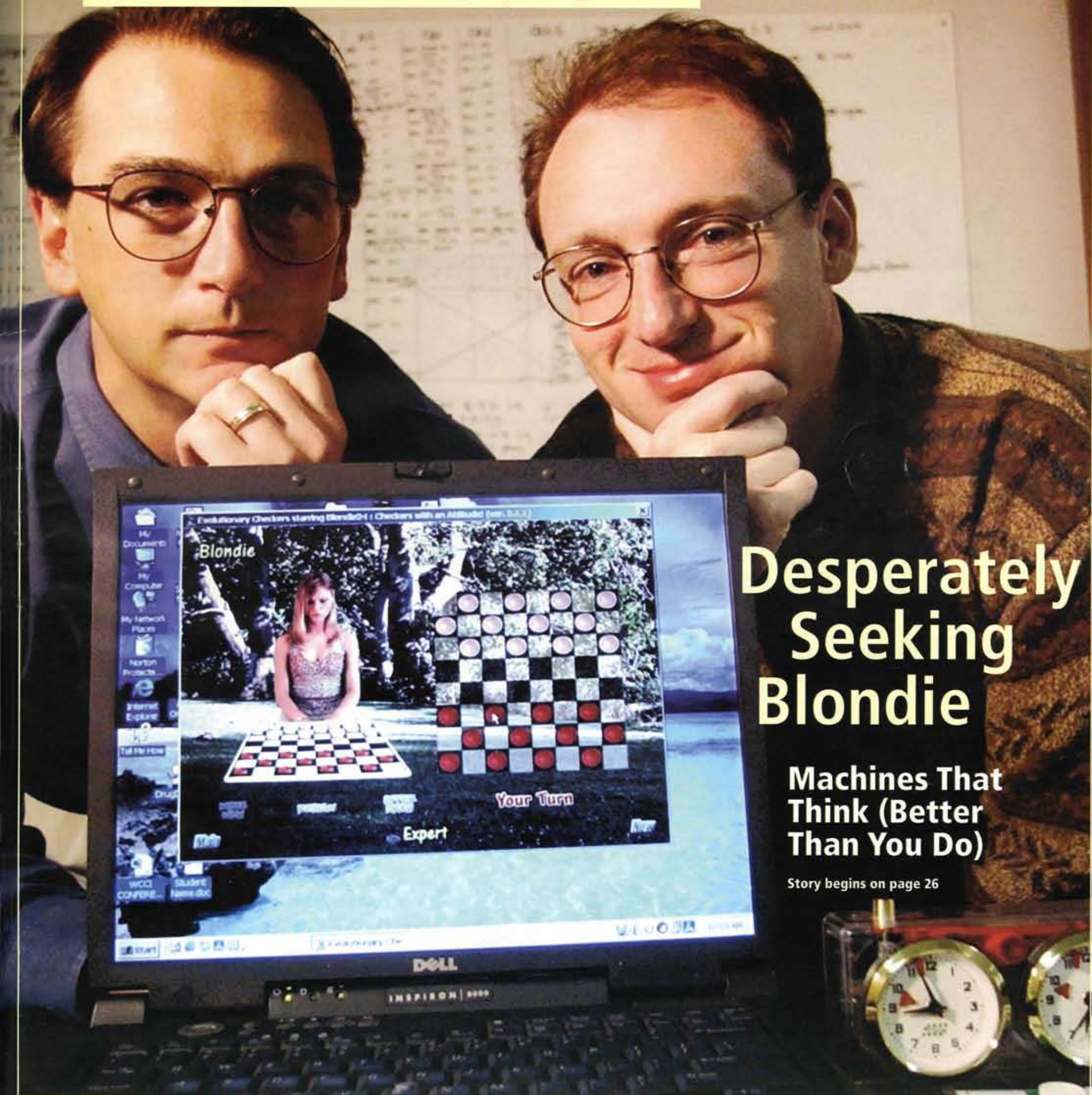


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Feces Bird

Re the May 16 letter “Distressed” by Joan Mathison, which attacks the character of City Attorney Casey Gwinn concerning his dislike of “public comment” during city council meetings. She was right on the ball.

I call him “Feces Bird” Gwinn. Our memory of his actions is all too short. He was city attorney when a San Diego grand jury came in against building the new Padre ball-park one month before the election on Proposition C. The grand jury finding not to build the downtown ballpark was stonewalled by Gwinn so that “public comment” did not know of it in time to vote. Stonewalling information is a tactic Gwinn has used before, in his own election.

Wake up, San Diegans, before we learn that Gwinn is our governor.

Name Withheld

CORRECTION

“Blurt” from May 16 included a quote attributed to John Haynes of the California Center for the Arts, Escondido. The statement “If it’s too heavy, cut it back” was actually made by Escondido city councilman Tom D’Agosta.

Doves

Re: “Their Mothers Cry Too” (“City Lights,” May 16), Robert Kumpel chose to publicize the views of two “Elderly [foreign-born] Jews [who] ponder the Israeli/Palestinian conflict” (as stated in your Table of Contents). The views of these two individuals may be characterized as hawkish and super-hawkish. While they may represent a large majority of popular Jewish opinion in the U.S. and San Diego about this conflict, they do not represent all such opinion, and certainly not the majority opinion of Israelis nor that of the many Israeli soldiers and reservists.

As an “elderly Jew” born in the USA who also ponders the conflict, I find that the voice of the majority of Israelis who believe in seeking peace with Palestinians (the only possible solution) as well as those Israeli reservists and soldiers with the “Courage to Refuse” is more persuasive to me as an American Jew than the pronouncements of the politicians here and there. I know this may not be a popular opinion

here, but it needs to be heard!

The “refuseniks” of the Israeli Defense Force (IDF — the army), allied under the umbrella of “Courage to Refuse,” who now number close to 500 (with 36 in military prisons as a result), supported by 287 faculty members of Israeli universities and thousands of civilians, have decided that they will no longer perform military service in the occupied territories. They have issued an inspiring statement on their actions that can be viewed on their website, www.seruv.org.il/defaulteng.asp. They have taken a position similar to that of the U.S. Army soldiers during the Vietnam War who said, “Hell no, we won’t go!” (but in a more civilized way).

A group of primarily elderly Jews in San Diego have come together in a nonreligious organization — San Diego Secular Jews for Peace and Justice (SDSJJP) — to support the refuseniks of the IDF. We believe those members of the Israeli military and the reservists are serving the best interests of the Israeli people; they deserve our thanks, encouragement, and financial support, so that they can defend themselves and encourage others to join their ranks.

SDSJJP invites anyone to join us to learn more about and support the refuseniks; we are collecting funds and forwarding them to their U.S. support group, the Shefa Fund, referenced in the “Courage to Refuse” website. For more information in San Diego call (858) 566-4339 or (619) 287-5535.

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Scripps Ranch

One-Sided

I’m calling in regards to the article that was printed last week about the two Jewish gentlemen (“Their Mothers Cry Too,” “City Lights,” May 16). I felt that the article was very one-sided. There was no mention in the article at all that the Palestinians have suffered a 35-year illegal military occupation. So, I think that the article is misleading people. I’d like to see more evenhanded legislation enacted regarding the treatment of the Palestinians.

Also, the interesting thing is that the U.S. Congress since 1948 has given Israel \$90 billion in aid. That was not brought out in the article either. The Palestinians have suffered this illegal and brutal 35-year military occupation at the hands of the Israelis despite countless U.N. resolutions — and the entire world asked Israel to withdraw, including our president, Bush. And still they’re continuing their oppressive occupation of the Palestinians. I would like to know how many more people are going to die because of this Israeli intransigence.

I would like to see legislation introduced cutting off all aid to Israel until they withdraw from the occupied territories.

On the other side, this Palestinian intifada, actually it res-

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Cave canem Honchos on the so-called executive committee of the San Diego Unified School District have authorized use of dogs to sniff out drugs, weapons, and other contraband at inner-



Drug-sniffing dog

city Hoover High, and the practice may soon spread throughout the district. Though use of the dogs has not been publicly discussed or approved by the board of education, in a memo dated May 3, **Terry Smith**, right-hand man to district supervisor **Alan Bersin**, says, "It is a relatively inexpensive program that is expected to gain the interest of other high school administrations once it is implemented at Hoover." A document titled "Canine Contraband Deterrent Program Proposal," from El Cajon-based Interquest Detection Canines, says the company "employs only non-aggressive Golden and Labrador Retrievers" and charges \$400 for each day a dog visits a school. "Emergency" one-time visits are also \$400. Results, the proposal says, will include "future deterrence of unwanted contraband on campus as students learn to make better choices while on campus due to the presence of the working canines." A memo from district staffer **Deborah Cowan** describing the experience of schools that have used the service notes, "Dogs do not sniff the students, but the students like the dogs." ... Former *L.A. Times* reporter **David Smollar**, who recently left his job as spokesman for San Diego Unified schools, has turned up in the same role for the Capistrano school district.

Tawny's travails Pacific Beach native and busty over-the-line favorite **Tawny Kitaen**, star of movies like *Bachelor Party* and *California Girls*, as well as steamy rock videos she appeared in with one-time husband, Whitesnake's David Coverdale, has been hurling accusations at her current husband, baseball player Chuck Finley. The 41-year-old Kitaen, who also appeared in *Suds*, a movie about beer produced by state senator **Steve Peace** and friends, now lives in Laguna Beach and is being sued by Finley for divorce. In recent court documents



Tawny Kitaen

Kitaen accuses the Cleveland Indians pitcher of everything from steroid abuse to drunk driving, while admitting she is a reformed substance abuser herself. "Especially now that I am sober, I am concerned about Petitioner's heavy drinking and his own drug usage. I have observed that Pe-

titioner is a heavy drinker. Petitioner is also a heavy marijuana smoker. I have also witnessed Petitioner take illegal steroids, which steroids he purchases from a man he calls 'Rob' from Mission Viejo.... I have seen Petitioner take these steroids intramuscularly, and he has previously bragged to me that he knows how to get around drug testing within the baseball league.... I am concerned that Petitioner himself is not addressing his own drug and drinking problems, as I have." She also notes that Finley "is from the Deep South, specifically Monroe, Louisiana, as is his entire family. The members of Petitioner's family are very heavy drinkers and are not well-educated. In fact, they frequently use the N-word in their daily conversation." She concludes: "As with the fighting, Petitioner also likes to drink. Petitioner's favorite drinks include Jack Daniels and virtually any type of beer. Although I have information regarding Petitioner's use of various drugs, I do not wish to discuss this issue in a public forum as I have no desire to harm Petitioner."

Political football Is it a portent? Chargers owner **Alex Spanos** and son **Dean** aren't the only ones interested in heading north. Writes Charger cheerleader **Sigrid Aquino** on the team's website, "I plan to move



Sigrid Aquino



Bill Johnston

to Los Angeles and pursue a career in the entertainment industry." Meantime, team flack **Bill Johnston** is up on the website with his own revisionist take on the widely reviled ticket guarantee. "The City and the Chargers negotiated a lease with the expectation that the winning would continue. Charger games would keep selling out, just as they had when the team was successful in the late '70s and early '80s. Both sides would live happily ever after."

But, he notes, the team somehow didn't manage to win. "The losses turned into fewer tickets sold. The lease turned from Dr. Jekyll into 'Mr. Ticket Guarantee,' which is actually a sliding rent scale, but the damage was already done. (And, to remind everyone, the sliding rent scale was the idea of the City after other requests by the Chargers, like a new stadium or free rent, were dismissed by the City.)"

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Big Bite

By Ernie Grimm

Gary Sehnert works as the United States representative and distributor for several wineries in the Guadalupe Valley — the Napa Valley of Mexico — ten miles inland from Ensenada. Though he operates from his home in Little Italy, his job takes him to Tijuana and Ensenada three times a week. On Sunday, April 21, Sehnert was alone in his house, doing a few chores and sipping red wine. In his pocket he carried a .22 caliber short-barreled revolver that he says he bought a few weeks earlier for home security. At 10:00 p.m., knowing he had to

way turn.

This wasn't the first time Sehnert, 51, had been pulled over in Mexico. "In the last three years," he says, "I have been pulled over probably 20 or 25 times. I'm down there a lot, often driving at night, often trying to find places I'm not familiar with. Signage is horrible. So I've been pulled over for making illegal U-turns, inadvertently turning down one-way streets, and speeding. Of course, you're

ask you for money. You have to suggest the idea. And you shouldn't lift the money up and hand it to them. When they hand you your I.D. back, you have the money in your hand. They don't want anything seen.

"Of course," Sehnert adds, "it has always been an option to follow them to the police station instead. I've done that three or four times. The fines are ridiculously low; seven, eight, nine dollars." But Sehnert knew that to go to the station would be an hourlong process at the shortest. Not wanting the delay, he decided to submit to the bite. "I said, 'I don't want any problems. Can I take care of the fine now?' They said, 'Well, maybe.' I said, 'I've got \$20.' But they said that wasn't go-



Tijuana banks (top and bottom)



Gary Sehnert

meet with a client Monday morning in Ensenada, he decided to drive down that night instead of fighting traffic in the morning. He never made it to Ensenada.

Just before 11:00 p.m., Sehnert steered his truck through downtown Tijuana on Benito Juárez, also known as Calle Segunda, or Second Street. Intending to stop at the house of a friend in that neighborhood, he turned left off of Benito Juárez and immediately realized he was heading the wrong way up a one-way street. Then he saw flashing red lights in his rear-view mirror. A pair of Tijuana municipal police officers patrolling the area had seen him make the wrong-

always over the speed limit down there. Everyone speeds. But I can honestly say I've never been stopped when it was not legitimate, when I had not done something wrong."

Sehnert knew what to expect as the two officers approached his window: *la mordida*, "The Bite, as they call it."

The slang term *la mordida* refers to the technically illegal yet accepted practice of paying police officers at the scene to be let off of a traffic ticket. "They almost always start at \$50," Sehnert explains, "and you tell them, 'I don't have that much.' They'll usually accept \$20. There's an etiquette to it. They'll never

ing to be enough for them. I said, 'In that case, let's just go to the police station.'"

The officers didn't agree to that. "They knew that I was willing to pay them some *mordida*, and I'm sure they thought that if they held me up long enough that they would get \$40 or \$50. Ten, 12 minutes longer go by, and I'm still saying, 'No problem, let's just go. I'll go to the station whenever you're ready.' They say, 'Okay, get out of the car. Come back to the police car...put your hands on the hood.' And they start to frisk me. Finally, it dawns on me."

Sehnert says he had forgotten to remove the .22 revolver from his pocket before

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I'd Fight

By Robert Kumpel

America saw a return to patriotism after the 9/11 tragedy that managed to raise enlistment rates in the military. But will the escalation of aggression in Israel stimulate the same response from American Jews?

As Sabbath comes to an end with the final prayers at Beth Jacob synagogue, young families enjoy a leisurely Saturday evening, socializing in

Israelis fight isn't in a formal army setting. They are dealing with Palestinian terrorists who you just can't pick out and fight. Theoretically, if the army needed people, and I enlisted and went through all the training and steps, I

with the terrorist attacks, and there's tons of documents and evidence that link them. This shows that they're obviously slanted in their view of the two sides. That's one of the reasons I would be willing to fight in the Israeli army, because they have such high morals and they teach their soldiers to try to avoid any civilian casualties when they can. For instance, what they called the 'Jenin massacre' obviously wasn't. They could have done air strikes like America did in Kabul, but they didn't. Instead, they

lot of help. Long strides await us to reach real peace."

David Mahpour, 18, says he would probably fight for Israel. "Why not? I think a lot about the situation over there. It's important. A person needs to fight for what they believe in, and that's what I believe in. If you don't believe in something, then there's no point. You have to have a goal in life. You have to have a hope for something. That's why all those people are still there, because they believe in something, and they still have a goal.

children would let me! It's our homeland for 3000 years, and I'm ready to help provide for security and safety for the rest of my brethren."

At Alpha Epsilon Pi (a Jewish fraternity), David Gurovich, 20, says he is willing to fight for Israel under certain conditions. "I moved from Ukraine to this country and I love America, but I won't tolerate terrorism — especially after September 11. I support Israel, because I saw the way Palestinians reacted to 9/11, dancing in the streets. I see how other peo-

it with their lives."

Dan Lax, 20, doubts that he would fight for Israel. "I was never really brought up too religious. I would like to go to Israel sometime, but I haven't been there, and I don't feel like I would be willing to die for their cause."

Rahami Buckman, 18, plays an arcade game while discussing Israel. The clicking noises of the machine match the staccato cadence of his speech. "Right now, no. I wouldn't fight there. This war's been going on for, like, a thousand years, man, and



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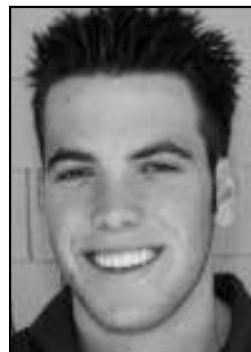
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the synagogue lobby while their children play in the empty parking lot. One of the young fathers, Ariel Buchwald, 34, is willing to go to Israel and fight. "I would want to defend us against the people who are attacking us."

Yehoshua Levine, who would not disclose his age, except to say that he is in his 20s, is also ready to fight, but he looks upon the conflict as something out of the ordinary. "The way that the Is-

could do that."

Levine's insight into the situation suggests he has devoted a lot of time to following the conflict. "The techniques and the morals that the people who are fighting in the Israeli army are totally misrepresented by the press and obviously by the United Nations as evidenced by the Jenin fact-finding mission. They never had any fact-finding mission to try to link up the Palestinian Authority

went in on foot, and 23 Israeli soldiers ended up dying in order to avoid civilian casualties. That's definitely an army that I would be proud to fight in and be a part of, if they needed me."

When asked if he would be willing to fight, Yonah Weiss, 22, seems certain. "Sure. I would want to help the brothers and sisters, but mainly to help rid the world of terrorism and make peace on earth. I think we need a

They want to stay for what they fought for 40 years ago."

Shmuel Kellogg, 21, sounds as if he's ready to suit up immediately. "It's our homeland, and we learn in our holy Torah, we have to do anything that it takes to defend our land against people who threaten it."

At the SDSU Chabad House, pro-Israel sentiments also run strong. Robert Shaw, 39, is willing to fight. "Absolutely — if my wife and five

ple in the Middle East are. It's just envy for this country, because they don't like capitalism. I would fight for America, but I'm not sure I would fight for Israel. But the big reason I support Israel — not as a Jew, but as a person — is because there is only one Jewish state. How many Arab states are there? Many. But for the Jews, that's their only place, and they can't go anywhere else, so that's why they're defending

it's like...at this point, it just goes back and forth. I don't feel that either country is wrong or right. Someone needs to step up and, like, take control and, like, negotiate the peace, and I don't think the U.S. has been doing a very good job of it. So I feel like there's no need [to fight], at least not right now. Maybe, in future years, if there's a need, and the Palestinians are oppressing the

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he left his house. "It's a tiny, little five-shot revolver. You can hardly feel it in your pocket," he explains. "So they find the gun, take it out, and all of a sudden it's a whole

new ballgame. At this point, my attitude obviously changes quite a bit. I know that this is very serious, and I'm ready to do just about anything to get out of this situation. And they know that. They see the change in my

demeanor. And at this point there wasn't any pretense about *mordida*. It was, 'What are you willing to pay?' I said, 'Listen, I've got about \$100 on me. I don't know how much I can get from ATMs, but I'll get as much as I can. I

should be able to get at least another \$400 or \$500. Whatever I can get I will.' They agreed to do that, and there were ATMs all over the area. But they wanted to get away from the area so they said, 'Okay, we'll follow you to the

Banamex down in Zona Rio.' So I drive the two or three miles to Zona Rio with them following behind me and pull up in front of Banamex on Paseo de los Héroes. They park around the corner

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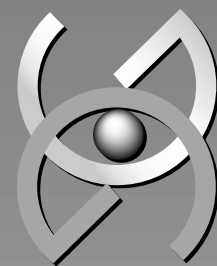
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where they can watch me but not be right by me. So I go and try both my ATM and my credit card, but I could not get my cards to work. I went next door to BanNorte

and the same thing happened. At this point I'm getting worried that they're thinking I'm trying to screw them. So, we go to the next one in the row — there's a whole row of banks right there in Zona Rio — which

is BanCrece. Thank God, I was able to get out 2000 pesos on one of the cards. So I go out to the car and say, 'I've got 2000 pesos. Do you want this plus the \$100 I already have?' But they wouldn't take any money at this point at all.

So I go to the next bank on the row, which is Banco Santander, but I couldn't get anything out of the machine. Normally it's about 50/50 whether I can get money out of the machines in Mexico, but I was having really bad

luck that night. So we go around the corner onto Sanchez Taboada, and there are two banks right next to each other. I go to one and I'm able to get another 1000 pesos. I go to the next and I'm able to get another 1000

pesos. Now I've got 4000 pesos plus \$100, all told about \$550. But that was still not enough for them. They wanted to go to a seventh ATM."

When the \$550 was rejected, Sehnert says he grew worried. "I just couldn't believe that that wasn't enough for them," he recalls. But he followed them in his pickup as they ordered, all the money still in his wallet. "We were driving along Sanchez Taboada, and they turned left toward downtown into a very dark area."

As he watched them turn, Sehnert says fear welled up in his heart, fear that he was being taken to some dark place to be killed so that he couldn't bear witness to the shark-sized bite they had put on him. "What I did next may be the stupidest thing I've ever done," Sehnert says. "Instead of following them, I took off straight ahead toward the border, which was only three quarters of a mile away. They whipped around, threw on their lights and sirens, and came after me. There was a big wait at the border, and they caught me there. This time they had called for backup, and about 30 cops showed up down there. Some of them are federal police. Everybody is looking me over, looking at the gun."

Handcuffed and sitting in the back of a squad car, Sehnert pleaded his case as vehemently as his limited Spanish allowed. "*¡Mucha mordida!*" he told the crowd of cops, pointing at the two police officers who had stopped him an hour and a half earlier. For another hour, the police on hand discussed the situation, and it was decided that, though possession of a firearm in Mexico is a federal offense, the original pair of cops would take him to a municipal substation downtown. "They have my truck towed away, and they take me downtown to a municipal police substation," Sehnert explains. "And I was there for about two hours. They had me alone in this holding tank, which was really a pit. It was about 12 by 12 feet, really filthy, with writing on the three concrete walls. The fourth side was all bars. There was a toilet, which was basically a hole in the concrete,

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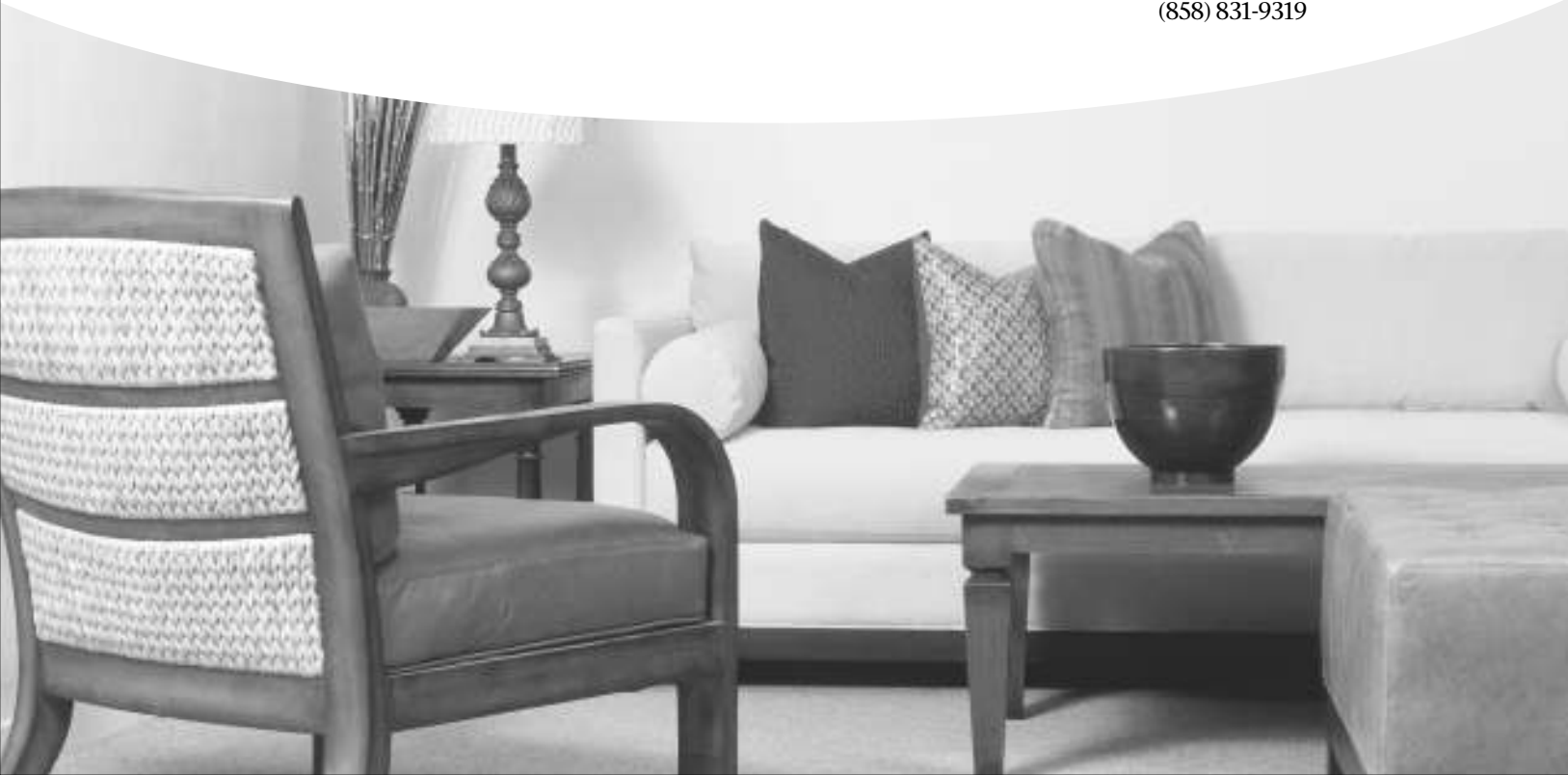
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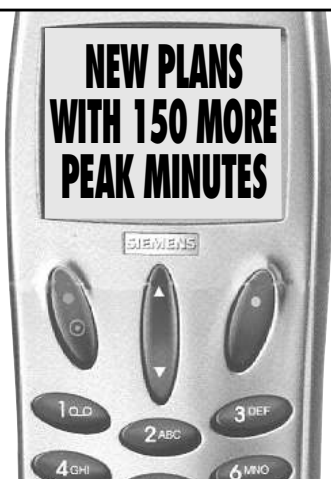
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Big bite

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no TP, no way to flush it. But I couldn't go anyway because my hands were cuffed behind me."

After taking a Breatheralyzer test, the results of which he never found out, and having some photos taken of him, the same two municipal police officers brought Sehnert back to the Zona Rio. But this time it wasn't to ATMs they were bringing him. It was to the local office of the federal police. The black glass building bore a sign over the entrance reading Procuraduría General de la República, which translates to the Attorney General of the Republic. There, Sehnert was put into a holding cell. "It was relatively clean," he recalls, "most of the cells had toilets in them. But the lights are on 24 hours a day. There's no music, no TV, nothing to read, and time seems to stand still. That was not fun."

Sehnert was fingerprinted — four times, for some unexplained reason — and had a mug shot taken of him. On Monday morning around

10:00 he was brought out of the holding tank and allowed to make a phone call. He reached his roommate, who agreed to make more calls on Sehnert's behalf. "Finally, I knew somebody on the U.S. side was doing something on my behalf. You have no idea how much of a comfort that is."

That afternoon, he was brought out of his cell to speak with a man and woman who had come from the American consulate at the request of the police. "They told me that this would be a minimum 5-year, maximum 12-year sentence if I were convicted."

The couple from the consulate handed Sehnert a list of attorneys three names long, though they made it clear they were not allowed to recommend any of them. Sehnert, an attorney himself, though not a practicing one, recognized the first name on the list. "It was Baker & McKenzie, which is a very large, very prestigious law firm with offices around the world. I knew they had an office in Tijuana. I'm thinking,

I want the best possible representation, so I said, 'Let's use these guys.' So they call and no one answers. I think that they either didn't really call or they called a fake number. It just doesn't make sense that there would not even be a receptionist to answer the phone at Baker & McKenzie even if the attorneys weren't in. It's ludicrous. But I'm glad. I think that the couple from the consulate were very restrained in what they could say. They couldn't say, 'Use this guy,' but they wanted me to get the next guy on the list, Luis Estrada Sanchez. So they call him and he's there and he'll come and talk to me. I say, 'Okay, great.' They gave me the paper with the names of the attorneys, and I was reading it. Looking it over, I noticed that along with the names of the firms, they listed their specialties. And Baker & McKenzie doesn't do criminal law. The only guy on the list of three who does criminal law is Luis Estrada Sanchez. So I'm quite sure that they intentionally didn't connect me with Baker & McKenzie. Thank God."

Sehnert thanks God because it was clear to him the moment Estrada arrived that he had some sort of in with the people at the PGR office, especially in comparison to another attorney who showed up on Sehnert's behalf before Estrada. "One of the people my roommate called is an attorney friend of mine named Tim," Sehnert explains. "Tim thought the best way to help me was to get me some good representation. And he did his level best to find someone he thought would be good. But the guy he ended up sending my way..." Sehnert pauses to laugh, "He was like a parody. He had a 1960s lime-green polyester suit. He was standing at the door to the holding area, and he wanted to talk to me personally. The district attorney in charge of my case said, 'No, it's not allowed.' But this lawyer started harassing the D.A. about this for about two minutes, saying, 'Oh, come on. Can't we talk for just a minute?' Of course, I'm freaking out. I'm thinking, 'What the hell are you doing, man? You're turn-

ing the D.A. against me. I'm screwed. He's going to charge me no matter what, now.'"

Sehnert returned to his cell, sure he was in for at least a five-year Mexican prison sentence. "At 9:00 at night," he continues, "they take me out again. And Luis Estrada is there. He says, in very good English, 'They're giving me just a minute to talk to you alone, though they're not supposed to. Here's what we're going to do. I've looked at the case report...' I asked about his fee, and he told me, 'Don't worry about that now. I'm on the consulate's list. I'm not going to screw you.' I asked him how much bail will be. He says, 'Well, I can't guarantee that you'll get bail, but it will probably be \$5000 or \$6000. It might be more, but hopefully we'll get it for that.'"

Sehnert was surprised at how accommodating the federal officials were to Estrada. They let them speak alone for 30 minutes when they hadn't even let the attorney in the lime-green suit in the door. He also noted that the attorney chatted with the district

attorney and his executive secretary about all sorts of things in a very familiar manner. Before Sehnert returned to his cell, Estrada explained a point of Mexican gun law. "He said they had to wait for a ballistics expert to determine whether it was a .22 or not. Apparently, in Mexico you can have up to a .38 pistol and you still qualify for bail. Above a .38, or if you have any kind of special bullet even in a smaller caliber, you don't qualify for bail."

Sehnert was called back out of his cell at 11:00 p.m., Monday, the 22nd of April, to meet with Estrada again. "He told me the ballistics test had revealed that the bullets did have some kind of special head. I had no idea. I had bought the ones the guy at the gun store told me to get. Then he said, 'I'm not supposed to be able to because of the bullets you had in the gun, but I'm going to get you bail.'"

Through Estrada, Sehnert was able to contact a longtime friend in his home town of Redlands who said he

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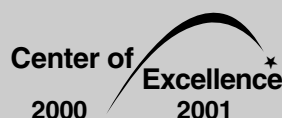
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Big bite

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would get the bail money together. The next order of business was a reading of the municipal police report with the executive secretary. "Well, the police report was completely falsified," he recalls. "They changed both the time and place. They had to, because the truth would have placed me somewhere very different from where this chase started and they would have to explain why they were in the Zona Rio in the first place. They said they saw me speeding in the Zona Rio at about 12:30. They put on their lights, but I took off for the border, where they finally stopped me. They falsified the time, they falsified the place, they falsified the reason. Then they said they searched me and they found the gun. Basically, that's their report."

Sehnert then gave his own version of the story to the secretary who typed it into her computer. "Then she helped my attorney make my story better."

Though he hoped the bail would be posted that evening,

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Sehnert had to spend another night incarcerated in Mexico. "As it turns out, my friend Henry wasn't able to wire the money until noon on Tuesday. So my attorney drove over to the San Ysidro Western Union, picked up the money, drove back, and paid the bail. They gave me my wallet and my stuff back. There was \$40 in my wallet. They had taken \$60 plus the 4000 pesos from it. And at this point, it's fairly late in the day. We can't even retrieve my truck. The attorney helped me with that. He said, 'I'll help you find it tomorrow,' which he did. I asked him, as we were leaving the place, how much the bail was. He said, 'It was \$6000, plus I charged you \$2000.' But I was never given a receipt, and I have no idea whether the bail was \$6000 and he took \$2000, or the bail was \$2000 and he took \$6000. I might never know. But even though I'm out \$8000, I feel like I have a new lease on life. I can go to the bathroom anytime I want to, I can sleep in my own bed, I can walk outside if I want to. I'm relishing my freedom." ■

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I'd fight

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Jews, and the Arab nations decided to team up and go to war with Israel, it might be possible. But right now, no."

Tracy Marks, 19, works as a cashier at D.Z. Akin's restaurant. "I might possibly be willing to go. I think that I should go, but I don't know if I would be brave enough to go and risk my life."

Sabrina Wolfson, 25, has just finished a late dinner at D.Z. Akin's. "Yeah. I'd go. They won the war six years ago, so they should be able to keep the land."

Robbie Ellison, 19, would not fight for Israel. "It's because of my present situation. I'm a college student, and I have other ambitions. I don't exactly agree with everything that's going on there — all of Sharon's decisions."

On Mother's Day, Mothers Against Terrorism sponsored a pro-Israel rally at De Anza Cove in Mission Bay. Most of the young people there were decisive in their commitment to Israel.

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I'd fight

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Levi Eckhaus, 19, is willing to fight "if Israel were in danger of losing its existence. I don't think it's that bad yet."

Michael Attelson, 20, is

willing to fight for Israel because he sees it as a family affair. "We have to support our brethren living in the Holy Land and do everything we can to help them out. If I were to be called up, I would definitely take arms and fight

the war against terrorism."

Shefa Orah Giudica, 35, would fight for Israel if she were permitted. "I'm an Orthodox woman, so it wouldn't really be for me to go fight, but I would help Israel every way I could. It's some-

thing I would do. I love Israel — with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my strength. I was there in May 1999 for two weeks, and, God willing, I will be back there to live someday. That's my hope and focus, accord-

ing to God's plan."

"Yeah, I'd fight!" Rebecca Rothstein, 34, says with no hesitation. "The way I would fight for America against terrorism is the way I would fight for Israel. Terrorism has to be stopped, and Israel is a

democracy like the United States. I would want to defend those basic human rights of justice and liberty that are now at stake."

Ariel Rabin, 18, is almost ready to sign up. "It's essential that we maintain ties with Israel and they keep on prospering to make sure that our welfare, of the United States, is secure. They are our only democratic ally in the Middle East, and it's imperative that we keep them strong."

Allen Rabinovich, 25, supports Israel because it's the Jewish homeland. "I'm Jewish, and I feel like I'm part of that country. They're fighting for the same thing we're fighting for right now in Afghanistan. I would fight for Israel for their welfare and because of my personal connection."

Leah Moryoses, 32, holds her eight-month-old son — the only reason she wouldn't fight at the moment, but she is willing to send her husband, Moti. "I'd send him because Israel needs to be a country forever, and it needs to be as big as it originally was, and we need to have the Jews able to control their own country."

Her husband, Moti Moryoses, 36, was born and raised in Israel. "I've served for three years in the Israeli army already. It's my country. My family is there, and when somebody comes to kill you, you have to kill them. You don't wait for them to kill you."

John Canton, 34, would be willing to fight for Israel if he saw the right signs for it. "If it's the calling that God put in my heart, then I would — just like I would for our own nation. If God instructed me to do it, I would. He reveals things in many ways, but basically, it's in the desires of your heart. It's an overwhelming feeling, a thing that would come to me communicatively. It's not an issue that has come up yet. I think the way to fight right now is to stand up for Israel and be supportive and loving, just like we would for our own country."

While not quite old enough yet at 17, Gabriel Bajst would not hesitate to fight for Israel. "I have a moral and religious obligation to defend my land, the land that God gave me." ■



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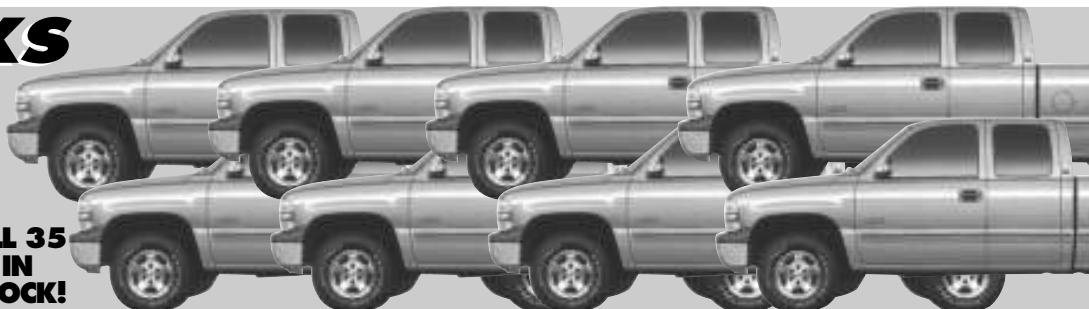
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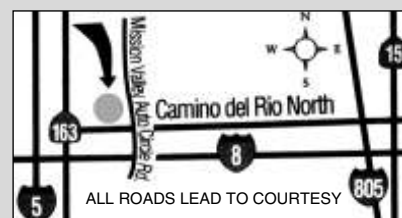
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

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Heymatt:

My job takes me down by the courthouse occasionally. The curb facing the courthouse is restricted to three-minute passenger loading and unloading. As often as not, this entire curb will be taken up by local news vans. Sometimes I leave in the morning and come back in the afternoon to find the same van has been parked in the same space all day. I've noticed this same thing at other restricted parking spots around town. How do these news vans get away with this without getting a ticket? If I painted "Mike's News" on the side of my van, could I park wherever I liked?

— Mike, downtown

That Mike's News thing is kind of a long shot, since you'd also need some permits and placards to make you official. But as the traffic department says, they try to work with the media, within limits, so who knows. Strictly speaking, media vehicles should follow all the parking rules that apply to other vehicles, with one exception. By law, the media can't be barred from news gathering in restricted areas during a disaster. Short of a fire, flood, explosion, etc., news vans should be looking for a metered spot like the rest of us. But as you've noted, in certain locations like the courthouse, it doesn't always work that way.

A little undercover snooping around one TV station's satellite trucks reveals that the drivers feel relatively ticket-safe parking in a green, white, or yellow zone (limited-parking, loading and passenger zones). Red zones are less safe, definite ticket territory. And handicapped spaces are out of the question. So the attitude on the media end is to flout the law in the interest of not having to schlep their cameras and sound gear all over downtown.

With respect to media vehicles, the ticket squad is always on the lookout for any that are blocking the flow of traffic or creating some kind of hazard. (No media van has been towed, but a police car was. It was parked in a downtown curb lane reserved for traffic flow, not parking, during rush hours.) As for the green, yellow, or white curbs, it is up to the discretion of the ticketing officer as to how hard-nosed to be about it. In fact, media vehicles are ticketed frequently. It's just part of the price of gathering the news.

Moviemann Matt:

Why are coming attractions called "trailers"? If they come before, how can they be trailing?

— Meetoo, the net

Once upon a time, lo-o-o-o-ong ago in Hollywoodland, movie theaters showed two (yes, two!) feature films. Really. It's true. Two! Plus newsreels! Cartoons! Weekly adventure serials! When you gave up 25 cents for a ticket, you were set for the whole afternoon. In the projection booth, coming attractions were hitched to the end of the first feature and acquired the name trailers because of their physical location on the reel. Today they have to show trailers up front with the rest of the advertising junk while we're still a captive audience.

Heymatt:

Airline passengers are packed together in tight quarters breathing recycled air. Do the airlines make sure to serve food that is less likely to cause gas so passengers aren't fumigating each other during the flight? Is this why I've never been served chili on a plane flight?

— Some Dude in the Sticks

Ya took the wrong flights, dude. If you'd lived in Houston instead of the sticks, you might have taken Southwest flights that boasted "regional" menus and served some sort of burrito with a side of beans and rice. It doesn't seem to be around anymore, but not likely because of dangerous in-flight flatulence. Beans are friendly food in the Southwest, but they just look cheap if you're from Chicago. And when your competitors have their sirloin-tips-in-Madera-sauce menus designed by famous chefs, well, beans just don't, um, cut it, as it were. Physiologically, it takes several hours, perhaps half a day, to work up a good gut full of gas after eating beans. Maybe if you're flying to Hawaii it would be an issue. But on a typical flight, you'll just gas out the people who meet you at the gate, not your seat mate.

Hey, Matt:

Why do radios get better reception when you hold or touch the antenna?

— Breaking Up, San Diego

All the world's a big radio wave receiver. Figure a way to hook an amplifier to your refrigerator, vacuum cleaner, or the fillings in your teeth, and you'd be able to ditch your radio completely. You could turn the family pet into an entertainment center. Your body too makes a reasonable FM receiver antenna, as does the radio's power cord. For maximum listening pleasure, grab the cord and raise it up to find the optimum position and hold it there, then grab the antenna with your free hand, and you're in business. Come to think of it, add the endless repetitive pop-crap programming to the mix, and this could be a recipe for torture. But sort of a cool physics lesson anyway.

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You Play With Both Hands

This is Monday evening at Donald W. Giddings Stadium, located on the grounds of Patrick Henry High School, which can be found near Murray Reservoir. We have 4:17 to go in the third quarter, the score is 4 to 3 with the La Jolla High School Vikings in the lead.

Sounds like baseball? Tennis? Hockey?

None of the above. This is lacrosse and it's one hell of a game. Let me introduce Mike Pettit. We are standing on the sidelines, rooting for the home team. Pettit's son, Bob, plays right attack wing for Patrick Henry.

"It is the funnest sport once you understand it and watch it. I'm so mad they didn't have this when I was in high school. I played football, but it's nothing compared to lacrosse. This is football, basketball, and ice hockey. Has it all. Constant movement, constant hitting and blocking, it's great. And, the game came from American Indians. They played it to decide the outcome of wars, sometimes played to the death. It's an American game!"

I think of a dozen ironic rejoinders and decide to keep it easy. "Didn't know there was much lacrosse in San Diego."

"The East Coast has played lacrosse for years. They even have scholarships for colleges. We don't have scholarships out here. This is the first year lacrosse has been accepted as a CIF [California Interscholastic Federation] sport."

According to U.S. Lacrosse, "Men's lacrosse is a contact game played by ten players: a goalie, three defensemen, three midfielders, and three attackmen. The object of the game is to shoot the ball into the opponent's goal. The team scoring the most goals wins. Each team must keep at least four players, including the goalie, in its defensive half of the field and three in its offensive half. Three players [midfielders] may roam the entire field."

There is an injury time-out. I walk toward mid-field and the Patrick Henry bench. By the way, a lacrosse player dresses in a helmet, jersey, knee-length shorts, tennis shoes with cleats, shoulder pads, elbow pads, gloves, his ensemble accessorized by a 3 1/2-foot lacrosse stick that has a tiny, webbed pouch attached to one end. I find the look a bit ridiculous. . . until play begins.

A Patrick Henry coach signals his team to huddle up. "Make sure you have clean hits. Stay out of the penalty box. No slashes, that's very stupid. If you're going to hit somebody, hit somebody and get a penalty for that. Make the extra look, find the open man."

"Are they any good?" I'm chatting with Zike Gilbar, a Patrick Henry midfielder.

"La Jolla is really good."

"Which teams are the traditional powerhouses?"

"La Jolla and Torrey Pines."

The referee motions for the game to resume. I ask Gilbar, "What makes a good player? What skill do you have to have?"

"Endurance. You have to be able to run, a lot. But, like most sports, it's all about heart."

The referee pulls a card out of his back pocket. Everything stops.

I have another question. "What's the contact part of lacrosse?"

"You can't hit the guy, but you can put your hands together and bump him. You can hit him with the stick as long as you're trying to go for the ball and you can hit another stick. The idea is to hit their stick and knock the ball out. Also, you can poke the guy on his side; that's why you see defensive players with longer sticks. They'll jab his side."

The referee blows his whistle, indicating serious purpose.

"Is this as hard as it looks, or is it easier than it looks?"

"It's easier than it looks once you get used to it.

It's pretty simple, just keep the stick straight and throw the ball."

I don't believe that. "What separates a good player from a mediocre player?"

"If you use your left hand."

"Because?"

"You play with both hands." Players are running onto the field. "It's a unique sport. It's not mainstream. On the East Coast it's known as a preppy sport. Out here it's known as the rebel sport. I got to go." Gilbar jogs into the game.

La Jolla has controlled the contest and it's been half-court most of the time. Finally, La Jolla misses a throw, which turns the ball over to Patrick Henry. A fiery kid makes a long run, almost the length of the field, half trips and attempts an awkward throw, which results in another La Jolla possession. Bang. Big collision. Henry has the ball again, nice block on the La Jolla player.

This is elegant, the way athletes throw the ball with their sticks. The stroke's grace reminds me of fly

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Sergio Garcia	15 to 1
Vijay Singh	15 to 1
David Duval	18 to 1
Jose Maria Olazabal	25 to 1
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Jim Furyk	30 to 1
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Stewart Clink	35 to 1
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Charles Howell III	35 to 1
Jesper Parnevik	40 to 1
Tom Lehman	40 to 1
Colin Montgomerie	45 to 1
Scott Verplank	45 to 1
Pdraig Harrington	50 to 1
Darren Clarke	50 to 1
Jerry Kelly	50 to 1
Kirk Triplett	50 to 1
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Scott McCarron	60 to 1
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Brad Faxon	60 to 1
Paul Azinger	60 to 1
John Daly	60 to 1
Field	7 to 2

fishing. Now, add catching (you must catch using the stick's net), running, blocking, and doing all of it with 19 other people on the field.

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Patrick Henry won, 7 to 5. The CIF Inaugural Lacrosse Championship Game will be held at Patrick Henry High School on May 25th. Girls play at 5:00 p.m. and boys follow at 7:00 p.m.

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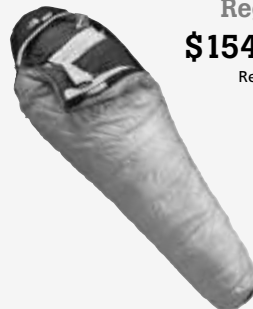
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Denomination: Missionary Church USA
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Year founded: 1993
Senior pastor: Rev. Mike Meeks
Congregation: 1450
Staff: 12
Sunday school enrollment: 400
Annual budget: \$1.1 million
Weekly giving: \$22,000
Singles program: yes
Diversity: white, African-American, Pacific Islander, Hispanic
Dress: casual to dressy
Services: Sunday worship, 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Two weeks ago, Reverend John Zimmerman told me that his denomination, Missionary Church USA, was dedicated to reaching people on their own terms. He told me that two 19th-century missionaries, C.T. Studd and J. Hudson Taylor, had in China pioneered this approach to spreading the Gospel. Studd and Taylor didn't believe that the Chinese had to become "model Anglo-Saxons" in order to become Christians.

When I asked Reverend Zimmerman which San Diego churches he admired, he told me that Eastlake Community Church was "very interesting." He suggested I call Reverend John Oliver, Eastlake's Pastor of Connection.

"When we moved to our new location in 1998," Reverend Oliver told me, "we had about 300 members and 4 people on staff. We now have between 1400 to 1500 members, and we have a staff of 12."

Reverend Oliver said that while most new members came by word of mouth, the church had done direct mailing to neighborhoods in Eastlake, Bonita, and Chula Vista.

"About 60 percent of our members were born and raised Roman Catholic," he said. "I was born and raised Roman Catholic. Parochial school. The whole deal. Our senior pastor, Mike Meeks, was raised Catholic, too."

While Reverend Oliver had given me an idea of his church's size, I was still surprised last Sunday morning when I saw Eastlake Community Church looming at the very end of Otay Lakes Road, occupying the better part of two city blocks. Many SUVs lined up, waiting to get into the parking lot. A half-dozen attendants directed traffic.

As soon as they parked their cars, people lined up for lattes and mochas in front of the church's Cafe Connection. Greeters manning two huge foyers handed out programs. Inside the huge "worship center," a six-piece band launched into an old-time rock and roll tune.

Some people entered the worship center holding their lattes and mochas. Everyone sang soft-rock hymns. There were women wearing bright, summery shifts. There were women wearing sweatpants. There were men in shorts and sandals. There were men in slacks. A gentleman a few rows from me wore a well-tailored ivory-

colored linen suit.

"Jesus went out of his way to poke holes in religious balloons," Reverend Mike Meeks told us, warming to his sermon entitled "Poking Holes in Religious Balloons."

He said that those of us from "traditional religious backgrounds" were probably already surprised by Eastlake's hole-poking style of worship. I had a difficult time following him because a few minutes before he began his sermon, he asked people who needed prayer to please raise their hands. He said that those of us standing near someone needing prayer should place our hands on that person.

"Please, God," I prayed. "Please. Don't let anyone near me need prayer."

Of course the young gentleman to my immediate left needed prayer. I wondered how, in a religious setting, it might be possible to refuse to touch a complete stranger without seeming like an asshole. I placed my hand on the young gentleman's shoulder.

I was still dazed when, a few minutes into Reverend Meeks's sermon, he asked us to turn to the person sitting next to us and say, "You are talented."

Since I was sitting on the aisle I had no choice. I turned to the young gentleman whom I'd previously touched. I looked him in the eye. I said, "You are talented."

This was farther than I'd gotten on many first dates. Still, I had a difficult time feeling good about it.

Later, Reverend Meeks, as an illustration of one of his points or another, asked us to turn to the person sitting next to us and say, "I'm not thinking about you."

I said it. I said, "I'm not thinking about you."

After Reverend Meeks finished his sermon, he announced it was time for everyone to take Communion. I trotted out to Cafe Connection where I met Reverend John Oliver. Over the whine and whistle of the barista steaming milk, I asked Reverend Oliver what his title, "Pastor

of Connection," meant.

"In a more traditional setting, I'd be called the 'assimilation' guy," he said. "My job is to help people establish their connection, their relationship to God, to the church."

He told me that Eastlake Community Church was really centered around small groups of 12 or less in which people met at each other's homes for religious study and fellowship. He said that now about 35 percent of the church's membership participated in small groups. He said he hoped that someday the figure would be as high as 65.

He told me about his life. He told me how he'd once been a successful project manager but had felt that his existence was "empty." He struggled with substance abuse. He said that overcoming his addictions led him back to God.

"As a child I had a spiritual life, but in adulthood that passion disappeared. In 1999, I decided I wanted to enter the ministry. What I want to do is share with other people the experience of all that God has done for me."

— Abe Opincar



REVEREND JOHN OLIVER

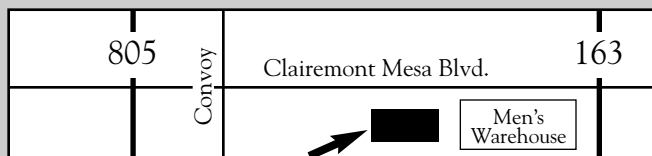
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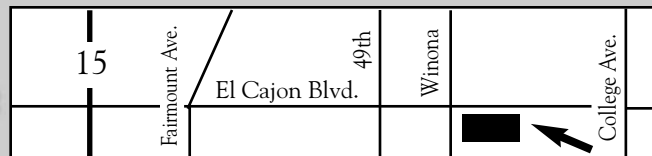
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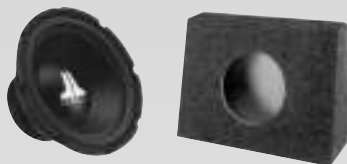


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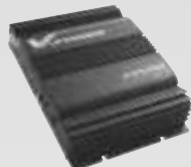
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

I'm a freshman at UCSD. My boyfriend and I are going to be married this fall. He's an artist and is already selling artwork. He has been videotaping the first minute of every day we've been together. Now he's edited it all and wants to show it in an art gallery that's interested in his work. The video has lots of shots of me naked, brushing my teeth, morning stuff. This all seemed perfectly cool to me at the time, but now I'm wondering if things are a bit out of control. I trust him as a human being. He's a good guy and kind of a genius, I think, as far as art goes. But his art seems to be all about me at this point, and I have mixed feelings about that. I support his work, but I don't want my privacy invaded anymore. How do I stop the creative invasion? I'm worried if I say I don't want him showing the video, he'll break up with me and find a new subject to film. I don't want to obstruct his creative output, and I'm flattered that he's put me in his pictures and video, but...I'm confused.

CAMERA SHY

Dear Camera Shy,

We sometimes get roped into doing things that seemed fun or harmless at the time but that come back to haunt us, BIG TIME. Sit down quietly now and try to figure out what you want here. Then see if any of the suggestions below suit you. (1) You could bite the bullet. This means resigning yourself to what actors frequently must make their peace with: the weirdness of appearing naked on film. You can tell yourself it was a sacrifice for ART, a document of your dizzy youth, etc. Then let Mr. Video know that though you were initially gung ho, you didn't realize how bad you'd feel when footage of you crawling out of bed, naked as a worm, morning after morning, went public. So you've decided no more videoing your life together, okay? He's an artist — he can move on to other subjects. I'm sure he's teeming with new ideas. (2) You tell him you're in agony about the footage and plead that he digitize your face or edit you out before it's shown. He may protest that this would ruin the piece. Then you'll have to decide how hard you want to fight for a shred of anonymity. (3) You tell him you'd be humiliated if he shows the piece, and simply ask him not to. I trust the two of you can work this out. If he drops you over this, better to find out now that your feelings are far less important to this man than your use value as subject matter. Your privacy shouldn't be held hostage in any relationship. Nor should you become the unwilling focus of this man's work. Put your heads together. If you two are serious about marrying, then a

little problem-solving now could help you understand and love each other better down the road.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

We have a cousin who weighs over 300 pounds. She is the typical jolly fat person, always laughing and joking around, and she is very fun to be with except for one thing. That one thing is that she does not smell clean. She apparently has trouble with hygiene and her weight. I have the feeling she has gotten too fat to get into the bathtub or shower easily. She sometimes smells soured, like mildewed towels, and sometimes she smells like urine or worse. How can we speak to her about this? We are worried about her.

KEARNY MESA COUSIN

Dear Cousin,

How would you want someone to approach you (or would you want them to speak to you about it at all) if positions were reversed? Really ask yourself that question. If you are genuinely alarmed and feel you must speak (and can't in good conscience just continue to breathe through your mouth when with this cousin), then kindness, tact, and respect are essential. If you're loving, straightforward, and not embarrassed, that will help. There's no easy way to broach this subject. You're going to try to open a dialogue, not necessarily solve the problem right away. That may take time. I'd get her alone and say, "I hope you know how fond I am of you. I was wondering if everything's okay. I've noticed your clothes smell a bit mildewed lately. Are you having problems with your washer and dryer? (or difficulty getting out to the Laundromat?) If so, is there anything I can do to help?" Then you can begin to gather some information about her situation and perhaps that way gently ease into a hygiene chat.

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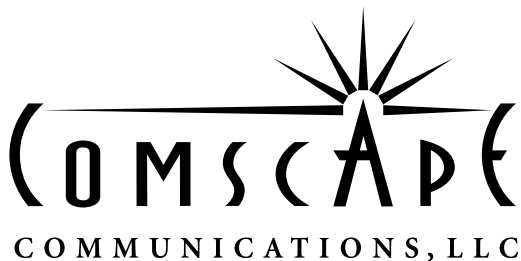
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I tell him I wouldn't be humbled if Blondie beat me. I don't want to be any good at checkers.

You shouldn't be dismissive of checkers, he tells me. Yes, he realizes that the game lacks the snob appeal of chess. He himself characterizes checkers as being one step below chess. But checkers deserves its measure of respect, he says. He quotes Marion Tinsley, who is regarded as the best checkers player who ever lived. (He died in 1995.) "Chess is like looking out over a vast open ocean; checkers is like looking into a bottomless well."

If a movie were made of 38-year-old David's life, casting might call for a brainy-looking Tom Cruise. His brown hair slicks straight back. His face is clean-shaven, his complexion creamy. The blue eyes behind the glasses look directly at a questioner. This valedictorian of La Jolla High School's class of 1981 (who skipped kindergarten) has given a lot of right answers in his lifetime.

David and his parents and younger brother, who all live in La Jolla, run Natural Selection, Inc. The company was founded in 1993 by David and his father, Larry, the year after David received his Ph.D. in engineering sciences from UCSD. Their offices are high up on the cliffs above Torrey Pines beach, close to the Torrey Pines Gliderport. Just as some clans produce successive generations of clerics or chiropractors, the Fogels have produced successive members of an unusual computer-science specialty. The term for what they do is called evolutionary computation. The technique simulates in a computer the twin Darwinian principles of random variation and selection. It's used to find solutions to complex human problems. The Fogels, for example, have won grants and contracts to improve breast-cancer detection, design new drugs to fight HIV, and devise battle plans for the military.

The technique isn't new; it's been around for four decades. The 74-year-old Larry is one of its acknowledged pioneers. In 1960, he conceived of what he called evolutionary programming. But early computers weren't fast enough to capitalize on the idea. Only within the last decade has it become practical. In 1997, David predicted in his keynote address to a conference on Bio-

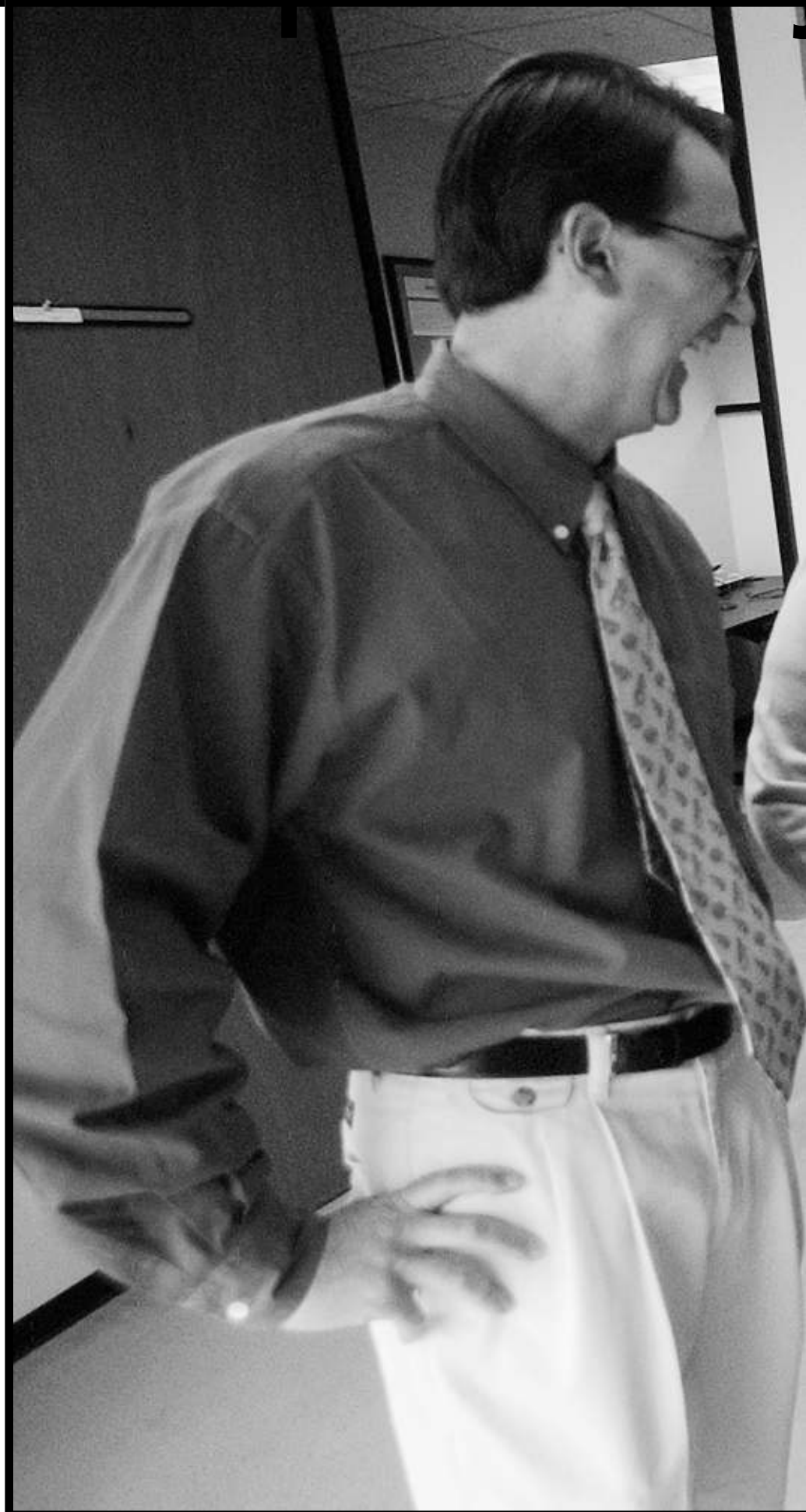
Computing and Emergent Computation in Skövde, Sweden, that as desktop computers become even speedier, evolutionary computation will become "routine."

David is currently the best-known member of the family outside its professional circle. He has become something of a celebrity for inventing a program that uses evolutionary computation to play checkers at the expert level. The program is known as Blondie. That's short for its official Internet name, Blondie24. If one measure of fame is being part of an answer on *Jeopardy!* then David has achieved it. "A computer programmed by Dr. David Fogel taught itself to play this game that includes jumping and crowning" was the answer that the *Jeopardy!* players were told. (And one of them did guess the question correctly.)

Note that the computer *taught itself* to play. While people have been using computerized algorithms (step-by-step problem-solving procedures) for game-playing since before David was born, no one else's program has used them without being primed with openings, endgames, good moves, and strategies. David's earlier tick-tacktoe program, which he developed for his doctoral dissertation, produced a "merely" proficient player. Blondie wasn't even told if she was winning or losing as she went on to become good enough to beat 99 percent of her opponents.

Both Blondie and the ticktacktoe program are products of this so-called "electronic" evolution. As it worked in Blondie's case, a colony of computer-programmed, checkers-playing "parents" and "offspring," each slightly different from one another, competed in game after game. Chronic losers were killed off; winners were allowed to reproduce. After thousands of cycles of play, Blondie was the result.

The Blondie persona was fabricated by David and his computer programmer, Kumar Chellapilla, who works as a senior staff scientist at Natural Selection. They competed on the Internet with people who did not know that Blondie wasn't a real person. David and Kumar imagined a 24-year-old female graduate student in mathematics at UCSD — "single, attractive, and looking for a boyfriend" — and impersonated her when chatting with their Internet checkers opposition. They resorted to this ploy after noticing they weren't getting as much action as they wanted at www.zone.com — known as



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David, Eva, Larry, and Gary Fogel

“zone” to aficionados — when using the program to play as David1101 and Kumar1201 or even as Obi_WanTheJedi. They not only wanted the action; they needed it in order for their program to excel by attracting high-class competition of a wide variety. In sum, it learned by losing. That is how it evolved new and improved generations of itself.

They invented the Blondie character for another reason. They were tired of being on the receiving end of expletives that losers sent flaming through the chat-box. While they found that opponents with expert or higher ratings were gracious in either victory or defeat, that was not the case for less skilled players. David and Kumar figured that most of the sore losers were male. Maybe the guys would display better manners if they lost to a woman? Not exactly.



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Gary Fogel

Instead of being flamed, the duo's Blondie started receiving requests for dates. She was also subjected to more than a few raunchy propositions. David and Kumar were so convincing as Blondie, they even chatted with other checkers-playing women, comparing notes

on the various jerks they'd encountered on the zone website. "Girl power!" David would regularly remark to his sister sympathizers.

But how did their imaginary Blondie get so good at checkers? David and Kumar needed to come up with a story, so they elaborated on their theme. Not only an ace at math, Blondie surfed and skied. While recuperating after a skiing accident, she had decided to use her time to get really good at checkers. Eventually, Blondie, a work both of science and fiction, earned a spot in the top 500 of zone

and won a tournament at another Internet address, www.playsite.com. Earlier this year, David published a book, *Blondie24: Playing at the Edge of AI* — i.e., artificial intelligence. That's the broad term for what David and the other Fogels do. (The book explains, in very readable form, exactly how Blondie was developed and how she works. It's also a good primer on evolutionary computation in general and gives a concise history of the development of artificial intelligence too.) "To date, however, artificial intelligence has focused mainly on creating machines that emulate us," David writes. "We capture what we already know and inscribe that knowledge in a computer program."

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IBM's chess-playing Deep Blue is perhaps the best-known example of traditional artificial intelligence. When it beat world

chess champion Garry Kasparov in the historic match in New York on May 11, 1997, it did so by evaluating 200 million chessboards every second. But while Deep Blue is "intensely good" at chess, writes David, it is "brittle." That's jargon meaning "good for only one thing." It can't do anything but play chess. It can't make the first move in checkers. It cannot think for itself. It cannot adapt. IBM merely created "an illusion of intelligence," in David's words. "That isn't what the dream of artificial intelligence is all about."

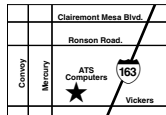
Knowledge is a wonderful thing, David avers in *Blondie24*. "But learning is the key element missing from the majority of efforts in what's routinely called artificial intelligence." Programs that cannot learn "have nothing to do with intelligence; they instead merely recapitulate things we already know, just like Deep

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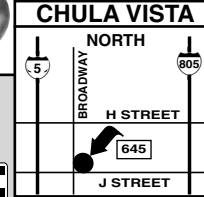
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Blue does. Programs that are incapable of learning will never solve the problem of how to solve problems.”

“Where is the intelligence in an automaton like Deep Blue?” he asks. “A system that never learns, and has no capability of ever learning, does not deserve the description of intelligent.”

He regrets that, 50 years ago, pre-programming became the standard approach to creating artificial intelligence. He thinks the seeming triumphs of expert or knowledge-based systems are shallow, and hubristic.

Blondie, by contrast to Deep Blue, is “robust,” another jargon word, meaning “useful across a broad spectrum.”

True, Blondie can't play at the master or grand-master level. But she could easily be fitted out to do so — by loading her up, as Deep



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when you begin with the human expertise in a field, it quickly gets superseded by the computer. The evolution finds something better. Almost invariably the humans don't know it yet. That's just the way it is.”

David, Larry, and Gary all defend the notion that the word “intelligence” should not be narrowly defined. Cats, dogs, colonies of ants — yes, even colonies of computer programs — can be intelligent, if you take the word to mean, as David writes, “the capability of a decision-making system to adapt its behavior to meet its goal in a range of environments.”

Following that logic, they argue that the processes of natural evolution and of evolutionary computation themselves are intelligent.

“Evolution is constantly inventing new solutions to problems,” says Gary. Look at the organisms in a kelp

forest, he suggests. How do they survive and continue to survive? “There are so many amazing solutions that have been invented by evolution. Look at some of the sea horses. Amazing. Amazing variety. Amazing solutions.”

He compares this process to the scientific method he's used innumerable times in biology labs. In those instances, he has a set of hypotheses that he is “contending” for a solution. He can see by his experiments how well these hypotheses work on the problem he's trying to solve. And he saves the best hypotheses and continues experimenting. “And on and on and on. So it's as if — my father said this back in the '60s — evolution is a recapitulation of the scientific method. And in that regard I think that the technique itself is intelligent.

“And that's a leap,” Gary admits. “That's a little dif-

David Fogel

Blue was, with human expertise. But then what? The point of the Blondie research was not to create the checkers equivalent of Deep Blue. The real trick, “the evolutionary thing,” as David is fond of saying, was to create a machine that is itself intelligent. Not only intel-

ligent, but more intelligent than its creators.

It's an unsettling notion for many people — that a machine could think of a solution that a human couldn't. Unsettling, but a reality all the same.

“It's already happened. Already been done, many

times,” says David's younger brother, 34-year-old Gary Fogel, who received his Ph.D. in biology from UCLA in 1998 and joined the company the same year. He would tell me this in the course of my interviews with all four Fogels over a period of days last December. “Even

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ferent. And it's out there. And I'll stop there."

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Squadrons of pelicans fly into the cove, their pouched bills an ingenious design for catching and carrying fish. On the beach, the lolling sea lions use their chests and finlike feet to gain a few more lengths of sand. To your or my eye, the locomotion looks clumsy. But their anatomy is another adroit adaptation of nature. They visit dry land to breed the next generation of themselves. Living in La Jolla, only a very convinced creationist could doubt Darwin, who revolutionized the study of biology at mid-19th Century with his startling theory that organisms change with the passage of time.

Not far from the cove, at the Natural Selection offices, Eva Fogel buzzes me into the reception area. In 1962, David has told me, the 34-year-old Brooklyn, New York-born Larry, who had already been living and working in La Jolla for several years, was traveling around the world in one direction while the 24-year-old Eva Fogel—to-be was

traveling in the other. They met in the Copenhagen airport, where she caught Larry's eye. The young woman with golden hair must have attracted the notice of countless others, I would realize when shown a photo of her at that age. According to Fogel family folklore, Larry used the following line to strike up a conversation with Eva, who is of Finnish ancestry but who was born in Australia after her parents immigrated there: "I see your Qantas bag, and I haven't spoken to anyone in English for a very long time. I wonder if you would mind if we chatted."

Talk about random variation and selection: they were married the next year.

At 64, Eva is attractive, with a warm, nurturing, but efficient manner; and it doesn't come as a surprise to learn that she was trained as a nurse. At Natural Selection her duties are payroll and human resources. She also serves unofficially as corporate financial officer. Her official title is "owner."

Today she wears a flower-print dress with a



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The Fogel family

black cardigan sweater. Her step is quick as she leads me from the reception area across the hall to Gary, who is waiting for me in a small conference room with two glass walls. There is a wooden box of fragrant clementines on the table.

Across the way I can see David in his office, because, like the conference room, it has glass walls. He wears a dark suit and tie with white shirt and works at his laptop. Preparing for a noontime appointment, he doesn't look up.

Originally, Gary and I had planned, after our interview, to go to the gliderport, where he sometimes takes lunch breaks. "If I can, I take my model sailplane and off I go. I have a good half-hour flight and come back a new man." But today's weather isn't cooperating. There's no wind. We decide that we'll try another day.

Gary has set up his laptop to project images onto the conference-room wall. He will give me a tutorial on the kind of work he does here, on biological problems. A lighter-haired, slender version of his older brother, he has a more sharply defined face, but the same creamy complexion. He wears a dark blue dress shirt and charcoal gray dress pants. The style is young professor, with a dash of perennial student.

In fact, Gary and David both remind me of some of my own former students; I see in them older versions of the brightest ones I taught when I was in the English department at a private boarding school in the East, beginning at about the time that Gary was at La Jolla

High — he was graduated with the class of 1986.

I hope those students have grown up to be as successful as these brothers. Well spoken, always well prepared, they were too polite to fidget while their less gifted classmates struggled with the material or offered their excuses — or failed to hide their envy-laden contempt for achievement.

That last dynamic can lead some elite students to be socially isolated. David and Gary were, Eva would tell me. "I tried to get them into [a local cotillion] — dancing with girls, all dressed up." Neither was interested. "I would say that they didn't have a whole lot of friends. They were gifted kids, you know? Regular kids were boring. That was how it was. They were never ready to go to the parties."

The two have done some teaching themselves. Gary won awards as a graduate-school teaching assistant at UCLA. "I enjoy teaching a lot," he says. "And I miss it," although when he gives potential clients the kind of presentation he's about to give me, he realizes,

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he is using his teaching skills. "Later on, I hope I'll return to teaching. But at the moment I see so many problems, like cancer diagnosis, that I'd feel bad about not making the contribution that I know I can. I think there's a bigger calling for me right now."

Like his sons, Larry has ventured into academia now and then. Gary ranks him as his own most important mentor. "On long car trips, my father would say, 'So tell me something I don't know about,'" he recalls. "That was a challenge to a ten-year-old, because clearly my father 'knew everything' already. So at first I was hesitant." But Gary did eventually tell him about, for example, going fossil hunting up on Mount Soledad, where he would find "scallop, and snail shells, and all sorts of stuff." He credits his father's questions with teaching him how to articulate concepts. That experience, he says, helped when he began to face classrooms of students of his own at UCLA.

"I remember my father asking me about the differ-

ence between Darwin and Lamarck." (French naturalist Jean-Baptiste-Pierre-Antoine de Monet, Chevalier de Lamarck formulated some of the earliest ideas about evolution and influenced Darwin's theory.) "These things came up, because he was interested in them. In my childhood I guess I was brainwashed. I understood evolution at an early age. And so when I got up to high school biology, it was easy."

For that class at La Jolla High, Gary had another gifted teacher, Stephen Brown. "And he's still there—a great guy, a great man, who allowed me the privilege of doing extra credit by going and looking at fossils and then writing little papers. It was practice science—in high school."

At UC Santa Cruz he initially pursued paleontology. The influence there was Leo Laporte, now retired. "He was in paleontology, with an eye focused on evolution. He clarified the concepts that my father had gotten wrong"—a smile—"and set me on the right course."

But there weren't a lot of jobs in paleontology, Gary was beginning to realize, "and there wasn't a lot of money in it either. You have to do it for love. And a lot of people work on dinosaurs, not the shells and things that interested me. So I looked into biology and discovered that people were using biological information in the same way that paleontologists were using fossils—to figure out evolutionary history." This biological information, which became his academic focus and which is one of the things he works on at Natural Selection, he likens to "molecular fossils."

Later, he would go into this in detail, with many visuals projected on the conference-room wall. But more than this technical subject, Gary wants people to understand the nature of the problems, biological or otherwise, that evolutionary computation is best suited to solve.

"Some real-world problems," he says, "are so big that no one could search all the possible solutions. There are so many that, to go

through them all exhaustively one by one by one in order to see how good each might be, even at one-second intervals, would take a lifetime, or several lifetimes." A computer couldn't do it. The "space" is just too big.

"Some problems are more difficult than that. They change with time. In the current conflict with Afghanistan, for example, you hear one day that someone's on our side and the next day they're not. Or something else changes. And your solution that worked today may not work tomorrow. It's now a different type of problem."

Sometimes people simplify a big problem, so they can handle it with mathematics. The trouble is, distortion often occurs. "Their answer is usually the right answer to the wrong problem—it's the answer to the simplified problem. They have failed to address the problem that's really there."

Gary uses Natural Selection's research into designing a drug to inhibit HIV as an example of one such big problem that evolutionary computation has been able

to handle. The problem is akin to finding a key for a lock. If that lock (a protein crucial for HIV) is fitted with the right key (a certain drug "shape" that fits both physically and chemically), then HIV is blocked. HIV, which is the same "shape" as the drug, can't bind to that protein. Something is already in its place.

There may be other ways to discourage HIV, but so far, many of the drugs that have been developed do it in this way.

When you begin to look for that key, you can start purely at random, says Gary. "Or you might use expert knowledge to get started. But you have to be able to develop what is called a 'fitness score' to compare the worth of these different solutions to the task they've been given." (It's a phrase meant to hark back to Darwin's own "survival of the fittest.") "If you can't score how well this structure does versus that structure, then it makes no sense to use this technique."

Similarly, Blondie was given fitness scores for her relative wins and losses as she

progressed on her way to the expert checkers level, even though she herself wasn't aware of them.

"During the process of selection, the solutions that score the lowest are thrown away; the ones that do the task the best are saved," says Gary. "The remaining solutions become new individuals in the population. The cycle is repeated over and over. The program is always generating a new population of solutions; evaluating the worth of each individual in the population; discarding the ones that do the job poorly; leaving only the ones that do the job well enough to serve as parents for the next generation of solutions."

I don't have to take Gary's word for it. He shows me on the screen a demonstration of this technique as applied to the HIV drug example. It's a video in real time and takes just a few minutes to run. In that time, what at first look like random Tinkertoy shapes eventually become two shapes that fit snugly one inside the other.

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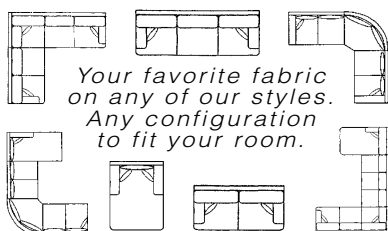
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tion arrived at this solution," says Gary.

It's not a magic bullet, not yet, and even if it becomes one, it may not stay one forever.

"Once you arrive at this, what you can do is take it out and look at it, as a chemist, and say, 'Hey, we already know that this compound is toxic in rats.' Or, 'Some other company has a patent on this one.' So we do the evolution again and look at the top 100 solutions."

A pharmaceutical company may then use these "leads," as they're called. ("Yes, just like 'leads' for the FBI," says Gary.) Trials for the Food and Drug Administration routinely follow. Natural Selection has developed such leads for Agouron Pharmaceuticals, Inc., maker of Viracept, the well-known anti-HIV drug. "We help them find leads very fast. Much faster than they could if they were searching one

at a time, which is the way they used to do it. They used to just sit there and say, 'I think this'll fit. Let's try it.' Lots of work. Lots of time and effort in that whole process."

Unfortunately, even if a new drug does work, says Gary, natural evolution can develop other places for HIV to bind, so that the "key" will no longer be useful. HIV will continue to work just fine.

Viruses, like all of nature, adapt in order to survive.

I do not necessarily plan to bring up the idea of God with Gary or any of the Fogels. Over the course of the morning, however, I have an opening with Gary when he says, "The solutions that evolution can come up with are sometimes so inventive they make you think that maybe some other force did this."

Does he ever personally contemplate the idea of a

divine intelligence? I ask.

It's clear that his comment about "some other force" was a slip; he would prefer not to discuss the subject. He says, "I find that when discussing these concepts of evolution with non-scientists" — like me, for example — "there is a much

"In the current conflict with Afghanistan, for example, you hear one day that someone's on our side and the next day they're not."

greater tendency to polarize the issue of divinity, to either believe or not believe."

Still, he does answer my question, even if it is in somewhat lawyer-like fashion. Or should I say "scientist"-like? Men and women of science do like to measure things, as Gary's statement proves.

"I guess the answer is no," he says. He doesn't ever contemplate the idea of a divine intelligence. "I truly believe that all of life on earth is the result of a historical process of evolution. And given that over the last 200 years, science has developed a very plausible

hypothesis for the history of life on earth via that process, I tend more to believe this than I do any theory of divine intervention. That is, science works in the realm of testable hypotheses, and there is no current test that I'm aware of for divine intervention — it's a matter of belief. So, given that I con-

sider evolution to be the best current testable hypothesis for life on earth, I'm quite content with that. Besides, I'd rather focus my energy on utilizing the process of evolution as a tool for the good of everyone rather than debating the religious implications of life on earth."

Whether or not you believe that it actually happened in nature, he says, is a different question; but you have really got to believe in the electronic process of evolution, because you can demonstrate it.

He just did, of course — with the HIV-drug demonstration. Now he shows me another demonstration of the same process with a different example — a fictional one. "It's a real-time solution to the Traveling Salesman Problem. Do you know this problem?" he asks.

I do; I've read about it in *Blondie*²⁴. As David writes, "Suppose you have to find the shortest path from Los Angeles that leads to San Francisco, Seattle, Las Vegas, Phoenix, San Diego, and then returns to Los Angeles. The salesman starts at his home and must visit each city in his area once and only once, then return home in minimum distance."

How many alternative routes do you think there are? It may or may not surprise you to learn that the number is 120. Even so, a human could just look at a map and deduce the best route. A computer wouldn't be necessary.

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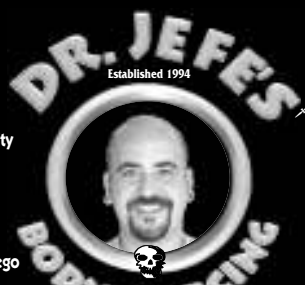
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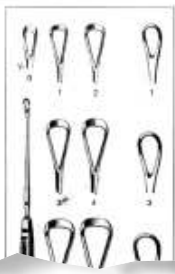
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Larry. "When you're in public playing music you don't want to look like an old man." With or without it, he doesn't look old. My impression is that he's been too busy to age.

I ask Larry to reminisce about the days when most artificial-intelligence systems were attempting to model the brain, neuron by neuron. He tells me about it in dramatic fashion. That seems to be his habitual way of speaking. Like an actor, he relates the action in dialogue, taking all the parts, varying his speech's timbre as the characters change.

"When you realize how complex the brain is and how little we know about it and how unstable, this approach becomes obscene,"

he says. "We're never going to get there this way! Expert systems," he scoffs. "It was called heuristic programming back then. 'They're only solving problems that are already solved. And real intelligence is defined as the ability to solve new problems in new ways! They're preventing themselves from solving new problems. There must be another approach.'" And he figured one out.

He went to his director of research at the National Science Foundation. "He said, 'That's terrible. The number of possibilities is so great, you'll never be able to search this immense space. You'll go down to your death like Galileo, wasting his time.' But I was convinced I was

right."

So in 1962 he left that boss and took a job as assistant director of research at Convair, where he had the freedom to do whatever he wanted. "That's where I started working on this problem: evolving intelligent capabilities. And I met two guys. One was a pure mathematician who said, 'Gee, we ought to be able to prove this mathematically.' The other was director of research in computers, who said, 'We could make simulations.' He saw what a poor programmer I was. And we formed a trio. And in a matter of a year we had won a few contracts. And the next thing Convair said was, 'We don't want research, because you can't make money on

research. We want to build Atlas weapons systems. You can't work on that. Leave.'"

The three formed a new company, Decision Science, Inc. The offices were in Pacific Beach, directly next door to the original Rubio's Baja Grill. For 17 years Larry was president of Decision Science. "And we did a lot of things with evolutionary programming."

From Decision Science he went to Titan Systems, where he worked on other projects, most of them unrelated to electronic evolution. He credits David with his renewed interest in its possibilities.

In 1993, when he and David started Natural Selection, they were the sole employees. Now there are

13. From the beginning, Larry's niche was military applications, and there it remains. What he has found, however, is that the military often doesn't have a well-defined mission. And evolutionary computation can't work well without one.

"Newton started with a pencil and paper," says Larry. "Poor guy. Now we have computers. It's a sin to use a computer to do what the pencil-and-paper guy tried. That's wrong. Let computers do what they can do. But if the problem isn't well defined, I'm not going to solve it. No one will. And I can tell you, 'Sir, this problem is not well defined, and unless you can make a problem well defined, there's no answer.'"

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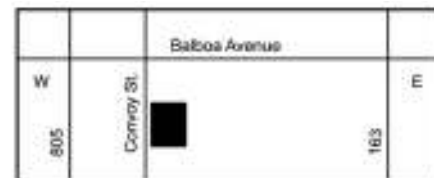
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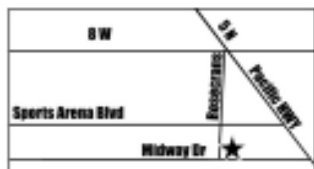
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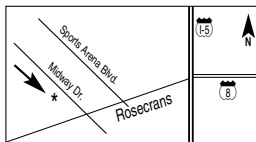
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Ten years ago, while returning to San Diego from a discouraging meeting at Nellis Air Force Base, near Las Vegas, he began to understand this difficulty all too well and arrived at a solution.

"Ordinarily, people's purposes are oversimplified. When you ask a person, 'What do you want out of life?' he'll describe his golden future. He'll say, 'Oh, I want to be rich and happy and have a Rolls-Royce.' 'Well, thank you very much. But suppose you can't have those things?' 'Well, I'll take this silver future.' 'Suppose you can't have that?' 'Well, I'll have a copper future.' Pretty soon we're talking about catastrophes, the worst possible situation, because, whether people realize it or not, their goals are as much about what they want to avoid as what they want.

"What do we want in Afghanistan? 'To achieve success with no casualties, at no cost, and in two days.' 'Well, let's be realistic.' 'Okay, we'll tolerate a few casualties and we'll take another month.' That's the silver future. 'What if you can't have that? Then what?' "

Unfortunately, says Larry, the military doesn't think about silver or copper; only gold. "When I was at Nellis talking with the F-16 drivers, I asked them, 'If you don't succeed in this mission, what's your best fall-back position?' 'Oh, we don't talk about losing; we talk about winning.' "

Larry says he left there convinced that the logic he had presented to them was correct but knowing that they were incapable of understanding it, because they wouldn't consider "their

different fall-back positions and the relative worth of each."

So driving home—it's about six hours — Larry invented a technique he gave the less-than-snappy moniker "Valuated State Space Approach." This is his own new contribution to problem-solving with electronic evolution. "It's a way to write missions, purposes, goals, aims, aspirations, intents — in quantitative form. It helps make the problem concise. And we have used it now on a number of contracts."

Natural Selection is currently under contract for cruise missile missions. With its program it looks at each prospective plan. "We want this to hit that target, but we don't want it to fall short on this mosque." In a real-world situation, you have

several targets out there. And a few ships. 'Which ship? And which weapon? At which time?' It takes 12, 13 hours for real people to sit down and plan this, because they take into account the inventory, the types of weaponry, the placement of the ships. If this ship is firing from here, you don't want to fire over that ship, because if there's a misfire... And if your ship just came into the Gulf with a missile inventory, I'd rather not use your inventory until I use theirs, because they're going home soon. 'And they're going to take their missiles home? What for?'"

There are other reasons why evolutionary computation can be a hard sell to



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the military, says Larry.

"I have met many officers who have trained 20 years on tactics. They know tactics. They know Gettysburg. They say, 'Lee should have moved in two days earlier.' They say, 'How can you replace my 20 years' experience with a computer program?'"

I tell him it sounds like ego talking, but Larry says, "It's a valid objection. My response is, 'You can "flavor" it with your own suggestions.' And that's fine. It's their plan. But the program can suggest things that they may not have thought of, because it's unbiased. It doesn't care about the usual conventional approach. We draw out of our own experience. It has no experience.

It just says, 'Here's what can be done.'"

Alternatively, Larry says he can build expert knowledge into the population of initially suggested behaviors, just as Gary did in the search for the HIV drug. "You think right flanks should go in here? I'm going to put in right flanks. Now it's going to be scored. If it's good, if it's the best one, it's going to come out on top. If it's bad, it's going to be ex-gorged. And, in fact, I can tell how bad it is by how fast it's ex-gorged — if you want to know. You may not want to know."

There is a second common objection that Larry hears. "I was sent to a two-star admiral who had a new job at the Pentagon. I talked

to him about the Valuated State Space Approach as a way to help him manage his new responsibilities. So I went through the briefing. Gave him a slow-motion presentation. I wanted to make sure he understood. I said, 'Well, can I do this for you?' And he said, 'Not a chance.' 'What?' 'I don't want anybody to be able to measure how well I am doing my job, because then I'm open to criticism. If they don't know what my purpose is, how can they score me? So I'd rather not. I'm doing a job in which I don't know my purpose, and I don't want anybody to know I don't know. So I'm just going to let it go at that.' And he did."

He really confided, I

say. "In my view he was shirking responsibility," says Larry, "which is to try to understand his mission as crisply as he can. I even offered to do it sub rosa; he could have used it as a secret management tool. He was afraid to have it around. People are afraid of responsibility. They would rather wait two years and go out to another assignment."

Larry tells me about other contracts, including one that Natural Selection had not yet won. It would improve the inspection of overseas containers. Some 17 million a year come into the United States. Made of steel, they are at minimum the size of large, rectangular Dumpsters (8 feet by 8 feet by 20 feet) — and a

major threat to domestic security, in Larry's opinion.

"I'm going to show you a picture," he says, handing me a color photo. "Look at the number of containers on that ship."

What I see is a Rubik's Cube of dozens and dozens of containers on a huge ship's deck.

"And they're inside the ship too. And do you know what it costs to send a container from Hong Kong to San Francisco? Twelve hundred dollars. Can you imagine? That's nothing! And as you may know, some of them have contained human beings. Some people have died. A terrorist was captured recently. He was going from Cairo, in a container, all fitted out with food, toi-

letries, a computer. They picked him up in Italy. He was going to Canada, then into the United States. I don't know what his mission was, but they caught him. What worries me is not a terrorist but weapons in containers that could easily get delivered to some place and explode. You could ship one to the heartland." Its point of delivery could be determined by GPS, the global positioning system, says Larry. "This could be on a bridge or next to a factory. And it could be set to explode at a certain time after it gets there."

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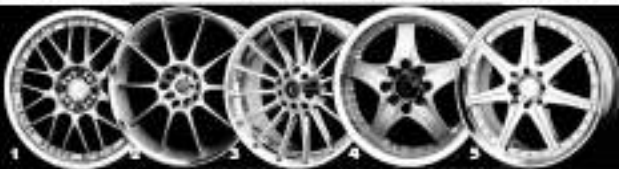
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Though he doesn't appear to be tired after speaking nearly nonstop for 90 minutes, I am. And before our conversation is over, I want to be sure to fulfill the other half of my own mission — to learn more from him about the Fogel family history. He understands what I'm looking for and launches right in.

"My grandparents came from Europe, on one side from the Ukraine and on

to live. He believes he's found it.

This is certainly the best place to raise a family, he says.

I ask about the Fogels' child-rearing secrets. Here, for the first time, he's at a loss for words. "I think you'll have to ask my wife about that," he says, rising from his chair. "Let me ask her to come in. I'm not a disciplinarian. I don't like to do it. If somebody won't do what they're supposed to, I'll do it for them. But she knows how to discipline and is graceful in it. I'll bring her in."

He leaves the room and, less than a minute later, returns with Eva. She takes a seat in his chair while he pulls up another beside her. In her presence he seems physically diminished. She's small, too: it's not a literal diminishment, but a distinct impression all the same. This is the man who referred to the F-16 flyers at Nellis as "drivers" — a disrespectful

"With Amber we're down at the novice level. So that's the fastest level; she does the least thinking of the three."

the other side, Bavaria. My parents met and were married in Brooklyn, and we lived through the Depression. It had a tremendous effect on me. "Don't spend that dollar." I remember the 1939 World's Fair in New York. It started to broaden my view. I was 11 and spent some time by myself at the fair. I also used to go to the museums alone: the American Museum of Natural History, the Planetarium. On a weekend I would wander around New York by myself all day long, get back on the subway, come home for the night. It was very safe. I go back there for business on occasion. I know the city well. But I wouldn't want to live there now, for obvious reasons. It's changed. I'm much happier living here than anywhere on the East Coast. Socially and weather-wise, it's just a friendly place to be."

He's a San Diego booster, yes; but more than that, he's a scientist who has studied objectively the "problem" of finding the best place

term, he has told me, because it's overfamiliar. Yet here he is, subdued, deferential, like a boy who can't believe his good fortune of having been chosen by a lovely girl with the charming accent who might easily have chosen someone else.

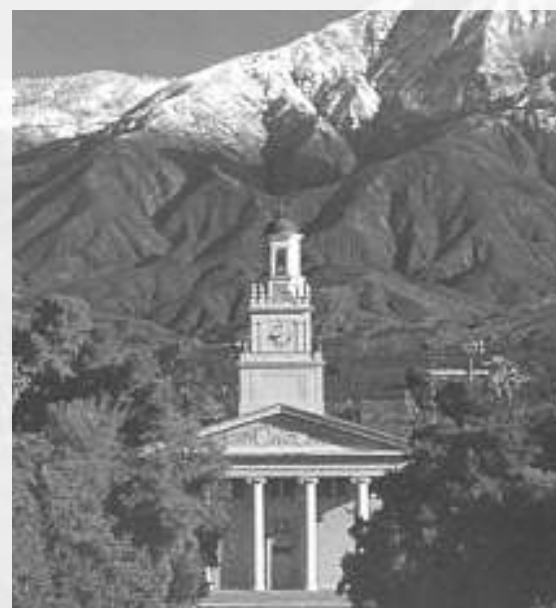
Sitting with her back straight, she folds her hands and puts them on the table-top. The posture reminds me of the training I got long ago, in a Catholic grammar school. ("I got my discipline as a nurse from a private school in Australia," Eva would tell me. "It was an all-girls' school. We didn't have any interaction with boys except after school. So it was a very different atmosphere from the one my boys grew up in. We had the school uniforms and so on. And the nursing program itself was very strict.")

After I repeat my request for details about how the boys were raised, the first thing — perhaps the main thing — she wants to say is that she was a stay-at-home mother. "I didn't have to go

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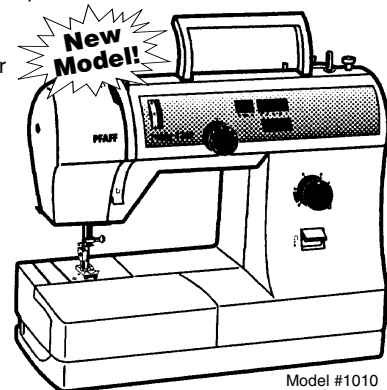
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out and work. I strongly stress that for everyone who possibly can," says Eva, who wasn't conflicted by this decision. At age 25, she gave birth to David; four years and two months later, she had Gary. Nursing would be in her past thereafter. "I always wanted to have kids. So kids were my thing."

She read to them "very early on," played games with them, did all sorts of crafts with them, took them to museums and the zoo. It's what many devoted mothers do, but perhaps here, too, there are levels of the game. Wherever their interests led them, she would help them get there. "If they asked a question, there was always an answer," says Eva. "If I didn't know the answer, I'd go find it."

Of pressure on the boys to perform well in school, she says, "There wasn't any. They just did it on their own."

They never had to be told to do their homework? "I think they finished their homework before they got home."

It must have been awfully easy for them.

"Well, not so much for Gary. Gary struggled, I have to say. It wasn't as easy for him as it was for David. I think Gary has really worked harder than David. Things were really very intellectually easy for David."

David, not Gary, attended the Seminar Program that's run by the San Diego school system. "They pick bright kids that go to a special class. I think there were 15 in his class, with one teacher teaching everything. They got motivated to do a lot of stuff that kids [not in the program] normally wouldn't do."

But the egalitarian Eva wasn't entirely happy with the distinction. "They were in this environment in which they knew they were special, and sometimes that's not so good. This was from grades third through sixth."

David attended Muirlands Junior High; Gary, La Jolla Country Day School, having transferred to the private system, Eva says, because some public schools, including Muirlands, were having drug problems in those years of the early 1980s. Gary got a good education there, but again she mentions the issue of privilege, this time the economic variety. "Gary sensed that some children there could get everything they asked for. He could see through that. He got good schooling there but didn't feel akin to those kids." (Gary, for his part, expresses the same idea more positively: at La Jolla Country Day, while "snobbishness provided its own set of problems," he did learn valuable lessons about "class.")

All four Fogels, at various points, laud La Jolla High. "A tremendous school," says Eva. ("Plain and simple, without a doubt, the best of my pre-college education," says Gary.)

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"I have to say that Gary was David's little brother for many, many, many years," says Eva. "He lived under that umbrella until he got out of high school and went off on his own and finally got rid of that brother business. When he went up to Santa Cruz, he was well away from everybody. And David had already gone his way. So I think Gary finally came into his own then. And yeah, it was a bit of a struggle for him."

What about religious upbringing? Moral training for the boys? After Gary's comments, I had been wondering.

"They didn't have formal religious training," says Eva. There were family discussions about religion, but the boys were free to believe what they wanted to believe. Larry's religious heritage is Judaism, but he doesn't practice it. Of her own religious beliefs, Eva says: "When I did my nurse's training, I saw a lot of pain and suffering, and I thought, 'Well, gee, how could there be — ?' I questioned it a lot. And I decided, 'Well, okay, I won't worry too much about it. I'll just be a good person, myself. Do whatever I can do, myself. And whatever follows, follows.'"

Though the boys were less than partygoers, they pursued many serious leisure-time activities, just as they do today. "Once the kids got to high school we had the rock band. Gary was in a rock band. The guitar." (The band was called the Verdict, with a repertoire that was part rock, part heavy metal. "If it wasn't loud, it wasn't good," says Gary.) "I used to hate that," says Eva.

But she didn't deny him this pleasure. "No. And David was into surfing. And I picked him up after school and took him down to the beach every day. Did my shopping, whatever I had to do, picked him up again. So I was a dutiful mother."

Larry traveled a lot for work, but the family also traveled together, often to

although in 1995, when he was 27, he set a declared distance record for Class A radio-controlled sailplanes at Torrey Pines. (After adolescence David gave up this activity in favor of other interests, including real flying. He holds a single-engine commercial pilot's license and has over 500 hours of flight time. In high school

Foreign travel was another experience the Fogels provided to the boys. "We went to Australia to visit my family," says Eva. "And they had the knowledge that there were people related to them in other parts of the world. I think that helped broaden them too."

Her parents, Eva says, "were a big part of our lives." And that, perhaps, is the second most important thing she wants to say. Often she had the help of her mother, who made frequent, extended trips to La Jolla, especially after being widowed in the early '70s, and who allowed Eva and Larry "some freedom in our own personal life, to get away for brief vacations without the boys, especially in the early years of our marriage."

Music was part of their life as a couple. "I played piano in Australia, and when I came here, I learned to play Larry's harpsichord. It has a different touch, but the keyboard and the music are the same. Over the years, ever since we were married,

we've played harpsichord and flute duets. Later on, we played in a quartet with another flute player and a cellist. Unfortunately, the cellist has since moved away and we haven't found one to replace her."

Eva describes her mother, at 93, as "mentally sharp as a tack." She hopes to "follow in her footsteps." She was "a stabilizing force," says Eva. She "never got flustered" by two teenage boys. And it's easy to imagine that Eva is describing herself when she describes her mother as "patient but firm in a gentle way."

"I have to say I disciplined the kids pretty well," says Eva. "Larry and I figured out between the two of us what was important and what they could get away with and what they couldn't." But it was she who "went around and around and around" with them daily. "We really didn't have too many battles, just about normal teenage things. But David was always testing, Gary not quite so much.

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Larry shrugs. "He now

It's good he was a rebel,

Eva: "Each in his own way."

Hi, I'm Blondie, says the blonde.

"So you go in and select a player here," says David, choosing Amber with a

It's my last day at Natural Selection, and David is giving me a demonstration of his new computerized checkers game available on CD-ROM. It's called Evolutionary Checkers, starring Blondie24. "Checkers with an Attitude!" is its pro-

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motional slogan. The sound-track includes the electric jazz guitar of San Diego-based musician Hank Easton.

"Since Blondie plays at the expert level, if you want to play at a little more congenial level, you have to play with Shannon or Amber," says David.

The model who portrays Blondie has long, platinum-hued hair; her eyebrows have been plucked to pencil lines; and she wears a skimpy, spaghetti-strapped outfit. In a sassy little introductory speech she explains what she's all about:

Hi, my name is Blondie. My checkers opponents know me by my screen name, Blondie24. If you think I'm just a computerized doll that uses programmed moves, you couldn't be more wrong. The moves I make haven't been input by a programmer. Unlike other expert checkers programs that rely on a bunch of checkers-playing strategies or endgames that were supplied by human checkers experts, I try to look ahead

to see what might happen, as I observe the options available to me. The truth is, there has never been a nonhuman checkers player like me. What makes me so different? How about this? I taught myself how to play, and I continue to learn, and get better, and better, and better. I'm rated as an expert, and I have proven myself better than 99 percent of my online opponents.

The demographics of the target audience seem clear. But David says, "The target audience is, in fact, 'kids from 1 to 92,' perhaps emphasizing men from 14 to 35. Truly, though, the kids who come to my book signings enjoy playing it just as much as the adults do. I mean, kids like 9 years old. They really enjoy, not just the game, I mean, checkers, but having the video characters. And when I tell them that the computer taught itself to play, they say, 'Wow!'"

Not Natural Selection but another company, Digenetics, Inc., has developed Blondie24 as its "debut product."

"Digenetics. Beyond Intelligence. The Future of Evolutionary Entertainment," says the company website at www.digenetics.com. Next it quotes company executive vice president and chief scientist — "Dr. David Fogel."

"The future of artificial intelligence doesn't rely on having computers learn what we already know but rather on *having them learn what we don't know*," reads a familiar statement from David. "To build a computer that is truly artificially intelligent, we'll need programs that can adapt to new situations and garner their own knowledge."

Douglas Johnson is Digenetics' chief executive officer and cocreator of the trademarked Evolutionary Entertainment concept. In 1995, another computer game invented by Johnson, Reelect JFK, won an award in the annual competition sponsored by the magazine *Macworld*.

Programming for the Blondie24 game was done

by Kumar Chellapilla of Natural Selection and by Digenetics programmer Timothy Hays, who, says David, has "something like 42 game titles to his name." (He is also a jazz musician, the Digenetics website notes. In his Digenetics bio, David doesn't reveal his own musical talent: like his father, he plays at Moray's Lounge — piano, two nights a week.)

"Johnson had this idea for artificial thoroughbred horse racing, where you would own the horse and be able to breed the horse and do all this stuff. And he just didn't have the technology behind the idea to figure out how to do it. So he was looking on the Internet for people who knew evolutionary computing." As it turned out, they were only about a mile from each other in La Jolla.

"He came in and said, 'This is what I had in mind. Can you guys do it?'"

The result is a first. "It's the first software game that allows someone to compete against an artificially intel-

ligent program with an interface that simulates playing against a real person who interacts with the player. It's the first that I know of, anyway," says David.

He switches from Blondie back to Amber. She has green, almond-shaped eyes and a smirky smile.

Let's start, she says. "Starting a new game. You go first," David says to Amber.

On the right side of the screen is the checkerboard, all set up, waiting to go. One of Amber's pieces moves in response, even though Amber's hand doesn't. She just sits there, looking smug.

He could have shown her hand moving the pieces, says David, but it would have required a great deal of extra photography. In the end, he and the others didn't think it was worth the trouble. "So when you're dealing with live models versus animation you're limited in some ways and freed in other ways."

There is built-in "think time" for Amber, Shannon,

and Blondie, says David, its length determined by the level at which you have chosen to play. "With Amber we're down at the novice level. So that's the fastest level; she does the least thinking of the three. If you have a slow computer, playing Blondie can be a bit tedious, because she's going to take a long time to make her move. If *you* take a very long time, Amber will say, 'Hello-oh?'"

David gets Amber to speak some of the other lines she would say during an actual game. Each of the characters has her own personality, he explains. "Amber is kind of the Don Rickles of the trio," he says. "Shannon is more intelligent and a bit more cordial. Blondie takes her game seriously."

Oh! You want a second opinion? Okay! How about "Those are really ugly shoes?"

Sorry. I'm not giving up on this game that easily.

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up with you.

Hmmm. This is a toughie. Okay. You're on.

A draw? Amber laughs an ego-shriveling laugh. No! Your move.

What am I gonna do now? says Amber.

"What are you gonna do?" David says to her. "Okay, I'm going to let her win now," David says to me, adding, "It's fun having a game that people enjoy that doesn't involve violence." He makes a series of moves and so does she. "Do you see that she's smiling more now that she's winning?"

You came so close, she says when the game is over. You came this close. Maybe you'll get me next time, says Amber, displaying her smirky grin.

"The seriously good checkers player — masters, grand masters — will be able to beat Blondie even at her level," says David. And since they want superior competition that will help them hone their skills, the game isn't very useful to them — "although they may find some entertainment value in its novelty and the fact that AI and EC [evolutionary computation] were used to get a result."

David offers to let me play. I decline. Suddenly I do care whether or not I'm any good at checkers. And surely I'll be beaten, even by the bimbo Amber. He gives me a copy of the CD-ROM, perhaps imagining that I'll give it a whirl at home. (It's been several weeks now, and I haven't.)

We talk now about the work that David does at Natural Selection. Like Gary, he has a presentation for me on his laptop. It begins with a projection of a picture of a camouflage-colored frog on the conference-room wall.

"This is what I use to convince audiences who have never seen evolutionary computation before that, when we talk about intelligence, we shouldn't limit it to humans, to ourselves. So, see that frog? That frog has an ingenious solution to the most vexing problem it faces. Every individual in nature does. It's the problem of avoiding being someone else's lunch. This frog has learned very little in its lifetime. It's just a dumb frog. It may be a smart frog, as far as frogs go, but it's dumb as

other things go. But that solution to this problem is darn creative, inventive, intelligent. If the photographer hadn't put the frog in the middle of the picture, and if the frog's eyes weren't open, and if we were just walking along, we'd be very unlikely to see it. So what learned to blend into the background? Clearly, it was not the individual frog. It was the evolving line of frogs that learned over time.

"There are many different strategies for avoiding being someone else's lunch. Another is to be poisonous."

He shows a picture of another frog, with yellow-and-black banding.

"But if you are poisonous, you'll want to advertise the fact, since there's an evolutionary advantage to it. Obviously, if you don't have a reliable signal that you're poisonous, it's not going to do you much good. The bird might still eat you, even though it might become sick or even die. So this frog is wearing the striped symbol of a warning. But did that frog wake up one morning and decide that stripes would be a good deterrent to birds or whatever predator he might face? Clearly not. The symbol evolved in concert between the frog and its predators."

Next, he shows a picture of a honey bee — a seeming honey bee — who wears the same yellow-and-black caution stripes as the frog.

"Same sort of idea — a reliable pattern that shows you the thing in question is to be avoided, right?"

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Not exactly. "The trick here is that this is not a honey bee. This is a fly. It just wants you to think it's a bee with a stinger. And, again, this fly is just a fly. You can't argue with a fly's level of intelligence. There is some capability for problem-solving, but mostly it's all hardwired.

"In the book, I'm very emphatic about defining 'intelligence.' I mean, you don't want to write a book about AI and walk away from what intelligence is or say it's too hard to define. That's a cop-out. If you want to talk about intelligence as it relates to humans only — that's fine: we can narrow it down to that. But intelli-

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gence is so much more than that. If intelligence has to do with problem-solving—and in the book I think I make the case pretty well that it does—then it doesn't matter whether the problem-solving is done by that fly over a series of generations, or by you and me in a conversation, or by an author writing a book to pass along to somebody else."

Does David wish there were another word besides "intelligence" that he might use in this context?

"No, I don't mind challenging what other people think in terms of their definitions," says the rebel.

Besides, words evolve too.

"Sure! Absolutely!"

Speaking of challenges, I tell him that his parents challenged his story in *Blondie24* about what his father told him at the Colorado Springs airport.

"Oh, well, it's totally from the heart," says David.

But your father and mother both said that wasn't the first time you had heard about evolutionary computation. They said you had heard about it constantly in the car.

"Really? Well, they never told me that." And Larry read *Blondie24* in draft stages.

You remember it as the first time.

"Oh, yeah. I remember it as an event in my life. I remember it the same way I remember — negative example—in the same way I remember waking up and turning on the TV and seeing big black smoke clouds coming out of the towers in Manhattan."

How about this for an interpretation? Your father was constantly talking about it, but you never heard it until then.

"Yeah, sure, right. Well, communication does require both a sender and a receiver. The receiver has to be ready to receive the message."

Another family story from *Blondie24* no one doubts. It's about Eva's diagnosis with breast cancer in January 1995. "In the morning we confirmed that she had breast cancer; in the afternoon I went over to UCSD and taught my first graduate-school class. That was a good day," David says, his voice heavy with sarcasm. "And I attempted to

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be of good cheer for the students." He sighs. "But we [the family] made it through."

That same year, Natural Selection received a \$70,000 contract for breast-cancer research. His mother's diagnosis, says David, is "mainly why we got into it."

His description of the strategy for disease detection reminds me of Larry's proposal for better container inspection. He says, "You want to detect more cancers, of course, but you also want to correctly reject more cases that are not cancer, because most cases will not be cancer. It's like screening for guns at Lindbergh Field. Most bags won't have them. You've always got to look, but it gets tedious. So if you can correctly identify benign cases at a rate that is, say, ten times faster than what's current, it not only saves a huge amount of time but allows the resident or whoever to focus more attention on cases that really are suspicious. So with better time management, you can increase your odds of detection just by increasing your probability of correct rejection."

Other people are working on the same problem, says David, but tend to get stuck in what are called "locally optimal solutions." The concept is explained well in *Blondie24* with an analogy of mountain climbers who, trying to climb the highest peak in a fog, get stuck on a lower peak.

"With an evolutionary search for a peak," he writes, "there might be less chance of becoming stuck on a lower peak, since other individuals are searching simultaneously. All it takes is for one of them to pinpoint a higher peak, and the reproductive attention of the evolving population shifts to that new winner."

Eva is healthy again, and David hasn't worked on the problem recently. "We haven't been funded. That doesn't mean we haven't tried. We're talking with another company; we're hopeful we can work with them on this. Since 1995, there are new patents, trade secrets, things like that — they're the land mines of the intellectual property field. So we have to be careful about how we integrate this work into what other



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people are doing. But we're still actively trying to do it."

I tell David that I noticed on his curriculum vitae that he transferred from UCSD to UC Santa Barbara after his second year. It's from UC Santa Barbara that he received his bachelor of science degree. Why did he transfer? I ask. It's an idle question, but it elicits some unexpected personal history.

"I transferred because I was a really lousy student," he says.

You were?

"Oh, God, yes."

But why? You got straight A's in high school. What happened?

"You know, it's a difficult time to remember exactly. I was disinterested a bit in school. I didn't really like my physics class, and the calculus was only okay. And I think — it's easy to rationalize now — but I think I was disappointed in the Air Force Academy thing not working out. So I went to UCSD and lived in an apartment — I was out of the house — but the first quarter I had straight C's."

The first C's of his life.

"UCSD was very com-

petitive — much more so than I was used to. Lots of students were willing to put in the time to get very good grades. It was discouraging. I took one computer course, Pascal, and got a B in it. And I enjoyed it. But I could see that I really didn't want to learn about operating systems and compilers and the hardware of the computer. I didn't have any passion for that. The problem was, I didn't know what I had a passion for. So it was a bit tough.

"I went through that for a couple of years, of getting a few B's and one A. And a couple of D's. And some people were telling me that I should get my act together. It's funny. Certain people I remember, certain people who have long been out of my life, were telling me that. I wish I could thank them. Maybe they'll read this story.

"Anyway, one of my friends from high school, David Hughes, had gone to Santa Barbara. And I said to myself, 'Well, gee, I need a new start.' So my new start was, 'Okay, I'll go up there.'"

At UC Santa Barbara

David took a psychology of statistics course. "And I really related to that course. I had played a lot of poker in high school, just for fun. So I had an idea of what gambling was about. And I had an intrinsic idea of what odds were about. And probabilities. And if someone gave me an example with dice and with cards and coins, I would immediately lock into what it was.

"So the psychology course was concrete. You take a sample from the ocean. How do you decide that it contains three parts per million of a pollutant? What are the rules that you use? And why do you make those rules? It was just the basics in statistics for psychology majors. It was basic statistical testing, right? But I had never seen it before.

"I aced the course. I didn't miss a single point the entire quarter — 180 out of 180. Since one of my roommates had gotten a C+, I got no end of razzing from him. But I remember feeling really good about it, especially after doing so badly at UCSD. I finished the final exam in 30 min-

utes — for a three-hour exam. David [Hughes] asked me how I thought I had done. 'Oh, I got 'em all.' 'That fast?' He made the point to me that other people in the class, seeing me leaving so early, must have thought, 'That poor guy. He didn't remember anything. He gave up in 30 minutes.' Anyway, I had found something I liked.

"After that, I took all the statistics courses that I could and all the probability — something like 13 courses. And I graduated with a degree in math with an emphasis in probability and statistics. But the real lesson is that you have to find things you like to do. And when you find them, you can achieve way more than you ever expected."

While David went to school in Santa Barbara, he worked one day a week in San Diego for his father, who was by then at Titan Systems. "I commuted back and forth. I had Monday-Wednesday and Tuesday-Thursday classes; so I'd leave Thursday, drive down here, work Friday, and drive back up Sunday night."

After graduation, he continued with Titan, then a couple of years later, went to Orincon. While working there as a senior principal engineer, he returned to UCSD to work on his Ph.D.

What's the opposite of hallowed ground?

"Yeah, well, that was tough. But nobody remembered me or anything — I was long forgotten — but I remembered. The good thing is that the courses I took were systems science. That's what I wanted to study — mathematical modeling. It was an extension of stuff I had already started to appreciate. Also, I had enough of a background from the math side, the pure math side, to be able to get through it. And I had another advantage in those courses, because I understood the probability and statistical aspects of the modeling. So although I was anxious about finding out how I would do, it all worked out fine."

He wants to credit two professors at UCSD. "Tony Sebald was my advisor; he took a lot of time with me and gave me good advice and the freedom to do what

I wanted to do on my dissertation. This was great, because it certainly wasn't what everybody else was doing. It was an evolutionary programming dissertation. And Dave Sworder gave good, tough tests. We always studied real hard for them. Dave's were all closed-book tests; Tony used to let you take your notes in there, or whatever you wanted. But I did all right."

At Titan, he began for the first time to be paid to work on evolutionary computation; when he got a job at Orincon in 1988, he continued doing the same. "And I've been doing it [evolutionary computation] full-time ever since."

A truly happy ending.

"A truly happy *beginning*. Yeah, sometimes things work out okay."

Just as I asked Larry, I ask David, Who doesn't buy into the idea of evolutionary computation?

"There are different measures of disbelief," he says. "Some say, 'We reject this totally as being a method that will generate anything useful.' And if you take that position, I can show you a

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"Others say, 'Well, it might be good in these cases, but it's not good in my case, and I know more about my case than you do.' At least, that would be the claim. And sometimes, they're right. There's no hammer that will beat every problem in the world optimally. That's mathematically proven, by the way.

"So you try to understand the problem and tailor what you do. The evolutionary approach is just like a Swiss army knife. It gives you a lot of versatility. Instead of saying, 'Okay, I've got this screw and this board and my trusty hammer' and *bang-bang-bang*ing it in, you can pick up your Swiss army knife and say, 'I've got my Phillips-head screwdriver and it's not quite as good as a real Phillips-head screwdriver, but it's handy and it gets the job done.' And it does it fast. You don't have to search forever to find the perfect tool, when your problem's long gone by the time you find it. Right?

"That's the essence of the evolutionary approach to problem-solving. We're not trying to find the perfect solution, just something that's good enough and fast enough, which is often much better than what anybody else has done on the problem."

Finally, though, David says, the traditional artificial intelligence community is most antipathetical to what he's doing.

"It's because, for the longest time, that community has said what we're doing wouldn't work. So they have the most backpedaling to do. And what happens in all these academic things is that, eventually, after it becomes successful, people will say, 'Well, we knew it was going to be successful all along.' And 'This is nothing new. This is old hat.' That's the next phase."

To be fair, he adds, there are a lot of smart people on the other side making strong cases for what they believe. "But, in the end, you really can't argue with success, can you?"

At lunchtime, while Gary and I are waiting for David to return with sandwiches from Schlotzsky's, I mention what Eva said about their sibling relationship.

"Oh, we were rivals," Gary says. "At a very early age, we were. But that's sort of stopped."

In what ways were they rivals? I ask, adding that, like him, I'm the second child of two.

"You understand, then. There was a lot of competition, especially playing board games and things like that."

Checkers?

"I don't know if we ever did play checkers early on or not. Chess is more of our game. But I think, when David went off to college, when we were finally apart, that helped us realize how important brotherhood is. And when I was in college, I was always following what David and my father were doing. And, in fact, I was writing papers with them while I was in school — just for fun, on the side. And that helped us bond in a different way. So the common theme of being interested in evolution brought us back together again."

When David returns, Gary looks up at him and asks, "Are we competitive?"

"You and I? Not anymore."

Somebody won, I joke.

"That's what it usually means," says Gary.

David disagrees. "All that winning usually means is that you're first to the finish line. Whether you've actually won or not depends on what and where that finish line is."

We eat and talk about our spouses, about the randomness of those selections.

"My parents picked mine," David says of his wife, Jacquelyn. That is, he met her after she was hired to be Natural Selection's receptionist. She once thought of getting a Ph.D. in history, David says, but dropped out of the program when she realized it would not necessarily lead to her goal of a museum job. Today she has her own handmade jewelry business and acts as secretary for the two scholarly journals that David edits.

Gary met his wife, Joanne, at Santa Cruz. "We were in college together," he

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says. "We were good friends there. And then when I moved to L.A. she had moved to Washington, D.C. When she came back to L.A., we started dating and got married. And Joanne's great. She doesn't share the expertise in computers. She's a human resources administrator for Computer Sciences Corporation. So she's working in something completely different. I don't think I could have married someone who

had the same professional interests. Too much focus on a work environment." We check the weather. Are conditions right for radio-controlled soaring today? Unfortunately, no. It's windy enough, but rainy. I'll have to take a rain check. In 2000, Gary published a book called *Wind and Wings: The History of Soaring in San Diego*. It begins with John J. Montgomery's first attempts at gliding flight at Otay Mesa in 1883 and

ends with the advent of hang-gliding and paragliding at Torrey Pines a hundred years later. An epilogue describes how Larry and Gary managed to get the gliderport designated a local, state, and federal landmark. "My father and I worked very hard in the early 1990s to do the paperwork to put in for those historical designations on that site," he says. "In importance it's second only to Kitty Hawk, in my opinion."

I tell Gary that I see parallels between the work he and his fellow Fogels do at Natural Selection and the model flying he does at Torrey Pines. Both are simulations; both rely on nature's example. His understanding of the parallels goes deeper. "In each case you're not working against nature; you're working with nature. If you don't understand nature, you don't stay up very long. The sport teaches you mete-

orology, ergonomics, physics. And that's what I grew up with, when my father started teaching me how to fly models. It's the same thing. When you change the airfoil this way, what happens to your plane? I learned all that science very early on, and that got translated into asking other questions of science. It all fits together." Gary doesn't pilot real sailplanes at Torrey Pines. "I go up with my buddies," he says, "and they let me

fool around. I don't have my license yet; I would love to, but I just haven't had the time or the money. And with a kid on the way I think I'll wait for a little while." As these interviews took place, all the Fogels were awaiting the arrival of Gary and Joanne's first child. Carrying the Fogel genes, this latest member of the extended family, Sabrina Catherine Fogel, was born on March 7, 2002. ■ — Jeanne Schinto

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When the boy who in my novel I call Neal shot the boy I call Toby, the top half of Toby's face broke up into puzzle pieces. Not the little almost weightless cardboard bits of creamy waterfall spume and pine-tree needle and stippled brown bison tail that you find in your 1000-piece picture puzzle box titled "Scenic Old West." These slabs of Toby's forehead and the bridge of his nose and the top of his head where his hairline began and the temple that bore his chickenpox scar were good-sized chunks. Several fragments were as large as the solid wood Playskool five- and six-piece puzzles that toddlers fit together, puzzles that portray a white duck with yellow bill or a choo-choo train streaming smoke. The bullet hit between the eyes — blue eyes. The bottom half of Toby's face — except for blood streaks and blond hairs and skin and tissue scraps and bone fragments and a marmalade of brain tissue — looked as if nothing happened. His oval nares appeared

ready to enjoy the next breath; his round pink mouth was open and the tip of his tongue showed between his strong white teeth. You'd have sworn he was about to smile or to break into song or to chew one of the Fritos corn chips or barbecue potato chips that littered the floor where, after the shot went off, Toby tumbled. He tumbled onto his back with his arms flung wide. His jaws were intact and his thick neck remained attached to his chest and broad shoulders. If you saw his head from the nose down and his body, plaid flannel shirt neatly tucked into faded Levi's, the outspread arms, the size 9½ C engineer boots pointed toward the ceiling, and if you ignored the blood and tissue spattered across his hands and what was left of his face and his plaid shirt and his jeans and boots, you might think Toby was a drowsy young god, a

fallen angel, flung among potato and corn chips and Olympia beer cans. Had you sat on your heels and picked up one of the cans and examined it, you would have seen stamped on one side a cascading waterfall inside a gold horseshoe. Above the horseshoe, a ribbon bore the mes-

mother's sides he came from Scandinavian stock; the Swede and Norwegian showed in his blue eyes and white-blond hair and heavy musculature. Danny, the son of the heroine of my novel, is in love with, or has a crush on, or perhaps an obsession with or for Toby. From the time they're

You can see why everyone wants to be his friend, pick him for his team, wants to rub shoulders, and why boy-loving girls and boys want to love him.

sage, "Good Luck," and at the bottom of the horseshoe just below the lively, bracing spray at the waterfall's base was printed, "It's the Water." He was such a handsome kid, Toby was, sturdy and well-made, with strong, even, and, really, unremarkable features. On both his father's and

in grade school Toby is the cynosure, the grand central of Danny's life. Given how Danny feels about Toby, they might as well be an old, happily married couple, comfortably intimate and content to spend hours alone doing nothing much. Danny absorbs even the smallest details about

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Toby: he is more interested in Toby than Toby is in himself. When they're not together Danny converses in his mind with Toby. When Toby is with his pantheon of other friends, Danny's agony gets the better of him. One thing he does when he's lonely for Toby is to open a notebook and write Toby's name again and again, or if he's out somewhere, he'll take his Swiss army knife and scratch into a rock or the bark of a tree: Toby. Or sometimes even the toe of his Converse sneaker will do for a writing instrument, and he'll use that sneaker toe to sketch in loose red dirt: Toby. Another thing Danny does when he feels left out and lonesome is shoplift.

He steals Pay Day and Baby Ruth bars, pepperoni sticks, 25-cent sacks of salted cashews. He steals packs of Marlboros. He steals Zippo lighters. What Toby feels for Danny is nothing anywhere even beginning to be near what Danny feels for Toby. Toby considers Danny one of his three best friends and the person with whom he's been friends the longest. Toby defends Danny to his other friends and to his brothers and his parents, all of whom think Danny is maybe a homo or someone who isn't a homo yet but will grow up to be a homo. Toby just does not think about the homo stuff, and if it is true that Danny's queer or will grow up to be a

queer, well, he's never tried to touch him on what Toby's mother calls "your manhood." Toby's father complains that Danny is "antisocial." Toby rolls his eyes and waits for his folks to quit their complaining. What Toby does not like about Danny is that he feels followed and watched by Danny, which he is, and he feels that Danny, if he let him, would go everywhere with him, which he would. Toby also feels that he has more fun with Danny than with anyone else. Danny's mind is always working is what Toby thinks about his old friend, always working, working, working, always busy.

Lest you think that

Danny's a born wacko, let me remind you that since his little sister was killed three years ago, when Danny was in fifth grade and his big brother Matt was in sixth, Danny's been pretty much on his own. His mother Polly, was a bit of a mess even before she married Phil, Danny's father (and Phil is not exactly Mr. Mature Adult). But once Phil's parents, through carelessness, let Caroline get killed, Polly fell apart. Phil considered falling apart, but he couldn't afford it; he had to keep going to work.

While I wrote early drafts of the section of my novel where Danny most often appears, I fell for Toby too. I understood why Danny

wanted to go everywhere that Toby went, why Danny treasured scraps of paper where Toby in his careful, blocky handwriting copied out spelling words or did math problems or sketched airplanes and 1950s convertibles. I knew that how poor, old, fat red-headed Danny felt was sick, sick, sick, but I could understand, as perhaps can you, if you've been obsessed, why it was that Danny, over the years, filled several cardboard cartons with "Toby treasures." He kept school papers, the sketches, chewed pencils with Toby tooth marks, socks, and notebooks, and a web belt Toby made in sixth-grade day camp,

and a Scout handkerchief and some family photographs Danny ripped away from Toby's family's photo albums, and a chocolate milk carton with the straw still stuck in it. And the list I've made was just the beginning; there was lots more. Some of this stuff was five years old. Danny knew that he was sick to collect these things and he didn't care; he needed them. Because, like Toby, I have been in situations where a person liked me far more than I liked him and wanted to be with me and talk with me on the telephone far more than I wanted to be and talk with him, I could understand why Toby felt followed after and hemmed in

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by Danny's fondness. I could understand, too, why Toby liked being with Danny but why, when Toby got home from an afternoon with Danny he felt uneasy. What they did and what they talked about felt wrong to Toby, not hugely wrong, but a little bit wrong. They didn't have sex, that wasn't it, and it wasn't the marijuana and occasional hashish that they smoked or the liquor and beer that they drank that felt wrong.

I want to stop here and say that once I began to write Toby I could see why the teenage American blond male is so desirable to cameras and wide screens, which can't get enough of him, and why sun-

light encircles the storybook beauty of his hair. You can see why everyone wants to be his friend, pick him for his team, wants to rub shoulders, and why boy-loving girls and boys want to love him. The young blond is a Marilyn Monroe with a penis. His skin is pale in winter and tanned gold in summer, and when your fingers brush his bare belly, more hairless than brunettes' bellies, that skin feels like slips stitched from silk charmeuse feel — soft, soft, soft. These boys, even the somewhat homely among them, are as much art as flesh. And they know it, too. Even the blond farm boys are lovely and, often, lovelier than the city slickers.

Neal shot Toby in midafternoon on an October Saturday in a two-car garage renovated for use as a workshop and den. The building sits next to the alley on a spacious corner lot in the town's oldest and most desirable residential area. The lot belongs to a realtor and his wife and their son, Malcolm, who had hosted the gathering of eight boys, one of whom was Toby and another, Danny.

I wanted to end the shooting scene with a transcendent ("above and independent of the material universe") moment. I wanted my characters to stand over Toby's headless corpse and be dazzled by thoughts about how

important family is and how love is all that counts and how we never know what hour will be our last.

But this is not what happens when somebody shoots somebody. It is not. What happens, at moments like this, is that screams heard only a few times per life (if the screamer's lucky) get screamed. That's what happened here. Every one of the boys, even Neal, the shooter, scream. Except for Malcolm, whose house this is, the boys (who had been out that morning, hunting pheasant) then run out the door of the shed and onto the grass and across Malcolm's mother's herb garden. In their hurry to flee they

trample the small oval gray-green marjoram stems and leaves and the thick bright green blades of the last of the chives. One of the Miller twins falls to his knees at the herb garden's edge and spews a beery vomitus onto the bronze-green leaves of the half-dozen summer savory plants, and then the other Miller twin also falls to his knees and spews vodka and undigested corn chips onto the stiff and woody stems and small oval gray-green leaves of thyme. The houseflies that earlier had been flying figure eights above the boys' game packs begin to hover over the bloody pieces of Toby.

Malcolm stayed behind.

Breathing in huge gulps of air and in his terror almost seeing stars, he gathered up the Olympia beer cans, on which was pictured the waterfall and the horseshoe for good luck, an empty vodka bottle, and a still-burning joint that had been between Toby's fingers. And Malcolm, now almost breathless, huffing and puffing, stuffed the cans and the bottle and the marijuana into his best friend's army-green game pack and ran out of the shed and pressed the pack on his friend and screamed, "Dump this somewhere!" Malcolm turned to the boys who had not yet fled, and whispered, between gasps for air, "Nobody better ever to

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talk about the beer and the dope and the vodka. Hear me?" The boys nodded. "My folks will kill me if they find out we were drinking." Then Malcolm ran out of the shed across the backyard and up the back steps into the kitchen and dialed 911 and said, as calmly as if Toby were someone he didn't even know, instead of a lifelong friend with whom he'd splashed in

a wading pool when neither boy could yet walk and with whom he'd gone on family picnics and hikes and car trips to the nearest big city and with whom he entered first grade and joined scouts and played soccer and jayvee football and got up early to get to the pool for swim-team practice, "There's been a bad accident." And then Malcolm fainted, fell face down onto

the kitchen tiles, breaking two fingers on his right hand and his long nose.

What a mess it leaves behind for Malcolm's parents. Blood everywhere. The vomit. Sunday morning, after the coroner said the shed no longer was a crime scene (this was before yellow tape, at least in Coraville), you could have seen Malcolm's mother in the shed on her hands and knees, her blue-jeaned butt humped up high. An aerosol spray can of Mr. Clean stands next to her. She wears yellow Playtex rubber gloves and scrapes at the

floor with a copper Chore Girl. Her pretty round face is set in a grim expression. She had been a cheerleader in high school and college, and no matter where you saw her, she smiled, welcoming you, as if all the world were hers and she was its hostess. But on this morning she did not smile. Malcolm's father, her husband, had been awake all night, drinking and worrying that they would be sued.

Why this shooting ends up in my novel is that a shooting like this happened in the little town that I call Corav-

ille, where I lived for many years. One eighth-grade boy shot another eighth-grade boy. Although the shooting certainly was an accident, questions always remained about what the boys were doing that afternoon and how the boy I call Neal happened to shoot the boy I call Toby.

One of the boys present at the shooting is the younger brother of a friend of my older daughter's. This boy, when he was an eighth grader, was there when the actual, real-life shooting happened; he's 40 now. My daughter's friend,

not long ago, told me aspects of the shooting story that I had never known. Hugh is what I will call this friend. Hugh was 16 when this happened. Now he's several years past 40.

Hugh sat one evening in my living room in California. He is tall and slender and muscled from hard work rather than the gym. He has big, dark eyes and he has large, square hands, scratched from clearing brush outside his house on a rural California hilltop. Hugh and I are far away now, in space, from the little town

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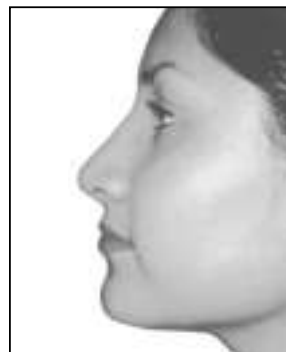


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I call Coraville, and we are far away, in time, from the years when we lived there. We sat opposite one another in easy

chairs. We were drinking wine and we were laughing a little, and we were catching each other up on people we knew

and on ourselves. Hugh poured more wine into his glass, the crystal lip of which was smeared where his mouth

had been. "That town, for me," he said about Coraville, "is a sunken ship. It's at the bottom of the water. Everything's dead. No bubbles rise to the top."

Hugh has dawdled over many women, yet he has never married, nor, as far as I know, has he ever lived with a woman (or any man other than his younger brother). "I'm too crazy," he said, when he talked about why he hadn't married. When he said this, he did not laugh. He did laugh, but his laugh was the laugh writers describe as "rueful," when he

went on to say, "There hasn't been a woman in my house for maybe two years, maybe three. If I do sleep with someone, I always do it at her house. So I can leave. But I hardly even sleep with women anymore. I'll be sitting next to someone at a bar and I'll be flirting and she'll be flirting and I'll realize that probably I could go home with her. But then I start thinking about how miserable I made the last woman I went home with and so I thank her for the talk and I get up off the bar stool and I go. If I do go home with

a woman it seems like there are always scenes and disappointments and I end up hurting some perfectly decent hardworking woman and nobody needs that. A woman who is in a bar looking to get picked up is not a woman who needs more grief."

Hugh went on to say that he thought his problem was that he abhorred what people call intimacy. "It's supposed to be one of life's great sweeteners," he said, "but not for me. After you make love, you're supposed to want to hang around and cuddle and

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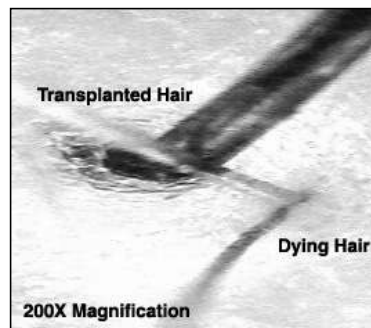
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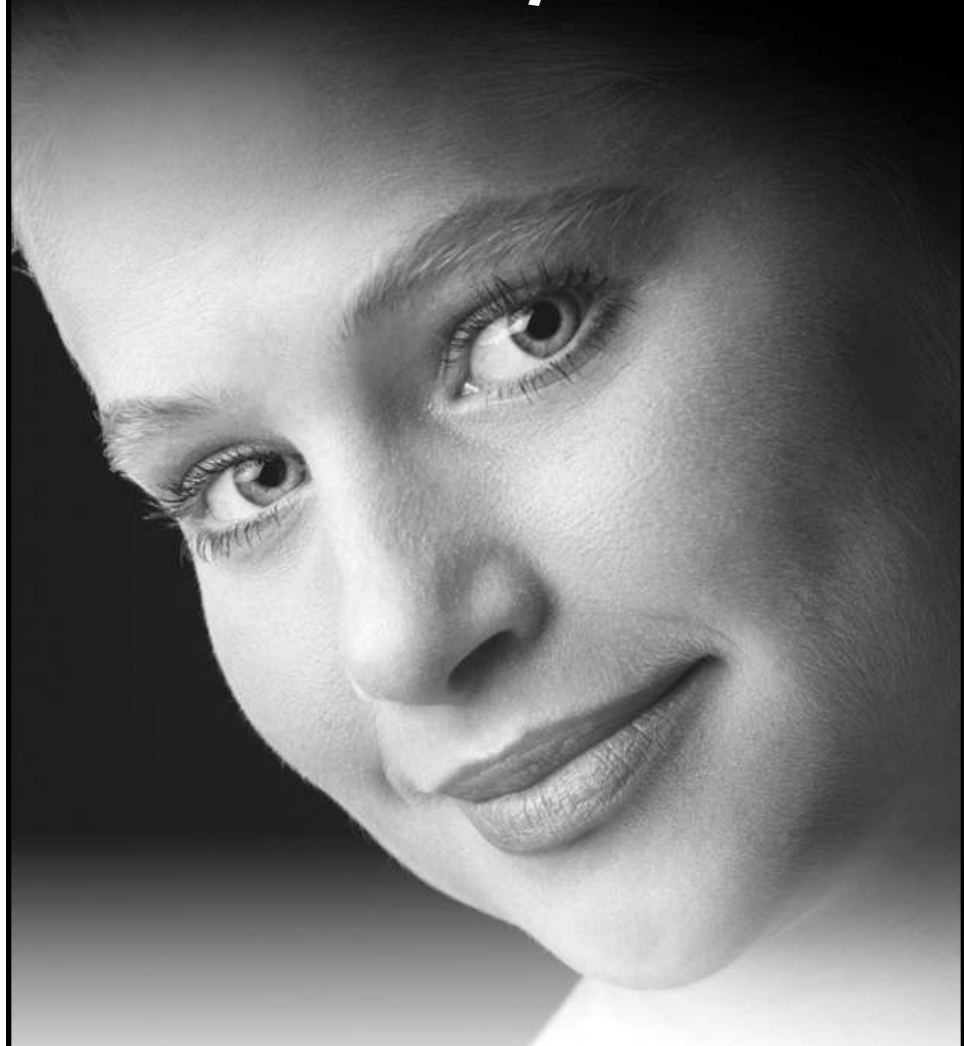
do this sharing crap. All I want to do is get up and get out of there. I can't stand it. So," Hugh clapped together his big hands, "how could I be married?"

I agreed. He couldn't.

I had mentioned to Hugh that I wanted to put the shooting into my novel. Eventually our talk came around to how the boy I call Malcolm had gotten rid of the beer cans and vodka bottle and the marijuana and to how only three boys, including Malcolm, didn't run away after the shooting. "Everybody was so scared," Hugh said. "And remember, they had been up early that morning and gone hunting, and they had been drinking and smoking dope and were drunk and somewhat high. My brother left right after it happened. Right after the shot was fired. He just took off, and he wasn't around when the police came. He got away that fast. He got on his bicycle and he rode all the way home, a good two miles. [Hugh and his family lived in the country in a house along the river that ran through the town.] And he was totally flipped out. I can picture it in my mind, very clearly, my little brother's being on his bed and crying, freaking out, and choking on his mucus and blowing his nose on his pillowcase and trying to tell me what had happened.

"I remember my mom coming in, and she was trying to figure out what was going on, because you never saw my little brother cry, and he sat up and was sitting on the side of his bed, and I realized there was blood on the cuff of his sleeve and on the back of his hand, and he was crying and was trying to explain about the gun and the shooting and my mother began to cry, too, because she and my dad were longtime friends with Toby's parents, and I remember trying to figure out how to get that shirt off my little brother and get the blood off him before my mom saw it and went entirely blabbering insane. I think right at that time she got a phone call from Toby's older brother, and I got that shirt off my brother and stuck him in another one. I remember holding his arms up and pulling off the bloody shirt and then putting on the other one, pulling it down over his head, like he was a baby. Then I brought in a washcloth and made him wash his face and

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hands. He didn't even see the blood on his hand. He was out of it."

I asked if Hugh remembered what he did with the shirt. He didn't. "Probably, though, I didn't put it in the laundry. I probably put it where my mom would never

see it, where I could throw it into a garbage can in town. They took what was left of Toby to the hospital, and that's where his brother called our house from. I don't know why they took him to the hospital and not the morgue or the funeral home. I guess we really

didn't have a morgue, did we?"

We did, I said. "The funeral home. That's what they used then for a morgue."

"Also," said Hugh, "although it is gruesome, I wondered then and I wonder now if they took all of

him. Like, did they get all the pieces of his head and gather them up and take them on the stretcher? I do know that what's amazing when you think about it is that the police never once talked to my little brother. They never called the house or came by or called

my folks."

The day after the shooting was the day that clocks go back to standard time from daylight savings time. I had not remembered that, but Hugh did. Why he remembered that rather dramatic change from long sunlit evenings to dark

late afternoons is that his family, in all the upset surrounding Toby's death, forgot to reset clocks and watches. Hugh's parents and Hugh's little brother were late to work and to school. Hugh and his brother ended up not going to school. Hugh's mother

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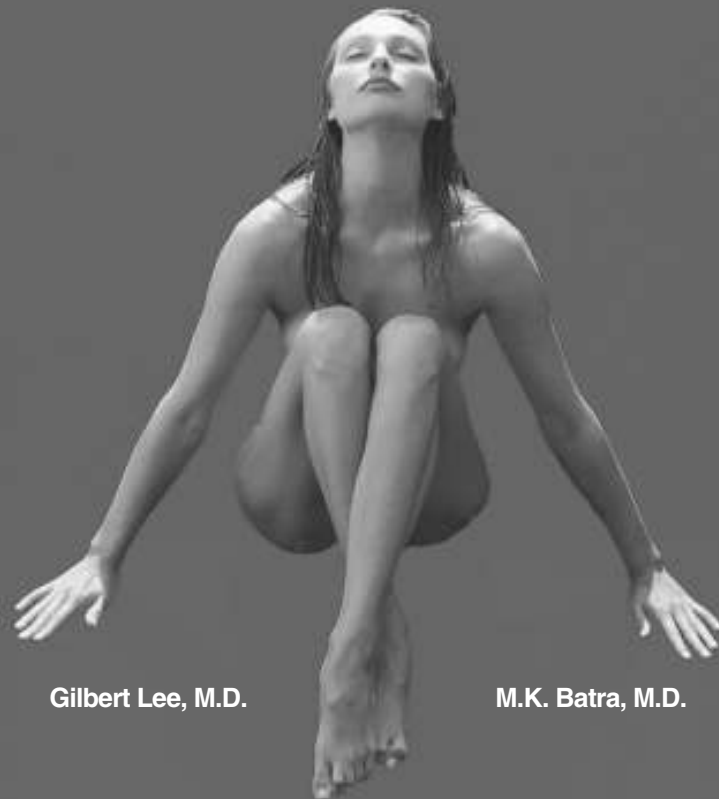
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looked at her youngest son and suggested that he didn't seem well. She asked Hugh to stay home and take care of him. "Lots of people," Hugh said, "didn't go to school that day."

The funeral, Hugh recalled, was held on Wednes-

day afternoon. "I wouldn't say it was a big funeral. It was a public funeral. The whole town shut down. There were a lot of people there. There were a lot of flowers and big flower arrangements up on easels. I remember that it was at the Methodist church and

that the church was full and that outside, on folding chairs, more people were sitting. I remember that it was hot and people, even outside, were fanning themselves. I was outside, smoking cigarettes. I was hung over because my brother and I, the night before, after

the folks went to bed, had been drinking, and I couldn't sit still inside that hot church and listen to all the eulogies. There was lots of crying and lots of hysteria and lots of kids who knew Toby only to say hello to at school who were there, carrying on like they'd

lost their best friend. Especially little seventh- and eighth-grade girls. One of those girls, I remember, puked and fainted. I was disgusted. I don't know why their parents let them go to something like that. But anyway, so I remember a lot of people being there. And

that's where, outside the Methodist church, there along Chestnut Street, where all that tall shrubbery was, I remember that one of the guys who was there when Toby was shot was having this discussion with a group of boys, some of whom also had been there,

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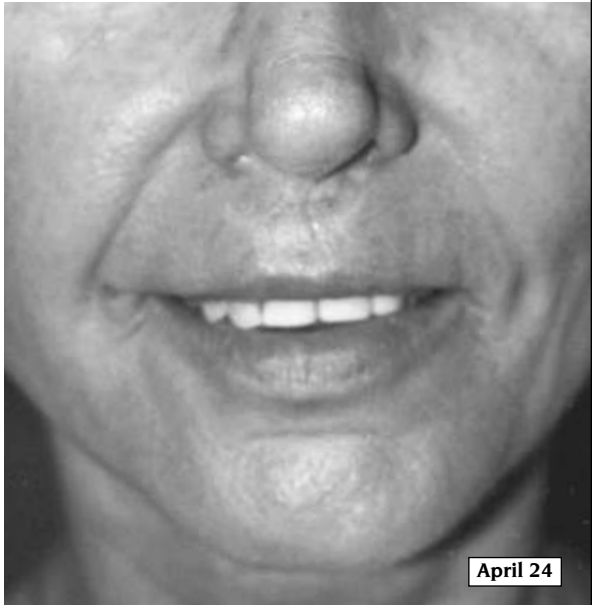
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of wanting to kill Neal. And even then, although I was only 16, I knew that the talk was more than just blowing off steam, that these boys were trying to think of ways that they could kill Neal and could get away with it. Somebody had to be evil. There was a lot of blame."

I asked Hugh if he knew what eventually happened to the shooter.

"Well, his family moved to another state a couple years after the shooting. I know that my little brother mentioned that he had been back in town, and he had seen him at a party years later, and that guy was

still suffering a lot of guilt. I think he came off as more of a sociopath than he really was. His dad was a wacko. He was a wannabe cop type. That's probably why he had the gun. But he was not really a cop. And from what my brother has told me in the years since, the shooter's dad was also what now we'd call a survivalist. He had gold Krugerrands stashed away so in case the Commies, or whoever, came, he would be prepared."

Hugh and I talked about how several boys there that day had troubled adult lives. One was in state prison for armed robberies. Another was

in and out of jail on charges that involved drinking and driving and beating people up. A boy who'd gone to a prestigious college in the East ended up in a series of mental institutions.

"It's a good thing," Hugh said, "that when we're kids and bad things happen, that we don't realize that this bad stuff will be like tin cans tied to cars and will follow us all of our lives, banging and clanking everywhere we go. And," Hugh continued, "it's clearly affected my little brother. In the same way I think it affected probably every kid at some level or another that was there. When my brother talks about it—he's not somebody that's prone to be very emotional—but when the subject comes up, which isn't very often anymore, he's very emotional. The parents of the guy you call Toby in your novel, of course, they never got over it. They really felt like it should have been somebody else's kid that was the one killed. That Toby, you know, had so much potential and that the other guys there didn't have so much potential. And it would be what you would expect most parents to do.

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"That must be hard."

"Yeah, well, my brother just refuses to be involved. You know, my folks are kind of, like, 'Oh, we understand.' But at the same time, they make these arrangements where it's very awkward. One Christmas I was back there visiting, and one of the brothers of the guy who in your novel you call Toby was trying to get information out of me about what happened that day, like, 25 years ago, and I was standing out on the back porch, drinking eggnog, and saying to him, 'You know what? Let this thing go, because this is not going to serve anybody to sit around and try to dredge through it and find some sort of rational explanation for what went on beyond that of kids playing with guns. It happens all the time.'"

Hugh stood up from his chair and stretched and walked across the carpet and stood by the window. He was looking out the window and his back was to me. "I have to admit," he said, "that I have no explanation for how things turned out. Except," he shrugged, "that, what can you expect? Booze and dope and unsupervised boys and a gun? It's like the laws of gravity."

Hugh sat back down, poured more wine, laughed harshly, and told me something else I had never known. "The father of the guy whose shed it was, he was a real neatness freak. He was incredibly pissed off at the mess the shooting made. The blood and brains and just the general skin and bone fragments got onto his workbench and tools on the workbench and into the threads of all of his clamp vises. I was in there once after it happened, and you could see the hole in the wall. The bullet must have finished up in the Sheetrock. He'd plugged it up and Spackled it. Did a good job, but still you could see it. He complained that he couldn't get rid of that smell. 'Eau de corpse,' he called it. 'Stink of eau de corpse' is what he said. He was a real asshole." ■

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onates with the American spirit because it's a fight for national independence and civil liberties and human rights. I'd like to see the Palestinians get some help from the United States to

form a democratic state.

Another aspect to this Israeli/Palestinian thing in the Middle East is that the U.S. Congress is funding Israel because the second most powerful PAC is AIPAC; that's the pro-Israeli lobby in Congress. They've bribed congressmen on both sides of the aisle, and it's caused this current per-

version of our foreign policy.

America has given Israel everything possible since '48 in terms of financial, military, and diplomatic help. In fact, many American military lives were lost to save the Jews from extermination in the concentration camps of Hitler during World War II.

You know, in return for ev-

everything that America has given Israel, they exposed us to thermonuclear attack, i.e., the Jonathan Pollard spy case. This case involved the theft of state-of-the-art nuclear-weapons technology that cost billions to develop. These plans were stolen and traded to the Russians during the Cold War for increased emigration quotas of

Russian Jews to Israel. And the decision to send the spies here, and give those bomb plans to Russia, was made at the highest levels of the Israeli government, made by the same folks that spend the \$90 billion in U.S. aid. Now I'd like to ask you, has there ever been a more blatant example of degenerate ingratitude in the entire history

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THE CHOSEN PEOPLE per *San Diego Jewish Press Heritage*, October 27, 2000, WORD OF TORAH by Rabbi Yeruchem Eilfort:

"...negate any possible message to the effect that the Jewish people 'stole' the Holy Land from the seven nations who occupied it. Since the world belongs to Yahve, He has the right and authority to give any part of it to any nation He sees fit. This is message considering the current situation in Israel."

And on November 3, the neo-Nazi performs once again:

"We Jews are commanded to serve as leaders (in moral sense) of the entire world. This means we are not permitted to sit back and watch our rabbis fulfill this critical task. We must also engage in this holy work ourselves, using all of our strength and creativity in so doing...." — and so on. If one disbelieves, one should read the recommended book with the Torah and Talmud combined.

And on November 17 (page 10), the same neo-Nazi admitted that "History has proven that Jews are an anomaly...with the agenda of fixing the world.... Our devotion to G-d and His Torah and mitzvot is our eternal inheritance from the Abraham." (Note: As we all know, Lenin, Stalin, and Hitler were all anomalies since 1917, with the blood of 65 million victims on their hands as the "un-anomalous" Moses has had ordained in his Torah 3500 years ago.) And on page 9, the *Heritage* warns its community that the outside world "spread the poison of prejudice to our (Jewish) children" even with the heretical U.S. Constitution assuring equal rights to everybody under the God, while the Adonai, Elohim, Yahve on the daily basis says in Synagogues that He "made (them) unlike the pagans who surrounded (them)... and assigned to (them) a unique destiny...that to Him every knee must bend and every TONGUE must vow loyalty... for (they, His children) are His chosen ones and He is (their) Chosen One" (pages 305 and 657 of the Mahzor Hadash, *The Prayer Book* by Press Media Judaica, Bridgeport, Connecticut, 1977 and 1986).

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it is important as American youth, within the Jewish community, to speak out...because we are almost of voting age and because we take this responsibility seriously.” “In four years, America will be ready to elect a Jewish president.... What’s next for the Democrats? Plot once more to take control of the Congress in 2002 (for) the 2004 presi-

dential race has began.”
Ted Pioro

Cultivated Hate

I only had to read the first sentence of the “Hates Duncan” letter written by groveling ingrate Michael (May 16) to remember that it had been published before, most likely earlier this year (April 18).

Freedom of expression does not make hate mail any less offensive or hurtful, but it is the price we are willing to pay for the right to voice our views. However, to reprint or recycle this type of letter is to cultivate hate. It is not only bad taste, it is irresponsible.
Please, issue an apology.
Ginette Vicot

Illegitimate Fundamentalism

Reader Alfred Huete raised some telling points in his May 9 letter responding to “Dirty Dancing” (May 2). But why did he feel compelled to commit the classic faux pas of throwing the baby out with the bathwater?
Alfred, it is not Christianity itself that is the problem; it is particular interpretations of

the faith that cause all the trouble. If you would take the time to read a book titled *Stealing Jesus: How Fundamentalism Betrays Christianity* by Bruce Bawer, you would discover that Casey Gwinn’s fundamentalism has no more legitimacy as a segment of the faith that Jesus founded than General Donn A. Starry had in being a career member of the U.S. Army com-

missioned officers corps at the expense of many of his enlisted contemporaries who would have made better officers.
John Williamson
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Cycling Authors Sign Books

In the mid-1970s, some folks in Marin County started dragging their single-speed, beach-cruiser bikes up the local hills, the most famous one being Mount Tamalpais. Then they rode down. As they did this more and more, they realized their equipment was woefully inadequate, and some of them began customizing their bikes.

Daniel Greenstadt of Golden Hill is describing the birth of mountain biking as he drives back from the family farm in the San Joaquin Valley.

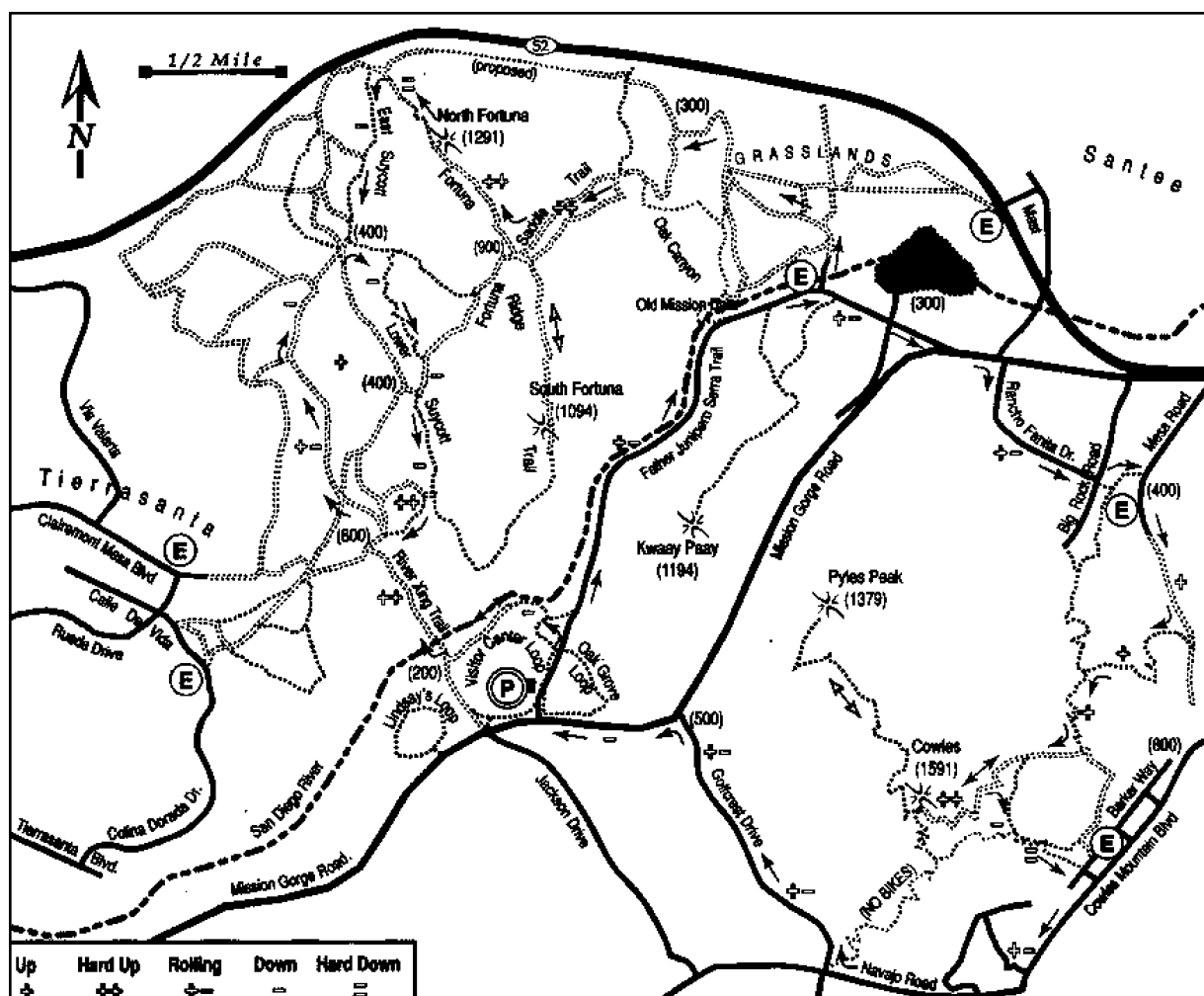
Brakes and gears needed the most improvement on these clunker bikes, says Greenstadt on his car phone. "Gears needed to be much smaller, so cyclists could get up those hills, and brakes needed to be much better, so you could get down without killing yourself." Eventually manufacturers began to sell what could be called the first modern mountain bikes to a brand-new market. "People who loved the outdoors, including hikers and equestrians, were discovering this alternative, human-powered, non-polluting, quiet way to explore the backcountry." It was also attractive to people looking for a novel physical challenge.

The 38-year-old business-development consultant bought his first mountain bike in 1983, when he was living in Santa Barbara County. For the past 12 years, he has been riding in San Diego County; in 1998, he published the *San Diego Mountain Bike Guide*.

The sport is growing, to the regret of some who chose it because they



Daniel Greenstadt



Bicycle trails of Mission Trails Regional Park, from the San Diego Mountain Bike Guide

wanted a solitary experience in the backcountry. Expect a relative crowd at Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve and Mission Trails Regional Park, says Greenstadt, naming two readily accessible venues. Another popular place, though it's more remote, is Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, which, unlike the other two, provides a mountainous experience at an altitude reaching 5000 feet.

East of Alpine, some large, undeveloped tracts can provide a mountain biker with more "adventurous" experiences, according to Greenstadt. Parts of the Laguna Mountains and the Cleveland National Forest have rustic trails, too, he says. Among those, he names the Indian Creek Trail and the Noble Canyon Trail as nationally famous among mountain bikers.

There are even less traveled areas in the Jacumba Mountains, which are visited by few trail users of any kind, says Greenstadt. "The experienced cyclist will find abandoned roads there,

although I recommend that they travel in pairs."

One place for mountain bikers of any level is the Tri-Canyon area — Rose Canyon, San Clemente Canyon, and Tecolote Canyon. "Tri-Canyon spares the novice too many steep or overly technical trails," says Greenstadt, using the two major descriptors of the mountain-bike experience. "A nontechnical road would be a fire road; it may be very steep, but smooth. On the other hand, you may have a flat trail that's considered very technical, because it's full of bumps, rocks, and roots."

On Saturday, Greenstadt will sign his book at a local bookstore. Along with him will be another San Diego author, Mark Manion of Clairemont.

"The road was straight. We had lights all over us. It was ten o'clock at night, but we were very visible," says Manion, describing conditions before the bike accident in which he and his cousin were involved on the fourth day of what they expected to be a four-

month trip from San Diego to Minnesota.

It was August 1974. Manion's bike was a powder blue Gitane Interclub. His cousin's was a purple Motobecane. Both of them had specially chosen their tires, seats, handlebars. They were on a highway in Bakersfield when they were hit by a drunk driver. "I was 19; my cousin was 18. He went under the car and was killed. My skull actually came off my spine. It left me totally paralyzed from the neck down."

Eventually, Manion could walk with a cane; but, suffering from balance problems, he fell and broke his neck a second time, in 1991.

Competing in wheelchair sports, Manion says he has met many people who were injured doing everything from skydiving to falling out of trees. "I know all the horror stories. But my best friend is a quadriplegic because he was the drunk driver. A couple of weeks ago, we spoke to students in Ramona. So the kids got it from two different angles — somebody who wrecked

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himself up and somebody who was a victim.”

Manion also speaks to convicted drunk drivers. “The judges sentence them to something called a Victim Impact Statement. The last time, there were about 500 of them.”

GETAWAYS

In *Unfinished Miles: One Man’s Unthinkable Journey*, Manion describes forgiving the driver who injured him and killed his cousin. Another victim, who was in a similar biking accident, asked him how he possibly could. “I will never forgive the guy who killed my best friend,” he said. I could feel the bitterness coming off this guy. But I’m a Bible kind of person.” Manion thinks even drunk drivers should forgive

themselves. “Sometimes that’s the hardest thing of all to do,” he says.

—Jeanne Schinto

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BAJA

“El Aire Oscuro,” author Daniel Téllez will read from and sign his new book at the Tijuana Cultural Center today, Thursday, May 23, at 7 p.m. Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río. For more information, call 011-52-664-687-9600. Free. (TIJUANA)

The Play Mades Medus will be performed by La Madeja Theater Company today, Thursday, May 23, at 8 p.m., at the Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Tickets are \$6 U.S.

Call 011-52-664-687-9600 for additional details. (TIJUANA)

“**Exile and the Skin of Our Memories**, from Buenos Aires to Tijuana” — this art installation by Pablo Bransburg and Daniel Carrillo opens with a reception on Friday, May 24, at 8 p.m., in the Multifloro Gallery at the Institute of Culture of Baja California (ICBC), located at Centenario Avenida 10151 in the Zona Río. Admission is free. For information, call 011-52-664-683-5922 or 619-563-8444. (TIJUANA)

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Omnimax Films, currently showing: *Bears*, with screenings Tuesday through Friday at 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 p.m., with an additional screening at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The center is located at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río. For showtimes and other information, call 011-52-664-687-9600 x50. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Mule Deer by the dozens are roaming throughout Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, where they are protected year round from hunting. Take an early-morning drive down Highway 79 through the park, and you'll likely spot them on or near the road. To really study them, you can position yourself — preferably in the early morning or near sunset — on the edge of any of the several large meadows accessible via park trails. Watch carefully — and also keep an eye cocked for predatory mountain lions, which in recent years have been threatening humans as well as the deer.

Moonlight Serenade, tune in to the sounds of evening when naturalist Larry Allen Tonar leads a moderate

three-mile hike along the Boulder Loop and Rock Ridge trails in Daley Ranch on Friday, May 24. The outing starts at 6 p.m. in the main parking lot (on La Honda Drive), with water and hiking boots. For information, call 760-839-4680. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

May's Full Moon will brightly illuminate the night during the Memorial Day weekend. On Saturday, May 25, the full moon rises over the mountains just before sunset, spends the whole night arcing from east to west across the sky, and finally sets over the ocean near dawn on Sunday. Only when the moon is at or near full phase does it truly “rule the night.”

Lowest and Highest Tides this month coincide with the full moon and the long Memorial Day weekend. The lowest tides (-1.5 feet) occur at 4:12 a.m. on Sunday and at 4:58 a.m. on Monday. The highest tides (+6.7 feet) occur at 9:14 p.m. on Saturday and at 9:52 p.m. on Sunday. Hikers who don't mind some loss of sleep can try reaching normally inaccessible spots in the intertidal zone, such as the La Jolla Caves, during the wee hours of Sunday or Monday.

Will Wild Turkeys Be on Hand when Audubon Society birders head to the Wilderness Gardens Preserve on Saturday, May 25 (as they were in March)? Possible species include oak titmouse, Hutton's vireo, Bullock's oriole, tree swallow, and more. There is a short, moderately strenuous walk into the main area. The adventure runs 8:30 a.m. to noon. Find the gardens at 14209 Highway 76, ten miles east of I-15. For further information, call 619-692-3246. The parking fee is \$2. (PALA)

Plants and Animals and Wildflower, oh My! Docent Lindsey leads an out-

ing focusing on “Animals and Plants of Blue Sky” on Saturday, May 25, at Blue Sky Ecological Reserve. Naturalist Charles Hurd seeks out wildflowers on Sunday, May 26. Both walks start at 9 a.m. Find the park on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. Call 858-694-3049 for information. Free. (POWAY)

Hike to the Pierre Bovet Adobe, site of the first vineyard in San Diego, when Will Bowen leads this hike in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve on Saturday, May 25, from 10 a.m. to noon. Bovet married Providencia López of López Canyon and “was a much-sought-after chef of Old Town.” Helen Hunt Jackson, author of *Ramona*, lived in this adobe for a time. Meet the group near the fire station at the corner of Carroll Canyon Road and Scranton Road. Free. 858-484-3219. (MIRA MESA)

Bizarre Trees, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll to the desert garden on Saturday, May 25, at 10 a.m., starting from the park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

Slippery and Slithering, park ranger Melinda Taini presents a program about snakes with her live reptiles on Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m., at Felicitia Park (742 Clarence Lane). Free. Call 760-745-4379 for information. (ESCONDIDO)

Railway Hike, see the 600-foot trestle bridge in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park when Hike Bike San Diego leads an adventure on Saturday, May 25, beginning at 7 a.m. The total distance is 13 miles; travel time is approximately two hours each way. The \$75 fee includes trans-

portation, snacks, water, and lunch. To make the required reservations, call 858-551-9510. (ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK)

Hunker Down around the Campfire when the staff at Kumeyaay Campground presents a campfire program at the amphitheater on Saturday, May 25, at 7:30 p.m. Find the campground at Two Father Junipero Serra Trail; noncampers should use the day-use parking lot. For information, call 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Bring Work Gloves and Weeding Tools (if you have them) to help clean up the San Diego River with the San Diego Audubon Society on Saturday, May 25, 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will remove invasive plants on the portion of the river adjacent to Mission Bay. Wear work clothes. The spot is south of Sea World Drive and about one-half mile west of South Shores Park intersection on the service road. Free. 858-273-5242. (MISSION BAY)

Trekking the Refuges, view the migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of Tijuana Slough National Wildlife Refuge when the series hosted by the Chula Vista Nature Center continues on Saturday, May 25, at 8:30 a.m. Free. To make the required reservations and obtain directions, call 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Walk Through Wyatt Earp's Old Neighborhood when Patty Fares leads an Urban Safari jaunt through the Gaslamp Quarter on Saturday, May 25, at 10 a.m. The fee is \$10. For reservations and directions to the starting point, call 619-944-9255. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Learn About Geology and History during a five-mile round-trip hike planned to the top of Volcan Mountain by Mike from the San Dieguito River Park on Saturday, May 25, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Bring your lunch. Dial 858-674-2275 x5 to make the mandatory reservations and obtain directions. Free. (JULIAN)

Cavorting in the Canyons, take a three-hour, moderate-plus paced meander over mixed up-and-down terrain through some little-known corners and canyon trails of Carmel Valley with Walkabout explorers on Saturday, May 25. Meet leader Larry by the front entrance of Torrey Pines High School (at the northwest corner

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of Del Mar Heights Road and Torrey Ridge Drive, by the traffic signal), about one mile east of the Del Mar Heights exit off I-5. Bring water. Free. 619-231-7463. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Rescuing Wild Animals in Trouble is the job of Wildlife Assist volunteers, with two orientations planned on Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m. Get the information at the Escondido Public Library (239 South Kalmia Street) and at the Tijuana Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Participants are involved in all aspects of the work. Free. Call 619-921-6044 for information. (ESCONDIDO, IMPERIAL BEACH)

Sing Around the Campfire during the family campfire planned at Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Saturday, May 25, from 6 to 8 p.m. Organizers promise songs, a demonstration by the Canine Search and Rescue Team, stories, hot chocolate, and marshmallows to roast.

To reserve a spot, call 858-679-5469. There's an easy one-mile walk to the campground; find Blue Sky on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. A \$1 donation is requested. (POWAY)

Explore Scripps Pier by the Light of a Full Moon when the pier, nor-

mally closed to the public, is open for exploration (by reservation) on Saturday, May 25, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. During the walk hosted by the Birch Aquarium, participants will learn about the structure's history, and then they'll take water samples, collect plankton, observe ocean conditions, and study the nocturnal habits of marine life.

The fee is \$12 for adults, \$8 for children (9 and older). The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way. For the required reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

On Certain Spring Nights, hundreds of the small silvery fish known as grunion wash up onto the shores of our beaches to spawn. Observe the nocturnal habits of marine life on the beaches of La Jolla when the Birch Aquarium-Museum hosts grunion run activities on Wednesday, May 29, from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. The evening begins with a presentation featuring bioluminescence and the lifestyle of various beach-dwelling marine animals, including grunion, and then moves down to the beach to search out the residents.

Prepare for cool, wet conditions, and bring a flashlight. The fee is \$9 for adults, \$5 for children 7-13. Bring a flashlight. Call 858-534-7336 for reservations and directions. (LA JOLLA)

Master Tracker Ab Taylor presents his step-by-step "Mantracking and Track-Aware" seminar on June 1 and 2, in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Pre-

serve. Novices are welcome to the classes, running 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. The fee is \$55 for the weekend, which includes Saturday's dinner. For space availability and information, call 619-892-7620. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

DANCE

Learn West African Dance Moves to live drumming when guest artist Abdoulaye Camara from Guinea, West Africa, teaches a workshop today, Thursday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m., at Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue). The fee is \$15. For information, call 858-793-0178. (HILLCREST)

Zydeco! The Bon Temps Social Club hosts its weekly "Thursday Club" get-together at the Balboa Park Club (take Presidents Way off Park Boulevard). The Bayou Brothers will be on hand to make live music on May 23. Beginning and intermediate zydeco instruction takes place from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m., followed by open dancing to CDs from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. The requested donation is \$5; kids are free and welcome. Zia's Afghan Café will provide the food (for sale). Partners are not required. 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

Over 500 Costumes are employed in the course of a performance by the Tamburitians of Duquesne University, hitting the stage at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 24, at the East County Per-

forming Arts Center (210 East Main Street). The folk ensemble presents music, songs, and dances from Eastern Europe and neighboring cultures. Tickets are \$18 and \$20. For reservations, call 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Fumbling Toward Ecstasy, the San Diego Center for Moving Arts hosts this "amazing workshop, a dive into the body's wisdom and exploration of movement and dance" on Saturday, May 25, at 7 p.m. Admission is \$15. All skill levels are welcome. Find the center at 3255 Fifth Avenue; 619-298-2687. (HILLCREST)

Mystery for Contra Dancers, Martha Wild calls and a Mystery Band provides the music for the contradance planned on Saturday, May 25. The fun takes place 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)

Dancin' and Eatin', the Sandpipers Square Dance Club hosts its annual old-fashioned barbecue dance on Saturday, May 25, at the St. James Parish Hall (625 South Nardo). Steve Moore and Phil Farmer share the calling duties, while Peter Gomez does the cueing, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10. For information, call 760-436-0685 or 858-755-5011. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Funkalosophy," it's the title for the season 2002 premiere by Eveoke Dance Theater on offer through May 26. The piece, choreographed by Ericka Moore and Gina Angelique, "explores vision, dreams, images of hope, and the reality of urban life in San Diego."

Performances begin at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Sundays. Tickets are \$15 general on Fridays and Saturdays, with "pay what you can" opportunities on Thursdays and Sundays. Find the theater at 644 Seventh Avenue (between Market and G Street). 619-238-1153. (DOWNTOWN)

"Mother's and Father's Day" provide the theme for the Sufi dancing event led by Toni Michael on Saturday, May 25, at 7:30 p.m., at the First Spiritualist Church (3777 42nd Street, at Wightman). Guitarist Lara Guitierrez will provide musical accompaniment. The requested donation is \$5. Call 619-692-9542 for information. (CITY HEIGHTS)

FILM

The Souise and the Spinster, enjoy John Huston's 1951 classic, *The African Queen*, when it screens for the "Movies before the Mast" nautical film series on the deck of the *Star of India* Friday and Saturday, May 24 and 25. The film is set in Africa during World War II, starring Katharine Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart.

Gates open at 7 p.m., with the movie commencing at dark. The film is projected onto a special sail aloft in the ship's rig, and a nautical cartoon accompanies the feature. Tickets are \$10 general, \$8 for seniors, children 15 and under, and members. The *Star* is berthed at 1306 North Harbor Drive, at Ash Street. To make the required reservations, call 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

The Horror, the Horror! Gather your newspapers, toast, and squirt guns for *The Rocky Horror Picture*

Show, screening every Friday at midnight at La Paloma Theatre (417 South Coast Highway 101). Tickets are \$7. For information, call 760-436-5774. (ENCINITAS)

Dusk Films, the "Summer of 2002 Outdoor Film Festival" series at the San Diego Museum of Art begins with Academy Award-winning 1971 action flick *The French Connection*, starring Gene Hackman. The show starts at dusk on Thursday, May 30. Bring a blanket for seating. For more information, call 619-696-1935. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

The Long-Awaited Aztlanahuac Documentary *Going Back to Where We Came From* by columnists Patricia Gonzalez and Roberto Rodriguez screens on Sunday, May 26, at 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). Discussion and a question-and-answer period follow the film. Tickets are \$7 general. Questions? Call 619-230-1869 for answers. (DOWNTOWN)

"Keeping the Faith," childhood friends grow up to become a rabbi and a priest and both fall in love with their Irish Catholic childhood friend in *Keeping the Faith*, starring Ben Stiller, Edward Norton, and Jenna Elfman. See the film when it screens for the "Stars and Crosses: The Cinema of Christian-Jewish Relations" film series on Sunday, May 26, in the library at Temple Emanu-El, 6299 Capri Drive. SDSU professor Lawrence Baron leads the discussion following the film. Tickets for nonmembers are \$6.50. For information or reservations, call 619-286-2555. (GRANTVILLE)

The Life of an Unconventional Dutch Matriarch provides the story in *Antonia's Line*, screening for the

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SpeakOut 2002 film series, focusing this year on “Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity.” The Oscar-winning film is in Dutch with English subtitles. See the film at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 26, in room P-32 on the Palomar College campus (1140 West Mission Road). Free. For more information, call 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

The Bubbly Italian Comedy *Bread and Tulips* can be described as “a fairy tale of hope,” in which an unfulfilled 40-year-old housewife creates a new and interesting life in Venice after being left behind in a roadside bathroom during a family vacation. Sound complicated? It’s a pleasurable journey from start to finish.

The film screens — in Italian with English subtitles — on Tuesday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m., for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

The “Tribute to Billy Wilder” being offered for the film series hosted by the Carlsbad City Library continues with *Some Like It Hot* on Wednesday, May 29. The screening begins at 6 p.m. in Schulman Auditorium, at 1775 Dove Lane. Free. 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

In Search of Universal Truths, twentysomething filmmaker Chris Roe and his Baby Boomer father Richard Roe (in the midst of a wicked midlife crisis) take a six-month trip around the world in *Pop and Me*. In this travelogue, the duo interviews men of various cultures

and socioeconomic classes in 26 countries in search of “universal truths about the bonds between fathers and sons.”

The Independent Film Society hosts a screening of the film on Sunday, June 2, at 7 p.m., at the UltraStar La Costa Cinema (6941 El Camino Real, at Alga). “Pop” Richard Roe will be on hand to answer questions. Admission is \$12 general. Call 760-942-5988 for information. (LA COSTA)

LECTURES

“Being Born Impure in the City of Cadmos and Oedipus” is the topic when Marcel Detienne speaks today, Thursday, May 23, at 4 p.m., in the Visual Arts Seminar Room at UCSD. Detienne is a classics professor at Johns Hopkins University and is recognized as one of the most important and innovative specialists in ancient Greek studies. Free. For more details, dial 858-534-4618. (LA JOLLA)

Are Your Attic Treasures Worth Big Bucks? Joan Seifried of Angel Antique Appraisals will conduct a *Roadshow*-type appraisal session for the Retirement Living Class on Friday, May 24, at 1 p.m., at ElderHelp (4069 30th Street). Free. 619-284-9281. (NORTH PARK)

“From Russia with Love, Will, and Consciousness,” G.I. Gurdjieff and Peter Ouspensky brought a psychological system known as the “Fourth Way” to the West in the early 20th Century.

Clinical psychologist Patricia Stahl will discuss some of the aspects of the Fourth Way described as “particularly relevant to maintaining balance while experiencing the stress of contemporary life” on Saturday, May 25, at 10 a.m., at the Book Garden (4496 Park Boulevard). Free. For reservations, call 619-338-8524. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Imagery Heavily Influenced by artists ranging from Rembrandt to Ingres that manages to transcend classical roots to “stand with the best contemporary art” by Herbert Olds is on exhibit through Sunday, June 16, at the Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (4275 Cass Street). Olds presents an artist’s talk on Saturday, May 25, at 1 p.m. Free. 858-238-6627. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Polly Has Pizzazz, learn about the widely differing personalities of parrots commonly kept as companion birds when the Parrot Education and Adoption Center presents a seminar on Saturday, May 25. On Sunday, May 26, discover just what your parrot’s body language is saying.

Both talks run from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Marina Village Conference Center (1936 Quivira Way, off West Mission Bay Drive). Admission is \$10 per seminar. For information, call 619-287-8200. (MISSION BAY)

Tricks and Tools of the Trade will be discussed by book collecting experts Marc Slott of My Book Collection and Elizabeth Baldwin (Baldwin Books) on Saturday, May 25, at 2:30 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boule-

vard). To make the required reservations, call 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

Let It Rot, the San Diego Master Composters host a backyard composting workshop on Saturday, May 25, at 8 a.m., at the San Diego Zoo. Participants will learn all about the magic of compost and how to make it. Free. To register, dial 760-436-7986. (BALBOA PARK)

“How Plants Got Their Names” is the subject when ethnobotanist Gordon Gibson speaks for the Lake Hodges Native Plant Club on Tuesday, May 28, at 2 p.m., in the upstairs seminar room of the Rancho Bernardo Library (17110 Bernardo Center Drive). Gibson worked for the Smithsonian Institution in Africa. 760-741-0829. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

“Maps Can Help You Climb Your Family Tree,” according to Harry Drewry, who speaks for the North San Diego County Genealogical Society on Tuesday, May 28. Drewry has been researching his family for 20 years and spends time helping others with their research problems. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 760-723-1342. (CARLSBAD)

Muse Claims: “I Was Tricked!” Jill Badonsky leads a class with “playful writing to experience the altered state that comes from being immersed in the creative flow” on Tuesday, May 28. Expect creative exercises that will “trick the creative muse into submission.” Badonsky calls herself a

creativity coach/performance writer/improv comedian.

All levels. The fee for “Intoxicated Writing” is \$15. Class begins at 7:30 p.m., at Bridge Way Books (162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, suite A-30). To reserve a spot, call 760-414-1949. (ENCINITAS)

“Countdown to the Second Space Age!” Jim Benson, founder and chief executive officer of SpaceDev, will discuss the radical changes in spacecraft design, manufacture, and testing “and how these changes could affect you in your lifetime” on Wednesday, May 29. This Eyes on the Universe lecture at the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center begins at 7 p.m. Admission is \$6.75 general. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Listen to “Unconventional Definitions of Wellness” when Paul Brenner, M.D., presents “The Psychology of Relationships and Health” on Wednesday, May 29, at 7:30 p.m., in room 204 at MiraCosta College’s San Elijo campus (3333 Manchester Avenue). Brenner is the author of *Buddha in the Waiting Room: Lessons I Learned from My Patients*. Admission is \$7. Call 760-757-2121 x6820 for information. (CARDIFF)

The First Post-Apartheid Vice Chancellor and rector (president) of the University of Fort Hare in South Africa was Mbulelo V. Mzamane, who is also known for his short stories and poetry (and much of it was

banned in apartheid South Africa). Mzamane co-founded the Black Consciousness movement with Stephen Biko and spent three decades in exile.

Mzamane examines “Reconciliation and Reconstruction in Post-Apartheid South Africa” on Wednesday, May 29, at 4 p.m., in the de Certeau Room, 3155 Literature Building, at UCSD. Free. Questions? Call 858-534-4618 for answers. (LA JOLLA)

Scheduled for the “Real” Memorial Day (as opposed to the observed holiday creating a three-day weekend), the Peninsula Centre for the Performing Arts hosts a literary discussion focusing on World War II on Thursday, May 30, at 7 p.m.

The program, highlighting aspects of the war from military aviation to the Holocaust, includes writers Dennis Piskiewicz (*Wernher von Braun and Nazi Rocketeers*), Isabelle Cook (*In Times of War*), Bruce Linder (*San Diego’s Navy*), John Cross, Alfons Heck (*The Burden of Hitler’s Legacy*), and Suzan E. Hagstrom, (*Sara’s Children: The Destruction of Chmielnik*). The center is found at 3156 Sports Arena Boulevard. Call 619-224-4644 for information. Free. (SPORTS ARENA)

“Tracing Your Germanic Ancestors Around the World: Where Did They Come From? Where Did They Go?” It’s just one topic when Edward R. Brandt speaks for the German Research Association on Saturday,

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Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

June 1. He'll also present "New Perspectives on Researching Germanic Peoples East of the Oder-Neisse with Primary Emphasis on East and West Prussia." Brandt is the author of *Germanic Genealogy: A Guide to Worldwide Sources and Migration Patterns*.

Free. The seminar runs from 9 a.m. to noon at Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Vermont Street. To register, call 619-420-4557. (HILLCREST)

IN PERSON

"Dreams Are Letters from the Soul," according to Connie Kaplan, who will sign and discuss her book today, Thursday, May 23, at 7 p.m., at Esmeralda Books and Coffee (1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307). Kaplan describes dreams as "a communal space — a sacred library of information for growth and healing." Free. 858-755-2707. (DEL MAR)

"Malcolm X and Black Radical Thought: Celebrating the Birthday and Legacy of Malcolm X" is the theme for programs planned this month at the Malcolm X Library (5148 Market Street, at Euclid). Participating "lay and academic scholars" explore Malcolm X's legacy in light of contemporary ideas.

Gil Griffin presents "Footprints in the Pacific: Expanding the Black Diaspora" today, Thursday, May 23, at 6 p.m. The series concludes with "Stories on Stage Theatre" on Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m. The evening promises staged readings from *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*, *Song of Solomon* by Toni Morrison, and Toni Cade Bambara's *Gorilla, My Love*.

Programs are free. For more information, call 619-527-3405. (ENCANTO)

Historical Mystery Author Steven Saylor will sign the eighth book in the "Roma Sub Rosa" series, *Mist of Prophecies*, at Mysterious Galaxy Books today, Thursday, May 23, at 7 p.m. The shop is found at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

Spring Music Social, the Palomar College Concert Band shares band music favorites including stage tunes, classical selections, and traditional concert band pieces in concert today, Thursday, May 23, at 8 p.m., in Howard Brubeck Theatre at Palomar College. Tickets are \$10 general. Find the campus at 1140 West Mission Road. For reservations, call 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

Don't Be Afraid, Joe Rogan, the host of NBC's *Fear Factor*, entertains on Friday and Saturday, May 24 and 25, at the Comedy Store (858-454-9176). Shows begin at 8 and 10:30 p.m. For tickets and information, call 858-454-9176. (LA JOLLA)

Thornton Wilder's Matchmaker is being presented by Orange Glen

High School's Phoenix House Players on Friday and Saturday, May 24 and 25, at 7:30 p.m. Find the school at 2200 Glenridge Road. Tickets are \$4 for students, \$6 for adults. For information, call 760-290-5000 x5703. (ESCONDIDO)

Easy-Listening Standards may be heard when vocalist Nathan Welden performs on Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m., at Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden. Free. Find the garden at 12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West; 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

Jazz Improv Workshop, this undergraduate class concert, directed by Anthony Davis, is offered on Friday, May 24. The concert promises improvised music including jazz standards, pop music, and original student compositions. The music begins at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Free. Call 858-534-4830 for more information. (LA JOLLA)

Ella's Mujer Series, this performing arts series featuring women gets underway with poetry by Los Angeles writers Olga Angelina García Echeverría (*When Skin Peels*) and reina a. prado a.k.a. alejandra ibarra (*Santa Perversa and Other Erotic Poems*), and Carmen Vega. Interested? The words begin at 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 25, at Voz Alta, located at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). Admission is \$7 general, \$5 for students and seniors. Dial 619-230-1869 for details. (DOWNTOWN)

Author John Corcoran will speak and sign *The Teacher Who Couldn't Read* on Saturday, May 25, at noon, at Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

Macrobiologists of Contemporary Electronic Music? It's the way Drew Daniel and M.C. Schmidt (collectively known as Matmos) presented themselves on their album *Quasi-Objects*. Expect experimental electronica when the duo, most recently on tour with Björk, performs for the Fresh Sound concert series on Saturday, May 25. The concert begins at 8 p.m. at the Spruce Street Forum, 301 Spruce Street. To make the required reservations, call 619-295-0301. Tickets are \$20 general. (HILLCREST)

Local Bikers Tell All, Mark Manion survived a horrible bicycling accident and details his recovery in *Unfinished Miles: One Man's Unthinkable Journey*. Manion will be joined by *San Diego Mountain Bike Guide* author Daniel Greenstadt for a signing and discussion on Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m., at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Hazard Center (7610 Hazard Center Drive). Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Memorial Day is being commemorated with a program on Friday, May 24, at 1:30 p.m., at Monte Vista Village Retirement Community (2211 Massachusetts Avenue). Lemon Grove mayor Mary Sessom will share why the holiday holds personal significance for her; keynote

speaker Lieutenant Colonel Roger Drinkwater (United States Air Force, retired) served as a B-17 pilot during World War II and was subsequently a POW in a German stalag. Free. Call 619-465-1331 for information. (LEMON GROVE)

What's a Chapman Stick? Find out when Emmett Chapman performs on his eponymous creation at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 25, in the MiraCosta College Theatre. He'll be joined by stick players Greg Howard and Tom Griesgraber and his band Agent 22. General admission is \$10. Find the campus at One Barnard Drive; call 760-795-6815 for reservations. (OCEANSIDE)

One-Act Showcase, see one-act plays directed, written by, and featuring Theatre School students of the North Coast Repertory Theatre and their mentors at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, May 25 and June 1, and at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 27. Tickets are \$5 general, \$3 for children. Find the theater at 987-D Lomas Santa Fe; call 858-481-1055 for tickets. (SOLANA BEACH)

Under the Blue-and-Yellow Big Top, 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 diving, bamboo poles, single handbalancing, clowns, and more.

Dralion continues through Sunday, May 26, at the Del Mar Fair-

grounds. 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)

Sunday Slammin', take in the Last Sunday Poetry Slam on May 26, at the Urban Grind (3797 Park Boulevard). Slam, judge, or just watch the action. Slamming begins at 7:30 p.m. (following sign-ups at 7 p.m.). 619-294-2920. The requested donation is \$2. (HILLCREST)

Last Chance! Head to the Poetsperformance open reading planned on Sunday, May 26, 4 to 6 p.m., in the Red Room at Red's Espresso Gallery (1017 Rosecrans). This is the last reading before the summer hiatus; the group convenes again in September. Free. 619-523-5543. (POINT LOMA)

"Peace, Social Justice, and Nonviolence," this Memorial Day poetry reading fundraiser for Project Yano is planned on Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day), at 1 p.m., at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). Participants John Moreno, Rick Jahnkow, Georgi Sanchez, Carl Stahmer, and Tabatha Dansby will present poetry, song, and activism. Tickets are \$15 general, \$10 for students. For more information, dial 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

A Variety of Jewish Performances designed "to dazzle audiences" is planned for this year's Lipinsky Family San Diego Jewish Arts Festival. The festival continues with "Jerusalem in Song" on Wednesday, May 29, at 7:30 p.m., at the North

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She’s Traveled from the Corporate World of work to the “healing world of holistic health,” and Naomi Malkinson will discuss her work and life when the Friends of the San Carlos Library gather on Wednesday, May 29, at 7 p.m. Find the library at 7265 Jackson Drive; 619-442-1860. (SAN CARLOS)

The Power of Youth, this bilingual youth theater, poetry, and music event hosted by Teatro Con Safos starts at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). Admission is free. 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

Discover Pro-Golfing Secrets when author John Strege, who has covered professional golf for more than 15 years, signs and discusses *Tournament Week* on Wednesday, May 29, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. Call 760-943-6400 for details. (ENCINITAS)

“**Word Spoken**,” this all-age event starts at 8:30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month, including

May 30, at Cafe Crema (1001 Garnet Avenue, at Cass). Free. Expect poetry and open-mike opportunities. 858-273-3558. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Using Your Passport This Year? Sandra Gustafson signs and discusses *Great Eats and Sleeps: Italy and London* at Esmeralda Books and Coffee on Thursday, May 30, at 7 p.m. Get the scoop on the best deals abroad this year. Find the shop at 1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307, and by dialing 858-755-2707. (DEL MAR)

Set Sail on a Musical Journey to America when the J*Company presents premiere performances of the new “Jewish musical” *Hello, Tomorrow*, by Sean Hartley. The play tells the story of Jewish immigration through the seven Belarsky children who travel from Russia to New York to be reunited with their father.

Enjoy the singing in the David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 30; at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 31; at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 1; and at 1 and 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 2. Tickets range from \$11 to \$15.50 for nonmembers. Call 858-362-1348 for reservations. (LA JOLLA)

Know Any One-Eyed French/Indian Navigators? Get to know “Pierre Cruzatte, Navigator for the Lewis and Clark Expedition” when Daniel Slosberg performs in period costume as the navigator May 31-June 2 at the Whaley House. Cruzatte served as an entertainer for the expedition members and for Indian na-

tions they visited along the way. Slosberg plays authentic period musical pieces blending traditional French and Indian music in a folk style and presents historic tales of the expedition mixing humor with the trials and tribulations of the trek.

Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday, with a 5 p.m. show on Saturday. Tickets are \$12. Find the Whaley House at 2476 San Diego Avenue. For information, call 619-297-9327. (MORENA)

Is He the Funniest Man Alive? *Entertainment Weekly* laid this honor at the feet of Robin Williams, who plans a concert on Monday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m., at the San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). The show features explicit content and is not for those under 18. Tickets range from \$55 to

\$108, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

SPORTS

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)

Can’t Face the 5/805 Split? Join Sierra Club bicyclists for a ride today, Thursday, May 23. This ride starts at 5:15 p.m. at the northeast corner of Laurel Street and Sixth Avenue, cruises down to the bay, continues on to Point Loma, and loops back through Ocean Beach and Mission Hills. Pace will vary according to terrain (fast on downhill, slow on the way up). 619-583-3261. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Surf’s Up when the Professional Surfing Tour of America hits the waves in Imperial Beach May 23-26.

Competition takes place just north of the Imperial Beach Pier and Pier Plaza. Surfing begins at 8 a.m. on Thursday morning with men’s shortboard competition throughout the day. Friday there’s men’s shortboard and longboard competition 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The competition on Saturday is in men’s and women’s shortboard and men’s longboard. Surfing concludes on Sunday with men’s and women’s shortboard competition, followed by awards at 3:30 p.m. Spectating is free. For information, call 619-424-3151. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Vr-r-oom, head to Cajon Speedway on Saturday, May 25, for competition in the sportsman, street, bomber, and pony and factory stock car categories. The first race starts at 6:45 p.m., with qualifying runs starting at 5 p.m.

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Rails and Roads, the Knickerbikers have a “mixed media” outing planned on Saturday, May 25. The jaunt starts at 9 a.m. at the Encinitas train station (found on Vulcan Avenue and E Street, just south of Encinitas Boulevard). Bicyclists will ride south to Old Town, have lunch, and hitch a ride back to Encinitas on the Coaster. Bring money for food and train fare. Expect a 25-mile ride, suitable for intermediates. 619-294-3941. (ENCINITAS)

No Punting Is Allowed in arena football, and there’s no fair catch either. The San Diego Riptide meets up with the Bakersfield Blitz on Saturday, May 25, at 7 p.m., at the San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets range from \$5 to \$50, available by calling 858-404-0232. (SPORTS ARENA)

Board and Brew the Long Way, join San Diego Bicycle Touring Society bicyclists for a ride promising lunch in Del Mar on Saturday, May 25. The 50-mile ride begins at 8:45 a.m. at Doyle Park (8175 Regents Road). Bring money for lunch. Call 619-291-3594 for information. (LA JOLLA)

Tennis for Newcomers, the Bobby Riggs Tennis Club invites North County newcomers to the Round Robin Tennis Social planned on the last Sunday of each month, including May 26. Tennis starts at 2 p.m., with a potluck to follow. For information, call 760-753-4705. Find the club at 875 Santa Fe Drive). Free for the first visit. (ENCINITAS)

Female Martial Artists of all ages, ranks, and styles will be competing and demonstrating their skills at the Scottish Rite Center (1895 Camino del Rio South) on Sunday, May 26, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This All-Female Martial Artists Tournament is being held in association with the Gina Eisenman Foundation, raising funds to fight domestic violence. Admis-

sion is by donation. 619-987-8828. (MISSION VALLEY)

See Some Sea Turtles up close when Hike Bike Kayak San Diego hosts ocean kayak outings on Sunday, May 26, at 8 a.m. or 1 p.m. The \$95 fee includes equipment, food, and water. To reserve a spot, call 858-551-9510. (CHULA VISTA)

Full-Moon Paddle, enjoy an introduction to kayaking and take a scenic nighttime tour of Mission Bay during an adventure planned by the San Diego Natural History Museum next Tuesday, May 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. Paddlers will look for sea lions and bird watch. The nonmember fee is \$70 per person in a single kayak, \$55 in a double. To reserve a spot, call 619-232-3821 x203. (MISSION BAY)

The Proud and the Beautiful, the Region One International Horse Show Arabian Horse Association Championship Show runs Wednesday, May 29, through Sunday, June 2, at the Del Mar Fairgrounds Horse Arena. Hours are 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily except June 2, when the show concludes at 6 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call 909-699-6400. (DEL MAR)

Hey, Dude, there’s competition planned in the Oceanside Pier beach area when the Pro-Surfing Tour of America hits the waves Wednesday, May 29, through Sunday, June 2. Competition runs 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information, call 831-728-9001. Spectating is free. (OCEANSIDE)

Horsin’ Around, the June Jamboree Show runs Thursday, May 30, through Sunday, June 2, at Del Mar Horsepark (14550 El Camino Real). Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. 858-481-9085. (DEL MAR)

Freedom from Domestic Violence is the goal for the Liberty Run/Walk, a collaborative effort benefiting seven area domestic violence shelters. The four-mile run starts at 8:05 p.m., with the walk beginning at 8:10 a.m., in the Gaslamp Quarter on Sunday, June 9; continues over the Coronado Bridge; and concludes in Tidelands Park. Event-day registration starts at 6:30 a.m. Call 760-434-7706 for information. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

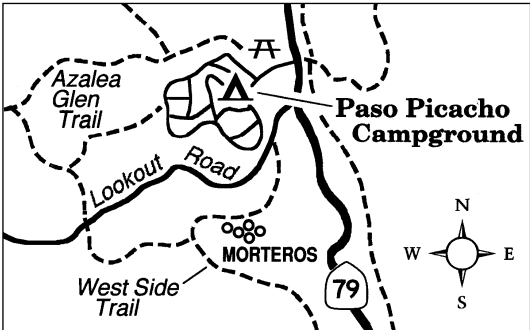
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At least a dozen Native American villages existed in the Cuyamaca Mountains until about a century and a half ago. These were the mountain villages or summer camps of the Kumeyaay tribe, who divided their time between the Laguna and Cuyamaca Mountains and the present Anza-Borrego Desert. Some of the same habitation sites are occupied by present-day camping or picnicking sites, and near those areas you can often find on slabs or large boulders of granite clusters of *morteros*, or mortar holes, used for the milling of acorns and other seeds. Some of Cuyamaca’s village sites are a little more isolated, reachable only by trail. One such place, marked by a large cluster of *morteros*, lies a short distance from Paso Picacho Campground by



of the *Nina* sails into the Oceanside Harbor for public tours through Saturday, June 8. Tour hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is \$4 general, \$3.50 seniors, \$3 for students; children under 5 free. (OCEANSIDE)

Ahoy, Matey, it’s time for San Diego Marifest 2002. This celebration of San Diego’s maritime heritage begins with a tugboat parade from 2 to 3 p.m. on Friday, May 24, along the Embarcadero (near the *Star of India*). Viewing is free.

The third annual Maritime Heritage Dance and a Taste of the Waterfront are slated for Sunday, May 26, at 5:30 p.m., aboard the *Berkeley* ferryboat at the Maritime Museum (1492 North Harbor Drive). There will be a variety of cuisine from San Diego restaurants and dancing to the High Society Jazz Band. Swing dance lessons and a dance contest led by Shesha and

way of a short section of the West Side Trail. Pine- and oak-shaded Paso Picacho, at elevation 4870 feet, is one of the two large camping areas within Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, 12 miles north of Interstate 8 via Highway 79.

The *morteros* are only a few minutes’ walk away. From the fire station outside the campground entrance, walk uphill on the paved (but closed to vehicle traffic) fire road leading toward the summit of Cuyamaca Peak. Beyond the gate that blocks vehicle traffic on the fire road, a sign marks the beginning of the West Side Trail — a trail roughly paralleling Highway 79. You can also reach the start of the West Side Trail from the back (south side) of the campground. After about 0.2 mile on the West Side Trail, you emerge from the forest cover and skirt the north edge of a meadow. Look for a complex of about 30 *morteros* near the trail. There are others nearby.

With a modest leap of imagination, it’s not too difficult to picture a typical scene on a summer’s day 200 years ago: Indian women grinding acorn meal, children squalling nearby, the men off hunting small



Morteros off West Side Trail

game, or perhaps fashioning stone tools or arrowheads. Collectors long ago carried off any small artifacts left behind, but the well-worn pits in the granite remain as reminders of an epoch that ended only a few generations ago.

Terra will be on offer, along with a 1940s-vintage fashion show and an art show by Gallery on Broadway. Tickets are \$25. For more information, call 619-336-2220. (DOWNTOWN)

Howdy, Neighbor! It’s time for Valley Center’s Western Days, running May 24-26. This year’s theme: “Freedom Trails.” On Friday, the Saltlickers (5 p.m.) and the Killin’ Time Band (7:45 p.m.) present the live entertainment and dancing. Admission is free.

On Saturday, events begin with a pancake breakfast (7 a.m.) and a parade at 10 a.m. starting at the intersection of Cole Grade Road and Valley Center Road, ending at Fat Ivor’s Restaurant. There’s a barbecue at 11:30 a.m. and live entertainment by the Big River Band and Working Cowboy Band and Buck Shots and dancing from 2:30 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$3 general.

Sunday’s pancake breakfast runs from 8 to 11 a.m., with live entertainment from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The festival — complete with vendors, food booths, and exhibits — takes place at the Valley Center Community Center, 28246 Lilac Road. Admission on Sunday is free.

Bulls and Barrels Rodeo perfor-

mances begin at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 24, and at 4 p.m. on Saturday, at the east of the Community Center on Lilac Road. Tickets for the rodeo are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the gate; kids five and under free. For information, call 760-749-7518. (VALLEY CENTER)

Turn on to Fern Street, a flying saucer crash lands and two mysterious aliens emerge from the craft when the Fern Street Circus presents its 12th annual residency and new show, *The Fool from Outer Space*. This circus is a bilingual theatrical event showcasing the talents of local circus and variety artists, with acts by kids from its After-School Circus programs in Golden Hill, Linda Vista, and San Ysidro. Whaddaya know about hand balancing? Find out when the Russian duo of Iouri and Nikolai perform as guest artists. There’s always something to knock your socks off!

The red, yellow, and blue walls of the open-air circus can be found this year on Park Boulevard at Morley Field Drive (just north of the San Diego Zoo, in front of the War Memorial Building at 3325 Zoo Drive). There are bleachers and grass to sit on, and you may bring low-backed chairs. The fun begins at 1

and 4 p.m. on Saturday and Monday (Memorial Day), May 25 and 27, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 26. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for those 12 and under, available at the gate and through Arts Tix. For more information, call 619-235-9756. (BALBOA PARK)

Buds’n Blooms, the annual floral fiesta in Balboa Park runs through the month of May, celebrating the botanical wealth and beauty of the park. Each weekend promises lectures and plant shows.

Follow your nose to “Glorious Garlic Day” festivities on Saturday, May 25, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., on the Prado pedestrian walkway. There will be garlic cooking demonstrations, tips on cooking, history of garlic, and more. For information, call 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

“Strength in Unity,” it’s time for the 2002 Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Festival, running 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26. Organizers promise an array of food, 40 different Asian and Pacific Islander musical, dance, and vocal performances on two stages, as well as arts and crafts, children’s activities, a health expo, and more. Admission is free. The festival can be found at Pres-

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A darker Ribbon — for a Day —
A Crape upon the Hat —
And then the pretty sunshine comes —
And helps us to forget —

The absent — mystic — creature —
That but for love of us —
Had gone to sleep — that soundest time —
Without the weariness —

Presentiment — is that long Shadow — on the Lawn —
Indicative that Suns go down —

The Notice to the startled Grass
That Darkness — is about to pass —

Some say goodnight — at night —
I say goodnight by day —
Good-bye — the Going utter me —
Goodnight, I still reply —

For parting, that is night,
And presence, simply dawn —
Itself, the purple on the height
Denominated morn.

I felt a Cleaving in my Mind —
As if my Brain had split —
I tried to match it — Seam by Seam —
But could not make them fit.

The thought behind, I strove to join
Unto the thought before —
But Sequence ravelled out of Sound
Like Balls — upon a Floor.

Covet a Cycad? The Palm Society offers its sixth annual sale of palms and cycads at Quail Botanical Gardens on Saturday, May 25, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vendors will offer more than 1000 palm trees, over 100 different species of palms, and many “rare and seldom-available species of cycads.” Admission is \$5 general, with discounts for seniors and children. Find the gardens at 230 Quail Gardens Drive; 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

Don't Be Reserved, enjoy the “ultimate wine-tasting experience” as the winemakers at Belle Marie Winery present barrel tastings of private reserve wines on Saturday, May 25, at 4 p.m. New and future releases can also be sampled with breads and cheeses. The fee is \$25. Find the winery at 26312 Mesa Rock Road; call

760-796-7557 to reserve a spot. (ESCONDIDO)

Street Rods star for the 12th anniversary San Diego Stadium Auto Swap on Sunday, May 26, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Qualcomm Stadium. Guests include Paul LeMat (from *American Graffiti*) and Cindy Williams (*American Graffiti* and *Lavigne and Shirley*). View vehicles on display and for sale, along with “acres of parts and accessories.” Admission is \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342. (MISSION VALLEY)

Eat and Be Merry, food from 32 nations is on offer when the International Cottages of the House of Pacific Relations presents its 23rd annual food fair from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 26. Native costumes, ethnic music, songs, and

dancing will be featured. Admission is free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

Forty Street Banners, each individually created by local artists, will be auctioned off to the highest bidder on Sunday, May 26, at the Star Theater (402 North Coast Highway). The public reception and auction run from 1 to 3 p.m. The minimum bid is \$150, with proceeds benefiting the artists and “continuing revitalization efforts in downtown Oceanside.” For more information, dial 760-754-4512. (OCEANSIDE)

Wearing 19th-Century Clothing and using traditional painting methods, Old Town banjoist Chris Ownby is painting a 19th-Century stage backdrop for San Diego's oldest professional theater, the Whaley House. Ownby is painting the backdrop and

playing music of the 1860s on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays, beginning at 10 a.m., through May. Concerts are free with paid admission to the Whaley House Museum, at 2476 San Diego Avenue. For information, dial 619-297-9327. (MORENA)

Take a Turn on the Bench, meet with pianists “of like skills” for an informal get-together at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 28, in the Santa Fe Room of the Balboa Park Club (found at the west end of Presidents Way). Bring your music and perform classics, jazz, or your own compositions. Free. For information, call 858-483-3939. (BALBOA PARK)

The Three-Part Installation *Bird Hub* by artist Daniel Wheeler is on view through March 5, 2003, at the San Elijo Lagoon Nature Center.


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idents Way and Park Boulevard. 858-565-6698. (BALBOA PARK)

Take the Train to Tecate via Campo, when the San Diego Railroad Museum offers a vintage train excursion to Tecate, Mexico, on Saturday, May 25. The train departs the depot at 10 a.m. Once in Tecate, visitors have an afternoon to explore the town. The cost is \$40 for adults, \$20 for children. Reservations are required, made by calling 619-595-3030 x3. (CAMPO, TECATE)

“A Bridge to the Future: The Meditation Festivals of Spring 2002” are planned “during the heightened atmosphere of the spring full moons.” Each full moon is a festival of light based on a powerful relationship between the Earth and the sun. At each gathering, a speaker sets the tone and the group holds the keynote with a period of silence, invocation, and music.

This year the festivals celebrate the potentials of “Awakening Humanity.” The gathering on Saturday, May 25, convenes for the festival of Gemini in “A Call to the Right Rela-

tionship.” The event begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Friends Meeting House, 7380 Eads Avenue. For information, call 619-296-1373. Admission is free; donations will be accepted. (LA JOLLA)

Check and Check Again, the Balboa Park Chess Club hosts gambito open chess tournaments every Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. at the Balboa Club (2225 Sixth Avenue). Expect four rounds with a time control of 45 minutes for each competitor per game, plus cash prizes for winners. Current U.S. Chess Federation membership is required for participation; the entry fee is \$15. For more details, call 619-239-7166. (BALBOA PARK)

“Garden of Earthly Delights,” this art show featuring jewelry, ceramics, paintings, and music by local artisans takes place Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26, from 2 to 9 p.m., at 140 Range Street (between Scott's Automotive and Royal Liquor). 760-436-3068. (LEUCADIA)

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READING

The Poet and the Murderer



Simon Worrall

Dutton, 2002; 270 pages; \$23.95

FROM THE DUST JACKET: In *The Poet and the Murderer*, journalist Simon Worrall takes readers into the mind of Mark Hofmann, one of the most daring literary forgers and remorseless murderers of the late 20th Century.

As the author follows the trail of a forged Emily Dickinson poem across America, he journeys into a labyrinth of lies and intrigue where truth is illusion, and nothing is what it seems. Filled with the page-turning suspense and exciting

sleuthing techniques of a literary thriller, *The Poet and the Murderer* paints a portrait of a man whose greatest talent — and greatest tragedy — was his ability to conceal his depraved brilliance behind the unique gifts and enduring celebrity of others.

His greatest forgery, a 15-line poem in the style of Emily Dickinson, dazzled and then shocked the world of auction houses

and academia. By weaving together the story of this masterful forgery with insights into the life and work of America's most elusive poet, Simon Worrall has created an absorbing book.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY: From *Booklist*: When a writer can make the formation of letters in handwriting an act of breath-holding suspense, you know you're in good hands. Journalist Worrall infuses the crime of forgery with the thrill of creation, spiced with the knowledge that one false micromove can mean discovery and ruin. In 1997, Sotheby's unveiled what experts believed was a newly discovered poem, "That God Cannot Be Understood," by Emily Dickinson. A few weeks later, the exciting discovery was revealed to be a forgery by a man who had already convincingly forged documents by more than 100 literary and historical figures, including Daniel Boone and Betsy Ross. This book examines the psychology of master forger and murderer (he killed two people who threatened his unmasking) Mark Hofmann. It also stands as a compelling forensic case study of forgery. From interviews with Emily Dickinson scholars, auctioneers, and forensic-document experts, Worrall pieces together the arduous artistry of forgery. A true-crime standout.

From *Publishers Weekly*: In the spirit of *The Island of Lost Maps*, journalist Worrall's debut explores the career of a counterfeit artist and the world of literary forgery. When a newly discovered poem by Emily Dickinson surfaced in a Sotheby's auction in 1997, a library in the poet's hometown quickly snatched it up. Four months later, however, the poem was returned as fake; it was the work of Mark Hofmann, a rare books dealer and a master falsifier who was then in prison for murder. Using the Dickinson incident as a guide, Worrall reconstructs the life and crimes of

the 20th Century's best forger (Hofmann's fake of the 17th-century "Oath of a Freeman" passed a carbon-14 dating test). A Mormon by birth, Hofmann had a contempt for his religion that led him to counterfeit its missing sacred documents: he made his own inks, used chemicals to "age" the paper, fabricated documents to authenticate others and spread misinformation to bolster his authority. The lies and subterfuges of this meticulous though imperfect confidence man resulted in the murder of two innocent people, one of them a man who could have exposed him. Some of Worrall's depictions of minor characters feel a bit hackneyed, but his rendering of Hofmann's deep-seated frustrations is engrossing, and positing the forger's quasi-political subversions against the Mormon faith and what he saw as its illusions makes for a juicy read. A history of literary forgery and forensic accounting of handwriting keeps the pages turning, though a late return to the reclusive Dickinson feels like a forced justification of the title.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Simon Worrall was born in Somerset, England, in 1951. "I was an army brat," Mr. Worrall said on the day that we talked, "so I grew up all over the world, actually. East Africa and Paris and Singapore. I graduated from Bristol University, and after college I worked with the Royal Shakespeare Company and the Royal Court Theatre as a dramaturge. I wrote plays. I taught a lot of English as a second language to keep alive, as all writers usually have to do at the beginning of their careers. Then I lived in Germany for seven years and it was in Germany that I became a journalist."

Mr. Worrall moved to the United States in 1991. "Love and work," he said, "brought me here. I married an American. The ex-wife of D.A. Pennebaker, the filmmaker. We live on the East End of Long Island. I like to call it that rather than 'The

With the *Bird Hub*, Wheeler aimed to create an artistic scene similar to what could be described as an airport with birds perceived as the "airplanes." The project consists of three stations: the "Terminal," the "Tower," and the "Perch" (found on the MiraCosta College campus). For information and directions, call 858-756-2140. (ENCINITAS)

"Small Works" by members of the Pacific Quilt Artists group are on view for the seventh annual "Showcase of

Fine Art Quilts." The show continues through Saturday, June 29, at the Carmel Valley Library (3919 Townsgate Drive). Members create and promote quilts as fine art. For information, call 858-756-4438. (DEL MAR)

"Portrait of the Big Bay: The Second Maurice Braun Memorial Plein Air Painting Festival" is here. Participating artists painted at bay locations on a minimum of four days during the festival-painting week. The resulting body of work is on ex-

hibit through January 6, 2003, on the Maritime Museum's 1898 ferryboat *Berkeley* (at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at Ash Street). 858-672-3811. (DOWNTOWN)

Meaning "Burlap" in English, *arpilleras* were crafted by women after the 1973 Chilean revolution as a means of sharing their stories and working through the confusion brought about by Augusto Pinochet's regime. *Arpilleras* crafted by Cynda Fuentes and other members of the San

Diego community are on exhibit through Friday, May 31, in the donor corridor of SDSU's Love Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Fuentes lost her *entire family* during the 1973 revolution. Viewing is free. 619-583-6080. (SDSU)

Open Studios, this multifaceted event hosted by UCSD graduate students in visual arts is slated for Saturday, June 1. Organizers plan a panel discussion going "Beyond Border Art" (7 p.m.), film and video screenings (8 to 10 p.m.), a curated group show,

and open doors to the studios of over 40 graduate students (5 to 7 p.m.).

Who will be this year's "Iron Installation Artist"? The panel of judges reveals the answer to this question from 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. The collaborative *Love Hotel* boasts 12 separate mobile interiors connected so that viewers travel through each room and experience its particular theme or environment. The various venues for the event are centralized in the visual arts facility at UCSD. Admission is free. For further information, call 858-534-2862. (LA JOLLA)

FOR KIDS

Indulge in a *Flower Fantasy* when Puppet Express performs through Sunday, May 26, at the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: *Aqu-electric*, performed by Tom Jensen's Puppets May 29-31.

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Hamptons.’ Which is what people who don’t live there call it. She, Kate, my wife, is a photographer. We’ve often worked together on magazine stories. I’ve been basically a correspondent here, mostly for British magazines and newspapers — *The Independent*, *The Observer*, *The Guardian* — doing feature stories. I also have been a magazine features writer — *The New Republic*, *The New Yorker*, *The Paris Review*. Recently, I’ve done two stories for *National Geographic*. Obviously, I have to travel a lot for my work. I’ve done, in my career as a journalist, a mixed bag of stories. I’ve done celebrity profiles. That’s quite some time ago now. I did a lot of travel stories, investigative features, although I’m not the typical hard-boiled, investigative gumshoe reporter.”

The Poet and the Murderer is Mr. Worrall’s first book. I asked how he came to the story that the book tells.

“Quite by chance. I happened, in 1997, to read a half-page article about this Dickinson poem that was coming up for sale. I thought, ‘Hmm, that’s kind of curious,’ but then really didn’t think about it at all. That was sometime in the spring of 1997. In August of that year, by chance, again, I read a very little announcement, hidden away in the back of the *New York Times*, saying that this Emily Dickinson poem that had been auctioned at Sotheby’s had been returned by the Jones Library in Amherst as a forgery. It was then that I remembered having read the first article. I thought, ‘Hmm, that’s curious. Who would forge an Emily Dickinson poem? Who would do such a thing?’ ”

Emily Dickinson is known to have written 1775 poems, only 7 of which were published during her lifetime. The forged poem was not only *not* written out by hand by Emily D., but she also did not write the poem, which reads, as follows:

That God cannot

be understood
Everyone agrees
We do not know
His motives nor
Comprehend his
Deeds —
Then why should I
Seek solace in
What I cannot
Know?
Better to play
In winter’s sun
Than to fear the
Snow.

In *The Poet and the Murderer* Mr. Worrall writes that the forged poem was “written in pencil, upon a piece of blue-lined paper measuring eight by five inches. On the top-left corner was an embossed insignia. And the poem was signed ‘Emily.’ In red ink, at the top-right corner of a blank page attached to the poem, someone had also written, ‘Aunt Emily,’ in an unidentified hand.”

Mr. Worrall continued, telling how he happened to write the book. “Like all journalists, you’re looking for a great story, and you have that kind of antenna; you ask yourself, ‘What could be an exciting story?’ You ask yourself, ‘What could make a book?’ Not that I was thinking that at that time. I was just thinking, ‘This sounds like a fascinating story.’

“And it is a fascinating story. In a way it’s a story that many American movies deal with — the small-town guy who gets involved in something for the best of reasons and finds that he’s in the middle of this unbelievably tangled story. So having seen

that little announcement in the paper, I called Dan Lombardo at the Jones Library and asked him about the story. He’s really a central character. Also, really a nice man. He talked for about 45 minutes. I knew the minute that he told me what had happened that this was an extraordinary story. A forged poem by kind of a mastermind confidence man, who was in Salt Lake City and was involved with the Mormons. I couldn’t believe what I was hearing.

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“And, reading some Dickinson. At that time, however, I was reading less Dickinson because the initial story was really the story of this forger. It’s like a detective hunt. It was to establish how this forgery had got from Salt Lake City, from the hands of Mark Hofmann in the early 1980s to Sotheby’s in New York in 1997, and whose hands it had passed through. And though now,

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the Aerospace Center. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. For more information, call 619-685-5045. (BALBOA PARK)

Theater for Children...by Children, singers, dancers, and actors aged 8-18 perform in the Christian Youth Theater productions. *Annie Warbucks* is being presented at the La Paloma Theatre (417 South Coast Highway 101); *Robin Hood* can be enjoyed at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido

Boulevard); and *Tom Sawyer* may be seen in Mayan Hall at Southwestern College (900 Otay Lakes Road).

Robin closes on May 26; the other two plays continue through Sunday, June 2. Tickets range from \$6 to \$11.50. For reservations and information, dial 619-588-0206 or 800-696-1929. (ENCINITAS, ESCONDIDO, CHULA VISTA)

Make a Patriotic Pinwheel and listen to *Kiss Good Night* by Amy Hest during the story time planned at

Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Saturday, May 25, at 11:30 a.m. Find the shop at 10775 Westview Parkway. Free. Call 858-684-3166 for details. (MIRA MESA)

Theater Arts Workshops for children four to nine years old are conducted by the San Diego Actors Theatre on the fourth Saturday of every month, including May 25, at L’Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino Del Mar). Workshops run from noon to 1 p.m.,

and reservations are required. The fee is \$10. Dial 858-268-4494 for registration. (DEL MAR)

Storytelling in the Galleries, professional storyteller Marilyn McPhie tells stories from around the world and teaches “how to create paper-folding stories” on Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. The event is included in regular admission. 619-696-1935. (BALBOA PARK)

Ninety-One Elementary and Middle Schools were invited to enter six

pieces of art each in the kids’ art show hosted by the Friends of East County Arts, Inc. The resulting exhibition continues through May 26 at the carousel corner at Parkway Plaza. For more information, call 619-442-0111. Viewing is free. (EL CAJON)

“Modern Mammals,” learn about mammals — through games, a slide show, and a take-home craft — when the San Diego Natural History Museum hosts this class for kids four through six years old on Sunday,

May 26, at 1 p.m. The fee is \$85 for nonmembers. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to reserve a spot. (BALBOA PARK)

How Are Reptiles Different from Mammals? Find out when the Junior Rangers consider “Cold-Blooded Creatures” on Thursday, May 30. The program starts at 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)

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in the book, it's presented as a matter of fact that it came through these hands and these channels, my biggest challenge at the time of researching the article that became the book was to find that out. And above all, to find out if it came through the hands of this dealer in Las Vegas. That was really the nub of the initial story, to track back the provenance of the poem. And the very hardest thing — which, again, is a story that isn't told in the book, but it's a great story — the hardest thing was to actually prove that it had passed through Las Vegas. I was pretty sure that I couldn't prove it or establish it. Sotheby's had effectively denied that there was any connection to Vegas.

"There was an extraordinary coincidence that was in the article [published in the *Sydney Morning Herald* and the *Guardian* and *The Paris Review*] but didn't get into the book. I flew to Las Vegas, on the off chance of being able to speak to Todd Axelrod [a securities trader turned rare-document dealer] and to see the Gallery of History [a gallery that specializes in rare documents]. My plane was delayed in Chicago — this is 1998 in the winter, and the plane hit some snow on the runway. So I had to sleep overnight in Chicago. I was due to meet somebody in Las Vegas and go to the Gallery of History. I was delayed by 24 hours. We got to the Gallery of History late. I wouldn't have been there at the time that I was if it hadn't been for the delayed flight.

"I got there at 2:30 in the afternoon. I was standing, talking to one of the salesmen, sort of asking about tennis and poems and whether they had any Emily Dickinson, pretending to be a collector, actually, when two couriers walked in with a long, white oblong package. I heard one of the couriers call to the back of the office, Todd Axelrod's office, 'I have the Sotheby's package.' And my knees went weak, and I thought, 'It can't possibly be. Of

all of the coincidences, could this possibly be?' I rushed down to the front door, pretending I needed to have a smoke, waited for the couriers, and talked to them."

According to Mr. Worrall's account in the Australian newspaper, he said to the couriers that he often needed a good art shipper and asked for the name of the company for whom the couriers worked. "The first courier let the invoice fall open, while the other tried to cover it with his hand. Three items from the top of the invoice, I saw the words 'Emily Dickinson poem.' "

"Now, surely to the end of my life," Mr. Worrall told me, "there will never be a greater coincidence. If you compute the chances of my being there, in the five minutes that this poem was delivered to the Gallery of History, this was a kind of Eureka moment, for the story and the book. I happened to be there 24 hours later than I was meant to have been because my plane was delayed in Chicago overnight. And the wonderful subsequent irony to the story is that when I got back, I called my travel agent and told him, 'I'm never going to fly with that airline because we broke down.' And he said, 'Maybe something good came out of it.' My travel agent's name in New York is Karma."

"Why didn't you put that in the book?"

"It just didn't make it. It was kind of extraordinary. That it happened enabled me then to go to Axelrod and say, 'You had this poem, what is the story?' And he then told me the whole story that is in the book about how the poem was actually sold by him as part of a much bigger lot. So this was one of those strokes of luck that probably every writer needs. I got it that day."

As an article, Mr. Worrall said, this story had "a tangled publication history." *Harper's* commissioned it and then did not run it. The magazine's editor, Mr. Worrall said, "wanted to run it at a much shorter length, and it didn't work out in the editing.

The *New Yorker* bought it and then their lawyers saw it and got cold feet because of Axelrod and Sotheby's. And it was published then by George Plimpton in the *Paris Review* and then in Australia and England."

"And there was no litigation?"

"No, none. None at all. The book then became something very different. The initial article, the thrust of it, as I said, in a way it was an investigative feature about a detective hunt to find out what happened to this poem. And then a little bit like archaeology; the deeper I got into the subject, the more interested I became in different aspects of the story. And one of those was obviously Emily Dickinson, about whom I didn't know a lot, but the more I found out, the more fascinated I was.

"The story in *The Paris Review* was called 'Emily Goes to Las Vegas.' And, in a way, one of the breakthrough moments of writing the book came when I was researching Emily Dickinson. One of the deeper themes of the book is the nature of truth and illusion."

"And," I said, "secrecy."

"And secrecy and fabrication, indeed. One of the breakthrough moments with the book, where the book really started to have a resonance, was when I realized that Emily Dickinson had lived this extraordinarily secretive life herself and that indeed her relatives had bowdlerized and censored and edited, and, if you like, *forged*, her reputation for history. So you had Mark Hofmann, an extraordinary forger and the journey into the world of Mark Hofmann, a study in evil genius. So at that point the book became a study of two geniuses — Mark Hofmann and Emily Dickinson — and both of them lived these secretive and concealed lives. She's a very, very great artist. Which he never was. But he is a very great forger. So there was this sort of echoing parallelism between

Children's Discovery Museum of North County, "Make It Move" is an interactive exhibit from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. The exhibit explores the world of simple machines, with experiments to create a "super spinner" and in general to "make things move." Enjoy the exhibition through Sunday, September 8.

"The World of Sound" offers instruments from a variety of cultures and activities focusing on the science of sound, sound waves, and how

sound travels. The museum is designed as an educational environment through art, science, and social activities for children 2 through 12. Look for a medieval castle, magic mirror, mini-city, and renovated children's marketplace. Find the museum at 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, suite 103; 760-720-0737. (CARLSBAD)

Children's Museum of San Diego, the month-long celebration of theater arts entitled "Puppetry, Circus, and Storytelling" features Pam

McIntire's puppet exhibit, highlighting four decades of puppet magic. The exhibition includes more than 100 unique puppets, props, script samples, backdrops, sets, photographs, and a working stage and continues through May.

Local artist Midge Hyde exhibits "Interiors and Exteriors," which she describes as "an exploration of the places we inhabit through color and light," through the May. Continuing exhibits include "The Book Stop," "Improv Theater," and "Cora's Rain-

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MUSEUMS

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

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menting, and preserving historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related not only to agriculture, but to the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil drilling, and construction industries. In addition, the museum has a blacksmith and wheelwright shop, a country kitchen and parlor, a steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. Find the museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Av-

enue. For further details, call 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

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

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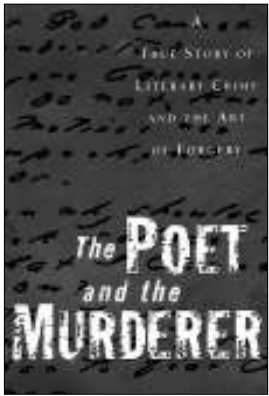
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her story and the whole nature of secrecy and truth and illusion and his story. And, of course, his story is a compelling and strange story.”

Books had been written about Hofmann and his forgery career. These books, said Mr. Worrall, concentrated on how Hofmann did his forgeries. But Mr. Worrall said that he was more interested in why Hofmann became a forger.

He wanted, he said, to “understand the extraordinary length to which he went in what is in its own way a subversive form of art. Emily Dickinson went to the same extraordinary length creating her fascicle books [the books Dickinson sewed together from raw pages on which she wrote out her poems]. So there was this echo there between the two lives. They both go to extraordinary lengths of handicraft work, for very different purposes. I was very interested in the why. Why was Hofmann the person that he was? Why was he doing these things? Not so much what he did. I was interested in that. But it was why. And also there was the parallel between the early history of Mormonism and Hofmann’s life story. I began to look at the Mormon religion through Hofmann’s eyes. To him, Joseph Smith was basically a con man. An illusionist. A conjurer. There isn’t a criminal gene, as some people like these days to say. There isn’t such a thing; criminals are made criminals above all by their childhood experiences and by their social environment. I think it was because Hofmann

had no opportunity to express his doubts about the Mormon religion that he became hostile towards it. I think nobody wanted to listen to him. There was a great deal of anger and hostility in him. And his solution then was to turn on the Mormon church and pay them back in their own coin. Believing that they had deceived his parents and his society, that he grew up in, he decided to deceive them.”

“And really,” I said, “did quite a good job of it.”

“He did a hell of a good job. I got very fascinated by the Mormon church and their early history. They had had a whole history of being outlaws themselves and of counterfeiting currency. It amazed me when I found it out. So Hofmann became very much a distorted mirror image of the culture in which he was brought up. I became fascinated in seeing the Mormon church, obviously through Hofmann’s eyes, as a young man growing up there and beginning to question this story and question the assumptions that were made. To him, it was a fabrication. So he was paying back a religion and an institution and a society that he felt a great grievance towards. And I think, as I say in the book, that the wellsprings of that resentment were to do with his own family history, the fact that his mother’s mother had been in a polygamous marriage that had been subsequently denied by the church and denied within the family. Mark Hofmann is in a way a truth seeker who, when deflected from truth, became a fabricator of truths.

“I think he was very much a young, brilliant teenager, wanting answers to tough questions, and nobody wanted to discuss any of this; they just said, basically, ‘Keep quiet and obey.’ That wasn’t good enough for him. When a child or a young person tries to find out about family history and discovers that there is a conspiracy of silence, that is a very alarming and

disagreeable thing. Almost like a little bit growing up in a totalitarian society. Like the Soviets rewrote history.

“When I started to look into Dickinson and her history and her handwriting and realized what Hofmann had done, writing and forging a poem by her, I was amazed. One might well quibble that the content is not particularly great, but it was good enough to get past many people. When you think what Hofmann did in terms of situating the handwriting within one year of her life, 1871, it’s an extraordinary and mind-boggling work of genius, this forgery. No doubt about it. It’s an absolute work of genius. To get all of that right, to get her writing correct, to get the paper right, to write a poem that’s good enough to get past all of the world’s leading experts. And this is why Ralph Franklin, of course, the world’s expert on her manuscripts and her handwriting, when he first saw the poem, believed this has got to be genuine, because nobody could possibly know the paper she used and the writing instruments. Franklin believed nobody could possibly know that except him. What he didn’t know was that somebody — Hofmann — had really infiltrated his, Franklin’s, scholarship and taken his scholarship, and deconstructed it and used it to create this false work of art, a work of art that was so good that nobody could tell the difference from a real one.

“I also became fascinated by other forgers, and researched that. There has been a sort of a parallel tradition of literary inventiveness ever since the Egyptians. It’s not a new thing.”

Where, I asked, is the forged Emily Dickinson poem now?

“Vegas. I saw it there. I’m told that it’s had ‘forgery’ stamped on it. It’s certainly not going to be sold again, not for a while anyway.”

— Judith Moore

Chinese Historical Society and Museum, an exhibit of Chinese costumes celebrating the colorful traditions of China’s ethnic groups continues through July. “Wear to Be Seen” includes costumes of the Han, Manchu, Mongolian, Uygur, Tibetan, Miao, Yao, and Chaoxiang people.

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

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

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

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

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until the ’70s, but Mary Moore, a pitching “virtuosa” of the 1940s from Lemon Grove, joined the Rockford Peaches, whose exploits were the basis for the movie *A League of Their Own*.

Vintage photographs, books, desks, cafeteria menus, and other

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Why do these great pianists like to play the music of George Perle?

Horacio Gutiérrez certainly deserved his place on the La Jolla Chamber Music Society's "Celebrity Series." If talent counts, this is an authentic celebrity. He is, in fact, one of the great pianists, on the exalted level of (just to mention a few) Rubinstein, Gilels, Kissin, Argerich, Solomon, Perahia.... Like those, he has the grand manner, the Romantic spirit, the gift of singing, the instinct for drama, the combination of power and fire and sensitivity and inwardness. Like them, he displays a consummate technique and a blooming, floating tone. Like them, he possesses a profound understanding of the piano literature at its height in the 18th and 19th Centuries. And, as with all of them, his performances draw both performer and listener so deep into the music that the pianist seems to disappear in the experience.

It's a very strange thing, therefore, that although Gutiérrez (born in Cuba, but a longtime American citizen) has had a distinguished concert career over the last 30 years, his name is far less known than the ones I listed above, and consequently the Civic Theatre was considerably less crowded for his concert than one might have expected. The reason, no doubt, is the unaccountable paucity of his recordings. Listening to his magnificent performances of a late Haydn sonata (No. 46 in C, Hob. XVI:50), the Schumann Fantasy in C (Opus 17), and the Liszt Sonata, you wanted to rush out and buy his CDs of these works, so as to be able to enjoy at your leisure the richness, the nobility, and the subtlety of Gutiérrez's interpretations. But you would have searched in vain. There are no Gutiérrez recordings of anything by Haydn, Schumann, or Liszt. Indeed, there is no Gutiérrez recording of a single example of the huge solo piano repertoire.

Even the recordings with orchestra are few. Currently available, you will find the two Brahms

Concertos (with Previn and the Royal Philharmonic), the Rachmaninov Second and Third (with Maazel and the Pittsburgh Symphony), the Tchaikovsky Concerto No. 1 and the Rachmaninov "Paganini" Rhapsody (with Zinman and the Baltimore Symphony), and Prokofiev's Concertos 2 and 3 (with Järvi and the Concertgebouw). There also exists a recording of the Tchaikovsky with

Previn and the London Symphony, available only in a large miscellaneous box. That's it — no Beethoven, no Mozart, no Chopin... by a pianist whose readings of those composers would be bound to be striking, if one may judge by the Gutiérrez recordings we can actually listen to. Just to focus on one (really two) of them: I'm not aware of any recording of the Brahms Piano Concertos that is superior to Gutiérrez's, in scope, in sweep, in depth, in passion. (And Previn, his collaborator in these stunning Telarc CDs, is also at the top of his form.)

Like all great pianists, Gutiérrez is a master at once of lucid form and continually renewed emotion, as one could hear not only in his Schumann Fantasy and Liszt Sonata but also in his Haydn. The graceful and vigorous shapeliness of this performance was infused with emotional meaning, even when the music seemed at its most playful. There was no inappropriate romanticization: everything remained within the decorum of the late 18th Century. But at every moment one sensed a vivid personality, thinking, feeling, experimenting — and the personality was the composer's.

The centrality of the composer's personality was of course even more pronounced in the Schumann and Liszt works. Neither is explicitly programmatic, but neither is comprehensible without the supposition of a program: for the Schumann Fantasy, something about the pains and longings and dreams and joys of love (the

composer's love for Clara Wieck); for the Liszt Sonata, some violent psychological struggle among cosmic forces of brooding despair and aggressive rage and lofty aspiration and beatific redemption (very much as in the composer's *A Faust Symphony*, his next major composition). In both cases, Gutiérrez's performance — aside from its magisterial elucidation of the work's complex and original structure — projected this sense of narrative-dramatic program with superlative imagination. It was not a matter of evoking specific images; rather (as each of the composers intended) the story was conveyed at a level deeper than words, deeper than events, deeper even than characters — in the very heart of experience that music alone can reach. At least, such is the aesthetic aim of Romantic composers like Schumann and Liszt; and a musician like Gutiérrez listens to his composers, whoever they are, and makes their aims his own.

I suppose he can be said to have done that too with the one new work on the program, George Perle's Nine Bagatelles (literally new: they were composed — for Gutiérrez himself — in 1999). I mentioned Perle only a couple of months ago in my review of Richard Goode's Sherwood Auditorium recital, commenting — favorably — on the pianist's recording of works by this prominent American composer. Why do these great pianists, whose blood runs with the idiom of the Classical and Romantic traditions, like to play the music of George Perle? Perhaps because Perle's piano works are written with a true sense of keyboard composition and a true feeling for the sounds of the instrument. Perhaps because his music, while thoroughly in the language of modernism, exhibits an ingratiating rhythmic vitality, never sounds ugly, and is relatively accessible to audiences who wish the 20th Century had never happened. Perhaps because Perle's piano writing is exceedingly difficult, and terrific pianists enjoy challenges.

In any case, I am glad to have heard Goode's performances of Perle's Serenade No. 3, Concertino, and Ballade, works I have come to respect and (moderately, with qualifications, but nevertheless positively) enjoy. I wish I could say the same about the Nine Bagatelles, which Gutiérrez

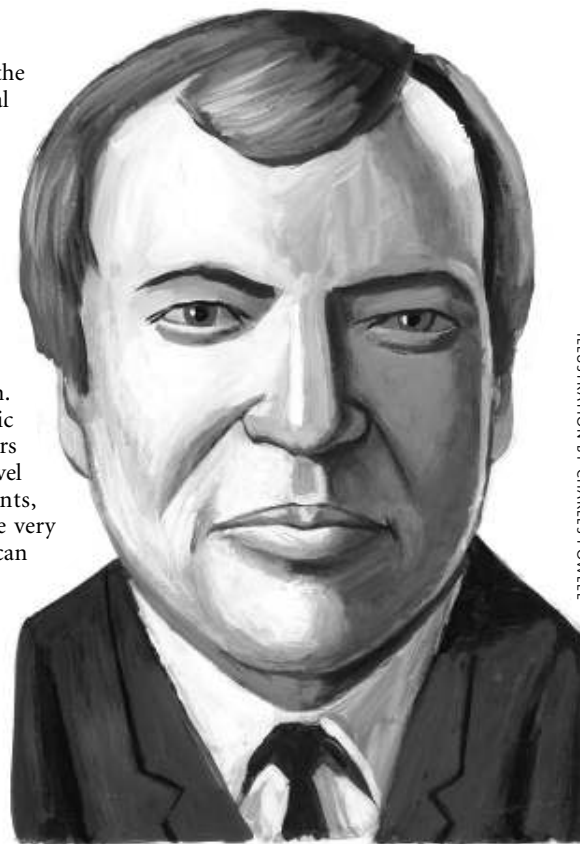


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played with so much verve and brilliance. The trouble with this more recent composition is the extreme brevity of its sections, which make a rhythmic gesture, jump about the keyboard a bit, and then suddenly stop, without leaving any permanent impression on the mind. Of course, a very short piece can have a big impact: consider some of the Beethoven Bagatelles, or some of the Chopin Preludes and Etudes, or any keyboard Prelude by J.S. Bach, or even the little Improvisations by Poulenc. But none of those composers was largely deprived, by adherence to a theory, of the possibility of a memorable tune or of expressive harmony.

Perle likes to present himself as an independent preacher in the large (and now bankrupt) church of Schoenbergian serialism. It is true that he has his own version of the 12-tone gospel, and

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that it is less rigid than the version practiced by Webern and his imitators. Its relative resilience and fluidity, along with this composer's natural talent for texture and color, have often made up for the deficits built into the system. But the deficits are there: a succession of pitches must never be allowed to fall into a clearly key-centered melody of any duration, and since a sustained progression of authentically tonal, interrelated chords is equally forbidden, all that is left is constantly shifting chromatic harmony, in which — on the average — all chords sound alike. Hence, in Perle's music there can only be short-term suggestions of melodic lines and of harmonies that seem to be going somewhere, with the cognitive and expressive qualities these features imply.

This might suggest that very short forms would be just his meat. What better way to avoid the monotony of unremitting atonalism? In fact, however, Perle's constructive abilities seem to demand a certain length — perhaps three or four minutes — to capture the listener's consciousness, as in the movements of his Serenade No. 3. Longer than that, and the absence of a goal-oriented tonal dynamism becomes wearing. But with too small a scope, as in the Bagatelles, Perle's virtues as a composer have no chance to define themselves, even when their eloquent spokesman is Horacio Gutiérrez. ■

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UCSD's Resident Percussion Ensemble, red fish blue fish, plans a concert today, Thursday, May 23, in UCSD's Mandeville Recital Auditorium. Listen when the fish play "Lives (2)" by Nicholas Hennies, Karlheinz Stockhausen's "Refrain," "Howl" based on the poem by Allen Ginsberg, "Okho" by Iannis Xenakis, and Sean Griffin's "Pattycake." Performers include Morris Palter, Aiyun Huang, Kristy Cheadle, Nick Hennies, Greg Stuart, and Ivan Manzanilla, joined by guests Luciane Cardassi (celeste) and Aleck Karis (piano). Tickets are \$5 general. Call 858-534-5404 for details. (LA JOLLA)

"Local Living Legends" are being celebrated when the San Diego Symphony offers a "Light Bulb" series concert on Saturday, May 25. The concert is the final performance of maestro Jung-Ho Pak as artistic director of the symphony, joined by Grammy award-winning violinist and composer Mark O'Connor and jazz guitarist Peter Sprague. The program includes O'Connor's "Strings & Threads" and "Concerto for Two Violins and Orchestra," with violinist

Joanna Maurer; as well as Sprague's "Concerto for Guitar and Orchestra."

Tickets range from \$10 to \$55. The concert begins at 8 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. For reservations and other information, call 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Pier View Way Concerts, the season closes when Robert Carter and Jim George present clarinet duos with clarinet and bass clarinet at the Oceanside Museum of Art on Sunday, May 26, at 4 p.m. The concert is preceded by a docent tour of the current exhibition (at 3 p.m.). Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way. Tickets are \$13. For details, dial 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

Spring Concert, the men's and boys' Choristers and the men's and girls' St. Cecilia choirs wrap up their season with a performance of the Haydn "Harmony Mass" on Sunday, May 26, at Saint Paul's Cathedral. This is the last major work Haydn composed; it is said to show not only "the influence Mozart had on Haydn in his late compositions but also forecasts some of the elements of style and orchestration which would become hallmarks of Beethoven's works."

The two choirs will participate in the 5 p.m. evensong, after which there will be a reception, with the concert commencing at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general, \$5 students and seniors. Find Saint Paul's at 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Fifth and Nutmeg). For more details, dial 619-298-7261. (MIDDLETOWN)

"I Love Opera," hosted by the Small Opera of San Diego, takes place on Sunday, May 26, at 7 p.m., at the Academy of Sound and Music (3554 Kettner Boulevard). Singers of all ages perform opera arias, art songs, and Broadway favorites, and a professional accompanist is provided. The suggested donation is \$5. For an audition appointment and information, call 619-725-0777. (MIDDLETOWN)

Guest Organist Dennis James performs in the Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Sunday, May 26, beginning at 2 p.m. For more information, call 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

A Different Concert Each Night! UCSD's Graduate Festival of New Music runs Tuesday through Thursday, May 28-30, in Warren Music Studio A. Students from composition, performance, critical studies and experimental practices, and computer music gather to present this concert of works by their peers and renowned contemporary composers. Concerts begin at 7 p.m. and admission is free. For more information, dial 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Mainly Mozart Approaches, celebrate the genius of Wolfgang Mozart when the 14th annual installment of the Mainly Mozart Festival 2002 takes place June 1-16 at venues from Escondido to Real del Mar, found at kilometer 19 on the Tijuana-Ensenada toll road in Baja California. For specific concerts and ticket information, call 619-239-0100. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY, BAJA CALIFORNIA)

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GALLERIES

“Piece of Mind 02,” this exhibition features two- and three-dimensional work by 17 San Diego artists. “Performance, poetry, and music meld” in this “cross-pollination of the arts” opening at the Broker’s Building Gallery with a reception on Friday, May 24, 6 to 10 p.m. Find the gallery at 402 Market Street (at Fourth Avenue). The show will also be open for viewing on Friday, May 31, 6 to 10 p.m. For information, call 619-294-9929. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

“Reflections III” is the third annual exhibition of art by artists with disabilities, beginning with a reception on Friday, May 24, in the Santa Fe Room of the Balboa Park Club. This multimedia exhibit is on display through Sunday, June 2. Admission

to the reception is free, but call 858-450-1443 for space availability and reservations. (BALBOA PARK)

Artists William DeShazo and James Coleman (a former Disney Studios background animator) will talk about their careers, answer questions, and unveil new releases of their work at the Wyland Galleries this week.

Meet the duo at a reception on Friday, May 24, 6 to 10 p.m., at the Wyland Gallery found at 1025 Prospect Street. They’ll appear on Saturday, May 25, 6 to 10 p.m., at the Wyland Gallery in Seaport Village (855 West Harbor Drive). Free. For information, call 866-995-2630 or 800-995-2635. (LA JOLLA, SEAPORT VILLAGE)

“Listening” consists of a series of large-scale chromogenic prints by photographer Laura Hull. The color photographs are digitally linked into long and thinly shaped narratives that consist of multiple images mounted on aluminum. Meet Hull during a reception set for Saturday, May 25, at 6 p.m., at the Burton Gallery (307 South Cedros Avenue; 858-794-7204). Regular gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The show continues through Wednesday, July 17. (SOLANA BEACH)

This Old Interior, head to the Next Door Gallery for “Old House Interiors,” opening with a reception for the more than 15 participating artists on Saturday, May 25, at 5 p.m. The show boasts a collection of paintings, pottery, lighting, tiles, and furniture designed to enhance any old (or new) house.

See the show through Sunday, July 14. Find the gallery at 2963 Beech Street (between 30th and Dale Streets). Call 619-233-6679 for details. Viewing hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. (GOLDEN HILL)

Open Studios, this multifaceted event hosted by UCSD graduate students in visual arts is slated for Saturday, June 1. Organizers plan a panel discussion going “Beyond Border Art” (7 p.m.), film and video screenings (8 to 10 p.m.), a curated group show, and open doors to the studios of over 40 graduate students (5 to 7 p.m.).

Who will be this year’s “Iron Installation Artist”? The panel of judges reveals the answer to this question from 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. The collaborative *Love Hotel* boasts 12 separate mobile interiors connected so that viewers travel through each room and experience its particular theme or environment. The various venues for the event are centralized in the visual arts facility at UCSD. Admission is free. For further information, call 858-534-2862. (LA JOLLA)

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.

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, September 8. 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 Thursday, August 8.

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, using hired models and teams of assistants, Israeli photographer Adi Nes constructs dramatic scenes set in locations throughout Israel, painstakingly “creating a heightened realism charged with a symbolism, a theatricality, and an eroticism that transcends the everyday.” Fifteen of these large-scale photographs are gathered in “Adi Nes,” with works examining “masculinity, militarism, and the social sphere,” on display through Sunday, July 14.

“Language: Form and Function” explores the use of written language as a fundamental component of vi-

sual art. “For many artists, working with text is simply another way to conjure images in the mind of the viewer.” Work featured in the exhibition — by artists including Lorna Simpson, John Baldessari, and Edward Ruscha — uses text as a central element. See the show through Sunday, November 17.

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 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” 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, this year’s “Young Art 2002” exhibit focuses on “The Art of the Book.” The exhibit examines the book both as an object and artwork and as a container of verbal and visual information. The show boasts work by students from kindergarten through 12th grade from San Diego City and County schools. Check it out through Sunday, June 9.

A reinstallation of approximately 40 European paintings from the mu-

seum’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)


Timken Museum of Art, floral masterpieces from the museum’s permanent collection are on exhibit during May as part of Balboa Park’s annual “Buds ‘n’ Blooms” celebration.

“The Portraits of Bartolomeo Veneto,” the first-ever exhibition devoted to this Renaissance painter, is on view through Sunday, August 11. Every Veneto portrait known to be in a U.S. collection, as well as a portrait from a collection in Milan, Italy, will join the museum’s own *Portrait of a Lady in a Green Dress*.

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

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THEATER LISTINGS

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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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Catskills Conspiracy

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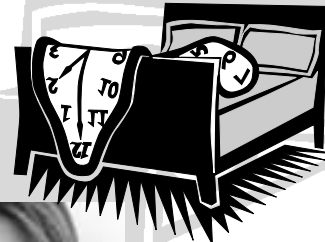
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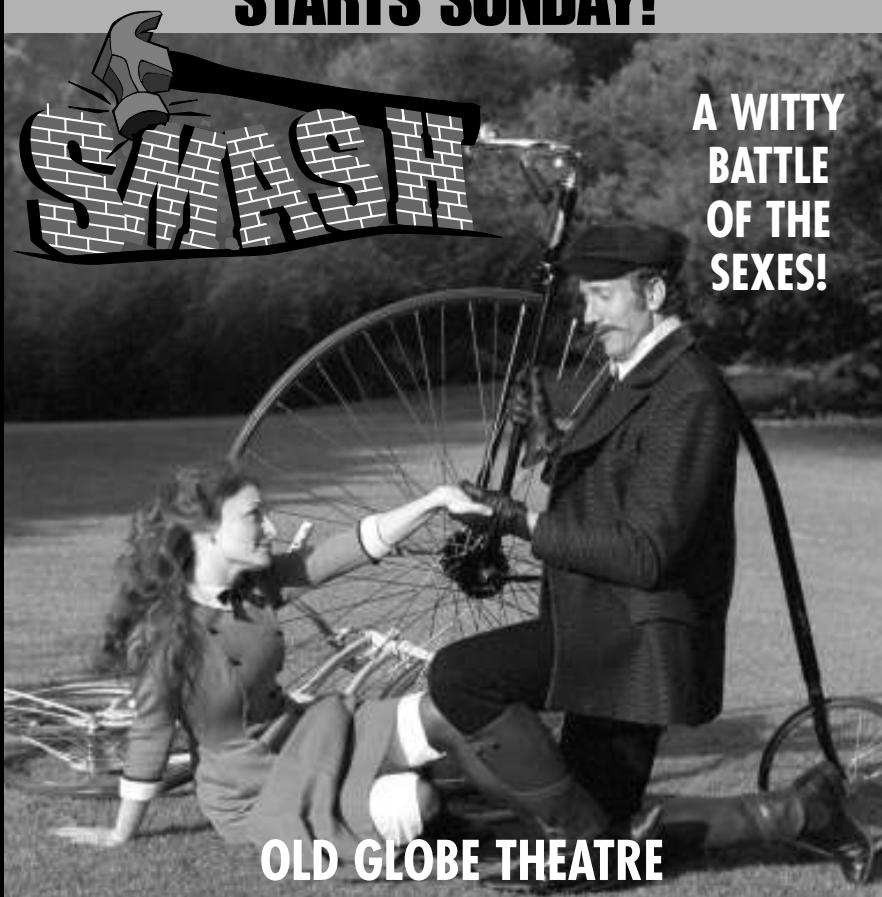
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Down South

The Fritz Theater stages Dough Field’s “cheerfully raunchy satire” about the Cuban Missile Crisis. Mike Kelly directed.

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Dralion

Legendary Cirque du Soleil’s latest has a vague theme, something about the elements — col-orschemed as air (blue), water (green), fire (red), and earth (ochre) — but has less storyline than previous efforts. And it’s got so many pyrotechnical elements it’s as much a rock concert as a “circus without animals.” Like



Fern Street Circus

spiders, people crawl around a large metallic rear wall. Lighting, enough to illuminate heaven, spears and fries the performers (37 of whom are amazing acrobats from China). From atop the big top, a massive, high-tech carousel flies in giant rings, objects, and people. The incessant extravaganza threatens to dwarf the performances (and why the lighting zaps the audience during grand effects boggles the brainpan; you want to shout “Yo, Cirque: relax and *trust your tal-*

ent”). In *Dralion*, the box its wrapped in gets as much attention as the gift. But amid excessive packaging, Cirque du Soleil — speaking a universal language and maybe three words of English — will show you 20 things you’ve never seen before, and will never forget. (Note: *Dralion* extended its run.)

Critic’s pick.

THE GRAND CHAPITEAU, DEL MAR FAIR- GROUND, THROUGH MAY 26; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND 9:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 1:00 P.M.

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Fault Line One-Acts

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Fern Street Circus: The Fool from Outer Space

For one weekend only, San Diego’s popular circus presents a “low-tech

sci-fi” show, featuring “amazing local talent, incredible costumes, fabulous music, and no animals.” John Highkin directed. Note: the circus has a new location. BALBOA PARK, PARK BOULEVARD JUST NORTH OF THE ZOO, BY ROOSEVELT JUNIOR HIGH; SATURDAY, MAY 25, AT 1:00 P.M. AND 4:00 P.M. SUNDAY, MAY 26, AT 2:00 P.M., AND MONDAY, MAY 27, AT 1:00 P.M. AND 4:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-235-9756.

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Godspell

Must be a local first: due to huge advance ticket sales, prior to opening *Godspell*, the Lamb’s Players extended the show’s run a month. The original version (1971) had a humble, minimalist look. Teens at a playground retell the gospel according to Matthew. Over the years, Lamb’s has staged the musical three times, each new version expanding the stage. Now Mike Buckley’s set, a prop-rich pot-pourri of stuff, has become a gigantic trunk that contains the world. And the “Leader” (Rick Meads as a casual, childlike Nazarene) is neither lion nor lamb. He’s a cool dude, hip to popular culture, which he and the cast use to retell the story with “found” items. Directed by Robert Smyth, with choreography by Pamela Turner, the show boasts fluid ensemble work, lively numbers (es-

pecially when Tracy Hughes grabs a mike and cuts loose), and kaleidoscopic meshing of colors and textures. The show favors the cute, and the first act still goes a parable too far, but the advance ticket sales were on the nose. If Lamb’s could find a home for it away from home, *Godspell* could run indefinitely.

Worth a try.

LAMB’S PLAYERS THEATRE, THROUGH JUNE 16; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, AND SUNDAY, AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Guys and Dolls

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A Hatful of Rain

New Village Arts stages Michael V Gazzo’s drama about a man, in a New York tenement, and the tugs and pulls of crime. Francis Gercke directed.

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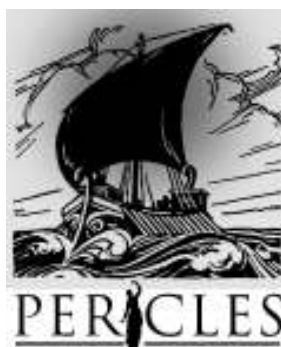


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Paget Brewster and Jefferson Mays in Tartuffe. Photo by: Russell Caldwell

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Clear Channel, the country's biggest radio group, swallowed up two more local radio stations last Friday, bringing the number

Clear Channel now owns or operates these FM stations: Z-90, 91X, 92.5, Channel 9-3-3, Hot Country 99.3, My 94.1, Kool 95.7, KGB, Rock 105.

Clear Channel controls these AM stations: KOGO, XTRA Sports, KSDO, and KPOP, as well as L.A.'s KFI, which has a significant

San Diego general manager Mike Glickenhau that they would be allowed to reapply for their positions but that each station would have new program directors, and the studios would eventually be moved into Clear Channel's headquarters near Aero Drive and I-15.

Z-90 and Hot Country each had about six full-time and six part-time DJs. There were an additional 50 employees in the promotion, sales, administration, and engineering departments.

Last week the Department of Justice nixed the proposed purchase of House of Blues Concerts by Clear Channel Entertainment, citing monopoly concerns.

—Ken Leighton

Andy McQueen plays in a Christian punk band called Skratline whose hardcore aural assault has led some to liken them to Agnostic Front. The music is aggressive, but the message is divinely peaceful. That fact allowed them to get bookings at the Vista Boomers!, the

amusement park formerly known as Family Fun Center.

While secular punks might be expected to drive



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their putters though the miniature golf windmill, Christian punks have proven they can behave.

"I can make an assumption that those that would come to a Christian concert would have a little bit more respect [for the premises] than those who go to a secular show," says McQueen.

Last Friday Skratline, Sought Out, and Life to Christ played at Friday Fire, an occasional Christian night event at Boomers! that costs \$12 per person with a flyer or \$15 without. The admission includes go-carts, bumper

boats, miniature golf, and three hours of holy punk.

"It's the Christian night that brings the people. The bands alone don't bring the people," said Denise Matheson, director of group sales for the Vista Boomers!

Matheson admits that only Christian bands have been allowed to play Boomers! "We don't have other nights where we have bands."

Should other bands ask to play, she said her management staff would think "long and hard" about allowing them to play. She said the Christian punk bands have brought "no problems" to the facility.

"That doesn't mean that Christian kids can't screw up," says McQueen. "Or that secular kids won't come in who are drunk. But that's one of the reasons we do it, to get to the new kids who [then] see what we are all about."

The success at the Vista Boomers! prompted the Escondido Boomers! to launch their own Christian

night with punk.

"We are having a big event June 21," says McQueen. "We were going to have it at the Sports Arena, but they bumped our fee from \$2000 to \$20,000 just to use their parking lot. We are looking for a new venue. Our last show was at Del Mar at the Horizon Christian Church. Fifteen bands played. We raised over \$8000 to benefit Lou Gehrig's disease."

—Ken Leighton

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video preceded Boxcar's self-titled CD, which was released on Tuesday.

Boxcar includes blink-182 singer/guitarist Tom DeLonge and drummer Travis Barker. They recruited Riverside tattoo artist Anthony Celestino to play bass and local guitarist David Kennedy (from bands Over My Dead Body and Built to Last) in the lineup. Bassist/singer Mark Hoppus is the only blink member not in Boxcar.

Like blink-182, Boxcar Racer records for MCA and is managed by Rick Devoe from his home office in Encinitas.

The early buzz on Boxcar is causing some reevaluation about the future of this blink-182 offshoot.

"Boxcar Racer is going out on tour when the blink/Green Day tour is over," said a source close to the band. "They will tour at 1000-seat venues."

Should the success of Boxcar continue to swell, their tour, which begins in October, may be booked in even larger venues.

"We don't know what the capacity will be yet," said MCA Records spokesman Erik Stein, acknowledging that the old 1000-seat plan may be scrapped.

Which raises a bigger question: if Boxcar takes off, what does it mean for blink-182?

"Travis is 100 percent into the music," said the insider. "Tom is into the music and the pop star stuff. Mark is into being a pop culture celebrity. He wants to be a movie star."

Boxcar played its first gig at the all-ages Epicenter April 1. The next night the quartet played at the Glass House in Pomona. Hoppus was in the audience at that second show.

"At the end of the show Tom said, 'I'm going to bring up a special friend,'" said the source close to the band. "I thought it would be Tim [Armstrong] of Rancid. It was Mark. Ninety-nine percent of the people who were there were blink fans and thought it was cool."

Meanwhile, Barker will tour this summer with yet a third project, Transplant, which will release its first CD on Hellcat/Epitaph in October. Transplant also includes Rancid's Armstrong, and lead singer "S.R.," who has worked for Rancid as their roadie.

— Ken Leighton

"They were supposed to give us two weeks' notice." They gave us two days."

Former Bauhaus and Love and Rockets singer/guitarist David J (who now lives in Encinitas) is on a rampage against Clear Channel, the mega-radio-and-concert company that he says ripped him off on his East Coast tour.

"Clear Channel, a.k.a. Satan, pulled the show.... We are not taking this lying down. We intend to sue."

He says the cancellation happened because his former bandmate bombed a few nights earlier.

"Daniel Ash, my former partner from Love and Rockets, had a poor turnout in Boston. Therefore, by way of association, they canceled our show at the Paradise Club [in Boston]. [Ash] had just a handful of people three nights before us [at the same club]."

David J and his newest band, the Velvet Cosh, were pissed enough that they picketed against Clear Channel in Boston Square with placards while playing an acoustic set.

"There was a bar called the Middle East Club who heard about it. They are really independent minded. They are in it for the love of music,

like Tim Mays of the Casbah. We played there and managed to draw three times the amount that Dan had at his show with no advertising, with just the buzz from the street performance." Twenty-six people showed for the performance.

In his stiff British accent, David says, "I was able to execute something of an act of revenge. A few days later we played in Tallahassee, and we got interviewed on a radio station that happened to be owned by Clear Channel. The DJ handed me a guitar and asked me to play [Love and Rockets' hit] 'No New Tale to



DAVID J TAKES ON CLEAR CHANNEL

Tell.' I changed the lyrics: 'You cannot go against Clear Channel / Because when you do / It's part of Clear Channel too / It's like you can't escape.' The DJ's eyes turned to saucers. After we went off the air, he told me he never really wanted to work for Clear Channel, the big

monster that it is. He said he wanted to be a DJ at the college station. He auditioned, but they turned him down."

David J's new band, the Velvet Cosh, includes San Diego punk pioneer Joyce Rooks (formerly of the Dinettes) on cello.

"I think anything that crushes independent ventures is a bad thing," said David J. "It's all part of a horrible homogenization process that's...so stifling to creativity and individuality."

David J and the Velvet Cosh appear at the Belly Up Tavern in Solana Beach on Thursday, May 30.

— Ken Leighton

Convoy fans were irritated during the Pacific Beach Block Party May 11 when a green Ford Expedition's car alarm was activated by the band's sound system. The band performed for about an hour as the alarm blared throughout their set on a stage sponsored by 91X at Bayard Street and Garnet Avenue. As soon as the set ended, so did the constant honking.

Less than 50 yards from the stage, the car's alarm drowned out the performance

for an estimated 2000 people.

When asked if there was anything they could do to halt the car alarm, a staffer from Elite Security responded, "The only thing we can do is



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call the PD [police department] over here, but even if we did, there's not much they can do. The only thing you can do is to break in and disconnect the battery cables."

The mishap is most likely the result of the car alarm's impact or shock sensors being set too high, according to Tom Whitelock, owner of Progressive Mobile Electronics in the Sports Arena area. "The problem we run into on the retail level is people have unrealistic expectations of the sensitivity of the alarm," he said. "When you have a Harley-Davidson or a loud concert, the vibrations from the sound waves are enough to trigger an alarm. Harley-Davidson

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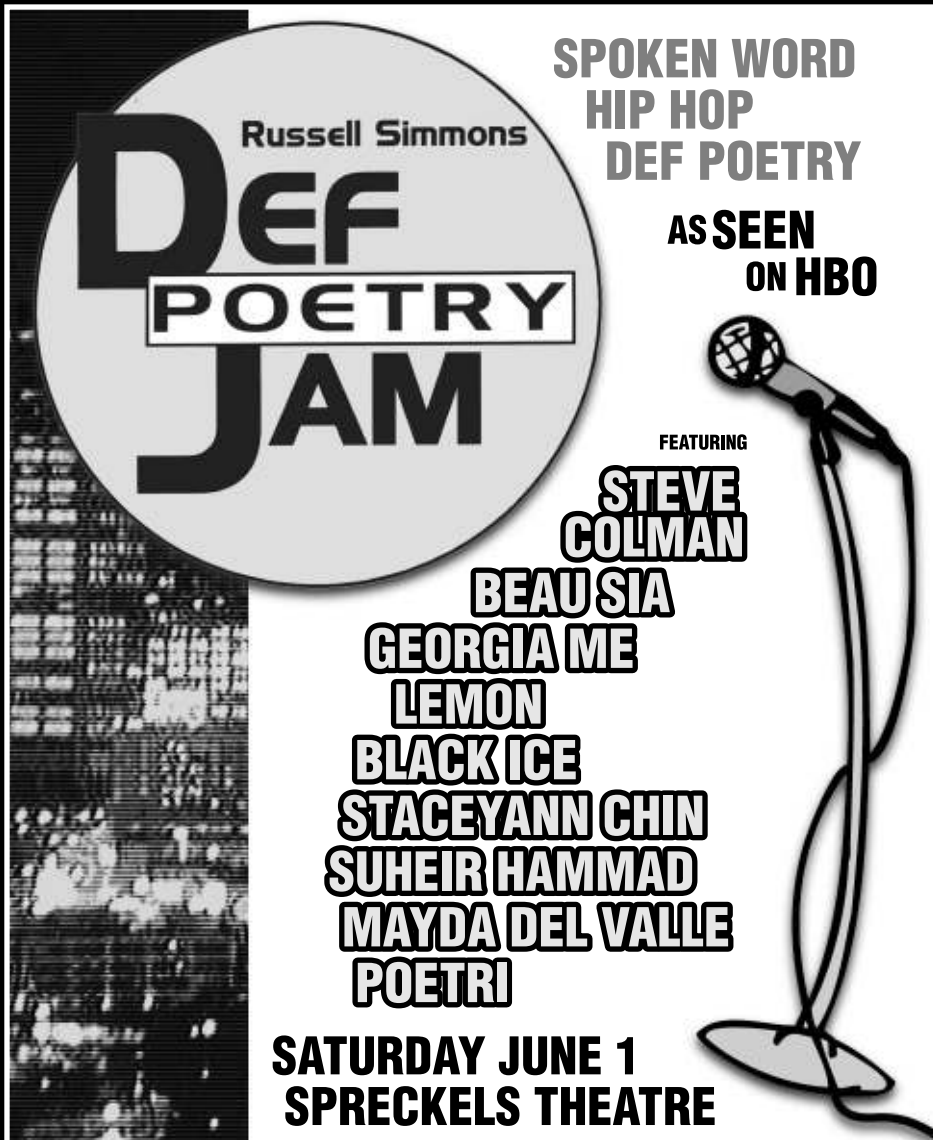


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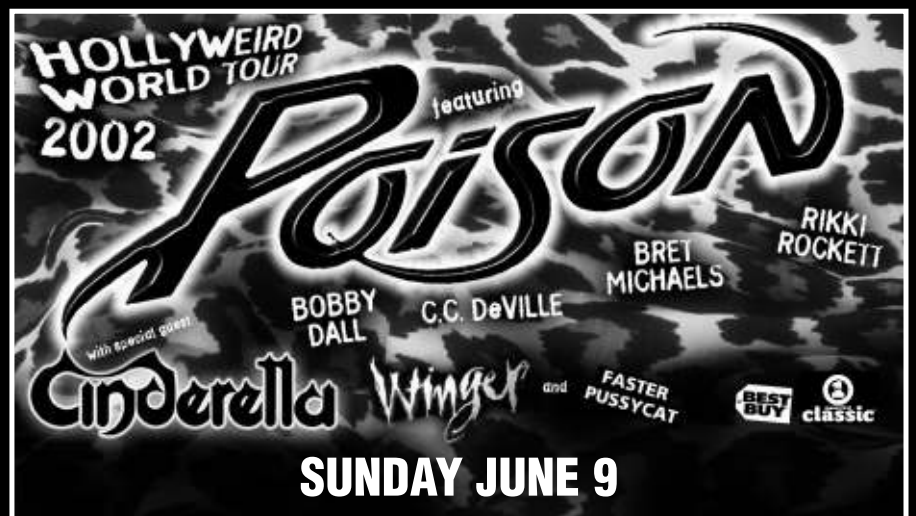
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guys love to roll down the street in first gear."

Not long ago, Convoy was playing around San Diego as the opening act for Lucy's Fur Coat. (The band sang backup vocals on Lucy's *How to Survive an Air Crash* CD.) More recently, the band has toured with Aerosmith and the White Stripes and has appeared on the David Letterman and Craig Kilborn TV shows. Their latest release, "Caught Up in You," is in regular rotation on 91X.

— Kristen Collier

"I've worked for Hennessey's for 25 years. I worked in Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Seal Beach, Laguna Beach, Dana Point.... No [other] city has ever, ever conducted decoy programs with this frequency. They are out almost every week."

Leroy Tardy is the co-owner of Hennessey's in Carlsbad. On Cinco de Mayo, Hennessey's was stung for the third time by the Carlsbad police's decoy sting operations, which have

targeted several downtown Carlsbad bars.

A 20-year-old decoy hired by the police was served a beer at about 3 p.m. State law says three such offenses in three years equals the loss of a liquor license.

"We went 12 years without a citation," said Tardy. "I've gotten three in 14 months."

Hennessey's has a free-admission live-music format on weekends featuring local cover bands like Ron's Garage, Nightshift, and Boneyard. Those bands and the café's employees are facing the fact there may not be a Hennessey's in Carlsbad should the ABC (the California Alcoholic Beverage Control) follow through on penalty enforcement.

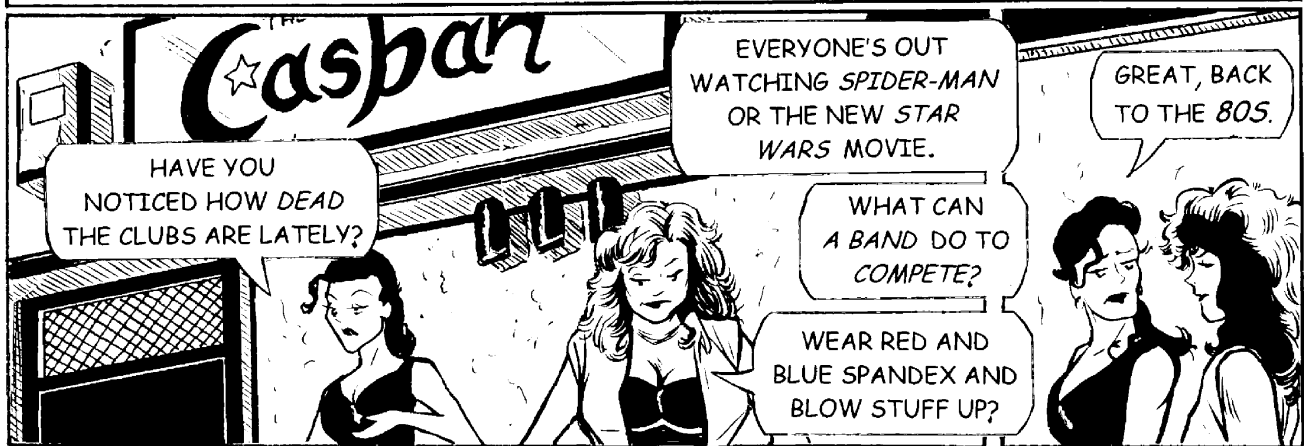
Hennessey's is already challenging the first two violations in court.

"They did a sting through our place too," said Gregg Oggel, general manager of Neimans, which has had two ABC violations in two years. "I think Hennessey's is finished.... It doesn't look good at all. I wonder what their motivation is. Do they not want any bars in Carlsbad? This is borderline ridiculous.... The decoy was this 20-year-old blonde girl with no ID who cozied up to our bartender. She was really overly friendly."

"It was a bar back [a person who works behind the

OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: CASBAH

JAY ALLEN SANFORD



bar to help a bartender]," said Tardy about the Hennessey's employee who served the decoy. "He does not work here anymore.... If they keep it up, we'll all go out of business, and we'll have no place to go. It honestly seems like they are trying to put us out of business."

Tardy said the court appeal "is a long process" and that license revocation, should it happen, would not happen until next year.

Leslie Corona, ABC district administrator, was out of town and unavailable for comment. Carlsbad Police Sergeant Chris Boyd confirms that a nearby bar, Mr. Peabody's, was also cited for serving alcohol to a minor on May 5. Of the anti-business charge he says, "It's more of a pro-business move... to use

appropriate enforcement to keep bars in line and safe places to eat and drink."

— Ken Leighton

CD review: Riboflavin', 2002

There are two histories of reggae.

The first one begins with the so-called mento bands from Jamaica's north coast, who played indigenous folk, plus some rumba and jazz, to segregated crowds during the 1950s. Fused into this sound was the American R&B that urban Jamaicans emulated in their jumping dance halls. But ska, some fanciful accounts have it, gave way to rock steady in 1966, when a fierce heat wave disabled Kingston, making it too hot to shuffle to ska. Baked dancers preferred more soulful melodies.

Throw in equal parts anti-imperialism, charismatic personalities (Marley, Tosh, Cliff), and organ (according to producer Bunny Lee, "At the dance, we would see that the dancers were going crazy when the organ carry [carried] the tempo up — by then people used to complain that the rock steady was dragging them down because the beat was too slow, so we knew that faster was the way to take it...reggae developed from that organ shuffle, with the rest of the music falling into place around it"), and Third World music was an institution.

The second history involves selling that institution to white college kids. Chapter one begins in the '80s, in Providence, Rhode Island ("the biggest

little state in the union"), where Bop (Harvey), a spirited septet, played fast and tight reggae to Brown students at Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel. This chapter also takes us to the Chicken Box on Nantucket, where high school lacrosse players with fake IDs got nasty.

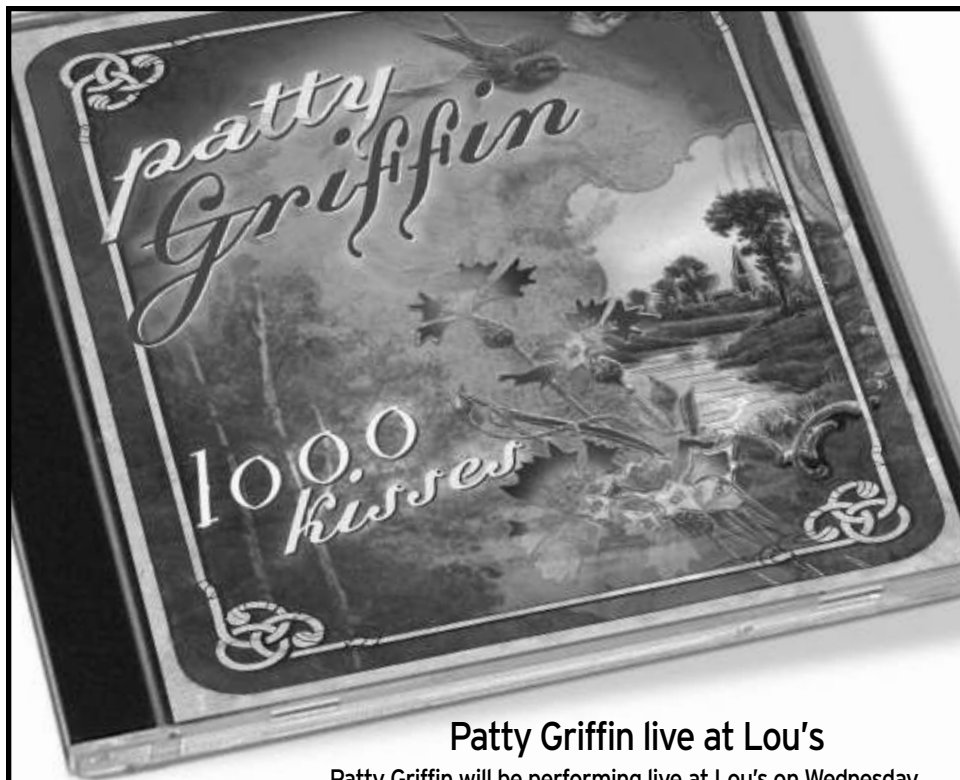
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— Justin Wolff

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Patty Griffin live at Lou's

Patty Griffin will be performing live at Lou's on Wednesday, May 29th at 5:00 p.m. You're sure to hear cuts off of her new release "1000 Kisses", and you can pick up the new CD for just \$13.99. Patty then heads down the coast to play later that night at the Belly Up. Catch it all.

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"We have our own security team, and they keep the muds out."

White Aryan Resistance (WAR) is based in San Diego, headed by Tom Metzger. In 1987, he booked several skinhead bands for an "international punk white power record album." That record was *The Spirit of Oi*, released on London-based White Noise Records.

Metzger, who is well into his 60s, went bankrupt after a \$12.5 million civil judgment was levied against him for his part in encouraging behavior that resulted in the beating death of an Ethiopian man by skinhead followers. However, Metzger still manages to publish an inflammatory tabloid magazine (also titled *WAR*) that promotes Holocaust denial and ethnic cleansing and targets the skinhead demographic with ads for mail-order racist rock recordings and videos of hatecore music festivals.

These racist record labels became prolific between 1992 and 1997, many of them founded in Sweden (Ragnarock Records, Nordland Records) and elsewhere in Europe. However, it is Michigan-based Resistance Records that is America's best-known racist rock label, even publishing its own propaganda magazine.

Resistance was incorporated in 1994 by George Burdi and members of WCOTC, a Canadian chapter of an anti-Semitic group calling itself the World Church of the Creator.

"Music alone cannot save our race," Burdi was quoted as saying, "but our music is precious to us and highly effective as a recruiting tool." He says supremacist rockers had difficulty getting recorded until Resistance came along. "Suddenly, it went from a couple of white power labels to a couple of hundred."

At the time, Burdi sang and wrote lyrics for the skinhead rock group RaHoWa, an acronym for "racial holy war."

"The concerts were crazy," remembers Burdi. (Burdi's comments were received in a press release-style e-mail sent in response to my request for an interview.) "Friends would beat each other up and then laugh about it afterwards, with their eyes swollen shut and their noses broken and picking their teeth up off the ground."

"Kill all the niggers and you gas all the Jews.
Kill a Gypsy and a colored too.
You just killed a kike. Don't it feel right?
Goodness gracious, darn right."

(From "Third Reich" by RaHoWa)

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Burdi's record label was soon selling upwards of 50,000 white power CDs annually. However, the company was thrown into chaos in 1997 due to an American tax dispute and prosecution in Canada for distributing "hate material." At the time, Burdi was serving a one-year prison sentence for kicking a female antiracism protestor in the face at a 1993 RaHoWa concert. The Resistance catalog had grown to over 200 titles, and the label reportedly shipped around 50 orders each day, grossing nearly a million dollars yearly. Resistance moved its headquarters to California and changed hands in April 1999, falling under the ownership of William Pierce, the one-time head of an American neo-Nazi group called the National Alliance.

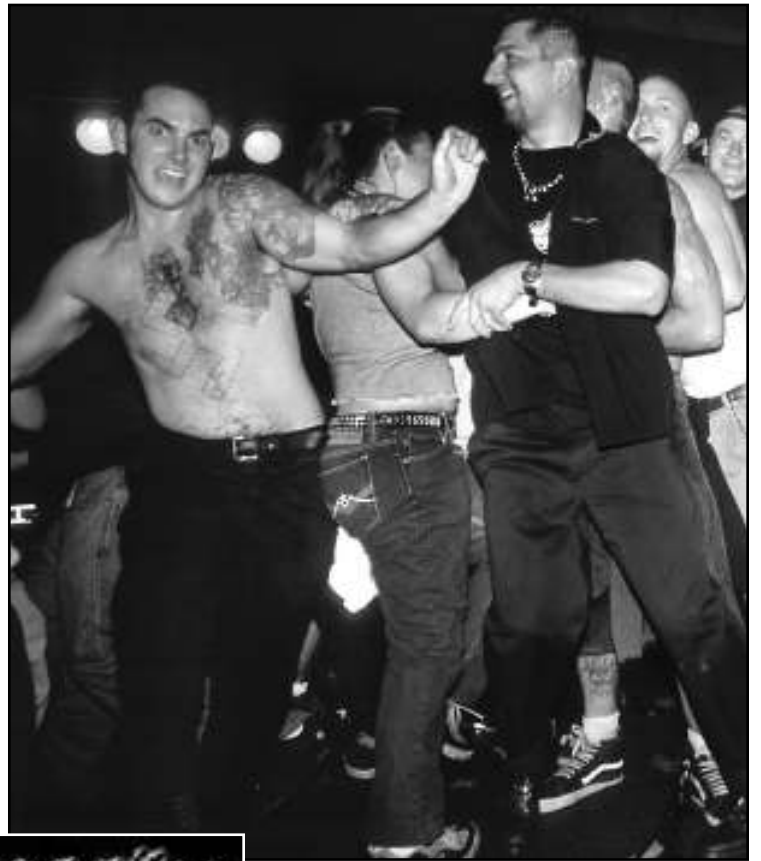
Pierce paid \$250,000 for the label and its assets. "All too often we turn [our anger] against ourselves," said Pierce. "We need to give a proper direction to that anger... [Resistance Records] will be the music of the great, cleansing revolution which is coming." Pierce also bought the Swedish hatecore label Nordland, including its inventory stock and American band contracts, for \$50,000.

Around the same time that Pierce took control of Resistance, Aggressive Force was emerging as Orange County's flagship white power rock band. Their songs bear titles like "It's Okay to Be White."

"Our first gig was at a place here in OC about two years ago," says the group's singer Brian on the band's website, "and we played with Youngland and Extreme Hatred. Well, the lady who booked the show for us had also booked a show for Extreme Hatred a few years back... [that] turned into a riot and the place was totaled. Little did she know that she had just booked them again plus two other WP [white power] bands. You should've seen the look on her face when carloads

of skins started pulling up. All I know is I heard her screaming, 'Oh no, not again,' waving her muddy arms up in the air, 'it's the Nazis again!' Capitalistic mud wench finally shut her face when she saw all the people paying to get in and all the bar sales.

"Since then, we have gotten our own place that loves to have us play and splits the door money with us to get other bands out here to play. We have our own security team, and they keep the muds out, for the most part. One time this beanie just happened to cruise in — talk about being in the wrong place at



Participant at a racist music fest



Aggressive Force record cover

the wrong time. We gave him a party and kindly showed him the door, where a police escort was waiting for him that the owners had called.... He was 'starting fights,' ha ha."

Regarding Southern California, Brian says,

"There are niggers here, but the majority of the dung is Mexican and gooks. The zipperheads out here have a town called Little Saigon, a name aptly given to this large cesspool filled with ornamental written signs, gook gangs, and dry cleaners. The beans are 'equal-opportunity invaders' and pretty much ruin any place in OC they can get their greasy mittens on to. A common scene here is a pregnant bean pushing a double-stroller with a string of four baby beans being drug behind her on the way to the welfare office. We dig it because they do not use the crosswalks, are slow, and, having such a large litter with them, they equal more points!" This latter statement refers to a game called "Death Race," wherein point values are assigned to pedestrians who can be hit with a motor vehicle.

Though never signed to a hatecore label, the Santee-based group InSanitee managed to earn some national press by provoking audience violence during performances. Among their first gigs was a festival in Lake Havasu, Arizona — not a

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racist event, but the promoters were apparently unaware of set list titles like "Jewboy Roasting on a Fiery Cross" and "El Cajon Sand Niggers." As the band played the all-age event, horrified parents hustled children away from the stage, and delighted skinheads — many of them friends of the band — formed a rowdy mosh pit. Antiracist bystanders shouted angrily at band members and were rewarded with beatings administered by skinheads, seven of whom were arrested for assault. InSanitee also promoted itself as a "high school dance band" without disclosing their racist focus, instigating at least one teenage riot in Escondido in 1999.

Hatecore concerts are difficult to stage locally. A "benefit" show sponsored by the California branch of Blood and Honor, intended to raise money for a CD compilation featuring neo-Nazi bands, was scheduled for August 19, 2001, at an Anaheim club called the Shack. The bar was overwhelmed by angry phone calls from antiracist activists, picket lines, and negative

media attention and was subsequently canceled. Part of the Shack's reluctance to follow through with the concert stemmed from local reaction to an earlier event. Press reports had expressed particular outrage over the band Youngland, which performed a song called "Thank God I'm a White Boy" to the tune of John Denver's "Thank God I'm a Country

tians" are Christians who place racial identity as the main qualification for having a relationship with Christ.) His "Tribute to Jewry" is a doctored

and prayed that the shooters were open racists."

On the other side of the battlefield, antiracist bands are popping up, such as the Red

"All I know is I heard her screaming, It's the Nazis again!"



George Burdi, Resistance Records cofounder

photo of what he calls "Jew York City" after being blown up by an atom bomb. On the *Nationalist Observer* website, Curtis nominated the teenagers charged with beating field workers in Carmel Valley as "Aryans of the Month."

Among the organizations championed by the *Observer* are the Hammerskins, the American Nazi Party, Vinland Records, S.S. Enterprises ("racist record producer"), and White Power Music Dot Com, as well as the record labels Panzerfaust and Resistance. While attending SDSU in 1997, Curtis was charged with using the La Mesa police insignia without permission on flyers he'd distributed that described La Mesa as a "nonwhite sewer" and urged citizens to work with police in identifying undesirable "criminal minorities" and "interracial couples." Curtis recently told a reporter, via e-mail, about watching news reports about the Columbine High School shootout in Littleton, Colorado. "I did not feel remorse. Instead I was ecstatic

Skins and International Jet Set. Many feature mixed-race line-ups, called "two-tone" groups. After his release from prison, Resistance Records' cofounder George Burdi severed his ties with the white power movement. He joined a band that included two black members and now looks back with amusement at his attempts to recruit skinheads to help achieve white supremacy.

"A large percentage of skinheads, especially in North America, are really hardcore alcoholics. It's too much to expect them to put fliers on cars, but they'll jump at the chance to buy beer. There's a real irony in the fact that Hitler would have exterminated most of these guys as social deviants."

Asked how he feels today about calling for racial extermination in songs like "Third Reich," Burdi says, "I didn't write the music or the lyrics for that song...but the people who bought it, they wanted to listen to it, and probably already had those ideas in their

heads."

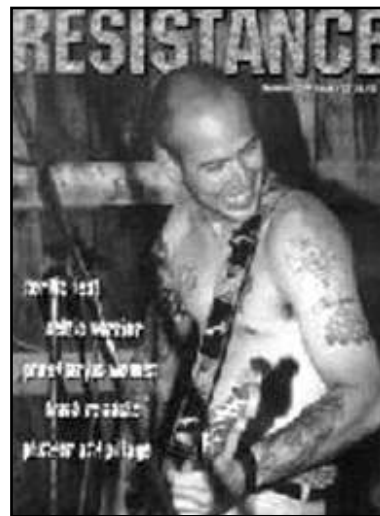
Mark Noah's punk band Anti-Heros [sic] records for San Diego-based Taang! Records. In the '80s, the group wrote several observational songs about the Skinhead movement for their albums *That's Right* and *Don't Tread on Me*.

"It's 'reality rock,'" Noah says, admitting that, at one time, the Anti-Heros didn't mind the occasional audience riot. "We don't try to get all of our crowd to come out and smash things up or kick people...but it does have a very strong antisocial bent to the lyric construction, or the texture of the music, and, you know, it attracts people that are angry."

However, the band is adamant about not being considered part of the skinhead scene. New Line Cinema recently approached Taang! about using Anti-Heros music in a movie about Nazi skinheads. "They wanted to have the inside of this Nazi's room covered with Anti-Heros posters and lyrics and have him listening to us, and I was, like, 'Fuck that! Who wants to be painted up like that?' That's the Hollywood version of what this music is, and it's wrong."

Hard rock hero Henry Rollins, who headed one of punk's original frontline

bands, Black Flag, laughs at the notion that white people in America are being driven to



Resistance Records catalog cover

extinction. "White people in this country have no clue as to what oppression is," he recently told VH1. "I do not know what it's like to walk into a restaurant and have the staff go, 'Okay, skin color — dodgy. Make 'em pay before they get their order.' My whiteness gives me credibility. I can look low rent, but with this white skin, I will get served. I never understood why rap guys wore the gold on the outside until I started hanging out with some of them.... They have to say, 'See, I can afford my Grand Slam at Denny's because I have enough gold. I'm good for the bill.'" ■

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Police Beat

The Baroness took the rap for a little bit of loose marijuana in the trunk of the car.

If Bud Powell's terrible beating at the hands of the Philadelphia police in January of 1945 was precipitated by Powell interfering with the police when they tried to arrest his friend Thelonious Monk, the gesture was reciprocated in 1951 when Monk took the rap when a packet of heroin was found in their possession by police. Heroin wasn't Monk's thing — he was "clean" — but he wasn't going to let Powell take the rap alone. Monk received 60 days in jail, and the police canceled his cabaret card, a document required of all entertainers who worked in New York clubs. Monk's card wasn't restored until 1957, through the intercession of the celebrated jazz fan Baroness Pannanica de Koenigswarter and Monk's manager, a Queens high school teacher named Harry Colomby.

Monk would lose his card again 12 years later. He was driving through Delaware with the Baroness and his tenor sax player Charlie Rouse en route to Baltimore, where Monk had a week's work lined up. They were driving in the Baroness's Bentley. Monk was thirsty and stopped at a motel for a drink of water. Monk was a big man, and he lingered in the lobby for a while, the way he was given to just stand somewhere and stare into space. The manager freaked and called the police. Monk was back in the Bentley behind the steering wheel when the cops arrived. The cops tried to pull him out of the car, and when he refused to budge, they began pounding his knuckles with their nightsticks, despite the Baroness's hysterical protestations not to hit his hands. His hands bore the lumps from that beating for the rest of his life. The Baroness took the rap for a little bit of loose marijuana in the trunk of the car.

Of course, hitting Monk's hands with nightsticks was equivalent to hitting Bartók's or Sviatoslaw Richter's hands. Imagine the headlines in the *New York Times* and the repercussions for the police perpetrators if the latter had been the case. But Monk was black, and with all the Baroness's wealth and connections, nothing came of it. Nor did anything happen to the Philadelphia police after they nearly beat Bud Powell to death, causing the pianist to wind up a month later in Pilgrim State

Hospital, where he would stay for ten months. During another extended visit to a mental institution in 1949, Powell would be administered a series of electroshock treatments. (It is likely he had received electroshock during his previous incarceration as well.) And here it might be pertinent to note that the doctors at Camarillo State Hospital in California nearly lobotomized Charlie Parker in 1947. Talk about criminally insane!



Thelonious Monk

Bud Powell enjoyed considerably more renown than Monk during his relatively short career (b. 1924–d. 1966). Powell was the quintessential bop pianist, and his influence was enormous. He revolutionized post-swing piano with his flowing, breathtakingly swift single-note lines with his right hand (sometimes 90 bars to the minute), filled with melodic invention; at the same time, he liberated the role of the left hand from striding and delivering supporting chords, instead making the left hand, if not an equal partner, then a more provocative and demanding partner, with dissonant, irregularly spaced chords.

His right-hand runs seemed to transfer Charlie Parker's hurtling, harmonically advanced vocabulary to the piano. His technique — until worn down over time by mental illness, electroshock, and alcohol — was matchless. No matter how many notes he played, and no matter how fast he played them, the keys were struck with unusual clarity and his ideas retained their shape. At his best these ideas poured forth endlessly.

Monk was never really a bopper, despite his central role during the creation of the bop idiom as house pianist at Minton's. Almost nobody, even top musical contemporaries, knew quite what to make of Monk, often discussing him as an oddball, musically and personally. Parker and Gillespie would have known what Monk was up to. Powell certainly did, and no one would ever revere Monk as much as Powell; in part, because no one else

heard so *much* of what Monk was playing.

Insofar as bop has a conventional procedure, it is characteristic for the musician or musicians to state the theme, dispense with it, and, after a short bridge, begin improvising on the chords of the theme. Monk instead would build his solos on the theme, as often as not an abstract musical motif instead of a song or songlike idea. It gets a lot more complicated after that. Much of Monk's artistry lay in his dismantling of theme, harmonically, melodically, and exploring these fragmented components: sometimes by suspending them in time, sometimes highlighting certain elements by extreme changes in dynamics or wild jumps of interval. One can hear plenty of stride in Monk's piano — James P. Johnson, for instance. You can hear Ellington and maybe a little Teddy Wilson too. But he is as close to Bartók and Stravinsky as he is to jazz, and if he was never as influential as Bud Powell among the pianists of the '50s and '60s, it's because what Monk did was so clearly *sui generis* that everyone else who tried to play his material or imitate his technique sounded like inadequate Monk.

Powell could play Monk beautifully without sounding like Monk. He's the only one, and you can hear it on this splendid 1961 trio date, *A Portrait of Thelonious Monk*, backed by French bassist Pierre Michelot and Kenny Clarke, the same drummer who presided over those sessions at Minton's in the early- to mid-'40s. Powell would enjoy several first-rate dates with those two on bass and rhythm, including another December



Thelonious Monk and Baroness de Koenigswarter

1961 date (produced in Paris by Cannonball Adderly, like the *Portrait of Thelonious* date), strangely titled *A Tribute to Cannonball*, featuring Don Byas on tenor sax and with no sign of Cannonball. Two years later, Powell would record on a session with Dexter Gordon as leader called *Our Man in Paris*. It's my favorite among Gordon's uniformly splendid Blue Note sessions. In all three of these '60s sessions, Powell no longer has the speed, the abundance of ideas, and technical virtuosity that he evidenced in the late-'40s and early-'50s. Years of illness, electroshock, alcoholism, what have you, had eroded his skills. He plays far fewer notes in these early-'60s sessions, but on balance, I enjoy his playing more than early on, in his more celebrated Roost, Clef, Verve, and Blue Note sessions. He was clearly feeling well on the days these sides were

recorded. He liked with whom he was playing. And Powell liked Paris; it was his second home, and he was both lionized and looked after there. There is a very bad French-made movie called *'Round Midnight* based on Bud Powell's life in Paris. Dexter Gordon (who is



Bud Powell

wonderful in the role) plays Bud Powell. Otherwise, it is a real Gallic art disaster flick.

Monk would appear on the cover of *Time* magazine in February 1964. His years of neglect by a mainstream audience would be over. Columbia Records marketed his image as that of a weirdo more than that as Genius of Modern Music, as Blue Note had in 1947 during his first recording session as leader. (Bud Powell's first recordings as leader were also in 1947.) Powell would be dead in 1966. He has an unissued trio side from that year recorded in New York City in January. Monk would record three successful albums for Columbia during that year. In truth, at least among musicians and jazz fans, Monk's music had superseded Powell's since 1957, when Monk reappeared on the scene again at the Five Spot with John Coltrane on tenor sax.

Thelonious Monk died in 1982 in Weehawken, New Jersey, at the home of the Baroness de Koenigswarter. (Charlie Parker had died at the Baroness's New York apartment 27 years earlier.) Monk just quit playing one day, for no particular reason. Monk's last recordings were in London in 1971. After that he pretty much just sat there at the Baroness's, not saying much of anything. The Baroness always maintained that he was comfortable and in good spirits during those years. The doctors had no idea what the problem was.

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Matmos: Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, May 25, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

SUNDAY

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TUESDAY

Trey Anastasio: Open Air Theatre, Tuesday, May 28, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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Kenny Chesney /790/, **Montgomery Gentry**, **Jamie O'Neal**, and **Phil Vassar:** Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, May 29, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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INXS /532/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, May 31, 8 p.m., 2241

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Garbage /144/ and **Abandoned Pools /185/**: Open Air Theatre, Friday, May 31, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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Andrew W.K., the Casualties, and **Icarus Line:** Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, June 1, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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The Pet Shop Boys /576/: Copley Symphony Hall, Tuesday, June 4, 8 p.m., 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-235-0804 or 619-220-8497.

Britney Spears /603/ and **Nikka Costa /604/**: Cox Arena, Wednesday, June 5, 7:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Howard Jones /610/: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, June 5, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

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Keb' Mo' /967/ and **Maia Sharp:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June 17, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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The Robert Cray Band /971/ 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.

Barry Manilow /615/: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 21, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Alejandro Sanz /617/: Open Air Theatre, Friday, June 21, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

A Flock of Seagulls: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, June 21, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

J Mascis /505/: The Casbah, Friday, June 21, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Mike Watt /140/ and **Mary Timony:** The Casbah, Saturday, June 22, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Chayanne: Cox Arena, Saturday, June 22, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Hiroshima /586/ and **Willie & Lobo /697/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 23, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"A Tribute to the Beatles" with **Todd Rundgren, Alan Parsons, Mark Farner** (Grand Funk Railroad), **Jack Bruce** (Cream), and **Christopher Cross:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June 24, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Guess Who /587/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, June 25, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Nanci Griffith /854/ and **Richard Thompson /876/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 26, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Peter Dinklage /570/: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Thursday, June 27, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

The Righteous Brothers /588/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 27, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Bruce Hornsby /590/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, June 28, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Tommy Lee and the **Flying Tigers /470/:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, June 30, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Pink: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 30, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

"Judy Collins Wildflower Festival" featuring **Judy Collins, Arlo Guthrie, Tom Rush, and Eric Anderson:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 30, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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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.

"Warped Tour '02" featuring the **Alkaline Trio /345/**, **Good Charlotte, Lagwagon, the Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Morgan Heritage, MXPX /199/**, **New Found Glory /304/**, **No Use For A Name /216/**, **NOFX /109/**, **Anti-Flag, Bad Religion, Flogging Molly /316/**, **Hot Water Music /545/**, **Midtown, Ozma, Reel Big Fish /757/**, **Something Corporate /222/**, **Handsome Devil, Manic Hispanic, Pistol Grip, Quarashi, the Casualties, Thursday, Tsunami Bomb, the Used, Yellowcard, the Line, Pepper, Places to Park, Wanted Dead, Autopilot Off, Too Rude, the Deviates, Death By Stereo, Home Grown /172/**, **Allister, Finch, RX Bandits, the Movie Life, the Starting Line, Glassjaw, I Decline, Stunt Monkey, Jet Cinema, Slick Shoes, Eleventeen, Useless ID, the Eyeliners, and LoBall:** Coors Amphitheatre Parking Lot, Wednesday, July 3, 12:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Dan Fogelberg /591/ 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.

The Rugburns /263/: The Casbah, Thursday, July 4, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner

Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Billy Ray Cyrus /792/: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, July 5, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

The Breeders /509/ and **Imperial Teen /556/:** 4th & B, Friday, July 5, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Cranberries /194/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 6, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Cheap Trick /596/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 7, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Hootenananny 2002" featuring **Joe Strummer, X, Reverend Horton Heat /134/**, **Hank Williams III /775/**, the **Blasters /478/**, **Lee Rocker, Nashville Pussy /154/**, **Tiger Army, the Kingbees, the Original Sinners, James Intveld, Hot Rod Lincoln /547/**, **3 Bad Jacks, and Russell Scott:** Embarcadero Marina Park South, Sunday, July 7, downtown San Diego waterfront. 619-220-8497.

Lyle Lovett & His Large Band /783/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Martina McBride /801/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 9, and Wednesday, July 10, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Rippingtons /709/ and **David Benoit /417/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 12, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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.

"'70s Soul Jam" featuring the **Stylistics /611/**, the **Manhattans /987/**, the **Chi-Lites /992/**, the **Delfonics**, and **Harold Melvin's Blue Notes:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 15, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The B-52's and Nancy Sinatra: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 16, and Wednesday, July 17, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Indigo Girls /879/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 18, and Friday, July 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Kenny Loggins /537/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, July 19, and Saturday, July 20, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Outkast, Lauryn Hill, the Roots /267/, **Jurassic 5 /176/**, **Cee-Lo, and Truth Hurts:** Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, July 20, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Billy Idol /506/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 21, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Boz Scaggs /598/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 22, and Tuesday, July 23, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Styx /507/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, July 23, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Collin Raye /785/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 24, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Trisha Yearwood /786/: 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.

George Benson /612/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 27, 7 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Jewel /895/ and **M2M:** Open Air Theatre, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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.

Lynyrd Skynyrd /599/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 30, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

KC & the Sunshine Band /621/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 31, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Down from the Mountain" featuring **Alison Krauss & Union Station, Jerry Douglas, Dan Tyminski, Ralph Stanley, Patty Loveless, the Del McCoury Band, Ricky Skaggs, Emmylou Harris, the Nashville Bluegrass Band, Norman and Nancy Blake, the Whites, and Chris Thomas King:** Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, July 31, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

AUGUST

David Sanborn /692/ and **Poncho Sanchez /646/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 1, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Scorpions /538/, **Deep Purple, and DIO /567/:** Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, August 2, 6:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy /716/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 2, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

August 4, 960 North Harbor Drive, downtown. 619-220-8497.

Gordon Lightfoot /906/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 4, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Guitars & Saxes" (featuring **Richard Elliot /650/**, **Marc Antoine, Warren Hill /717/**, and **Jeff Golub**) and **Della Coelho:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 5, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Michael McDonald: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 6, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Celia Cruz /788/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, August 6, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Herman's Hermits (starring **Peter Noone**) and the **Turtles** (featuring **Flo & Eddie**): Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 7, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Foreigner: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Joe Satriani, Dream Theater, and King's X /487/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 9, 6:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Diana Ross: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 11, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

John Hiatt & the Goners /827/ and **Jimmie Vaughan:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 12, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Blondie: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, August 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Young Dubliners /438/, **Great Big Sea**, and **Seven Nations:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 14, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Diana Krall: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 15, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Lee Ann Womack: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, August 18, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Ray Charles /979/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 19, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Fourplay (featuring **Larry Carlton /685/**, **Bob James, Harvey Mason**, and **Nathan East**) and **Rick Braun /672/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 20, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dwight Yoakam: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 21, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Peter, Paul, & Mary: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 25, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.



Elvis Costello, May 29, Copley Symphony Hall

The Doobie Brothers and **Venice /432/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 26, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Joan Baez and **Richard Shindell:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 28, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

SEPTEMBER

Lenny Kravitz, Pink, and **Abandoned Pools /185/:** Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 1, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Air Supply and **Christopher Cross:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island

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Mark O'Connor & Natalie MacMaster: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 12, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Frankie Avalon and **Bobby Rydell:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 17, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Chicago /620/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, September 17, and Wednesday, September 18, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Linda Eder: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 19, 7:30 p.m.,

2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Smokey Robinson: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 20, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Keiko Matsui and **Craig Chaquico /651/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 22, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Jimmy Buffett: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, September 28, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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OCTOBER

Ozomatli and the **Joshua Redman Elastic Band:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, October 1, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Acoustic Alchemy /834/ and **Strunz & Farah:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, October 3, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Bobby Caldwell: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 4, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Al Jarreau and **Marilyn Scott /661/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 6, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Sergio Mendes & Brasil 2002 /694/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, October 10, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dickey Betts & Great Southern, the **Marshall Tucker Band**, and **Poco:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 13, 6 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Ashley: The Playhouse
Authority Zero: 'Canes Bar and Grill
Back Yard: 'Canes Bar and Grill
The Bandits: The Playhouse
Bartender's Bible: The Casbah

Battery: Brick By Brick
197**Bedhead Blonde:** Typhoon Saloon
Beverly Killbillies: Brick By Brick
119**Buckfast Superbee:** Belly Up Tavern
Bushwalla: Java Jungle
Callbox: The Scene
Came in Second: Epicentre
148**Jerry Cantrell:** 4th & B
Captured by Robots: The Casbah
The Cheap Leis: The Casbah
The Classified: 'Canes Bar and Grill
Cold Weather Rescue: Epicentre
Comes with the Fall: 4th & B
Compass: 'Canes Bar and Grill
Crank Wrench Audio: Brick By Brick
Crooked Fingers: The Casbah
The Damn Dirty Apes: Blind Melons
Deadline Friday: Winstons
A Death for Every Sin: The Scene
Delta Nove: Blind Melons
Destroy Miranda: Epicentre
389**d.Rost:** Winstons
211**The Dickies:** Brick By Brick
DieRadioDie: Epicentre
Dirtbike: Dream Street
Dissolution: Brick By Brick
Distant: Epicentre

Downpour: Epicentre
Dynamite Boy: The Scene
Element Eight: The Scene
Ether: Dream Street
The Experts: 'Canes Bar and Grill
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Flop House: The Playhouse
Frame of Mind: Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)
Friction Switch: Brick By Brick
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Halo Complex: Belly Up Tavern
Harmony 24: Blind Melons
The Hill Street Stranglers: The Playhouse
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Hot Like a Robot: Epicentre
The Insecticides: Brick By Brick
Ithaca: The Casbah
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KZO Juice: 'Canes Bar and Grill
Ladwig: Blind Melons
Life Hates Me: Dream Street
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Mad at Gravity: Dream Street
Malachi Crunch: Dream Street
Mary Prankster: Blind Melons, The Casbah
Mercury Legion: The Playhouse
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Mojo Rib: Blind Melons
220**Peter Murphy:** 'Canes Bar and Grill

The Nickel Project: Winstons
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Off By One: The Scene
Over My Dead Body: The Scene
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Quitter: Dream Street
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Road Noise: Dream Street
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Scare Tactic: Brick By Brick
201**Scorch:** Java Jungle
Seven Six Zero: Epicentre
The Shake Ups: The Kensington Club
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255**The Shot Out Hoods:** Brick By Brick
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352**Slightly Stoopid:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
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290**Stinkaholic:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
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Stupid Human Tricks: Blind Melons
208**Superunloader:** Blind Melons
Sweet Relish: Brick By Brick
Syndicate: Lestat's Coffeehouse
TBD: Epicentre
Tea Leaf Green: Victor's Restaurant & Bar, Winstons
Ten Pound Brown: Belly Up Tavern
Throw Rag: The Casbah
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Donald Glaude: 4th & B
Good Intentions: Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)
Goz: Blind Melons
Guapos: Surf N'Saddle
The Don Haney Band: Brick By Brick

547**Hot Rod Lincoln:** Tio Leo's Lounge
The Hounds Dogs: Fannie's
The Charlie Hunter Quintet: Belly Up Tavern
ir: Blind Melons
Jivewire: The Casbah
Flip Jones: Blind Melons
Legacy: 4th & B
The Latanya Lockett Band: Blind Melons, Winstons
London's Falling: Dream Street
Los Chicarrones: Surf N'Saddle
Madcap Otis: Winstons
The McNallys: Carvers
Metal Shop: Typhoon Saloon
Miss White's Monster: Dream Street
Modesto: Surf N'Saddle

The New Breed Band: The Alley
Nitehawk: Carvers
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489**Private Domain:** Second Wind (San Carlos), Humphrey's
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The 80z Allstars: Buffalo Joe's
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The Mar Dels: Belly Up Tavern
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Jack Pollack: Shooters Bar and Grill
622**Robberecht the Pianoman:** The Westgate Hotel, Roger's on 5th
Roz and the Wrecking Crew: Jimmy Love's
The San Diego Island Boys: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)
Stage 4: The Room
Superfunk Fantasy: Jimmy Love's
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EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ/ BIG BAND

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B3 Four: The Bayou Jazz Bar
The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies
666**Lori Bell:** Inn L'Auberge
652**Big Time Operator:** Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille
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703**John Cain:** Hotel del Coronado
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Chef Cannon: Humphrey's

667**Gilbert Castellanos:** Lilo's, The Bayou Jazz Bar
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Dean Davidson: Chesapeake Bar & Grill
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Aubrey Fay: Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)
638**Glen Fisher con Alma:** Croce's Jazz Bar
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644**Hollis Gentry:** Croce's Jazz Bar, Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, Humphrey's
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684**Holly Hofman:** Humphrey's
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695**The Chris Klick Jazz Quintet:** The Alley
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999**Latin à Go-Go:** Juke Joint Cafe
718**Tim Maglione:** Jimmy Love's

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660**The Shep Meyers Quartet:** Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar
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724**Spaceman Spiff:** Redfish
643**Peter Sprague:** Coyote Bar and Grill
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632**Patrick Yandall:** Humphrey's

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE/ SKA

Bananeiras: Juke Joint Cafe
736**Common Sense:** 4th & B
Earth Ride: Henry's Pub, Neimans Bar and Grill
734**Eek-A-Mouse:** Belly Up Tavern
Elijah Emanuel and the Revelations: Buffalo Joe's
Jah Blood & Fire Angels: Winstons
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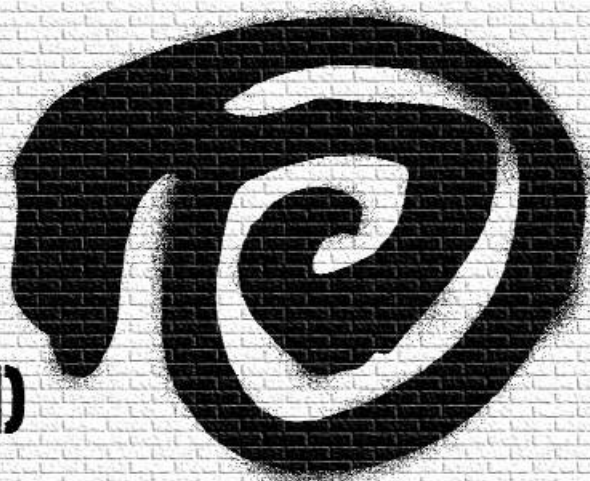
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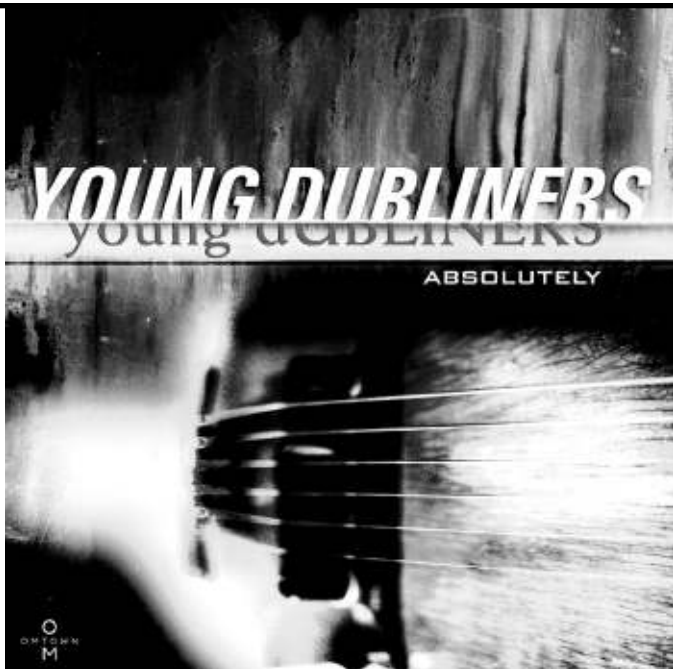
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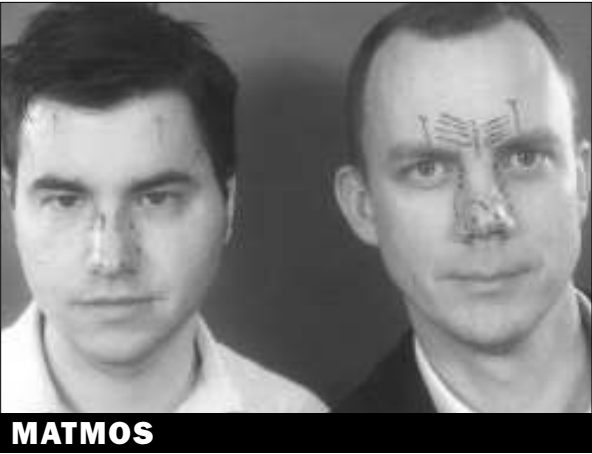
BY WILLIAM CRAIN

There's a bio on the **Matmos** website that I think is worth quoting at length: "In their recordings and live performances over the last nine years, Matmos have used the sounds of: amplified crayfish nerve tissue, the pages of Bibles turning, a bowed five-string banjo, slowed-down whistles and kisses, water hitting copper plates, the runout groove of a vinyl record...contact microphones on human hair, violins, rat cages, tanks of helium, violas, human skulls, cellos, peck horns, tubas, cards shuffling, field recordings of conversations in hot tubs...latex fetish clothing, rhinestones on a dinner plate, Polish trains, insects, ukulele, aspirin tablets hitting a drum kit from across the room...rock salt

crunching underfoot, solid gold coins spinning on bars of solid silver, the sound of a frozen stream thawing in the sun, a five-gallon bucket of oatmeal."

When presented with music made from such unusual material, you hardly stop to ask if it's any good. That's why it's all the more amazing that the San Francisco duo of **M.C. Schmidt** and **Drew Daniel** makes music that's fun to listen to, as well as read about. For instance, last year's "Lipostudio (And So On...)" is a bouncy, cheery little number built on the sounds of human fat being sucked out during liposuction surgery.

More recently, Matmos lent its unique organic/electronic hybrid to Björk for her *Vespertine* album and toured as part of her backing band. Still, Schmidt and Daniel keep



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one foot in the experimental avant-garde camp; they have also been working with minimalist composer Terry Riley and the always-challenging Kronos Quartet.

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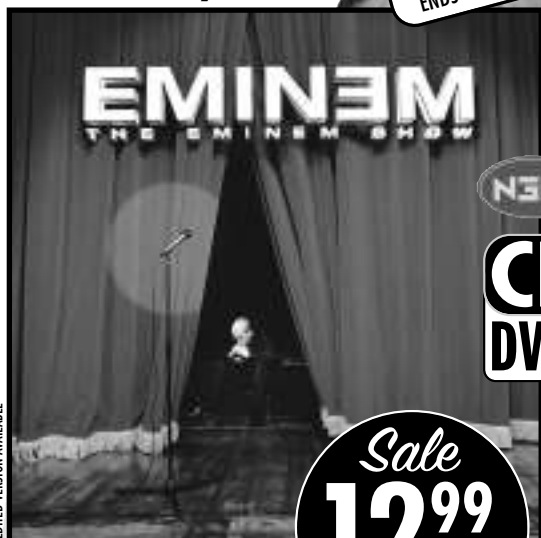
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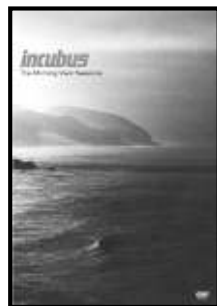
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North County

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Sunday and Wednesday, *the New*



BY DAVE GOOD

If it's anything to do with toy piano, **Scott Paulson** knows about it. I called him from a thrift store one day after I spotted a tiny baby grand for sale. "I'll be right over," he said. "That's a make I don't own yet." Paulson has become the force behind the revival of toy piano on the West Coast. From his position as music-library assistant at UCSD, Paulson has amassed a collection of over 50 pianos. He has also commissioned several new scores for toy piano, and he had a hand in getting toy-piano literature into the Library of Congress. Last year, toy-piano fans from around the world came to UCSD when Paulson produced a toy-piano festival and recital. Antique dealers and enthusiasts (including Liberace and Barry Manilow, I'm told) have collected toy pianos for years; the

Breed Band. Friday, *Dirk Debonair* and *the Yacht Lizards*.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 9 pm, *the Charlie Hunter Quintet* with *Fredalba*. Friday, 5:30 pm, *the Mar Dels*, pop, 9:15 pm, *Halo Complex*, *Buckfast Superbee*, and *Ten Pound Brown*, alternative. Saturday, 9:15 pm, *Eek-A-Mouse* with *Psydecar*, reggae. Wednesday, 8 pm, *Patty Griffin*, folk, and guests.

Borders Books and Music, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Friday, 8 pm, *Dustin Shey*, acoustic guitar. Saturday, 8 pm, *John Foltz*, folk, piano.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *Nitehawk*, classic rock. Saturday, *the McNallys*, rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Ventilators*, rock, blues. Friday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Usual Suspects*, rock. Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, *Blue Largo*, jazz, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Jerry*

Mc Cann Band, reggae. Sunday, 2 pm to 4:30 pm, *Red Lane*, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Peter Sprague*, blues, jazz. Monday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, *Nathan James*, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Billy Watson*, blues. Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Boneyard*, rock.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, *Bottomline*, classic rock.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *Fonebone*, rock. Saturday, *Frame of Mind*, alternative.

Inn L'Auberge, 1440 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar. 858-259-1515. Friday, *Lori Bell*, *Ron Satterfield*, and *John Opferkuch*, jazz.

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.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *the Stephen Ashbrook Band* and *Shurman*.

Tuesday, *the David Patrone Quartet*, jazz.

Mi Fiesta Mexican Seafood Restaurant, 1551 West Mission Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-434-3316. Saturday, 6 pm to 9 pm, *the California Rangers*, country, folk.

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Saturday, 7:30 to 10:30 pm, *John Lowery*, folk. Sunday, call club for information.

Mocha Marketplace, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-2112. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Tom Griesgraber*, jazz.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Friday, *Earth Ride*. Saturday, *the Bell Brothers Band*.

Pounders, 125 West Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-739-1288. Friday and Saturday, *Deep Blue*, pop rock.

The Raintree, 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Music hours are from 6 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *Diversiti*, jazz. Saturday, *Steve White*, acoustic, blues.



SCOTT PAULSON

sical. He especially likes it when you play along too, and to that end, he and Kernohan usually hand out toy birdcalls, clickers, and nose flutes. I still have mine from the last show.

SCOTT PAULSON, "Toy Piano Collection at Geisel Library," Carmel Mountain Ranch Library, Wednesday, May 29, 6:30 p.m. 858-538-8181. Free event.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, *the Deep Sixx*, classic rock.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, open mike. Friday, *South of Houston*. rock. Saturday, *Furball*, rock. Sunday, 9 pm, *Modesto*, *the Spanish Bombs*, *Los Chicharrones*, and *Guapos*.

Beaches

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Ladwig* and friends. Friday, *the Latanya Lockett Band*, *Delta Nove*, and *Stupid Human Tricks*. Saturday, *the Shoetoe Project*, ir, *Goz*, and *Harmony 24*, alternative. Sunday, *Superunloader*, *the Damn Dirty Apes*, *Well Hung Action Figures*, and *Mojo Rib*. Monday, *Zion*, rock. Tuesday, *Michael Burks*. Wednesday, *Flip Jones*, rock.

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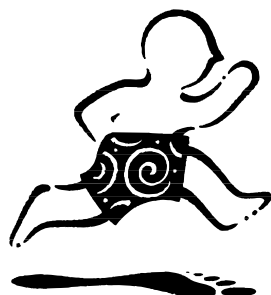


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I was spending a week in Mexico City, staying at a dirt-cheap hotel in the center of town, equidistant from Sanborn's in one direction and the central *mercado* in the other. Downstairs was a folkloric dance school bringing lively music to our windows all day. A pair of cockfighters from Jalisco were staying in the room next door, their livestock making music all night.

And across the street was a little luncheonette with shockingly excellent food. The hit dish (actually one of many) was a chicken-rice-avocado soup laden with cilantro — the soup of many nations that's guaranteed to cure all ills and lift all spirits. It was even better than Mom's chicken soup. (My mom never heard of cilantro.)

So when I heard that La Especial Norte specialized in Mexican soups, I was inexorably drawn there in hopes of finding this perfect potion again. A dozen authentic *caldos*, mainly from central Mexico, play the lead on a densely printed five-page menu. The "small" bowls of *caldo* aren't small; the "large" *caldos* are truly cauldrons and (with a few tortillas) would feed two for dinner or a family at lunchtime. And after all these years, I finally tasted again the "Mexico City Chicken Soup" that precisely matched my memories. La Especial's chicken soup is based on a full-flavored, made-from-scratch chicken broth laced generously with shredded and diced chicken meat, avocado slices, and cilantro, with just enough rice to give it body. At first sip, I could almost hear the "Hat Dance" again.

The restaurant is as festive as that song. Opened a quarter century ago by Angel and Matilde Salazar, from Michoacán, its only relationship to the La Especial in Tijuana is the name. The building housing the restaurant has vastly expanded from its beginnings as a little roadside shack. The original portion includes the small bar just off the entrance and the narrow hallway with a few two-tops. But the hallway now opens up to the later expansion — a huge, whimsically decorated dining room with booths along the edges and tables for up to a dozen in the center. A blue-painted ceramic "pond" at the front of the room holds two rubber caymans, two rubber frogs, and a toy shark. Above, a fake flame from a small "cauldron" roasts ceramic chiles, and a dozen bright ceramic parrots



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roost on rings overhead. The rafters and beams are covered with plastic flowers and wood latticework.

My sweetie came to La Especial seeking his own food-memory grail: the *albondigas* (meatball) soup that the tall Tehuana señora next door used to make when he was a kid and for which he deliberately lingered at his playmate's house until dinnertime. Well, the broth of La Especial's caldo de albondigas was perfect — with a rich meat flavor, not too many tomatoes, toothsome veggies, and good, firm meatballs. "But where's the pine nut?" my boyfriend complained. "My friend's mother always put a pine nut in the center of each meatball, for good luck." They say you can't go home again — apparently you can't go to your neighbor's home, either.

Two great soups deserve a third, and we began our next meal with "Eggplant Caldo," which the menu describes as a clear soup "but not Chinese." It's based on the same fine stock as the chicken soup, this time reddened with a little tomato. In it float bite-size pieces of diced eggplant, a few minced vegetables (carrot, peppers, and celery) for texture,

lots of cilantro cooked in long enough to infuse the broth with flavor, and a surprise — lovable little clouds of ethereal "relleno" batter, serving as floating croutons. It's the same batter that's used for coating the chiles rellenos here. What literally lifts it to its porous puffiness is that the egg whites are beaten separately to a soft meringue. In the rellenos, La Especial uses Anaheim chiles, very thinly stuffing them with mild Mexican melting cheese (queso Oaxaca or queso asador). Unfortunately, the delicate coating is overwhelmed by a stolid red purée that reminds me of unamended canned tomato sauce.

Sharing top billing at La Especial is seafood, occupying another whole menu page. Among the numerous cocktails and fish soups, our choice for a starter one evening was a charming "Fuente de Mariscos" ("fountain of seafood"), a south-of-the-border answer to the French bistro classic, the cold *fruits de mer* platter. (La Especial's, though, costs just \$14 to serve two generously, about a quarter the bistro price.) It includes four sweet oyster meats; a heap of poached tender octopus; another heap of

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gently poached Mexican white shrimp with a sweet, tartar-sauce-like dressing; and three ceviches. One ceviche features fish, another showcases small cocktail shrimp, and the last has small scallops. The liquid that "cooks" them all is lime juice, dotted with tomato chunks that soak up and show off the marinade, and a hidden lacing of semi-hot chile provides a slow afterburn. A garnish of shredded cabbage and a bed of cucumbers provide mouth-cooling relief.

Fish dishes include some preparations with *mojarra*, farmed tilapia, and some with *huachinango*, whatever is passing for "red snapper" in our part of the Pacific (probably a rock cod). The latter was the clean, mild fish for "Filete relleno de Mariscos," snapper stuffed with tender octopus, small shrimp, medium-size (and somewhat tough) scallops, tiny sweet scallops, and a few fine shreds of fresh jalapeño chile for a gentle kick. These morsels were bathed in a light, creamy sauce, partly topped with an airy lacing of grilled mild cheese to lend a touch of a crust. Meanwhile, across the aisle

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from us, a fellow eating with his two teenage daughters was raving about menu item "15S," more properly named "Trio Marino al Ajillo," so we ordered it too. It had fish, shrimp, and octopus in a wonderful, simple garlic oil. The garlic flavor was mild and sweet, assertive enough to let you know it's there, but not so pushy as to KO the other flavors.

The familiar Mexican standards on the menu are just... standard. Among the best of them is a specialty called a

"Guarache" — a thick, long "slipper"-shaped cornmeal patty (similar to a *sope* or a slab of baked polenta) topped with frijoles, carne asada, and strips of fresh nopalito, with sour cream on one side and shredded cabbage on the other side. The tastes are interesting, but the going is heavy. Outweighing even this "slipper" are the beef tamales (available on weekends only), large-sized and freighted with a thick layer of *masa* (cornmeal mush), accompanied by a slightly picante roasted-tomato sauce.

The most interesting of the non-maritime dinner entrées that we tried was the unique house version of Chile Verde, pork in green chile sauce. Fresh tomatillos, under their papery

husks, have sticky skins, and that's obviously the source of this thick, almost glutinous green sauce. Unlike most versions of the dish, the pork's cooking liquid isn't used to thin the puréed tomatillos here. The sauce was seriously spicy, too — I had to grab a tortilla for mediation between bites, and three of our guests found it too hot to handle.

Chicken mole, in contrast, has a bland, sweet sauce over very tender white-meat poultry. Carne Asada, Tampico style (named for a city in southern Mexico), has grilled steak (probably skirt, to judge by the texture) accompanied by a cheese enchilada, a bit of guacamole, and a heap of sautéed strips of fresh

Anaheim chile. The enchilada had a thin tortilla wrap, somewhat understuffed with melted cheese, glazed with the same thick red sauce as the chile releno. The meat ranged from well done to near burnt and was easiest to eat at the thin, blackened end. A small nibble of a thicker piece turned out to be a mouthful. "It's like bubble gum," said my sweetie, watching me masticate. "The more you chew it, the bigger it gets." All the entrées came with the usual assortment of red rice, refried beans, and shredded cabbage salad, done in routine style.

As we were finishing our most recent dinner at La Especial, the sound of little Christmas bells suddenly filled the room.

"What's that? What's happening?" whispered our friend Tom. At that moment, the entire staff of the restaurant, some 20-odd souls, danced into the room single-file, holding hands and jingling bells. They surrounded a table of six and burst into, "Happy bi-i-i-irthday to yo-o-o-o-o-o..."

I wish that I lived closer to La Especial. It'd be like having that great little luncheonette across the street in Mexico City, or like having my boyfriend's childhood neighbor — we'd be dropping in for a takeout cauldron of soup several times a week.

Since we're talking about the Coast Highway neighborhood, I'd like to mention a terrifically useful book on the

topic: *Restaurants 101* by Frank and Sally Lewis and Walter and Luba Berk. This paperback guidebook details the nature and history of just about all the eating places (from tiny *taquerias* to capital-D Destinations) along Highway 101 from Del Mar to Oceanside. The well-written, descriptive portraits of each restaurant not only make for fascinating reading but can offer good ideas for interesting places to eat in the area. You can find the book at Esmeralda and Books & Coffee in Del Mar, Carlsbad Book Company in the Carlsbad Company Stores, and at visitor centers and gift shops. If you can't locate a copy, call coauthor Walter Berk at 760-942-0696 for the nearest source. ■

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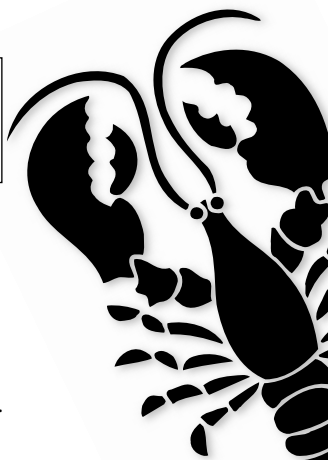
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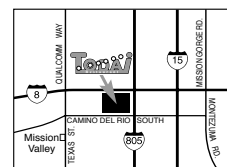
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"Don't even think of asking for pineapple or chicken," says the menu, "'cause that ain't pizza."

I have a sudden thought.

"Oh, man, this is deep."

Hank and I lean against the railing where Carlsbad Village Drive comes to an end and the Pacific Ocean heads off to Japan. Way out on the horizon little ships make black dots, and the sun settles like marmalade on your toast. We're waiting for the green flash. See if they have them up here in the far north.

"Deep? What?" says Hank.

"Now I know why they did it," I say.

"Who? Did what?" says Hank.

"The ancients, my friend, the Aztecs, the Egyptians. Why they all cut up people and goats as sacrifices to the sun."

"So, why?"

"They didn't know the earth was round! They thought it was flat, like a big pizza pie, and went for ever. So when Huey sank into the ocean, they thought Mother Earth swallowed him up. Doused his fires. Who knew if she'd create a new one next morning?"

"Huh. You hungry?"

"Aargh! I live among peasants!"

"No. It's just you mentioned pizza," says Hank. "I'm thinking sunset, flashes, pizza. How could you beat that?"

So here's Dufus, five minutes later, wandering downtown Carlsbad in a sea of gray-blue Victorian gingerbread architecture. Then I notice a tower with wood-shake cladding. "Town

Square," it says. Underneath, a couple of slices of pizza duke it out on a green and white sign saying "Knockout Pizza." Bunch of white plastic chairs and tables sit under a blue canopy in a patio with a pay phone in its corner. But this time of night, everyone's crowding inside. Place rings a bell.

A sign says "Special: 2 slices and a soda for \$5.00." That's what hooks me. Inside it's a little box of a place, all white, except for the red of the window frames and red and white checkered high tables. Folks munching or waiting for

takeout sit on tall chairs reading *Sports Illustrated* bikini issues. Or try and guess all the boxers pictured around the walls. Couple of guys munching into their pizza slices sound like they're having some out-of-body experience. "Thin, oh man, crisp...yeah, baby, pepperoni...heaven."

"Friend from Long Island told me about this place," says this guy Davy. He and his pal Greg are chomping into plain cheese and pepperoni slices. "It's the thin crust. Crunchy. And the cheeses, they've got real flavor. New York, man. Rips. They know how."

"Don't even think of asking for pineapple or chicken," says the menu, "'cause that ain't pizza." Ah. Now I'm remembering. We're talking Bronx, just like the pizza place in Hillcrest. Where Matt the ex-boxer rules. Same colors, green and white, same little fightin' pizzas in the sign.

Guy they call Felipe starts slapping an uncooked blob of pastry between his two hands, then around in the air till it looks like a Frisbee, then wider and wider. Now he spins it with his knuckles, twirling, like a whirling dervish's robe, wider, thinner, but never splitting.

"We have one size pie only," says Adam, who's manning the counter. "Eighteen-inch. But you can have slices of any of these."

Huh. "Pie." That means these guys *have* to be from back East. He's pointing down to the glass-fronted cabinet. I see around nine pizzas in there. Some with slices out already. Pepperoni; meatball and garlic; Whitestone (with light cheeses and spinach); artichoke hearts; sausage and onion; mushroom and garlic; and Porko, a pepperoni-sausage-meatball combo. 'Course I have to ask for the one slice they don't have right now, the Bronx Special (pepperoni, sausage, onions, olives, mushrooms, peppers, and garlic). They can only sell me the complete pizza for \$17.50. (Basic cheese pizza costs \$11.50, plus \$1.50 for each addition.) But I want the two-slice deal, with the soda.

So I start off with a slice of pesto with roasted red peppers, and a Porko, along with a Mug root beer. Adam says he'll toss a couple of anchovies on the pesto for the same price, and it turns out

the five bucks includes tax. Neat.

Gotta say...they rock. I'm sitting up there on the high chair, munching into the pesto. Mmm. Basil and anchovy. Then the Porko. The Long Island guy's right: there is something about that thin, crisp, garlicky crust.

"Sure," says the owner guy James when I ask him. "I know Matt, down at Bronx. Matt showed me everything about making pizza. It's thanks to him I'm up here. Me and Matt get on. I'm from back East. We both box. I started at 14. Was amateur, Golden Gloves. You'd be amazed the number of New Yorkers up here. We don't do California thick crust, deep-dish pizzas. 'Personal size' neither. People back East are more traditional. One size. Don't like things pre-prepared. We make our own dough, our own sauce. And no rolling pins! We toss the dough, like Felipe was doing. That's an art. Do 100 of those a day and you'll know it. So it's more work, but that's why people come. We're the only real New York-style pizzeria in North County." I see they're getting their beer and wine license. Love to come back some lunchtime, sit outside, Bronx Special and a beer.

It's almost dark. How the world turns. Oh my. Hank. Green flashes. I turn to Adam. "Better make that two more to go. And quick." ■

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Vintage Monopoly

“Veuve Clicquot makes a ton of this stuff, and in France it sells wholesale for about \$16 a bottle.”

For a while there, things were looking pretty grim for the California wine market. On February 8, assembly Majority Floor Leader Marco Firebaugh, a Democrat representing California's 50th District, introduced Assembly Bill 1922. The bill extended the state's primary source laws to cover imported wine. It would thus prevent importers from purchasing any brand of wine unless the producer had designated them authorized importers.

What that meant was the elimination of the secondary market, also known as the gray or parallel market. “Secondary” is probably the most accurate term, because the wines involved have already been sold by the producer to either brokers, distributors, restaurants, or individual collectors. These “primary” recipients then turn around and sell the wines on the secondary market to various importers who bring them into the States and sell them to retailers (or, if the importer also functions as a retailer, to consumers).

Why does such a market — one that seems to add still another middleman and his attendant fee to the cost of a bottle — exist? For at least two reasons. The first has to do with demand. Secondary-market wines are often both highly prized and minimally produced. One importer told me that he was sometimes able to bring in “more of the highly rated Australian wines than the authorized U.S. importer, simply because I’ve got contacts in Australia that he does not.” One winery, in 1999, made about 200 cases of a certain sought-after wine. “The U.S. distributor ended up getting 20-some cases. I’ve been able to bring in almost 60.” Why are the primary recipients in Australia willing to sell? “Because we” — “we” being the American consumer — “are able to pay more than the Australian consumer probably would be willing to.”

That American willingness to spend has not gone unnoticed by the French Champagne houses, which brings up another reason for the gray market's existence. “There's a brand out there called Veuve Clicquot,” the importer explained. Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Champagne is extremely

popular in the United States, and “it mostly retails for about \$40. The California distributor is Henry Wine Group. They buy it from the U.S. importer and mark it up” before selling it to California retailers. “However, Veuve Clicquot makes a ton of this stuff, and in France it sells wholesale for about \$16 a bottle.” Why so much cheaper? Because the Champagne houses routinely charge the U.S. importer about 15 to 25 percent more than they do the European distributors. They know Americans will pay the premium.

“So parallel marketers can go over to Europe and buy thousands of cases of Veuve Clicquot.” Adding in the cost of importing, import taxes, and customs clearance takes the price up to about \$20 a bottle. “If I turn around and sell it [to a retailer] for \$26 a bottle, I make a healthy return and the retailer gets it for less than he's paying Henry Wine Group. And the consumer is able to buy the wine at \$32 a bottle.” Because he pays more up front, the authorized distributor can't compete on price, and so the gray marketer flourishes.

Henry Wine Group president Fred Reno admits that he has “gray market issues. I can't tell you the millions of dollars of Clicquot business I've lost to the gray market. But,” he says, “those are the rules of engagement. We deal with our supplier partners.” If charging Henry Wine Group more per bottle “is their business decision, then that's their business decision. I have to live with it.”

The corporate giant Diageo proved less sanguine. Diageo, an English company that already owned Beaulieu Vineyards and other wineries, recently bought Seagram. In doing so, it acquired the enormous wine group Chateau & Estates and thus became the largest importer of classified Bordeaux in the United States. It also became the exclusive importer for a number of top Burgundy producers, including Domaine André Ramonet, maker of some of the most sought-after Chardonnays in the world. Diageo's interest in the gray market and its effect on “brand management” was piqued. They approached Assemblyman Fire-



Assembly Committee on Governmental Organization meeting

baugh, who as assembly majority floor leader had considerable power to move legislation, and the bill was born.

Why did Diageo want primary source law extended to wine? According to their “Primary Source Law Fact Sheet,” the answer was that such a law would “help states enforce alcohol beverage control; provide health and consumer protection through the three-tier system [of producer-distributor-retailer]; prevent out-of-state vendors from transshipping goods into California and create an ‘audit trail’ for enforcement and state agencies; and help ensure the integrity of products and assist in product recalls.” In other words, since only the authorized importer would be allowed to bring the wine into California, the wine would be easy to track, both for the producer and for the state regulatory agencies.

But retailers and importers across the state suspected otherwise. They saw the move as an attack on one of the last free wine markets in the country, a free market that kept prices low and selection high. Competition between multiple importers meant that no single importer could raise prices arbitrarily for wines that people would pay almost any price to get. Multiple importers also meant increased supplies of rare wines, an-

other factor that helped keep prices down. Further, the revenue derived from importing such “cherries” allowed small importers to bring in other, less expensive wines whose production was not large enough to interest the bigger importers. They saw primary source law as an attempt to drive small importers out of business, consolidating the wine market and creating a monopoly.

Two such importers, Emanuel Berk of the Rare Wine Company in Sonoma and Mike Opdahl of Joshua Tree Imports in Pasadena, heard about the bill via the Internet near the end of March. They acted quickly to create the California Fine Wine Alliance — an association of retailers, importers, wholesalers, and consumers — in an effort to combat the legislation. Two weeks later, when the Assembly Committee on Governmental Organization first heard arguments for the bill, at least 14 members of the Alliance were on hand to register their opposition, including representatives from major wine retailers the Wine Club, the Wine Exchange, Hi Times, and Corti Brothers. But despite their protests, the bill sailed through the committee, 18 to 1. A hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee was scheduled for May 8. The fight was on. ■

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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 super-markets', 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)

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inated chicken, grilled *carne asada*, and Baja-style shrimp) plus beans, rice, tortillas, and a Caesar salad. And wraps are great. Try the Chinese chicken wrap: grilled chicken, salad greens, crispy noodles, scallions, orange pieces, and oriental dressing in a “cilantro tortilla.” Open seven days. Friday happy hour free buffet 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. Other locations: 310 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6333; 3890 Twiggs, Old Town, 619-260-0305; 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos, 760-744-7550; 258 Harbor Drive South, Oceanside, 760-967-6199. — *E.B. (9/01)*

SAMMY’S WOODFIRED PIZZA You have a vast choice of wood-fired pizzas here, including many exotic toppings. Salads are popular and are available as half-orders. Same menu lunch and dinner. Continuous service. Open daily. 702 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-456-5222; 770 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-230-8888; 8650 Genesee, Costa Verde, 858-404-9898; 12925 El Camino Real, Del Mar, 858-259-6600; 1620 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 858-456-5222. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

STAR OF INDIA 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-459-3355; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar, 858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It’s the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like vegetable *pakora*—a bunch of veggies dipped in chickpea batter and fried, or a nice mess of eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry *masala*, and maybe the first cooked spinach you ever loved, *palak paneer*. At the PB location, you sit under a sky-blue cupola. Ask owner Kulbir about his 14-year-old yogurt

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UNO CHICAGO BAR AND GRILL The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more up-standing. 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)*

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AMICI 564 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-9050. Chef Monica Szepesy and her brother Michael (hosting) offer personalized, home-style renditions of diverse Latin American and Italian dishes, including house-made breads, pastas, and beverages. You’ll feel like a guest at an intimate party eating a leisurely dinner in this small, noisy, pretty dining room. The bill of fare (about five choices for each course) changes nightly. (Groups of three or more can order sampler dinners with tastes of everything.) Be sure to try the house’s *chicha morada*, a tangy soft drink made from Peruvian purple corn. The signature dessert is a cloud-like Tres Leches cake. Vegetarian and allergy-restricted diets accommodated. BYOB welcome; beer/wine license

pending. Dinner Wednesday through Sunday; reservations very strongly urged. Moderate. — *N.W. (2/02)*

BIRD HOUSE GRILL 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-2882. Turkish food is the order of the day at this cute, small café decorated with birdcages, birdhouses, and birds’ nests all over. The most popular order is the “Super Combo Plate” of charbroiled gyro meat, *kofte* (ground meat kebabs), and moist chicken kebabs, plus fragrant rice pilaf, Turkish salad, pita, and *tzatziki*, the traditional yogurt-cucumber sauce, made here with plenty of dill and a thick, luxury-grade yogurt. Other appealing choices are the vegetable kebab or the house special *Iskender* kebab, a pile of very fine-grained halved sausages (resembling soft-skinned hot dogs with Middle Eastern seasonings) dressed with tomato sauce and billows of the terrific yogurt. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

BISTRO SOLEIL 641 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-9549. Most French food in Encinitas is of the weighty cream-and-demi-glaze traditional genre. Soleil offers an alternative, with a seasonal menu of light, herbal Provençal specialties. The emphasis is on seafood, and on olive products instead of dairy. Dinner, Mondays through Saturdays. Upper moderate. — *N.W. (9/01)*

CAFE SEVILLA CARLSBAD 3050 Pio Pico (off Carlsbad Village Drive), 760-730-7558. The atmosphere is cozy and pleasant. Dine upstairs for larger tables. Tapas and Spanish specialties of average competence. Music will warm your blood. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly, to midnight Friday and Saturday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE ZINC 132 South Cedros, Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table. Dogs are welcome. Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and gar-

den sculpture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant “pizzette” (personal size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

DEL MAR PIZZA 211 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-8088. If you’ve heard about, dreamed about, or were merely curious about New York pizza, the best local practitioner is now in Del Mar complete with New York manners. The hot sandwiches are good, but the pizza is in a league by itself. The secret lies in the crust. Lasagne and stuffed eggplant also available as well as cannoli for dessert. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EPAZOTE SOUTHWEST RESTAURANT 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-259-9966. Patrons frequently call this establishment the New York Stock Exchange because of its high energy, young crowd, and exciting atmosphere. Good dishes include southwestern-style tapas and spit-roasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte. This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HIDE AWAY CAFE 150 South Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-755-3388. Here’s where your mom met your dad the day he bought a long board. The Hide Away is the classic forties California beach café. You have to look carefully down the tiny tree-shaded street to spot their big blue-and-yellow sign. It’s a homey little place, with a corrugated iron roof, wooden porch, and a green mantle of gnarly old ivy. Flap through the swing doors. Inhale the good smells from the kitchen. Sit down at one of the intimate tables. Order the jalapeño and grilled red onion omelet with avocado and jack cheese. Or the delicious “Kaleidoscope”: scrambled eggs, cheese, bell

peppers, onions, and home fries. Finish up with a slice of homemade pumpkin nut bread. Breakfast and lunch only, open daily to 2:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

LE BAMBOU 2634 Del Mar Heights Road, Del Mar, 858-259-8138. Nouvelle Vietnamese cuisine is prepared here that’s fresh, light, delicate. But the portions are small and two people should order three entrées for a satisfactory meal. Soups are outstanding and the imperial rolls, lemon grass chicken, soft-shelled crab, vegetarian rolls, and charbroiled pork do well here. The wine list includes 40 items. Fast service and aesthetic surroundings. Closed Monday. Lunch Tuesday to Friday; dinner Tuesday to Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

NEIMANS 300 Carlsbad Village Drive (corner of Carlsbad Boulevard), Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. The peaked dining room has been refurbished and looks like a circular country inn. All-you-can-eat buffet brunch with all-you-can-drink champagne, mimosa, orange juice, and coffee. Traditional offerings include fried chicken. Daily, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Expensive. — *E.W.*

PACIFICA DEL MAR 1555 Camino del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-792-0476. Select the fresh fish prepared in the simplest manner and you’ll do fine here. The setting and view remain delightful and the service excellent. Wok items available. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

PARIOLI ITALIAN BISTRO 647 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-2525. Italian dishes from every section of Italy are prepared with loving care in time-honored tradition. Specialties are risotto, ravioli, leg of lamb, duck breast, fresh fish. Charming atmosphere with fireplace. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

PISCES DELICACIES OF THE SEA La Costa Spa, 2100 Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111. This

long-established and still-excellent restaurant is located at the spa itself, in a gorgeous room one flight down from the lobby. The menu includes fresh Maine lobster, lobster thermidor, and Dover sole. Abalone and Maryland soft-shell crabs are seasonal. Please call for directions. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

ROSANNA’S DELI 1070 North El Camino Real (at Leucadia Boulevard), Encinitas, 760-633-4546. A town so abounding in Italian restaurants ought to have a great Italian deli, and it does. The house-made sausages are juicy Sicilian-style classics of coarse-ground, fennel-seasoned fresh pork, and the bright green frozen pesto is fresh and delicate. You’ll also find frozen pizza dough and ravioli (with fillings such as lobster, wild mushrooms, or eggplant, as well as cheese), plus cold cuts, salads, and imported foodstuffs. Don’t miss the *sfogliatelle*, a light, moist, faintly lemony multi-layered breakfast pastry. The eat-in/take-out menu includes pizza, pasta, salads, and deli sandwiches. Open daily. — *N.W. (5/02)*

RUBY’S DINER 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-RUBY (7829). One thing about Ruby’s: You can build an appetite just getting there. It’s at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There’s a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby’s is part of a themed “forties diner” chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it’s still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca Cola signs, “Dewey-Warren” presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too, from omelets to the “Super Burger” with Swiss cheese and avocado on a grilled Parmesan sourdough bun. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

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SBICCA AMERICAN BISTRO 215 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-1001. The roof garden has an unobstructed ocean view and is especially pleasant for very good American or Mexican breakfasts. Select simplest preparation for dinner: Chilean sea bass, salads, soups. Roasted half chicken best bet. Lunch Monday through Friday, dinner nightly. Brunch Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Moderate. — E.W. (9/98)

TERIYAKI 101 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-8813. This surfer hangout has a secret: Behind a gate just south of the restaurant there's a sheltered outdoor dining patio decorated by a tropical mural of island life above and below the water. "Eat Healthy, Feel Good" is the motto on the menu, and teriyaki is the dish that dominates it bsp. But this is Hawaiian teriyaki, with lighter, cleaner flavors than the Japanese version. The dark-meat "Maui chicken" skewer and the moist ono (pink snapper) kebab are especially succulent; you can also opt for pork, veggies, numerous combos, and charbroiled burgers (of beef, fowl or veggies). Everything comes with rice (white or brown), pleasingly touched with teriyaki sauce. Open Tuesday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

TOM GIBLIN'S IRISH PUB AND RESTAURANT 640-A Grand Avenue, Carlsbad, 760-729-7234. Opt for Irish rather than American dishes. Recommended are the stew, shepherd's pie, and fish and chips. Boxy dishes added to the menu. A brown bread, baked on the premises, is available for takeout daily. Inexpensive. — E.W. (3/99)

VILLAGE MILL BREAD COMPANY 12845 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley (Del Mar Heights), 858-794-4994. Sixteen varieties of bread, all fine for sandwiches. Best bets are honey sunflower and cinnamon swirl, which makes excellent French toast. The bread is soft with soft crusts; children love it. Open daily. — E.W.

VIVACE Four Seasons Resort Aviara, 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6999. The well-prepared food is no more expensive than the offerings in any upscale San Diego restaurant, but it's an experience to dine in such luxurious surroundings. Menus change seasonally. The appetizer list offers unique selections. For entrées try chicken in clay pot or daily fresh fish. The Four Seasons lounge is a great place to visit and listen to live music. Go see the hotel. It's worth the trip. Open nightly, 5:30 to 10:30 p.m., dinners only. Expensive. — E.W.

WILD NOTE CAFE 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-259-7310. Located adjacent to the Belly Up Tavern, this uniquely decorated room offers excellent salads, pasta, fresh fish, and burgers. The new chef adds luster to the new menu. Loving and attentive service. Open daily. Inexpensive to low-moderate. — E.W.

NORTH INLAND

ATHENS MARKET CAFE 11640 Carmel Mountain Road, between Pacific Theatres and Sportmart in Carmel Mountain Plaza (close to Rancho Bernardo) off I-15, 858-675-2225. The same recipes that you know and love at Athens Market downtown are even more lovingly prepared here. All entrées with soup or salad. Excellent moussaka, baked chicken, lamb kebabs. Excellent value and tasty product. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.W.

CHICKEN PLUS GREEK 309 West Mission, Escondido, 760-480-1348. This pleasant little spot (mainly for takeout) has multiple personalities. First, there's very basic rotisserie chicken. Then, there are parboiled "barbecued" baby back ribs and a prime rib plate. The latest twist on these dishes is "Cajun" seasoning. But the most savory personality is Greek, with decent gyros (grilled pressed ground lamb and beef), souvlakia (kebabs),

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FISH HOUSE VERA CRUZ 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346. This family-style restaurant serves seafood and fresh fish that changes daily. Simple but honest preparation, good value. Open daily for lunch and dinner (dinner menu is served from opening to closing on Sunday). Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE FORTUNE COOKIE 16425 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo, 858-451-8958. Since its 1992 opening, the luster of this handsome, once-ambitious Chinese restaurant has somewhat faded in the face of local preferences. Chef Yang's creative Chinese menu has devolved into the cornstarch-heavy Szechwanese and Cantonese-American crowd-pleasers favored by the RB golf-and-tennis set. Glimpses of high skill remain, in the greaseless beef egg rolls and the sublime soups. Venturesome "regulars" who know how to order can probably still get excellent meals, including delicacies that have vanished from the current menu. The long, smart wine list has minimal mark-ups, and there's a rare (for the genre) array of serious desserts. Moderate. — *N.W.* (9/00)

LA TAPATIA 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk

on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — *N.W.* (5/01)

MILLE FLEURS 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woelsle. Order at will, everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations a must. Very, very expensive. — *N.W.* (5/01)

MING COURT 12750 Carmel Country Road (Country Plaza Shopping Center), North City West (adjacent to Del Mar), 858-793-2933. Elegance describes the interior of this restaurant. Some unusual preparations are cilantro chicken, pungent shrimp, three-mushroom delight, tangerine beef, and items on the Ming Court specialty list. Service is first-rate. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

ONAMI JAPANESE RESTAURANT 240 East Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido, North County Fair, 760-738-7522. 160-foot Japanese seafood buffet, hot Japanese dishes, salads, desserts, all you can eat. Tons of fresh food. Seats 250. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

RANCHO VALENCIA 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-1123. The dining room and surrounding grounds are gorgeous, the meals beautifully prepared. Great place to take a guest to lunch. Best bets, fresh fish. All California cuisine dishes have Mediterranean influence. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SAN DIEGO ARTISAN BAKERS 1551 South Escondido Boulevard, Escondido, 760-740-5963. The grains are ground daily for this wonderful European-style bread. Every bread has dense consistency and an amazing crust. Among the best bets are the baguette, the sourdough with Greek olives, and the country sourdough. Recipes come from France, Italy, and Germany. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

LA JOLLA

910 RESTAURANT Grande Colonial Hotel, 910 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla, 858-964-5400, www.thegrandcolonial.com/nine-ten.html. In this lively, casual-chic dining room, Chef Michael Stebner shapes a constantly changing, luxurious menu based little on "luxury foods" and much more on inspired combinations of luxuriously perfect local, seasonal foodstuffs — clean, fine flavors that taste like themselves. Most items are available as either "small" or

"large" plates, so it's easy to create your own tasting menu without breaking the bank. Pastry chef Jack Fisher creates the avant-garde desserts. Open daily, three meals; Monday (typically chef's night off) is a best bet, with Stebner usually on hand to cook for his peers. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (11/01)

BARBARELLA 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. Don't miss this lively bistro that offers sandwiches, soup, pizza, entrées. Lively atmosphere. Bib salad and Max's pizza outstanding. Arrive early or late to avoid wait for tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* (3/00)

CAFE JAPENGO 8960 University Center Lane, Aventine complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. The decor is smashing and the Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California — is beautiful to behold. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best. Please make note of the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

DAILY'S Renaissance Towne Centre, 8915 Towne Centre Drive, La Jolla, 858-453-1112. The restaurant is owned by a doctor who has devised a menu that's low-fat, low-calorie, low-sodium. The dishes look and taste wonderful. All items available for takeout. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

DONOVAN'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-450-6666. Very noisy room and distracted service tend to make the experience more stressful than relaxing. Average steaks and chops, though

nothing memorable. Popular "in" spot. Closed Sunday. Dinner, Monday through Saturday. Expensive. — *E.W.* (4/99)

HOPS! BISTRO AND BREWERY 4353 La Jolla Village Drive (next to Macy's, University Towne Centre), La Jolla, 858-587-6677. Hops! serves the best food of any brewery in San Diego. The same menu is served continuously from lunch to closing. Best dishes are spit-roasted chicken and penne with salmon and shrimp. All beers are brewed on the premises. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

MAITRE D' 5523 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-456-2111. Two separate dining rooms, an elegant ambience, and the presence of the owner himself (formerly with the Plaza Hotel in New York) contribute to a fine dining experience with faultless service. The half-lobster appetizer is a house specialty, and the rack of lamb or fresh fish are always outstanding. Excellent place for large parties and Russian specialties when available. Closed Sunday and Monday. Dinners only, Tuesday through Saturday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

MARRAKESH 634 Pearl Street (at Draper), La Jolla, 858-454-2500. The North African fare of Morocco is like no other in the world — influenced by Arab cuisines, but more intense and sheerly hedonistic. At our sole Moroccan restaurant, the fare is arranged into a nightly five-course prix fixe feast, with superb lentil soup (*harira*), a salad plate, *bastilla* (a chicken-filled filo pie), an entrée, and finally mint tea poured from on high to accompany almond baklava perfumed with orange-flower water. The setting and service are dramatic — tented ceilings, low banquette seating at carved round tables, belly-dancing interludes, servers in fezzes.

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PANDA COUNTRY 4150 Regents Park Row #190, University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-552-1345. Gorgeous surroundings and stunning presentations carry the day here. The extensive menu does particularly well with its 11 appetizers and its 30 seafood and fish dishes prepared Mandarin or Szechuan style. Scallops and shrimp receive special treatment. Open daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE PANIKIN CAFE 7467 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-5453. The outdoor seating area is almost always crowded with tea and coffee drinkers who sun themselves, read, or chat. Light meals, including breakfast (steamed eggs, bagels, fruit plates) and sandwiches, soup, salads, as well as beverages and sweets are served. It is a well-known hangout and always crowded. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

ROY'S 8670 Genesee (Costa Verde Center, across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi's ever-expanding chain has elements of both "top chef" and "chain" about it. That is, a potentially fine restaurant is somewhat stunted by celeb-chef silliness, with the staff working too hard to sell us on the place. (Cool out, guys, it's San Diego.) And it takes a few visits to decode Roy's Rules of Ordering,

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cous bar. Very expensive. —
N.W. (4/01)

SADAF 613 Pearl Street, La Jolla,
858-551-0643. You worry — those for-
mal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the
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SKY ROOM Top floor of La Valencia
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NEW SHANGHAI 4681 Convoy
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pensive to moderate. — M.N. (4/99)

PHUONG TRANG 4170 Convoy
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clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass,
and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers
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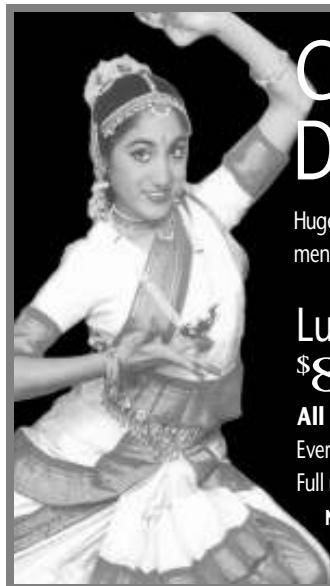


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KONO'S 704 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB burger (chicken breast, green chili, pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Inexpensive, breakfast and lunch only. — E.B. (10/00)

QWIGGS BAR & GRILL 5083 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-1101. A splendid ocean view, a good sushi bar, sprightly salads, and fresh fish are the main attractions here. Friendly service. Long flight of stairs to the dining room, with an elevator for wheelchair access. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

SAPPORO JAPANESE RESTAURANT 5049 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It's small, but

Sapporo has big deals. Particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables, and noodles) and *Champon* noodle soup (*udon* noodles, scallops, shrimp, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl — a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables and a swag of rice. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

SASKA'S 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Saska's is the perfect spot for insomniacs. Hearty breakfasts, which can include meat and eggs, are served Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.; the dinner hour extends to 2:00 a.m. as well. Saturday and Sunday brunches offer Mexican specialties. Beachcomber atmosphere. Open daily. Breakfast inexpensive; dinner moderate. — E.W.

SUSHI OTA 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don't come easily. First, find the place: Driving south from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio's). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors' choices, watching for off-menu extravaganzas, e.g., sea-snails cooked over flaming sugar or the irresistible "sushi sundae" (*uni, toro*, mountain potatoes, salmon roe). Don't miss the *ama-ebi*, with crisp shrimp-heads atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan-mushi* (custard broth with ginkgo nuts). Alas, when Ota-san's away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar-seat for an early dinner Wednesdays through Saturdays, when the master is most likely to be present. Disabled-access chancy; long, crowded waits unless you've reserved. Moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

THE VENETIAN 3663 Voltaire Street, Loma Portal, 619-223-8197. For bargain hunters who like vast portions and home-style Italian cooking, try this family restaurant. The pizza is marvelous. For entrées, try shrimp scampi over linguine or eggplant parmigiana. One dining room is partially outdoors. Complete menu to go. Reservations taken for parties of six or more. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Inexpensive (pasta, pizza) to moderate. — E.W.

WORLD FAMOUS 711 Pacific Beach Drive, Pacific Beach, 858-272-3100. Located directly on the boardwalk with an unobstructed view, this casual restaurant offers patio or indoor dining. Food preparation is straightforward — nothing fancy, but fresh, wholesome, and offering large portions. Thirty appetizers available in the bar. Combination dinners with steak and seafood are expensive. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday to 3:00 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W.

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FAIROUZ CAFE AND GALLERY 3166 Midway Drive, Loma Portal, 619-225-0308. Seek out this family-owned-and-operated restaurant for wonderful Lebanese and Greek food. The owner, a noted artist, displays his paintings on the dining room walls. The extensive menu offers excellent lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and a wide selection of exotic vegetarian meals. Copious all-you-can-eat buffet available at lunch or dinner in addition to the regular menu. Given 24 hours, this café will prepare an astonishing Lebanese feast at low cost. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — E.W.

JACK AND GIULIO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT 2391 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-294-2074. The former owners of Giulio's in Pacific Beach now operate Jack and Giulio's. Best bets are angel hair pasta, minestrone soup,

and their famous scampi. Old-style chicken cacciatore always on the menu. Outdoor patio is one of the strong features. This is a low-cost family restaurant with fresh, casual food. Open daily, lunch and dinner; continuous service weekends. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W.

PREGO Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars Road), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall, a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters include the antipasto platter, sparkling salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust). Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are near-perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or rotisseried meats and fish, but the nightly specials are where chef Josh McGinnis gets to strut his stuff. Service is warm and well-informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — N.W. (4/01)

EAST COUNTY &
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ALPINE INN 2225 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, 619-445-5172. If you're a beef lover, try the Texas burger served on a Kaiser roll with steak fries. Stay with beef here. Dark interior with large booths. Very crowded for both brunch and dinner on Sunday. Early bird dinner Monday through Saturday for \$7.95. Call for hours. Open daily. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly. Brunch Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

ARIGATO 5575 Baltimore Drive, Suite 110, La Mesa, 619-469-3157. Here's a great bargain Japanese restaurant. Among the best are the combination plates which contain sesame chicken, tempura, and gyoza dumplings. The vegetable and shrimp tempura is outstanding. Closed Sunday. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.W.

ASWAN 7404 University Avenue (at Lowell Street), La Mesa, 619-697-0361. Louisiana and East Africa share the menu at this spacious restaurant

"where the Mississippi meets the Nile." Most dishes are made to order, so don't expect to eat and run. Start with a sampling of Maryam Suliman's *Somalian sambussas* (of chicken, beef, spinach, potato, lentils, shrimp, cheese, fruit) — each savory filling is differently seasoned. Then dive into a bowl of co-owner Vernon Sukumu's exemplary seafood gumbo. You can taste the Big Easy in every bite of NOLA-born chef Patrick Kavanaugh's Louisiana dishes, including an unbeatable jambalaya, or you can opt for African specialties such as *tibsi*, *zigni*, *Somalian spaghetti*, or a vegetarian sampler. "All you can eat" weekend brunches offer items from both cuisines, including fried turkey. No alcohol, no pork, all meats *hallal* (Muslim-butchered). Lunch/dinner Tuesday through Friday, brunch/dinner weekends. Low moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

BURNING TREE NATIVE AMERICAN GRILL 40080 Old Highway 80, Boulevard, 619-766-3442, www.nativegrill.com. This place feels like someone's baronial country retreat. Since 1917, it has sat under a grove of California Live Oaks 60 miles east of downtown. It once housed the Chateau Basque restaurant. Elk heads, dark timbers, mottled yellow windows — you start wishing you'd brought your tie. But don't worry. Jim Buel and his family keep prices reasonable and attitudes casual. They collected Native American recipes throughout the Southwest to create a pretty interesting fusion of American Indian recipes. Try Comanche fried frogs' legs in a cornmeal crust, or hunter's stew with venison and rabbit, sirloin of buffalo, or "Skokomish Huckleberry glazed duck." Open Wednesday through Sunday for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — E.B. (9/01)

D.Z. AKIN'S Alvarado Plaza, 6930 Alvarado Road, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother's. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

EFFIN'S PUB AND GRILL 6164 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-229-9800. Come here after a hard day's hittin' the books at nearby State.

It's a brass-on-the-fan-blades, wild west-looking place where things can get pretty lively. The surprise is, they have some pretty good food, especially the pizzas. Check the house specials: Monday Madness (an "x-large pizza with domestic draft pitcher"), Taco Tuesday (tacos are bi-ig), and Wing Wednesday (hot & spicy wings go for a song). But, best of all, you can come up to the bar and say "Gimme an Effin beer" and not have to duck. Inexpensive to moderate. Closed Sundays. — E.B. (11/01)

THE LIVING ROOM COFFEEHOUSE 5900 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-286-8434. With deep-draft couches, Persian carpets, pictures on the wall, chunky wooden tables, and a tree-shaded patio, this Swiss-owned café is a student hangout with a lively notice board, a rental computer, and good cheap breakfast food in huge quantities. Try "The Works" omelet, with bacon, ham, onions, tomatoes, pepper, cheese on top, potatoes, fruit, and bread. Later in the day, try their turkey lasagna with fruit and bread. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/00)

LY'S GARDEN 6011 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-265-1885. Although the extensive menu offers Chinese as well as Cambodian specials, it's best to order the Cambodian food. Be sure to ask Mr. Ly for suggestions. Live crab and lobster as well as fresh oysters and shrimp available. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

OLD OAK INN 1367 Dewey Place, Campo, 619-478-9924. Don't blink, or you might miss this hub of way-out-there downtown Cameron Corners, near the Campo steam train depot. Makes a great Sunday drive destination. The family who runs it has been homesteading this patch of country since 1868. So naturally the food is good, solid traditional American fare, from ham, eggs, and hash brown potatoes to barbecued beef "piled high" on a toasted bun with French fries and salad, to the three-piece chicken basket dinner. The great pleasure is to fill up, go outside, and then just listen to the silence. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, kitchen closed from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN FOOD JUNCTION 9330 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-938-1511. Maybe it's the clean country air, but Rocky Mountain Junction's food tastes sharp and fresh in the mornings. Check out the "Macho Man" breakfast: three eggs, two bacon strips, two sausages, two pancakes, country potatoes or fries, and toast. Or the "Big Honkin' Omelet": six eggs, ham, turkey, bacon, sausage, bell pepper, mushroom, tomato, onion, country potatoes or French fries, and toast. On the lunch menu: the Junction Burger — with or without cheese — big and juicy. Also good: "old fashioned" BLT sandwich and chunky chicken breast salad. Early breakfast through lunch, Tuesday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

RODEO BAR AND GRILL 10109 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-390-7996. Agnes and Ildikor are the two blue-eyed Hungarian-born sisters who run this only-in-Lakeside institution. It's a low, red, grapevine-covered onetime produce barn near the rodeo grounds. A dirt parking lot hides under the trees, and an old freezer door is the main entrance to the restaurant, which has decor straight out of Dodge City. The menu has two sides: the A-side features big steaks, while the B-side offers bargain-priced sandwiches like grilled barbecued beef or the Ponyburger, a flame-broiled quarter-pounder with steak fries, barbecue beans, and fixin's. On Thursday nights, the sisters' mom cooks one of her special Hungarian dishes, depending on what the customers have asked for — so get on down there and vote! Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (10/00)

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ASMARA RESTAURANT 4433 El Cajon Boulevard (at Fairmount), 619-563-3666, www.asmara-sd.com. The fare here is Eritrean (which proves very similar to Ethiopian), and the menu is long and uncommonly interesting. The meat combination platter is a terrific array, including top-notch *tsibhi derho* (known as *ye-doro wat* on Ethiopian menus), chicken and an egg in a rich, dark sauce, a similar dish with beef, *gored-gored* (lightly seared meat cubes in spicy butter), and lamb *al'cha*, a stir-fry in a mild curry sauce. From the à la carte choices, consider *zilzil t'bsi*, char-grilled meat in butter, and *kulwa*, a sprightly stir-fry of lamb, beef, or chicken. Vegetable dishes are luscious, too. Entrées are served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which serves as an edible spoon and edible tablecloth — use pieces of it to scoop up morsels (in your right hand). Meats are cooked (or not cooked) to your order and seasoned to your specifications (understand that "hot" means seriously spicy). Open daily; vegetarian-friendly. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Can be noisy on weekends. Cash only. Inexpensive. — N.W. (11/00)

IMPERIAL HOUSE 505 Kalmia Street, North Park, 619-234-3525. If you are close to Balboa Park, this is an excellent place for lunch. The special, which costs \$8.95, includes soup or salad plus hot entrée. For dinner try steak, fresh fish, Anna potatoes. Tableside service and a charming view of the park. In a separate room is the Mystery Dinner Theatre which includes dinner plus theater on Friday and Saturday. (Call for prices.) Closed Sunday. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner, Tuesday through Saturday; dinner theater, Friday and Saturday in separate room. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

LAO & CHINESE CUISINE 4212 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-263-0914. This restaurant is a simple place, large and spare around Formica tables, that serves uncomplicated, home-style Lao cuisine. I highly recommend the *larb*, a spicy salad with

poached minced beef, chicken, or pork and seasoned with lime juice, hot pepper, cilantro, onions, fresh mint, and ground toasted rice. This dish is earthy and wild, spectacular. Other tasty dishes include papaya pog-pog salad (papaya, chilis, and tomato), *tom yum* soup, and *pho* and *pad si-ew* noodle dishes. Inexpensive. — M.N. (2/99)

LUCKY STAR SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 3983 54th Street, corner of University in K-Mart Shopping Mall, 619-229-8228. The Cantonese and Mandarin menu runs to 225 dishes, not to mention the dim sum lunches from roving carts bearing goodies. The huge room is perfect for large parties (call ahead to reserve) or banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog legs. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W. (9/99)

MAX DELI AND MARKET 734 12th Street, East Village, 619-239-9568. Architectural students, diesel mechanics, and guys off the street hang out at this restaurant-market in one of Center City's more knockabout neighborhoods. Don't worry. Max is South Korean, a lifelong sea captain. He can handle any little problems. Fact is, this is real neighborhood. Some customers have been coming in 10, 15 years for a sandwich and a beer. Best buys are Max's thick homemade soups and his sandwiches. And at least one regular swears Max serves up the "best hot dogs this side of Coney Island." Breakfast and lunch. Closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

PAESANO 3647 30th Street (at Landis), North Park, 619-291-4090. Is that Cher pulling up a chair? There's a definite *Moonstruck* atmosphere about this place. Joe Romano and his family started here in 1967, painting the interior to look like you're among the stone arches of some Italian village grotto. Pictures of Italian tourist attractions line the walls, and the music is Italian mandolin ditties. The food is traditional Italian-American, with pittance-priced "daily specials" like eggplant parmesan and spaghetti with meatballs, plus salad and garlic bread. Regular dishes are bargain-priced, too. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

PEKIN RESTAURANT 2877 University Avenue, North Park, 619-295-2610. This old-time Chinese eatery was founded in 1931 by an immigrant from Canton; his grandchildren now run it and it's hardly changed in 70 years. You'll find red-tasseled hanging lanterns with translucent pictures of songbirds, mother-of-pearl wall decorations, and big cushioned booths. The food is Gold Rush-era Cantonese-American: chop suey, chow mein, barbecued pork, bean cake with shrimp and rice — all for a song. Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

PHOENICIA 3381 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree, an American flag, and the word "Phoenicia" written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafra* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions and seasonings, but you'll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

ZIA'S AFGHAN CAFE 4118 30th Street, 619-285-1635. This storefront café with only eight tables serves inexpensive but very well prepared Afghan food. Try three-bean soup, stuffed pockets appetizers, banana squash with spicy yogurt sauce. Lunch and dinner buffet of basmati rice with six toppings for \$6.49. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

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ADAMS AVENUE GRILL 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes

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are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

BOMBAY EXOTIC CUISINE OF INDIA 3975 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest Cinemas complex, 619-298-3155. Don't miss the elegant food, the lovely setting, the loving service. Owned by the former proprietors of Monsoon. You will find the food subtle and sophisticated. This Indian restaurant is a blessing to our community. All-you-can-eat buffet lunch \$8.98 daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

COTTAGE CAFE 2321 Fifth Avenue, Banker's Hill, 619-696-0071, www.cottagcafesandiego.com. The Polish feel of this midtown café is palpable. But you can eat American if you want. The "Farmer's Breakfast" is a roundup of chopped ham or sausage, onions scrambled with two eggs, home fries, and toast. Or go Polish with a grilled Polish sausage sandwich stuffed with peppers, onions, and sauerkraut on rye. But maybe the most Polish is the all-you-can-eat buffet. Expect items like stuffed cabbage, beef stroganoff, sausages and cabbage, and chicken paprika. Try the Polish beer, "Okocim, 1845," but be careful — it's 8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

CREST CAFE 425 Robinson Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. "Hearty Homemade Comfort Food" is the boast, and this small retro-deco café has a four-page menu to back it up. Ce-

celia and her dad, Luis Moreno, took over this place back in 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loyal customers get their photos and names on an honor roll that fills one wall. Lots of lazy ceiling fans, long, hanging blue lights, and art. "Matisse in Morocco," Salvador Dalí, Frida Kahlo. Consider momsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-glazed pork chops, or the healthy Vegetable Steam Basket. And don't turn down their 11 different kinds of burger, including the Fresh Salmon Burger, the OuiOui Burger ("aged bleu cheese crumbled under melted jack cheese") or the wicked, spicy Butter Burger (half a pound of lean ground beef stuffed with garlic, tarragon, basil, parsley butter, topped with cheese, garlic-paprikay-cayenne-cumin mayo and more butter). Wickedly delicious. Best of all, late hours: open 7 a.m. to midnight, seven days. Dinner at 11 is no problem. How rare is that in San Diego? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

EL ZARAPE 4642 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-692-1652. This stylish little Mexican restaurant on a tony stretch of Park Boulevard is proof that not all taco shop food is equal. Try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada and you'll know what we mean, with their generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat. Many enjoy their unusual scallop burritos, vegetarian potato-filled burritos and rolled tacos, and well-prepared soups. We go for the stewed meat. El Zarape is dependable, serving Mexican with solid, homemade, handmade flavor. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (1/00)*

EXTRAORDINARY DESSERTS 2929 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001. If you've been searching for a place to have dessert after a movie or other cultural event, keep this dessert café in mind. Baker-owner Karen Krasne prepares sensuous cakes, tarts, cookies, and all manner of chocolate goodies. Teas and coffees are uniformly good. In summer, the patio is especially charming. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend lunch, and until late evening: Sunday through Thursday to 11:00 p.m. and weekends until midnight. — *E.W.*

FIFTH AND HAWTHORN 515 Hawthorn, uptown, 619-544-0940. Excellent, very fresh fish and seafood dinners are to be found here. The price of the entrée includes soup or salad. Best bet is the bargain-price per couple prix fixe dinner, which consists of four

courses (with a choice of entrées) plus a bottle of wine. À la carte choices are available, too. This restaurant is often frequented by actors and writers, which can add cachet to the evening. Open daily, lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *E.W.*

ICHIBAN 1449 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick udon noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "ichi-ban" means. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

KAZUMI SUSHI 3975 Fifth Avenue, Suite 120, Hillcrest, 619-682-4054; sandiego.citysearch.com/E/V/SANCA/0004/13/05/1.html. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, gyoza, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of nabeyaki udon (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (10/00)*

LOTUS THAI 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegan-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., satay, beef salad), featuring a very tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties, try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish, accompanied by jammy garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they're spicy), since the kitchen shuns Thailand's fish-based "secret

sauce," nam pla. It doesn't help that the flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

MANDARIN DYNASTY 1458 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-8899. A splendid place to order a feast for a large party (give at least four hours notice). Banquet dishes include casserole soup, scallops in pepper, General Tso's chicken, and shrimp in Chinese sauce. New vegetarian menu with over twenty items. Imitation chicken, beef, and pork prepared from soy or wheat gluten. Entrées from the menu may be Americanized and are of average competence. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

THE MISSION NORTH PARK AND CITY BAKERY 2801-2805 University Avenue, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its Russian pecan bread and cinnamon rolls. Lunch and dinner offer California food with Asian and Latino influences. Lots of items under \$10.00. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (7/98)*

THE PARKHOUSE EATERY 4574 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays, three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (10/99)*

PICASSO SPANISH RESTAURANT 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren't the tiny pinxos of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed empanadillas, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed green-lip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house's workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the pa-

trons' favorite beverage. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/01)*

SHAKESPEARE PUB & GRILLE 3701 India Street, midtown, 619-299-0230. Probably the most convincing English pub in town, named after the most revered writer you've never read. The Bard's brew-house boasts bare-board floors, diamond lead-glass windows, and authentic Brits sitting around the bar quaffing ale from their own pewter mugs. Pub grub is bluff and plain-spoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing) — all are great with a pint of rich English beer, say a Boddington's Pub Ale. Sunday's roast beef dinner is worth dragging yourself out of bed for, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

WHOLE FOODS MARKET 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods' prepared food section will feed you better, and faster, than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their farofa salad, like American stuffing, but it's couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods' vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N. (4/99)*

DOWNTOWN

A LA CARTE ON SIXTH AVENUE 921 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

THE BLARNEY STONE 502 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-255-8519. This handsome establishment, made of

dark wood from the Emerald Isle, includes a large, good-looking separate dining room that opens when the dining public forms a critical mass, or around 8:00 p.m. Like most local Irish pubs, the menu is mainly American and gringo-Mex snack foods, including an "Irish quesadilla" (corned beef and cheese on a flour tortilla). The three wannabe Celtic dishes are an indifferent corned beef and cabbage, "steak Kildare" (a tough, mushroom-smothered rib eye), and "fish and chips Lifey," which aren't noticeably different from, say, fish and chips "Thames" or "Afton" or even "Missouri." Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

BLUE POINT COASTAL CUISINE 565 Fifth Avenue (at Market), Gaslamp District, 619-233-6623. Very classy atmosphere and menu — mostly fish and seafood — to match. You can eat appetizers at the bar, but best bets are nightly fish entrées or steak and crab cakes served with lots of organic vegetables. A welcome addition to downtown. Dinner only, from 5:00 p.m. Expensive. — *E.W.*

CHIVE 558 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-4483. This downtown hot spot is sleek, stark, dramatic, a restaurant in which to "be seen." Their "cuisine moderne" is Asian- and Caribbean-influenced and succeeds the atmosphere. Behind the artifice, Chive's staff is cordial and efficient, its kitchen talented, if a little arty and uneven. — *E.W. (1/00)*

CROCE'S RESTAURANT AND JAZZ BAR 802 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-233-4355. If you enjoy premises with doors open to the street and nightly jazz in the adjoining room, try Croce's. The chef prepares excellent appetizers, pastas, salads, and entrées. Menus change seasonally. Outdoor as well as indoor seating. Nightly jazz. Dinner only. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

DAKOTA GRILL AND SPIRITS 901 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-234-5554. First sign that you've arrived in chipotle/chile country: the toddler-sized cowboy boot on your table that serves as vase to a faux agave plant. This kind of cooking runs the risk of losing its focus in a multitude of ingredients, something Dakota does a decent job of avoiding. When everything works, it plays like comfort food with a kick. The seafood ravioli — spinach

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pasta stuffed with a blend of salmon, halibut, and swordfish planted atop wilted greens and topped with pickled jalapeno relish — melds into a pleasant whole. The blue cornmeal-crusted chicken salad, similarly well-conceived, is gussied up with crispy potato strings, tortilla rajas, and dried apricots that sweetly counter the blue cheese in the dressing. The apricot-whole grain mustard glaze on the pork prime rib makes sense, as do the giant, multiple-straw margaritas. Meat — sizable quantities of it — is usually well-prepared; sides may feel cursory. Moderate to expensive. — *A.M. (5/01)*

DEMEDICI 815 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-702-7228. This lovely, cream-and-sepia dining room evokes an Italian Renaissance villa, while its sidewalk patio offers a prime pageant of Gaslamp follies. Either way, you'll enjoy exceptional service — attentive but utterly unobtrusive — and a menu centered on succulent pastas and refined seafood dishes. The nightly specials and the waiter's recommendations for the freshest catch will lead you to the evening's best entrées. Fish dishes are exquisite, and anything with calamari (fresh local catch) is worth ordering; Atlantic shellfish, though, tend to be a tad overcooked. Reserve, and dress on the spiffier side — some Hollywood celebs hang their Borsalinis here, upping the clothing curve. Dinner nightly, moderate-priced valet parking available. Moderate (simpler pastas) to very expensive. — *N.W. (8/01)*

DOWNTOWN FISH JOINT 407 C Street, 619-239-3506. Surprise: If you grab a shrimp taco at the Fish Joint and come sit outside at their sidewalk tables, you've found one of downtown's least-appreciated weekday lunch locations. With red trolleys, shady green trees, the old California Theater, and lunchtime foot traffic, the place feels positively swank. Most ask for fish and chips. But if "8 ounces of North Atlantic cod, 5-6 pieces" is too much, ask for the children's half-order. For a splurge, order the 8-ounce grilled salmon or the grilled seafood plate. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

EL COMAL 2822 Imperial Avenue, Sherman Heights, 619-239-7101. No border compromises here — just great home-cooking from Michoacan, Guerrero, Jalisco, and Oaxaca, prepared by Luz Herrera Ibarra, a biology teacher from Acapulco. Try the *huarache* (cactus slices with carne asada, frijoles, cheese, and onions) or the *mulita carne adobada* (pork, melted cheese, and guacamole inside two tortillas) and have a glass of *nuez* (a refreshing walnut drink). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

THE FIELD IRISH PUB AND RESTAURANT 544 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, physically transported whole-hog from the Ould Sod, offers delicious Irish music live most nights, and also attempts serious Irish cooking — with some successes. Try the lovely herb-rich Irish stew, or the boxty, potato crepes rolled around your choice from a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Or start the day here with a huge, carnivorous Irish breakfast. Open daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

GYROSCOPE GREEK CAFE 926 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-235-4635. You want cheap and interesting food in the Gaslamp? Gyro-scope's one of the few that make that list. They have the usual medium-priced beef kabob, moussaka, *spanakopita*, *dolmades*, tiger shrimps, and steak. But you can also get amply filling "sandwich" size plates for just a few bucks: beef kabob, lamb, chicken breast, and of course the gyro (marinated lamb and beef slices in pita bread). Get one of these, a glass of burgundy, and a table with a view of the passing parade, and you'll be feeling like a king. Even cheaper at lunchtime. Open seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

HUFFMAN'S BAR-B-QUE 5039 Imperial Avenue, downtown, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammed Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman's fabulous southern soul food. Try their

gravy-smothered fried chicken served with collard greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread. Or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sandwich and half-pound rib tips. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, to 3 a.m. weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

LA GRAN TAPA 611 B Street, downtown, 619-234-8272. Here is a good spot for a light meal, especially before or after a cultural event. Tapas, Spanish appetizers, are prepared hot or cold, and the seafood, such as shrimp in sherry sauce and fresh octopus, is always fine. Try *tortilla española* (cold potato and egg "pie") and paella. Lively, casual atmosphere. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W. (1/99)*

LA STRADA 702 Fifth Avenue (at Fifth and G), Gaslamp District, 619-239-3400. The setting is lovely, but the Northern Italian food preparation may be uneven. Stay with pasta dishes and low-priced items. Open daily for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Late hours weekends. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

MORTON'S OF CHICAGO 285 J Street, Gaslamp District, 619-696-3369. This famous Chicago steakhouse is swanky, in a manly way: dark, clubby, luxurious, and louche. You go to Morton's for great steak. Their Nebraska beef is aged and meticulously grilled to your specifications. You can get a one-and-a-half- or three-pound porterhouse, which will be juicy, marbled with flavorful fat. You can also get good fish at Morton's. The big, golden salmon fillet flakes to the fork and is moist, sweet, buttery. The pricey à la carte sides are either bad or mediocre. The Godiva Hot Chocolate Cake is exceptional. But go for the steak. Expensive. — *M.N. (9/99)*

PETE'S QUALITY MEATS 1742-1/2 India, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete's Meats was just a butcher's shop until Pete's daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian specialties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak

sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around two cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and breadcrumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

ROYALE BRASSERIE 224 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-237-4900. Like a theme park for nostalgics yearning for bygone Bohemian Paris, Royale's eye-popping Art Nouveau decor re-creates a *fin de siècle* brasserie — but "re-creation" or no, it makes dinner a recreational activity. You'll find competent reproductions of French bourgeois classics — *escargots*, frogs' legs, *charcuterie*, et al. — with an emphasis on impeccable seafood. The newfangled yellowfin tartare is to die for, the Belgian-style mussels with *frites* to dive into, and the huge cold shellfish platters are to share and to swoon over. To accompany the feast, the wine-by-the-glass choices are super-savvy. Often very noisy; heated patio; reservations necessary. Moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (11/00)*

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAKHOUSE 1355 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-233-1422. Six cuts of steak are available, all cooked in a special broiler at 1800 degrees. The U.S. prime steaks are aged and hand cut daily. They're fabulous, but nothing is on the plate except the piece of meat. Vegetables and eight styles of potatoes are à la carte. Lobster tail, fresh fish, chicken, and chops also available. Gorgeous view and service. Open nightly for dinner. Reservations recommended three to five days in advance on weekdays. Call a week in advance for weekends. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SADAF 828 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp District, 619-338-0008. Vegetarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There's excellent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt rel-

ish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rose-water ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. — *N.W. (12/00)*

TAKA 555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-338-0555. This restaurant is a knockout. Gorgeous food and beautiful setting. Entrées, which combine Asian and Continental elements, can be ordered in half portions. Don't miss linguine and seafood, filet mignon, salmon sauté. Highly satisfying food at prices you can afford. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

TOP OF THE MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-234-4867. The upper-crust upper floor of the downtown Fish Market (see Multiple Locations listing) has largely the same food as the downstairs, plus a few luxury items (e.g., abalone) and occasionally some creative appetizer specials. Prices are about 25% higher for identical items, in exchange for a slightly elevated view and a dressier, white-tablecloth setting that's almost "formal" by San Diego standards — flip-flops and tank tops (on men) aren't allowed, and collared shirts (e.g., polos) are suggested at dinner. That doesn't mean that the atmosphere is quietly gracious — the room's just as huge, packed, and raucous as the lower realms, even on the terrace. Reserve, and expect a short wait anyway. Elevator provides wheelchair access. Open daily. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

TURFSUPPER CLUB 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, "re-established" in 1998), if your meat's done wrong, it's your own fault. Every night's an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mush-

rooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that's the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat's a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you're an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you'd miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

VINCENZO RISTORANTE ITALIANO 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181, www.vincenzoristoranteitaliano.com. The specialty at this tourist favorite (Texans are rife) is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant's fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete's Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant's hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Easy parking a block east in lot on Columbia. Moderate. — *N.W. (8/01)*

THE WESTGATE GOURMET DELICATESSEN Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich who just can't live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. The Hawaiian chicken salad (with walnuts, pineapple, chutney, fresh seasonal fruits, and non-fat mayo) is filling and healthy. But the best deal is the soup and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops. Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

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BINO'S EUROPEAN COFFEES AND CREPES 1120 Adella Avenue, Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café has to be good: it's a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fantasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crepes are delicious and filling too. Bino's wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

CAFE 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chapman has created a French café atmosphere with round Parisian tables and slat chairs outside and a balcony inside. Here Coronado's arty types mix with admirals, CEOs, and SEALs. Big fat cups of tea are a favored drink. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs, Swiss cheese and ham, a side of fruit and sliced baguette. Lunches are sandwiches (like curried tuna or brie con pesto) or salads (try the chicken). Best deal: the Combo Special, a half sandwich and soup or salad. And there's always an art exhibition going on inside. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

CATHIE'S PLACE CAFE Sharp Coronado Hospital, 250 Prospect Place, Coronado, 619-522-3634. Cathie's may look like a hospital cafeteria. It certainly serves patients, doctors, employees, the retirement home across the road, and the visiting public. But this place is run by a Marriott spin-off. And what meals! Beef burgundy with stuffed potatoes and seasonal vegetables, plantation pork loin with fruit and nut chutney, baked fish with lemon sauce.... Breakfasts are forgettable — lunch and dinner are where it's at. The menu changes daily, but you can call ahead or ask Cathie (she's real and she's Scottish) to fax you the weekly "take-out dinner" menu. Weekdays only, breakfast to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/00)*

DA KINE'S PLATE LUNCHES 1635 Sweetwater Road, National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of Hawaiians do, every day. You'll find Hawaiian license plates and surfboards on the walls, "Aloha Maid" Guava Nectar, and island food. Although the *Kalua* pig here isn't cooked in an *imu* — a hole in the ground — it sure tastes like the real thing and comes with cabbage, rice, macaroni salad, and kimchee. But beware of the *Haupia* cake — it may cause serious addiction. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

THE HUDDLE BY THE PARK 333 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-425-0335. Run by Janet, daughter of Ruth Henricks, famous for her community work, who started the original Huddle up in Mission Hills. Like mom's place, Janet's has good, robust, homey, easy-on-the-wallet food, and waitresses you can actually talk to. Omelets, like the three-egg "truly vegetarian" omelet, come stuffed with everything from mushrooms to guacamole. Daily specials like the biscuits, sausage, and gravy are real deals. But don't leave without slopping some of their marmalade on your toast — mom makes it. Breakfast and lunch seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

IL FORNAIO 1333 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4911. Also at Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-8876. Il Fornaio's defensive architecture walls it off from the Great Unwashed — the tourists wandering around Coronado's Old Ferry Landing — but it's worth breaching if only to get your teeth into their to-die-for bread. "Il fornaio" means "the baker," after all. Beyond bread, we're talking rustic-feeling, herbal, ultra-fresh salads, and everyday Italian dishes ranging from *Sfialatino Con Bistecchina* (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquite-grilled 22-ounce *Bistecca Alla Fiorentina*, with lots of vegetarian and pasta dishes in between. A simple *Penne Alla Sorrentina* — pasta tubes with a tomato, mozzarella, and basil sauce — is charming. *Pizza Puttanesca* is heaven too, if you're into anchovies. Interesting regional menus from different provinces of Italy pop up during the first two weeks of each month. Most staffers seem mind-blowingly knowledgeable. Oh, and then there's that view. Go at sunset or on a Friday lunchtime when Navy ships are coming home, sliding right past your table. Moderate. — *E.B. (1/02)*

MCDIN'S 105 East 8th Street, National City, 619-474-6771. A historic, sprawling bar with a diverse, mellow family scene — all ages, all races, chatting, playing pool, cozying up to the all-encompassing jukebox, or smoking under a roofed front "patio." Or chowing down on industrial-grade pub grub, made largely of restaurant-supply products (including the vaunted corn beef, bland as packaged ham). But the fresh vegetables are surprisingly good, so choose something that includes the luscious mashed potatoes and look upon the rest as garnish. No wheelchair bathroom. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

MCP'S IRISH PUB & GRILL 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5280. With a crowd ranging from Navy retirees to chic singles barely of drinking age, the perpetual party on McP's patio is nurtured by above-average Irish-Mexican-American pub grub (burgers, potato skins, nachos, etc.). The Irish fare includes a pleasing Mulligan stew served in a hollowed bread-loaf, and an absolutely fabulous corned beef and cabbage plate, with tender, thick slices surrounding cabbage so young and sweet it ought to be carded. Good soups, too. Daytimes, try the hearty (and then some) Irish meat-fest breakfast. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

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THE OLD BONITA STORE 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. The menu is strongly influenced by Baja Californian/Mexican cooking. The signature dish is the bucket of Baja-style lobster for two. The bucket includes slipper lobster tails, shrimp, grilled chicken, and carne asada, plus Caesar salad, rice and beans, and tortillas. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

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TIJUANA

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CIEN ANOS Calle Jose Maria Velazco #1407, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-3039 or 634-7262; www.cien-a.com; e-mail: altacocina@cien-a.com. This lovely, comfortable, dressy-casual "destination restaurant" serves extraordinary Mexican haute cuisine, graced with a brilliant variety of sauces based on elaborations of specifically Mexican ingredients, including tropical fruits, nuts, and above all a vast variety of chile peppers, each with its own distinctive flavor (not all of them spicy). You could eat here a dozen times and not begin to exhaust the possibilities. Just a few of the treats are mushrooms steeped in beef marrow, alligator-meat mini-tacos, *pozole* with crab meat, and an irresistible beef and shrimp stew.

(Food critic Ruth Reichl consumed a meal of exotic Aztec delicacies, including ant roe and mezcal worms, and you can try them too when they're in season.) The wine list is devoted wholly to ambitious Baja wineries; you're also welcome to BYO. Bar choices include damiana and hibiscus liqueurs. Menu and staff are bilingual. Reservations (phone, e-mail, or web) are strongly advised; ask then for street directions. Low-moderate. — *N.W. (7/01)*

EL RINCON DEL OSO Location 47, Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria, Rio District, Tijuana. Eating goat is an acquired taste. This little market restaurant is a good place to start acquiring. It serves kid for breakfast that's surprisingly easy on the taste buds. The best part is scooping the juices and the meat into a hot corn tortilla, adding cilantro, lime, grated onions, and a splash of salsa, and chomping in. It's meaty, slightly rich, almost gamey, like deer or buffalo, except the juices round out that gamey aftertaste. Come early morning for the best kid and the best market scenes. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

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The Revolution Rages

Rohmer makes no pretense of passing off his fakes as real.

It's one thing when the cinematic technocrats and toy manufacturers embrace digital video as the wave of the present. It's something else again when the intimists and miniaturists succumb. For George Lucas to have mounted an entire grade-A-plus production (and not merely the CG special effects) on video, as he has done in *Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones*, seems as inevitable as it is dismissable. Just another tool to toy with. Or another toy to tool with. To Lucas, Quality Control was always a lower priority than the Bottom Line, at best a means to an end. A means, more exactly, to a net. The moviegoing purist, however, the 35mm die-hard, the stick-in-the-mud, the reactionary, call him what you will, has a tougher time holding the fort when artists of the stature of Arturo Ripstein, Agnes Varda, and now the octogenarian Eric Rohmer defect to digital. It gives the purist pause.

The defection of Rohmer, generating reams of copy about old dogs

learning new tricks, is particularly curious. Practically the poster boy for Verbal Cinema, he has not "gone over," as have so many independents (Mike Figgis, Spike Lee, Richard Linklater,

Lars von Trier, et al.), for reasons of economy and efficiency alone. Or even primarily. *The Lady and the Duke*, a fact-

based tale of the French Revolution, turns out to meet the strictest requirements of the special-effects movie, no matter how tasteful, selective, and "sensible" the effects may be. That's not to say that the movie is any less talky, stilted, static, and stagy than Rohmer's norm. Nor is it to say that the humanity of the leading lady, the unfamiliar Lucy Russell, gets swallowed in the spectacle: her poise, her pride, her pluck, all in life-sized portions.

The tale itself, taken from the memoirs of Grace Elliott, an English aristocrat transplanted in Paris near her former lover, the Duc d'Orléans, is a bit of a mixed bag. It convincingly, and even suspensefully, settles the action in the present tense, where the



The Lady and the Duke

simplified tidiness of history gives way to the messiness of current events: the heroine's royalism is more a matter of decorum than of dogma, and the Liberty-Equality-Fraternity crowd inclines more toward Brutality, Stupidity, Vulgarity (relevance, there, to the present day). And it affords, if not exactly a ringside seat at momentous events, at

least a firsthand view of them from the skybox. At the same time, and in common with a lot of true stories, it lacks shape and pace, breaking down into three separate episodes (or theatrical acts), of which the first is the best: the heroine's harboring of a political fugitive whom she happens personally to dislike. The following

two, the Duke's role in the death of the King, and then the Lady's (as well as the Duke's) incarceration and trial, extend the proceedings past the mandatory two hours: longer on information than on drama, frequently interesting though seldom gripping.

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and weaknesses, is apt to seem small potatoes. If the special effects (limited as they are to exterior scenes) do not overwhelm the movie on screen, they overwhelm it in discussion. They dictate the discussion. They demand attention forthwith.

What they consist of, if I've got the terminology down, comes under the head of "digital compositing." Rather than try to find unaltered locations in which to re-create the 18th Century (unaltered, that is, apart from an additional two centuries of age), Rohmer has opted to position his people in computer-generated cityscapes and landscapes similar in principle to Hollywood standard practice. Similar, but also dissimilar. The concept is the same — real people inserted into illusory settings, like Kirsten Dunst dangling over nonexistent abysses in *Spider-Man*, or Ewan McGregor navigating the congested aerial traffic amid *Metropolis*-style skyscrapers in the new *Star Wars* — but the intention to deceive is very different. Rohmer makes no pretense of passing off his fakes as real. They are plainly paintings, a long way short of photorealism in detail, and increasingly sketchy as the perspective recedes. The "reality" they evoke is that of the visual documents

of the period: paintings come to life. Or more precisely, paintings populated and animated. The effect, always a little strange, at times a little silly, is something like the sight of Bob Hoskins in Toontown in *Who Framed Roger Rabbit*, or Jeff Bridges inside the computer in *Tron*: the French Revolution by Game Boy.

There is, quite clearly, a close kinship here with the painted backdrops of Golden Age studio filmmaking. (Not to mention those in Rohmer's stage-bound *Perceval*.) That kinship, moreover, forms the basis of my own best efforts to come to terms with the CG age. Computer-generated scenery can be easily viewed as the natural outgrowth of rear-screen projection, the matte shot, the Schufftan process (see the aforementioned *Metropolis*), etc., etc. All of which are traceable directly to the century-old magic tricks of Méliès: the "underwater" scene created by shooting through a fish tank.

All along, however, from Méliès on down, the proof of the pudding is in how the thing *looks*. (This is a cinematic pudding, after all. How it tastes, much less how it nourishes, is beside the point.) And although I might, after admitting I was initially tickled, want to fault Rohmer for overdoing a good thing, for throwing off the balance of the whole, for allowing the fakery to dominate the discussion, my real quibbles are with the interior scenes: the anemic color, the flattened forms and perspectives, the literally chintzy sur-

face of the image, even (if my eyes didn't play me tricks) the occasional blurring or ghosting of movement, as in a kinescope of an old *Playhouse 90* or *Studio One* — not that Rohmer ever sanctions much movement.

We're talking about two things here. One is computer-generated imagery; the other is digital video — though I suppose that at Rohmer's modest level of budget, or even at Lucas's extravagant one, the use of the first is facilitated by the use of the second. It is only the first one, though, that I have made good progress toward accepting; only that one that I can trace to Méliès's fish tank. Digital video is altogether a separate kettle of fish. Or can of worms. It becomes, in this instance, the rough equivalent of the grainy blown-up 16mm with which Rohmer has sometimes chosen to work, and which helps the moviegoer (not with total infallibility) to divide Rohmer's seemingly homogeneous *oeuvre* into his better efforts and his lesser. *The Lady and the Duke* could be seen as a career milestone in technology only. *Autumn Tale*, the director's last one, dwarfs it by every measure that matters. And therein will be found sufficient reason for the purist, the die-hard, the stick-in-the-mud, not yet to abandon the cause: not until his eyes can detect no difference.

The Lucas movie suggests that that day may not be far, far away. As goes without saying, it is technically superior to the Rohmer, with state-of-the-art, top-of-the-line, best-that-money-can-

buy video equipment: a twenty-four-frame high-definition progressive-scan camera by Sony (if that tells you anything). The image, in its transfer to celluloid, comes through as comparatively crisp and detailed — compared not just to Rohmer's, but to any other dabbler's — although the percentage of it that's essentially a computer cartoon, in the manner of *Dinosaur* or *Shrek*, makes the comparison unfair and even irrelevant. On the other hand, the image of actual human beings, crispness and detail notwithstanding, appears somewhat overcast, monotoned, covered in a sort of pinkish-complected skin, like an unboiled wiener. Then again, the image in the previous, pre-video installment was equally dull already, if not duller. The Lucas movie doubtless looks more like a movie than the Rohmer, but not more like a good one. And the CG imagery (a separate issue) has an entirely different set of problems, to which Rohmer is immune: busyness, crowdedness, ostentation, optical overload.

Meanwhile, the sorts of things I have referred to above, apropos of Rohmer, as small potatoes — the diminished role of the reviled Jar-Jar Binks; the teen romance between Queen Padmé (now known as Senator Amidala) and an Anakin Skywalker who has inexplicably caught up to her in age; the emergence of the latter's Dark Side in the form of adolescent petulance (or in the form of Hayden Christensen's impersonation of Ryan Phillippe); the casting

of Count Dracula in the role of Count Dooku (Christopher Lee); the rebel army of identical, skeletal robots whose parade-ground drills are Lucas's latest extraction from Leni Riefenstahl's *Triumph of the Will*; a new, improved, computer-animated Yoda to come to the rescue at the climax, with inverted syntax intact ("Around the survivors, a perimeter create"); and an up-in-the-air resolution ("Begun, the Clone War has") similar to the middle one in the earlier *Star Wars* trilogy, right down to the severed limb — are best left to the addicts. The unhooked will remain untempted. ■

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About a Boy — A conscience-free cad (e.g., inventing a two-year-old son so as to cruise a single-parents support group for dates) is rescued from his self-absorption by a twelve-year-old misfit with a dotty mother. Conventional in form and sentiment, despite such a dark-comic bit as the dead duck in the park (slain by a leaden loaf of mum's multi-grain bread), and despite the breezy, brazen cheekiness of the Son-of-Angry-Young-Man protagonist (Hugh Grant, sugaring every effrontery with his innate sparkle). The dual narrators, man and boy, chain the movie to its literary source (a Nick Hornby novel), though co-directors Paul and Chris Weitz provide a visual touch or two. With Nicholas Hoult, Toni Collette, Rachel Weisz. 2002.

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A Beautiful Mind — Laundered biography of the Nobel Prize-winning mathematician, and madman, John Forbes Nash, Jr. It's his madness, of course, and not his math, that makes him a viable screen subject, and director Ron Howard nurtures it with care. (And with more taste and restraint than are his custom.) But between the West Virginia accent and the nerdy introversion, much of what he says — or rather, what an emasculated Russell Crowe says — is lost in transmission. With Jennifer Connelly, Ed Harris, Christopher Plummer, Paul Bettany. 2001.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

Bottle Rocket — A fledgless lark involving three callow lunkheads embarking together on lives of crime. The debuting director is Wes Anderson, who affects jazzy, jaunty, New Wavy mannerisms which of course by this time are pretty Old Wavy, or Shore Drifty. And he favors squared-up and steam-pressed compositions for a homely deadpan American Gothicism. (The setting is for the most part indistinctive Texas.) Anderson's chief collaborator is Owen C. Wilson, co-screenwriter and lead actor (a kind of psychopathic Ricky Nelson with a Hitler's Youth blond brush-cut), as the self-appointed mastermind who has worked out a seventy-five-year crime-spree prospectus in a spiral notebook. A closing-time bookstore heist (the take is modest, though not infinitesimal: "Do you have a bigger bag for atlases and dictionaries and stuff?") finances a lie-low in an out-of-the-way motel, where one of the trio (Luke Wilson, Owen's brother in real life but mere buddy on screen) develops a crush on the Paraguayan housemaid and pitches in on her chores. (There is yet another Wilson brother, Andrew, in a lesser role.) It's a long wait until their next caper: a lunch-hour raid on a meatpacking plant in co-or-

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★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 5/29, 7 P.M.)

Box of Moonlight — Middle-aged nerd (pocket pen set, daily uniform of white dress shirt and black slacks) loosens up after a chance encounter with an outgoing dropout in a Davy Crockett costume. John Turturro’s robotic posture and movements have the physical expressiveness of a silent-cinema clown, and his dance, when he really cuts loose, is a riot. But the surrounding absurdities and oddities (a doggy dish of Oreo cookies in milk for breakfast) are piled on so high as to become the humdrum norm. With Sam Rockwell, Catherine Keener, Lisa Blount, Annie Corley, Dermot Mulroney; written and directed by Tom DiCillo. 1997.
★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 5/30, 7 P.M.)

Bread and Tulips — Licia Maglietta, a more loosely wound and comfortably upholstered Natalie Wood, warm and womanly, with a lived-in face and body but an undimmed sparkle, plays a Pescara housewife and intermittent klutz who gets separated from her tour group, including her husband and teenage son, while fishing an earring out of the toilet bowl at a rest stop. The occasion affords her an opportunity to go off on one of those nonradical feminist odysseys, in fact quite a conservative and conventional feminist odyssey, to Find Herself: hitchhiking to Venice where she has never been, landing a job with an incapacitated old florist, gaining lodging with a suicidal Icelandic waiter who speaks a tortuously stilted brand of Italian (it comes out in the English subtitles like so: “What engenders such uncertainty?”). The novice private investigator on her tail, whose only qualifications for the job are the detective novels he devours and his trench-coat, is conventional as well, and he takes away too much time from the heroine. But director Silvio Soldini keeps the movie light on its feet, with a fill-in-the-blanks method of narrative that makes judicious use of blackouts and ellipses, and doesn’t get bogged down in unnecessary details. (No need to spell out, for example, why the heroine might want to get away from her blowhard husband and withdrawn son.) And he moves in and out of dream scenes with a smoothness and seamlessness that surpass Fellini and approach Buñuel. Bruno Ganz, Giuseppe Battiston. 2000.
★★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 5/28, 6:30 P.M.)

The Cat’s Meow — Peter Bogdanovich’s “comeback” — meaning that the director of *The Last Picture Show*, etc., has come back from the TV-movie wasteland, if not necessarily that he has come back very far. A cramped and scrimping stage adaptation (written for the screen by the original playwright, Steven Peros), it chews over a “sexy” theory on the mysterious death in 1924 of silent-film pioneer Thomas H. Ince, birthday-boy guest of honor aboard the yacht of William Randolph Hearst, along with Charlie Chaplin, the chatty-catty novelist Elinor Glyn (all the best lines: “Charlie is only capable of a monogamous relationship with his own movies”), the fledgling newspaper columnist Louella Parsons, and of course Hearst’s mistress and protégée, Marion Davies. The theory, in opposition to the official verdict of heart failure as a result of acute gastritis, has it that he was shot to death by the jealous Hearst, a scenario made “sexier” than other, similar theories by the added suggestion that Hearst was actually gunning for someone the average modern-day moviegoer will have heard of: Chaplin. Bogdanovich, a cinephile second to none, and a sponge for pertinent anecdotes and apocrypha, might like to think that with this *Hollywood Babylon*-ian piece of gossip he is walking in the footsteps of, or possibly shoulder to shoulder with, one of his idols,



The Cherry Orchard

Orson Welles, who had taken on Hearst pseudonymously in *Citizen Kane*. One big difference is that, pseudonym apart, Welles was taking him on at the peak of his power while Bogdanovich is taking him on after half a century of horizontality: a superfluous shovelful of dirt on his grave. The dark, mausoleum-like sets and the dimly lit photography conspire to swallow up the lusterless cast: Kirsten Dunst, Edward Herrmann, Eddie Izzard, Cary Elwes, Joanna Lumley, Jennifer Tilly. Gloom envelops them like an offshore fog. 2002.
● (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Changing Lanes — Samuel L. Jackson and Ben Affleck get into a fender-bender on the FDR on their separate ways to the courthouse, the one to divorce court, the other to probate court. The first, an operat-

ically repentant alcoholic, unable to drive away from the scene of the accident, loses custody of his children by default. (Kim Staunton has some ferocious moments as the fed-up wife.) The second, a self-important Wall Street up-and-comer, drives off with an airy “Better luck next time,” leaving behind a blank check and, inadvertently, the key document to his shady dealings in court. Thus begins a grim-faced game of Laurel-and-Hardy tit-for-tat, and a didactic lesson in the fragility of the social covenant and the constant nearness of chaos. (The casting of the leads, plus a gratuitous barroom altercation over Tiger Woods, tends inevitably to channel the allegory down restrictive racial straits.) No doubt it’s something a little different, something a little serious and a little somber, but not enough so to justify the respectfulness of its reception

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from some critics. Both men behave badly — that’s good. But the escalation of hostilities ends in a loss of artistic nerve and an eleventh-hour parachute leap into a feather bed. Even Laurel and Hardy left a stronger aftertaste. And the sheer amount of hostilities, never mind the altitude of them, seems much too much to fit into a single day. British filmmaker Roger Michell’s best evidence of his contemporary “relevance” consists of nothing more than his fitful jiggles of the camera. Toni Collette, Amanda Peet, Sydney Pollack, William Hurt. 2002.
★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

The Cherry Orchard — Michael Cacoyannis’s rendition of the Chekhov play, with Charlotte Rampling, Alan Bates, Katrin Cartlidge.
(KEN, 5/24 THROUGH 30)

Clockstoppers — Tom Swifitian science fiction about a clean teen who comes into possession of a wristwatch which essentially can freeze time, or more accurately can transport its wearer into “hypertime,” so

that everything around him seems to slow to a standstill. Apart from one escapade of youthful pranks, there’s little imagination in the use of it, and less imagination in the nefarious federal agents who want to get their hands on it. Jesse Bradford, Paula Garcés, French Stewart, Julia Sweeney, Michael Biehn; directed by Jonathan Frakes. 2002.
● (HARBOR DRIVE IN; VOGUE)

Dogtown and Z-Boys — Stacy Peralta’s documentary on the early days of skateboarding.
(HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA PALOMA, FROM 5/24)

Enigma — Second World War espionage thriller, set on the British homefront at Bletchley Park, otherwise known as Station X, the top-secret cryptography center, where they’ve now got just four days to crack “Shark,” the revised German U-boat code, before a convoy of merchant ships from the U.S. enters perilous waters. In other words: same genre, same era, same milieu (more or less) as the nearby *Charlotte Gray*. We even meet the protagonist, a woolly-headed math whiz (“With numbers, truth and beauty are the same thing”) recovering from a nervous breakdown, ex-

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actly where we earlier met Charlotte: at the window of a train compartment, which gives way to another train compartment in flashback. And like *Charlotte*, it belongs in the unglamorous, unromanticized, Graham Greene branch of spy fiction, notwithstanding the love triangle between an ace decoder (Dougray Scott, looking a bit like a young Tom Courtenay), a mysterious willow blonde (Saffron Burrows), and the latter's wallflower roommate (Kate Winslet), fellow employees at Bletchley. Plot convolutions aside, it's historically interesting material, even, you might argue, intrinsically more interesting than the more familiar material of *Charlotte*. But that's not to say it's cinematically more interesting. Not to say — to take our metaphor from their introductory scenes — that it fits together as tightly and moves along as powerfully as a railway train. *Charlotte* is a Eurostar, a Thalys; *Enigma* is more of a huffing-and-puffing handcar. To be sure, the Enigma code machine — a sort of rewired typewriter with ever-changing letters for each key — is an interesting object, as is the primitive computer with its rows upon rows of revolving colored wheels. But these are essentially static museum exhibits. With Jeremy Northam; written by Tom Stoppard; directed by Michael Apted. 2002. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Enough — Jennifer Lopez as an abused wife, with Billy Campbell, Juliette Lewis, and Noah Wyle, directed by Michael Apted.

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High Crimes — Ashley Judd, under a blanket of makeup, stops making cute faces and starts making other kinds of faces after her picture-perfect husband (Jim Caviezel) is hauled before a court-martial for the long-ago massacre of nine civilians in El Salvador. Seeing as she's a hot-shot Bay Area attorney, she elects to defend him herself, with a wily old former Marine and former drunk (Morgan Freeman, equal parts charm and gravity) to show her the ropes of military justice. But the case is nonsensical. Why would a corrupt and conspiratorial military, anxious to bury a stillborn scandal, dig up an innocent party to railroad for the crime? The alternative is still more illogical: why would it dig up the guilty party who could illuminate the corruption and conspiracy firsthand? There can be no question of its corruptness and conspiringness, as proven by the busy program of threats, intimidation, and outright assaults inflicted on the defense team. Final revelations only deepen the nonsense. And director Carl Franklin, belaboring the closeups in TV style, herewith goes to new lengths to renege on the early promise of his *One False Move* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*. With Adam Scott, Amanda Peet, Bruce Davison. 2002. ● (HARBOR DRIVE IN)

Hollywood Ending — Woody Allen, besides writing and directing, plays a has-

been filmmaker whose chance at a comeback comes in the form of a bone thrown to him by his former wife — a \$60 million remake of a Forties B-movie — who is now consort to the philistine head of Galaxy Pictures. For three-quarters of an hour, in predictable and monotonous comic rhythms, the film casually kicks around the bread-and-butter issues of the behind-the-scenes Tinseltown spoof (art vs. commerce, *auteur* vs. hack, black-and-white vs. color), plus the intermittent inside joke: the fictitious director's fondness for foreign cameramen leads him, where Allen himself was led on his three previous projects, to a Chinese D.P. whose only language is Mandarin. (Allen's current D.P., the German Wedigo von Schultzendorff, offers no let-up in suffocating artiness, pouring a full cup of melted butter over a few puffs of popcorn.) At length and at leisure, the film arrives at its central conceit: a case of psychosomatic blindness which afflicts the director on the eve of the shoot, and which he attempts to conceal throughout it. This is a real idea, a worthwhile idea, an inherently funny idea, although probably not enough of a one to warrant the longest running time — at 114 minutes — in Allen's entire career. The idea calls upon Allen the actor to do a more physical kind of comedy than is his custom — an elaboration on the glazed-eyed hypnotic trances of his prior film, *The Curse of the Jade Scorpion* — and he does it very well. Allen the director, on the other hand, was not up to the daunting challenge, was not up to even *facing* the challenge, of illustrating a movie directed by a blind man: the joke is not, let's be clear, that in today's movie world it makes no difference. With Téa Leoni, Treat Williams, Mark Rydell, Debra Messing, George Hamilton. 2002. ★★ (GASLAMP 15)

Ice Age — Three mammals and a baby. A

computer-animated woolly mammoth, sloth, and saber-toothed tiger (your species needs to have an interdenal 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 soggy oasis. Co-directed by Chris Wedge and Carlos Saldanha. 2002. ★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Insomnia — Christopher Nolan's remake of a 1997 Norwegian thriller, with Al Pacino, Hilary Swank, and Robin Williams. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 5/24)

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 Jurgensen (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. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 5/23)

The Lady and the Duke — Reviewed this issue. With Lucy Russell, Jean-Claude Dreyfus, François Marthouret, and Léonard Cobiant; directed by Eric Rohmer. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 5/24)


The Long Goodbye — Robert Altman's provoking revision of a late, intricate Raymond Chandler detective novel is devoted less to creating a mystery than a muddle. The impenetrable darkness, the stealthy zooms and circuitous tracks of Vilmos Zsigmond's cinematography, and the ceaseless buzzing or humming of the actors, conspire together to cover up the leaks sprung in Altman's altering of the original plot (he changes a couple of the who-does-whats and the to-whoms, and thereby loses the whys). Elliott Gould, a mussed Philip Marlowe who appears to be led around by the constant cigarette in his teeth and whose largest show of ingenuity is in seeking out spots to strike a match, mutters to himself distractedly as he makes the acquaintances of a fruity supporting cast, including Mark Rydell, Henry Gibson, Sterling Hayden, Nina Van Pallandt, and ex-baseballer Jim Bouton. 1973. ★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 5/23, 7 P.M., AND 5/24, 9:30 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)

McCabe and Mrs. Miller — Plenty of surface interest for those who enjoy looking at drizzle, cigarette smoke, opium haze. Under the dense atmospheric conditions, Robert Altman's snowed-in Western about the encroachment of capitalist enterprise on a tacky frontier town is exceedingly difficult to make out. Julie Christie and Warren Beatty are in the fog somewhere, but they make only faint impressions in this unanchored, vaporous, and once-in-a-while brightening movie. Keith Carradine in oversized cowboy duds is perhaps the single brightest spot. 1971. ★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 5/24, 7 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 obli-

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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. ★★ (PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)



Nine Queens

The Salton Sea — Florid, gaudy, tricksy, anything-for-attention neo-*noir* about a

speed freak and stool pigeon who in his former life was a blissfully married blues

trumpeter. “Keep your eyes open,” he advises us straightaway in voice-over. “Noth-

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

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CENTRAL CLAIREMONT

Town Square 14
4665 Clairemont Drive (858-274-1234)
About a Boy (PG-13) Fri. (2:30) 5:20, 8:10, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. (12:10, 2:45) 5:20, 8:10, 10:30; Mon. (12:10, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (2:30, 5:05) 7:30, 10:00; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri. (2:15) 4:45, 7:30, 10:25; Sat.-Sun. (11:40, 2:15) 4:45, 7:30, 10:25; Mon. (11:40, 2:15) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; **Insomnia** (R) Fri. (3:55) 7:20, 8:00, 10:05, 10:40; Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 3:55) 7:20, 8:00, 10:05, 10:40; Mon. (12:20, 3:55) 7:20, 8:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (3:55) 7:20, 8:00, 9:55; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 1:35, 2:40, 3:15) 4:05, 4:40, 5:25, 6:30, 7:10, 7:55, 8:30, 9:20, 9:55, 10:35, 11:15; Sat.-Sun. (11:30, 12:15, 1:00, 1:35, 2:40, 3:15) 4:05, 4:40, 5:25, 6:30, 7:10, 7:55, 8:30, 9:20, 9:55, 10:35, 11:15; Mon. (11:30, 12:15, 1:00, 1:35, 2:40, 3:15) 4:05, 4:40, 5:25, 6:30, 7:10, 7:55, 8:30, 9:20, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 1:35, 2:40, 3:15, 4:05, 4:40, 5:15) 6:30, 7:10, 7:55, 8:30, 9:20, 9:55; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri. (1:25, 2:25, 3:30) 4:50, 5:40, 7:15, 9:15; Sat.-Mon. (11:10, 12:00, 1:25, 2:25, 3:30) 4:50, 5:40, 7:15, 9:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:25, 2:25, 3:30, 4:50, 5:40) 7:15, 9:15; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri. (12:50, 1:30, 2:05, 3:00, 3:50) 4:35, 5:10, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:30, 10:15, 10:55, 11:20; Sat.-Sun. (11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 2:05, 3:00, 3:45) 4:30, 5:10, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:30, 10:15, 10:55, 11:20; Mon. (11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 2:05, 3:00, 3:45) 4:30, 5:10, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:30, 10:00; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri. (1:00) 4:15, 7:35, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. (12:45) 4:15, 7:35, 10:20; Mon. (12:45) 4:15, 7:10, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 4:15) 7:10, 9:50

DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15
701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400)
Deuces Wild (R) Fri.-Thu. (3:45) 9:30; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri. (1:05, 2:10, 2:40, 3:30) 4:45, 5:25, 7:10, 7:40, 8:25, 9:35, 10:10, 10:50; Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 1:05, 2:10, 2:40, 3:30) 4:45, 5:25, 7:10, 7:40, 8:25, 9:35, 10:10, 10:50; Mon. (12:20, 1:05, 2:10, 2:40, 3:30) 4:45, 5:25, 7:10, 7:40, 8:25, 9:35, 10:10, 10:50; **Hollywood Ending** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (3:40) 9:40; **Insomnia** (R) Fri. (12:55, 1:50, 2:45, 3:35) 4:40, 5:20, 7:00, 7:30, 8:05, 9:35, 10:05, 10:40, 5:20, 7:00, 7:30, 8:05, 9:35, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (12:55, 1:50, 2:45, 3:35, 4:40, 5:20) 7:00, 7:30, 8:05, 9:35, 10:05; **Life or Something Like It** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:30) 7:00; **Monster's Ball** (R) Fri.-Mon. (1:00, 3:20)

5:40, 8:05, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 3:20, 5:40) 8:05, 10:25; **Nine Queens** (R) Fri.-Thu. (3:50) 9:45; **Panic Room** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:10) 7:05; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri. 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 2:30, 3:50, 4:30, 5:00, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:50, 10:25, 10:55; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:20, 3:50, 4:30, 5:00, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:50, 10:25, 10:55; Mon. 10:00, 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:20, 3:50, 4:30, 5:00, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:50, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 2:30, 3:50, 4:30, 5:00, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:50, 10:15; **The Cat's Meow** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:20) 7:15; **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:05) 4:35, 8:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:05, 4:35) 8:20

Horton Plaza 14
475 Horton Plaza (619-234-8602)
About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:35, 12:15, 2:00, 2:45, 4:30, 5:15, 7:05, 7:45, 9:35, 10:20; **Changing Lanes** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:20, 4:50) 7:20, 10:00; **Monsoon Wedding** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:30, 4:20) 7:15, 10:05; **Murder by Numbers** (R) Fri.-Wed. (12:00, 5:00) 9:55; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Wed. (1:45) 9:50; Thu. (1:45); **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:40, 11:10, 12:45, 1:20, 1:50, 3:30, 4:10, 4:45) 6:15, 7:00, 7:30, 9:00, 9:45, 10:10; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:40, 11:10, 11:40, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 2:40, 3:10, 3:40, 4:40, 5:10, 5:40, 6:40, 7:10, 7:40, 8:40, 9:10, 9:40; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:15, 3:35, 5:50) 8:10, 10:35; **The Scorpion King** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. (2:45) 7:35; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Wed. 10:55, 11:30, 2:15, 4:25, 5:05, 7:10, 7:55, 10:40; Thu. (10:55, 11:30, 2:15, 5:05) 7:55, 10:40

LA JOLLA

Cove
7730 Girard Avenue (858-459-5404)
Monsoon Wedding (R) Fri. 5:25, 8:05; Sat.-Mon. (2:15) 5:25, 8:05; Tue.-Thu. 5:25, 8:05

La Jolla 12
8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)
Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); **Insomnia** (R); **Enough** (PG-13); **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy** (PG-13); **The Salton Sea; Unfaithful** (R); **Spider-Man** (PG-13); **Changing Lanes** (R)

La Jolla Village
8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831)
My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Mon. (11:10) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; **The Cat's Meow** (PG-13) Fri. (1:40) 4:25, 7:10, 9:55; Sat.-Mon. (10:50) 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:40) 4:25, 7:10, 9:55; **Time Out** (PG-13) Fri. (1:20) 4:10, 7:00, 9:50; Sat.-Mon. (10:30) 1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (1:20) 4:10, 7:00, 9:50; **Y Tu Mama Tambien** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:50) 4:35, 7:20, 10:05; Sat.-Mon. (11:00) 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:50) 4:35, 7:20, 10:05

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18
10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700)

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MISSION VALLEY
Fashion Valley 18
7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)
Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); **Insomnia** (R); **Enough** (PG-13); **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy** (PG-13); **The New Guy** (PG-13); **Unfaithful** (R); **Spider-Man** (PG-13); **Murder by Numbers** (R); **The Scorpion King** (PG-13); **Changing Lanes** (R)

Hazard Center 7
7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-291-7777)
About a Boy (PG-13) Fri. 11:20, 1:50 (4:20) 7:05, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. 11:20, 1:50, 4:20, 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. 11:20, 1:50 (4:20) 7:05, 9:55; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri. 11:00, 1:45 (4:30) 7:25, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:25, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45 (4:30) 7:25, 10:15; **Insomnia** (R) Fri. 11:30, 2:15 (5:00) 7:45, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15 (5:00) 7:45, 10:30; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri. 11:35, 2:20 (4:40) 7:20, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. 11:35, 2:20, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. 11:35, 2:20 (4:40) 7:20, 9:50; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri. 11:15, 2:00 (4:45) 7:30, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00 (4:45) 7:30, 10:20; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri. 11:45, 2:10 (4:50) 7:10, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 11:45, 2:10, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 2:10 (4:50) 7:10, 9:30; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri. 1:30 (4:15) 7:00, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:30 (4:15) 7:00, 10:00

Mission Valley 20
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); **Insomnia** (R); **Enough** (PG-13); **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy** (PG-13); **The New Guy** (PG-13); **Unfaithful** (R); **Spider-Man** (PG-13); **The Scorpion King** (PG-13); **Changing Lanes** (R)

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6
5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
Enough (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:25) 4:45, 7:40, 10:05; Mon. (2:25) 4:45, 7:40; Tue.-Thu. (3:10, 5:30) 7:50; **Green Dragon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30, 3:55) 7:45, 10:15; Mon. (1:30, 3:55) 7:55; Tue.-Thu. (3:20, 5:55) 8:20; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:05) 4:35, 7:10, 9:40; Mon. (2:05) 4:35, 7:35; Tue.-Thu. (3:15, 5:45) 8:15; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:15, 3:50) 7:30, 10:15; Mon. (1:15, 3:50) 7:30; Tue.-Thu. (3:00, 5:35) 8:05; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:00) 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon. (1:00, 3:00) 5:00, 7:25; Tue.-Thu. (3:30, 5:20) 7:30; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 4:30, 7:20, 10:00; Mon. (1:45) 4:30, 7:45; Tue.-Thu. (3:05, 5:40) 8:10

Ken
4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909)
The Cherry Orchard (Not Rated) Fri. 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Mon. 2:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Murderous Maids**, Thursday

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Dogtown and Z-Boys (PG-13) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; Sat.-Mon. (10:45) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; Tue.-Wed. (1:20) 4:20, 9:50; Thu. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; **Enigma** (R) Fri. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 9:55; Sat.-Mon. (10:30) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 9:55; **The Lady and the Duke** (PG-13) Fri. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 10:05; Sat.-Mon. (10:25) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 10:05; **The Son's Room** (R) Fri. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Mon. (10:40) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:00; **Y Tu Mama Tambien** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:40) 4:40, 7:40, 10:10; Sat.-Mon. (10:35) 1:40, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (1:40) 4:40, 7:40, 10:10

Museum of Photographic Arts
1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)
The Long Goodbye, Thursday, 7 p.m., and Friday, 9:30 p.m.; **McCabe and Mrs. Miller**, Friday, 7 p.m.; **Bottle Rocket**, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center
1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
Bears (Not Rated) Sat.-Mon. 11:00; **Space Station** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Sun.-Mon. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Tue. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; Wed. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; **The Human Body** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Mon.-Tue. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00; Wed. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Thu. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (09:55, 12:40, 4:00) 7:10, 10:00; **Changing Lanes** (R) Fri.-Thu. (09:55, 12:15, 2:40, 5:15) 7:45, 10:15; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 12:30, 1:00, 3:50, 4:30) 7:05, 7:35, 9:50, 10:20; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 4:00, 4:35) 7:20, 7:50, 10:05, 10:40; **Murder by Numbers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:30); **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 10:20, 10:50, 11:20, 1:20, 1:50, 2:20, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 12:30, 3:40) 6:30, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:40, 10:20, 10:50, 11:20; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 10:20, 12:20, 12:50, 2:30, 3:00, 4:40, 5:10) 6:50, 7:40, 9:30; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 4:50, 5:20) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:20, 2:40, 5:00) 7:40, 10:00; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Thu. 9:50; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 1:15, 4:30) 7:20, 10:15

Rancho San Diego 15
2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460)
About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 4:55) 7:30, 10:05; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 11:50, 1:55, 2:25, 4:30, 5:00) 7:05, 7:35, 9:40, 10:10; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:00, 4:35) 7:10, 9:45; **Murder by Numbers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:15); **Spider-Man** (PG-13)

ing is as it seems.” Just as good a reason to keep them shut. Val Kilmer, Vincent D’Onofrio, Peter Sarsgaard, Anthony LaPaglia, Deborah Kara Unger, Luis Guzman, Adam Goldberg; directed by D.J. Caruso. 2002. ● (LA JOLLA 12)

The Scorpion King — A cheesy prequel — of Limburger smelliness — to *The Mummy* and more particularly *The Mummy Returns*. Or: How the Last of the Akkadians Got Scorpion Blood in His Veins and Became a King. It goes to show, if nothing else, that if you take the mummy out of the movie, you’ll have a shorter one — a scant ninety minutes — but not a better one. The antagonist in the mummy’s absence, Steven Brand, is a sort of cut-rate Russell Crowe with a dormant muskrat on his head. The muscle-bound and saucer-eyed hero, Dwayne Johnson, alias The Rock, delivers his lines with all the force of an exasperated driver’s-ed instructor. Kelly Hu, Michael Clarke Duncan, Bernard Hill; directed by Chuck Russell. 2002. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; VOGUE)

The Son's Room — A startling change of pace, so we’re told, for the director and

Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:45, 1:30, 2:00, 4:20, 4:50, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:40, 10:10, 10:30; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 11:30, 12:45, 1:40, 3:00, 3:50, 5:15) 5:55, 7:30, 8:15, 9:45, 10:20; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 4:50, 5:15) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15, 12:00; Sun.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 4:50, 5:15) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:40, 5:00) 7:20, 9:45; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 4:45) 7:35, 10:15

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Grossmont Center
Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100)
About a Boy (PG-13) Fri. (1:50) 4:40, 7:40, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:00, 1:50) 4:40, 7:40, 10:30; Mon. (11:00, 1:50) 4:40, 7:20, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 4:40) 7:20, 10:15; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri. (1:20) 4:10, 7:35, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. (10:40, 1:20) 4:10, 7:35, 10:15; Mon. (10:40, 1:20) 4:10, 7:35, 10:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:20, 4:10) 7:35, 10:20; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 4:15, 7:50, 10:35; Mon. (1:30) 4:15, 7:45, 10:35; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45, 1:45, 3:40) 4:50, 7:05, 8:00, 10:10, 10:50; Sat.-Sun. (10:30, 12:00, 1:45, 3:00) 4:50, 7:05, 8:00, 10:10, 10:50; Mon. (10:30, 12:00, 1:45, 3:00) 4:50, 7:05, 7:50, 10:10, 10:40; Tue.-Thu. (12:45, 1:45, 3:40, 4:50) 7:05, 7:50, 10:10, 10:40; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri. (12:25, 2:40) 4:55, 7:10, 9:30; Sat.-Mon. (10:10, 12:25, 2:40) 4:55, 7:10, 9:30; Tue.-Thu. (12:25, 2:40, 4:55) 7:10, 9:30; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri. 12:30, 1:15, 2:45, 3:50, 4:30, 7:00, 7:15, 7:45, 10:05, 10:30, 10:55; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 11:15, 12:30, 1:15, 2:45, 3:50, 4:30, 7:00, 7:15, 7:45, 10:05, 10:30, 10:55; Mon. 10:00, 11:15, 12:30, 1:15, 2:45, 3:50, 4:30, 7:00, 7:15, 7:40, 10:05, 10:30, 10:45; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:35, 7:30, 10:25; Sat.-Mon. (10:45, 1:40) 4:35, 7:30, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. (1:40, 4:35) 7:30, 10:25

Grossmont Trolley
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (2:10) 7:20; Tue.-Thu. (2:30, 5:35); **Changing Lanes** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 7:55, 10:15; Mon. (11:15, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 7:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 3:20, 5:30) 8:10; **Ice Age** (PG) Fri.-Mon. (11:25, 1:25, 3:20); Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 3:45, 5:40); **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:20) 7:15, 9:50; Mon. (12:30, 3:20) 7:15; Tue.-Thu. (12:55, 3:25, 5:55) 8:35; **Murder by Numbers** (R) Fri.-Sun. 5:15, 7:50, 10:25; Mon. 5:15, 7:50; Tue.-Thu. 8:20; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:20, 3:35) 5:55, 8:05, 10:10; Mon. (11:10, 1:20, 3:35) 5:55

star, Nanni Moretti: “the Italian Woody Allen.” That’s hard to gauge, however, much less appreciate, when only one of his nine features and numerous shorts, 1993’s *Caro Diario*, has been granted distribution. Not much pace can be built up from one film. No doubt the heavy drama of *The Son’s Room*, to do with the loss of a child, 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: an easygoing, meandering, random-sampling manner of story-telling. (Because it ambles along a lot like life, its interruptions seem particularly rude.) In the lead role, Moretti’s dour bearded countenance doesn’t give away much: an ideal countenance for 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



Murderous Maids

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

7:45; Tue.-Thu. (12:55, 3:15, 5:25) 8:15; **The Scorpion King** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:55) 5:05, 10:20; Mon. (11:55) 5:05; Tue.-Thu. 8:25

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)

Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); **Insomnia** (R); **Spider-Man** (PG-13); **Changing Lanes** (R)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

555 Broadway (619-338-4214)

Enough (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Insomnia** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 11:30, 1:30, 2:30, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15, 10:15, 10:45; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 3:00, 6:15, 9:30, 9:45, 10:15, 10:45, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennerly Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)

Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); **Insomnia** (R); **Enough** (PG-13); **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy** (PG-13); **The New Guy** (PG-13); **Unfaithful** (R); **Spider-Man** (PG-13); **The Scorpion King** (PG-13); **Changing Lanes** (R); **Ice Age** (PG)

Rancho Del Rey 16

1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)

About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:20, 5:00) 7:40, 10:10; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 11:10, 1:00, 2:00, 3:40, 4:40) 6:50, 7:35, 9:30, 10:25; **Insomnia** (R) Fri. 10:20, 10:20, 11:15, 1:05, 1:05, 2:05, 2:05, 4:25, 4:25, 5:05, 5:05, 7:05, 7:05, 7:55, 7:55, 10:00, 10:00, 10:40, 10:40; Sat.-Thu. (10:20, 1:05, 2:05, 4:25, 5:05) 7:05, 7:55, 10:00, 10:40; **Murder by Numbers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:15); **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:00, 12:20, 3:00, 3:30, 4:30) 6:55, 7:25, 7:50, 9:45, 10:20, 10:35; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 11:05, 12:25, 1:15, 2:35, 3:25, 4:45, 5:30) 7:00, 7:45, 9:35, 9:55; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 4:50, 5:20) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:15, 4:55) 7:15, 9:50; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 3:35) 7:10, 10:05

Vogue

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436)

Clockstoppers (PG) Fri.-Thu. 4:15, 10:00; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:00; **The Scorpion King** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:15, 8:15

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South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado (619-423-2727)

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Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392)

High Crimes; Clockstoppers (PG)

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571)

About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:10, 10:35; Mon. (1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:10, 10:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:30, 3:40, 5:50) 8:10; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:10) 4:50, 7:40, 10:05; Mon. (2:10) 4:50, 7:40, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (2:15, 5:10) 7:40; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:30) 5:15, 7:50, 10:25; Mon. (2:30) 5:15, 7:50, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (2:30, 5:15) 7:50; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:10, 2:20, 3:55) 5:05, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:40; Mon. (1:10, 2:20, 3:55) 5:05, 7:00, 8:20, 9:35; Tue.-Thu. (1:40, 2:25, 4:25, 5:20) 7:25, 8:20; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:20, 3:25) 5:30, 7:30, 9:35; Mon. (1:20, 3:25) 5:30, 7:30, 9:25; Tue.-Thu. (1:35, 3:30, 5:25) 7:20; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:00) 4:10, 7:15, 10:15; Mon. (1:00) 4:10, 7:15, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 5:00) 8:00; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:20, 10:30; Mon. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:00, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 3:50, 5:55) 8:05; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:00) 4:35, 7:10, 9:55; Mon. (2:00) 4:35, 7:10, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (2:20, 4:55) 7:30

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784)

Enough (PG-13) Fri. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Mon. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15; Tue.-Thu. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15; **Insomnia** (Not Rated) Fri. 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Mon. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15; Tue.-Thu. 1:30, 4:30, 7:15; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Mon. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:00; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30; Sat.-Sun. 11:00, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30; Mon. 11:00, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; Tue.-Thu. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Mon. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri. 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mon. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; Tue.-Thu. 1:00, 4:15, 7:30

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)

About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:25, 7:50, 10:25; Mon. (12:20, 2:50) 5:10, 7:30, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (12:35, 2:55, 5:10) 7:30, 9:50; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:20) 5:00, 7:40, 10:10; Mon. (11:45, 2:20) 5:00, 7:40, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (2:20, 5:00) 7:40, 10:00; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 2:10) 5:10, 7:55, 10:30; Mon. (11:20, 2:10) 4:55, 7:35, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 4:55) 7:35, 10:05; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:15, 1:00, 2:30, 3:45, 5:20, 7:15, 8:00, 10:15, 10:40; Mon. 11:15, 1:00, 2:30, 3:45, 5:20, 7:15, 8:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. 1:10, 2:30, 3:45, 5:20, 7:15, 8:00, 9:55; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Mon.

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POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)

Enough (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Insomnia** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 11:30, 1:30, 2:30, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15, 10:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 11:30, 1:30, 2:30, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 5:45, 8:00; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 11:45, 3:00, 6:15, 9:30, 9:45, 10:45, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 3:00, 6:15, 9:45, 10:45, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 3:30, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 3:30

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

626 Main Street (760-789-3422)

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SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)

About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:55, 10:25; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 11:45, 1:45, 2:20, 4:25, 5:00) 7:05, 7:35, 9:40, 10:10; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:10, 11:10, 11:55, 1:45, 1:45, 2:30, 2:30, 4:25, 4:25, 5:05, 5:05, 7:10, 7:10, 7:40, 7:40, 9:45, 9:45, 10:15, 10:15; **Murder by Numbers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:55); **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 11:00, 11:25, 12:05, 1:00, 1:55, 2:25, 2:40, 3:45, 4:40, 5:10) 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 7:50, 8:15, 9:45, 10:20, 10:40, 11:00; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 11:00, 12:00, 12:00, 1:00, 1:15, 2:00, 2:15, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:45, 6:00, 6:45, 7:00, 8:00, 8:00, 9:00, 9:00, 10:00, 10:15; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 4:50, 5:15) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15, 12:01; Mon.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:20, 4:20, 4:50, 5:15) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55, 10:05; **The Rookie** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:30, 5:10); **The Scorpion King** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:10, 10:25; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:45) 5:25, 8:05, 10:50

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)

Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri. 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Sat.-Mon. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. 5:00, 7:50; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri. 4:30, 6:45, 9:00; Sat.-Mon. 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00; Tue.-Thu. 5:15, 7:40; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri. 3:45, 7:00, 10:15; Sat.-Mon. 12:30, 3:45, 7:00, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. 4:45, 8:00; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri. 3:30, 6:30, 9:15; Sat.-Mon. 12:45, 3:30, 6:30, 9:15; Tue.-Thu. 4:50, 7:30

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (760-599-8221)

About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Insomnia** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 11:00, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:00, 7:00; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

12905 El Camino Real (858-646-9420)

Enough (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 10:30, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45, 10:45, 11:45, 2:00, 3:00, 5:15, 6:15, 8:30, 9:30, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45, 11:45, 2:00, 3:00, 5:15, 6:15, 8:30; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00

Flower Hill 4

2430 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425)

About a Boy (PG-13) 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; **Insomnia** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Wed. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45; Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)

About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 8:00, 10:25; Mon. 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:30 (5:45) 8:10; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 1:20, 4:15, 7:05, 9:50; Mon. 1:20, 4:15, 7:05; Tue.-Thu. 2:20 (5:25) 8:15; **Insomnia** (R) Fri. 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05; Sat. 11:00,

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. With Laura Morante, Jasmine Trinca, Giuseppe Sanfelice. 2001. ★★★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Spider-Man — Repulsively overhyped comic-book adaptation by Sam Raimi. (How would his lighter and livelier *Dark-man*, of 1990, have been pushed a decade later?) The hype, which naturally took no notice of the actual product and its worth, is as *de rigueur* as the Danny Elfman musical score and the plasticity, elasticity CG animation. It’s just the way this sort of thing is done, and no room to wriggle. Even so, the advance misgivings of Spider-Maniacs over the pivotal casting of sensitive, vulnerable Tobey Maguire (*Ride with the Devil*, *The Cider House Rules*) prove to be not unfounded. Yes, yes, the premise of the piece — the boy who gets bitten by a genetically engineered superspider and infected with arachnoid superpowers — is a metaphor of the adolescent-to-adult meta-

1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05; Sun. 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05; Mon. 1:45, 4:30, 7:20; Tue.-Thu. 1:50 (4:55) 8:00; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri. 12:40, 1:30, 4:00, 4:45, 7:10, 7:35, 9:55, 10:20; Sat. 10:30, 12:40, 1:30, 4:00, 4:45

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morphosis. And who better than Maguire to bring out the human dimensions of the larval adolescent? Still, the movie lingers so long on the human side of the equation that it might have been better named *Peter Parker*. It truly is a Tobey Maguire movie more than a comic-book superhero movie. (Marvel of Marvels!) That's not altogether a bad thing in view of the actor's eccentric, *ritardando* sense of timing and his deadpan talent for hinting at a beehive of interior activity. Yet the urban Tarzan in the spandex bodysuit seems (when he gets the chance) a completely separate entity, a two-dimensional phantom in an alternate universe. And Willem Dafoe's Green Goblin, riding a sort of aerial surfboard, makes an unformidable and uninteresting villain: Batman's Joker reupholstered in metallic monochrome. Whatever thunder is available to be stolen is harnessed by J.K. Simmons (memorable as well in Raimi's *The Gift* and *For Love of the Game*) as the most jaundiced of yellow journalists. With Kirsten Dunst, James Franco, Cliff Robertson, Rosemary Harris. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron — Animated horse story, with the voices of Matt Damon, Daniel Studi, and James Cromwell, directed by Kelly Asbury and Lorna Cook. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 5/24)



Star Wars, Episode II

Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones — Reviewed this issue. With Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen, Samuel L. Jackson, and Christopher Lee; written and directed by George Lucas. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Time Out — French psychological drama about an out-of-work businessman leading a double life; with Aurélien Recoing; directed by Laurent Cantet. (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 5/24)

The Triumph of Love — Soporific costume farce, after Marivaux, directed by Clare Peploe, in washed-out color (blown-up 16mm), gashed with nervous little jump-cuts (very short jumps), propped up and hustled along by the music of Rameau. There's a fair amount of alternative-lifestyle titillation: cross-dressing; a woman (dis-

guised as a man) pitching woo to a woman; an outward man (a woman underneath) pitching woo to a man. If, anyhow, that sort of thing titillates you. The kittenish Mira Sorvino, to say nothing of her angel-faced handmaiden, Rachael Stirling, cannot convincingly bridge the gulf between genders. Not even on the suspension-of-disbelief bridge: the closeups detonate it. Ben Kingsley, Fiona Shaw, Jay Rodan. 2002. ● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 5/23)

Unfaithful — Adrian Lyne, agent provocateur of *Lolita*, *Indecent Proposal*, *Fatal Attraction*, et al., gets out the blackened oven mitts for his *réchauffé* of Claude Chabrol's adultery-and-murder dish, *La Femme Infidèle*. The suburban housewife, Constance (get the irony?), contentedly married for eleven years to the head of a New York security firm (more irony), literally bumps into a French antiquarian book dealer (a nod to the nationality of the source material as well as a nod to "motivation," insofar as a French accent will automatically produce a weakness in the American woman's knees) on a shopping trip to Manhattan in the midst of a portentous windstorm. The dealer fumbles his navel-to-chin stack of

books; the shopper skins her knee (symbolizing her weak point). She really ought to tend to it *tout de suite*. And the dealer lives just above — see the plant on the balcony? Would she like to come up? Would she like a cup of coffee? (Would she like to be in a TV spot for General Foods' French Vanilla Cafe?) Though she was not looking for an adventure, opportunity has come knocking. Diane Lane, never better, nor better-looking, is eloquently expressive on the *frissons* of flirting, taking risks, misbehaving, and days later (during the post-coital train ride home) on the mercurial clash of guilt and delight. D.W. Griffith, to overcome the handicap of silence and title-cards, could not have asked more from an actress. (In one area at least, he would not have asked as much: letting her keep her clothes on and her co-star's paws off her breasts.) Lyne, not so coolly and critically detached as Chabrol from his characters, doesn't make things easy on them, or on the spoon-fed mass audience. Madame Bovary was not married to Richard Gere, after all. Nor was her head turned by the Geronimo-haired, *Miami Vice*-bearded Olivier Martinez ("Your eyes are amazing, you know zat? You should never shut zem"). Then

again, Lyne doesn't make things easy on critics, either, balancing one stellar performance and a solid game plan against a landslide of his usual slush: the purple passages (an acrobatic coupling in the men's room while two gal-pals await the heroine at a café table out front, or the more comfortable coupling in the seats at a revival-house showing of *M. Hulot's Holiday*), the dusty, speckly, almost pointillistic color, the perfume-ad "glamour," the gorging on the Good Life. The would-be moralist is overwhelmed again by the exhibitionist. 2002. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HARBOR DRIVE IN; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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)



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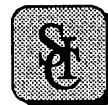
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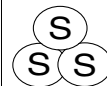
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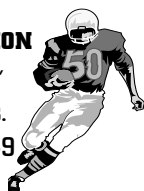


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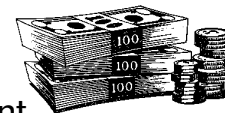
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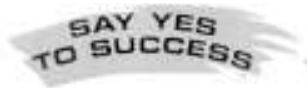
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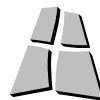
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MATCHES

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FRIENDSHIP. Female seeks other females for travel, happy hour, plays, dinner and spring fun. No flakes please! (5/29) ☎33202

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FRIENDSHIP. Need a buddy for camping, hiking, in/outdoor fun. I'm 44, in North County, male. 37-55. Love to explore the world. (5/29) ☎33239

FRIENDSHIP. Female, 37, seeks platonic gal pals for movies— theater/renting at home. Down-to-earth chitchat, and whatever else might catch our fancy. (5/29) ☎33240

FRIENDSHIP. Seeking good, quality platonic females for friendship. I'm from the East Coast; have high energy; like to rollerblade, hike, dance, shop, movies, concerts, etc. (5/29) ☎33241

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FRIENDSHIP. Seeking someone to go on weekend outings with. Someone with one dog. I have one dog. Interested in camping? Female preferably. (6/5) ☎33305

FRIENDSHIP. Looking for friend. 64, woman, retired, looking for friend to travel or just have fun with. (6/5) ☎33306

FRIENDSHIP. Smart, open-minded, real people, 21-35, wanted for dancing/nightlife in South County. Hip-hop, house/dance, salsa. Me: Female world traveller, 25. (6/5) ☎33321

TENNIS PLAYER. 33, Mission Valley. Seeking female tennis partner. Let's hit the court, rally and see what happens. Photo on-line! (6/5) ☎33303

MATCHES

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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. (5/29) ☎23721

ASIAN SINGLE MOM OF ONE, professional, good looking, 37, fit... If you: Honest, responsible, good moral/heart/personality, professional, love children, additions free, emotionally healthy, romantic. (6/5) ☎23767

LOVELY, DOWN-TO-EARTH, blonde, green-eyed goddess, 44, without children, loves jazz, nature, concerts and spiritual gatherings. Nonsmoker and non-drinker. (5/29) ☎23716

AUSTRALIAN LADY, 46, intelligent, with a great sense of humor. Looking for a nice man to go out with. Dinner, movies, drives in the country. (5/29) ☎23690

BEAUTIFUL BLONDE SEEKS educated gentleman, college educated, good looking and tall. 35 to 40. (6/5) ☎23737

PRETTY AND SPUNKY, 43 year old, 5'7", 118lbs., seeks guy for romance and tennis. No kids, financially secure homeowner. I'm a catch. Are you? (5/29) ☎23718

SEXY, SINGLE AND SMART professional, divorced white female, athletic, looking for male with similar interests for dating. (6/5) ☎23765

OLDER WOMAN, YOUNGER MAN, Black female, 40, sexy, attractive, energetic, fit, seeks white man, 30-45, 5'8" +, not balding, fit, talkative, attractive, open minded, social, fun. (5/29) ☎23670

HAVE SOME FUN PLAYING GOLF, dancing, cooking, movies or just strolling around. Just relocated in area and lonely. 47, 5'9", professional. Love older men. (5/29) ☎23728

HUNKY BLACK MALE desired by slender white female into boxing, football, baseball, playful passion. Must be strong, aggressive, sexy, honest, funny, intelligent, drama free. 30s-40s. (6/5) ☎23741

WATER GIRL, 29, BLONDE, who appreciates the outdoors. Looking for white male, 29-38, ocean loving, commitment minded, no games and has a zest for life. (5/29) ☎23687

CHARMING, INTELLIGENT, blue-eyed blonde, seeks a single white gentleman who is 5'10" +, 60s, who appreciates a quality lady. (5/29) ☎23698

PROUD, WHITE FEMALE SEEKING proud white male for long Harley rides on your bike, my arms around you. Friends or

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WOMAN WANTING MAN WHO'S strong, kind, insightful, passionate, talented, hardworking, fiscally responsible, compassionate, entertaining, with high intelligence, sharp wit, strong ego, fun-loving 45+. (5/29) ☎23726

ACTIVE, HAPPY, PETITE, curvaceous, independent woman, 51, looking for fun, enthusiastic, self-assured, sensual soul, 45-60. Sharing insights, talks, walks, music, art, that special sparkle. (6/5) ☎23776

GOLFING CUTIE SEEKS golfing guy for above-par relationship. We're attractive, humorous, honest, affectionate, selective, nonsmokers. You're 58-66; dancer a plus. Let's play a round! (5/29) ☎23723

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29, WHITE FEMALE. CUTE, curvy, adventurous. Seeking focused boy— likes to have fun and knows the importance of things more substantial— for dates, possibly relationship. (6/5) ☎23766

RUSSIAN CHRISTIAN, 48, 5'8", blonde, proportionate, very attractive, intelligent, independent, great personality. Looking for man with Midwest values for lasting relationship, lead to happy marriage. (6/5) ☎23756

SOMEWHAT SHY, PRETTY WHITE female, 46, looking for attractive white male for relationship. I'm sweet, easygoing; take care of myself. Enjoy dining, movies, nature, entertainment. (5/29) ☎23671

AFFECTIONATE BLONDE, 49, desires educated, handsome, fit, financially/emotionally secure male to share outdoor activities, cooking, gourmet dinners, chatting about life from A to Z. (6/5) ☎23748

OCOTILLO WELLS ANYONE? Very cute, rotten little girl, 30, drug free, independent, tattooed, honest, wants similar, strong, good-looking guy for desert and more. (5/29) ☎23712

BLACK, SINGLE, 45, athletic, wise, fun woman seeks single man, 45-60, nonsmoker, tall, fit, with lots to offer for a fun relationship. (5/29) ☎23719

YUCK, WHY ME? I'm 47, will never be younger, heavy but losing, not perfect but like that. Seeking man young at heart. Call for match. (5/29) ☎23715

TALL, NICE-FIGURE, GOOD- looking lady says, "Let's fall in love" if you are 55+.

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MEXICAN-AMERICAN WOMAN, 46, large, tall (5'8"), looking for that special date: Must be over 40, intelligent, like movies, eating out and walking. (5/29) ☎23695

HOT GUY WANTED! You: White, good looking, nice body, 21-31, 5'11" +. Me: 5'8", cute brunette, fun, adventurous, sweet, sensual. Seeking fun times with you. Call! (6/5) ☎23750

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INTELLIGENT, ATTRACTIVE, European lady, slim, 5'8". Love jazz, romantic dinner, sports and more. Seeking professional, 45+, African-American gentleman for long-term relationship or friendship. (6/5) ☎23759

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PRETTY, BLACK, DIVORCED, long legs, 5'6", slim. Seeking man, 5'10"+, 45+, who's seeking old-fashioned, romantic relationship. Race unimportant. 45, loving, thoughtful, happy, enjoy life. (6/5) ☎23780

INTEGRITY AND HONOR: Busy mom seeks decent, caring, 38-50. Humor, intelligence, manners, stability a plus. Love music, art, reading, beach, family outings, pets, home repair. (6/5) ☎23739

FRIENDSHIP, ENDLESS possibilities. Life explorer, outgoing, nature lover. Concerts, live theater, travel. Pretty, slender. Wanting 40s, handsome, health-conscious, caring and giving, easygoing, nonsmoker. (5/29) ☎23675

TALL, SEXY, VOLUPTUOUS, degreed black beauty seeking 6'2" or taller, intelligent, attractive, down-to-earth male, age 33-42. Race unimportant. Military, military, military. (6/5) ☎23755

EAST COUNTY WIDOW, PRETTY, slim, active, blonde, 50s, youthful, happy. Travel, dancing, boating, theater, movies, concerts, dining. Seeking tall, fit, 50+, nonsmoker; similar interests. (5/29) ☎23680

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ATTRACTIVE BLONDE PROFESSIONAL, 47, low miles, low maintenance, high energy. I'm inviting an older Hispanic gentleman to enjoy life with. (5/29) ☎23701

HONOR, INTEGRITY, LOYALTY. Polynesian beauty queen, artist, dancer, gourmet cook, educated, never married, seeks handsome, athletic, never married, classy, quality gentleman. Military background plus. 38-53. (5/29) ☎23700

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. (5/29) ☎23683

BLACK WOMAN, 48, SEXY, smart, 5'9", romantic, kind, honest, lovable, humorous, good cook, looking for tall, handsome white male, romantic, humorous, sincere, open, caring, honest. (5/29) ☎23704

Long Hair, Big Eyes Attractive Petite

Latina princess seeks tall, educated, travelled, ambitious, romantic, financially secure, athletic, generous Prince Charming ready to love and be loved. You: 40-48. Me: 40. (5/29) ☎23699

AFFECTIONATE, LOVING brunette seeks attractive, intelligent, outgoing professional. I'm 5'8", 124lbs., 40ish; live healthy, physically active lifestyle; in love with life. Anxiously waiting to share. (5/29) ☎23707

MISS COSTA RICA, 40, looking for good man or Christian. Prefer good character; no bad temper please. Employed, 40-60, white, healthy, handsome, or business partner, slender. I'm nurse, professional, massage. Love travel, beach. (5/29) ☎23724

ATTRACTIVE, CLASSY BRUNETTE, fit, professional, 40s, into music, travel, education, wants man, 40-55, who is evolved, kind, a seeker, and open to life and romance. (6/5) ☎23770

39ish LADY LIKES older men. Dinner, theater, arts, movies, walks. I'm blonde with hazel eyes. Ready for something new. (5/29) ☎23706

BEAUTIFUL BLONDE, 40, seeks handsome, younger man, 30-40. Must be fit,

athletic, employed, handsome and want a relationship. Me: Professional, fit, fun. (6/5) ☎23781

CLASSY HEAD TURNER, Rene Russo looks and personality, independent, creative, wise, witty, spiritual, craving stimulating communications, belly laughs, dancing, 48+, honest, tall, strong, gentleman rancher. (5/29) ☎23686

TURNING HEADS AT 60. Class, secure, romantic, seasoned sensuality, 112lbs. Seeking good-looking, class act, in-shape man, 60-65, nonsmoker, for travel, concerts, sunsets, movies. (6/5) ☎23777

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BLONDE BEAUTY SEEKS her prince. 5'6", blue eyed and more than a handful. Wry, sarcastic humor, intelligent, independent yet likes to be taken care of. (6/5) ☎23786

LONG SEXY LEGS! White female, 20s, very sensual and sexy. Love outdoor/indoor activities. Seeking male, 20-30, for romance, friendship, companionship and more. Race unimportant. (6/5) ☎23760

MISSION GORGE. PETITE, charismatic, auburn hair, great figure. Likes: Mountains, books, seafood. Seeking lovable, huggable man. Hiking at Cowles, walking bay, sunset dinners. Pluses: Loyalty. (5/29) ☎23682

FIRE-BREATHING DRAGON seeks architect for casual dates, critiques of San Diego architecture and lots of laughs. (6/5) ☎23752

SLENDER, ATTRACTIVE, PRETTY, 33, childless professional, fun, humorous, 5'6", long hair, financially secure, communicative, active, honest, spiritual. Where are you? (6/5) ☎23744

BEAUTY PLUS BRAINS. Leggy blonde seeks 6'+, exceptions man, 48-68, for dining, dancing, fun and adventure. (6/5) ☎23751

HIPPIE ROCKER sought by dark-haired babe. 36, 5'3", 105lbs. Linkin Park to Zepelin. Be progressive, smart, healthy, attractive, gentle, over 5'7", not conservative (33-46). (6/5) ☎23761

PRETTY, PLAYFUL, SILLY ivory lady, very affectionate, down to earth, looking for my black teddy bear for friendship, relationship. All calls will be returned. (6/5) ☎23772

INTO RELIGIOUS SCIENCE, Unity and Dyer; early 30s, business professional, desire a relationship, never want kids? Me too! Very pretty blonde seeking Latin-looking hottie. (5/29) ☎23708

IF YOU'RE TALL, DARK, handsome, svelte, sophisticated and too vain to reply before seeing photo. I am your female counterpart. We could turn some heads. (5/29) ☎23689

FIT, 36, BROWN/BLUE, professional. Seeking great guy with integrity, humor, financially secure, fit, kind, handsome, who wants lifelong relationship— marriage, kids, the whole shebang. (6/5) ☎23742

SEEKING LIFE PARTNER, 49, 5'2", slim. We're kind, loyal, spiritual, youthful, monogamous. We value health, friendship, hugs, romance, humor and still believe in love. (5/29) ☎23674

SEXY SURFER GIRL seeking serious, long-term, monogamous relationship with avid surfer. You: 30s, nonsmoking, employed, coastal residence. Beach walks, sunsets, boating, biking, camping. (6/5) ☎23758

DREADLOCKED BEAUTY, restless daughter of Tara, Isis/Yemanya. Upbeat, intellectual, free spirited, sensual. Love being near water; music, visual arts. Want kindred spirit under 40. (5/29) ☎23703

ARE THERE STILL ANY sensitive, caring, nice men, 40-60? Just need one for companionship, friendship, more. 44, white, not perfect. Pacific Beach. No drinking/drugs. (6/5) ☎23778

PLAYMATE WANTED! AVAILABLE for walks, dinner, dancing, movies or just a friendly chat. I'm trim, attractive, youthful, active 50s, nonsmoker. (5/29) ☎23713

GOT A LIFE? ME TOO. Let's share! Pretty, athletic, tall, slim, 44, professional, intelligent, blonde, one cool teen. You: Tall, athletic, smart, handsome, parent, professional. (6/5) ☎23746

CULTURAL ICON DESIRED. Sophisticated mentor desired for country girl who has been isolated from the world. Pretty

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Attractive Black MD

Mom of one, 5'7", proportionate figure, spiritual, versatile, responsible, fun loving, seeks male, 35-45, who's caring, honest, goal and family oriented, 5'10"+, nonsmoker. Race open. (5/29) ☎23730

GOOD FRIENDSHIP BRINGS great companionship. Petite pearl, Far East, seeks supportive white gentleman. Our looks: Younger, our ages: unimportant. See how our hearts will feel. (5/29) ☎23720

LET'S TALK. Attractive brunette, fit, 44, sensuous, energetic, unencumbered, genuine, intelligent, seeks companionship, romance, possible long-term relationship; enjoys outdoors, movies, dining, animals, laughter. 39-50. (5/29) ☎23692

SUMMER AND FUN, MY FAVORITES. Hispanic, 47, would like to meet kind, honest, ethical, considerate Caucasian/Hispanic gentleman. Nonsmoker, social drinker, no drugs/criminal record. (6/5) ☎23740

BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLY emerging, independent, educated professional. Homeowner and aspiring gardener. Mornings begin with Howard Stern, evening commute with KPBS Marketplace. You: White male, professional, 39-45. (6/5) ☎23743

SEXY, SMART, EUROPEAN educated, gorgeous petite. Seeking successful, stylish, truthful, compassionate, loyal, generous, monogamous, passionate, spiritual/nonreligious, friendship, sportive, 38-48, no kids, 5'9"+. No Republicans. (5/29) ☎23725

BEAUTY, 40s, SEEKING a professional, 40 to 48. No smoke, no kids at home. (5/29) ☎23727

FUN, CLASSY, ADVENTUROUS world traveler, attractive, 5'9", blonde, slim, educated, humorous, searching for gentleman, 60-65, for possible long-term relationship or good times and friendship. (5/29) ☎23681

ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE seeks male for companionship; prefers someone tall, unattached, honest, nonsmoker. I love comedy, theatre, nature, developing friendships that last. Romance not required. (5/29) ☎23714

LOVING, LIVELY LADY, SLENDER, 5', cute, 48, unencumbered. We're conversational, financially solvent, educated professionals. You're fit, 40s-50s, liberal nonsmoker, humorous, nonreligious, romantic, nature, travel, art. (6/5) ☎23735

44, LATINA BONITA, outgoing, energetic, affectionate, seeking Hispanic/white male, 35-45, stable, handsome, funny, ready for healthy relationship. Love family, romance, dancing and God loving. (5/29) ☎23679

SEXY, PETITE BRUNETTE with blue eyes. You: College educated, 32 to 40. Gentleman only. (6/5) ☎23736

BEAUTIFUL, IRISH, WILD WOMAN, nature lover, witty, intelligent, metaphysical, nonsmoking, seeking secure, fun-loving, low-maintenance, sexy man, 45-65. (5/29) ☎23696

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BLONDE, ADVENTUROUS, FUN, cute. Seeking 5'7"-6', cool dude to share life. Like dancing, movies, martinis and cool stuff. Relationship, nonsmoker, 36-42. (5/29) ☎23684

ENJOY LAUGHING, HAVING FUN and dancing! Single parent and new to the area, and looking for a companion to spend free time. (5/29) ☎23729

FRIENDS FIRST; NO EXPECTATIONS. Young 50, slender, fit, attractive, outgoing, spiritual; hiking, concerts, travel, adventure. You: Youthful, clean shaven, spiritual, humorous, spontaneous, non-judgemental, fit, nonsmoker. (6/5) ☎23732

40, 5'6", ATTRACTIVE, fit, feminine. Love nature, dance, animals, ocean and travel. Have fun alone but prefer sharing. Let's create a happy, healthy, loving relationship. (5/29) ☎23711

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OPTIONAL HEADLINE: 20 characters per line including spaces; the first initial of each word is capitalized; abbreviations and unusual punctuation will not be accepted; the cost of each line is \$12. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

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PRINT CLEARLY: First 25 words are FREE. \$1.20/additional word. Do not abbreviate words. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

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FREE AD DEADLINE: 7 am Saturday

Mail: Reader Matches, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186 **Fax:** (619) 233-7907

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City _____ Zip _____

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EASYGOING, 43, 5'11", 168lbs., nice appearance, childless, athletic, investor. Enjoy outdoors, animals, dining, travel. Wish to meet down-to-earth, energetic, nonsmoking lady, 35-45. (5/29) ☎33152

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SINCERE, HANDSOME, WHITE male, 33, enjoys chatting, dining out, movies, the outdoors. Seeking loving, down-to-earth, fit lady in 20s-30s for friendship/romance. (6/5) ☎33251

ANYONE LOOKING FOR A TALL, athletic, fit, 31-year-old, Caucasian gentleman with bright blue eyes, blond hair, and an appreciation for intelligence and diversity? (5/29) ☎33209

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FOREIGN, EXOTIC, THIN female sought (best friend, lover, soul mate). I am confident, intelligent, eclectic, eccentric, resourceful, humorous, passionate, observant, protective. (5/29) ☎33175

PLUS-SIZE, SHAPELY, open-minded, romantic, good kisser, lady sought by mature male, 70. Love music, movies, quiet romantic evenings, relaxed relationship. Age/race unimportant. (6/5) ☎33293

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LOVELY ARTIST WITH MUCH to offer needs patron saint, solid, kind, emotionally supportive, middle age/retired guy into the arts. Leave name, number, shall phone. (5/29) ☎33100

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HISPANIC EXPLORER, 5'5", 44, fit, artist, employed, seeks petite, cute, under 35 female for that lasting, faithful exploration. (6/5) ☎33277

HOTTIE, OLDER WOMAN sought by bad boy. Very handsome, 33, 6'3", 215lbs., green eyes, blond, square jaw, nice smile, loyal and polite. (6/5) ☎33283

BLOND, TALL, HANDSOME, FIT, athletically/musically inclined, successfully, youthful, 48, seeks attractive, physically fit woman in 40s for good conversations, fun, romantic dinners and relationship. (6/5) ☎33310

BLACK WOMAN WANTED. Handsome guy, slim, 5'8", outgoing, educated, homeowner. Seeking slim, attractive black woman, 19-29. (5/29) ☎33157

HERPES, 50+, PACIFIC BEACH, laid-back professional, secure, fun. Looking for keeper. Tennis, skiing, biking, walking, tunes, beach, mountains, sports. Similar to share life. (6/5) ☎33287

I'M A HAPPY MAN WHO LIKES to smile and laugh. I would like partner for fun dating, excitement and laughter. Do you like to laugh? (6/5) ☎33260

REAL ESTATE ENTREPRENEUR and songwriter looking for a lover with attitude and similar interests. Asian or Latina preferred for long hikes at Torrey Pines Beach. (6/5) ☎33265

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BRAZILIAN LADY WANTED. North County Coastal, 57, tall, just back from Rio, Peru, loves Brasil people, ocean, walks, surfer, traveler, photographer, intelligent, thoughtful, sensitive, lover. (6/5) ☎33275

HE LOOKS LIKE HOWIE MANDEL —with hair! Jewish nonsmoker, 45, 5'10", fit, attractive, funny, romantic, sensitive, mature homeowner pursuing permanent relationship with caring female, 30-42. (5/29) ☎33212

LET'S PLAY ELIMIDATE. I'm 6'2", 180lbs., nonsmoker, 49, successful, nice looking, caring, fun, sensuous, romantic, fashionable, monogamous. You: 30-48, attractive, nonsmoker, sexy, spontaneous, personality, caring, like attention, fashionably sensuous, pleaser, funny, who wants a real man who's loyal for dating and possibly long-term relationship. (6/5) ☎33323

A GREAT CATCH! I am 45 and look 38. I'm in great shape, very nice to look at and very secure. Hurry while I last. (5/29) ☎33195

AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monogamous, mixed race, African-American, 63, 6'4", 195lbs., financially secure. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home, dancing, travel, fun, more. (6/5) ☎33301

ATTRACTIVE BUSINESS OWNER, 40, looks 30, athletic, sandy blond, blue eyes, fun loving, positive, seeks attractive lady, kids OK, kind, smart, sensual, passionate, honest, warm. (5/29) ☎33223

SINGLE MALE SEEKS wonderful nice female to enjoy fun times with 42-year-old who likes outdoors, fishing, movies or ? for long-term relationship. (5/29) ☎33235

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AUDIO PROFESSIONAL/musician, blond to belt, blue, 39, 5'8", 165lbs., handsome, quiet, needs kind, patient, fit, adorable, sane female for talk, love, more. Smoke OK. (5/29) ☎33191

MULTICULTURAL WHITE MALE, 39, seeking Asian or Latina woman to share cultural exchange. Me: Caring, passionate, giving, affectionate. You: Same. Strong family values also. (5/29) ☎33215

HOT AND HANDSOME, YOUNG millionaire with old-fashioned values, 44, 6'1, 195lbs., seeks slim beauty to share romance, travel and much laughter. (6/5) ☎33253

GOLF, TRAVEL, ADVENTURE, 56, 6', Caucasian, athletic, affectionate, retired businessman seeking healthy, no smoke, fit, secure, intelligent woman, 50-65, to share experiences. Let's play golf. (5/29) ☎33226

AUTHOR! AUTHOR! Tall, handsome, successful novelist seeks brainy beauty, 30-40. Literature, arts, films, brilliant conversation. Urbane, passionate. Yes, says Molly Bloom. Yes, I will. Yes! (5/29) ☎33233

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LOOK FOR SOMEONE SPECIAL. Black male, 5'8", 145lbs., likes dancing, outgoing, fishing. Seeking single female, 19-45. No overweight. Call me. (6/5) ☎33289

CAUCASIAN, 42, ACCOMPLISHED, physically fit, communicative, educated, speaks French/Spanish, enjoys hiking, camping, dancing, motorcycles, mountain biking, sailing, gardening, traveling, wine tasting. Seeking outdoorsy woman. (6/5) ☎33258

GENTLE SOUL SEEKING petite white female. Me: 50, trim, 5'9", funny, artistic, curious, free. You: Young at heart yet wise. Now yet then. Like atmospheres. (5/29) ☎33192

SUCCESSFUL CEO, 45, 6'4", 195lbs. Never married. Spent too much time achieving wealth, not enough time looking for you. You: 30-40, fit, sane. (5/29) ☎33172

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HERPES. SLIM, ATTRACTIVE gentleman seeks slim, attractive lady, 37-49. Shared interests: Jazz, classical music. Essential: Honest, sense of humor. Let's see if there's chemistry. (5/29) ☎33159

HANDSOME, SEXY, SUCCESSFUL executive, 58, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic, seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (6/5) ☎33248

ATHLETIC BUILD, 48, triathlete, many interests, handsome, strong, sweet, emotional type, sincere, sensitive, have photo. Seeking girlfriend to share happy times; 30-40, attractive, genuine. (6/5) ☎33308

SINCERE, HONEST, intelligent black male, 43, 5'8", seeks sincere, honest, attractive, physically fit lady, 35-45; dancing, dining, movies, conversation, fun, friendship, possible relationship. Race open. (6/5) ☎33317

HANDSOME STOCKBROKER looking for very pretty, fun loving, thin, for concerts, plays, beach, Padres, Chargers, Vegas, laughter. 40-45, nonsmoker, North County. Me: 5'10", 185lbs., Italian. (5/29) ☎33217

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CUTIE WANTED NOW! San Diego scientist looking for someone special. 33, white male, 6', 165lbs., lean and muscular, seeks white female for fun and other. (5/29) ☎33188

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BOTTOM-HEAVY WOMAN with lots of class/bit of sass. I'm white, 46, 5'11", open to age, good manners; movies, beach, hikes, relaxing at home. (6/5) ☎33271

FULL-BODIED WOMAN desired. Me: 35, 5'8", 160lbs., brown hair, university educated man with a sense of humor seeking a fun-loving woman. (6/5) ☎33319

SENSUOUS, SEXY, adventurer woman wanted for exciting Italian artist/businessman, 50s. Love art, cultural events, travel, sports, much more. I'm mellow, fit, financially secure, passionate. (6/5) ☎33284

READY TO SETTLE DOWN. Shy black male, 38, looking for monogamous relationship with woman to settle down with. No lies, cheating or games. Race unimportant. (5/29) ☎33232

RETIRED, PROFESSIONAL, Caucasian gentleman, 6'3", 220lbs., neat, clean, stylish but casual dresser, seeks sensual

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ASIAN PREFERRED. Handsome white professional. Friends first. Seeking healthy, sensual. Jazz, golf, massage, foods, walking, nature, news. 43, smooth skin, no beard, brown, green, 6'. (5/29) ☎33171

TRAVEL? 63, COLLEGE professor, herpes, very fit physically, mentally; well traveled, informed; eclectic taste in film, music, food, theater, art, food. Searching for female counterpart. (5/29) ☎33176

NORTH COUNTY, CHRISTIAN MALE looking to meet single female for dining out, movies, walks, talks—whatever we would find interesting to do together. (5/29) ☎33187

FRIENDSHIP. Tall, dark, handsome, peaceful, kind, spiritually aware, single, healthy male, 47, seeking pretty cool female for fun loving, explorative adventures, laughing, dinner, hiking, concerts. (6/5) ☎33318

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ATTRACTIVE, ATHLETIC Asian, 5'10", 180lbs., fit, fun, successful, multit talented guy seeks active Asian, 30-39. Need golf, tennis, workout and travel partner for long-term relationship. (5/29) ☎33196

MY LADY: 39, 48, 52, 63, 64, Crab, Christian, Jew, white, nonsmoker; Herpes OK. Me: Nonsmoker, 56, Sagittarius, Christian, bald, educated, short white/blue, 6', 180lbs., Type O. (6/5) ☎33322

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31, SINGLE DAD SEEKING 30s-40s gal for kicking back, movies, dancing, enjoying nightlife. I'm 5'11", 188lbs., fit build, thinning hair, handsome, not marriage minded. (5/29) ☎33206

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TALL, HANDSOME, affectionate Mediterranean-looking man, green eyes, late 30s, seeks light, younger, slim or curvy playmate for arts and outdoors. Call now for us! (5/29) ☎33173

63, JEWISH MENSCH, 5'11", 192lbs., nice looking, loyal, honest, active, seeking nice-looking, warm, active lady for monogamous, long-term relationship. (5/29) ☎33151

SINCERE, HANDSOME, SPIRITUAL, tall, sane, healthy, financially secure professional, pianist, businessman, no baggage, witty, seeking mate to share my exciting life and more. (6/5) ☎33250

FULL-FIGURED WOMAN WANTED. 49, 6', white male, brown/blue. Seeking special woman, 37-53, fun, happy, mature, humorous, etc., for fun, dating, friendship, possibly more. (5/29) ☎33186

LET'S PLAY. I AM attractive, 5'11", 210lbs., intelligent, honest, professional, amicable, black, into interracial dating. Want to have some fun this summer, contact me. (6/5) ☎33297

NORTH COUNTY GENTLEMAN, 33, part-time dad, honest, humorous, fun loving, nonsmoker, desires counterpart for qual-

ity conversations, spontaneous adventure. Must enjoy family, fun times. (6/5) ☎33311

WANTED: FEMALE ATHLETE, ages 30-45. Interests: Outdoors activities, also dining out, travel. Must be very fit, muscular OK; down-to-earth. Race open. (6/5) ☎33247

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Former African Olympian seeks tall beauty with long shapely legs. Am 6', 180lbs., mid-30s, honest, generous, caring, God-loving Christian. Travel, dining, music, dancing. No drugs. (5/29) ☎33182

ITALIAN/AMERICAN, 6', 182lbs., 48, athletic, professional. Biking, tennis, hiking, foreign films, arts, comedy clubs, jazz. Looking for Filipina, 32-50, very attractive, athletic, North County. (6/5) ☎33266

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VOLUPTUOUS WOMAN FOR ME. I'm 29, have blue eyes, brown hair, and I'm cute, 5'9", fit and funny. You: Curvy, cute, great kisser a plus. (6/5) ☎33272

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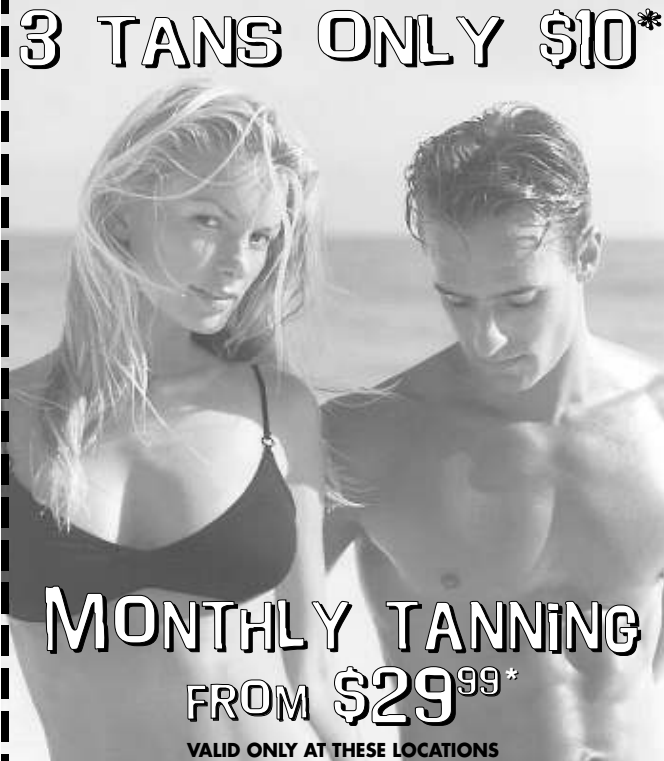
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OFF THE CUFF by Sue Greenberg



Lenni Navarro
Business Owner
La Costa

The scariest thing I did a year and a half ago was to give up a million-dollar business to pursue my dream of opening my own shop. I was strictly designing jewelry for Neiman's and Saks and Nordstrom. I had burned out. Has this turned out to be a good decision? It will be — for my sanity, yeah. Money-wise, maybe not so good quite yet; my husband isn't real happy about the change in income, but he's glad I'm happy.



Jennifer Kinports
Outside Sales
Rancho San Diego

I was going to buy my own business. It didn't work out, but it aged me, like, 20 years. Then I was thinking of retiring — that's something else that scared me. Staying home and not working — that lasted about six months. I realized I couldn't do it. We bought a sailboat, and I had to go back to work. That was difficult, trying to decide what was best for the family. I liked staying home with my children and not stressing about coming up with that income every day, but then I started stressing about that income.



Nancy McCune
Fleet Manager
Point Loma

I thought the scariest thing would be when I quit going to the office on a daily basis. I thought I wouldn't still be me. But I found a new me; it was like the second half of my life. And I thought I was making a home, but I would get up, go to work, come home, go to sleep, and do it all over again. So, making a home wasn't anything that I had aspired to lately, but it changed my life. Now I work out of my home. I'm in charge of 700 cars; something like a \$21 million inventory.



Mario G.
Entrepreneur
Hillcrest/Mission Hills

I spent two years looking after my mother, who was dying of cancer. That entailed everything from watching her deteriorate to cleaning for her, cooking for her, cleaning up after her, and burying her. I'm glad I was there for her. I'd do it again, although I hope I don't have to; it was the toughest thing I ever did in my life. Hey, your mother looked after you; now it's your turn to look after her. Most people have no one to take care of them at the end. Even though it was tough, the beauty of it is now, when I think back on it, I know I was there for her last moments, and that's an incredible feeling. To be there, holding someone's hand when you feel their last pulse of life, you actually face death yourself. It's amazing.

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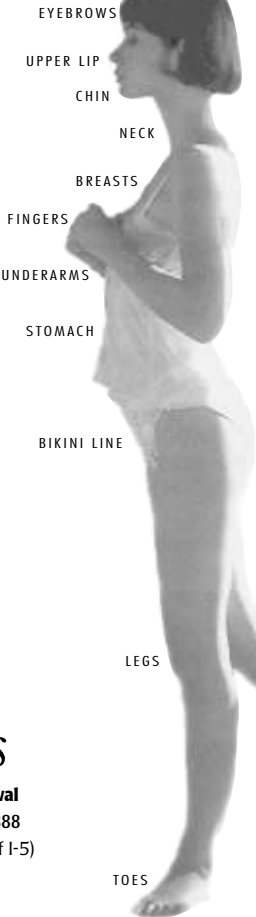
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- "Pygmalion" playwright's monogram
- Annoying insect
- Revolutionary's treat?
- Exxon Valdez mishap
- Retro car
- It comes before a dropped name
- "Dark Angel" star Jessica
- Make up for
- Capital of Switzerland?
- Harts' sweethearts
- "Origins of Totalitarianism" author

Down

- ____ long way (last)
- They're played at the Olympic Games
- Prepares leftovers, say
- Carpe ____
- Novelists Ferber and O'Brien
- Org. for Kweisi Mfume
- Conductor Klemperer
- ____ Mawr College
- "The Last Days of Pompeii" heroine

- Quebec's Festival d' ____
- Person "plagued" by Moses
- City of northwest Sicily
- Not the best defense, perhaps?
- Shakespearean verb
- Fond du ____, Wis.
- Meadow murmur
- Dogg of hip-hop
- [not my error]
- First name in entertainment television
- Catch a conger, say
- Vicinity
- Persian potentates
- It flows to the Garonne River
- "O Sole ____"
- San Francisco's ____ Hill
- Spent
- Spring bloomers
- Entertains
- "____ up!"
- Stamped
- W.W. II agcy.
- Camp beds
- Opposite of bien
- Snake charmer's snake
- Curl one's lip
- Venus de ____
- Dresden's river
- It's said with a sigh
- Yield
- Crib, so to speak
- C.P.R. expert

RULES OF THE GAME

- The prize for solving the *Reader* Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.
- All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* (addressed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803) by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, six days following the issue date.
- All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.
- In the event of disputes or ties, decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a lottery.
- All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- One entry per person.

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by David Levinson Wilk

Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 5/16/02.

Of the 65 entrants, 60 were correct. The winners are:

- Dorothy Waterman, *Santee*
- J.C. Whiterman, *San Diego*
- Mary Goodman, *Solana Beach*
- Traile Schulman, *Goleta*
- Wendell Openshaw, *San Diego*

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DEL MAR. \$1100. Fully furnished studio. 1 block from beach, quiet neighborhood, small backyard with orange tree. Includes cable. Nonsmoking. Available 6/16. 858-794-0898.

DEL MAR. \$1295. West of I-51 Gated complex. Completely remodeled 2 bed-

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DEL MAR. \$2500. Darling duplex townhouse, 2 bedroom, 2-car garage. Private yard and deck. Must see! 410 Stratford. Call 858-759-7909.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. Improve your view of life! 1 month free rent! Call for details. 1, 2, 3 bedroom floor plans. Gated. Gas fireplace. 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.sreader.com/rent/1088.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. 2-12 month leases available! 1, 2, 3 bedroom apartments starting at \$1295. 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.sreader.com/rent/1068.

DEL MAR/CARMEL VALLEY. \$1950. East Bluff townhome, 2 master bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2-car garage. Shutters, new paint and carpet. Available now. 858-259-6988.

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DOWNTOWN, NORTH. \$895. Completely remodeled large 1 bedroom, 1 bath with private balcony. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher. New kitchen and bath. New carpet and paint. Elevator. Entry intercom system. Parking. Coin laundry. 215 West Grape. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Properties, 858-270-2071.

DOWNTOWN. 7th and C. Work/live. Oak floors, heating, air conditioning, laundry room, underground parking available. Low turnover allows us to keep rents low. Sunny. 619-702-7222.

DOWNTOWN. \$620. Studio, private bathroom, shower. Refrigerator, microwave. Includes utilities. Cute building. 742 Market Street. Andrea, 858-831-1665.

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DOWNTOWN. El Cortez, San Diego's finest apartment building, now has limited

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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. Lofts. \$975-\$1800/month. Brand new. Located in center of downtown. Air conditioning, laundry, full kitchen and bath, Internet ready, elevator, inside parking available. No pets. 619-261-4793.

DOWNTOWN. \$500-\$600, includes utilities. Studio apartments with kitchen and bath. No smoking or pets, please. 10th Avenue and E Street. Hughes Management, 619-239-1639.

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DOWNTOWN. In Historic Old City Hall. Large, 2 level, luxury loft, \$3200. Office lofts starting at \$1750. 433 G Street. For further information, call 619-235-6150.

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DOWNTOWN. \$1750. Park Row. 1 bedroom, 1 bath plus upstairs loft. Vaulted ceilings, skylight, appliances. Hardwood floors/carpet, fireplace. View of park. Pool. Parking. 701 Kettner. 619-981-4488; 619-531-3267.

DOWNTOWN. \$650. 1 bedroom apartment. Cats OK. 8th and Broadway. 619-682-3881 x1313.

DOWNTOWN. \$1075. Marina District. Park Row. Huge sunny patio. 1 bedroom 500-square-foot apartment. Gated, incredible landscaping. Air conditioning, pool, spa, underground parking. 619-624-0671; 619-276-9625.

DOWNTOWN. \$725/\$695, plus deposit. 1 bedroom/1 studio. Quiet building, new paint, very clean. Nonsmoking and cats are welcome. 830 12th Avenue. Call Richard, 619-236-9117.

DOWNTOWN. Crown Bay, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, top floor, all new, great views. \$1600. Call agent, 800-677-5124.

DOWNTOWN. \$620. Studio, private bathroom, shower. Refrigerator, microwave. Includes utilities. 3

wood floors. Lots of windows. High ceilings. Controlled access. Laundry. Full kitchen/bath and only 2 blocks to Gaslamp! No pets. 525 C Street. Call 619-235-5601.

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. \$2800. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer. Stove. Refrigerator. Microwave. Watermark. 655 India St. #119. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

DOWNTOWN. \$2100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath at Park Row. Available 6/1. Ground floor, new carpet, appliances, 2 patios. Security building with 2 underground spaces. Washer/dryer in unit. 701 Kettner #15. www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100.

DOWNTOWN. Room for rent, \$350-\$395, 721 14th Street, Section 8 OK. Shared bath, kitchen. Near all. No pets. Call AJPM, 619-220-4840 x251.

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DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. \$795. Bright corner studio. Full kitchen. Secure, quiet building with laundry. 1534 Front Street between Beech and Cedar. 619-233-7428.

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DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. Porto Siena! Brand-new, stylish condo. Wood floors, master bedroom plus den (for second bedroom or office.) Granite kitchen, all appliances, balcony with city view and garage. Unfurnished/furnished, \$1750-\$2100. 619-255-8825.

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DOWNTOWN/GOLDEN HILL. \$850. Large 1 bedroom. Remodeled, city view, oak cabinets/ceramic tiles in kitchen, decorator colors. Loaded with charm! Cats OK. Call 619-501-2299 or 619-275-6445.

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DOWNTOWN/Cortez Hill. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Marble kitchen and bath. Wood floors. Small dog OK. 712 Cedar Street #11. \$1295-\$1395. 619-544-1948.

DOWNTOWN/Cortez Hill. Studio, \$795 and 1 bedroom, \$1050. New carpet, fresh paint. Great location. 1602 8th Avenue. Near all. 619-544-1948.

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DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY. (Near California Western Law.) \$895-\$1495. Move-in special! Brand-new, 20-unit complex with spacious studios; 1 bedroom/1 bath; Loft/1 bath; 2 bedroom/2 bath, private balcony. Elevator access, laundry room, gated parking. Pets welcome! 1525 2nd Street. www.sdurbanliving.com. 619-255-0526; 619-861-1033.

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ENCINITAS. \$1525. Near beach, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, 1 mile to freeway. 2-car garage. Available now. 1680 North Coast 101 Highway. 760-402-3623.

ENCINITAS. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath condo at Village Park. Carport. Pool. 1200 square feet. No pets. Available now. 1832 Gatepost. www.scuba-rentals.com; Agent, 858-755-1139.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Hardwood floors, several upgrades. No smoking/pets. Deposit \$800. Available 6/16. 947 20th Street. 619-865-1556.

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GOLDEN HILL/DOWNTOWN. \$725. Studio-style 1 bedroom in restored Victorian building. Hardwood floors. 12-foot ceilings. Granite countertops. Laundry. Shared yard. No pets. Agent, 619-234-9553.

GOLDEN HILL. Super cool 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, equipped with Mediterranean tile, dishwasher, laundry inside unit and garage. \$1050. 2956 C Street. 619-992-9055.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$675/up. Sunny studios in 1920s building. Hardwood floors. Remodeled kitchen with maple cabinets, ceramic countertop. Tiled kitchen and bath. Large closet, clawfoot tub. Secure with laundry, roof deck. On the hill (west of 25th Street. 2035 Broadway. 619-239-2278.

GOLDEN HILL. \$625, \$775, \$1100. Exquisitely renovated studios, 1 and 2 bedrooms. Exterior is horrendous, but not for long. New kitchens, new bathrooms, ceiling fans, air-conditioning, dishwashers. Gated, pet-friendly, laundry on-site,

storage available nearby. 2874 B Street. 858-453-4510.

GOLDEN HILL. \$895. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath with laundry hookups. 2754 Broadway. Agent, 858-560-1178.

GOLDEN HILL. \$625. Spacious studio in 1930s fourplex, new paint, appliances, hardwood and ceramic tile floors. Lots of storage. 2663-1/2 "E" Street. 619-233-5183.

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HILLCREST. From \$775. Studios, 1 bedroom apartment homes in the heart of Hillcrest. Newly renovated to capture your distinguished taste and style. Controlled access buildings. Hot tub. Barbecue, picnic area. Dedicated, efficient management team. Don't miss out on Hillcrest living at its best! Nightingale Apartments. EHO. 619-295-4351. www.sdreader.com/rent/2014.

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HILLCREST. \$1050. 2 bedroom, excellent for home office/computer room. Laundry, parking. Sylvan view. Quiet. No dogs. Close to Vermont Street Bridge. Please call after Friday May 24 to see. Call Robert, 858-273-3121.

HILLCREST. \$715, studio, \$815, 1 bedroom. Landlord pays gas, water, trash. Hardwood floors, tile, bright, tall ceilings, new appliances, new kitchen. Laundry on site. Cat OK. 4170 Park Boulevard #1, #2. 619-269-4314; 619-741-7011.

HILLCREST. Unfurnished apartment, upstairs, sunny, bright, heart of village, walk to stores, bus, 1 bedroom, stove, refrigerator, swimming pool, jacuzzi, gated. \$895. Available 6/1. 619-435-8550.

HILLCREST. \$845. 1 bedroom house. Pet OK. Fenced yard. Bay view. Laundry room and also small additional room for desk or computer table. Agent, 619-223-2524.

HILLCREST. Uptown District condos. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 2 space parking garage. New carpet, new paint, washer/dryer, refrigerator, air conditioning, pool, workout room, security gated. \$1650/month. Available 6/1. 928-317-8546 or 619-421-5268.

HILLCREST. \$810. 1920s, upper 1 bedroom, hardwood floors, large closets. Clean and quiet, indoor cat OK. Assigned off-street parking. Third and Washington. 619-226-1021.

HILLCREST. Classic San Francisco-style, large 2 bedroom apartment. Great location 1 block from Balboa Park. Hardwood floors, parking, washer/dryer in unit, completely renovated. XILA. 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST. \$725. Mostly furnished 2 bedroom, 1 bath remodeled bungalow. New appliances, deck, fireplace, hardwood floors, Berber carpet. Utilities included. No pets/smoking. Deposit. E-mail: anesdave@aol.com.

HILLCREST. \$925. Apartment, hospital area. Bright, cheerful upper 1 bedroom, 1 bath, canyon view, beam ceilings, fresh paint, renovated kitchen. New vinyl in kitchen/bath, garage. No dogs. 4286 Thord. 619-299-8727.

HILLCREST. \$1195. Large, quiet 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Controlled entry. Near hospitals. Pet on approval. 4046 First Avenue. 619-230-9005.

HILLCREST. 2 bedroom cottage. \$1595. With garage, wood deck patio and sunporch. Includes gardener. Best street in Hillcrest. Drive by 1237 Pennsylvania Avenue (in rear), then call 619-447-6556.

HILLCREST. \$695. Studio in clean, quiet security building. 1/2 block from beautiful Balboa Park, with your own private redwood deck/patio and on-site laundry. Drive by 3560 Sixth Avenue, then call 619-447-6556.

HILLCREST. \$675. Charming bungalow, 1 bath, hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen. Washer/dryer, courtyard, view, quiet area. Low deposit. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

HILLCREST. \$825. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Washer/dryer, secluded in greenery. Pets maybe. Easy move-in. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

HILLCREST. \$795/up. Upper studio and 2 bedroom, 2 bath in the heart of Hillcrest with canyon views, pool, laundry room, assigned carport, community barbecue. Near Mercy Hospital and bus. Indoor cat OK. Sleepy Hollow Apartments. 4201 Sixth Avenue. Centre City Property Management. Call manager, 619-298-1059.

HILLCREST. \$900. Cozy, 2-story 2 bedroom, 1 bath behind front house. Near all. Street parking. Indoor cat OK. 1010-1/2 Essex. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

HILLCREST. \$1325. 2 bedroom sunny upper duplex. Formal dining room, nice kitchen, laundry hookups, ceiling fans, appliances, walk to park/shops, parking. No pets. 619-491-0462.

HILLCREST. \$1850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Extra room suitable for home office. Separate dining room. 2-car garage. Water/gardener furnished. No pets. Mission Gorge Realty. 619-229-0231.

HILLCREST. \$1450. Large 2 bedroom apartment. Second floor of beautiful home; front deck. New kitchen. Organic vegetable garden. No smoking. 3718 Vermont. 619-269-4843.

HILLCREST. \$825. Three open houses: 1 bedrooms with hardwood floors. See celebrated Casa Grande Apartments, 1751 University Avenue, Monday-Saturday 12-1. Saturday and Sunday only. 1,30-2, see spacious 1 bedroom, 4029 Eight Avenue. Then at 2:30-3 Saturday and Sunday only, see canyon 1 bedroom, 3102 First Avenue. For photos, floor plans, directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1015.

HILLCREST. \$850. 1 bedroom apartment, walk to Balboa Park, downstairs, gated, laundry. Street parking. Available now. 3533 Sixth Avenue. www.cethron.com. 619-295-1100.

HILLCREST. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, near zoo. Gated. Laundry room. 3634 Park Ave. www.cethron.com. Agent, 619-295-1100.

HILLCREST. \$1195. Extra large apartment. 2 master bedrooms, 2 baths. Laundry room, covered parking. Pet OK. Close to hospitals, shopping. 635 Bush Street (off Dove). 619-542-1102.

HILLCREST. Open house, Saturday and Sunday, 1:30-2. Spacious, bright 1 bedroom, air conditioned, off-street parking, \$825. 4029 Eight Avenue. North of Washington Street. Cat OK.

HILLCREST. \$950. 3967 Centre. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry, barbecue, some off-street parking, controlled access, courtyard, custom paint, award winning community! 619-299-4666.

HILLCREST. Move-in special! \$300 off first month's rent. In the heart of Hillcrest. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$950. Studio/1 bath, \$725. Ceiling fan, walk-in closet, air conditioning, lots of storage space. On bus line. Hardwood floors, ceramic tiled kitchen and much more. Freeway accessible. Minutes from Fashion and Mission Valley. Call Belen at 619-962-8588 or Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

HILLCREST. Move in special! Half month off first months rent with 6-month lease. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1100. Nonsmoking building. Great location. On-site laundry, off-street parking. Call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

HILLCREST. \$835. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Enjoy your summer in our sparkling pool. Great location in quiet area. 4166 4th Avenue. Les, 619-298-7868.

HILLCREST. \$795. Large studio. Great area. Quiet complex. Walk to shopping. 3685 7th Avenue. 619-297-0274 x100 or evenings and weekends, 619-291-2058.

HILLCREST. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Extra room (office?). Small rear deck. Hardwood floors. Fireplace. Washer/dryer. 3784 Richmond. Small pet OK. 619-299-6424.

HILLCREST. \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs in Victorian home. Balcony, hardwood floors. Very unique. 3730 8th Avenue, walk everywhere. Drive by and call, 619-889-6771.

HILLCREST. \$895. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large immaculate unit in quiet building. Spacious kitchen/dining area. Barbecue patio, laundry, parking. 4219 Georgia. Near Henry's. Manager, 619-29

HILLCREST. \$785. Extra large 1 bed-room, 1 bath. New carpet/vinyl. Assigned off-street parking space, laundry facilities. No pets. 3820 Georgia. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

HILLCREST. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Remodeled. Hardwood floors. Breakfast nook. Laundry facilities. Street parking. No dogs. 1815 University. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

HILLCREST. \$725. Studio. Quiet, charming building. No dogs. Roof garden. Laundry. Private deck on roof. New carpet/paint. Views! 536 Maple Street. Tom, 619-232-1665.

HILLCREST. \$1850. 1 bedroom penthouse. Quiet, charming building. No dogs. Roof garden. Laundry. Private deck. Mark or Tom, 619-232-1665.

HILLCREST. \$795. House. 1 bedroom. Off-street parking. Cats considered. Nice kitchen. Oak and tile. Built-in bookcase and computer area. 619-469-9763.

HILLCREST. \$725-\$1050. 1 and 2 bedroom homes, walk to everything, great freeway access. Also, a few cottages available. Hardwood floors, laundry, balcony, parking. Charge, 858-751-1497.

HILLCREST. \$645. Studio available. Best location, hardwood floors, laundry. Free utilities, kitchenette, parking. Charge, 858-751-1497.

HILLCREST. \$1150. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment (1200 square feet). Walk-in closet, tons of storage. Balcony. Locked lobby with intercom, 3836 Front Street. Drive by, then call for appointment, 619-548-4599.

HILLCREST. \$675. Studio, 1 bath, adorable unit with garden view, quiet, high ceilings, built-in shelves, walk-in closet, breakfast nook, hardwood floors, patios, laundry. No pets. Available 5/24. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

HILLCREST. \$1095. Nice, unfurnished large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New ceramic tile in bathrooms. Full-size appliances. Gated building/parking. Quiet. Great location. No pets. 1756 Essex. Available now. 619-298-4256.

HILLCREST. \$485. Studio, utilities included. Cozy and charming studio in classic Victorian building. Laundry. Non-smoking only. Charge. 858-751-1497.

HILLCREST. \$750. 1 bedroom duplex. Spanish courtyard. No pets. 3855 First Avenue. 619-299-8515.

HILLCREST. \$650. Private studio cottage. Garden setting. Clawfoot tub. Laundry. 1066 Robinson. 619-236-1186.

HILLCREST. \$795. Studio. Very large, separate kitchen, wood floors, vaulted ceiling, lots of charm. 619-962-1887.

HILLCREST/DOWNTOWN. \$1250. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 850 square feet. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1400 square feet. Premier location! Laundry. Courtyard. Close to freeways, entertainment, dining, shopping, bus, Balboa Park. Walking distance to downtown. Pets OK. Park Boulevard Apartments, 3525 Park Blvd. For appointment, 619-692-0461. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1087.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. 2 bedrooms. \$1250/up. Beautiful garden courtyard. Intercom entrance. Pool. Laundry. Elevator. Recreation room. Parking. Hillcrest Towers. 1030 Robinson. No pets. 619-295-9673.

HILLCREST/DOWNTOWN. \$675. Studio. Downtown view. Utilities paid. Security

building. Laundry. 2142 5th Avenue. Agent, 619-260-1368.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. Studio, \$750. 2 bedroom, \$1250. Available early June. Beautiful location beside lush canyon, end of a "No Through Street." Controlled access, elevator, pool, covered and off-street parking, poolside barbeque, recreation room with television and laundry room. Sorry, no pets permitted. Park View Apartments, 3700 Tenth Avenue. 619-298-6768.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$750. Nice 1 bedroom. Hardwood floors throughout. Stove, refrigerator. Cats OK. Water paid. Available 6/1. 760-746-3080, cell 760-445-7821.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. \$800. 1 bedroom, great view, breeze, newly remodeled, private, charming, secure. Energy conserving appliances. Parking, storage, laundry. Nonsmoking. Available 6/1. 619-299-3528.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$1400. Charming two bedroom house with bonus room. This vintage home has hardwood floors, built-in cabinets and a wide covered porch. A cat may be considered. No dogs will be allowed. Please call 619-501-5109.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$895. Large 1 bedroom plus den. All utilities paid. Hardwood floors, laundry, shared yard with barbecue. Nonsmoking. Indoor cat OK. 1520 Tyler Avenue. Frank, 619-295-4270.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1225. Beautiful two bedroom duplex. Old world style. 1000 square feet. Faux fireplace. Breakfast nook. Laundry. Nonsmoking. 2419 Fifth Avenue. 858-492-8745.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$795. Great unit in beautiful 1920s building. Laundry. Murphy bed. Built-ins. Parking available. Nonsmoking. No pets. 433 Nutmeg Street. 858-492-8746.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, all appliances, garage, canyon view, new interior. 825-1/2 Johnson Avenue. Open Sunday, 12-4pm. Available 6/1. 619-295-9071.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$925. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, carpet, verticals, stove, refrigerator, laundry, off-street parking. No pets. 4568 Cleveland Avenue. 619-297-3109.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 917 Torrance #1. 1150 square feet. Laundry in unit. Appliances, fireplace. Security building. Available 6/10. 619-464-6680.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$945. Gorgeous 2 bedroom, downstairs, new carpet and wood floors. Great location. 4495 North Avenue. Call Judy, 858-391-5815.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. Move-in special! 1 bedrooms \$795-\$825. Centrally located. Pool. On-site laundry. Storage. Easy freeway access. 3505 Reynard Way. 619-683-9239.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. \$875/month. Newly renovated duplex, central to everything. New washer/dryer (no coin operated). Both 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New windows and doors. 619-750-2704.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$795. Immaculate 1 bedroom near ocean. Second story unit has hardwood floors. Laundry. Cat OK. Drive by 2457 Union Street (near Laurel). Do not disturb current tenants. Crown Management, 858-454-1900.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$825. Immaculate 1 bedroom near ocean with garage included in rent. Hardwood floors. Laundry. Cat OK. Drive by 2451 Union Street (near Laurel). Move in by 6/7 and receive \$250 off your first month's rent. Bryant, 619-255-5219.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK border. \$695. 1 bedroom. \$795. 2 bedroom. Spacious, carpeted, nonsmoking units, quiet, gated, garden, 2-story complex. Laundry. Available early June. 619-298-8383.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$895. 1 bedroom. Live at beach, steps to sand. Recently renovated, in small private complex. Laundry facilities, parking. 1003 Ocean Lane. Agent, 619-423-9632.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1295, utilities included. Large 1-1/2 bedroom beach cottage. 2 blocks to water. Fenced yard. 227 Elm Avenue. Available mid-June. Agent. 619-423-9632.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$920. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Large unit. Washer/dryer hookups, underground parking, laundry room. Garage for \$50 extra. 619-602-7936.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1700. 3 bedroom 2 bath. Fenced yard, fireplace, pool. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

KENSINGTON/NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$825. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Stove, refrigerator, hardwood floors, new carpet, new kitchen, assigned parking. No pets. 619-807-7716.

KENSINGTON. \$750. 1 bedroom with dining room/den. All amenities. Parking, laundry. Security building. No pets. Best value in area! 858-456-2098.

KENSINGTON. \$1550. 2 bedroom. Tudor. Fireplace. Dining room. Hardwood floors. Washer/dryer. Refrigerator. French door. Fenced yard. Truly charming. 4690 Biona Drive. 858-569-9390.

LA COSTA. \$2150. 3 master bedrooms, twin home. Quiet area. New paint/carpet/lawn. Some ocean view. 2 fireplaces. Laundry. Fenced yard. Garage. 760-602-0252; 858-453-0010.

LA COSTA. \$1350/month. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, garage, new paint and carpet, 2nd floor, with fireplace and balcony, pool, spa, washer/dryer. 760-930-4007.

LA COSTA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath spacious unit in quiet community. Vaulted ceilings. Cats OK with deposit. Assigned parking. No dogs. Gunney, 760-943-7590; Elaine, 760-402-8325.

LA COSTA. \$1250-\$1285. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Beautiful garden setting. Central air conditioning, full-size washer/dryer in unit. Spa, sauna, pool. Near golf and shopping. No pets. 2385 Caringa Way. Resident Manager, 760-431-7575.

LA JOLLA COLONY. \$1400/deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 900'. Clean, bright, near all. Carport, patio. Community pool, spa, park. No pets. Eric: 858-342-6262, eric@eperson.com.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. Got new? We're introducing brand-new interiors! Crown molding, Pergo, new appliances, washer/dryer, more. Cybernet Cafe. Pools, spas, jogging trail. Pet friendly! Pay no rent until July 2002! Select homes, restrictions. 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1405. La Cima, 7503 Charming Drive. 888-372-6243. www.sdreader.com/rent/1054.

LA JOLLA SHORES. Huge windows overlooking serene, peaceful landscaping. 2 blocks to beach. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood floors, vaulted open beam ceilings, new paint, fireplace. \$2950. C. Weiler Property Management. 619-275-2880.

LA JOLLA SHORES. Summer rentals, 7/1-9/1. \$1200, \$1400/week. 2/3 bedrooms. By week or month. Completely furnished. 1 block beach. Close to zoo, Sea World. 25 minutes to racetrack. 858-456-7954.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$2400. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace, spa/tub, pool, air conditioning, washer/dryer hookups, double garage, elevator. Small pet OK. 7555 Eads Avenue. 858-456-0406.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$2600, 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Dining room, office, washer/dryer, dishwasher, microwave, refrigerator, fireplace, all hardwood. Cat OK. 7021 Draper. Available 6/1. Rick, 858-454-5644.

LA JOLLA. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, quiet modern, condo. Garage, fireplace, washer/dryer. \$2300. Agent, 858-581-3470.

LA JOLLA. Top floor, corner unit, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. View of greenery, carport, refrigerator, all amenities. Available, 6/15. \$1195. C. Weiler Property Management. 619-275-2880.

LA JOLLA. \$1650 includes all utilities. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 2 blocks to beach. Garage, new hardwood floors, laundry room next door. 858-442-6434.

LA JOLLA. Charming studio in downtown La Jolla. Walk to beach, shops, dining. No Smoking, no pets. \$895 plus utilities.

Available no. joe@rubycliff.com. 858-729-1979.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedrooms \$1950-\$2450 or \$3450 furnished. Penthouse spectacular 180-degree view. See Saturday 12-3pm. 600-616 Prospect. 858-729-0342.

LA JOLLA. \$4500. Brand new 2-story home in the village. Blocks from the beach. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, with ocean views. Call Mike, 702-592-9442.

LA JOLLA. 2 blocks to beach/Prospect. Awesome 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome, hardwood floors, berber, fireplace, huge closet. 7625 Draper. \$2500. 610-666-9547.

LA JOLLA. \$1300. Newly painted and carpeted 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Laundry facilities. No parking. No pets. 7531 Herschel. Available now. Boone Properties, 858-274-6856.

LA JOLLA. \$1395. Pets OK. 1 bedroom house. Private patio. Hardwood floors and tile. Bright house in quiet area. 1-1/2 blocks to Windansea. Nikksin@aol.com, 858-729-0383.

LA JOLLA. \$900. Studio. \$1150. 1 bedroom. Pool. Steps to beach. Security parking. No pets. Available now. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-456-1432. 858-756-9941.

LA JOLLA. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Will consider pet, garage, dishwasher, laundry. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1400. Immaculate townhome. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1-car garage, all appliances, great location, minutes to beach. Available now. 8320 Via Sonoma #80. 619-498-6401.

LA JOLLA. \$1850. Unfurnished, immaculate 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo and TV room. Gated. Parking. Laundry. Swimming pool. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher. No pets. Available 6/1. 2510 Torrey Pines Road. 619-226-2026.

LA JOLLA. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo in the village. Ground floor. Secure building. All appliances. Underground parking. Available now. 7757 Eads Avenue. 858-274-0307.

LA JOLLA. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Spacious and bright. Large private balcony. Garden window. Fun, cosmopolitan location. 2 bedroom. No pets. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive #11. Ask manager for details. 858-457-4509.

LA JOLLA. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace. Microwave. Blinds. Laundry room. Intercom entry. Underground parking. Available now. 7575 Eads Avenue. 858-459-1102.

LA JOLLA. \$875. Lower, light color, large studio. Parking, laundry room. Near Windansea/bus. No pets. 6-month lease. 396 Kolmar. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. \$1800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Garage, new carpet, new appliances, freshly painted, washer/dryer, gardener. Close to town. 858-349-8125; 858-459-6640.

LA JOLLA. \$1325. 6504 La Jolla Boulevard. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry, court-yard, ocean views, hardwood floors, custom paint, only 1/2 block to Windansea Beach! 858-270-5500.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedroom, beautiful, private guest house with view. High ceilings, fireplace, deck, patio, great location, close to beach, freeway. \$1900, utilities included. Available now. 858-587-0241.

LA JOLLA. \$1160. Upstairs 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator. Dishwasher. Coin laundry. Garage with opener. Balcony. Close to Windansea. 6235 La Jolla Blvd. www.delsolpm.com or Del Sol Property Management. 858-270-2071.

LA JOLLA. \$100 move-in bonus! Nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath, poolside condo. 1100 square feet, new carpet, patio, laundry, sauna, handball courts. Close to UTC. \$1355. 8332 Regents Road. McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700; www.mckeecompany.com.

LA JOLLA. Call for move-in specials! Indulge yourself! Resort-style living! Villas of Renaissance. Lush gardens. Resort style living! 4 pools/spas. Fitness center, saunas. Massage therapist. Personal trainers. Pilates, kickboxing. Step aerobics. Clubhouse, big screen TV. Great social activities. 5280 Fiore Terrace. 888-218-0377. Visit, web site: www.sdreader.com/rent/1051.

LA JOLLA. \$1250. Modern 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Near ocean! Immaculate. New Berber carpet and paint. Private balcony. Controlled access. Parking. Laundry facilities. Agent, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA. \$727. Modern 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Mint! Private balcony. Controlled access. Reserved parking. Open this Saturday, 1-2pm. Call for terms and conditions. 858-454-4209.

LA JOLLA. \$2995. Immaculate 4 bedroom, 3 bath house in quiet, residential

neighborhood. 2-car garage. Fireplace, dishwasher, stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer hookups. Master bedroom with walk-in closet. Spectacular canyon views. Access to clubhouse pool. Cat OK. Will consider small indoor dog. \$2500 security deposit. Drive by 2285 Via Tabara. Please do not disturb current tenants. Crown Management, 619-999-4291.

LA JOLLA. \$1850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, large, upper. Shared 2-car garage. Near Windansea. Lots of light and character. Large balcony. Small dog or cat OK with pet deposit. Available now. Do not disturb. 7062 Vista del Mar. John A. Reis and Company, 858-272-1348.

LA JOLLA. \$1100. Large studio/1 bedroom. Refurbished. Oceanfront apartment. Windansea Beach. Peek ocean view. Covered parking, dishwasher. Washer/dryer on premises. Available now. 760-613-1350.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$3750. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Garage, washer/dryer, fenced yard, fireplace, hardwood floors. 858-454-0160.

LA JOLLA/UTC. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, vaulted ceilings. ceramic floors, washer/dryer in unit. Pool, spa, alarm, 2 covered parking spaces. Available 7/1. \$1500. 858-229-9392.

LA JOLLA/UCSD. \$1495. Condo. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Full patio, fireplace, refrigerator, washer/dryer, pool. 3945 Camino Calma. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1395. 2-story. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo. 2-car garage, washer/dryer, refrigerator. No pets. Available June. 4441 Vision. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA/UTC. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Luxury and great value! Unique garden surroundings with many interior upgrades. Lots of light and private views. Must see! Cell, 760-525-9239. Work, 619-444-1170.

LA JOLLA/UCSD. \$1550/month. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, modern townhome, 2-car garage. Woodlands West I. New carpeting, paint, Available 7/1. 858-245-2904.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Join us under the Big Top, Saturday 5/25 from 11am-3pm. Refreshments! Entertainment! Incredible deals! Pay no rent until 8/1, 2002! Call for details. Stylish 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1190. Washer/dryer. Gated parking. Pools, spas. Cats OK. Nobel Court, 8895 Caminito Plaza Centre. 888-372-6228. www.sdreader.com/rent/1037.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1600/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Garage. Washer/dryer. Pool. Tennis courts. Available 7/1. Call Julie 858-720-9870.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1600. Gated 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Secure parking, pool, tennis courts, small pet OK. Fireplace, washer/dryer in unit. Available 6/1. 858-485-8121.

LA JOLLA/UCSD. \$1950. 1500 square feet 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse, 2 car. Huge kitchen, den, washer/dryer, pool, fireplace. 3216 Caminito Eastbluff. 858-922-0900.

LA JOLLA/UTC. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1019 square foot condo. Sunny corner, 2nd floor unit in Renaissance Capri. Pet OK. New carpet and paint. Attached garage. \$1800. 858-689-9448.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$2100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath cottage. Deck, fireplace, 1 house from ocean. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$2295. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Three blocks to ocean. Master suite and living room have peek ocean views. Double garage, fireplace, washer/dryer, dishwasher. Private deck. Will consider small indoor dog. Available first week of June. Drive by 563 Marine Street (behind 561). Do not disturb current tenants. Crown Management, 619-999-4291.

LA MESA. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Attached garage with laundry and private patio. Parklike setting. Very quiet. 619-589-7755.

LA MESA. \$1495. Quiet 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Includes water, basic cable, 2 parking, pool/jacuzzi, refrigerator, dishwasher. 1100 square feet. Available 6/2. 619-807-0072.

LA MESA. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated complex, parking. Elevator. View of beautifully landscaped courtyard. Laundry room. Spa. Cat OK. Year lease. 619-464-5592.

LA MESA. \$1300. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, remodeled kitchen, hidden in greenery. Low deposit. Easy move-in. Fee. www.pchrent.com. 858-581-1290.

LA MESA. \$1150, deposit \$500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Quiet complex. Large, spacious apartments. Pool, laundry and parking on-site. Available now. Lemon Manor Apartments, 8600 Lemon Avenue. Manager, 619-466-1532.

LA MESA. \$895, deposit \$500. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Pool, laundry room on-site. Close to shops and freeways, parking on-site. Available now. Crestview Apartments, 4515 3rd Street. Manager, 619-469-5010.

LA MESA. \$850. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment, unfurnished. Appliances. 950 square feet. Pool. Small complex. Laundry facilities. Parking. 760-451-0062.

LA MESA. \$695. 1 bedroom. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Laundry. 7334 La Mesita Place. 619-466-6450.

LA MESA. \$710-\$875. Lovely 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Fully equipped kitchen. Laundry. Walk to dining, shopping, public transit. 4969 Mills Street. 619-466-7786.

LA MESA. \$850. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath in great location. Parking, coin laundry, courtyard. No pets. 3717 69th Street. Manager, 619-337-2369.

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MISSION HILLS. \$1295. Lower 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, formal dining room. No pets. Street parking, laundry room. 3045 Union Street. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

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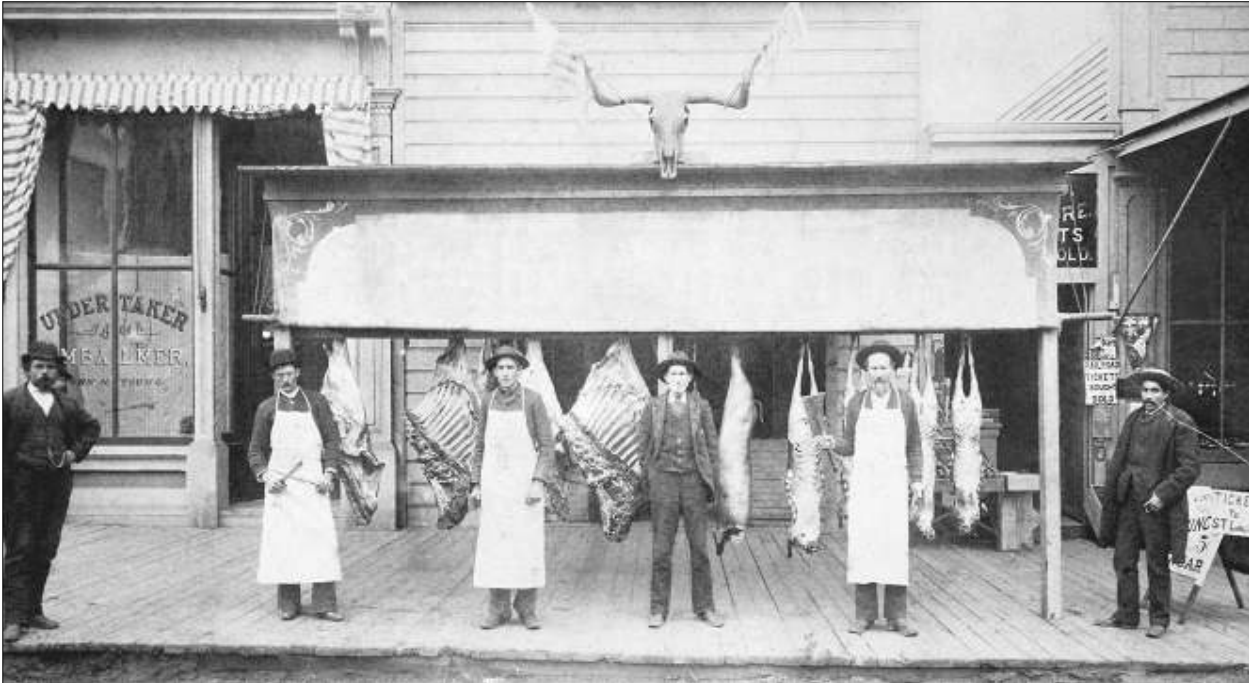
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PICTURE STORY



The staff of Selwyn and Allison Market at 410 17th Street came out for this portrait in 1885. The butchered meat under the awning could already have been hanging there. On the

Photograph from the San Diego Historical Society

left, in the suit, could that be John N. Young, the undertaker and embalmer who occupied the adjacent business?

— by Robert Mizrachi

MISSION VALLEY. Recently upgraded! 1 bedrooms, starting \$800; 2 bedrooms, starting \$1000; 3 bedrooms, starting \$1300. Close to everything! Intercom system, pool, spa, sauna, fitness center, air conditioning, private balcony/patio, controlled access garage, assigned parking, laundry. Mission Pacific Apartments. 4424 44th Street. 619-282-1191. www.pacificliving.com, Visit website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1010.

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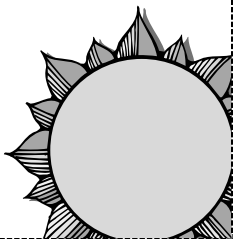
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NORTH PARK. \$650. 1 bedroom apartment. Small pet OK. Large, fenced-in yard. Stove, refrigerator. Water paid. Good location. 4437 Illinois. 760-746-3080 or cell, 760-445-7821.

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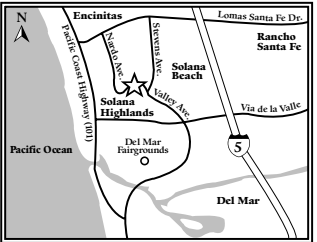
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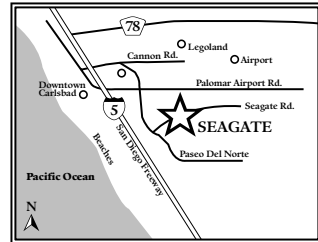
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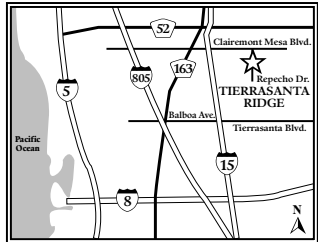
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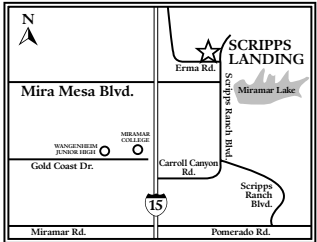
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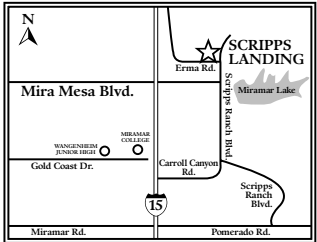
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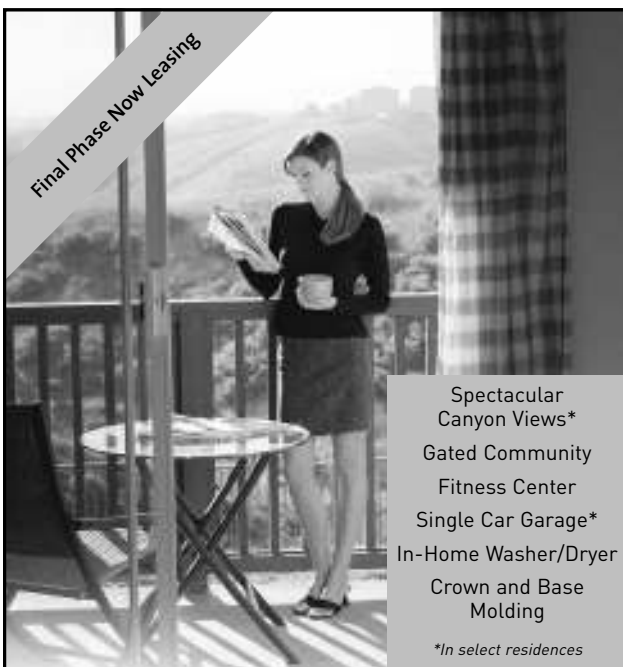


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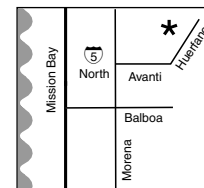


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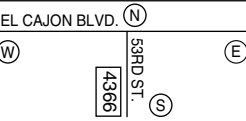
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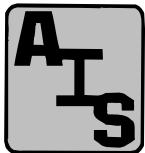
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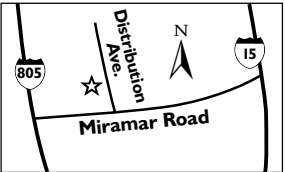
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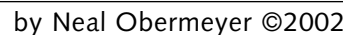
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I trudge through tourists who have never learned to move in crowds as well as cattle seem to manage.

By John Brizzolara

Recent comments on this column from acquaintances have consisted of such phrases as “Man, bummer.” Or “I’m so sorry.” So I promise to get back to the more amusing and unusual aspects of Fridays ASAP. Meanwhile, this is yet another Friday when the spirit descends, like lead, like a dead albatross around the neck and weighing down the shoulders, creating the posture of a scholar who discovers that the one pivotal premise his life’s work is based on is false as hell. Yes, to mangle Shakespeare, everything seems futile, stale, profitless, and passionless. Everything seems overly familiar, as if one’s been to a movie once too often — It’s all been done/ Ya seen one ya seen ’em all kind of thing. But I’m happy to report that there are periods when this mire can be eclipsed; sunlight will break through long enough to illuminate that stagnant pool of apparent defeat into a highly buffed platinum surface, or a scattering of silver winking coins.

It’s been many years since I wrote about depression (I was asked to and it took me about two weeks), and I discovered, despite some empathetic letters, that no one cares to read it — and I can’t blame them.

So this is not exactly about depression, okay? I will simply try to describe what the world looks, feels, tastes, smells, and sounds like when in this trough of a mindset.

Where I live, near downtown, so much development and construction is underway (ballpark-related, I suppose) that it is often deafening, but more interesting, I’m beginning to see ghosts. I don’t know what else to call them. They are the ghosts of those who are not present yet. That is, they are not dead, they are not yet occupying the future apartments and condominiums that they surely will within months.

I see divorcees trying on clothes in front of mirrors that aren’t yet hanging, watching television sets not yet installed, eating Häagen-Dazs, and speaking on cell phones with light, dismissive gestures, or, faces contorted with true hatred, hurling the instruments like missiles. I see many of these women with two matching dogs, chows or chihuahuas or dalmatians.

I see men too. Possibly some of these men are homosexual or Italian because it appears (not universally among my male ghosts, mind you — broad strokes, broad strokes) that they are prone to weep when alone. Other men, with better, ghostly cars in the still-empty garages, always seem to be whistling as they study themselves, the configurations of the Windsor knots on their ties, or the set of their tennis sweatband and other associated togs, all of them with mouths forming perfect zeroes. I can only assume they are whistling. They are pleased with themselves and their lives. They have good haircuts and, I am willing to bet, impeccable manicures and facials, even though I am too removed in time and space to make these things out clearly.

I hate these men whom I do not know — and solely for their happiness. Yes, I’m in a grand mood as I trudge through tourists who have never learned to move in crowds as well as cattle seem to manage.

I think about the ghosts, as real to me as that fat teenager spitting pistachio ice cream into the bay and chortling like a wildebeest (his T-shirt reads, “My Grandparents went to Oklahoma and all I got was this lousy T-shirt”). Yes, the ghosts, but this is a case of the living haunting the dead. Many of my neigh-



NOT the fat teenager who spit pistachio ice cream into the bay and chortled like a wildebeest

bors and I will not be able to afford housing in this neighborhood once the cell phones, Lexuses (Lexi?), and dalmatians proliferate. We will be the forgotten men. We will be the departed.

Along the Embarcadero I find I resent everyone’s happiness. I want to shake them and, like a man with Tourette’s syndrome, chant inexplicably in their faces, “Rectal polyps! Down’s syndrome! Senseless violence! Hate crimes! Heart failure! Diabetes, you ice cream snuffling, four-scoop swine!” This would surely leave them baffled, and yet it is something akin to duty I am sensing here.

But I am here to people-watch at sunset on a Friday night. A sunset, by the way, as dazzling as carelessly bundled sooty rags in a garage corner illuminated by a window last cleaned in 1927.

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When it comes to pickiness about food, my children are three peas in a pod. I sometimes fantasize that they were systematically switched at birth with my sister Kathy's trio — three hungry cherubs who eat anything put before them, and then smile and ask politely for second helpings of vegetables. But there is a more likely explanation: a genetic disposition toward finicky eating passed on by my husband Patrick. My long-suffering mother-in-law loves to regale me with stories of Patrick as a child, meticulously searching through his spaghetti sauce for any traces of dreaded mushroom, refusing the jelly in a PB&J, and then insisting that it be made on raisin toast.

I swore I would never be one of those moms who made separate meals for each child, but lately, I find myself catering to more and more individual preferences. Patrick, forgetful of his own past, growls, "Let 'em starve!" when they protest my cooking. But I'm torn — I want to get a good meal into my kiddies, but I can't serve hot dogs and macaroni and cheese every night.

Needless to say, when I find a vegetable that all three find agreeable, I jump on it. Last Saturday, my four-year-old Thomas asked to help while I was preparing chicken stew. I suggested that he dump the peas into the bubbling mix, which he did. Later, he asked to taste one, and then another. Much to my delight, my other children followed his lead, forgoing their usual excavate-and-separate routine with their dinnertime veggies. I was ecstatic.



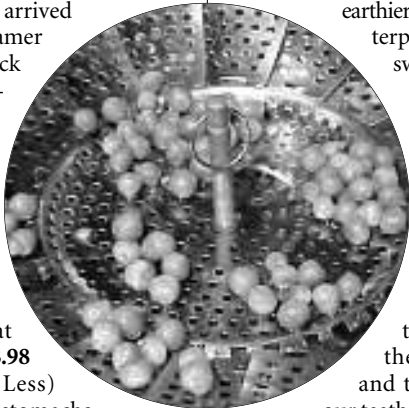
"We have people that test the peas in the field hourly."

The next step was to serve peas naked, as a side dish, but I knew that in order to clear that hurdle, I would need a top-notch pea. The following Saturday, I made my usual pit stops at Henry's, Trader Joe's, and Ralphs. I whizzed into Whole Foods and Food 4 Less to make sure I got a sizable selection. Twelve pebbly plastic bags later, I arrived home. As I set up the steamer in the boiling water, Patrick and I debated which utensil was best for eating peas. Patrick, ever a jabber, said fork. I said spoon.

Our first helpings of peas were a bust. Ralphs Green Peas (\$1.49 for 10 oz.) turned us off with a mushy-yet-mealy texture and generally flat flavor. FMV Green Peas (\$.98 for 16 oz. at Food 4 Less)

almost turned our stomachs with their pasty texture and freezer-burned taste. Bird's Eye Green Peas (\$2.47 for 16 oz. at Ralphs) were indeed for the birds — puckered, slightly freezer-burned spheres offering a frozen-food flavor devoid of vitality. "I guess it's back to hot dogs and macaroni and cheese," I moaned. Patrick encouraged me not to give up hope.

We pressed on and were rewarded for our perseverance by our next selection: Kroger Green Peas (\$2.58 for 40 oz. — wow, what a buy — at Food 4 Less). Kroger beat the bad texture/flat flavor rap with decent firmness and fine richness, though they did prove a tad salty. Our next pair were both aces: Whole Foods 365 Garden Peas (\$1.29 for 16 oz.) and Cascadian Farm Organic Green Peas (\$2.69



for 10 oz. at Henry's). The 365 had been to the gym, as evidenced by its tight body and firm, supple texture, which gave way to an earthy flavor. The Cascadian's spring-zing and mild tang pleased Patrick.

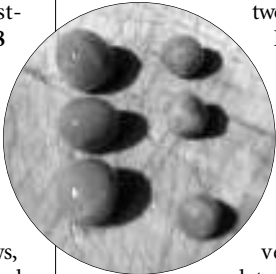
We dished up the next group of peas from the petite category, hoping the smaller size would yield more intense flavor. The results were hit-and-miss. Trader Joe's Petite Peas (\$.99 for 16 oz.) were bursting with sweet, fresh pea flavor, giving them the spring-zing that Patrick liked. The Whole Foods Organic Petite Peas (\$2.29 for 10 oz.) were even earthier than their garden pea counterparts. They weren't quite as sweet as the Trader Joe's, but they had more of the vegetal pod flavor that I found appetizing.

We had two hits; time for some balls and fouls. While the West-Pac Petite Peas (\$2.08 for 16 oz. at Food 4 Less) offered a firm texture, they retreated in the flavor department, and the skins got stuck in our teeth. The skins of the C&W Petite Peas (\$2.50 for 16 oz. at Ralphs), on the other hand, disappeared in a few chews, chews that exposed a sweeter center followed by a slightly bitter aftertaste. Private Select Petite Peas (\$2.39 for 16 oz. at Ralphs) struck out altogether. Strike one, mushy texture; strike two, weak pea flavor; strike three, salty aftertaste.

Finally, there was the foul Green Giant (\$2.77 for 16 oz. at Ralphs). We couldn't fathom how he could seem so jolly when his peas caused us such perturbation. A quarter of the bag was so severely freezer-burned that the chunks of tiny puckered pebbles reminded us of a grayish-yellow alligator hide. The thick, chewy skins released an astringent flavor. We grimaced and, recalling happier bites, gave the crown to Trader Joe's, with both Whole Foods brands and the Cascadian Farm close

behind. Secretly, though, I still preferred the Whole Foods earthiness, and so I called Doug Clendenning of Twin City Foods, which serves as the supplier for Whole Foods' pea needs. "The peas are grown in Western Washington," he told me. "Peas like cool evenings and cool days — it's a very sensitive-type crop. It takes a lot of TLC. We have to harvest it at just the right time during the day, because it's such a small product that too much heat can cause it to go from being a really sweet pea to a starchy pea. It's basically a 90-day crop, but as it gets near maturity and is ready to be harvested, we have people that test the peas in the field hourly. That's how quickly they can turn on a warm summer day."

Clendenning told me that the peas are shelled in the fields by the same machine that strips them off the vines, taken to a frozen food facility, and frozen within two hours of being harvested.



Rapid freezing means that the peas "have nutrient content as good or better than fresh vegetables, because when they're frozen, the nutrients are locked in. Once a product like peas is harvested, it starts to deteriorate."

I was curious as to whether petite peas were similar to baby carrots — the same thing, just harvested sooner. "It's just size that makes the difference between petite and garden peas. There are usually five or six peas in a pod — you've got little ones and medium ones in the same pod. What we do in the process is size them out. They go across a screen, and we take the little ones out and call them petite peas. The smaller they are, the more tender they are. As they get larger, they get more starchy, but you can have a larger pea be just as sweet. It just depends on how it was harvested. We pick the peas at the peak of perfection, when the sweetness and tenderness are at their best."

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Mother’s Day morning, 19-month-old Ben woke up around 4:55. “I’ll get him,” Jack mumbled as he headed down the hall to the room Ben shares with three-year-old Johnny. I heard Jack murmur to Ben. Ben complained louder. I fell back to sleep to the sound of Jack carrying Ben downstairs.

When I woke up again at 7:00, seven-year-old Angela stood

at the foot of my bed. “Happy Mother’s Day,” Angela said.

“Thanks, sweetie,” I answered and reached up for a hug. I could hear Jack opening the ironing board downstairs and the plastic clack-clack of Ben playing with Duplos. Lucy and Rebecca, aged five and nine, respectively, appeared in the doorway. “Is Grandma meeting us at the restaurant?” Rebecca asked.

“No,” I answered. “She’s coming to Mass with us. Then we’ll go to lunch at Mimi’s together.”

Jack finished ironing shirts and got the boys dressed while I took my shower. The girls put on church dresses. I put on a new outfit I’d ordered especially for Mother’s Day — a long, floral skirt and powder blue rayon top. When I emerged from the bathroom, Lucy smiled. “You look pretty, Mommy,” she said.

“Thank you. So do you.”

Jack took his shower. I fixed the kids a quick breakfast, and we all headed off to church. In the car on the short drive, Jack told the kids, “The best Mother’s Day present you could give Mom would be to behave today. And try to be nice to each other.”

“Okay,” they answered in chorus.

My mom met us in front of the church. “Happy Mother’s Day,” she told me.

“Happy Mother’s Day to you,” I answered.

As soon as we filed into a pew, Johnny announced, “I have to go to the bathroom.”

Angela took Johnny down the side aisle to the bathroom. The moment they sat back

down in the pew, Johnny said, “I have to go to the bathroom again.”

“No, you don’t,” I told him.

Johnny, who ordinarily spends Mass quietly looking at books, squirmed and complained for the next hour. “I’m hot,” he said.

“Let me roll up your sleeves,” I answered.

“No-o-o-o-o,” he whined. “I’m hungry.”

“You can have something to eat when we get home.”

“No-o-o-o.”

“Stop the whining, Johnny, or no computer games today.”

“Okay,” he answered with sullen resignation and stuck his thumb in his mouth.

At the end of the pew, Jack wrestled with Ben. At nearly 35 pounds, Ben is too big and strong for me to hold for more than about five minutes. Every Sunday, Jack takes care of Ben while we’re at church. He entertains him with books. He whispers jokes in his ear. He holds on to Ben tight when Ben arches his back and tries to fling himself to the floor.

About halfway through Mass, Ben squirmed out of Jack’s arms and made his way down to me. He climbed into my lap. In the process, he snagged my new shirt and drooled on my shoulder. I handed Ben back to Jack. Jack spent the last 20 minutes of Mass chasing Ben around the back of the church. When we emerged after Communion, all I could say was, “Did you see what he did to my new shirt?”

At the restaurant, Ben got worse. We had made reservations for 11:45. When we arrived

with five hungry children, the hostess told us our table wouldn’t be ready for another half-hour. The four older kids played outside. Ben stood by the restaurant’s door and tried to get back inside. When I tried to hold him, he screamed. When I set him down, he threw himself onto the sidewalk at the feet of other diners. When I picked Ben up, he snagged my shirt again.

While my mom, the kids, and I had lunch at Mimi’s, Jack took Ben across the street to McDonald’s then drove him around until he fell asleep in the car. I barely tasted my food. “This is not how I imagined my Mother’s Day,” I fumed to myself. “Can’t we have at least one meal without someone spoiling it?”

“How dare you complain about your Mother’s Day,” my internal voice scolded back. “Think of all the women in the world who live in mud huts, who don’t have enough food to feed their children. They would love to have your little problems.”

“Great,” I answered myself. “Now I’m annoyed AND guilty.”

That night, I apologized to Jack. As I got ready for bed, I thought about the French Revolution. Before the French peasants revolted, their lives had been getting better. When their new prosperity didn’t rise to the level they expected it would, they got angry.

So had I. Instead of looking at the wonderful Mother’s Day I had, I focused on the expectations that didn’t get fulfilled. I apologized again to Jack and thanked him for all his hard work.

“*C’est la vie*,” Jack answered and fell asleep.

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