a couple of voice-over songs by a generic girl singer) are

nothing short of a disgrace, and little short of a desecration. With the voices of Harriet Owen, Blayne Weaver, Corey Burton, Jeff Bennett; co-directed by Robin Budd and Donovan Cook. 2002.

● (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14)

The Rookie — Off the Disney conveyor belt of inspirational sports stories comes the real-life odyssey of Jim Morris, high-school science teacher and extracurricular baseball coach in Big Lake, Texas, whose own pitching career was cut short by shoulder surgery, then revived when he tried out, on a dare from his players, for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays and made it to the “big’s” at the age of thirty-five. (The movie makes him out to be thirty-nine, maybe to conform closer to the actual age of forty-eight-year-old Dennis Quaid, or maybe out of concern that the average viewer would not be duly amazed at the younger age.) There’s a certain family-film blandness to the thing, and yet there is also a fine feel for the Dust Bowl dreariness of the setting, and for the second-class status of the sport of baseball in the heart of football country. (While automatic sprinklers maintain the immaculate turf of the gridiron, a pack of deer gobble up the seeds on the dirt diamond.) And the entire last act of the drama — the hero’s wide-eyed arrival at

the palatial Ballpark at Arlington, the finding of his locker and uniform in the clubhouse, the limbering up in the bullpen in front of the Texas home folks, the entrance onto the playing field, the first batter faced — is a payoff tantamount to an escalator to heaven. This is not (what the hero had fantasized as a boy) the seventh game of the World Series; it is only a mop-up relief appearance in a blowout. But that’s several miles beside the point. With Rachel Griffiths, Brian Cox, Beth Grant, Jay Hernandez, Russell Richardson; directed by John Lee Hancock. 2002.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Showtime — Genial spoof, too innocuous and lazy-minded to be construed as satire, of “reality television.” A no-nonsense LAPD detective, in the departmental doghouse after putting a bullet in a TV news camera (“He’s Dirty Harry, he’s real ... and we’ve got him by the balls”), is compelled to co-operate on a new *vérité* cop show, partnered with a camera-conscious uniformed patrolman and wannabe actor. In a just-for-the-money part, Robert De Niro, a cagy and energy-conserving counterpuncher, steals all the laughs from the aggressive, free-swinging Eddie Murphy: a classic case of the straight man who’s funnier than the cut-up. But the movie, whatever it might

say, sees things pretty much the same as the media types it ostensibly mocks (ostentatious action, formulaic buddy relationship, stereotyped ball-busting career woman), so that the laughs, such as they are, dwindle as the plot rolls along, in clear contradiction of De Niro. William Shatner and Johnnie Cochran show up in small parts as themselves, perfectly happy to enter into the spirit of avaricious cynicism. With Rene Russo; directed by Tom Dey. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Smoke Signals — Poky, talky, literary road movie, with frequent breaks for flashbacks, about two budding buddies from an Idaho Indian reservation who trek to Arizona to pick up the ashes of one of their fathers. It boasts of being the first Native American independent production, but it can boast of not a lot else. With Evan Adams, Adam Beach, Irene Bedard, and Gary Farmer; adapted from his own novel by Sherman Alexie; directed by Chris Eyre. 1998.

● (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 4/10, 7 P.M.)

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Mon.-Thu. 1:20 (4:15) 7:10, 10:05

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7:30, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. 12:30, 2:50 (5:10) 7:30, 9:50; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:20, 10:20; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri. 1:00 (4:00); Sat.-Sun. 1:00, 4:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:00 (4:00); **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri. 1:15 (4:15) 7:15, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 1:15 (4:15) 7:15, 10:15; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri. 12:35, 2:45 (5:00) 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. 12:35, 2:45, 5:00, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:35, 2:45 (5:00) 7:00, 9:45; **Panic Room** (R) Fri. 1:10 (4:10) 7:10, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. 1:10 (4:10) 7:10, 10:10; **The Rookie** (G) Fri. 12:45 (4:05) 7:05, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. 12:45, 4:05, 7:05, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. 12:45 (4:05) 7:05, 10:05

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Hillcrest Cinemas
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Amelie (R) Fri. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (10:25) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:05; Mon.-Wed. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:05; Thu. (1:15) 4:15, 10:05; **Festival in Cannes** (PG-13) Fri. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (10:30) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; **Italian for Beginners** (R) Fri. (1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (10:45) 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:10; Mon.-Tue. (1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 10:10; Wed. (1:45) 4:45, 10:10; Thu. (1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 10:10; **Kissing Jessica Stein** (R) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (10:40) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; **Y Tu Mama Tambien** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (10:35) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

Museum of Photographic Arts
1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)
Melvin and Howard, Friday, 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.; **Lost in America**, Friday, 9 p.m.; **Smoke**

Signals, Wednesday, 7 p.m., and next Friday, 7 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center
1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
Bears (Not Rated) Fri. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sat. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sun.-Mon. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00; Tue. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00; Wed. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Thu. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; **The Human Body**

The Time Machine — Remake of the H.G. Wells classic, directed by the novelist's great-grandson, Simon Wells, whose allegiance is plainly to his own time and not to his illustrious ancestor. The special effects are perhaps not too excessive (nor too special), as compared with the current norm rather than with the George Pal version of 1960. And although the machine itself — all flash and twirl — bears roughly the same relationship to the forty-years-old model as, say, the alien spacecraft in *Close Encounters* bears to those in *War of the Worlds* (another Wells adaptation on which Pal worked), the actual trip through time, from 1899 to 802701, is well handled. But the class-war angle of the novel — the widening divide between bourgeoisie and proletariat — has dated far less badly than might, in a bit more than a century, have been expected (except maybe by Wells himself), and certainly not so badly that it needed to be, as it was here, expurgated altogether. On the contrary, the only reason to avoid it is to avoid stepping on anyone's oversensitive toes. The revised conflict of the future is completely in accord with the PC sentimentalities of the present, whereby the effete Eloï have been converted into a hardy happy breed of noble savages (suntans included), with something of a Native American feel about them,

something of a Rain Forest feel, something of a South Seas feel, underscored by the soaring tribal chant on the soundtrack. The predatory Morlocks, meanwhile, rising out of the ground looking like the Living Dead, have something of a *Planet of the Apes* feel (all the way to their spectacular leaping ability), something of a colonialist-oppressor feel, something of a slave-trader feel. And the Time Traveller (Guy Pearce, an Aussie like Rod Taylor last time out), thrust into the thick of it, transforms himself overnight from the Absent-Minded Professor into Mad Max. A superior intellect will take you only so far; eventually push must come to shove. Samantha Mumba, Orlando Jones, Jeremy Irons. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Trembling before G-d — Sandi Simcha DuBowski's documentary on homosexuality among orthodox Jews. (KEN, 4/5 THROUGH 11)

Van Wilder — Campus comedy with Ryan Reynolds, Tara Reid, and Tim

Matheson, directed by Walt Becker. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; 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 4/5)

We Were Soldiers — The post-*Private Ryan* fashion in war films now reaches the treacherous terrain of the Vietnam War. Call it the all-guts-all-glory look: the stomach-turning level of mayhem commonly associated with the anti-war film, and yet a crispness of salute more typical of the wartime flag-waver. Writer-director Randall Wallace, who wrote but did not direct *Pearl Harbor* and *Braveheart*, has plowed some fertile new ground — what came to be known as the Valley of Death, site of the first major battle between U.S. troops and Vietnamese in November of 1965 — and he has harvested from that soil the provocative afterthought that the real tragedy of the event was not the number of Americans who lost their lives there (the maxim of the Viet Cong commander: “Kill all they send, and they

will stop coming”), but rather the possibility that the outcome could be viewed as an American victory: i.e., encouragement to press on until 58,000 had lost their lives. Somehow, though, Wallace remains impervious to his own irony. Nothing will wilt the crispness of his salute. The big drawback, even for that purpose, is that the film enters the tribute mode so early, and with such unwavering resolve, that it leaves itself no room for emotional development. Everything is prefigured, predigested, telegraphed, heavy-handed. With Mel Gibson, Chris Klein, Greg Kinnear, Sam Elliott, Barry Pepper, Madeleine Stowe, Keri Russell. 2002.

★ (GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Y Tu Mamá También — Mexican horny-teenager comedy tells of two buddies, one affluent and one not, who, to their astonishment and delight, are able to entice the ripe Spanish wife of a bumptious philanderer to accompany them on a trek to an imaginary beach named Heaven's Mouth. En route, she offers a sexual tutorial that brings the know-it-all boys to

such depths of self-revelation as to uncork a geyser of vomit. (The intrusive, third-person, know-it-all narrator heightens the feeling of patronization.) Filmmaker Alfonso Cuarón, unlike the makers of American horny-teen comedies, tries at all times to serve the characters and the story rather than simply to twist the arrow off the laugh meter. Or to put it another way, he tries at all times for realism, even when trying for raunch. And the two young actors — Gael García Bernal and Diego Luna — are revoltingly convincing. But the character of the woman — the starved-looking Maribel Verdú, whose entire intake of calories appears to go straight to her bosom — is something of a contrivance, perhaps a more complex contrivance than some, but not a more believable one, for all that. There are numerous points of cultural interest along the road to the beach (which turns out to exist after all), though the pallid color and casual camerawork fail to make the most of them. 2001.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; SWEETWATER 9)

Grossmont Trolley
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:35) 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:40) 8:35; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:00) 4:30, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:55, 5:35) 8:15; **Gosford Park** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:20) 5:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:30); **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:15) 4:40, 7:00, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:20) 7:25; **In the Bedroom** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:05) 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:50, 5:50); **Monster's Ball** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 1:55) 4:25, 7:05, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (3:25, 5:55) 8:25; **Return to Never Land** (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:40); Mon.-Thu. (3:20); **Showtime** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00) 5:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 8:50; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:10) 8:30; Mon.-Thu. 8:30; **The Time Machine** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (5:25) 7:45; **We Were Soldiers** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:15, 7:15, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:45) 8:45

SANTEE

Santee Drive In
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)
High Crimes (PG-13); **The Rookie** (G); **The Count of Monte Cristo** (PG-13); **Death to Smoochy** (R)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10
555 Broadway (619-338-4214)
Big Trouble (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; **Blade II** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; **Clockstoppers** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Thu. 4:15, 9:45; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 7:00; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:45; **Resident Evil** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:00, 3:30, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30

Palm Promenade 24
770 Denney Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)
Big Trouble (PG-13); **High Crimes** (PG-13); **Van Wilder**; **Sorority Boys** (R); **Panic Room** (R); **Death to Smoochy** (R); **Clockstoppers** (PG); **The Rookie** (G); **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial**; **Blade II** (R); **Ice Age** (PG); **Resident Evil** (R); **Showtime** (PG-13); **The Time Machine** (PG-13); **All about the Benjamins**; **We Were Soldiers** (R); **A Beautiful Mind** (PG-13)

Rancho Del Rey 16
1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 4:20) 7:25, 10:20; **Big Trouble** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:00, 4:45) 7:05, 10:30; **Blade II** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:45) 7:15, 10:00; **Clockstoppers** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 5:00) 7:40, 10:05; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:50, 10:25; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 3:05) 6:50, 9:45; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:30, 2:40, 4:10) 7:00, 7:30, 9:40, 10:10; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:35, 2:25, 3:00, 4:50, 5:10) 6:50, 9:25; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:10, 4:30) 7:10, 9:30; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 12:10, 2:15, 2:50, 4:55, 5:25)

7:35, 8:00, 10:15, 10:30; **Resident Evil** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 4:40) 9:35; **Showtime** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:05, 4:35) 6:55, 9:50; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 4:05) 7:00, 9:55; **The Time Machine** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (2:20) 7:10; **We Were Soldiers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 4:15) 7:20, 10:20

Vogue
226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436)
Dragonfly (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:45, 6:00; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:45, 8:00

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In
2170 Coronado (619-423-2727)
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NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In
32nd and D (619-477-1392)
Big Trouble (PG-13); **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial**

Sweetwater 9
1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571)
Big Trouble (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:50, 3:55) 5:55, 8:10, 10:15; Sun. (1:50, 3:55) 5:55, 8:10, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 3:55, 5:50) 8:05; **Blade II** (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:10) 4:30, 7:05, 9:25; Sun. (2:10) 4:30, 7:05, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 5:10) 7:45; **Clockstoppers** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:20) 5:35, 7:45, 10:05; Sun. (1:10, 3:20) 5:35, 7:45, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 3:45, 5:45) 7:50; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Sat. (3:35) 8:20; Sun. (3:35) 8:05; Mon.-Thu. (3:40) 8:10; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:20) 5:05, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. (2:20) 5:05, 7:55, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:20) 8:00; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:30, 3:30) 5:25, 7:20, 9:15; Sun. (1:30, 3:30) 5:25, 7:20, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 3:30, 5:25) 7:15; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:10) 5:20, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:20, 7:30, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 3:35, 5:35) 7:40; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:00) 4:40, 7:15, 9:55; Sun. (2:00) 4:40, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 5:00) 7:30; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Sat. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Sun. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:40) 7:20; **Y Tu Mama Tambien** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. (1:20) 5:50, 10:35; Sun. (1:20) 5:50, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 5:55)

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6
Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784)
Clockstoppers (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Sat. 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 7:15; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15; Mon.-Thu. 1:15, 4:15; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:00, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 7:30, 10:15; Sun. 10:30, 1:30, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 1:30, 7:30

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain
11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)
Big Trouble (PG-13) Fri. (1:35, 3:35) 5:30, 8:15, 10:10; Sat. (1:15, 3:30) 5:40, 8:15, 10:10; Sun. (1:15, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:30, 5:40) 7:50, 9:45; **Blade II** (R) Fri. (1:05, 3:30) 5:45, 8:10, 10:30; Sat. (12:30, 3:05) 5:35, 8:10, 10:30; Sun. (12:30, 2:50) 5:10, 7:05, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:40) 7:05, 9:20; **Clock-stoppers** (PG) Fri. (1:10, 3:15) 5:25, 7:35, 9:50; Sat. (12:35, 2:50) 5:05, 7:35, 9:50; Sun. (12:35, 2:50) 5:05, 7:40, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 3:25, 5:35) 7:40, 9:40; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Sat. 7:50, 10:15; Sun. 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 7:35, 9:50; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri. (2:30) 5:10; Sat. (12:00, 2:40) 5:15; Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:00); **Gosford Park** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:20) 7:15; Sun. (1:20) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:05) 7:00; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri. (2:20) 5:00, 7:40, 10:15; Sat. (12:10, 2:30) 5:00, 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 4:55, 7:05, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:35) 7:05, 10:00; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri. (1:00, 3:00) 5:20, 7:20, 9:20; Sat. (12:45, 3:00) 5:20, 7:20, 9:20; Sun. (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:10, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:00, 5:15) 7:10, 9:00; **Monster's Ball** (R) Fri. (1:05, 3:25) 5:40, 8:00, 10:25; Sat. (12:15, 2:45) 5:10, 8:00, 10:25; Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:05, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:15, 5:30) 7:45, 10:00; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri. (1:15, 3:20) 5:35, 7:55, 10:05; Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:55, 10:05; Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:20, 7:25, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:20, 5:20) 7:25, 9:30; **Panic Room** (R) Fri. (2:15) 4:45, 7:45, 10:25; Sat. (1:45) 4:45, 7:45, 10:25; Sun. (1:45) 4:25, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:25) 7:15, 9:45; **Show-time** (PG-13) Fri. (1:45, 3:50) 5:55, 7:25, 9:40; Sat. (12:05, 2:20) 4:55, 7:25, 9:40; Sun. (12:05, 2:20) 4:55, 7:00, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 4:55) 7:00, 9:05; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:20; Sun. (1:30) 4:30, 7:10, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:10, 9:55; **The Time Machine** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 4:50, 10:10; Sun. 4:50, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (4:50) 10:00

POWAY

Poway 10
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
Big Trouble (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 6:00, 8:15; **Blade II** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30; **Clockstoppers** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 7:00; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Show-time** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 4:45, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 4:45; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30

RAMONA

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SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18
West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (1:10, 4:10) 7:10, 10:05; **Big Trouble** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:40, 1:50, 4:00) 6:10, 8:20, 10:30; **Blade II** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:20, 2:50) 5:20, 7:50, 10:15; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:15; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:50, 3:30) 7:00, 9:45; **Hart's War** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:25, 2:00, 4:40) 7:30, 10:15; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 1:40, 2:45, 3:45, 5:00) 6:00, 7:20, 9:30; **John Q** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. 8:00, 10:35; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:20, 1:30, 3:50) 6:10, 8:30, 10:45; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:25, 1:15, 2:15, 4:15, 5:00) 7:15, 7:45, 9:55, 10:40; **Resident Evil** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:45, 10:10; **Showtime** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:25, 3:10) 5:25, 7:55, 10:20; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:00, 4:00) 8:15; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:45) 7:40, 10:30; **The Time Machine** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:35, 3:05) 5:35, 8:05, 10:20; **We Were Soldiers** (R) Fri.-Wed. ; Thu. (12:05, 3:35) 7:05, 10:00

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real
2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)
Blade II (R) Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 3:40, 6:30, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. 5:10, 8:00; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 2:10, 4:10, 6:40, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. 5:20, 7:30; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Sun. 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. 5:00, 7:50; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Sun. 1:15, 4:00, 6:50, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 4:45, 7:40

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (760-599-8221)
Big Trouble (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; **Death to Smoochy** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 2:00, 7:15; Sun. 11:15, 2:00; Mon.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 7:15; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:15, 7:30; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Showtime** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 4:45, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 4:45; **Wanderlust** (Not Rated) Sun. 7:00

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8
12905 El Camino Real (858-646-9420)
Big Trouble (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:00, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 1:00, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; **Blade II** (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 4:15; **Clockstoppers** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **E.T., the Extra-Terrestrial** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 7:00; **High Crimes** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:15, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:15; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30; **Van Wilder** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:30,

1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30; **Showtime** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu.

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CHILD CARE WORKER needed for overnight position for residential treatment center. Must be in fourth year, working towards B.A. Degree. Fax resume to New Alternatives, attention Matt at 619-656-1429.

CHILD CARE WORKER needed for residential treatment center. B.A. degree required. Pay dependent on experience. Fax resume to Matt, 619-656-1429.

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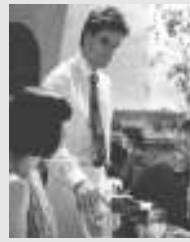
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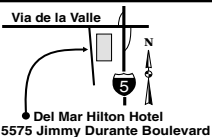
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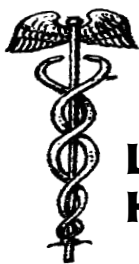


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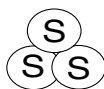
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ACTUALLY, WILL YOU JUST SHUT-UP?

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'K' ALSO HATES 'N' BECAUSE 'K' HAS TO BE SILENT LIKE 'KNOW'

EXCUSE ME BUT WHAT ARE YOU EVEN TALKING ABOUT?

AND HOMONYMS MAKE THE LETTERS TAKE SIDES. THE 'W' IN 'WON' DECLARES WAR ON THE 'E' IN 'ONE'. IN MY PENCIL THEY BATTLE ALL THE WAY TO THE PAPER. 'E' CONQUERS 'W' AND I WRITE 'W' JUST TO MAKE 'E' MAD. I GET A 'D' ON THE TEST.

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OFF THE CUFF by Sue Greenberg



Cris Tokuyama
Executive Assistant
Hillcrest

I'd like to sing in a rock band. Like Joan Jett or Ann Wilson from Heart. I can sing classic music; I just can't sing rock. I just wish I could have a rock band behind me playing and sing with them. That would be so cool.



Terry Woods
Volunteer Missionary/Welder
Spring Valley

Engineering technician. Now I'm a welder, but I'd like to get more advanced training on computers and such. I've always been fascinated by engineering, since I was a kid. It's talent I might be able to develop; at least, it's possible.



David Lewis
Fire Dancer
North Park

The ability to live in society without the stress of feeling at odds with it. I know people that are attempting to develop that talent; it seems my tribe and the society we live in are following divergent paths. I wouldn't mind getting along with the rest of the world.



Alissa Davies
Child-Care Worker
Golden Hill

Ever since I was a little girl I wished I knew how to sew better and could be a fashion designer; I always loved to sketch fashions, different outfits. I wish that I had gone to school for that sometimes—a more selfish approach than the one I chose. It's the whole idea of making cloth into art and draping on the body.



Song Bledsoe
Retail Management
Hillcrest

I wish I had patience—the patience to build things. Like, with my hands. I love that stuff, but I don't always have the patience to follow directions. But it would be nice to partake in building my own dream house. As I get older, I think it'll get easier.

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TRAVEL COMPANION sought (female) by fun, fit guy (40) for exciting Baja trip in my motor home. Surf, sail, dive, fish, tan. Party, party, party! (4/17) ☎30658

MATCHES

WOMEN SEEKING MEN

TALL, ZEN FRIENDLY, scientist, 32, Hispanic, seeking 6'2"+, 33-40, European-born, academic. Enjoy worldly adventures, watersports, sunsets, rainforests, Billie Holiday, liberal thoughts, sweetness with spice. (4/17) ☎33405

23, PETITE, BEAUTIFUL redhead, loves dancing, dinner. Drinker, smoker. You are financially/emotionally secure. 25-40. Someone to go out and have fun with. Possible relationship. (4/17) ☎23425

AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALE sought for 5'8", attractive, bright blonde. You be 45-55, funny, adventurous, smart, handsome, tall, sincere, secure, yummy; like jazz, camping, sports, dancing. (4/10) ☎23326

SEXY, 25-YEAR-OLD, CAUCASIAN female. Beautiful, Rubenesque blonde seeks an educated, attractive, passionate, mature gentleman to enjoy. Looking for ages 21-35. (4/17) ☎23387

ZEST FOR LIFE! Active, open, spiritual woman, professional, looking for sensitive, romantic, caring man (35-50). Enjoy music, laughter, honesty. Not afraid of commitment. Are you? (4/17) ☎23406

FULL-FIGURED MOTHER OF ONE seeks family-oriented, marriage-minded man,

21-35, who enjoys family outings, dinner parties with friends, spending time with someone special. (4/10) ☎23364

ATTRACTIVE BLONDE, 40, seeks man to share museums, dancing, music, movies, day trips, life. Children maybe OK; I have none. I love life. Do you? (4/17) ☎23410
CAN'T YOU JUST SHOW UP at my door? Dislike singles clubs? I'm 49, attractive, fit, slim, funny, professional with life in good order. (4/10) ☎23342

I'M UNITY, RELIGIOUS science, early 30s, blonde, great looks, business professional, nonsmoker, never want kids. Seeking committed relationship with same who's prosperous, looks/is Latino. (4/17) ☎23419

IVORY SEEKS EBONY professional, over 55, like minded. I'm physical, mentally/emotionally spiritual, fit, fun; laughter, good conversation. Love life. For relationship, hopefully more. (4/17) ☎23399

CHRISTIAN, DIVORCED MEXICAN, 30, seeking fit Christian, honest, Hispanic or white, divorced or single dad, 30-37. Let's be good friends, share good times. God will tell. (4/10) ☎23320

GREEK GODDESS SEEKING emotionally/financially secure gentleman who has Christian values, affectionate, trustworthy, responsible, monogamous, sense of humor and treats me right. No drinking/drugs. (4/10) ☎23322

WORLDLY, NATURAL GAL, petite, 5', attractive, 48, white, seeks romantic, fit, educated guy, professional, 40s-50s; dancing, traveling, camping, arts, humorous, liberal, nonreligious, light/nondrinker, nonsmoker. (4/10) ☎23324

SINGLE MOTHER, 28, MEXICAN, attractive, with 2 kids, seeks responsible white male who likes kids and speaks some Spanish, 28-35; committed relationship. Single dads OK. (4/10) ☎23327

THE ROSE FROM SPANISH HARLEM. 47, 5'3", Latina, proportionate, energetic, loves dancing; enjoys a little wine and seaside sunsets. Let's enjoy life; dance with me. (4/17) ☎23402

WOMAN, 45, SEEKS WHITE professional, good person, good looking, understanding and able to make commitment. Homeowner who's ready for nice life together and is nonviolent. (4/17) ☎23398

ATTRACTIVE HISPANIC MOM, 35, 5'4", 140lbs., looking for an honest, hardworking gentleman with good morals that wants to form a family. (4/10) ☎23343

LOOKING FOR COMPANION to share interests and enjoy life. Like to try new things and explore California. (4/17) ☎23416

ARE YOU COURAGEOUS, honest, energetic? Let's create/share friendship/partnership, community, personal growth/development, relationship forums, seminars, expansion, love, self-expression, freedom, fun, adventure. I'm 43, attractive, curvaceous, 5'7". (4/10) ☎23365

SENSUAL, ADVENTURE-LOVING white lady, 5'6", trim, attractive, no dependents, enjoys cooking, outdoors; seeks tall, healthy 55-63 who wants to blend our many nice qualities for lasting relationship. (4/17) ☎23383

DECADENT BLONDE YEARNS for co-conspirator in pleasure. I adore figs, tango, poetry, opera, espressos, kissing, convertibles, quills. Let's devour life. (4/10) ☎23332

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45, ATHLETIC, WISE, humorous woman seeks 45-60 nonsmoker, degreed man, who enjoys many of life's challenges and rewards to date and then get serious. (4/10) ☎23354

AMPLE WILD HARE, 35, wants adventurous cuddle bunny, 28-42, for friendship, fun, laughter and love. Hop to it! (4/10) ☎23330

ARMENIAN LADY, AMERICAN citizen, 47, 5'7", 150lbs., attractive, tall, great figure, family values, seeks gentleman of good character, professional, to build family with. (4/10) ☎23361

WOMAN OF COLOR SEEKING classical music lover. In need of escort for Annual Children Helping Children Dinner and Concert, 4/6/02. Must purchase own ticket. (4/10) ☎23348

EUROPEAN-BORN, VIVACIOUS, honest, attractive Jewish woman with good sense of humor seeks companion or more, 55+. (4/10) ☎23350

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AFFECTIONATE, ATTRACTIVE blonde, 49, desires educated, physically fit male to share outdoor activities, gourmet dinners, friendship and chatting about life from A to Z. (4/17) ☎23401

SINGLE BLACK FEMALE, attractive, active, fitness oriented, sensitive, traditional oriented, romantic, seeking white, Latin, Middle Eastern, European, 30-45, macho man for friendship. (4/10) ☎23368

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LOOKING FOR ROMANCE with artsy, handsome, working guy. Just turned 50, 5'8". Nice body, fun loving, affectionate, attractive, outdoorsy. (4/10) ☎23331

SOMEONE SMART, FUNNY, sane and reliable; preferably Latin; able to enjoy life. Blonde, 40s, slim, interesting, with ideas and opinions, seeks partner and best friend. (4/17) ☎23421

ATTRACTIVE, SINGLE MOTHER, professional, blonde/blue, 40 years young. Enjoy outdoors, sunsets, fires at beach. Good music, the arts, day trips. Open to new experiences. (4/17) ☎23386

BEAUTIFUL SPRING FLOWER. We are attractive, professional, 45-55, degreed, homeowners, kind, loyal, active adventurers, passionate, nature lovers; like animals, travelers, appreciate the arts, healthy, leaders. (4/17) ☎23420

SINGLE BLACK FEMALE. Attractive, down to earth, sense of humor. Mid-40s. Interested in man of color. Nonsmoker. Varied interests, healthy mind. (4/10) ☎23372

57, PHYSICALLY/emotionally healthy, intelligent, loving, creative, seeks male, 38-60, with similar qualities. Additionally, I'd find a self-assured, patient, kind man especially attractive. (4/10) ☎23336

VERY ATTRACTIVE MEXICAN, great legs, wants to meet very attractive guy, 39-49, healthy, honest, financially secure, nonsmoking, no drugs, for friendship or possible relationship. (4/10) ☎23353

5'8", CURVY, COMPLEX, passionate artist seeks chemistry with quick-witted, attractive conversationalist, 5'11"+, to ex-

plore the mysteries of mind/spirit. Humor, intelligence and photo please. (4/17) ☎23390

TALL, SLIM, CUTE BLACK female, down to earth, educated, with a sense of humor. Interested white male that's seeking a relationship, age 40-55. (4/17) ☎23422

SLIM, PETITE, ATTRACTIVE, alternative-health professional, 43. Movies, tennis, yoga, hiking, biking, animals, meditation. Seeking fun, healthy, positive, financially secure, attractive, honest white male, 40-50. (4/17) ☎23379

BLONDE, MORE THAN A handful, seeks Mr. Right or failing that, Mr. Right Now. Let's dance, dine and discover our way through San Diego, beyond. (4/10) ☎23376

SASSY, SEXY, ADVENTUROUS brunette, 46, seeks passionate, romantic man for fun, laughter and quiet times. Must know how to treat a woman. Honesty, sincerity required. (4/17) ☎23413

RARE SPOTTED AMAZON. Chivalry moves me. Consider myself eclectic, world traveler. Passion for Italian men. Preferences: fine dining-barbecues, cinema-theater, zydeco-hip-hop. (4/17) ☎23418

HUSBAND, 35-49. Financially secure. Listener, emotionally aware, liberal. No smoking, alcohol, drugs, pets, children. Dancing. Laughing. Petite, playful, honest, vegetarian. Want give a lot. (4/17) ☎23407

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. (4/10) ☎23351

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LET'S ROLL! NO TIME to waste, let's do something new. You will steal my heart away and keep it in a very safe place. (4/10) ☎23334

SPRING FLING! Pretty, outgoing, divorced French lady, 43, teacher, homeowner, likes nature, sports, travel. Looking for honest Asian male for a lasting relationship. (4/17) ☎23427

FEMALE, 33, FIT, 5'4", brown hair, brown eyes, very outgoing person. I am not married, but I do have a daughter. (4/17) ☎23400

RESTLESS DAUGHTER OF ISIS/Ye-manya, upbeat, intellectual, free spirited. Enjoy cutting edge, ethnic, classical, arts, music. Love being near water. Seeking similar male under 50. (4/10) ☎23363

FUN-LOVING, BLUE-EYED blonde, intelligent, personable, seeks single white

male, 5'10"-6", who appreciates a fine lady. (4/17) ☎23385

PRETTY, VIBRANT, WHITE female, North County, blonde, green eyes, 40s, looking for a fun, vibrant, honest, nonsmoking man who loves music/dancing, maybe even karaoke. (4/10) ☎23362

43-YEAR-OLD SINGLE MOM seeks intelligent, fun, honest, stable guy to have dinner, enjoys smooth jazz, outdoors, home life. Good morals important. (4/10) ☎23333

IT'S SPRING TIME. I'm ready for romance. Are you? Seeking 47-55, non-smoker; enjoys day trips, travel, socializing with friends. Life is better when it's shared. (4/17) ☎23393

SEEKING TOUGH GUY WITH tender heart who loves the Lord and wants country life. Stable, confident, kind; love animals. Mid-40s, 50s. Christian Caucasian. Forever. (4/10) ☎23323

SEEKING EBONY MAN with good morals, humor, spirit, for lasting adventure, music, laughter. Ivory female, 55, entrepreneur, witty, faithful, full figured, pretty, smart. Perfect harmony. (4/17) ☎23426

BLACK, ADORABLE, SWEET female, educated, 5'4", 123lbs., resides North County, from Midwest, 49, artistic; seeks confident male, 45-60 years, educated, giving, secure, kind. Any race. (4/17) ☎23382

BIKER WANTED. Harley rider, 6'+, for navigator born to ride. Adventurous, healthy, good-looking laughter needs friend to share fun times. Relationship possible. Let's go! (4/10) ☎23329

FUN LOVING AND ADVENTUROUS! 35, fit, blonde, blue eyes. Looking for a friend, and perhaps it can grow into something special. (4/17) ☎23415

IF YOU'VE GOT IDEAS, then I've got time.... (4/17) ☎23394

VOLUPTUOUS, SINCERE, stable, fun-loving, young 50 Latina seeks 50+, white or Latino man, 5'9"+, with good sense of humor, stable, affectionate, heart of gold. (4/17) ☎23412

WANTED: Friend, lover, over 40, non-smoker, no drugs, humorous, likes long weekends. Me: Long blonde hair, brown eyes, short, sassy. (4/10) ☎23370

ASIAN, BEAUTIFUL, CLASSY, educated, family values, enjoy cooking, music, movies, travel. Seeking gentleman, well-educated, family-oriented, humorous, responsible, successful, thoughtful, loving, 50/under. (4/17) ☎23414

OUTGOING, ADVENTUROUS, feisty, brainy, funny, classy, playful, creative, outside-the-box thinker, spiritual, not religious, former New York City resident. Interested? You: Late 50s-60s. (4/17) ☎23409

GOOD LOOKING, WHITE, loving, petite, fit, 48, successful, East County. Seeking white, single, good appearance, sincere, stable, caring gentleman, 45+, for supporting, sharing good times. (4/10) ☎23369

MARCHING TO DIFFERENT drummer? Lively, beautifully-packaged, full-figured gentlewoman, 50s, 5'5", currently red-head, likes lots of stuff, never dull. Seeking manly man, nice guy. (4/10) ☎23356

PETITE PERUVIAN PRINCESS seeks Prince Charming. Me: Professional, 37, pretty, slender. You: Interesting, financially secure, marriage minded. Bilingual a plus; race open. (4/17) ☎23423

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INDEPENDENT, ARTISTIC, PRETTY, fit, 30s, wholesome, no heavy baggage/excesses, seeks man for dinners, movies, kayaking, nature, travel. Honest, funny, real. Available for possible relationship. (4/17) ☎23380

EXTRA SPECIAL, down-to-earth, red-haired, petite, upbeat lady loves laughter. Soul searching for partner, warm, tall, handsome knight, 40s, active lifestyle, nonsmoker. (4/17) ☎23381

ATTRACTIVE, HAPPY, 28, Asian looking for love and/or friendship. Let's start talking. You never know what could happen. (4/10) ☎23337

MATCHES

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

TROPICAL FRUIT LOVER? Caucasian, 40. Renaissance man seeks grounded, happy, earth momma to share tree-ripened delicacies at Ten Acre Ranch in Bonita. Love gardening? (4/17) ☎30647

CHECK THIS OUT! White male, handsome, muscular, 5'11", 27, loves outdoor activities, having fun. Looking for like-minded woman to share time, affection and laughs. (4/17) ☎30668

YOUNG AT HEART/BODY/MIND, 48, in shape, with hair, bright, fun, sharing, best friend. Am I too late to start family? (4/17) ☎30633

YOU ARE TALL, slim, attractive, intelligent, educated, unencumbered, active, vegetarian and have celebrated between 45 and 58 birthdays. Me too. (4/17) ☎30635

HANDSOME, HEALTHY ATHLETIC Italian, North County, 5'9", 185lbs., divorced, desires trim, gorgeous, fun-loving lady for concerts, plays, laughter, camping, dining, movies, Vegas adventures. 43-51. (4/17) ☎30677

GENTLE, DEPENDABLE, honest, homeowner, handyman, 58, not gorgeous but OK, nonsmoker. Willing to get to know me; to share life's simple pleasures. (4/17) ☎30594

PLUS SIZE APPRECIATED by blond, buff, tan doctor, 45, 6', 200lbs. Seeking intelligent, childless, pretty, fun professional who likes travel, conversation, surprises, sun, fine dining. (4/17) ☎30636

INTELLIGENT BUT OLD fashioned, shapely but fit, well-to-do but also down-to-earth woman wanted by intelligent, ambitious, musical, fit, good-looking guy. (4/10) ☎30552

GRANDPA WILLY, 6', 175lbs., 60, non-smoker, nondrinker, financially secure. Love dining, movies, musicals, dogs, animals, family, T-Ball coach. Seeking trim female for companionship. (4/10) ☎30526

SOMETIMES THE BEST THINGS in life are free. If you can appreciate having a good man in your life, let me know. Race unimportant. 30-39. (4/17) ☎30645

I'LL MAKE THIS EASY. Me: 32, Caucasian, tall, fit, athletic, blond, blue, witty, nonsmoker, nondrinker, adventurous with many diverse interests. You: Intelligent, slender, happy, secure. (4/10) ☎30524

CLEAN, SOBER, HANDSOME! Quality, tall, dark handsome man looking for soul mate, wife. I'm 39. You: Pretty, petite blonde? Healthy lifestyle. Wanting decent, loving man. (4/17) ☎30672

ACTION! FUN, SINCERE, huggable, charming Jewish male, 32, likes movies, '80s music, hiking and new adventures. Seeking honest, sincere female for fun, adventure and romance. (4/17) ☎30632

WHAT YOU WANT? 55, 6'1", country dance and romance. Take a chance on this considerate, empathetic, easygoing guy with Christian values. See for yourself. (4/10) ☎30523

IS ROMANTIC ADVENTURE what you seek? Let's spend time together and see where it will lead. (4/17) ☎30634

LOVELY FOR TOO LONG. 44, white male looking for lady free to love, be loved. My friends say I have a good heart. (4/10) ☎30507

I'M REALLY GROOVY. Just kidding. 29, good looking/in shape, educated, seeks same for laughs and whatever else sounds like fun. Take a chance! (4/10) ☎30535

WANTED: KIND, INTELLIGENT woman! 49, 6', brown/blue, kind, intelligent, non-smoker. For: Fun, dating, companionship. Enjoys movies, museums, books. Race, looks, age unimportant. North County. (4/17) ☎30606

WHITE MALE, 42 YEARS OLD, 6'3", 300lbs., interested in attractive, slender woman for possible long-term relationship. (4/17) ☎30666

BELIEVE IT OR NOT! Handsome, intelligent, 38-year bachelor, no baggage, seeking secure, fun, positive, attractive, adventuresome, 25-35 counterpart for dating, fun times, maybe more. (4/17) ☎30664

LONGHAired GENTLEMAN, handsome, young 40, educated, honest, sincere. Love animals, music, photography, computers, hiking. Seeking sweet, petite, childless, vibrant, creative, longhaired lady with diverse interests. (4/17) ☎30679

TALL, 53, ABOVE-AVERAGE looks. Seeking special lady to spend time becoming friends first, working into long-term relationship later, if chemistry/compatibility mutually acceptable. (4/10) ☎30520

COMMUNICATION, LAUGHTER, long walks, art. Very handsome, 38, 5'7", 140lbs., passionate, sensitive man seeks slender, witty woman for dating/relationship. Age? Race? Kids OK. (4/17) ☎30663

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DARK SEEKS LIGHT. Black professional, 44, 6'4", 220lbs., desires romantic, humorous, positive, spiritual, loving, child at heart. White, Asian, Hispanic lady who's fit, serious minded. (4/17) ☎30657

NICE, SINCERE GENTLEMAN looking nice, sweet lady to spend time with and get to know. (4/17) ☎30627

LOVELY GUY, LAKESIDE homeowner, trying hard for a great life, needs your affection. 59, 5'11", 150lbs., sensitive, enjoys music, movies, books, honesty. Friendship, lasting relationship. (4/10) ☎30539

40, FIT, INTELLIGENT, sense of humor, happy with life and career. Ready for a new relationship with someone fun and happy. (4/17) ☎30617

EXCEPTIONAL WHITE MALE, 37, seeks African-American beauty. Lean, muscular professional with brains, integrity, wants to meet you! Please be sexy, sweet, funny, intelligent, loyal. (4/10) ☎30569

WHERE ARE ALL THE CHINA DOLLS? Caucasian male, 45, looking for Chinese beauty who wants to be treated like a queen. Extra points if tall. (4/17) ☎30671

EAST COUNTY, 51, DOWN to earth, seeks special woman, 46-52, for relationship, movies, dining, biking, camping, outdoor, adventures, fun. Nonsmoker, barbecues, light drink, good read. (4/17) ☎30642

SEEKING WHITE FEMALE, 30-40, slender, confident, positive, romantic, marriage, kids. I'm 42, gentleman, emotionally/financially ready to spoil you. 5'10",

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GEORGE CLOONEY RESEMBLANCE I've been told. 38, 5'10", 190lbs., Caucasian, brown hair, blue eyes, tolerant, sensual, huggable, romantic, safe, seeks serious relationship. Full figured OK. (4/10) **☎**30561

SEEKING PROFESSIONAL, petite, attractive lady. Age/race OK. Black, handsome, employed man, 44, romantic, smoker. Beach walks, candlelight moments. I'm real. Let's be friends. (4/17) **☎**30667

42, 5'10", 160lbs. I have many allergies that compromise my lifestyle. Looking for a woman who has the same or similar lifestyle. Lakeside. (4/17) **☎**30651

GREAT-LOOKING ITALIAN, 50, looks 40, great shape, secure, easygoing and very affectionate. Seeking fit, secure, easygoing lady who will be first in my life. (4/10) **☎**30516

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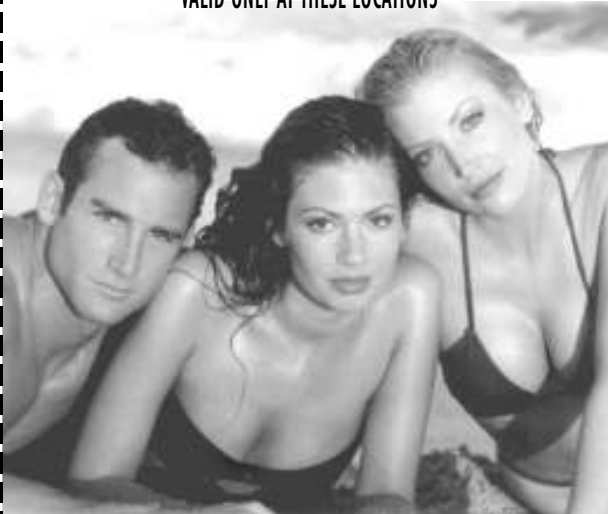
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- Pain in the neck
- TV's "_____ Line Is It Anyway?"
- Biopic starring Will Smith
- Muscl'd one
- Instruments which usually have 46 or 47 strings
- Catch some rays
- _____ acid
- James and Jones
- Airwaves abbr.
- 10% off?
- Name in 1995 news
- Newborn's bed
- Part of Eisenhower's curriculum vitae
- This, in Havana
- Explorer Cabeza de _____
- Regarding
- "I told you so!"
- Some transfusions
- 1970's Plymouth
- 50% off?
- Internet hookups
- N.B.A.'s Kucok
- Co. that makes a bunch?
- Unique person
- CVI halved
- Army post
- 1989-90 dance craze from Brazil
- Thrills
- Suffix with sulf-
- 100% off?
- Dine
- Minneapolis suburb
- Worker's demand
- Numbered rd.
- "_____ of God" (1985 film)
- Reply to a knock
- Suffix with musket
- Cats' plaints
- "Thou _____ the king grows mad" (King Lear, Act III)

Down

- Opportunities
- Moral anguish
- Ape
- Draft dodger's destination, often
- Small hill
- Stimulate, as the appetite
- "What _____ God wrought?"
- See 33-Down
- Item in the trunk
- City near Oberhausen
- Initially
- Produce milk

- Like historic 1954 broadcasts
- Mezzanine, loge, and others
- "_____ does it"
- Request for a Milk-Bone?
- Prickly plants
- TV's Donaldson
- With 8-Down, 1980's Nicaraguan leader
- 25-round magazine gun
- Tarragon or chervil
- Many a Louis
- "Tartuffe" playwright
- Out at the prom, maybe
- Mother of Persephone
- Smug stupidity
- Flies over the equator?
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- Mexican-American, e.g.
- Kind of republic
- Starters
- Caravan maker
- Plucked instruments
- From the top
- Highlands girl

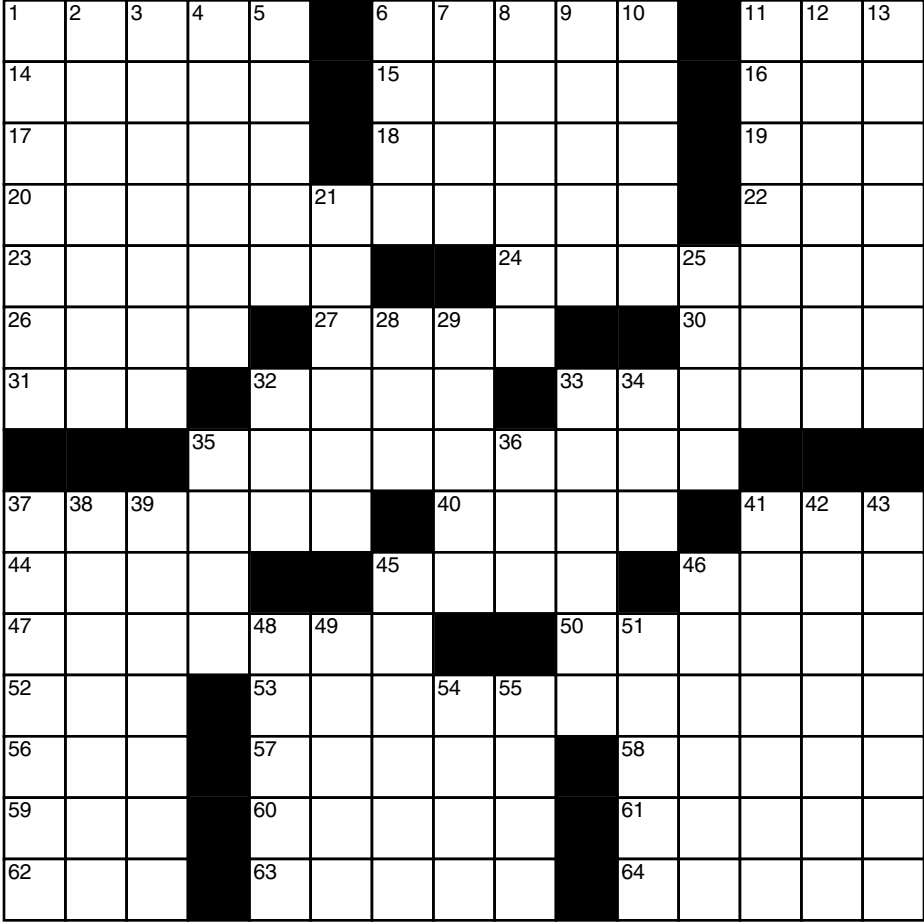
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Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 3/28/02.

Of the 40 entrants, 38 were correct. The winners are:

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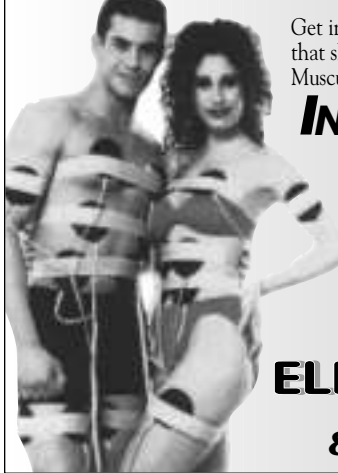
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DEL MAR. \$300 off move-in! Starting at \$1350. 1 and 2 bedroom luxury apartment suite. Controlled access. Beach front community. Open house Saturday and Sunday, 11am-4pm, 510 Stratford Court. Call 858-793-7762 or 858-571-1970.

DEL MAR. \$1100+. Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath, newer carpets plus dishwasher. Secluded in greenery, near ocean. Quiet street. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

DEL MAR. \$1100/up. 1 and 2 bedrooms. Peaceful haven, ultimate convenience. Cat OK. Free real estate agent. Spectrum Properties, 688-2101.

DEL MAR. \$1395. West of I-5! Gated complex. Completely remodeled 2 bedroom top-floor home with views! 13754 Mango #325. Sorry, no pets. \$3995: Single-family detached with panoramic ocean views! Short/long term. Pets OK. 14004 Rue d'Antibes. \$3995: Oceanfront 3 bedroom fully furnished townhome, 280 Surfview Court. Available short/long term. Free rental/buying information. Pictures at www.sandiegorealtor.com. Kevin, 858-755-8580.

DEL MAR. \$1800. Charming 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. 1-1/2 blocks to beach. Fireplace. Small patio area. Laundry facilities. 2 parking spaces. Available now. 241 and 237 24th Street. Please call for appointment, 760-942-1187.

DEL MAR. 425 Stratford Court. \$1750. Available now. Newly remodeled, top floor, 2 bedroom, 1 bath with ocean views. New appliances, cabinets, ceramic tile. Pool, laundry, covered parking, 1 block to ocean. www.tguy.com. Tom Guy Management, 760-753-4622.

DEL MAR. 425 Stratford Court. \$1550. Available 4/5. Great 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Beamed ceiling, 1 block to beach. Pool. Laundry. www.tguy.com; 760-753-4622 x20.

DEL MAR. Great location! West of I-5. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 baths, starting \$1115 and spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath starting \$1390. Close to beaches, shopping, and much more! Casa Mango, 14031 Mango Drive. 858-755-2147.

DEL MAR. Newly remodeled. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, starting at \$1250. Single-car

garage included. Vaulted ceilings, break-fast bar. Steps to beach. 858-755-1466.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. Improve your view of life! From \$1490 with attached garages. Select 1, 2, 3 bedroom floor plans. Gated community. Gas fire-place. Washer/dryer. Business/computer center. Internet. Fitness center. Golf green. Pool, spa. Barbecue. Torrey Villas, 11100 Vista Sorrento Parkway. 1-877-335-4186. www.torreyvillas.com, visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1088.

DEL MAR/EAST. Camino Villas. \$1550. Upstairs, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Appliances, carport parking, pool/spa. 3575 Caminito El Rincon #214. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. 2-12 month leases available! 1, 2, 3 bedroom apartments starting at \$1200. Full-size washers and dryers. Built-in computer niche. Garages available. Pool/spa. Fireplaces. Barbecues. Fitness center, cardio theatre. Central air/heat. Archstone Torrey Hills, 11058 W. Ocean Air Drive. 858-350-0881. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1068.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo in quiet complex. Refrigerator, washer/dryer, fireplace, pool, tennis courts. Available 4/20. 619-708-7238.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. \$1695. Fully furnished upstairs condo! 3613 Bernwood Place, #90. Available short/long term. \$1895. Panoramic view 3-bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome. 2-car attached garage. Full-size washer, dryer. Pool, spa, tennis! 3714 Carmel View Road. Free rental/buying information. Pictures at www.sandiegorealtor.com. Kevin, 858-755-8580.

DEL MAR/SOLANA BEACH. Coastal living! Live west of I-5 from as low as \$1085. Spacious 1, 2 or 3 bedroom floor plans. Swimming pool, tennis court and fitness center. Close to beaches, entertainment and shopping. Small pets welcome! Solana Highlands, 701 South Nardo. 877-443-4030. Visit, website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1057.

DEL MAR/SOLANA BEACH. One month free rent! From \$1150. Large 2 bedroom sunny townhomes. Beautiful lush landscaped courtyard. Laundry room. Heated pool, covered parking, indoor cat OK. Mile to beach. Close to shops, cafes, fine dining. Available now. Call 858-755-0533. For photos, floor plan, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/2013.

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DOWNTOWN, MARINA DISTRICT. Water-front living at its best! 26 unique floor plans—studios, lofts, 1, 2 bedrooms. Flexible lease terms! 2 fitness centers. Rooftop pool, spa overlooking skyline, harbor. Controlled access with parking. Near Horton Plaza, Seaport Village, Gaslamp. Archstone Harborview, 820 West "G" Street. 888-839-0054. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1097.

DOWNTOWN, EAST VILLAGE. \$800, 1 bedroom and \$850, 1 bedroom available now. 1/2 off first month's rent with lease. City views! Near City College. Walk to transportation, shopping. Includes gas, water, trash. Like-new carpet, vinyl. Microwave. Laundry facilities. Intercom entry. Cats OK. Check us out at www.pacificliving.com, call 619-234-9989 x15.

DOWNTOWN, NORTH. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator. Coin laundry. Hardwood floors. 105 West Fir. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

DOWNTOWN. El Cortez, San Diego's finest apartment building, now has limited availability. Pet friendly. Controlled access. All new features in a classic building. Awesome views and location. Pool, spa, maid service, professional quality gym, on-site dry cleaner, grocery, hair salon. Twigg's Cafe/Bistro. Pricing starts at \$1430. Photos, floor plans, directions: www.sdreader.com/rent/1029. 619-338-8338 x105.

DOWNTOWN. \$2495. Mint 1 bedroom plus den, 2 bath condo. Gorgeous views. 12th floor. Security. Underground parking. Pool. Spa. Fireplace. Concierge. Horizon. Available 4/15. 888-207-8051.

DOWNTOWN. In Historic Old City Hall. Luxury live/work lofts on the 4th floor. Approximately 2300 square feet, \$3000. Office lofts starting at \$1750. 433 G Street. For further information, call 619-235-6150.

DOWNTOWN. \$2700. City Front Terrace, corner unit, 2 bedroom plus den, 2 balconies. Secured building, 2-car underground parking. Amenities, fully equipped exercise room, business center, pool and more. Enjoy Downtown's most prestigious address, near Gaslamp, financial center, theaters and fine dining. 619-654-9027.

DOWNTOWN. \$1420. Gorgeous 2-level loft in Gaslamp, 1100 square feet. Bright, great for home office. Largest balcony in building. Top floor. Available 4/1. Appointment only, 619-871-8379.

DOWNTOWN. \$2100. Crown Bay top floor, view, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, Washer/dryer, 2 walk-in closets. Gym. Side-by-side secured parking. 619-435-2437.

DOWNTOWN. \$650-\$850, includes utilities. Downtown studios with kitchenette and full bathroom. No smoking or pets. 728 Market Street at 7th. Hughes Management, 619-239-1639.

DOWNTOWN. \$650. Studio, private bathroom, shower. Refrigerator, microwave. Includes utilities. Cute building. 742 Market Street. Andrea, 858-831-1665.

DOWNTOWN. Crown Bay, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, top floor, all new, great views. \$1600. Call agent, 800-677-5124.

DOWNTOWN. Little Italy area/Gaslamp, 1 and 2 bedroom lofts ranging \$1250-\$1650. Great locations! Some with wood

PICTURE STORY



“George Thing and wife with group Los Bancos” in Descanso, 1900. Presumably, the dandy in the foreground with his elbow on the rock is George. His half-brothers Joseph and Sam Thing garnered credit in a 1930s news clipping for establishing “the first mercantile enterprises in the southeastern section of the county” in the late 1880s.

No mention is made of George being instru-

Photograph from the San Diego Historical Society

mental in the family’s expansion of stores (they had three). He didn’t sit for portraits in the woods with musicians all his life, though. According to a 1971 recollection of Natella Thing Weaver, “Uncle George and Aunt Clara had no children, but years later adopted a little girl, but as she grew older was discontented wanting to find her parents.”

—by Robert Mizrachi

floors. Some with bay views! Some with cathedral ceilings. European kitchens. Bosch appliances. Washer/dryer in unit. Pets OK. Very urban. Wendy, 619-733-9181 or Kandace, 619-750-9642. www.sdreader.com/rent/1082.

DOWNTOWN. West Park Inn. Studio rentals from \$175/weekly or \$650/monthly. Air conditioning, heating. Refrigerator. Microwave. Private bathrooms. Private phones. Color cable TV. Maid service. Apply today, 1840 4th Avenue. Please call, 619-236-1600.

DOWNTOWN. Lofts in beautiful, historic buildings. Fantastic locations. Full kitchens and baths. High ceilings, lots of light. \$975 to \$1550, depending on availability. 619-544-4488.

DOWNTOWN. \$350. In the heart of the Gaslamp, single rooms with shared bathroom and kitchen. No smoking/pets. Includes utilities and cable TV. 843 4th Avenue, Windsor Hotel. 619-234-4165.

DOWNTOWN. \$425/\$525 Market Street. Studios, common bathroom and shower. Refrigerator, microwave. Includes utilities. Cute building. 742 Market Street. Andrea, 858-831-1665.

DOWNTOWN. City Front Terrace. Best place to live! 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Pet friendly. \$2400/month. Agent, 800-677-5124.

DOWNTOWN. \$1250. Penthouse suite, 1 bedroom. New carpet. Panoramic view of downtown and harbor. 2 balconies. Private jacuzzi. Gated parking with elevator service. 619-232-7368.

DOWNTOWN. \$900. month. Cat welcome. Large 1 bedroom loft/1 bath. Hardwood

floors; very clean. Month-to-month lease. 355 13th Street. 619-850-4296.

DOWNTOWN. \$695/month. Studio. Quiet building, hardwood floors. New paint; very clean. Nonsmoking and cats are welcome. 830 12th Avenue. 619-236-9117.

DOWNTOWN. \$725/month plus deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, quiet building, new paint, very clean. Nonsmoking. Cats are welcome. 830 12th Avenue. Call Richard, 619-236-9117.

DOWNTOWN. \$1950/month. New 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 parking. Washer/dryer. No smoking or pets. 1 year lease. Now available. 235 Market. 650-906-9949.

DOWNTOWN. \$1895. New 235 on Market 2 bedroom, 2 bath and den. Large corner former model unit with 2 decks, granite counters, tile floors, 2 parking spaces, workout facilities and city views. Greg Bernave, Downtown Specialist, 619-542-2416.

DOWNTOWN. \$1495. New Crown Bay condo at 350 K Street next to the Gaslamp with bay views \$895. Hardwood floors, laundry on site. Call for appointment. Sorry, no pets. 619-217-2514.

DOWNTOWN. \$696. About 600 square feet loft. Hardwood floors. High ceilings. Controlled access. Laundry facilities. No pets. 525 C Street. Available 4/15. For showing, 858-354-3938.

DOWNTOWN. \$1350. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Fireplace.

Washer/dryer. Dishwasher. Microwave. Patio. 2 gated parking spaces. Central air. No pets. Nonsmoking. Available now. 1640 10th Avenue #104. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

DOWNTOWN. Room for rent, \$350-\$395, 719-721 14th Street. Section 8 OK. Shared bath, kitchen. Near all. No pets. Call AJPM, 619-220-4840, x251.

DOWNTOWN. \$1500. Marina. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, prime location with view and spacious deck. Quiet, vaulted ceiling in master bedroom. Cole Center, #204. 619-233-8770.

DOWNTOWN. \$425-\$650. Sleeper and studio in beautiful downtown in a restored early 1900s building. Elevator, underground parking, laundry. 1244 10th Avenue. 619-544-1671.

DOWNTOWN. \$1495. Top of victorian house. Beautiful downtown penthouse. Very large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Remodeled, new Pergo floors. Must see! 740 Cedar Street. 619-423-3023.

DOWNTOWN. Large 1 bedroom apartments in beautiful victorian house. Close to all. \$995 and up. 712 Cedar Street has an opening for a 1 bedroom, only \$850. Call now. 619-423-3023.

DOWNTOWN. Spacious studio, \$665. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$775. \$500 deposit. Quiet complex. Gated. Dishwasher. Laundry. 2545 A Street. Nolan, 619-235-8907.

DOWNTOWN. 1 bedroom, \$900 with \$800 deposit. Month to month only. Pet friendly; small pets only (20lbs. and under). Move-in special, 1/2 off first month's rent. Call now for more information, 619-696-7941. www.rentinsandiego.com.

DOWNTOWN. Sunburst Apartments, 1640 Broadway. Studio, \$700 with \$500 deposit. Month to month only. Pet friendly; small pets only. Available for showing, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm. \$200 off first month's rent. Call now for more information, 619-696-7941. www.rentinsandiego.com.

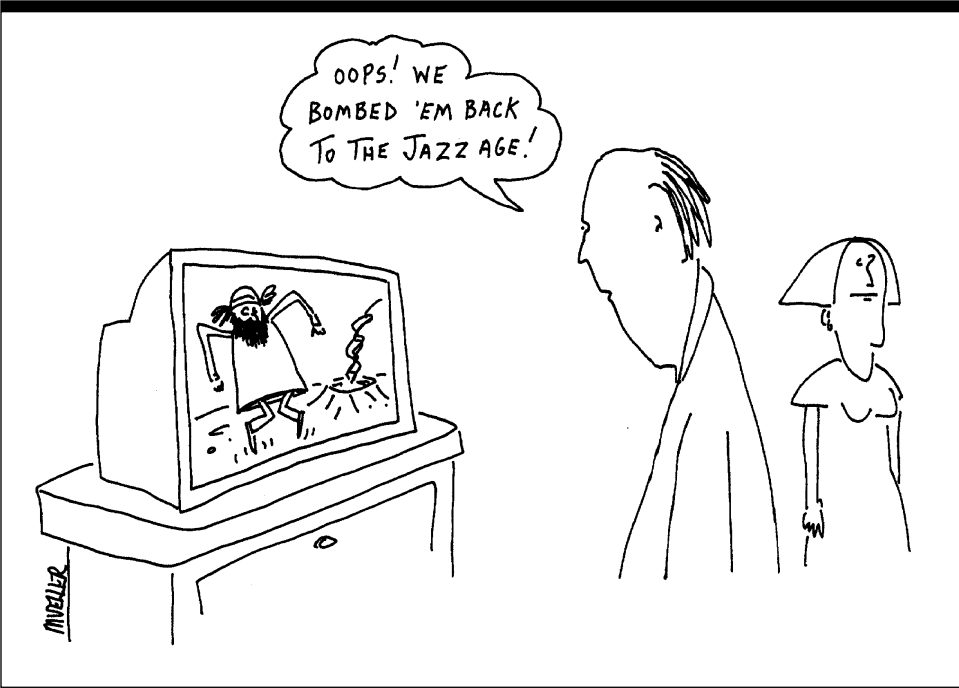
DOWNTOWN. \$1350. 1 bedroom trilevel townhouse with single car garage in 7-unit building. Recent construction in Little Italy. Hardwood floors, fireplace, lots of storage. Three balconies plus large private rooftop deck with bay view. Bright and sunny. 1631 State Street. Norm, 619-234-9882.

DOWNTOWN. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo, new paint/carpet, air conditioning, washer/dryer in unit. Gated parking. 2055 Front Street. 619-528-4200; 619-850-8136.

DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP. \$1200. Unique loft in historic building, 800 square feet with 15' ceiling, bright, airy, central heat and air and dishwasher. On-site laundry, elevators, rooftop deck. Underground parking available. No dogs. 619-239-3999.

DOWNTOWN/SHERMAN HEIGHTS. \$750. Unique, newly remodeled 1 bedroom, gated intercom entry, balcony. 470 20th Street. 619-234-5629.

DOWNTOWN/BANKER'S HILL. \$1900 like new 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 story townhouse with views of bay, Point Loma and ocean. New kitchen and baths, 2 secured parking and great location. Greg Bernave, Downtown Specialist, 619-542-2416.



DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP. From \$1395. Spacious 1 bedroom apartment/lofts. Top floor units with spectacular views. Newly remodeled. Central heat/air, controlled entry. New appliances. Parking included. William Penn Building, 511 F Street. Shown by appointment. Agent, 619-298-7232.

DOWNTOWN/GOLDEN HILL. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with downtown views. Small, gated complex. 1233 22nd Street, between A and B Streets. Call Rochelle, 858-490-6543.

DOWNTOWN/BANKER'S HILL. \$850. Small 1 bedroom bungalow. Hardwood floors. Laundry on premises. Corner of Front and Fir. Red apartment building. 619-232-9201.

DOWNTOWN/BANKER'S HILL. 2 bedroom, 1 bath townhome. 1200 square feet, \$1595. All appliances including washer/dryer. Bay views with large balcony. Walk-in closet, storage space, 2 parking spaces. Immediate occupancy. Call for appointment, 619-255-0526.

DOWNTOWN/CORTEZ HILL. Premier penthouse units. Controlled access. Fantastic harbor, city views! Studio, 1, 2 luxury bedrooms. Near Gaslamp, Balboa Park, freeways. Dishwasher. Microwave. Balcony. Laundry. Tennis. Fitness, business center. Pool. Spa. Salon. Courtesy patrol. Controlled access, parking. Avalon at Cortez Hill, 1399 Ninth. Call 619-230-8200. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1085.

DOWNTOWN/CORTEZ HILL. Immediate move-in! Now leasing!! Hard hat specials! New luxury apartments, townhouses! 1 bedrooms from \$1175. 2 bedrooms from \$1950. Gourmet kitchen. Washer/dryer. Central heat/air. Fitness center. Pool. Spa. Underground parking. Near Gaslamp, Horton Plaza, more! The Heritage, 1471 8th Avenue. 1-888-707-3529. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/2010.

DOWNTOWN/CORTEZ HILL. \$1395. 1650 8th Avenue. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, like new. Fireplace, washer/dryer. Secure. 2 parking spaces. Agent, 619-426-0661.

DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP. Las Flores Hotel. Small, quiet, \$110/week and up. Four-week minimum. Color TV with basic cable. Refrigerator. Safe and secure. Call 619-235-6820.

DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. (Near California Western Law.) \$895-\$1495. Brand-new spacious studios; 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 bedroom plus loft, private balcony with view. Laundry room. Gated parking. Pets

welcome! Call for appointment, 619-255-0526; 619-861-1033.

DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. New top-floor loft condo in Village Walk. Granite, hardwoods, super appliances, including washer and dryer. 1 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 balconies. Recreation room. Great city view! \$1750. 619-291-7002.

DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. \$800. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Available now. Coin laundry. 2433 Kettner Blvd. Check us out at www.pacificliving.com, 619-234-9989 x15.

DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. Bright corner studio, \$695. Full kitchen. Secure, quiet building with laundry. 1534 Front, between Cedar and Beech. 619-233-7428.

DOWNTOWN/MIDDLETOWN. \$1200. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with upgrades. No pets. Call 858-484-8002.

EAST SAN DIEGO. \$575. Fully furnished efficiency 1 bedroom/studios off quiet cul-de-sac. Pool, off-street parking. Laundry facilities. Low \$150 security deposit. No SDG&E deposit or hookup fee required. 5101 Towle Court (near 52nd and University). Call 619-281-9451.

EAST SAN DIEGO/CITY HEIGHTS. \$650-\$795. 1 and 2 bedrooms available. Off-street parking, laundry. Available 4/5. 619-843-8168.

EL CAJON. \$875-\$900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condos. Central air conditioning, microwave, washer/dryer, pool, grills, parking. 1 bedroom with den and bathroom, 3 bedroom with 2 bath. On-site laundry. 619-726-7933.

EL CAJON. \$695. Spacious 1 bedroom. Dishwasher, air conditioning, storage, private patio, gated, pool/spa, laundry facility. New carpet, vinyl, blinds. 390 South Mollison Avenue. 619-444-5799.

EL CAJON. \$1575. 3 bedroom, 2 bath lovely home, garage, new kitchen and bath. Owners on premises. No section 8. Call 619-843-6870.

EL CAJON. \$650. 1 bedroom, upper. Central location. Central air/heat. Ceiling fan, microwave, dishwasher, cable, laundry. Barbeque. Available 4/29. 272 Ballantyne. Manager, 619-442-5618; owner, 619-448-9062.

EL CAJON. \$750-\$795. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Remodeled, extra large unit. New carpet, paint, bath, etc. Small complex. 904 South Magnolia Avenue. Leave message, 619-303-9935.

EL CAJON. \$710. Nice 2 bedroom, secluded in greenery, newer carpets, refrig-

erator, stove. Freshly painted, sunlit kitchen. Low deposit. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

EL CAJON. \$875/month. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. All appliances, washer/dryer hookups, carport. Available now. No Section 8. No pets. Nonsmoking. 619-588-0595.

EL CAJON. \$2095. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, newly remodeled house, garage. Spectacular view, pool, family room, fireplace, laundry hookups. No pets. Available now. 1271 Yerba Verde. 858-483-3534.

EL CAJON. \$695-\$795. 1 and 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments located in gated community with sparkling pool and on-site laundry. 247 North First Street. Agent, 619-442-8618.

EL CAJON. \$850. 2 bedroom in newer building with off-street parking and laundry. Call 619-843-8168.

EL CAJON. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New paint and carpet. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

EL CAJON/FLETCHER HILLS. \$2150. Large 4 bedroom, 1 bath home with fireplace, canyon view and 2-car garage, 2,500 square feet. Pet OK on approval. 1441 Lak-eridge Lane. Agent, 858-560-1178.

ENCINITAS. \$1350. Ocean-view, non-smoking, designer 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Walk to beach, Coaster, restaurants. Garage, deck, fireplace. All new appliances, carpet, paint. 858-481-2604.

ENCINITAS. 1 block to beach, newly re-modeled, large 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, homelike, private yard, on quiet cul-de-sac, slate fireplace, 2-car garage, deck off master suite, includes washer/dryer, refrigerator. \$1800. Janet, 760-613-5263.

ENCINITAS. 3 bedroom, 1 bath Spanish house. \$1850. Utilities included. No pets/smoking. Available 4/1. West of I-5, close to beach on Arden Drive. 760-207-9722.

ENCINITAS. \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath newer home with 2-car garage on cul-de-sac with beautiful yard. All appliances included. 1157 Monterey Place. 858-442-8585.

ENCINITAS. Cozy trailer in lovely park, lots of greenery, near Moonlight Beach, close to restaurants. Coaster, and North County Transit. \$635 April/May, \$735 June/July/August, plus utilities. No pets. 760-753-4101.

ENCINITAS. Newly remodeled townhouse. 2 bedrooms starting at \$1275 with garage. Minutes from Moonlight Beach. Skylight, washer/dryer. 760-633-3382.

ENCINITAS. Newly remodeled studio, one block to beach. Charming, nautical setting. \$795/month. Call Mark, 760-753-7719 or 760-436-3075.

ENCINITAS. \$1150. Contemporary 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Berber carpet. Upgraded kitchen/bath, balcony, Laundry, garage. Near shopping. YMCA. 185 Saxony Road. 760-436-2495 or 760-613-1350.

ENCINITAS. \$950. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New paint and carpet. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. \$1235. Balcony, vaulted ceilings, skylights. New carpet and tile. Sunny, private, airy. Quiet garden setting. Block to beach. Near shopping, Coaster. Easy freeway access. No pets. 760-633-1990.

ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse-style apartment. End unit with patio and yard. Coin laundry. 1-car garage. 1405 North Vulcan Avenue. Open Saturday, 2:30-3:30pm. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209.

ESCONDIDO. Very cute 1 bedroom, 1 apartment homes. Won't last long! Extra storage. Air conditioning. Pool. Billiards. Good freeway access. \$710. \$200 move-in special. 660 N. Quince Street. 760-291-0100.

FALLBROOK. \$805. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$825. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Pool. Spa. Laundry room. Parking on site. Close to freeway and shopping. Town and Country Apartments, 426 Ammunition Road. Manager, 760-728-4654.

FASHION HILLS. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Great view. Washer/dryer, garage, heated pool, exercise room, patio, close to beach, USD. Small pet? 619-301-3857.

FASHION VALLEY, WEST. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Private enclosed patio. New paint/blinds. Ocean view. Quiet location. Near USD. Nonsmoking. No pets. 1250 Eureka. 619-702-5000.

FASHION VALLEY. \$1395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. City Scene condo. Dual-master. Excellent condition. Top floor. 2-car garage. Washer/dryer, refrigerator, dishwasher, air conditioning, fireplace. No dogs/smoking. 7163 Camino Degrazia, Unit 119. 858-292-6248.

FASHION VALLEY. University Canyon twin home. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath plus loft/office, 2-car garage, canyon view. Access to pool, spa and more. 619-296-2787.

FASHION VALLEY. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, 900-square-foot luxury condo. Resort setting, scenic lagoon, tennis, 24-hour Sentry. Call Jim, 619-316-9959 or 619-741-4378.

FASHION VALLEY/LINDA VISTA. \$695. 1 bedroom fourplex. View of Presidio. Great location west of shopping center. Off-street parking. Agent, 619-296-3189.

GOLDEN HILL. Historic property. Large studios, 1 and 2 bedrooms, just renovated. Porch, balcony, hardwood floors, skylights, laundry. Near Balboa Park and downtown. Move-in specials. Studios start at \$700. 619-804-0115.

GOLDEN HILL. \$750. Smaller 1 bedroom, 1 bath in historic district, newly renovated. New kitchen cabinets, appliances, hardwood floors and ceiling fans. Available 4/1. 858-277-1232.

GOLDEN HILL/SOUTH PARK. \$850/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled, new tile, carpet, paint, appliances. Pool. Laundry facilities. Parking. 619-962-1887.

GOLDEN HILL/SOUTH PARK. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled. New appliances, off-street parking, pool, on-site laundry. 619-962-1887.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1145/month. \$1145 deposit. Classic Spanish 2 bedroom, 1 bath split-level duplex. Hardwood floors, tile, nice private patio, share large yard. Off-street parking. Small dog OK. 1014 29th Street. 619-236-9616.

GOLDEN HILL. \$695. House. Squeaky clean, 1 bedroom. Wall to wall carpeting, stove, refrigerator, private sundeck. Gardener. Gated parking, night lighting. Non-smoking. No pets. 619-297-6636.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, gated, air conditioning, fireplace, washer/dryer, community spa and fitness. AHP, 858-695-9400.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1100. Victorian 2 bedroom, 1 bath lower duplex. Hardwood floors, high ceilings, small yard, near City College, downtown. Leave message, 858-274-3993.

GOLDEN HILL. \$775/month, \$400 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Fireplace, new carpet, washer/dryer, patio, dishwasher, off-street parking. Pets negotiable. 619-719-6337.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath in completely renovated fourplex. Ceramic tile, hardwood floors. Pet friendly. Laundry on site, assigned parking. 619-884-5954.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1250. Two-story 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath with panoramic views of city and bay, large private roof deck, lots of light. Small pet OK. 2201 E Street #E. XILA, 619-683-7638.

GOLDEN HILL. \$800+. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, newly renovated. Washer/dryer, hidden in greenery. Freshly painted. Low deposit. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

GOLDEN HILL. \$690. 1 bedroom, 1 bath available now and 4/10. Upper units with balcony. On-site laundry, gated and parking included. Close to all. \$200 off move-in. 1010 33rd Street (Off C Street). Cat OK. 619-244-7368.

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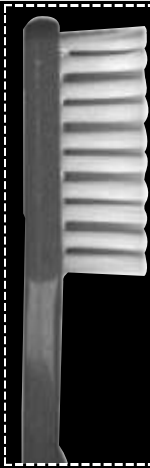
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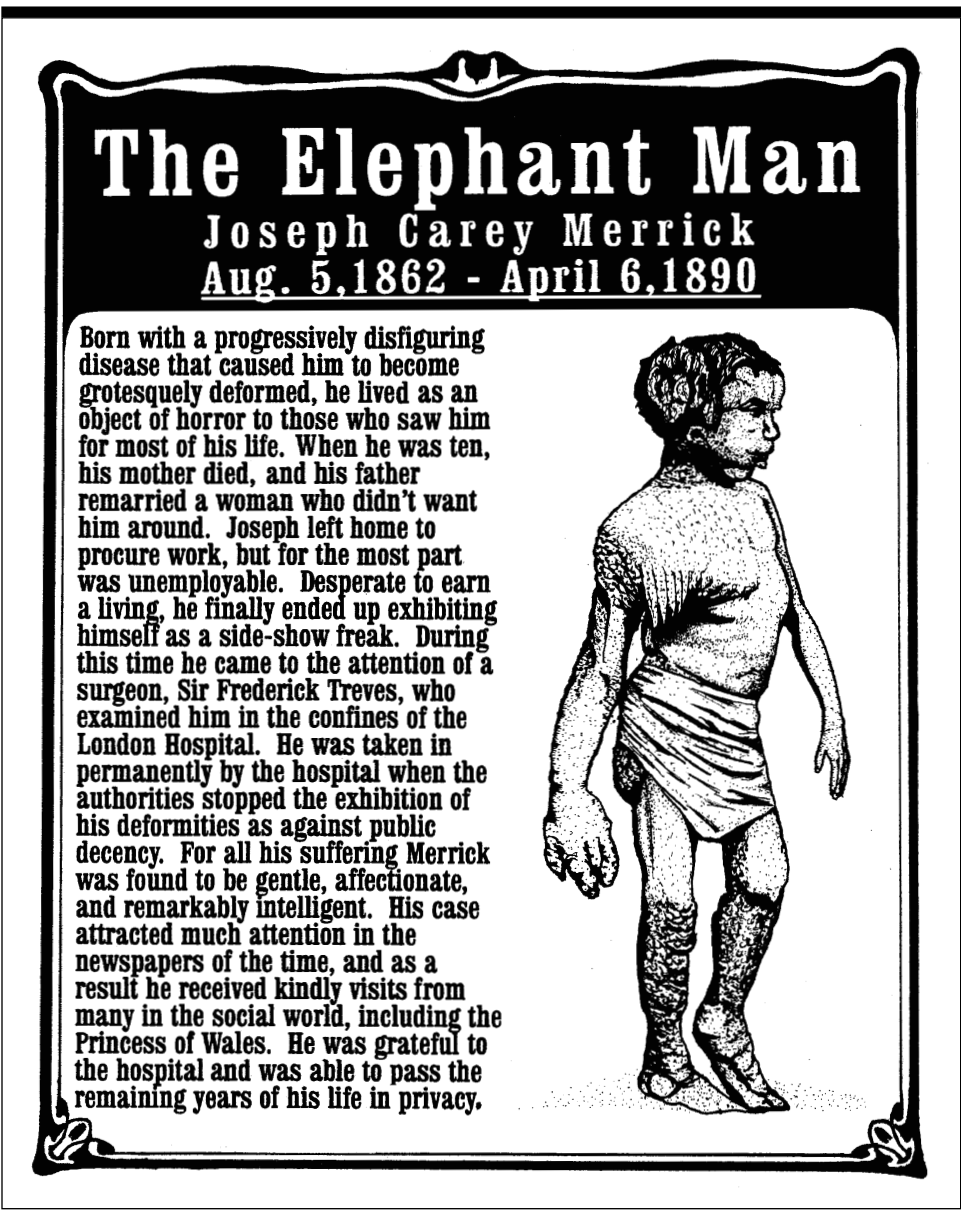
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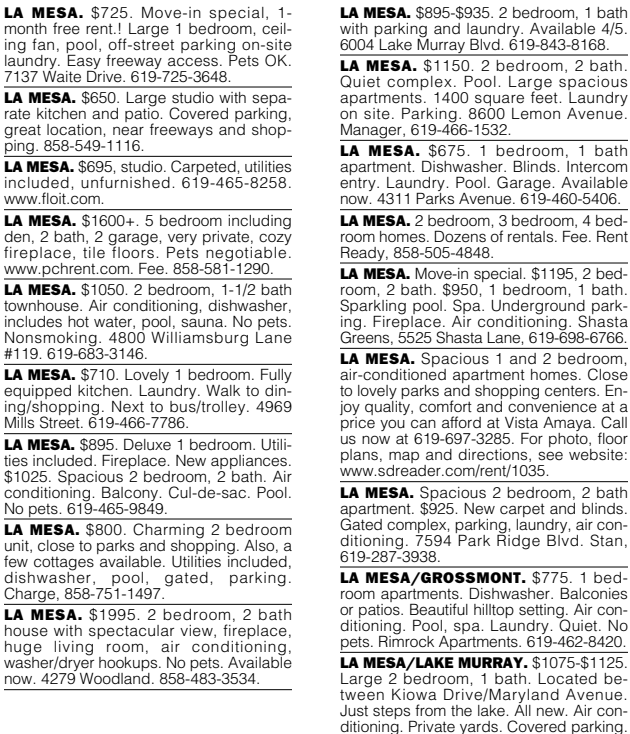
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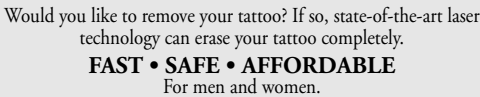
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PACIFIC BEACH. 60 yards to beach. Studio, \$850/month. Available immediately. Spa, laundry on site. No pets. 1-year lease. 633 Missouri Street. 858-483-3335.

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PACIFIC BEACH. 1 bedroom. \$850. \$425 deposit. Bright upstairs unit in quiet building. 1 off-street parking space. No pets. 6-month minimum lease. Available 5/10. 1541 Oliver. 858-483-3221.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$1400. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Available now. Quiet, nice area. New everything! Appliances included. Off-street parking. No pets. 858-483-9434.

PACIFIC BEACH. Remodeled. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$950. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1400. Steps from beach. Patios, tile flooring, ocean view, laundry, pool, parking. No dogs. 619-226-3171.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. House, 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths. Remodeled kitchen, new paint, new carpet. Enjoy SeaWorld fireworks and panoramic views of Mission Bay and ocean from deck. \$2400. Available 5/1. Call 619-606-8005.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom house. Near bay, ocean. Garage, yard. No pets. Drive by, don't

disturb tenants. 1144 Pacific Beach Drive. 619-272-9445.

PACIFIC BEACH. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New everything, 2 off-street parking spaces, view of bay, quiet, some storage, free laundry. \$1280/month. Call Tod, 858-273-7208.

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PACIFIC BEACH. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Wood floors, walk-in closet, coin laundry. Blocks from beach. 5051 La Jolla Blvd. XILA, 619-683-7638.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1450. Spacious, clean 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Utilities included. 1-1/2 blocks beach. New carpet, paint. No pets. Available 4/8/02. 860-D Missouri. Cassidy, broker, 619-275-LIST.

PACIFIC BEACH,NORTH. 2 bedroom plus bedroom/office, 2 bath townhome. Large, beautiful, private roof deck with jacuzzi, ocean/downtown views. Walk-in closet, washer/dryer, garage. \$2400. 619-886-4498.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$925. Immaculate 1 bedroom near ocean and Tourmaline Beach. Assigned off-street parking. Cat OK. Rent plus \$500 moves you in. Tanya, 858-581-0911.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$1600. 2 bedroom townhouse. Pool, sauna, spa. Garage with storage. New carpet, tile. Private patio. Available now. Lease. 1765 Missouri. Agent, 858-270-0781.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$725. Large studio. Recently remodeled. Off-street parking. Close to the bay. Available approximately 4/12. 4006 Ingraham Street #7. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$725. Large studio. Recently remodeled. Off-street parking. Close to the bay. Available approximately 5/1. 4006 Ingraham Street #2. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit. Fresh paint. Laundry on site. Off-street parking. Small complex. 3726-1/2 Ingraham Street. Available approximately 4/3. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1295. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, close to beach and bay. 1 parking space, coin laundry. No pets. Nonsmoking. 858-459-4052.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1395. Large newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, 3 blocks to beach! Ceiling fans, dishwasher, great closet space. Street parking only. Nonsmoking. No pets. 858-459-4052.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house with large backyard. Fresh paint. Laundry hookups and back patio. Available now. 1945 Missouri Street. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1850. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 2-car garage, 2 balconies, alarm, fireplace, 1/2 block to bay. Upstairs unit. Close to all. 760-631-8078.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$750. Large studio. High ceiling. 2 skylights. Large full kitchen. All appliances. Dining area. Ceramic floors. 1811-1/2 Grand Avenue. Away from street. 858-454-3329. 619-822-3329.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1200. Deposit \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Newly remodeled unit in small complex. Washer/dryer on site. Near bay, 2 parking spaces. Available now. No pets. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-2835.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$996. Nice 2 bedroom, blocks to bay. Washer/dryer, sunlit kitchen, newly remodeled. Easy move-in. Low deposit. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$975, 1 bedroom, 1 bath units. Off-street parking. New appliances. Available April. No pets. 4451 Haines Street. 858-270-4492 x203.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1800+. 4 bedroom including den, fenced yard, newly remodeled kitchen. Pets OK. Near ocean. Quiet street. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 full bath upstairs unit. Parking. New refrigerator/dishwasher, newer carpet. Laundry. Quiet. Available immediately. 1948 Emerald. 858-554-0400.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, spacious, ocean view, dishwasher, parking. 950 square foot. No pets. Available 4/20. Call manager, 858-488-1701.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Will consider pet. 2-car garage, dishwasher, fireplace. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Cat OK, parking, laun-

dry. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1290. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath townhouse. Small complex. Fireplace, laundry, patio, gardener, 2 parking spaces. Excellent condition. Quiet, near bay. No pets/smoking. 619-606-4945.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Cat OK, parking, laundry. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Cat OK, garage, dishwasher, laundry, gated. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1 bath beach cottage. New carpet, ceramic tile flooring and paint. Enclosed backyard. Pets OK. Available 4/1. 2034 Balboa. 619-702-5000.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$2500. Deposit \$2550. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Nice ground floor unit in small complex. Hardwood floors. New paint. Gated building. 2 underground parking spaces. No pets. Available now. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-2835.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, coin laundry, sunny patio. New carpet, fresh paint. 4077 Lamont #4. 858-488-1263. pbpapa@hotmail.com.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1495. 955-1/2 Opal. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry, only 1 block from beach! 858-270-5500.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$725-\$995. Large 1 and 2 bedrooms, only blocks to the bay! Controlled access, laundry, pool, some parking, barbecue. Move-in special! No dogs. 2275 Grand Avenue. 858-272-5357.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1450. Nonsmoking. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 garage plus 1 parking space, laundry hookups. 2 blocks bay, 5 blocks beach. No dogs. Quiet 4-unit complex. 619-297-1270.

PACIFIC BEACH. Move-in special: 2 weeks free! 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$1100. \$500 deposit. Beautiful building. Newly remodeled units. Parking. Laundry. 2201-2239-1/2 Grand Avenue. 619-243-4000 x0.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry courtyard, off-street parking, pool. Only 1 block from beach! 858-270-5500.

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appliances. 1932 Missouri #4. Available now. Barry. 619-697-1660.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$900/month. 1 bedroom apartment available now. Close to beach. Please call 619-435-3830. 619-435-7393.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, first floor, laundry, pool. No pets. 1830 Missouri. Steve Richards Realty. 858-483-2844.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, first floor, laundry, pool. No pets. 1838 Missouri. Steve Richards Realty. 858-483-2844.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$850. Move-in special, 1/2 off first month's rent. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Close to bay. Great location. One-year lease. No pets. Street parking. IPMG. 760-967-4764.

PACIFIC BEACH. Block ocean. \$965-\$1045. (849 Diamond, front unit). Lovely 1 bedroom cottage, remodeled, custom tile, dishwasher, garden window, fan, grey Berber. For appointment, 619-918-4731.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking. Convenient location. Laundry. 4639 Pico Street. 858-581-1458.

PACIFIC BEACH. Studio. 1/2 block to beach. Private patio deck, parking, laundry, pool. \$800. 858-274-3197.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$900. 1 bedroom, The Plaza. New carpet, laundry, pool view, parking. Available now. 760-942-7266.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$825-\$1250. 1 and 2 bedrooms, newly renovated, so close to the beach. Won't last! Laundry, balcony, parking. Charge, 858-751-1497.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$800-\$1200. 1 and 2 bedroom cottages. Monthly lease available. Close to the beach. Fresh paint/carpet, dishwasher, balcony, laundry, parking. Charge, 858-751-1497.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$850 and up, cottages and houses, a few to choose from. Easy move-in. Pet OK on approval. Month to month. Dishwasher, laundry, parking. Charge. 858-751-1497.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$2275. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, 2 blocks to beach. Quiet, large patio, dining area, spacious. No pets. Available 4/21. 911 Diamond. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1750. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Spectacular ocean and bay views. 3 blocks to beach, new carpet and paint. Pool, must see. No pets. 4944 Cass Street #310. 858-967-0083.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Available now. No pets. 2121 Thomas Avenue, #2. Call 858-483-5111.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$825. Junior 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Available now. No pets. 4329 Gresham Street. Call 858-483-5111.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs in quiet complex, balcony, dining and barbecue area, storage. No pets. Available 4/7. 3723 Ingraham. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$2400. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo on the oceanfront. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, private patio, parking. 4465 Ocean Blvd. Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071. www.delsolpm.com.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$925. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator. Pool. Coin laundry. New carpet. 1433 Oliver Avenue. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$1375. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, new carpet, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, coin laundry, carport parking. 3711 Ingraham Street. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$750. Studio with all utilities paid. Full kitchen with stove and refrigerator. Coin laundry. 3 blocks to beach. 5049 Cass. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$745. Studio upstairs, dressing room, gated, underground parking, barbecue area, walk to all. No pets. Available now. 1845 Hornblend. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 parking, upstairs, near Pacific Beach recreation center, large kitchen, barbecue area, laundry. No pets. Available now. 1538 Diamond. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$1325. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath two story unit in quiet fourplex. Fireplace. Stove, refrigerator. Dishwasher. Washer/dryer in unit. Patio. Parking. Cat OK. 1784 Diamond. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1100. 2 bedroom. Crown Point. Off-street parking. First floor. Pets upon approval. Laundry facility. Available 5/1. 4021 Lamont Street. Manager, 858-274-8351.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1250-\$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 3 blocks to beach. Garage, cottage like, patio, barbecue area. No pets. Year lease. 1020 Agate. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1000. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 block to beach, garage, garden setting, patio, cottage like. No pets. Year lease. Available 5/9. 836 Emerald. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1950. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath beautiful townhouse. 2 blocks to Sail Bay. 2 large private balconies. All appliances including washer/dryer. Cats OK. 1418 Pacific Beach Drive. 858-349-6711.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$2400. 3 bedroom, 3 bath apartment. Washer/dryer. Fireplace. Dishwasher. Microwave. Mirrored closets. 1 parking space. Small fenced patio. No pets. Available now. 858-587-8684.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1850. 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhome, 3 blocks to beach, dishwasher, patio, washer/dryer hookups, year lease. No pets. Available 5/10. 944 Loring. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1395. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome near beach and bay, barbecue and dining area, fireplace, dishwasher, storage. No pets. Available 5/6. 1520 Thomas. 858-483-3534.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$995-\$1495. 1 and 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments. Spacious,

deluxe interiors! Full amenities. Steps to bay. No pets. 619-223-0254.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1295. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath upstairs apartment. Fireplace. Balcony. Parking. All appliances. Quiet area. 1827 Missouri #C. 858-272-9547.

PACIFIC BEACH. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Surrounded by trees. Light. Bright. Airy. A great place to call home! Open kitchen. Balcony. Laundry. Garage. \$1595. 858-270-2787.

PACIFIC BEACH. Spring for \$300 off by 4/9 move-in! Roomy studio and 1 bedrooms. Pool, laundry, parking. 2758 Figueroa #21. 858-536-1900; Evenings, 858-274-5579.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$925. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Large apartment homes with on-site laundry and parking. 4776 Lamont Street. Call Lisa today! 858-274-7909.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$900-\$1200. Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom. Balcony. Great location. Walk to bay. Off-street parking. Laundry. No pets. Available 4/20. 4110 Jewell Street. 858-274-1124.

POINT LOMA. \$950. 2 bedroom 1.5 baths upstairs apartments. Newly remodeled. Close to all. Near I-8. Approximately. 900 square feet. 3940 La Salle Street. Lee, 858-272-4938; 619-224-4222.

POINT LOMA. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Walk to water. Hardwood floors, new carpet, new paint/refrigerator. Sundeck. Parking. Deposit \$800. 388-1/2 Rosecrans Street. 619-725-3642.

POINT LOMA/SUNSET CLIFFS. \$750. Poolside, new studio, full bath. Unfurnished with kitchenette. Private entrance, parking. Ocean view. No pets. No smoking. Utilities paid. 619-222-9292.

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POINT LOMA. \$1195/month. Dog and/or cat welcome! 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet building. Hardwood floors. Ceramic bathrooms and kitchen. Appliances. Laundry room. Parking. Nonsmoking. 2202, 2204, 2216 Chatsworth Boulevard. 619-850-4296.

POINT LOMA. \$2500. Spectacular view. House, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, family room, downstairs den with built-in bar, wraparound deck, hardwood floors, great location. 619-861-2629.

POINT LOMA. \$1775. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 story house on quiet street with great yard with deck in rear, garage, wood floors and available now. 619-542-2416.

POINT LOMA. \$1000. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Recently remodeled inside and out. Off-street parking, coin laundry facilities, all newly re-landscaped for parklike setting, close to San Diego Bay. 3138 Nimitz Blvd. Located on the corner of Macauley and Evergreen. 619-523-2254.

POINT LOMA. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$800. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1100/up. Pool, sauna, rec room, parking. Near freeways, shopping, beaches. No pets. 619-224-1102.

POINT LOMA. \$1345. Refurbished 1200-square-foot 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Sunset and ocean view. Imported ceramic tile floors in entry hall, kitchen and baths. Sunken living room and dining room with large deck. Pool. Saunas. No pets. 619-226-8158.

POINT LOMA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Point Loma Tennis Club, 1 parking space, pool, spa, tennis, storage, gym. No pets. Agent, 619-223-1611.

POINT LOMA. \$900. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo with large balcony. Dishwasher. Off-street parking. Swimming pool. Recreation room. Sauna. Laundry on site. 4444 West Point Loma Blvd #111. Available now. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

POINT LOMA. \$995. Nice 2 bedroom, custom fireplace, washer/dryer. Pets negotiable, secluded in greenery. Near ocean. Quiet Street. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

POINT LOMA. \$1375. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath. 3 balconies, view from master, bright, pool, laundry, parking, storage. 858-349-0345.

POINT LOMA. \$1015. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Cat OK, dishwasher, fireplace, wagher/dryer. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

POINT LOMA. \$850-\$950. \$850-\$950 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet complex. On site laundry. No pets/smoking. Unit #11, approximately 650 square feet. Available 5/15. Unit #14, 775 square feet. Available 5/11. 4230 Montalvo Street. Call Jeanne at 619-813-1908.

POINT LOMA. \$1100. Very large upper. Small complex in village, near all. Do not

disturb. 3113 Jarvis Street. No pets. John A. Reis and Company. 858-272-1348.

POINT LOMA. \$750. 1 bedroom, lower. Small complex. Close to all. Do not disturb tenants. Available soon. Cat OK with deposit. 1618-1/2 Scott Street. John A. Reis and Company. 858-272-1348.

POINT LOMA. \$3300. House, 4 bedroom, 3 bath. Pool, family room, completely redone. Approximately, 2500 square feet. No pets. Nonsmoking. 2 fireplaces. Hardwood floors. Available 5/1. 3695 Fenelon. Do no disturb. John A. Reis and Company. 858-272-1348.

POINT LOMA. \$950/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartments. Hardwood floors. Laundry. No pets. 3138 Macaulay Street. Sunset Pacific Realty, 619-222-4836 x14.

POINT LOMA. \$625/month. Large upstairs studio. Laundry. Near shops and bus. No pets! 3612 Kemper Court #18. Sunset Pacific Realty, 619-222-4836 x14.

POINT LOMA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, washer/dryer, dishwasher, gated parking. Walk to shopping, marina and restaurants. 619-296-2787.

POINT LOMA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Family room. Front and back yard. 3-car off-street parking. Remodeled, like new! All appliances. \$1795. 3112 Nimitz Boulevard. Agent, 619-229-2440.

POINT LOMA. \$1800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New dishwasher. Washer/dryer. Garage, large landscaped yard, gardener. Remodeled, deck, quiet. Dogs OK. 3654 Oliphant. 619-523-1913.

POINT LOMA/OCEAN BEACH. \$1300. Luxurious, remodeled 2-story, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, gated, view, firework, hardwood/tile, new appliances, pool. Pets OK. 2 covered parkings. 858-627-9377.

POINT LOMA. \$780-\$1025. 1 and 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry. courtyard setting, barbecue area, quiet. Walk to all. No pets. Available now. 1 cat OK. 858-483-3534.

POINT LOMA. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. 6-month lease. Patio. Pool. Gated. Laundry. Great location! Quiet, well-managed building. Available now. 2777 Nimitz Boulevard. Small pets on approval. 619-297-0269.

POINT LOMA. \$775. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. 6-month lease. Patio. Pool. Gated. Laundry. Great location! Quiet, well-managed building. Available now. 2777 Nimitz Boulevard. Small pets on approval. 619-297-0269.

POINT LOMA. \$2895. 3 bedroom, 3 bath house, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer, fireplace, large 2-car garage, deck, paid gardener. 3540 Wilcox. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

POINT LOMA. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with vaulted ceiling, gated, underground parking, air conditioning, fireplace, and laundry. 2833 Cadiz. 619-843-7827.

POINT LOMA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet garden complex, city view, carport, laundry. 1770 Evergreen Street. 619-223-0867.

POINT LOMA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath upstairs apartment. View balcony. Parking. Laundry room. 2 blocks to Rosecrans. Available 4/1. 1311 Evergreen Street. Agent, 858-274-0307.

POWAY. \$795-\$925. Huge 1 and 2 bedrooms. Dishwasher, laundry. Reserved parking. No pets. Available 4/15. Please call 858-679-1789.

POWAY/RANCHO BERNARDO. Large 3 bedroom house on secluded hilltop estate. Spectacular views. Tropical orchards. Peaceful, healing surroundings. \$1600. Available now. Come catch the magic! 858-679-0460.

RAMONA/POWAY. \$1195. Three bedroom, two bath house with fenced yard and two-car garage. This house is one of four on over 80 acres of wooded land near Mt. Woodson Golf Course. With a woodburning stove and whole house cooler, this is rural living in affordable comfort. We may consider allowing a dog. Some utilities are included. Please call, 619-501-5109.

RANCHO BERNARDO. \$1195. 2 master bedroom suites, patio, air conditioning, fireplace, pool, spa, gym, plus many extras. 17161 Alva Road. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

RANCHO PENASQUITOS. Free rent! 1 and 2 bedroom garden-style apartment homes starting at \$975. Immediate move-in! Washer/dryer, fireplace, carport, extra parking. Pool. Spa. Tennis. Racquetball. Volleyball. Fitness center. Business center. Pet friendly. Avalon at Penasquitos

Hills. 13293 Rancho Penasquitos Boulevard. Call toll-free, 877-507-6471. pghills@avalonmail.com; visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1071.

RANCHO PENASQUITOS. \$2000/month. Spacious unfurnished 4 bedroom, 3 bath house. Fireplace. New carpet/paint. Excellent location. Available now. ReMax Associates, 858-484-5500 x121.

SAN CARLOS. \$795. Nice 1 bedroom condo. Quiet complex. Downstairs, newer carpet and vinyl, blinds, pool and spa. 8655 Lake Murray Blvd #2. Agent, 619-469-7790.

SAN CARLOS. \$1100. Large 2, 1-1/2 bathrrom townhouse, spacious closets, clean and quiet corner unit, washer, dryer, dishwasher, air condition, patio, carport, pool, spa. 858-576-1918.

SAN CARLOS. \$1395/up. 2 bedroom, 1300 square feet. Stove, dishwasher, garage, patio, pool, laundry facilities. Lakewood Villa Townhomes, 8492 San Carlos Drive. 619-469-3585.

SANTEE. \$895-\$950. 2 bedroom, completed remodeled. All new ceramic tile counters and flooring. New carpet, appliances, lighting. Great off-street parking. All new landscaping, across from the new grocery pavillion. Hurry, won't last. 619-562-8331. www.floot.com.

SANTEE. 1 bedrooms starting at \$845. 2 bedrooms starting at \$1005. Wood-burning fireplace. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Ceiling fans. Private patio/balcony with storage. Convenient laundry facility. Lush landscaping. Walk to shopping. Easy freeway access. Lighted tennis court. Swimming pool. Whirlpool spa. Barbecue area. Santee Villas, 10445 Mast Blvd. 619-448-9330.

SCRIPPS RANCH. \$2250. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 3 car garage, single story, 1/2 acre, across from Jerebek Park, 11754 Lake Grove Court. 858-578-8268.

SERRA MESA. \$795. Lower 1 bedroom condo with new carpet, fresh paint, parking. No pets please. 3549 Castle Glen. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

SERRA MESA. \$1200. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. 1080 square feet. Upstairs with balcony, carpet, one parking space and laundry. 8602 Hurlbut Street Unit 8608. www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100.

SHERMAN HEIGHTS. \$599. Bright, charming, newly renovated 1 bedroom, 1 bath studio plus office. New wood/tile floors. Laundry, downtown view. Good location. 619-233-5663.

SOLANA BEACH. \$1450. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Walk to beach, train and Belly-Up. Beautiful. 858-755-1365.

SOLANA BEACH. \$1395. Huge 1 bedroom. Garage, ocean view, washer/dryer, refrigerator, dishwasher, fireplace, deck. Water, trash, cable included. No pets/smoking. Available 5/2. 619-281-4281.

SOLANA BEACH. \$300 off first month! Newly remodeled. Studios, \$850/up. Utilities included. Near beach, racetrack, fairgrounds, restaurants, shopping. Laundry facilities, pool, parking. Cats OK. 858-755-1466.

SOLANA BEACH. \$900. Studio. West of I-5 with carpet, fenced yard, separate kitchen and partly furnished. Great location. 855 Stevens Avenue. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

SOLANA BEACH. \$1275-\$1325/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry facility, parking, great location, 4 blocks from beach. 760-436-1650.

SOLANA BEACH. \$5000/month, short term, or race rental (call for availability). Oceanfront. Whitewater views forever! Completely remodeled. Gated complex, pool, spa. Have several properties. Free rental/buying information. Pictures at www.sandiegorealtor.com. Michael, 858-755-8580.

SOLANA BEACH. \$1900. Must see! 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Completely remodeled, close to all, 2-car garage, vaulted ceilings. Gas appliances, fenced yard. 619-295-3965.

SORRENTO VALLEY. \$2600. Newer 4 bedroom, 3 bath home. 3-car garage with views. Nice backyard. Gardener included. 6-12 month lease. 10652 Vista Del Agua Way, San Diego, 92121. 858-454-3325; call 619-822-3329.

SOUTH PARK. \$850/month plus \$850 deposit. Charming 1 bedroom cottage. All utilities paid except phone/cable. Off-street parking. Available 4/1. Small pet OK. 415-305-0609.

SOUTH PARK. \$660 plus deposit. Cute and cozy 1 bedroom downstairs apartment. Washer/dryer available. Large

yard. Utilities included. Nonsmoking. 619-501-5972.

SOUTH PARK. \$895. 1 bedroom with hardwood floors, laundry, Small patio. Cat OK! Available now. 3004 Hawthorne. Call for appointment, 858-459-9170.

SOUTH PARK. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Big front yard. Hardwood floors. Pets OK. 1737 Bancroft Street. Laundry. Small cat OK. Patio. 619-341-0297.

SPRING VALLEY. \$950. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, custom patio, hidden in greenery. Low deposit. Freshly painted. Quiet area. Call now. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

TALMADGE. \$650. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Available immediately. Gated, clean, quiet project. Credit check required. 4424 51st Street. Call 858-794-5277.

TALMADGE. \$850. 4552 55th Street. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Yard. Pet on Approval. 619-640-7530.

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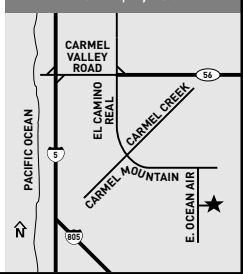
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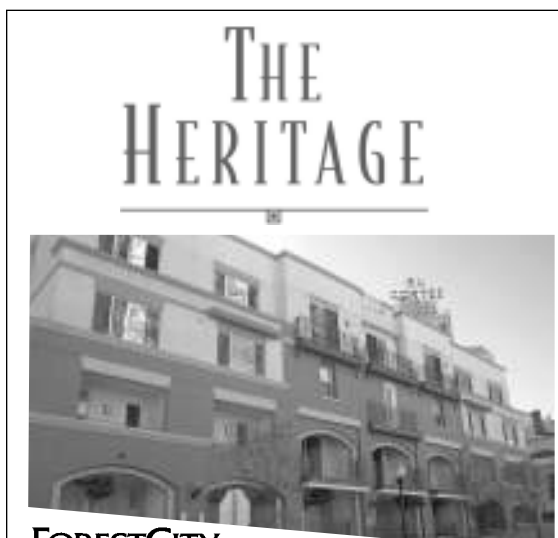
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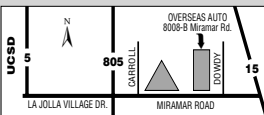
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She was in public relations, a phrase that filled her with the flush of authority.

By John Brizzolara

Once upon a time there was a good storyteller and her evil stepsister. The good storyteller, whose name was Kimberly, wanted the children of the land, all bundled in their pj's, to laugh and thrill at the stories they were too young to read. She wanted all the children to have a fun Friday night before toddling off into dreamland, so their parents could hit happy hour somewhere and get maybe two goddamn minutes of peace and quiet — is that too freaking much to ask?

The evil stepsister of the children's book department, however, only wanted the children of the land drowsy and susceptible to posthypnotic corporate commands to consume cat books and calendars, books on tape, and other booklike (but not really) products from Barnes & Noble. The evil stepsister, whose name was, say, Toolcraft, cackled to herself and fondled her moles as the children began to arrive around 6:45 p.m. for "Pajamarama," Barnes & Noble's Friday-

evening story hour for kids.

"Come in your pajamas!" the children were told, and so they did. Even Kimberly wore her pajamas and magical storytelling sleeping cap. Old Toolcraft (who was crafting witless tools of consumerism, blindly obedient to corporate dictums, no matter how absurd) knew that within moments, the marks — that is, *the kids* — would be mellow and subdued with Disney stories, delivered in Kimberly's happy and convincing story voice, and thus pliant, eager receptacles for Toolcraft's corporate programming. In a few short years, her little minions would eagerly purchase exercise videos, Oprah Club selections, and other materials pre-approved at corporate HQ, which would clear no less than a 60 percent markup.

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It was enough to make her perspire with dizziness and gasp with warm, squirmy, womanly feelings she did not fully understand. She was in public relations, a phrase that filled her with the flush of authority. Had she known the old-fashioned phrase for hers, the second oldest of professions, she would wear the badge of Corporate Whore with pride as well.

Four children had arrived at the Hazard Center commercially printed product outlet known as Barnes & Noble. It was 7 p.m. and time to begin. Tool-

craft nodded to Kimberly, who began to read "Cinderella."

Moment by moment the children gradually fell under the sleepy sway of Toolcraft's evil appetites. She walked behind them, imagining their plump little limbs warming like loaves of bread in the oven of her heinous plan. She began whispering subliminal suggestions in the ears of her unsuspecting victims, suggestions that would be triggered into commands at the opening of each child's first major charge account. It was like writing a blank check to the company, and the thrill of it was precious. In 2010 or 2015, the posthypnotic template could be activated and the name of the appropriate product entered. They would willingly, happily carpool to the mall or log on to the sister company's search engine to obtain the designated unit. The will of the company be done. In the name of Barnes & Noble, Doubleday, Bantam and Dell, Random House, Penguin, and Putnam.com, amen.



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We had a little car trouble. Last Friday morning, I loaded four of my five children into our mini-van. Angela, Lucy, Johnny, and Ben — aged seven, five, three, and one and a half — sat in their respective seats. Nine-year-old Rebecca had spent the night at a friend’s house.

As I steered the van out of our cul-de-sac, Angela piped up from the far back. “Can we walk Lucy into preschool with you?”

“Sure,” I told her. On an ordinary Friday, I would have dropped Rebecca and Angela at their school before driving Lucy to preschool. Last Friday, Rebecca and Angela had the day off so their teachers could go on a retreat.

“Could you turn on the

radio?” Lucy asked.

As we made our way onto the freeway, everyone but Ben sang along with one of our favorite country songs. Ben slapped his hands against the front of his car seat in time to the music.

A couple of minutes later, I steered onto the off-ramp that leads to Lucy’s preschool. Making my way up the ramp, I felt the power steering go off. The van seemed oddly silent under the loud music. As I coasted to the stop sign at the top of the ramp, I turned off the radio.

“Nooooo,” came the angry chorus from the rear.

“Hold on a minute, guys,” I called back. I realized the car had died. I turned the key in the ignition. The engine turned over but wouldn’t catch. I glanced in the rearview mirror to see a couple of drivers staring impatiently at the back of my van. I rolled down the window and waved them around.

“What’s wrong, Mommy?” Angela asked.

“The car won’t go,” I answered. “I’m going to call a tow truck.”

I turned on my emergency blinkers, stepped out of the car, and walked around to the rear. While I dialed AAA on my cell phone with one hand, I waved cars around me with the other. Within the next ten minutes, the AAA operator told me a tow truck was on its way, and a nice man helped me push the van over to the side of the road.

While we waited for the tow truck, I stood

beside the van with the door open so the kids wouldn’t overheat. “Can we still go to the Wild Animal Park?” Angela asked. I had planned to meet a friend and her son, one of Angela’s school friends, at the Wild Animal Park in the afternoon.

“I don’t know, sweetie,” I told her. “We’ll have to see how the day goes.”

The tow truck arrived. The kids piled out of the car and wandered around in the underbrush beside the off-ramp. We were on a hillside several hundred yards from the freeway.

I turned to the tow-truck driver, who was hooking our van up to the lift. “Are we all going to fit in the front with you?”

“You bet,” he answered. “We’ll just squeeze ’em in.”

Ten minutes later, the tow-truck driver gave me the high sign. “Hey, guys,” I called to the kids. “We get to ride in the tow truck.”

Johnny, Lucy, and Angela ran to the truck. I lifted them up into the cab, then climbed in with Ben in my arms. Lucy sat on Angela’s lap. Johnny sat beside the driver. We bounced and lurched sideways when the driver pulled onto the off-ramp and headed toward our car dealership. Johnny grinned at me. “This is fun,” he shouted over the sound of the engine. Bouncing along on the smooth leather bench seat, unencumbered by car seats or seat belts, the kids kept slipping forward and nearly falling off the seat. They laughed every time.

At the dealership, the driver unhooked the

van. I’d called ahead to let my service manager, Howard, know we were coming. Howard greeted me at the service entrance and looked at the kids. “You’ve got almost the whole crew today,” he smiled. “We’ll have Andy give you a ride home in the courtesy van. He should be back any minute. I’ll call you at home when we know what’s going on with your car.”

While we waited for the courtesy van, the kids ran in circles around the outdoor waiting area. Ben ran up and down the ramp and tried to dip his hands into oily pools in the driveway. I dragged him away again and again until I thought my back would break.

Half an hour later, we piled into the courtesy van. I gave Andy directions to our home in San Marcos. We chatted during the 15-minute ride. Ben began to fuss. “We’re almost home, buddy,” I told him.

As we rounded the corner into our cul-de-sac, my heart sank. I looked at Andy. “I’m really sorry,” I said. “I left my house key in the van. It’s on the same ring as the car key.”

Andy gave me a resigned look. “People do it all the time,” he said. “Let’s go back.”

We had to wait again at the dealership while Andy took other people home. Ben made more trips to the oily pools. Howard told me the problem with the van was an \$800 fuel pump. When we finally got home, my friend came by and took Angela to the Wild Animal Park. At least one of us had a fun day.

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