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It is Vincent Lazaneo's job to answer any question about a fruit, vegetable, herb, flower, or ornamental shrub that a San Diego gardener might ask. CONTINUED ON PAGE 28

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LETTERS

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Positive Pauley

Thank you for your *outstanding* article on Volunteers in Parole ("What Happens After a Kid Goes Bad?" June 6). I was fortunate enough to work under Jim Pauley 11 years ago when I was a criminal justice student at SDSU, and I can honestly tell you that he is by far one of the best individuals that I have ever met. Thank you for exposing his efforts to make our community a better place to live.

By taking his time, interest, and experience, he has made a positive difference in many people's lives, especially those whom society considers throwaways. My only wish is to have more people recognize the need to rehabilitate versus the lock-themup mentality.

Ivy Westmoreland

Repent

Regarding the article of June 6, "What Happens After a Kid Goes Bad?", my personal opinion is that the more a group like the ACLU and judges and lawyers have their way, the more lives are messed up. I think that elements that are common to any wholesome religion should be permitted in the schools. Chronicles 2:7.14: "If my people will repent from their evil ways and seek My faith, I will heal them and their land." God bless you.

Name Withheld

Benign Exposé

I am trying to determine the journalistic value of Robert Kumpel's article "Hotel Porn," in the June 6 issue of the Reader ("City Lights"). As anyone who has traveled even a little knows, adult movies are available in most hotels across the country. The only reason for such an "exposé" on a benign topic like adult movies in the privacy of one's hotel room would be to voice the viewpoint of a conservative publisher. Of course, another reason could be to give another opportunity to glorify a witless and wasteful SDPD vice department. Either that, or someone has friends there. It seems to me that the Reader would be better served focusing on new, unusual, and harder-hitting stories that have merit. After all, isn't that what alternative news is all about?

Adrian Mahoney

Porn

I'm responding to the article by Robert Kumpel on hotel porn ("City Lights," June 6). I can't believe how out of touch and what an old fart and loser

he must be to even bother to write this article, as though naming the hotels that offer porn is some kind of public service. Jesus Christ, obviously everybody wants it, so why doesn't he get a clue and why don't you as editors get a clue that this is what people want, and don't try to make a moral issue out of it, and just back off. Then you won't look so stupid and out of touch. James Dreyfus

Saratoga

Unsupported Insinuation

Re: "Hotel Porn" ("City Lights," June 6).

This is possibly the lamest piece of journalism I have seen in ages. What kind of point was Robert Kumpel trying to raise? That some hotels allow you to watch pornography in your own private hotel room? Guess what. your local cable company allows you to do exactly the same thing in the privacy of your own home. That some large hotel chains that encourage families to stay also offer pornography on demand? As Mr. Kumpel's sample of one shows, these places can offer you the ability to block the channels, and other family hotels offer no porn at all. That pornography is big business? No surprises there, the whole entertainment business (movies and games) is huge, with porn just a small slice of it. That hotel porn and prostitution are linked as the wicked duo of Mission Valley vice? Mr. Kumpel's own interviews with hotel workers and a San Diego police lieutenant do not support this insinuation.

Now, if Mr. Kumpel had found a hotel that catered to swingers' parties, showed only porn on its TVs, and made a lot of money, maybe he would have had a real story. But wait a second, that would still be completely legal and totally reasonable within the personal freedoms provided by this country. I take that back, even that would not be a story. Adam FitzGerald

Repetitious Bigots

Re the letter from John Irvine in the May 23 issue of the Reader. Who forced the Palestinians to put up with the long-term occupation by Israel? They are and have been free to leave, and many of them have left to make a life for themselves in Jordan, the U.S.A., Europe, and elsewhere. Unfortunately, for political rea-sons, other Arab countries have not encouraged them to move in.

I, too, would like to see the establishment of a democratic Arab state, but until democracy happens, let the state be established somewhere else, far from Israel, perhaps in Saudi Arabia.

As to U.S. aid to Israel, financial experts have estimated that it would cost a lot more to have our own group in the area fulfilling Israeli functions which benefit us.

Irvine and other bigots always focus on AIPAC and may be surprised to learn that it is not the only organization fightcontinued on page 66

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An archive of City Lights stories can be searched on the Internet at www.SanDiegoReader.com

Jeb and Janet show San Diego and Florida have sunshine, cigars, con men, and



drug runners in common. Now both can claim a couple of money-hungry politicos. Republican governor Jeb Bush and his probable Democratic rival Janet Reno are headed into town next week to put the bite on local sup-

Jeb Bush



porters at two separate fundraisers. First up is Bush, the president's younger brother, and his wife **Columba**, who have set a June 20 breakfast at the U.S. Grant Hotel downtown. Back in 1999, Columba failed to declare \$19,000 of clothes and jewelry when she went through U.S. customs on

her way back from Paris. She ended up with a \$1400 fine. Tickets to the San Diego event are going for \$150 each, or \$250 a couple. Anyone who wants to put together five tables for a total of \$7500 "will have a private meeting at 7:30 a.m. with the governor prior to the VIP Photo Opportunity and Breakfast." Those who "raise and contribute" \$1500 can go to the photo op and breakfast only. Co-chairs include Charles "Buzz" Dupont, a longtime opponent of rent control in Escondido, and La Jollan Ted Gildred III. Meanwhile, Democrat Mel Shapiro reports that he got a personal phone call on his answering machine from former Clinton attorney general Reno wanting him to donate \$5000 to attend her dinner to be held June 25 at Del Mar's L'Auberge resort and spa. Because Reno is asking for so-called "soft money," to be routed through Florida's Democratic party, the fundraising limits of Florida law, which Bush is following, do not apply. Shapiro, whose recent complaint to the city



clerk forced onetime Clinton aide Mark Fabiani to file a lobbyist statement disclosing his activities on behalf of Republican fat cat and Chargers owner Alex Spanos, says he doesn't plan to shell out for Reno's event, despite Mark Fabiani her personal plea ... Cuban artist **Tito Gomez**

is suing San Diego-based Bahia cigars in Miami federal court, claiming that the company and its owner, Tony Borhani, failed to get copyright permission to use Gomez's artwork in its advertising, reports the Miami Daily Business Review. Gomez, known in some quarters as "Cuba's Picasso," labored for years on the streets of Havana before immigrating to South Florida in February 2001, where he promptly filed suit against Borhani. "He had no recourse while living in Cuba," Vivian de las Cuevas, a partner at Ferrell Schultz Carter Zumpano & Fertel in Miami, told the paper. Borhani claims the work

was authorized. "Tony Borhani provided Gomez with original ideas and parameters for the creation of artwork," according to court filings quoted by the paper. "Relying upon Borhani's original concept and ideas, Gomez painted works of art specifically for Borhani's use." Borhani, who is trying to get the case moved to San Diego, plans to relocate his business to Miami, the paper says.

Backfield in motion The Chargers are looking for Junior Charger Girls, "young women ages 7 to 15," according to the team's website. The recruits will be part of a halftime show alongside their mentors, the buxom Charger Girls. Notes the website: "No experi-



ence is necessary to participate, and the Charger Girls teach them all there is to know!"...The NFL Experience, the football-themed carnival set to coincide with next January's Super Bowl here, may go downtown, but nothing is certain yet. The city's first choice for the event was a piece of property across the San Diego River from Qualcomm Stadium. That idea was ditched after plans to build a bridge were successfully opposed by Mission Valley watchdog Randy Berkman. The city is now talking up the old Campbell shipyard site on land controlled by the Port of San Diego behind the convention center, but a port spokesman says a proposal for city use of the site isn't expected until next month. Under the city's deal with the NFL, it must supply a site to the league at no charge.

Where they are now Art Skolnik,

the high-energy Seattle planner who back in the 1980s came to San Diego to revive the once-faltering Gaslamp Quarter, has become executive director of Seattle's Kalakala Foundation, which seeks to restore a Depression-era art deco ferry abandoned in Kodiak, Alaska ... Former National City police chief **Terry Hart** has been fired from his job as chief of police in West Linn, Oregon, reports the Oregonian. "I have been separated from service," he told the paper. "I am an at-will employee, and they can ask me to leave at any time. They didn't explain any reasons, but I'm not overly concerned about it. It really doesn't have any effect on my pension or my finances."

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Tiiuana car lot

You're Crazy to Buy a Car in Tijuana

By Ernie Grimm

avvy San Diego shoppers seeking Slashed rates on paint jobs, window tinting, and upholstery have driven their

cars to Tijuana for decades. But you don't hear about gringos heading south to buy the whole car, even though, according to Ken O'Malley, an American who has lived in Tijuana for ten years, "They could find a lot more inexpensive cars here than they could in the United States."

Until recently, for transportation O'Malley relied on his feet, on taxis (which often carry eight fares at a time), and the "Azul y



Blanco," the fleet of ancient blue-trimmed white buses that growl through the colonias, usually with names like "Flor de Michoacán" or "El Toro de Sinaloa" or "El Diablo del Norte," painted shiplike on the back of them. But three months ago O'Malley decided to start shopping for a car. He'd been through that unpleasant experience in the United States before. Now he was attempting it as a gringo in Mexico. He started with used-car lots. Having seen

men in tourist-area Tijuana shops apply to potential customers, he expected the same to the power of ten from the used-car salesmen. "But I was surprised," he recalls, "that, at the car lots, the people were not all that eager to sell me a car. You know how in the U.S. used-car salesmen have a reputation for being fast-talking and aggressive. In Mexico, they just say, 'Well, what kind of car are you looking for?' 'I'm looking for a minivan.' Well, they are over there.' That's it."

the pressure that the sales-

O'Malley related the experience to a Mexican friend who was equally surprised. "He said, 'Well, maybe it is because you are an American. They were probably wondering why an American would be buying a car in Tijuana in the first place."

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Honda dealership, Tijuana

Conceal, Destroy, Mutilate, Falsify

By Nancy Fay

ven in a town where every month some major or minor political figure is caught with a conflict or an unreported loan or a

few unpaid bills or some back taxes, Tony Inocentes stands alone.

Since his election to the Otay Water District board eight years ago, Inocentes has been accused of kidnapping, spousal abuse, threats against fellow board members, violence, harassment, unpaid bills, loan fraud, bankruptcy fraud, perjury, delinquent taxes, mental instability, and lots of other not-so-good things.

Friends — now former friends — of Tony Inocentes still can't figure out how his once-promising career as a director of one of the largest - and richest - water districts in California went so wrong so quickly.

Many of them gathered at a May 1 meeting of the Otay Water District in Spring Valley to ask plead - that the now-disgraced Inocentes resign.

"I regret to ask for the resignation of Mr. Inocentes," said Pedro Morena, a former supporter and one of 25 Otay Water ratepayers in attendance to urge Inocentes's resignation. "But for the good of the district, as well as the good of his family and himself, Mr. Inocentes must resign."

Morena was referring to a string of incidents involving Inocentes going back to his first election to the board eight years ago.

The bizarre episodes culminated on May 1, when a Superior Court judge granted a restraining order to all of Inocentes's fellow board members and the head of the Otay Water District, barring Inocentes from harassing or even talking to them or to district staff outside of board meetings.

In documents supporting the restraining order, Inocentes made "physical threats by bringing his adult son" to a March 15 meeting with him, said Bob Griego, general manager of the district. "His son's aggressive remarks left no doubt that I

would be subject to physical

violence at a later time." Other board members reported receiving dozens of phone calls throughout last year and the first three months of this year, many with the sound of someone kissing — the kiss of death, said San Diego police officer and gang expert Felix Aguirre. "This was a very serious and ominous threat." According to court

records, Inocentes threat-

ened fellow board member Jaime Bonilla after an October 2001 meeting, accusing Bonilla of reporting Inocentes's alleged misconduct to state and federal authorities. "You ought to know what happens to snitches," Inocentes allegedly told Bonilla. "Snitches disappear. Don't be surprised if something happens to you. Don't be surprised."

Aguirre was alarmed by the threat. "The term 'snitch' is common in gang culture and would indicate a threat to Mr. Bonilla," said Aguirre. "In gang culture, this is probably the most dangerous term to utter to another." Inocentes's son Tony Jr. is

a known member of the Old



June meeting of Otay Water District board



Town National City gang, a

well-established Mexican

street gang with a history of

violence, Aguirre said. "And

Mr. Tony Inocentes Jr. has a

tattoo on his chest that reads

vandalized and gang graffiti

with the letters OTNC

scrawled on the windows.

Aguirre called the deface-

Bonilla told police he sus-

pected Inocentes and his son

were behind the criminal

acts. "Inocentes has also

bragged that his son is a

bodyguard for the Arellano-

Felix cartel and that his son

can take care of business,"

Bonilla said in a Chula Vista

police report of the incident.

positions alleging threats

and harassment, despite

phone records that match dozens of calls from Inocentes's home to the

phones of board members at the same time they were re-

porting obscene and threat-

ening messages, Inocentes

and his son deny they ever

threatened or harassed any-

one. The allegations, In-

ocentes said, were the work

But the claims of In-

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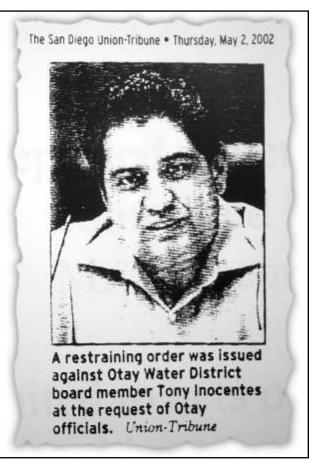
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of his "political enemies."

Despite at least five de-

ment "gang graffiti."

'Old Town National City.' ' Bonilla's office had been Protesters



From the San Diego Union-Tribune, May 2, 2002

Water Board.

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hands for what police first

called a gang-related at-

tempted murder in National

City but now are calling an

assault). Because the

younger Inocentes was in-

carcerated in the downtown

county jail, he was unable to

show up for the hearing con-

testing the allegations that he

had threatened violence

against members of the Otay

A Superior Court judge did grant the restraining order against the elder Inocentes. At another hearing two weeks later in the same court, with members of the $\frac{\nabla}{\partial t}$ National City police gang added and detail in the audience and prepared to testify, the $\frac{a}{b}$ the three-year restraining $\frac{J_{3}}{N}$ order.

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Crazy to buy a car

continued from page 4 Juanjose Romano has

sold Hondas in Tijuana's Rio Zone for the past nine years. The dealership sits on

Avenida Padre Kino in Tijuana's Rio Zone, a few blocks from "the [traffic] circle with the giant scissors." Romano says Americans do come in to shop for cars, though not often. And they

never buy from his dealer-

CITY LIGHTS

ship because the cars are not necessarily cheaper and because "We can sell the cars to them, and they can actually go to the States and put plates on the car, but they cannot have an American title on it. You will have a

Mexican title and, because of that, you can never sell the car in the States. If you want to put an American title on it, you have got to import the car through U.S. Customs, and you have to pay import fees on it. And in some cases,

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some cars that were sold here in Mexico don't have the smog rate, which is required in the States. Even the new cars, they are not the same. This is typical. It will happen with cars from all

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"And then the taxes," Romano continues. "Here in Mexico, customers pay more taxes on brand-new cars than in the States. Basically, there are two different taxes. First, you pay the sales tax, which in this region is 10 percent. If you go further south, like Mexico City or Guadalajara, you have got to pay 15 percent. Then there is another tax, kind of like the one that you call the luxury tax. It is a tax for new

cars, and that is around 5 percent extra."

Romano laughs at the notion of an American buying a used car in Tijuana, intending to bring it back to San Diego. "The cars you see down with yellow plates with Front BC on them," he explains, "those cars were bought in the States by wholesalers, imported to Mexico, and then sold. So it would be cheaper [for an American] to buy the car in the States before it came to



Mexico," especially when importation fees, title hassles, and smog problems are factored in.

Romano works at the only Honda dealership in Tijuana. The San Diego area, which has roughly the same population, has four. "A brand-new car in Mexico is still a luxury item," Romano explains. "You've got to keep in mind that the minimum wage that a person makes a year here is probably around \$1200 a year. So only certain classes of people can afford a brand-new car here, only the upper class and some of the upper middle class."

It's not just lower-income levels that prevent the middle and lower classes from buying new cars in Mexico. Financing is not as generous as it is in the States. "Here," Romano explains, "interest rates on brand-new cars run between 8 to 20 percent, depending on the make, the model, and the year of the car. The typical rate will be about 15 percent. And even if you have good credit, you will still have the same interest rate as the guy who has bad credit. You are not looking at the best times right now in this business in the States, so a lot of makes are offering you 0 percent down and 0 percent APR. You will never see that in Mexico. You have got to put at least 25 percent of the cost of the car down. And the most amount of time you can finance your car here is four years."

Abandoning his search for a minivan in the used-car lots of Tijuana, O'Malley began responding to classified ads and calling numbers written on car windows along with the words Se Vende. Though surly salesmen were no longer a problem, this route presented another pitfall. "You have to be very, very careful that they are not stolen vehicles. You see a lot of cars for sale on the streets here that have expired California tags, expired two or three years sometimes. Before you buy the car, you have to make sure that the registration has been legitimately transferred to the person who is trying to sell you the car."

O'Malley never did find a suitable minivan and settled on a 1993 Ford Escort *continued on page 12*



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station wagon. When he went to register it he made a few discoveries. "The first thing I found out is that you cannot register a vehicle in your name unless you have a valid Baja California driver's license. And to get a driver's license [as a noncitizen] you have to have the equivalent of a resident visa issued by the Mexican government. I could have gotten one pretty easily, but I would have had to obtain an American passport, which would have meant that I had to have an address in the U.S., and, for tax purposes, I

am not a resident of the U.S. and haven't been for ten vears, and I don't want to screw that up by getting a U.S. passport. I just registered the vehicle in somebody else's name. And as far as the driver's license is concerned, I conceivably could get a California driver's license and drive legally down here; they honor them. But I'd need a California address for that. Besides, there is a joke here. A guy told a cop that he didn't have a driver's license. But the cop looked at his wallet and said, 'Yes you do,' and he pulled out a ten-dollar bill.'

O'Malley adds, "Something I thought was amusing was, when you first have to wait in line before you actually go to register the vehicle, you have to go to a separate office, where they check to see if there are any outstanding tickets that you haven't paid. You have to pay all that before you can register the car. And then you go to another window, and it is for revisión mechánica, mechanical inspection. But they just ask you straight up, 'Do you want the inspection or do you want to pay the fine?' and the fine is like 100 pesos [around \$11] or something. It is not much, and they don't even look at the car; you just pay the fine, and then they stamp the paper, and you go to the next office. And then at the next office it

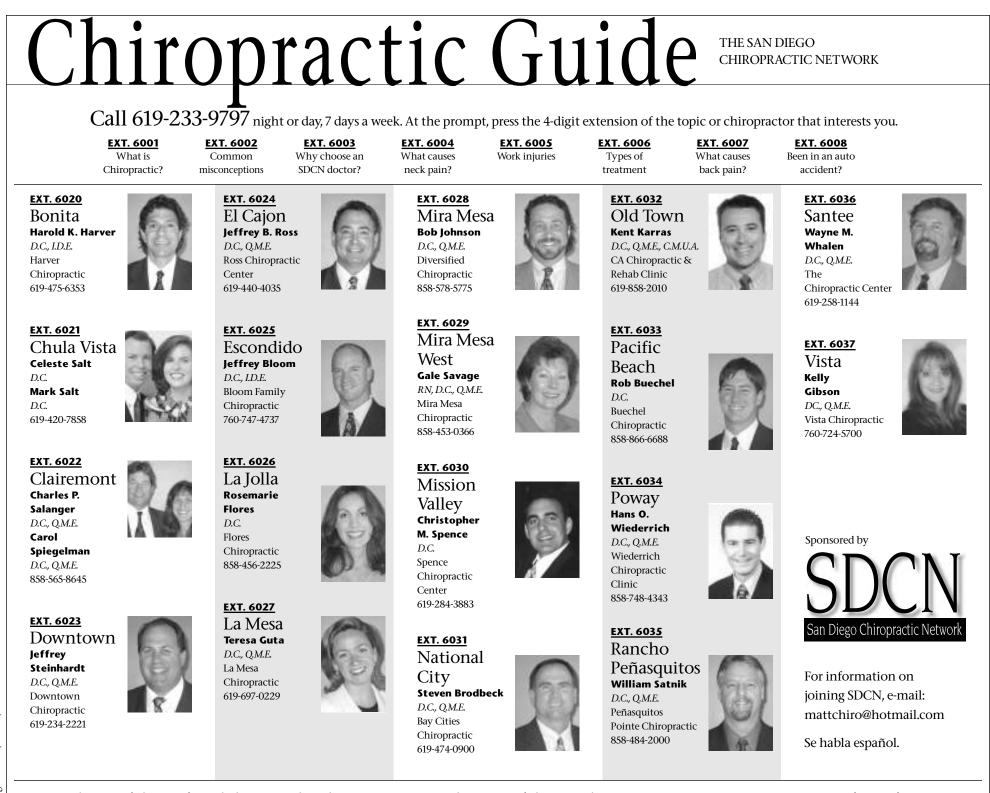
gets complicated because in Baja California they have several different types of license plates. One is the plate you most often see, they say FRONT on them. Those are special tags that only allow you to operate the vehicle in Baja California. If you were wanting to go to Mexico City or Guadalajara or somewhere in the interior of the country, you either have to pay a cash bond equal to the value of the car or get what they call placas nacionales, national plates. And you can tell the difference because the national plates are a different color, white without 'FRONT' on them. With those plates you can drive the car anywhere in Mexico.

Of course, they are much more expensive."

O'Malley decided to stick to the local plates. "First of all," he continues, "you have to have the paper evidence that the vehicle has been legally imported into Mexico. Fortunately, the person that I had bought the car from had already done that, or it would have been another expense. The total importation fee on my car, in 2000, was 3285 pesos, which is like \$365."

O'Malley was also charged a sort of luxury tax of 431 pesos (about \$50) for owning a car less than ten years old. "It's called a '*tenencia federal*." It gets less each year. My '93 was cheaper than a '94 would have been. And ten years after the car's model year, it drops out of the category."

O'Malley found upon registering his car that, just as in California, the Mexican government uses automobile registration as another way to tax the citizenry. Sifting through the pile of paperwork he received upon registering his car, he explains, "The actual registration certificate, the tarjeta de circulación, was 146 pesos and 78 centavos, which is only like \$15. But then there's the buy-and-sell fee, which is a fee to have the car officially signed over to me. That was 300 pesos [about continued on page 14



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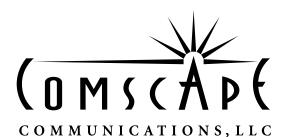


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which is about \$113. That's

not bad for most Americans.

But imagine how bad that

would sound if you made

1000 pesos [\$111] a week."

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Before his son was arrested, Inocentes told the *Chula Vista Star-News* on April 15 that the charges against him were "an attempt to muddy me up before the [election] filing period. They want to make me look bad. There's a strong possibility if I don't run, my son will run. And this is their way of killing two birds with one stone."

His tone hardly changed even after his son was charged with the gang-related assault, telling the *San Diego Union-Tribune* on April 16 that his son was in the wrong place at the wrong time and that his arrest was "irrelevant" to their pending hearing on threats of violence against fellow board members.

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This was not the younger Inocentes's first brush with the law. In November 2000, the 21-year-old Inocentes was a candidate for a seat on the Sweetwater Union High School District board when the *San Diego Union Tribune* reported he had just been released from the custody of the California Youth Authority less than a year before.

"Inocentes was committed to the CYA on weapon charges June 21, 1996, and discharged from parole this February 28," the Union-Tribune reported. "When asked about his reputed criminal history during an interview last month for a story on the board election, Inocentes would neither confirm nor deny that he had a CYA record. Inocentes was sentenced in 1996 under penal code sections dealing with possession of weapons at school and making threats. Contacted again yesterday, Inocentes said he took a small knife to school. He said he served 18 months in a CYA facility in Ventura."

Although juvenile records are sealed, Teresa Mata, the mother of Tony Jr.'s son, submitted a sworn statement in a paternity case where she filled in some of the details of Tony Jr.'s violent past:

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In 1992, Tony Jr., after being expelled from Bonita Vista Junior High School, reentered the campus and assaulted a student with an ice pick. He was incarcerated at Juvenile Hall in San Diego, then released to his father's custody.

In 1993, Tony Jr. assaulted a teacher with a chair at Summit School (a continuation school for children who have been expelled) and was incarcerated at Campo Youth Camp.

In July 1994, Tony Jr. was taken into custody by the Chula Vista Police Department for possession of a concealed firearm. He was returned to California Youth Authority and later transported to St. John's School for boys at Palm Springs for about six months.

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In May 1996, Tony Jr. battered Teresa — an attack he describes in a sworn declaration on file with the court as a "physical altercation." Tony Jr. said the fight occurred because he was "embarrassed and disappointed" by Teresa's arrest for shoplifting a \$3 baby shirt. He was arrested and returned to the custody of CYA at Paso Robles for a period of 18 months and was released in November 1997.

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had threatened to kill her

and to kidnap their child. He

evaded arrest from April

1999 until August 1999,

when he was arrested and re-

turned to CYA. He was re-

leased from custody on

The fruit doesn't fall far

from the tree. Court records

also show that in April 1998,

the elder Tony Inocentes was

arrested for kidnapping and

assault on his then-wife, Es-

ther. In another restraining

order, Esther says that she

was "afraid for my life" after

Tony Inocentes found her at

Casa Salsa restaurant in Na-

tional City and "unexpected,

came from behind and

dragged me physically and

house and started to harass

me, pushing me and grab-

bing me. He put bruises all

over my hands and arms and

cut my hand. He is mentally

and physically unstable. He

has stalked and abused me

\$50,000 bail after Ian Gill, a

contractor who does busi-

ness with the district, in-

cluding building their new

headquarters, gave Inocentes

\$5000 to meet bail, public

statement that his declara-

tion about his wife to the

dropped one month later, af-

ter Inocentes agreed to get

counseling for his "mental

state." And after he agreed to

repay to his wife - co-

owner of his consulting

business — half of the

money Inocentes received from Gill for his bail.

Inocentes had claimed that the bail money was ac-

tually part of a consulting

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court was "all false."

Later in 1998 he signed a

The charges were

Inocentes was released on

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threw me into his car."

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continued from page 16 agreement he had with the contractor and was not a payoff of any kind, he said, despite the claims of his political opponents to the contrary.

One of the names of the business and political consulting firm is K.A. Strategies, with the K.A. standing for Kick Ass. They claim to have run the successful opposition to the recent (unsuccessful) Chula Vista City Council campaign of Otay Water general manager Bob Griego.

In another curious incident, Inocentes once supported an "anonymous" newsletter during the November 2000 elections and reported board members who were involved in criminal acts, while painting himself as a ratepayers' hero. One headline in the newsletter claimed the water board was lending money to a landowner with illegal ties to a board member. Another headline claimed a board member received money for attending a meeting that he supposedly never attended. Both allegations were found to be untrue.

The newsletter was nominally edited by a man known to National City police as gang member Emmanuel Sotelo. In October 2001, Sotelo's editing career was cut short after he was shot dead by police after throwing away a gun and running during a police stop. Although National City police told reporters Sotelo was a member of the OTNC, after the shooting, Inocentes told reporters Sotelo was a "great kid" and asked his fellow boardmembers to observe a minute of silence in memory of the person who edited the paper that said it was published by "Old Time Neighborhood Communications."

At the May 1 meeting of the water board, gang expert Aguirre pointed out the initials: OTNC.

Inocentes even sued his own district for defamation in the year 2000, demanding \$2 million in damages because fellow board members were speaking out publicly about his improprieties. The case was thrown out of CITY LIGHTS

court. Inocentes's lawyer is still seeking his legal fees of \$80,000 and now has claims against Inocentes in bankruptcy court for \$80,000 in legal bills.

Steve McCue, Inocentes's former attorney, filed claims in bankruptcy court last March, where he says that not only does Inocentes owe him legal fees, he says Inocentes is hiding substantial consulting income from the court.

Inocentes has "concealed, destroyed, mutilated, falsified, or failed to keep or preserve recorded information from which defendant's financial condition and business transactions might be ascertained," McCue told the court. "Inocentes purposely and intentionally receives consideration for his consulting services on a cashonly basis with the express intent to conceal and hide his consulting transactions and the income derived therefrom."

Inocentes's own e-mail to water district officials seems to back up his former lawyer's claims. While his bankruptcy filings and statements of economic interests list only his salary as a director and his reimbursable expenses as his only income ---which last year was \$29,000 — Inocentes, in a February 13 e-mail to Susan Cruz, an employee of the Otay Water District, asks that an appointment to discuss redistricting be set around his schedule because he has "a consulting contract with a City in L.A. I'm in the middle of for the next 90 days. Also, I am planning to go to Mexico City, Hawaii, and China on business soon."

If Inocentes did indeed receive income from these clients, this would cause additional problems because, by law, Inocentes is required to disclose his assets and income, as are all public officials in California.

Other creditors, including the state and federal government, have filed liens and obtained judgments against him. In November, the IRS filed a lien for \$11,004 for back taxes. In December 2001, the State Franchise Tax Board also filed a lien to garnish Inocentes's wages for \$27,570 in back taxes. On May 18, 2001, former board *continued on page 20*



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members Mark Watton and Susan Price also filed a wage garnishment to collect legal fees they had been awarded after Inocentes unsuccessfully sued them.

In 1997, Inocentes's wages were garnished to satisfy an \$1127 small claims judgment. At least two separate court orders to pay back child support were also entered into public records in November 1999, though the documents do not reveal the amounts.

Meanwhile, public records show that in 2001, Inocentes collected more money from the water district in salary and expenses than all the other directors combined. His \$29,369 in salary and expenses was 52 percent of the total money — \$56,471 that all the directors received last year.

Inocentes was also involved in the strange case of the National City councilman, Fred Soto, an attorney who resigned from the state bar in August 2000 after allegations of fraud and misuse of clients' funds.

Soto took \$11,000 from National City bar owner Evelyn Jones to represent her in negotiations with the family of the bar's former owners. After the family members contacted Jones directly, asking for their money, Jones confronted Soto, asking why the family had not received the \$11,000, said the San Diego Filipino newspaper *Diario Veritas*.

Soto did not return Jones's calls for weeks, saying he was in Europe, but upon his return, admitted he had not paid the money to where it was supposed to go.

Soto and Inocentes delivered a check for \$5000 to Jones, promising to repay the rest later. When news of the alleged scam became public, Inocentes claimed his friend had not defrauded his client but instead had merely taken out a loan from her.

"Liar," said Jones of Inocentes. In taking a page from his own play book, Inocentes then said the charges against Soto were politically motivated to stop Soto from running for another term. Like Inocentes, Soto even filed a

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defamation suit against his colleagues on the National City City Council. The suit was later dismissed.

As the allegations mount against Inocentes, his family, and his friends, so do the chances that Inocentes will never seek reelection to another term this November. In the meantime, Inocentes has missed the last three Otay Water Board meetings, perhaps meeting with his court-ordered anger counselor, suggested one wag at the last Otay Water Board meeting.

Years of allegations and charges against Inocentes have caused him to lose much of the institutional support he enjoyed as a member of the San Diego Hispanic community. The local papers that once loved to hear him rail against the racism that was keeping him — and by extension other Hispanics down are now shunning his articles.

This is one of the reasons why three years ago, Inocentes suddenly discovered his long-lost Filipino roots, friends say. And since then, he has been publishing articles in the *Filipino News*, a San Diego publication. And he has taken a leadership position in the Filipino Chamber of Commerce on the board of directors.

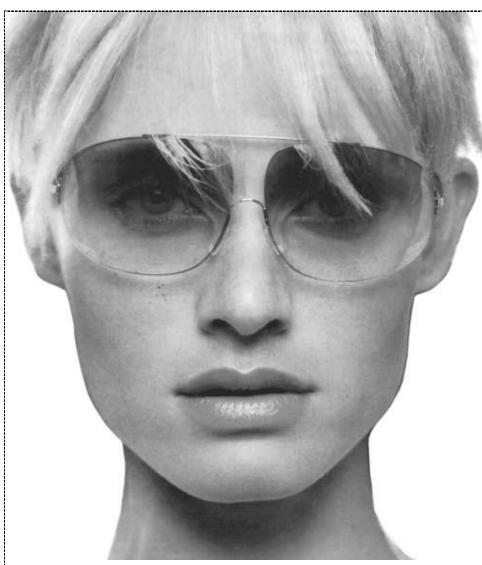
He is their auditor.

When asked if she was familiar with Inocentes's long record of financial irregularities in business and politics, chamber president V.L. Vinson said she didn't care about that. "I'm a Christian and we do not believe in judging people."

Other members of the Filipino community are alarmed that this fox is guarding the henhouse. "It is truly a shame that Inocentes and his family have brought such disgrace to a position of such trust and honor," said Carol Santos outside a meeting of the Otay Water Board in May. "We Filipinos are especially hurt, because Inocentes used his Filipino heritage as part of his disgrace. If he has any honor left and any hope of saving his family, he will resign." Tony Inocentes says that will never happen.

(Inocentes was reached once but was unavailable for comment and did not return subsequent calls.)





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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP



Hey, Matt:

Illustration by Rick Gear

During my many years as a mechanic, I learned many handy tricks. One thing I always have in stock is Super Glue, which I've found a thousand and one uses for. I regularly use the stuff to close a wound when I cut myself. This lets me get right back to work, and I never have had a cut get infected. Despite this, my wife insists I'm going to cause myself grave harm. Could the glue be marketed as a super salve for busy working men?

— Mike the Mechanic, Lakeside

And you don't tend to glue yourself to mufflers or accidentally attach spark plugs to your fingers? The elves aren't allowed to play with glue after they stuck the neighbors' dogs together. Anyway, a form of Super Glue is already marketed to dentists, veterinarians, and hospitals for use in ERs and ORs as a replacement for sutures in certain procedures. It was first used widely by medics in Vietnam to stop bleeding and buy some time to get the wounded to field hospitals.

Super Glue is 2-ethyl-cyanoacrylate. The hospital version is a gentler, more tissue-friendly monomer, 2-octyl-cyanoacrylate. But there are many reports of doctors using the household version in a pinch, with no ugly side effects. The biggest caveats seem to be: clean the wound thoroughly so you don't seal in germs, and don't use the stuff on deep cuts or get the glue on tissue below skin level. This could prevent healing. No manufacturer of household glues will ever say it's okay to use the product this way. When it's suggested, they run screaming and hide in their lawyers' offices. But for busy executives brought down by paper cuts, why not?

Heymatt:

So 'I've been waiting in traffic or maybe driving along at 40 mph, and a motorcycle blows by playing "In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida" on the dummy bumps. And then I see the CHP doing the same thing. It sure seems dangerous. My daughter says that motorcycles can split lanes because they might get overheated. But I know if my 1973 Pinto gets overheated, I'm supposed to pull over to the Ford dealer and pay \$200. So, before I do something irrational, is this legal or not? Is there any state (of mind or otherwise) where it's legal for a motorcycle to split lanes?

- Paul Benton, stuck in traffic?

It's legal in the state of mind they call California. According to the CHP, it is legal simply because it's not specifically prohibited by the vehicle code. But just as soon as some legislator realizes this an unregulated area of life, I'm sure a bill will be drafted.

Hey, Matt:

After a wonderful dinner that included steamed asparagus, we all contemplated the malodorous urine that results from ingesting that particular vegetable. (Actually, my Merriam-Webster says it's an herb.) Please shed some light.

- The Solana Beach 7

In this land of climatic sameness, how does Matthew Alice know that spring has arrived? (1) Grandma Alice packs away her winter aprons in mothballs, (2) the asparagus-urine questions sprout from my mailbox. The Capistrano swallows have nothing on people with smelly pee each spring. We've discussed this before, we'll do it one more time. Then each of you tell ten friends; they tell ten of their friends; pretty soon everyone will know and they'll stop asking me. Proudly I can say, UCSD finally solved the smelly pee question in 1975, when a chemistry professor identified several S-methyl thioesters as the odorous culprits. Thioesters are formed when acids and sulfurous stuff interact. In humans, the interaction is controlled by a specific gene that not everyone has. Maybe a third of the population is lucky enough to stink when they eat asparagus. Got it? Great. Pass the Hollandaise.

The Quiet Side of the Moon

Hey, Matt! You sorta got the guitar on the moon thing kinda wrong. Now everybody in OB is saying, "Oh, wow, dude, the moon is a really harsh place, man...." Ronnie James Dio, whoever he is, may have an electric guitar he can pack to the moon. Electric guitars don't rely on acoustic pickups; instead they use a magnetic pickup; the movement of the steel guitar string through a magnetic field alters the field and induces voltage in a coil which can be amplified. Then the music or sound can be fed back into the helmet of anybody who wants to listen to Mr. Dio. Interestingly, the sound would be a bit different from the same notes played here on Earth because the acoustic effects will not be present, making the moon sound unique, and thus everybody in OB would be saying, "Oh, wow, dude! The moon is really awesome, man!"

- Craig, the net.

Ronnie's a singer, so we might have some technical problems with the magnetic pickup scenario. But he could take a tip from Madonna and Britney and supply the audience with helmet-mounted tape players and lip synch everything. I have to admit the picture of the whole audience wired up to each instrument in the band is compelling. Adds an interesting dimension to the mosh pit too. BTW, Ronnie's best known as the guy who stepped in when Ozzy Osbourne quit Black Sabbath. Actually, I consider it a point in your favor that you didn't know.

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



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When Chemicals Play For Money

ou could describe it as a perfect storm of greed and self-interest, a perfect storm blown into newspapers by another blast of greed and self-interest. Stepping back, you have to admire the elegance in that.

It took Jose Canseco ["85 percent of baseball players are using steroids"] selling his unwritten book and Ken Caminiti ["50 percent of players are using steroids"] selling his Sports Illustrated cover story to bring steroids into public notice...again. By the way, Caminiti admitted using steroids during his 1996 MVP season, the season he played for our scrappy San Diego Padres.

Here is a quote from Kevin Malone, former general manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers. "The revitalization of baseball in the '90s, with the home runs, and we know a large part of that, we think, was attributed to steroid usage." Translation: "We knew."

Here is a quote from players' agent Tony Attanasio. "Come on, they all know who's using steroids. These guys go through physicals every spring and they screen for everything. They screen their blood. They take their urine. You don't think they know who's not on steroids? Don't let them kid you. They've had all of the information for years.

And here is the bottom line. The astounding offensive numbers you've seen from baseball over the past decade were due to steroids. Players knew it, management knew it, the players union knew it, everybody knew it except the majority of fans.

Baseball, more than other sports, is a game with a living past as well as a game played in the present. The handed-downfrom-father-to-son myth, which baseball loves to sell, is about career averages. "How many doubles did Joe DiMaggio hit in 1951? How many double plays did Lou Gehrig make in 1937? Was Duke Snider a better player than Johnny Bench?"

All Major League Baseball stats from at least 1990 on - and baseball is nothing if not stats — are untrustworthy and therefore meaningless. Instead of the aforementioned questions, we are reduced to wondering, "How does a 39-year-old left fielder who gained 45 pounds of muscle and two cap sizes during one off-season, who went from being a .245 hitter to a .361 power-hitter, stack up against Babe Ruth? How does Dizzy Dean fare against a 41-year-old right-handed pitcher whose fastball has gone from 86 mph to 101 mph?'

Regard home-run king Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants. Barry came into Major League Baseball in 1986 and hit 16 home runs. Next year he hit 25 home runs, next year 24, next year 19, next year 33, next year 25, next year 34, next year 46, next year 37, next year 33, next year 42, next year 40, next year 37, next year 34, and next year 49. Do you notice a rhythm here? But, hold on, just a moment, what's this? - the next year Bonds hit 73 home runs.

When Barry Bonds hit 73 home runs in 2001, he was 37 years old and had gained 38 pounds of rock-hard muscle from his 1997 playing weight. Now, we can believe he hit home runs in a tight pattern for 15 years and then, suddenly, hit 24 more home runs than his highest previous year, and 32.9 more home runs than his average annual home run total, because he started eating fruits and vegetables. We can believe that 37-year-old men are more athletically powerful than 25vear-old men. We can believe in the tooth fairy. We can believe Barry Bonds was juiced to the tits. We can believe he had a religious experience and grew muscles. We can even believe he lifted weights 365 days a year.

Sammy Sosa came into the league in 1989 and hit 4 home runs. Next year 15, next vear 10, next vear 8, next vear 33, next vear 25, next year 36, next year 40, next year 36, then 66, 63, 50, and 64. Sammy hit 66 home runs in 1998, which, by the way, was 30 more home runs than he hit in 1997.

It's about money, of course. It's also about phony home runs, phony no-hitters, phony throws, phony base-running; it's about a con, a street-corner hustle, a scam to take

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money by deception, by manipulating other people's emotions, using their need to be a fan of something greater than themselves, one of the best things human beings have going for them, as nothing more than bait.

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Reverend Ed Landry, a missionary in Manila, writes in an offhand way about his leukemia, "My blood counts are just sitting there at about

80 percent below normal, but that's okay...." Both men receive

financial support from Westview Bible Church in Imperial Beach, where their letters are posted on a bulletin board in the narthex.

" 'Bigger is better' and 'What can the Church do for me?' seem to be the big trends," Westview's senior pastor, Carey Norman, said when I spoke with him last week. We were talking about the national fad for "superchurches" - multimillion-dollar complexes that house gyms, theaters, cafés, and bowling alleys alongside their 'worship centers."

"The Lord provides us here at our church with more than enough to meet our needs. And, frankly, we're happy being the size that we are. What we realized is that spreading the Gospel is still the cutting edge of Christianity. About 15 years ago I started pushing for us to donate more

and more of our budget to missionaries. We started at 5 percent and added a little bit each year. There was maybe one person who complained, 'Why are you sending so much to missionaries when we should be spending more on children's programs?' But everyone else was happy with what we were doing. We now donate 30 percent of our budget to missionaries."

Reverend Norman started attending Westview when he was in eighth grade. In 1980, when he was 23 years old and fresh out of Bible college, the folks at Westview decided they wanted him to serve as their pastor. Walk into his church, as I did last Sunday morning, and you feel transported to the first half of the 20th Century. No big blue screen over the pulpit projects lyrics or events announcements. No six-piece band plays rock 'n' roll hymns. Last Sunday at Westview a pianist and organist worked their way through simple renditions of "Come Thou Font of Ev'ry Blessing" and "Surely Goodness and Mercy." During the Ministry in Music portion of the service, an adolescent girl played "How Great Thou

Art" on the cello.

While many preachers, once they step up to the pulpit, shy away from doctrinal arguments, Reverend Norman doesn't. He devoted a 40-minute sermon to the dynamics of the Trinity.

"One thing that bothers me," Reverend Norman told us, "is when people pray to Jesus instead of to the Father. It's really like fingers on a chalkboard. Jesus quite clearly told us, 'Address the Father in my name.' The Trinity is *central* to Christian belief. Three *distinct* entities sharing *one* essence. And if this sounds difficult to understand, it's because it *is* difficult to understand. Whenever I hear anyone say that he has a 'simple' way of explaining the Trinity, I know I'm about to hear heresy."

Reverend Norman referred to two heresies — the Arian and the Sabellian — whose understandings of the Trinity were viewed by the early Church as heretical. Arianism, he said, held that there was only one true God, God the Father. Sabellianism argued that there was one God who revealed himself in three different ways.

The problem with both these heretical views, Reverend Norman said, is that each tries to simplify what must remain a mystery. "It's good," he said, "to teach children that there are many things about God that they'll never understand."

After the service, I asked Reverend Norman how his church could afford to donate one-third of its budget to missionaries.

"The secret," he told me, "is that we rely on volunteers for just about everything. We have a full-time staff of only two: me and a secretary. I'd say 70 percent of our members volunteer in one capacity or another. We don't even have to hire a janitor, for example. All that woodwork in the sanctuary was donated by a member of this church. We keep our expenses low so that we can give more.

"The whole point is that we respect what missionaries do and the

sacrifices they make. Ed Landry, one of the missionaries we support, has been in Manila for 18 years. I've been in the mission field a couple of times. I remember I was in one place in the Philippines, and the pastor took me out to this big tree near a river, where all the sewage from the village flowed past. The pastor said, 'This is our children's center.' On Sundays, 50 or so kids meet for worship under the big tree, out of the sun. These people can't afford a building, a church.

"In most places where missionaries serve, there's very little money. You just have to trust in God and go out and do what needs to be done. When you see simple faith like that, you're impressed. We're so spoiled in this country. There's such great inequity between what we have and what the rest of the world has. Our donations make the situation a little more equitable. What we get in return is that supporting missionaries makes us a little less selfish "



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Dear Aunt Trudy,

We live in one of San Diego's older neighborhoods. On one side of us lives a family from Iran. They have been in the United States now for 30 years. On the other side of us lives a family from Turkey. They have been in the States for maybe 15 years. These two families hate each other. The Iranians are very nice, clean, educated people, and so are the Turks. Both families have teenage children. As you might have guessed, the Iranian high school boy and the Turkish high school girl seem to have an interest in each other. My daughter, also in high school, reports that the Turkish father says that he will kill the Iranian boy if he so much as touches his daughter. The Iranian father says the girl is "impure" and nothing but a you-know-what. (The Iranians are "traditional," and the mother wears some kind of veil outside the house.) The other night these two kids were out in our alley together in the middle of the night, and the parents caught them, and there was a huge fight. Cursing and screaming and even blows and, according to my daughter, some hair pulling of the Turkish girl by the Iranian mother. What can we do so that this does not turn into West Side Story?

TROUBLED NEIGHBOR

Dear Troubled,

I sympathize with your desire to get these warring factions to make peace before, as the prince says at the end of Romeo and Juliet, "all are punish'd." It's difficult to tell whether ethnic antipathies, religious strictness, garden-variety parental overprotectiveness, fear of their children's sexuality, or all of the above are creating these problems. Unless this situation directly impinges on your rights (e.g., their loud fighting disturbs you) or you have knowledge of actual abuse, you may want to stay out of the fray, for now. Sadly, if parents forbid their underage kids to date each other, there's not much you can do about it, wrongheaded and unfair though their restrictions may seem. If you can befriend both families, invite them over (separately) now and then, get to know them, and learn more about their traditions, you may be in a better position to understand what's going on and to offer aid should it become necessary. Do any readers knowledgeable about the Turkish and/or Iranian communities want to offer their insights?

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I come from a family of four girls. I'm the oldest. We all live in different states. We're all grown, married, and have good jobs. We had really great parents. The worst thing in our lives is that our parents are both dead. Every time "Joanna," the youngest, calls any of us other sisters, she always asks first, "What do you weigh?" Joanna has always been skinny and beautiful. Now that she's 40, she is prettier than ever. She always could eat all the pies and cakes Mom baked and never put on an ounce. The rest of us had to be careful and watch our weight. We still do. We seem to live at Weight Watchers meetings and hate that Joanna does not ask, "How's your job?" or "How's Biff, your husband?" or "How's my little nephew?" It's always "What do you weigh?" When she asks, the sound of her voice gets mean and hateful. She has a Ph.D. and a husband who's a doctor and two great kids. She's very accomplished. Why does she care what we weigh?

LA JOLLA MATRON

Dear L.J. Matron,

Joanna's not your doctor, and you're not a prizefighter weighing in for a big bout, so what's with her poundage obsession? You could ask your sister why she greets you like this, if you're curious, or you can just ask her to please cut it out. As the baby of the family, J. may feel competitive with her elder siblings, childish as that may seem in middle age. Harping on her relative svelteness may momentarily ease these painful feelings. Or she might be nursing old grudges, trying to get back at you three by insinuating that she's a willow and you all are thick oaks. Regardless of why she grills her siblings about their heft, she needs to stop because it bothers you. In a goodnatured way, tell Joanna you don't want to be asked about your weight anymore. Say you hope your conversations can be a warm exchange of information about job developments or the cute nephew's science-fair project or the fab Tahitian vacation you won by mailing in cereal box tops — substantive or amusing stuff, not dress sizes. Surely she can respect this tiny request. Remind her nicely if she "forgets." A sisterly chat shouldn't mean getting the third degree about how far you tipped the scales that morning.

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ow many plants is that? "It's a little mind-boggling," he says. And the fact that Lazaneo has lost his sight and that he blew off his hands in an accident more than 35 years ago might seem to complicate it. Yet this is a man with a knack for organization.

When he started working as the urban horticulture advisor for the local Cooperative Extension office in 1977, he says, "It became clear to me fairly quickly that my single resource" (that is, Lazaneo himself, working alone) "wasn't going to be adequate." He tried writing articles about topics like pest management and sending them to radio stations and newspapers. He also answered phone calls from the public, an activity that proved unpredictable. "If you're talking to somebody and they need a straightforward bit of information, it doesn't take very long. But if it involves an explanation of how to grow a plant, how to plant it, what kind of things to do...calls can back up. Some people have this whole laundry list for their landscape."

In 1980 Lazaneo heard about a pilot program starting in Riverside and Sacramento. The idea was to provide extensive training to a cadre of volunteers. They would earn the title "Master Gardener," and in return for the expertise they gained, they would devote at least 50 hours during the following year to helping the public learn more about gardening. In short order, Lazaneo became convinced that such assistance could help him spread information.

So in 1983 Lazaneo recruited his first class of San Diego County Master Gardeners. Today, 3 of the original 32 people continue to hold the Master Gardener title, along with another 159 who've received the training since. (After the first year, those who stay in the program obtain more education and volunteer a minimum of 25 hours annually.) The retention rate has turned out to be so phenomenal, in fact, that Lazaneo has only been able to train new participants every two years or so. For the last class, given in the spring of 2001, about 150 men and women applied to receive the five months of training. A selection committee of experienced Master Gardeners reviewed the written applications, whittled them down, then interviewed each remaining aspirant before selecting 44. Lazaneo says some of those chosen are members of plant societies, experts in, say, roses or camellias. Almost all have local gardening experience. But most important, Lazaneo says, is having the time and willingness to share whatever they know.

"I think I can safely say that the Master Gardener organization in San Diego is the best in the state. It's incredible!" exclaimed gardening authority Pat Welsh. Author of the comprehensive *Southern California Gardening: A Month-by-Month Guide*, the Del Mar resident is a zestful character who seldom makes feeble pronouncements. Welsh offered an explanation for why San Diego County may produce a higher caliber of gardener than is found elsewhere in the state. "We have a wonderful growing climate here, with zone 23 next to zone 24 along the ocean. In Los Angeles, they've got zone 22 next to zone 24. So the Los Angeles climate is not as mild as ours. That's why they talk about the Los Angeles Basin it freezes down in there! But we're not in that situation. We've got a milder, warmer climate, and it's good for many tropicals and subtropicals. And as a result of having such a good growing climate...we're more plant-oriented."

Nowhere else in California, Welsh asserted, do the Master Gardeners (who now exist in 36 counties) organize a gardening seminar like the one presented every spring in San Diego. The daylong event features talks by experts on dozens of horticultural topics, and attendance has grown every year since the first seminar in 1991 drew 350. By 2001, more than 700 participants were packing into the University City High School campus; organizers had to turn away an additional 150. For that reason, they shifted this spring's seminar to a new venue, the Marina Village conference center on Mission Bay, and some 800 people attended. The seminar organizers also have inaugurated a series of smaller fall sem-



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Vincent Lazaneo next to an azalea

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inars. They'll take place September 21, 26, and 28 at University Towne Centre.

"I think that all goes back to Vince," Welsh declared. "It's beautifully organized, that whole program. I once heard it said that Vince without eyesight is better than most people with eyesight. He's an amazing man."

When Lazaneo makes his way to the podium at the start of each year's seminar, he doesn't appear to be sightless. Nowadays, Lazaneo wears dark glasses all the time. At 54, he carries little excess flesh on his tall frame. His dark hair is graying, but his laugh is boyish. Asked about his vision, he explains that he was born with an infection called toxoplasmosis. "It's basically a little protozoan parasite that damages the retina. I acquired it during my mom's pregnancy, and there was very little known about the dis-



ease at the time."

Lazaneo grew up in San Jose. As a very young child, he was thought to have "a lazy eye or something. So I wore an eye patch for a while. That sort of thing." Not until he was starting school did an eye specialist in San Francisco identify the correct explanation for the boy's poor sight. "They were able to treat the disease with steroids — cortisone to make it stop an inflammation episode. But the Vincent Lazaneo and Joanna McClure

medication could not eradicate the organism completely," Lazaneo explains. "It would form a resistant cyst, and after two or three years, I'd have another episode where the disease would become active and damage the retina. So I had episodes basically all through my childhood."

When he was 11 or 12, his vision was still sufficient for him to cast a critical eye on his family's back yard. Only a lawn and some tough shrubs grew there, but Lazaneo knew that more could be coaxed from the earth. Both sets of his grandparents had produced food. "On my mom's side, they actually homesteaded a farm in North Dakota." On "an occasional summer, we were able to visit them. They had raspberries and gooseberries and all kinds of lettuce and peppers and everything that would grow there." He smiles at the memory of strawberries.

His father's parents lived in Los Gatos, but they always had fruit trees, and Lazaneo's father for some years had cultivated a garden of edible and ornamental plants. "I remember benefiting from the garden, the produce, certainly. Being able to help pick. We had a grape arbor, and I remember going out when the grapes were ripe and plucking them and spitting out the seeds." His father died, however, when Lazaneo was ten years old, leaving his mother to raise him and his four younger siblings. "So then she didn't have too much time to mess around in the yard."

On the brink of his adolescence, Lazaneo decided to cultivate the garden. He and two of his sisters found navy beans and popcorn, which they planted. "And lo and behold, they actually grew! We were able to harvest beans and popcorn, and with that encouragement, I continued to plant gardens every year from then on." In his plot, he tended tomatoes, sweet corn, lettuce, radishes, carrots. He "ventured out into



the front yard, where we had mostly just the standard lawn and hedges and shrubs, and there was a section between the two properties where I developed an ornamental flower bed. I put in a variety of annual flowers throughout the years." As a teenager, he visited nurseries, bought transplants, started specimens from seed.

The freedom that he had to experiment kindled his lifelong passion for horticulture, Lazaneo suggests. But his curiosity also cost him his hands. This happened one day when he was 17. "As my wife would say, it's a guy thing." A chuckle hints of embarrassment. "I've never talked to any women who have played with explosives, but I've talked to several men who had close encounters."

Somewhere he learned that he could make gunpowder by mixing charcoal and saltpeter and sulfur. "At the time I thought this was kind of neat." So he got the ingredients at a drugstore and tried it. "Then I got a little more carried away," Lazaneo recalls. "I had taken a chemistry class, and I had access to some phosphorus, which I found out later is quite unstable." He had also gotten hold of some potassium chlorate. He mixed it with sugar and added the phosphorus. "Well. Any combination of potassium chlorate and sugar is not that stable if it's agitated or impacted. And the phosphorus made it even less so. I was aware that it was a powerful explosive. I'd detonated some of it with friends. You know, as boys you blow things up. Whatever. But I wasn't aware that it could go off spontaneously."

That's what happened to the few tablespoons of the mixture that Lazaneo had stored in a baby-food jar. He says it wasn't so much the explosion but rather the shrapnel that caused the most damage. "The glass just totally splintered. I was holding it in my right hand, which got taken off at the wrist." The impact also destroyed most of his left hand. He was rushed to the Stanford Medical Center, where a surgeon salvaged part of one finger on the



left hand as well as Lazaneo's left thumb.

Today Lazaneo acknowledges he was lucky the explosion didn't kill him or some other innocent party. "I kept this stuff in my room, in a bottom drawer." His mother or someone else in the household might have come upon it, he reflects.

Recovering from the accident caused him to miss the first half of his senior

year, but he was back in class during the second half."I'd gone to summer school some, so I had enough units left to graduate with my class." Subsequent surgeries helped to rehabilitate the left hand. He learned to use a hook to replace the right one. He enrolled as a math major at his local junior college, but after one year, his interest in math waned. Finally a nurseryman suggested he study horticulture, so he enrolled at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, "And in my first quarter down there, I realized this was something I really loved." Although the explosion had severely damaged the cornea of his left eye, he had some vision in his right one. With magnification,"I could focus on books. Holding them fairly closely, I could read. Even in college, I was able to use a microscope for bacteriology class. I could view an insect collection and other things of that sort. I was fortunate having good enough reading sight to get through my education."

With his bachelor's degree in ornamental horticulture, Lazaneo moved back to the San Jose area and worked in a retail nursery. He says he enjoyed taking care of and learning more about plants, but after six months,"I realized that what I really liked best was interacting with people ---helping them select plants and understand what they needed to do to have success with them." Reasoning that he should become a teacher, Lazaneo wound up getting a master's degree in horticulture from the University of California at Davis, with a secondary credential in vocational education.

He had married by then, and after his graduation from Davis, he moved to Sacramento, where his wife was working. As he hunted for a job, he says he "ran into a bit of a catch-22." Most of the high schools wanted to hire teachers who could drive, something that Lazaneo's vision prohibited. "Also, because I had a master's degree, they would have had to pay at a higher scale," another strike against him. Community colleges, on the other hand, didn't require driving skills, "But they typically wanted teach-



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ers who had had some experience in high school."

One day Lazaneo was rebuilding a fence at the back of the property that he and his wife were renting when he began chatting with the neighbor behind them. "He took an interest in me and asked if I wanted to go downtown and talk to one of the county supervisors about finding some kind of a position." Assuming that the older man wielded political connections, Lazaneo agreed and was surprised to find that his patron was making a cold call. "But he played up my strengths," Lazaneo says, and the result was his winning an internship at the UC Cooperative Extension office for Sacramento County. When the internship ended, he applied for and got the job in the San Diego County Cooperative Extension office.

Lazaneo says people



often express confusion about the Cooperative Extension. "It's really a cooperative program between three levels of government, which is quite unique in the United States, or anywhere. Typically, if you go to any organization, it's either federal, state, county, local, or private." In contrast, "We do this balancing act here."

He says the concept originated at the beginning of the 20th Century, when Congress saw a need for

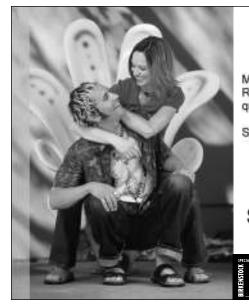
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research to improve America's agricultural practices. So federal legislators permitted the states to sell federal land in order to raise the money to start colleges where agricultural studies would be conducted. Some years later, Lazaneo recounts, the lawmakers realized that knowledge being developed at the "land-grant" colleges wasn't reaching the farmers. So Congress created the Agricultural Extension service (later renamed Cooperative Extension) to help disseminate the research findings.

Lazaneo says today there are Cooperative Extension programs in every state. "It's become a very successful model that many other countries in the world have tried to copy." San Diegans often assume that the office is part of UCSD, but this is incorrect. "We're part of the university's statewide system." The administrative headquarters is located in Oakland. State money pays the salaries of all the "farm and home advisors," while the federal government contributes funds to support specific programs. The County of San Diego

provides a building (at the County Operations Center at the end of Overland Avenue in Kearny Mesa), along with secretarial support, supplies, and county cars.

When he was hired to work in this office in 1977, it already had farm advisers who specialized in commercial floriculture, avocados and citrus, vegetables, landscape trees, and other subjects. But Lazaneo was the first person ever given the job of communicating University of California research findings exclusively to home gardeners. Unfortunately, he "had a couple of episodes of the [eye] disease, and in 1980, it actually caused enough damage in my right eye - which was the only eve I was seeing out of at that time — that it caused the retina to detach." Rendered totally blind, Lazaneo says he got "mobility



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training," and his doctors also took another hard look at the eye that had been damaged in his explosives accident. They found "there was a little bit of retina still functional, so they did a cornea transplant and allowed the light to get in, so I could see a little bit with that."

He could no longer discern the shapes of letters, but the university agreed to provide him with assistance so he could continue to do his work. Three women share the job of serving as his reader. Two days a week, Joanna McClure attends to this. A goodnatured, energetic woman with short dark hair, McClure first met Lazaneo when her husband, Lew Gary, enrolled in the Master Gardener class of 1989. Gary had retired the previous year, and he and McClure were up to their ears in a gardening project.



In 1985, they had moved into a new home at the end of a cul-de-sac in Rancho Bernardo. It sat on compacted fill. "You couldn't dig anywhere without a pick or a digging bar," McClure says. When she and Gary

hacked their way into the hard, barren clay, they discovered an amazing assortment of rubbish.

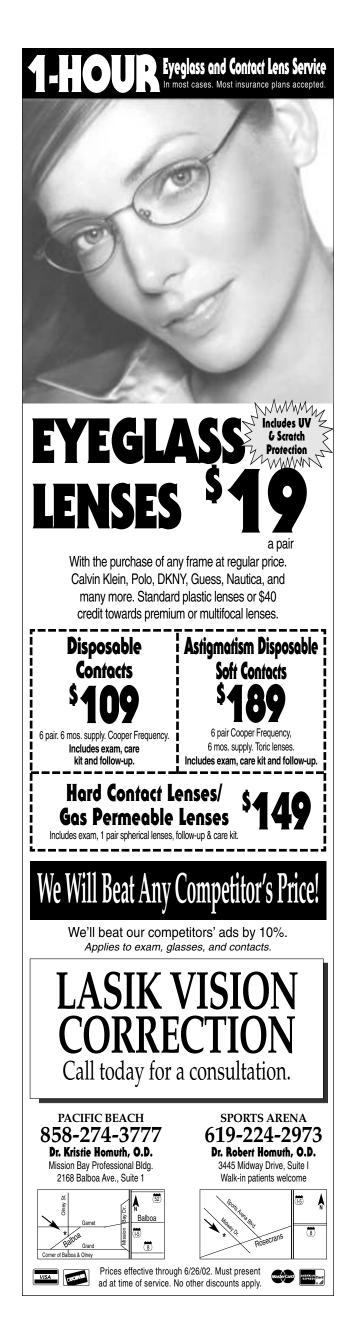
Today in the compact front yard, a riot of roses, irises, daylilies, and various annuals erupt under an eastern redbud tree, while an ornamental plum tree shelters a rock garden planted with succulents. The lot is shaped like a slice of pie, much bigger in the back, and there McClure and Gary have created an exuberant horticultural wonderland. Thirty or 40 camellias fill one long bed on the north side of the house, while three or four times that many rosebushes thrive all over the property. Hanging baskets hold rat-tail cactus, hoyas, and epiphyllum. Other containers cradle epidendrums, a tiny orchid that hummingbirds adore. In two ponds, fish live among grasses, zephyr lilies, papyrus. About five years ago, Gary added a complicated modeltrain layout that runs around the ponds and through the back yard. "We like whimsy, so there's a lot of little things going on," McClure acknowledges. At one point, for example, the track passes a miniature farmhouse, complete with tiny laundry hanging on a tiny clothesline. Nearby a little plastic wolf chases a little plastic cat, which in turn is chasing a little plastic bird. McClure has planted bonsai — Japanese elm, leptospermum — and the scale matches the scale of the model trains. Every May, columbines spring up and tower over the scene.

A former middle school vice principal, McClure retired in mid-1996, after that year's Master Gardener class had already started. She enrolled in the next one (held in 1999), but by then she had already begun working for Lazaneo, a situation she describes as the ultimate educational experience. "What's in the man's mind is tremendous," she comments. "We're all in awe."

As his reader, "You're his hands and his eyes. Like for example, he gets a telephone call and he'll say to me, 'Would you look under such and such?' I'll pull it out, and he'll ask, 'What does that say regarding management?' So I'll read that *continued on page 40*













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to him. Then he'll ask me to make a couple of copies and get material together to be mailed out." Or McClure will read website screens aloud. Longer material, like books, she sometimes takes home and records on tape.

Tape recorders have become a powerful tool in Lazaneo's mangled hands, according to Gary. When the gardening adviser lectures, he dons a headset connected to a tape recorder that holds his notes. On his desk at work, he relies upon similar aids. "When you sit at your desk, you're looking at your computer screen or you're looking at reference material," Gary says, explaining that Lazaneo, in contrast, knows what's on each tape in each of the three machines on his desk. "He'll say, 'Oh, So-and-So called,' and he goes and touches this tape recorder and he finds that message."

"In the morning," McClure chimed in, "he gets there at eight o'clock." In the half hour before his reader arrives, "He's getting messages off his voice mail, and he puts all his notes into a tape recorder. Then he returns some of the calls if he can." When McClure arrives, he might ask her to find a phone number. "So she'll go to the Rolodex," McClure's husband explained. "But Vincent will have already dialed nine," and he'll be waiting for McClure to read off the number so he can punch it in.

In addition to being Lazaneo's reader, McClure was just re-elected president of the Master Gardener Association. Her husband held that job in the early '90s, and he still devotes countless hours to the group. It was Gary's idea to start the spring gardening seminar, and every year he chairs that event, overseeing the work of a dozen or so lieutenants. He says Lazaneo somehow keeps track of everything that each of the organizers is doing, and sometimes the farm advisor jumps in and attends to problems himself. "We had trouble, for example, with flimsy easels at the seminar for years," McClure stated. "Well, last year Vincent got plywood and other lumber and piano hinges."





Using his hook, one thumb, and one finger, he built a half-dozen big sandwich boards. "And they look really nice," McClure exclaimed. "I mean, the guy does everything!"

She and Gary say Lazaneo also organizes research projects. On two occasions, he's gotten Master Gardeners to collect soil amendments from nurseries all over the county; then he sent samples of each to UC Davis for analysis. "And then he publishes this research paper which tells you what the electrical conductivity is, what the salt content is," Gary said. "You can look at the chart and figure out which soil amendment you want to use."

"But he doesn't just open the bag and take a few handfuls," McClure interposed. "We empty almost the entire bag in a wheelbarrow, and we totally mix it up."

"And [samples] go into refrigerators so they won't go bad until we can ship them."

They say Lazaneo in the past has organized field trials of numerous plants. With the aid of the Master Gardeners, he has tested hot pepper spray on ants. McClure hooted at the thought of yet another recent Lazaneo brainstorm. She explained that a question had arisen regarding decollate snails, a predacious mollusk that gardeners sometimes release to control the ubiquitous plant-eating brown garden snails. Although the decollates are known to devour the brown garden snail eggs and babies, "Nobody seems to know whether they also will eat slugs," McClure said. Lazaneo had consulted with various snail experts but failed to get a satisfactory answer.



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So she took him down to Home Depot, where they bought four ten-inch flowerpots. "He's going to plant radish seeds; then he's going to get some decollate snails and a slug for every one." He plans to devise some way of keeping them all from escaping, "And he's going to study this, darn it! If he can't find anyone to tell him, he's going to find it out for himself."

Whatever he finds out about the slug-eating capacity of the decollates he will pass on to the Master Gardeners. They will then have an answer when someone calls the hot line to ask if the snails eat slugs. This hot line is a remarkable resource. You can dial 858-694-2860 and pose a gardening question 24 hours a day. If you call at 3:00 a.m., you'll have to leave your query on an answering machine, but from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. every Monday through Friday, Master Gardeners report in person to return the messages and field new calls as they come in.

This task frightens some of the volunteers, says McClure, who adds, "This is understandable. You're supposed to be a Master Gardener and know everything, but you get questions, and sometimes you don't have a clue." The crowded office where the volunteers staff the hot line is a rich repository of gardening wisdom, however. Bookshelves along one wall hold volumes with titles such as Begonias, Edible Weeds, Vegetable Diseases and Their Control, The Hive and the Honey Bee, Weed Science, The Hoya Handbook, Flowering Trees of the World, Cacti and Other Succulents. The Art of Flower Arranging. Binders labeled "citrus," "avocado," "vertebrates," "invertebrates," "turf," "landscape ornamentals," "containers," and other topics stand within arm's reach of the phones. Bulletin boards display lists of arborists, poisonous plants, sources of mulch.

Kathryn Kremer was on duty on the spring morning when I came to observe the hot line in action. Kremer got her initial Master Gardener training in the second class ever given, back in 1984. A Del Mar resident, she has a slight, boyish figure and short-cropped silver hair that sweeps back from her face in a graceful wave. That day she wore jeans, white running shoes, a ribbed red sweater, and a gray cardigan, and every time the phone rang, she answered it with the sweet, soothing voice of a librarian: "Master Gardener. May I help you?"

Often two volunteers work the hot line at the same time, and the veterans say there are days - typically in spring or fall right after a warm and sunny weekend — when both phones ring nonstop. On a dreary Wednesday in December, in contrast, there might be only one or two calls all morning. On Kremer's Monday morning shift, she fielded a steady but manageable flow of questions. Her first caller asked for advice on fertilizing citrus and avocado trees, and Kremer offered to mail out instruction sheets written by Lazaneo. Next someone had heard that it was good to apply sulfate of potash to roses but didn't know where to buy it. (Try Butler's Mill or Home Depot, Kremer suggested.) Then a young man called to find

out when the next Master Gardener training would be given. (Not until January 2003.)

Around 10:00 a.m. Kremer found herself talking to a lady whose ice plant had started dying about two years earlier. She had tried to replace it as it died, but still the damage had continued, and the woman had been informed that the problem was root rot. Now she had a wedding coming up in her family, and she wanted her landscaping to look its best for the occasion, three months away. She wanted to know if one of the Master Gardeners could confirm the diagnosis and recommend another ground cover."I would think it probably is root rot," murmured Kremer, sympathetic. "That's very, very frustrating." Unfortunately, she told the woman, the Master Gardeners were unable to make house calls, but she suggested that perhaps a landscape designer might do so.

Moments later, Kremer was listening to another tale of root-rot woe, this one from a man in Fallbrook. The water-mold fungi had caused an oak tree on his property to topple over, and he was thinking of replacing it with an incense cedar. But he wanted to know if this variety of cedar would also be susceptible to root rot. Kremer grabbed a copy of the Sunset Western Garden Book and looked up the tree but found no discussion of root rot. She promised to do some research and call him back. Calls interrupted her (How do you plant garlic? What's a good variety of mango to grow in San Diego? How do you disinfect a pot that has contained basil plagued



by fungus?) as she darted from one reference to another. But eventually Kremer exclaimed, "Got it!" Within *The Ortho Problem Solver*, she'd found a list of plants resistant to *Armillaria* root rot (the type that plagues oaks). On the list was the incense cedar. With a pleased look on her face, Kremer called back the Fallbrook resident.

"Boy, was that ever a nice call," she declared after speaking to him. "He was *so* appreciative!" Asked what her favorite calls were, Kremer shot back: "The kinds I know the answers to!" Among the easier ones are those from beginning gardeners. They often ask what they should plant, and Kre-



mer says she tries to find out the general categories of things they want to grow. Then she recommends specimens that are the most likely to succeed: bird of paradise or escallonia or flax for perennials, for example; or freesias for bulbs; or tomatoes or beans for someone with a hankering to start a vegetable garden.

Other callers have moved to San Diego from the East or the South, where gardening conditions are so different "that it's almost like starting all over again." Still others who call the hot line are longtime gardeners with a lot of experience who can't find the answer to their question anywhere else.

"Those are the tough

ones." In such cases, Kremer often consults Lazaneo. "Vince knows everything about everything. When he hears something, he remembers it. If he doesn't know the answer, it hasn't been determined." Joanna McClure says sometimes newer Master Gardeners express remorse about having to bother Lazaneo."But he says to us, 'Don't ever feel that way!' "She admires Lazaneo's boundless patience with interruptions. She told me about the time he was embroiled in revising an administrative handbook, a taxing job requiring concentrated thought. "The phone would ring, and no matter what he was doing, he'd pick it up and sit back and whatever amount of

time it took to answer that person's question, he took it. I was amazed. I thought, 'Had that been me, I would have been so impatient to get this darn thing finished' — as I know he was." Her tense impatience would have been detectable, she says. "But he acts as if he doesn't have another thing going! He just sits back and he talks and he talks." He takes the caller's name and address, offers to look things up and send more information."To him the important thing is that people who need help get the right help, and he gives it to them."

In addition to handling the most challenging calls, conducting research, and overseeing the organization of the annual gardening seminar, Lazaneo shoulders a number of other tasks. When a new crop of Master Gardeners is being trained, he teaches some of the classes and lines up experts to cover other topics. For years, he also has written a monthly column for the San Diego Union-Tribune's Sunday "Homescape" section. Often these essays alert readers to new pests that have arrived to further complicate the local gardening landscape.

Over the years, Lazaneo says he's seen a predictable pattern in people's responses to unwelcome newcomers: "Panic at first and then denial." In the second stage people insist "there must be something that'll take care of it," he says. Only later comes "a realization that, no, this is the way it is now." Then the person growing the infected plant faces a tough decision: "Are you going to continue growing it, or are you going to try and substitute something else?"

Sometimes a storybook solution does materialize for a pest problem. Lazaneo says one of the most ideal pests to come along during his years in San Diego County was the ash whitefly, first discovered in California in 1988. Native to the Mediterranean area, this insect made a home for itself in ash, apple, pear, pomegranate, and other stone fruit trees throughout the state, and its population exploded. At the height of the infestation,

"We had people calling in who couldn't go out in their back yard and eat on the patio because the whitefly were falling like snow all over the yard," Lazaneo recalls. But entomologists at UC Riverside quickly identified and imported a parasite that feeds on the ash whitefly, a tiny stingless encarsia wasp. These were released, and before long the ash whitefly had disappeared from the consciousness of the ordinary homeowner. It still can be found in California, Lazaneo says, but in such low numbers that "we never hear of it causing any problem that concerns people anymore."

Unfortunately, the result of trying to pit one bug



against another often turns out to be less dramatic, Lazaneo says. One case in point is what happened to the plant known as eugenia (Syzygium paniculatum). A tall, narrow tree, the eugenia is much beloved in California for its ability to serve as a hedge. But in 1988 the red-tinged leaves of local specimens began curling into ugly claws covered with scrofulous red bumps. This transformation proved to be the handiwork of a tiny sucking insect, a psyllid that originated in Australia. The pest added insult to injury by coating the eugenia leaves with a sweet excrement that grew an unsightly black mold.

Faced with no way to wipe out the offending bugs, "Many people stopped buying eugenia," Lazaneo says. "And a lot of nurseries stopped selling them. Some people cut down their hedges and replaced them with either a fence or some other plant material." Three years after the pest first appeared, entomologists found a parasite from Australia, another stingless wasp from the genus Tamarixia. "Wasps reared in quarantine were shipped to cooperating University of California farm advisers in county extension offices for release at field test sites," Lazaneo reported in an April 2000 Union-Tribune column recapping the saga. "In San Diego County, the eugenia psyllid was successfully controlled within a few months by a single release of 600 Tamarixia wasps." Nonetheless, "Every spring when the weather begins to warm and eugenia produces the first flush of tender new growth, the phone starts ringing. Callers ask why the parasites aren't working anymore or if they have all died and where they can buy more." The problem is

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that the wasps aren't as active in cool weather, so until the summer warms up, some leaves on some eugenia plants — particularly those near the coast — will be damaged.

Efforts to vanquish the giant whitefly with biological control agents have proven more frustrating, according to Lazaneo. First discovered here in October 1992, the giant whitefly is the largest of the whitefly species to settle in these parts. Although entomologists know that it comes from somewhere in Central or South America, they're not sure of the exact point of origin. But that's the best place to look for a bug's natural enemies. Lazaneo says researchers have managed to find a little lady beetle and at least three wasp parasites that feed on giant whitefly larvae. These have all been released. "They've become established and they're helping. But all of them together are still providing much less than optimum control," he says.

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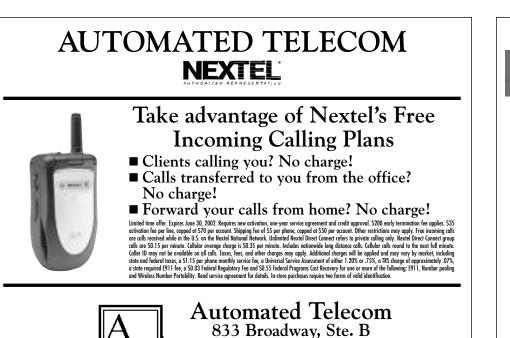
Lazaneo thinks eventually the giant whitefly will come to share the fate of the wooly whitefly, a similar pest that harassed local gardeners and growers during the 1950s. After the introduction of five or six different parasites, it finally ceased to be a major problem, though Lazaneo says the wooly whitefly still gets out of control from time to time, when people fail to manage ants and the ants eat the wooly whitefly predators. The giant whitefly will probably also be controlled at some point, he believes, but in the meantime, Lazaneo notes that economic factors help explain the slow progress in controlling the nuisance. When agricultural pests arise, farmers often pool their resources to fund research into fighting them. He cites the money that growers have con-

tributed to battling Pierce's disease, which is devastating commercial wine and table-grape production all over the state. When it comes to urban ornamentals, however, it's far more difficult to muster funds to support research such as scouting for parasites and getting them through the quarantine process. Some exceptions do occur. Lazaneo says Disneyland kicked in money to fight the eugenia psyllid. "They have miles of eugenia topiary and hedge. And obviously they don't want to be spraying all the time in a theme park." Similarly, Caltrans "is interested in the oleander leaf scorch because of the miles that they have planted along their freeways." But when it comes to something like saving hibiscus from the giant whitefly, it's difficult to come up with a good funding source."And without that, things move very slowly."

Despite the limitations of implementing biological control, Lazaneo describes himself as a "strong supporter" of using it to keep exotic pests in check. At the same time, he says it's not his place to tell people they should never use pesticides. "If you're a rose exhibitionist who has to grow that perfect flower to win the top trophy, well, your tolerance is going to be very low for any kind of damage. You're going to do a lot more to try and get that [prizewinner] than somebody who just has a rose garden for cut flowers and landscape use." He also points out that as broadspectrum toxic pesticides have been phased out, "newer materials are starting to come to the market that are used at much lower dosages with much less damage to the environment." These include insecticidal soaps and horticultural oils, synthetic pyrethroids (based on pyrethrin, which is derived from a natural source), and systemic products that only affect the leaves and foliage of the plants to which they are applied. Lazaneo says newer



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ant baits have come out "that are very effective at very low dosages in controlling ant colonies." Individual ants take the poison back to the colony and share it with others. Some new termite-control products work the same way.

The gardening adviser thinks the judicious use of less-toxic pesticides can be the best solution to certain pest infestations. But "people tend to be of one extreme or the other," he remarks. "Some people don't want to use any pesticides, while others still have the concept that the only good bug's a dead bug." Furthermore, since home gardeners are neither trained in pesticide use nor subject to the regulatory scrutiny that farmers endure, Lazaneo says he often sees the philosophy: "If one glug is good, two glugs are better." He doesn't approve of this. "I would certainly encourage people to do things that are consistent with environmental stewardship and sustainability. But that will happen at some point anyway," he reflects. Some homeowners, upon hearing that organophosphates were being phased out, may have rushed out and stocked up Dursban and Diazanon. "But as that inventory is used up, at some point the regulatory process will have the desired effect. The material just won't be on the market."

His attitude toward the use of water is similar. "We've defied the desert here," he states. "Over 90 percent of our water is imported, and that does concern me." Yet at least for the moment, "There are still a lot of people out there with an image in their mind of that northern, wet, lush landscape. Or a tropical one, for that matter. We're very fortunate here to have a climate that allows us to grow a lot of tropical and semitropical plants that wouldn't grow here on their own because we don't have the weather and the rain to support them. So we create this artificial environment, and it's verv nice to do that." Lazaneo says he's heard the question, "Well, why should I conserve? I'm just saving water for somebody else to use in a new development," and it's not that easy to answer. He thinks if the cur-



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Since 1985, Lazaneo and his wife have lived in a single-story house on a sunny street in Mira Mesa. He says they chose it because it was affordable and located near a bus route that provides him with transportation to his office. But if he had been picking a site for its horticultural potential, he would have settled elsewhere, he told me. "This end of the street was the top of a hill," he explained. After it was leveled, almost no topsoil remained. "You go down, like, 6 inches, and you're into jackhammer time. Maybe you can get down, oh, 14 inches or so in spots, with a little effort." Some of his neighbors' yards contain little more than Bermuda grass.

In contrast, Lazaneo's house looks like it belongs to someone with a serious interest in plants. At the front of his property, Lazaneo has created islands of beauty. From a large raised bed adjoining his driveway spills a wild profusion of blood red ranunculus. Pink campanula, pastel yellow foxgloves, columbines, daisies, johnny-jump-ups, and Pacific giant delphiniums jostle together farther back. Roses, daylilies, and lisianthus brighten containers.

However, the overall aspect of Lazaneo's front vard evokes a nursery rather than a showplace. Most of the ground is dirt, but on it sit an assortment of containers. Some are large planters, built by Lazaneo with help from his fatherin-law and a friend. Whiskey barrels and 15-gallon pots and other receptacles make up part of the assembly. In some of the containers, Lazaneo grows plants that offer pleasure as much from scent as appearance. He has an allspice tree whose leaves, when crushed, are redolent of the cooking spice. He grows a California bay tree whose aroma reminds him of the bay trees growing wild near Los Gatos. In pots near his front walkway, ginger lilies produce penetrating, perfumy spikes. Regal lilies "bloom very big luscious heads, not just at Easter time," he noted. "And they're very fragrant."

Lazaneo every spring reserves space in one for tomatoes (Celebrities and San Diego hybrids this year). He pointed out a Bibb-type lettuce with a robust, thicktextured leaf growing next to his young tomato plants. An elderly Master Gardener years ago gave Lazaneo the seeds for it. "He called it Italian health lettuce, and I've really enjoyed it. Every two or three years, I let some go to seed and try to protect it from the little finches around here." Lazaneo harvests the seed and replants it. He says the lettuce reminds him of the man, since deceased, who first shared it with him.

On the day that I visited, Lazaneo was also growing sugar snap peas and Swiss chard and raspberries and blueberries. He's tried different varieties of the latter. One called "misty" had flourished, but another, Cape Fear, had fallen prey to a dense infestation of giant whitefly. Lazaneo had cut it back to branches and was looking forward to finding out if it would survive.

He was planning other experiments for the dozen or so royal apricots that filled the 15-gallon pots along his fence. Because that variety of the fruit has a higher chilling requirement, "A lot of years you don't get a crop down here. The beds need to have a certain amount of cold during the winter." Lazaneo said researchers at UC Davis had found that if you cover the branches of some deciduous fruit trees with nontoxic white paint, the paint appeared to reflect heat during the day and encourage fruit production. So Lazaneo tried that the winter before last. "It didn't seem



to make any difference," he said. He also had heard stories of people getting more fruit by putting ice around tree trunks. "I know of no theoretical reason why that should work. But I thought, okay. I can treat half of these." He put a little sleeve around the trunks of every other tree, and for two or three weeks last winter, he filled the sleeves with ice. He says all the trees set a lot of fruit, but it also happened to be a very cold winter. He plans to continue experimenting. Considering all that he

knows about gardening, all that he's learned in his job over the years, I wondered if he ever has failures in his own vard. He sounded startled and amused by the question. "Oh! All the time! All the time!" Even with tomatoes, which Lazaneo has grown "almost every year of my life," he has good years and bad years. "Even when you do everything right ----you have proper soil preparation, a good bed, and you plant them when it's warm enough — the weather may turn suddenly very hot, which would affect them, or we may have more whitefly or spider mites or something that will show up.

Now, to a certain extent. you can plan for these ahead of time. But there are always surprises. And that's part of the fun and the challenge of it. It's never static."

Lazaneo lived in an apartment when he was studying at UC Davis. "I had a little garden plot where

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I grew vegetables. But in the apartment, all I could have was a little fluorescent light fixture that I made." He says he started out by placing under the light about three dozen little plants in threeor four-inch pots. He didn't know much about indoor foliage plants then. So when-

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ever a plant languished, he discarded it. After a few years, "I ended up with about a dozen plants that were well-adapted to my environment there — the light and humidity and the kind of care that I could give them at the time. And people would come by and say, 'Oh! You've got *marvelous* plants! How do you do it?' Well, it was just a process of selection."

Nowadays, he says he always tries new things and they often flop. "But that's how you learn. A lot of new gardeners figure there must be a formula for success and if you follow it, you're guaranteed success." But the process matters more than the results, he believes. "Certainly people enjoy the results, but I think people who like gardening enjoy the process — the journey — as much as the destination."

I asked Lazaneo if right after his accident he had thought that his injuries might force him to give up gardening. "No, that never crossed my mind," he answered, as if the notion were a little ridiculous. After a beat, he added, deadpan, "I had to give up touchtyping."

Lazaneo isn't a man to draw attention to his disabilities. Only when asked a direct question about them does he address the subject. Then he answers with the same calm patience he displays when fielding inquiries about whiteflies or geranium propagation or tomato fertilizers. In the spring of 2001, when he still retained enough of his vision to distinguish light from dark objects, I had asked if he expected to continue gardening should he lose all his remaining sight. He had admitted he was unsure.

"I don't know how much my relationship with plants will change then," he said at the time. "It's something you really can't plan for. So you just go on and

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What happened, as it turned out, was that his eye disease progressed still further last December and he was plunged into total darkness. Barring some biotechnological breakthrough to rehabilitate ruined retinas, he's likely to be blind for the rest of his life. Several months after this last optical catastrophe occurred, he reported that he was using his other senses more. He was beginning to get more comfortable while walking.

He admitted to feeling sad at times about his inability to see the wonders of the verdant earth. He'd just

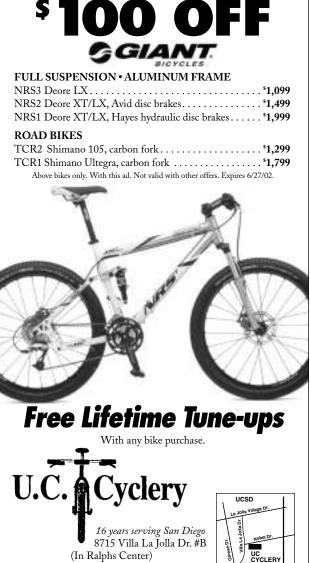
made a field trip with Joanna McClure and some of the other Master Gardeners to the Paul Ecke Ranch in North County. McClure described to Lazaneo the plants that she and the others were seeing, and he says he could appreciate them. But he missed not being able to take in the beauty with his own eyes. At the same time, he's learned this spring that he is still able to enjoy his own gardening a great deal. "I can't appreciate it as fully as I did before, and I think over the years the types of plants that I grow will vary a little bit. But I think that I always will garden," he con-

cluded. The pleasure persisted.

The need to teach San Diego County residents about gardening also seems certain not to disappear. Lazaneo says one of the frustrations of his job is that he can never feel as if he's taught everyone about anything. "You can never say, 'Well, okay. I've taken care of that.' There's always somebody new or somebody who hasn't heard, even though you've promoted it as heavily as you can. There's always going to be somebody, even now, saying, 'I've got little red bumps on my eugenia. What is that?"

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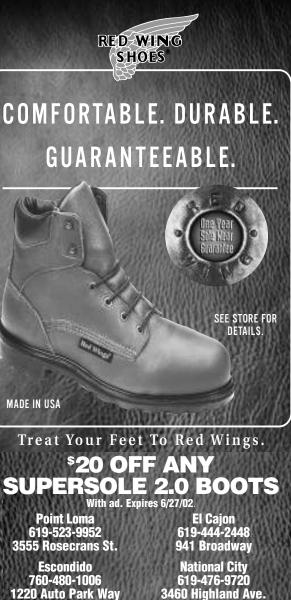
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"I don't cook," says Kim as I enter her kitchen. "My kids will tell you this. I don't cook. We're really busy during the week. Usually, everybody just fends for themselves, you know? Popcorn, cold cereal... I've been cooking more since my eldest son came back for a short while, but I don't know; I just don't cook a lot. I don't have a big variety, but we do okay; we've made out okay."

Kim does not cook, but she is cooking tonight. "I'm having candied yams, which I've never made before. Blackeyed peas — you ever have black-eyed peas?" I have not. "I'm gonna fry some chicken, which I do pretty good — I guess you've had a lot of fried chicken. Cornbread, box cornbread, and what else did I have...rice." The event cooking — has not passed unnoticed. "I got the recipe for the candied yams from my sister — she's the queen of sweet potatoes, or candied yams, as she'd say. My sister asked, "Who's coming over? Why you cooking? You don't cook! We're coming by; we want to see who's coming over.' I never cook — I just got away from it."

Kim's sister felt the rumblings in Spring Valley, but the epicenter is here in Casa de Oro, and those most affected are at least as curious. "My kids were, like, 'Who's coming over? Who's coming over?' because I very seldom have company over. I said, 'Your potential stepdaddy's coming over.' " She smiles at the memory of the joke and busies herself with the potatoes.

"I boiled them already, until they were tender in the middle. That's what I was told to do. One sister boils them, the other doesn't." She slices the peeled potatoes and lays a single layer of slices in the bottom of a glass loaf pan. "So, put the sugar in — she told me once how to do it, and when we talked again, she said, 'Now, don't forget your sugar.' I said, 'Sugar? You didn't mention that the first time. I'm glad I went over this.' "Kim does not measure the sugar, just scoops it into a coffee cup and ladles it in. She follows the sugar with nutmeg, then slices an orange (with the skin still on) into rounds and lays in a layer of that. "Seems like I'm missing something...oh, vanilla. She told me vanilla, just a little bit." Another layer of potatoes and more sugar. "Little more sugar...a lot of sugar...little more sugar. My sister's are so good. I hope this is right— I may not even have enough sugar. Hers are sweet, but they're good." Foil covers the top of the loaf pan, and it goes into the oven — almost.

but you've got to do some things.' It's working out; it's kind of crowded, but it's working out okay. They get into it every now and then, but that's on his lease agreement: No bickering with ing was, 'They're discriminating against us because we're not as [unfortunate]' — it's a Section 8 place now. 'That's not fair; how they gonna put us out?' That's just my opinion, but I still don't think it's right. Just because they get their money from the federal government, they shouldn't be able to have choice housing." A legal secretary, Kim sought legal recourse, call-

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The sweet potatoes' place in the preheated oven has been occupied by a cardboard pizza box, and the stink of baking paper billows forth when Kim opens the oven door. "Oh, Dijon," she sighs, instantly assigning responsibility to her younger son, who is in his room adjacent to the kitchen. "Dijon!" she calls. "You left the pizza box in here!"

"I know — for a reason," he calls back, in a tone of youthful self-assurance. "But I'm trying to use the oven, child!"

"I didn't know. The reason that thing is there is because of the way you've got it set up in the refrigerator."

"Well, you could have changed the setup, you know. GT [Kim's older son George] was just asking if there was any more pizza, and I told him no, because I didn't see any in the freezer." Out comes the pizza box with its one slice of cardboard-infused pizza; in go the potatoes. "When people do come over," she says to me, "they say that me and the youngest one [Dijon], they say, 'Y'all are like a husband and a wife. That's all you do, is argue. How long y'all been married?' That's my ace, though, that's my ace. It was just me and him until a month ago. Then my other son — he's in the Navy; he's going to be stationed in Chicago in March — he said, 'Can I move back?' He's stationed in Balboa. I think after September 11 he just wanted to be closer to home. I was, like, 'I guess so,



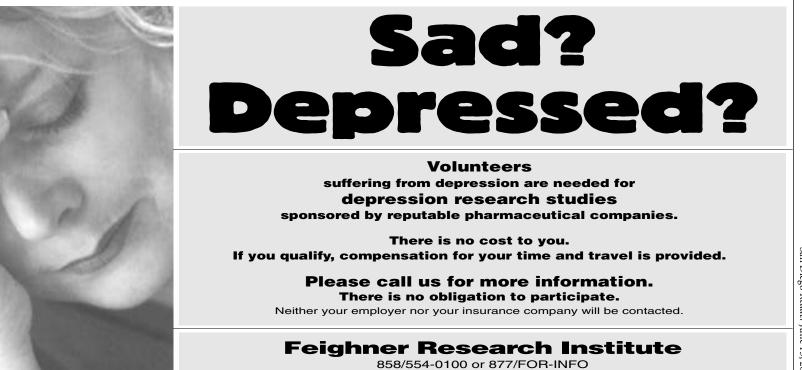
your brother."

Had George moved back a year ago, it wouldn't have been quite so crowded. It also wouldn't have been here. "I used to live across the street," explains Kim. "Very nice apartment. Very reasonable rent; I was paying about \$600 [for two bedrooms and two baths]. Very clean. It had a big French window on one side, a kitchen facing the street. My son, he had a balcony in his room, and there was a balcony in the front room. The carpet was blue. It was nice."

But then last May, "The owner sold the building, and the new owner turned it into a rehab house. So everybody had to get out. I was so mad. I was, like, 'They can't do that.' My thinking state and local governments and even some lawyers, but to no avail. She had to find a new apartment.

"When I started looking, I couldn't find anything I could afford. All the places — you know, nice, decent places — around here were almost \$800. Even the landlords couldn't believe it was happening. Honey, I went everywhere; I was trying to stay in the area, because my son was in school. It was wild. I saw some onebedrooms, \$805. I was this close to moving into a one-bedroom — I had, like, five days to get out — and this place came open. It was just a blessing that came right out of the sky, because I didn't know what I was going

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to do."

The rent is a little higher here, and there is one less bathroom, which adds to the crowding. She guesses that the carpet — a worn, stained greenish brown ---is the original. "I would like a new carpet; I talked to them about it, but they never got back to me, so it's probably a no." I comment that the tan paint job on the walls looks new. "Yeah, but vou know what? I ain't trving to complain, but you can tell it's thick. It's been spray-painted, spray-painted a lot of times." Still, she is grateful to have found it. "If they give me that new carpet, I ain't going nowhere,

because I like this. I like the location."

Except for one year back East, Kim has lived in Southern California since she came here with her first husband, a Navy man, in 1980. She was born and raised in Detroit. "I've lived in Long Beach, Oceanside, San Diego, and Spring Valley," she recalls. "I've moved around a lot, but just in the same area." Her sisters followed her west — besides her sister in Spring Valley, she has another in Long Beach. Mom followed her children — they had the grandchildren, after all — to the L.A. area, but after her retirement, Mom moved to Las

Vegas. "Mom packed up her parents and moved them out there." I don't know what she likes about it — she just likes the people, the atmosphere, I guess. She's not

rinsing rice in the sink."Mv aunt told me, 'Don't do that,' but I like to wash it off. She says I'm washing all the nutrients out, but I don't like all that white [residue]."

The rice goes into a saucepan

with water, and Kim starts

it boiling. "Okay, got the

rice started. Get the corn-

bread started. Cornbread

out of a box is all it is. Like

With her fingers she picks off whatever bits of excess fat she can and places them in the coffee cup she used to pour sugar on the sweet potatoes.

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a big gambler. She packed up her parents and moved them out there. She comes to visit maybe once every two months."

As she talks, Kim begins

I said, I don't know how to cook that much, so I kind of dabble here and there." She rummages around in a cabinet for a muffin tin, pours a dollop of vegetable oil into each depression so that the muffins won't stick, and begins mixing the cornbread batter. Throughout her preparations, she adds water to the rice as it boils dry. She tosses in a little salt. Once the cornbread batter is poured, it goes into the oven beside the sweet potatoes, and Kim begins work on the chicken.

She opens a large pack of wings and thighs, noting, "I won't cook all this meat; I'll freeze some of it."

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Then she rinses each piece under the faucet in the sink. With her fingers she picks off whatever bits of excess fat she can and places them in the coffee cup she used to pour sugar on the sweet potatoes. She lays the pieces of chicken out on a jellyroll pan and begins the sprinkling: first, a little Accent; second, some lemon and herb seasoning; third, a generous dash of Lawry's seasoned salt. "I use that on everything," she attests. "I'll get this seasoned, and then I'll fire up the grease." After the sprinkling, each piece is shaken in a bag with flour. Then Kim fires up the grease, which means pouring about

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Kim cleans as she goes;

now, she pours the contents of the chicken-fat cup into the now-empty cornbread mix box and drops the box into the trash. Otherwise, "It would leak out onto the floor." She checks the grease by dipping in the tip of a chicken wing; nothing happens. "It would start frying if it was hot enough. It would be bubbling." But while the grease isn't bubbling, a check inside the oven reveals that the sweet potatoes are. Kim's normally alto voice breaks

into a delighted soprano. "I see the bubbling! This is the first time I've cooked... Bubbling!" She calls to her boys, hidden away in the bedrooms. "The candied yams are bubbling, you guys! Making progress!"

It is clear that, regardless of her claim that she doesn't cook, Kim did cook once. She has consulted no cookbooks, made no measurements. Everything has been synchronized; each job done at the appropriate time. She is too efficient in planning and in her motions to be a stranger to the kitchen. "I'm really a smart person, I just don't like to cook," she says. "I mean, I'm not motivated to cook. I feel like I'm just all cooked out."

"Did you cook for a long time?"

"I thought it was a long time. Three husbands you know, breakfast, lunch and dinner. I couldn't do that for no 30 years. No, no, I don't think... No, I know I can't. I don't even know why I said, 'I think.' No, I couldn't do that. My mother wasn't a motivated cook; that's what I blame it on. I don't think my mother ever cooked a cake. That's not saying anything bad, it's just that I don't recall her ever cooking a cake. We ate rice almost every day — rice with gravy, rice with butter, red rice. The first time I got married, I didn't cook rice for years. You have to really be dedicated; I'm see-

ing that now. I'm learning that now after three tries, but you have to really be dedicated. I loved him, but I just wasn't dedicated enough [to do] what you have to to make it last."

Kim's first marriage ended in 1989. "I got married [again] in '90 and left in '91. Then I got married again, I think it was '95 — '95 or '93. If we got married in '93, I left in '95; if we got married in '95, I left in '97. Actually, I'm still mar-

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The last year of her first marriage she spent in Delaware; after the marriage ended, she came back to Southern California. Then "the older son decided he wanted to be with his father. Both of them went; they were shipped to Delaware. They stayed with their father for about five years; they stayed in Delaware, and then they moved to Chicago. "The older one gradu-

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ated from North Chicago High, and the little one came back here after eighth grade. He decided he wanted to spend more time with me. It just worked out. It was kind of hard at first...kind of hard. The whole thing was really hard...but you know, you've got to make sacrifices. But I think it's for the better. I think in the long term, everyone will be a better person for it...it just worked out."

Kim checks the peas, lifting the lid on the Crock-Pot and releasing a column of fragrant steam. "These peas; something happened to these peas, I don't know what. They're not bad, they just busted up on me. See how they busted up? They didn't stay solid on me. It made for a nice gravy, but the peas busted up on me." She stirs the thick mass of burst pale-brown blackeyed peas, bringing a meaty lump to the surface. She

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fetches it out of the pot. "This is called a ham hock. You ever seen a ham hock?" I have not. "You know what part of a pig a ham hock is? Want to take a guess? How old is your baby? Eight

"If I get \$200, I'm going to pay one of my bills with it; I'm not paying for a divorce. That's not high on my priority list."

months? What part of her body looks like that? Take a good look. We always laugh. Keep looking."

I am stumped. "A joint?" "Kind of. It's this right

here," she says, placing her hands around the upper portion of her thigh. "You look at your baby's thighs; they got a little ham hock right here. Tell your wife when you get home." She laughs a big laugh. "I say, 'Ooooh, that little baby has got some fat ham hocks on him! Look at those fat ham hocks!'

Dipping a second wing shows the oil to be hot at last, and Kim begins to fry the first batch of chicken. There is a lull in her activity as the sizzling, spitting oil begins to do its work. I point to the weight bench next to the kitchen counter.

"Who's lifting weights?"

"Me. I haven't for a while. I go for a little while, then stop. I use the little five-pound free weights every day. My son says he

> says." Next to the weight bench stands the kitchen table, wooden, surrounded by three wooden chairs. The chairs are narrow; their legs and spindles ornately turned. Both table and chairs are painted a pale periwinkle, a shade that gathers intensity from the fluorescent light overhead. "I saw a TV show, and I got this notion that I was going to redo

uses them, but I've never

seen it. But that's what he

everything. I painted the table and chairs, and I started painting on that." She points to a hutch standing against the wall opposite the weight bench. The dark wood seems to disappear along the top, where the periwinkle bends its appearance toward that of the painted wall."It isn't finished, but I did paint my bedroom set, and it came out nice. I'm pretty proud of it; that was my project for last year."

We walk down the hall to her bedroom, where George is working on a computer. The bed, bed tables, and dresser have all been painted a mustardy yellow, giving the room a unified, cozy feel. "All of it is used furniture; I got it at the Goodwill. I bought the lamp [on the nightstand] at a swap meet for \$5." The dining set also came from Goodwill. "It had four chairs: vou could tell it was a nice little set for its time. One of the legs broke off, but you could tell from the workmanship that it wasn't [cheap]." It was, however, painted orange. "I put [the new paint] right on the [old]. I didn't know what I was doing. I did okay.



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I was bored — I had nothing to do. Same reason I bought those weights: bored, nothing to do."

But though she may be bored at times, it sounds as though she is rarely idle. "I like to do a lot of things, but if I get to do them, that's another question. I like to bowl when I have time; I haven't had time all year. With my son's schedule, I can't commit to anything long-term. I [have to] drive him all around and stuff. That guy is pretty much my social life. My sister says he's my man; he takes all my time up. 'That's your man right there, whether you know it or not.' That's right. He's cool, though; he's a cool guy. He's in an orchestra; that takes a lot of his time and mine too. We work around it; it's either now or never, you know what I'm saying? It's fun, though. I complain about it, but it's fun."

Kim slits the frying

thighs with a knife to help them cook. They will be done "when the bubbles go real low. It'll stop bubbling, especially if it's chicken." Out comes the cornbread, a little dark and sticky on the bottom, but still okav. "I have made better ones, though — much better." She slices butter into pats, places a pat on top of each hot muffin. "I'm just going to put the oven on high for the last..." Her voice goes high with excitement again.

"Oooh, I got the candied yams!" But then, a cloud of concern shadows her face. "I'd better call [my sister]. Her candied yams don't have a lot of juice in them like that. If they do, I don't recall." (She doesn't call.) The first batch of

chicken comes out of the oil, warmly golden. The second batch is dropped in, and we walk down the hall to the front room.

Family photos dominate the decor. Nesting tables,

education research their clear tops designed to display pictures, are filled with them. Family pictures cover the wall behind the sideboard: portraits of George in various sports uniforms (soccer, basketball, baseball), a shot of George with a trumpet, and another of Dijon with a clarinet. A black-and-white portrait of Kim when she graduated high school. Silhouettes of the boys' heads. She shows me a shot of her

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mom, mom's grandparents, brother, two sisters, their various spouses and children. "This is my brother here. He just got married last year and had a little baby and bought a house, all in one year. He's so happy." She notices her third husband in the picture. "So I must have married this guy in '93 and left in '95."

For sitting, there is a couch and a handsome chair/coat rack, its high back layered with jackets. An oak

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Toll-free: 1-877-SLEEP-ALL (753-3725) laminate coffee table, side table, and bookcase round out the furniture. A pale blue rug covers a section of the darker wall-to-wall. The most striking features of the room are a grandfather clock — something of an heirloom — and a giltframed oil painting of a winter scene, full of vivid blues and whites and blacks. "My grandmother painted that when she was 83."

The TV is an old boxedin model, full of the gravity of woodwork. A Nintendo 64 is tucked beside it. The set has been left on; a USA Network movie is playing. "I like to watch Court TV and the Discovery Channel," says Kim. "I don't like shows that show people in misery, you know, like Cops — though that one is kind of funny. I don't like shows where they show somebody getting hurt. I don't watch a lot. Sometimes I like to watch blackand-white movies, but I'm

not, like, 'Nine o'clock, I have to be home to watch *Friends*.'"

Noodlings on a clarinet have begun to slip down the hall from Dijon's bedroom. He is practicing. He is very good. On the back of the front door hangs an erasable Personnel board; the columns read Personnel, In, Out, Will Return At, and Comments. Two entries state "Kim Out," two note that Dijon is at an audition. "That was the weekly schedule," sighs Kim, "but now I don't even have time to fill that out. I've got a day book. You should see it; it's this thick with stuff, all his dates and auditions. He'll be going off [to college] somewhere next year; I don't know where.

"Oberlin sent for him—they sent him a ticket, paid for housing, food, everything for four days. He really liked it. I guess, based on what his record shows, they selected him for their schol-

ars' program to check it out. But he still wants to keep all his options open, and I want him to keep all his options open, because that's a private school. That's expensive. [I told him,] 'If somebody says, "We want you to go to Timbuktu and we'll pay for it," then you're going to Timbuktu - sorry? But he said, 'Okay.' You'd be nuts not to do it. We'll know by March; I think all the scholarships are passed out by April. He wants to go to

DePaul, Oberlin, Northwestern, and there's one school out here — Cal State Northridge. I wouldn't mind him going to Chicago, because his dad is there. If the dad wasn't there, I wouldn't be too happy about it."

"He's got a gift."

"Yeah, he's very dedicated, Lord knows. He fills out all the papers, all the forms. My sister told me a long time ago, she said, 'If your child doesn't bring any

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Dinner is ready; Kim summons her boys to the table. The Crock-Pot sits in the center, and though there are paper napkins under the forks, each place is set with a red cloth napkin in a green and red napkin ring. "This is not a gourmet meal," proclaims Kim. "This is special; it's not gourmet. It's real special, because I don't cook. This is going down in history. It'll go down in my diary; that's for sure."

The boys arrive; Kim pulls up a plastic chair to fill in for the missing fourth. She asks George, "You want to say grace? Go ahead."

"Awwww..." George ducks his head; his voice is soft. "God, we thank you for this food. Bless everyone at this table through Jesus Christ..." The conclusion is lost in the softness.

Earlier, while we were discussing family, I had told Kim that I have three chil-

We stayed home,"

answers Diion.

Laney's?"

so long ago."

"Did we?" asks Kim.

"Didn't we eat popcorn or

something? We just ate junk

all day. I know we stayed

home — or did we go to

"I don't know; it was

More discussion of

orchestra goings-on follows,

laced with mutual incredulity

and accusation and josh-

ing. More than anything

else, the talk feels fun. The

candied yams are tasty,

though I have nothing to

which I can compare them.

The black-eyed peas, burst

though they are, are smoky-

sweet, like good beans. Kim

ladles them over my rice;

the grains provide a textu-

boys disappear once again.

George will do the dishes

later. "Everybody helps

around here," says Kim.

"That's on the agreement,

too — you gotta help out

with the chores. Everybody

vacuums their own room.

I try to get the front room

After they finish, the

ral counterpoint.

The black-eyed peas, burst though

they are, are smoky-sweet,

like good beans.

dren. While plates are passed, she turns to George. "See, George, he has three kids. It's a lot of work. You don't want three kids, do you?" "What kind of a ques-

tion is that?" "They make me happy,"

I volunteer.

"Well, I'm telling him wait. No, you don't want three kids."

"You had two kids," rejoins George.

"I know, but it's different."

"How's it different?" "I'm me and you." She laughs.

"Okay," frowns George. "No, I'm teasing. I'm just telling you that it ain't easy, it ain't easy. Kids, that's not a joke, that's real serious. There's a thigh for everybody; GT, pull me a wing."

Plates are piled with homey food. Kim asks me, "Did you get some of my candied yams? My worldfamous candied yams?"

'World-famous, huh?" says Dijon, smiling. "One-day famous,"

replies Kim.

Talk of Dijon's upcom-

ing winter concert — "the nondenominational winter concert," he calls it follows. This brings us round to Christmas dinner.

"My sister cooks," Kim reminds me.

"She's cooking on Christmas, huh?" asks George.

"I asked her about yams, and she said, 'Yams? You're supposed to be cooking the greens!' I said, 'You just hold that thought. Now, I'm going to ask you about these candied yams, what I'm supposed to do to them — I'm going to cook them tomorrow.' So, she told me, and then I was, like, 'Now, let's get back to these greens. What are you talking about, I'm supposed to be cooking greens? You thought of that, but you failed to convey your thought to me, because I don't know anything about it? "To me: "We're all going over to my sister's house."

George asks, "Where'd you guys go last year?"

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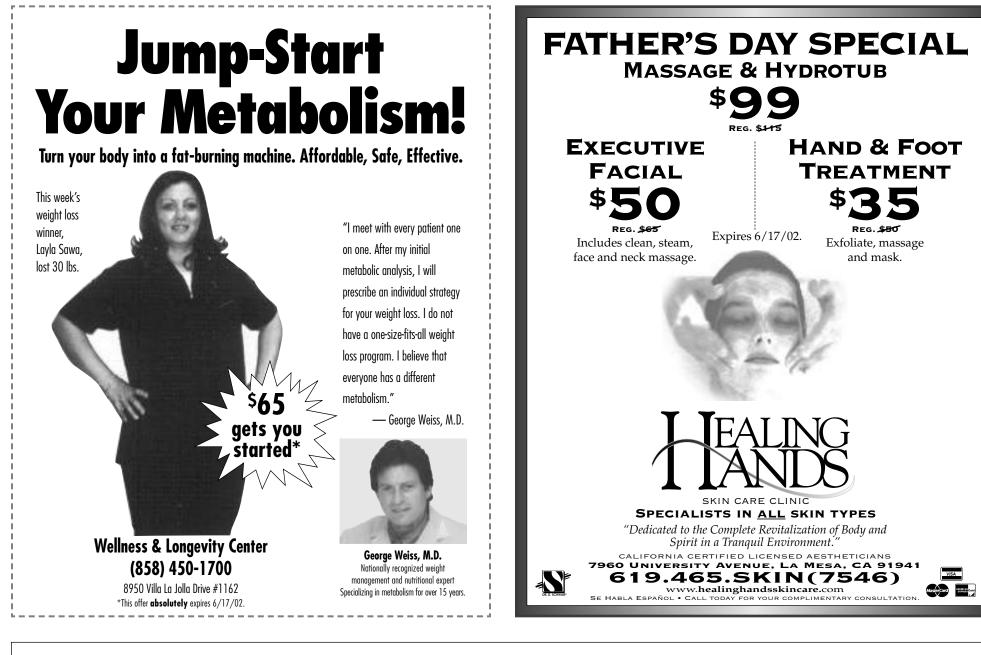
is a bookcase. On the bookcase, below the bowling trophy ("I was on a good team"), there are books with titles like *The Be-Happy Attitudes, This Too Shall Pass, Local Church: God's Plan for Planet Earth, Golden Treasury of Bible Wisdom.* There are other titles — Liar's Game, Pregnant and Loving It, The Poisonwood Bible, The Thorn Birds but the former group, together with a copy of the Bible and Young's Analytical Concordance to the Bible, indicate a more than passing interest in Christianity. "So, do you attend church near here?"

"You know what? I haven't been to church in about three years." It turns out that she was tangled up — not quite involved, but not quite a spectator — in a scandal at her last church. "They had a preacher there they didn't like. It was wild."

What follows is a story in itself, a story of rapid growth, of old-timers disliking change, of doings that seem to deserve Kim's description as "dastardly." The story is three years old, but for her, it is still fresh in the telling. Item number one: "For 16 years, he was in the military. He was a chaplain over here at Balboa. Somebody in the church sent a letter to his commanding officer telling him that the pastor was getting paid for working in the church. I don't know what the rule is, but obviously, the rule is you can't do both."

George, passing through the hall, overhears this last bit. "That's just like [at] any other church," he volunteers.

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"I don't know what the rule is; I'm just telling you that they forced him to quit — give up his military career four years from his pension, and that man got a wife and two kids because they're evil... He chose the church over his career. That's hard." And apparently, it wasn't enough.

Item number two: "They set up this secret meeting. I was included in the secret, but I didn't know it. I was the clerk of the church; all the clerk is supposed to do is take minutes. They told me, 'There's going to be a meeting next Tuesday night.' I said, 'Okay, I'll be there.' I called the pastor and said, 'Pastor, do you have anything you want to put on the agenda?' He said, 'Agenda for what?' I said to myself, 'Oh, Lord.' He said, 'Don't worry about it. No, I don't have anything for the agenda.'

"I'm a nervous wreck by now. I still don't know what's going on; I'm thinking this may be an oversight. We get to the meeting, everybody's there, and I've got my little pad and pencil, and the pastor comes strolling up. He says, 'Oh, y'all had a meeting and y'all didn't even inform the pastor of the church?' He said something to that effect. The deacon jumps up — and this is when I decided I was out of there; I didn't leave that day, but I knew — and he says, 'I knew it! I knew somebody was going to tell the pastor! I got eyes and ears in this church!' I couldn't believe it."

The items multiply; the overall impression is of a youngster trying to revamp and expand and an old guard trying to preserve itself. Throughout, Kim repeats that "It was wild," meaning both "tragic" and "out of control." By the end, "They were videotaping the service." Someone had donated the money for a new roof. "He got one group of men to donate a new fence. He was getting people to really get into 'Let's make it a better building, a better church.' He was just talking, right? The man was just talking.

He said, 'How many people would be willing to donate \$10 a month to raise this amount within a year to get something painted?' Do you know, a deacon jumped up and said, 'That's the board's business! You don't have no business talking about that to the members!' Right there in front of everybody. The pastor was furious; he was screaming furious. He couldn't even preach, he got so upset. I mean, that was totally disrespectful. I saw how dastardly they were." On August 23, she left. She has not been back since, nor has she been to any other church.

"I'm not worried about it. I mean, I have come to the point — I know I will go back to church one of these days. It just isn't today. I'll go back; I believe in God and all that. They just really made me sour about the church. I was telling people-I think it was my sister — and she said, 'Oh, you didn't know that the church is political?' I didn't know. If I ever go to church, I don't want to be on any auxiliary. I don't want to do anything. Just let me sit in the pew and read my Bible and sing my hymns. That was an experience."

Kim's talk drifts back to the kids. "This one [George] was going to church. I don't know if he was chasing some girl or what. He was going two or three times a week there for a bit. Then he just stopped going. I don't know what happened. I didn't ask; I just left it alone. He'll go back if he wants to. They went as kids, but when they're grown, they've got to make their own decisions. You can only lav the foundation.

"My mom never used to go, not when I was a kid. She took us, but she never went with us. Isn't that wild? I liked church, I really liked church. I remember my mom used to dress us up, and we would go down there. She never went; I just think about that. She had reasons. My grandmother, now — she was in church all day. All day and half the night." Kim has been cleaning during this last topic, starting in on the work that needs doing. "Well, I hope [the dinner] wasn't too bad," she says. No, indeed.



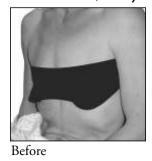
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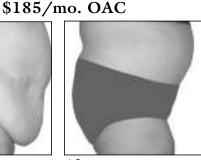
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— Matthew Lickona

Not Exactly Brotherly Love

Every drop of ink in my pen ran cold. HORACE WALPOLE

> hil and Polly in my novel decide on Daniel as the name for their second son even though they don't know anyone, not intimately, named Daniel, and they don't know the story of the Book of Daniel. They don't even know there is a Book of Daniel. They do know that one of the Old Testament Bible stories talks about Daniel penned up in a lion's den, but the lion's den mixes in their memories with Jonah swallowed whole by the whale and swimming around in a ruddy darkness inside the massive rib scaffold in the whale belly. What Daniel means, they think, must have something to do with being lionhearted. They like that their boy, born minutes before dawn on a rainy May morning, his big head crowning at the same moment that Polly and her ob-gyn hear a rooster crow, would have the heart of a lion, and from his first day home, they call him "Daniel the Lion-Hearted." Poor sweethearts, they don't make the connection to Eleanor of Aquitane's boy, King Richard (1157–1199), known as the Lion-Hearted for (I think) his exploits in the Third Crusade. After Daniel's been home from the hospital for several months and Polly and Phil and Danny's big brother Matt (older than Danny by 17 months, the same age difference that exists between my daughters, Rebecca and Sarah) have

been cooing over him and calling him Danny, a woman in Polly's church guild tells Polly that Daniel means "Gift of God." Polly rises up on her tiptoes and smiles and kisses the woman's powdered and doughy cheek and says, "Oh! How lovely, Gift of God the Lion-Hearted. I can't wait to tell my husband."

In my novel you read many, many pages before vou read much of Matt and Danny. Mostly, until the boys are in junior high, they might as well be clothespin dolls with tiny wooden heads. They are decorative touches that animate and brighten the plot (to say nothing of the fact that they give Polly something to do other than pop a cake into the oven and weed the garden and gather dead leaves out of the bird bath and moon on about Phil and set her hair in huge rollers and bitch about her truly vile in-laws and wring her hands over her suicide mother). The boys, though, for as many as 100 pages are no more than accessories to their parents; they

are dragged along by the same undertow that drags Phil and Polly. Their presence also allows Phil, one night when he's drunk, to fall over a red trike and break his ankle, and for Polly's mother, before she kills herself, to exhibit what an indifferent grandma she is. Not until the boys are in fifth and sixth grades and their little sister Caroline gets killed does the reader get more than a peek into the brothers' interior life. As I said, Matt and Danny might as well have been clothespin dolls with tiny

to the page, that Danny was in love with Toby, then Matt and Danny began to eat more paper and swallow more black ink. Especially Danny. Whereas for over 100 pages Matt and Danny hardly paid each other any mind, once Toby's head got blown open, the two brothers begin to differentiate. Once they differentiate, they begin to detest one another. They fight, although not physically. They make life hell for their mother. You can hear Polly weep.

Unlike Matt, Danny's not handsome and not popular and not at ease on the

When the boys got into

wooden heads.

He seems to take his success in school and on

the playing fields and with women for granted.

junior high school, they intruded on the story I'd been trying to tell. They interrupted. The intrusion and interruption began with my decision to tell the story of the boy I call Toby, a boy who is shot and killed one Saturday afternoon. Once I started that story and admitted, first to myself and then

athletic field. If you wanted to overgeneralize, you could say that Matt's his father's son and Danny's Polly's boy. You could say, if the boys were part of one litter, that Matt was the pick of the litter and Danny's the one you grab around the neck and stick his head in a bucket of water and you

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drown him.

Matt has turned out to be the high school hero that Phil, growing up, wished he could be. At 16, Matt measures 6 feet and 1 inch. He fills out his dress shirts with the 17¹/₂-inch collars and 35-inch sleeves. He's wide receiver for the Coraville Bulldogs ("Explosive speed coupled with shiftiness and deep threat ability" is what the Coraville Daily Eagle sportswriter wrote about Matt), he runs the 440 in 4:3, he's agile on ski slopes, he can bench press 205

pounds, he makes A's on his report card, the prettiest, most popular and most voluptuous girls chase after him, and he knows how to keep his own counsel.

Although certain aspects of Matt's character leave Polly discomfited, Phil, somewhat reluctantly, admires him. I too am attracted to Matt, but, like Phil, am shamed by my fondness. Why I am reluctant to wholehog love Matt is that he is one of those handsome athletic hero boys (who grows up to become a heartbreaker of a handsome athletic hero man) to whom I, as a high school girl, was no more than an eyesore. Even though these fellows treated me with contempt, or as beneath contempt, I giggled and simpered when anyone so much as mentioned one of their names. I was content simply to know who the boy was and to know the name of the homecoming-queen blonde with whom he went steady. I was satisfied to sit in history class two rows away from that queen and her handsome boyfriend. I

admired her perfectly polished brown-and-white saddle shoes, her sweaters that were knit from various pastel cashmeres and angoras, and the high loft of what must have been B-cup breasts. I could have listened forever to the candied, slightly high-pitched Baby Snooks way that she talked, and I must have felt as ga-ga as boys did when she tossed back her blonde hair and grinned wide, showing her strong white teeth and the tip of her rosy tongue. I adored my oppressors, even as I envied their beauty and strong mutual attraction and hated and respected them for looking down their noses at me.

When Polly complains to Phil that she's bothered by Matt's being so arrogant *and* so condescending to most of his peers and many of his elders, Phil pretends to agree. "He's like someone from the 1950s," Polly will grouse. Then she'll pull her still-bright auburn hair away from her broad forehead and look into Phil's eyes and add, "And he's such a Calvinist that you have to wonder. I mean, he's like some throwback to your wretched father." And Phil, who's not quite sure what it is to be a Calvinist and all too sure what it is to be like his own wretched father, nods

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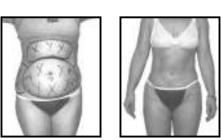
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his handsome head in agreement and vows to himself that tomorrow morning, on his way to the breakfast table, he will look up Calvinist in the big dictionary downstairs. Poor Polly, who takes for granted that Phil knows everything she knows plus so much more, and to whom it would never occur that Phil has no notion of who Calvin is, when he was born and died (1509–1564) and what his place in history is, goes on to say that Matt seems so sure of himself. She says he seems to take for granted that he's one of God's chosen people. He seems to take his success in school and on the playing fields and with women for granted. "Also," she occasionally says, "I think he takes advantage of these

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poor girls."When she makes this statement or some variant on it, she always searches out Phil's eyes for agreement or lack of agreement. Phil, as he's learned over the years to do, keeps his gaze blank.

Phil knows that Matt takes advantage of girls; however, they do beg him for it, these girls do, and on the few occasions that Matt has made reference to one of these tootsies who's standing in line to haul Matt's ashes, to allow him to perform on them the "Disappearing Cane Trick," Phil has found himself feeling unpleasantly envious of his oldest child. Phil is also appalled to discover that he occasionally defers - even, for Crissakes, toadies - to Matt. Because by the time Matt's a junior in high school, he's many inches taller than his dad, Phil looks up to the boy spatially, or physically. But Phil also looks up to his oldest child as if this big, blond hulk were his moral and experiential superior. And Phil actually sometimes feels that Matt, for all the

kid's inexperience and ignorance, knows more than he, Phil, does. Phil thinks that perhaps it is Matt's jock arrogance, his assumption of superior knowledge and superior power, that makes him seem as if he were the adult and Phil and Polly, the children. Lord knows, the kid speaks to his parents as if they were moronic yokels scarcely able to handle the simplest tasks necessary for existence in the modern world. And physically he is so strong, almost mighty in his strength. He could lift

Phil or Polly up, high into the air, and once he had lifted them seven, eight feet aloft, he could bounce and flip and twirl them as if the fleshy and warm parental bodies were no weightier than sofa cushions.

Danny's another matter. Phil and Polly hardly can bring themselves to discuss Danny. At 14 Danny stands 5'4". He's fat. Rolypoly. Butterball-cheeked. Nobody knows what Danny weighs and Danny's not saying (more than 200 pounds). He wears husky sizes in his jeans. He wears husky sizes in his shirts. He has boy breasts, saggy dugs that sit atop the first of a series of rolls of fat that encircle him from underarm to groin. He has a big, girlish butt. He has red pimples and the red pimples have pinheads of white pus, and day after day he locks the downstairs bathroom door and leans into the mirror, his breath leaving a circle of condensation on the glass, and he pokes these pimples with an unsterilized straight pin that he's taken from his mother's sewing box. The next morning his face is dot-





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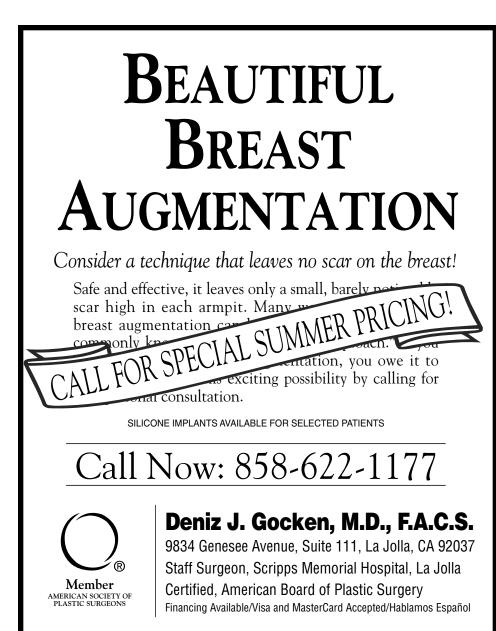




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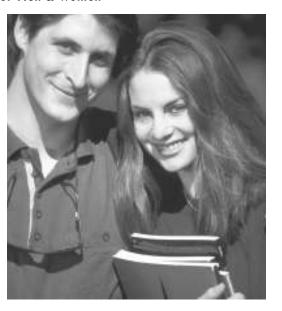
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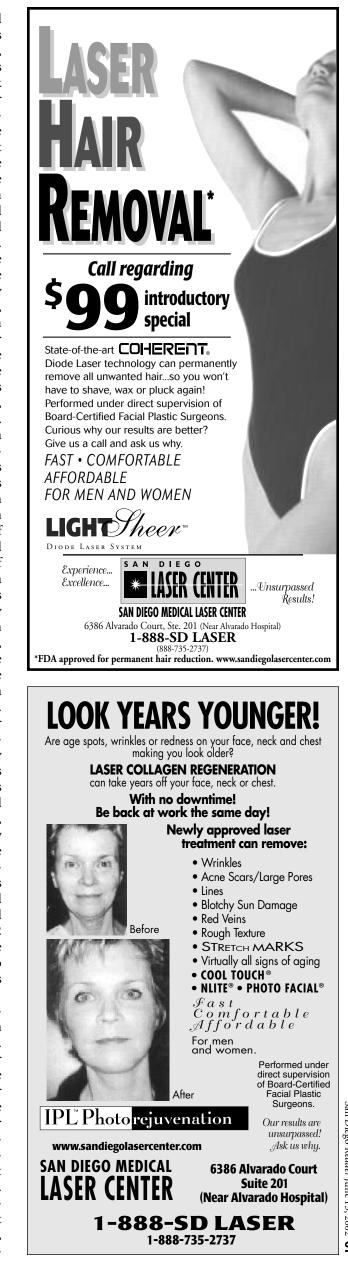
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ted with tiny scabs, hard and shiny as scarabs. Sometimes in his hunger for himself, he chews the scabs, grinds them between his back molars, a fact that years later he will not be able to confess to his shrink, not to the female shrink or the straight male shrink or the gay male shrink. Too embarrassing, he will think, and break out in a sweat. He is astigmatic and significantly far-sighted and needs glasses for reading. The glasses that he chose have dark frames, and he did not have them for a day before he broke the eyepiece, which for months has been attached to the frame proper with silver duct tape. He gnaws at his cuticle, and the skin around his nails is always inflamed and scabbed (as, for many years, was mine). His posture is that of a stooped, elderly man. Dandruff drifts down out of his longish hair and dots his shirts. His chest, even with the "breasts," is sunken in and bereft of even a tuft of hair. He is so uncoordinated as to be almost incapable of playing any sport. When a ball zings toward him across the baseball field, what Danny wants to do is to run from that ball as fast as he can, which, given all the fat he carries, is not that fast. He can't bear the impact of a ball in the cup of his palm. It hurts. He also cannot bear sudden loud noises. He cannot tolerate screaming. Angry people terrify him. He has problems with what shrinks call "suicidal ideation," and on certain school mornings, Danny does not know how he will make it through the day without sticking a pencil through the fat that lines his chest wall, pounding and pounding and piercing and piercing with a yellow #2 Ticonderoga against the intercostal muscles, trying to reach his heart and stop its merciless banging. Danny's a superb student; he easily makes A's in everything except phys ed. If you asked, "What are your interests?" he'd say, "Science fiction," although he never really reads much science fiction and seems to prefer biographies of famous Americans, people like Clara Barton and Teddy Roosevelt and Sacajawea and Robert E. Lee. Danny would not confess that he loves disco, that although he never dances, he imagines himself danc-



ing. Also, even though he likes to fool around in the kitchen, he would not say, "Cooking." Eventually, he will become a moderately successful chef, but at 14, cooking for a living never occurs to him. If you asked, "Who do you love?" he well might list Hugo, Caroline's dachshund, even before he mentioned his parents. He often feels truly happy when Hugo stretches across his knees and he runs his fingers from the back of Hugo's neck to the base of his tail. But once Neal shot Toby,

Danny's not felt he loved anybody. Once Neal shot Toby, Danny didn't feel what he calls "anything personal" for anyone. That said, he has several girl friends, girls who in the past year have become top-heavy with breasts. But these girls are only that, *friends*. Some of these girls cozy up to Danny. Smelling of hair spray and inexpensive drugstore perfumes, they squeeze in next to him in the morning assembly. They turn their eyes toward him and twirl their long, ironed straight hair behind one ear. Outside, after lunch, on the parking lot asphalt, they share his menthol cigarettes with him. All the girls prefer menthol. For years he will think that preference is only one more sign of gayness. These girls walk home with him after school. Most of them, though, flutter about Danny in order to try to get closer to Matt. Danny knows this. Danny accepts that this is how the world runs. He is not surprised that girls who have suck marks on their necks and whose fingers

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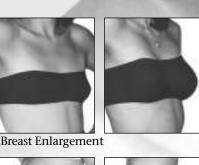
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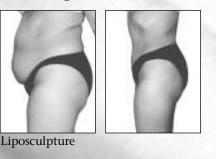
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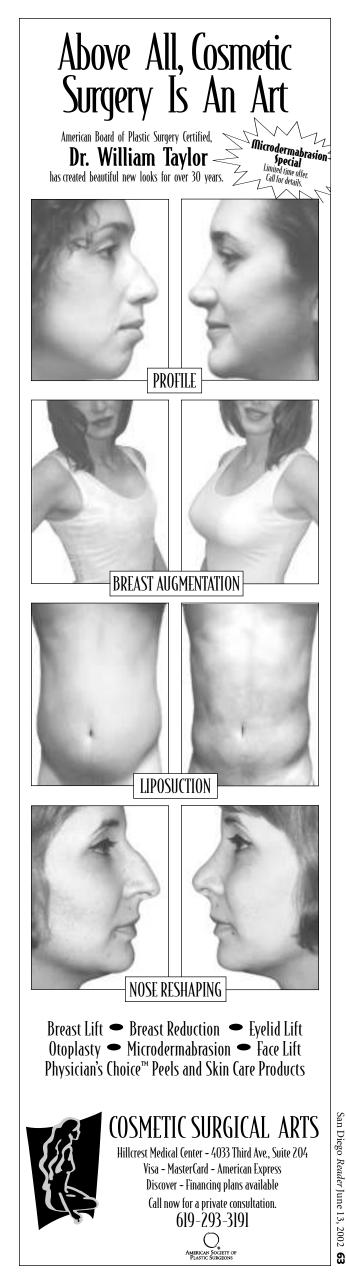
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smell of nicotine press against his fat arm and inhale and lift their breasts and smile at him. If he were someone else's brother or had no hulky blond brother, only a few of these girls, the ones who wanted free smokes, would speak to him at all. Danny refuses to discuss Matt with these girls or with anyone. His latest ploy, when asked about Matt, is to say, "Matt who? I don't know anv Matt."

At home the two boys might as well be strangers, and the geography of the large windy house set down on a high spot in the middle of Coraville helps keep them that way. Danny's room is on the second floor, down the hall from Phil's and Polly's room. Matt's room is downstairs, off the kitchen. Until the shooting Matt and Danny managed, even with their differences, to get along. They tolerated each other. Since the shooting, they've rarely spoken.

At the dinner table Matt and Danny exhibit the normal courtesies. Danny will ask Matt if he will please pass the gravy, and Matt passes the bowl across the table, and Danny says, "Thank you." But they do not talk with one another. They talk with their parents. Matt, as he sops a roll in gravy, will ask his dad if he thinks it's going to snow, and a discussion of snowfalls and the snow pack at various nearby ski resorts will ensue. Danny, between bites, will mention that he saw Gram downtown after school, and that Gram hoped that he and Matt would help her paint the kitchen cabinets. To which Matt will say, to Phil, "I hope no one signed me up for painting." To which Danny will respond by saying, to Phil, "Nobody signed anybody up for anything."

You get the picture. Not pretty. Polly hates it. Polly, who as a lonesome only child longed for a brother or sister, cannot fathom why these two, even with their Mutt and Jeff appearance and their divergent interests and talents, can't be friends. But of course, why they can't and won't and will not ever be friends, even years later, when each of them well could use a friend, is that Danny, as Matt mutters to his best friend, "is such a fucking swish." At least that's how Matt, when



he's 15 and when he's 40, sees the situation. How Dan sees it when he's 40 and has been the client of three therapists and is sufficiently worldly that right away he can spot the queer streak in others, male or female, is that Matt is an uptight fagbasher who has significant issues of his own. But that isn't how Danny sees it when he's 14. "If you ever so much as look at my dick, you little cocksucker, I'll kill vou, just as sure as Neal killed

Toby" is what Matt said in the downstairs bathroom one morning when Danny walked in on Matt as Matt stepped out of the shower, his penis in a half hard-on. When Matt says this, he makes a pistol of his finger and his thumb, and as he fires he silently mouths, "Bang, bang," and then he grins, a lopsided closemouthed grin. Something about the expression on Danny's face makes Matt want to do this again. And,

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from time to time, when he feels mean or when Danny does something that annoys him, he does do it. He leers.

opportunity, would kill him. And Danny, when he's 14, realizes that he thinks about Matt far more than Matt

thinks about him, which is

almost never. Danny's cor-

rect in that assessment. Matt

thinks about how he must

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He cocks his finger. Bang, bang.

Danny, at 14, fully believes that Matt, given the

he graduates high school he must escape his crazy family and get into college and never come back. At least, right now, that's what I think Matt thinks. But I may have him all wrong. I may need to sit with him a lot longer than I have to hear what really goes on in his head. I don't, for instance, have any idea what he will major in when he gets to college — Electrical engineering? Business administration? - or what in high school he's interested in, other than sports and girls. I can picture him in his room at his desk. I can see his plaid shirt and that the blue and red fabric pulls



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across his broad back. The 100-watt bulb screwed into the gooseneck lamp shines down on the book that he holds open. I can't figure the book's title. I also don't know what tape he's pushed into the cassette player his folks gave him for his 16th birthday, and because I don't know, I don't know what music he's tapping his fingers in time to. I'm like Phil and Polly. I am so concentrated on the fact that Danny may be gay and that he suffers from his best friend's being shot dead right in front of him, brains splattered all over the tool shed wall, brain tissue soaking into the decades of spider webs that matted that wall, that I can't seem to pay enough attention to Matt to hear what's in his head. Matt's suffering from our inattention, both as a person and a character.

Ever since the shooting happened, when Danny was in eighth grade and Matt in ninth, Matt has said that something needs to be done about Danny. "Somebody needs to clamp down on Danny," he says, and then goes on to cite Danny's drink-



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ing, Danny's smoking cigarettes, Danny's smoking marijuana and experimenting with psychedelics, Danny's fatness. Recently, now that Matt is in his junior year and Danny a sophomore, Matt suggested that his younger brother, "before it's too late," be sent off to military school, to get him away from the guys he runs with, who are losers and stoners, and to get the flab off him and toughen him up. This suggestion most recently was made late on a Saturday morning, when Matt and his father were in the alley emptying sifted wood ashes from the fireplace into Polly's mulch box. Matt came right out and for the first time said to his father what Phil and Polly will not say to one another. Matt said, "Dad, get the picture. The kid's on his way to being a queer, if he's not one already. Guys ask me, 'Is your brother a homo?' They do, Dad." And then Matt narrowed his eyes, which were the same green as his mother's, and spit onto the hardpan on the alley side of the fence.

Phil felt as if he'd had the wind knocked out of him. He feared he was not going to be able to breathe. His first impulse, which he did not follow, was to reach up and slap Matt across his mouth. The little fuckhead Danny might well be a queer, Phil thought, but he was their queer, their boy, and he loved him and his mother loved him, and they were not about to send him off to any Third Reich military school. Plus, after Caroline, Polly could not take more upsets. None. And Danny couldn't take more after the accident with Toby. What Phil did say, finally, when he got his breath, was "I don't want to hear talk like that from you about your brother. Blood's blood." He shook his index finger at Matt when he said it. "Also, I want that spitting stopped. You act like you were raised in a goddamn hog pen."

"Fine," Matt answered, "but down the road when something bad happens remember that I told you so."

I must say that this really bothers me, the way Matt feels about Danny. I keep trying in my novel to make them like each other, and nothing I do is working. ■ *— Judith Moore*

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I had really thought that enough had been said about Jonathan Pollard and the Liberty. The Liberty incident occurred

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who won that fight? Yet the Israelis use restraint even though it means losing some of their own people.

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represented, and what about the overseas loyalties of Irish-Americans, Latino-Americans, and other immigrants?

The Reader is printing some good stuff lately. Is it necessary also to print garbage? Lillian C. Mattes

Oceanside

Fears Retaliatory Jews

The letters to the editor in the June 6 issue of the Reader made quite interesting reading, particularly Steve Kowit's excellent letter re the intractable position of Israel and many American Jews re Israel's persecution of the Palestinians, and the opposite opinion expressed by the other Iewish writers last week. What a contrast: a well-informed, ar-

ticulate writer (Kowit) and the obstinate, closed-minded others. Union-Tribune writer Jim Goldsborough's recent article, "Bush's Empty Promise to the Palestinians," was openly critical of Israel (as well as Bush's weak position toward Israel). It is refreshing to be able to read Mr. Kowit's and Mr. Goldsborough's opinions in the American press, which until quite recently has dubbed any criticism of Israel as "anti-Semitic." It is time that Americans understand that the overwhelming reason for 9/11 was and is America's continued support of Israel. Sharon's blatant refusal of Bush's demand that Israeli forces withdraw from the occupied territories followed by the Knesset's resolution to never permit a Palestinian state should have caused Congress to

withdraw all financial and military support of Israel immediately. There will be a Palestinian state — the rest of the world, the UN, and more and more Americans all the time will see to that. The many Jews who, through their lobbies and control of the mass media, try to influence American public opinion and our politicians to continue to support the Israeli persecution of the Palestinians are unpatriotic and should be shunned for the enormous harm that they are doing to this great country. I am withholding my name because I fear the zealous retaliation of some Jews, something they are famous for, vis-à-vis 12 Palestinian deaths for each Israeli killed in this war.

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In the letter headed "Courageous Peace" (June 6) it is clear that Steve Kowit is the one living in a dark cave, the dark cave of media propaganda and ignorance of history.

norance of history. It is he who is oblivious to the fact that the war which brought the Israelis into the disputed territories of the West Bank and Gaza was started by the Arab nations surrounding it. The territories, which Israel has repeatedly offered to give up in return for the Arabs' mere acceptance of Israel's right to exist, were conquered and are held only in self-defense.

He is oblivious to the fact that the curtailment of the freedom of movement by Palestinians in the territories is a direct result of Palestinian terrorism against innocent Israeli civilians. It has nothing to do with racism. He is oblivious to the fact that

the only government who has seriously interested itself at all in the economic advancement, social services, and democracy for the Palestinians is Israel. What the Palestinian Authority, not to mention the surrounding Arab nations, sponsors is terrorism, even against its own people, and the vitriolic hatred of Jews.

He is oblivious to the fact that the only ethnic cleansing involving Jews in the Middle East has been the expulsion of Jews from Arab lands. And Israel absorbed those Jews, as the Arabs did not absorb those Palestinians whom they themselves (not Israel) had made into refugees.

I challenge Mr. Kowit to say whether he thinks the Palestinian Authority or even one Arab nation comes remotely close to the standards of justice and equity with which Israel treats Palestinians under its control, despite daily acts of anti-Jewish terror. Why is he so ready to accuse democratic and justice-loving Israel without saying a single word about the consistent repression and brutality in Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, and the areas governed by the Palestinian Authority?

I challenge Mr. Kowit to say whether anything he knows to be true of Israel's treatment of Arabs justifies the terrorist murders of civilians, including children, old people, and pregnant women. I challenge him to say how the state of Israel ought to respond to terrorism and to the demands of the terrorists that Israel should cease to exist.

What is "really" going on with Mr. Kowit is prejudice, an unexamined sympathy for the perceived "underdog" fed by anti-Israel media bias, and a willful ignorance of the facts. But it is Israel who is the underdog, trying to survive as the only sure home for Jews in the world and surrounded by hundreds of millions who are trained not to feel for the underdog but to desire the death of the innocent if those innocent happen to be Jews.

I repeat, the Palestinians have been offered the disputed territories again and again in return for a declaration of peace.

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Again and again they have refused. This is not because Israel is imperfect or unjust. It is only because Israel is Jewish and exists.

The sad truth is that in fighting for its life, Israel is fighting for a place for Mr. Kowit to go if the ethnic cleansing of Jews that radical Muslims advocate ever reaches him.

Readers who are interested in leaving the cave of prejudice and media bias may log on to *mideasttruth.com* and *honestreporting.com*.

Gideon Rappaport Clairemont

Obesity Epidemic

Once again, I have to ask myself just how "bright" is Annie Albright. For someone who is obviously educated, I don't think she's very smart.

She admits going to Costco and loading up her car with industrial-sized Bisquick, macaroni and cheese, syrup, sugar, and cookies ("Kid Stuff," June 6). No wonder her 20-month-old son weighs 35 pounds.

Hasn't she heard about the childhood obesity epidemic? How about teaching her children to eat healthy meals?

Annie, do your kids a favor — feed them right. Elizabeth Martin

<u>Reader</u> Dull

Boy, is the *Reader* stodgy. Every other large city seems to have a weekly paper that includes

liberal political and social commentary, entertainment coverage (including actual new music and club/concert reviews), and humorous writers covering issues that a metropolitan audience can relate to.

Instead, San Diegans are stuck with the *Reader*, with a boring format that hasn't changed in decades, long-winded articles about generally uninteresting subjects, Anne Albright's fundamentalist Christian ravings passing as social commentary, and nary an article about major upcoming events. At least you print the ad for Street Scene, since we won't be reading anything about it.

I know you must have seen the weekly papers from Orange County or Los Angeles; heck, even Las Vegas has a weekly with a hip format and sarcastic bent. Yet the *Reader* plods on, never changing, bereft of any interesting content except for an occasional "Blurt" item.

Not that the *Reader* has noticed, but San Diego isn't the retired Navy town it used to be — it's full of young, active people looking for fun things to do and who might enjoy a laugh or two while they consult their weekly paper about it. In short, San Diego has changed. When will the *Reader*?

Paul Jamason Kensington

Jennifer Ball responds: Street Scene stories last year included *items in the August 30 and September 6 editions of "Blurt."*

Exceptionally Fine

One initial response to ten pages and cover relating to political and pro-sports-business-folks story by writer Matt Potter ("The Scandal That Is the Stadium," May 30): "If I read that stuff I'd lose my mind. It doesn't make any sense. It's mere horsedung, flimflam, and folderol." Yet maybe those who collect and present in ready form such serve valuable function.

What one might bring away from the admirably assembled tale of political and private business interchange is a direct ratio between how much workday time, effort, and attention elected and appointed government personnel devote to professional spectator games beyond the standard government regulation of business, and how low-down corrupt those intended-to-be-representatives are. Maybe we're only living in times which will be known in any history to come as "the decline and fall of the Yankee empire," rotten bread and stinking circuses waste?

In general, the May 30 *Reader* is viewed exceptionally finely wrought, with much worthy and worthwhile. Thanks to all who helped provide.

R. Emmet



Reader Matches Success Story

MAKE ME LAUGH, then dazzle me with your wit, then romance me with your style — and I'm yours. Let's go for long walks, nurture each other, meditate, cuddle up with a good book and practice kissing. I'm 5'7", 40s, auburn/hazel, loving mom, teacher. You're 37-49, professional, happy.

Sandy Galper: My parents didn't think much of this advertising thing. My mother told me I should go to bars and find men the old-fashioned way.

Jim Burski: I also took out ads in Phone Matches. I'd read the "women seeking men" section beforehand, to help me figure out what women were looking for. My main criteria was someone really bright — not just a brain, but someone with the soul of an artist.

Sandy: I used Phone Matches more extensively than Jim. I advertised for about a year and met a lot of guys. My ads got more specific and so did my phone message. Instead of getting 30 responses, I'd get 2 or 3. But they were quality responses.

Jim: Sandy has a nine-year-old boy and my son is seven. On our first date, we were going to take the kids to the Family Fun Center. But my son went over to a new friend's house and never told me. I was frantic. Sandy offered to come over and help look for him, which I thought was really nice.

Sandy: After that, we got together for a Chargers exhibition game. The conversation wasn't contrived or strained. We really laughed a lot.

Jim: One of the things that impressed me about Sandy was that she wasn't lazy. She had a pet-sitting business and was trying to get an errand service going, too.

Sandy: I was substitute teaching at the time and wasn't happy with that. Jim had just retired from the military and was going to cooking school. So we said, "Let's do something together."

Do you have a Reader Matches "Success Story" to share? If selected, we'll treat you both to a restaurant gift certificate to celebrate! Call today at 619-235-8200, ext. 268.

Jim: We were thinking about opening a deli in an industrial park, but our broker told us about the Sierra Cafe on Adams Avenue. We looked at it and decided to take it over.

Sandy: On October 22, we opened the Kensington Village Cafe. I take care of the front of the restaurant and Jim is in charge of the kitchen.

Jim: We're here 12 hours a day, six days a week. We figure if we can survive this together, we can do just about anything. I'm a typical chef. I can be high-strung but Sandy doesn't let it bother her.

Sandy: Jim is so nice. I've never been

with a man who's treated me so well. He's good to my son, and he's not bad looking, either.

Jim: I suppose we'll get married eventually, but I haven't asked her yet.

Sandy: My girlfriends say, "You're lucky. You got one of the good ones." But I say, "Lucky? I spent a year looking for him. I dated 50 guys before I found him. Luck had nothing to do with it."



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Measure Twice! Cut Once!

12th Annual Wooden Boat Festival

ave vou ever seen this family boat-building thing?" asks C.F. Koehler, president of Koehler Kraft on Shelter Island. He refers to the annual event for families who each will build a small wooden boat in a weekend.

"It's really cool, but you can't watch it all day," says Koehler, whose boatyard hosts the event and the rest of the yearly Wooden Boat Festival. "You have to see it in spurts. It needs to be time-lapse. You'll go in there and it'll be cacophony; it'll sound like machine gunfire. Can you imagine six families all whacking away

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starting out with people who, you have to assume, know nothing about carpentry. Hopefully they're holding the right end of the hammer. So it's kind of crazy. And if that was the only thing happening [at the Wooden Boat Festival], you'd pull out all your hair. So you watch the families for a while, then you go look at some big boats. Then you go see the families again, and all of a sudden, 'Oh, wow. This really is gonna be a boat.' Or else, 'Oh, no. This guy's done it wrong. Okay, he's got it straightened out."

"I mean," says Koehler, "you're

More than 70 classic and contemporary wooden boats are on display this weekend. Among them is the San Diego Maritime Museum's 40foot gaff sloop Butcher Boy. Ray Ashley, executive director of the museum, considers the 100-year-old Butcher Boy to be "the oldest San Diego-built vessel extant." Her original owner, Boss Hardy, ran a market in San Diego at the turn of the 20th Century. "She was designed as a work boat," says Ashley. "She would take milk and meat and other supplies to sailing ships that were too big to enter the bay before the channel was dredged. She was so fast that yachtsmen used to rent her out to race. Eventually she was acquired as a racing boat."

The museum acquired Butcher Boy 30 years ago but has kept her in dry dock until recently. "When we put her back in the water, we didn't even know if she would float," says Ashley. "In fact, she leaked like a sieve until the planks swelled up. Then we started sailing her." A few weeks ago, she competed in the Lipton Cup.

The boat is still "incredibly fast," says the museum director. How fast is that? Koehler answers the question for



Finished boat



him: "Speed's relative. To the average person, a sailboat goes as fast as a 1965 Volkswagen Bug stuck in first gear. If you were swimming and Butcher Boy went by, it would feel like a 747 just passed vou.'

Other boats that visitors will see in the boatyard are works in progress. "Some will make you ask, 'Why isn't that thing in the dump?' " says Koehler. 'They're basket cases. One of them I literally rescued from the dump. The truck driver knew me and said, 'Don't make me take this thing to the Miramar landfill.' He didn't know much about wooden boats, but he knew it wasn't ready to die." According to Koehler, the 46-footer from the 1940s is fully restorable.

On the subject of the durability of wood versus fiberglass, Ashley says, "If you neglect a fiberglass boat, it won't die. It'll just be ugly. Wooden boats are like children-they have to be nurtured all the time. Otherwise, they'll rot. But if you do take care of them, well, Butcher Boy is a prime example. At 100, she can race with boats built last year."

Boat construction

Koehler, whose specialty is wooden boats, naturally denigrates fiberglass boats. But he disagrees with the museum man about fiberglass boats lasting forever. "We're finding out with them that what we thought was waterproof isn't. The water seeps in and takes apart the structural bonds of the chemicals that held them together.'

Somewhat contradictorily, Koehler says, "Fiberglass is not *quite* as bad as nuclear waste. But in a thousand years, when they dig up San Diego, all they're going to find are plastic bags and fiberglass boats.

— Jeanne Schinto

12th Annual Wooden Boat Festival Saturday, June 15, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Sunday, June 16, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Koehler Kraft 2303 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island Cost: \$5 Info: 619-222-9051

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at little nails, LOCAL hammering pieces together? EVENTS

It's a mini construction site. They're crammed into a 20-by-20foot space, and the head boat-

woodwright, Doug Jones, a big, burly, fuzzy-faced guy, is trying to talk over the racket, giving step-by-step instructions, running around, fending off disasters, and screaming, 'Measure twice! Cut once!'

The family boat-building event isn't unique to San Diego. The magazine WoodenBoat began the program in 1998. Since then, hundreds of Bevin's Skiffs have been built by families around the country, 13 of them in San Diego. This year, six more families here have signed up to assemble their own 12-foot, flatbottomed, lightweight (90-pound) rowboats from precut pieces.

Joe Youcha of Alexandria, Virginia, designed the Bevin's Skiff to be put in and taken out of the water with relative ease. Easily transportable too, it fits on top of a car. Using Bevin's Skiffs, Youcha teaches boat-building skills to kids who are "at-risk." No experience is required.



Events that are underlined occur after June 20

HOW TO SEND US YOUR **LISTING:** Contributions must be received by 5 p.m. Friday the week prior to publication for consideration. Do not phone. Send a complete description of the event, including the date, time, cost, the precise address where it is to be held (including neighborhood), a contact phone number, and a phone number (including area code) for public information to READER EVENTS, Box 85803, San Diego CA 92186 5803. Or fax to 619-881-2401. You may also submit information online at www.SanDiegoReader.com by clicking on the events section.

BAJA

Festival Binacional de Mozart, this Mainly Mozart series concludes with a concert at the Tijuana Cultural Center on Friday, June 14, at 8 p.m. The Mainly Mozart Festival Orches tra, joined by the Eroica Trio and Jerry Folsom (horn), will present Beethoven's overture to "Prometheus" and his "Triple Concerto in C" and Mozart's "Horn Concerto No. 2 in E-Flat" and the "Symphony No. 34 in C."

Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona

Río, Tickets are \$16. For reservations and information, call 619-239-0100. (TIJUANA)

Salsa, Cumbias, Merengue, and more may be enjoyed when Los Reyes del Son de Toño Arce perform on Friday, June 14, at 9 p.m., at the Factoría de Sueños, Plaza Universidad, Mesa de Otay. Admission is \$7 U.S. For more information, call 011-52-664-607-5163. (TIJUANA)

Nicho Hinojosa presents concerts at Baby Bock (in the Zona Río) on Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15, at 10 p.m. each night. Tickets are \$28 U.S. Questions? Call 011-52-664-634-7791 for answers. (TIJUANA)

More Music, head to El Toreo, the downtown bullring, when Alejandra Guzman gives a concert at 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 15. The bullring is located on Boulevard Agua Caliente. Call 011-52-664-688-2378 for further information. (TIJUANA)

Dirt Road Racing, horse racing is planned on Sunday, June 16, on Coahuila Street #119 Fraccionamiento El Pedregal. Events run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$3 for spectators. Dial 011-52-665-653-1782 for more details. Racing is also slated for June 30. (TECATE)

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)

GETAWAYS

Ocean Water Temperatures are rising into the mid-60s this month, perhaps to reach the low 70s in August. The usual early-summer cool weather along San Diego's coastline, disappointing to many tourists, is mostly caused by the sluggish warming of the ocean water. The payoff will come later: as the ocean gives up heat absorbed during the sunny summer months, we'll enjoy warm days and evenings well into autumn.

Crape Myrtles are in bloom around San Diego this month through the end of summer. This smallish, vaseshaped tree blossoms in colors ranging from white or pale pink to lavender, red and blue. "Lilac of the South" is one of the nicknames given to this native tree of China because of its popularity in the warmer parts of the U.S.

Elderberry, two species of which range over most of San Diego County, is in full bloom this month. The flat-topped, creamy-white blossoms of this large shrub or small tree can be seen in the natural coastal canyon areas such as Tecolote Canyon and Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, as well as in the more moist areas of the foothills and mountains. The elderberry's tiny fruits, which ripen in late summer, have traditionally been used for various drinks and preserves.

Buckwheat, a late-bloomer among native plants in our area, is showing off its small, inconspicuous clusters of cream-colored flowers this month. Several kinds of buckwheat, found in dry, sunny locations throughout San Diego County, are the source of the

"wild buckwheat" honey sold locally. Near the coast look for flat-top buckwheat, common on south-facing slopes. Here it shares space with other low-growing shrubs of the sage-scrub plant community like black sage and California sagebrush.

The Waxing Crescent Moon stands just above lanternlike Venus tonight (Thursday, June 13), with dimmer Jupiter lying below. All three are easilv visible in the western sky from about 20 to 80 minutes after sunset.

Running with Grunion, the Maritime Museum is hosting this twopart event. Take in an informative slide-illustrated lecture and participate in a hands-on lab experience with hatching baby grunion on Thursday, June 13, at 7 p.m., on board the museum's steam ferryboat Berkeley. The grunion run at an area beach is slated for Friday, June 14, 12:30 to 2:30 a.m.

The fee is \$15 for nonmembers. To reserve a spot, call 619-234-9153 x126. The ship is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero. (DOWNTOWN)

Earliest Sunrise this year occurs Friday, June 14, at 5:38 a.m. This event occurs about a week before the longest day of the year - the summer solstice - because of factors related to the shape of the earth's orbit and the angle between earth's axis and the plane of its revolution around the sun.

On Certain 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 Friday, June 14,

from 11:30 p.m. to 1:30 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)

Look for Purple Finches, Western tanager, solitary vireo, lazuli bunting, brown creeper, and other species during the Audubon Society outing to Cuyamaca Rancho State Park on Saturday, June 15, from 8 a.m. to early afternoon. The distance will be about five miles round-trip, strenuous but slow-paced. Bring insect repellent, drinking water, and lunch.

To reach the trailhead, take I-8 to the Highway 79 exit, watching for the Cuyamaca Rancho State Park sign. Go north on Highway 79 about 11.5 miles to the entrance of the Paso Picacho Campground on the left. Meet just inside the entrance to the campground. There is a \$2 day-use fee. 619-692-3246. (CUYAMACA MOUNTAINS)

Wildlife and Wildflowers and Animals, Oh My! What's in the canyon at Blue Sky Ecological Reserve? Find out when naturalist Akram Attie leads a hike on Saturday, June 15. Julie Bennett-Smith leads a hike for the family focusing on "Animals and Plants in Blue Sky" on Sunday, June 16.

Both walks start at 9 a.m. Find the park on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Powav Road, Call 858-694-3049 for information. Free. (POWAY)

Calaveras Creek Cleanup, get outside to help clean up Calaveras Creek with volunteers on Saturday, June 15, 10 a.m. to noon. Join the group at Lake Boulevard at Oak Riparian Park. For details, dial 760-435-5807. (OCEANSIDE)

Dust Off Your Binos! Bird watchers and nature lovers are invited to take a nature walk planned by the Friends of Famosa Slough on Saturday, June 15. The easy walk promises a good view of a variety of birds and the salt marsh habitat. Meet at 1 p.m. at the intersection of Famosa Boulevard and West Point Loma Boulevard. 619-224-4591. Free. (POINT LOMA)

Sky Hunters, Nancy Conney brings live birds of prey to Heise Park at 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 15. She'll address their methods of nesting, hunting, and eating. Find William Heise County Park at 4945 Heise Park Road. Dial 858-694-3049 for details. (JULIAN)

Bird Walk, David Kisner, Kerry Kenwood, and Jay Rourke lead a bird walk from the Jackson Drive staging area off Mission Gorge Road on Saturday, June 15, at 8 a.m. Participants will begin in the upland chaparral/scrub to look for thrashers and wrens before heading down to the San Diego River in search of riparian species. 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

A Guided Nature Walk takes place at 9:30 a.m. on June 15 (and on the third Saturday of each month), in Tecolote Canyon. Trail guide Don Wetzel leads nature lovers through the oak and sycamore trees and chaparral, pointing out the birds and wildlife who call the park home. The walk begins and ends at the Fox Run entrance to the canyon, located at

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Walk Where the River Meets the Sea through several plant communities, with chances to spot some of the 370 species of birds that use the coastal wetland, when a docent-led nature walk is offered at the Tijuana River National Estuarine Reserve on Saturday, June 15. The free outing starts at 5th and Iris at 10:30 a.m. Bring binoculars if you have them. Call 619-575-3613 to register. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Tree Time, Offshoot Tours offers its monthly hour-long guided tour highlighting various Balboa Park trees on Saturday, June 15, at 10 a.m., starting from the park's visitors' center. Free. Dial 619-235-1121 for additional details. (BALBOA PARK)

Q: Why Were Two Pedestrian Bridges built in the canyons west of Balboa Park? They were constructed to provide easy access to the streetcar lines at the turn of the 20th Century. Join Patty Fares for an Urban Safari walking tour of Bankers Hill on Saturday, June 15, 10 a.m. to noon. Participants will explore the northwest corner of Balboa Park, a neighborhood boasting several Irving Gill homes, Kate Sessions gardens, and the home of George Marston. \$10. For reservations and departure point, call 619-944-9255. (BANKERS HILL)

Carmel Valley Caper, wander past condos, the community center, and a shopping center on a moderate walk led by Walkabout on Saturday, June 15. The 1.5-hour walk starts at 9:15 a.m. at the corner of Carmel Vista and Ruette. Free. Call 619-231-7463 for information. (CARMEL VALLEY) Learn to Track Bobcat and Coyote, and discover their natural environments when a naturalist and tracker from the Friends' Tracking Team leads a tracking walk on Saturday, June 15, in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve. The walk starts at 8 a.m. at the Ranch House in the preserve. To reach the spot, take Canyonside Park Drive off Black Mountain Road and follow the signs to the ranch house. 858-623-0148. Free. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

Explore the Volcan Mountains when the San Diego Natural History Museum's Canyoneers host an outing on Saturday, June 15, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., for those 10 and older. Participants will visit the headwaters of the San Diego and San Dieguito Rivers, as well as Iron Side Spring, the start of Santa Ysabel Creek. The \$69 fee includes van transportation. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to reserve a spot. (JULIAN)

Outdoor Enthusiasts are invited to enjoy the San Diego Audubon Society's Silverwood Sanctuary, open September through July. Silverwood offers ten miles of hiking trails, a selfguided nature walk, an observation area filled with bird feeders, and many resident birds and wildlife to observe.

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Exercise Outdoors in Nature when Susan leads a fast-paced four-mile hike along a meadowy path in San Dieguito River Park on Wednesday, June 19, at 6 p.m. For reservations and directions, call 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

DANCE

"The Impersonation of Mr. Peacock (Part I, The Liar)" is premiered when McCaleb Dance performs on Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15. The piece is a conceptual collaboration by contemporary artist Francis Alys, choreographer Nancy McCaleb, videographer Eloisa Haudenschild, set designer Eric Geiger, and the company of dancers. McCaleb Dance will also present *Verdigris*.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. each night in Sherwood Auditorium at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Tickets are \$20 general, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (A JOLLA)

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Wild Asparagus makes the music and George Marshall calls for the contradance on Friday, June 14. 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. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

See You Later, Alligator, the final "Swingin' Live at Champion" dance is planned on Saturday, June 15, at the Champion Ballroom (3580 Fifth Avenue). Doors open at 8 p.m.,

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Israeli Dance Night with Dalya is planned on Saturday, June 15, at the Folk Dance Center. The party starts at 7:30 p.m. with early warm-up dances that are right for beginners. Admission is \$5. For information, call 858-638-1810. Find the center at 4569 30th Street. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Neither Experience nor Partners Are Necessary for the Latin partner dance workshops planned by Phil Hatcher on Sundays through June 23, 4 to 5:30 p.m., at Eight Elements West (6830 La Jolla Boulevard #201). Dance the Argentinean tango on June 16. The fee is \$15 per class. To reserve a space, dial 858-459-0899. (LA JOLLA)

Fun, Friendship (and Exercise) are promised when the Sandpipers Square Dance Club hosts new classes beginning on Thursday, June 20, at the Encinitas Community Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive). The first class, at 6:30 p.m., is a "mainstream level" class; "plus-level workshops" start at 8 p.m. For information, call 760-436-0685 or 858-481-5166. (ENCINITAS)

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The Sinister Side of Corporate Man is revealed in Robert Palumbo's 1995 thriller Fallout, centering around four characters trapped in an underground shelter after their high-rise office building is devastated by an explosion. Will they survive? Find out when it's screened for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library on Monday, June 17, 6:30 p.m. Admission is free. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Dusk Films, the "Summer of 2002 Outdoor Film Festival" series at the San Diego Museum of Art continues with the classic Jean Renoir film from 1939, Rules of the Game. The film starts at dusk on Thursday, June 20. Bring a blanket for seating. 619-696-

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Video Vixens, this festival of animation, film, and video directed by women may be seen on Friday June 21, at Sushi Performance and Visual Art. The program includes work by 11 artists; each piece is two to ten minutes in length. The evening begins with an artists' reception and viewing of installations at 7 p.m. and the screening of Video Vixens at 8 p.m. Sushi is located in the ReinCar-

nation Building, at 320 11th Avenue. For tickets and information, call 619-235-8468. (DOWNTOWN)

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

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

The in-orbit construction of the International Space Station is chron-icled in *Space Station*. The IMAX cameras filmed seven shuttle crews and two resident station crews as they transformed the station from a tiny outpost to a permanently inhabited scientific research station.

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What Is Human Design? It's described as a "relatively new tool that has created a buzz in the psychological community," blending "aspects of astrology with the Qaballah and the I-Ching." Anne Beversdorf speaks of "Astrology and Human Design" for the San Diego Astrological Society on Friday, June 14, at 7:30 p.m., at the Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Admission is \$12 for nonmembers (\$6 for first-time visitors) 888-405-6825. (HILLCREST)

How's Your Health? Naturopathic doctor Tori Hudson, author of The Women's Encyclopedia of Natural Medicine, focuses on "Women's Health Issues and Natural Healing Alternatives" when she speaks for the Ocean Beach People's Organic Food Co-op. The talk starts at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, June 14, at the Ocean Beach Women's Club, 2160 Bacon Street (at Muir Avenue). Hudson will sign books following the talk. The requested donation is \$3. To reserve a spot, call 619-224-1387. (OCEAN BEACH)

Warmer Days and Lighter Foods are on the menu when Mindy Goldis leads a cooking class on summer salads on Saturday, June 15. The class runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the School of Healing Arts, 1001 Garnet Avenue #200). The fee is \$45. For reservations and information, call 858-581-9429. (PACIFIC BEACH)

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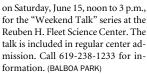
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"Classical" English Astrologer John Frawley examines "Sexuality in Astrology" when he speaks for the National Council for Geocosmic Research on Saturday, June 15, 7:30 p.m., at the John D. Spreckels Building (3858 Front Street, at University Avenue). Admission is \$35 for nonmembers. Call 619-443-7581 for information. (HILLCREST)

Beyond Beans, Last Chance for Animals hosts "Vegetarianism Made Easy" on Saturday, June 15, at 11 a.m., at the Encinitas Community Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive). Expect information on vegetarian shopping, dining, and cooking, and a recipe booklet, fact sheets, and food tasting. The fee is \$5. 619-583-9522. (ENCINITAS)

Do Mid-List and New Authors Get a Fair Shake in the publishing biz? Diana Saenger thought not, so she and Sandy Scoville founded Sands Publishing. Saenger, editor and publisher of Glory, speaks for the San Diego Writers/Editors Guild on Monday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m. Find the group in the Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Admission: \$5 for nonmembers. For more information, call 858-576-3800. (HILLCREST)

An Evening with the Bard, when the San Diego Shakespeare Society gathers on Monday, June 17, UCSD classics and theater professor Marianne McDonald will present "From Titans to Titania: Shakespeare and His Classical Sources." Also on tap: a Shakespeare showcase by local actors. The group convenes at 7 p.m. in Peterson Hall at UCSD. Admission is free.

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San Diego County Boasts the Highest Biodiversity of any county in the continental United States, but what do we actually know about the organisms? Learn about "Scientific Realities and Questions About the Flora of San Diego County" when Jon P. Rebman addresses the California Native Plant Society on Tuesday, June 18. Rebman is curator of botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in room 104 of the Casa del Prado. For information, call 619-685-7321. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Making the Old New, the San Diego Natural History Museum hosts "Making Truly 'Antique' Jewelry" on June 18, 20, and 25, from 6 to 9 p.m. each night. Participants will create metal-plate fossil jewelry, learn about the age of the fossils, and examine large numbers of brachiopods and other Paleozoic fossils. The fee for nonmembers is \$65. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to register. (BALBOA PARK)

What Does It Take to Publish a Book? Authors Lee Silber and Andrew Chapman — with 14 books be-tween them — focus on "Everything You Need to Know About Promo tion" on Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m., at the Creativity Center (243 North Highway 101, suite 10, behind the Java Depot). A different aspect of the book business is covered each Tuesday in June. The fee is \$49 per seminar. To register, call 858-792-5312. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Live-Forevers of San Diego County and Adjacent Areas" are the subject for a class (Tuesday, June 18, 7 p.m.) and field trip (June 22, 8 a.m.), hosted by the San Diego Natural History Museum. Participants will learn about these succulents' habitat, status, and how to tell them apart. The \$50 fee includes van transportation. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to reserve a spot. (BALBOA PARK)

What's the "Fast Forward" Technique to finish writing your story? Find out when Judy Cullins divulges "How to Write Your Book - Fast!" for fiction and nonfiction writers over 18 at the La Mesa Senior Center (8450 La Mesa Boulevard). Classes run from 12:30 to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays from June 18 through July 23. There's a \$4 materials fee. (LA MESA)

"Marine Biology Along the Baja California Peninsula" is the subject when Hans Bertsch speaks on Wednesday, June 19, at 6:30 p.m., at the Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Get the scoop on the biodiversity and natural history of marine invertebrates from Bahia de los Angeles and Punta Eugenia. 619-575-3613. Free. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

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rator Betti-Sue Hertz speaks for the Insight Gallery Talk series on Thursday, June 20, at 6 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. The lecture is included in regular museum admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Planning a Trip to Italy but speak no Italian? The Italian Community Center is offering "Italian for Travelers" on Wednesdays, July 17, 24, and 31, 6 to 8 p.m. Participants will learn fundamental Italian grammar, sentences, and words to gain information and directions, shop, and more. No previous knowledge of Italian is required. The fee is \$65 per person. Find the center at 1669 Columbia Street. Call 619-237-0601 to reserve a spot. (LITTLE ITALY)

With a Passion for Plant Materials and the history of landscape, Pamela Burton has over 20 years of experience in designing architectural spaces. Burton speaks for the series co-sponsored by the American Society of Landscape Architects and the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 18. Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street; 858-454-3541. Admission is \$10 general. (LA JOLLA)

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Got Jazz? Bill Caballero's Latin Jazz Jam takes the stage at Voz Alta on Thursday, June 13, 8 to 11 p.m. You're invited to bring your instrument and jam onstage with local Latin jazz musicians. Find Voz Alta at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues); 619-230-1869. Admission is \$7 general. (DOWNTOWN)

The David Robicheaux Series by James Lee Burke continues with Jolie Blon's Bounce. Burke signs and discusses his work on Friday, June 14, at 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Tickets are available with the purchase of the book from Mysterious Galaxy. Call 858-268-4747 for details. (CLAIREMONT)

"Sing, Sing, Sing," it's time for the annual spring concert by the Noteables Choral Group. Listen for old standards such as "Stardust," "More Than You Know," "Besame Mucho," and more at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 14, and at 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 15, at the San Carlos United Methodist Church (6554 Cowles Mountain Boulevard, at Navajo). For information, call 619-668-9233. The requested donation is \$8. (SAN CARLOS) Comedian Paul Rodriguez performs on Friday, June 14, at 8 p.m., at 4th & B (345 B Street). Tickets range from

\$40 to \$47.50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). For information, call 619-231-4343. (DOWNTOWN)

Slam for Fun during the midmonth Friday night slam planned on June 14 at the Urban Grind (3797 Park Boulevard). Events start at 7:30 p.m. (following 7 p.m. sign-ups; the first round is open to the first 18 in line). Free. 619-294-2920. (HILLCREST)

What's in Them Thar Hills? Find out when Leland Fetzer, author of A Good Camp: Gold Mines of Julian and the Cuyamacas and A Year in the Cuyamacas, speaks on Saturday, June 15, noon to 3 p.m., at Miner's Gems (2616 San Diego Avenue). Free. 619-688-1178. (OLD TOWN)

"Toast of the Village," said to be "in the style of *The Ed Sullivan Show*," is the 46th annual musical concert by the Generations, set for Saturday, June 15. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. at the La Mesa Senior Adult Recreation Center (8450 La Mesa Boulevard). Donations will be accepted. For information, call 619-462-2889. (LA MESA)

What Does It Mean to Be a Father Today? Explore the answer when Hogan Hilling signs and discusses The Man Who Would Be Dad on Saturday, June 15, at 2 p.m., at the Barnes and Noble store in Hazard Center. Free. Find the store at 7610 Hazard Center Drive; 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

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Local Authors Nancy Holder, Jeff Mariotte, and Maryelizabeth Hart visit Mysterious Galaxy Books to sign and discuss their book Angel: The Casefiles on Saturday, June 15, at 2:30 p.m. Mariotte will also sign Angel: Stranger to the Sun. Find the Galaxy at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard and by calling 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

Celebrate Summer Solstice when the Four Winds present a Native American concert with traditional flutes and other instruments on Saturday, June 15, 7 p.m., at the Mission Trails Regional Park visitors' center (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). Bring a folding chair or blanket for seating. 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Interwoven Story and Song are promised when San Diego Folk Heritage presents Tim Day, Windbourne, and storytellers on Saturday, June 15, at 7 p.m., in Templar's Hall in Old Poway Park (14134 Midland Road). Tickets are \$11. Dial 858-566-4040 for reservations. (POWAY)

Warning: Adult Language and Situations are promised when the Fault Line Players present sketch and improv in "Dirty Shorts: Cling-Ons" on Saturday, June 15, at 8 and 10 p.m., at the Fault Line Theatre (3152 Fifth Avenue, at Spruce). \$7. 619-692-3382. (HILLCREST)

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"Sundays at Six" — this series starts when the San Diego Concert Band presents "Broadway to Pops" on June 16, at 6 p.m., at the Harry Griffen Park Amphitheatre (9550 Milden Street). Bring a picnic basket (no glass) and a blanket. Free. 619-667-1300. (LA MESA)

The "Music in the Park" concert series continues with music by Dr. Feelgood on Sunday, June 16, at 4 p.m., in Memorial Bowl (373 Park Way, just off Third Avenue, between G and F Streets). Admission is free. For information, call 619-585-5682. (CHULA VISTA)

Science Fiction Author Robert J. Sawyer will sign and discuss Hominids on Monday, June 17, at 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free, 858-268-4747, (CLAIREMONT)

New Works Exploring the Jewish Experience are featured in staged readings planned for the 2002 Streisand Festival of Jewish Plays. The festival concludes with The Old Man's Friend by James Sherman on Monday, June 17.

The play starts at 7 p.m. in the David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). Tickets are \$12.50 per performance. Call 858-362-1348 for reservations. (LA JOLLA)

Is He the Funniest Man Alive? Entertainment Weekly laid this honor at the feet of Robin Williams, who plans a concert on Monday, June 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)

Summer Organ Festival, the 15th annual festival at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion gets underway with a concert by civic organist Carol Williams and the Mount Helix Double Brass Quartet on Monday, June 17, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. Call 619-702-8138 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

Being Bad Has Never Read So Good, in Drake's Fortune: The Fabulous True Story of the World's Greatest Confidence Artist, Richard Rayner tells the story of Oscar Hartzell and his 20-year ride at the "helm of perhaps the most successful and longestrunning con game." Rayner reads from and signs his book at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18, at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free, Call 858-454-0347 for information. (LA JOLLA)

Author Charles Platkin visits Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Grossmont Center at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18, to sign Breaking the Pattern: The Five Principles You Need to Remodel Your Life. Find the mall at 5500 Grossmont Center Drive; call 619-667-2870 for information, Free, (LA MESA)

Busy on Tuesday? Platkin will also sign his work on Wednesday, June 19, at 7 p.m., at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore at 1040 North El Camino Real. Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)







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Twilight in the Park, this summer concert series starts on Tuesday, June 18, with rock and roll from the '50s through '70s by the Cat-illacs. The Navy Band Southwest Fleet Wind Ensemble takes the stage on Wednesday, June 19, and the Notables Al Bahr Shrine Dance Band performs on Thursday, June 20.

Concerts run from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. in the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. Call 619-239-0512 for more details. (BALBOA PARK)

Just Relax and your inborn creativity will emerge, according to author Nina Wise, who signs *A Big New Free Happy Unusual Life* on Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m., at Esmeralda Books and Coffee (1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307). For information, call 858-755-2707. Free. (DEL MAR)

Slightly Twisted Open Mike — poets, musicians, performers, and philosophers share their original works at Bridge Way Books on June 18 (and the third Tuesday of every month), from 7 to 9 p.m. Find the shop at 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, suite A-30. For information, call 760-943-7875. The requested donation is \$5. (ENCINITAS)

"Love to Travel and long to write about it?" Cynthia Dial signs and discusses her book *Teach Yourself Travel Writing* on Wednesday, June 19, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway). For information, call 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

The busy Dial will also appear on

Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (11160 Rancho Carmel Drive). Free. Call 858-618-1814 for details. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

The Nature of Exploration was changed by Roy Chapman Andrews, who made forays into the Gobi Desert of outer and inner Mongolia. Among his discoveries: dinosaur eggs, the Flaming Cliffs of Mongolia, the first velociraptor skeleton, and a treasure trove of other dinosaurs and extinct mammals.

Charles Gallenkamp signs and discusses Dragon Hunter: Roy Chapman Andrews and the Central Asiatic Expeditions on Wednesday, June 19, at 7 p.m., at the San Diego Natural History Museum. Tickets are \$8 general. Call 619-232-3821 x203 for reservations. (BALBOA PARK)

Find Your Path to "true personal power" when Melody Beattie signs and discusses her new book, *Choices: Taking Control of Your Life and Making It Matter*, at Esmeralda Books and Coffee on Thursday, June 20, 7 p.m. Find the shop at 1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307; 858-755-2707. Free. (DEL MAR)

Epic Fantasy combines with a sophisticated psychological theme in Casey Fahey's *Seven Isles of Ameulas*. Fahey signs and discusses this sci-fi story when the Science Fiction Group meets on Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble store in Hazard Center (7610 Hazard Center Drive. Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY) "Fresh from the Baroque: 1930s — Avant-Garde" — this concert by Les Folies features the sweet-voiced recorder, the *flauto dolce* of the baroque. In the late 18th Century the recorder lost ground and an orchestra seat to the transverse flute, remaining neglected for the next 150 years.

The program planned on Saturday, June 22, is devoted entirely to the modern repertoire. Les Folies will perform works by contemporary American and European composers from the 1930s through the avantgarde, including jazz originals and transcriptions. Ensemble members include Janet Beazley, Inga Funck, Claire Rottembourg, and Ulla Sinz.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue). Tickets are \$15 general. For information and reservations, call 619-224-5830. (DOWNTOWN)

Every Stage of Jimi Hendrix's Career is chronicled in Steven Roby's *Black Gold: The Lost Archives of Jimi Hendrix.* The book authenticates the lost sessions, previously unknown recorded collaborations, and rare film and video documents of this influential rock guitarist. Meet Roby when he discusses his book on Sunday, June 30, at 5 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. For information, call 858-456-1800. ((A JOLLA)

Talented Alice, head to the Book Works when California cooking maven Alice Waters visits the shop to sign her new book, *Chez Panisse* *Fruit,* on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m. Find the bookstore in Flower Hill Mall, at 2670 Via de la Valle and by calling 858-755-3735. Free. (DEL MAR)

SPORTS

Professional Soccer, the San Diego Gauchos hosts the Southern California Seahorses on Friday, June 14, at 10 a.m., in Titan Stadium at EastLake High School (1120 EastLake Parkway). Admission is \$6 for adults, \$3 for those 14 and younger. For information, call 619-336-9861. (CHULA VISTA)

Padre Baseball, the San Diego Padres host the Seattle Mariners June 14-16, with games at 7:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m., on Sunday, at Qualcomm Stadium. The Boston Red Sox arrive for games Tuesday through Thursday, June 18-20, at 7:05 p.m. each night.

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)

Picnic Near Swami's during an outing planned by the Knickerbikers. The bicyclists start this 30-mile ride for intermediates on Saturday, June 15, at 9:30 a.m. at the Carmel Valley park-and-ride (one block west of I-5 on Carmel Valley Road), tour Rancho Santa Fe, and then eat *al fresco.* Bring money or lunch. For in-

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Up for a Destruction Derby? There's one planned — as well as legends, pony stocks, bombers, Grand American modified, and sportsman competition — on Saturday, June 15, at Cajon Speedway. The first race starts at 6:45 p.m., with qualifying runs starting at 5 p.m.

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Highway 67, and use the Bradley exit.

A "Ride with No Title" is promised by the Sierra Club bicyclists on Saturday, June 15. The 55-mile ride starts at 9 a.m. in the north parking

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lot at Mission Bay visitors' center (at East Mission Bay Drive and Clairemont Drive). Cyclists ride to Mt. Soledad, up the coast to Solana Beach, and back up Torrey Pines hill to La Jolla, Sail Bay, and Pacific Beach before heading back to Mission Bay. Bring money for lunch at Zinc Cafe. 858-565-7262. (MISSION BAY)

Learn the Correct Fundamentals based on the natural movement of your body when SDSU's College of Extended Studies presents "Golfing Fundamentals: Five Weeks to a Better Golf Game," taught by Pat Ferrante. According to organizers, "You will understand what to do and why."

Section one runs Saturdays, June 15-July 13, at 9 a.m. (with a second section slated for July 20), at the Sorrento Canyon Golf Center (5605 Carroll Canyon Road). The fee is \$105, plus \$25 for range balls. To register, call 619-594-5152. (CARROLL CANYON)

Invasion of the No-Necks, the World Wrestling Federation hits the San Diego Sports Arena for its "Tour of Defiance" on Saturday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$16 to \$41, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

Gift of Life, this 5k run and walk is scheduled for Saturday, June 15, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Embarcadero Marina Park North (behind Seaport Village). The San Diego Blood Bank benefits from the event. For more details, call 619-296-6393 x8176. (DOWNTOWN)

Learn the Basics of Rock Garden Paddling and explore caves and rock formations when the San Diego Natural History Museum hosts a family kayak trip to the La Jolla Shores to spy sea caves, kelp beds, and sharks on Saturday, June 15, 9 a.m. to noon. The nonmember fee is \$60 per person in a double kayak, or \$80 per person in a single kayak. To register, call 619-232-3821 x203. (LA JOLA)

Multi-Sport Enthusiasts Beckoned, the 11th annual Sri Chinmoy swim/run is slated for Sunday, June 16, with a one-half-mile swim (parallel to the shore) and five-mile run. Events begin at 8 a.m. just north of Crystal Pier. 619-687-5859. (PACIFIC BEACH)

THREE SONGS

Tell me where is fancy bred, Or in the heart or in the head? How begot, how nourished? Reply, reply. It is engender'd in the eyes, With gazing fed; and fancy dies In the cradle where it lies. Let us all ring fancy's knell: I'll begin it,—Ding, dong, bell.

Ding, dong, bell! — from *The Merchant of Venice*

Come unto these yellow sands, And then take hands: Courtsied when you have and kiss'd The wild waves whist: Foot it featly here and there; And, sweet sprites, the burthen bear. Hark, hark!

Testing Both Horse and Rider, the Sunnyside Saddle Club hosts horse shows throughout the year. The next event is set for Sunday, June 16, starting at 8:30 a.m. Find the arena in Rohr Park (4548 Sweetwater Road, at Central Avenue). Admission for spectators is free. For more information, call 619-479-1125. (BONITA)

Hit the Beach for the Father's Day Beach Party and Menehune Surf Classic hosted by the Fathers Resource Center on Sunday, June 16, at Moonlight Beach. The surf competition includes surfing and bodyboarding for children 12 and under, with a father/child tandem division. There will be surf music, booths, all kinds of entertainment. For information, call 760-634-3237. Admission is free, although there is an entry fee for the contest. Find the beach at the foot of Encinitas Boulevard. (ENCINITAS)

Low-Tide Ride and Stride, enjoy an 8.2-mile bicycle ride or run along the coastline from Imperial Beach to Coronado on Sunday, June 16. The event is run on the low tide to provide a wide stretch of hard-packed sand beginning at 8:30 a.m. from Camp Surf (at Seacoast Drive and Carnation Avenue) to Sunset Park (Ocean Boulevard and Ocean Drive). For details, dial 619-423-0380. (IMPERIAL BEACH, CORONADO)

Hit the Waves when the sixth annual Oceanside Main Street Manufacturer Expo and Body Boarding Contest takes place on Sunday, June 16, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., on the south side of the Oceanside Pier. Free for spectators. For information, call 760-722-7101. Find the pier at the foot of Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

Bow-wow.

Bow-wow.

The watch-dogs bark:

Hark, hark! I hear

Cry, Cock-a-diddle-dow.

In a cowslip's bell I lie;

On the bat's back I do fly

After summer merrily.

The strain of strutting chanticleer

Where the bee sucks, there suck I:

There I couch when owls do cry.

Merrily, merrily shall I live now

— from The Tempest

Under the blossom that hangs on the bough.

from The Tempest

World's Largest Beach Party? It's almost time for the Old Mission Beach Athletic Club's 49th annual Over-the-Line tournament, with competition planned on July 13 and 14 (and July 20 and 21). Irreverent team names and "uniforms" are just part of the fun. Tournament play runs from 7 a.m. to dusk on Fiesta Island. For more information, call 619-688-0817. (MISSION BAY)

SPECIAL

Themes of Self-Delusion and questions of class are fundamental to *Emma*. This Jane Austen gem is up for discussion when the Del Mar Great Books Reading and Discussion Group gathers on Friday, June 14, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (Del Mar Highlands Town Center, 12835 El Camino Real). 858-756-4298. Free. (DEL MAR)

Bring Your Canine Companion to the "doggie cafe" planned at the San Diego Humane Society on Friday, June 14, at 5:30 p.m. Certified dog trainers and "dog friendly" volunteer trainers will dispense tips on "how to keep your dog calm in public around distractions like people, food, and other dogs." Dogs should be friendly and on-leash. The suggested donation is \$5. Find the society at 887 Sherman Street; call 619-299-7012 x244 to register. (LINDA VISTA)

Celebrate Flag Day when the Veterans Memorial Center and Museum, located at Presidents Way and Park Boulevard, hosts a Flag Day festival on June 14 and 15. There's a children's patriotic art exhibit, face painting, rock climbing, games, and more. Free. Friday's events include reception and awards at 5 p.m., with events from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. For information, call 858-450-9044. (BALBOA PARK)

Selections on Buddhism will be discussed when the Great Books Reading and Discussion Group meets on Saturday, June 15, at 2 p.m., in the third-floor conference room at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-440-5625. Free; new-comers are welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

Commemorate Juncteenth, the oldest known celebration of the end of slavery. Dating to 1865, it was on June 19 that news of the war's end reached Texas and the enslaved were freed (two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation). The Juneteenth Community Freedom Fair is set for Saturday, June 15, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., in the amphitheater near the Oceanside Pier (200 North the Strand). Free. 760-754-9686. (OCEANSIDE) Take the Train to Tecate via Campo, when the San Diego Railroad Museum offers a vintage train excursion to Tecate, Mexico, on Saturday, June 15. 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. (CAMPO, TECATE)

The Semi-Annual Threshing Bee and Antique Engine and Tractor Show returns to the Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum on Saturday and Sunday, June 15 and 16 (and June 22 and 23). See blacksmith and wheelwright demos, grist and sawmill operations, and other vintage skills, along with food, gifts, music, train rides, and displays of antique cars and steam engines. Tractor games are followed by a parade of antique equipment at 1 p.m.

Find the fun at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. Gates are open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$6 general, \$3 for those 6 to 12, and kids under 6 free. For information, dial 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Whaddaya Know About Wolves? Remedy your lack of knowledge with a visit to the California Wolf Center. The center hosts public programs every Saturday at 2 p.m. Admission is \$8 general, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for children ten and younger. Reservations are required, made by calling 619-234-9653 or 760-765-0030. (JULIAN)

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; 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)

Celebrate the Second Anniversary of EveryOneDrums when the San Diego Community Drum Circle gathers on Saturday, June 15, at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). The drum circle is facilitated by Ze'ev Keisch. Beginners are encouraged and drums will be provided, or bring your own. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; the circle starts at 8 p.m. Free. 619-913-1089. (LA JOLLA)

"Elvis: A Tribute to the King of Rock and Roll" is the theme for this

year's San Diego County Fair, running from Saturday, June 15, through Sunday, July 7, at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Scope out over 100,000 entries in more than 3000 categories in numerous competitions and exhibits, including fine arts, livestock, children's art, gems and minerals, and home arts; enjoy the fun zone with rides and games; see commercial exhibits; eat a variety of food; take part in a contest (bubble gum blowing, pie eating, and many more); and enjoy concerts.

Gates open Monday through Thursday at 11 a.m. and at 10 a.m. on Friday and Saturday; exhibit buildings close at 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and at 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (midnight on July 4). The fun zone opens at noon Monday through Friday and at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, closing down at approximately midnight each night. Admission is \$9.50 general, \$6 seniors, \$4.50 kids 6 to 12, free for those 5 and under. For more information, call 858-793-5555 or 858-755-1161. (DEL MAR)

Get Back to the Garden when the Community Resource Center hosts a self-guided tour of six area gardens on Saturday, June 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The gardens are located in Rancho Santa Fe, Del Mar, Encinitas, and Solana Beach, planted in a variety of styles. Tickets are \$15. For tickets and information, call 760-753-1156. (NORTH COUNTY)

More Than 70 Wooden Boats will take part in the 12th Annual Wooden Boat Festival, running June 15 and 16 at the Koehler Kraft boatyard (2302 Shelter Island Drive). Events get underway both days at 9 a.m. and include workshops (boat restoration techniques), exhibitions, demonstrations (boat building), boat auctions, and food.

The festival ends at 5 p.m. on Saturday and at 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5. For more details, call 619-222-9051. (SHELTER ISLAND)

An Ikebana Show with work from the Ichiyo School is promised on Saturday and Sunday, June 15 and 16, at the Japanese Friendship Garden (2125 Park Boulevard, next to the Spreckels Organ Pavilion). Garden hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Admission is \$3 general, \$2 for students, children 6 and under free. 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Psychic Times, a metaphysical conference and psychic fair is scheduled at Alexandra's BookStore noon to

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A Working Stiff's Manifesto, A Memoir



Soho Press, 2002; 164 pages; \$22

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Iain Levison is adrift in a workaday world in which one human is as good as the next, and all humans are expendable. He is a wage slave — a genuine, salary-dependent, red-blooded working stiff too "rich" for welfare and too broke to fit a consumer demographic. He can find work but not fulfillment. Instead, he struggles just to feed and shelter himself, and keep his car running so he can get back and forth from his job.

To deal with the dead-end, dead-head labor that induces in him a pink-slip payback attitude, Levison adopts a defense

6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, June 15 and 16. Tarot, palmistry, numerology, and other psychic arts will be featured; pay \$20 per reading. The shop is located at 3545 Midway Drive, suite G; 619-298-3422. (SPORTS ARENA)

The House of Sweden, one of the International Cottages, hosts a program of dance, music, and cultural costumes at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 16. Admission is free. Swedish foods will be offered for sale. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

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Celebrate Puerto Rico when the seventh annual Dia de San Juan Salsa Festival takes place on Sunday, June 16, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Southwestern College. Organizers promise music by Orquesta Primo, Hector

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mechanism of deadpan humor, as the realization sets in that his college degree will gain him little by way of psychic wages (or any other kind). A Working Stiff's Manifesto is a funny book about the not-so-funny world of work.

Levison put himself through Villanova University (where he earned a degree in English literature) working as an Emergency Medical Technician in Philadelphia. In ten years he landed 42 jobs: from 16-hour shift-worker on the slime line in a crab processing plant in Alaska, to furniture mover in North Carolina, film-set gofer in New York, heating-oil deliveryman in Pennsylvania, art hanger, truck driver, caterer. He quit 30 of these jobs, got fired from 9, and says that he has difficulty remembering what happened at the other 3.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: On the day that we talked, Iain Levison was in Charleston, South Carolina, where he is employed in two posts — one with a catering company and another as janitor in his apartment building. A Working Stiff's Manifesto had recently received enthusiastic notice from the New York Times Book Review ("Levison is the real deal, less a correspondent than a combatant"); USA Today ("There is naked, pitiless power in his work that makes Levison's book more valuable than the usual journal of the down-and-out in America"); and the Wall Street Journal. A Working Stiff's Manifesto was selling well, and he'd just turned in his second book — a novel — to his publisher, and his publisher had declared himself delighted with it.

So it was no wonder that Mr. Levison sounded somewhat ebullient when our talk began. He said that he felt comfortable

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Rivera y la Conciensa; a kids' corner, vendor and information booths, Puerto Rican food, and dancing. Admission is \$5 for adults, free

for those 12 and under. For more information, call 619-687-1444. Find 4 the campus at 900 Otay Lakes Road. r (CHULA VISTA) c

"From the Land Kissed by the Sun," this exhibit of one-of-a-kind textiles by artist Christie Dunning is on display through Tuesday, July 30, at the Japanese Friendship Garden. The La Jolla artist used a "heliographic printing process on fabric" with plants from her garden and sunsensitive paint. The resulting fabric is sewn into hanging panels that the artist often embroiders.

Garden hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Admission is \$3 general, \$2 for students, children 6 and under free. 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

"Patriotism through Children's Eyes" is the theme for artwork by children and photographs of American flags on display through Friday, June 28, on the Art Halls/Art Walls at the San Diego County Administration in Charleston, noting, "I have been all over the country, and this is my favorite city. It's got a lot of British charm to it. It's like a British town, but it's got Florida weather and it's got a beach."

Mr. Levison was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1963. Iain, he explained, is Gaelic for John.

Although I detect no accent that I consider Scottish in Mr. Levison's voice, he says it's there. "I heard myself on the radio the other day, and I can detect a Scottish accent. I always thought it was completely gone. But when I listen to myself, I can hear a little bit of it."

Until he was ten, Mr. Levison lived in Britain. "And then during the Nixon administration I came over here and lived in Philadelphia." How he happened to move to the States, Mr. Levison explained, was that his father, an American, was in the armed services. "So when I was born, we were really poor, and he lived over in the United States the whole time. I never really saw him until I was about ten or so. And then he became a doctor and he became quite rich all of a sudden. So I moved from basically a Scottish slum into the Main Line of Philadelphia. I think that's where I got a lot of the attitudes that come across in the book. It was a good childhood, because I got a unique perspective on wealth.

"I never felt comfortable on the Main Line. Until I was an adult I never really felt comfortable in America, which I think is why the instant I had a choice, like the minute I graduated high school, I moved back to Scotland. I went to Glasgow University for languages right out of high school. I was in a military pro-(continued on page 78)

Building (1600 Pacific Highway). 619-531-5600. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

They'll Be Tossing Cabers when the San Diego Highland Games and Gathering of the Clans takes place on Saturday and Sunday, June 22 and 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Brengle Terrace Park (1400 Vale Terrace Drive). There will be bagpiping, highland dancing competitions, falconry, drum major competition, sheepdog trials, kids' athletics, and more.

Tickets at the gate are \$10 general, \$8 for seniors and military, \$5 for those 6-16. There's very limited parking at the park, so take advantage of the offsite parking and free shuttles running from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. from Vista High School (1 Panther Way, at Bobier Drive). For information, call 619-645-8080. (VISTA)

FOR KIDS

"Mother Holly" is performed by Millie Patterson of Weaver's Tales through Sunday, June 16, at the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater.





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gram. I was in the intelligence corps, but I dropped out after two years. But then I realized the unemployment in Scotland was so brutal that I'd probably be more comfortable in the United States. I retained my British passport because they have free medical care. So if I ever get sick, I just want to return to Britain." 'Did you ever consider following in your father's footsteps

and becoming a doctor?"

'No, not really. The science wasn't for me. My sister is a veterinarian. I have two sisters. One's older; she lives in Philadelphia, she's got five kids. And one's living in Jacksonville, Florida.'

"When you were younger, were your friends people who read books?'

"My mother is an avid reader. But apart from that, not really. It's not an active choice, but I've never really hung around with a literary set.

"What did you first read that made you want to write?"

"I would say All Quiet on the Western Front. And a lot of Kurt Vonnegut's books, but Mother Night, particularly. And Charles Bukowski. Books that seem to be based on life experience, I guess that's a connecting thread. I think it's difficult to write anything that I would have respected without a certain degree of it."

'When did you start writing?"

"I've always been interested in writing. I've always been an avid reader. I started writing when I was about 18. I remember writing when I was in the Army. I finished a couple of books actually. Books that didn't sell. The writing gives me a sense of a future. Any job that I've ever had, I've always had a sense of

Meet A Dog Called Bum when Tom Jensen and the Padre Puppeteers perform June 19-23.

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

See a Story, representatives from the Alliance for Language and Literacy for Deaf Children will be telling stories in American sign language at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 15, at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). Free. 619-295-2730. (MISSION VALLEY)

She Loved Winter, Snow, and Ice, and on Saturday, June 15, at 11 a.m., the sassy Parisienne star of Madeline visits the story time planned at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. Call 760-943-6400 for information. (ENCINITAS)

Aloha! Head to Borders Books and Music for the Lilo and Stitch story time planned on Saturday, June 15, at 2 p.m. There will be lei-making and a visit by Winnie-the-Pooh. Free.

Find the store at 159 Fletcher Parkway; 619-593-5119. (EL CAJON)

Children's Museum of San Diego, art workshops are planned on Saturday and Sunday, June 15 and 16, as part of the Father's Day 2002 celebrations. Bring your pop and make bendable buddies (with pipe cleaners and clay), kites, and drums to take home.

"Warhol Meets Richter" in the latest work by San Diego artist Margot Waller. Waller's work utilizes abstract images, universal themes, and mixed media to combine the playfulness of Warhol with the diversity of Richter. The exhibition includes children's portraiture as well as selections from her "Intra/Heaven and Earth," "Horizons," "Transitions," and "Better Off Ed" series. See the show through Sunday, June 30.

Painter, sculptor, and illustrator Branan Freeman presents "Explorations" during the month of June. This multimedia exhibit features an array of colorful work on paper; the collection of abstract paintings involves color, shape, and design.

The celebration of theater arts entitled "Puppetry, Circus, and Storytelling" features Pam McIntire's puppet exhibit, highlighting four

future because of the writing. I think in order to write you really need a completely baseless faith in your own ability. Otherwise, you can't keep going with it, you know?

This is my first published book. Soho took a really big chance publishing it because a book about the poor, your first thought would be that it wouldn't be marketable. One of the things about the arts is that the poor are so unrepresented, because if you write about them or direct a book toward them, very few people are going to publish it because they wouldn't expect that they could make any money. The poor aren't known for buying books.'

In A Working Stiff's Manifesto, Mr. Levison writes: "I have become, without realizing it, an itinerant worker, a modernday Tom Joad. There are differences, though. If you asked Tom Joad what he did for a living, he would say, 'I'm a farmworker. Me, I have no idea. The other difference is that Tom Joad didn't blow \$40,000 getting an English degree.

For seven months Mr. Levison worked in Alaska. "That really sounded like a terrible time for you," I said.

'That was rough. I primarily did that for money. I went up there so that I could get money to come back down here and write. It never occurred to me when I was up there that that would be one of the first things that I'd write about. I was actually just looking to somehow get out of what I consider a poverty trap. And while I was up there, it started to occur to me; like I'd look around and I'd see that all the people I was working with were in the poverty trap. It's pretty pervasive. I think there are also conventions when it comes to literature that if you write anything about poor people they have to be heroic or minorities. I

decades of puppet magic. The exhi-

unique puppets, props, script sam-

ples, backdrops, sets, photographs,

and a working stage and continues

"The Book Stop," "Improv Theater," and "Cora's Rainhouse." Find the

museum at 200 West Island Avenue.

Dial 619-233-8792 for additional de-

"A Morning with Dad" is promised

when model Dianne York-Goldman

and dermatologist Mitchel P. Gold-

man, M.D., authors of Beauty Basics

for Teens — The Complete Skin-Care,

Hair-Care, and Nail-Care Guide for

Young Women, present a talk on Sat-urday, June 15. The event begins at

9:30 a.m. in Schulman Auditorium

at the Carlsbad City Library (1775

Dove Lane). The fee is \$20 for dad

and daughter. Call 858-578-4413 for

"The Natural History of Horses,"

children in grades four through seven

will discuss the past, present, and fu-

ture of the evolution of the horse

through discussions, activities, and

crafts when the San Diego Natural His-

tory Museum hosts this class on Sat-

reservations, (LA COSTA)

Continuing exhibits include

through June.

tails. (DOWNTOWN)

urday, June 15, 1 to 3 p.m. The nonmember fee is \$20. To reserve a spot, bition includes more than 100 call 619-232-3821 x203, (BALBOA PARK)

Step-by-Step Memories, create a

memory stepping stone on Saturday, June 15, 10 a.m. to noon, at the Mission Trails Regional Park visitors' center (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). Bring small shells, marbles, and other little items to press into the stone. The fee is \$18 for one child and one adult, or \$14 for one adult; participants will create two stepping stones. For information, call 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

Junior Speed and conditioning clinics are being offered by coach Terry Martin throughout the summer at UCSD to improve speed, endurance, and technique for athletes aged 8 to 17. The first session runs June 17-28. The fee is \$120. To register, dial 858-822-0379. (LA JOLLA)

Summer Salsa, Absolutely DanceSport hosts a "Summer Children's Salsa Dance Program" beginning on Tuesday, June 18. This six-week course (for kids 8-15) is "designed to increase a child's self-confidence, introduce them to an alternative way of exercising, and allow them to discover a love for dancing.

The fee is \$25. The program continues Tuesdays and Fridays, 4:15-5 p.m., through July 26. Find the fun at 2400 Kettner Boulevard. Call 619-531-1700 to register (before June 14). (LITTLE ITALY)

What's in Danger of Being Endangered? Find out why certain species become endangered, and discover some of the endangered species in our back yard with the Junior Rangers on Thursday, June 20. 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)

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

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, minicity, and renovated children's marmean, even going back to Shakespeare. Most of the subjects of his plays were royalty." "And the poor," I suggested, "worked the subplots."

"Exactly. And they're never presented, because of that, in a realistic fashion. When you write about the poor, you have to have these brave, heroic poor people who triumph over adversity, whereas the actual reality of the situation is considerably different. They struggle and struggle and just never make it They get no head start on anything in life.

"The donkey's head explodes, and I am showered with home heat oil and concrete That kind of thing happens more than you

might imagine."

No education, no health care. For the most part, they wind up exactly where you would expect people with no help to wind up. Poor. It's a vicious cycle. But there's always one or two who break out, then start telling the world how easy it was, and that poisons the reality. Yeah, it was easy; you're 7'2" and great at basketball. What about the rest?"

Mr. Levison tells in A Working Stiff's Manifesto a very

funny story about his eight-dollar-per-hour job driving an oil truck on Philadelphia's Main Line. "Once again," he writes, "servicing rich people, many of whom have mansions for houses." I asked about this oil-truck job, which had an unhappy out-

come. Mr. Levison explained, "I was working for this oil-delivery company out in Malvern, Pennsylvania, and a lot of the fuel

ketplace. Find the museum at 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, suite 103; 760-720-0737. (CARLSBAD)

MUSEUMS

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

Bancroft Ranch House Museum houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area and is run by the Spring Vallev Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; call 619-469-1480 for more information. (SPRING VALLEY)

California Surf Museum, "Early California Surfriders, 1900-1940" honors Doc John Heath Ball, the first surf documentarian, telling the stories of those pioneering surfers in photographs by Ball and text. Many of the photographs, surfboards, and other artifacts have never been on public display before.

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia - such as surfboards and clothing — of local legends Phil Edwards, John "L.J.' Richards, and Peter Johnson, and that way-cool megastar from Hawaii, Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, is located in the middle of Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. The facility is home to fish and invertebrates that inhabit the mud flats and marshes of San Diego Bay. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. At other exhibits, visitors can pet sharks and rays, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. For

more details, call 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

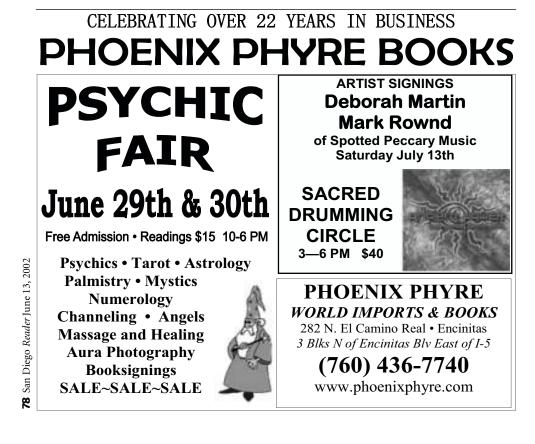
Computer Museum of America, 'Secrets, Lies, and Teletypes: A History of Cryptology" explores the development of cryptology and code breaking from ancient times to the present, focusing on the role of machines and computers. The National Cryptologic Museum, part of the National Security Agency, has loaned the German Air Force Enigma Machine; the three-rotor Enigma was used by the Nazis in World War II to secure messaging. Also on view, the M-209, a U.S. Army Signal Corps machine used by American troops to send and receive encrypted messages Visitors will learn about the use of semaphore, punch card equipment, teletypes, and other machines.

Ongoing exhibits include vintage video games like Pong and Space Invaders, punch cards, a rare "millionaire calculator," and a Hectotron, described as "a 1970s vacuum-tube, sound-responsive electronic kaleidoscope." Find the museum at 640 C Street (at Seventh Avenue). For additional details, dial 619-235-8222. (DOWNTOWN)

Flying Leatherneck Museum, the museum is dedicated to the Marine Corps who provided air support, from the propeller-driven fighters and bombers of the 1940s to the modern jets and helicopters currently in use. Static displays of a variety of aircraft are included, along with equipment, insignia, paintings and photographs, scale models, and a research library. The museum is located in building T-2002, at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, For information, call 858-693-1723. (MIRAMAR)

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more, Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Heritage of the Americas Museum, more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 BC) through the Ming periods (1368-1644 AD) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China," on view through July. From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments





maps, the little indicators they give you where the oil tanks are located. were wrong on some of my deliveries. So, I'd go out there, and I'd look at the fuel map, and the map would be a good guide in about half the cases, but sometimes you just basically had to find the fill on your own. The fill itself is a metal pipe about five inches in diameter, and they are often behind bushes, under rocks, or buried completely in the snow. Each delivery notice has a map, showing you where the fill is supposed to be. This particular fill notice didn't have a map.

It simply said, 'Fill at the donkey's nose.' It had been snowing that day, and I pull up the driveway and see a huge cement statue of a donkey in the front yard. So I go and check out its nose. I figure, 'The donkey must be a heating oil tank. Its nostrils are big enough to accommodate the oil hose.' There was apparently a fill in the ground, directly underneath the concrete donkey, but because it had been snowing, I didn't see it. The notice said, 'Fill at the donkey's nose.' It didn't say, 'Stuff the pipe up the donkey's nose.' But sure enough, that's what I did. And so the donkey's head explodes, and I am showered with home heat oil and concrete. I think I'd been on the job for about a week then. That kind of thing happens more than you might imagine.'

I said I'd been surprised, reading A Working Stiff's Mani-

in death or as proudly worn ornaments in life. Jades were symbols of dignity and rank (as early as the Late Stone Age) and were status symbols closely connected with the conviction that jade brought long life. A new acquisition is now on exhibit: a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 BC to AD 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon

the status of the wearer). The jade suit continued the quest for immortality.

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. A mural by Mona Mills depicting ancient Teotihuacán in its days of glory is now on exhibit, resulting from the artist's extensive study of this ancient 'City of the Gods" that was once home to 200,000 people in central Mexico. The museum also features

wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art.

job calls for.

applications.

Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West, 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Heritage Museum, an interpretive wall, replicas of the early post office and general store, and a school room are part of this museum. A mural painted by Michael Strong depicts six periods of Poway's past. Find the museum in Old Poway Park, at 14134 Midland Road; 858-679-8587. (POWAY)

festo, how many people get jobs and can't perform the tasks the

course. First of all, I'd like to clarify that I don't paint myself as

heroic at all. I think I come across as kind of obnoxious. But I'm one of the best workers from what I've seen. If you see an ad in

the paper that says something that you're attracted to, you can be

sure that other people are going to try to get that job. I don't know

if bosses know that, but you just try to get the best thing you can

at the time. You go after whatever you think will help you out. So your own qualifications are really neither here nor there.'

in Mr. Levison's book that employers often didn't even look at

don't pay much attention to you during interviews. My feeling is

that they basically deserve what they get on the basis of that. I'm

reading all the time about people who get hired for top-level jobs

at newspapers or hospitals. I mean, God knows how many doc-

tors there have been who have killed people in one state and got-

ten a job at a hospital in another. There are people who fictional-

ize Harvard résumés when they went to a technical college in Geor-

gia. Or molest children, and they're teachers. Especially that. I

mean, you can just get away with so much because turnover is so

high, and like I say, job incompetence doesn't stop at the bottom

level. These people who are recruiting, they take days off, they stare

out the window, and they just hire you based on whether or not

you have a good haircut. And then they complain about the qual-

ity of their employees after not bothering screening. One of the things

I said that I was also surprised, and shocked even, to read

"Oh, almost never. They don't read applications. They really

Mr. Levison laughed, a harsh laugh. "Oh, absolutely. Of

Heritage Walk Museum, the museum includes the restored Victorian House, the city's original Santa Fe Train Depot, a railroad car with model train, working blacksmith shop, and a barn. Find Heritage Walk in Grape Day Park, at 321 North Broadway; 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in

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Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. On exhibit are Indian artifacts from the Kingerv family. The museum is open on the last Saturday and Sunday of every month from 2 to 4 p.m., at 2116 Tavern Road. For information, call 619-659 8740. (ALPINE)

knew about the murder saw it."

that you're a writer?"

they like to screen for is drugs, but I'm not sure what that proves.

which is right on the campus where I live, and he had been con-

victed for two rapes out west and had murdered somebody here in South Carolina. And they gave him a job as assistant direc-

tor of advising, which included administering the advising cen-

ter where students get help in picking classes. And he'd raped

two women and murdered another one, and this college is almost

all females. How what he'd done came to light was that there was an article about him in the college magazine, and someone who

ing fish in the market, do you eventually tell fellow employees

times, most places, like the people at the oil companies, no, and

I never mentioned it to people out in Alaska. I used to keep a

journal when I was out there. And I used to write a lot of letters

home to friends in Philly and such. But for the most part, I don't

really bother with it because I don't consider myself a writer

until I'm supporting myself writing. Like, I tell people I'm a

writer now because I've got a book published. Back then I would

mention that I was trying to be a writer, that I wrote a lot. Often-

times if you tell people that, it attracts - like I said, I don't like

hanging out with the artsy crowd that much. A lot of the people who are artistic in the lower-income levels have an attitude

about them that doesn't really go with them. It's like there's

some kind of entitlement because of their artistic ability.

"When you work, say, driving the oil-delivery truck or sell-

Sometimes, if I think they might actually be interested. Some-

"There was this administrator at the College of Charleston,

Museum of History and Art, reflecting themes of spirituality, Mexico, and nature, artist Poppy Clark was influenced by a six-month period when she lived in Guadalajara and by an early acquaintance with famed Mexican muralist Ramos

Martinez. Suffering from diabetes, Clark lost sight in one eye at the age of 29, followed shortly thereafter by a ten-year period of total blindness, during which she continued to paint. "Through Her Eves: The Art of Poppy Clark" continues through Wednesday, August 21.

– Judith Moore

Ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

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Museum of Making Music, the past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Find the museum 5790 Armada Drive; 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. Women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800 are also on display. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

Find it all at 645 Main Street. For more information, call 760-789-7644. (RAMONA)

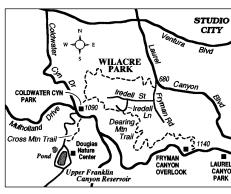
San Diego Aerospace Museum, the U.S. Air Force and Boeing Corporation have donated a global positioning satellite (GPS) for a new permanent exhibit. This GPS is "the only one of its kind on display in the world." Members of the women's flying club the Ninety-Nines have donated personal memorabilia, trophies, flight logbooks, and photographs for inclusion in "Pacific Air Race"; items on view alternate every six months to highligh the accomplishments of local women aviators from the six local chapters of the group.

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including a replica of the Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, the flight deck of the USS *Yorktown*, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviationrelated items, and memorabilia from the Montgolfier hot-air-balloon era to the Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame. The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. Roam-O-Rama

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

A 129-acre island of open space in the midst of Studio City's more lavish residential areas, Wilacre Park (the former estate of silent-movie star Will Acres) offers a wideranging view of San Fernando Valley and a peaceful, quiet atmosphere. This 2.7-mile loop route goes up through Wilacre Park and visits Coldwater Canyon Park, which is the headquarters of TreePeople, a grassroots organization that is spearheading efforts to plant millions of trees in the urban Los Angeles area.

Find a curbside parking spot near where Fryman Road diverges from Laurel



For additional information, call 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego County Sheriff's Museum, the 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. View four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, Canyon Boulevard, and walk west up the gated trail — at first a curving, hardtopped driveway flanked by pine and cypress trees. After passing the slab foundation of Acres's old house, the road turns to dirt. You ascend, more easily now, along northfacing slopes dotted with coast live oak and California walnut. After a while you turn south, descend slightly, and arrive at a wide junction (1.4 miles) on the edge

miles) on the edge of Coldwater Canyon Park. Take the Magic Forest Trail on the right, or use some steps a little way to the left to

and an interactive toy train. There is

a multimedia presentation on rail-

roading, an operating railroad

semaphore signal, and interpretive

displays on railroads and model

train gallery, described as "an ani-

mated Lionel train exhibit featuring

city buildings that come to life such

as a fire station, car wash, movie the-

ater, train store, and a scale model

replica of the Lionel train factory in

Lindenwold, New Jersey." This ex-

hibit continues through December.

Casa de Balboa building. For admis-

sion and museum hours, call

San Diego Natural History Mu-

seum, Tyrannosaurus rex - preda-

tor or scavenger? Guests use scien-

tific methods to recreate a "crime

scene" to determine the meat-eater's

guilt or innocence in "T. Rex on

Trial," World-renowned paleontol-

619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

The museum is downstairs in the

See "Lionel Town" in the toy

railroading.

reach the old fire station above that serves as headquarters for TreePeople. If you want, pick up a brochure at the parking lot and make your own self-guided tour of TreePeople's exhibits and nursery.

Return to the wide junction and continue east (downhill) on Dearing Mountain Trail (a.k.a.

ogist and T. rex expert Jack Horner

weighs in, acting as judge in the case.

Complete casts of fossil skeletons of

Tyrannosaurus, Allosaurus, and

Deinonychus are included in the ex-

hibition. One series of exhibits shows

how paleontologists uncover evi-

dence, develop hypotheses, and ex-

cavate items at research sites. Guilty

or innocent? You make the call

through Sunday, January 5, 2003 (al-

though the show will be closed from

September 4-21 for relocation within

imens, rocks, fossils, live plants, and

animals tell stories about the region's

prehistoric and current habitats in

"Natural Treasures: Past and Pre-

sent." The ongoing exhibition is said

to "display old treasures most loved

by the community and to introduce

new fossils that have never been seen

by the public," as well as highlighting

the museum's extensive paleonto-

logical collections. Visitors will also

An assemblage of museum spec

the museum).



Native California walnut

Betty B. Dearing Trail), named in honor of the late advocate of Santa Monica Mountains trails. After 0.5 mile you hit pavement at Iredell Lane, a cozy, residential culde-sac. The last 0.6 mile is along lightly traveled streets — down Iredell Lane to Iredell Street, down Iredell Street to Fryman Road, and down Fryman Road to the starting point.

> discover why dinosaur fossils are rare in San Diego (the region was underwater during dinosaur times).

The museum also offers the "giant-screen film" *Ocean Oasis*, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Desert. For more information, call 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Dieguito Heritage Museum, the museum offers informative displays on the North County coastal history including Native Americans, early homesteaders, and recent times, as well as photographic collections and archives. Find the museum 561 South Vulcan Avenue; 760-632-9711. (ENCINITAS)

Serra Museum, "Treasures Uncovered: Trade and Exchange at the San Diego Presidio" features artifacts recovered from the Presidio archaeological site, dating to the first European settlement in California (in 1769) when Father Junípero Serra established the Basilica San Diego de Alcalá. "Treasures" in the form of ceramics, religious, and personal goods representing just a fraction of the more than one-half million excavated to date at the Presidio site are on view. See the show through summer.

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish Colonial furnishings, art, and artifacts. It's located at the site of the West Coast's first European settlement, found at 2727 Presidio Drive. 619-297-3258. (PRESIDIO PARK)

Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is an educational component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing marine life of the Pacific Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

In "Secrets of the Seahorse," guests explore the unique adaptations and biology of seahorses and their relatives while learning about the current threats to their survival and what can be done to conserve this diminishing creature. The exhibit showcases 13 species of live animals, both local species and those from abroad.

The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). For more information, call 619-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

Wells Fargo Bank History Museum, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. There's an audio-visual theater presenting short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the 1800s; an exhibit of Concord Coach #251, a restored stagecoach built in 1867; and the Davies watch. The museum is located in the reconstructed Colorado House, at 2733 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)





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Better Than the Double-Bass

Transcriptions and arrangements for different instruments were widespread in the Baroque period.

REVIEW

JONATHAN SAVILLE

he great gamba player Paolo Pandolfo returned to St. James by-the-Sea for a program of Baroque music with gambist Guido Balestracci and theorbo player Thomas Boysen. The concert, culminating the San Diego

Early Music Society's splendid season, had originally been announced as including the wonderful harpsichordist Mitzi Meyerson, but her illness forced

a revision of the personnel and of some of the works performed. In any case, the focus remained on Pandolfo, a musician of astounding presence. A one-time student of the dean of modern gamba players, Jordi Savall, Pandolfo is far from being a clone of his teacher. Equally brilliant as a technician, he is a more willful and Romantic interpreter, with tremendous (and sometimes overwhelming) emotional and dramatic force. His sudden dynamic shifts; his surges, whispers, and explosions; his free, improvisational rhythm; his extreme explorations of his instrument's range of colors — these verge on Mannerism, in contrast with Savall's more controlled and majestic concept of the various Baroque styles. But Mannerism is an authentic feature of the music Pandolfo is most attracted to, and he renders it with such conviction, vividness, and spontaneity that his playing of such works is irresistible.

About half of the program was devoted to the supreme master of gamba music, Marin Marais — a composer with whom Pandolfo seems to have a special affinity. The pieces ranged from exquisitely refined elaborations of dances to picturesque programmatic evocations. The latter included Marais's famous grotesque depiction of a bladder-stone operation (without anesthetic), in which every detail of the process is given its musical equivalent, and which Pandolfo performed with an uninhibited emphasis on emotional - one might say visceral — communication. The high point of the Marais section was the Tombeau pour Marais le Cadet, from the G Minor Suite of the composer's fifth book for the viol. This extraordinarily profound and moving memorial to Marais's son, Sylvain, is a masterful embodiment of grief, to which Pandolfo gave the full measure of his own seemingly bottomless capacity for feeling.

All the Marais works can be found on Pandolfo's Glossa recording called *Le Labyrinthe*, with a somewhat different set of collaborators. For lovers of French Baroque music, and of the gamba, this is an indispensable CD — and the same will no doubt be true of another Marais compilation that has just come out on the same

label, *Grand Ballet*, in which Pandolfo is joined by Balestracci, Boysen, and Meyerson. Boysen, an exceptional lutenist, served as *continuo* player in much of the

music on the St. James concert, and also provided two solo theorbo pieces by Robert de Visée, performed with infinite shapeliness and grace.

The other items on the program, less expected, were by François Couperin and J.S. Bach. The Couperin was the Treizième concert from the composer's Les Goûts réunis ou Nouveaux Concerts. Couperin specifies that this four-movement work is to be played by "two viols, or other instruments, both in the same register," which shows how flexible Baroque composers tended to be in regard to instrumentation. Taking the composer at his word. Thomas Indermühle and Henk de Witt have performed the Treizième concert on baritone oboe and bassoon (!), but hearing Pandolfo and Balestracci traverse the same score on a pair of viols made it clear that Couperin had really imagined the greater warmth, resonance, and richness of the viols, and that "other instruments" was merely a concession to practicality. The oboe-bassoon version brings out the expert counterpoint more effectively, but — în typical French Baroque fashion — what Couperin was aiming at, more than anything, was sonority and sensuality, and for those qualities there is nothing more gorgeous than the viola da gamba, except two of them. (Couperin wrote a harpsichord "accompaniment" as well, but indicated that the piece would be better if it were omitted. At St. James, this part was in fact played by the theorbo, but its contribution was minimal.)

Pandolfo began his musical career as a double-bass player, but — no doubt because the solo repertoire for double-bass is so restricted he soon switched to the more versatile gamba. Even there he has not remained satisfied, eventually taking over the Bach solo cello suites for his instrument. Transcriptions and arrangements for different instruments were widespread in the Baroque period, and Bach himself was an expert at this activity, for his

own music and that of other composers. He himself arranged his C Minor Cello Suite for lute, which is an instrument far more distant from the cello than the gamba is. In our own age, there have been successful arrangements of the solo violin and solo cello works for lute (Nigel North) and for guitar (Manuel Barrueco, Nichlas Goluses). There have even been some brilliant arrangements of Bach's harpsichord partitas for accordion, where Stefan Hussong's ingenuity and musicianship make up for the limitations of his instrument. Similarly, although the cello suites are not completely idiomatic for the gamba, and although Pandolfo's tran-

scription requires some actual changes in the scores, his performances are so ravishing in their passion and intelligence, and the gamba is inherently such a superb instrument, that his performances of the cello suites must rank among the very best.

But in the transcription of a Bach trio sonata that Pandolfo, Balestracci, and Boysen played at St. James we are in the realm of the bizarre. (Misidentified in the printed program, this was in fact BWV 527, in D Minor.) The trio sonata - for two treble instruments and basso continuo (which often consists of a viola da gamba and a harpsichord) — is one of the staples of the Baroque. Bach was, naturally, a master of this form, just as he was a master

of all Baroque forms (except opera); but his trio sonatas are all idiosyncratic in one way or another. The most normal one (and probably the most magnificent trio sonata in the entire literature) is to be found in The Musical Offering, in which, however, the "royal theme," provided by Frederick the Great of Prussia, keeps obsessively cropping up. Bach's sonatas for violin and harpsichord and for gamba and harpsichord are actually trio sonatas, in which the right hand of the harpsichordist plays one of the trebles while the left hand plays the continuo: on paper, this is perfectly clear, but the sound is radically different from the usual trio sonata. (There is a more conventional version of one of the gamba sonatas for two flutes and continuo.) Bach also wrote a marvelous group of six trio sonatas to illustrate the genre's possibilities, but they are composed for organ, with the two trebles played on two manuals and the continuo on the pedals!

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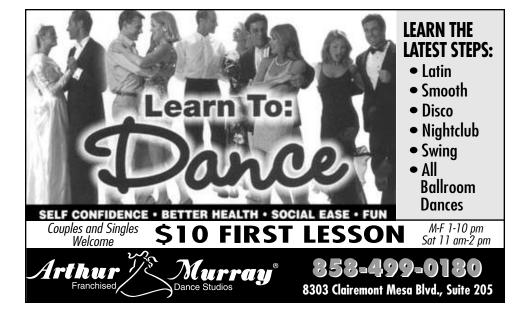
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Paolo Pandolfo and Guido Balestracci, viola da gamba; Thomas Boysen, theorbo St. James by-the-Sea (San Diego Early Music Society)

Works by François Couperin, Marin Marais, Robert de Visée, and J.S. Bach.

to transcribe these organ trios for a more traditional instrumentation. Robert King, for example, transcribed BWV 527 for oboe, violin, and continuo, a nice choice that preserves the ranges and textures of the original. Any combination of violins, oboes, or flutes would do as well (although the sonatas still work best as organ pieces — on a Baroque organ, it goes without saying). But two gambas as the treble instruments? Come on! For one thing, these are not treble instruments. For another, the clear delineation of counterpoint (which is what the Bach organ sonatas are all about) is not the natural language of the viols. The humming, buzzing sound of the gamba, with its fuzziness of articulation and its penumbra of overtones (especially when played by Pandolfo and Balestracci, who emphasize these characteristics), makes a pair of them a highly unsuitable vehicle for the utterly lucid interplay of the two treble lines in this D Minor Sonata. Two gambas also make a relatively loud sound, so that a

Many musicians have, naturally, felt an urge



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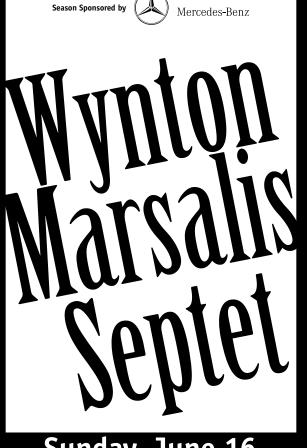
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continuo played by a theorbo (which is a big lute, but still merely a lute) is pretty much going to be drowned out most of the time. Gambas are, in fact, just as unidiomatic for Bach's BWV 527 as oboe and bassoon are unidiomatic for Couperin's *Treizième concert*. Nevertheless, if the Pan-

dolfo-Balestracci-Boysen Bach performance undermined many of the music's aesthetic values, the metamorphosis at the same time created a new work of sensational beauty. This perky music took on a dark, reflective, melancholy, even tragic inwardness, these qualities being natural to the gamba's tone. Instead of the clear, lively, differentiated textures of an Italian trio sonata (which was in Bach's mind), the audience heard the ripe, plummy, auditory muddle that gives such nourishment to the soul and the senses in two-gamba works by French composers such as Marais, Sainte-Colombe, or Couperin (in the 12th and 13th concerts). Moreover, the authority and emotional intensity of the three performers quite overcame any critical objections. It may not have been Bach exactly, but it was thrilling!

Like this entire concert.

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Mainly Mozart Draws to a Close, the La Jolla series of the festival continues when the Eroica Trio performs on Thursday, June 13, at 8 p.m., at the Neurosciences Institute. The program includes Mozart's "Piano Trio in G," the "Piano Trio in C Minor" by Lalo, and the "Piano Trio No. 2 in C" by Brahms.

The Festival Binacional de Mozart concludes with a concert at the Tijuana Cultural Center on Friday, June 14, at 8 p.m. The Mainly Mozart Festival Orchestra, joined by the Eroica Trio and Jerry Folsom (horn), will present Beethoven's overture to "Prometheus" and his "Triple Concerto in C" and Mozart's "Horn Concerto No. 2 in E-Flat" and the "Symphony No. 34 in C." Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Rio. Tickets are \$16. (TIJUANA)

The Eroica Trio, joined by Jerry Folsom (horn), performs on Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m., for the Downtown Series at the Spreckels Theatre (121 Broadway). Listen for Beethoven's overture to "Prometheus" and his "Triple Concerto in C" and Mozart's "Horn Concerto No. 2 in E-Flat" and the "Symphony No. 34 in C." (DOWNTOWN)

Mozart's "Violin Sonata in E Minor," Beethoven's "Violin Sonata No. 9 in A (Kreutzer)," Respighi's "Violin Sonata in B Minor," "Beau Soir" by Debussy, and de Falla's "Danse Espagnole" may all be enjoyed when violinist Andrés Cárdenes and pianist Zeyda Ruga Suzuki perform on Sunday, June 16, at 8 p.m. Find the institute at 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. (LA JOLLA)

The busy Eroica Trio returns to conclude the festival with a concert for the Sunday matinee series at the Westgate Hotel on Sunday, June 16, at 2 p.m. This time, the trio presents the "Piano Trio in C" by Mozart, "Café Music" by Schoenfield, and the Brahms "Piano Trio No. 1 in B." Find the hotel at 1055 Second Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

Pre-concert lectures are presented at all California venues. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. (except where noted). Tickets range from \$18 to \$65, depending upon the venue. For reservations and other information, call 619-239-0100.

Well-Regarded in the Handbell World, the Raleigh Ringers plan a concert on Saturday, June 15, at 7 p.m., at the College Avenue Baptist Church (4747 College Avenue). An offering will be received. The group hails from Raleigh, North Carolina. For more information, call 619-582-7222 x218. (COLLEGE GROVE)

Flag Day Fanfare, explore our American heritage through music when Westwind Brass celebrates Flag Day with a concert on Saturday, June 15, at 2 p.m., at the Veterans Memorial Center and Museum (2115 Park Boulevard). Tickets are \$10 general, \$5 for children, free for those three and under. For more information, call 619-337-2848. (BALBOA PARK)

Spring Concert, the San Diego Civic Youth Symphony Orchestra presents its final concert of the season on Saturday, June 15, at Copley Symphony Hall. The program includes Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture," plus performances by two winners of the San Diego Music Teachers' Association 2002 Concerto Competition. Tina Guo plays Elgar's "Cello Concerto in E Minor, first movement" and Nancy Lionar performs Mendelssohn's "Piano Concerto in G Minor, first movement."

Tickets are \$15 for adults, children are free. The music begins at 8 p.m. at 750 B Street. For information, call 858-484-9635. (DOWNTOWN)

"Aria di Famiglia," tenor Thomas Oberjat, mezzo-soprano Kathleen O'Brien-Oberjat, and soprano (and daughter) Kate Oberjat plan a benefit concert on Sunday, June 16, at Saint Mary, Star of the Sea Church (609 Pier View Way). Joined by pianist John Danke, the performers will present solos, duets, and trios by Bach, Mozart, Bellini, Johann Strauss, and Victor Herbert. The \$15 tickets include a reception with "unique international foods." For details, dial 760-433-1775 or 760-439-3753. (OCEANSIDE)

How's the Organ in Spreckels Organ Pavilion? Find out when civic organist Carol Williams performs on Sunday, June 16, at 2 p.m. For more information, call 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

"Fresh from the Baroque: 1930s — Avant-Garde" — this concert by Les Folies features the sweet-voiced recorder, the *flauto dolce* of the baroque. In the late 18th Century the recorder lost ground and an orchestra seat to the transverse flute, remaining neglected for the next 150 years.

The program planned on Saturday, June 22, is devoted entirely to the modern repertoire. Les Folies will perform works by contemporary American and European composers from the 1930s through the avant-garde, including jazz originals and transcriptions. Ensemble members include Janet Beazley, Inga Funck, Claire Rottembourg, and Ulla Sinz.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue). Tickets are \$15 general. For information and reservations, call 619-224-5830. (DOWNTOWN)

Beethoven, Completed, last summer, native son Gustavo Romero presented part one of his "Athenaeum Beethoven Festival." This year, the pianist returns to complete his Beethoven cycle, with the remainder of Ludwig van's piano sonatas. The "Athenaeum Beethoven Festival," part two, commemorates the 175th anniversary of Beethoven's death.

The series commences on Sunday, July 7, at 4 p.m., at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Tickets are \$25 per concert or \$92 for all four. For reservations and information, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)



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Ragged Light

Street photographers love looking for the spectral, the immaterial, among the coarse solidities of urban life.

hen the architect Walter Gropius founded the Bauhaus in 1919 in Weimar, he grounded the curriculum in the traditional fine arts of painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, and architecture, but he

combined these with applied arts and industrial practice. As a consequence, the Bauhaus emphasized workshop training over traditional studio education. (It took its name

from Bauhütten, medieval masons' lodges.) Along with studio classes there were classes in carpentry, textiles, and metalwork. Over the years, as it transferred operations first to Dessau in 1925 and finally to Berlin, where the Nazis shut it down in 1933, the Bauhaus attracted important artists like Ly onel Feininger, Paul Klee, Wassily Kandinsky, and the sculptor Gerhard Marcks. Also on the faculty were the architect Mies van der Rohe and László Moholy-Nagy, a painter, photographer, designer, and pedagogical dynamo. All of them were concerned with the structure of elemental forms (consider the drawing-board flowers and trees in Klee's work) and in architecture, especially functionalism.

When the school closed, Moholy moved to Chicago and founded the New Bauhaus, now the Institute of Design. In keeping with its German prototype, the Institute insisted on a "new unity" of science, industrialism, and fine art, and it preferred experimentalism to dogma, process to



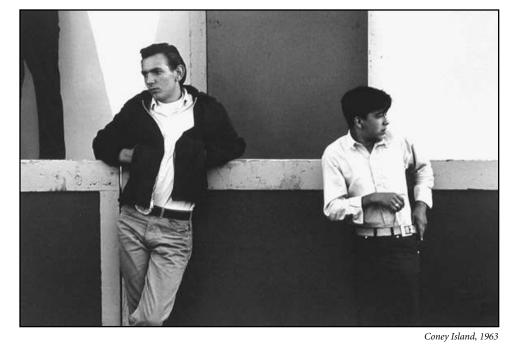
resolution. Mies joined Moholy in Chicago and in time dressed the city's skyline with his now-famous — and for many contemporary architects infamous - skin-and-bones functionalism. Steel and glass boxes. Less is more. The school also produced a generation of influential

American photographers. At the New Bauhaus they were taught to understand and manipulate the

character of light and to apply their practice toward a vision of industrialized modernism. From the 1930s to the 1960s, the school featured teachers such as Aaron Siskind and Harry Callahan and trained students such as Barbara Crane, Ray K. Metzger, and Joseph Sterling. Students were encouraged to experiment with straight photography, montage, solarization, and any other method that would test the limits of conventional photography.

The best illustrated history of the New Bauhaus/School of Design is Taken by Design: Photographs from the Institute of Design, 1937–1971. Mysteriously absent from its pages, however, is Edward Sturr, an oversight redressed by a stellar exhibition currently on view at the Joseph Bellows Gallery in La Jolla. Or maybe not so mysterious, since after leaving Chicago for a teaching job in Kansas in 1974, Sturr hasn't exhibited, though he has continued to make photographs. His work has changed, though, which I'll come to later.

Sturr's 1960s work sails in the wake of classic



Edward Sturr: Second Sight The Joseph Bellows Gallery, 7661 Girard Avenue, La Jolla Through Saturday, June 29. For additional information, call 858-456-5620.

American street photographers like Robert Frank, Walker Evans, and Helen Leavitt. He loved the hard shadows of ironworks on sidewalks and streets; the happenstance designs of pedestrians in huge public spaces; the industrial sheen of chrome, glass, and plastic. In a 1967 picture we see pedestrians rendered as small, lumpy figures in front of a monolithic concrete wall, dark shafts rising from their heads like smokestacks. One man

lifts his head and hand as if in self-defense from, or supplication toward, the source of those columnar shades. In several of the larger-scaled street scenes, Sturr fashions planks of available light into an urban theatricality that looks designed by Mondrian, all hard gray bars and blocks, human figures an essential but puny part of the scene.

Given his School of Design training, Sturr needed to work out a theoretical position on the









relation between form and subject matter. In 1963 he wrote, "I see forms in terms of things. Things are important to me, not shapes, patterns, the nonobjective as such, but the objective which has meaning in and through its formal character. Form not for its own sake but for the sake of the intelligibility and beauty of the particular reality I see." This conviction jumps out from his images of teenagers and their initiatory rites. Boys lined up on a street, smoking, nonchalant but *bad*, wearing tight chinos and shirts unbuttoned to the breast bone. Two wary, anxious-looking kids in a car's front seat, a chromeplated light ripping across their field of vision. Three Hispanic girls in stiff prom dresses, their precarious tiaras essential initiatory equipment. Sometimes Sturr translates into photographic language Ŵilliam Wordsworth's idea of the child being father to the man. Two kids roughhousing on the ground literally in the shadows of adults. A child walking on a huge one-way arrow painted on the street, an adult hand guiding him along.

Sturr developed a different kind of initiatory theme for his master's thesis. Having joined the National Guard in 1961, he got permission to bring along a camera during training exercises, and the images he made testify not to the virile excitements of military life but to its tedium. One is about the transporting power of a handwritten letter: a guardsman lying on a cot is nearly blotted out by heavy shadow, but the handwriting on the letter he's reading, held up to the light, floats on that sheeted translucence. The action we might expect from military pictures turns up instead in a street



Chicago, 1965



photograph, in toughened, anthracite tones of Chicago policemen trying to control an unruly crowd; one woman's agonized face leaps out from the churning bodies.

Street photographers love looking for the spectral, the immaterial, among the coarse solidities of urban life. In one of Sturr's pictures, two adults stand behind second-story windows of a granite row house as if they were apparitions watching us from their secret lives while we are watching them. In another — a stunner, set at San Juan Capistrano — the compositional elements are very oddly deployed. Canted in the upper right, in pebbled light, are the legs of adults. The boy feeding doves in the foreground stands upright in an otherwise cocked composition. It's shot



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Find the Athenaeum at 1008 Wall Street and by calling 858-454-5872. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, Wednesday until 8:30 p.m. (LA JOLLA)

"Soledad" closes with a reception for artist Ricardo Islas on Friday, June 14, at 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

A Grand-Opening Reception is planned at the Faust Sandcast Gallerv on Saturday, June 15, noon to 6 p.m. The gallery features wall sculpture by Rolfe Faust, Erik Engel, and textiles and clothing from the Hmong culture. Find the gallery at 4760 1/2 Voltaire Street and by calling 619-224-7658. (OCEAN BEACH)

Painting the Character of the Town, the father-son team of Ron A. Wickersham (a.k.a. RAW) and Lawrence Thomas created paintings for "Encinitas in RAW Form" at the 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). The show closes with a completion party on Saturday, June 15, at 6 p.m.

Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. For information, dial 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS)

"Reimagined Territories: Playspaces, Forts, and Hideouts" by Kim Manchester is said to be "the result of play." In the exhibit, Kim Manchester photographs the interior spaces of a series of playspaces, forts, and hideouts she's constructed. Each stagelike image evokes an independent response in the viewer, allowing viewers to project themselves into the spaces.

The show opens with a reception for Manchester on Sunday, June 16, at 7 p.m., in UCSD's Visual Arts Facility (on Russell Lane). Gallery hours are noon to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and by appointment. Call 858-534-2862 for information. See the show through Saturday, June 22. (LA JOLLA)

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two kids, spirits of their place,

walk up a hill to fly a kite. The

compositions are identical, both

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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)

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 visual 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 Ket-

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

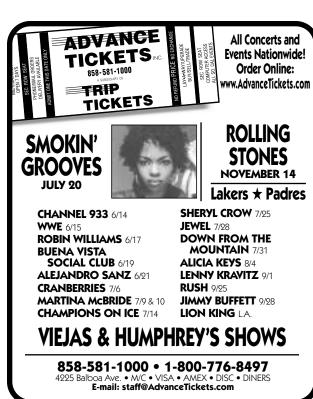
Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, the provocative, playful, and often iconoclastic designs of the design firm of Robert Venturi, Denise Scott Brown, and Associates are highlighted in the current featured exhibition. "Out of the Ordinary: The Architecture and Design of Robert Venturi, Denise Scott Brown, and Associates" includes drawings, models, photographs, videos, furniture, and other objects. The exhibit includes the multimedia installation The Architect's Dream, created for the exhibition "as a presentation of favorite things: historical architecture, iconic objects from everyday life, and some of the firm's own buildings and projects." See the show through Sunday, September 8.

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

Museum of Photographic Arts, the well-known personal and professional collaboration between Alfred Stieglitz and Georgia O'Keeffe plays a key role in the exhibit on view through Sunday, August 25. "The Photography of Alfred Stieglitz: Georgia O'Keeffe's Enduring Legacy," boasts 110 images from the 1890s to 1935, including Stieglitz's early European work, im ages of Lake George and New York City, and portraits. Cameras used by the photographer and a selection of photographic processes — including autochrome, carte-de-viste, carbon print, gelatin silver print, lantern slide, photogravure print, and platinum print — are included to explain Stieglitz's creative processes and technique.

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, the fine art of hand-painted guitars and skateboards is explored in "Rock & Roll," opening on Sunday, June 16. Curators are Robert Perine, graphic artist for Fender guitar ad campaigns in the '60s, and Michael Fee, working with the Southern California skateboard industry and designers of some classic skateboard decks. Take in the exhibit through Sunday, August 4. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)





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Hollywood Shaw

"The race has not yet evolved a man lovable on thorough acquaintance."

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ven George Bernard Shaw wasn't pleased with his "novel of nonage, An United Socialist (1884). Though he liked its first few with his "novel of nonage," An Unsocial scenes, Shaw admitted that "a moderately intelligent poodle, once started, could have done a

good deal of the rest." He was proud, however, of his hero, Sidney Trefusis (the proto- for a host of Shavian -types). "Without losing his pre-eminence as a hero,"

Shaw wrote, "he not only violates every canon of propriety, like Tom Jones, but every canon of sentiment as well. In an age when the average man's character is rotted to the core by the lust to be a true gentleman, the moral value of such an example as Trefusis is incalculable.²

Trefusis is a guilty millionaire. All his money's been stolen, "legally." So he becomes a Socialist. A major hindrance stands between him and his cause: Henrietta, his wife of five weeks. He loves her, he claims, too much, which holds him back. So he abandons her and changes his identity to Jeff Smilash, a "common man," who has never seen the inside of a jail "except four times, and only twice for stealing." Henrietta dies (in some measure from his neglect). He tours England, haranguing against polite society — a mob that "having lost the fear of hell, and not replaced it with the love of justice, cares for nothing but the lion's share of the wealth wrung by the threat of starvation from the hands of the classes that create it."

The novel leaps forward many years.

Shaw/Smilash continues to bemoan economic injustice but turns on another institution: marriage. Smilash finds himself attracted to Agatha Wiley. Like him, she is bright, never bullied, and wary of romance. He's the last person on earth

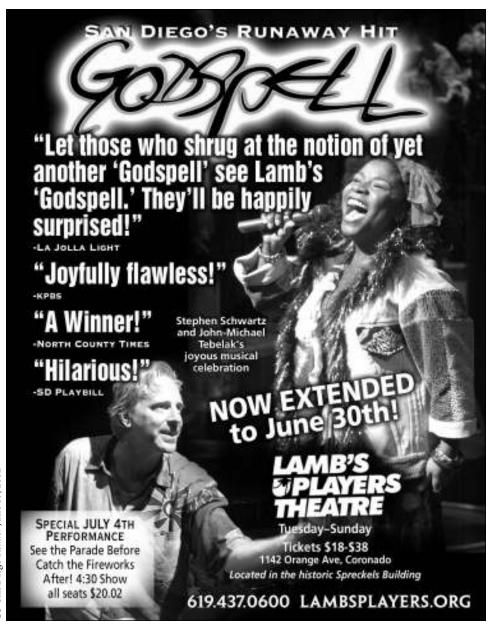
she'd marry. "Then you must," he retorts. "The race has not yet evolved a man lovable on thorough acquaintance." Both become convinced that, because they're so

contrary and out of love, they're a perfect match. And they wed. Playwright Jeffrey Hatcher based Smash, cur-

rently at the Old Globe Theatre, on Shaw's novel. But what Hatcher has done to An Unsocial Socialist would make the old curmudgeon roll over in his mausoleum.

Hatcher Hollywooded Shaw. He took the basic idea and characters, then changed so much that the original's unrecognizable. Henrietta doesn't die. She becomes a crusading reactionary against social justice. Trefusis and Agatha come together, sort of, but not to marry. And Smash is just a lightweight three-act farce, gutted of its politics and slanted, Shavian themes. The watering-down resembles what Restoration dramatists did to Shakespeare or, a more recent example, what Spielberg did to Kubrick.

Hatcher retained Shaw's penchant for long, often periodic sentences, but this is, at best, imitation-Shaw, just as An Infinite Ache, next door at the Cassius Carter, is imitation-Craig Lucas. In both instances, thoughtful design work





Charles Borland (rear), Michele Vazquez, Eric Martin Brown, Laurel Moglen (holding gun), Emmelyn Thayer in Smash

Smash, by Jeffrey Hatcher, based on George Bernard Shaw's novel The Unsocial Socialist Old Globe Theatre, Globe Theatres, Simon Edison Centre for the Performing Arts, Balboa Park Directed by Karen Carpenter; cast, Priscilla Allen, Paul Benedict, Charles Borland, Eric Martin Brown, Michael Kary, Laurel Moglen, Jennifer Roszell, Jack Ryland; scenic design, Scott Bradley; costumes, Robert Wojewodski; lighting, Aaron Copp; sound, Paul Peterson

Playing through July 6; Tuesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. For information call 619-239-2255.

Fifth of July, by Lanford Wilson

Diversionary Theatre, 4545 Park Boulevard, University Heights Directed by Tim Irving; cast, Dan Gruber, Melissa Supera, Moriah Angeline, Vincent Smetana, Greg Tankersley, K.B. Mercer, Manuel J. Fernandes, Sally S. Stockton; scenic design, David Weiner; costumes, Corey Johnston; lighting, Chris Rynne; sound, George Ye

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and production values worthy of the originals enhance differences.

Along with erasing the novel's content, Hatcher reset it around 1900. Robert Wojewodski's majestic period costumes upper-class elegance and proletariat dishabille — ache for stronger characters to wear them. The cast leaves a similar impression. The three leads — Charles Borland (Trefusis), Jennifer Roszell (Henrietta), and Laurel Moglen (Agatha) make their Globe debuts with *Smash*. They suggest what they can of dimensional beings. But

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the script gives them about as much character as figures on a wedding cake. Throughout, they're mere puppets for farce.

Several in the cast, asked to speak faster than sound (and in high vocal ranges, to boot), have trouble articulating mouthful sentences. Two exceptions: Priscilla Allen as Miss Wilson, Thatcher-esque head of a girl's school, talks trippingly and with royal ease; veteran actor Paul Benedict makes the groundskeeper, Lumpkin, a major force in a minor role.

In one of the few memorable scenes, Sir Charles (Eric

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Voted Best Dinner Theater Martin Brown) and Jane Carpenter (Emmelyn Thayer) play an imaginary badminton match. They serve and volley like champions. The scene's a hoot and also a reminder of what's missing. Instead of Shavian ideas swooping and nose-diving around the stage, Hatcher's version substitutes badminton with an invisible shuttlecock.

One of my job's great joys: to see an actor, whose work I've admired for years, given the chance to rip into a role with all stops pulled. Some — probably most — actors never have the opportunity. Playwrights shy away from these characters. They're hard to create and even harder to sustain. Gwen Landis, in Lanford Wilson's *Fifth* of July (1978), forces the actor playing her to cut loose, and K.B. Mercer does just that for

Diversionary Theatre. Rich, burned out, hoping to become a pop singer, Gwen shoots first, then forgets the questions. She isn't a character, she's a flash flood. But she's also savvy (of Vietnam protesting she asks, "How straight do you have to be to see that nothing is going to come from it?"). Mercer doesn't "act" Gwen. In one of the year's sharpest, funniest, most deft performances, she unleashes her on the audience.

Fifth of July — urtext for the movie The Big Chill — is about the day after the fireworks. Jean Baudrillard calls the period following the '60s "the post-orgy world, the world left behind after the great social and sexual convulsions." Wilson explores what happens when hopes don't materialize and, in Baudrillard's phrase, people "requestion their own definition."

One could quibble about Wilson's loose pseudo-Chekhovian writing — and how he breaks tone by injecting melodrama and forces climaxes with fortuitous events. But, under Tim Irving's direction, the Diversionary production's another solid effort. The ensemble cast, David Weiner's indoor/outdoor sets (the change from one to the other just this side of miraculous), and Corey Johnston's costumes make valuable contributions. And K.B. Mercer is unforgettable.

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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 thingies 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.

THE THEATRE IN OLD TOWN. OPEN-

ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M.

Bye Bye Birdie

The Coronado Playhouse presents the musical about Elvis — er, um, Conrad Birdie — joining the Army. Leigh Scarritt directed. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH JULY 14; THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Catskills Conspiracy

Mystery Cafe's interactive dinner theater show takes place at Camp Skills in 1962, where some of New York's finest gather, and die. MYSTERY CAFE, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRI-DAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

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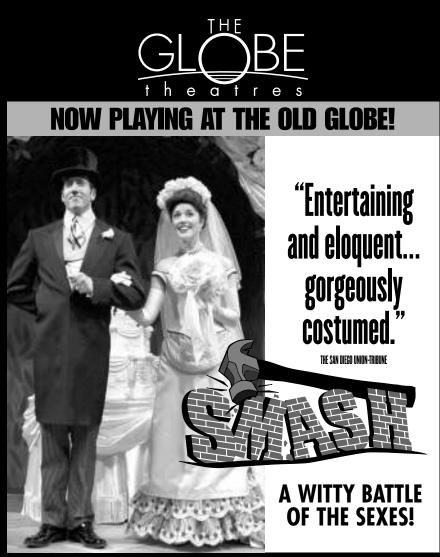
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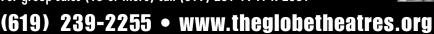
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Death Rides the Stage

HIT Productions new interactive comedy-mystery, written by Beth and Scott McNellen, is set in Texas: "You survived a stampede, Lucy Tyler is looking for your underwear...and there's a dead body in the next room." SHIRLEY'S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFOR-MATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Down South

MOGLEN AND CHARLES

The Fritz Theater has extended its run of Doug Field's 70-minute comedy. Imagine those TV sitcoms of the early '60s, say, The Donna Reed Show or Leave It to Beaver. Problems arise and vanish; smiles are as prevalent as beehive hairdos and Nash Ramblers. Now imagine the women in these sitcoms, terrified by the Cuban Missile Crisis and the threat of demolition, talk ing openly about their lack of sexual fulfillment — to husbands as shaken by their honesty as by their requests for oral sex. Down South pivots on the cusp of the '60s sexual revolution. Fritz and director Mike Kelly capture the era with a crisp, funny production, ruled by Formica, flash-cuts, and farce. At times the play's notions are stronger than the writing, but a good cast keeps the panic moving briskly. I've never seen Julie Ann Compton perform before but hope to again and again. She's terrific as Jennifer Barnes, textbook-traditional wife who discovers that cooking and cleaning aren't the "tentpoles" of a marriage. Compton shifts from '50s chipper to '60s liberated with impressive ease. Robert Borzych (with a smile he wears like a clip-on tie) and Deja Ginsberg do capable work. Paule Doss's precise period costumes and Ginger Harris's sudden-shift lighting (some of the best ever at 6th @ Penn) also contribute. Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH JUNE 30; THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

A Feast of Fools

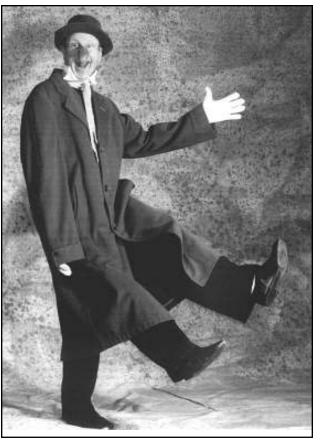
The La Jolla Playhouse presents the world premiere of Geoff Hoyle's extravaganza of physical comedy, mime, acrobatics, juggling, and music. Richard Seyd directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, SUNDAY, JUNE 16, THROUGH JULY 14; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Fifth of July

Reviewed this issue. DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, THROUGH JULY 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

The Goddess of Flowers

Two Filipino-American daughters, raised by their single-parent mother Cora: Carina, whom Cora abandoned, it would seem, at birth; and Flora, the eldest, vehicle for all Cora's dreams. Thelma Virata De Castro's new play examines the tyranny of control. Cora sees her daughters as good and evil angels. Both feel enormous pressure, Carina to find some kind of love,



A Feast of Fools

Worth a try.

Flora to wrest free from her

mother's obsessions and find her

own path. Although some of the

dialogue sounds recycled (Flora's

friend, Shav, savs she "can't help

anyone; can't even help" herself),

and the first act needs tightening,

Goddess of Flowers is a capable

script by a promising local play-

Theatre's opening-night perfor-

mance, however, was a mix of

ing portrayal of the perplexed

wright. Asian American Repertory

quality — April Doctolero's arrest-

Flora — and amateurism. The cast

too much time readjusting the set)

were several rehearsals away from

scenelet/blackout format requires.

The play should plummet forward,

as out of control as Cora is control-

Goddess opened June 1. With more

ling, but the pace lagged as well.

performances behind it, the pro-

duction should be worthy of the

MMPAC, THROUGH JUNE 29; FRIDAY

Must be a local first: due to huge

advance ticket sales, prior to open-

ing *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 ac-

years, Lamb's has staged the musi-

cal three times, each new version

pourri of stuff, has become a gigan-

And the "Leader" (Rick Meads as a

dude, hip to popular culture, which

story with "found" items. Directed

by Robert Smyth, with choreogra-

phy by Pamela Turner, the show

boasts fluid ensemble work, lively

numbers (especially when Tracy

loose), and kaleidoscopic meshing

favors the cute, and the first act still

vance-ticket sales were on the nose.

goes a parable too far, but the ad-

If Lamb's could find a home for it

away from home, Godspell could

run indefinitely.

of colors and textures. The show

Hughes grabs a mike and cuts

tic trunk that contains the world.

casual, childlike Nazarene) is nei-

ther lion nor lamb. He's a cool

he and the cast use to retell the

expanding the stage. Now Mike

Buckley's set, a prop-rich pot-

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Godspell

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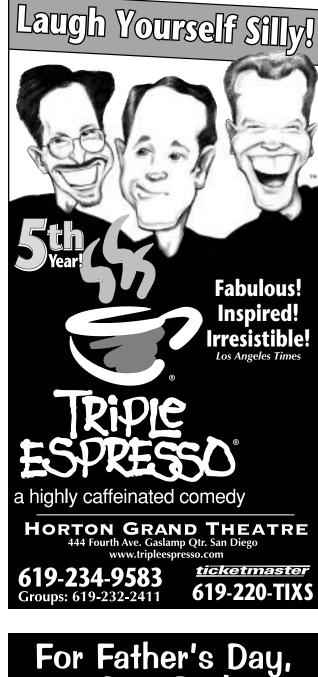
Tuna, Texas, thrives at the Lyceum Theatre. DiDi Snavely's selling used guns ("If DiDi can't kill it, it's immortal"), the Tuna High Jaguars, wearing purple and green, got shut out 48-0, Charlene Brumiller didn't make cheerleader, and poor Petey Fisk, a one-person humane society, could become inundated by ducks. Garrison Keillor created Lake Woebegone. 20 years ago, Joe Sears and Jaston Williams invented Texas's third-smallest town, "where the Lions club is too liberal and Patsy Cline never dies. To broken-hearted Charlene, the outside world's "bizarre." But, bookended by repressive religious fanatics and the Klan, Tuna's as scarey as it is, in the hands of two gifted comic writer/actors, funny and quite moving. Between them Sears and Williams play 20 people. These come in two groups: those in power, and those out. With just a few touches (and split-second costume changes), Sears plays most of the powerful, often showing that uneasy sits the crown (a favorite scene: Pearl Burris paying last respects to Judge Buckner); Williams plays the town's strays, including recidivistic Stanley Bumiller (he went to reform school and, instead of rehabilitation, came back "meaner than Mussolini"). The actors perform so vividly it's only after than you recognize the skill involved. This is their 20th

anniversary tour, which means along with the treat of fans getting to see them once again — that Yippy, the shrill, unwanted mutt threatened with Humane Society extinction, has enjoyed a 20 year stay of execution. *Critic's pick.*

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A Hatful of Rain

New Village Arts stages Michael V. Gazzo's drama about a man, in a



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New York tenement, and the tugs and pulls of crime. Francis Gercke directed.

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How I Learned to Drive

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Infinite Ache

Ever see Compleat Works of Shake-speare (Abridged)? The Bard's entire opus in 90 minutes — "but soft, what light...signifying noth-ing...charms o'erthrown." David Schuler's Infinite Ache sprints through a whole marriage faster than most wedding ceremonies. Charles and Hope date, decide not to see each other, wed, separate, etc. It's like skimming through a family album, the only nuance be ing they're rarely on the same page: one wants more, the other less or none at all. The script wants to be magical (it's all a dream), but unlike the plays of Craig Lucas (which are), Ache feels like made-for-TV Lucas. It forces situations, abandons them, all the while relving on a manic-depressive - now he's up; now she's down - formula. Much more interesting than the play, which remains puddle-deep throughout: how the Globe designers mark the passage of time. Hope (Samantha Quan) and Charles (James Waterston) fill a bare stage with objects. Then must return the set to its original minimalism. All the while there's a play going on, somewhere, though the logistics of removal steal focus. And except for the housekeeping, and rapid costume changes, and having to account for a script with more flits and starts than a jumping bean, Ache's so fixated on speed it never lets these clearly talented actors explore the deeper consequences of an action. It doesn't challenge them any more than it does the audience.

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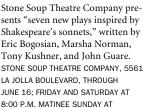
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National Comedy Theatre

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

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was a huge success. The approach is refreshing. There is no attempt at polished work or choices set in stone. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal: the threshold of exploration. They read in a semi-circle. There's some movement, a slight suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek tragedy, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free (though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates donations for new lighting instruments). Next play: Monday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m., Euripides' Electra.

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Tartuffe

This one's a kick! The La Jolla Playhouse opened its summer season with a sparkling production of Molière's great comedy. Although most see through Tartuffe's faux spiritualisme, Orgon's convinced his new, hair-shirted friend's a saint. Orgon and his mother, in fact, form a two-member cult and will do anything for their guru. And there's nary a deprogrammer in sight. In director Des McAnuff's smart staging, Tartuffe is also about a household suffering from a loose cannon patriarch; social class hierarchies (the lower down, the more observant they become); and how Orgon's family, in spite of all protestations, allows his spiritual addiction to continue ("enable" isn't just Cain's brother). McAnuff has reset the play in pre-Revolutionary France. As in George Bernard Shaw's Heartbreak House, tremendous changes — symbolized by clouds on Robert Brill's geometric set? — lurk around the corner for Molière's self-absorbed bourgeoisie. Jefferson Mays heads a talent-rich, multicultural cast as Tartuffe. Mays is outstanding, especially when his character gets tartuffied." Only the arrival of Louis XVI could restore order. But, as Brill's clouds suggest, not for long. And in case anyone missed that point, and possibly to reference 9/11, as the audience files out. the Who sings about people falling on their knees and praying that they "won't get fooled again." Critic's pick. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE THROUGH

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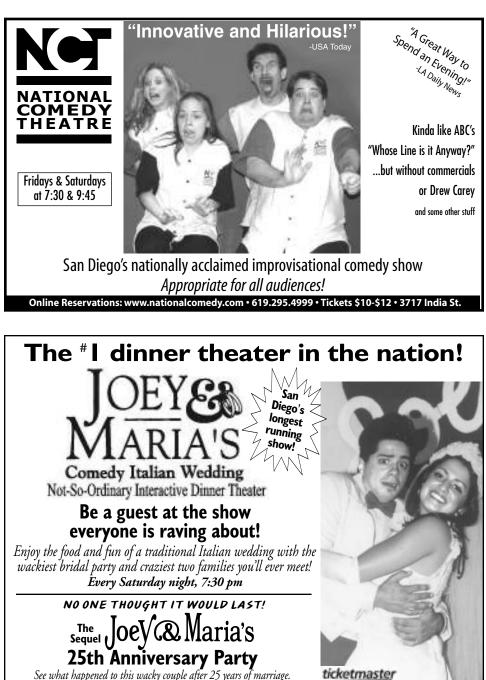
Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and Family Feud. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scenemaking, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons, but Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening uses various formats. The show I caught had "Team Sports" - two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Go-rilla Theatre" — five "directors" invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit." Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group is talented enough (and know when to blackout best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Impro) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to

good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art.' Worth a try. REHEARSAL ROOM THEATRE, MARY-LAND HOTEL, 644 F STREET, DOWN-TOWN FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P M FOR IN-FORMATION CALL 619-465-SHOW.

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"I was very big at the time."

Ian Whitcomb recalls his first concert appearance in San Diego — in June 1965.

the inside track

His one and only top-ten hit, a novelty tune called "You Turn Me On," was hot.

"It was in the top ten.... I was in San Diego on one of those rock 'n' roll package shows with Sam the Sham and the Pharaohs and the Kinks. Sonny and Cher were on the bill, but they hadn't had their first big hit yet. They hadn't yet made it, but they had all this money — big cars and great clothes. The story was they were controlled by the Mafia."

He couldn't recall the

venue. "It was an enormous auditorium.... A guy came up to me and handed me a note saying there was an Englishman called Lord Tim Hudson in the audience and could I acknowledge him onstage. I'd never met the bugger in my life, but I'm a gentleman. At the end of the act I said, 'Oh, by the way,



played under any

shitty record."

circumstances. That's

probably why I never got any

more hits after that. I thought

it was because of the incident

in San Diego, but then I heard

Whitcomb's 1966 follow-

it was because they thought

["You Turn Me On"] was a

up, "Where Did Robinson

Crusoe Go With Friday on

the Top 40. But Whitcomb

"They say Tiny Tim

true. It was me. ["Robinson

Crusoe"] was out a full year

before 'Tiptoe Through the

revived the ukulele. That's not

says it gave him pop

immortality.

Saturday Night" did not make

acknowledged a rival jock.' I said, 'How dare you talk to me that way. I'll pull your beard.' It's an English thing. Then [the late] Sonny [Bono] came up and held us apart and said, 'Hey, man, be cool. He's an important guy in radio. That's Les Turpin, the program director of KGB.' I was gonna punch the bugger."

"You Turn Me On" officially made Whitcomb part of the British Invasion. He blames his one-hitwonder status to radio blacklisting.

"Jumpin' George Sherlock — who by the way was the subject of the Rolling

Stones song 'Under Assistant

Man' — went in to a station

blacklist. My name was one of

the artists who was never to be

West Coast Promotion

and saw my name on a



IAN WHITCOMB - THEN AND NOW

Tulips.'" Whitcomb, 60, created the musical score for the new movie *The Cat's Meow.* "It was partly filmed in San Diego. It's about a famous 1924 incident aboard William Randolph Hearst's yacht. Film producer Thomas Ince was killed on board. Kirsten Dunst plays Marion Davies."

Regarding the news last week that for the first time since 1963, the *Billboard* top 100 single chart had no British artists: "I didn't think much about British music when it was big in the first place. That's why I moved here [in the 1960s]. I came here because I like American music — blues, ragtime, country. [British] just copy what's being done in America."

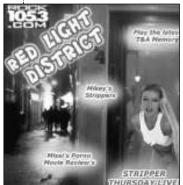
A Grammy winner, Whitcomb has released a p series of compilation CDs covering themes like ragtime, comedy, and ballads.

Whitcomb said he is in San Diego for a local appearance June 27, but he couldn't recall the venue. He said it will be listed on *www.ianwhitcomb.com*.

— Ken Leighton

"I'm a UCSD grad with a degree in sociology with an emphasis in social deviance."

Liz Hahn says she is living proof that strippers aren't all dingbats. After all, she says, stripping put her through college. "I also managed to put a ton of money in an IRA account. I think there is a way to be intelligent about stripping. But that's lacking in the industry. I want to put



DJS PORTRAY STRIPPERS AS "DING-DONGY" - SAY IT AIN'T SO!

> strippers in a positive light." Ten years ago she launched Bad Girl Productions, which provides strippers for bachelor parties and models for magazines. "I launched my business in the underground electronic music scene. I needed to get my name out there, so I provided go-go dancers at underground dance nights at [the now-defunct] Kansas City Steak House and Sydney's in the Gaslamp. That was ten years ago.

Two years ago Hahn



there's a fellow Englishman in the audience, and his name is Lord Tim Hudson.' The spotlight swung around and shined on him. He held up a banner that said he was a DJ on KCBQ. I went backstage to great applause."

Only one problem: that show was presented by competing "Boss Radio" 136/KGB.

"This most objectionable little bugger who looked like Abe Lincoln came up to me backstage and said, 'You stupid bastard, you just



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brought her Bad Girls to Brick by Brick's metal Wednesday night to dance and mingle with the crowd. That led to an invitation to join the B.C. and Woody show on Rock 105.3. Since July of last year, Hahn and her hotties spend every other Thursday with the afternoon show for "Stripper Thursday." The girls camp it up while providing sound effects (just use your imagination) in between Metallica records.

Even though Hahn regrets that the Rock 105.3 DJs sometimes portray her girls as "ding-dongy," she said the Stripper Thursdays help both her business and Rock 105.3's ratings.

"We helped make B.C. and Woody number one in the afternoon. It was a tremendous promotion." Hahn says her connection with Stripper Thursday on Rock 105.3 is ending soon. "We're not gonna pay to

be on." She said the station now wants to find a sponsor possibly a strip

club — to come in as a Stripper Thursday sponsor. The upshot: no more free radio for Bad Girl Productions. "They are looking to sell the contract. They want to make money on

it.

Rock 105.3 promotions staffer Christy Kuhr did not respond to a request for comment.

— Ken Leighton

"I was predicting a \$20,000 loss. We had

only sold 310 tickets. Based on [those figures], the people at the [Escondido] Center for the Arts said that at that rate, we would probably not break even. Our breakeven point was right around 1100." Singer/guitarist Bob Tedde, founder of the classic rock band Rockola, has dedicated a good portion of his professional life to the music of the Beatles. The



SITAR PLAYER FINDS PERFECTLY PITCHED ALARM CLOCK

chance to stage a live tribute to Sgt. Pepper on June 1, the same day *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* was released in 1967, was too tempting a challenge. He booked the 1500-seat theater at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido and spent eight weeks rehearsing.

Tedde had \$30,000 on the line. Three days before the show, it looked like he was going to lose it. "But [Channel 8's] Larry Himmel helped us put it over the top," said Tedde about a TV piece that ran the day before. "The new KPRI really helped too. We sold 700 tickets in three days. Because we had the top balcony closed off, it was nearly a sellout."

More than 1200 paid \$15 to \$25 to see the tribute.

Like any red-blooded Beatles freak, Tedde went to great trouble to make his tribute as authentic as possible. "We looked all over for an alarm clock with the right pitch [for "A Day in the Life"]. We went through six alarm clocks until we got the right one.... We could have used a sample for the kazoo sound in 'Lovely Rita.' We used a comb and paper." Tedde said he was

prohibited from videotaping his first such symphonic tribute six years ago by local musicians union #325. "They wanted \$200 per musician. But because I convinced them that this was for archival use only, they generously gave me permission this time."

Rockola appears June 24 at Humphrey's Backstage Lounge immediately following Alan Parsons' "Walk Down Abbey Road" on Humphrey's main stage. — Ken Leighton

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magazine.com "Since we haven't put out any issues for a while, I thought this website would be a good idea, not to replace the

magazine, but to become its accomplice," says editor and publisher Carl Schneider. 'What's sorta cool about the website versus the magazine is that we can display photographs and art in full color, which could never be done in the mag due to the amount of money it would cost for the process.

Spiked Mohawks, safety pin jewelry, slam dancing, and stage diving — that was the scene in 1984 at the Jackie Robinson YMCA on 45th Street, the Rock Palace on El Cajon Boulevard, and the Skeleton Club on Market Street. Some of the first local punk shows were produced by Black Market Productions.

There are performance snapshots of the Damned in 1982 at Godzilla's, the Misfits at the Lions Club in 1983, and D.O.A. from a 1987 Palisade Gardens show, but the best photos are in a file folder



DIVE OF DEATH" YMCA – 1986

titled "Stage Dives." Taken from a 1986 concert at the Jackie Robinson YMCA featuring D.R.I. and Corrosion of Conformity, one shot is called "Pre-Dive Of Death" — the diver in question is just reaching escape velocity from the stage. The next shot is "Dive of









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Death" — the jumper is in mid-air, perhaps ten feet from impact with the tallest patron's skull. There are no pictures of the landing. Perhaps they were confiscated by the insurance companies of the people this guy landed on.

The obsession with death and bloody images is particularly evident in the 'Kultureshock" section, which features an interview with Manson Family member Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme. Click on a flashing animation that looks like bloodshot panther eyes and up comes a list of grotesque photos available in the

"Deathchamber." Especially worth avoiding are the 11 pictures under "Lets Kill And Dismember My Husband, Take Pictures And Have Our Friend At The Fotomat Develop Them And Get Us Busted.

Also found here is an interview with Marilyn Manson during his 1994 tour with Nine Inch Nails. Knowing just how to rev the media machine, Manson says, "I believe that there's too many fuck'n people in the world, and if you kill yourself then fine, that just makes more room for me. I don't care — in fact take a couple people with you."

(Those with or who know of sites created in San Diego or which focus on local music are encouraged to forward info/URL links to jas2669@aol.com.)

— Jay Allen Sanford

"We're talking

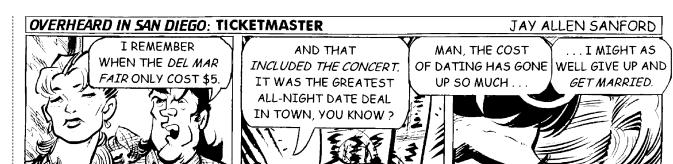
royalties in the hundreds of millions of dollars if this thing eventually goes through. It will probably shut us down."

Michael-Leonard Creditor is program coordinator for World Music Webcast, a local Internet radio station. Creditor says that new royalties proposed under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998 are unfair and may jeopardize the future of the nation's webcasters.

"At the very least," he says, "we would have to declare bankruptcy.' Creditor explains that the

act grants artists and record companies the right to collect extra royalties for Internet airplay. The new royalties would be calculated on a persong per-listener basis at 14/100ths of a cent and made retroactive to 1998.

"This is the most absurd, ridiculous way to figure out what royalty rates should be," he says



Broadcasters and webcasters currently pay royalties to agencies like BMI and ASCAP based on an annual licensing fee.

Some local webcasters have already shut down. When faced with the potential of paying out hundreds of thousands of dollars in back royalties, KSDS, City College's Jazz 88.3, ceased running their web simulcast in February.

"The...recommendations would be extremely difficult for a station such as ours to maintain," says program director Joe Kocherhans via email. "It's unfortunate, as [our programming] had a decent worldwide following on the web.'

On May 21, webcasters got a short reprieve when the Librarian of Congress set

aside the Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel recommendations as written and asked for a month to review them before making a final decision. "We're still in limbo," says Creditor, "but the fact that the CARP rulings were rejected by the Librarian of Congress says somebody recognized that they were way out of line."

Creditor plans to participate in a letter-writing campaign. "We haven't been shut down yet.' – Dave Good

CD review: Harvette, Stone Garden Records, 2001

Despite their aspirations – this trio aims for the vocal innuendoes of Lennon and McCartney and the eclecticism of the white album — it doesn't even take

an appreciation for the Beatles to figure out how Harvette misses its mark. First, the only remarkable song on the album, "Memorial Day," an ode to one of America's proudest but most fragile species, the military family -("mom was there / beehive in her hair / lately she / has given strangely in / to hiding tears / claim to blame / and picnic chairs") — is by Dave Chapple, who's credited with only two other songs. The bulk of the work here is left to Danny Allen, who, besides lacking the vocal diversity that his songs call for, often fails to craft what he promises, which are "wry, top dead center lyrics that would delight the most saturated social satirist." Unless you want to classify "living in suburban cities / makes me feel like / a million

pesos / fine with sparky baby / if you say-sos" as social satire.

There are plenty of ways for an L.A. trio to be sardonic without writing songs about twentysomethings moving back in with a mom who dotes on her neurotic lap dog. Pretty boys playing pedal steel - now that's satire, but at least it sounds nice. Yeah, definitely more pedal steel.

— Justin Wolff

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You Can't Arrest Everyone

"Most of the musicians are a bunch of liberal bastards anyway."

Bud Kulek has been downloading music off the Internet for four years. "I just sort of found out about it — word of mouth, I guess. I learned how to do this when I went to La Quinta High School. It was really technolog-

ically advanced over there, and that's what everybody was doing. It was real computerized, and some of my classmates showed me how to do it."

Kulek, 21, lives in Temecula and works as a network administrator for Mt. San Jacinto College. Politically conservative, Kulek views free downloads as an opportunity.

"WinMX is the best site. It sort of replaced Napster, and it runs just like Napster. It has the same following and the same kinds of music too. You can get videos and everything. I guess it's kind of bad in some ways [to do this], but in other ways, most of the musicians are a bunch of liberal bastards anyway."

The primary attraction of downloading music for Kulek is the price. "I'm too cheap to buy CDs. I don't think \$16 for a CD is worth it. I listen to a lot of country now — Alan Jackson and some others. Actually, my music listening has kind of dropped off. But if he came out with a new CD, I wouldn't be willing to pay for it. If it's not free, I don't want it."

The equipment Kulek requires for his downloads is the standard for most downloaders. "All you need is a good Internet connection and a CD burner. Right now, I just have a 56K modem. I have a custom-built computer — I'm too cheap to buy a Dell or anything. I used to like Macs, but they've kind of moved away from what I need. You can get external CD burners for Macs or internal ones for PCs. It's just a CD writer that can copy any kind of CDs or make your own CDs. You can decode MP3s to a WAV format, then put it on a CD. Now there's software called CD Creator that automatically decodes the music. So all you have to do is burn the MP3 file, and it will automatically decode it and play



it in a normal CD player. It came free with my burner, and that cost me about 80 bucks. What's really scary is the new DVD-RAM drives. The format is called DVD plus RW, and you can make copies of DVD movies and play them in

about 90 percent of the DVD players on the market now. You can also download DIVIX, and that's the encoded DVD — it's a whole movie, and it compresses

it down to, like, 400 megs." Theresa Peterson, 20, liked Napster until it was shut down. "I've been using Audiogalaxy, but now that's not working, so I don't have one right now. I'm not sure if Audiogalaxy is truly defunct or if they just went down for a while. My little brother showed me how to do it [on Napster]. He's 16 and he's been doing it for a while. Then my roommate showed me how to use Audiogalaxy."

A theology student at USD, Peterson doesn't have any moral conflict about taking music for free. "I feel that if you're really a musician, then you probably just want your music out there. The best way to tell if someone is in it for mercenary reasons is if they get upset because they're not being paid for their music. Somebody had to pay for it originally to get it on the computer in the first place."

Peterson's favorite recording artist is a Christian group, Altogether Separate, from Riverside County. "I occasionally buy CDs, but not often. I don't have much money."

Peterson is one of few downloaders who doesn't use a CD burner. "I live in a dorm, so I just use the ethernet system at my school. I just use my computer; it's a really old one that I got at a TV repair shop. It just stays on my hard drive, and I listen to it on the computer. I wouldn't know how to help anyone else hook up to it, since I'm not very good with computers."

Mustafa Ege, 27, is a graduate student in business at San Diego State University. A native of Turkey, Ege turns to downloading because of







Mustafa Ege

the lack of available Turkish music. "It's really hard to find Turkish music in stores, so I usually download. There is one store that has Turkish music, but it's all the way up in downtown Los Angeles, and I don't like to have to drive there."

Ege likes to keep his downloading simple. "I use the software like Morpheus and sometimes iMesh. I used Napster before it shut down. I'm not really into computers, but I've been doing it since I came to this country two years ago. I had a computer in Turkey, but the connections there are slow, so I never did it there. If you use the software, you can find all kinds of music. You don't have to buy it. There's a website called Download.com, and they have all kinds of freeware you can download. You basically share your MP3s with other people. You download it from



T.J. Martin

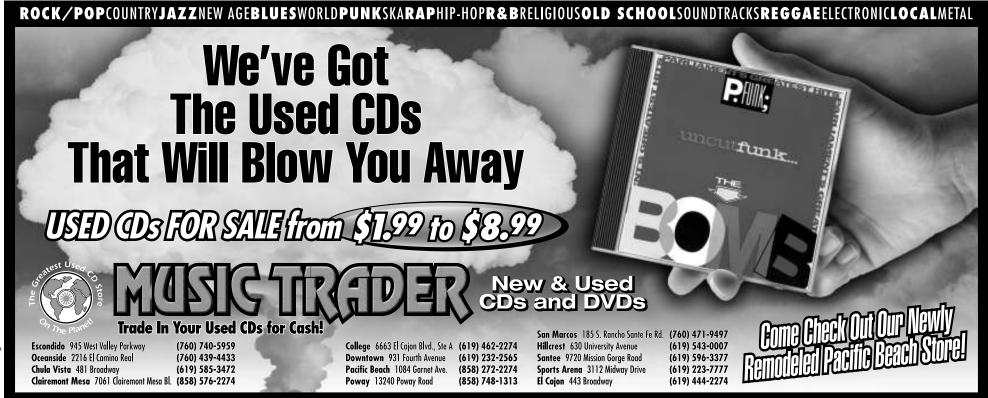


Theresa Petersor

a website or a friend or someone that you never know. I have a PC and a CD burner and a CD player. The computer stuff is all Hewlett-Packard."

If it's immoral to steal music off the web, Ege isn't convinced. "Everybody's doing it. I never think about it. I would prefer buying the CD because of the quality. I would be willing to pay \$10 to \$15, but as I said, it's almost impossible to find Turkish music."

T.J. Martin, 20, is a business administration undergrad at San Diego State. He has been downloading music for four years, a practice he began in high school. Perfectly willing to pay for his music, Martin prefers to look at downloading as a type of preview service to avoid wasting money on music he may not like. "I still buy music. I







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just want to hear it before I buy it. But you don't want to buy a CD where there's one good song and the rest of them suck. At least if I hear them, I'll buy them. I like Linkin Park, Snoop Dogg, hip-hop. I pay whatever they want for CDs as long as it's not the usual. I'd rather pay ten bucks than such high prices as, say, \$18 or \$19."

Martin discusses downloading like a hungry man at a buffet. "I use the KaZaA or Morpheus filesharing programs. I used Napster once. There's a bunch of them if one gets shut down; there's always another one that pops up, and

no one's responsible for them.... I have a cable connection, so I can download songs in, like, a minute. I use a Dell computer. It came with a CD burner. But even if you have a burner, you have to have a good program or you won't be able to get it to work. I use CD Easy Creator and Nero Burning program.

"It's really easy. I've always been in computers, and that's part of my major. I originally heard about Napster on the news and I checked out their website, and right then and there I learned how to do it. Me and my friends were all doing it pretty soon. I always thought, this is so big, what are they gonna do to everybody? Are they going to arrest every person? It's too impersonal. You can make up any name or

the MP3s. My burner uses Easy CD Creator IV — actually, it's my roommate's."

Like many of the other downloaders, Fulford-Brown

"Somebody had to pay for it originally to get it on the computer in the first place."

Chris Fulford-Brown, 19, is a professional jazz pianist and a music major at San Diego State. His favorite download site is iMesh. "I don't remember how I found out about it. Maybe a friend told me about it — it was a couple of years ago. It's pretty easy to pick up. A long time ago we used Napster. I like iMesh better, because with Napster, there was the whole library thing and with iMesh, you can just download it straight to your music folder and that's it. It just downloads

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is willing to pay for his music. The downloads simply give him more choices, especially with out-of-print works. "If there's a CD I really want, I'll buy it that is, up to about \$17. Anything more than that for a single CD is too much. If there's music I can't find or I'm just curious to hear, I'll download it. There's a band called Tiger Army that I like. I've bought their CDs. Plus there's the Stray Cats and a lot of jazz CDs that I don't like to download or burn because I'd rather have the actual CD."

Steve Howard, 20, has been downloading music off the web for about a year. He dips into the MP3 files for new songs about once a week. "I found out about it from a friend from work at Sycuan Casino. I use Morpheus now, but I liked Napster better. You could go to the title and the artist."

Howard laughs at the suggestion that downloading music from the Internet might be considered theft. "They're still millionaires! I haven't bought a CD in about a year. I've maybe bought a couple of CDs as gifts. If I really wanted a CD, say from Doctor Dre, I might buy it, but the most I would spend might be 15 bucks. But they're about 20 now.

For Howard, a few minutes at the computer is much easier than a trip to a record store. 'You just download the program, and once you do that, it's pretty self-explanatory.

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You just type in the name of the artist or the name of the song, and it will come up with an extensive list of all different songs or different songs by the same artist. I have Cox at Home, so I don't have any slow downloads. Along with a CD burner, it's a pretty easy process.' Gillian Gillies, 34, from North County, started down-

loading music off the Napster website two years ago. "I read about it in a magazine. The story said that downloading music was becoming a serious issue, so I decided to check it out. I initially did it through a phone line, but it took forever — literally a half hour per song. The technology is so amazing, and I would download these esoteric songs that you never would go out and actually buy, but it was so fun to actually have access to them. I've probably got about 1200 to 1500 songs now that I've downloaded.'

After the free Napster downloads came to an end, Gillies experimented with different sites. "Aimster was one of them. LimeWire was another. I found a lot of them through Yahoo and also through the Union-Tribune and some magazines too. Napster and Aimster are very similar."

Like the other downloaders, Gillies uses the basic equipment. "I have a regular PC and a Mac now too. I'm just getting used to the Mac. I'm thinking that it's much easier to use, but I'm not as comfortable with it as I am a regular PC yet. And the CD burner came with the PC. It uses a software called Easy CD Creator.²

Unlike most of the other downloaders, Gillies' conscience isn't entirely at ease about downloading music. "I think there is definitely an issue there. It obviously doesn't bother me enough to stop doing it, but I definitely think there's something that's not fair. My rationalization is that I've gotten introduced to a lot of music, and now I will go see these bands where perhaps I wouldn't before. A lot of bands that I'm listening to might be at the Belly Up, and it's kind of a cool way to check out a band. One of the new bands I've found is Bush."

Gillies hasn't purchased a CD since she started downloading, so she hasn't given much thought to what she would be willing to pay for a compact disc by a favorite performer. "I think it depends. If I went on to a band's site and I really like them — like the Cowboy Junkies — I really like them. If I went on to their site and the money went directly to the band to support them, I would be much more inclined to buy their CD. This may be a stretch, but I think that bands don't get a high percentage of the money that is earned from CDs, but they get much more from concert appearances."

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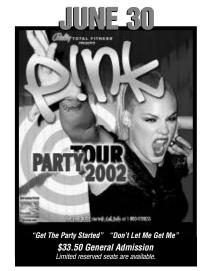
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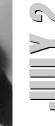
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"The Duke was open-minded and gave his musicians freedom. Good instrumentalists were highly prized."

am listening to a cassette of my tante Erika discussing a bucket of Mozart I brought her for her 75th birthday. This was our arrangement: she would listen to the music and record her impressions. Erika being Erika, there was destined to be

extra-Mozartian commentary of an unpredictable nature. When we left off last week. Erika was discussing Mozart's Divertimento in B major (K 186), a performance of the London Wind Soloists led by Jack Brymer. Tante actually admitted to enjoying the performance, very much out of character since she routinely deplores Englishmen playing anything, especially her revered Bavarians and Teutons.

But her enjoyment was not to proceed without complaint. I should have known. "Then

again," Tante said, "these two middle movements...they are so SOMBERLY played. Brymer gives it too much intellectual interpretation. [Then to her darling Bavarians:] It's amazing what Mozart could compose in one year when you think that

contemporary composers produce maybe one piece, perhaps one movement in one year. [This last bit said with bristling contempt.] His creativity is unknown, unsurpassed, and unknowable."

Tante brightens. One never knows quite which way she's about to go. "I just listened to the Flute and Harp Concerto in C major (K 299), composed around the same time as the Divertimento we were discussing. [We? Discussing?] The C-major key is so accessible. The basis of modern music since Monteverdi, I suppose. It's beautifully performed. Hogwood [an Englishman!] is one of my favorites. Very clean, very clear. Very rigorous in his tempi. There is at times a little bit of sweetness, but not that preciousness. Hogwood is a fine man [an Englishman!]. Even for the Academy of Ancient Music. [Well...] They don't sound so British, at least in this performance on original instruments. A beautiful recording from 1986-87. A Decca.



James Levine

ably play Koopman to death.

'It's fun to have comparison CDs," Tante says into the tape recorder. "I don't know if you like the situation, but I find it great fun. [The point of the



then goes on at length about the beauty and wonderfulness of her Bose speakers. They really are quite good, I must say. She effuses about another Mozart horn concerto, its "exuberance, intellect, sexuality, so flamboyant. I challenge any modern composer to

come up with a horn concerto this wonderful.' Tante doesn't like modern composers. Then my tante decides to talk about opera for 20 minutes. I shall spare you these effusions.

Here Decca [English] did well. [BUT...] Now,

Tom Koopman and his Amsterdam Baroque Or-

chestra [Dutch, close to Teuton], this is something

else. Hogwood and Koopman's performances

sound like two different pieces of music. Koopman

is not as exacting, but he has verve.

To make a good comparison be-

tween Hogwood and Koopman:

Hogwood goes from the brain to

the heart to the brain. With Koop-

man it is from the *bowels* to the heart

to the brain and back to the bow-

els [for anyone who has spent time

in Germany, this is actually a great

compliment]. Koopman's perfor-

mance is closer to what I have

known. It's warmer, if not as pre-

cise, as celestial as Hogwood [a

bachelor collector of antique key-

boards]. I have no problem with

either conductor, but I would prob-

Then, suddenly, we are back again to the piano sonatas, this time K 309 in C major. Erika is cooing about her darling Andras Schiff (Hungarian, close enough to Bavaria): "Well, Andras is a different pianist [as compared with Mitsuko Uchida].

He makes sure he clings to the musical line, every little modulation is attended to. Every diminuendo and crescendo is clearly expressed. Every theme, when it comes in variation, is clearly denoted. You can't help listening to him, it's amazing. Especially the middle adagio movement, a very

lovely piece, composed in 1777 when Mozart was in Mannheim. A different kind of Court, less stodgy than Salzburg. The Duke was openminded and gave his musicians freedom. Good instrumentalists were highly prized."

The tone of Tante's commentary now changes dramatically. She has just listened to Neville Mariner conduct Symphony 21, K 134. Tante is just about hissing with sarcasm and contempt: "I have just endured a performance of Symphony 21 in A conducted by the great impresario mechano-conductor Mariner. Ugh. I

can't understand. It sounded worse than the many symphonies I heard with the high school orchestra in Germany. He has such a literal interpretation and very little feel for the instruments. But he is, after all, a conductor. He gets the time right, and the bars come at just the right places.

Paris Symphony in D Major, K 297: "A symphony I was more familiar with and equally

disappointed in, especially the first allegro movement. But the real disappointment came in the second movement, the andante. This conductor is simply desperate or something. He hasn't any mirth. He is so mechanical that he almost killed the enormous, almost painful exploration that Mozart undertakes in that andante. He doesn't seem to come even close to what the composer means. Mozart always complained about people

talking during the performances of his works, so he and Haydn had a way of becoming very loud, suddenly. And that one fanfare, the fortissimo, that's the only damn thing that Mariner [rolling the *r* with disdain] gets right."

Tante Erika then laughs menacingly. "I really want to give you a bit of my bile about that. I abhor all the mechanical conductors because I've heard all the great ones and I know why they differ. Most conductors know only one instrument,

and it's usually not a wind instrument, usually not a string; it's the piano. If they have an ear and a gemüt, a soul, a sensitive soul, they can reach Mozart, but if not they become mechanical, the modern version I detest so much.

Тот Коортан

"James Levine, a totally mechanical conductor, but not a note is played wrong. He gives not a damn about the other instruments. He doesn't know the winds at all. And that other, your friend [my friend?] Simon Rattle? [An Englishman; Levine is American.] He's not quite as bad, but he lacks that sensitivity. I'll tell you why. Some of the older conductors simply understood the problems with other instruments. For instance, I just happen to know that Mozart sometimes wrote a note for a certain instrument, let's say a

clarinet, and he put it in the bar with its value: it should have 1/4 value. And it didn't really matter. Although he was very precise, he always hurried when he wrote, but the soloists, the instrumentalists, knew how it should be played, how it could be played, and they knew that Mozart, even if he made a little error, they knew that the note, in the context of previous notes, could only be played in a certain way.

'And so I must hand it to Christopher Hogwood and the Academy of Ancient Music. He seems to know something about winds. He gives the winds true freedom, thus he creates beautiful sound, and he's not quite as mechanical - though he tends in that direction [English] — as Levine. HE'S THE WORST OF THEM ALL. Well, now he [Levine] is in Munich, maybe he'll learn something there.

"And next time?" Tante chirps. "Next time, Divine One, we shall listen to Schubert?" Ja, wohl, Tante. Next time Schubert. ■

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birthday bucket of Mozart, silly.] I never read the damn liner notes unless it's a piece I don't know." Tante

Christopher Hogwood









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"Old School Reggae Jam" featuring King YellowMan & the Sagittarius Band, Midnite, and the WorldBeat African Drummers: The Scene, Friday, June 14, and Saturday, June 15, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-505-9111.

MONDAY

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.

TUESDAY

Simple Minds: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, June 18, 7:30 p.m.,

2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010. Little Richard /579 : Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 18, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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The Buena Vista Social Club (featuring Omara Portuondo) Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Barry Manilow [615]: Del Ma Fairgrounds, Friday, June 21, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Alejandro Sanz [617] and Bacilos: 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

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. Alejandra Guzman [575]: Del Mar

Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 23, 7 p.m. 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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Three Dog Night [536]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 25, 7 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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 Frampton [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.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with the Tony Malaby Trio: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, June 27, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872

Eddie Money [610]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 28, 7:30 p.m. 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Ma , Del Mar 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Bruce Hornsby [590]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, June 28, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelte Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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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.

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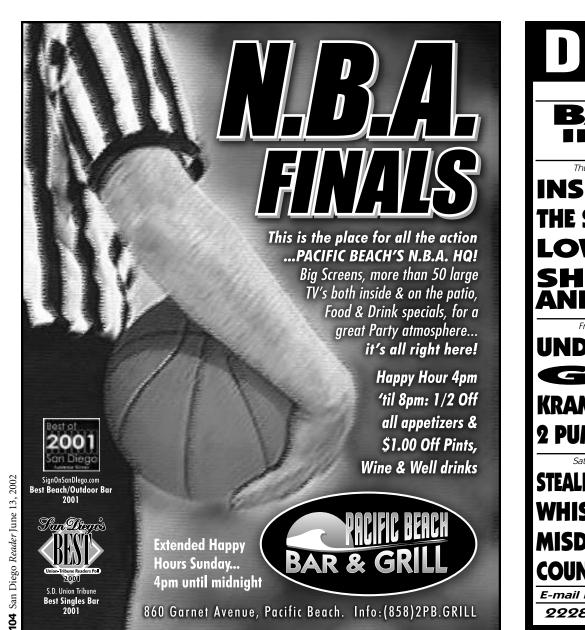
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Billy Ray Cyrus [**792**]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, July 5, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497

The Cranberries /194/: Vieias 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 [927], 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 Glenn Miller Orchestra: Concourse Golden Hall, Thursday, July 11, 7 p.m., Third Avenue and B Street, vn. 619-570-1100 or 619-220-8497.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with the James Carney Trio: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, July 11, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

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" '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) and Tracy Lyons: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, July 19, and Saturday, July 20,

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Trisha Yearwood [786]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 26, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, S Cholto Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with the René Marie Quartet: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Friday, July 26, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

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lewel (895) and M2M: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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David Sanborn [692] and Poncho Sanchez [646]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 1, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Isla 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010

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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

Alicia Keys [605]: Summer Pops Series, Broadway Naval Pier, Sunday, 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 (566) and Karla Bonoff [462]: 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

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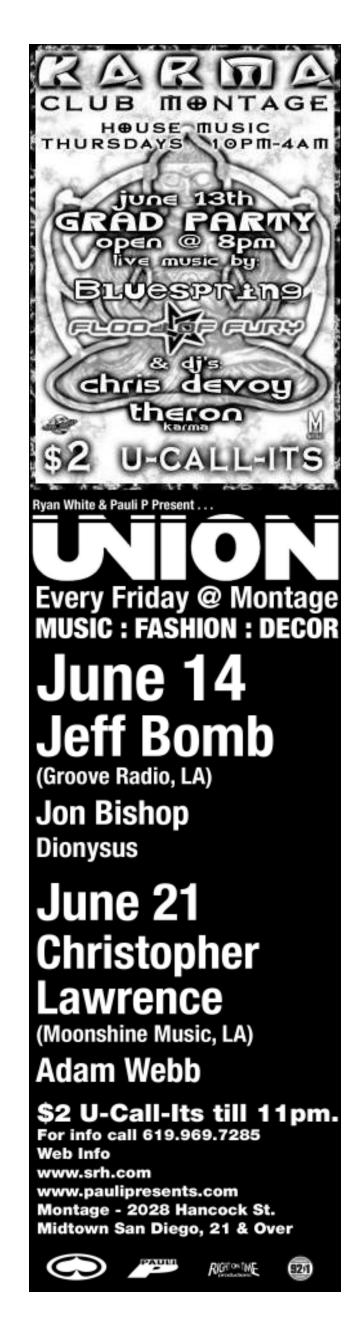


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Dave Koz & Friends [676] featuring Norman Brown and Brian Culbertson, and James Ingram: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, August 24, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497

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

Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers and Jackson Browne: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, August 25, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497

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.

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Air Supply and Christopher Cross: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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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 [607]: 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.

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The Herbie Hancock Quartet: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 26, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Jimmy Buffett: Coors Amphitheatr Saturday, September 28, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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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.

Seraio 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.

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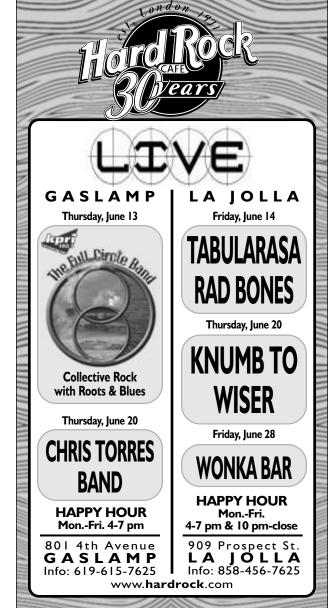
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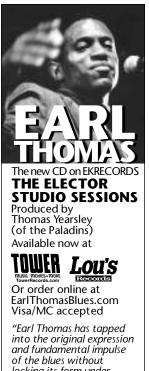
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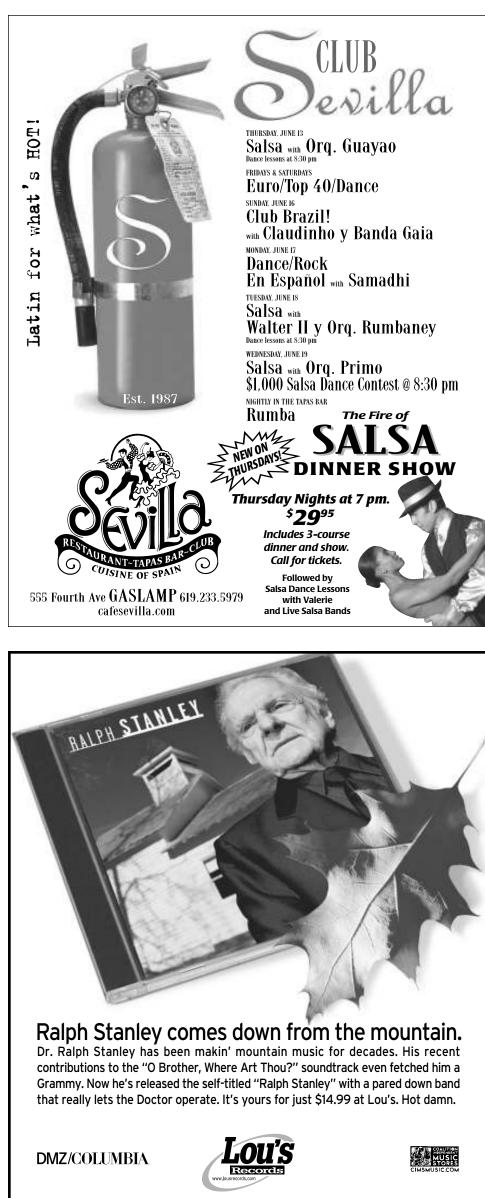






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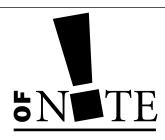
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BY DAVE GOOD

The trouble with the **Beach Boys** is this: you don't always know which of them you're getting. Brian Wilson has been doing his own thing for ages; Al Jardine travels as the Beach Boys, Family, and Friends, and Mike Love and Bruce Johnston (who subbed for Brian Wilson in the late '60s) are also touring with a band. The Beach Boys name has become a franchise, but lest you take sides with critics who write the group(s) off as a shameless nostalgia show, consider their decades-long backslide from greatness into some kind of lasting, if not soapy purgatory. It boggles the mind.

The Beach Boys arrived during the pop culture boom that Southern California can call its own: surf rock. In 1963, Brian, inspired by Motown, the Four Freshmen, and his surfing brother **Dennis**, wrote "Surfin'." The song

Wesley, and Somatik. No cover; 21 and up. The Pirates Den, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego, 619-574-6833. Event information, 619-692-1080.

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entered the Billboard Hot 100 at number 75. In the next 18 months, there were ten more hits and four albums of crafty, harmonic songs about hot rods and surfing. Within two years, they had released eight albums, six of them written and produced by Brian. By 1966 (and in spite of the Beatles), the Beach Boys were voted the world's best band by the UK press. But by then. Brian had also quietly suffered at least two nervous breakdowns. Brian Wilson eventu-

ally went to bed and stayed there for years. He

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and his therapist became People magazine fodder. If the '70s were a frustrating series of hits and misses for the Beach Boys, the '80s were worse; drugs and alcohol took the remaining Wilson brothers out of most of that decade. Dennis drowned in 1983, and Brian rallied briefly, but only Love and Jardine continued to perform regularly. With the death of sweet-voiced Carl in 1998, what's left? Lawsuits, which the surviving Beach Boys send back and forth like greeting cards. Low

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tide for one of America's most influential rock bands, but no matter — I still think "Good Vibrations" is one of the best songs ever written.

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North County

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday and Friday, Powerhouse, Saturday, the New Breed Band.

The Beach House, 2530 South Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-753-1321. Performances are from 7 pm to 10 pm, except Sunday, 6 pm to 9 pm. Thursday, 5 O'Clock Shadow, jazz. swing. Friday, *Trio du Jour*, jazz. Saturday, *the Justin Brothers*, acoustic. Sunday, 5 O'Clock Shadow, jazz. Wednesday, Semisi & Fulabula, reggae.

Bellefleur Winery and Restaurant, 5610 Paseo del Norte, Carlsbad. 760-603-1919. Vintner's Bar:

Wednesday, 6 pm to 9 pm, live jazz. Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 9 pm, Don Carlos & the Itals, with the Reggae Angels. Friday, 9:15 pm, Karl Denson's Tiny Universe with the Maroon 5, jazz. Saturday, 9:15 pm, Issac Delgado y Su Orquesta, Latin. Sunday, 7:30 pm, Primo, Latin jazz, salsa. Tuesday, 9 pm, Culture with Forward Funk, jazz.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue. Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, Y3K, classic rock.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe Flower Hill Mall. I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, George Svoboda, classical guitar.

Borders Books and Music, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Friday 8 pm, Lino, new age. Saturday, 8 pm, Sydicate Up, acoustic.

The Camelot Inn. 887 San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744 1332. Friday, the Strange Woods, Celtic folk. Saturday, Gene Pool, altenative

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, Laguna, classic rock. Saturday, Jeff Lee, acoustic.

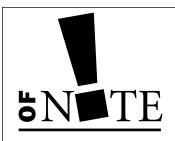
Covote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlshad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the* Rhythm Method, classic rock, Friday 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Blonde Bruce Band*, blues. Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, *Big* Daddy & the Moneyshakers, blues, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Jerry McCann* Band, reggae. Sunday, 2 pm to 4:30 pm, *the Bop Mambo Combo*, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Hollis Gentry*, jazz. Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Blue Largo*, blues. Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, the Late Late Show, rock

The Del Dios Country Store, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733 Friday and Saturday, Calico Ridge, country.

Fat Katz, 1476 Encinitas Boulevard. Encinitas. 760-943-7768. Music is blues. Thursday, *the Bayou Brothers.* Friday and Saturday, Michele Lundeen. Sunday, Nick Perpich & Friends. Tuesday, Candye Kane. Wednesday, blues jam hosted by Blue Label.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Night Shift, Friday and Saturday, Detroit Underground, rock, soul.

Hennessey's Tayern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729 6951. Friday, *Fonebone*, rock. Saturday, Boneyard, rock.



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Even before Mariah Carey's career meltdown, critics and discerning listeners were searching for a new voice, a real, down-to-earth singer/songwriter who would rescue soul music from the tyranny of the R&B-hiphop-pop-crossover superdivas. In short, they were looking for a turn-of-the-millennium Aretha Franklin. And they thought they found her in Lauryn Hill, Erykah Badu, Macy Gray, and a long list of women who turned out to be something else altogether. I'm guilty of this, too. And I'm sure I'd be declaring my allegiance to one of the new contenders. India.Arie, if it weren't for the fact that she tries too damn hard.

This year Arie was nominated for seven Grammys (she didn't win any), but before

Inn L'Auberge, 1440 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar. 858-259-1515. Friday, Lori Bell, Ron Satterfield, and John Opferkuch, jazz.

Jammers Java, 218 A North El Camino Real (in the Wiegand Plaza next to AMC Theaters), Encinitas. 760-942-JAVA. Saturday, Zack & Bruce, jazz.

Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 760-743-7665. Friday and Saturday, call club for information.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101. Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors, blues, rock Friday, Red-Handed, rock. Saturday, the Bill Magee Blues Band. Wednesday, Nitelife.

knew she is important by spelling her name in all lower-case letters, with a period in between her first and last names. like a web address. And she leads her debut album, Acoustic Soul. with a song in which she declares, "I'm not your average girl from a video.' It's partly an attack on the unrealistic demands made on women in music, but mostly it's just a celebration of herself: "No matter what I'm wearing, I will always be India.Arie." And in case we still didn't know how important that job is,

that, she made sure we

she brings us "Interlude," a short song in which she lists past masters of American music like Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, Charley Patton, John Coltrane, Jimi Hendrix, and, um, Karen Carpenter, and then says Your memory still lives on in me." That's so

No Doubt. Ja Rule. Ashanti. Craig David, O-Town, Aaron Carter, Soluna, Seven

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and the Sun, and Paulina Rubio also perform. (To hear a sample of India.Arie, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4941.)

INDIA.ARIE, "Your Smoke Free Show 3," Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, June 14, 6 p.m. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497. \$43.35 to \$53.35.

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, *Laura Casale*, folk. Sunday, 10 am to 1 pm, live acoustic/folk music.

Mocha Marketplace, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-2112. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, John Lowery, folk.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729 4131. Sunday, 9:30 pm, El Jardin, salsa **The Raintree**, 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Music hours are from 6 pm to 10 pm. Friday Diversiti, jazz. Saturday, Trio du Jour, jazz.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, Streetheart, classic rock.

Solana Beach Coffee Company, 437 South Highway 101, Solana Beach. 858-792-1553. Saturday, 7 pm to 9 pm, Jared Mattson, jazz.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, open mike. Friday, Furball, alternative. Saturday, the Bumpin' Uglies, rock. Wednesday, Surfbeat.

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Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *Screamin* Seamen and Lo-Fi Nipple. Tuesday, the David Patrone Quartet, jazz.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Oceanside, 760-439-6646 Call club for information.

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Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Kite* and *Zion*, rock. Friday, *Wonka Bar* and *Deadline Friday*, alternative rock. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *Vegitation*, 8 pm, *Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations*, reggae. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, *Daryl Johnson* & the Mardi Gras Gypsies, 8:30 pm, *Cheeky Monkey* and the Bitty Buns, rock. Wednesday, the Bumpin' Uglies and Side Pocket, rock/alternative.

'Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Adema, Trust Company, and Audiovent. Friday, Convoy, Lovelight Shine, and Lualta. Saturday, Guided by Voices and My Morning Jacket. Tuesday, Pepper, Thicker Than Thieves, Handful, and Twelve Under. Wednesday, Pucker Up.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday and Saturday, call club for information. Friday, *the Steely Damned*.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. All music is alternative/rock. Thursday, Insinsear, the Steamies, Low Fuel, and Shut Up & Drive. Friday, Underhills, GLE, Kramer's Rule, and 2 Pump Chump. Saturday, Stealing Monday, Whiskey Dick, Misdirection, and Counterstrike. Wednesday, Just Another Human, Greg Magnuson, Dirtknap 29, and the Unknown Poets.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Friday and Saturday, 8 pm, *Judy Chamberlain*, jazz. Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Diana Krall*, Latin jazz.

Galoka, 5660 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-551-8610. Friday, live jazz, funk. Sunday, *Pass the Peas*, folk.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday and Saturday, call club for information. Monday, open mike.

Java Joe's Coffeehouse, 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356. Thursday, Bushwalla, rock. Friday, the Bitty Bums and Rain Storm, rock. Saturday, Stacy Earle and Mark Stewart, folk. Monday, Wendy's openmike night.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Barry Levich*, piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Leviticus*.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, live rock.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 8:30 pm to midnight, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Sunday through Tuesday, 8:30 pm, *Larry Moore*, piano and vocals.

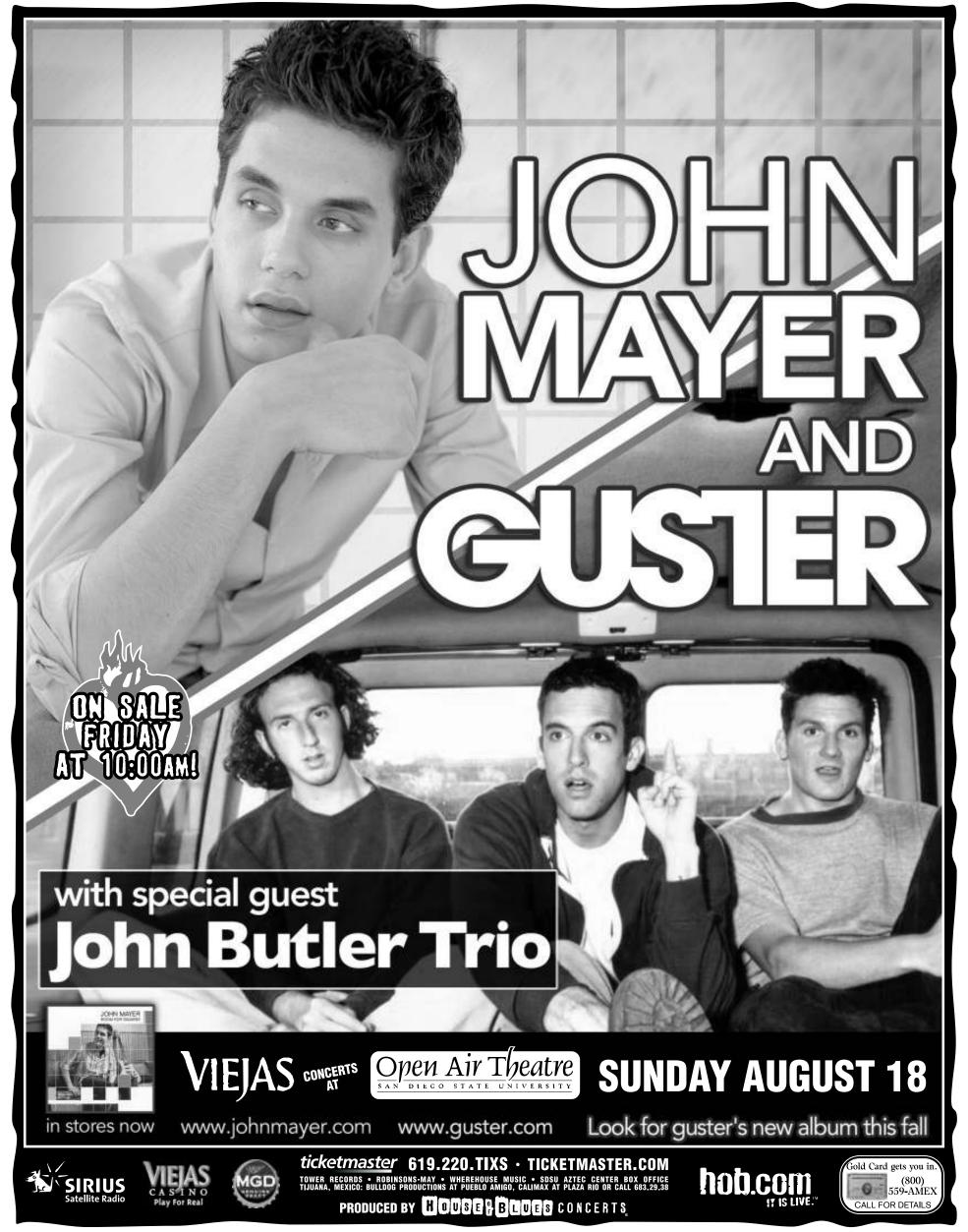
Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Club Tremors, call club for information.

Rock Bottom, 8980 Via La Jolla Drive, La Jolla. 858-450-9277. Friday, 6 pm, *Barry Allen Cohen*, jazz.

The Room, 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. Thursday, *Peanut Butter Jazz & Blues.* Friday, *Afinity,* rumba, Spanish guitar. Saturday, *Stage* 4, pop, jazz, R&B. Wednesday, *Aja,* contemporary, folk, pop.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Thursday, Friday, and







Saturday, *Jack Pollack*, piano. Wednesday, *Stephen Knight*.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Friday, *Liquid Foundation*, rock. Saturday, 9 pm, 8 *Ball Rack*, rock. Sunday, Chris Kelly's open-mike Night.

Typhoon Saloon, 1165 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-373-3444. Thursday, *80z Enough*, pop. Friday, call club for information. Tuesday, *Bedhead Blonde*, blues. Wednesday, *Metal Shop*.

Victor's Restaurant & Bar, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Friday, 9 pm, *Alex Ligertwood*, rock.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, Eletrovibe and Vegitation, rock/alternative. Friday, Vinyl and the Damn Dirty Apes, alternative. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, the Shelltown Horns, blues, 8 pm, Ten Pound Brown and Halo Complex, alternative. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors, 8:30 pm, Nina Story. Monday, 9 pm, the Electric Waste Band, rock. Tuesday, John Brown's Body, reggae. Wednesday, the Travel Agents, alternative.

San Diego

Anthony's Star of the Sea, 1360 North Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-232-7408. Thursday and Friday, 5:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Duo*, Brazilian-Latin jazz.

The Bahia Belle Cruise, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 pm. Friday, *B Natural*, pop. Saturday, *the Nude Blues*.

Beans Cafe, 4176 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa. 858-627-0888. Saturday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Tuan To*, pianist.

The Board Room, 2237 First Avenue, Bankers Hill. 619-291-5845. Saturday, the Bipeds, Maudlin, snmnmnm, and Pobbandalice. alternative.

The Boathouse Restaurant, 2040 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego. 619-231-0489. Wednesday, 7 pm to 9 pm, *the Louisa West-Jimmy Patton Duo*, jazz. Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

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Tom Griesgraber, jazz. Sunday, 3 pm,

Lino and John Adorney, new age, jazz. Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, Happy Campers, Head First, Twilight Idols, and Corbus. Friday, Phobia, Cattle Decapitation, Shed, and Maxamillion. Saturday, St. Dog, Vocoder, Clusterfunk, and Swillbelly. Tuesday, VIII Fraud, RDG, Wither, and Hapy Hour. Wednesday, Color Red, Dr. Chunk, Battering Train, and Super

Bright Light. Caffe Salotto #2, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard. 619-582-5908. Saturday,

8 pm to 11 pm, *Tony Taravella*, jazz. **Club Hollywood**, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102. Call club for information.

Club Xanth, 4225 Thirtieth Street, San Diego. 619-584-2720. Thursday, *Bleak Anthem, Nowheresville, Waiting* for Autumn, Note to Self, and Strange Noise. Friday, Overcome by One, *Tragic Ritual, Proof of Burden*, and Stolen.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, 5 Iron Frenzy, Code Name:Rocky, the Slaves, and Rudiger. Friday, the Suicide Machines, Agent 51, the Cause, and Belvedere. Saturday, PBR, the Generators, Scribble, the Ruminants, and the Opposition.

Etta's Place, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Friday, 9 pm, Beyond Blue, blues, rock. Saturday, 9 pm, Myron & the Knyptions, rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, Angel Hayes & Uncle John's Big Roll Band. Wednesday, Freestyle, jazz, jump, jive.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, Hot Rod Lincoln, rockabilly. Saturday, Billy Watson & the International Silver Strings Submarine Band, blues.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9:30 pm, *Archie Thompson* & the Tidesmen, rock. Friday, 9:30 pm, Eve Selis, roadhouse rock. Saturday, 8 pm and 10 pm, also, Sunday, 7 pm and 9:30 pm, the Pete Escovedo Orchestra, Latin jazz. Monday, 10 pm, Maia Sharp. Tuesday, 9:30 pm, Quino, reggae. Wednesday, 9 pm, Black Mambo, jazz. The Inn Suites, 2223 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 pm to 10 pm, workshop/concert with *the San Diego Concert Jazz Band*.

The Inn at the Park, 3167 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-296-0057. Music is piano/vocals. Thursday, *Karen Giorgio*. Friday, *Kenny Ard*. Saturday, *Carol Curtis*. Monday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, vocals. Tuesday, *Kristi Rickert*. Wednesday, *Andy Anderson* and *Ron Council*.

Jolt'n Joe's, 8076 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa. 619-466-2591. Saturday, call club for information.

Kelly's Steakhouse, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego. 619-291-7131. All music is piano. Music hours are from 7 pm to midnight. Thursday and Wednesday. Joe Cromwell. Friday, Dale Peterson. Saturday, Kayla Black.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, the Bad Apples and the Insecticides. Saturday, Congress of the Cow, Skydiver, and Buckfast Superbee.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *Nitelife*, rock. Saturday, *Michael Bliss Band.*

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Positive Approach*, classic rock.

The Playhouse, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-284-8802. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, the *Kitchen* and the Gentleman's Club. Saturday, 5*Degenerate, Cell Block 5, *Riot Gun*, and the Shitgiveits.

The Scene, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Music is alternative/heavy rock. Thursday, the Millionaires, Harmony 24, Fith, and Ir, alternative. Friday and Saturday, King Yellowman, the Sagittarius Band, and Midnite, reggae. Sunday, Static-X, Sinisstar, and Asesino, alternative.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday and Saturday, *Serious Guise*, classic rock.

The Tin Fish, 1706 Sixth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-8100. Saturday, 11:30 am to 2:30 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln* and *Deke Dickerson*, rockabilly. Friday, *the Blazers*, rockabilly. Saturday, *the Freemonts* and *the Boogiemen*, blues. Wednesday, *the Bobby Gordon Trio*, jazz.

Top of the Cove, 1216 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla. 858-454-7779. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, *Kristi Rickert*, piano.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle Bossa-Jazz*

Quartet. Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Sunday, *the Celtic Ensemble.* Wednesday, open

Downtown

The Bayou Jazz Bar, 329 Market Street, downtown. 619-696-8747. All music is jazz. Thursday, 8 pm, *Glen Fisher's Gomango Invasion Trio*. Friday, 9 pm, *Wrazz*. Saturday, 9 pm, *the Inner Voyage*. Sunday, 7 pm, *Gilbert Castellanos*. Tuesday, 8 pm, *the Vanguard Players*. Wednesday, 8 pm, *B3 Four*.

Buffalo Joe's, 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-236-1616. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, the 80z All-Stars. Saturday, the Disco Pimps. Sunday, Whitey Conwell & the Tone Kings, blues. Wednesday, Elijah Emanuel and the Revelations.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, the Furious IV, Rochelle Rochelle, and Urban Evergreen. Friday, Doug Martsch, Mike Johnson, and Ian Waters. Saturday, the Adolescents, Tori Cobras, and the Worthless. Sunday, Watch It Burn, Destroy Miranda, and Congress of the Cow. Monday, the Displaced, Lucy Loves Schroeder, and Murderous Red Glare. Tuesday, Ben Taylor, Bartender's Bible, and Sunfleurs. Wednesday, the Gossip, the Chromatics, Burning Brides, the Peppermints, and the Glossines.

Chuey's Numero Uno, 1894 Main Street, downtown. 619-234-6937. Friday, 8 pm, *Breezin*', jazz, pop.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, the David Patrone Quartet. Friday, Yavaz. Saturday, Primo. Sunday and Monday, Glen Fisher con Alma. Tuesday, the Shep Meyers Quartet. Wednesday, the Jorge Comberos Quintet.

Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. Friday, *Sue Palmer*, jazz. Saturday, *BTO*, rock.

Dakota Grill and Spirits, 901 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5554. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Robberecht the Pianoman*, pop/Top 40.

Dick's Last Resort, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Thursday, Friday, and Wednesday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll. Saturday, *the Answer*, rock. Sunday, *Hera's Olive*, rock. Tuesday, *Blue*

Rockit, blues. Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Friday, 8:30 pm to 11 pm, the Chris Klich Jazz Quintet. Saturday, 9 pm to midnight, Jimmer Bolden, Bob Boss, Chris Conner, and Tim McMahon. jazz.



Dublin Square, 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-5818. Call club for information.

4th & B, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343. Friday, 8 pm, *Paul Rodriguez*, comedy.

Hard Rock Cafe (Gaslamp), 801 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-615-ROCK. Thursday, *the Full Circle Band*, rock.

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), dow town. 619-595-0123. Thursday and Tuesday, *Mystique*, jazz, funk, R&B. Friday, 9:45 pm, *Masterpiece*, pop. Saturday, 9:45 pm, *the Dance Edge*, pop. Sunday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Jazzmag* featuring Tim *Maglione*. Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Wednesday, 7:30 pm, *the Edge*.

Juke Joint Cafe, 327 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-SOUL. Bistro: Thursday, 7 pm to 11 pm, the Gilbert Castellanos Quartet, Latin jazz. Friday, 5 pm, Sue Palmer, jazz, 7:30 pm, Shelle, blues. Saturday, 7:30 pm, Latin-a-Go-Go, jazz. Sunday, 6 pm, Bananeiras, reggae. Wednesday, 6 pm, the Cynthia Hammond Trio, jazz.

La Bocca Ristorante, 515 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-3352. Friday and Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

Martini Ranch, 528 F Street, downtown. 619-235-6100. Wednesday, *the David Patrone Quartet*, jazz.

The New Bristol Hotel, 1055 First Avenue (between Broadway and C Street), downtown. 619-232-6141. Friday, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm, the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Trio.

Patrick's II, 428 F Street, Gaslamp. 619-233-3077. Thursday, Nik Simon Band. Friday, Mojo Rising, Saturday, Buick Wilson Band. Sunday, Groove Alley. Monday, Red Lane. Tuesday, Bill Magee. Wednesday, Blues Ambassadors.

Sassafrass Bar and Grill, 3667 India Street, San Diego. 619-295-4745. Thursday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Robin Henkel* and *Steve Nichols*, blues/jazz.

Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-5979. Music is Latin. Thursday, *Orquesta Guayao*. Tuesday, *Walter II y Rumbaney*. Wednesday, *Primo*.

La Trattatoria Strada, 702 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-239-3400. Thursday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *Calima*, Flamenco, world music.

U.S. Grant Hotel, 326 Broadway, downtown. 619-232-3121. Lounge: Thursday and Wednesday, *Joe Cano*, piano. Friday and Saturday, *Ches Wesley*, piano.

Grant Grill: Thursday, 9 pm, *the Pendulum Jazz Quintet*.

The Waterfront Bar and Grill, 2044 Kettner Boulevard, downtown. 619-232-9656. Monday, *Hugh Gaskins*, blues.

The Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown. 619-238-1818. The Plaza Bar: Thursday, 5 pm to 7 pm, *Leslie Gold*. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 8 pm, *Fran Loskota*, piano and vocals. Monday, 8 pm, *Julio de la Huerta*, guitar and vocals. Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 pm, *Karen Giorgio*, piano and vocals. The Fontainebleau Restaurant:

Friday, Monday, and Wednesday, *Robberecht the Pianoman.*

South Bay/Coronado

The Butcher Shop, 556 Broadway, Chula Vista. 619-420-9440. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 pm to midnight, *Danny Lopez*, contemporary.

Cafe La Maze, 1441 Highland Avenue, National City. 619-474-3222. Friday and Saturday, piano bar, featuring *Sandy Chappel, Sammy Canonizado*, and *Burnett Anderson*.

Caffe Salotto #1, 2240 Otay Lakes Road, Eastlake Village. 619-421-8674. Saturday, 9 am to 11 am, *Craig Clark*, jazz.

Coronado Island Marriott (formerly Le Meridian), 2000 Second Street, Coronado. 619-435-3000. Friday, 6 pm to 9 pm, *the Coral McFarland-Thuet Jazz Quartet*.

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In Margaritaville

I came to bury Gringo's, not to praise it. But I was shocked, shocked — that the food was so much better than I expected. It started with three strikes against it. *Numero uno*, with a name like Gringo's, it had to be bogus. (If they'd even called the place "Gabacho's" — a more traditional word for "gringos" — I'd have had higher hopes.) *Numero dos-oh*, its location smack at the very hub of PB party-town, where food is usually beside the point. *Numero tres-oh*, the riotous revels we heard from a good half-block away whenever we drove past on a Friday night. It sounded so much like a frat party, I thought I saw the ghost of G.W. Past chugalugging a brewski on the patio.

But the menu piqued my interest. Yes, it included the usual stuffed-tortilla combos that gabachos regard as the sum total of "Mexican" cooking. They took second place, though, to more elaborate entrées, including several that I was curious to try. And the coup de grâce: The drink list included a margarita (called the "Baja Del Mar") made with Baja's sublime herbal liqueur, Damiana. The herb is reputedly a (male) aphrodisiac; more important, the liqueur has an intriguing sweet-complex flavor. So I called on my ace team of Mexican-culture honchos, Baja botanist Jerry and scholars Tom and Alma and their son Greg, asking them to meet me at Gringo's with their palates honed and their wits sharpened. In the context, we'd be old but we'd be *ba-a-a-ad*.

The building used to be a steakhouse called the Old Ox (sounds like a bum steer to me) that had been empty for a while when Brett Miller, founder of the Moondoggies sports pubs, took over the space. Architect Graham Downes modernized the vast (6000 square feet) interior with recycled wood, earth tones, and interesting concrete textures and added two wraparound outside dining patios walled with flagstone and glass, keeping some of the street noise out (and some of the party noise in). Propane stanchions warm these terraces, along with a tall indoor-outdoor fireplace on one side. The hostesses fill up the patio seats first, but the interior includes a large dining hall with shiny hardwood floors, a cozy bar with the tube tuned to ESPN, and a glass-enclosed tortilla-making station. (It makes the tortillas for the tables but isn't fast enough to cover all the "wraps.")

We chose a relatively quiet weeknight when,



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not entirely by coincidence, margaritas were the happy-hour special. For the price of a *grande* you'd get a *gigantico*, served in a great chalice holding at least a pint of ice and liquid and ice and — did I mention? — ice. Judiciously light on tequila, my "Baja Del Mar" was tasty, with those delicious Damiana undertones, and just one was enough to last the whole meal.

If the crowd is mainly squeak-by drinking age, the food proves pretty grown-up. Slender tor-

tilla chips arrive warm with two dips: a tasty, spicy tomato salsa and an irresistible mixture of melted cheese and puréed tomatillo with just enough jalapeño for fun,

not pain. Guacamole served in a deep-fried bluecorn tortilla cup is citrusy and well-seasoned, with good, flavorful avocado. Combining mashed and chunky textures, it's so thick that it's more easily scooped with a fork than a chip. Alongside, we tried a "shrimp and crab tortilla" appetizer that was neither a Mexican tortilla nor a Spanish tortilla (omelet). The grilled seafood cake resembled an inside-out crab cake, with the crumblike "filling" on the outside and the seafood inside. Striped with a bland, coral-colored anchochipotle cream sauce, it was pleasant-tasting but rather dry.

A vibrant shrimp ceviche furnished the key to the cooking style. The fresh-tasting shrimps floated in a raw-tomato salsita liberally laden with lime juice and cilantro, sparked with a modicum of minced chile serrano. After a few bites, I realized why the flavor seemed familiar. "Aha, this is Mexican resort food!" I

announced. Some years ago, at the end of a stressful work project, I flung myself on the mercy of the nearest travel agent to send me off, solo, for a week of cheap

sun and sand. She dispatched me to a half-price room at a half-built resort six miles from Cabo San Lucas. The ocean was too rocky for swimming, and town was a long hot walk. The other guests were marlin fishermen, who talked only of fish, and middle-aged couples who seemed to regard me as a domestic threat. So I spent a lot of time talking Mexican politics with the intelligent Baja-born bartender (who proudly introduced me to the local Damiana margari-

Gringo's ★★ (very good)

4474 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet, a half block east of Crystal Pier), Pacific Beach; 858-490-2877, *www.gringoscantina.com*.

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tas) and food-chatting with the hotel chef, a calmly competent Guadalajaran who even shared some recipes with me. Antonio made a ceviche very similar to Gringo's — and several other dishes bear family resemblances too.

Gringo's *camarones borrachos* ("drunken shrimp"), for instance, seemed of the resort-food genre — at a first-class resort. The prawns were plump and sautéed just *à pointe* and were swathed in a jalapeño-tequila cream sauce the consistency of a well-made hollandaise, with just a nip of spiciness. They arrived with an array of fresh, lightly sautéed asparagus, yellow squash, zukes, and red pepper with lots of garlic. These lively veggies were another pleasant surprise (we'd been girding ourselves for the ubiquitous steamed restaurant-supply medley of far too many "beachie" restaurants).





A rewarding chile verde featured thick, dark-green sauce surrounding the fall-apart-tender pork. It was a little tame in the chili department, but an intriguing perfume of toasted whole cumin seeds brought to mind a good Indian curry. (When you lightly toast the seeds in a skillet, S.O.P. for curries, the spice develops a rich, mellow flavor a world apart from the raw aggression of ground spice-tin cumin.) This dish came with fine, creamy refried beans, in a class with such reigning bean champs as Juanita's, Salazar's, and El Taquito Mariscos. Jerry liked them so much that he rolled them in a tortilla and ate them like an extra entrée. But the verv tomatoev arroz rojo (red rice) evoked unhappy childhood memories of "Spanish rice" cooked by the recipe on the Minute Rice package. Even the scattering of peas and corn kernels didn't help.

Gringo's hasn't forgotten its surfer-vegetarian customers. A veggie chimichanga was crisp and greaseless, spilling out sautéed onion and green bell pepper, some corn kernels, a few chopped mushrooms and asparagus spears, and a handful of whole sautéed garlic cloves. The mixture resembled meatless fajitas (which are also available). The chimi was surrounded by guacamole, sour cream, pico de gallo salsa, red rice, and black beans — the latter firm, well-seasoned, and slightly sweet.

A couple of our entrées were disappointing. The house mole sauce was fine and bright with chocolate, cinnamon, and citrus undertones. It was wasted, however, on enchiladas made of rather thick corn tortillas filled with dry strips (not shreds) of grilled chicken breast. (Grilled breast, without even sautéed onion to moisten it, seems to have become a standard stuffing in puritanically health-conscious California. Is skinless thigh meat really so much more sinful?) Stuffed calamari — making clever use of rolled-up squid steaks rather than tubes — also suffered from a tough, rubbery exterior and a dry filling, wherein a heavy load of breadcrumbs played Godzilla to the Bambi of snow crab flecks and minced red bell pepper.

Desserts were ingenious creations that straddled the bor-der between Mom's and Mamacita's kitchens. "Flautas," for instance, start with a large, warm, fudgy brownie, drizzled with streaks of warm chocolate syrup. Standing guard vertically on this darkling plain are two conical towers, corn tortilla silos stuffed with light cheesecake and fresh raspberries. (The wonderful brownie turns out to come from the Mexican side of this confection — the chef got the recipe from his grandmother.) Similarly, an "apple burrito" offers a flour tortilla filled with apple-pie mixture and topped with Häagen-Dazs vanilla ice cream. Given the thick, chewy flour tortillas, if I had my way, I'd convert that gummy burrito into a crisp chimichanga.

When we looked around, we realized that every table on both patios had filled up as the evening progressed, a mark of stunning success at midweek. 'You know, with such a prime location, and in a party town like this," whispered Alma, "they could be just as successful serving junk food, and they'd make even more money. What surprises me is how much they care about quality." That surprised me, too. While Gringo's cooking is clearly aimed at pleasing gringo palates, the food's not just for beginners. Anybody can enjoy it - even such well-traveled sticklers for authenticity as the gang I brought that evening. At Gringo's, if you

close your eyes (and ears), you can almost believe you're eating on a hotel terrace overlooking the Sea of Cortez. Unless, of course, it's a Friday or Saturday night, when there's no escape from the raucous reality of P.B.

ABOUT THE CHEF

Chef Ricardo Martinez grew up on his grandparents' farm near Acapulco and learned the basics of cooking from his mother and grandmother, while his father and grandfather taught him to tend crops and livestock. At a young age he determined to become a chef. In his early teens, he began culinary school in Ixtapa, serving apprentice-ships at the famed Westin Brisis Resort there, as well as at restaurants in Zihuatenejo. By the time he graduated, in 1986, his parents had moved to California, and he followed them here, finding work at the Hard Rock Cafe in La Jolla and then, nine years ago, as executive chef for

Moondoggies, Inc., in La Jolla and Pacific Beach. When Gringo's opened, the owners transferred him there exclusively, since the vast space and more demanding menu require a chef's full-time attention.

"I have the freedom to make what I want," he says. His signature dishes are ceviche, tamales, and carnitas. "We cook basically what people like," he says. "We do authentic regional food, but sometimes you have to modify it to make it a little bit more American, so that Americans will be able to eat it." On weekends the success of this strategy is obvious. The crowds don't just drink. "They eat — a lot!" says Martinez. "From 5:00 to 11:00, we're packed.

"I put my whole effort into the food so that people will really like it," he says. "That's my goal — I want people to come back to the restaurant because our food is excellent." ■



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Arty Swirl of Breaded Pork

The first impression is you've been abducted and teleported into a hovering spaceship.

for a survival store. On his last desert trip to take star pictures with his buddies, he got separated. Now he wants a survival whistle and a signaling mirror.

He turns off the Silver Strand and into Sea-

coast Plaza. It's mostly pizza joints, fitness outfits, and Hank's Tactical Assault Gear store. The place we park near looks like the prow of a ship thrusting out onto the Silver Strand. I know this place. Used to be a Cajun eatery, and a Grandma's kitchen–style place, if I remember rightly.

Now it's Sushi Sushi. The patio is sprinkled with black, gold, and white Sapporo beer umbrellas. "You're gonna be surprised," Hank says again. He swings open the red door and...

Whoa. It's all white, silver, and steel. The first impression is you've been abducted and teleported into a hovering spaceship. Second impression is this is very Japanese. Corrugated steel wainscoting, a pine sushi bar with rotor-polished steel counter barrier, huge glass vases, half with livingwater–rooted bamboo growing out in weird shapes, the other half dry with bundles of arty bamboo sticks. White paper lanterns, big and small, high and low, hang like a model of the plan-



etary system. The ceiling is white, the floor all creamy tile; Japanese-style paper and wood screens are everywhere. "I.B., man!" says Hank. "And you thought it was all chicken-fried steak land."

"Yeah, but how much for the privilege?" I ask. We sit at the sushi counter, across from the

big sushi chef, Gabriel. He passes a square bowl with pink leaves. "Pickled ginger," says Hank. "To refresh your mouth between dishes." Oh yeah. And there's the splotch of green horseradish. "Wasabi," corrects Hank. He passes me one of the glossy menus. Hmm. You can spend a little or a

lot. I order a bottle of Arizona tea (\$2.50). Hank orders a Budweiser (\$2.75 — a Sapporo would have been \$3.75), and then a "Maki Sushi Number 7" (\$5.25). Turns out it's a spicy tuna roll. "Now, see this?" says Hank. "This is an 'outside roll,' because the rice is wrapped around the outside. If it's wrapped in seaweed and the rice is in the middle, it's an 'inside roll.' 'Maki' means 'roll.' 'Nigiri sushi' aren't rolled. Here. Try one."

You can taste the tuna, sesame, cucumber, onions. So good. Hank's poured some soy sauce and mixed in some wasabi. Dipping the tuna in that helps too. So does a slurp of tea.

There are lots of things I'd love to try. Like the

Honeymoon Shooter appetizer. It's oyster, smelt eggs, salmon eggs, sea urchin, and quail egg — \$3.75. Or a *bento* — one of those combo trays. The \$8.25 deal comes with rice, soup, salad, and 2 items from a choice of 11, like squid teriyaki, *tonkatsu* (pork cutlet), sashimi (raw fish), or even a California roll (imitation crab, cucumber, and avocado), \$4.25. I see they have an "I.B. Roll" (salmon egg, smelt egg, cream cheese, and avocado wrapped in salmon) for \$8.25.

But I end up going for a *katsudon*, breaded pork, onions, and egg over rice (\$6.50). Hank has a noodle soup, the *nabeyaki udon* (also \$6.50). It comes in a decorated mini cauldron with a carrying handle. It's alive with thick noodles, carrots, egg, chicken, fish cake, and on a separate plate a deep-fried five- to six-inch battered shrimp.

Mine's an arty swirl of the breaded pork matted in with the egg and onion and scallions and what look like strings of DNA — seaweed, of course — all caked over a deep bed of rice. We hog in with chopsticks and spoons. Silence, except for Bob Marley on the speakers and a couple of guys chatting in Spanish at the end of the bar.

Turns out one of them is the owner. Juan. "I had to shut down earlier this year," he says. "Couldn't find a good sushi chef. Without one, you can forget it. Then I found Gabriel. Thirteen years' experience. We reopened March 8."

But why here? "There's no sushi place for miles. Nearest is Chula Vista."

Eddy the cooking chef comes out to see how we liked his dishes. He's Indonesian. "Japanese food is close to nature," he says. "That's why it's healthy." Gabriel says his most expensive item is probably the *toro*, tuna belly. "It is from the side," he says, touching his lower rib. "More fatty."

"Yes," says Hank. "It's more buttery."

"So what about those little square boxes with names written on them?" I ask.

"Those are sake boxes," says Gabriel. "Traditional way to drink sake. People leave them here to use when they come in."

"I tell you," pipes up this customer, Richard. "I've eaten a lot in Japan. Was stationed there with the Marines. There's nothing better than hot sake and sushi to cure a hangover. Here. Try this. It's so great."

Wow. He's offering me one of his (\$6.95) shrimp tempura rolls. I take it. Oh, yes. Can taste the shrimp, avocado, radish, and something called gobo root.

Man, what an education. We waddle out into the sun. "Now," says Hank. He's heading for the Tactical Assault Gear place. "Wait here. I'll signal you when I'm ready. You'll feel the sun flash in your face."

"Yes, Henry-san," I say, bowing. ■

The Place: Sushi Sushi, 600 Palm Avenue, Suite 300, Imperial Beach (619-429-4373) Type of Food: Japanese

Prices: Gyu-negi-maki (wrapped sliced beef with green onions), \$4.00; katsudon (breaded pork, onions and egg over rice), \$6.50; salmon skin salad, \$4.95; nabeyaki udon (soup with thick noodles, chicken, fish cake, deep-fried shrimp), \$6.50; tekkamaki (tuna roll), \$4.50; I.B. Roll (salmon egg, smelt egg, cream cheese, and avocado wrapped in salmon), \$8.25; bento (combo tray), with rice, soup, salad, plus two items from list, including squid teriyaki, gvoza, sashimi, Panko-fried ovsters, \$8.25

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Toasted Barrels

"They would char the inside until they were completely blackened and blistered using a gas flame."

little over five years ago, I was lucky enough to attend a tasting of 12 years' worth of the Beaulieu Vineyard Georges de Latour Private Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon: 1973 to 1984, to be exact. One thing I remember

from the tasting was a consistent note of dill in each wine. This was the result, I was told, of the winery's decision to use American as opposed to French — oak barrels as containers for the wine as it aged. I came away with the impression that American oak (*Quercus alba*) was still playing

the part once played by American wine — an interesting experiment, but not the stuff you turned to when you wanted a masterpiece.

Imagine my surprise, then, when I started paying attention to the wines from Ridge Vineyards. On the back label of each wine, I read winemaker Paul Draper's loving account of the growing season, the harvest, and the vinification. The wines were top-notch by anybody's standards — certainly mine — and unless memory fails, every one of them was aged in air-dried American oak. I also discovered, as any number of devotees will remind you, that the enormously popular Cabernets from Silver Oak have always, always spent time in American wood. So what was up?

Carol Shelton, who after 19 successful years at someone else's winery is now making wines under her own label and who once served on the Barrel Committee of the California Enological Research Association, starts out by pointing me toward that little modifier, "air-dried." Some history is in order.

"The original American [barrel] industry was for whiskey. They were making barrels out of wood that was basically unseasoned. They would dry them in a kiln, and it would be done so fast that it would just get the surface of the wood. It would leave things sappy. They would shape the barrel using steam, so there was no input of nice smoky flavors. Then they would char the inside of the barrels until they were completely black-



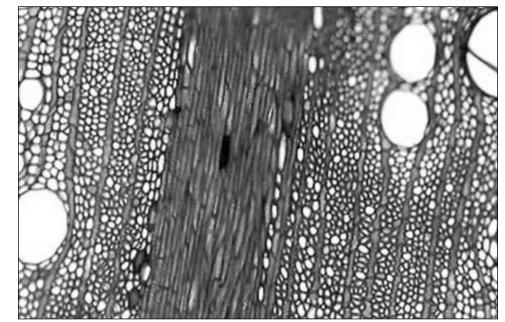
ened and blistered using a gas flame. Whiskey goes into the barrel with no color, and so that blackening gave the whiskey its golden color. They had to completely relearn how to make barrels" for the wine industry.

Much of that relearning "was based on French techniques. In aging the wood, they still have to do it the same old way the French have always done it, which is cutting it into stave slats and log-cabining the slats into huge stacks 30 to 40 feet into the air." The slat stacks sit exposed to the

elements for two years (sometimes three) in order to get a proper seasoning. "The sun bleaches out the wood and warms it, kind of gently cooking some of the sugars in it. Then the rain leaches out some of the harsher compounds. Going through all four seasons really penetrates the wood quite well. They shave off the outer surface when they make the barrels, but the wood inside is well-seasoned." Gone is the dill; gone too is the coconut that also used to show up in American oak-aged wine.

But it wasn't simply a matter of copying the masters. Just as California winemakers discovered that their upstart region possessed a few charms that the Old World couldn't hope to match (e.g., near-perpetual sunshine), American coopers found that American oak had certain advantages over its more famous French cousins. "If you saw against the grain, the barrels will leak," explains Shelton, because the wine will flow out through the wood along the same pathways once traveled by the tree's own fluids. "The primary purpose of a barrel is to contain wine, not to let it leak out. Even if it's a slow leak and you only lose a tablespoon, it makes a mess. Mold grows on it, and fruit flies [which may carry harmful bacteria] are drawn to it. It also deteriorates the wood eventually.

"The French make a big deal about how their oak is all hand-split, but they have to do that, because the grain is twisted. They have to follow the grain when they're splitting it, and they lose



huge amounts of oak in the process." That waste,

combined with the cost of hand-splitting labor and

the French government's practice of selling its

wood at auction, is a big part of why French oak

found that sawing [American oak] doesn't make

a big difference, because it grows so tall and

straight that the grain is straight." And when

cross-grain cuts do occur, American oak is better equipped to handle it. "In the little veins that

carry fluid within the tree, there are large [cellu-

lar structures] called tyloses. They tend to plug

up those veins very nicely to prevent leaks. French

staves in the whiskey-only days were bent over

flavor-neutral steam. In the mid-'80s, when

American coopers started to make serious

progress, many of them turned to smoke and

fire, which added nice flavors and furthered

the gentle toasting of the oak sugars. Notes

Shelton, "It has to be a hardwood fire, and it

really should be oak. At my previous winery,

when we re-toasted barrels after shaving them,

we would go to the furniture producers and

take their odds and ends of ash and things like

that." If not hardwood, then what? "Say you

burned pine; you'd get the flavors from that.

The next practice to be adapted was the bending of the staves. As Shelton noted, the

oak doesn't have that many of them.'

Here, we don't have those problems. "We

is so expensive.

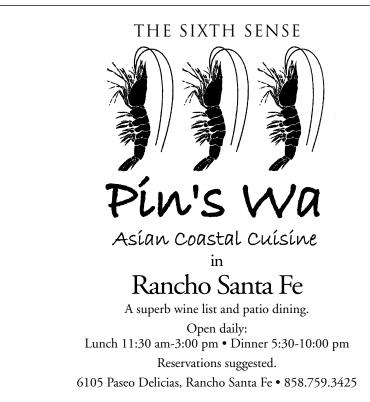
Tyloses in American oak

You'd get a pitchy, sappy smell from the pine smoke, and it would coat the inside of your barrel. Instead of nice wine, you would get retsina" — a Greek resinated wine — "because retsina is aged in pine."

Finally, there was to be no more blister-blackening of the barrel interior with a raging gas flame. As with marshmallows, you wanted a gentle, sweet, thorough toasting, not a charred coating over a raw interior. For starters, blisters can be little havens for nasty bacteria. But beyond preventing outright hazards, toasting provides a positive effect, caramelizing the sugars still further and altering other compounds to produce pleasing flavors. For instance, toasting increases the naturally occurring vanillin in a barrel. The compound is chemically identical to the vanilla used in baking and lends its particular sweetness to wine stored in the barrel.

Given the importance of this step, it figures that it can be the most uneven. "You can control a lot of the seasoning, you can control the region — all parts of the process except the toasting. They roll the barrel over the top of a little brazier. In most cases, they spray down the inside with some water to allow the heat to penetrate more deeply into the wood. But it's really difficult to get a consistent toast, even within one cooper's work, just because it's a fire — hell, how do you control that?"







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BULLY'S NORTH 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-1660. Especially during summer, this branch is the most colorful and is jammed with the sporting crowd, which makes the place exciting. Food is the same as at other Bully's, but the high intensity car-ries it. Steak, prime rib, hamburgers, fries, and fresh fish are favorites. Open daily. Moderate. Other locations: 5755 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, 858-459-2768;

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN Here's a good family restaurant where you can take your children and grandchildren for salads, pasta, or pizza. There are 28 pizzas. The chicken tequila with spinach fettuccine is great, as are vegetarian sandwiches. Same menu, lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inex-pensive. 437 South Highway 101, Suite 601, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999; La Jolla Village Square, 3363 Nobel Drive, 858-457-4222; and Carmel Mountain Plaza, 11602 Carmel Moun-tain Road, 858-675-4424. — *E.W.*

THE FISH MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy ever-multiplying restaurants —namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed or pankofried fin fish and shellfish, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consis-tent among locales. The chain's facilities near San Francisco purchase, process, and truck the catch to its var-ious 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 ovster 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 pristing and preparation is careful and some times creative. The "Ichiban Hamachi (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding — and for a truly sexy treat, share a pair of "Honeymoon Oysters" with your honey. No reservations, but the space is vast, so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del Mar; mini-branch near Fashion Valley. - N.W. (9/01)

HEIDI AND BERNIE'S GERMAN BRATWURST TENT North Park Thursday Night Market, North Park Way (between 29th and 30th Streets), no phone. Also Scripps Ranch Saturday Morning Market (10380 Spring Canyon Road) and La Jolla's Sunday Morning Farmers Market (Genter and Girard), 619-588-1288. Heidi and Bernie have kept it simple - just a blue

and white square tent with a table and chairs. The menu is simple too: "Bratwurst Sausage in a Bun, Kosher Polish sausage, Louisiana Hot Link, Smoked Turkey and Chicken Sausage with Artichoke and Roasted Garlic, Hot Dog, Double Double Burger," and "Single Burger." But you know from Bernie's authentic Bavarian background that these sausages are the real, earthy thing. And the sauerkraut is sweet. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

HOMETOWN BUFFET 5881 University Avenue, University Square Shop-ping Center, 619-583-7373. If you're a nostalgia buff and long for cooking as it existed 50 years ago, try this all-you-can-eat buffet. Menus change daily. Massive amounts of food that's fresh but not low-cal/low-cholesterol. Not for gourmet diners, but fun. Open daily. Other branches located through out the city and suburbs. Call 619-583-7373 for locations. Inexpensive. -E.W.

JOE'S CRAB SHACK A seafood chain with a good Cajun corporate name (Landry's) based in southern Louisiana wouldn't survive without some pluses besides a Bourbon Street party atmos-phere. Joe's is silly with crab-shack am-biance (campy nautical paraphernalia

on down to souvenir gimme caps) but the food's not bad. One tasty starter is "crabioli," fried wonton stuffed with crab and melted cream cheese ("crab Rangoon" by another name, but smoother). You can choose buckets of smoother). Fou can choose buckets of steamed, barbecued, or garlic crab (of various subspecies) or go for fried or grilled seafood or steaks, or salads. Grownups may prefer the patio to the rockin', raucous interior. Full bar, not much wine. Inexpensive to low moderate. 7610 Hazard Center Drive, Mission Valley, 619-260-1111; 4325 Ocean Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474. — N.W. (5/01)

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Drive, Vista, 760-758-3441. — E.B. (4/02)

ROCKIN' BAJA LOBSTER 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537, At the birthplace of San Diego's Rockin' Baja Lobster restaurant chain, the decor is Puerto Nuevo lobster house. All palm frond thatch, green wood-slat bar, support poles with green wood state of a sup-climbing them, signs on the ceiling joists like "Viva Bonital" and "Work is for people who don't surf." The menu's big draw is the "big Baja bucket" (stuffed with slipper lobster tails, marinated chicken, grilled *carne asada*, and Baja-style shrimp) plus beans, rice, tortillas, and a Caesar salad. And wraps are great. Try the Chinese chicken wrap: grilled chicken, salad greens, crispy noodles, scallions, orange pieces, and oriental dressing in a "cilantro tortilla." Open seven days. Friday happy hour free buffet 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. Other locations: 310 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6333; 3890 Twiggs, Old Town, 619-260-0305; 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos, 760-744-7550; 258 Harbor Drive South, Oceanside, 760-967-6199. — E.B. (9/01)

SAMMY'S 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 culture and its health benefits. Seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (11/01)

UNO CHICAGO BAR AND GRILL The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago's better-known exports (along with Oprah and steaks). Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, steak'n cheese burgers) is the wicked "grilled honey-mustard salmon." Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to sick 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, 619-420-8666. — E.B. (8/01)

NORTH COASTAL

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)

CAFE SEVILLA CARLSBAD 3050 Pio Pico (off Carlsbad Village Drive), 760-730-7558. The atmosphere is cozy and pleasant. Dine upstairs for larger tables. Tapas and Spanish specialties of average competence. Music will warm your blood. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly, to midnight Friday and Saturday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE ZINC 132 South Cedros, Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table. Dogs are welcome. Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculpture make this indooroutdoor eatery a really pleasant kickback 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, moz-





zarella, 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 RESTAU-RANT 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 spitroasted 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 Fripensive 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-youcan-eat buffet brunch with all-you-candrink champagne, mimosa, orange juice, and coffee. Traditional offeringe 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.*

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, "Dewy-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 . But this is Hawai-ian teriyaki, with lighter, cleaner flavors than the Japanese version. The dark-meat "Maui chicken" skewer and the moist ono (pink snapper) kebab are especially succulent; you can also opt for pork, veggies, numerous combos, and charbroiled burgers (of beef, fowl or veggies). Everything comes with rice (white or brown), pleasingly touched with teriyaki sauce. Open Tuesday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (*10/01*)

TOM GIBLIN'S IRISH PUB AND RESTAURANT 640-A Grand Avenue, Carlsbad, 760-729-7234. Opt for Irish rather than American dishes. Recommended are the stew, shepherd's pie, and fish and chips. Boxty dishes added to the menu. A brown bread, baked on the premises, is available for takeout daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* (3/99)

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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 lowmoderate. — 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 rotisseried chicken. Then, there are parboiled "barbecued" baby back ribs and a prime rib plate. The latest twist on these

dishes is "Cajun" seasoning. But the most savory personality is Greek, with decent gyros (grilled pressed ground lamb and beef), souvlakia (kebabs), dolmades, tyropita, and good gooey spanakopita. Although the salad dressings and tzatziki (the cuke-yogurt gyros dressing) taste mass-produced, you get a lot of wholesome food for little money. Lunch and early dinner daily. Inexpensive. — N.W. (5/01)

FISH HOUSE VERA CRUZ 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346. This family-style restaurant serves seafood and fresh fish that changes daily. Simple but honest preparation, good value. Open daily for lunch and dinner (dinner menu is served from opening to closing on Sunday). Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W.

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 stonewalled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, onethird 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, highend high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will, everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the 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 epensive. — *N.W. (5/01)* **MING COURT** 12750 Carmel Country

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.



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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 beau-tifully 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.thegrandecolo-nial.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 in fluences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California — is beautiful to behold. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scal-lops 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 relax-ing. Average steaks and chops, though nothing memorable. Popular "in" spot. Closed Sunday. Dinner, Monday through Saturday. Expensive. — E.W. (4/99)

HOPS! BISTRO AND BREWERY 4353 La Jolla Village Drive (next to Macy's, University Towne Centre), La Jolla, 858-587-6677. Hops! serves the best food of any brewery in San Diego. The same menu is served continuously from lunch to closing. Best dishes are spit-roasted chicken and penne with

salmon and shrimp. All beers are brewed on the premises. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

MAITRE D' 5523 La Jolla Boulevard. La Jolla, 858-456-2111. Two separate dining rooms, an elegant ambiance, and the presence of the owner himself (formerly with the Plaza Hotel in New York) contribute to a fine dining experience with faultless service. The half-lobster appetizer is a house spe cialty, 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 Moroc can 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 dra-matic — tented ceilings, low banquette seating at carved round tables, bellydancing interludes, servers in fezzes (You're the Sheik of Araby.) A short list of entrées (a maximum of two choices per table, to be shared) features fine chicken (or lamb) with olives and preserved lemons; moist, fatless duck; lamb with couscous; and rather dry fish. On quiet weeknights, you can re-quest the dreamy lamb with honey, an extravaganza that includes fruits, almonds, sesame, and cinnamon. Dinner nightly, reserve for weekends. Moderate. -N.W. (4/01)

PANDA COUNTRY 4150 Regents Park Row #190, University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-552-1345. Gorgeous surroundings and stunning pre-sentations 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. In-expensive to expensive. — *E. W.*

THE PANNIKIN CAFE 7467 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-5453. The outdoor seating area is almost always crowded with tea and coffee drinkers who sun themselves, read, or chat. Light meals, including breakfast (steamed eggs, bagels, fruit plates) and sandwiches, soup, salads, as well as beverages and sweets are served. It is a wellknown 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 vis its to decode Roy's Rules of Ordering which make all the difference between a mediocre dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters (for starters or mains) same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu *ahi poke*) by ask-ing for it; 3. Don't waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks when the wine list is brilliant. (Try the "Loess is More" with seafood.) The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are pot stickers, *lumpia*, "Kahana" *shutome* (swordfish), or the chocolate soufflé. Special dietary re-quests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Open nightly. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the rau-cous bar. Very expensive. — *N.W.* (4/01)

SADAF 613 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry — those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, es-pecially at lunch. The appetizers are free: a basket of lavash (unleavened bread), and beside it, butter and a large sliced raw onion. Eating bread with

onion makes you hungry, say the Per-sians. Then try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad or *albalou polo* (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spic-ing. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (10/00)

SKY ROOM Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a mem orable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. weekends. E.W. (10/99)

TAPENADE 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-551-7500. Surely one of the best restaurants in the county, you'll find superb, utterly assured French cooking by famed chef-owner Jean-Michel Diot. This is the modern style of French cuisine, light and clean to let every ingredient shine, unmasked by heavy auces. Each dish is perfect. Pork ten derloin, Muscovy duck, foie gras, and the fresh fish are small triumphs Worth every penny. Expensive to very expensive. — E.W. (7/98)

CLAIREMONT & KEARNY MESA

THE GOOD EGG 7947 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-4244. The menu offers omelets, gourmet pancakes, waffles, and several different kinds of frittatas. Freshly squeezed fruit juices are available, and for lunch there are burgers, salads, and a long list of sandwiches. Good value here. Open approximately 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. In-expensive. — *E.W.*

HIDEYOSHI JAPANESE RESTAU-RANT Hazard Village, 9340-B Claire-

mont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-569-9595. A delightful restaurant tucked away at the far end of a small shopping center. Fine sushi bar, and unusual appetizers. A feast named 'Taiko special," for two or more, is worth ordering. Visually and gastronomically a treat. Closed Sunday. Lunch, Monday through Friday; din-ner, Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W.

KOREA HOUSE 4620 Convoy Street. Kearny Mesa, 858-560-0080. Korea House offers floor seating or a table if you want to barbecue your own food. The menu offers fine "down-home" Korean food, such as traditional mandoo (beef) dumplings, gaejang backban, or raw crab, and yookhwe, a steak tartare worth risking. Make a meal from enormous appetizers like gul *bosam* (raw oysters, pork, and cabbage leaves). Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N.* (9/98)

NEW SHANGHAI 4681 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-569-4833. New Shanghai is busy, friendly, and draws a mostly Chinese clientele, because their Chinese food isn't "Americanized." Whatever your gastronomic politics, try the generous plateful of dry braised shrimp, the "de-fatted pork shoulder," the hot tripe, and the inge-nious red bean pancake dessert. Inexpensive to moderate. - M.N. (4/99)

PHUONG TRANG 4170 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750 Named after the Vietnamese owner's daughter, this is a big, neon-bright eat-ing hall with off-white walls, black and red chairs, green plastic coconut trees, and ads for "Michelob Bia." It buzzes with a warm and humming atmosphere. Standard fare like *pho* (rice noo-dle beef soup), *mi* (egg noodle soup combinations), and *chao* (porridge) is all here. The *Chao Long* (pork stomach porridge) is nutritious. But come for celebrations too. Order ahead for grilled whole catfish, usually a huge shared plate, or lau (hotpots). The meat and seafood combination *lau* is great. Less expensive, but also interesting, is the "Phuong Trang Special Broken Rice" piled on with shredded pork, steamed egg, fried tofu, a choice of

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SHEILA'S CAFE & BAKERY 4577 Clairemont Drive, Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A "Glatt Kosher," a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant with a mission: Sheila was determined to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying — from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that ev-erybody else wouldn't know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don't need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here. But it's comforting to know ev-erything down to the least lettuce leaf has gotten extra-careful preparation. Closed Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (11/01)

THAI HOUSE CUISINE 4225 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-278-1800. Not to be confused with Thai House in Point Loma, this attractive and welldecorated Thai restaurant serves fine gourmet Thai specialties. Do try the Thai Boat filled with seafood. The appetizer prepared from ground shrimp and chicken is a delight. Closed Sunday. Open Monday through Saturday for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.W.

TROPICAL STAR 6163 Balboa Ave-nue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Very modest surroundings; good authentic inexpensive food. Closed Sunday. Same menu all day Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.W. (8/99)

WINE SELLAR AND BRASSERIE 9550 Waples Street #115, Mira Mesa, 858-450-9557. This is the sister restaurant to Laurel, and the food is a delight to the palate. Lunch on Saturday served by itself or in conjunction with the wine tasting. Call for directions and specific -EW

THE BEACHES

BALEEN Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham), Mis-sion Bay, 858-490-6363. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida's famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chan-deliers, peeking from the paintings) and mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers are charmers. The wine list is long and rather steep at the bottom end with better values farther up the range. Reservations recommended. Very expensive. -N.W. (12/00)

HUMPHREY'S BY THE BAY 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-3577, www.humphreysbythe*bay.com*. Most diners at this resort/con-cert venue restaurant eat at the prixfixe pre-show dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door ampitheatre. They're missing the best food, which emerges once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features topquality seafood, juicy meats, and prime steaks with lively, seasonal veggie garnishes. Reserve for show-nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. N.W. (11/01)

KONO'S 704 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB burger (chicken breast, green chili, pica

sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists be-low. Inexpensive, breakfast and lunch only. — \hat{E} . B. (10/00)

QWIIGS 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 RESTAU-**RANT** 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 noo-dles) and *Champon* noodle soup (*udon* and the value-packed Chicken Bowl— a big plate of sliced chicken Bowl— other vegetables and a swag of rice. 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 gingko 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 mas-ter 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 bar-gain hunters who like vast portions and home-style Italian cooking, try this family restaurant. The pizza is mar-velous. 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 din-ing. Food preparation is straightfor-ward — nothing fancy, but fresh, wholesome, and offering large por-tions. Thirty appetizers available in the bar. Combination dinners with steak and seafood are expensive. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday to 3:00 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. Inexpensive to expensive. -*E.W.*

MIDWAY, OLD TOWN & MISSION VALLEY

FAIROUZ CAFE AND GALLERY 3166 Midway Drive, Loma Portal, 619-225-0308. Seek out this familyowned-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 avail-able 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 Ave-nue, Old Town, 619-294-2074. The for-mer 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 restau-rant 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)

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ALPINE INN 2225 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, 619-445-5172. If you're a beef over, 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 din-ner Monday through Saturday for \$7.95. Call for hours. Open daily. Lunch Monday through Saturday, din-ner 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. — É.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 sea-soned. Then dive into a bowl of coowner 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 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 AMERI-CAN 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 commeal 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 sand-wiches, especially the corned beef. The knishes and chopped liver easily rival

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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 COFFEE-HOUSE 5900 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-286-8434. With deepdraft 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.*

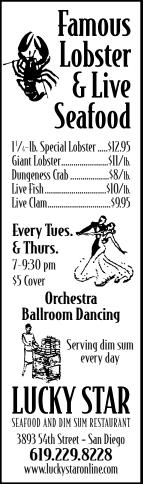
OLD OAK INN 1367 Dewey Place, Campo, 619-478-9924. Don'tblink, or you might miss this hub of way-outthere downtown Cameron Corners, near the Campo steam train depot. Makes a great Sunday drive destination. The family who runs it has been homesteading this patch of country since 1868. So naturally the 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)*

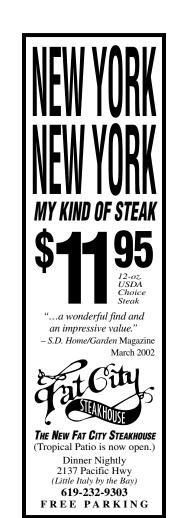
RAMON'S SMOKEHOUSE BBO 1730 Alpine Boulevard, Suite 110, Alpine, 619-445-1008. You're 2000 feet up here, and the mountain air sharpens your appetite. The smell of mesquite wood burning under fresh-cut beef rib is beyond resistance. The secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, especially, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire, disappearing into the clouds of fra grant smoke to flip the racks of beef and pork ribs. In good weather you can eat out back next to an authentic chuck wagon. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00) ROCKY MOUNTAIN FOOD JUNC-**TION** 9330 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-938-1511. Maybe it's the clean country air, but Rocky Mountain Junction's foot tastes sharp and fresh in the mornings. Check out the "Macho Man" breakfast: three eggs, two bacon strips, two sausages, two pancakes, counterprotectors of free and treat. Or country potatoes or fries, and toast. Or the "Big Honkin' Omelet": six eggs, ham, turkey, bacon, sausage, bell pepper, mushroom, tomato, onion, coun try potatoes or French fries, and toast. On the lunch menu: the Junction Burger — with or without cheese — big and juicy. Also good: "old fash-ioned" 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 Aside features big steaks, while the Bside offers bargain-priced sandwiches like grilled barbecued beef or the Ponyburger, a flame-broiled quarterpounder 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)

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The fare here is Eritrean (which proves very similar to Ethiopian), and the menu is long and uncommonly inter-esting. The meat combination platter is a terrific array, including top-notch tsebhi derho (known as ye-doro wat on Ethiopian menus), chicken and an egg in a rich, dark sauce, a similar dish with beef, gored-gored (lightly seared meat cubes in spicy butter), and lamb *al'cha*, a stir-fry in a mild curry sauce. From the à la carte choices, consider *zilzil t'bsi*, char-grilled meat in butter, and *kulwa*, a sprightly stir-fry of lamb, beef, or chicken. Vegetable dishes are luscious, too. Entrées are served commu-nally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, iniera, 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, 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 RESTAU-RANT 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 pittancepriced "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 imigrant 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-pearlwall 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 longestrunning 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 *kafta* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions and seasonings, but you'll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

ZIA'S AFGHAN CAFE 4118 30th Street, 619-285-1635. This storefront café with only eight tables serves inexpensive but very well prepared Afghan food. Try three-bean soup, stuffed pockets appetizers, banana squash with spicy yogurt sauce. Lunch and dinner buffet of basmati rice with six toppings for \$6.49. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

UPTOWN

ADAMS AVENUE GRILL 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/01)

BOMBAY EXOTIC CUISINE OF IN-DIA 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.cottagecafesandiego.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 allyou-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'8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)* **CREST CAFE 4**25 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 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loval 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 Dali, Frida Kahlo. Consider momsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-glazed pork chops, or the healthy Veg-etable 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-paprika-cayenne-cumin mayo and more but ter). 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)*

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 io dine 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/0* 004/13/05/1.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 greasyfried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they're spicy), since the kitchen

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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 Uni-MANDARIN DYNASTY 1458 Umi-versity Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-8899. A splendid place to or-der a feast for a large party (give at least four hours notice). Banquet dishes include casserole soup, scallops in pep-per, 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 week-days, 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 gener-ously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed empanadillas, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed greenlip 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)

SEVEN 1421 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-297-0722. At this Southwestern American café you can easily make a meal from the first courses plus one of several salads. Pasta dishes are good choices. Smoked or grilled items include barbecue salmon, ribs, and skewered lamb. Venison chili or steak sandwich always a good bet. Pleasant atmosphere. Excellent service. Open daily. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinners nightly. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W.

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-spo-ken. 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

vourself out of bed for, too. Inexpen-, sive. — E.B. (9/01)

WHOLE FOODS MARKET 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the Hillcrest. go, Whole Foods' prepared food sec-tion 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 Lif-fey," 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), Gaslamr 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 veg-etables. A welcome addition to downtown. Dinner only, from 5:00 p.m. Expensive. — E.W.

THE CHEESE SHOP 627 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-2303. This café offers outrageously good sandwiches of which my favorites are the Black Forest ham and the roast pork. Muffins and cookies are baked on the premises. Paper plates for food but real mugs for coffee and tea. Open daily. Inexpensive. Branch in La Jolla, 2165 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-459-3921. — *E.W.*

CROCE'S RESTAURANT AND JAZZ **BAR** 802 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp Dis-trict, 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.

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rived 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 ingre-dients, something Dakota does a decent job of avoiding. When everything works, it plays like comfort food with a kick. The seafood ravioli — spinach pasta stuffed with a blend of salmon, halibut, and swordfish planted atop wilted greens and topped with pickled jalapeno relish - melds into a pleasant whole. The blue cornmeal-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 mus-tard 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 — at-tentive 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 or-dering; Atlantic shellfish, though, tend to be a tad overcooked. Reserve, and dress on the spiffier side — some Hol-lywood celebs hang their Borsalinos here, upping the clothing curve. Din-ner 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 ta-bles, you've found one of downtown's least-appreciated weekday lunch loca-tions. 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 At-

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EL COMAL 2822 Imperial Avenue, Sherman Heights, 619-239-7101. No border compromises here — just great home-cooking from Michoacan, Guer-rero, Jalisco, and Oaxaca, prepared by Luz Herrera Ibarra, a biology teacher from Acapulco. Try the *huarache* (cac-tus slices with carne asada, frijoles, cheese, and onions) or the mulita carne *adobada* (pork, melted cheese, and gua-camole 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. $-N.W.(4/\hat{0}1)$

GYROSCOPE GREEK CAFE 926 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-235-4635. You want cheap *and* in-teresting food in the Gaslamp? Gyroscope's one of the few that make that list. They have the usual medium-priced beef kabob, moussaka, *spanakopita, dolmades,* tiger shrimps, and steak. But you can also get amply filling "sandwich" size plates for just a few bucks: beef kabob, lamb, chicken breast, and of course the gyro (mari-nated lamb and beef slices in pita bread). Get one of these, a glass of bur-gundy, 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 fa- 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 in-

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clude the catfish sandwich and halfpound rib tips. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, to 3 a.m. weekends. Inexpensive. - E.B. (11/00)

LA GRAN TAPA 611 B Street, down town, 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 porter-house, 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 OUALITY 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 afi-cionados 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? Inexpen-sive. — E.B. (11/00)

ROYALE BRASSERIE 224 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-237-4900. Like a theme park for nostalgics yearn-ing 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 — escar-gots, frogs' legs, charcuterie, et al. with an emphasis on impeccable seafood. The newfangled yellowfin tartare is to die for, the Belgian-style mussels with *frites* to dive into, and the huge cold shellfish platters are to share and to swoon over. To accompany the feast, the wine-by-the-glass choices are super-savvy. Often very noisy; heated patio; reservations necessary. Moderate to very expensive. — *N.W.* (11/00)

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE 1355 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-233-1422. Six cuts of steak are available, all cooked in a special broiler at 1800 degrees. The U.S. prime steaks are aged and hand cut daily. They're fabulous, but nothing is on the plate except the piece of meat. Vegetables and eight styles of potatoes are à la carte. Lobster tail, fresh fish, chicken, and chops also available. Gorgeous view and service. Open nightly for din-ner. 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. Veg-etarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an earsplitting mob scene weekends (even be fore 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 excel-lent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs and a vibrant, sweet-sour fesenjan (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or bamieh, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate – N.W. (12/00)

TAKA 555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-338-0555. This restaurant is a knockout. Gorgeous food and beau-tiful 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. Eleva-tor provides wheelchair access. Open daily. Expensive. — N.W. (9/01)

TURF SUPPER CLUB 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, "re-established" in 1998), if your meat's done wrong, it's your own fault.



Every night's an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal firepit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in gar-lic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that's the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat's a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you're an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you'd miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

VINCENZO RISTORANTE ITALIANO 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181, www.vincenzoris-toranteitaliano.com. The specialty at this tourist favorite (Texans are rife) is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is com-petent, 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 hardsurfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; re-serve 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 DELI-CATESSEN Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich who just can't live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. The Hawaiian chicken salad (with walnuts pineapple, chutney, fresh seasonal fruits, and non-fat mayo) is filling and healthy. But the best deal is the soup and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops. Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

BINO'S EUROPEAN COFFEES AND CREPES 1120 Adella Avenue, Coron-ado, 619-522-0612. This little roundthe-corner café has to be good: it's a fa-vorite 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 Chap-man has created a French café atmosohere 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 ex-tras, 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 exhi-bition going on inside. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01) CATHIE'S PLACE CAFE Sharp Coro-

nado 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.... Break fasts are forgettable — lunch and din-ner are where it's at. The menu changes daily, but you can call ahead or ask Cathie (she's real and she's Scottish) to fax you the weekly "take-out dinner" menu. Weekdays only, breakfast to dinner. Inexpensive. early E.B. (12/00)

DA KINE'S PLATE LUNCHES 1635 Sweetwater Road, National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of Hawaiian 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. Inex-pensive. — E.B. (10/00)

HANAOKA 1528 C Sweetwater Road. National City, 619-477-5173. Mr. and Mrs. Hanaoka's Japanese restaurant has the feel of those country inns you read about in a James Michener novel, with a sushi counter, lots of paper lanterns, and sunken tables where you can sit lotus-fashion or drop your legs in the space below. The luncheon spe-cials are a great buy. Try chicken teriyaki and gyoza, with rice, salad, and miso soup. "Hanaoka" means "hon-est," and portions are honestly generous. Inexpensive. - E.B. (11/00)

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 ev-erything 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, Coro nado, 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 Land-ing — but it's worth breaching if only





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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 *Sfilatino Con Bistecchina* (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquitegrilled 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)*

MCDINI'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 barley 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

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MIGUEL'S COCINA 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. (Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, 619-224-2401.) Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/00)*

THE OLD BONITA STORE 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. The menu is strongly influenced by Baja Californian/Mexican cooking. The signature dish is the bucket of Bajastyle 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.*

SWADDEE THAI 1001 C Avenue (10th Street), Coronado, 619-435-8110. Tourists never stray to Swadee's quiet residential location a block from the bright lights of Orange Avenue. Their loss is the locals' gain. The dining room is a quiet, lovely haven from the hustle; the service is caring and gracious. Even if the long list of Siamese specialties is merely standard, the kitchen, too, is devoted to the art of gently giving pleasure. The peanut sauce accompanying the satay, for instance, is classically balanced; the complex but soothing coconut-chicken soup can wash away all cares; and the calamari in the many seafood arrays is cleverly knife-scored to achieve sheer tenderness along with good looks. Even the jasmine rice is an exceptionally fragrant brand. Unless you specify otherwise, spicy dishes have a nice nip tuned to brave but tender *farang* tastebuds. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.* (9/00)

VFW 557 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6917. You may have to get over the feeling you're intruding on a private club here, but boy, is it worth it! One, everybody has a story. Two, the "public is welcome" lunches are homecooking at genuine Korean War prices. Mondays and Wednesdays it's burgers. Tuesdays and Thursdays are "Guess What?" days — typically, enchilada casserole, baked chicken or spaghetti, or a fried-rice dish that's full of good things. Two really tasty occasionals are liver with mashed potato and onions or chicken-fried steak with fried rice. First and third Friday nights of the month, outsiders are invited to join the weekly fish fry from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Check out the photos and memorabilia from wars fought from Siberia to Vietnam. Lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/00)

TIJUANA

(The prefix for all Tijuana numbers is 011-52-664. From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.)

ANTOJITOS DEL PAIS Gobernador Balarezo, 9750 Fraccionamente America, near Azteca hotel, 686-2424. Open 24/7 except from midnight on Sunday to 7 a.m. Monday. Hit at lunch hour, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and you'll find 22 waitresses and cooks serving you on the street, stirring huge steaming pots of soup, foot-high clay pots simmering with frijoles, and dark-brown ceramic bowls of meat simmering on the flames. This isn't TJ, it's Central Mexico. Some great choices include bistek ahumada (smoked beef) or costilla de res (beef ribs), pollo en mole, lengua de res (ox tongue), and carne de cerdo (pork), all around \$3, including soup, dessert, and pleasant culture shock. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00) **BOTANICA EL PARAISO** Avenida Niños Heroes, between 1st and 2nd streets, Tijuana. Health food? This place has everything from healing herbs to curative roots to love amulets. They serve drinks for livers, kidneys, cholesterol. Diabetics can down cactus concoctions. And they also make a good lunch. Start with a blood-red *jugo de verdura*, a vegetable drink of carrots beet root, celery, and orange. Then try a thick brown-bread tuna sandwich with avocado, cucumber, ham, and tomato, and end with a fresh fruit salad. So healthy, you won't need a potion (unless you still need that love potion). Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

CHIKI JAI 1388 Avenida Revolución (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're sur-rounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gardner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and drank vino tinto — here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana's great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos' brands, and a matador's framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food's all Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, *salchicha* (pork sausages), bacalao (cod fish) al la Viz-caina, trout with olive oil and garlic, and gallician octopus. Open daily. In-expensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/02) CIEN ANOS Calle Jose Maria Velazco #1407, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-3039 or 634-7262; *www.cien-a.com*; e-mail: al-tacocina@cien-a.com. This lovely, comfortable, dressy-casual "destination restaurant" serves extraordinary Mex ican haute cuisine, graced with a bril-liant variety of sauces based on elabo-rations 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)

EL RODEO 1647 Blvd. Salinas, Tijuana, 686-5640. Steak lovers will have a field day here with a variety of cuts, some cooked right at your table. The accompaniments are wonderful: an appetizer and quesadilla, a crisp salad, beans served in their own liquid even a dessert is included in the price of the entrée. Cheese soup, burritos, and tripe are also available. *Vaquero* decor, wood-paneled rooms. Good value if you like beef. Open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente; turn left just before the twin high-rise towers, and left again, onto the one-way street, Blvd. Salinas. El Rodeo is on the right side of the street. Highly visible and easy to find. Moderate. — *E.W*.

LA ESCONDIDA Santa Monica #1 in Fraccionamiento Las Palmas, Tijuana, 681-4458. "The Hidden One," located in a converted mansion, boasts two gardens and patio dining, and is especially beautiful at night. The roasted baby goat and roasted quail, and the Châteaubriand (for two) are all worthwhile. Very civilized experience, complete with live music on Fridays and Saturdays. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente. Proceed on Agua Caliente past the racetrack, approximately onehalf mile. Turn right at Las Palmas. Two short blocks up, turn left at the "Pescaderia Playas" sign. The entryway to La Escondida is straight ahead. Open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 a.m., and Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

LA ESPADANA 10813 Avenida Sanchez Taboada, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. Beautifully prepared meals that include appetizer, soup or salad, and entrée are available in this structure whose name means bell tower and whose exterior resembles a mission. Best bets here are filet steak on a skewer (*brocheta de filete*), baby back ribs (*costillar de puerco*), and leg of lamb (*pierna de borrego*). The portions are mammoth, and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service, delightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W*.

PALM GRILL Cantamar (halfway to Ensenada), 614-1203. The A-frame building looks like a thatched hut and has two interior floors and an upperand lower-level patio. Food is American, French, and Continental with a few Mexican dishes. Lots of atmosphere and fine service. Best bets are daily fresh fish. Watch your costs here as prices rival good American restaurants. Open daily. Take Ensenada Cuota road to Cantamar exit. Turn right. Two toll charges. (Free road: 46-1/2 km Carretera a Ensenada.) Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*



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Who Lives? Who **Dies? Who Cares?**

Though the characters might not be cartoons, they're paper-thin. trast to that of any other John Woo you will have seen (*Mission: Impossible II*,

ere's a question. Suppose you were watching a movie, ten or fifteen minutes from the end, when a power outage in the auditorium abruptly put a halt to the dream, the illusion, the magic, the escape, the

ride, choose your own metaphor. In how many movies, were that to happen in them, would vou really care to know

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

how it all turned out? How many movies - a separate, and a harder, question — would you be willing to sit through a second time from the beginning in order to find out?

The question comes up because that's exactly what happened two hours into the advance screening of Windtalkers, John Woo's Second World War shoot-'em-up, at the AMC La Jolla. Right at the point, to be quite precise, where Mark Ruffalo says something like, "None of us are gonna get out of this alive, are we, Joe?" There can't have been many minutes left, because there weren't many Marines left.

The premise of the film, in con-

Face/Off, Broken Arrow, etc.), brings to bear what we could call a pressure of reality, to push against the director's cartoony tendencies, and to produce what we might like to hope would be a fruitful creative tension. Not just the reality of World War II, more specifically the Pacific campaigns on

the Solomons and Saipan, but also the

interesting and unexplored phenom-

enon of the Navajo "code talkers," whose language proved impenetrable

to the Japanese. The conjunction of

this film, however, and another WWII

cryptography saga, Enigma, can fuel

little interest, first because Enigma

was not very interesting in itself, and

second because Woo is not much inter-

ested in cryptography: no more than a

quick look-in at the classroom in

Ĉamp Pendleton, and one scene of

the Navajos relaying target co-ordi-

nates to the offshore battleships during

the establishment of a beachhead on

Saipan. Unless, needless to add, some



Windtalkers

other manifestation crops up in the unseen ten or fifteen minutes.

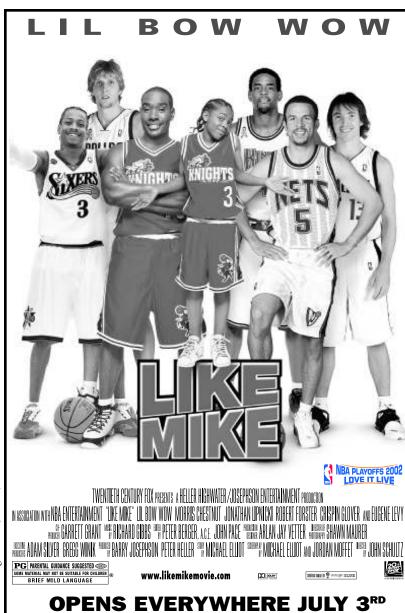
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Woo's principal interest, apart from his customary bang-bang, is in the by-the-numbers male bonding between two Navajo code talkers (already bonded at the outset) and their individually assigned bodyguards, whose mission is, at all costs, to protect the

code and not the talkers. (Get my meaning, mister? Sir, yes, sir.) Seeing that there are two talkers, though, we can be sure that one of them will fall into enemy clutches and force a tough decision. Yet despite the unlucky one's winking and nodding endorsement of the decision (c'mon, c'mon, lob that pineapple), the staging of the scene

a Japanese sneak attack on a mountain village and hasty retreat — is not such as to persuade us a decision was necessary.

Most of the interest, in any event, falls on the bonding between the other Navajo, an almost imbecilically goodnatured one (Adam Beach), and his battle-scarred but still bloodthirsty



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protector (Nicolas Cage, more of a park statue, these days, than an actor). Little sprinkles of subsidiary interest fall, too, on the stock types who round out the unit: the Greek (Mark Ruffalo), the Swede (Peter Stormare, a hilariously incomprehensible commanding officer), the WASP bigot (Noah Emmerich), the all-men-are-brothers idealist (Christian Slater), and so on. Though the characters might not be cartoons, they're paper-thin. And what with all the bonding and the mere familiarizing, there are plenty of openings for Woo's normal outflow of schmaltz: the "If anything happens to me...? scene; the flute and harmonica duets between red man and white man; the outline of a church traced in a dusting of flour in a Japanese kitchen.

By the same token, an all-out war grants Woo his loosest license yet for his sustained sequences of high-energy chaos. To some degree, the pressure of reality, as we're calling it, has served to woo Woo (forgive me) away from all that fancy "balletic" stuff, even if a submachine gun is still apt to become momentarily a one-handed weapon. And admittedly this pressure hasn't curtailed his use of slow-motion. Nor has it thwarted that signature moment when two gunmen stick their muzzles in one another's faces and wait for the other to blink.

Plainly, there was no danger that the subject of cryptography was going to distract Woo, as it distracted Michael Apted in Enigma, from matters cinematic. The opening transition into combat, for example, reveals a visual imagination hard at work: the butterfly fluttering idyllically over a river, and then the blood in the river, and then the floating body, and then the burst of machine-gun fire in close-up at the left edge of the frame. Too often, though, the "cinematic" comes down to jarringly overamplified sounds and oppressively overmagnified images. (Just when you think the close-ups can't get any bigger, you get one that can't fit both of Cage's eyes simultaneously on the wide screen.) The fervency of expression tends to look and sound a lot like desperation.

And two hours of it are more than enough. To put it to my new test: this is not a case in which I want so badly to know the outcome that I would be willing to sit through the whole thing again. Or even through only the part I missed. Which suggests a further refinement of the test: how many minutes would I have been willing to sit through another time in order to see the remainder? Or to rephrase the question: how far into it could a blackout have occurred without losing me for good? Answer: forty minutes, tops.

I knew which way the wind was blowing. As well as how hard. Don't let me stop you, though. And don't bother to let me know how it all turns out.

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Spider-Man. 0:35.

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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 codirectors Paul and Chris Weitz provide a visual touch or two. With Nicholas Hoult, Toni Collette, Rachel Weisz, 2002. ★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20: VOGUE)



American Adobo — Laurice Guillen's ethnic comedy of Filipino-Americans in New York City, with Christopher De Leon and Dina Bonnevie. (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 6/14)

American Movie — Comic documentary, not quite a "mockumentary," about a marginal Milwaukee filmmaker by the name of Mark Borchardt (whose upper Midwest accent is suspiciously thicker than any in his immediate family), spurred by the regional cinema of Night of the Living Dead and The Texas Chain Saw Massacre to do his own homemade horrors called The More the Scarier and, three years in the making, Coven enough just to take a polite interest in his struggles, and because of the determined (if



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Bad Company — A black-marketnuclear-bomb scenario played for laughs. Or anyway Chris Rock plays it that way, while the rest of the cast plays it more or less straight, Rock, a Madison Square Garden ticket scalper and Washington Square chess hustler (like Laurence Fishburne in Searching for Bobby Fischer, like Samuel L. Jackson in Fresh: major minority job opportunity), is the separated-at-birth identical twin of a suave secret agent killed in the course of tricky negotiations for a suitcase nuke; and the scammer must now stand in for his double on a moment's notice: an elaborate excuse for some elementary odd-couple bonding between Rock and a slumming Anthony Hopkins (stealing scenes with chewing gum, a toothpick, every trick in the book), who conducts himself as if he were doing John le Carré. Director Joel Schumacher keeps the action skittering across a slick surface so that neither he nor anyone else has time to consider the implications. Kerry Washington, Brooke Smith, Peter Stormare. 2002

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Beijing Bicycle — Mawkish, mopish tale of a country bumpkin who comes to the big city and lands a job as a bicycle delivery boy: 'Think of yourselves as the carrier pigeons of today." Think of it, for your part, as the Bicycle Thief of today. Except it's Chinese instead of Italian; and it takes almost an equal interest in the thief, or at any rate the recipient of stolen property, as in the victim. They both have their problems. There is nothing very convincing about how the two come, and stay, in contact with one another, though each of them is convincingly acted. Cui Lin, Li Bin, Zhou Xun, Gao Yuanyuahn; directed by Wang Xiaoshuai. 2001. ★ (KEN, THROUGH 6/13)

The Bourne Identity - Robert Ludlum espionage yarn with Matt Damon and Franka Potente, directed by Doug Liman. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16: SWEETWATER 9: TOWN SOUARE 14: FROM 6/14)

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

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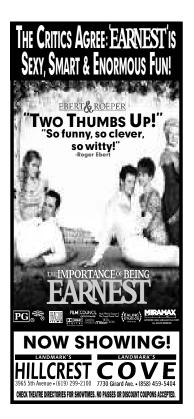
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necessarily that he has come back very far. A cramped and scrimping stage adaptation (written for the screen by the original playwright, Steven Peros), it chews over a 'sexy" theory on the mysterious death in 1924 of silent-film pioneer Thomas H. Ince, 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, 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; THROUGH 6/13)

Cherish — Comic thriller written and directed by Finn Taylor, starring Robin Tunney and Tim Blake Nelson. (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 6/14)

CQ — The writing and directing debut of Roman Coppola amounts to the second apple, after Sofia Coppola's Virgin Suicides, to fall from the tree of Francis Coppola and to roll down the hill into the ditch. Set in 1969, when the writer-director would have been three years old, it throws up a rickety bridge between the navel-gazing underground film à la David Holzman's Diary and the trendy sci-fi spy spoof à la Barbarella. The truth-seeking undergrounder, played by that uncharismatic sloucher and murmurer, Jeremy Davies, happens improbably to be the film editor of the big-budget spy spoof on location in Paris, and even more improbably to be promoted to the helm when the "revolutionary" Godardian director (Gerard Depardieu), in his need to "subvert the expectations of the audience," runs afoul of the De Laurentiisian producer



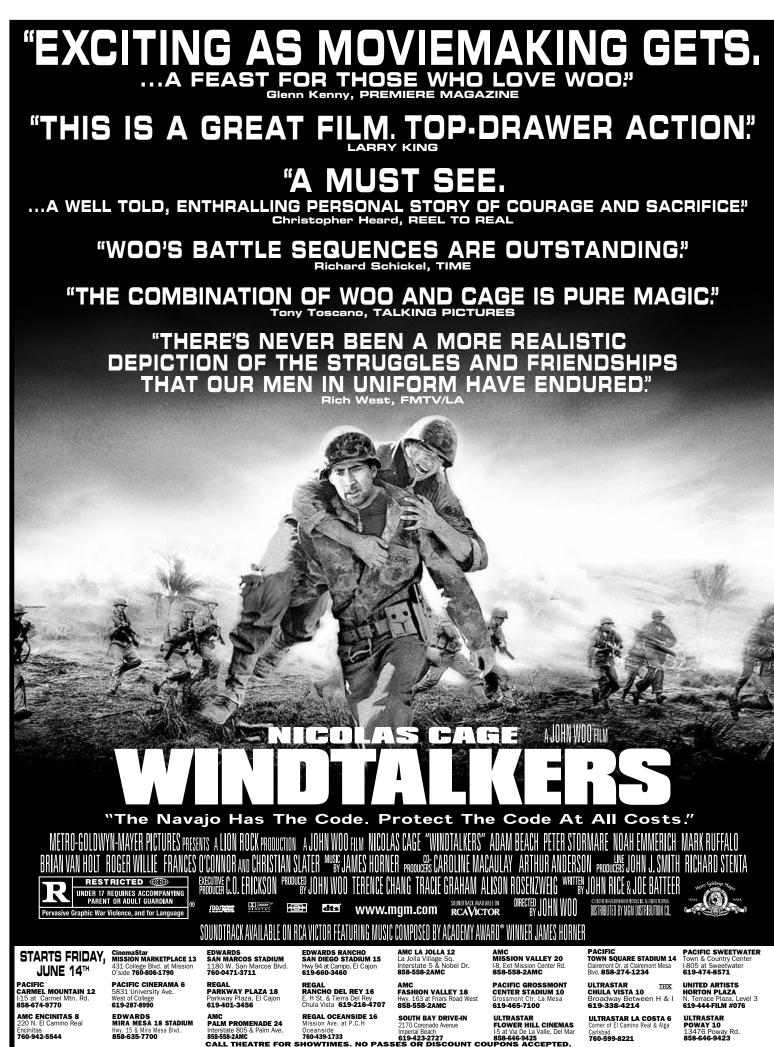
(Giancarlo Giannini). The undergrounder, it ought to have gone without saying, is no more equipped to handle such a project than Roman Coppola is: the evidence, under the film-within-the-film title of *Codename* [one word] *Dragonfly*, is right in front of our eyes, and in abundance. Young Coppola at least demonstrates that he has boned up on the cinematic esoterica of his infancy: cameo roles, as an example, for L.M. Kit Carson and John Phillip Law, stars of the aforementioned *David Holzman's Diary* and *Barbarella*, respectively. But who could be imagined to want to watch this movie? Anyone who knows enough to have a nostalgic interest in it will also know enough to discredit it. Angela Lindvall, Elodie Bouchez, Jason Schwartzman, Billy Zane. 2002.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 6/13)

Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya

Sisterhood — The title alone told you that you needed to read no further in the Rebecca Wells novel. But the screen version, written and directed by Callie Khouri, temptingly makes room for one of our premier performers, Ellen Burstyn, in addition to Fionnula Flanagan, Maggie Smith, and Shirley Knight, troupers one and all. The common lament about Hollywood's lack of use for actresses of their age must be amended with a lament, too, about Hollywood's *preferred* use of them, however infrequent. Case at hand: an overseasoned jambalaya of stereotyped Southern lunacy. Three out of four of the Ya-Ya Sisters (a blood sorority from early girlhood) attempt to mediate a reconciliation between the fourth one and her adult daughter (Sandra Bullock), a successful though indiscreetly autobiographical playwright. This necessitates a rummage through flashbacks and the replacement of our quartet of troupers with an unmatching set of younger actresses (Ashley Judd for Ellen Burstyn, most egregiously). In short, while the film makes room for Burstyn and Co., it doesn't make *enough* room for them, nor comfortable room. 2002. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; 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)

Dogtown and Z-Boys — Stacy Peralta's documentary on the early days of skateboarding. (LA PALOMA)



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Enigma — Second World War espionage thriller, set on the British homefront at Bletchlev 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 Uboat 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, exactly 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 willowy 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 - Too much. An empowerment potboiler lifted above a USA Network original only by the star power of Jennifer Lopez, it chronicles the heroine's time-lapse evolution from greasy-spoon waitress to satin-sheets bride to blank-check homemaker to cheated-on, battered, and verbally abused spouse. First major warning sign: her husband declines her request to join him in the shower, even after she has already got her robe halfway off. (The men in the audience will turn on him faster than the women.) Once the monster is unmasked, he's pure "Boo!" Billy Campbell, a television nice guy, going bad in tandem with another television nice guy, Noah Wyle, invests the part with a rub-it-in-your face smugness and sadism: "You wanna fight? I'm a man, honey. It's no contest." You wanna bet? She's J.Lo, buddy. Give her a month of martial-arts instruction and a rematch. (Her getaway plan in the middle of the night is a dilly: wedging a trickling water bottle between the toilet seat and porcelain bowl while she sneaks down the stairs with her daughter, a ruse that can be counted on to buy her a half-minute head start.) Nothing about all this - the narrative poverty, the moral cowardice, the two-faced finale, the common coinage of the



foreboding background music, the pep-pill pop songs, the bowled-over trash cans and crashed-through chain-link fences of the mandatory car chase - would be quite so depressing if it were not coming from a director (Michael Apted) who once did stuff like *Coal Miner's Daughter* and *Gorky Park*, and who even now carries on (doesn't he?) the documentary series of 28 Up, 35 Up, etc. With Juliette Lewis, Dan Futterman, Fred Ward. 2002.

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Ice Age — Three mammals and a baby. A computer-animated woolly mammoth, sloth, and saber-toothed tiger (your species needs to have an interdental 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. ★ (VOGUE)

The Importance of Being Earnest — Overfurnished production of the Oscar Wilde farce: so much artifice does not require so much circumstantiation. And the jaunty, jazzy musical score is meddlesome at best, muffling at worst. (In any case it has not remedied the play's sag in the second act.) But the good lines are plentiful, and

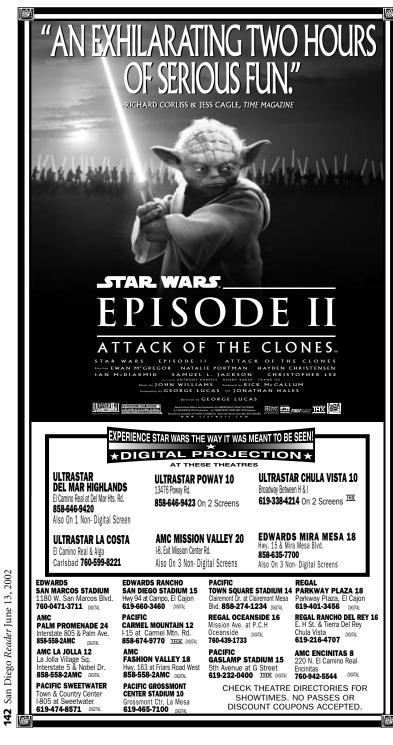


people such as Colin Firth, Rupert Everett, Judi Dench, Anna Massey, and Edward Fox know well how to put them over. Not so much, however, Frances O'Connor or a lightly accented Reese Witherspoon, whose shared strategy relies on elevated eyebrows. Directed by Oliver Parker. 2002. ★ (COVE; HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Insomnia — The Norwegian *policier* of a few years earlier, and of the same name, is resettled under the midnight sun of Alaska. Fair enough. (The icy moonscape of the opening aerial shots is no less otherworldly.) Both versions, however, complacently advance a lack of sleep as an explanation for all questionable behavior on the part of the protagonist, a big-city homicide cop helping out on a small-town murder case. Al Pacino plays up the sleep deprivation for all it's worth, and a good deal more, looking as if he's trying to win a marathon staring contest and speaking in a come-and-go drawl that sounds less regional in origin than medical or medicinal. Robin Williams, as the coolly taunting and manipulative murderer (a cliché in any language), keeps himself pretty well under control, though he doesn't bring enough to the role to justify the against-type casting. His smirk could mean he's got something up his sleeve, or it could just as well mean he hasn't: joke's on us. There are a couple of intense action scenes that take full advantage of the setting: the foot chase in the fog over rough terrain (best scene in both versions) and a second foot chase across the logs in the river, and then breathstoppingly *beneath* the logs. But a faithful remake, a close copy, is not what we would have expected as an encore from Christopher Nolan after his devilishly clever Memento. (Naming the sleepless cop "Dormer" will not pass as cleverness.) It is, on the contrary, exactly what we might have expected of any foreign-born and/or independent filmmaker who wanted to slither into the Hollywood mainstream. Hilary Swank, Maura Tierney, Martin Donovan. 2002. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8;

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Kids - Spend a day, if you choose, in the company of screwing, swearing, spitting, stealing, smoking, skateboarding, stomping Manhattan teens. Still photographer Larry Clark, shooting in a haphazard *cinéma-vérité* mode, aims to shock. But the effect is muffled, in part by unintelligibility (poor recording, poor enunciating), and in part by sheer boredom. Peak of invention: one of the kids dips a tampon in his fruit drink (color: red) and sucks it dry. Leo Fitzpatrick, Justin Pierce, Chloe Sevigny. 1995. ● (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 6/13 THROUGH 15, 7 P.M.)



Lagaan Indian historical musical epic (three and three-quarters hours) with Aamir Khan, directed by Ashutosh Gowariker. (KEN, 6/14 THROUGH 20)

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)

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'tmiss one, and the Punjabi exoticism goes far to compensate for all the conventionality. It may not, however, go so far as to compensate for the belated dark turn down the side street of molestation: a new comic

convention, but no less a convention, now that every TV sitcom feels obligated to Address Important Issues. The conflict between the old ways and the new, too, is standard for Eastern cinema (Ozu, etc.), although Mira Nair's scrambling catch-ascatch-can camerawork — 16mm blown up to 35 - leaves no doubt, for even a moment, where her own sympathies lie. The movie comes to a somewhat premature climax, albeit a moving one, at the cathartic celebratory dance the night before the ceremony. It would all feel a lot more barren, though, without the delightful figure of the weaselly wedding planner ("Ten minutes," he promises, "exactly and approximately"), with his polka-dot scarf, his leisure suits, his calculator wristwatch. his clip-on pager. By himself, this inch-byinch social climber embodies the strengths and weaknesses of the whole: complacently formulaic yet infused with a palpable humanity. However large a laughingstock, he is not denied his own romantic yearnings and his inhibiting self-awareness.

Naseeruddin Shah, Lillete Dubey, Vasundhara Das, Parvin Dabas, Vijay Raaz. 2002.

★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Monster's Ball - Swiss-born filmmaker Marc Forster focuses on the middle man

(Billy Bob Thornton) in three generations of Georgia corrections officers. The film starts right out throwing haymakers — first-thingin-the-morning vomit, wham-bam-thankyou-ma'am sodomy, good-ole-boy bigotry, Death Row, the Last Walk, more vomit, a suicide, and a hit-and-run fatality - before it settles down to a hesitant, awkward, muted interracial romance (with Halle Berry, a Death Row widow), and more vomit. By that time, it's all punched out. The electric-chair diaper is a new screen detail, if you're keeping track. With Peter Boyle, Heath Ledger, Sean Combs. 2001. ★ (GASLAMP 15, THROUGH 6/13)

My Big Fat Greek Wedding — Selfanointed "Frump Girl" meets

Mr. Wonderful, with the X-ray vision to see the beauty within. Only problem: he's not Greek. Nia Vardalos, scriptwriter and star, gets to unburden herself on her lineage ("My cousins have two volumes, loud and louder"), and at the same time indulge herself in an Ugly Duckling fantasy. It seldom rises above an ethnic sitcom, but the "personal" angle stirs sympathy. With John Corbett, Michael Constantine, Lainie Kazan, Andrea Martin, Gia Carides; directed by Joel Zwick. 2002.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Mystic Masseur — A fresh setting — the Hindu community in

rather a limp, damp comedy about the local "pundit," a part-time faith healer and part-time author. It gathers a little steam as his fame grows, but only a little, and a long way in. Based on a novel by V.S. Naipaul; with Aasif Mandvi, Om Puri, Ayesha Dharker, James Fox; directed by Ismail Merchant. 2002.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 6/13)

Rain — First film from New Zealander Christine Jeffs, about a troubled family on holiday, with Alicia Fulford-Wierzbicki, Sarah Peirse, Marton Csokas. (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 6/14)

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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 saucereyed 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. • (VOGUE)

The Son's Room — A startling change of pace, so we're told, for the director and 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, randomsampling manner of storytelling. (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

Christopher De Leon

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 illadapted to the role of grieving father; and his excruciating discomfort in that role, his losing struggle to stay buttoned-down, enables him to summon up deep emotion with minimal emoting. (Wife and daughter come in for their fair share as well.) More simply: for all his reserve, he's a very likable guy. And an even more likable filmmaker. If we feel, in one curious instance, that maybe it's middle-aged wishful thinking (rather than Italian good taste) when a long-haired record-store clerk is seen recommending a Brian Eno album to a shopping grown-up as something a young person might enjoy, it only endears Moretti the more. With Laura Morante, Jasmine Trinca, Giuseppe Sanfelice. 2001.

★★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 6/13)

Spider-Man — Repulsively overhyped comic-book adaptation by Sam Raimi. (How would his lighter and livelier Darkman, 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 plasticky, elasticky 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 metamorphosis. 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

That's not altogether a bad thing in view of

timing and his deadpan talent for hinting at

a beehive of interior activity. Yet the urban

separate entity, a two-dimensional phantom

Dafoe's Green Goblin, riding a sort of aerial

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

Franco, Cliff Robertson, Rosemary Harris

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(when he gets the chance) a completely

in an alternate universe. And Willem

surfboard, makes an unformidable and

reupholstered in metallic monochrome

uninteresting villain: Batman's Joker

superhero movie. (Marvel of Marvels!)

the actor's eccentric, ritardando sense of

The Importance of Being Earnest

Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron — A DreamWorks animated feature in the old hand-drawn style: a horse odyssey after the fashion of the thrice-filmed Will James novel, Smoky, with the four-legged hero falling into many hands on his roundabout way home (which looks to be in the vicinity of Monument Valley, nowhere near the vicinity of the Cimarron River), but with the main difference that in this case the only good master is no master. Even the puckish, Peter Pannish Indian, with whom the horse reaches a mutually beneficial rapprochement, is not granted the privileges of ownership. (The horse is called Spirit because, among other reasons, he can't be broken.) But this is a precociously PC horse: the Indian is good, the white-eye is bad, the railroad is the snake in the Garden of Eden. He is also a thoughtful, if naggingly singleminded, horse: his interior speaking voice is the tranquilized one of Matt Damon ("They say the mustang is the spirit of the West"), and his interior singing voice is the constipated one of Bryan Adams ("Here I am, so young and strong,/ Right here in the place where I belong"). Thankfully, there are no cute animal sidekicks, voiced by stand-up comics, on whom to press his views. He keeps himself, as they say, to himself. Some of the images of equine speed and grace

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the horse outpacing the shadow of an eagle, for instance — are nicely done. And the drummed-on theme of freedom is irremovably germane to the Western genre. And Hans Zimmer's epic score, with its echoes of *Lonesome Dove* and *Silverado*, is doubtless idiomatic. Yet, in its fierce denial of the melancholy complexity of the genre, this is a Western strictly for kids. Of all ages. Directed by Kelly Asbury and Lorna Cook. 2002.

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Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones — The saga grinds on, in state-ofthe-art digital video: crisp and detailed yet somewhat overcast, monotoned, seemingly covered in a sort of pinkish-complected skin, like an unboiled wiener. The particulars — 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 George 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. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Samuel L. Jackson. 2002. • (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)

The Sum of All Fears — A light doomsday snack, unsatisfying even for the duration. One wonders whether, out of post-9/11 sensitivity, or trepidation, or something, the images of a nuclear blast in Baltimore (at a football stadium where "Chicago" is for some reason lined up against "Florida"), not to mention its immediate aftermath, haven't been scaled back and toned down a bit: an invisible tsunami crashing through the windows of a hospital, overturning cars, knocking a helicopter for a loop, etc. After which the color is drained from the screen, and the predominant tone becomes frigid blue, a visual synonym, perhaps, for sad, morose, mournful. The filmmakers (director Phil Alden Robinson and co-writers Paul Attanasio and Daniel Pyne) cannot bring themselves to muster up even a rough estimate of the casualties: the fear of all sums. Our general impression is that they are somehow unprepared to face up to their own chosen subject. Any contemporary "relevance" is in any event fribbled away in a plot ripped not so much from today's headlines as from adolescent daydreams: a neo-Nazi conspiracy to push the U.S. and Russia over the nuclear brink, and one man only who can pull them back, a clean-cut desk-bound CIA yuppie who is thrust center-stage on the strength of a report he once authored on the new Russian president. That man is "Jack Ryan," hero of a series of Tom Clancy novels, though the casting of Ben Affleck effectively severs all ties with the hero's prior incarnations in the form of Alec Baldwin and Harrison Ford (old enough to be Affleck's father). This isn't just Pierce Brosnan slipping into the Brooks Brothers suits of Sean Connerv and

Roger Moore, with the twanging "James Bond Theme" providing continuity. This is as separate as *Casino Royale*. Affleck gets strong support, however, from the likes of Morgan Freeman, Liev Schreiber, Ciarán Hinds, James Cromwell, Ron Rifkin, Bruce McGill, and Philip Baker Hall; so strong, in truth, that it stresses the weakness of both protagonist and plot. 2002. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA

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Thing — Four (or so) intersecting plotlines on the themes of the pursuit of happiness and the quirks of fate, but snipped up and patched together so that events that follow each other on screen do not follow each other in chronology. Additional choppingup and rearranging are achieved through chapter headings excerpted from the dialogue: "Ignorance is bliss," "Fuck guilt," "Fortune smiles on some and laughs at

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others," "Eighteen inches of personal space," and so forth. There might be something to be gotten from the out-of-joint construction - a sense of the seeming randomness of the universe, the mysterious interconnectedness of all things, the surreptitious action of cause and effect, the endless recurrence of the pattern — but it's hard to be sure you're really getting it. Even so, the film is stronger on overall vision than on the fine points of dialogue and narrative. The former tends to sound "written" and artificial, while the latter tends to look contrived, uninventive, thesis-driven, illustrative. Somehow it's not surprising to hear that the filmmaking sisters, director and co-writer Jill Sprecher and co-writer Karen Sprecher, acknowledge Bertrand Russell's The Concept of Happiness as a "jumping-off point." The economical, energy-efficient, no-waste performance of Alan Arkin as the consummate sourpuss, suspicious of anyone's good fortune or good humor, so dominates the proceedings as to foment impatience with the alternating plotlines. Despite the presence in them of such watchable players as John Turturro, Barbara Sukowa, Clea DuVall, Tia Texada.) The office milieu around Arkin — a tightfisted insurance outfit - reminds us that the Sprechers had earlier collaborated on Clockwatchers. Their ambition since then has

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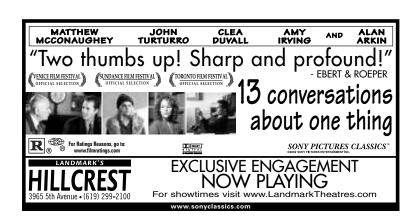
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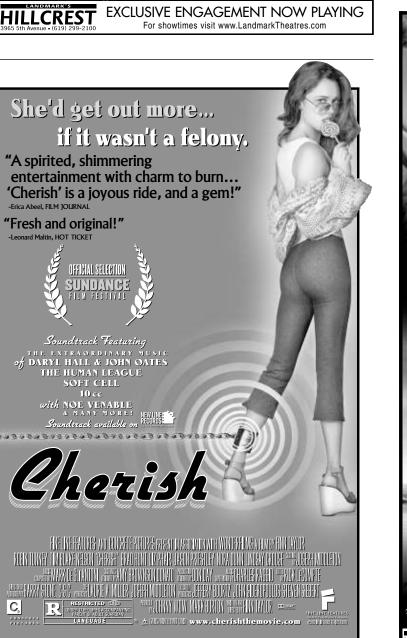
increased by leaps and bounds. Their charm has increased, too, by at least a hop and a skip. With Matthew McConaughey, Amy Irving, Frankie Faison, William Wise. 2002. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Undercover Brother — Always amiable, sometimes actually amusing blaxploitation spoof, more explicitly a Jim Kelly spoof, directed by Malcolm (cousin of Spike) Lee, in a suitably sleazy style. The free-lance hero (Eddie Griffin, practically licking his chops), an atavistic Seventies superdude sporting a 'fro the radius of a medicine ball, but a master of disguise as well, to enable him to pass in the white-collar world as a fully assimilated Alan Keyes or Clarence Thomas, is recruited by a secret organization abbreviated as B.R.O.T.H.E.R.H.O.O.D. (cousin of U.N.C.L.E.), to combat The Man, a shadowy archvillain and architect of Operation Whitewash, bent on stemming the tide of black influence in the culture, turning back the clock on race relations, and robbing African-Americans of their individuality in full flower during the big-haired, widecollared, platform-shoed, gold-medallioned

Seventies. The conspiracy, once pointed out, can be seen to be everywhere: "The NBA instituted the three-point shot to give white boys a chance." The fast-and-loose commentary on, or mere litany of, crosscultural perceptions and stereotypes has something of the snap of a Chris Rock stand-up routine. Besides which, it's educational: who would ever think of mayonnaise as exclusively a Caucasian condiment? If there's a proneness to selfcontradiction - the black man losing his individuality at the same time he's gaining influence, the hero alternating between a Bruce Lee and an Inspector Clouseau - it's a testament to the knottiness of the issues. With Aunjanue Ellis, Denise Richards, Dave Chappelle, Chi McBride, Chris Kattan. 2002. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15: GROSSMONT CENTER: LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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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 - 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 betterlooking, 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. ★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 1:50, 2:30, 3:30) 4:45, 5:05, 7:05, 7:35, 8:10, 9:35, 10:05, 10:40; Sun. (12:55, 1:50, 2:30, 3:30) 4:45, ŝ 5:05, 7:05, 7:35, 8:10, 9:35, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 1:50, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:05) 7:05, 7:35, 8:10, 9:35, 10:05; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:05) 7:00; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:10, 2:25, 3:50) 5:10, 7:15, 7:55, 9:45, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 2:25, 3:50, 5:10) 7:15, 7:55, 9:45, 10:25; Diego **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:45) 5:15, 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:50, 10:35; Sun. San (12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:45) 5:15, 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 46 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:45, 5:15)

6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:50; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 1:30, 2:05, 3:50, 4:40, 5:20, 7:15, 7:45, 8:25, 10:10, 10:40; Sun.-Thu. 12:45, 1:30, 2:05, 3:50, 4:40, 5:20, 7:15, 7:45, 8:25, 10:10; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 2:15, 3:40) 4:55, 7:10, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:15, 3:40, 4:55) 7:10, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30; The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the **Ring** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (3:25) 9:20; **Under-cover Brother** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 1:45, 2:50, 3:45) 4:55, 5:45, 7:20, 8:20, 9:30, 10:20 Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 1:45, 2:50, 3:45, 4:55, 5:45) 7:20, 8:20, 9:30, 10:20

Horton Plaza 14

475 Horton Plaza (619-234-8602) **About a Boy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:45, 10:20; **Divine Secrets of the Ya**-**Ya Sisterhood** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 11:15, 1:35, 2:00, 4:15, 4:45, 7:00, 7:35, 9:35, 10:10; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:35, 11:00, 1:25, 1:50, 4:10, 4:50, 6:15, 7:05, 7:35, 9:00, 9:45, 10:15; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:40, 11:40, 12:40, 1:40, 2:40, 3:40, 4:40) 6:40, 8:40; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. (11:05, 1:15, 3:35, 5:50) 8:10, 10:35; Thu. (11:05, 1:15, 3:35, 5:50) 8:10; **The Sum of All Fears** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 11:25, 12:20, 1:35, 2:10, 3:25, 4:20, 5:00) 6:20, 7:05 7:40, 9:10, 9:40, 10:25; **Unfaithful** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:20, 5:10) 7:50, 10:30; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 12:30, 1:30, 3:50, 4:30) 7:00, 7:30, 9:55, 10:30

LA JOLLA

Cove

7730 Girard Avenue (858-459-5404) The Importance of Being Earnest (PG) Fri. 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (2:15) 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 4:45, 7:00, 9:30

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Bad Company (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Undercover Brother (PG-13); Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); Insom nia (R); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy (PG-13); Spider-Man (PG-13)

La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831) American Adobo (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; **Monsoon** Wedding (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 11:20, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; **Rain** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18 10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700) Call theater for program information

MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262) Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Bad Company (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13): The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Undercover Brother (PG-13); Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); Enough (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy (PG-13); Unfaith-ful (R); Spider-Man (PG-13)

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Bad Company (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Undercover Brother (PG-13); Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); Insomnia (R); Enough (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones: About a Boy (PG-13); Unfaithful (R); Spider-Man (PG-13)

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6 5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:45) 4:25, 7:25, 10:05; Sun. (1:45) 4:25, 7:40; Mon.-Thu (3:10, 5:45) 8:30; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:10) 5:30, 7:35, 9:45; Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (3:50, 5:55) 8:10; **Spi**der-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:50) 4:35, 7:15, 9:55; Sun. (1:50) 4:35, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:50) 8:25: The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15) 4:15, 7:10, 9:55; Sun. (1:15) 4:15, 7:45; Mon.-Thu, (3:05, 5:40) 8:25; Undercover Brother (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:30, 3:35) 5:30, 7:40, 9:40; Sun. (1:30, 3:35) 5:35 8:05; Mon.-Thu. (3:40, 5:50) 8:15; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:20) 4:20, 7:05, 9:50; Sun (1:20) 4:20, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:40) 8:20

Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909) Beijing Bicycle, Thursday; Lagaan (PG) Fri. 7:00; Sat.-Sun. 2:00, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 7:00

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas 3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100) Thirteen Conversations About One Thing (R) Fri. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (10:35) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:50; Cherish (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:40, 7:40, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (10:40) 1:40, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:40, 7:40, 10:10; Enigma (R) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (10:25) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; **The Im**portance of Being Earnest (PG) Fri. (1:30)

4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (10:45) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 9:55 **Y Tu Mamá También** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (10:30) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Mon. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Tue. (1:00) 4:00, 10:00; Wed.-Thu, (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

Museum of Photographic Arts

1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559) Kids, Thursday, 7 p.m., Friday, 7 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m.; **Gummo**, Thursday, 9:15, Friday, 9:15, and Saturday, 9:15; **American** Movie, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; What's Eating Gilbert Grape?, Wednesday, 9:20 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) Bears (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 11:00; Space Station (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Sun. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; The Human Body (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00: Sun.-Thu. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00

EAST COUNTY EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18 405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) **Bad Company** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 4:10, 4:40) 7:05, 8:00, 10:00, 10:40; **Divine Secrets** of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:45, 1:30, 3:50, 4:30) 6:50, 7:45, 9:40, 10:30; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 2:00); **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:45, 4:00) 7:20, 10:05; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 10:20, 12:00, 12:30, 2:20, 2:50, 4:35, 5:10) 6:50, 7:40, 9:30, 10:20; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 1:20, 4:30) 7:15, 10:20; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 10:20, 12:20, 12:50, 2:30, 3:00, 4:40, 5:10) 7:25, 9:50; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 11:00, 1:10, 2:10, 4:20, 5:20) 7:30, 8:45, 10:45; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 1:00, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; **The New Guy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:40, 9:55; **The Sum of All Fears** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 12:10, 1:20, 3:45, 4:50) 7:10, 8:05, 10:00, 10:50; **Undercover Brother** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (09:55, 12:15, 2:40, 5:15) 7:45, 10:15; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 12:40, 1:15, 4:00, 4:30) 7:00, 7:30, 10:05, 10:35

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 11:50, 2:00, 4:50, 4:55) 7:30, 10:00, 10:10; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 11:30, 1:20, 2:20, 4:10, 5:00) 7:00, 7:40, 9:50, 10:15; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:10; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:00, 4:35) 7:10, 9:45; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:20, 10:50, 12:30, 1:00, 2:40, 3:10, 4:50) 5:20, 7:00, 7:30, 9:40; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:35, 5:15) 7:55, 10:25; **Spirit: Stallion of the** Cimarron (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:00, 5:15)

7:30, 9:45; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 11:00, 1:10, 2:10, 4:20, 5:15) 7:25, 8:45, 10:20; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:35, 5:15) 7:55, 10:30; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 2:20, 4:30) 7:15, 7:25, 10:00; **Undercover Brother** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 2:55, 5:05) 7:15, 9:30; **Windtalkers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:50, 4:45) 7:40, 10:30

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100) **Bad Company** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:50) 4:35, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:35) 7:20, 10:05; **Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 3:50) 7:05, 9:55; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 4:55, 7:25, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:40, 4:55) 7:25, 9:50; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:20, 7:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:10, 10:10; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:00) 5:15, 7:40, 9:45; Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 3:00, 5:15) 7:45, 10:00; **Star Wars**, **Episode II: Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:55) 7:00, 10:15; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40) 4:45, 7:45, 10:30; Sun. (1:40) 4:45, 7:40, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:45) 7:40, 10:20; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:35) 4:40, 7:30, 10:25; Sun. (1:35) 4:40, 7:30, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:40) 7:30, 10:15; **Undercover Brother** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:10, 3:15) 5:25, 7:35, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:15, 5:25) 7:35, 9:40; **Windtalkers** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:05) 4:15, 7:15, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 4:15) 7:15, 10:20

Grossmont Trolley 8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. 8:00; Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 1:55) 4:50, 7:35, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:50, 5:20) 8:05; **Divine Se**crets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:50) 4:30, 7:35, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:20, 5:50) 8:35; **Insomnia** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 2:00) 4:55, 7:40, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 3:10, 5:40) 8:25; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:30, 5:45) 8:10; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:20, 3:45) 5:55, 8:05, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (11:55, 1:55, 3:55, 5:55) 8:15; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:25) 4:35, 7:20, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:25, 3:00, 5:35) 8:30; **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:35, 1:35, 3:35) 5:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:50, 3:40, 5:30); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:45) 4:40, 7:25, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:55, 5:25) 8:20

SANTEE

Santee Drive In 10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Scooby-Doo (PG); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sister-hood (PG-13); Spider-Man (PG-13) sort of title that seems highly unlikely to precede a good movie. What follows in this instance does not lower the odds. As a slice of family life in small-town America, the movie is so hell-bent on being "different" as to be unrecognizable as small-town America or as family life or even as a slice. (Lasse Hallstrom, the Swedish director of My Life As a Dog, ought to have felt right at home.) Within its own skewed guidelines, it delivers a couple of emotional payoffs: when the walrus-sized matriarch squeezes herself through the front door in order to rescue her younger son from jail ("My boy! Gimme my boy!"); and again when the older son stops being Prince Myshkin for a moment and tries to slap some sense into his retarded brother. With Johnny Depp, Leonardo DiCaprio, Juliette Lewis, and Mary Steenburgen. 1993.

★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 6/19 THROUGH 21, 9:20 P.M.)

Windtalkers — Reviewed this issue. With Nicolas Cage, Adam Beach, Christian Slater, Mark Ruffalo, and Frances O'Connor; directed by John Woo. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

555 Broadway (619-338-4214) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 2:45, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Enough (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimaron (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 7:45, 10:30; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15; Undercover Brother (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262) Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Bad Company (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Undercover Brother (PG-13); Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); Insomnia (R); Enough (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; The New Guy (PG-13); Unfaithful (R); Spider-Man (PG-13)

Rancho Del Rey 16

1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 1:30, 2:05, 4:55) 7:00, 7:30, 10:15; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 12:40, 2:00, 3:35, 4:40) 7:20, 7:55, 10:30; **Enough** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05) 10.20: Insomnia (R) Fri - Thu (10.20, 4.25) 9:55; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 12:15, 1:00, 2:30, 3:15, 4:50, 5:30) 7:05, 7:45, 9:30, 10:10; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 3:00) 6:55, 9:45; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:25, 2:35, 4:45) 7:10, 9:35; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 11:00, 1:10, 2:10, 4:20, 5:20) 7:30, 8:45, 10:45; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 1:15, 4:15) 7:25, 10:15; **The Sum of All Fears** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 11:30, 1:20, 2:20, 4:30, 5:05) 7:15, 7:50, 10:00, 10:40; **Undercover Brother** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 12:30, 2:40, 5:00) 8:00, 10:25; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 12:00, 1:05, 3:30, 4:35) 6:50, 7:40, 10:05, 10:35

Vogue

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436) About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:15, 7:45; Ice Age (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 6:00; The Scorpion King (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:15, 9:30

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In 2170 Coronado (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392) Bad Company (PG-13); Sorority Boys

MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20:

OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 9:55; Sun. (2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 5:05) 7:40; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:25, 7:40, 9:50; Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:25, 7:40, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:25, 5:20) 7:20; **Spi-der-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20, 3:55) 7:00, 9:40; Sun. (1:20, 3:55) 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 5:00) 7:35; Spirit: Stallion of the **Cimarron** (G) Fri.-Sat. (1:40, 3:40) 5:35, 7:30, 9:30; Sun. (1:40, 3:40) 5:35, 7:30, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 3:35, 5:25) 7:15; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:10) 4:10, 7:05, 10:05; Sun. (1:10) 4:10, 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 5:10) 8:10; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:20) 5:10, 8:00, 10:35; Sun. (2:20) 5:10, 8:00, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:30) 8:00; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:10) 5:00, 7:50, 10:25; Sun. (2:10) 5:00, 7:50, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 5:15) 8:05; Undercover Brother (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:50, 3:50) 5:55, 8:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 3:55, 5:55) 7:55; **Windtalk**ers (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:25, 7:20, 10:20; Sun. (1:30) 4:25, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4.55) 7.50

NORTH INLAND

Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:00; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:35) 5:05, 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (12:10, 2:35) 5:05, 7:40, 10:10; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:30, 7:15, 9:55; Sun. (1:30) 4:30, 7:05, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:05, 9:35; Insomnia (R) Fri.-Sat. 8:00, 10:35; Sun.-Thu. 7:50, 10:15; Sccoby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30) 5:00, 5:50, 7:20, 9:30; Sun. (12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30) 4:40, 5:40, 7:20, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:40, 5:40) 7:20, 9:30; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20) 4:55, 7:45, 10:30; Sun. (1:20) 4:25, 7:15, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:25) 7:15, 9:55; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:40) 4:50, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:40, 4:50) 7:00, 9:00; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:00) 4:20, 7:25, 10:25; Sun. (1:00) 4:20, 7:20, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:20) 7:20, 10:15; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 3:40) 7:50, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. (12:40, 3:40) 7:35, 10:05; **The Sum of All Fears** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 1:45, 2:45) 4:45, 5:45, 7:30, 8:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:45, 5:45, 7:30, 8:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:45, 5:45, 7:30, 8:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:45, 5:45, 1:01.5; Sun. (1:05, 3:15) 5:30, 7:55, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:15, 5:30) 7:55, 9:50; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:10) 4:15, 7:10, 10:10; Sun. (1:10) 4:15, 7:10, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:15) 7:10, 9:55

POWAY

Poway 10

14475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:15; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimaron (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 2:45, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30

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La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (760-599-8221) Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Insomnia (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:30, 10:30; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 5:15; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

2005 El Camino Real (858-646-9420) About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 5:30; Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:30; Insomnia (R) Fri.-Thu. 2:45, 7:45, 10:30; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:15; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:00; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:15, 9:30; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu 9:45, 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:15

Flower Hill 4

2430 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425) Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) Bad Company (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:00, 4:40, 7:15, 9:55; Sun. 2:00, 4:40, 8:15; Mon.-Tue. 2:05 (4:45) 8:30; Wed. 1:45 (4:20) 8:30; Thu. 2:05 (4:45) 8:30; Insomnia (R) Fri.-Sat. 1:2:0, 5:40, 10:30; Sun. 1:250, 5:40; Mon.-Thu. 2:20, 7:45; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Sat. 1:20, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Sun. 1:20, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:35 (5:45) 7:55; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:45, 4:30, 7:25, 10:15; Sun. 1:45, 4:30, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:15 (4:55) 8:25; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G) Fri.-Sat. 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45, 9:45; Sun. 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Tue. 2:30 (4:40) 7:40; Wed.

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, thirdperson, 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 trving for raunch. And the two young actors — Gael García Bernal and Diego Luna — are revoltingly convincing. But the character of the woman - the starvedlooking 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)

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Mission Marketplace 13

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401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733) Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Bad Company (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Undercover Brother (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G); Spider-Man (PG-13); Insomnia



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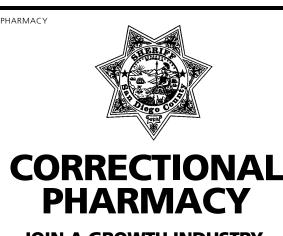


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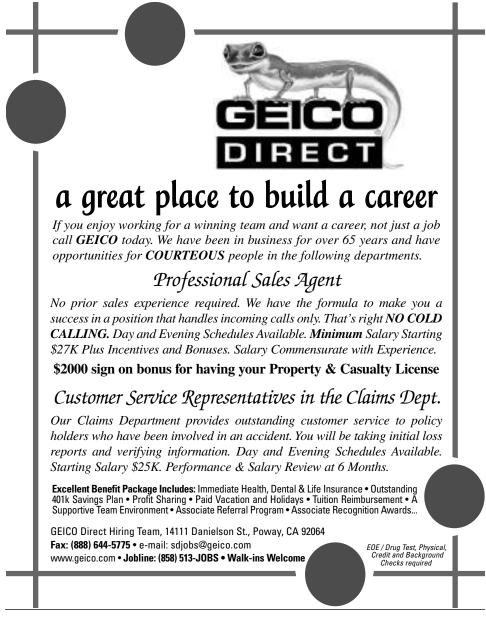
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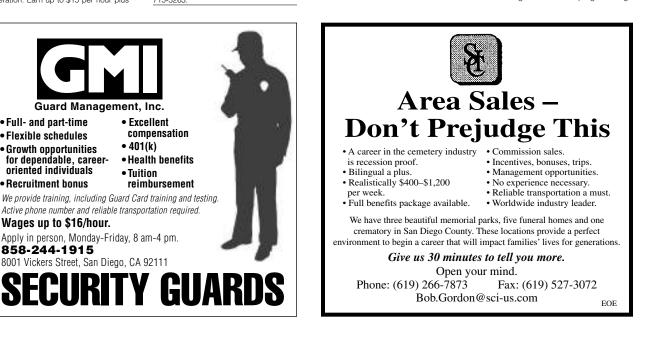
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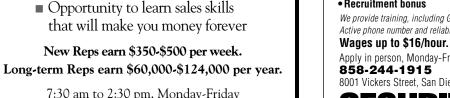
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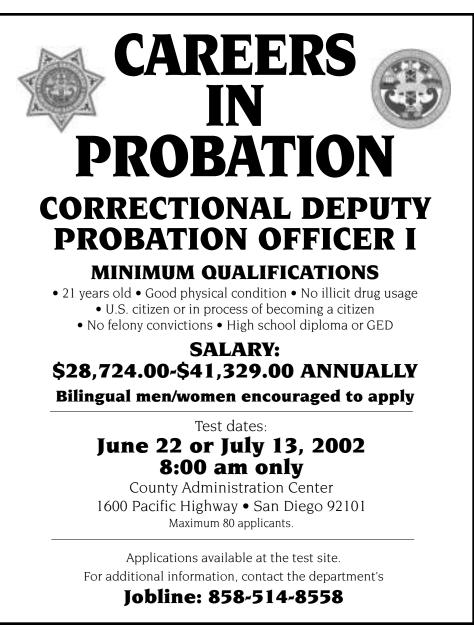
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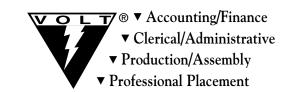
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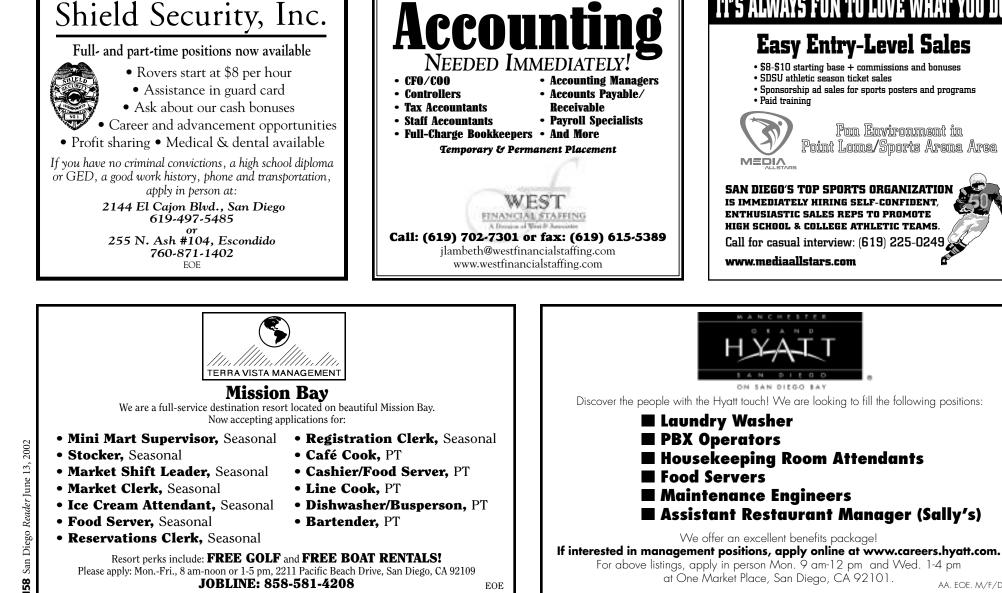
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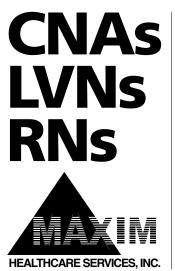
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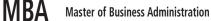




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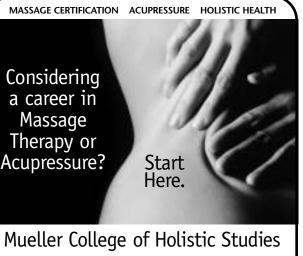
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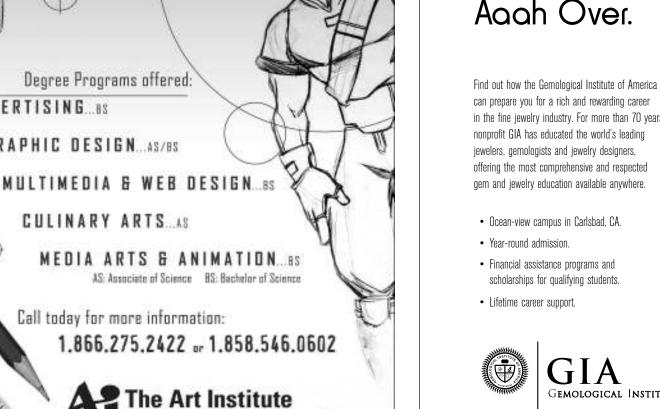
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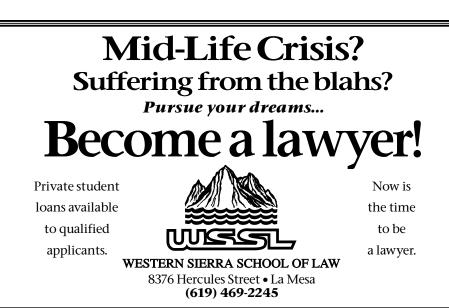
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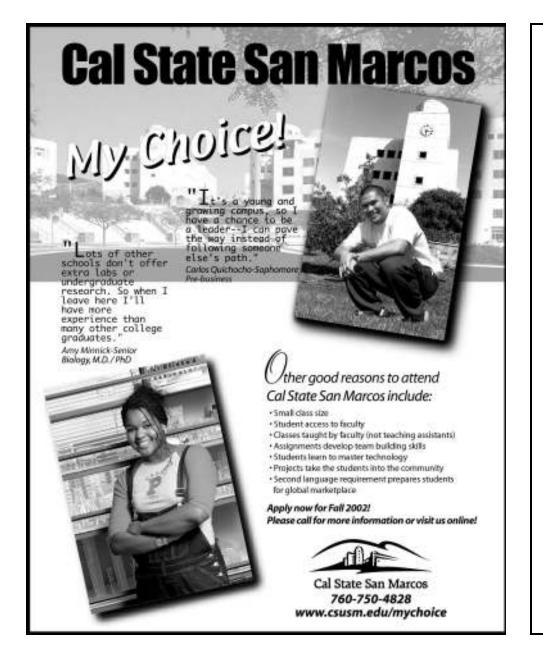
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10. Heaps

12. "Shoot!"

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25. Beat-up

13. Hog haven

11. Photo, for short

21. Breaks, like an egg or code

27. Prov. bordering Hudson Bay

Some ballplaying equipment

22. David Stern's league, for

26. Where homeys hang

30. Roswell sighting

32. Linguist Chomsky33. Cole ____

35. Tall story

39. Blueprint

others?

48. Lean-tos

52. Cry out

54. Fuss

46. Stops on a line

51. Editor's "let it be"

53. Eligible for service

55. .edu or .gov alternative

RULES OF THE GAME

56. Cause of widespread firing?

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34. Beer or water, perhaps

38. Showed great interest

43. Eggnog enhancement

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45. Touched one and then

50. "____ His Kiss" (golden oldie)

42. Letters of credit?

36. "Diary of ____ Housewife" 37. Tee follower

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- 9. With 39-Across, half of a 60's
- quartet 14. Andy's partner in old radio
- 15. Clinton aide Panetta16. Most likely ones to be invited
- 17. Particles in particle accelerators
- 18. Boat propellers
- 19. 1976 Best Picture 20. Vintner's direction?
- 23. Surround
- 24. Brit. playwright
- 25. "What's the person's name?" 28. "How was ____ know?"
- ___ know?
- 29. Barnard grad
- 32. Shootout time, maybe 33. L. Ron Hubbard genre
- 34. "Le Repos" artist
- 35. Sock puppeteer's direction?
- 39. With 9-Across, half of a 60's quartet

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- 40. Late breakfast hour "There ought to be 41.
- 42. Atlas features
- 44. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Roush
- 47. Foot: Suffix
- 48. Trifling amount
- 49. Tush 51. Animal rights activist's
- direction? 54. Like some triangles
- 57. Store department with
- jackets, ties and such
- 58. Rural structure 59. Nodded off
- 60. "Waiting for the Robert
- 61. Cool-sounding rapper62. Doesn't bother to mention
- 63. Happy64. Signals agreement

Down

- 1. Capital near the East China Sea
- 2. Sum
- 3. "Stav!"

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- 4. It means "very" on a music
- sheet 5. Like many stages when the
- curtain goes up
- 6. Exit location, usually
- 7. Part of N.Y.C. 8. Coast Guard officer
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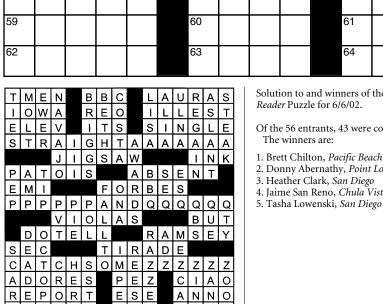
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- Of the 56 entrants, 43 were correct.
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- 3. Heather Clark, *San Diego* 4. Jaime San Reno, *Chula Vista*
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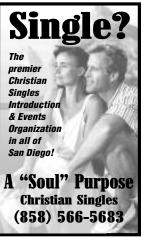
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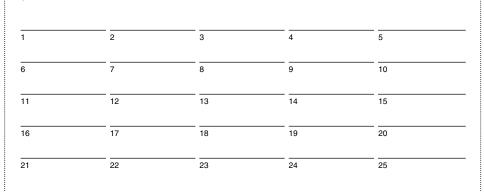
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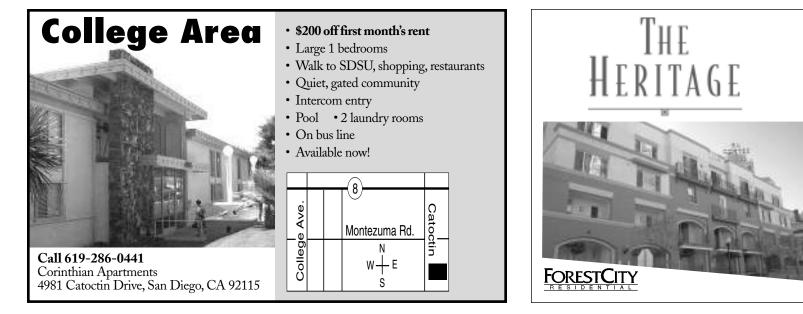
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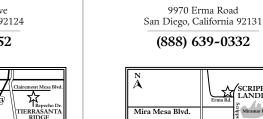
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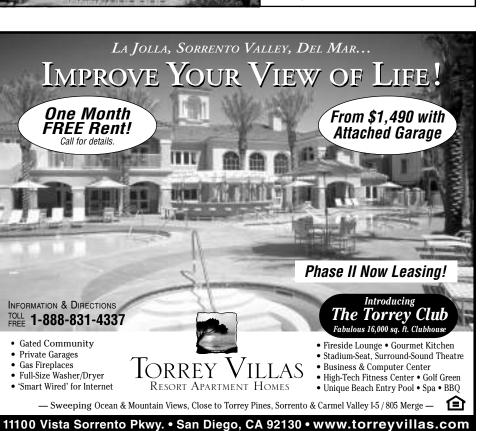
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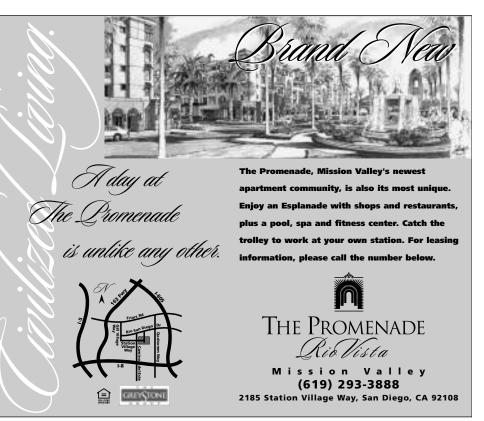




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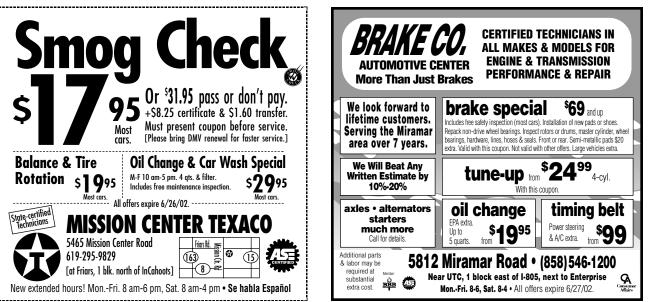
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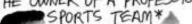
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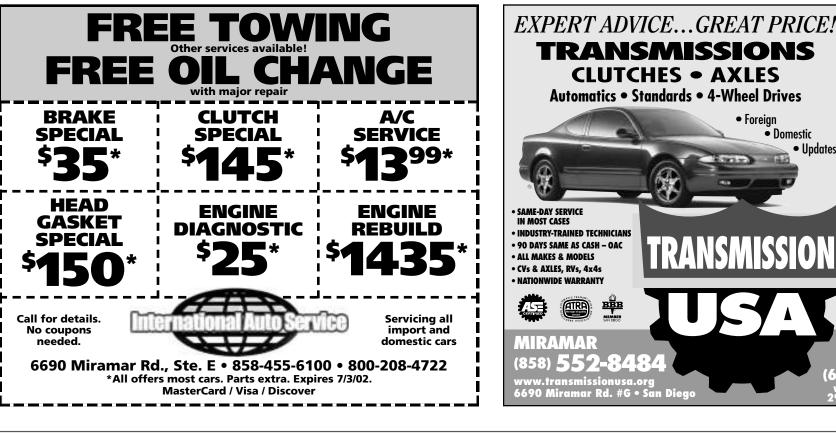
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This goddess of love was no hedonistic marshmallow.

<u>By John Brizzolara</u>

At the outset of this column in 1999, an early column, anyway, I mentioned that the word Friday comes from the Norse goddess Freya, but that was all I knew. Outside of academia, I thought, the only folks likely to know anything about this deity would be fantasy fans: the readers of sword and elfbooks, so many of which borrow heavily from Norse mythology. I was right. At least in one case, and a friend offered to download data off the Internet, but research in libraries and bookstores is half the fun for me. I found, among others, Myths of the Norsemen from the Eddas and Sagas by H.A. Guerber. Guerber had the most stuff on our girl.

Goddess of Love, Queen of the Valkyries, and sometime wearer of a falcon-feathered, superhero flight suit, Freya was the most beautiful and best loved of goddesses. Variations or avatars of Freya extended from Germany, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Iceland. Other names were Frigga or Vanadis.

This goddess of love was no hedonistic marshmallow. Under another alias, Valfreya, she was known to lead the Valkyries down to the battlefields, choosing and claiming one half of the heroes slain. This explains why she is often depicted with armor, helmet, shield, and spear.

Freya's great hall was known as Folvang. There she would welcome not only warriors but pure maidens and faithful wives. In fact, the place was so appealing to Norse women that they would sometimes rush into battle when their loved ones were slain, or fall upon

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their swords, or hop onto the funeral pyre with their husband's remains. Lovers prayed to Freya, and to this day, her name in Germany means "to woo." The goldenhaired, blue-eved divinity was sometimes considered symbolic of the earth. In this capacity she married Odur, symbol of the summer sun. Freya was nuts about him, but Odur had a wandering eye, went out for a pack of Kools one night, and disappeared for quite a while. Freya's tears fell upon hard rock and trickled into the center of the stone to congeal into gold.

On her search for the errant Odur, Freva had many adventures. During this time she took on other names such as Mardel, Horn, Gefn, Syr, Skialf, and Thrung. The territory she covered was so extensive and her grief so pervasive that gold can be found all over the earth except for the back yard at 1716 Washington Boulevard in Chicago where, in 1958, my brother and I dug up the property to find exactly nothing.

She eventually found him somewhere in the south under a myrtle tree, and all over the world, grass grew green again and flowers bloomed. The finest blossoms in the north were known as Freya's hair or Freya's eye dew. She also had a special thing for fairies and could entertain herself for hours watching them dance in and out of moonbeams. She visited the underground kingdom of Svart-alfaheim and met four dwarves fashioning the most beautiful necklace anyone had ever seen. She agreed to grant the dwarves "her favor" in exchange for their necklace. What that favor was exactly is unclear in the texts I found. Freya wore the necklace night and day, though she lent it to Thor once when he went to a party in drag (as Freya, in fact), somewhere called Jotun-heim.

Our goddess was also the owner of a magical garment of falcon plumes, a garment that enabled her to fly. This suit was borrowed twice by Loki the trickster god, and while I can't, at the moment, find what it was he did with it, it presents some great possibilities.

Goddess of fruitfulness and sister of Frey, she was often depicted in her brother's chariot being pulled by golden boars. She had a chariot of her own, however - drawn by cats.

Then came dark-bearded Niord, and after him Freyia, thin-robed, about her ankles slim The gray cats playing - William Morris

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magne), for success in love, prosperity, aid, and protection. Everyone wanted Freya; she was the "it girl" of her time. Mortals, of course, but gods as well as giants and dwarves all pursued her, but none with the passion and political connections of an ugly giant named Thrym, whom she was urged to cozy up to by Loki and Thor. One story has her marrying Odin as well as Odur, and that incorrigible scamp of a character assassin spread the rumor that she had loved and wedded all the gods in turn.

As Christianity gained momentum, many of Freya's qualities were transferred to the Virgin or Saint Gertrude. Freya, like all other heathen deities, was declared a demon or a witch and banished to the peaks of Norway, Sweden, or Germany (depending on who you ask) and resides in a place known as the Brocken, which is supposedly the meeting place of all kinds of supernatural undesirables on Walpurgis Night or Walpurgisnacht.

Goethe wrote about her in Faust, her and her flying witches. How a line can be drawn from Freya's mythos to Friday-night fish fries at the VFW hall could be a challenge to any mythology student looking for a term-paper subject.

Her legacy pretty much comes down to H.A. Guerber's final note: "As the swallow, cuckoo, and cat were held sacred to Freya in heathen times, these creatures were supposed to have demoniacal attributes, and to this day witches are always depicted with coal-black cats beside them.'

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Whiffs of *carne asada* on the grill filled our noses and our mouths watered as we chowed salsa and tortilla chips. The sun warmed the heads gathered around the patio table. Then my husband Patrick emerged with the only thing missing: a pitcher of blended margaritas. Condensation dripped down his hand as he poured out six tall glasses. "Blah," moaned Bernice, an old college friend. "You think they could have mixed a little real lime juice into the mix," laughed Patrick. Margarita mix soon became the obsession of the day, and the next thing I knew, I had been sent away on a mission to buy all brands of margarita mixes and bring them back to the party for tasting.

'Whooee, the margarita lady has arrived," velled our friend John as I returned

from my expedition. "Bring on the tasting,"

smiled John's wife Sarah. We decided to taste the mixes unadulterated, no tequila, no crushed ice, just mix to compare the brands. Sitting down around our 13 bottles of margarita mix, Bernice poured one glass per couple. "We can swap spit with our spouses," she laughed.

We started with the yellow-colored hometown native: Carl's Margarita Mix (\$3.99 for 32 ounces at Beverages & More). "Nasty acidity," grimaced Sarah, "sour, but not like it was from a lemon."

Finest Call Premium Margarita Mix (\$3.94 for a liter at Ralphs) was the color of lemonlime Gatorade and it had a handy pour spout. "It tastes the way you would

imagine Pine-Sol would taste."

"This smells like ammonia," exclaimed Bernice's husband Frank. "And it tastes the way you would imagine Pine-Sol would taste," added Bernice. "It is so high school bathroom cleaner," laughed Patrick.

La Paz Margarita Mix was the most expensive of the mixes I had bought (**\$5.69** for 1.75 liters at Ralphs) and contained 39 grams of sugar per serving. "There is much more syrup than sour taste to this," said Bernice. "You would feel like throwing up after two of these margaritas," added Sarah, "and you would have a wicked hangover the next

dav."

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"It tastes like the punch concentrate," John said.

"Wasting away again in Margaritaville," sang Patrick as he poured the Margaritaville Margarita Mix (\$4.29 for 1 liter at Ralphs). "Ooh, this is nasty," Patrick stopped singing, "it tastes like heartburn." "It smells like household cleaner, tastes like Pixie Stix," Frank added.

Beginning to doubt we'd find an excellent margarita mix, we poured out Boulder Beverage Company Mountain Margarita Mix (\$3.99 for 64 ounces at Trader Joe's). 'An ominous neon yellowy green antifreeze color," laughed John, "and it tastes like the Gatorade powder when you don't add enough water.

"A good acid, but a lot of syrup," said Bernice, "but it is not offensive." "If you take this mix and squeeze some fresh lime in it, you would have something decent," offered Frank. La Grande Margarita Mix (\$3.99 for 1.75 liters at Ralphs) won the prize for best label, with its vibrant colored toreador fighting a

bull. "Smells like Tempera paint," exclaimed John.

"Yes, it has a paint flavor, but with an extreme sour taste," added Bernice. "There is a hint of real lemon at the fin-

ish, but the paint in the center is harsh," said Sarah.

> An argument flared up over what should be the stronger taste in a margarita mix, sweet or sour. "I believe you want more sour than sweet," explained Frank, a connoisseur of adult beverages. After a few slugs of

water and some tortilla chips, we trudged on. Iose Cuervo's The Per-Mountain Margarita fect Margarita Mix (\$3.99 for one liter at Beverages & More) disappointed the group. "It is rather

blah," said Sarah. "It is not offensive, but doesn't have a sweet or sour taste to it," added Bernice.

BevMo! Bar Blends Margarita Mix (\$4.99 for 1.75 liters at Beverages & More) was too sweet, slippery on the tongue.

The all natural Maraca Three Citrus Margarita Mix (\$5.49 for 32 ounces at Beverages & More) smelled and tasted like rotten oranges.

Maraca Raspberry Red Margarita Mix (\$5.49 for 32 ounces at Beverages & More) looked too delicious to turn down when I was shopping, and proved itself in the tasting. "Though it smells like ketchup, it has a fresh raspberry taste to it, not terribly sweet," said Bernice. I thought it was a refreshing change from the traditional lime margarita.

BevMo! Mango Margarita Mix (\$4.99 for 1.75 ounces at Beverages & More), the other wild card I threw in, enticed us with its creamy color, orange with a tint of red. "This tastes just like an orange Popsicle," laughed Sarah. 'Or like the Otter Juice Pops that you'd eat before they were fully frozen," said John. "This is a keeper," I added.

On a sugar buzz from all the mixes, the conversation becoming giddy, we dealt out the Mr & Mrs T. Margarita Mix, the cheapest bottle of the bunch (\$2.49 for 1 liter at Beverages & More). "They stock cheap bars all over the Midwest with this stuff," Frank said.

"And you know all about cheap bars don't you?" John heckled.

"It smells like Pixie Stix but has a balanced sour and sweet taste, and you can actually taste lime in this mix," said Bernice.

The final mix of the evening was the Sauza Classic (\$3.29 for 1 liter at Beverages & More). "It smells nat-

ural, and it has a balanced sour and sweet flavor, said Frank. "I would place this a close second behind the Mr. & Mrs. T. Margarita Mix," added Sarah.

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Margarita.

Curious about making fresh margaritas, I called up my brother-in-law Danny for his recipe. He whipped up home-made margaritas at a bachelor party he threw for Patrick. Even a mention of them makes Patrick drool.

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Danny's Blended Margarita Recipe: Put 2 cups of sugar and 1 cup of water in a small saucepan. Swirl over the heat until the sugar completely dissolves. Take the juice of 6 limes and 1 or 2 tablespoons of the sugar syrup and pour over ice. Add a quarter cup of tequila for each lime and blend. For rocks or strained, use less tequila. The sugar syrup will keep in the refrigerator.

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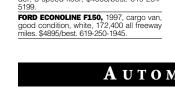
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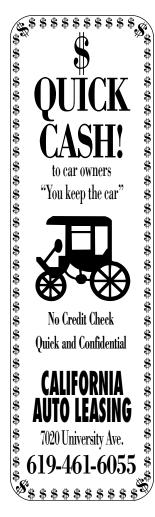
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My kids don't help much around the house. I have no one to blame but myself. I am not the sort of mother who can calmly watch a four-year-old pour cereal into a bowl and then splash milk from the carton onto the counter. Every year we color Easter eggs. Every year my husband Jack captures these precious moments on film. Every year when I look at the photos I ask Jack, "Does my face always look like that?" While the kids dunk hard-boiled eggs into cups full of dye, I hover around the table, my face an intense, pained mask, as though the children were assembling a nuclear bomb.

"Only when you're supervising the kids doing something you know you could do better,² Jack answers.

He's right. If you look in

the dictionary under "control freak" you might find a picture of me refolding the laundry Jack folded in an effort to help me. You might see me rearranging the dishes he stacked in the dishwasher. "The plastic cups go up front," I mutter under my breath.

The problem with being a control freak and having five children is that I can't possibly do everything that needs to be done around the house. So I either let the children and Jack help and find myself dissatisfied with the results, or I try to do everything myself and resent the rest of the family for making me work so hard. Either way, nobody's very happy.

Which is how I found myself haranguing the kids last Saturday. During the week, Jack gets up very early to make the commute from our home in San Marcos to his job in Santee. Sundays, we get up early to go to Mass. Saturdays, I let Jack sleep in. Last Saturday, I crept downstairs with Angela, who is seven, and 20-monthold Benjamin when they woke up around 6:30. "Can we watch KPBS?" Angela whispered in the early-morning gloom.

"Sure," I told her. "Just not too loud."

Angela settled onto the couch while I changed Ben's diaper. Rebecca and Lucy, aged nine and five respectively, joined us. They flopped onto the couch with Angela. When almost four-year-old Johnny walked into the room, he began to whine, "There's no room for me. The girls will make some room," I told

"Won't you, girls?" him.

Rebecca, Angela, and Lucy grumbled while they scooted over to make a spot for Johnny.

He climbed onto the couch and snuggled in beside Angela.

"Johnny's touching me," Angela complained. "Of course he's touching you," I answered. "There are four of you on the couch. If you don't like it, you can sit on the floor.'

Angela threw me an angry look and then stuck her tongue out at Johnny.

"Last chance, Angela," I told her. "Any more problems, and you're on the floor."

While the kids watched Bob the Builder and Dragontails and Bugs Bunny, I made coffeecake, fed Ben some toast and banana, and straightened up the kitchen. When Jack came downstairs a little before 9, the kids sat at the kitchen table eating coffeecake and drinking milk.

"Thanks for letting me sleep," he said. "What's the plan for today?" "I thought I could take the girls to get new

bathing suits this morning. Then we can go to

the pool this afternoon." "The pool!" the kids exclaimed together.

"Is the pool open?" Rebecca asked.

"It opened last week," I answered. "I got our passes vesterday.³

Every year, we buy a family pass for the two San Marcos city pools. During the long summer weeks when the kids are off school, we go to the pool almost every afternoon. This year the pool opened two weeks before Rebecca and Angela's last day of school.

"I'm going to go upstairs and get dressed," I told Jack. I picked up a laundry basket over-flowing with the kids' clean clothes. As I car-

ried the basket up the stairs, I called down to the girls, "While I'm getting ready, I'd like you guys to make your beds and put away your clean clothes. I'll set the laundry basket in your room.

"NO-O-O," Angela wailed. "It's too hard."

Rebecca stomped up the stairs behind me with her best sullen teenager expression.

I set the basket down at the top of the stairs. "Wait a minute," I said. "We're going out this morning to buy you girls new bathing suits so we can go to the pool and have fun. I make a perfectly reasonable request, and you act as though I've asked you to clean the whole house by yourselves.'

"But it's too hard," Rebecca echoed Angela. "I do everything around here," I preached. "You're nine years old, Rebecca, and you do almost nothing. I'm asking you to put away clothes that I sorted and washed and dried and

folded. That's not too hard." Rebecca stomped past me into her room and pulled her bed out away from the wall. Angela ran upstairs and tried to straighten the quilt on her bottom bunk. "I can't do it," Angela wailed and threw herself on the floor.

"That's it," I said. "Daddy can take the three little kids to the pool this afternoon. You two are staying home.³

Jack came upstairs, and we talked to the girls. We told them they would have to start doing more chores this summer. They apologized for behaving so badly. They didn't go the pool. I tried not to remake Angela's bed.

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