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Punks Pop Up on Midway Drive – See Blurt

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Am I Envious?

With regards to the cover story (“Who Is This Woman?” June 27), it disgusts me that a basket case with an identity crisis and a Kick Me sign emblazoned on her psyche scored a \$65K-a-year job despite lacking appreciable experience or applicable skills simply because she has a cheerleader’s physique and clever moments. Am I envious? You bet I am. I’m sure I could handle her duties, but because I’m obese and unremarkable in appearance, I’d never get the golden opportunity she’s bungled so badly. Shame on society in general, and Charles Steinberg and John Kern in particular, for equating physical attractiveness with intelligence and skillfulness. As for her alleged intelligence, only an imbecile would not only tolerate being a human punching bag multiple times but actually incite and provoke attacks by engaging in obnoxious behavior towards men. I feel much more sorry for her sons, who must have warped ideas about relationships, than I possibly can for her.

Tamara Jessop
Golden Hill

Klantee!

In the June 27 edition of the Reader, I was surprised but not shocked to read the responses collected by Sonia Saxon at West Hills High School in Santee (“Check It Out,” Pop Music).

After comparing their responses with the other schools’ responses, I now understand why Santee is often referred to as Klantee! What a pathetic and sad excuse for a student body. That such racial and sexual slurs are still used reminds me of my enlightening experience of attending high school in Alabama. I wouldn’t be surprised to find out that they hold separate proms for students based on race and or sexual preference!

No wonder that only 17 percent of the senior student body plan to attend a four-year university; they simply don’t have the brain power to make it in a diverse, challenging, intellectual world and are clearly not college material, though they could easily become mayors of small towns in Mississippi with no problem at all!

J. Garrett Peterson

Comfort Words

I took comfort from Susan Luzzaro’s words on graffiti

(“Reading Graffiti,” June 20). Living on a fixed income, I find myself unable to pull out of a gang-infested, graffiti-ridden section of Oceanside (which used to be quite livable). It helps to know there’s a writer out there who shares my concerns.

Leslie Hotchkiss
Oceanside

Not So Wise Wise

Naomi Wise’s most recent restaurant “review” is unworthy of publication in the San Diego Reader (“The Kaiser Kid,” June 20). Her “review” is biased, ignorant, and dilettantish.

Let me say first that I enjoy the Reader and look forward to it each week. Second, I have no relationship, either social or professional, to the restaurant, its employees, or owners. Third, I’ve never eaten there or visited there, as I’ve only recently moved to the area. Furthermore, I seldom write letters to the editor, but her “review” demands a response.

Perhaps her displeasure is of a personal nature. As evidence thereof, Ms. Wise admits to relenting reluctantly to her boyfriend’s “nagging” and “pathetic ‘hungry puppydog’ expression” and condescends to visit a German restaurant. She expressly stipulates her prejudice in the second paragraph and thus sets the disparaging tone for much of what follows. If this is indeed the case, her lack of objectivity is profoundly unprofessional.

She is ignorant.

Spätlese is not a type of wine nor a variety of grape. Spätlese means essentially “late harvest or vintage” and refers to the time the grapes were picked; the later the harvest, the higher the sugar content. German wines are, like French wines, named for the region and ultimately the vineyards from which they come. The wine may have been a Mosel wine, thus the wine might have been a Mosel, from Piesport, and a spätlese.

Pilsner Urquell is misspelled.

Lingonberries are not solely Swedish. It is traditional to serve fruit with game and/or cheese dishes.

Schnitzel refers to the cut of meat, not its preparation. A schnitzel need not be breaded and fried.

Kaiser means “emperor,” not “king”; Hof means “court” and a nearer translation would be the “Emperor’s Court.”

Most of the world’s cuisines are starch-based, whether rice, pasta, or bread.

Not until the end of her “review” do we, the readers, learn that the restaurant is popular enough to be busy during the week. And although popularity does not equate with quality, maybe there is something about the restaurant and its fare that Ms. Wise failed to observe.

Additionally, Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, contrary to a widely held misconception, produce many fine chefs. Even Ms. Wise has surely heard of some of them, like

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A cancer on the market These days it's called **Rebecca** and **John Moores** UCSD Cancer Center, in honor of a \$20 million pledge that Padres owner and UC regent Moores made at the height of his power and influence in 2000. As of a month ago, Moores had paid down the pledge with about \$17 million worth of Peregrine Systems stock, which fortunately was sold by the university well before the value dropped to 30 cents a share last week. The balance is due in 2006. But Moores isn't the only fallen stock market high-flier to be associated with the cancer center. Dr. **John Mendelsohn**, onetime star of the La Jolla establishment and the center's ex-director, is up to his neck in the ImClone scandal, which has also enmeshed preppy good-housekeeper **Martha Stewart**. Mendelsohn's role was recently recounted by *New York Times* columnist Frank Rich: "Dr. John Mendelsohn, who served on the board of ImClone even as it botched the FDA approval process for the cancer drug he developed, is the same John Mendelsohn who also sat on the audit board of Enron when it approved the corners-cutting partnerships that enriched a few insiders at the price of wiping out the company's plebeian stockholders. (Don't worry about the good doctor, though: he cashed out with \$6 million from ImClone, and the Houston hospital he runs, the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, raked in \$600,000 in Enron bucks.)"



John Mendelsohn

...A proposed gift to Stanford University by an executive of Oracle, the software outfit up to its ears in a state data-processing procurement scandal, has been linked to the son of state senator **Steve Peace**. As part of Oracle's attempt to obtain a \$95 million software contract without competitive bidding, company lobbyist **Ravi Mehta** wrote a January e-mail about a college publishing project being put together by Stanford student **Brett Peace**. "I believe Oracle should seriously consider making a contribution directly to Stanford and earmark it for this project. I assume Oracle generally makes such charitable gifts to higher education," Peace denies knowing about the proposed donation on his son's behalf, which didn't come off, but acknowledged to the *Sacramento Bee* that his chief of staff had talked to Brett about the project and called around to special-interest representatives, asking about how they made charitable contributions.



Steve Peace

Winging it San Diego's Wing Lee Poultry Company, based in an office on Euclid Avenue, is making a big splash in San Bernardino County's city of Chino. Veteran newscaster **George Putnam**, a fixture on L.A. radio and TV for more than 50 years, is opposing **Wing**



George Putnam

Lee's efforts to build a chicken slaughterhouse across the street from his ranch home. "I'm concerned about the slaughter of that many chickens at my doorstep," the 87-year-old Putnam told the *Inland Valley Daily Bulletin* of Ontario. Wing Lee

partner **Nguyen Phuong** acknowledged that the plant would process about 2500 chickens a day but said that only one truck would bring a full load of chickens in the morning and take them out later each day ... Ex-GOP congressman **Brian Bilbray**, defeated in his 2000 reelection bid by Democrat **Susan Davis**, has been making a living as a lobbyist ever since. His newest client: the right-wing Federation for American Immigration Reform, which gave him high marks for his anti-immigrant positions while he was in Congress. The former Imperial Beach mayor told the *National Journal* that this latest lobbying gig was a natural for him. "There's nothing extreme about rewarding people who play by the rules. Anybody who dares to stand up and say that immigration law needs to be enforced gets branded by a new McCarthyism. But it's just common sense: We should either enforce the laws or abolish them."



Brian Bilbray

Pitching property Arizona Diamondbacks pitcher **Steve Finley** and his wife **Amy** are trying to unload an 11,000-square-foot house they built on a 4.9-acre lot bought for \$2 million two years ago in Rancho Santa Fe. There's a theater, wine room, meditation courtyard, and 12 fireplaces, all for the asking price of \$7.5 million, the *Wall Street Journal* reports. The mansion was designed by **Larry Case**, who just finished a place in La Jolla for **Audrey Geisel**, widow of **Theodor**, "Dr. Seuss" ... Ex-San Diego city councilman and perennial candidate **Mike Schaefer** is out to top himself this electoral season. He's simultaneously running for public administrator of Nevada's Clark County and Arizona's Second District congressional seat ... On the guest list for Florida governor **Jeb Bush's** recent San Diego fundraiser: Monsignor "**Father Joe**" **Carroll**, District Attorney **Paul Pfingst**, and **Ken Van Damme**.



Steve Finley

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Protesters at NTC/McMillin project groundbreaking

Corky's Game

By Justin Wolff

Besides a smart piece here and there by Neil Morgan, the last interesting story to appear in the *Union-Tribune* about the redevelopment of the Naval Training Center ran last August. It reported on the mysterious killings of six feral cats on the former Navy property. A colony of the animals had been living on the compound for decades, and last summer some were found mutilated — one had been sliced in half, another decapitated. Jeff Hickox, a property manager for McMillin Companies — which was awarded a controversial contract to develop the area — said at the time, "We're not killing cats. We've got no reason to kill cats." Hickox suggested that birds of prey were the evildoers. "I'd say owls are the culprits," he said.

But Barbara Caliri, a member of a coalition that looked after the cats, had had

clashes with members of the McMillin team over the cats' well-being, and she insisted that they'd been killed by human hands.

Since that story, a cursory piece about the redevelopment project has run in the *U-T* about once every two months. One, from last October, outlined a lawsuit filed by John McNab's citizens group, Save Our NTC, seeking to enforce a 30-foot height limit on buildings on the property. Another piece, from this past January, reported on the inevitable rejection of that suit by Superior Court judge E. Mac Amos, Jr. He maintained that the injunction against buildings exceeding 30 feet did not apply to federally owned property. Other recent articles have focused on arcane



John McNab

recommendations by the California Coastal Commission regarding the redevelopment plan. The coastal commission fine-tuned the plan but demanded no radical changes. They merely insisted that certain buildings and areas on the property remain open to the public, which was the understanding to begin with. McMillin Companies hailed the recommendations, and the city council happily adopted them.

If the *U-T's* reporting is any indication, San Diegans have pretty much given up opposing the NTC redevelopment.

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Corky McMillin



Byron Wear



Susan Golding

We Did Not Want a Monstrosity

By Ernie Grimm

Out in Jamul, about a mile past the Simpsons' nursery complex, just past the fire station, and before the small town

gives way to open grassland, a cluster of prefabricated and trailer homes crown a hillock to the southwest of the road. A quarter of the way up the hillside behind the village, a tiny white church stands in contrast to the gray-green chaparral behind it. A cluster of grave-stones is just visible from the road. A sign along the road announces that this is the Jamul Indian Village. Since 1981, it has been recognized by the federal government as an Indian reservation, with 56 members to its tribe. And since the early '90s, it's been the center of a hot debate: Indian gaming.

Though the argument has raged for the better part of a decade, no casino has ever been built. Not that Jamul Indians couldn't have built a casino already, Bill Mesa, tribal councilmember, is quick to point out. "If we wanted to," the former El Cajon police officer says, "we could right now put up a building and, if we could get

machine licenses, put machines and tables and everything else that we want, and open a casino."

What's stopping the Jamul Indians (who, like the bands on the Sycuan, Barona, and Viejas reservations, are Kumeyaay) is the size of their reservation. Where the big three in Indian gaming — Barona, Sycuan, and Viejas — have 6000, 640, and 1600 acres, respectively, the Jamul Indian Village sits on 6 acres. Four and a half were donated by the Daley Family, which owns much of the undeveloped ranch land around Jamul, and one and a half — including the church and graveyard — were given to the tribe by the Catholic Church.

Because most nongaming Indian tribes, including the Jamul band, lack the necessary resources, outside investors must fund the planning and building of reservation casinos. "And they want size," says Jamul

resident and anti-casino activist Rick Hennen. "They need the size in order to make it economically feasible. But [on six acres] they are only going to be able to build something that is 16,000–20,000 square feet. That is all their land will support. Nobody is going to want to come in here and operate a casino that small. They want to be able to have 2000 slots, the maximum a tribe is allowed to have. In order to support 2000 slots, you have got to have 2000 parking spaces, the room to put the machines, etcetera."

But the Jamul Indians do have significant outside monetary investment, and they are planning a full-size casino. Though Mesa insists no plans have been finalized, he says the most current design proposal submitted by the architectural firm he has retained, Urban Design, out of Dallas, Texas, "was about 240,000 feet. That included

parking — 95,000 square feet of gaming area."

Sitting at a heavy wooden conference table in the modular tribal office building, Mesa insists that his tribe and its investors, Lakes Gaming out of Minnesota and Keane-Argovitz Resorts out of Texas, aren't going to accomplish this feat by building skyward. "It is not going to be, regardless of what anybody will tell you, or what you see on anybody's website — Jamulians Against Casinos or Dianne Jacob's or anybody else's — we are not planning on building a 17-story Vegas-style casino. The tribe met with several architects before we found one that will build something that we thought was subdued, that will fit into the countryside, and that we could live with too. Because, frankly, the tribe did not want the Hard Rock Cafe.

We did not want a monstrosity in here, we just wanted a casino." The key to the Indians' plan is to effectively expand the reservation. Mesa says, "Under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, the idea was that you could game on property. IGR said that if you had property in trust — in other words, you are a recognized Indian reservation, before the time that this law was

passed, 1988 — that it is okay to game on it. Well, for us, that is a 6-acre strip of land. So our priority at first was more land. And prior to even hooking up with Lakes, we had purchased the land where the fire station is. That property belongs to the tribe; it is a 4-acre plot that belongs to us. The fire department has been on a multiyear lease that they get for \$1 a year. So

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Church in Jamul



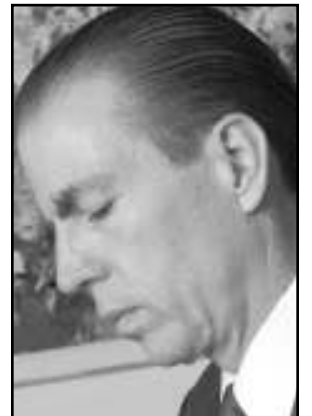
Casino plans



Rick Hennen



Marcia Spurgeon



Patrick Webb



Bill Mesa

Corky's game

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opment plan. Or maybe the paper's editors only realized what is now obvious — that McMillin Companies' plan

for the property, which will be called Liberty Station, is a fait accompli. Grading and construction on the property have already begun. To be sure, Corky McMillin faced obstacles and varying degrees of opposition before he or-

dered the first clod of earth to be moved on the site; what's extraordinary, however, is how McMillin has bobbed and weaved around the hurdles he's encountered. The opposing forces, it turns out, were not extraordinary,

for they've failed to stop the project. This is McMillin's game, and he played it with savvy.

But before he could flex his muscles, McMillin needed an all-important assist from a pliant city council.

Corky McMillin's massive enterprise, McMillin Companies, has been based in National City for more than 40 years. Really a conglomerate of homebuilding and commercial development busi-

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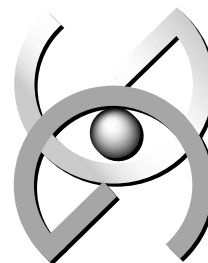
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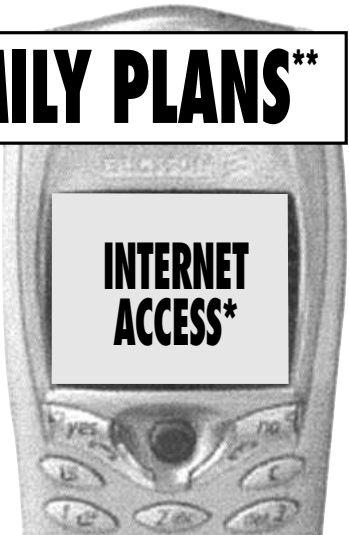
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nesses, McMillin Companies has constructed more than 15,000 housing units, mostly in the San Diego region, stretching from Carlsbad to Otay Ranch. Though he's undoubtedly a real estate tycoon, Corky McMillin banks heavily on his reputation as a neighborly sort who simply wants to create jobs in San Diego. He's received numerous accolades, ranging from a "Spirit of Life Award" (given by the San Diego Construction Industries Alliance for the City of Hope) to the 1990 "Man of the Year Award" (bestowed by the

Mexican and American Foundation).

Members of the San Diego City Council cited Corky McMillin's local ties when they voted on May 18, 1999, to delay considering bids for the redevelopment project, even though a citizens committee headed by the reputable attorney Milton "Micky" Fredman had recommended that Lennar Communities receive the contract. City Councilwoman Barbara Warden said then, "Obviously many of us have worked with Corky McMillin's company. We've seen those projects come to fruition. He happens to have the largest project in my district, Miramar Ranch North,

and my history with him — and I say it quite honestly — has been very public and very good."

City Councilwoman Christine Kehoe added, "In my personal experience in my neighborhoods... I've seen case after case where redevelopment goes forward most successfully usually when there's a strong local base and a real familiarity with the communities."

At the beginning of the May-delay hearing, City Manager Michael Uberuaga reported to the city council that the citizens committee recommended Lennar Communities for the contract. "The Manager's office does recommend that you enter into ne-

gotiations ... with Lennar Communities," he said. "That's the preferred alternative."

But City Councilman Byron Wear thwarted that recommendation. "I realize that the manager and staff as well as a talented group of citizen volunteers have spent a lot of time and energy to come up with a recommendation today," Wear said. "However, I think this issue is too critical of a decision to San Diego to not give this council the opportunity to hear from both finalists, and so [I ask for a] continuance for two weeks to allow full presentations from both Lennar and McMillin."

Another point of contention at the delay hearing

was whether councilmembers could talk directly with McMillin Companies and Lennar Communities regarding their plans for the project. Barbara Warden asked Mayor Susan Golding whether there was a legal prohibition against such communications. Golding deferred to Rick Duvernay, a city attorney, who said, "I don't think that there's a legal reason why you couldn't do that. But the reason why staff incorporated that into the selection process with the selection committee was ... [to have] some degree of control on the amount of information, the timing of receipt of information, and how that information gets to those

making a decision."

But Mayor Golding had the last word on the subject. "I think any councilmember who wants to meet with the applicants as long as there is no legal prohibition should do his or her utmost to find out as much about this project as possible to cast the most fully informed vote as possible," she said.

On June 1, 1999, the next city council meeting on the NTC proposals, McMillin Companies was prepared to make its final pitch for the project. However, Bob Santos, a division president with Lennar Communities, asked for a further continuance on the matter. He explained that

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while McMillin Companies had the opportunity to lobby individual councilmembers after the May 18 delay hearing, Lennar had not been able to meet with all members. "We did make an immediate effort after the last meeting to try to schedule calendar meetings with each of the city council people," Santos said, "but because of our calendars and because of the holiday and so forth, we were not able to meet with all the council people." Santos explained that he believed McMillin Companies had more opportunities to make its case than Lennar had.

City councilman Harry Mathis agreed with Santos. "I think fairness really is an issue here," he said. "I think, frankly, we're not under any deadline here, and I think that the proposal's important enough that we need to make sure that both sides are satisfied it's been a fair process." After some bickering

about continuance procedures, the council voted again to delay final presentations by the bidders, this time until June 22.

At that final meeting Corky McMillin exhibited the full range of his acumen. He argued that as a local he was more fit than Lennar — a New Stock Exchange Company that specializes in the redevelopment of decommissioned Navy bases — to understand what the city needed. Byron Wear was McMillin's most vocal partisan on the city council, and in his opening brief that day he said, "We need a partner with the staying power to make our plan work."

Wear added, "They [McMillin Companies] have focused most of their efforts in this region, which is good for us. They have been here and have almost unsurpassed knowledge of what it takes to make San Diego special. I think McMillin can and will capture the soul of San Diego; I think McMillin has the passion to make this project great. I think Lennar could get to this point of

knowledge in San Diego, but I think McMillin is already there." In closing, Wear offered this assessment: "This is an example of some very qualified developers [Lennar] not knowing some of the idiosyncrasies of San Diego."

Christine Kehoe, who seconded Wear's statements, felt it necessary to dismiss any suppositions of favoritism. "This is not a sentimental choice," she said, "despite what people think.... If I have questions about what's happening, I know who to call at McMillin. And I know I will get an answer from somebody that I've been working with on various projects over the years."

Only one city councilmember, George Stevens, alluded to the seemingly improper lobbying efforts of the two bidders. "If I did what was politically expedient," he said, "I would have listened to the phone calls I got at home. Unfortunately, I really don't appreciate being called at 10:00 at night on any council business, nor Saturday morning — as has been done. The pressure has been

on placing it [the choosing of a bidder] into a political context in my benefit if I vote a certain direction." But after this quirky preamble, Stevens towed the line. "I think all my friends who know me, who call me to impose upon me what I should do, know that I will not do things that are politically correct," he said. "I will always try to do what is right. And so I join the maker today of the motion in supporting McMillin for the NTC project."

Corky McMillin played his hand perfectly during the meeting. He brought with him Marc Kasky, the Yale-educated man who ran San Francisco's Fort Mason Center — an old Army base turned community village. Kasky oversaw Fort Mason for 19 years and guided its transition from an old base to a center that hosts classes, performances, and exhibitions for hundreds of San Francisco organizations. More to the point, Fort Mason Center has been fiscally self-sufficient for almost 17 years. In Corky McMillin's plan, Kasky's role was as the

administrator of the area's historic core, and on those occasions during the meeting when McMillin faced a particularly hard line of questioning, Kasky would step in to deftly allay any concerns and invoke the achievements of Fort Mason Center. (In a later development, it turned out that some of the \$2 million McMillin pledged for the formation of a foundation to run the historic core would go toward Kasky's salary.)

Corky McMillin's charms cast their spell. The city council voted 7-2 in favor of McMillin Companies, but not before Mayor Golding lobbied McMillin a softball.

Golding to McMillin: "Will you commit on the record to see this project through to the end?"

McMillin: "I am personally committed to see this project through to the end — and my sons are here to back me up."

Golding: "Okay, thank you."

Valerie Stallings and Juan Vargas cast the two dissenting votes. Vargas clearly and

succinctly explained his reasoning. He believed that Byron Wear's motion to go with McMillin over Lennar insulted the intelligence and hard work of the committee chaired by Micky Fredman, which had unanimously recommended Lennar for the development. "I can't support the motion as it is today," Vargas said in his statement. "I wish that I could, but I think that it slaps — that it goes in the face of the — it's really a slap in the face of the selection committee. And we'll be hard pressed, I think, in the future, to get a committee with this sort of high caliber and integrity if we're going to move them aside and not go by their recommendation."

A former port commissioner and attorney, Micky Fredman headed the search committee that unanimously recommended Lennar get the contract. I asked Fredman about the city council's rejection of the committee's findings. "Look," he said, "we made a recommendation and the city manager ac-

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cepted it. It went to the city council, and they decided they wanted to hear more. Nobody was supposed to change a single thing [about their bids], and then McMillin completely changed." Fredman was referring to how McMillin Companies pledged to match Lennar's funding for the historic core at the last minute.

"I tried to talk to people on the city council," Fredman continued. "Nobody would talk to me. We sent a letter to them, and they ignored it. I don't know what else to say; none of these folks are on the council anymore.

"We told them many times why we recommended Lennar. We asked McMillin to match Lennar's bid many times because we wanted to keep it local, but every time McMillin refused." There were a lot of differences between McMillin's original bid and Lennar's, Fredman explained. "He wouldn't do this and he wouldn't do that, but that wasn't the case when he went before the council. The only time he matched Lennar was when he was before the council."

Fredman also cited the city council's decision to communicate with the bidders as a factor in McMillin's being awarded the contract. "McMillin admitted that he went and called on every councilmember, so it's obvious that it was a political deal and nothing else. It's true they wanted someone local, but it's also true that that someone had contributed to each of their campaigns."

Considering that there's a \$250 campaign contribution cap, I asked Fredman how much money McMillin could have contributed. "Was it really enough money to sway the council?" I asked.

"That isn't the point," Fredman said. "This is a small town when it comes to money. He not only gave them money, but he could talk about setting up parks in their districts and could do other things to endear the members. He could help them win favor with their constituents. It's plain politics, nothing else.

"Look," Fredman concluded, "you can't blame

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McMillin. Everybody tells me he's a straight arrow, that he's a good guy. And he's certainly a good builder. The only thing McMillin did was say that he would pay something like \$15 million for this arts and cultural district, and now, the way it's written, he'll advance it, but the city will owe it back to him. Lennar was going to put up the money, period. But, again, you can't blame McMillin."

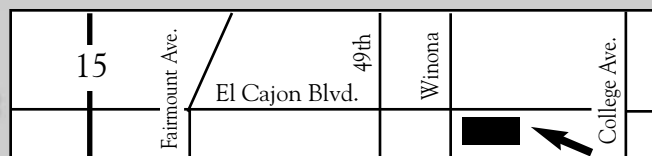
Since Corky McMillin's good fortune on June 22, 1999, his project has been under attack, but nothing yet has really rattled him. Most critics point out that the city continues to adjust his contract terms in a manner that will benefit McMillin Companies rather than taxpayers. But Corky McMillin has a simple defense; as he constantly reminded the city council during those meetings in 1999, this is not charity work. Most recently, the project has been condemned by the Peninsula Community Planning Board, a community-based citizen body created to work with the city's planning department to formulate and implement land-use issues, including those on the Naval Training Center. On May 28, the board, which had previously supported commercialization of the land, reversed its position and voted 7-2 to oppose the project. In a long list of enumerated allegations, the board charged, among other things, that the profits promised to the public have gradually shrunk, that the city has granted McMillin "major concessions," that "public input has been marginalized," that "historical buildings on NTC are not being maintained by the developer in a manner that preserves their historical integrity as required by Municipal Code," and that the redevelopment will create "traffic gridlock" in adjacent communities. The board added, "We are concerned with the City of San Diego proceeding with the demolition and construction of NTC even while there are outstanding lawsuits against the project, still on appeal," and then concluded, "Due to these permanent and non-mitigable impacts, decisions made without the [board's]

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review or consent, the Peninsula Community Planning Board protests and opposes the continuation of the present, yet to be implemented, commercial development plan for San Diego's Naval Training Center."

Cynthia Conger, chair of the Peninsula Community Planning Board, told me she doesn't know how the board's vote will impact the redevelopment. "Will our vote have any effect? I have no idea," she said. "The people are just starting to get behind us because they've been misled by the misinformation being put through."

She added, "I'm not happy with either the City or McMillin. There are people who have worked with McMillin down at the city running things along, but I haven't gotten any response from them. McMillin's people haven't shown up for the past three months at any of our meetings. They don't seem to care one way or another, and the same things have happened in other areas where McMillin has been — they make promises and then don't fulfill them. But then again, they have the best negotiators on their side negotiating with people who are babies at this."

In a letter dated June 17, 2002, and sent to Mayor Dick Murphy, Corky McMillin, and the U-T, John McNab, of Save Our NTC, spoke to the outstanding legal appeal the board mentioned in their decision. McNab was the main force behind the suit charging the city with violating a 30-foot height limit placed on buildings on the site. "Indications are that foundations for buildings currently planned to be 30 foot or higher are soon to be poured," McNab wrote. "We wish to remind the Mayor and Council that the issue of whether buildings at NTC can be built above thirty feet from existing grade is presently under appeal in the Fourth District Court of Appeal. The appeal papers for this appeal were filed within the last three weeks and have been served on the City Attorney and the McMillin Companies' counsel." McNab ended his letter with a

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warning. "The grading and construction is being performed solely at the risk of the City of San Diego and the McMillin Companies."

McNab recently launched one more salvo against the Naval Training Center development. On June 25, the city council met to deliberate on whether the property should be financed in part by Mello-Roos funding, which allows communities to raise money by taxing property owners within special districts. The city council, therefore, also considered how much property owners within the boundaries of the nascent Liberty Station will have to pay under Mello-Roos districting. McNab, who sees such an arrangement as one more handout from the city to McMillin (as one less financial obligation for the fortuitous developer), waited hours — along with six other opponents — to speak against the districting before the city council. Regardless, the city council voted 7-1 in favor of Mello-Roos districting. Donna Frye was the sole councilperson opposed to the plan.

But McNab told me recently that he refuses to quit his crusade against the McMillin plan. "McMillin has more to deal with than our outstanding suits," he vowed. "There are bodies buried everywhere when it comes to this deal, and we're out there with shovels and we'll keep digging."

But as a June 16 U-T article by Neil Morgan declared, "City spokesmen dismiss the swelling opposition of 'some Point Loma residents' as coming from a fringe group," meaning McNab's Save Our NTC. Either way, Corky McMillin isn't worried; in the words of Byron Wear, he knows the "idiosyncrasies of San Diego." ■

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when Lakes came in, they bought another 87-acre parcel to the west, and then just to the other side of Melody Lane, that little road that you pass when you drive in here, there is a 10-acre parcel that they purchased. What we are working on right now is getting that land put into trust. When I say put into trust: once it is in trust to the fed-

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eral government for the Jamul Indian Village, it will become Indian reservation land. And then we can game on that land."

Patrick Webb, a Jamulian attorney who has waged a one-man legal war against the Jamul band's casino plans, disputes Mesa's claim that newly acquired land would make gaming legal. It's one of a few fronts on which he's fought the war against the casino. "[The Indians] believe," Webb says, "that if that land was in trust status, that it would qualify to allow Indian gaming to take place on it. [My clients] do not believe that is what

the statute says. The National Indian Gaming Statute says that you have to have a reservation that is either declared as a reservation by the President, by Congress, or by a treaty ratified by the Senate."

Mesa says that's only half of the story. "The federal regulations on that issue say you can game on land contiguous [to a previously existing reservation]. And all the land we're buying is contiguous to the original land."

Webb is fighting the casino on another front: tribal membership. He represents Walter Rosales, a charter tribal member who disputes the legitimacy of the current tribal council president and members and

claims to be the tribe's true president. He's supported in this claim by a second tribal member, Karen Toggery. Since 1995, Webb has filed seven lawsuits advocating Rosales's and Toggery's claims. Among those named as defendants have been elected tribal officials, the federal government, and the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs. All of Webb's suits have been dismissed and now are pending appeal.

At the center of the lawsuits is the tribe's founding constitution, which dates to 1981, when the band of Indians living on the reservation were declared a tribe under the Indian Reorganization Act, a 1930s federal

statute designed to provide groups of Native Americans, who could not prove their historical tribal existence, a way to gain recognition as a tribe. "Reorganized tribes," Webb explains, "since they are considered to have been tribeless at some point in time, are squeezed into this mold of what the Roosevelt administration decided was going to qualify to be a reorganized tribe. Each one adopted constitutions, just like the 50 states all have constitutions. Now, the one in Jamul specifically requires that to be a member, you had to have half-blood or more as far as the degree of Indian blood you maintain. Persons of half-degree or

more California Indian blood who resided in the Jamul Indian Village at the time of the adoption of this constitution — it was adopted in May of 1981 — those are the members. And there are two other provisions that pick up all the heirs, all the people that come after them. The problem that my clients have faced is that [some new members] are not half-bloods or better, they are quarters, sixteenths, sixty-fourths."

Mesa counters, "When we did our first constitution, it was for half-bloods because that was the minimum under the IRA [Indian Reorganization Act]. That was

the minimum blood quantity that you could have under an IRA tribe. So we started out with 23 people who were the tribe. Later on, the tribe had what they call a secretarial election — and the secretary I am talking about is the secretary of the interior — by which we amended our constitution to include quarter-bloods. There are tribes out there that are down to sixteenths and thirty-seconds blood. Besides, the Bureau of Indian Affairs says, 'Your enrollment is your business.'"

Webb also contends that the Jamul tribe has no right to game on their reservation because the gaming compact

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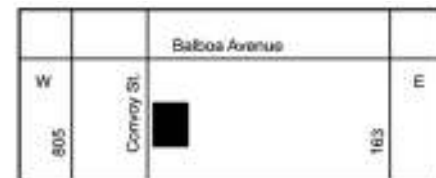
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between the State of California and its 107 tribes requires the tribe to hold a federally issued "class-three gaming ordinance. And to date, despite them trying to do this for eight years, they never adopted a class-three gaming ordinance in Jamul, so the very ticket by which they would get to use their compact with Governor Davis to allow gaming doesn't exist, because they never passed such an ordinance."

Mesa responds, "We don't have a class-three gaming ordinance; we have a class two. But you have to have a class-three ordinance *when* you game. The head of the Na-

tional Indian Gaming Commission sat right at this very table, and we asked him if it was a big deal that we didn't have the class-three gaming ordinance, and he said, 'No, that is not a big deal.'"

Mesa adds, "Class three would allow the slot machines. Bingo and things like that fall under class two. But the head of the National Indian Gaming Commission said that until we have the machines, we don't need to have the class three. And, as a matter of fact, he said if you have a class two, when the time comes, all you need to do is write an amendment to the class two and say, 'We now want to have a class three,' and that it's almost an

immediate approval."

Hennen steers his royal blue, leather-upholstered Dodge Dakota along west on serpentine Highway 94, just east of town. It's 6:30 in the evening, and the Jamul sun bathes the car in golden light. Where the road bends sharply north, the little homes of the reservation come into view straight ahead. On the hillsides, the white walls of red-tiled villas shine in the low-angled sun. Past the fire station and a long-closed prime-rib restaurant, "downtown Jamul" comes into view. "The biggest problem about the casino plan," Hennen says, "is this road. This is why the town is up in arms. This is

the only way in and out of town, the only major thoroughfare. It is two lanes, and there are many, many accidents. There were four teenagers that were killed on this road within the last nine to ten months in four different incidents. And now the Indians are talking about adding numbers as low as 10,000 cars a day and as high as 25,000 cars a day and possibly serving alcohol. It is a recipe for more disaster."

Through downtown and a quarter of the way down the Steele Canyon grade toward Rancho San Diego, a 7-Eleven store pops up on the right. "This is one of two intersections in Jamul," Hennen says, "that Caltrans

grades at level F. The other one is a little further down."

Level F, Hennen explains, "means failure. It means the traffic gets deadlocked, and you are just stuck there. It's like that every morning and every afternoon here."

Marcia Spurgeon is a real estate agent who works primarily in Jamul. An outspoken critic of the casino, she brags about the foothill town's charms as she drives her Jeep Cherokee up and down the hilly roads. "One of the nice things about Jamul," she says as she cruises east on Lawson Valley Road, "is our starry sky at night. We have a dark-sky ordinance out here. Notice there are no streetlights. And

homeowners can't have certain kinds of outdoor lighting. As a result we have wonderful stars at night. That's another thing that the casino might ruin."

The fact that the Indian village isn't subject to the zoning laws that would preclude any non-Indian group from building a similar-sized project in Jamul galls Spurgeon. "If you want to do something like that," she exclaims, "you should go by the rules!"

However, she visibly chafes at the idea of resigning herself to the idea of a Sycuan-sized casino in Jamul. "I'll stand in the middle of Highway 94 first. I feel that strongly about it." ■

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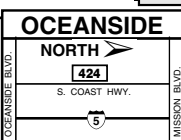
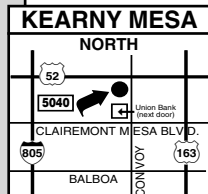
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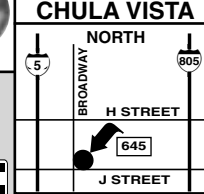
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BY MATTHEW ALICE

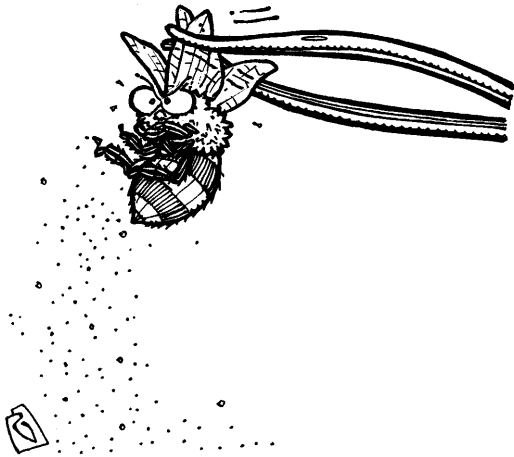


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Matt:
Bee-ing a concerned smoothie drinker, me and a few colleagues were wondering what the actual process was in collecting bee pollen that we use in our smoothies. A few of us were hoping that the bees were not being injured in extracting the pollen.

— C, the net

Just as baby oil is not oil squeezed from babies, bee pollen is not pollen squeezed from bees. Smoothie technology is not built on the suffering of our insect brothers. So-called bee pollen is, of course, plant pollen that sticks to bees' legs when they forage in blossoms for nectar. It's carried back to the hive to be stored, like the nectar, as food for the colony. Beekeepers use specially constructed hive boxes that force the hunter-gatherer bees to enter through a screen that knocks some of the pollen off their sturdy worker legs and into a collecting tray. The whole process is buzzer-friendly and nonviolent. Peace and juice, dude.

Dear Matthew Alice:
In *Rex Reed's People Are Crazy Here*, in the chapter on Alfred Hitchcock, he writes, "His favorite people in history are Lizzie Borden, Jack the Ripper, and a man who murdered his wife and buried her under the San Diego Freeway." She's still there, you know. I'm dying of curiosity.
— SB, San Diego

Well, we can't have that. In response to your 911 letter, I'll supply a little informational CPR. The woman rumored to be part of the asphalt landscape in Los Angeles was Evelyn Throsby Scott, L.A. socialite and bad judge of character. She hopped into her Mercedes one night in 1955 to go buy some toothpaste and never came back. At any rate, that's the story the police heard from her husband of five years, Robert Leonard Ewing Scott, who then proceeded to distract himself from his grief by forging lots of Evelyn's checks. Before her relatives and the grand jury put a stop to it, Scott had cheered himself up to the tune of a million dollars or so.

Scott eventually went to trial for her murder, bragging that the prosecution couldn't touch him because they'd never found her body. No corpse? No crime, the defense argued. At that time no one in the U.S. had ever been convicted of murder without physical evidence of a victim. But in this precedent-setting case, the prosecution successfully documented the "suddenly interrupted life pattern of Evelyn Scott"; the jury found her husband guilty, and he received a life sentence.

Naturally, there was rampant speculation about Evelyn's whereabouts. Among the rumors was the story that Scott had stashed her remains in a freeway construction site near their home, leaving the State of California to pave over the evidence. This supports my theory that when nature creates an information vacuum in our brains, we'll fill it with whatever seems the most fun, the most sensational, the story most likely to appear on the cover of a supermarket tabloid. We'd rather believe Evelyn's part of a freeway off-ramp than the more likely explanation that her husband burned her remains in the family's incinerator, where her glasses and teeth were found.

Hey:
Friends say if you're stung by a stingray and there's no medical help or fresh water around, you can urinate on the wound and it will make it better. Well?

— Wondering, Oceanside

It's a well-known folk remedy, though I couldn't find any folk who'd actually tried it or knew anyone who had. Believers state that stingray venom is acid, urine is alkaline, so peeing into the wound neutralizes the poison. Some say you're safer from infection if you flush the wound with urine than with potentially contaminated seawater. Most physicians will still recommend the seawater.

The tail barb of a ray is viciously serrated and covered with a fleshy sheath. When an unalert beachgoer steps on a dozing ray, it whips its tail up and jams the barb into the bather's foot or ankle or gashes his flesh. The sheath tears off the barb, and the venom is released. For the next 30 to 90 minutes, our hapless surf bunny writhes in excruciating pain. Assuming the victim will let anyone near his swollen, throbbing leg, the recommended first aid is to flush the area — yes, even with seawater, if that's all there is — to remove as much venom as possible. Then remove as much of the fleshy sheath as can be seen in the wound. (The biggest danger from stingray stings is infection, usually from bits of sheath remaining in the wound.) Then stick the wound in water as hot as the victim can tolerate or apply hot compresses. That eases some of the pain and may help neutralize the venom, which is chemically unstable and loses its toxicity at high temperatures.

Stingrays' barbs are intended for defense against marine predators, so there's not enough venom in the sting to seriously affect the average healthy adult human. There is a chance of allergic reactions to the sting; and any stings to the upper part of the body, near the heart, should be taken seriously. Since we're heading into the high-summer ray days, remember to scuff your feet through the sand when you wade to scare off any rays before you step on them. Then you'll only have to worry about wounds from broken beer bottles and medical waste.

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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Bring The Food Out On A Plate

I got your packet in the mail. It says you're expecting 6000 kids in San Diego.

"Yeah, 6000 athletes, and add parents to that."

Speaking is Sandi Hill, executive director of California State Games. The outfit is a nonprofit that puts on annual Olympic-style games right down to opening-day ceremonies, lighting of the torch, and parade of athletes.

I move the phone to my left hand and pick up my cup of coffee. "How did it start?"

"Our first games were in 1988. The nonprofit started in 1987."

"How's it going?"

"It's going great. In fact, in some sports, we hit a max capacity in San Diego, so we've gone to regional competitions around the state. Athletes are qualifying to come down here."

Currently, about half of the athletes are high school age, 30 percent are junior high school students and the final 20 percent splits between elementary school kids and adults. Events include: track & field, archery, badminton, golf, gymnastics, judo, weightlifting, basketball, soccer, swimming, wrestling, water polo, and more. Participants compete for gold, silver, and bronze medals. I don't know if they test for steroids.

"Okay, but how did the games come about? Did somebody wake up one morning and shout, 'You know, what we need around here is a statewide mini-Olympics?'"

"No, it's a national program. It's in 44 states. Back in 1987, I was surprised there were no state games in California. I did due diligence and made it happen."

"Married, kids?"

"Yeah, got that. Married, one kid. I was born in Texas, came out here to get my masters at USC in sports management. I stayed and eventually ended up doing the games. I'd done events in the past; I've done tennis tournaments, golf tournaments, and gymnastic championships."

Hill pauses. "This is a grassroots program of the U.S. Olympic Committee. For a lot of kids, their dream is to go to the Olympics. Very few actually make it. This is like an Olympics for the State of California. They're treated like Olympians from the moment they check in."

"This gives them the feel of a multisport event. They're all very competitive. They, pretty much, compete year-round in their sport. But, they don't go to anything that has big opening ceremonies and 19 other events besides their own."

I sense the presence of a *Selling Point*. But, the question is how all this fits into the Great American Sports Digestive Tract. I say, "I'm wondering about high school basketball. For talented kids, high school basketball teams aren't the place to be anymore; it's getting yourself in the right summer camp. That's where you go to show yourself to college scouts and coaches. Basketball camps have become more important than high school basketball teams."

"Club sports and summer camps, yeah. The majority of our athletes are on club teams whether it be track, gymnastics. . ."

"Club track teams?"

"Oh, yeah, huge. We have 1200 kids coming to our track meet and they're all club kids."

Of course, why should a sport be seasonal? "So, it's the same way in track as basketball? It's more important to be in the right club than on a prominent high school team?"

"Yeah, 110 percent through clubs."

"Is it the same way in, say, archery?"

"Yeah."

Parents, get your money-sinkhole-of-a-kid in the back yard. Have the little scalawag practice his

bow and arrow seven days a week from the age of four on. Bring food out on a plate. "Everything else too?"

"Yeah, it really is."

I believe her. "If I were a college coach and had a few scholarships in archery, where would I find the best archery clubs?"

"There is a Junior Olympic Archery Development Club around the country. If you can be a part of that, then, you're in. Each sport is a little different, but every sport has something in place."

Now I'm becoming depressed. "So, you've got to be hip enough to know—whether you're weightlifting or wrestling or playing Ping-Pong—that the action is in clubs and you've got to find the right club." I let that hang in the air. "It's such a premeditated, year-round, this-is-a-job way to play games."

"Right."

"And that's just the way it is?"

"What it's turned into. I'm not saying it's good or bad. Many kids specialize in one sport now, where,

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before, most athletes were multisport athletes."

I know the answer, but still ask, "And they start young?"

"Right, very young."

The Opening Ceremony of the California State Games will begin at 8:00 p.m., July 12, at the Patrick Henry High School stadium. The games conclude on July 14th. Event venues are located all over San Diego County, from Coronado to Del Mar to Chula Vista to El Cajon. Get details on the Web at calstate.org or call 619-682-3436.

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Diversity: predominately white; some Hispanic and African-American
Services: special Sunday-evening services, July 28, August 18, 6:00 p.m.

Journey Community Church is conducting an experiment. This summer, over the course of four monthly Sunday-evening services, Reverend Ed Noble hopes to encourage his congregation to “experience some different expressions of worship.”

Journey is an enormous, successful nondenominational evangelical church with Calvinist tendencies. Last Sunday evening the first hint I got of Reverend Noble’s “different expressions” was that Journey’s immense sanctuary was dimly lighted and a dozen candles flickered on tables arranged in front of the stage. Dim lighting and candles aren’t things I associate with Calvinist-leaning evangelicals.

I knew without question that something was up when, during the first of the evening’s dreamy soft-rock hymns, several women to my left fell to their knees. To my right, a middle-aged man knelt and kowtowed. Kneeling and kowtowing aren’t things I associate with Calvinist-leaning evangelicals.

Dressed in Hawaiian shirt, cargo shorts, and sandals, Reverend Noble took the stage.

“I know some of you are asking, ‘What’s with the darkness? What’s up with the candles?’ Well, the Lord’s really led us in a certain direction; the Lord’s really led us to add some *intentionality* to our worship. The reason it’s so dark is so that you’re not checking out the person next to you, seeing how he or she’s dressed. You’re not watching what he or she is doing. You’ve probably noticed that we’ve taken out some rows of seats to give you guys more room to move, more room to worship God in the way that He moves you. Tonight’s not about what happens up here at the podium. Tonight’s about what happens out there among you, about how you *worship* God. We’re adding some verticality to this night.”

Reverend Noble explained that the Hebrew Bible described several specific forms of worship in which the worshipper’s hands were raised heavenward, palms facing either in- or outward. Reverend Noble said that in the Hebrew Bible worshippers as matter of course knelt or prostrated themselves when praising God. He said that while everyone continued singing, they might try raising their hands or assuming another Hebraic posture of worship, even if they might not have ever done so before.

“This is a safe place to put yourself outside your comfort zone.”

While the 7-piece band played more soft-rock hymns and the 15-member choir crooned, people sang along and perhaps half of them either knelt or assumed some other attitude of submission. I noticed that many of the spontaneous postures adopted by these evangelical Protestants very much resembled the standardized movements performed during Islam’s *salah* prayer. When I later mentioned this to Reverend Noble, he was unfazed.

“The human body, Muslim or Protestant, can assume only a finite number of postures when worshipping God. Kneeling. Prostrating yourself. Holding your palms upward. I mean, it’s mechanics. The human body can do only so much.”

I might have dismissed all the kneeling and prostration as so much evangelical faddishness if it weren’t for the effect that movement had upon the 500 or so people at the service. Many of them, men and women, began to cry. It wasn’t the heart-wrenching sobbing you sometimes hear in Pentecostal churches. Last Sunday evening at Journey, the people

wept as though they’d been humbled, as though the physical experience of kneeling and prostrating themselves had taught them at long last what deference to God meant.

When Reverend Noble at the end of the service invited everyone to come forward for Communion, I watched wide-eyed as many people knelt before consuming their bit of bread and tiny cup of grape juice.

“What’s next?” I asked Reverend Noble after the service. “Incense? Confessionals? Reunification with Rome?”

Reverend Noble laughed.

“I definitely think the Calvinists in some ways went too far. They were so afraid of dead ritual, empty ritual, that they threw out anything that anyone might possibly construe as ritual. They threw out *any* physical experience of worship whatsoever. Of course, I don’t want us to

become hanging-by-the-chandelier holy-roller Pentecostals, either.”

Reverend Noble told me that his thoughts about the physical experience of worship started to change five years ago. He said certain evangelical Calvinist authors like Richard Foster taught him that there might be something to kneeling, to fasting, to physical solitude, after all. I suggested to Reverend Noble that these ideas seemed removed from Calvinism.

“Yes. But one of the major points of Reform theology is *sola scriptura*, the question of whether something does or does not have a biblical basis. Again and again in both Old and New Testaments we find very clear references to physical behavior during worship. You worship God with your entire *being*, which includes your body. 1 Timothy 2:8 says, ‘I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.’ What we’re doing has a biblical basis. And I believe we can explore this without going off the deep end.”

— Abe Opincar



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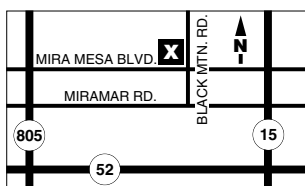
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My brother-in-law, who has six children by three different women, expects his sister, my wife, and me to invite all six of these kids to our house every summer for a family reunion in San Diego. The kids all live up north around L.A. It wouldn't be so bad if their mothers weren't so rotten and if the children were different ages. But the kids are all about the same age in grade school, and at least

one of the mothers has done jail time, and we are afraid to have her in the house for fear she will steal. The kids arrive hungry and dirty, and the mothers come with them. My wife and I work and have good jobs and a nice big house and a pool, and the mothers and kids treat us like a hotel. I hate these kids, these mothers, and my brother-in-law. Would it be wrong of me to offer to put them up in a nearby motel?

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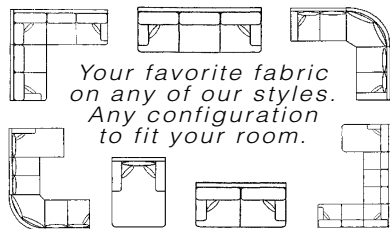
Dear George,

Heavens! Just because your brother-in-law has got reproductive proclivities to rival the biblical patriarchs, it doesn't mean all his wives and children get to pitch their tents in your back yard. Spare yourself this suffering. Where is it written that you have to put up ten or more people each summer, regardless of your preferences and needs, when they behave badly and make you miserable to boot? I'd think you'd need a hotel license or a permit to open a school or day-care center to handle a crew that large. If these aggressive relatives can afford to stay at a motel, then do offer all possible assistance in finding an establishment that suits their needs and installing them there. If they can't financially swing staying at a motel, but you can treat them to such an experience, and you are willing to do so, it would be difficult to argue with such whopping generosity. Often it works best for family to stay at a motel when they descend upon your town. Your privacy at home remains intact, and you're relieved of the burden and strain of trying to accommodate a battalion of uninvited housemates. When you do spend time together, you'll enjoy it all the more because you won't be resenting the massive imposition of nearly a dozen rowdy houseguests. And when you've had your fill, you can send them back to the Motel Harmony, close the door behind them, and breathe a well-earned sigh of relief.

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FOUR ITALIAN GARDENERS SHARE GARDEN AND KITCHEN SECRETS

There's a reason why Italian cooking is one of the world's great cuisines, and it doesn't have much to do with four-star chefs, innovative cooking techniques, or secret ingredients. The reason can be summed up in a common Italian saying: *Dalla terra alla tavola*, "From the earth to the table." Freshness is all. Italian food is usually homegrown and hand-picked just hours before it is eaten.

This simple fact makes San Diego an ideal place for Italians to practice the ways of the old country and keep their traditions alive. San Diego is a gardener's haven — a bit more rain would make that haven "heaven" — and over 200 edible crops are grown here. I set out to find some Italian gardeners who kept their gardens primarily for the purpose of supplying fruits and vegetables for their daily meals, or for the daily meals of others.

In America, we're used to making tomato sauce from canned tomatoes, serving an antipasto of red and yellow peppers dug out of a Trader Joe's jar, and getting our herbs in small plastic bags from Ralphs. In a *real* Italian kitchen, these items, as well as the eggplant that is the main ingredient in *melanzane parmigiano*, the basil and oregano that marry their flavors with the tomato sauce, the beans that make up a white bean salad, the rosemary that lends the olive oil a sweeter edge for dipping, and the arugula that gives any salad a superior lift, would be found in the back yard.

Certainly they can be found in Santino Giametta's back yard in Burlingame, where he and his wife have lived for the past half century. Giametta was born on October 25, 1912, in a small fishing village on the southwest tip of Sicily called Mazara del Vallo. He lived on a farm where the family grew wheat and grapes, primarily to provide bread and wine — the basic sustenance of Sicilian life — for the table. At mid-century, Sicily was going through difficult economic times, and Giametta, along with many of his countrymen, left for a better life in New York City. Since the climate and surroundings in New York were not suitable for farming, he took a number of odd jobs, working in the garment district and in construction — anything he could get to feed his family, a wife and four daughters he had brought with him from Sicily.

The family lived in New York from 1949 through 1954, in cramped quarters on Knickerbocker Avenue in Brooklyn. Giametta became intrigued by the letters his wife Antonina was getting from her sister Katie, who lived in San Diego with her husband Antonio, a tuna fisherman. Katie waxed elo-

quent about the weather, the ocean, and the thriving Italian neighborhood around India Street and its environs. In 1954, Giametta packed the family onto a train at New York's Penn Station and set out for San Diego. They joined the Italian-American community in Little Italy and for four years lived in an apartment house on the corner of Union and Laurel.

One of the attractions of San Diego was the climate — a lot closer to that of southwestern Sicily than that of New York City. Here Giametta could do what he loved best: till the earth and bring forth its bounty. He could garden virtually all year



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round. He established a gardening business, tending gardens for fashionable homes in Point Loma, Mission Hills, and Kensington. In 1958, the family moved to a modest single-family house in Burlingame. A son, Salvatore, was born in 1960.

I sat with Giametta, a small, slim man, wearing a baseball cap that said “God Bless America” on it, at his dining room table. His son Salvatore, now 42, beaming with pride, sat with us, translating the Sicilian dialect his father still speaks. Santino said he found the transition from Sicilian farmer to San Diego gardener relatively easy. And as soon as they moved to the

Burlingame house, he could keep his own garden and grow more things than he could in Sicily.

In 1974 he suffered a mild heart attack, after which he continued to do a few odd gardening jobs until he retired from “professional” gardening in 1977 and devoted himself fully to growing his own plants and vegetables. Salvatore says that doctors have attributed his longevity — especially his relatively good health after his heart attack — both to the fact that he is so active in the garden and works at something he loves and to his diet of fresh fruits and vegetables, pasta, and



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Tony Di Bona

PASTA WITH ZUCCHINI GIAMETTA

- 1 ONION, PEELED AND CHOPPED
- 2 CLOVES GARLIC, PEELED AND MINCED
- 2 T EXTRA-VIRGIN OLIVE OIL
- 1½ CUPS CHOPPED CRUSHED TOMATOES,
FRESH OR HOME-CANNED
- 2 MEDIUM ZUCCHINI, PEELED, QUARTERED
LENGTHWISE, AND CUT IN HALF-INCH
PIECES
- 1 LB LINGUINI FINI OR SPAGHETTINI
- GRATED RICOTTA SALATA OR PARMIGIANO
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Sauté onion and garlic in olive oil over medium-low heat until onions are translucent. Add crushed tomatoes, mix, and allow to simmer for 20 minutes. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Add zucchini to simmering sauce and cook for 8–10 minutes or until it is tender. While sauce is simmering, break pasta in three pieces and add to 6 quarts of salted boiling water. Boil until al dente — about 6 or 7 minutes or according to package directions. Do not overcook. Drain pasta in colander and transfer to serving plate. Cover with sauce and toss to mix thoroughly. Sprinkle with cheese and serve.

olive oil, along with some fish and fowl.

It's clear when you talk to Santino that gardening is his first love. We got up from the table to tour the garden, and as we strolled around his property, he pointed out fruits, vegetables, and herbs growing everywhere. Though I visited him in late January, many perennials and other plants were still in bloom. The primary vegetable garden is a plot of tilled land about 30' x 30' in the back yard. I was surprised to see it so green and thriving at this time of year.

"That's the pleasure of being in San Diego," said Salvatore, who is the vice president of community relations for the San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau, "you get 'fresh' produce all year round." In fact, perhaps taking his cue from his father's garden, Sal enthusiastically talked up a promotion tout-ing San Diego as a great din-



Santino Giametta

ing destination because chefs can get newly picked ingredients here anytime. The Food Network recently aired a special about San Diego facilitated by the visitors' bureau and emphasizing "The Art of the Fresh," as the camera follows four well-known San Diego chefs on

their quests for high-quality ingredients from local farms and farmer's markets. And so Santino Giametta's garden may end up having more influence on our community than he would have ever imagined. Santino makes a sweeping gesture, taking in the

green sea of growing vegetables. "In the summer," he says in broken English, "all this is tomato." Right now it is primarily covered with a spinach-like green the Sicilians call *burani*, as well as another green called *gyrie*. Here and there are arugula-like plants called *gardela*. All

of these will find their way to some member of the family's table. At various times of the year you can discover fava beans, green onions, eggplant, peppers, garlic, onions, and, one of Santino's favorites, zucchini, which the Giamettas refer to by its Sicilian name, *cucuzza*. Some of these zucchini grow taller than a person. Sal points to a metal tomato stake nailed to a tall pole. "That's to hold the *cucuzza*," he says. I asked Santino what kinds of tomatoes he grows, expecting him to reel off a variety of types. "Roma," he says, "only Roma." Roma is, of course, the familiar pear-shaped tomato that is excellent for Italian sauces. Since Santino likes to can large quantities of these for use during the winter, it makes sense that he limits his crop to Roma tomatoes. The whole family is well supplied throughout the year. Unlike many San Diego

gardeners who stagger their plantings, enabling them to have several harvests one after another, Santino likes his tomatoes to come in all at once so he can do the canning just once a year. He plants 10 to 15 seeds evenly spaced in five-gallon pots during the first week of March. It is important that the soil in the pots be kept moist. If the soil dries up, the seedlings are history. After about six weeks, he removes the small tomato plants from the pots and transplants them in the garden. If done carefully, few plants will be lost. Santino uses steer manure for fertilizer and stakes the individual plants with traditional round-wire tomato stakes. Most of the tomatoes will be ready for picking in late July and early August. Each year he harvests enough for about 50 large Ball jars; the jars are packed back into their cartons and stored on shelves in

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the garage.

The Giametta family has many special recipes that come from the bounty of its garden. Before I left, I asked Santino for one of them and he generously obliged. With Salvatore translating, we managed to put on paper a wonderful and distinctive recipe. It has all the qualities of a great Italian dish: it's fresh, it's simple to prepare, it's nutritious, and it's satisfying. As soon as I got home, I used the jar of home-canned tomatoes he gave me to make it, and I pass Santino Giametta's gift on to you. (See recipe on page 31.) You can get it from the earth (or at least your fridge and cupboard) to your table in a half hour, and you'll not only enjoy the food but the smile on everyone's face.

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I met Enzo Condina at Arrivederci in Hillcrest, one of the many Italian restaurants in San Diego that he

supplies with fresh produce — especially the signature "spring mix" of lettuces, greens, and herbs grown on his 26-acre farm in Escondido. We were supposed to meet for lunch at 1:00 p.m., but Condina did not show up until nearly 2:00, and I had just about finished a dish of pasta with arugula grown on his farm. Antonino Mastellone, the owner of Arrivederci, had arranged the meeting. Condina apologized profusely for being so late and said he could not stay long. He is a diminutive man in his 50s who seems constantly in motion. His cell phone rang several times while we talked, and we spent most of our brief time together that afternoon trying to arrange another meeting the next day in Escondido.

Condina's farm is tucked into a grove of eucalyptus and oak trees. When I arrived, I was struck by the con-



Condina farm

junction of the beautiful natural landscape and the discarded refuse of contemporary civilization. The place is strewn with automobile parts, rusting lawn mowers, plastic chairs, pipes of all sizes, piles of rubber tubing, discarded furniture, old refrigerators, and other junk, all

dramatically lit by the sunlight filtering through the dense oak and eucalyptus branches. Condina greeted me wearing a plaid flannel shirt and baseball cap and apologized for the mess the place was in. "I've got to clean all this up," he said, sweeping his arm to take in the lit-

tered landscape. He pointed me in the direction of a makeshift shed where a trio of workers sorted and washed piles of lettuce on a table frame covered with black netting. Speaking to one of the workers in an engaging mix of Spanish, Italian, and English, Condina told him

to show me around and that he would be back in ten minutes.

I took a quick tour of the front garden, a plot about 50 yards square where row after row of spring greens flourished. (Again, it was January, so "spring greens" may be a misnomer.) Condina did return shortly, and we sat down at a nearby table and talked about his thriving produce business and how he got into it.

He was born in S. Eufémia d'Aspromonte, a little town in the very toe of the Italian boot, close to Reggio di Calabria. Like Salvatore Giametta, he originally arrived in New York but was drawn to California because of the climate. "Southern Italians," he told me, "don't like the cold. In 1971, I started a restaurant business, and I was in the restaurant business for nearly 20 years, but I got tired of it. All the time I was running restaurants, I

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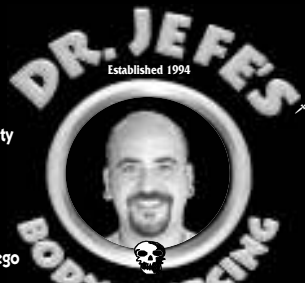
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always kept a garden and grew my own produce. One of the reasons I decided to get out of the restaurant business is to work outdoors. From practically the beginning, I knew I liked gardening more than being inside all day. It started off just as a hobby — more for relaxing than anything else — but soon I discovered that I enjoyed it much more than I enjoyed taking care of restaurants. I love seeing things grow. So I started to plant more seeds, to grow a little bit more. Expanded. And you know, I have no experience in the beginning. But I know because my family in Italy had a farm. I was a kid then. I grew up on a farm. I remember so many things. When I was a kid I worked on the farm too. So I take the knowledge, and I remember from my father and my grandfather, my relatives over there.”

As Condina shifts the conversation from operat-



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Cabbage

ing restaurants to planting gardens, I notice a change in his demeanor. His face gets rosier; his manner becomes more animated. All the gardeners I spoke to talk of planting and growing vegetables in an almost mystical way. They seem in touch with age-old rituals con-

nected to the cycles of nature. It is this connection that has been severed for so many of us who buy our food in supermarkets, and this is what T.S. Eliot had in mind when he wrote, “April is the cruellest month.” It’s cruel because as nature blooms it reminds us how out of touch we are

with the regenerative powers of the natural world. “It’s an instinct,” Condina says. “I use the common sense and the knowledge I got from growing up on a farm. Sometimes I call my uncle or my aunt over in Italy and say, ‘How do you do this?’ and they give me

tips. But most of the time it was just instinct. So when I started growing these things, it was just for myself, for the restaurants. I have lots of friends in the restaurant business. We would be talking and I would say come and see the farm. And they liked what they saw, and I began selling to a lot of Italian restaurants in the area: La Strada, Panevino, Portobello, Grey-stone, Bella Luna, Arrived-erci, all these restaurants. For nearly two years now, they get all their salad greens and herbs from me. “It’s a very small operation. Sometimes I sell larger amounts to distributors, but I prefer to sell to restaurants because the other is too much pressure. When you sell to distributors you need to produce big quantities, and I don’t want that pressure. For me, watching these things grow is a pleasure, not work. When you need to meet deadlines and produce huge

amounts, that’s work.” Originally, Condina grew all sorts of vegetables, but he learned that to succeed in a small business, it’s best to specialize. As nearly all restaurants serve salad, he set about to “design” a salad that would have a distinctive flavor and could be a refreshing accompaniment to virtually any meal. “When you have a restaurant you always look for something new, so I tested a lot of salad combinations. I wanted something special, something different. Mizuna and totsoy give it some taste, make it a little spicy. Arugula is a little bitter. And the radicchio gives color. So we try to put together a combination of a lettuce with different taste to give it a nice crispy texture as well.” Condina spoke disparagingly of some of the supermarket salads called mesclun: “They put a few items together just to look good with the color. We want it to look good, but we pick our salad to really put a whole range of favors in one dish; they have to go

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together, they have to blend. Each one tastes a little different. People are tired of Caesar salad and tasteless iceberg lettuce, so we have to make something more distinctive.”

He settled on a mix of 13 to 14 greens and lettuces: lollo rosso, red oak, red romaine, green romaine, and tango; to that he adds friseé, some arugula, radicchio, and three items that are essentially oriental greens: mizuna, totsoy, and red mustard. Various other lettuces and greens are added depending on what flourishes in a particular season. As Condina described this, he made it sound like a formula for a fine Italian wine.

Condina walked me around the farm showing me the varieties and explaining how each was grown. Each large plot of tilled land consists of long three-foot-wide mounds. In each mound there are three rows of dif-

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family.” Condina has 14-year-old twin girls and a daughter of 18. He and his wife Marisol, a Mexican woman he met on a vacation in Mexico, own a lovely home in Rancho Bernardo, not far from the Escondido farm. His is a busy but fulfilling life, lived close to the land, in touch with the cycle of the seasons, even in the eternal summer of Southern California. “How about a recipe for some of these greens?” I asked. “Ask Antonino,” he said, “he’s a much better cook than I am.” So I did. You can find this dish, Fettuccini with Arugula and Goat Cheese, on the menu at Antonino Mastellone’s Arrivederci Restaurant in Hillcrest, where you can have it with the arugula grown with love at Enzo Condina’s farm in Escondido. Or you can make it yourself at home with the recipe on page 37.

“Generally, from when you seed, to get to the first cut takes 35 to 40 days. Some kinds of lettuce will grow quicker than others. Lollo rosso, spinach, and Italian parsley take more time to

grow than some other greens. But the arugula and the Japanese greens grow very fast when the weather is right. Of course, we grow the herbs in the greenhouse: rosemary, chives, dill, basil, oregano, mint, thyme, and marjoram.”

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Tony Di Bona is a San Diego native, born in the heart of Little Italy.

He reminds one of a character out of Lorenzo Madalena's *Confetti for Gino*, the Italian-American novel serialized in the *Reader* a couple of years ago. His family came originally from Castellamare del Golfo in Sicily, just near Palermo, and they were mostly mariners. Di Bona's father, Mario, became a tuna fisherman, and his family worked in the tuna-fishing industry in San Diego for many years.

I met Di Bona in the garden of a house he owns on Pontiac Street in the College Area. Though he and his wife Giovanna live in Kensington now, he rents this house to his father-in-law and maintains the garden here that he started many years ago. Di Bona is a jovial and upbeat man in his late 50s, with distinguished gray-black hair. On the day we talked, he wore a black "Roma" T-shirt with a drawing of the Roman Coliseum embroidered on it. Everything about Di Bona says "Italian."

"I can't remember not having a garden," he said. "All the houses that we lived in, starting in Little Italy on



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Nico Calavita

Columbia Street, always had a little garden. I think it comes from Sicily, where around their own villages back home they had little gardens. My father used to grow vegetables — carrots and tomatoes, of course — and whenever he would go out to sea fishing, I would be given the task of maintaining the garden, especially the tomatoes. That was his main pride. I had to make sure they were watered and nourished, and I picked the ripe ones when they came due, and so that

tradition sort of prevailed in my blood. Ever since that time when I was a little boy, until today, I have been always interested and inspired to continue that tradition. I was thrilled the other day when my son, who is 30 now, just bought a house in La Mesa and he got a little curious about this and said, 'Dad, give me some tips, I want to start my garden.' So I think the tradition is going to keep going.

"We used to have a large yard here with just nothing

but grass, which I thought was a waste of water in this arid climate — to just keep watering the lawn and have it turn into crabgrass and all sorts of terrible things. I thought, well, I am going to expand the garden that I have here, which was very small at the time, to something that contains raised beds. I constructed 12 raised beds 3' by 12' and filled them with very good topsoil, nourished them with organic materials, and planted tomatoes. We had bumper crops of toma-

atoes for several years. I even canned the tomatoes and made nice sauce out of them. We still have a few bottles left from last summer."

The garden at Pontiac Street is an area about 50' by 50'. For sheer variety of vegetation, Di Bona's is the most diverse garden I have seen. In the center sits a large apple tree that Di Bona says has acclimated itself to San Diego and makes Delicious apples in the summer. There are also citrus trees — lemon, lime, grapefruit, and orange — lining the garden's edges. I looked around for a fig tree, since fig trees are ubiquitous in Italian gardens. "Where's the fig tree?" I asked.

"When you go to someone's house you can tell if they're Italian because you will see a tomato plant for sure and a fig tree. I don't have a fig tree. I did but it died. The reason I put one in is because that is part of the icon of the yard."

Since Di Bona's was the first garden I'd seen that was partitioned by wooden framed beds, I wondered aloud if gardening this way helped him to control weeds.

"Weeds always seem to find their way into any place you put dirt, it seems. That is the devil's playground; when you don't have anything else in there, they'll be there. The bed is not so much for weed control but for drainage. The drainage is much improved; I can control the water situation with the plants in the soil. As it is, there is a lot of adobe in the soil around here, and it maintains a very wet kind of substructure, which is not too healthy for the roots. So I find this method is really very good. The soil is better controlled, and I can till it much easier. I have an automatic watering system here which I nourish the plants with. It has four zones which feed all of the boxes, and they are on timers. When it is not so hot I will water every other day. I can adjust the length of watering, so it is very well managed in that respect. I have my water set to run daily for four minutes during warm periods and every other day if it's cool and overcast. I don't want to get the soil excessively saturated. I have read that it is best to water during the day (1:00 p.m.). This

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prevents dampness and moisture to build up overnight, attracting bugs. Also it's good to keep the bed clear of dead foliage, as this will attract snails and slugs that can chew your young seedlings down to a stub. I use snail bait at times to control that problem. I haven't tried beer. I understand that will attract the critters too."

The variety of plants and vegetables grown in Di Bona's garden is impressive. He has something different coming up in every season. When I visited in early February, there were lettuces and radishes and artichokes, and many root plants, like beets and carrots, and onions, which can be grown year-round. Di Bona pointed to the various lettuce plants, which were thriving.

"We try to keep lettuces going during the summer, even when it is not usually the best time to grow them. I try to grow those in the shady part of the yard so that they don't wilt too badly. We love fresh garden lettuce. I have not been to the store in ten years to buy lettuce. We pick it right from the yard here at all times. We even share that with some of the bugs once in a while. I never use chemical pesticides in any produce here. Sometimes we use garlic, some lemon and soap spray — those types of organic things. And sometimes I will put flowers in that attract the insects to them rather than to our tomatoes. These are some of the secrets I pass on to my son.

"We also grow arugula, which is a very nice thing to add to your salads. Of course, it's too early for tomatoes, but soon I'll be planting them. I usually put down 30 tomato plants of various types. Like right now, I have some seedlings growing right there in the center, which I formed a little greenhouse sort of with a plastic wrap over. So those are coming up, as well as peppers, and once they are large enough and it gets a little warmer — I anticipate this spring will be a little warmer than normal, so I can probably start a little earlier. I can start putting down my peppers and onions and tomatoes and things like that.

"Each time I plant, I move from one box to the other, changing the plants. I don't put the same plants in the same box every year.

FETTUCCINI WITH ARUGULA AND
GOAT CHEESE, ARRIVEDERCI
STYLE

- 1 LB DRY FETTUCCINI PASTA
- 4 T FINELY CHOPPED ONIONS
- 3 CLOVES GARLIC, MINCED
- 2 CUPS DICED ROMA TOMATOES
- 3 T EXTRA-VIRGIN OLIVE OIL
- ½ CUP WHITE WINE
- 4 CUPS OF YOUR FAVORITE TOMATO SAUCE
- 1 CUP HEAVY WHIPPING CREAM
- SALT AND PEPPER TO TASTE
- 1 CUP (TIGHTLY PACKED) FRESH ARUGULA, STEMS REMOVED
- 4 OZ GOAT CHEESE
- PARMIGIANO CHEESE TO TASTE

In a large pot, cook fettuccini according to package directions until al dente. Drain and set aside.

In a large skillet, sauté onions, garlic, and tomatoes in olive oil until onions are translucent and tomatoes are soft. Deglaze with white wine. Add tomato sauce and cream and reduce until sauce is thickened. Season with salt and pepper. Add fettuccini and arugula and toss to mix and slightly wilt arugula. Transfer to individual pasta bowls and top with crumbled goat cheese and parmigiano. Serve immediately.

That's something I read about that you should do, and another thing a Chinese gardener told me: you have got to till the soil and let it breathe and rest for a while. That's what I have been doing here: I tilled this about a couple of weeks ago and I let it breathe. Then I put my addition of manure and other organic materials in there, let it breathe more, then rake it smooth and start planting there. That keeps the soil full of nutrients. And you have to rotate your plants, and I think that is what most farmers practice as well: they rotate their plants. The thing you have got to watch out for is, if you do put chemicals in the soil, it eventually gets leached and becomes very high on the pH scale one way or the other. It gets either too acidic or too alkaline, which is more the case here

with our water. You have got to watch the alkaline content, and I do test the soil for pH."

I asked Di Bona if he could recommend some specific books about gardening. "I read some books, but it is really all a matter of experimentation and the school of hard knocks, if things don't work. You just have to watch your seasons when it is too cold for things to sprout or to survive. These days, the Internet provides a lot of great information. There is a tremendous database of information available through the Internet, especially about organic gardening. That's becoming very, very popular for obvious reasons: because we are trying to eat food that is not tainted with poisons — toxins — and you can do best with that when you grow the food

yourself. One of the best ways to get gardening information is to open up the web browser Google and just type in 'gardening, chard' or 'gardening, lettuce.' It will give you literally hundreds of contacts. I think that's the best way to go. If you want some scientific information, UC Davis is a very big agricultural school, and you'll find a lot of information on olives, tomatoes, everything like that."

Di Bona reinforced my primary idea about Italian food. "The Mediterranean folk always like their food to be fresh, even the fish, so everything from the sea, from the land, to your table has got to be not more than one day old. If you recall, in Italy, and in Europe generally, you go shopping for your food every day; even if you have a refrigerator, it's almost always a small refrigerator. We have big refrigerators. There you shop every day — go to the market and get fresh produce — and it tastes so much better and different than what we get here."

Unlike Santino Giametta, who grows only Romas and plants them all at the same time, Di Bona grows a variety of tomatoes and staggers their planting throughout the spring. "We really love tomatoes," he says, "our whole family loves tomatoes, and of course, being Italian, we like them in our sauce, we like them in our salads, and we love them with basil. We love that, so as soon as possible I start to put basil in the ground and get it going so it goes along with the tomato plants, because basil and tomato is a marriage made in heaven. I do quite a mix of tomatoes. The San Diego tomato, the beefsteak, we like; the Romas, of course; and I always will have four to five cherry tomato plants. Even though they are small, their sauce, their juice, is very, very sweet. It is a very good tomato, although it takes many more to make the sauce. But it is very sweet. There is one favorite dish I love to do, which is with tomatoes, basil, and onions and vinegar and a little bit of olive oil with the peppers. It is pure ambrosia when everything is just fresh and very ripe. If we get a big harvest of tomatoes we will make sauce with them. I do that. I make the sauce — usually a mixture of many kinds of



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tomatoes — then bottle it up in Mason jars.”

Di Bona pointed to a green leafy plant in one of the beds. “That’s Swiss chard,” he said, “one of the most underrated garden vegetables there is. It’s very easy to grow and grows almost any time of the year, especially in the summer. It sprouts very easily from seed, and you can plant the seeds directly in the earth. And the beauty of it is that as you cut its leaves, it keeps growing; it will continue to grow until the plant gets a little old and you replace it. To keep it coming in, the secret is keep planting the seed every couple of weeks or so, keep putting some seeds down so that new sprouts come in and you keep getting a nice new generation. I put new seeds right in between the rows of established plants. When the old plant dies out, I’ll pull it out and put in new seeds; meanwhile, the other generation is coming up and you have a continual, fresh, real tender leaf. In my opinion, it is better than spinach — it tastes better than spinach and is even more nutritious. People gravitate more towards spinach because they’ve been told that’s the main best leafy vegetable, but they’re missing the boat if they don’t get onto chard. Especially if you can grow it in your yard, it is easier to grow than spinach and is more tolerant with water and diseases and that kind of thing. It is a marvelous thing to eat, especially when you grow it yourself; you’ll marvel at the taste this plant has. That’s what I made us for lunch. You can sauté it in olive oil and garlic, and that’s how we are having it today. Garlic and olive oil and whatever else your imagination dictates. You can chop it very finely. My wife makes it with a very fine chopped technique, or sometimes you get a larger leaf — like today, we have a larger chop, or the peasant style.”

All this talk of Italian food was getting my digestive juices flowing, so I was glad Di Bona brought up lunch. And we did enjoy a wonderful vegetarian lunch starting with a radicchio salad with balsamic vinegar and extra-virgin olive oil, followed by Swiss chard sautéed in olive oil, baked Portobello mushrooms with garlic and green and red peppers sprinkled with arugula, a delicious sweet

UNCLE TONY’S CHARD DI BONA

½ ONION, FINELY CHOPPED

3 CLOVES GARLIC, PEELED AND MINCED (2 CLOVES IF YOU’RE NOT ITALIAN)

½ CUP EXTRA-VIRGIN (IT SHOULD NOT EVEN HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT SEX!) OLIVE OIL

1 LB SWISS CHARD (FRESHLY PICKED, OF COURSE), STEMS REMOVED, LEAVES CHOPPED FINELY (GOURMET STYLE) OR COARSELY (PEASANT STYLE)

RED PEPPER

PARMIGIANO CHEESE

ORECCHIETTE (OPTIONAL)

Sauté onion and garlic over medium-low heat in olive oil until onion is translucent (do not let garlic blacken or it will be bitter). Add chopped chard and stir until leaves are tender and color has darkened. Season to taste with crushed red pepper and grated parmigiano cheese.

Chef’s tip: this is especially delicious over a bowl of orecchiette (an Italian pasta that translates as “little ears,” available in Italian markets and some supermarkets) cooked al dente.

chopped cabbage with onions and fresh olives from the olive tree at Di Bona’s house in Kensington. All of this was accompanied by fresh Italian bread from Solunto in Little Italy and washed down with a Chianti Classico. Needless to say, it was a marvelous afternoon. The Swiss chard recipe is the essence of simplicity. (See above.)

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To speak to my last gardener, I merely walked across campus at San Diego State University, where I teach, to the School of Public Administration, where my colleague, Nico Calavita, is a faculty member. I’ve known Calavita for many years. We have in common the fact that both of our families are from Apulia, the heel of the Italian boot, although Calavita’s family is from the port city of Brindisi on the Adriatic coast (he was born and grew up there), while mine is from a small inland village called Gravina. A few years ago we began trading recipes we remembered from our childhoods, and we’ve assembled

a substantial collection of distinctive Apulian dishes.

Calavita is a tall (about 6’6”), dark-haired man with an aristocratic bearing. He speaks a deliberate, carefully pronounced English. I knew he kept a garden because we’ve cooked together at his house many times and rummaged through the back yard for herbs, greens, tomatoes, and other staples of the Italian table. Calavita lives in University City with his wife Kitty, and his garden is much smaller than any of the others I’ve described. These days, he gardens mostly in pots and around the edges of his terrace because much of his back yard is paved over. Nonetheless, he almost always has something growing and would rarely think, for example, of going to the store to buy herbs like basil, oregano, and rosemary.

When I asked Calavita how he got interested in gardening, he told me a story about his childhood, growing up in the region around Brindisi, and about the summers he spent at his family’s

country home in Latiano. The images Calavita evoked spoke of a long-vanished way of life.

“Although I grew up in Brindisi, my father came from a smaller town about 20 minutes away called Latiano, and the family had a country estate. There was a house and about ten acres around it, which had mostly olive and fruit trees and also a vineyard. We would go there in the summer for about two and a half months. That was a ritual that we had. Every summer a cart would come from Latiano and would get everything we needed to spend summer in the country house. The cart would come and we would be all excited because there would be a horse and a cart that would be piled up with stuff, and then the cart would leave and then we would wait and finish and take with us the things which were more delicate, and then we would get in the car, and we as children would also be anxious to finally meet the cart, and then we would pass the cart to ride to the house.”

The image of the Calavita family in an automobile passing a horse-drawn cart filled with their possessions struck me as charming and a kind of image from the first half of the 20th Century that now belongs to history. “You passed the cart?” I said. “Yes, I remember that happening regularly. We passed the cart and then we arrived at the house; we would wait for it to arrive and set up for another summer.

“And my father, in the days before we arrived, would go to the small town to a place he had stored not only all the furniture but also all the windows and doors. At the end of every summer we would just strip the house of everything so that during the winter it would remain a shell, because what would happen otherwise is that thieves would just break in and steal everything. So we would get back there and put in all the windows and doors and the furniture which had been in storage. And then the cart would come and we would just set up during the day. The house did not have running water or electricity, and there was a sharecropper couple on the property — Peppino and Peppina, (yes, those were their real names!). I remem-

ber them well — and Peppino would go to the well and bring us water as we needed it.

“At night we would have lights on outdoors, and that created a romantic setting because the people from other country homes in the area would come to our house at night. We would talk, we would eat, there was dancing, and it is really a great memory to have of those evenings. Peppino kept a vegetable garden that was for his and our use. So we would have fresh vegetables every day, and the typical things he would grow during the summer would be eggplants, peppers, cucumbers and tomatoes, lettuce, and melons.

“Generally these are the same vegetables that you would have during the summer season here, and often we would have these salads where we would put all the ingredients that we had in it, from the tomatoes to the cucumbers to lettuce. One way to do the salad was to have old bread, stale bread which had been placed in water and then would be squeezed and mixed with all the fresh vegetables, which is generally how it is done in Florence.

“Nothing was ever wasted in those days; the bread was usually baked on a weekly basis. So you would have fresh bread in the first couple of days, and the bread would get more and more stale and by the end of the week it would be hard bread and so you usually had something left over that could be utilized to do all sorts of different things — some would be grated, some would be crumbs, and some would be used in salad and for other things.

“The weather in Latiano was often very dry, so almost every night Peppino would go irrigate the plants, and I would be there helping him. He made an irrigation system like little rivers. The water would be thrown from buckets and run down a channel alongside the vegetables as a river. I would help Peppino with a little hoe to open and close the water entry to the different rows of the different vegetables.

“So I was very much part of that particular environment. I was fascinated with that, and of course I

was part of the *vendemmia*. Just before we would leave the countryside, there would be the *vendemmia*, the harvest of the grapes. Other people would come from all around. There was a system of sharing. If you needed help on the day when you harvest your grapes, different farmers would come and help whoever had a harvest on a particular day, so there would always be lots of people doing that.

“It obviously was a great deal of fun for us kids when that would take place. There were lots of fruit trees, there were fig trees — there were so many fig trees that when we played, we would just use figs to throw at each other, like mock battles. We would choose the ripest of the figs and then throw them at each other.

“We had hoards of grapes — the table type of grapes — and I remember a particular grape which was called *zibibbo*, which was extremely sweet. I can still taste it today. During the season you had different fruits which would come in at different times, and that’s something that we have lost connection to — that there is an appropriate time for particular fruits and vegetables to come up.”

Calavita echoed a refrain I heard from all the Italian gardeners: “These days we go to supermarkets and we have everything all year round. You can buy corn at Christmas, which doesn’t make any sense, and of course peaches and other crops, which are summer crops, are available year-round. But when I was growing up it was a particular fruit appropriate to a particular time. So there were pears in the spring and then the figs, different types of figs would come earlier. In fact, fig trees often produced a small number of figs in June and then

LIMONCELLO CALAVITA

4–5 LEMONS (4 IF LARGE, 5 IF SMALL)

1 PINT PURE GRAIN ALCOHOL (OR VODKA, IF YOU WANT TO BE CONSERVATIVE)

1 LB SUGAR

Peel the lemons (save peeled lemons for other use) and add lemon peels to alcohol. Store the mix in a tightly closed jar and in a dark place for a week. On the seventh or eighth day, bring a pint of water to a boil. Add the sugar until it is dissolved and the mixture is syrupy. Strain the lemon peels from the lemon-infused alcohol mix and add mix to sugared water. Stir well and store in freezer.

seemed to take a break for a period of a month or a month and a half, when no figs grew, and then in late summer or early fall you have figs in great abundance.

“We would have persimmons at the end of the season. Just before we left, it would be the time for persimmons. So there was this complete communion with the growing and the consuming of vegetables and fruits throughout the entire time. We never bought fruits or vegetables for the entire two and a half months that we were there. Of course, there were no chemicals, nothing of that sort of stuff. Today we would call what we had organic fruits and vegetables, though nobody used the word ‘organic’ in those days.”

“So how did you bring those traditions to this country when you arrived here?” I asked.

“I was 28 when I first came to the U.S. I was trained in urban planning, and I found a job as a planner in

New Castle County Planning Department in Delaware. Kitty and I bought a house with a very long back yard, and immediately I started to grow vegetables and herbs in large quantities. The land was much more fertile than it is here in San Diego. We would go back

to Italy almost every summer, and when we came back after three weeks or so, the garden would be all grown with weeds. Just because of the heavy summer rains and the fertility of the soil. But I would pull out the weeds and *voilà*, there were the fruits and vegetables. You could never leave a garden for three weeks in the summer in San Diego and find anything growing when you got back.

“So I grew again a typical spring-and-summer crop, especially tomatoes and peppers and eggplants and so on. We had also a place where we had rhubarb, which actually had been left there from the previous owner of the house. At the end of the garden, there were two apple trees, which again provided continually because they were winter crops. Gardening was something that I enjoyed doing when I would come back from work, during late spring and summer nights. For me, working the earth with your hands is a very enjoyable way to relax.” Sounding almost exactly like Tony Di Bona, Calavita added, “There is great plea-

sure in putting seeds into the ground and seeing them come up — the cycle of life that is continuous and sustains us — and there is great satisfaction in having the fresh taste of all the vegetables that you grow yourself, as opposed to the ones that you buy in the supermarket.”

Even though Calavita does most of his gardening these days in pots, his harvest can be abundant. “You’d be surprised how many things you can grow in the pots. I grow tomatoes in the summer. I grow melons and herbs, especially basil. Basil is a must — you can never have enough basil. And I almost always grow zucchini, but not in pots, because they need room to spread out. I have several orange, tangerine, lemon trees in the back yard. The same thing with Italian parsley and other herbs. I grow lettuce.” Like Tony Di Bona, Calavita grows lettuce year-round. “I think lettuce is also one of those plants that everybody should grow, because in the winter and springtime they grow very well, and you want a salad, you go in the back yard and there is your fresh lettuce.

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I don't let it grow to be very large. I like to grow different varieties of baby lettuce in large quantities so I can cut them at the base and always have lettuce coming in."

I asked him how he feeds all these plants. "We do composting, so we use that in the soil. But generally I use Miracle-Gro, the kind that you dissolve in a container of water and pour over the plants. But my son introduced me to fish meal, and that works very well with basil. I don't mind the more chemical fertilizers; I am not too stuck on heavy organic stuff. I try to recycle. We have a container in the kitchen where we put all the kitchen scraps and so on and put it in the drum that my neighbor bought and then mix it with leaves and other garden types of things and create compost. I share that with my neighbor. But I am not averse to using chemicals."

Calavita has a number of fruit trees in his garden. Planting them was one of the first things he did when he bought the house 15 years ago. "I planted four orange trees, one lemon tree, and a tangerine tree. The lemon tree is amazing; it's always producing huge lemons. During my travels in Italy in the past few years I noticed this new custom, especially in the south. I was in Naples often the past few years, and after meals in restaurants they often offer a liqueur called *limoncello*. *Limone* is lemon and *limoncello* is a lemon liqueur. So I asked relatives in Italy — actually, through an e-mail I received a recipe for *limoncello* from a nephew of mine, and it is very easy to do and extremely delicious. You want the recipe now?"

I told him of course I did, and it seems fitting to close this survey of Italian gardeners in San Diego with a little after-dinner liqueur. You find the *limoncello* recipe on page 39. Enjoy! ■

— Fred Moramarco

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In 1851, Southern California was in a “three-sided struggle for survival,” writes William Evans. California became a state, and an influx of American settlers, on a rush for gold, usurped control from Californios and natives. Antonio Garra, Cupeño chief, saw his people taxed, their lands ransacked by

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invaders, and their lives lost to the “white” disease, smallpox. Garra envisioned the mother of all warpaths: unite every Indian tribe — plus the Californios, some say — and kill every white person from Fresno to Yuma.

Garra attacked two targets: Camp Independence, on the Colorado River, and Warner Ranch. The first failed, end-

ing in a quarrel over captured sheep. When the second began, Garra refused to fight, claiming he was ill.

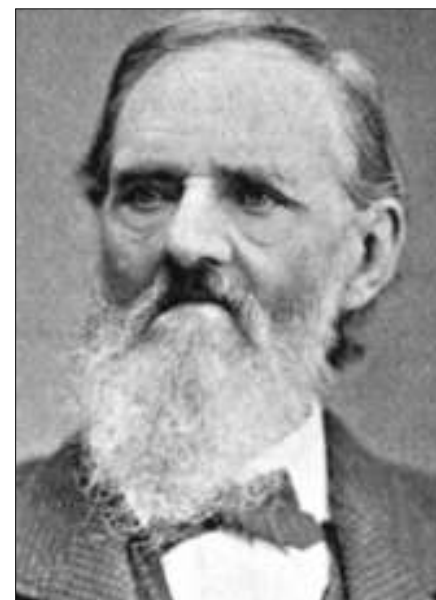
American reaction was swift. Phillips: “Realizing their own weakness but exaggerating Indian strength, the whites of San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and San Diego made preparations for a long war.” The *San Diego Herald* — November 27, 1851 — announced that if all the natives from the Colorado to Warner Ranch and down to Baja “took up arms, an Indian mob numbering 10,000 souls would be involved.”

“We momentarily expect to be attacked by Indians,” wrote Thomas Whaley, “who under their great chief Antonio Garra are swarming by the thousands in the south.”

On November 26, martial law was proclaimed in San Diego. The town became a fortress. Sentinels stood on 24-hour guard at every approach to the city and questioned every Indian who came near.

One citizen claimed, “The whole number of men” — i.e., whites — “in the county will not amount to 100. So we are utterly unable to do more than protect ourselves and our families.”

While San Diego’s 35 married men stayed behind to protect the town, on November 27, every single male headed east to avenge the Warner Ranch murders. Led by Major G.B. Fitzgerald, they acquired muskets from the Army. At least half, they learned later, were defective (a Los Angeles journalist estimated that Southern California had only eight functioning muskets in 1851). When they reached Cupa, Garra’s deserted village near Warner Hot Springs, Fitzgerald set it on fire, calling it a “funeral pyre for the slain.”



John Warner, 1879

Fitzgerald sent three messengers to find Garra. Phillips: “They were to try to convince the Cupeño chief to meet Fitzgerald halfway between the sierra

SELECTED QUOTATIONS:

1. Raids continued after the uprising. Cook: “It is quite likely that on many occasions whole villages and tribes were saved from literal starvation by the livestock they were able to steal from the whites.”

2. Carrico: “The anti-gun law” — passed in 1854 — “left Indians without a viable means of hunting. White encroachments and over-exploitation of game had long since made bow-and-arrow hunting inefficient. The anti-gun law also imposed an intentional disarming of Indians at a period when every

frontier community was ripe with...trigger-happy Indian haters.”

3. Monroy: “The revolt, an unthreatening episode in retrospect, terrified the residents of Southern California, who understood their own vulnerability but exaggerated the Indians’ military strength.”

4. Phillips: “The number of references made to Antonio Garra throughout the 1850s and 1860s suggest that the chief and what he stood for were never far from their [Americans’] thoughts.”

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and the volunteers' camp. Each would arrive with only four to six men, and they would discuss the cause of the outbreak." Garra needed allies. Although estimates of his force ranged in the thousands, he confessed he had "no more than 30 or 40

men with guns" and that he had "no communication with any other tribes than the Yumans and Cahuillas." He hoped to unite with the latter. On December 2, he wrote to Juan Antonio, chief of the Cahuillas: This is the last chance, he said. "If we lose

this war, all will be lost — the world. If we gain this war, then it is forever. Never will it stop; this war is for a whole life." There were thousands of Cahuillas. At least 3000 lived around the Lugo Ranch, also known as Rancho San Bernardino, and

were the most powerful Indian society in San Bernardino and San Diego Counties. Their primary task was to defend the rancho against Indian cattle thieves and horse raiders. Monroy: "They were exceptional...with respect to their relations with the

Californios." The Cahuilla leader, Juan Antonio, "kept absolute order among his people." He had at least 20 village captains and never appeared in public without an escort of 10 to 20 men. To prove his swift justice, Juan Antonio buried

a murderer alive with the man he killed. Juan Antonio was 5'4". "Wirey even in old age," he had "an aspect about the eyes, nose, and brow that came nearer to that of an African lion." Because of his reputation as "an impatient administrator

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of justice,” his people referred to Juan Antonio as *yampooche* — “quick mad.”

On November 25, the Los Angeles County judge, Augustin Olvera, advised Juan Antonio to contact Garra about the uprising. “If Garra could explain his grievances,” Olvera wrote, “the problem could be settled without further violence.”

Phillips: “Olvera warned Juan Antonio not to get embroiled with the rising Indians, that if he had any thoughts along these lines he should get rid of them at once.” Olvera told Antonio to “work hard and be

content.”

In his reply, Antonio said he visited all of his villages, talked to all of his captains, and swore his people were peace-loving — even Cabezón, a Cahuilla captain “not on good terms with the white authorities.”

Phillips: “It is not known what effect Olvera’s letter had on Juan Antonio, but shortly after receiving it, he wrote to Garra suggesting that they meet at the village of Razon.”

At first Garra refused to go to the desert village, about 15 miles from Los Coyotes Canyon. But after several Cahuilla chiefs

encouraged him, Garra rode to Razon, convinced Juan Antonio would give him 300 warriors and would urge wealthy Californios José Antonio Estudillo and José Joaquín Ortega to join his crusade. As a gesture of respect, Garra brought eight head of cattle. On the way, he pleaded with Juan Verdugo, a Sonoran, to join him. Verdugo said he’d rather die than ride to Razon.

Verdugo sensed trouble. So, possibly, did Garra. He failed to achieve unity with the Quechan tribe at Camp Independence and was against the attack on

Warner Ranch. He heard that “Juan Largo” (John Warner) “and the Americans would come in a few days and kill all the Indians.”

Phillips: that Garra “had gone to meet Juan Antonio only under pressure suggests that he had become despondent and had lost his supreme position among the rising Indians.... One suspects that when he left to meet Juan Antonio, Garra knew he was riding into a trap.”

With trusted friends Juan Bautista and Cosme, Garra came to Razon late one night. Juan Antonio arrived the next day. He seized Garra and his men

and had them stripped. Antonio accused Garra of being the “devil” and “always playing tricks.” Antonio, who also commandeered the cattle, sent word to the Cahuillas and the warring Cupeños that he had captured Garra and restored peace.

The tribes dispersed. Juan Antonio took Garra to Rancho Lugo and eventually turned him over to General Joshua Bean, who negotiated a treaty with Juan Antonio. “As long as Juan Antonio continued to act in a friendly manner toward...the citizens of California, he would be protected and would be

maintained in possession of his lands.”

Of Juan Antonio, the Los Angeles *Star* wrote, “His course was influenced beyond a doubt by the hope of gain, and he had made a pretty nice calculation as to which side would pay the best.”

Juan Antonio died of smallpox, February 28, 1863. White settlers eventually occupied all of his territories.

Before Garra came to San Diego for trial, Captain Samuel P. Heintzelman and 46 soldiers attacked the Cahuillas at Los Coyotes Canyon. Chapuli, their chief, and 25 of

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his followers returned fire, then fled. Phillips: "According to one soldier, the Americans were more frightened than the Indians, and had the Indians held their ground 15 minutes longer, they might have remained in possession of the field."

Monroy: "The small skirmish at Los Coyotes Canyon, on December 20, at which Chapuli was killed, marked the end of the rebellion." Heintzelman,

however, burned the Los Coyotes village and moved his troops to the Colorado, where, for over a year, "He scoured the country and punished the Indians if they or their villages could be found."

Fearing further attacks, the governor of California ordered a company of New York volunteers to protect San Diego. Forty men sailed on the brig *North Bend*, arriving December 23. Although

the *San Diego Herald* called them "as fine a looking set of men as ever shouldered arms," they caused a riot in Jamaica, and in Panama, the national guard broke up a major disturbance. San Diegans called them "The Hounds," many swearing that the recruits caused more trouble than Garra.

Although their services were no longer necessary, within days one "Hound" slashed his cap-

tain with a knife. The next day they fought a duel with Colt revolvers. Later, San Diegan Phillip Crosthwaite shot Lieutenant Watkins in the thigh, causing him to lose his leg. Other "Hounds" threatened to sack Old Town. Lieutenant Thomas W. Sweeny and 19 regular soldiers were nearby, however, with bayonets fixed. The "Hounds" left soon thereafter. Sweeny wrote, "It was the general opinion that if my men had not been present that day...the streets of San Diego would have been drenched with blood."

Garra came to Old Town, in chains, January 9, 1852. Joshua Bean, who brought him from Rancho Lugo, said, "I know Antonio Garra well; I was with him constantly for 30 days, and had frequent conversations with him, relative to his revolt, and a more prevaricating old scamp I never knew."

Phillips: "Once captured, the Cupeño chief realized that all his efforts to unify the Indians of southern California had failed and that his follow-

ers, defeated in battle, were anxious for peace. He was aware that even if released his influence among his people would now be tenuous at best." Garra tried to implicate Californios in the plot, but his swift trial named him "sole author" of the uprising.

Though he pleaded guilty only to stealing sheep, Garra was tried at 2:00 p.m. on January 10, 1852, and sentenced at 3:00 p.m. At 4:00 p.m., Padre Juan Holbein led Garra to the Old Town cemetery. Garra knelt before an open grave. Several hundred people gathered. As ten San Diegans with muskets, including Thomas Whaley, readied to fire, the Padre asked Garra to request the crowd's pardon. Garra said nothing. The padre asked again. Just before he was blindfolded and shot, Garra raised his head, smiled, and told the crowd, "Gentlemen, I ask your pardon for all my offenses — and expect yours in return." ■

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I placed a jar in Tennessee
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WALLACE STEVENS: "ANECDOTE OF A JAR"

I want to write in my novel about that last summer before Neal shoots Toby and Toby's brain tissue gets stuck in Danny's expandable stainless steel Timex watchband. Toby's father, for that last summer, had planned a three-week vacation. The entire crew — tall mom, tall Lincoln-esque dad, three tall teenaged boys, one tall teenaged girl — will bend and squeeze themselves into the two-tone Pontiac Grand Safari station wagon. They will sing cornball songs and suck Toby's mom's delicious fried chicken off its bones as the Grand Safari ferries them toward humid green Iowa to visit aunts and uncles and grandparents and cousins of every degree. The trip's climax will be the five-day family encampment in a riverside state park. After Neal shoots Toby dead on an October Saturday afternoon, Toby's far-flung kin (most of whom, like Toby's family, are of Scandinavian extraction and blonde) will say how fortuitous it was that they orga-

nized that get-together. They will slip out from desk drawers the reunion committee's elaborate mimeographed schedule, smudged by then with Iowa dirt and French's yellow mustard, and reread the events list and smile. The smiles will not be big wide smiles that show teeth; they will be small sad smiles that don't do much more than make skin around the lips wrinkle and un wrinkle and wrinkle again. The list will remind its reader that on those mornings, while the moms cleaned up, the dads supervised sack races and face-painting and pony rides for the little kids; afternoons there was softball and swimming and idle fishing and for the gals who wanted a taste of the city, trips to a nearby mall. Dinners were steak barbecues and wienie roasts. Every day the women fixed corn on the cob with corn out of local cornfields; the women soaked the unshucked corn all day in a vat filled with salt water and then when dinnertime

came, the men threw the ears of corn onto the hot coals. When the corn was ready, you peeled back the husks and worried threads of silk from in between the kernels and you bit down and the corn juice flew. Folks said this corn was so good you didn't even need salt and butter. While everybody was eating dinner, as

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Fourth of July

Danny remembers.

many as ten of the extra-physically fit men took turns manning ice cream churns. Every night they made chocolate and vanilla but there always were some other, fancier, even oddball flavors. The weirdest was black licorice. After dark, the men lit the campfire. The fire was as

much for light and for burning trash as it was to frustrate mosquitoes. Stories were told, a barbershop quartet (all four guys, first cousins) sang, the chubby adopted Korean daughter, 11 years old, of one of the Michigan aunts, played Bach on her three-quarter-size violin and everyone, even people who yawned at even the mention of classical music, sighed with pleasure. Little liquor was drunk and there was no sexual hanky-panky, even among the young people.

One among many problems for the fiction writer is this problem of the future. You get interested in something that hasn't yet happened. You leapfrog over the present to a spot months ahead where your characters start doing things that they have not yet done. That's what I did. I was supposed to be writing about Danny's vasion (more about vasion later) over Toby leaving town. I was supposed to write about the Fourth

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of July. I leapfrogged. *Ka-boom*. I set down my notebook on a splintery wooden picnic table amid that Iowa humidity and started fill-

ing up blue-lined white paper with delicious corn, with the rough, hairy, smelly ponies the children crawled up onto, and the ice cream

churns and that peculiar black licorice ice cream, which had chunks of actual licorice in it. I listened to the anxiety-ridden polyphony drawn from that old warhorse, the melancholy Chaconne from Bach's D minor Partita for Solo Violin (written in 1720 after Bach's first wife died). The chubby violinist courageously executed the complex fingerings and bowed away at the rolled double- and triple-stops. She never gave up. She never gave in. The Chaconne's contrapuntal melodies rose off the vibrating strings and floated nose level, as an aroma will, through the group. This state campsite with its smelly restrooms

and gravel parking lot might have been a vaulted cathedral. It might have been Carnegie Hall. The A and E string, fifth-position high flights, wheeled and climbed and coursed above the whining mosquitoes and chirruping frogs; the buoyant lines soared over the cicadas' high-pitched drone and the restless babies and the ghastly explosive fart let by who-knows-who. The fire-lit faces. The fire's orange-and-yellow flame-ups and flickers made Old Masters of these ordinary sunburned 20th-century features. Their pleasure — in the music, the air, the confetti of bright stars — beatified even the homeliest of the cousins. As the

earnest violinist, feet staked far apart, pulled her lone way toward the arpeggio delirium of the Chaconne's finale, the campers were not thinking that their feet hurt. They had stopped thinking they needed to pee. They had stopped thinking that the music reminded them of high mountain lakes or how they wept at a grandmother's funeral or verses out of Scripture. They had stopped thinking any thoughts at all. The tiny musician's black bangs were wet with the sweat of her effort. White motes of rosin flew up off the strings and danced and sparkled in the firelight. The violinist's eyes closed as her fingertips traced the

last sets of triplets. The triplets accomplished, she began the gradual slowing of tempo on her way toward the concluding *ritardando*. She inhaled deeply. She puffed herself up with air. Then she commenced the slow pull of her bow across the open D string, for the Chaconne's unfretted and final note. The group, still now as stone, held its communal breath for as long as the resonant long-lasting note lasted. The sound died then and the violinist, entirely deflated, took her violin out from under her chin and let the instrument drop to her side. She was weary, and she looked it when she shook out her dark damp hair and smiled.

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Yet another and different reason I got caught up with the family vacation and reunion details is that in the tiny forlorn family I grew up in, we never took vacations and we had no reunions. When I was young and listened to people talk about summer vacations and family parties I thought I would die from the sharp envy that cut at me hour after hour until I could get my mind off canvas tents and Coleman stoves and canoes and paddles and the baggage carriers like that atop Toby's family's Pontiac that those canoes got tied down to and paprika-dotted deviled eggs and long wooden docks and blue lakes lively with striped bass and fireflies trapped in Mason jars and the songs that big families can sing, in harmonious parts.

Anyway, to get back on track, Toby's family's trip is set to start right after the Fourth of July and end August first. Why the trip must end then is that Toby and his older brothers, big guys with big shoulders and big ham hands, are due back in Coraville for pre-season football two-a-days, and Toby's teenage sister — a long-legged, bosomy blonde with amazingly deep cleavage — has cheerleader practice. Along in April, when Toby tells Danny about this trip, Danny gulps. Three weeks. How will he manage three weeks without Toby? For the six years they've been best friends Danny isn't happy unless at least once a day he sees or talks with Toby, unless Toby says a few words more than hello to him. That's the minimum — a few words. Otherwise, Danny goes crazy. He gives in to spurts of hot tears. When he doesn't see Toby and Toby doesn't have time for him, Danny's so cavernously

empty that even if he put his mouth down on the grass in the back yard and bit and gobbled the thick-bladed Bermuda grass and then went on and chewed and swallowed and chewed and swallowed the entire world, including sun and moon and stars and all the rain that ever would fall on all seven continents, he still would be hungry. He would tap the clay jar of himself and hear nothing but hollow.

All spring and early summer Danny hopes and even prays that some catastrophe will keep Toby stuck at home. Toby could slip on the proverbial banana peel and get a nasty compound fracture of the kind that their math teacher got skiing. Then Toby could stay at Danny's house and clunk around downstairs on his white plaster cast while the rest of Toby's lousy family hung around lousy Iowa. Toby could sleep in Danny's bed and Danny could sleep next to the bed on the floor in his sleeping bag. Danny could wait on Toby, in Danny's mother's phrase, "hand and foot." Poor Danny so dreads his friend's absence that he toys with dynamiting Toby's father's station wagon or poisoning Toby's father, a man Danny doesn't like. One reason Danny doesn't like Toby's father is that he's this skinny beanpole long-faced guy who makes smartass comments to Danny about how fat Danny is. Danny can't stand Toby's dad, and I don't blame Danny, not one whit. The fatness remarks embarrass Toby, and when he politely asks his father to stop making them, his father says he's sorry he hurts Danny's feelings, but as far as he's concerned, he's doing that lardass a favor by telling him the truth. The kid eats too much and he sits around too much and he's sneaky and he'd be happy if Toby never had another thing to do with him, because Danny's a kid that one day will get in big trouble, and he'd hate to see Toby be with Danny when that happens.

So, no sooner does Danny consider explosion and poison than he hates himself for the idea of red sticks of dynamite or grains of arsenic trickled into



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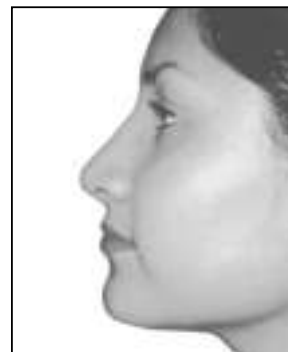
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Toby's father's coffee cup. When Danny steals or when he lies or when he desires some asshole dead, he knows he is the world's worst person. He is. He is a monster. Then he momentarily forgets he's a monster and thinks that maybe he could pound and mold arsenic into the shape of the tiny saccharine tablets Toby's father drops into his morning coffee. That way nobody else will swallow the poison. But for all that Danny connives in fantasy and wishes in real life, no one breaks a limb and no one keels over pop-eyed from poison or gets blown in a car to good old

smithereens (according to two dictionaries, the *American Heritage* and *Merriam-Webster*, this peculiar word derives from Irish Gaelic *smidirin*, diminutive of *smiodar*, small fragment, and was first used in 1829). So that this Fourth of July about which I am trying to write has to be the worst Fourth of July Danny can remember. (Although when you're 13, Danny's age when this happens, how many Fourths of July do you remember, anyway?) Because all Danny thinks about is that the next day Toby will climb into the Pontiac Grand Safari. He will be packed into the sta-

tion wagon with his over-six-foot-tall brothers and his almost six-foot-tall buxom sister and skinny mother and skinny stick of a father, the father taller than his entire family and as thin at 55 as he was at 15; Toby will clamber over the back-seat eat and rest his towhead against the canvas seabag packed neatly with the family's clothes, and only a miracle, then, can stop Toby from leaving Danny alone in Coraville.

Danny's family's fireworks display starts this section. What happened was what always happened. Phil and Polly bought fireworks from Indians who

kept the stand alongside the reservation that was one county over. With help from Matt and Danny, Phil sets off the fireworks. Once the sun's dropped behind the mountains, dropped resoundingly, like a silver dollar drops into a metal coin bank, Phil and Matt and Danny pass a lit punk back and forth among themselves and take turns setting the various gadgets alight. Phil doesn't let the boys rush (although at 13 and 15 the boys are not quite boys, equipped as they are with stray chest hairs, with pimples and noxious whiteheads and blackheads, with chicken-

soup underarm odor, pubic hair, and troublesome erections). "One at a time," Phil barks, as Matt and Danny grab at skyrocket boxes and firework strings, "one goddamn thing at a time, or we'll start a goddamn fire." ("He's being fireworks king," Danny thinks, about his father. What Matt, who's bone tired from hay-bucking in 100-degree temperatures, thinks is that he wants this childish fireworks shit over with so he can get his dead ass to bed. What Phil's thinking is that he wished he'd never even married, much less had kids.)

Polly I allow to ven-

ture onto the page, because lately I've written so much about Danny that my heroine doesn't do much more than heave the occasional sigh and rattle pots and pans and stand on her tip-toes to reach the colander from its hook set high into the pegboard by the stove. For pages now she's served as no more than background. She is physical, sensuous red-haired, freckle-faced background as she tends her spring garden or stirs applesauce-cake batter or tosses filthy clothes into the maw of the pink Maytag washer. She also is plot background, as her continued mourning for

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her and Phil's dead daughter, dead now almost four years, draws her attention away from her husband and sons. Since Phil's parents let Caroline get killed, Polly has not felt happy for more than a few hours at a time. Polly's mourning keeps the atmosphere in the family's house pretty dreary (and that dreariness has escaped Phil's and Polly's Coraville house and ended up here on my pages and in my own dog-walking, grocery-shopping, friends-and-family-visiting, garden-planting, book-reading, workaday, horse-bracelet jangling, red pen-filling life). Polly's barefoot this evening, and she wears a skimpy, pale blue-and-white checked Marimekko shift that ends just above her freckled knees. Sun has not yet been declared a health hazard, and Polly's as tanned as any farm worker or Hollywood star. While Phil and the boys sort fireworks and decide upon the order in which items will be set off, Polly sits on the concrete porch stoop. Her head's empty as an empty jug because I have not thought one thought to stick into it. Matt hands her a lit sparkler. The time is almost 9:00. The sun then has fallen far below the nearby mountains (that silver dollar lies flat on the bottom of the coin bank). The sparkler's tip throws sparks, and those sparks illuminate Polly's tanned face. She's in her 30s, but even under harsh light, which this isn't, you'd guess 25. If you're a guy, you might flirt. Polly uses the sparkler to make circles through the dark as she strides across the damp grass and squats next to Phil. She sits on her bare, burnished heels. She brushes aside the flyaway hair from Phil's sideburns (because not only is sun not yet a health hazard but sideburns are fashionable) and whispers in his ear. I do not know what she says. But you can see that Phil smiles and then turns to his wife and kisses her cheek. A little scene like that shows me how tough life will get for my heroine if she permits herself the slip into adultery. She hasn't yet run into the guy who will tempt her, but she will, soon, and although this evening she

enjoys Phil and the boys and the warm air and the freshly pressed Marimekko cotton against her bare skin and the lemonade she made from scratch that's in the tall, sweaty glass just inside the front door, tomorrow morning she will drag, long-faced, around the back yard kitchen garden. While she picks green beans and yellow wax beans from the beans' supple vines, she will for the 93,000th time counsel herself against suicide. But what else she's thinking, who knows? So much time has elapsed since I last wrote long scenes with Polly in them that she sounds empty to me. I knock and no one answers. My red-haired darling rattles when I shake her. The few thoughts she does think are like the grammatically garbled maxims or terse oddball prophecies that you find printed on the tiny slips of cheap paper tucked into fortune cookies.

What fireworks Phil and his family set off are those same Indian-reservation fireworks that we had when I lived in the town I call Coraville and my daughters were still young: firecrackers whose detonation clatter their downstairs windows and skyrocketed and Black Cat bottle rockets and Happy Birds and an especially noisy Whistling Moon Traveler and bricks of Lady Fingers and Tasmanian Devil Ground Spinners and Ground Blooms and Jumping Jacks and Roman candles and Bombing Planes that fly into the air and spin and shoot fire and at the end Phil does the Killer Bee Fountain that whistles and shoots out an aurora borealis of colors and then right before it's over, buzzes like a bee. Polly stands out of the way, behind the screen door, and watches. She doesn't like fireworks. (I don't either. They scare me.) She worries that the firecrackers will blow out one of the boy's eyes or take off Phil's thumb or index finger. Everywhere Polly looks she sees a potential accident scene; she sees blood, rivers of blood, deep red iron-rich blood rising against riverbanks, rushing up and over floodgates and bulwarks and that volunteers stack to keep away.

At 11:00 that evening,

the fireworks have been over for an hour. Phil and Polly are upstairs, tucked into their plump bed; perhaps they're asleep, perhaps awake. Matt is in his downstairs bedroom, in bed on his stomach. Already, his loud snores can be heard through his bedroom door. Hay-bucking's hard work. But the snore's not caused by work; it's his deviated septum.

Danny wanders the dark living and dining rooms and kitchen. He's dressed, his white T-shirt streaked with dirt and his husky-size jeans unsnapped to let his stomach pooch (he ate four deviled eggs and two hot dogs in warm buns with chili and potato salad and coleslaw for dinner, and later, when no one was in the kitchen, he ate four more deviled eggs). Danny is so fat, and, Polly lately has said to Phil, "getting fatter every day." No one knows what 5'5" Danny weighs, but certainly he must weigh 200 pounds. I am as obsessed with Danny's fatness as he is and as his parents and his brother are. Matt avoids looking at Danny; he finds him that disgusting. Just to look at his brother makes Matt think, "Pig, fucking pig."

I want Danny, now, at several minutes after eleven, to step into the living room and to stare out the same screen door through which Polly watched the fireworks. The door is hooked shut. Danny presses his nose against the screen wire. Then he kicks open the screen door and leans against the doorjamb.

He stands on the concrete stoop. The yellow porch light beams onto his red hair. A moth beats wings against the light globe.

The warm night air smells sulfurous, the way wooden matches smell after you blow out the flame. Danny also catches a sharper scent, acrid and ashy, like spent gunpowder. And he smells, off to his left, the deep perfume of Oriental lilies in his mother's lily bed.

I want Danny to look out on the sidewalk and see scorch marks where he and his dad and brother set off the fireworks. (In the dark, Danny can't see the two-foot-wide burned

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patch of lawn where flames and sparks from a stack of spinners caught the grass on fire.) I want Danny to hear stray firecrackers go off around town, a pop here and a pop there and then a *rat-tat-tat* tattoo of pops and then what Danny identifies as something like a 62-shot Beehive. Toby's family didn't have fireworks this year, and Danny didn't see Toby this evening, because Toby's father sent the family to bed early; they were to hit the road tomorrow as soon as the sun came up.

The sky's ink black. Coraville sits alone, 100 miles from a town of any great size. Danny sees constellations overhead but I do not know what constellations. The Dippers? Big and Little? I could make up a constellation. Jack the Ripper I could call it. Is that

funny? To me, it is slightly funny. I won't do it. Make up a constellation.

The stars' bright shine and twinkle seem very near, intimately close, as someone breathing near you, his breath warm on your bare neck and your ear lobe. For all that these stars appear close to those of us who are older, appear close to me, writing here, Danny, at 13, senses these same stars as far away and uncaring. That's what we feel when we are young, this distance. The stars' distance fills Danny with yearning. He feels empty. He feels empty because he is not with Toby. He feels empty because today will turn into tomorrow, and Toby will leave town. Danny is not yet old enough to know that what he feels for Toby — for all that it is appealing to believe so — is not an emotion

that at this intensity he can endure.

Danny pads out onto the wet grass of the front yard. Sweat has gathered under his arms. He smells himself. The odor is skunkish, not unlike marigolds.

In Coraville at night you hardly ever see a plane go over. Danny does not see one now. What he sees as he walks out on the lawn are shadows of branches that hang over the fence between his family's house and that of their neighbor's.

He stole from the nearby mom-and-pop store the Marlboros he's getting ready to smoke. The people who own the store know that he steals. But Danny's grandfather (his father's father) is a fishing buddy, and they figure it's only one or two packs a week. They're wrong. He steals four or five packs a week from them

and another four or five packs from another store. He's a skilled thief. But this isn't what I worry about writing; this isn't what I did. I didn't steal cigarettes. I didn't shoplift.

This back yard Danny wanders around in is my back yard in that little town where I used to live. In summer there, I set out the children's aqua plastic wading pool, and at the side of the house I reached in among scratchy branches and found with my hand the cool metal spigot onto which the hose was attached. I turned the spigot handle so that the cheap green vinyl hose swelled with water; water spilled — first hot, then cool — into the plastic pool, the pool's corrugated bottom printed with gaudy fish. These fish were not like real fish that dawdle in real water. They were

not even like the carcasses of dead and cleaned and filleted fish that the fishmonger stacks atop crushed ice. These were silly, grinning cartoon fish with round cartoon mouths. Vertical lines of round bubbles poured from those mouths.

Danny sits outside all night. He wraps his mother's pelican pink sunbathing blanket around his shoulders to keep off dew. He smokes. He stubs out his cigarette butts between thick blades of grass. He strips the paper from the tobacco and between the pad of his thumb and his index finger rubs the filters down to nicotine-drenched filaments. He sniffs his fingers. He never sleeps. He doesn't crawl into bed. Not for ten minutes. Not for five minutes. He never tiptoes into the house. He sits, hunched over, on the grass. He swats at the occasional mosquito. His eyes ache. His throat aches. I could not tell you what he's thinking. He could

not tell you. He's not thinking words. He feels what he will feel when Toby's father's Pontiac Grand Safari turns toward Iowa and the campground where the little Korean will bravely make her way through Bach's melancholy Chaconne. Danny feels that the sound's been switched off and the lights dimmed and the scenery struck. He feels that the audience has stood from its seats and headed home.

When he's not with Toby, Danny's in the dark. Toby is Danny's sun. When your sun turns his bright-lit features toward you and gives you his gaze, you brighten. You live. He knows you better than anyone knows you, perhaps better even than you know yourself. His long glance draws the hidden sliver of you out of yourself, and his hand knows how to find in you the secret ingredient and stir, stir, stir. Imagine that your sun were to leave you. You'd be in Danny's shoes. ■

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On an Oceanfront Lot, Not Far from the Cove, the Lobsters Boil

Max Miller arrived in San Diego in the 1920s and went to work as a reporter for the *San Diego Sun*. In 1932 he wrote *I Cover the Waterfront*, the book that made him famous. Until his death in 1967, he wrote a book a year and lived many of those years in La Jolla, the town he writes about in his 19th effort, *The Town with the Funny Name*. Its 38 essays, divided by chapters, “range from faintly bawdy but civilized anecdotes to nature appreciations which would not have to blush beside Thoreau,” wrote one reviewer. The *Reader* hopes to hasten Max Miller’s rediscovery by reprinting these essays, continuing over the summer.

CHAPTER 4

These were the kind of mornings he liked best, he told me. But, then, I believe he liked every morning best.

Yet just the same I could see why he especially might like this morning. For it was an October morning, and he had almost a gunnysack full of lobsters, and we already were heading back towards shore.

His outboard motor (which he recently had repaired for the opening of the season) was purring away as it should have been doing, these first lobsters



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La Jolla spearfishermen, 1954

would bring approximately a half-dollar apiece wholesale, and ahead of us was the old familiar shoreline — each inch of it seemingly a part of his earthly belongings.

The Fish and Game wardens would be out in force today, of course,

and perhaps already were watching through binoculars from shore. But he did not mind. He was ready for that and for them.

Today, being the first of the season, he had played smart, he had played very smart. He had tossed over-

board all the oversized lobsters, and he had his new commercial license right with him. He grinned at me, and at the shore, then tapped the hip pocket of his dungarees. A huge safety pin was fastened to the pocket where he tapped, meaning that with the license he was taking no chances. It had cost \$10.

And I rather believe he wished he would have the opportunity to show the license to some deputy. For Perky to be doing nothing wrong or illegal whatsoever was in itself such a novelty that I believe he was pleased about this too — the same as with the October morning.

But then, as I may have mentioned before, it seems that Perky, for as long as I have known him, could be pleased about everything or anything.

He owned his own rowboat, he owned his own ocean, and he always seemed to assume that he owned the whole town. It was as if he had inherited all these. Nor, with the possible exception of the rowboat, could the assumption have been far from wrong. For he had been born here, and had been nowhere else, and so in a sense

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his heritage did include the people of the town, the new ones as well as the old.

I know that whenever any of us would go away and come back we invariably would ask about Perky, almost as if in fear he might not be still around.

But he would be around, all right. Otherwise the town would not seem the same.

For in his case, God not only was good but God was choosy. And God liked Perky Adams very much, and all the lobsters in the gunnysack God liked, and all the traps out here under the sea God liked, and all the lobster buoys, especially those marked with Perky's own red band of paint. God liked these buoys extra well.

"I think," Perky said, "—I think I can see a game warden's car right up there behind the palms. We'll



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land at that beach." He swerved the rudder of the outboard that direction. This beach he picked out was not a good one for landing. In fact, it was one of the worst for landing,

now with the tide fairly well out and the boulders showing. But it was his business, his boat, his lobsters, his October morning — and so I said nothing. A slow swell caught

the stern of the boat, and we rode in with the swell, Perky meanwhile shutting off the motor, and tipping it up to avoid any rocks. The hull scraped the coarse sand of the beach,

and we both jumped out of the boat and held the bow fast there against the backwash. We knew that the next low swell would ride the boat higher, now that our own weight was out of it.

We timed ourselves, and no sooner had we made the boat fairly secure on the higher sand than Perky grabbed the sack of lobsters and began running with them.

"Let's pretend we're in a hurry," he whispered back at me.

"Why?" I asked.

"That's all. Just pretend."

So I pretended, by running along behind him, and feeling like a fool doing so. The weight of the lobsters did not seem to bother him very much, and we headed for the nearest cliff trail.

But nothing happened.

Nobody with a badge intercepted us, or yelled to us, or did anything.

"Oh, those bastards," Perky sighed. "Oh, those lovely bastards. We might as well have used the other beach."

CHAPTER 5

We took the lobsters over to Perky's house to boil them. He said he still could get more money for them that way. And all of this could have been a quarter of a century or so ago, and not today at all. Nothing about Perky himself ever seemed to change. He was among the first people I had known on coming to this little town. But, then, he was among the first people a lot of others got to know on coming here.

I would go away and come back, and he still would be around, and still

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doing the same things. I would go away again and come back, the same as now, and he still would be around, and still living in the same old house.

What was remarkable about the house was the value of the property on which the house was located. The lot was an ocean front lot not far from the Cove, and in the earlier days there had been any number of frame houses in the same block which had been equivalent to Perky's house now, and could have kept it company. But these other houses long since had been torn down, and their places taken by homes of comparative splendor, and in keeping with the value of the heightened real estate.

Yet this was the house in which Perky had been born, in which he always

had lived, and apparently it was the one item of all his miscellaneous collections which he positively would not sell or trade or give away, and despite the arguments and pleas of real-estate agents. Obviously they saw a mighty good thing in that lot if only the funny frame house, built in old Eastern style with gingerbread and all, could be made to vanish completely, and to be no longer a detriment to the rather beautiful homes in the rest of the block.

But neither law nor pleadings nor offers could budge this house out of existence, for all three methods certainly had been tried. But to all of them Perky merely would grin or say something to the effect: "Oh, someday maybe. You come around when the snow's on the ground."



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I cannot say that Perky held out in devotion to his father, or for any other such memories. For I do not know how Perky felt about such memories. For I do not know how Perky felt

about such matters, since he never mentioned them. But I certainly am aware, and the whole town is aware, of the many tracts of land Perky's father did own around here in the old

days. There are places which still bear the father's name, and as if just out of habit. We do not know exactly how all the property dwindled away, leaving only this house at about the time of

Perky's birth. But we do know it definitely dwindled, the same as did Perky's own old man. There are many stories told about the old man, and most of them, I think, are true. But again, none of this is really any of my business.

With the gunnysack of lobsters we went around the side of the house to the back yard.

The belongings in the back yard had not changed very much, except that now there were more of them.

I forgot to say that from the top of the cliff Perky had carried the lobsters in his own run-down car, and that I had followed in my own. For long ago I had learned how smart it was to have one's own car available whenever going around with him. He suddenly could go off on so many tangents, and for reasons

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strictly his own, that a fellow likely could wind up anywhere, or be left marooned, if depending on Perky's own vehicle which had no runningboards. In fact, his car hardly could be said to have a standard make, but appeared to be a composite of many makes put together. For Perky, it seemed, rather enjoyed putting things together.

And so it was with his own back yard.

After we had parked the cars and had gone around to the rear of the house, a fire of driftwood, I noticed, already was burning beneath the reconverted oil drum in which Perky always boiled his lobsters. The oil drum was hoisted upon some rows of bricks, and the fire was burning under there.

Being optimistic as usual, he obviously had

started the fire before he left that morning for his boat, and before I had joined him. For the water in the drum already was warm, although as yet not boiling.

But Perky, as I remembered now, was of the school around here which believes that it is easier on the lobsters, and keeps them more tender, if they are not thrown directly into water which already is boiling. He was the first around here, so far as I know, who fell on an idea that warm water relaxes the lobsters, sort of puts them to sleep almost like an anesthetic, and that they are better off that way. At least they do not curl up instantly, as when tossed directly into boiling water, and their tendons and meat as a result remain softer. Certainly the lobsters do not flop around as much, if they flop around

at all, and the water gradually comes to a boil when, as he words it, "they are sleeping."

Yet in regard to all this, whether rightly or wrongly, I do think I was the first one around here to write a feature story about Perky Adams and his lobsters. But all of this was long, long ago, on my first coming to this section, and when everything around here was spectacularly new to me, including the local clawless lobsters.

At that time Perky, on my request, had been the first to take me out lobstering, showing me how it was done, and all of the rest of it. My little story could not have amounted to much, and even must have seemed pointless to all the local natives who had been raised knowing these things. But just the

same I, at least, had been impressed, almost as if I had made the discovery. For until then a lobster always had been something which had big claws on it, the same as those on the East Coast. And in cartoons, or in the funny papers, we would see these big claws on it, the same as those on the East Coast. And in cartoons, or in the funny papers, we would see these big-clawed lobsters pinching people on the seats of their swimming suits. For all cartoons and all funny papers at that time apparently had been drawn in the East. I was not originally from the East. Far from it. Nor, of course, was I originally of this section. Yet I do wish now that all these things here could seem new to me again.

And this goes for so much else, the same no doubt as with everybody.

For even this same surf, once such a startling observation in itself for the first time — even this same surf still comes in as it did in the beginning, and as it will afterwards.

And this surf is more like years than we may realize sometimes. Each surf comes in, each breaks, and each is no more...

Anyhow, I helped Perky put more wood in the fire, and we dumped the lobsters into the big drum. He asked me the time, and I looked at my watch and told him. For his own watch, he explained, was being soaked in kerosene until he could get around to tak-

ing it apart and cleaning it. He said he had gotten his watch wet in the ocean a day or so ago, and that accurate timing was necessary for good cooking.

While we were waiting for the lobsters to be boiled I asked him how things had been going with him lately, and while I had been away, and he answered: "Mighty good. Yep, mighty good."

But, then, he always answered like that, and so I did not pay much attention to his answer.

Yet the back yard, I could see, was filled with plenty of unfinished business, or with "business in progress," whichever would be the term for it.

If Perky were the kind who would have out a shingle for all his various enterprises, the shingle would have had to be a large one. For, aside from lobstering, the shingle would have had to contain such items as polishing abalone shells and selling them, building surfboards, repairing boats, taking out fishing parties, giving tips on real estate (except his own house and lot), deep-sea diving (when- ever his diving suit was in working order), giving swimming lessons to tourists' children, taking rowboat parties to and from the Big Caves for sightseeing, and on and on like this the shingle would have to go. And also, if he wanted to be really frank about it all, which he usually was, it likewise should contain

the item: "Bachelor — at your service, ma'am."

For, another quirk about Perky was that he always knew how to dress fairly well whenever he wanted to dress fairly well. At least, to get by locally. For one outfit of what I suppose is called "sport clothes" usually is sufficient for any of us to get by with here at an afternoon or evening gathering. But in addition to having a loose outfit of this sort, Perky actually owned a double-breasted Tuxedo of bluish black and also a summer Tuxedo coat of gray. So, for this reason he was doubly fixed for getting by anywhere or at anything in this little town, and usually did. This was another phenomenon about him. Most of the working day long he could look like a tramp, but he was not one.

Out-of-town visitors might see him shagging around the shoreline, and in his oldest of dungarees, and automatically might think: "Ah, that must be one of those picturesque characters you read about. One of those — what do you say? — beachcombers. Maybe we ought to take his picture."

And, indeed, I do remember one time when such a thing occurred and Perky actually was offered a 50-cent tip for posing. He had been asked to pose this way and that way several times, as the man with the camera wanted the picture and the lighting just

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right. Perky had been working on something at the time — oh, I remember — he had been trying to salvage a long piece of trap line which had broken off in a storm and was now tangled inside a heap of washed-in kelp. He was hacking at the tough strings of kelp to free the line, and then afterwards, as was his custom, he would wash the salt water out of the line, repair it, soak it in the tan-bark, then eventually put the line to his own use with his own traps.

The visitor with the camera seemed interested in all this, but expressed the one regret that Perky, while having the pictures taken, was not smoking an old pipe. But Perky, it seems, rarely smokes a pipe. With him, it usually is cigarettes or once in a while a cigar.

But anyway Perky posed the several times that were asked of him, and then quite solemnly accepted the 50-cent tip from the visitor. Ordinarily Perky may not have done this, but he did it this time. And then, later in the evening of the same day, and he all washed and shaved, he saw the visitor once again. It was at an outdoor cocktail party.

Perky presumably felt that he was recognized by the visitor, but that the visitor was not quite sure about it, so Perky cinched the matter by casually flipping a 50-cent piece up and down in his hand.

Yet why I should be ganging around with Perky this way, so soon after returning from another trip, or why I should be monkeying around in his back yard when I should have been back in my own home working — all of this was something which puzzled me even while we were waiting for the lobsters to be boiled.

For this is not at all the way I had expected these years of my life to be.

A living was supposed to have been easy by now, a pushover, and I would have had but to pick and choose. By this time in life I should have been able to play surly, temperamental, hard-to-get.

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fore could afford to gang around with anybody who interested me.

But the telephone at home does not ring very much, and certainly not in regard to lavish offers requesting an immediate decision; instead, when the telephone does ring, the call usually is about some local thing, or some request, or for some donation, or to buy tickets for something which does not interest me whatsoever.

So, that horrible moment has come perhaps, as it must come to so many of us, when we realize for sure that we are not going to be all that we had hoped to be. And therefore we must keep on searching and searching, trying and trying, and even though our efforts day after day seem to come to no point or to get anywhere definite.

We are still just where we started, and even though we do have with us now many additional memories. We have brought them back with us, and so many of them all other places,

other events, other countries, other friends.

We upbraid ourselves for not being able to do more with these things, these memories, or to use them as an everlasting source material for an easy living. We even may upbraid ourselves for our own lack of gumption to trick them up a bit, to use them over and over like pieces of worn-out dough. But no, with so many of us these things, once written, or once recorded, or even once told, we no longer seem to have any more. Any reporter can feel the same after turning in a hard day's story. It is out of his system, a thing lived and seen and done.

Montana, Nevada, California, Washington, Alaska, Mexico, the Orient, Australia, Baja California, England, France, Ireland, Africa, Italy, the Pacific Islands — all of these and more since first I came to know Perky and at a time so long ago. And yet it does not seem so long ago. But here I am back again, back beneath the same sky, along the same

ocean, in the same little town. Yet gray-haired now. That is all. But Perky who has not seen any of these places, or so far as I know, even been concerned with them — he is not gray. And, as I previously may have mentioned, the most he has been offshore, and while conducting small fishing parties, is perhaps ten miles.

But, for all of that, he does seem to have the answer for so much.

I wish I knew this answer.

Or, if ever I do learn it, there are moments when I wish I had learned it in time. For while I have been slugging out my brains looking for an answer, and even looking at distances as if for an answer, Perky has been going on along right here and, I think, living quite as much.

CHAPTER 6

The lobsters had been boiling for about 20 minutes now, which should be enough. And I was helping Perky dump both the lobsters and the water from

the drum when a car drove up in front of the house and began honking. I could not see the car, but I could hear the honks, and because I am not especially fond of people who honk like that, and no matter where and no matter who, I said to Perky:

"It seems you've got visitors. I think I'll beat it."

"Aw, stick around a while," he answered. "I've got a friend I want you to meet."

"I've met some of your friends before," I told him. "So I think I'll beat it. Besides, I'm way late now."

"But I'm not sure you've met this one —"

And just then a tall apparition rounded the house. She was arrayed in what appeared to be a mixture borrowed from the Sioux, the cowboy, and a little from the gaucho. And this apparition — wearing boots and britches today — seemed more to be swimming than to be striding as she rounded the side of the house and continued swimming right on

towards us. The swimming effect was caused by the manner with which she propelled her fringed arms in front of her, as if both pulling herself along and at the same time clearing the way of any possible obstacles.

My God, Mrs. Billings. My God, Mrs. Billings. I may have sighed it out loud or I merely may have sighed it in my mind. Yet in either event the spectacle of Mrs. Billings never failed to startle me, and regardless of the lapses of time between seeing her. For, in addition to her other characteristics, she is the only woman I ever knew who so masterfully could get her evenings and her mornings, her daytimes and night-times, all mixed up into one. She was a wizard of combining them. Whatever she wore in the morning would do for evening too, or the other way around. And though she preferred dressing in multicolored boots, britches, and beaded jackets, the fringes of her sleeves seemed

to be what she liked the most, so long as they were of many colors and she could wave them. But as for ever being around horses, or on them, her attitude was that horses would only be in her way. But she did like the West.

"Perky boy," she said, meanwhile ignoring me, "Perky boy, I just knew you wouldn't forget my lobsters. I just knew."

"Hell, I never forget anybody," Perky grinned. "You know that." Then he glanced at me. "Have you ever met Mrs. Billings?"

"Oh yes," I answered. "We've met."

"Oh, yes," Mrs. Billings added, and then immediately turned back to Perky. "Where were you all last night?" she demanded. "I kept looking for you, looking and looking —"

"I was out with another girl," he lied. "We were down on the beach. Wow, she had everything. Honest to God, she sure had everything."

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me mad. How often have I told you—"Then she surveyed the pile of lobsters. "Are all these mine?"

"Noo-ooo." He tried to mimic her tone. "Noo-ooo, they're not all yee-urs."

"Oh, yes they are. You promised them to me. You promised them to me — way back last summer. You promised me the first you'd catch. You promised me way back last summer. I'm going to throw a ger-r-r-ate big party — tonight! And now I'm going in the house and have a drink."

"There's nothing in there."

"Oh, yes there is, Perky boy. See, I've brought it. See?" And magically from somewhere between the fringes of her jacket and the Indian belt of her britches she demonstrated she was speaking the truth. It was a pint bottle.

"Maybe," I said weakly to Perky, "— maybe I should be going."

"Hell, no. Stick around."

"Sure," said the lanky Mrs. Billings. "Stick around. I don't mind stuffed shirts."

She started for the back door of the house. And Perky, watching her, merely continued grinning.

"My hunch is," I said, "that you're never going to get those lobsters to the meat market."

"Aw, sure. I'll get them there all right — maybe."

"But Christ, why haven't you killed that woman?"

Yet all he would say was "ahh-h-h." He deliberately drawled it out for my sake, looking up at the sky as a lunatic would do, and said, "ahh-h-h" again.

This was enough.

"Well, so long and good luck," I said to him, then went around the house to my car and started for home. I should have been on my way long before now, anyhow, as it was time to try to get some more work done. But then, unfortunately, it always seems time to be trying to get some more work done.

Yet, while driving home, I kept thinking of Mrs. Billings and kept wishing she were the kind of woman who could be "written." Perhaps she could be by anybody else — and in any other town but here. ■

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Wolfgang Puck. Ms. Wise, if she has an open mind, would do well to acquaint herself with the work of others like Eckart Witzigmann or Alfons Schuhbeck. Unfortunately, her characterization of German food as consisting of sausages and sauerkraut is ignorant, biased, and akin to claiming Italians eat only pizza, the Chinese only

fried noodles, and Mexicans only tacos. Thus, it is fair to surmise that Ms. Wise is a food-writer dilettante who presumably knows more about fast food than fine food.

John Mathias

Naomi Wise responds: I mentioned up front in my review that the sort of German cuisine served at Kaiserhof (and in my boyfriend's grandmother's farmhouse) was not one about which I was well versed or even enthusiastic. For precisely this rea-

son, I researched the cuisine with especial care, looking up definitions and recipes (including schnitzel) in three German cookbooks, two of them originally published in Germany and then translated into English. Hence, the consensus definition of schnitzel: Literally, it's a cutlet, but in usage, it's a breaded and fried cutlet. Then I put Google.com through its paces and found the quotation about the history of potatoes in Germany translated from a German food journal. As for the translation of "Kaiser-

hof" — that came from the mouth of the restaurant's own chef/co-owner.

I'm well aware that a Spätzle refers to the sweetness of the wine, e.g., dryer than an Auslese and much dryer than a late-harvest, botrytised Trockenbeerenauslese. (And no, this Spätzle was not a Piesporter.) But a restaurant review is not a wine column, and I doubt that many readers are sufficiently familiar with the German wine regions and vineyards to remember specific, multisyllabic designations between

reading a review and eating, if they wish to, at the restaurant. I mentioned that our agreeable wine was a Spätzle because I find that semi-late-harvest German whites often complement food of the sort served at Kaiserhof. (The sweetness balances the cuisine's frequent inclusion of vinegar, which would clash unpleasantly with most dry reds.) I'm also cognizant of the glory of certain German chefs, e.g., our own Martin Woesle of Mille Fleurs, one of California's most celebrated restaurants. But neither Woesle's French haute cuisine nor Puck's eclectic Cal-French-Pacific fusion food bears any resemblance in style or substance to the food served at Kaiserhof.

Finally, I'm not the one who made up Kaiserhof's menu of sausages, sauerkraut, sauerbraten, schnitzel, etc. That — not Witzigmann's — is the version of German cuisine that's available to the restaurant's patrons. But you've got me dead to rights on one count: Not having a bottle on hand to inspect, I omitted the final l from Urquell. I think I shall fall on my sword now.

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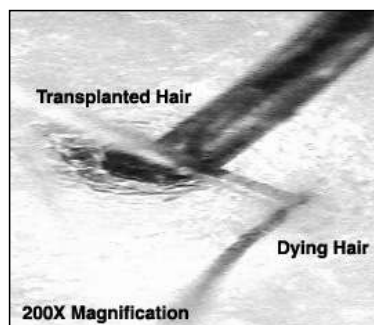
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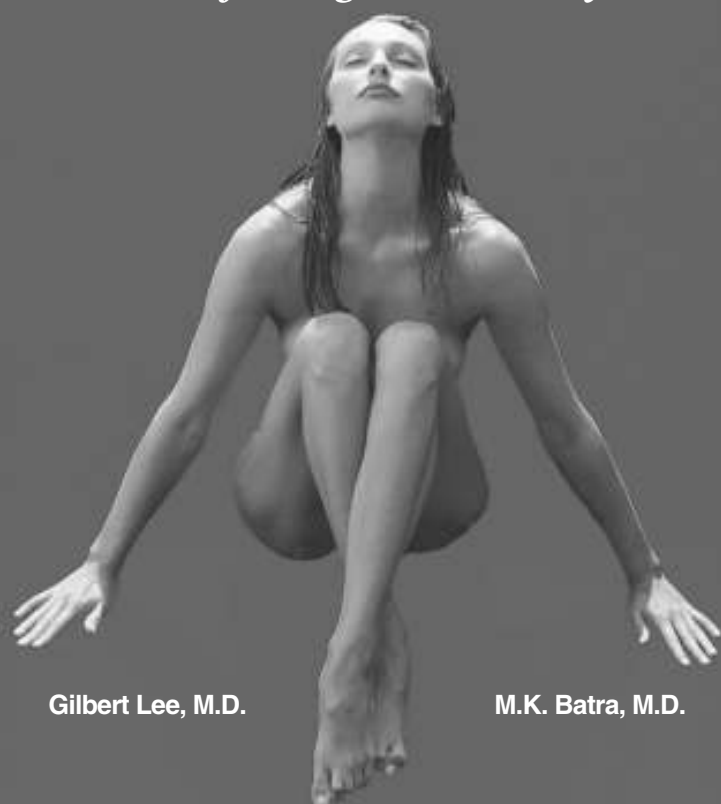
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game called Everquest. Not anymore, and I don't know whether to be happy or sad.

I worked as a texture/concept artist at Verant/Sony Interactive for a period of close to two years (working on the last two expansions), with four of the last five months working 12-hour days and half-time both weekend days. Because of various problems, the team (working on the newest expansion, Shadows of Luclin) had to work an incredibly hard schedule for what seemed like a very long four months. I labored through this, partly because I had pride in the game and my part in it and partly because I knew we would get a payoff afterwards (Sony pays the employees that work on the game royalties on copies sold, a very generous thing, in my opinion...unfortunately, you don't get the royalties if you no longer work there).

Towards the end of this grind, after three instances of being told "this is the last time" when being asked to keep up the schedule a few more days or another week, I just had to stop and work normal hours. My family was suffering from my never being around. Working hours like that takes its toll when you have a family. Most of the employees there are single guys without this responsibility. However, the work I did was being accepted and complimented, and I liked the game and respected my hardworking coworkers, so I did my best to cope with the schedule. I was looking ahead to the royalties as well, to be honest (which could number in the thousands with each quarter). After this big crunch finally ended, the month of "rest time" passed, and we started on the new expansion, I was let go. The reasons given were dubious to me, to say the least. Were there other reasons? I will never know.

During my time there, I tried to do things for the other artists...maybe too many things. I initiated and ran an art gallery, to show what great work the artists could do. I tried, unsuccessfully, to get the Verant/Sony artists more involved in the marketing paraphernalia (comics, posters, etc., which were almost all done by out-of-house artists and designers). I was always told it seemed like a good idea, etc....but it just never happened. Possibly this contributed to my dismissal. I will never know.

One sentence that hit home was "pale young men...cluster around the parking lot, smoking and talking." I was not a part of that, being a nonsmoker (I have never been at a company composed of so many smokers, spending untold hours outside the doorway smoking), I preferred to spend my breaks reading while taking a walk, or playing Ping-Pong or Foosball, with fellow employees. Was this a reason for my dismissal? I will never know.

What I do know is this. I spent two years of my life at a company doing work I really

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loved, working with people who, for the most part, I really liked and admired (who, strangely, save for one or two, I have not heard a word from since my dismissal). I worked ungodly hours for that four-month period (and yes, there were some who worked even more), loving the work I was doing and waiting for the payoff that never came. We are now moving across the country because of the difficulty of finding new jobs in this tough San Diego market. Maybe I will work in the gaming industry again — I very much hope so. It is one of the few jobs I have had where I actually got to do a lot of actual drawing.

I would have loved to stay at Sony, working on a game that is fun and bucks the trend of bloody killing as the main draw. What people should know, though, is that creating and maintaining games like Everquest takes its toll on the creators. I might have gladly paid that toll for years, but...I will never know.

Ken Meyer Jr.

Check Your Information

I have just finished reading Jay Allen Sanford's article "Flame Out" (Pop Music, June 20); the fact is, I have read it twice and can't figure out if he was writing an article on Blotzer and DeMartini, on Robbin Crosby's tragic death and the great loss of a nice guy that got hooked on the wrong things, OR, the bashing of Stephen Percy. Who did Sanford speak with? No, let me guess. It was Blotzer and DeMartini and brother-in-law Decker. To what purpose or end did Blotzer and DeMartini feel that all of the ups and downs of Ratt should be put into the same article as a memorial for Robbin? They may have the rights of using Ratt, but they will never have the fame that Stephen Percy brought them. Did Sanford research any of the information that was given to him? Was he at the memorial service to see what a mockery and circus Blotzer and DeMartini turned it into? Do they need the exposure so badly before going out on tour that they used Robbin as an excuse to exploit dirty laundry?

I know these guys, and they have had their share of women, drugs, etc. They are not clean. Check the Internet and see what defamatory statements they have put on the Web about Percy, Robbin, and Juan Croucier. In fact, we were at the Hard Rock Cafe prior to the memorials and were told by the bartender that Warren and Blotzer had scheduled a jam (gig) in Robbin's honor. Who is kidding who? They must be a little concerned about the upcoming tour of theirs... Bashing of public figures is expected, but there is a time and place for that; it certainly was not at Robbin's memorial! This farce that they would paddle out on surfboards with Robbin's ashes is pure bunk. Robbin hadn't seen any of those guys for

years, up until he spoke up about his condition. The fact is, there were no ashes! Everyone knows in the business that Percy started Ratt years before anyone ever heard of Blotzer or DeMartini, all of the original band members of Mickey Rat were present at the memorial. They should have also told you that Percy and Croucier refused to play a gig at the cafe H.R. right after the memorial. What poor taste and disrespect to Robbin!

I am closing this letter with a little advice: check your information thoroughly so as not to deceive the public or trash Percy or anyone else.

I know all of what I have written above as I happen to be a huge fan of Percy's; I am 40 years old, have seen him do quite well with his other bands and ventures, which I and a lot of his friends and loyal fans admire. How do I know all this? I happen to be a very close friend of the Percy family; our families have been neighbors for 34 years.

John W. Nelson
San Diego

Jay Allen Sanford responds: The bulk of the article on Ratt was written before Mr. Crosby's death. Most of the source material came from documents filed during the court proceedings Percy initiated against his former bandmates, as well as from motions for dismissal, from injunction requests, and from the court's eventual published decision. The quotes attributed to Crosby came from his online postings and from a transcript of the KNAC interview where he spoke at length about his illness. I learned of Crosby's death on the very day the article was turned in to the Reader, so I integrated that breaking news into

the existing article draft. This unfortunate event was part of the story of what's happening with the band (and its members, past and present) as of early June 2002, and that was the focus of the article from its inception. The memorial hadn't taken place yet when the story was being prepared for print.

Write For Us

Kudos go to Mr. Jamason of Kensington (Letters, June 13), who questioned the relevance of your publication. While I honestly feel you folks on India Street mean well, I'm pretty sure you have lost all concept of the purpose you are supposed to provide to the com-

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munity. I am sure that there are people out there who are interested in smithies ("Smiths: What They Do and How They Do It," January 10), I just don't think they represent the bulk of your readership. I actually feel a tad put off that other cities, such as San Francisco, Atlanta, and Los Angeles, have weeklies with firm fingers on the pulse of their readers and you guys at the *Reader* are so far out in left field with your 200-plus pages of irrelevant text. For the sake of your readers, *Reader*, try and write for us and not to us.

G. Nelson
San Diego

Death Drinks

I'm responding to two letters about the Carlsbad Police Department (May 30). One is entitled "Tear Cocktail"; the other one is entitled "Entrapment Cosmetics." These two guys are idiots. They need to get their heads together and quit trying to impress this Mr. Tardy, whoever he is. I don't live in Carlsbad; I live in El Cajon. The Carlsbad Police Department, as far as I'm concerned, did a good job and a good thing when they issued these guys citations for letting teenagers drink in their bar.

The first thing they need to learn is that Cinco de Mayo means May 5. It is a holiday that is celebrated in Mexico.

Second thing they need to learn is that their job is to card everybody that comes into that bar or establishment that serves drinks. And if they are a minor, it's their job to refuse service.

They say that the police department of Carlsbad acted unfairly and they're discriminating against them, and poor bartenders cannot get a job in the city of Carlsbad because of Carlsbad's harassment. I say baloney. They're not harassing anybody; they're doing their jobs, as you state in your columns and letters. Their job is to protect everybody — not just you, *everybody*. Those teenagers are being protected by the law you're supposed to enforce, and you're not doing a good job of it when you get cited for serving beverages to these teenagers. Just once, I wish that you guys would go to the doorstep of some family and tell their mom and dad that their teenager that you served the drinks to is dead, because you served them drinks.

Skip
El Cajon

God Bless Ed

Ed Bedford/"Tin Fork" is so good that I can't believe you don't charge just to read his column. No matter how busy I am, I always read his column. I don't even know if he realizes how well he writes and how much he gives this border town a face and a heart. God bless the *Reader*, and especially Ed Bedford.

Michael Wagner

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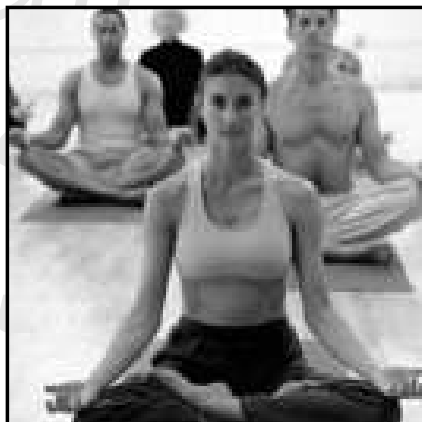
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Roots Rock Raza

'San Diego's a terrible town to be under 21 in," says Victor Payan, "because it's oriented toward getting musicians who play for the tourists as opposed to the kids. The bands booked in the Gaslamp are tourist-friendly. They aren't the guys who play 'Won't Get Fooled Again' or 'Get Off My Cloud' or something that will really change the world. It frightens me, but there's a movement called 'cultural tourism.' It means you bring tourists into communities to bolster the economy. But that turns places into haciendas or plantations. You'll see it in

Tijuana, where everyone sells what they think tourists buy."

Payan, who is 33,

coordinates the four-month-old Roots Rock Raza series in the downtown space called Voz Alta. Two years ago, during the troubles at the Centro Cultural de la Raza in Balboa Park, the Save Our Centro Coalition was formed. Instead of saving the Centro, the group began a new organization for the Mexicano/Chicano/Latino arts community. Roots Rock Raza is one of its progeny.

"When we lost the Centro, we lost access to funding," says Payan. "And so we, like all grassroots culture, started at the bottom again. We had been having our events at different venues. When Voz Alta opened about five months ago, there was finally a space to fill the void that the closure of the Centro had left." Payan characterizes Voz Alta as "independent, artist-run, and not owned by Clear Channel." An idiom, *voz alta* roughly means "out loud." The literal translation is "loud voice."

The monthly format of Roots Rock Raza is part music, part

discussion. Every first Saturday, a featured musician performs then talks with Payan onstage. The interview is interspersed with Q&A from the audience, whose members are encouraged to approach the acoustic open mike with music of their own. "After the discussion," says Payan, "people are, hopefully, brave enough to get onstage, having realized that they can have something important to say, too, and that everyone started small."

Still, the participants need coaxing, which is provided by Payan. "I get up there and do some numbers. And I joked with last month's audience that in everybody's musical experience, there's one person that inspires you to say, 'I can do that. He's not that good. I can get up there.' Hopefully, I can be that person for someone. I'm half-joking, but, ultimately, if I can get some 16-year-old kid up there with a cheap guitar, then I'm doing my job."

What ages have been attracted to the venue? "We're getting not only the musicians' fans but the musicians' families. So we've had 10- and 12-year-

olds, as well as people in their early 20s who want to know about how to write a song."

Any Latino wannabes in the crowd? "Well, they're honorary Latinos as opposed to wannabes. We're not getting any Ricky Martin types."

No particular style dominates the venue; synthesis is the point. "Here in San Diego-Tijuana, over the last 30 years, everything

under the sun has fed the musical creative community," says Payan. "Blues, rock, classic rock, jazz, ska, metal, reggae, funk, punk, norteño. There's also mod, as we're having with Bart Mendoza this Saturday. And it's funny, because last month we had Quino, who's with [the San Diego reggae band] Big Mountain. He grew up in the suburbs and is now doing Bob Marley-style revolutionary reggae. This is a guy who, when he was 13, saw Marley on *60 Minutes*, and now he's part of that tradition. Bart is the other way around. He grew up in the barrio and got turned on by mod music, like the Jam and early Who, so he's riding around in the barrio on his Vespa. It's hilarious when you think of what that represents."

Is mod coming back? Vespas and *Quadrophenia* are everywhere in the wind these days.

"Things are cyclical," says Payan. "And since this is a very young community, there's always somebody who's mad at the world. There's always somebody who's listening to 'London Calling' for the first time."

That may be so, but some things do evolve — and devolve. For example, Payan, who counts the Clash

among his own early influences, regrets that "everything rock and roll has stood for — self-expression, the do-it-yourself aesthetic — are disappearing. It's sad. Downtown on a typical Saturday night, you'll probably hear a disco band or disco deejay. It's harder and harder to walk in off the street and hear a Bob Dylan or the Beatles in their rathskeller days."

How can Payan tell if Roots Rock Raza is making a difference? "We don't know how to gauge it. A cultural transmission is going on, but you can't track it in a ledger, like corporate management people do. Voz Alta isn't located next to a bus stop, but that would be the ideal: if somebody — a bus boy walking home from work — would hear the music and come in. And actually that has happened."

— Jeanne Schinto

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OUTDOORS

The Heat of Summer will most likely reach its feverish peak in inland San Diego County during the coming month — July. (Coastal San Diego is different: since its weather is greatly affected by the slowly warming mass of ocean water adjacent to it, coastal temperatures usually peak in August or September.)

The weather station at Borrego Springs commonly measures mid-summer highs in the 110s Fahrenheit (the record high is 122', a reading set on June 25, 1990), but certain locales in the low-lying, barren basins of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park — notably the Borrego and Carrizo Badlands — probably experience even higher temperatures. Overnight camping in the desert in summer is relatively carefree — little or no shelter is needed, and early-morning temperatures are delightfully tepid. Prospective explorers of the desert in summer should take along enormous quantities of water and inform a responsible person of their whereabouts.

Native Lilies, such as the Humboldt lily, are blooming this month in widely scattered locations throughout San Diego County's higher mountains. To find them take a walk on the Noble Canyon Trail in the Laguna Mountains, or explore the pine woodlands of Palomar Mountain and Cuyamaca Rancho State Parks. The large, nodding flowers of the lilies — orange or yellow with brown spots — grow in clusters on stems two to eight feet tall.

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slight competitive edge in illumination. Currently the moon is in its waning phase and it rises after midnight. This and every July 4 is astronomically notable for the fact that it marks Earth's aphelion — the time when our planet lies farthest from the sun (94.5 million miles). In January, Earth is an almost insignificant three percent closer to the sun than it is now. On account of this minor irregularity, Northern Hemisphere summers tend to be slightly cooler than they otherwise would be. At the same time, the Southern Hemisphere, which experiences winter during our “summer” months, has winters that tend to be slightly cooler as well.

Mission Hills Meander, enjoy great views and see picturesque homes and gardens during an outing planned by Walkabout on Friday, July 5. The one-hour, moderate walk over flat terrain starts at 5:45 p.m. at Espresso Mio (1920 Ft. Stockton). Free. 619-231-7463. (MISSION HILLS)

Desert Guns, Mule Skinner Jim and his cohorts plan an “Old West performance” around the campfire at William Heise County Park on Saturday, July 6, at 6 p.m. Expect to hear “some really true stories and comedy.” Find the park at 4945 Heise Park Road; 858-694-3049. The fee is \$2 per person. (JULIAN)

Meet Blue Sky, naturalist Chuck Border leads a canyon hike focusing on wildlife in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Saturday, July 6. Busy on the 6th? Naturalist Gillian Pinsky leads a general nature hike through the park on Sunday, July 7.

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

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

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

Explore the Plant World around the Mission Trails Regional Park's visitors' center with a ranger during a native plant walk on Saturday, July 6, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Many native plants from different habitats around Southern California are found in the park. Find the center at One Father Junipero Serra Trail). 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Rescuing Wild Animals in Trouble is the job of Wildlife Assist volunteers, with two orientations planned on Saturday, July 6, at 2 p.m. Get the information at the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy (in Cardiff-by-the-Sea Towne Centre, 2031 San Elijo Avenue) and at the Clairemont Community Service Center in Clairemont Town Square (behind Vons, at 4731 Clairemont Drive). Participants are involved in all aspects of the work. 619-921-6044. Free. (CARDIFF, CLAIREMONT)

Over 40 Million Years Ago an ocean covered San Clemente Canyon; fossilized snails and clams from that period are still found in the canyon

walls today. Take a pleasant family walk through San Clemente Canyon (east), Marian R. Bear Memorial Park, with the Canyoneers on Sunday, July 7. Participants will look for signs of wildlife and walk under the huge sycamores and live oaks that line the canyon bottom.

To reach the trailhead, take Highway 52 to Genesee Avenue and exit. Proceed north and take an immediate right turn into the parking lot on the right (east) side of Genesee. Free. Call 619-232-3821 x203 for information. (CLAIREMONT)

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

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

Learn Kumeyaay History and oral traditions when Heather leads a four-mile hike in San Dieguito River Park on Sunday, July 7, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. For reservations and directions, call 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

The Thin Waning Crescent Moon teams up with Saturn very early on Monday, July 8, with both bodies rising from the eastern horizon about 90 minutes before sunrise. Two days after the new moon occurs on Wednesday, July 10, the newly “re-born” waxing crescent moon will first appear over the west horizon at

dusk on Friday, July 12, with brilliant Venus to its left.

July's Lowest Tides are for early risers only! Check out the local tidepool life without hordes of other people around. Wednesday, July 10, features a minus 1.1-foot tide at 4:30 a.m. On Thursday, July 11, there's a minus 1.2-foot tide at 5:09 a.m. And on Friday, July 12, there's another minus 1.2-foot tide at 5:49 a.m.

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Contradance, Lime in the Harp provides the music and Martha Wild calls for the contradance on Friday, July 5. 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)

"Bellydancing Fusion" is promised when the Urban Tribal Dance Company performs on July 6, at the Gargoyle Gallery (1845 India Street). Performances begin at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. The cover is \$5. For information, call 619-234-1344. These shows take place on the first Saturday of each month. (LITTLE ITALY)

Waltz to Change Your Life, dance instructor and competitor Carrie Kloss will teach an intermediate waltz workshop on Saturday, July 6, at 6:30 p.m., at the Starlight Dance Studio (6506-H El Cajon Boulevard). The class will stress "dance techniques which are good skills to have in building relationships." The fee is \$20,

which includes admission to the following dance party at 8 p.m. For information, call 858-277-1845. (SDSU)

New to Belly Dance? The Art/Dance Academy hosts introductions to Middle Eastern (Arabic style/belly dance) courses on Monday, July 8, at 8 p.m., and on Thursday, July 11, at 10 a.m. The fee for these basic eight-week class is \$75.

There's a summer choreography series for all Middle Eastern dancers beginning on Tuesday, July 9, at 7 p.m. This eight-week class costs \$110.

Finally, the "summer bikini special" with work in *raks* (dance) and flex beginning on Thursday, July 11, at 1:30 p.m. The fee: \$75 for eight weeks. Find the Academy at 1837-A South Coast Highway. To register for any of the classes, call 760-757-4470. (OCEANSIDE)

Cuban-Haitian Drum and Dance workshops are being presented by members of the Folkloric Company Ban Rra Rra from Guantánamo, Cuba. Juan Garzón Brown (percussion) and Jose "Cheo" Rojas (dance) lead classes on Wednesday and Thursday, July 10 and 11, at 6 p.m. for drumming and at 7 p.m. for dance, at the Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex (3795 Fairmount Avenue). (CITY HEIGHTS)

On Saturday, July 13, there are Cuban salsa classes (3 p.m.), Cuban-Haitian drumming (4:30 p.m.), and Cuban-Haitian dance (5:30 p.m.), at

the Stage 7 School of Dance (3980 30th Street). All classes are mixed levels. Single classes are \$15, or pay \$50 for all four dance classes or \$35 for all three drum classes. To register, call 619-516-3366. (NORTH PARK)

Hip-Hop, Don't Stop, work out *and* get your groove on when Prince leads hip-hop dance classes on Thursdays 7:54 to 9 p.m., at Dancing Unlimited (4569 30th Street). The fee is \$10 per class. For information, call 858-635-1211. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

FILM

The German Comedy Advertising Rules! (2001) screens for the Sunday matinee on July 7, at 2 p.m., at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). This absurdist satire on the high-stakes world of modern commercialism is in German with English subtitles. 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Summer Operas, a variety of comic operas are being presented in large-screen video format by the UCSD department of music in Erickson Hall (B-210) at UCSD's Mandeville Center. The five-opera series continues on Monday, July 8, from 8 to 8:45 p.m., with Gioachino Rossini's *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*. Free. For more information, dial 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Up for a "Superbly Twisted Psychological Thriller"? Writer-director Richard Kelly's *Donnie Darko* is said to incorporate elements of suburban satire into a dysfunctional

family portrait in the service of a compelling mystery. The film — starring Jake Gyllenhaal, Mary McDonnell, Katharine Ross, Patrick Swayze, and Drew Barrymore — will be shown for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library on Monday, July 8, at 6:30 p.m. Free. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

"The Other Side of AIDS" will be shown at the San Diego Independent Media Center on Tuesday, July 9, and filmmakers Robin Scovill and Christine Maggiore will be on hand for discussion. Local poet Kimberly Dark will read some of her work. Doors open at 7 p.m., films start at 7:30 p.m., followed by poetry at 9:30 p.m., at La Casa (4862 Voltaire Street). The suggested donation is \$5, but no one is turned away for lack of funds. 619-233-5002. (OCEAN BEACH)

Pictures at the Prado II, take in a three-course meal at the Prado Restaurant Patio Terrace and then see a film when this series gets underway on Wednesday, July 10. The meal begins at 7:45 p.m., with Billy Wilder's *Some Like It Hot* starting at 9 p.m. This classic stars Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis, and Jack Lemmon.

The \$50 fee per person includes the meal, tax, tip, and movie. To make reservations, call 619-557-9441 x1. The series concludes on August 28. (BALBOA PARK)

There Will Be Free Popcorn when the Uptown Greens and the San Diego WTO Alert hosts a video screening of the Bill Moyers show

Trading Democracy on Thursday, July 11, at 7:30 p.m., at the Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Admission is free. For information, call 619-463-0721. (HILLCREST)

The French Connection, it's the theme for the "Summer of 2002 Outdoor Film Festival" series at the San Diego Museum of Art, in conjunction with the upcoming exhibition, "Idol of the Moderns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting." The 1962 François Truffaut masterpiece *Shoot the Piano Player* starring Charles Aznavour screens on Thursday, July 11. The film starts at dusk. Bring a blanket for seating. 619-232-7931. Free. In French with English subtitles. (BALBOA PARK)

Six Summer Films are being shown at the SDSU Continuing Education Center, beginning with the 1935 black-and-white version of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* directed by Max Reinhardt and William Dieterle. Catch the film at 1 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, in the CEC classroom at 16776 Bernardo Center Drive, suite 110A. The moderator is David Blitzblau. The fee is \$43 for the series, or \$12 per film. For information, call 858-487-0464. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

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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 chronicled 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. Take this trip to outer space through December.

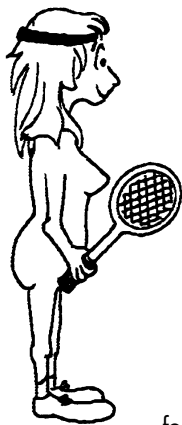
For ticket prices and showtimes, call 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

Three Unrhymed Lines of five, seven, and five syllables, traditionally invoking an aspect of nature or the seasons, work together in the Japanese lyric verse known as haiku. Karen Kenyon teaches a haiku class on Saturday, July 6, at 10:30 a.m., at the Japanese Friendship Garden. The nonmember fee is \$10. Call 619-232-2721 to reserve a spot. (BALBOA PARK)

Back to Basics, the North San Diego County Genealogical Society hosts a beginners' class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 6, at the Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive).

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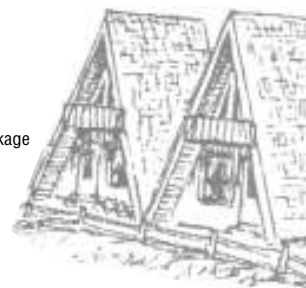
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Warm Up Your Voice for the 2002 National Association of Teachers of Singing Convention, continuing through Sunday, July 7, at the U.S. Grant Hotel. Organizers plan master classes, concerts, and workshops on Spanish music including "Spanish Diction," "The Roots of Spanish Song," "Songs of Central and South America," and "Spanish Zarzuela." For tickets and other information, call 858-454-5982. (DOWNTOWN)

What Was the Lifestyle of the First Crocodiles? Find out when verte-

brate paleontologist Nicholas Fraser considers "Crocodiles — A Group Ahead of Their Time" on Monday, July 8, at 7 p.m., at the San Diego Natural History Museum. Crocodiles date back to the beginning of the age of dinosaurs, but they were very different from the somewhat sluggish semi-aquatic reptiles that they are today. The fee is \$8. For reservations, call 619-232-3821 x203. (BALBOA PARK)

Life Is but a Dream? What happens to your soul when you sleep? What do your dreams mean? These dreamy questions will be answered during the lecture planned on Monday, July 8, at 8:30 p.m., at the Kabbalah Centre (8895 Towne Centre Drive). Admission is \$10. For details, dial 858-535-0447. (GOLDEN TRIANGLE)

Learn to Document Your Lineage when retired teacher Martha Gujda explores the use of "DAR and SAR Lineages Using the Internet" for the Computer Genealogy Group of the North San Diego County Genealogical Society on Tuesday, July 9. The talk starts at 1 p.m. in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-723-1342. Free. (CARLSBAD)

Cooking With Roberta, the Italian Community Center hosts an Italian cooking class led by Roberta on Wednesday, July 10, at 6 p.m. Find the center at 1669 Columbia Street. To reserve a spot, call 858-488-9315. The fee is \$20. (LITTLE ITALY)

Perspectives on Ocean Science, the lecture series at the Birch Aquarium-Museum continues when Scripps researcher Melany Puglisi examines "Survival in the Sea: Biochemical Warfare" on Wednesday, July 10. How do seemingly harmless invertebrates and seaweeds defend themselves against predators? Find out when Puglisi speaks at 7:30 a.m. Admission is \$8. The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Art Talk, assistant curator Rachel Teagle leads an art tour of "Language: Form and Function" on Thursday, July 11, at 6 p.m., at the Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown (1001 Kettner Boulevard). Admission is free. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Explore the Life and Times of the great French impressionist painter when San Diego Museum of Art curator Steven Kern presents "An Introduction to Renoir" on Thursday, July 11, at 6 p.m., at the museum. Kern will highlight works in the current exhibition "Idol of the Moderns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting." Free. For more information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Art in the Afternoon, the series hosted by the Timken Museum of Art resumes when Monseratt Sánchez explores portraiture with an emphasis on artist Bartolomeo Veneto on Thursday, July 11. Sánchez, a professor from the Centro de Humanidades de Baja California, will present the lecture — in Spanish — at 1 p.m. Admission is free. Questions? Call 619-531-9636 for answers. (BALBOA PARK)

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IN PERSON

Four-Part Vocal Harmonies and hot instrumentals in a traditional bluegrass style are promised when the Laurel Canyon Ramblers perform on Friday, July 5, at 8 p.m., at Valley Music (530 East Main Street). Tickets are \$15 in advance, or \$20 at the door. For reservations, call 619-444-3161. (EL CAJON)

Meet and Author and an Illustrator when Helen Landalf (the writer) and Mark Rimland (the illustrator in question) visit Borders Books and Music for a reception for *The Secret Night World of Cats* on Friday, July 5, at 6 p.m. Find the store at 159 Fletcher Parkway and by calling 619-593-5119. Free. (EL CAJON)

Summertime, and the Music Is Easy, free concerts proliferate at this time of year. The 17th annual TGIF Jazz in the Parks series continues with "neo-swing jazz" by the Royal Crown Revue on Friday, July 5. The concert begins at 6 p.m. in Stagecoach Park (3420 Camino de los Coches, at La Costa Avenue and Rancho Santa Fe Road). Shuttle service is available. Call 760-434-2904

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Funk, pop, rhythm and blues, soul, blues, and Brazilian grooves mix in the “smooth jazz” music performed by Gregg Karukas, who appears for the Sounds in the Park 2002 Concert Series on Saturday, July 6, at 5 p.m., in Rancho del Oro Park (found at College Boulevard and Avenida Empressa). Bring a blanket and relax on the grass. For information, call 760-435-5570. (OCEANSIDE)

The “Music in the Park” concert series continues with music by Kokopelli on Sunday, July 7, at 4 p.m., in Memorial Bowl (373 Park Way, just off Third Avenue, between G and F Streets). For information, call 619-585-5682. (CHULA VISTA)

Boasting a repertoire of over 800 songs in a variety of styles, vocalist C.C. Sanders, also known as the “Candyman,” presents a concert on Sunday, July 7, at 2 p.m., in Heritage Park (220 Peyri Road). Bring a picnic. 760-534-5041. (OCEANSIDE)

“Sundays at Six” — the series continues a performance by the Teeny Tiny Pit Orchestra on Sunday, July 7, at 6 p.m., at the Harry Griffen Park Amphitheatre (9550 Mildren Street). Bring a picnic basket (no glass) and a blanket. Free. 619-667-1300. (LA MESA)

He Says He Was Just Along for the Ride, and on Saturday, July 6, at 2 p.m., Jac Flanders will sign copies of his book *What I Learned on the Way Down* at Warwick’s Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Flanders “spent much of his career in the shadows” as personal assistant to Jerry Lewis, as the voice of “the Flame” on *The Fantastic Four*, and later as an editor of San Diego news-

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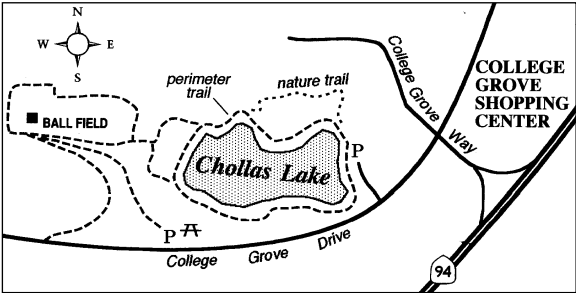
A Guide to Unexpected San Diego and Beyond • By Jerry Schad

Right off the 94 Freeway in San Diego’s Oak Park neighborhood, a dense grove of eucalyptus trees conceals one of the more pleasant oases of the inner city: Chollas Lake Park. On any warm, summer evening, as the sun’s coppery rays and a cooling breeze sifts through the aromatic leaves, a hundred people or more are making their way on foot and bikes around the curving, unpaved trackway surrounding the lake.

People-watching along the lake’s 0.8-

mile looping path is always interesting, as you’ll see a fairly representative cross-section of San Diego’s diverse ethnic population. Most people circle this perimeter trail in the counterclockwise direction. If you travel clockwise, you’ll soon have a nodding acquaintance with nearly every visitor.

Chollas refers to the native coastal cholla cactus that grows in sometimes-dense clusters on undisturbed hillsides from here through parts of east and southeast San Diego toward San Diego Bay. Cultivated specimens of this fearsome plant can be seen along the park’s short nature trail, which rises north of the lake. Below (west of) the earthen dam lie more chollas in their native habitat, clinging to steep, dry slopes.



The below-the-dam section of the park, a broad canyon rimmed on its north side by a tall and obviously artificial berm of earth, is crisscrossed by dirt roads and single-track pathways — all good for additional exercise. At one time this bowl-shaped depression was slated to receive municipal refuse, but that never panned out. Today, planners look forward to converting this somewhat raw-looking landscape into more civilized parkland — and indeed the picnic ground on the canyon rim and a new ball field in the canyon bottom are partial realizations of this goal.

The entrance to Chollas Lake Park is located on College Grove Drive, 0.2 mile west of College Grove Way and west of the College Grove regional shopping center. The main parking lot often fills to capacity, but plenty of additional off-street parking is available in the picnic area farther west on College Grove Drive. The park is open from 6:30 a.m. to sunset. Call 619-527-7683 for more information.

Quail Concerts, the summer concert series at Quail Botanical Gardens continues with a concert by Jimmer Bolden and Quartet on Sunday, July 7, at 5 p.m. The \$20 ticket (for non-members) includes the music, light supper, and coffee. Find the gardens at 230 Quail Gardens Drive. To make the suggested reservations, call 760-436-3036. Don’t bring food or beverages, chairs, or blankets. (ENCINITAS)

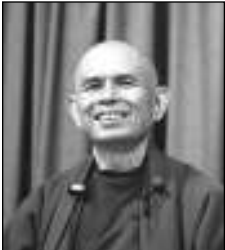
Summer Organ Festival, the 15th annual festival at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion continues when organist John Kuzma performs on Monday, July 8, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. Call 619-702-8138 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

Hot Stuff, learn about *The Chili Pepper Diet* when author Heidi Allison signs books on Tuesday, July 9, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

Why Am I Here? What Is Your Purpose in Life? In *Familiar Strangers*, Gotham Chopra travels to China, Sri Lanka, Kashmir, Chechnya, and the Yucatan in search of answers to these questions. Chopra will discuss and sign his book on Tuesday, July 9, at 7:30 p.m., at Warwick’s Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

“Living Your Authentic Life” is the subject when Bruce D. Schneider, author of *Relax, You’re Already Perfect*, visits Barnes and Noble Bookstore to present a workshop and sign books on Tuesday, July 9, at 7:30 p.m. Find the store at 10755 Westview Parkway; call 858-684-3166 for information. Free. (MIRA MESA)

The Second Bubbles Yablonsky Book, *Bubbles in Trouble*, will be signed by author Sarah Strohmeier — who will appear at the event as “Bubbles” herself — on Tuesday, July 9, at



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and the cop who brought the man down with a shot to the chops
is shaking hands, dribbling chaw across his sweaty shirt,
and pointing cars across the courthouse grass to park.
It's the Big One one more time, July the 4th,

our country's perfect holiday, so direct a metaphor for war,
we shoot off bombs, launch rockets from Drano cans,
spray the streets and neighbors' yards with the machine-gun crack
of fireworks, with rebel yells and beer. In short, we celebrate.

It's hard to believe. But so help the soul of Thomas Paine,
the entire county must be here — the acned faces of neglect,
the halter-tops and ties, the bellies, badges, beehives,
jacked-up cowboy boots, yes, the back-up singers of democracy

all gathered to brighten in unambiguous delight when we attack the calm and pointless sky.
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the whistle-stop across the river will lob its smaller arsenal
halfway back again. Some may be moved to tears.

We'll clean up fast, drive home slow, and tomorrow
get back to work, those of us with jobs, convicting the others
in the back rooms of our courts and malls — yet what
will be left of that one poor child, veteran of no war

but her family's own? The comfort of a welfare plot,
a stalk of wilting prayers? Our fathers' dreams come true as
nightmare.
So the first bomb blasts and echoes through the streets and shrubs:
red, white, and blue sparks shower down, a plague

of patriotic bugs. Our thousand eyeballs burn aglow like punks.
America, I'd swear I don't believe in you, but here I am,
and here you are, and here we stand again, agape.

— David Baker

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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)

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"Jazz in the Park," there's Latin jazz on tap when Gilbert Castellanos performs for the series at the San Diego Museum of Art on Wednesday, July 10, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 general. For reservations, dial 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

The New State Poet Laureate and local cultural light Quincy Troupe reads from his work on Wednesday,

July 10, at 7 p.m., at Esmeralda Books and Coffee (1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307). Free. Call 858-755-2707 for details. (DEL MAR)

Romance Is Rekindled and patriotism revisited when the Glenn Miller Orchestra performs on Thursday, July 11, at 7 p.m., at Golden Hall (202 C Street). Proceeds from the dance benefit the World War II Flying Museum at Gillespie Field. Tickets are \$50, available by calling

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Fleming Ford is an Alabama girl exiled to the West Coast, where she is torn between devotion to her husband and a dangerous love for an older Englishman who seems

to embody the formality and culture lacking in her new home. California is to Fleming a desert of many kinds, but ultimately she is reluctantly drawn into the culture that she satirizes — its beautiful vistas, its citizens' endless quest for wellness, the narcotic effect of its perpetual sun. She soon finds herself at the mall or with a botanist, facialist, yoga instructor, or visceral manipulator. She must come to terms with the inhabitants' ceaseless plea to relax their phobia of weather, their love of malls.

Newly pregnant with her third child while her geologist husband is away searching for water in the barren deserts of the American West, Fleming seeks relief in the companionship of Mr. Lieberman, a British mogul sojourning in Los Angeles. To her, he represents the tragic yet glamorous Old World, the milestones of the twentieth century, and the battlefields of Europe.

Will Fleming risk her marriage and her honor for the love

of an aging tycoon? Acclaimed for her Walker Percy-like portraits of Southern society, Nancy Lemann here trains her eye on the contrasts between the East Coast and the West, the Old World and the New, in a captivating story that reflects on universal themes of place, history, and home.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Nancy Lemann was born in 1956 in New Orleans and was raised there. Her father is a lawyer and her mother, who died in 1999, was a psychologist. Ms. Lemann received a B.A. with a major in English and American literatures at Brown University. After graduation she returned to New Orleans. While working at various odd jobs, she wrote her first novel — *Lives of the Saints*. In 1982, Ms. Lemann left New Orleans for Manhattan and graduate school at Columbia University, where she studied with Elizabeth Hardwick. Ms. Lemann's first novel, on which she had continued to tinker, became her master's thesis for Columbia. The novel was published by Knopf and edited by Gordon Lish and received excellent reviews — accolades, really.

Ms. Lemann lived in Manhattan for 15 years, during which time she married and became mother to a daughter. In 1996 Lemann and her husband Mark Clein, an investment banker, moved to San Diego, where Clein until recently served as CEO of PMR Corporation, a health-care company that has merged with Psychiatric Solutions, Inc. In 1998 the couple had a second child, a daughter. And now the family is leaving San Diego and moving on, to Washington, D.C.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Ms. Lemann is one of two children of her parents' union. Her brother, Nicholas Lemann, also is a writer. Author most recently of *The Big Test: The Secret History of the American Meritocracy*, he is a staff writer for the *New Yorker*. I asked, "What did your parents make of having these two really brilliant children? Really, it must have been just amazing to have these two kids scribbling away in the background."

Ms. Lemann laughed. "You have to be a writer now to get into the Lemann family. My father remarried, to a writer, and my brother has been married to two writers. [Dominique Browning, editor of *House and Garden* and author of the recent *Around the House and in the Garden: A Memoir of Heartbreak, Healing, and*

Home Improvement, which reveals her sorrow at the breakup of her 15-year marriage to Nicholas Lemann.] His second wife is also a writer. Judith Shulevitz [who writes for the *New York Times*]. It's all got rather incestuous, with all these writers."

Her parents, Ms. Lemann said, "met at Harvard and Radcliffe. They were very bookish; they were quite intellectual. We grew up in strictly book-lined rooms and halls, and they were just completely educated, and foreign travel was very big. They took us to Europe when we were, like, seven and, oh, it was an amazing, amazing world. Other people in New Orleans were not like that, because it's a party town, it's a drinking town. And there's, in fact, sort of an anti-intellectual streak to that town. So, again, I wish my father were here. We could ask him how he feels about it."

I said that when I'd interviewed Ms. Lemann's brother that he had mentioned that their mother was a psychologist.

"She was, and we sort of got Freud up to here, since we were little. I knew a lot about Freud, growing up."

I said that probably was unusual, when Ms. Lemann's parents first were married, for her mother to have a job. Ms. Lemann thought that it was unusual. "She was from New Jersey, my mother was. So she had to come into that New Orleans culture, and it took her 35 years to adjust. *Thirty-five years*. That was really tough."

"And your father," I said, "he'd been in New Orleans for about nine million years."

"Yes. Our ancestor, his forebear, came in 1836 from Germany. And the Lemann family is quite interesting in that it's got Jews and Catholics. We're Jewish, but there's many, many Catholics in the Lemann family. The ancestor who came in 1836, the German Jew, he married a French Catholic girl in the country. So down through the generations, if you married a Catholic girl sometimes you converted. The original French Catholic girl, she converted to Judaism. So then it just went down — some people converted to Catholicism if they married Catholics, and then if people married Jews they just stayed. And then there's also blacks and whites in the Lemann family. So it's quite interesting.

"There's a whole town called Lemannville in Louisiana that's entirely black. I think this is why my brother was inspired to write his book, *The Promised Land: The Great Black Migration and How It Changed America*. I have a very poignant, haunting picture of

first race starts at 6:45 p.m., with qualifying runs starting at 5 p.m.

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

Professional Soccer, the San Diego Gauchos host the Arizona Sahuaros on Friday, July 5, 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)

Boys of Summer, the San Diego Padres are in Colorado for games

against the Rockies July 5-7, at 6:05 p.m. on Friday, 5:05 p.m. on Saturday, and 12:05 p.m. on Sunday. The regular season takes a break for all-star games July 8-11.

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).

Runnin' the Ranch, septuagenarian roadrunner and naturalist Don Parnell leads a run over hills and through meadows "of exceptional beauty" in Daley Ranch on Saturday, July 6. This two-hour trail starts at 7:30 a.m. in the main parking lot (on La Honda Drive). Call 760-839-4680 for more information. Free. Bring water. (ESCONDIDO)

Run or Walk! The Fifty-Plus Fitness Association hosts a run/walk on the

first Saturday of every month, including July 6. The four-mile outings start at 8:30 a.m. at 15th Street and Ocean Avenue and last a little over one hour along the beach. Wear good running or walking shoes; all levels of ability are welcome. Participants are welcome to join the group at a nearby restaurant after the walk. For more information, call 619-742-4151 or 858-454-5433. (DEL MAR)

Go South, Doc Faulkner leads a bicycle ride for the Knickerbikers on Saturday, July 6. This 15-mile jaunt for intermediates starts at 9 a.m. at the Carmel Valley park and ride (found one block west of I-5 on Carmel Valley Road). Free, but bring money for lunch at Panda Country (on Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). For information, dial 858-270-6604. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Soccer Spirit, the San Diego Spirit, one of the teams of the Women's United Soccer Association, hosts the Boston Breakers on Saturday, July 6, at 1 p.m. Games take place in Torero Stadium, on the campus of the University of San Diego, at 5998 Alcalá Park. Tickets range from \$12 to \$20, available by calling 877-476-2237 or through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LINDA VISTA)

Bring a Bike, Bird Book, and Binos when the Chula Vista Nature Center hosts "birding by bike" on Saturday, July 6, at 9 a.m. Participants ride along the many South Bay bikeways and stop for excellent birding opportunities. Free. For directions to the start point, call 619-409-5903. (SOUTH BAY)

Workout by the Bay, Faith in Fitness presents four-hour workouts — from moderate to intense — each Saturday and Sunday morning, from 7 to 11 a.m. Expect walking, spinning, jogging, dynamic stretching, swimming, cardio-abs, and more. All ages and levels of ability are encouraged to attend. The fee is \$25 per hour or \$75 for four hours. For reservations and locations, call 619-994-5563 or 619-977-9096. (SAN DIEGO)

No Big Hills are in the route planned by San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders on Sunday, July 7, heading through Poway, Escondido, San Mar-

cos, Vista, and Oceanside. The 80-miler starts at 8:45 a.m. at Doyle Park (8175 Regents Road at Nobel Drive). Free. 619-583-8547. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Polo Time, the San Diego Polo Club hosts the USPA Rossmore Cup (open) on Sunday, July 7. Preliminary matches begin at 1:30 p.m., while the featured polo match starts at 3 p.m. The traditional half-time divot-stomp starts at 4 p.m., when guests are invited to take the field and replace the divots.

General admission is \$5, as is parking. The club meets at 14555 El Camino Real. For information and reservations, call 858-481-9217. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

SPECIAL

Star Party, view celestial objects through the 21-inch Buller telescope at SDSU's Mount Laguna Observatory and see a slide show in the auditorium at sunset on (most) Friday and Saturday nights through August 31. Staff members are on hand to answer questions, and visitors are encouraged to bring binoculars for "sky tours."

Tickets are required for admission and are available free from the U.S. Forest Service visitors' information office on Sunrise Highway in

Mount Laguna. They are distributed on a first-come basis for viewing the same evening (for space availability, call 619-473-8547).

To reach the observatory from San Diego, take I-8 to the Sunrise Highway exit (Highway S1); drive northeast on Sunrise Highway about nine miles to Morris Ranch Road. Turn east onto Morris Ranch Road for about one-quarter of a mile to the observatory's visitors' parking lot. Bring a sweater or jacket and flashlight. For further information, call 619-594-1415. (MOUNT LAGUNA)

Do Something Different This Summer! Head to the "Paper Theatre Festival" — described as the "smallest show on Earth" — planned by the Arts Libraries at UCSD. According to festival director Scott Paulson, "paper theater was a popular form of drawing room entertainment in many countries 200 years ago. Small-scale models of famous theaters were elaborately designed and printed using the finest color printing presses. Families and friends would cut and glue the theater together and mount plays using paper dolls and the scripts that were provided in the kit."

This festival features classic productions and new works written and designed just for the festival. Replicas of famous theaters — some as small as your hand, some as big as a television — will be used to mount brief opera productions, ballet productions, Shakespeare plays, and more.

The festival convenes on Saturdays from July 6-August 24, at 1 p.m., in the lower level of Geisel Library at UCSD. Don't be late, because the shows are under 30 minutes long. Admission and parking are free. Call 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

Gentlemen, Start Your Grills! Rods, classics, trucks, pro-street, clubs, and special interest vehicles will be taking part in the Imperial Beach Surf and Turf Car Show, set for Saturday, July 6 (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.), on Seacoast Drive at the pier. Forty teams will compete in the California State Barbecue Championships on Friday and Saturday, July 5 and 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free; barbecue lunches

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my brother when he was a little, teeny-weeny boy standing on a porch of an old rickety building that says 'Lemannville' on it, and he's wearing little, itty-bitty horn-rimmed glasses and looking very perplexed."

I changed the subject, to seersucker. I said that in all Ms. Lemann's four novels, the men wear seersucker suits.

"That's because I grew up in New Orleans, you know. And then when I was 18 or 19 I went away to college, up North, and then I returned to New Orleans after that, and only when I returned, having been away in the North, did all this stuff hit me with the seer-sucker. In May, a man goes into seersucker. That means he can abandon his dark-colored business suit and wear these kind of ancient-looking, rumpled, kind of incredibly dapper-looking suits. It just seems so quaint. New Orleans is like the Old World. It's probably the closest you could get outside of Europe. Like Venice, it has a very ornate, old carnival; it's very elaborate, with elaborately calibrated social traditions. You don't get any of that out here. At least in San Diego. I hear that you get it in San Francisco." Ms. Lemann paused, then said, "If only you could be talking to my father right now about seersucker, and he could just give you the complete history of it all."

I said, "You can see how someone would read you, and they would want to know about seersucker."

"And now with my mind going," Ms. Lemann said teasingly, "and all that, I can't recall things as sharply. It could be because of California. Doesn't California kind of blot everything out of your head because of the blasting sun and everything? And also I think seersucker pretty much came as a product of the hot weather."

"Because," I said, "it's a fabric that breathes."

"It's light. A man in the South would wear white linen or seersucker."

"Or khaki," I said, "Men in the South also wear khaki suits."

"Yes," said Ms. Lemann, "khaki is very big."

"You never see seersucker suits out in this part of the world. Do you?"

"Probably they never had them out here, wouldn't you think? This region is just so different. I mean, as I said in the book, you know, I come from the South, and then I lived in the North, and the conflicts between the North and the South are very marked and

neat, and they all fit together. But then when you add the West to the equation, it just all gets blown out the window. Because the West is completely different and just has completely different conflicts, and it's really not a part of that North/South conflict."

I said, about *Malaise*, "This book has kind of a happy ending."

"A happy ending — let me think. Happy ending," Ms. Lemann laughed. "I've been having mental problems since... I'm getting up there." She laughed again, "Okay, the ending of my book. Happy ending. Let me think. Well, you mean because Fleming Ford comes to believe in an afterlife?"

"Let me go to the last page," I said. I read the last few lines:

There would be no more mountains to climb with him. But I would climb them still. He showed me where they were. The heights to scale would seem less exalted without the courtliness and fascination of his personality. For he was also a heartthrob. It was more than a fond dream. It was my reality. What gets me is that he didn't make it out of the 20th Century.

I said, "As an ending, that's not like, 'My God, I'm going to roll over and die.'"

"Well, hey, I've always had a pretty positive attitude, even though I would seem to be brooding and misanthropic."

I wondered, why did Ms. Lemann name the San Diego-like town in her novel *Esperanza*?

"In the first draft it was called Santa Clara. But I found that there was a Santa Clara, and I had a whole page of candidates, which, with my forgetful mind now, God only knows where that is. Let me see if I can recollect any of them. I was looking in the atlas in Spain and North Africa and Mexico at various saint names."

"'Esperanza,' " I said, "doesn't it mean hope?"

"Yes. Again, I have a positive attitude. That's why I'm a perfect California person. Right?"

I laughed. "Right. So, another thing a person notices who reads your books is that your heroines engage in hero worship. Your female narrators are starstruck, adoring, usually of wonderful older people."

"I honestly think it's all part of my positive attitude. I always believed that my writing has about it something uplifting, some-

thing to aspire to, something to console, something to look up to. That's what you need to get through this life. So we can all aspire."

Her principal male character, I said, reminded me a bit of one of Ms. Lemann's real-life heroes, Walker Percy.

"That's true, that's true. That's very true. But, I mean, really, the whole thing was one giant fantasy or wishful-thinking type thing. It was like one giant wishful-thinking because I was here all alone in California, like some kind of a pioneer woman, with not one single speck of a relative for thousands of miles. This was just like this one giant daydream that somebody, somewhere would pay me mind, you know. Pay me some mind. Because it never happened

until, like, my review the other day in the *New York Times Book Review*."

"That was a great review."

The *Times* reviewer devoted many paragraphs of praise to *Malaise*. Here is one of those paragraphs: "Lemann is not simply a quirky stylist steeped in the sometimes impenetrable ways of the South, not just a sharp observer of the less regional, if equally mystifying, ways of the human heart. She's also terrifically funny and can write a

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story that rocks."

"That was a doozy all right," Ms. Lemann said. "Just completely lucky — it was a stroke of great good fortune."

I said how much I liked Mr. Lieberman, that he seemed like a good and admirable man.

Ms. Lemann sighed, saying, "I'm so glad that he came off as good. He certainly was meant to be that way. I think that there's a lot of deep meaning in this book. I don't know exactly what it is, but I know that it's there. It's kind of like, sometimes you just have this vision, and you're just getting it out there on paper. Anyway, there's, for instance, a little bitty Jewish thing going on there, but I don't know exactly what, but it's there."

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are \$6. For more information, call 619-424-5380. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Whaddaya Know About Hon Non Bo? Get the scoop when the Hon Non Bo Society show takes place on July 6 and 7 in room 101 of the Casa del Prado. Show hours are 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call 619-644-5653. (BALBOA PARK)

Two Battles Daily! Rancho Guajome Adobe hosts Civil War reenactments and encampments on Saturday and Sunday, July 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. During this living history event, meet President Lincoln and Generals Grant and Lee, and enjoy a ladies' fashion show and period dance demonstrations. Children's activities include gold panning and candlemaking.

Find the adobe at 2210 North Santa Fe. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children. For more information, call 760-724-4082. (VISTA)

Numismatically Inclined? The annual Coinorama coin show takes place on Saturday and Sunday, July 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). More than 50 dealers will be offering their wares, and there will be free coin appraisals. Admission is \$4. For more information, call 619-222-8739. (MISSION VALLEY)

Quilty Pleasures, over 150 quilts will be on display for the Alpine Country Quilt Show, running 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 6, at the Alpine Community Center (1830 Alpine Boulevard). There will be demonstrations, wearable art, a "mini-quilt challenge," quilts for sale, and vendors offering their wares. Admission is \$3. For further details, dial 619-445-2877. (ALPINE)

Drum Circle Saturdays, bring your own hand drum and join the circle convening on July 6, at 2 p.m., at the Museum of Making Music (5790 Armada Drive). The circle will be "professionally facilitated." For information, call 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

Book Sale, the San Carlos branch library plans its monthly book sale from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 6. Paperbacks and hardbacks of all types are offered. The library is found at 7265 Jackson Drive; 619-442-1860. (SAN CARLOS)

Celebrate the Independence of the U.S.A. during the lawn program planned by the House of the United States at the International Cottages at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 7. Free. Food will be for sale. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

"Elvis: A Tribute to the King of Rock and Roll" is the theme for this year's San Diego County Fair, con-

tinuing 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 (bub-

ble 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

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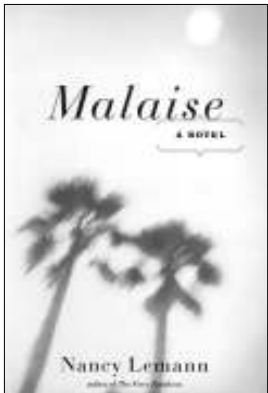
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In *Malaise* Ms. Lemann provides the reader with an interesting history of Mr. Lieberman. I said that I enjoyed this aspect of the book — learning about Mr. Lieberman.

“I always lived in places that were very historical. And then when I came out here, it was just all so new, it just made me think about history in a way that I never had before, because it made me pine for history, you know? Now I sort of get it; I mean, there’s a hell of a lot of history here, starting in 1502, but I didn’t really get that at first, you know, because you don’t see as many signs of it physically because they’re not that great with historic preservation here. And I’m a huge historic preservationist. But then once you’ve been here for a while, you realize they actually have done a pretty damn good job with it.”

Ms. Lemann had mentioned that she’d done some work with the San Diego Historical Society. I asked when she began working with them.

“Actually, after I wrote the book. Because after I finished the book and it went into production and I quit smoking, I just had to find something to do for a while. So it was after. Although, you know, you’d think it was before, and there I was poking around with all the files. But I was just reading a lot of history books about California and this region.”

“When you start a book, do you know what the end is going to be?”

“Well, in this book I had that last sentence — ‘God, I miss the 20th Century.’ That sentence was meant to make the whole book and illuminate the whole book.

“Another thing I felt very strongly about this book is that I’m sure that everyone who had a book already in production when 9/11 happened felt that they just wished that they could, you know, go back and adapt their book for that. I got my copyedit on the same

day as 9/11. It was just horrendous. I kept wanting to, at least, insert the date ‘1999’ at the top of the book or something to indicate this book takes place in 1999. It was before anything like that was ever dreamt of, you know. And yet, I think there’s a little mood to it with *Malaise* and everything. Anyway, in the book it is mentioned two or three times that it is the last year of the 20th Century, and then it goes into the very beginning of January 2000.”

I asked Ms. Lemann when she was moving from San Diego. “At the end of the summer. So I’m a little worried about nuclear annihilation. I have just been at this Mainly Mozart concert that we have here, and it was so beautiful. And the beauty, the humanity it achieves, what’s the point of annihilating it?”

“San Diego,” I suggested, “is not the safest place in the world.” “Yes, but I feel like it’s out of the way. I just don’t feel like it’s a target. I mean, is this the most scary time that you have lived through?”

“Yes,” I said, “it is,” and then asked, “When you move to D.C., what do you think you’ll miss about San Diego?”

“Try bougainvillea, handsomely burnished Mediterranean plazas, palm trees. I mean, it’s going to be horrendous. I have this very annoying personality where I’m just going to pine for San Diego the minute after I arrive in D.C. Everyone has had to hear me complain about San Diego for six years, you see. I had this feeling that I was so innocent when I came here, and life was so innocent and simple, and I was 40 years old, I just had one little baby. This book depicts that six-month period when you first move to a place like this in Southern California from the East Coast, and you just don’t get it. It’s like you’re hysterical or something. You’ve never seen anything like this, and you just don’t get it. But now I get it, you know. So I saved my notes from my very first reaction when it was a little bit more shocking than it is now. But, I mean, it is very shocking to live in New York City for 15 years and then suddenly come to this land of the bougainvillea every day and the palm trees.

“And when I went to Washington to make my first scouting trip, a couple of months ago, it was horrible. It was, like, ‘Wait a minute, they’ve ruined the East Coast while I was away. How come there’s no palm trees? How come there’s no bougainvillea? How come there’s no handsomely burnished Mediterranean plazas?’ And, ‘Why is it all so rinky-dink looking?’ I’ll have to get used to it all

over again. But I think that I will find more kindred souls there, I must admit.

“I’m worried about the mosquitoes. I have one child who has a lot of sensitivities that way. You know here there’s no bugs. There’s no bugs in California. And one of my children was born here, and she is a complete product. I would never have even thought of having her if I had remained in New York, you know. There wasn’t enough space, there wasn’t enough room.

“But I think there’s a lot of deep meaning in this book. I haven’t looked at it lately, so I can’t say what it is right now. Because I have this thing — once my books are between hard covers, I usually can’t look at them again because it’s too painful knowing that your mark fell short of your aim in one way or another. Or even just remembering the pain of working with that all along. It’s very painful.

“I just wandered around my first six months here, trying to get a handle on it, which is what I plan to do in Washington. And, you know, I just would get these visions and ideas, and I think I tend to go on the comical side of things, you know. That’s just the way I see things. I’m not a political analyst or anything. I’ll leave that to my brother.

“My husband is going to bring a picture home this weekend of the house that he rented in Washington, I hope. It’s mind-boggling because, you know, I grew up in this one place. I went to the same school for 13 years. I had all this stability. And, of course, I often feel bad that I’m not giving that experience to my children, because we’re just like tumbleweeds now.”

“You don’t know how long you’ll stay in D.C.”

“If D.C. stays around.”

Ms. Lemann didn’t want us Californians to feel she hadn’t liked our state. She most particularly did not want to leave the impression she had not liked San Diego. Because she has. She said, “This is such a lovely place for small children. I don’t want the one who was born here to grow up, kind of. I just want to stay in the snapshot here, in the palm trees. And,” she added about her time — six years — in San Diego, “I got a book and a baby out of it.”

— Judith Moore

Nancy Lemann will read from *Malaise* and sign copies of the book on Tuesday, July 9, 7:00 p.m., at Esmeralda Books in Del Mar.

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)

Raising Donor Awareness and Dollars, Cycle Visions hosts its second annual donor awareness poker run on Sunday, July 7. Sign-ups for the poker run are offered from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Cycle Visions (4263 Taylor Street), ending back at the shop for a judged bike show, live music by

the Ravens, and food and drink. The suggested donation is \$25 per poker hand, with a \$25 fee to enter the bike competition, benefiting Children’s Hospital. All makes of motorcycles are welcome. Questions? Call 619-295-7800 for answers. (OLD TOWN)

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Where's Reicha?

The Poulenc Sextet is a strange creature indeed.

Mainly Mozart offered a remarkably interesting chamber concert at the Neurosciences Institute, consisting almost entirely of music for wind instruments. The single exception was a performance by John Lill of Mozart's Piano Sonata in F, K. 332 — and this was there mainly to give Lill a bit more presence on the program, where his only other participation was in the Poulenc Sextet for Piano and Wind Quintet.

By "wind quintet" is meant the ensemble of flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and horn that became standard in the 19th and early 20th Century. Before that, the standard for such ensembles had been the "*Harmonie*," the name given to a wind band originally playing various kinds of outdoor music, and usually made up of oboes, clarinets, bassoons, and horns, all in pairs (note the absence of flutes, whose sound does not carry well in the fresh air). Mozart's greatest wind serenades were composed for the *Harmonie*.

The wind quintet is a more intimate affair, like the string quartet. It exposes the individual voices more clearly and offers a greater range of tone colors (the addition of the flute makes a big difference). In fact, one of the greatest pleasures of this repertoire is the purely sensual one due to the sonorities of the two double-reed woodwinds (oboe and bassoon), the one single-reed woodwind (clarinet), the

flute (a reedless woodwind made nowadays of silver), and the horn (of the brass family), in their innumerable solos, doublings, counterpoints, and chords.

One could enjoy this immediately in the opening work, a Wind Quintet in B-flat by the German composer Franz Danzi. Danzi wrote a considerable number of works for the same combination of instruments, all of them pretty much alike. The Opus 56, No. 1, composed in the early 1820s, is a perky and elegant work, beautifully written for the winds, shapely in its structure, but rather routine in its musical ideas. Even when as zestfully and precisely played as by flautist Timothy Day, oboist Laura Griffiths, clarinetist Greg Raden, bassoonist Steven Dibner, and horn-player Jerry Folsom, it failed ever to strike fire in the listener's mind, even while it continually pleased the ear.

Still, a moderately endowed artist like Danzi can redeem himself with his sheer competence, for it is always delightful to encounter a composer with so comprehensive a mastery of his craft, even if the music he produces is little more than craft-music. I should mention that Danzi's charms are considerably more in evidence in his concertos, most impressively in his wonderful *Sinfonia Concertante* for flute and clarinet. But as for wind quintets, it really would have been more enlightening to hear

something by Atonín Reicha, a composer of far greater talent, whose quintets served as the model for the less inspired Danzi's essays in the genre.

French composers (including the little-known though magisterial Paul Taffanel) have always had a particular feeling for the wind instruments, and French wind players traditionally have a distinctive sound and style. It's the flawless Gallic stylishness of Taffanel's G Minor Wind Quintet (c. 1876) that gives it its memorable qualities, rather than any depth of thought or originality of invention. What the Mainly Mozart players brought out, as well, was the music's exquisitely judged succession of expressive moods, all ultimately integrated in a confident affirmation, and buoyed up by a steady flow of technical mastery — that of the composer and that of the musicians themselves.

Poulenc's Sextet belongs to the same French tradition, but at a later and more troubled stage (it was written in an extended process throughout the 1930s). There is the same subtle understanding of the instruments and of the interplay of their piquant timbres. But in matters of structure, mood, and style, Poulenc had to contend with the fragmentations and uncertainties of the 20th Century (of which he was one of the greatest composers).

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emotional tone right in the middle — not briefly (as one might find in Mozart or Dvořák) but at such length that the momentum seems permanently altered. The tone is so variable, and the changes are so obscurely motivated, that — for all the gorgeous and lively tunes, and all the pungent harmonies, and all the vivid colors — you never really know where you are or where you're going.

Like everyone who has heard this dazzling work, the audience at the Neurosciences Institute seemed nonplussed when the final movement ended in a prolonged section of slow, numbed anguish, without the expected return to the raucous *prestissimo*. One cannot help supposing that some hidden emotional narrative underlies the Sextet from beginning to end, some story of fun and disillusionment, of anger, tenderness, and heartbreak. But the story remains private and indecipherable, in spite of the music itself being so upfront, so thoroughly ingratiating and gripping at every moment.

All the players (they were an absolutely first-rate collection of musicians) showed a powerful grasp of how this music should be performed: as exuberantly, as expressively, as intensely as possible. But pianist Lill had a special prominence, as though he were a hurricane driving the others along. It's not that he ever outstepped his role, or played too loudly, or indulged in stage dramatics. On the contrary, he proved an attentive collaborator, and while his playing was powerful in the big Lill way when the score demanded it, it was also of infinite delicacy in the numerous passages where the piano recedes to the background and provides an atmosphere rather than a voice. It was Lill's typical concentration and seriousness that helped to give this exceptional performance of the Sextet its unique explosive and tragic tone.

Alas, Lill's musical personality, so perfect for the Poulenc, once again showed itself out of tune with the spirit of Mozart. His performance of the F Major Sonata never seemed to catch the essence of that marvelous work. As in his earlier Mozart playing in the festival, the powerful, driven, dramatic passages were electrifying, while the graceful, shapely, *galant* passages were curiously dull. It seems ridiculous for a critic to opine that one of the world's greatest pianists has no feel for Mozart — but there you are. ■

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Summer Pops, a special "Salute to America — A Fourth of July Celebration" is planned when the San Diego Symphony's series continues Thursday through Saturday, July 4-6. The symphony is joined by the Sweet Adelines Chorus, the Sun Harbor Chorus, and the Third Marine Aircraft Wing Band for a performance including "Stars and Stripes Forever," "America the Beautiful," "The Star-Spangled Banner," and other patriotic favorites. All concerts include fireworks.

Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. (gates open at 6) at Navy Pier (960 North Harbor Drive). If you'd like, bring a picnic (no glass containers or alcohol). Single tickets range from \$15 to \$59. Tickets are available by calling 619-235-0804 and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (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). The program includes Opus 7, Opus 49 — No. 1, Opus 10 — No. 2, Opus 26, and Opus 81a ("Les Adieux"). Tickets are \$25 per concert or \$92 for all four. For reservations and information, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Opera Arias, Art Songs, and Broadway favorites may be heard when the Small Opera of San Diego presents "I Love Opera" at the Academy of Sound and Music (3554 Kettner Boulevard). Singers of all ages perform on Sunday, July 7, at 7 p.m. A professional accompanist is provided. The suggested donation is \$5. Call 619-725-0777 for an audition appointment and information. (MIDDLETOWN)


Organ Concert, civic organist Carol Williams presents the weekly concert on Sunday, July 7, at 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. For more information, call 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

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GALLERIES

Compare and Contrast, “Two Schools of Thought III” features student and graduate works from the San Diego Mesa College and San Diego State University furniture design programs. The show opens at Divan Studio with a reception on Friday, July 5, at 6 p.m., and continues through Friday, August 30. The exhibit showcases “a dynamic selection of multi-disciplines in both functional and sculptural furnishings.”

Regular viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and by appointment. Find the gallery 7661 Girard Avenue; 858-551-0405. (LA JOLLA)

Travel to “Italy and Beyond” in the watercolors by Beverly Franklin on view through Saturday, August 3, at the Artists Gallery (7420 Girard Avenue). Meet Franklin during an opening reception set for Friday, July 5, 6 to 8 p.m. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through

Saturday. For information, dial 858-459-5844. (LA JOLLA)

“Photography Without Boundaries,” four photographers from the U.S.A. and Mexico are exhibiting selected original photographs through Tuesday, July 23, at the Galerie D’Art International. Meet the artists during a reception planned on Friday, July 5, 5 to 9 p.m. Find the gallery at 592 Carlsbad Village Drive. Regular gallery hours are noon to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and by appointment. 760-434-2282. (CARLSBAD)

“Shades of Summer” are on view at the La Jolla Art Association through Sunday, July 14, showcasing recent mixed-media works by water-media artist Carolyn Dubuque, oil impressionistic works by Darlene Katz, and oil paintings by Dorine Lantz. There’s a reception for the trio on Saturday, July 6, at 5 p.m.

Regular gallery hours are noon to 4:30 p.m. daily. Find the gallery at 7917 Girard Avenue and by calling 858-459-3001. (LA JOLLA)

The Associated Senior Artists have an exhibit opening in the Bard Hall Gallery with a reception on Sunday, July 7, from noon to 2:30 p.m. See the show through July. Find the gallery at the First Unitarian Universalist Church, 4190 Front Street. Viewing hours are noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and by appointment. 619-889-7363. (HILLCREST)

“Fantastic Fibers” by members of the Many Hands Cooperative Gallery are on exhibit through July. Meet the participating fiber artists at a reception slated for Sunday, July 7, 1 to 4 p.m.

Find the gallery at 302 Island Avenue, suite 101; 619-557-8303. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday through Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. (GASLAMP DISTRICT)

Everybody’s Included! An un-juried, all-media exhibition open to City of Carlsbad employees and family members is on view July 6-28 in

the William D. Cannon Art Gallery at the Carlsbad City Library. Meet the artists during a reception planned on Wednesday, July 10, 5 to 8 p.m.

Find the library at 1775 Dove Lane. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, with hours extended until 8 p.m. on Wednesday; and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. 760-602-2021. (CARLSBAD)

“Leaf the Insects to the Artists/Insectos y Hojas” — this collective exhibition opens at Moctezuma Books and Gallery with a reception for the 12 participating artists on Thursday, July 11, at 7 p.m. See the show through August. Find the gallery at 289 3rd Avenue; 619-426-1283. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. (CHULA VISTA)

ART MUSEUMS

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, a comprehensive exhibition of African arts of daily life from across the continent is offered in “African Art — The Pulse of a Continent,” continuing through Sunday, September 8. Highlights include a beaded chief’s robe from Nigeria’s Yoruba culture, a wedding costume from the Ndebele people of South Africa, feather hats, ivory hairpins, and stools carved from single pieces of wood.

The James L. Greaves Collection is a unique assemblage of more than 230 pre-Columbian objects dating from the First Century to about A.D. 1500. Primarily fashioned from clay, the collection also includes works in stone, metal, and fiber depicting fish and other sea life as well as fishermen. Many of the forms are musical instruments. “Pre-Columbian Art — Marine Animal Forms” continues through Thursday, August 8.

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

Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown, using hired models and teams of assistants, Israeli photographer Adi Nes constructs dramatic scenes set in locations throughout Israel, painstakingly “creating a heightened realism charged with a symbolism, a theatricality, and an eroticism that transcends the everyday.” Fifteen of these large-scale photographs are gathered in “Adi Nes,” with works examining “masculinity, militarism, and the social sphere,” on display through Sunday, July 14.

“Language: Form and Function” explores the use of written language as a fundamental component of 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 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot, adjacent to the America Plaza trolley transfer station. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, the 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, images 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.” 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, at 704 Pier View Way. Call 760-721-2787 for information. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, explore Pierre-Auguste Renoir’s impact on the American art of the first half of the 20th Century in “Idol of the Moderns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting.” Consisting of 41 paintings — only 12 of which are by Renoir himself — the exhibit demonstrates how American painters working in a variety of styles participated in the “idolization” of Renoir between 1904 and 1940. See the show through Sunday, September 15.

A reinstallation of approximately 40 European paintings from the museum’s collection and from private


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

The third rotation of Indian miniature paintings, gathered in “The Way of Rama: A Prince in Exile,” follows the twists and turns of the Indian epic *The Ramayana* from the museum’s Edward Binney III collection of South Asian paintings. The exhibit focuses on the adventures of the Hindu god Rama who, like Krishna, is an incarnation of the great god Vishnu, born as a mortal to bring divine powers into the course of events on Earth. Rama’s legendary honor and nobility are witnessed in images made at various courts on the subcontinent between the 15th and 19th Centuries. See the images through Sunday, July 14.

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

Timken Museum of Art, “The Portraits of Bartolomeo Veneto,” the first-ever exhibition devoted to this Renaissance painter, is on view through Sunday, August 11. Every Veneto portrait known to be in a U.S. collection, as well as a portrait from a collection in Milan, Italy, will join the museum’s own *Portrait of a Lady in a Green Dress*.

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



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amphitheater. And, as always, the novelty of planes overhead wears off after the first few, replaced by annoyance and the question: how much better might these shows be — and how much faster paced — if they didn't have to freeze for 20 seconds, on average, 37 times a night?

Starlight opened its 57th summer season with a musical outside the mold. *1776* has no splashy production numbers — the biggest dance routine is a modest minuet — and has only 13 songs. The cast is mostly males in wigs stomping canes on

the floor. And instead of romance or falling chandeliers, the musical spends much of its time in heated debate. It takes place in Philadelphia, during the humid summer of 1776, and follows the events that led to the writing, and signing, of the Declaration of Independence.

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Directed by Jeanette Thomas; cast, Brian Wells, Greg Kerkle, Ole Kittleson, David Humphrey, James Cooper, Cynthia Marty, Candice Nicole, Barry Bosworth, David Gold, Kurt Norby, Dan Regas, Geoff Hemingway, Ed Hollingsworth, Greg Osborn, Robert Stark; scenic design, Victoria Petrovich; costumes, Kathy Auckland; lighting, Eric Lotze; sound, Steve Stopper; musical director, Parmer Fuller; choreographer, Jack Tygett

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amphitheater. And, as always, the novelty of planes overhead wears off after the first few, replaced by annoyance and the question: how much better might these shows be — and how much faster paced — if they didn't have to freeze for 20 seconds, on average, 37 times a night?

Starlight opened its 57th summer season with a musical outside the mold. *1776* has no splashy production numbers — the biggest dance routine is a modest minuet — and has only 13 songs. The cast is mostly males in wigs stomping canes on

the floor. And instead of romance or falling chandeliers, the musical spends much of its time in heated debate. It takes place in Philadelphia, during the humid summer of 1776, and follows the events that led to the writing, and signing, of the Declaration of Independence.

Along with its un-Broadway style, *1776* also surprises by not being just a patriotic paean. Ben Franklin points the way. Members of the Continental Congress, he says, aren't "demigods but men trying to get a nation started." America's

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marbled legends have human traits: Washington's "the gloomiest man on the continent"; John Adams, who led the fight, has few friends beyond wife Abigail; Thomas Jefferson would rather farm than write "Virginia's Resolution on Independence"; and the congress, as a whole, is "torpid."

The result, hindsight tends to forget, was a compromise. 1776 vividly illustrates the giving and taking needed for the colonies to declare war against England — especially the slavery clause, which "had to go" — and also suggests the Civil War gestating in those concessions.

Starlight's offering is also a compromise. Parmer Fuller's 23-piece orchestra's in top shape, as are Kathy Auckland's spirit of '76 costumes. And the cast sports splendid voices (Geoff Hemingway's singing of "Mama, Look Sharp" a highlight). But even though performers no longer freeze during songs, just dialogue, unlike most musicals, 1776 builds its momentum verbally, not musically. And the frequent pauses make the — in some ways — *fascinating* show run three hours and feel much more talky than need be. ■



Brian Wells, Candice Nicole, Ole Kittleson in 1776

THEATER LISTINGS

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

Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. *Beehive* celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear some-

thing's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin'" back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's four-piece band keeps the

evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. What are those big black round things all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency.

Worth a try.

THE THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY 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.

Blithe Spirit

Patio Playhouse stages Noel Coward's "ghostly comedy." Connie Boyd directed. The playhouse also offers a dinner/theater package (with Bistro 221 in Escondido). PATIO PLAYHOUSE, FRIDAY, JULY 5, THROUGH JULY 28; FRIDAY AND SATUR-

DAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 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 SATURDAY 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; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Chalk It Up to Murder

In HIT Productions newest mystery dinner-theater show, Texas Ranger Slate Montana must find the truth. Did Butch Spikehorn kill Hank Anderson, as people have long believed, or was it someone else? SHIRLEY'S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; SATURDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Comedy Codependents

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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 under-

wear...and there's a dead body in the next room."

SHIRLEY'S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Down South

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, talking 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. She's terrific as Jennifer Barnes, textbook-traditional wife who discovers that cooking and cleaning aren't the "tent poles" 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.**

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World premiering at La Jolla Playhouse, the show could be re-titled “Hoyle’s Greatest Hits.” It includes eight pieces from Geoff Hoyle’s 25-year career as a clown/comic actor. The quality’s a mite uneven (some stories get communicated better than others; and others, like Hoyle the inept magician, are predictable). But at his best, as in “Two Waiters” — one suave, the other silly — and the touching, Chaplinesque “Mr. Brown’s Rendezvous,” Hoyle spellbinds, without uttering a word. His physical lexicon for the 80-minute show: eloquent eyes, a body — supple as a gymnast, floppy as a scarecrow; dancer’s feet (three, at one point); and impeccable timing. He performs on a music hall-like proscenium setup, only the familiar rectangle’s got a warp, stage left. So does Hoyle’s performance, which combines traditional forms of clowning with postmodern twists. David Lee Cuthbert’s nuanced lighting and Gina Leishman’s eclectic musical accompaniment are major plusses. Leishman, who deserves her own retrospective, plays familiar (piano accordion) and unfamiliar instruments (in particular, rows of glasses that shimmer sounds as if from underwater). And her Marlene Dietrich takeoff, in which “Falling in Love Again” becomes “Falling Apart,” is an empyrean hoot.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH
JULY 14; TUESDAY THROUGH SATUR-
DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.
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Christian Community Theater stages Joseph Stein, Jerry Bock, and Sheldon Harnick's popular musical about Tevye, his family, and changing times threatening tradition. MT. HELIX AMPHITHEATER, THROUGH JULY 6; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Lanford Wilson's comedy-drama — Ur-text for the movie *The Big Chill* — is about the day after the fireworks. It's 1977, and the '60s are long gone. Jean Baudrillard calls this period "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 "re-question their own definition." Family and friends gather at the 19-room Talley mansion in Lebanon, Missouri. They laugh, drink, bicker, and wonder where it went. One could quibble about Wilson's loose, pseudo-Chekovian writing (you can almost hear a cherry orchard getting chopped down) — and how he breaks tone by injecting melodrama, and forces climaxes with fortuitous events. But under Tim Irving's direction, Diversionary Theatre turns in yet another solid effort. The ensemble cast (especially Dan Gruber as Kenneth Talley and young Moriah Angeline as Shirley Talley), David Weiner's indoor/outdoor sets (the change from one to the other just short of miraculous), and Corey Johnston's costumes make valuable contributions. And K.B. Mercer, as the emotional loose cannon Gwen Landis, is unforgettable.

Worth a try.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, THROUGH
JULY 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-
DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

The Fritz Theater's ninth annual "blitz" of new plays stages *Complicated Heroes* by Annie Wood and

There's Something Living in the House That Jack Built by Jason Connors. For days and times of each, call 619-544-1000.

LYCEUM SPACE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH JULY 28; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Must be a local first: due to huge advance ticket sales, prior to opening *Godspell*, the Lamb's Players extended the show's run a month. The original version (1971) had a humble, minimalist look. Teens at a playground retell the gospel according to Matthew. Over the years, Lamb's has staged the musical three times, each new version expanding the stage. Now Mike Buckley's set, a prop-rich potpourri of stuff, has become a gigantic trunk that contains the world. And the "Leader" (Rick Meads as a casual, childlike Nazarene) is neither lion nor lamb. He's a cool dude, hip to popular culture, which he and the cast use to retell the story with "found" items. Directed by Robert Smyth, with choreography by Pamela Turner, the show boasts fluid ensemble work, lively numbers (especially when Tracy Hughes grabs a mike and cuts loose), and kaleidoscopic meshing of colors and textures. The show favors the cute, and the first act still goes a parable too far, but the advance-ticket sales were on the nose. If Lamb's could find a home for it away from home, *Godspell* could run indefinitely. (Note: Lamb's has extended the show's run twice.)

Worth a try.
LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, THROUGH
JULY 14; TUESDAY THROUGH THURS-
DAY, AND SUNDAY, AT 7:30 P.M. FRI-
DAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATI-
NEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND
SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Moonlight Stage Productions opens its summer season with “a musical theater valentine to America’s turn of the last century” — the 10 Tony Award-winning story of Dolly Gallagher Levi, New York’s matchmaker. Lewis Wilkenfeld directed.

MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE, WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, THROUGH JULY 21;
WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

The Muse Theatre presents, as its summer show, a farce by Tony Kushner (Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Angels in America*). Michael Scahill directed.

ACADEMY OF SOUND AND MUSIC, 3554 KETTNER BOULEVARD (THREE BLOCKS SOUTH OF WASHINGTON STREET), SAN DIEGO, FRIDAY, JULY 5, THROUGH JULY 21; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-239-2894.

Reviewed this issue.
NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE,
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 8; THURSDAY
THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-
DAY AT 7:00 P.M. (NOTE: AFTER
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H.I.T. Productions' new interactive mystery takes place at Ted Sterling's birthday party. But ask his wife: Ted hasn't been all that sterling, "and now he must pay!"

SHIRLEY'S, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

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East Side Repertory Theatre stages the world premiere of David Weiner's drama about Louis B. Mayer and Irving Thalberg, during the early years at MGM studios. Wayne Alan Erreca directed.

EAST SIDE REPERTORY THEATRE,
THROUGH JULY 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

The San Diego Rep reprises its popular homage to Janis Joplin, conceived and adapted by Randal Myler.

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

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

Director Delicia Turner Sonnenberg cast Shakespeare's "domestic tragedy" with women. The choice sounds flashy and *au courant*, but thanks to strong performances, having women play men as "men" opens up themes and relationships in unexpected ways. Being a man, the Women's Repertory Theatre production shows, isn't so much a



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gender as an unwritten code of conduct. And part of the tragedy is that few men, Othello included, sustain this standard. Sylvia M'Lafi Thompson, an African-American and one of San Diego's best actors, plays Othello against another stereotype: a black male. Her Othello's no virile stud (as Iago, and most interpreters of the role, assumes). He's a lot older than Desdemona — and just how well hath he "done his office twixt the sheets"? Although the WRT acting's uneven, the pacing at times stiff, other performances shine: especially Gayle Feldman-Avery's wily Iago and Gina Alvarado's splendid Cassio, one of the best I've seen, regardless of gender. With emphasis on women playing men, one might overlook one of the show's most intriguing perfor-

mances. Most Desdemonas are passive, insipid ingénues. Jo Glover's makes much more sense. Young and in love, she wants the world to be as happy. So she does unpracticed cavorting and caring, just the kind of behavior an old General, himself unpracticed in these matters, could misread.

Worth a try.

WOMEN'S REPERTORY THEATRE, ACTOR'S ASYLUM, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY, JULY 20, AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-282-3277.

A Prayer for My Daughter

6th @ Penn Productions presents Thomas Babe's drama about two "on the edge" detectives and two alleged gay murderers "with one senseless killing and a troubled daughter." Robert May directed. 6TH @ PENN THEATRE, SUNDAY, JULY 7, THROUGH JULY 24; MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Rio Can Be Murder

Mystery Cafe reprises its most popular show. *Rio* is easily the least mysterious of the interactive dinner theater's offerings. It is also, however, the funniest. Author Byron LaDue takes us to Rio de Janeiro's Hotel Ipacabana. It is 1946. The war is over, though a German U-boat was spotted offshore loaded with would-be war criminals. Speaking of loaded, the hotel owner, Fritz ("call me Uncle Fritz") Wright, likes to get high on the venom of poisonous snakes, especially during Carneval. In preparation for which, the hotel denizens break repeatedly into sambas. And there are no unsuspicious types: Nicole Larsonette (Carrie Heath) in Rio to marry handsome Captain Jack Legstrong (Ben Gilbert), who shouts, "I'll deck anyone who says Americans are intolerant!" There's Orphio Carioca (Chris Wylie) who fights for truth, justice, and the Brazilian Way. Or does he? There's also the headstrong Rita Sambina (Laura Arnold, back where she belongs — onstage!); Roscoe Carnahan (Darren Phillips), a corporal up to little good; the "Black Widow of Rio," Cordelia Ranchera (Bonnie J. Stone); and, of course, Uncle Fritz, played by James Pascarella, one of the funniest people in San Diego. The set's a kick. The show takes place aboard the William D. Evans, at the Bahia Hotel. The evening includes a funny show (with the audience making big contributions), a three-course dinner, a harbor cruise, and a mystery to boot! **Worth a try.** MYSTERY CAFE, CRUISING ABOARD THE WILLIAM D. EVANS AT THE BAHIA HOTEL, THROUGH AUGUST 28; WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-544-1600.



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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, July 29, at 7:30 p.m., Euripides' *Electra*.

Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22. FOR INFORMATION (AND A LIST OF FUTURE READINGS) CALL 619-688-9210.

1776

Reviewed this issue. STARLIGHT BOWL, THROUGH JULY 7; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Singin' in the Rain

The Welk Resort Theatre presents the story of Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont and their troubled transition from silent films to "talkies."

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Smash

What Jeffrey Hatcher has done to his novel, *An Unsocial Socialist*, would make George Bernard Shaw roll over in his mausoleum. Shaw wasn't gaga about the book. "A moderately intelligent poodle," he said, could have written most of it. But Shaw was pleased with his hero, Sidney Trefusis, a millionaire/socialist, and his unromanticized treatment of marriage — both of which Hatcher ignores in *Smash*. Hatcher Hollywooded Shaw. *Smash* is a lightweight, three-act farce (well, two acts, and a long denouement), gutted of the book's 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 (which the actors speak, and muffle, faster than the speed of sound). 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 and production values worthy of the originals only enhance differences. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH JULY 6; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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The Star Spangled Girl

Poway Performing Arts Company opens its 2002/2003 season with Neil Simon's comedy about Sophie, an "all-American girl," and the publishers of a protest magazine next door. David Kelso directed. POWAY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY, THROUGH JULY 14; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scenemaking, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons, but Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening uses various formats. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five "directors" invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit." Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group is talented enough (and know when to black-out best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books

(*Impro*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."
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Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the

pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)
Worth a try.
HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, SAN DIEGO, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-234-9583.

Valparaiso
In Don DeLillo's harrowing drama, the villain is privacy, and the media functions like a police state. When Mike Majeski flies to Valparaiso, Chile instead of Valparaiso, Indiana, he reinvents himself as a human interest story — "an endearing comic screwup" — but gets more than the 15 minutes of fame Andy Warhol promised. Information grids the world, and the media's now a machine that, like a furnace, requires constant stoking. TV makes life "hyperreal." Everyone else lives "unsingular" lives. Mike learns that, in interviews, nothing is off the record, including he and wife Livia's most veiled secrets. For Sledgehammer Theatre, David Weiner's box set and Brian J. Lilienthal's blitz lighting complete DeLillo's inversion of reality: the actors look much more epic on TV than on stage. Director Matt Wilder, one of San

Diego's best, has encouraged a loud, desensitizing tone from his cast, more blaring than need be. Though not all were up to the task, on opening night, the choice kept the production at high intensity. Act two paints a devastating portrait of talk-show hosts. DeLillo's the Ultimate Oprah, and Shonda R. Dawson makes her a dazed diva, part space case, part information vampire. The play's a heady, cerebral take on the dumbing down of America (after a

while, the characters talk like Marshall McLuhan, making cultural observations miles beyond their expertise). And DeLillo do go on, overkilling points with jackhammer repetition. But in the coming Age of Homeland Security, which could threaten the extinction of all privacy, *Valparaiso* is a crucially important play, if not always a very good one.
Worth a try.
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World premiering at La Jolla Playhouse, the show could be re-titled “Hoyle’s Greatest Hits.” It includes eight pieces from Geoff Hoyle’s 25-year career as a clown/comic actor. The quality’s a mite uneven (some stories get communicated better than others; and others, like Hoyle the inept magician, are predictable). But at his best, as in “Two Waiters” — one suave, the other silly — and the touching, Chaplinesque “Mr. Brown’s Rendezvous,” Hoyle spellbinds, without uttering a word. His physical lexicon for the 80-minute show: eloquent eyes, a body — supple as a gymnast, floppy as a scarecrow; dancer’s feet (three, at one point); and impeccable timing. He performs on a music hall-like proscenium setup, only the familiar rectangle’s got a warp, stage left. So does Hoyle’s performance, which combines traditional forms of clowning with postmodern twists. David Lee Cuthbert’s nuanced lighting and Gina Leishman’s eclectic musical accompaniment are major plusses. Leishman, who deserves her own retrospective, plays familiar (piano accordion) and unfamiliar instruments (in particular, rows of glasses that shimmer sounds as if from underwater). And her Marlene Dietrich takeoff, in which “Falling in Love Again” becomes “Falling Apart,” is an empyrean hoot.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH
JULY 14; TUESDAY THROUGH SATUR-
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Christian Community Theater stages Joseph Stein, Jerry Bock, and Sheldon Harnick's popular musical about Tevye, his family, and changing times threatening tradition. MT. HELIX AMPHITHEATER, THROUGH JULY 6; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Lanford Wilson's comedy-drama — Ur-text for the movie *The Big Chill* — is about the day after the fireworks. It's 1977, and the '60s are long gone. Jean Baudrillard calls this period "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 "re-question their own definition." Family and friends gather at the 19-room Talley mansion in Lebanon, Missouri. They laugh, drink, bicker, and wonder where it went. One could quibble about Wilson's loose, pseudo-Chekovian writing (you can almost hear a cherry orchard getting chopped down) — and how he breaks tone by injecting melodrama, and forces climaxes with fortuitous events. But under Tim Irving's direction, Diversionary Theatre turns in yet another solid effort. The ensemble cast (especially Dan Gruber as Kenneth Talley and young Moriah Angeline as Shirley Talley), David Weiner's indoor/outdoor sets (the change from one to the other just short of miraculous), and Corey Johnston's costumes make valuable contributions. And K.B. Mercer, as the emotional loose cannon Gwen Landis, is unforgettable.

Worth a try.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, THROUGH JULY 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

The Fritz Theater's ninth annual "blitz" of new plays stages *Complicated Heroes* by Annie Wood and

There's Something Living in the House That Jack Built by Jason Connors. For days and times of each, call 619-544-1000.

LYCEUM SPACE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH JULY 28; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Must be a local first: due to huge advance ticket sales, prior to opening *Godspell*, the Lamb's Players extended the show's run a month. The original version (1971) had a humble, minimalist look. Teens at a playground retell the gospel according to Matthew. Over the years, Lamb's has staged the musical three times, each new version expanding the stage. Now Mike Buckley's set, a prop-rich potpourri of stuff, has become a gigantic trunk that contains the world. And the "Leader" (Rick Meads as a casual, childlike Nazarene) is neither lion nor lamb. He's a cool dude, hip to popular culture, which he and the cast use to retell the story with "found" items. Directed by Robert Smyth, with choreography by Pamela Turner, the show boasts fluid ensemble work, lively numbers (especially when Tracy Hughes grabs a mike and cuts loose), and kaleidoscopic meshing of colors and textures. The show favors the cute, and the first act still goes a parable too far, but the advance-ticket sales were on the nose. If Lamb's could find a home for it away from home, *Godspell* could run indefinitely. (Note: Lamb's has extended the show's run twice.)

Worth a try.
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The Muse Theatre presents, as its summer show, a farce by Tony Kushner (Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Angels in America*). Michael Scahill directed.

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Reviewed this issue.
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East Side Repertory Theatre stages the world premiere of David Weiner's drama about Louis B. Mayer and Irving Thalberg, during the early years at MGM studios. Wayne Alan Erreca directed.

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

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

Director Delicia Turner Sonnenberg cast Shakespeare's "domestic tragedy" with women. The choice sounds flashy and *au courant*, but thanks to strong performances, having women play men as "men" opens up themes and relationships in unexpected ways. Being a man, the Women's Repertory Theatre production shows, isn't so much a



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gender as an unwritten code of conduct. And part of the tragedy is that few men, Othello included, sustain this standard. Sylvia M'Lafi Thompson, an African-American and one of San Diego's best actors, plays Othello against another stereotype: a black male. Her Othello's no virile stud (as Iago, and most interpreters of the role, assumes). He's a lot older than Desdemona — and just how well hath he "done his office twixt the sheets"? Although the WRT acting's uneven, the pacing at times stiff, other performances shine: especially Gayle Feldman-Avery's wily Iago and Gina Alvarado's splendid Cassio, one of the best I've seen, regardless of gender. With emphasis on women playing men, one might overlook one of the show's most intriguing perfor-

mances. Most Desdemonas are passive, insipid ingénues. Jo Glover's makes much more sense. Young and in love, she wants the world to be as happy. So she does unpracticed cavorting and caring, just the kind of behavior an old General, himself unpracticed in these matters, could misread.

Worth a try.

WOMEN'S REPERTORY THEATRE, ACTOR'S ASYLUM, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY, JULY 20, AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-282-3277.

A Prayer for My Daughter

6th @ Penn Productions presents Thomas Babe's drama about two "on the edge" detectives and two alleged gay murderers "with one senseless killing and a troubled daughter." Robert May directed. 6TH @ PENN THEATRE, SUNDAY, JULY 7, THROUGH JULY 24; MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Rio Can Be Murder

Mystery Cafe reprises its most popular show. *Rio* is easily the least mysterious of the interactive dinner theater's offerings. It is also, however, the funniest. Author Byron LaDue takes us to Rio de Janeiro's Hotel Ipacabana. It is 1946. The war is over, though a German U-boat was spotted offshore loaded with would-be war criminals. Speaking of loaded, the hotel owner, Fritz ("call me Uncle Fritz") Wright, likes to get high on the venom of poisonous snakes, especially during Carneval. In preparation for which, the hotel denizens break repeatedly into sambas. And there are no unsuspicious types: Nicole Larsonette (Carrie Heath) in Rio to marry handsome Captain Jack Legstrong (Ben Gilbert), who shouts, "I'll deck anyone who says Americans are intolerant!" There's Orphio Carioca (Chris Wylie) who fights for truth, justice, and the Brazilian Way. Or does he? There's also the headstrong Rita Sambina (Laura Arnold, back where she belongs — onstage!); Roscoe Carnahan (Darren Phillips), a corporal up to little good; the "Black Widow of Rio," Cordelia Ranchera (Bonnie J. Stone); and, of course, Uncle Fritz, played by James Pascarella, one of the funniest people in San Diego. The set's a kick. The show takes place aboard the William D. Evans, at the Bahia Hotel. The evening includes a funny show (with the audience making big contributions), a three-course dinner, a harbor cruise, and a mystery to boot!

Worth a try.

MYSTERY CAFE, CRUISING ABOARD THE WILLIAM D. EVANS AT THE BAHIA HOTEL, THROUGH AUGUST 28; WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-544-1600.



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The Tragedies

What a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek tragedy, 6th @ Penn Theater offers a series of staged readings, produced by Linda Castro and David Cohen. I caught the first, Euripides' *Medea*, and it 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, July 29, at 7:30 p.m., Euripides' *Electra*.

Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22. FOR INFORMATION (AND A LIST OF FUTURE READINGS) CALL 619-688-9210.

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Reviewed this issue. STARLIGHT BOWL, THROUGH JULY 7; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Singin' in the Rain

The Welk Resort Theatre presents the story of Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont and their troubled transition from silent films to "talkies."

WELK RESORT THEATRE, THROUGH AUGUST 31; TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M.

Smash

What Jeffrey Hatcher has done to his novel, *An Unsocial Socialist*, would make George Bernard Shaw roll over in his mausoleum. Shaw wasn't gaga about the book. "A moderately intelligent poodle," he said, could have written most of it. But Shaw was pleased with his hero, Sidney Trefusis, a millionaire/socialist, and his unromanticized treatment of marriage — both of which Hatcher ignores in *Smash*. Hatcher Hollywooded Shaw. *Smash* is a lightweight, three-act farce (well, two acts, and a long denouement), gutted of the book's 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 (which the actors speak, and muffle, faster than the speed of sound). 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 and production values worthy of the originals only enhance differences. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH JULY 6; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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The Star Spangled Girl

Poway Performing Arts Company opens its 2002/2003 season with Neil Simon's comedy about Sophie, an "all-American girl," and the publishers of a protest magazine next door. David Kelso directed. POWAY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY, THROUGH JULY 14; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Theatresports
A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scenemaking, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons, but Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening uses various formats. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five "directors" invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit." Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group is talented enough (and know when to black-out best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books

(*Impro*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."
Worth a try.
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Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy
Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the

pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)
Worth a try.
HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, SAN DIEGO, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-234-9583.

Valparaiso
In Don DeLillo's harrowing drama, the villain is privacy, and the media functions like a police state. When Mike Majeski flies to Valparaiso, Chile instead of Valparaiso, Indiana, he reinvents himself as a human interest story — "an endearing comic screwup" — but gets more than the 15 minutes of fame Andy Warhol promised. Information grids the world, and the media's now a machine that, like a furnace, requires constant stoking. TV makes life "hyperreal." Everyone else lives "unsingular" lives. Mike learns that, in interviews, nothing is off the record, including he and wife Livia's most veiled secrets. For Sledgehammer Theatre, David Weiner's box set and Brian J. Lilienthal's blitz lighting complete DeLillo's inversion of reality: the actors look much more epic on TV than on stage. Director Matt Wilder, one of San

Diego's best, has encouraged a loud, desensitizing tone from his cast, more blaring than need be. Though not all were up to the task, on opening night, the choice kept the production at high intensity. Act two paints a devastating portrait of talk-show hosts. DeLillo's the Ultimate Oprah, and Shonda R. Dawson makes her a dazed diva, part space case, part information vampire. The play's a heady, cerebral take on the dumbing down of America (after a

while, the characters talk like Marshall McLuhan, making cultural observations miles beyond their expertise). And DeLillo do go on, overkilling points with jackhammer repetition. But in the coming Age of Homeland Security, which could threaten the extinction of all privacy, *Valparaiso* is a crucially important play, if not always a very good one.
Worth a try.
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After four years of sailing to Costa Rica, Panama, and Mexico, Paul is back in town and ready to re-enter the music scene. He says the new all-age, non-alcohol SOMA San Diego will reopen in late September in an 18,000-square-foot building immediately east of the

Sports Arena that formerly housed a Mann Theater sixplex. Sports Arena general manager Ernie Hahn controls the former Mann Theater brick building and will be Paul's new landlord. Paul said most of the interior walls have been torn down to accommodate the new SOMA. He said the upstairs

projection room is being transformed into three dressing rooms. One theater will remain as a "side stage" with a 300-person capacity.

From 1986 to 1994 SOMA was located downtown at a three-floor warehouse on Union Street. From 1994 until 1999 SOMA was housed in a Bay Park warehouse next door to Tio Leo's. Paul said he decided to return to San Diego and reopen SOMA at the request of SOMA regulars blink-182, Pennywise, and Face to Face.

The following is the result of Paul's first local interview in eight years.

Q: How big will the new SOMA be?

A: We are expecting an occupancy of 2300. San Diego's weak link is that it has no venue between 1500 and 4000. I want to fill that void.

Q: Your landlord Ernie Hahn and his Sports Arena have an exclusive arrangement with Clear Channel [concert company and radio group]. What does that mean for SOMA?

A: People are making assumptions that I was going to automatically work exclusively with Clear Channel. I want to make it clear that the door is open as much to Clear Channel as it is to 92/1 or any other station in the market.... Given the choice, there are a lot of bands that would prefer to work with me over Clear Channel or House of Blues. These are people I worked with before who know how I do business. If everybody comes into this with the right attitude, it can benefit the entire San Diego music community.

Q: What changes have you noticed since you left the

scene four years ago?

A: The corporatization of radio has been devastating on the local front.... I shudder



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LEN'S NEW SOMA SAYS NO TO TICKETMASTER

to think about the power that these organizations have.

Q: How many nights a week will you be open?

A: Two to three at the beginning.

Q: You showcased punk before punk went mainstream.

A: Green Day played for us before anybody knew who they were. Green Day was offered their record deal at SOMA. Punk music is the predominant force in Southern California. It's not like that in the rest of the U.S.

Q: Which major local bands played SOMA?

A: blink, Unwritten Law, POD.... Eddie Vedder played in the dungeon [downstairs room at the Union Street venue] with a band called Bad Radio... Stone Temple Pilots shot their first video with us.

Q: What about hip-hop and rap at the new SOMA?

A: I have no intention at this time to have hip-hop. I see some of the influences of those bands as not having a positive effect on young people. We will do reggae. We may try jazz.

Q: What about Ticketmaster?

A: I physically drove tickets to 15 independent record stores like Lou's, Off the Record, and Music Trader. I do not believe in what Ticketmaster is charging in fees. If it is a \$10 show, I want it to be a \$10 show. I will continue to not use Ticketmaster.

Q: Isn't it harder now for independent concert promoters than it was four years ago?

A: Yes, Clear Channel buys whole tours... but owning the venue helps. SOMA has such a wonderful history that just having the

name SOMA on it will increase attendance.

Q: Who is working with you on SOMA San Diego?

A: Scott Raynor [original blink drummer] will coordinate all the youth organizations and community service work.... We are considering becoming a nonprofit [organization].

Q: How long is your lease?

A: Five years is a good amount of time. I could have it for more, I could have it for less. It depends on the City of San Diego. They own the land, you know.

— Ken Leighton

"At Poway High, it's not cool if you listen to metal," said recent PHS grad Jeff Calhoun, 18, whose metal band Datura did not place in the top three in the recent end-of-the-school-year battle of the bands sponsored by the Poway High student club SAVE (Students Against Violence Everywhere).

"It's all horse country," said John Mullen, 15, of pop-punk band All Time High, which was judged third at the contest. "Poway kids have nothing better to do. Plus their parents are so rich. They buy their kids' equipment."

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Poway, the town that gave the world blink-182, Convoy, and Unwritten Law, “really doesn’t have a music scene now,” said Kevin Gist, 17, of Inverse Method.

Datura bandmate Ricky Pugh, 17, also noticed that Poway’s teen rock scene is well funded. “Go in and watch the band All Time High. They have wireless hookups, and they are in eighth grade or something. The first band [Tritium] had \$1000 mikes.”

“We were told the winning band would receive studio time. We got screwed,” said Mike Hacker, 17, of his

band Straitaway, who came in first. “We only got pizza and ice cream.”

PHS student Courtney Wood Rouse, 16, organized the contest. In answer to what happened to the studio time award, she said, “I made an announcement that Don [Lithgow] of DML studios shattered his collarbone in a motorcycle accident. I told



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IS POWAY \$ THE STRAITAWAY TO FAME?

[Straitaway] to give it at least until fall to get [a recording session] worked out.”

— Ken Leighton

Decked out in Elvis drag, Randy Michaels

recently told fellow radio execs at an L.A. convention not to fear his 1200-station

conglomerate, which he admitted has been called “the evil empire.”

“The evil intentions attributed to Clear Channel are not true at all. I think the perception is that we do everything to drive cash flow.”

Michaels is CEO of Clear Channel Radio.

The first Arbitron ratings since Clear Channel took over its 13th and 14th San Diego radio stations (Z-90 and “Hot Country” 99.3) have made history. According to the March-through-May ratings, Clear Channel—controlled stations now command 42.9 percent of the local radio audience. By comparison, of the 16 cities larger than San Diego, Clear Channel’s market domination is between 15 and 29 percent in any other city.

Tracy Johnson, general manager of the non-Clear Channel Star 100.7, said, “I’m not sure having one company having 42 percent of the listeners is what the federal government had in mind when they deregulated.”

“The good side is that all

Clear Channel stations are being programmed out of one mindset,” said KPRI co-owner Bob Hughes about the 14-station juggernaut he must compete with. “Clear Channel has a way of doing things. If you are not part of that mindset, it is easier to stand out. It’s just like if you’re an independent café in a town full of McDonald’s.”

Clear Channel owns the largest concert company in the U.S. and produces its own major-name pop concert tours (Janet Jackson, Aerosmith, Pearl Jam) and musical plays (*The Producers*, *The Sweet Smell of Success*). Clear Channel also owns the company that owns syndicated radio shows by Rush Limbaugh and Laura Schlesinger, plus it owns 37 TV stations and 770,000 outdoor billboards.

Clear Channel was recently sued by a smaller radio group — Spanish Broadcasting System, Inc. — over antitrust issues, and last

year a Denver concert company sued Clear Channel Entertainment, alleging antitrust violations.



IS CLEAR CHANNEL CEO THE EVIL ELVIS?

Congressman Howard Berman (D-Los Angeles) and U.S. Senator Russ Feingold (D-Wisconsin) have both said the government should begin to scrutinize large media groups over anti-competition claims.

Meanwhile, a cottage industry has sprung up over the anti-Clear Channel sentiment. Websites like www.clearchannelsucks.org and www.cheap-channel.com run stories that follow the excesses of Clear Channel.

Michaels’s boss, Clear

Channel CEO Lowry Mays, stunned some recently when, according to the *Chicago Sun Times* he asked his employees to give a percentage of their paychecks to finance the company’s lobbying efforts in congress supporting radio deregulation. Deregulation is what has allowed one company like Clear Channel to acquire so many stations.

“The effects of consolidation are felt in San Diego far more than any other city in the country,” said one former San Diego radio exec who now works in another city. “It’s the only major-market border city with such a concentration of radio stations on both sides of the border. Of their 14 San Diego stations, 5 are Mexican. If the consolidation shit ever hits the fan [with the government], it will be in San Diego.”

— Ken Leighton

“Yeah, that’s right, Tim Mays from the Casbah.”

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Bands were playing in different rooms."

"Where was this?" I ask the Rev. Horton Heat, whose band will be playing at the Hootenanny Festival on Sunday downtown in Embarcadero Park.

"Doubletree in La Jolla or something. It's been so long ago, I can barely remember.... It was crazy because we're a real loud rock 'n' roll band, and we'd have these dynamic dropdowns...and every time we'd go down volume a little bit and [we're] building again, you'd hear the disco 'boom-boom, boom...'

"After about seven or eight songs of trying to smile through it — I just pull my hair out. So I just walked off stage and left."

The Reverend went next door and unplugged the DJ's P.A. He thinks the DJ's name was Techno Ray.

"It was kind of on accident. I just walked out, I was so fed up, walked into this, I guess it was kind of like the kitchen. All these rooms are connected. I saw this other door, and I opened the door, and it was the disco room, and I saw a stack of power amps — by the way, they had tons more power amps than they had for us. It was so loud and ridiculous, and I just went out there" —



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he can't stop himself from laughing here — "and turned them all down real quick and then shut the power off. I turned 'em down so I wouldn't damage the speakers."

"That was nice of you."

"The guy got really mad at me. I went out on the dance floor, and it was totally quiet in that room — because we had stopped too. All these

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people had stopped dancing on the dance floor. So I said, 'Hey, there's a band next door right now,' so I had about 50 people [following me], and I brought them back into where we were playing. The disco guy was mad at me, but big deal."

"Are you a tall guy?"

"I'm average height and weight. I'm a lover not a fighter."

— Jennifer Ball

CD review: Lance's Hero (2002)

Initially, the Del Mar pop-punk band Lance's Hero comes across sounding similar to the countless pseudo-punk bands out there that are attempting to emulate blink-182. However, upon a second listen, the

band does possess a certain addicting style, due in part to the fast tempos, which have a natural tendency to draw the listener in.

While Lance's Hero might not possess a very distinct sound, and at some points is unduly repetitive, the majority of their songs have a beginning, middle, and an end, which is becoming an anomaly nowadays amongst many songs in both the pop and punk genres. The most promising track on the band's five-track EP is entitled "So Here I Am....," a song that thoughtfully describes the feelings of a young man during and after a breakup with his girlfriend. Lead singer Gabriel Rodriguez sings, "You took me / we talked / you know

that / this is the end / and this heart that you thought you could break / you could



LANCE'S HERO — AS MELODIC AS PUNK GETS

barely bend."

This song is just about as melodic as punk can get.

Certain aspects of the elusive essence of teenage angst — though not so eloquently embodied in the lyrics — are captured in their purest form in the resounding chords of the electric guitar as they switch from soft and continuous in the beginning to turbulent and blaring by the end.

— Mary Montgomery

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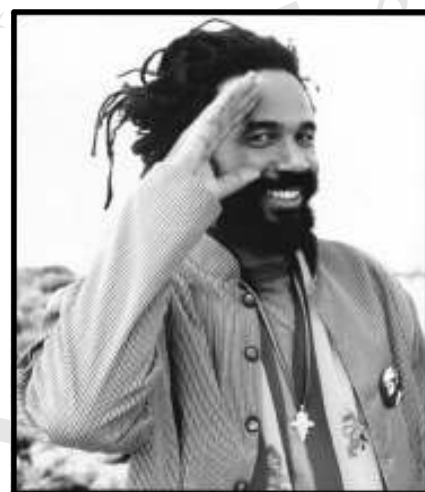
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Did They Do the Funky Chicken?

"He drove his car onto the football field."

In 1989, saxophonist Stan Getz invited Dan Del Fiorentino, curator of Carlsbad's Museum of Making Music, to his home for Del Fiorentino's going-away lunch. Getz taught music appreciation at Stanford, and Del Fiorentino was leaving the Bay Area.

As Del Fiorentino tells it, Getz fixed him a sandwich and asked, "Do you remember how we met?"

Del Fiorentino was 15. Getz came to campus to perform at a fundraiser to send the school's jazz band to Europe. Del Fiorentino wanted to interview Getz for his radio program on KCEA, a nonprofit Top 40 station on the high school campus.

"He was an hour and a half late," Del Fiorentino recalls. "He drove his car onto the football field. He was very drunk. He was very rude. In fact, he pushed me."

The next day, Getz turned on the radio. He heard Del Fiorentino speaking positively about their meeting.

"I was so happy to meet him," says Del Fiorentino, by way of explanation.

Del Fiorentino met many old-time celebs because of his radio shows. He says making contact with musicians wasn't difficult. "Most were accessible. It was not like trying to interview people at the height of their careers," says Del Fiorentino. "Even the biggest stars answer their phones."

To reach Count Basie in 1983, Del Fiorentino called the musicians union. He asked if they had a number for Bill Basie in Florida.

"I called and asked, 'Is this Mr. Basie?' He said, 'This is Bill.'"

Del Fiorentino interviewed Cab Calloway by phone in 1985. "He was wonderful. He'd get so excited, his tongue would get ahead of him. He gave me a list of other people he worked with."

That list yielded an interview with Dizzy Gillespie and friendship with Calloway trumpeter Jonah Jones, who won a 1959 Grammy for the song "I Dig Chicks."

Those interviews led to a career that combines music and research. Del Fiorentino holds a master of library science from Southern Connecticut

University. The Smithsonian accepted his oral history of bandleader Phil Harris in 1999. "I met [Harris] in 1984 at a private jazz party. I interviewed him then, and [again] before he passed in 1995," says Del Fiorentino. "I realized I had more than a decade of interviews and contacted the Smithsonian." An oral history of Jones is also in the Smithsonian archives.

Del Fiorentino worked as a librarian for a business when trumpeter Murray Davison took him to the Museum of Making Music.

"I walked around saying, 'I love this; I love that, but this is not covered.' The then-director heard me," Del Fiorentino recalls.

Although embarrassed, Del Fiorentino's assessment led to work as a consultant and then his current position as curator. He's also the resource librarian for the International Music Products Association. The museum, housed in the association's corporate headquarters next to Legoland in Carlsbad, is devoted to American popular music from 1890 through 1989. The museum opened to the public in March 2000 and displays more than 500 musical instruments.

I meet with Del Fiorentino in the NAMM lobby, where a receptionist sits at a piano-shaped desk. The museum's five galleries provide a chronological look at American music. Kiosks in each gallery furnish samples of music, along with video clips in the last two galleries. Music selections range from John Philip Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" to Aerosmith's "Sweet Emotion."

Del Fiorentino serves as my guide, and I'd advise first-time visitors to arrange for a free guided tour.

My tour starts in Gallery 1, which covers 1890 through 1909. Some exhibits are displayed inside an area resembling a bandstand gazebo. Del Fiorentino presses a button on the kiosk. As we listen to Scott Joplin playing "Maple Leaf Rag," Del Fiorentino tells me that Joplin made piano rolls. He says that Joplin wrote at the bottom of the sheets, "Watch your tempo. Don't play too fast." He wrote that message in French. He wanted to be Mozart," says Del Fiorentino.

In 1909, former cabinet maker Orville Gibson produced custom-made mandolins. Del Fiorentino stretches his arms out. "Orville would measure your arms.... He would calculate for better bracing and reinforce the neck if you played really hard. If you played outside, he'd use strong wood and shellac. Design was based on his observations of your needs."

Gibson's business changed direction because of what Del Fiorentino calls the "Internet of 100 years ago." People began ordering instruments by mail through the Sears, Roebuck & Co. catalog. The process allowed for nationwide sales of mass-produced instruments. Gibson discontinued the mandolin and began mass production of the Gibson guitar, says Del Fiorentino.

Museum holdings in Gallery 1 include an 1898 gramophone and a 1904 player piano. Del Fiorentino says that in 1901 the player piano was the second most popular consumer item, behind the bicycle and ahead of the sewing machine.

An authentic 1905 Steinway is displayed in the gallery. Decorative trim is painted on the sides of the maple artcase piano that originally sold for \$620. Steinway artcase pianos now start at \$80,000, according to Robert Catalano, a salesperson at Greene Music in San Diego.

Gallery 3 covers 1930 through 1949. Instruments displayed here include Jonah Jones's 1938 trumpet. It's on loan from Jonah Del Fiorentino, Dan's one-year-old son. When Del Fiorentino worked on Jones's oral history for the Smithsonian, his wife Mary Ann was pregnant with twins. The couple planned to name a child after Jones. Jones gave the trumpet to his future namesake. Jones died before the baby was born and before the oral history was complete.

Last December, Murray Davison played Jones's trumpet at the twins' birthday party. Bassist Chubby



Dan Del Fiorentino

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Jackson included Jonah's and Seth's names in a scat song. According to Del Fiorentino, a guest joked, "Most people just have a clown for their children's first birthday party."

World War II's influence on music is seen in the photograph of soldiers posed outdoors around a G.I. Steinway. Del Fiorentino says that Steinway produced about 1200 wartime pianos — instruments with olive drab cabinets and round legs. The

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taken to camps by trucks. Some
were dropped by parachute.
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without testing the weight. At
least half never made it.”

Talk about wartime pianos
prompts Del Fiorentino to tell
me about a display the museum
did on American patriotic mu-
sic that will be at Pacific Palisades
resort in Carlsbad during the
Fourth of July weekend. After
September 11, patriotic songs
like Elvis Presley’s “America the
Beautiful” accounted for six of
the top ten on *Billboard*’s “Hot
100” list. “The last time this hap-
pened was during World
War II.”

George M. Cohan’s “Over
There” rallied Americans dur-
ing World War I. World War II
inspired songs like “Praise the
Lord and Pass the Ammunition”
and “Coming in on a Wing and
a Prayer.” In the Vietnam era
there was “The Ballad of the
Green Berets.” Del Fiorentino
adds that patriotic music ranges
from Irving Berlin’s “God Bless
America” to Woody Guthrie’s
“This Land Is Your Land.” The
American patriotic music dis-
play includes red, white, and blue
instruments.

In Gallery 4 (1950 through
1969), there’s a legless white rect-
angular box with a keyboard.
Del Fiorentino tells me it’s a 1968
Streetly electronic Mellotron.
The synthesizer-like instrument
has a tape-replay keyboard. Each
key activates a length of tape and
plays back the sound recorded
on the tape. The Mellotron mu-
sic sample is the Beatles’
“Strawberry Fields Forever.” The
museum’s Mellotron belonged
to the Carpenters. According to
several accounts, says Del
Fiorentino, one of the Carpen-
ters cut the Mellotron frame to
fit it into a travel case. “I heard
that three feet of legs were cut
off. The Carpenters played at a
grocery store opening and then
wanted to return it,” says Del
Fiorentino. “The music store
owner said he’d give them half
of a refund because the Carpen-
ters returned half of the
instrument.”

A ’90s gallery is planned, but
no date has been set for the open-
ing. The curator says that music
will probably include grunge,
rap, swing, pop, country
crossover, and world music. Del
Fiorentino adds, “Innovations
include the Yamaha bamboo
guitar. Many manufacturers
were keen on environmental
issues.”

On another visit to the mu-
seum, I follow a classroom
through the exhibits. In
Gallery 2, docent Connie Robin
explains that Vernon and Irene
Castle introduced dances like the

fox trot and the Charleston.

“Did they do the funky
chicken?” a boy asks.

When Robin leads students
into Gallery 5, which highlights
the years 1970 through 1989 and
has the 1981 MTV logo with the
moon landing on overhead
video screens, the students say,
“I love MTV.”

In Gallery 5, visitors can ac-
tually play the instruments. The
“musicians” wear headphones,
enabling them to listen only to
themselves. Robin invites stu-
dents to dance to the sample
from the LEO (Live Electronic
Orchestra), the 1977 keyboard
instrument created by musi-
cian/engineer Don Lewis. While
many students dance, three boys
peer into the instrument’s trans-
parent cabinet. “That is so
digital,” a boy says. “I want this.
It probably costs \$20 million.”

When I ask Del Fiorentino
what the LEO costs, all he will tell

me is “It is priceless and insured.”

Robin ends the tour by ask-
ing, “What did you learn?”

A boy admits, “I learned that
playing drums is harder than it
looks.”

For Del Fiorentino, the edu-
cational aspects of the museum
are rewarding, for old and young
alike. He says that there are older
people who considered Elvis
Presley a bad influence. They re-
garded him as “the devil. I love
to tell people that Elvis went to
church every Sunday and won
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“We encourage people to be-
come music makers or at least
listeners. Kids say they had no
idea that the hip-hop music they
listened to had the same beat as
the blues,” he says. “A man of
about 90 said, ‘After I got
through [touring the museum],
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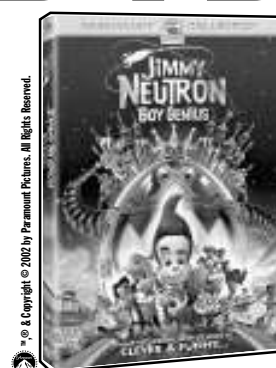
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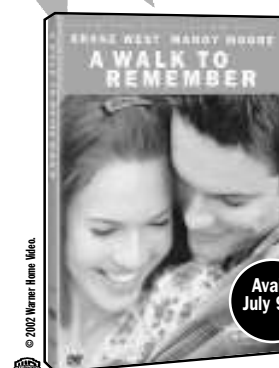
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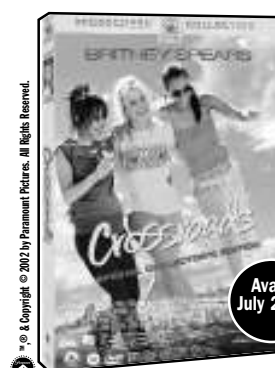
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"You can't trust anybody, and you have to go out and get what you want without paying attention to anybody."

Amy Ly

Age: 18

High school: Helix

Hobbies: reading, writing, singing, dancing, playing basketball, skating

Favorite movies: *Pride and Prejudice*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *Sabrina* ("the old version")

Favorite female stars: Audrey Hepburn, Julia Roberts, Sandra Bullock

Favorite male stars: Hugh Grant, Colin Firth, Freddie Prinze Jr.

Videos owned: over 150

Movie snacks: popcorn, candy at theater; chips, soda at home

Grossest scene ever: the chopping up of a red-coat soldier in *The Patriot*

Amy Ly watched *Pride and Prejudice* (originally an A&E miniseries) with her mom. The younger Ly bought the six hours' worth of videotapes and watched it about once a month after first getting it. "Recently my friend bought me the DVD set because my videos are starting to look a little worn," she says.

"I like the mother [character in *Pride and Prejudice*], Mrs. Bennett, because the actress who played her did a very good job at exaggerating all the little minute characteristics that make her funny and comical. Sometimes when she talks about, like, 'Oh, my God, I think I have a headache.' And it's not even that bad, but that's how she sounds, and it's really comical...."

"I identify with Elizabeth, because she is the main character, but I like the fact that she reads and tries to expand her mind even though in that society women weren't expected to do much except sew and sing. She is a little bolder than I am."

In *Beauty and the Beast*, Ly says she identifies most "with the father, because he is on the odd side. So it's nice that he doesn't care what other people think about him. He does what he likes to do, which is invent things, and he tries to help people out that way."

Ly's seen *Beauty and the Beast* 16 times, first in "December of 1991 or '92, whenever the year it came out. And I saw it in a movie theater with my cousin's girlfriend and my brother and my little cousin.... I like the ballroom-dancing scene, when they walk out into the large hallway. The animation and the graphics were very nice."

Ly says she hasn't yet worn out her *Sabrina* videotape — she's seen it only five or six times. Similar to her appreciation of *Beauty and the Beast*, though, Ly liked a male character most in *Sabrina*.

"I forgot his name," says Ly. "It's the older brother. He is stiff and rigid at times, and I guess everybody is like that when they are serious." (Ly does recall the leading actors: "Ah, I think Humphrey Bogart and Audrey Hepburn.")

"I liked when Sabrina was coming back from Paris and she was at the train station. One of the characters, David, who she has been in love with for a long, long time, drives up and doesn't recognize her and he picks her up not realizing that she is the poor chauffeur's daughter.... Things don't always turn out as you expect them to be. Like, you can fall in love with one person and then you think you are in love with one person and then turn around and find someone who is a lot better and more suited for you."

Greta Ann Sloan

Age: 17

High school: Patrick Henry

Hobbies: shopping, golfing, writing poetry, creating art

Favorite movies: *Amelie*, *Gattaca*, and *Best in Show*

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Amy Ly

Favorite female stars: Natalie Portman, Reese Witherspoon

Favorite male stars: Hayden Christensen, Jude Law, Tobey Maguire, Mel Gibson, Andy Garcia

Videos owned: 20

Movie snacks: Popcorn or candy at theater; fruit, chips, juice, soda at home

Grossest scene ever: "When some guy got shot and the bullet went through his eye."

I saw *Amelie* about four months ago at the Hillcrest theater," says Sloan. "I saw this with my boyfriend (now ex-boyfriend)."

What scene did she find most memorable? "The ending scene when *Amelie* and her lover finally reunite and are laying together. His head is laying on her; it is very sweet and romantic."

Which character did Sloan identify with the most?

"Amelie. She is a hopeless romantic like me."

What lessons in life did this film teach her?

"It taught me not to let good opportunities pass you by."

Sloan also saw *Best in Show* for the first time with her ex-boyfriend, but it wasn't the romantic scenes that made her want to watch it nine more times. The most memorable scene for Sloan?

"The scene where one of the characters (Parker Posey) is yelling at a pet-shop owner because he can't find the right doggie toy for her dog; she gets very angry and lashes out on him. It's hilarious!"

Which character does Sloan identify with the most?

"None of them because they are all psycho!"

Any life lessons in this film?

"It taught me not to be a weirdo!"

Sloan has seen *Gattaca* 11 times, more than either one of her other two favorites. What scene makes this film most memorable?

"The dramatic scene where Ethan Hawke and his older brother are swimming in the ocean to prove who is the strongest, even though Ethan Hawke, in the movie, has a heart condition." It is with Ethan Hawke whom she identifies with most, says Sloan, "because he doesn't always feel like he fits in."

Life lessons?

"It taught me to be aware of the future, and



Greta Ann Sloan

also that no matter who you are you can do anything you want."

Amy Arita

Age: 18

High school: Helix

Favorite movies: *Gattaca*, *Star Wars*, and *Matewan*

Favorite female stars: Drew Barrymore, Reese Witherspoon

Favorite male stars: "Don't have a favorite; it varies from film to film."

Videos owned: over 100

Movie snacks: "rip-off" at theaters; rice-stuffed bell peppers or trail mix at home

Grossest scene ever: in *The Fast and the Furious*, where they make the guy drink oil

What memorable scene in *Gattaca* helped earn the film a spot on Arita's list?

"In the end, where a character whose DNA is inferior to other characters' DNA. And he is able to go into space where he talks about how he is returning to his destiny and how the character who is supposed to be superior commits suicide. And it just shows the personality, not the genetic code, of the person."

As it was for Sloan, the Ethan Hawke character was most memorable to Arita.

"The main character had a whole lot of complications and he had a 99 percent chance of heart failure and people wouldn't employ him because people would critique based on genetic code instead of intelligence and accomplishments," says Arita. "And he was very smart and they thought, 'Why should we hire and pay someone like him when we could hire someone with a far superior genetic code who would probably live longer?'... We can't judge people based upon how long they will live. It's what's inside of us."

Arita has liked *Star Wars* since she first saw it in fifth grade. Though she found the Chewbacca character most memorable because of his teddy bear-like attributes, it was Luke Skywalker with whom she identified most. "Because he wants to save his family," says Arita, "and save his father, rescue his sister. And take care of people just in general."



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Matewan earned a slot on Arita's top-three list. What scene helped it get there?

"At the end, when the sheriff gets shot," says Arita. "What happens in all these characters in the film are coal miners and nobody cares about them and the captain of society — you know, people like Rockefeller, are dominating. The sheriff was looking for the people and the rich people shot him so that they could take advantage of the people again."

Which character did Arita identify with the most?

"There is 'Granny,' and she says no guns on the table, or something like that, because there are rich people who force them to stay in one area, and it's difficult for the whole family. She stays positive."

Eddie Rock

Age: 18

High school: Helix

Hobbies: movie-making

Favorite movies: *Mallrats*, *A Night at the Roxbury*, and *Big Trouble in Little China*

Favorite female star: Rene Russo

Favorite male stars: Kevin Smith, Will Farrow, Sean Connery

Videos owned: 50–60

Movie snacks: usually smuggles sodas into theaters; hot tamales and soda at home

Grossest scene ever: in *Alien Resurrection*, "where an alien took a guy's brain through the back of his head."

Which scene did Rock find most memorable in *Mallrats*?

"Probably the game-show scene where they go into a live dating-game show and it kind of messes up the whole thing."

Which character did he identify with the most?

"Probably Brody, because he is kind of like an outcast," says Rock. "Because he is sort of a loser, but everybody has respect for him because they know where he is coming from."

Life lessons?

"Probably not to give up and that there is true love and to go after it."

Rock's seen *A Night at the Roxbury* about 15 times. What did that comedy teach him?

"Probably that friendship is very important and [to follow] your dreams, you know what I mean?"

What scene did he find most memorable?

"Probably the party scene, because there are a lot of different aspects, a lot of hilarious lines."

Which character did Rock identify with most?

"Probably with Will Farrow's character, because he is the one that is straightforward and brilliant in what he wants to say."

In *Big Trouble in Little China*, Rock also identified with a character who stayed on top of situations.

"The character named Eddie, who they had to do the jobs for.

He is always there in the background, but he is always there if they need him."

Did the movie teach him anything?

"Probably that you can never expect what's going to happen," says Rock. "You know, just like the old saying that you could step out in the street and get hit by a car. You know, expect the unexpected."

Logan Orvis

Age: 18

High school: Helix

Hobbies: acting, directing

Favorite movies: *Wizard of Oz*, *Fight Club*, and *Evil Dead 2*

Favorite female stars: Linda De Fiorentino, Christina Ricci, Angelica Huston

Favorite male stars: Brad Pitt, Anthony Hopkins, Bruce Campbell

Videos owned: over 200

Movie snacks: "...everything [at theaters]: candy, popcorn, hotdogs, nachos, buffalo pieces"; "what we have gets eaten" at home

Grossest scene ever: human birth on PBS

I saw *The Wizard of Oz* when I was a child," says Orvis. "My family was staying at a hotel and it was playing on TV and I saw it with my family.... [Since then] I probably saw the movie between 10 and 20 times.... The most memorable scene is when Dorothy is in a tornado and it touches down and she opens the door and it goes from black-and-white [to color]."

In *The Wizard of Oz*, Orvis noticed two characters with whom he shares traits.

"The Scarecrow has the same body movements that I do, whereas the Tin Man has the whole heart problem, which is the problem that



Logan Orvis and Eddie Rock

I identify with. The Tin Man is a lonely character; he spends time in the woods by himself, where he is safe. I am not exactly a lonely guy, but I can identify with that problem."

What life lessons did this film teach Orvis?

"Oh, the story itself has a lot of morals," he says. "Some of them are questionable. At the very end of the movie, Dorothy says, 'If I never go further than my own back yard I'll be happy.' But that's kind of against what you should teach children. Basically, it taught you to be content and happy with what you've got."

If Orvis valued the message of contentment in *The Wizard of Oz*, what message was reinforced in *Fight Club* to make him want to see it over 30 times?

"*Fight Club* taught that only you could give meaning to your life," says Orvis. "You can't trust anybody, and you have to go out and get what you want without paying attention to anybody."

Which character did Orvis identify with the most?

"[He's] called the narrator and he's never given a name. He is played by Edward Norton, and he is just this loser that is very disillusioned with his life. He doesn't know where he is going, but he is discontent with his life."

What scene did Orvis find most memorable?

"The very last scene in which they are standing in the distance, watching the buildings explode."

Orvis says he was surprised to enjoy *Evil Dead 2*, a film he's seen over 50 times.

"I saw it with a friend of mine...and he's a very Christian, very good guy. He was, like, 'Oh, you have to see this movie, *Evil Dead 2*. And I was, like, '*Evil Dead 2* sounds like the lamest movie.' Then I sat down and watched it with him."

What scene was most memorable?

"The final battle between the demon and [actor] Bruce Campbell, [who] has a chainsaw for a hand, and he fights to the death with this creature and ends up blowing it away with a shotgun. It's a very graphic scene.... I identify with Bruce Campbell because he is just a very common man, and through the course of the movie, through circumstances beyond his control, he is forced to become better, faster."

What lessons in life did the movie teach Orvis?

"*Evil Dead 2* taught me that independent filmmakers can really succeed and that you don't have to be part of a studio to make a successful movie." ■

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FRIDAY

Billy Ray Cyrus /792/: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, July 5, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

The Breeders /509/, the **Poster Children**, and **Rochelle**, **Rochelle /570/**: 4th & B, Friday, July 5, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

SATURDAY

The Cranberries /194/ and **Flickerstick**: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 6, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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TUESDAY

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.

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"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.

The Rippingtons /709/ and **David Benoit /417/**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 12, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Ugly Casanova, Sunshine Fix, the **Helio Sequence**, and **Atlas Strategic**: The Casbah, Friday, July 12, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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The Chieftains /867/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Pat Benatar /561/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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Billy Idol /506/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 21, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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They Might Be Giants /580/: 4th & B, Thursday, July 25, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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"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.

Natalie Cole /435/ and **George Benson /612/:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 27, 7 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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Randy Travis /779/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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"Down from the Mountain" featuring **Alison Krauss & Union Station, Jerry Douglas, Dan Tyminski, Ralph Stanley, Patty Loveless, the Del McCoury Band, Ricky Skaggs, Emmylou Harris /818/**, the **Nashville Bluegrass Band, Norman and Nancy Blake**, the **Whites**, and **Chris Thomas King:** Coors Amphitheatre,

Wednesday, July 31, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

AUGUST

David Sanborn /692/ and **Poncho Sanchez /646/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 1, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Marc Anthony /581/: San Diego Sports Arena, Friday, August 2, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Deep Purple, the **Scorpions /538/**, 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.

Fu Manchu, Speedealer, and **Space Boy:** The Casbah, Friday, August 2, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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.

Foreigner /532/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dashboard Confessional: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, August 8, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Joe Satriani /571/, **Dream Theater**, and **King's X /487/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 9, 6:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Beat Farmers /404/, the **Paladins /962/**, **Modern Rhythm Band**, and the **King Biscuit Blues Band:** 4th & B, Friday, August 9, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Diana Ross: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 11, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Tragically Hip /148/ and **Wayne:** 4th & B, Sunday, August 11, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

John Hiatt & the Goners /827/ and **Jimmie Vaughan:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 12, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Blondie /574/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, August 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Young Dubliners /438/, **Great Big Sea**, and **Seven Nations:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 14, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Eminem /158/, **Papa Roach /198/**, **Ludacris**, **Xzibit**, and the **X-ecutioners**: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, August 15, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Maceo Parker /697/: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, August 15, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Charlie Zaa and **Pilar Montenegro**: Open Air Theatre, Friday, August 16, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Neville Staples, **Dave Wakeling**, and the **Untouchables**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, August 17, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Lee Ann Womack: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, August 18, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

John Mayer, **Guster**, and the **John Butler Trio**: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, August 18, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

The Kottonmouth Kings /129/: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 18, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Ray Charles /979/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 19, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Fourplay (featuring **Larry Carlton /685/**, **Bob James**, **Harvey Mason**, and **Nathan East**) and **Rick Braun /672/**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 20, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dwight Yoakam /793/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 21, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Chris Isaak /576/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 22, and Friday, August 23, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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 /586/ and **Jackson Browne /587/**: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, August 25, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Doobie Brothers /588/ and **Venice /432/**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 26, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Joan Baez /844/ and **Richard Shindell**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 28, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.



Cranberries, July 6, Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park

SEPTEMBER

Lenny Kravitz /590/, **Pink /610/**, and **Abandoned Pools /185/**: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 1, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Ted Nugent: 4th & B, Sunday, September 1, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

"Street Scene 2002": Friday, September 6, Saturday, September 7, and Sunday, September 8. Info line, 800-260-9985. www.street-scene.com.

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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Jimmy Buffett: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, September 28, 8 p.m., 2050

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Ozomatli /200/ and the **Joshua Redman Elastic Band**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, October 1, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Acoustic Alchemy /834/ and **Strunz & Farah**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, October 3, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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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.

Sergio Mendes & Brasil 2002: 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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Southern Culture on the Skids /266/: The Casbah, Saturday, October 19, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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Everytime I Die: Club Xanth
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107**The Furious IV:** The Scene
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Kevin Koch: Dizzy's

Dianna Krall: Elario's Bistro &

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718**Tim Maglione:** Jimmy Love's

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Time: Jimmy Love's

724**Spaceman Spiff:** Redfish

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Amber Whitlock: Dizzy's

Wrax: The Bayou Jazz Bar

Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE/ SKA

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Tavern

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740**Psydecar:** Belly Up Tavern

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EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

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ACOUSTIC/ FOLK

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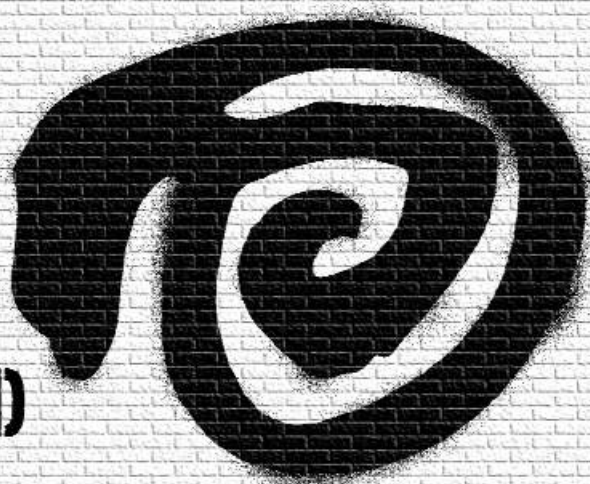
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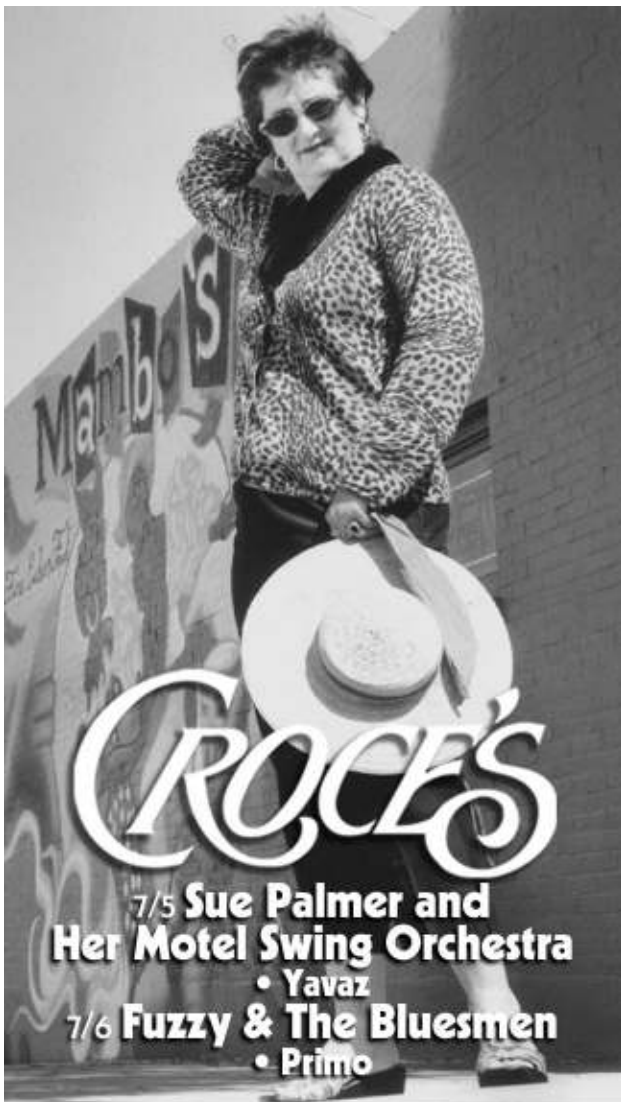
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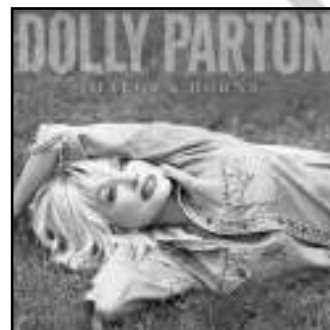
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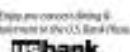
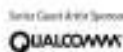


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BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Sometimes I think we're in the middle of a post-post-rock era. That is, we went through this time when forward-thinking people considered rock kind of embarrassing and turned instead to electronic music and so-called post-rock. Now they've finally realized that no one really gives a crap about electronica once the drugs have worn off and that post-rock is usually post-interesting.

So, the **Swords Project** is just the kind of band forward-thinking people need these days. Formed in Portland in 1999, the seven-piece recorded its debut EP after being together a month. The producer was Larry Crane, an old friend of some of the band members. He also happens to be the editor of the recording magazine *Tape Op* and a respected sound engineer who has worked with Elliott Smith, Quasi, Sleater-Kinney, and other buzzworthy names. The band also has links to Death Cab for Cutie, the Places, and Jackie-O Motherfucker. But even without connections, the Swords Project would have made a splash. With two drummers, two guitarists, bass, keyboards, electronics, a violin, and occasional melodica or accordion, this is a band that's hard not to notice.

Despite all the instruments and the attendant high-decibel output, the Swords Project's music is surprisingly delicate-sounding. Its arrangements are almost classical. The drummers stay away from typical rock backbeats, and the guitarists avoid power-chord riffage. The vocals are often little more than mumbles buried in the mix. And yet the Swords Project has a spirit and intensity

that's totally rock 'n' roll. It's as though some classically trained avant-garde musicians hooked up with an electronica buff and, together, suddenly remembered how good it felt to rock out.

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SWORDS PROJECT, The Casbah, Monday, July 8, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$7.

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Eavesdrop: Wednesdays, espionage stereophonics and downtempo DJs with residents SIX8, AKRANM, Jon Wesley, and Somatik. No cover; 21 and up. The Pirates Den, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego, 619-574-6833.

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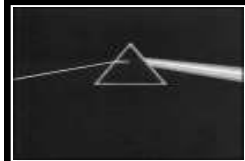
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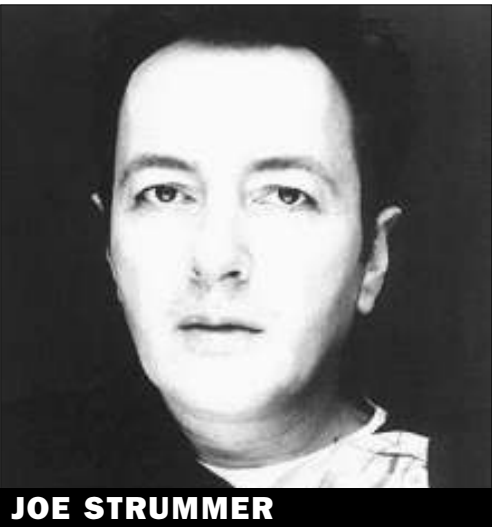
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NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Can a retired punk age gracefully? Leaf through a fashion magazine, and you might conclude the most important thing **Joe Strummer** has done in the past decade is to decide whether to knot his tie. "This is our new look," he told an interviewer about his current band the **Mescaleros** suiting up. "Why not make an effort?" In the Mescaleros, Strummer seems to have found rock and roll again. After having spent most of the '90s as a club DJ, film actor, and songwriter, the ex-Clash front man has a couple of strong albums under his belt with an outfit that can blend Strummer's lyrics with Russian choir, flamenco, and a backbeat. Strummer, born John Graham Mellor in

Turkey in 1952, moved around a lot. His father was a British foreign officer. Bent on becoming a cartoonist, Strummer tried art school in London. Instead, he became Woody Mellor and played rockers like "Johnny B. Good" on ukulele for spare coin. He got into the Vultures by swapping his drum kit for a front-man slot; by 1974 he was calling himself Joe Strummer and fronting the 101ers. After a gig with the Sex Pistols, Strummer ditched the 101ers and founded the Clash. When the Clash came along, for me the group fit into the larger picture of whatever rock music was at that time. No great shakes as musicians, they did have Strummer, who made all the good sounds. Sometimes, Strummer howled like a zealot with distemper, like a man who might find remedy in the depths of a veterinarian's kit bag. And in the end, his type could either self-destruct or choose to play out his string in the suburbs. It would appear that Strummer



JOE STRUMMER

has chosen the latter.

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The Raintree, 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Music hours are from 6 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *the Stilettoz*, rock, blues. Saturday, *Trio du Jour*, jazz.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, *Blind Luck*, classic rock.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, *the Lead Bellys* and *Groove*, rock. Friday, *the Archtones*. Saturday, *Concord*, rock.

Beaches

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Wonka Bar* and *Sol Reel*, rock. Friday, *Superunloader*, alternative. Saturday, *Deadline Friday*, *Knumb the Wiser*, and *Lift*. Sunday,

3 pm to 7 pm, *Cruz Control*, reggae, 8 pm, *Bucky's Roomates* and *Simeon Flick*, alternative. Monday, open mike. Wednesday, *Alfred Howard & the 23K Orchestra* and *the Nickel Project*.

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Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, *Gary Seiler*, *Rockola*, and *the Fiesta Brothers & Company*, pop rock. Friday, *Psydecar*, reggae, funk. Saturday, *Walter Segundo*, salsa, merengue. Sunday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

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Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Subthunk*, alternative. Friday, *the B-Side Players*, Latin jazz. Saturday, *Boomshanka* and *the Devastators*, funk, reggae. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, *Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors*, 8:30 pm, *Gooding*. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, rock. Tuesday, *the Damn Dirty Apes*, acid jazz, groove. Wednesday, *Janah*.

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The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Todd Siedman & the Fattones*, blues. Saturday, *the Boogiemens*, R&B.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9:30 pm, live music. Friday, 9:30 pm, *the Heroes*, disco. Saturday, 9:30 pm, *Makai*, pop. Sunday, *Calvin Romance*, smooth jazz. Monday, *Rian Greene*, folk. Tuesday and Wednesday, *Eve Selis*, roadhouse rock.

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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. Thursday, *Max Flapping Jet*,

alternative. Friday, *the San Diego Beat Organization* and *Bunky*, alternative. Saturday, *Dawn Shipley & Her Midnight Boys*, *Rip Carson*, and *the Blue Suedes*, rockabilly, swing.

The Morena Club, 1319 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-275-4431. Saturday, *the Greasy Petes*, R&B.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Thursday and Friday, *Nitelife*, rock. Saturday, *Fish & the Seaweeds*, funk, blues.

The Playhouse, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-284-8802. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, *Zone 4* and *15 Minutes*. Saturday, *Crawl Space*, *Season of Decay*, and *Life Hates Me*.

The Scene, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Friday, *Counterfit*, *Jack's Broken Heart*, *Hot Like a Robot*, and *Dresden*, alternative. Saturday, *Tippa Irie*, *Jah Soldiers*, *Stranger*, and *Bredren*, reggae.

Scolari's Office, 3936 30th Street, San Diego. 619-296-3546. Friday, *the 7th Day Buskers*, alternative. Saturday, *the Insecticides*, *Frankenstein*, *the Flash Express*, and *the Bad Apples*, alternative.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday and Saturday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Saturday, *Triptic*, alternative.

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. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, hip-hop. Monday, tango. Wednesday, *Todd Stedman & the Fattones*, blues.

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*.

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, *Wrass*. 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, *Wonderbread*. Saturday, *the Disco Pimps*. Sunday, *Whitey Cornwell & the Tone Kings*, blues. Tuesday, 7 pm to

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The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the Rugburns*, *Stickfigure*, and *Who Cares*. Friday, *the Mice*, *Frank the Baptist*, *Pure Milk*, and *Changing Names*. Saturday, *Robert Walter's 20th Congress*, *Morricone Youth*, and *Dao Son 4*. Sunday, *Riff Randells*, *the Excessories*, *the Glossines*, and *the Fire Sermon*. Monday, *Windsor for the Derby*, *Sword's Project*, *Ithaca*, and *Lowcloudcover*. Tuesday, *Rochelle Rochelle*, *the Start*, and *Scarling*. Wednesday, *the Brian Jonestown Massacre*, *Dead Meadow*, and *Lualta*.

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, *Hollis Gentry*. 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, *Fuzzy & the Bluesmen*.

Dick's Last Resort, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Friday, *the New Breed Band*, pop, jazz. Saturday, *Loaf*, rock. Sunday, *Hera's*

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Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Saturday, 8 pm, *Hadda Brooks*, *Wendy Dewitt*, *Sue Palmer*, and *Philippe LeJeune*, jazz. Sunday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Fred Forney*, *Jack Radavich*, *Mikan Zlatovich*, and *Bob Weller*, jazz.

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Jazzmag* featuring *Tim Maglione*. Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Tuesday, *Mystique*, jazz, funk, R&B. Wednesday, 7:30 pm, *the Soul Review*.

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, *the Aubrey Fay Band*. Sunday, 6 pm, *Barbara Jamerson*, 10 pm to 2 am, *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.

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Lao Moo

"I have two sisters who've started a Thai restaurant in Arkansas and a brother who has one in Texas."

Flash back for a moment to 1980. It's early morning in Laos. Montry Sengsouriya's life is on the line. "We started out before the sun rose, because the mists were still rising from the river. We headed for the middle of the Mekong, to make it look as though we were going fishing. We hit a good patch of mist. The boatman turned 90 degrees left and raced for the Thai side. We were lucky. Nobody spotted us. There were no shouts. No shots. Nobody knew I had gone."

Except his mom, dad, brothers, and sisters. Twenty-one years later, Montry has made it to — and in — America: qualified as a mechanical engineer, made microchips for a high-tech firm (which downsized), and then started El Cajon's lone Thai restaurant.

He opened last year — on September 10. For a while nobody ate out. And when they did, it was for comfort food. Plus he had to tune in to the fact he was in no-nonsense East County. "We started off with tablecloths and glass tops and napkins," says Montry. "But people thought it meant this was an expensive place."

So he whipped off the tablecloths and glass tops and bared his eight tables down to their Formica tops, brought in those metal paper-napkin dispensers, and finally customers started trickling in.

That's what I did too. Was hovering around

the Men's Wearhouse when I spotted it. (Aaargh! Carla's making me buy a suit. Who can afford a suit?) "THAI." A sign; an eatery between Super Starr Nails and El Cotixan #3 Mexican. "Lunch Special, \$4.50 plus tax," says a poster in its window. "Teriyaki Bowl, \$2.95." Zzzip! I'm in there, asking for a *cofay yen*, Thai iced coffee with milk (\$1.75). Love it. This'll give me time to think.

Now I'm looking at the menu. Fifteen permanent Lunch Specials, from pepper steak to chicken yellow curry to Orchid Noodle ("Thai egg noodle, chicken, broccoli, celery, carrot, egg, and scallions") to sweet-and-sour chicken or chicken chow mein. They all come with soup, wontons, and steamed rice. They're all \$4.50.

"I had to keep some Chinese things in," Montry says, "because this was a Chinese place before. People were used to that."

I go for Number 8. Prik Pow Beef, with "sweet chili paste, green bean, and sweet basil."

The place is clean and simple: eight tables, gray lower walls, white uppers, some Thailand pics on the wall, a red paper umbrella, and gold and black embroidered panels of war elephants cluster around the counter. "Half of them have come from customers," says Montry. "They bring them in." Behind him, I see a young man and an older woman working

away in the kitchen. "My mother and my cousin," he says.

So, first up is the soup, a clear broth with lettuce and mushrooms, scallions, and other goodies. Good for clearing your gut for the flavors to come.

Then Montry brings out an oval plate with a neat pile of rice next to a sea of crunchy green beans in a slurry of oh-so-tender beef, with three fried wontons. But, man, the secret's in the sauce.

"It has burned ground chili and shrimp paste," says Montry, "and pickled radish and sweet basil." It makes for a real enticing sweet chili sauce, a tender, slightly hot sweet taste that makes the beef come alive. I mean, the thing was practically mooing at me.

Heat? It's, like, pleasantly prickly, but not a three-alarm. Montry admits he downplays the spicy part to fit in with local tastes. It turns out that it was partly because of his mom that he started this place. "My dad died in a car accident here," he says. "My mom had too much time to think. She was always the great cook in our house in Vientiane. We're Lao, but we know all about Thai cooking. I have two sisters who've started a Thai restaurant in Arkansas and a brother who

has one in Texas. This one keeps Mom busy."

And now that I'm looking seriously at the menu, I see lots that I missed, like *som tum*, spicy and sour green papaya salad, or *larb*, the Laotian ground chicken salad (\$6.25). Or *masaman* curry (*masaman* means Muslim; Muslims in the south of Thailand go for these curries big time), with potatoes, onions, carrots, and roasted peanuts all flavored by sweet coconut milk and a mild curry (\$5.95 with pork). Or all the vegetarian dishes — you're vegan, this is your haven.

Khanthaly, Montry's mom, comes out for a moment. He got her out of Laos ten years after he left. She misses her two-story home near the Mekong. But you can see she is very proud of her boy. "He cooks better than me!" she says. Montry shakes his head.

There's just one more thing I gotta have. I noticed the tiny bottles in the cooler. *Kratin Daeng*, Red Bull (\$1.00). It's a little vitamin elixir the Thais and Lao love to keep themselves going through the heat of the day. Me too.

Somehow it feels like downing brandy during Prohibition. *Glug glug glug*. Feel the strength coursing through the veins. Now. Feel man enough to take on that pesky suit problem. ■

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Prices: Lunch specials include garlic pepper pork, chicken hot basil, chicken green curry, mixed vegetable, prik pow beef, sweet and sour chicken, poor man noodle (all include three fried wonton, soup, steamed rice), \$4.50; mee ped (roast duck noodle) soup (\$5.75); Japanese-style beef teriyaki bowl, \$2.99; som tum (papaya salad), \$4.95; Panang curry (with coconut milk green beans, sweet basil, tofu), \$5.75; Thai chicken (half), with soup, salad, rice, \$6.95

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Vertical Sprout

“They’re not looking for Screaming Eagle; they’re coming home from work and they want something that’s good.”

Gary Parker got started in wine by holding tastings in people’s homes. He poured different varietals, talked about food pairing, helped people find out what they liked. Along the way, it dawned on him that few people had basements in California, meaning that few people had a place to store their wine at optimally cool and stable temperatures. (This was before the widespread popularity of Vinotemps and other refrigerated storage units.) So he opened a storage facility. “Two months, no calls,” he remembers, and his expression shows that he remembers the nervousness of those two months as well. Then one call, then another, and suddenly, he was moving to a bigger space. A second move brought him to the current location of the WineSellar, a three-story cavern of lockers off of Mira Mesa Boulevard.

He opened a brasserie on the premises — an informal, lunchy sort of place where folks could eat, drink good wine, and let loose a bit. He brought in Doug Organ to run the kitchen. He opened a little shop below the restaurant. Things were fun.

But Organ proved to be a gifted chef, and as his skills revealed themselves, he carried the tone of the restaurant upward. At the same time, the three Ds — Death, Divorce, and somebody’s having to quit Drinking — began to transform the restaurant’s wine list into what would eventually become a regular recipient of *Wine Spectator*’s Grand Award. Here’s how it worked: Parker would be storing a client’s wine. One of the Ds would strike, and Parker, after assessing the value of the collection, would often be offered a chance to buy it. The list sprouted verticals (collections of the same wine over numerous vintages) of old Bordeaux and Burgundy. When the awards started coming, high-end California wineries came calling, eager to bask in the list’s reflected glory.

Because of the restaurant’s status, wineries aiming for the list were often willing to send a

few of their highly allocated bottles to be sold in the shop as well. The WineSellar became the place to go to find such top-rated (and astonishingly priced) wines as the Cabernets of Araujo, Bryant Family, Colgin, and Screaming Eagle. (I don’t know of another shop in San Diego that carries Kistler Chardonnay.) A substantial portion of the shop’s business started to come from out-of-town collectors, calling in search of bottles that weren’t available elsewhere at any price.

Good vintages and a booming economy went hand in hand throughout the mid- to late ’90s — you could still get the excellent ’91s and ’92s in ’95, and after a mild bump in the ’93 vintage, it seemed as if California would never suffer another bad year for Cabernet. More and more wineries came onto the scene, and more and more wines became must-haves for collectors. The shop, never roomy, moved, in buyer David Derby’s words, from “cozy” to “cramped.” Customers found themselves shuffling down the rows sideways, so as not to bump into anything.

Still, it wasn’t enough. Says Derby, “People would come in and say, ‘Do you have such-and-such?’ We’d say, ‘No, but we can get it for you.’ ‘Why don’t you carry it?’ ‘We’d love to carry it, but we don’t have room.’ We felt that not having space was holding the shop back. A lot of people, when they’re buying something, don’t want to wait. That’s their day to be shopping.” Inventory began to pile up in the back — visitors to the shop didn’t buy what they didn’t see.

More and more, the WineSellar became a collector’s shop, a condition that worried Derby. “In San Diego, collectors are actually doing the majority [of the buying]. They’re going to every shop. They read Robert Parker, *Wine Spectator*, Stephen Tanzer. They’re very knowledgeable, but eventually, all their cellars will get full. We cannot depend on those people. In order for the industry to survive, we need to get more of Mr. Jones and Mrs. Smith, who say,



Newly expanded WineSellar shop

‘I’m just having some wine with dinner.’ It’s just a regular part of their life. All these businesses that have opened up [in Mira Mesa] — we would like to see those people. They’re not looking for Screaming Eagle; they’re coming home from work and they want something that’s good, that’s between \$5 and \$25, that they can drink on a regular basis.”

But the “wine with dinner” crowd wasn’t heading to the WineSellar, and there was a reason why. Parker says that “the average price of the wine, per bottle, was probably \$35 to \$50, and it was intimidating.” Even without the problem presented by a multitude of pricey collectibles fighting for shelf space, there was still the matter of volume. “Because of the size of the shop, we couldn’t buy 20 cases of something and get a good deal on it,” à la San Diego Wine Company. Parker found himself in a niche that, while lucrative, wasn’t entirely comfortable. “You don’t want to be considered an elitist — I certainly don’t — and there may have been an undercurrent of thinking that the wine shop was that way.”

Last year, Parker and Co. took steps to get back to people who are just getting started in wine — people who make the market grow. They

began by literally knocking down walls. The shop is fully three times larger than it used to be, and the extra space means that buyer Derby can now bring in a \$4.99 bargain wine from Vega Sindoa, along with the winery’s fancier El Chaparral for \$8.99. Vina Alarba comes in at \$6.99, and the Abadia Retuerta Rivola can be found for \$11.99. (All these wines are Spanish, and with good reason. Together with certain parts of the South of France, Spain probably produces the best under-\$10 wines out there.)

Of course, this is still the WineSellar, and the bargain island is cleverly positioned between the cash register and the cult wines. “Very few people who come over [to the cult wines] buy,” admits Derby, “but all of them talk about it. It’s part of what it’s there for, for people to go and say, ‘I was in the WineSellar, and they had this and this and this...’ We’re trying to take the prestige and honor that we’ve [built up] and transfer it” to less expensive wines. The idea is that, since the WineSellar staff has tasted some of the best Pinot Noirs ever made, they’ll know when an \$18 Pinot is a genuine value. “I have a reference,” says Derby. “If you’ve never seen the bull’s-eye, you don’t know how close you’re getting.” ■

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MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

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BULLY'S NORTH 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-1660. Especially during summer, this branch is the most colorful and is jammed with the sporting crowd, which makes the place exciting. Food is the same as at other Bully's, but the high intensity carries it. Steak, prime rib, hamburgers, fries, and fresh fish are favorites. Open daily. Moderate. Other locations: 5755 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, 858-459-2768; 2401 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2685. — *E.W.*

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN Here's a good family restaurant where you can take your children and grandchildren for salads, pasta, or pizza. There are 28 pizzas. The chicken tequila with spinach fettuccine is great, as are vegetarian sandwiches. Same menu, lunch and dinner. Open daily. 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 Mountain Road, 858-675-4424. — *E.W.*

THE FISH MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy ever-multiplying restaurants—namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed or panko-fried fin fish and shellfish, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consistent among locales. The chain's facilities near San Francisco purchase, process, and truck the catch to its various branches. Hence, when the menu refers to a species as "local," it doesn't really mean nearby waters, but rather, the Pacific. At the small retail fish market in the downtown branch, products prove slightly fresher than most supermarkets', but less vibrant than at the top fish markets (e.g., Point Loma or 99 Ranch). Identical seafood is served in the dining room, the oyster bar, and at Top of the Market. But there's better quality at the sushi bar, emphatically the top Fish Market venue. The sushi rice is well seasoned and just sticky enough, the seafood there is pristine and preparation is careful and sometimes creative.

The "Ichiban Hamachi" (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding — and for a truly sexy treat, share a pair of "Honeymoon Oysters" with your honey. No reservations, but the space is vast, so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del Mar; mini-branch near Fashion Valley. — *N.W. (9/01)*

JOE'S CRAB SHACK A seafood chain with a good Cajun corporate name (Landry's) based in southern Louisiana wouldn't survive without some pluses besides a Bourbon Street party atmosphere. Joe's is silly with crab-shack ambience (campy nautical paraphernalia on down to souvenir gimme caps) but the food's not bad. One tasty starter is "crabioli," fried wonton stuffed with crab and melted cream cheese ("crab Rangoon" by another name, but smoother). You can choose buckets of steamed, barbecued, or garlic crab (of various subspecies) or go for fried or grilled seafood or steaks, or salads. Grownups may prefer the patio to the rockin', raucous interior. Full bar, not much wine. Inexpensive to low moderate. 7610 Hazard Center Drive, Mission Valley, 619-260-1111; 4325 Ocean Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474. — *N.W. (5/01)*

KARL STRAUSS' OLD COLUMBIA BREWERY AND GRILL 1157 Columbia Street (between B and C Streets), downtown, 619-234-2739. The star attractions here are the ales and beers brewed on the premises. Up to a dozen beers may be available. Food includes burgers, pastas, soup and salad, fish and chips, grilled sausage. During weekends the noise can be shattering, but it's fun. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. Other branches at 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Valley, 858-587-2739; 5801 Armada Drive, Carlsbad, 760-431-2739; 1044 Wall Street, La Jolla, 858-551-2739. Call for hours. — *E.W.*

THE ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE 3906 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740 (plus locations in Poway, Encinitas, and Vista). Starve yourself for eight hours, then come in here and order up an Apple Pancake — a foot-wide, batter-filled, five-egg paradise pelted with slices from two Granny Smith apples and baked till it puffs up like a golden mini-superdome. Cinnamon cinches it. The German Pancake, or its kid brother, the Dutch Baby, are good oven-baked alternatives, as is the really, really filling mushroom omelet, which comes with three pancakes. Oh, and the

Eggs Michael: sausage patties and poached eggs lost somewhere under a mushroom-sherry sauce. The whole atmosphere — striped gold-and-cream wallpaper, dainty cups, shelves of ceramic dogs — feels like it's the Fifties and your granny took you here when you were five. OK, it's a nationwide franchise, but it's a comfy franchise, from Oregon. All-day breakfast only, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. Other locations at 14905 Pomerado Road, Poway, 858-679-0186; 160 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, Encinitas, 760-943-1939; 435 South Melrose Drive, Vista, 760-758-3441. — *E.B. (4/02)*

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food translations: The spicy, crisp fried chicken and air-light drop biscuits are fine as can be. The etouffé (whether of chicken or crawfish, when available) is surprisingly decent. The gumbo is weird — flavors aren't bad, but it's more like a Creole risotto, with wet rice instead of liquid (where's the soup?). Dirty rice and jambalaya are nasty and dry. Food quality varies subtly from branch to branch, as does the attitude of the counter-persons. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/02)*

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 painted iguanas climbing them, signs on the ceiling joists like "Viva Bonita!" and "Work is for people who don't surf." The menu's big draw is the "big Baja bucket" (stuffed with slipper lobster tails, marinated chicken, grilled *carne asada*, and Baja-style shrimp) plus beans, rice, tortillas, and a Caesar salad. And wraps are great. Try the Chinese chicken wrap: grilled chicken, salad greens, crispy noodles, scallions, orange pieces, and oriental dressing in a "cilantro tortilla." Open seven days. Friday happy hour free buffet 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. Other locations: 310 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6333; 3890 Twigg, Old Town, 619-260-0305; 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos, 760-744-7550; 258 Harbor Drive South, Oceanside, 760-967-6199. — *E.B. (9/01)*

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STAR OF INDIA 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-459-3355; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar, 858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It's the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like vegetable *pakora* — a bunch of veggies dipped in chickpea batter and fried, or a nice mess of eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry *masala*, and maybe the first cooked spinach you ever loved, *palak paneer*. At the PB location, you sit under a sky-blue cupola. Ask owner Kulbir about his 14-year-old yogurt culture and its health benefits. Seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

UNO CHICAGO BAR AND GRILL The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago's better-known exports (along with Oprah and steaks). Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, steak'n cheese burgers) is the wicked "grilled honey-mustard salmon." Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to stick to the staple: deep dish pizzas and salads. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. 4465 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-483-4143; Fashion Valley Center, 619-219-1866; 5th & H, Chula Vista, 619-420-8660. — *E.B. (8/01)*

NORTH COASTAL

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 indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

DEL MAR PIZZA 211 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-8088. If you've heard about, dreamed about, or were merely curious about New York pizza, the best local practitioner is now in Del Mar complete with New York manners. The hot sandwiches are good, but the pizza is in a league by itself. The secret lies in the crust. Lasagne and stuffed eggplant also available as well as cannoli for dessert. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EPAZOTE SOUTHWEST RESTAURANT 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-259-9966. Patrons frequently call this establishment the New York Stock Exchange because of its high energy, young crowd, and exciting atmosphere. Good dishes include southwestern-style tapas and spit-roasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte. This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HIDE AWAY CAFE 150 South Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-755-3388. Here's where your mom met your dad

the day he bought a long board. The Hide Away is the classic forties California beach café. You have to look carefully down the tiny tree-shaded street to spot their big blue-and-yellow sign. It's a homey little place, with a corrugated iron roof, wooden porch, and a green mantle of gnarly old ivy. Flap through the swing doors. Inhale the good smells from the kitchen. Sit down at one of the intimate tables. Order the jalapeño and grilled red onion omelet with avocado and jack cheese. Or the delicious "Kaleidoscope": scrambled eggs, cheese, bell peppers, onions, and home fries. Finish up with a slice of homemade pumpkin nut bread. Breakfast and lunch only, open daily to 2:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

LE BAMBOU 2634 Del Mar Heights Road, Del Mar, 858-259-8138. Nouvelle Vietnamese cuisine is prepared here that's fresh, light, delicate. But the portions are small and two people should order three entrées for a satisfactory meal. Soups are outstanding and the imperial rolls, lemon grass chicken, soft-shelled crab, vegetarian rolls, and charbroiled pork do well here. The wine list includes 40 items. Fast service and aesthetic surroundings. Closed Monday. Lunch Tuesday to Friday; dinner Tuesday to Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

NEIMANS 300 Carlsbad Village Drive (corner of Carlsbad Boulevard), Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. The peaked dining room has been refurbished and looks like a circular country inn. All-you-can-eat buffet brunch with all-you-can-drink champagne, mimosa, orange juice, and coffee. Traditional offerings include fried chicken. Daily, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Expensive. — *E.W.*

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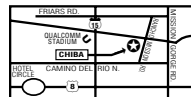
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opening, the luster of this handsome, once-ambitious Chinese restaurant has somewhat faded in the face of local preferences. Chef Yang's creative Chinese menu has devolved into the corn-starch-heavy Szechwanese and Cantonese-American crowd-pleasers favored by the RB golf-and-tennis set. Glimpses of high skill remain, in the greaseless beef egg rolls and the sublime soups. Venturesome "regulars" who know how to order can probably still get excellent meals, including delicacies that have vanished from the current menu. The long, smart wine list has minimal mark-ups, and there's a rare (for the genre) array of serious desserts. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

LA TAPATIA 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

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MING COURT 12750 Carmel Country Road (Country Plaza Shopping Center), North City West (adjacent to Del Mar), 858-793-2933. Elegance describes the interior of this restaurant. Some unusual preparations are cilantro chicken, pungent shrimp, three-mushroom delight, tangerine beef, and items on the Ming Court specialty list. Service is first-rate. Open daily. Moderate. — E.W.

ONAMI JAPANESE RESTAURANT 240 East Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido, North County Fair, 760-738-7522. 160-foot Japanese seafood buffet, hot Japanese dishes, salads, desserts, all you can eat. Tons of fresh food. Seats 250. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — E.W.

RANCHO VALENCIA 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-1123. The dining room and surrounding grounds are gorgeous, the meals beautifully prepared. Great place to take a guest to lunch. Best bets, fresh fish. All California cuisine dishes have Mediterranean influence. Open daily. Expensive. — E.W.

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910 RESTAURANT Grande Colonial Hotel, 910 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla, 858-964-5400, www.thegrandecolonial.com/nine-ten.html. In this lively, casual-chic dining room, Chef Michael Stebner shapes a constantly changing, luxurious menu based little on "luxury foods" and much more on inspired combinations of luxuriously perfect local, seasonal foodstuffs — clean, fine flavors that taste like themselves. Most items are available as either "small" or "large" plates, so it's easy to create your own tasting menu without breaking the bank. Pastry chef Jack Fisher creates the avant-garde desserts. Open daily, three meals; Monday (typically chef's night off) is a best bet, with Stebner usually on hand to cook for his peers. Upper moderate to expensive. — N.W. (11/01)

BARBARELLA 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. Don't miss this lively bistro that offers sandwiches, soup, pizza, entrées. Lively atmosphere. Bib salad and Max's pizza outstanding. Arrive early or late to avoid wait for tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (3/00)

CAFE JAPENGO 8960 University Center Lane, Aventine complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. The decor is smashing and the Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California — is beautiful to behold. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best. Please make note of the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Open daily. Expensive. — E.W.

DAILY'S Renaissance Towne Centre, 8915 Towne Centre Drive, La Jolla, 858-453-1112. The restaurant is owned by a doctor who has devised a menu that's low-fat, low-calorie, low-sodium. The dishes look and taste wonderful. All items available for takeout. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

DONOVAN'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-450-6666. Very noisy room and distracted service tend to make the experience more stressful than relaxing. Average steaks and chops, though nothing memorable. Popular "in" spot. Closed Sunday. Dinner, Monday through Saturday. Expensive. — E.W. (4/99)

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PANDA COUNTRY 4150 Regents Park Row #190, University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-552-1345. Gorgeous surroundings and stunning presentations carry the day here. The extensive menu does particularly well

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THE PANNIKIN CAFE 7467 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-5453. The outdoor seating area is almost always crowded with tea and coffee drinkers who sun themselves, read, or chat. Light meals, including breakfast (steamed eggs, bagels, fruit plates) and sandwiches, soup, salads, as well as beverages and sweets are served. It is a well-known hangout and always crowded. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.W.

ROY'S 8670 Genesee (Costa Verde Center, across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi's ever-expanding chain has elements of both "top chef" and "chain" about it. That is, a potentially fine restaurant is somewhat stunted by celeb-chef silliness, with the staff working too hard to sell us on the place. (Cool out, guys, it's San Diego.) And it takes a few visits to decode Roy's Rules of Ordering, which make all the difference between a mediocre dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters (for starters or mains) — the same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu *ahi poke*) by asking for it; 3. Don't waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks, when the wine list is brilliant. (Try the "Loess is More" with seafood.) The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are pot stickers, *lumpia*, "Kahana" *shutome* (swordfish), or the chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Open nightly. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the raucous bar. Very expensive. — N.W. (4/01)

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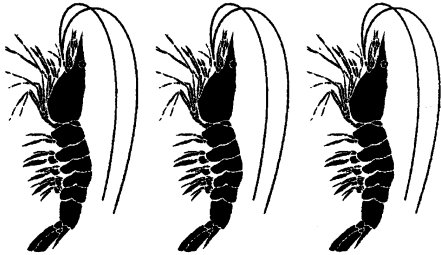
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SKY ROOM Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — *E.W. (10/99)*

TAPENADE 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-551-7500. Surely one of the best restaurants in the county, you’ll find superb, utterly assured French cooking by famed chef-owner Jean-Michel Diot. This is the modern style of French cuisine, light and clean to let every ingredient shine, unmasked by heavy sauces. Each dish is perfect. Pork tenderloin, Muscovy duck, foie gras, and the fresh fish are small triumphs. Worth every penny. Expensive to very expensive. — *E.W. (7/98)*

CLAIREMONT & KEARNY MESA

THE GOOD EGG 7947 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-4244. The menu offers omelets, gourmet pancakes, waffles, and several different kinds of frittatas. Freshly squeezed fruit juices are available, and for lunch there are burgers, salads, and a long list of sandwiches. Good value here. Open approximately 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

HIDEYOSHI JAPANESE RESTAURANT Hazard Village, 9340-B Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa,

858-569-9595. A delightful restaurant tucked away at the far end of a small shopping center. Fine sushi bar, and unusual appetizers. A feast named “Taiko special,” for two or more, is worth ordering. Visually and gastronomically a treat. Closed Sunday. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner, Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

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 eating 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 noodle 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 meats, and a sweet fish sauce. Don’t leave without a Vietnamese coffee, which drips into its condensed milk base right at your table. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/02)*

SHEILA’S CAFE & BAKERY 4577 Clairemont Drive, Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A “Glatt Kosher,” a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant with a mission: Sheila was determined

to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying — from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that everybody else wouldn’t know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don’t need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here. But it’s comforting to know everything down to the least lettuce leaf has gotten extra-careful preparation. Closed Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

THAI HOUSE CUISINE 4225 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-278-1800. Not to be confused with Thai House in Point Loma, this attractive and well-decorated 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 Avenue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Very modest surroundings; good authentic inexpensive food.

Closed Sunday. Same menu all day Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W. (8/99)*

WINE SELLAR AND BRASSERIE 9550 Waples Street #115, Mira Mesa, 858-450-9557. This is the sister restaurant to Laurel, and the food is a delight to the palate. Lunch on Saturday served by itself or in conjunction with the wine tasting. Call for directions and specific hours. — *E.W.*

THE BEACHES

BALEEN Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham), Mission Bay, 858-490-6363. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida’s famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chandeliers, peeking from the paintings) and mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers

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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.humphreysbythebay.com. Most diners at this resort/concert venue restaurant eat at the prix-fixe pre-show dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door amphitheatre. They're missing the best food, which emerges once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features top-quality seafood, juicy meats, and prime steaks with lively, seasonal veggie garnishes. Reserve for show-nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (11/01)*

KONO'S 704 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB burger (chicken breast, green chili, pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Inexpensive, breakfast and lunch only. — *E.B. (10/00)*

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 RESTAURANT 5049 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It's small, but Sapporo has big deals. Particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables, and noodles) and *Champon* noodle soup (*udon* noodles, scallops, shrimp, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl — a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables and a swag of rice. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

SASKA'S 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Saska's is the perfect spot for insomniacs. Hearty breakfasts, which can include meat and eggs, are served Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.; the dinner hour extends to 2:00 a.m. as well. Saturday and Sunday brunches offer Mexican specialties. Beachcomber atmosphere. Open daily. Breakfast inexpensive; dinner moderate. — *E.W.*

SUSHI OTA 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don't come easily. First, find the place: Driving south from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio's). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors' choices, watching for off-menu extravaganzas, e.g., sea-snails cooked over flaming sugar or the irresistible "sushi sundae" (*uni*, *toro*, mountain potatoes, salmon roe). Don't miss the *ama-ebi*, with crisp shrimp-heads atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan-mushi* (custard broth with ginkgo nuts). Alas,

when Ota-*san's* away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar-seat for an early dinner Wednesdays through Saturdays, when the master is most likely to be present. Disabled-access chancy; long, crowded waits unless you're reserved. Moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

THE VENETIAN 3663 Voltaire Street, Loma Portal, 619-223-8197. For bargain hunters who like vast portions and home-style Italian cooking, try this family restaurant. The pizza is marvelous. For entrées, try shrimp scampi over linguine or eggplant parmigiana. One dining room is partially outdoors. Complete menu to go. Reservations taken for parties of six or more. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Inexpensive (pasta, pizza) to moderate. — *E.W.*

WORLD FAMOUS 711 Pacific Beach Drive, Pacific Beach, 858-272-3100. Located directly on the boardwalk with an unobstructed view, this casual restaurant offers patio or indoor dining. Food preparation is straightforward — nothing fancy, but fresh, wholesome, and offering large portions. Thirty appetizers available in the bar. Combination dinners with steak and seafood are expensive. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday to 3:00 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

MIDWAY, OLD TOWN & MISSION VALLEY

FAIROUZ CAFE AND GALLERY 3166 Midway Drive, Loma Portal, 619-225-0308. Seek out this family-owned-and-operated restaurant for wonderful Lebanese and Greek food. The owner, a noted artist, displays his paintings on the dining room walls. The extensive menu offers excellent lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and a wide selection of exotic vegetarian meals. Copious all-you-can-eat buffet available at lunch or dinner in addition to the regular menu. Given 24 hours, this café will prepare an astonishing

Lebanese feast at low cost. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

JACK AND GIULIO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT 2391 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-294-2074. The former owners of Giulio's in Pacific Beach now operate Jack and Giulio's. Best bets are angel hair pasta, minestrone soup, and their famous scampi. Old-style chicken cacciatore always on the menu. Outdoor patio is one of the strong features. This is a low-cost family restaurant with fresh, casual food. Open daily, lunch and dinner; continuous service weekends. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

PREGO Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars Road), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall, a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters include the antipasto platter, sparkling salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust). Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are near-perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or rotisseried meats and fish, but the nightly specials are where chef Josh McGinnis gets to strut his stuff. Service is warm and well-informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

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ALPINE INN 2225 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, 619-445-5172. If you're a beef lover, try the Texas burger served on a Kaiser roll with steak fries. Stay with beef here. Dark interior with large booths. Very crowded for both brunch and dinner on Sunday. Early bird dinner Monday through Saturday for \$7.95. Call for hours. Open daily. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly. Brunch Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

ARIGATO 5575 Baltimore Drive, Suite 110, La Mesa, 619-469-3157. Here's a

great bargain Japanese restaurant. Among the best are the combination plates which contain sesame chicken, tempura, and *gyoza* dumplings. The vegetable and shrimp tempura is outstanding. Closed Sunday. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

ASWAN 7404 University Avenue (at Lowell Street), La Mesa, 619-697-0361. Louisiana and East Africa share the menu at this spacious restaurant "where the Mississippi meets the Nile." Most dishes are made to order, so don't expect to eat and run. Start with a sampling of Maryam Suliman's Somalian *sambussas* (of chicken, beef, spinach, potato, lentils, shrimp, cheese, fruit) — each savory filling is differently seasoned. Then dive into a bowl of co-owner Vernon Sukumu's exemplary seafood gumbo. You can taste the Big Easy in every bite of NOLA-born chef Patrick Kavanaugh's Louisiana dishes, including an unbeatable jambalaya, or you can opt for African specialties such as *tibsi*, *zigni*, Somalian spaghetti, or a vegetarian sampler. "All you can eat" weekend brunches offer items from both cuisines, including fried turkey. No alcohol, no pork, all meats *hallal* (Muslim-butchered). Lunch/dinner Tuesday through Friday, brunch/dinner weekends. Low moderate. — *N.W. (2/02)*

BURNING TREE NATIVE AMERICAN GRILL 40080 Old Highway 80, Boulevard, 619-766-3442, www.nativetreegrill.com. This place feels like someone's baronial country retreat. Since 1917, it has sat under a grove of California Live Oaks 60 miles east of downtown. It once housed the Chateau Basque restaurant. Elk heads, dark timbers, mottled yellow windows — you start wishing you'd brought your tie. But don't worry. Jim Buel and his family keep prices reasonable and attitudes casual. They collected Native American recipes throughout the Southwest to create a pretty interesting fusion of American Indian recipes. Try Comanche fried frogs' legs in a cornmeal crust, or hunter's stew with venison and rabbit, sirloin of buffalo, or "Skokomish Huckleberry glazed duck." Open Wednesday through Sunday for

lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

D.Z. AKIN'S Alvarado Plaza, 6930 Alvarado Road, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother's. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

EFFIN'S PUB AND GRILL 6164 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-229-9800. Come here after a hard day's hittin' the books at nearby State. It's a brass-on-the-fan-blades, wild west-looking place where things can get pretty lively. The surprise is, they have some pretty good food, especially the pizzas. Check the house specials: Monday Madness (an "x-large pizza with domestic draft pitcher"), Taco Tuesday (tacos are bi-ig), and Wing Wednesday (hot & spicy wings go for a song). But, best of all, you can come up to the bar and say "Gimme an Effin beer" and not have to duck. Inexpensive to moderate. Closed Sundays. — *E.B. (11/01)*

THE LIVING ROOM COFFEEHOUSE 5900 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-286-8434. With deep-draft couches, Persian carpets, pictures on the wall, chunky wooden tables, and a tree-shaded patio, this Swiss-owned café is a student hangout with a lively notice board, a rental computer, and good cheap breakfast food in huge quantities. Try "The Works" omelet, with bacon, ham, onions, tomatoes, pepper, cheese on top, potatoes, fruit, and bread. Later in the day, try their turkey lasagna with fruit and bread. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

LY'S GARDEN 6011 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-265-1885. Although the extensive menu offers Chinese as well as Cambodian specials, it's best to order the Cambodian food. Be sure to ask Mr. Ly for suggestions. Live crab and lobster as well as fresh oysters and shrimp available. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

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RAMON’S SMOKEHOUSE BBQ 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 fragrant smoke to flip the racks of beef and pork ribs. In good weather you can eat out back next to an authentic chuck wagon. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

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ASMARA RESTAURANT 4433 El Cajon Boulevard (at Fairmount), 619-563-3666, www.asmara-sd.com. The fare here is Eritrean (which proves very similar to Ethiopian), and the menu is long and uncommonly interesting. The meat combination platter is a terrific array, including top-notch *tsibhi derho* (known as *ye-doro wat* on Ethiopian menus), chicken and an egg in a rich, dark sauce, a similar dish with beef, *gored-gored* (lightly seared meat cubes in spicy butter), and lamb *al’cha*, a stir-fry in a mild curry sauce. From the à la carte choices, consider *zilzil t’bsi*, char-grilled meat in butter, and *kulwa*, a sprightly stir-fry of lamb, beef, or chicken. Vegetable dishes are luscious, too. Entrées are served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which serves as an edible spoon and edible tablecloth — use pieces of it to scoop up morsels (in your right hand). Meats are cooked (or not cooked) to your order and seasoned to your specifications (understand that “hot” means seriously spicy). Open daily; vegetarian-friendly. Rest rooms

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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*

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LUCKY STAR SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 3983 54th Street, corner of University in K-Mart Shopping Mall, 619-229-8228. The Cantonese and Mandarin menu runs to 225 dishes, not to mention the dim sum lunches from roving carts bearing goodies. The huge room is perfect for large parties (call ahead to reserve) or banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog legs. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W. (9/99)

MAX DELI AND MARKET 734 12th Street, East Village, 619-239-9568. Architectural students, diesel mechanics, and guys off the street hang out at this restaurant-market in one of Center City’s more knockabout neighborhoods. Don’t worry. Max is South Korean, a lifelong sea captain. He can handle any little problems. Fact is, this is real neighborhood. Some customers have been coming in 10, 15 years for a sandwich and a beer. Best buys are Max’s thick homemade soups and his sandwiches. And at least one regular swears Max serves up the “best hot dogs this side of Coney Island.” Breakfast

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PAESANO 3647 30th Street (at Landis), North Park, 619-291-4090. Is that Cher pulling up a chair? There’s a definite *Moonstruck* atmosphere about this place. Joe Romano and his family started here in 1967, painting the interior to look like you’re among the stone arches of some Italian village grotto. Pictures of Italian tourist attractions line the walls, and the music is Italian mandolin ditties. The food is traditional Italian-American, with pittance-priced “daily specials” like eggplant parmesan and spaghetti with meatballs, plus salad and garlic bread. Regular dishes are bargain-priced, too. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

PEKIN RESTAURANT 2877 University Avenue, North Park, 619-295-2610. This old-time Chinese eatery was founded in 1931 by an immigrant from Canton; his grandchildren now run it and it’s hardly changed in 70 years. You’ll find red-tasseled hanging lanterns with translucent pictures of songbirds, mother-of-pearl wall decorations, and big cushioned booths. The food is Gold Rush-era Cantonese-American: chop suey, chow mein, barbecued pork, bean cake with shrimp and rice — all for a song.

Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

PHOENICIA 3381 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree, an American flag, and the word “Phoenicia” written in Arabic and Eng-

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lish. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafita* 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 be-

tween your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

BOMBAY EXOTIC CUISINE OF INDIA 3975 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest Cinemas complex, 619-298-3155. Don't miss the elegant food, the lovely setting, the loving service. Owned by the former proprietors of Monsoon. You will find the food subtle and sophisticated. This Indian restaurant is a blessing to our community. All-you-can-eat buffet lunch \$8.98 daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

COTTAGE CAFE 2321 Fifth Avenue, Banker's Hill, 619-696-0071, www.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 all-you-can-eat buffet. Expect items like stuffed cabbage, beef stroganoff, sausages and cabbage, and chicken paprika. Try the Polish beer, "Okocim, 1845," but be careful — it's 8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

CREST CAFE 425 Robinson Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. "Hearty Homemade Comfort Food" is the boast, and this small retro-deco café has a four-page menu to back it up. Cecelia and her dad, Luis Moreno, took over this place back 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loyal customers get their photos and names on an honor roll that fills one wall. Lots of lazy ceiling fans, long, hanging blue lights, and art. "Matisse in Morocco," Salvador Dali, Frida Kahlo. Consider momsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-glazed pork chops, or the healthy Vegetable Steam Basket. And don't turn down their 11 different kinds of burger, including the Fresh Salmon Burger, the OuiOui Burger ("aged bleu cheese crumbled under melted jack cheese") or the wicked, spicy Butter Burger (half a pound of lean ground beef stuffed with garlic, tarragon, basil, parsley but-

ter, topped with cheese, garlic-paprika-cayenne-cumin mayo and more butter). Wickedly delicious. Best of all, late hours: open 7 a.m. to midnight, seven days. Dinner at 11 is no problem. How rare is that in San Diego? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

EL ZARAPE 4642 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-692-1652. This stylish little Mexican restaurant on a tony stretch of Park Boulevard is proof that not all taco shop food is equal. Try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada and you'll know what we mean, with their generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat. Many enjoy their unusual scallop burritos, vegetarian potato-filled burritos and rolled tacos, and well-prepared soups. We go for the stewed meat. El Zarape is dependable, serving Mexican with solid, homemade, handmade flavor. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (1/00)*

FIFTH AND HAWTHORN 515 Hawthorn, uptown, 619-544-0940. Excellent, very fresh fish and seafood diners are to be found here. The price of the entrée includes soup or salad. Best bet is the bargain-price per couple prix fixe dinner, which consists of four courses (with a choice of entrées) plus a bottle of wine. À la carte choices are available, too. This restaurant is often frequented by actors and writers, which can add cachet to the evening. Open daily, lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *E.W.*

ICHIBAN 1449 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick udon noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "*ichi-ban*" means. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

KAZUMI SUSHI 3975 Fifth Avenue, Suite 120, Hillcrest, 619-682-4054; sandiego.citysearch.com/E/V/SANCA/00

04/13/05/1.html. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, *gyoza*, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of *nabeyaki udon* (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (10/00)*

LOTUS THAI 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegan-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *satay*, beef salad), featuring a very tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties, try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish, accompanied by jammy garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they're spicy), since the kitchen shuns Thailand's fish-based "secret sauce," *nam pla*. It doesn't help that the flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

MANDARIN DYNASTY 1458 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-8899. A splendid place to order a feast for a large party (give at least four hours notice). Banquet dishes include casserole soup, scallops in pepper, General Tso's chicken, and shrimp in Chinese sauce. New vegetarian menu with over twenty items. Imitation chicken, beef, and pork prepared from soy or wheat gluten. Entrées from the menu may be Americanized and are of

average competence. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

THE MISSION NORTH PARK AND CITY BAKERY 2801-2805 University Avenue, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its Russian pecan bread and cinnamon rolls. Lunch and dinner offer California food with Asian and Latino influences. Lots of items under \$10.00. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (7/98)*

THE PARKHOUSE EATERY 4574 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays, three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (10/99)*

PICASSO SPANISH RESTAURANT 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren't the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed *empanadillas*, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed green-lip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house's workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons' 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-spoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing) — all are great with a pint of rich English beer, say a Boddington's Pub Ale. Sunday's roast beef dinner is worth dragging yourself out of bed for, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

WHOLE FOODS MARKET 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods' prepared food section will feed you better, and faster, than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their *farofa* salad, like American stuffing, but it's couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods' vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N. (4/99)*

DOWNTOWN

A LA CARTE ON SIXTH AVENUE 921 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

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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 Liffey," which aren't noticeably different from say, fish and chips "Thames" or "Afton" or even "Missouri." Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

BLUE POINT COASTAL CUISINE 565 Fifth Avenue (at Market), Gaslamp District, 619-233-6623. Very classy atmosphere and menu — mostly fish and seafood — to match. You can eat appetizers at the bar, but best bets are nightly fish entrées or steak and crab cakes served with lots of organic vegetables. A welcome addition to downtown. Dinner only, from 5:00 p.m. Expensive. — *E.W.*

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 District, 619-233-4355. If you enjoy premises with doors open to the street and nightly jazz in the adjoining room, try Croce's. The chef prepares excellent appetizers, pastas, salads, and entrées. Menus change seasonally. Outdoor as well as indoor seating. Nightly jazz. Dinner only. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

DAKOTA GRILL AND SPIRITS 901 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-234-5554. First sign that you've arrived in chipotle/chile country: the toddler-sized cowboy boot on your table that serves as vase to a faux agave plant. This kind of cooking runs the risk of losing its focus in a multitude of ingredients, something Dakota does a decent job of avoiding. When everything works, it plays like comfort food with a kick. The seafood ravioli — spinach pasta stuffed with a blend of salmon, halibut, and swordfish planted atop wilted greens and topped with pickled jalapeno relish — melds into a pleasant whole. The blue cornmeal-crust chicken salad, similarly well-conceived, is gussied up with crispy potato strings, tortilla rajas, and dried apricots that sweetly counter the blue cheese in the dressing. The apricot-whole grain mustard glaze on the pork prime rib makes sense, as do the giant, multiple-straw margaritas. Meat — sizable quantities of it — is usually well-prepared; sides may feel cursory. Moderate to expensive. — *A.M. (5/01)*

DEMEDICI 815 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-702-7228. This lovely, cream-and-sepia dining room evokes an Italian Renaissance villa, while its sidewalk patio offers a prime pageant of Gaslamp follies. Either way, you'll enjoy exceptional service — attentive but utterly unobtrusive — and a menu centered on succulent pastas and refined seafood dishes. The nightly specials and the waiter's recommendations for the freshest catch will lead you to the evening's best entrées. Fish dishes are exquisite, and anything with calamari (fresh local catch) is worth ordering; Atlantic shellfish, though, tend to be a tad overcooked. Reserve, and dress on the spiffier side — some Hollywood celebs hang their Borsalinis here, upping the clothing curve. Dinner nightly, moderate-priced valet parking available. Moderate (simpler pastas) to very expensive. — *N.W. (8/01)*

DOWNTOWN FISH JOINT 407 C Street, 619-239-3506. Surprise: If you grab a shrimp taco at the Fish Joint and come sit outside at their sidewalk tables, you've found one of downtown's least-appreciated weekday lunch locations. With red trolleys, shady green trees, the old California Theater, and lunchtime foot traffic, the place feels positively swank. Most ask for fish and chips. But if "8 ounces of North Atlantic cod, 5-6 pieces" is too much, ask for the children's half-order. For a splurge, order the 8-ounce grilled salmon or the grilled seafood plate. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

EL COMAL 2822 Imperial Avenue, Sherman Heights, 619-239-7101. No border compromises here — just great home-cooking from Michoacan, Guerrero, Jalisco, and Oaxaca, prepared by Luz Herrera Ibarra, a biology teacher from Acapulco. Try the *huarache* (cactus slices with carne asada, frijoles, cheese, and onions) or the *mulita carne adobada* (pork, melted cheese, and guacamole inside two tortillas) and have a glass of *nuez* (a refreshing walnut drink). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

THE FIELD IRISH PUB AND RESTAURANT 544 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, physically transported whole-hog from the Ould Sod, offers delicious Irish music live most nights, and also attempts serious Irish cooking — with some successes. Try the lovely herb-rich Irish stew, or the boxty, potato crepes rolled around your choice from a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Or start the day here with a huge, carnivorous Irish breakfast. Open daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

GYROSCOPE GREEK CAFE 926 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-235-4635. You want cheap and interesting food in the Gaslamp? 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.

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HUFFMAN'S BAR-B-QUE 5039 Imperial Avenue, downtown, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammed Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman's fabulous southern soul food. Try their gravy-smothered fried chicken served with collard greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread. Or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sandwich and half-pound rib tips. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, to 3 a.m. weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

LA GRAN TAPA 611 B Street, downtown, 619-234-8272. Here is a good spot for a light meal, especially before or after a cultural event. Tapas, Spanish appetizers, are prepared hot or cold, and the seafood, such as shrimp in sherry sauce and fresh octopus, is always fine. Try *tortilla española* (cold potato and egg "pie") and paella. Lively, casual atmosphere. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W. (1/99)*

LA STRADA 702 Fifth Avenue (at Fifth and G), Gaslamp District, 619-239-3400. The setting is lovely, but the Northern Italian food preparation may be uneven. Stay with pasta dishes and low-priced items. Open daily for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Late hours weekends. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

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PETE'S QUALITY MEATS 1742-1/2 India, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete's Meats was just a butcher's shop until Pete's daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian specialties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around two cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and breadcrumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

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Italy, 619-702-6181, www.vincenzoristoranteitaliano.com. The specialty at this tourist favorite (Texans are rife) is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant's fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete's Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant's hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Easy parking a block east in lot on Columbia. Moderate. — N.W. (8/01)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

BINO'S EUROPEAN COFFEES AND CREPES 1120 Adella Avenue, Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café has to be good: it's a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fantasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crepes are delicious and filling too. Bino's wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

CAFE 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chapman has created a French café atmosphere with round Parisian tables and slat chairs outside and a balcony inside. Here Coronado's arty types mix with admirals, CEOs, and SEALs. Big fat cups of tea are a favored drink. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs, Swiss cheese and ham, a side of fruit and sliced baguette. Lunches are sandwiches (like curried tuna or brie con pesto) or salads (try

the chicken). Best deal: the Combo Special, a half sandwich and soup or salad. And there's always an art exhibition going on inside. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

CATHIE'S PLACE CAFE Sharp Coronado Hospital, 250 Prospect Place, Coronado, 619-522-3634. Cathie's may look like a hospital cafeteria. It certainly serves patients, doctors, employees, the retirement home across the road, and the visiting public. But this place is run by a Marriott spin-off. And what meals! Beef burgundy with stuffed potatoes and seasonal vegetables, plantation pork loin with fruit and nut chutney, baked fish with lemon sauce.... Breakfasts are forgettable — lunch and dinner are where it's at. The menu changes daily, but you can call ahead or ask Cathie (she's real and she's Scottish) to fax you the weekly "take-out dinner" menu. Weekdays only, breakfast to early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/00)

DA KINE'S PLATE LUNCHES 1635 Sweetwater Road, National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of Hawaiians do, every day. You'll find Hawaiian license plates and surfboards on the walls, "Aloha Maid" Guava Nectar, and island food. Although the *Kalua* pig here isn't cooked in an *imu* — a hole in the ground — it sure tastes like the real thing and comes with cabbage, rice, macaroni salad, and kimchee. But beware of the *Haupia* cake — it may cause serious addiction. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/00)

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 specials are a great buy. Try chicken teriyaki and *gyoza*, with rice, salad, and miso soup. "*Hanaoka*" means "honest," and portions are honestly generous. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

MCDIN'S 105 East 8th Street, National City, 619-474-6771. A historic, sprawling bar with a diverse, mellow family scene — all ages, all races, chatting, playing pool, cozying up to the all-encompassing jukebox, or smoking under a roofed front "patio." Or chow-

ing down on industrial-grade pub grub, made largely of restaurant-supply products (including the vaunted corn beef, bland as packaged ham). But the fresh vegetables are surprisingly good, so choose something that includes the luscious mashed potatoes and look upon the rest as garnish. No wheelchair bathroom. Open daily. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/01)

MCP'S IRISH PUB & GRILL 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5280. With a crowd ranging from Navy retirees to chic singles barely of drinking age, the perpetual party on McP's patio is nurtured by above-average Irish-Mexican-American pub grub (burgers, potato skins, nachos, etc.). The Irish fare includes a pleasing Mulligan stew served in a hollowed bread-loaf, and an absolutely fabulous corned beef and cabbage plate, with tender, thick slices surrounding cabbage so young and sweet it ought to be carded. Good soups, too. Daytimes, try the hearty (and then some) Irish meat-fest breakfast. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

MIGUEL'S COCINA 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. (Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, 619-224-2401.) Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is shelled so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

THE OLD BONITA STORE 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. The menu is strongly influenced by Baja Californian/Mexican cooking. The signature dish is the bucket of Baja-style lobster for two. The bucket includes slipper lobster tails, shrimp, grilled chicken, and carne asada, plus Caesar salad, rice and beans, and tortillas. Open daily. Moderate. — E.W.

VFW 557 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6917. You may have to get over the feeling you're intruding on a

private club here, but boy, is it worth it! One, everybody has a story. Two, the "public is welcome" lunches are home-cooking at genuine Korean War prices. Mondays and Wednesdays it's burgers. Tuesdays and Thursdays are "Guess What?" days — typically, enchilada casserole, baked chicken or spaghetti, or a fried-rice dish that's full of good things. Two really tasty occasionals are liver with mashed potato and onions or chicken-fried steak with fried rice. First and third Friday nights of the month, outsiders are invited to join the weekly fish fry from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Check out the photos and memorabilia from wars fought from Siberia to Vietnam. Lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/00)

TIJUANA

(The prefix for all Tijuana numbers is 011-52-664. From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.)

ANTOJITOS DEL PAIS Gobernador Balarezo, 9750 Fraccionamiento America, near Azteca hotel, 686-2424. Open 24/7 except from midnight on Sunday to 7 a.m. Monday. Hit at lunch hour, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and you'll find 22 waitresses and cooks serving you on the street, stirring huge steaming pots of soup, foot-high clay pots simmering with frijoles, and dark-brown ceramic bowls of meat simmering on the flames. This isn't TJ, it's Central Mexico. Some great choices include *bistek ahumada* (smoked beef) or *costilla de res* (beef ribs), *pollo en mole*, *lengua de res* (ox tongue), and *carne de cerdo* (pork), all around \$3, including soup, dessert, and pleasant culture shock. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

BOTANICA EL PARAISO Avenida Niños Heroes, between 1st and 2nd streets, Tijuana. Health food? This place has everything from healing herbs to curative roots to love amulets. They serve drinks for livers, kidneys, cholesterol. Diabetics can down cactus concoctions. And they also make a good lunch. Start with a blood-red *jugo de verdura*, a vegetable drink of carrots, beet root, celery, and orange. Then try a thick brown-bread tuna sandwich with avocado, cucumber, ham, and

tomato, and end with a fresh fruit salad. So healthy, you won't need a potion (unless you still need that love potion). Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

CHIKI JAI 1388 Avenida Revolución (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're surrounded 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 Vizcaina*, trout with olive oil and garlic, and gallician octopus. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/02)

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 one-half mile. Turn right at Las Palmas. Two short blocks up, turn left at the "Pescaderia Playas" sign. The entryway to La Escondida is straight ahead. Open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 a.m., and Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Moderate. — E.W.

LA ESPADANA 10813 Avenida Sanchez Taboada, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. Beautifully prepared meals that include appetizer, soup or salad, and entrée are available in this structure whose name means bell tower and whose exterior resembles a mission. Best bets here are filet steak on a skewer (*brocheta de filete*), baby back ribs (*costillar de puerco*), and leg of lamb (*pierna de borrego*). The portions are mammoth, and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service, delightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Moderate. — E.W.

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Any wag who wished to say that *The Fast Runner* (*Atanarjuat*) is the best Inuit-language film to have ever come down the pike, might have said equally well, if not as waggishly, that it's the worst. More objectively: the only. The "language" qualifier allows it to dodge head-to-head competition with such superior Eskimo epics as Nicholas Ray's *The Savage Innocents* and Philip Kaufman's *The White Dawn* (subtitled only in part), let alone Robert J. Flaherty's seminal silent documentary, *Nanook of the North*.

The most urgent thing to say about it is that, for all its exoticism, it is just one more addition to the amassment of movies now shot on video. So once again you get those funny, fuzzy, feathery edges and those glassy, glazed surfaces, besides the optional hand-held-camera shakiness and wide-angle-lens protuberance. But really! (Picky, picky.) If everything else remained the same while the image got upgraded to the vicinity of, say, *Dersu Uzula*, how much improved would the movie be? My answer to that one would be (with all ambiguity intended): incalculably. With its predominantly Inuit cast and

crew, headed by director Zacharias Kunuk and scriptwriter Paul Apak Angilirq, *The Fast Runner* earns points for authenticity, if not, at the same time, for ability to communicate. (Flaherty, a true intercultural mediator, had of course forged the mold for ethnographic filmmaking by enlisting the natives as helpers.) And it earns more of the

same — but again, nothing extra — for a storyline lifted from centuries-old oral tradition: an evil curse, forbidden love, jealousy, treachery, murder, rape, patricide, and incommensurate revenge (reminiscent of the Kenny Rogers C&W oldie in which the singer avenges the rape of his beloved by beating up her attacker: that'll teach him!). The unfamiliarity of this material naturally draws your attention to the most elementary and most minute details: the faces, the cat-whisker or bicycle-spoke tattoos around the noses of the women, the icicles on the men's mustaches, the slitted metallic anti-glare goggles, the dress, the tools, the endless gutting and scraping of animal carcasses, the mealtime belching, and, overtopping everything, the terrible terrain.

REVIEW

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

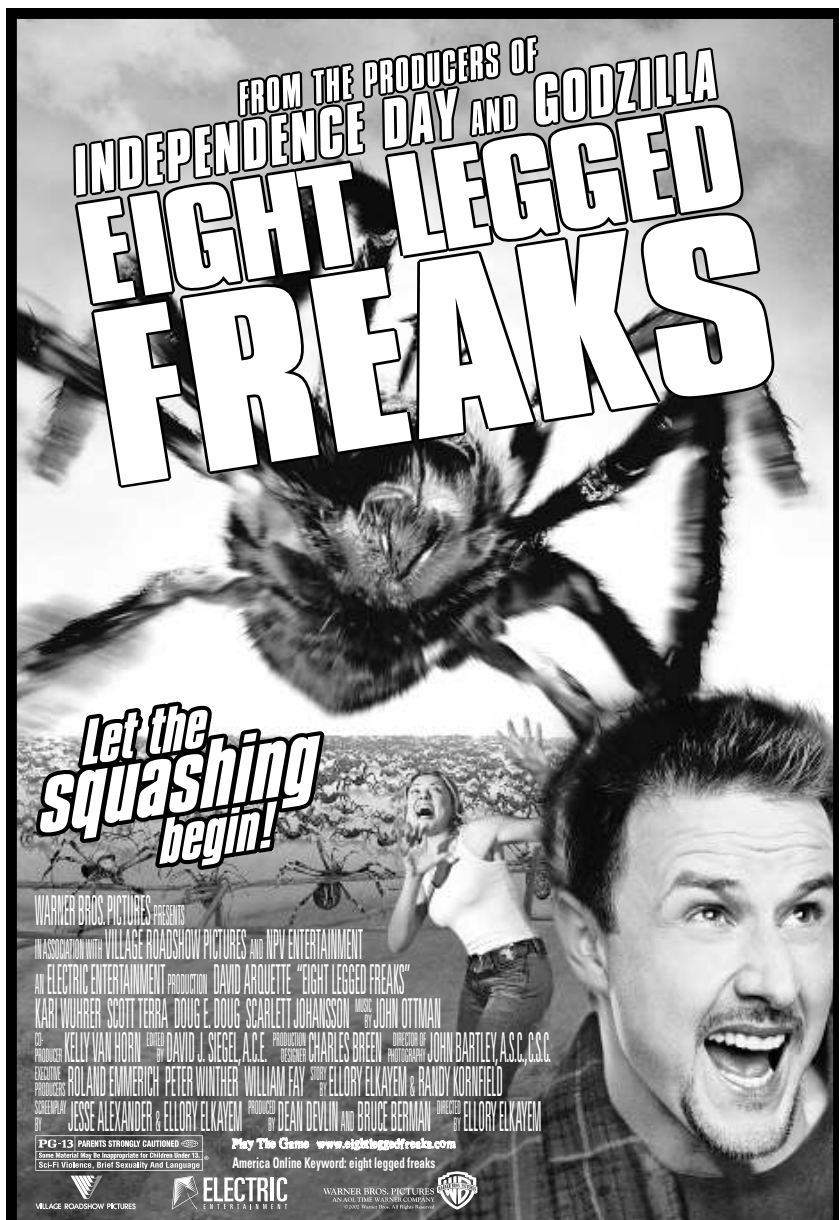


The Fast Runner

One measure of how far the filmmakers are inside the culture is the unapologetic brutality and barbarism. (The Inuit equivalent of a knightly joust for the hand of a maiden is to have the rivals take turns punching one another on the temple, undefended.)

This, to be sure, affords the spectator a sterling opportunity to test his broad-mindedness. As storytellers, however, even as documentarists, the filmmakers are to a high degree inept. (Flaherty, although a documentarist first, was also an able storyteller.) Dramatic im-

pact will always tend to be lessened when you have to wait awhile to find out who just did what to whom. The ideal way to avoid such delay is for the director to establish who's *where* before it happens. Kunuk is not good about that. (The unquestioned *pièce de*



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From the opposite end of the globe, a video hot tip: Peter Delpeut's *The Forbidden Quest* (nowhere, I would guess, but Kensington Video, foreign section). Delpeut, if you don't place the Netherlander's name, was at the top of my list of last year's best films for his *Felice Felice* (nowhere but the San Diego International Film Festival), and was near the top of my list in whatever year his *Lyrical Nitrate* appeared (nowhere but the Ken Cinema). This one, a *sui generis* blend of documen-

This footage is passed off as the booty of the sole survivor, the ship's carpenter, who recounts the tale — in English — straight to the camera in black-and-white footage ostensibly shot in Ireland in 1941. (Admittedly it doesn't look much like the black-and-white photography of the time, much more like that of its own time, or approximately *Schindler's List* time.) With the tinted footage, most of it pristinely preserved, Delpuit is once again able to pay tribute to the cinema and its pioneers, as he did in different ways in his two films already cited. But at the same time he is con-

MOVIE LISTINGS

About a Boy — A conscience-free cad

Bad Company — A black-market-nuclear-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

Baran — Another controlled outpouring of lyricism, a dribble here, a splash there, from the maker of *The Color of Paradise*, Majid Majidi. The first half — or more — is filled with the sights and sounds of a construction site in urban Iran, with no gussying-up through photographic frill or musical mood: a bare shell of a building around an open courtyard, a hive of puttery activity almost dreamlike in its lack of purpose and accomplishment, each worker (sometimes a pair) on an individual assignment, shovelling debris, laying bricks, lugging sacks of cement. The unsimiling, gruff, harried, but fundamentally decent foreman on the project is a rich repository of sights and sounds unto himself. And needless to add, it is next to inconceivable for an American film to immerse you so completely in a job of manual labor (even, for instance, in John Turturro's salute to the carpentry trade, *Mac*). You have to go to exotic extremes to find anything so mundane. There is (not to worry) a storyline, too, one that revolves around the runty young son, never opening his mouth, who fills in for an injured Afghan illegal immigrant: so inept at the manly tasks of his father that he is shifted instead to the catering job previously held by a chipper but quick-fisted youth, who at first merely resents his replacement, then seethes with envy over the replacement's superior aptitude for the job. It is no surprise (to us) that "he," the replacement, turns out to be a she in disguise, but the moment of revelation, in the prying eyes of her rival, is beautifully visualized: a magical silhouette of literally letting her hair down and transforming her envious rival — presto-change-o — into a smitten suitor. (The hair will become the material of poetry: when the girl vanishes from the site without a trace, the suitor finds a hairpin in her favorite hideaway, with a single hair in it, and the revelatory window is now overgrown with a vine.) The last half — or less — regrettably gets away from the work site, for an overextended, repetitive, and unpersuasive demonstration of mad love, Iranian-style. With Hossein Abedini, Mohammad Amir Naji, Zahra Bahrami. 2001.

★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Believer — Voluble but otherwise artless provocation on the subject of a Jewish neo-Nazi. Ryan Gosling looks as if he is auditioning to play Timothy McVeigh, and acts as if he was studying De Niro's Travis Bickle and Max Cady in preparation. With Summer Phoenix, Billy Zane, Theresa Russell; written and directed by Henry Bean. 2002.

★ (KEN, THROUGH 7/4)

The Bourne Identity — Those who had been backing Doug Liman as a vital new maverick director (*Swingers, Go*) will have their work cut out for them on this one, a middle-of-the-road adaptation of the Robert Ludlum best-seller about an amnesiac spy, previously made as a two-part TV miniseries starring Richard Chamberlain and Jaclyn Smith. Granted, Liman's cast has strong roots in the independent cinema: Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Chris Cooper, Brian Cox, Clive Owen, Julia Stiles. But that only accentuates the scent of the social climber: the "independent" who's looking for a hook-up. For all its démodé denigration of the CIA as a band of dirty tricksters, the plotline is very much an ode to the superspy: far more Bond than Smiley. The hero doesn't know he's one of those, nor even know his own name, after he's hauled out of the Mediterranean by subtitle-speaking fishermen, with two slugs in his back and a Swiss bank code implanted in his hip. His training, however, comes out in a twinkling whenever he needs it: one-man-army karate, human-fly climbing, Grand Prix driving, fluency in any language under the sun. He can even do a spot of women's hairstyling for purposes of altering appearance. And the need arises often, because there's an army of assassins on his


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tail, for reasons unknown, or anyway unremembered. Watching him extricate himself from one tight spot after another, you have to wonder how he ever managed to drop his guard long enough to get two bullets in the back and lose his memory. The answer, when finally it comes to him in flashback, reveals an incongruously, and laughably, soft heart. At that point, you have to wonder how he ever got the assignment to begin with. To give Liman his due, this is slick, sleek, fast entertainment, and he therewith demonstrates that he’s up to the task of big-budget blockbuster filmmaking — if “up” is indeed the correct location of it. 2002.

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The Dangerous Lives of Altar Boys — Catholic-school hellions in the 1970s. Peter Care’s handling of alienated youth falls somewhere between Larry Clark and John Hughes, though it’s not a fixed position: there’s an uncertainty of tone and intent. Todd McFarlane’s animated sequences, bringing the kids’ superhero fantasies to fruition, tend toward flattery, but the performances of Emile Hirsch, Kieran Culkin, and Jena Malone are cast in a colder light. Based on a novel by Chris Fuhrman; with Vincent D’Onofrio and Jodie Foster. 2002.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 7/4)

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 unmatched 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.

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Donnie Darko — Dark comedy, photographically as much as temperamentally, about a disturbed adolescent (Jake Gyllenhaal of *October Sky*) who has an imaginary friend in a demonic bunny suit giving him mischief-making orders. (The bunny’s end-of-the-world forecast, however, carries little weight when the action is set in the thick of Dukakis’s run for the Presidency.) First-time filmmaker Richard Kelly, age twenty-six, reveals an individual voice and an eccentric sense of humor (i.e., sometimes actually funny), and even when he hits predictable notes (e.g., the Grundy-ish old crone on the high-school faculty, who, when asked whether she knows who Graham Greene is, responds, “I think we have all seen *Bonanza*”), he hits them at his own unforced pace. Much the same can be said for his frugal use of special effects. The time-travel resolution is nonsensical even by time-travel standards, and it has the effect of wiping the slate clean in the chicken-hearted fashion of the it-was-all-a-dream convention. “Clever” is the compliment it was fishing for. “Gimmicky” might be the reasonable compromise. Jena Malone, Drew Barrymore, Mary McDonnell, Patrick Swayze, Noah Wyle. 2001.

★★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 7/8, 6:30 P.M.)

Dr. Strangelove — Stanley Kubrick’s scattershot spoof on the military in the push-button age. Several of the players — Sterling Hayden, George C. Scott, and Peter Sellers in two of his three roles — have their

own assigned areas well under control, while Kubrick darts helter-skelter in eagerly salivating pursuit of comedy material of all kinds and all qualities. 1964.

★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 7/3,5, AND 6, 9:25 P.M.)

Enigma — Second World War espionage thriller, set on the British homefront at Bletchley Park, otherwise known as Station X, the top-secret cryptography center, where they’ve now got just four days to crack “Shark,” the revised German U-boat code, before a convoy of merchant ships from the U.S. enters perilous waters. In other words: same genre, same era, same milieu (more or less) as the nearby *Charlotte Gray*. We even meet the protagonist, a woolly-headed math whiz (“With numbers, truth and beauty are the same thing”) recovering from a nervous breakdown, 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

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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, THROUGH 7/4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 7/5)

The Fast Runner (Atanarjuat) — Reviewed this issue. With Natar Ungalaaq, Sylvia Ivalu, Peter-Henry Arnatsiaq, and Lucy Tulugarjuk; directed by Zacharias Kunuk.

★ (COVE)

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(KEN, 7/5 THROUGH 11)

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



Hey Arnold!

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.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

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 breath-stoppingly *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.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Juwanna Mann — Basketball comedy inspired equally by *Tootsie* and Dennis

Rodman. The bad boy of the Charlotte Beat is cashiered from the league for acting out a Rodman pipe dream: disrobing on court. The only employment he can then find is with a wig and falsies on the city's women's team, the Banshees. (Dolling himself up as a woman is a stunt that Rodman did dare.) No one, unaccountably, recognizes him. But severe myopia, or borderline blindness, is the most benign of the movie's afflictions. Miguel A. Nuñez, Jr., Vivica A. Fox, Kevin Pollak, Annie Corley; directed by Jesse Vaughan. 2002.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Like Mike — A thirteen-year-old, four-and-a-half-foot orphan (teen rapper Lil Bow Wow) makes chumps of a roster of as-themselves NBA stars: Allen Iverson, Jason Kidd, Tracy McGrady, David Robinson, Alonzo Mourning, Chris Webber, et al. Is it the shoes? (MJ's childhood sneakers?) Is it the bolt of lightning? Or is it just moonshine? With Morris Chestnut, Crispin Glover, Eugene Levy, Robert Forster; directed by John Schultz. 2002.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; 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; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Lilo and Stitch — Disney cartoon with a strained and stretched and far-fetched premise, even for a cartoon. A pint-sized extraterrestrial, genetically engineered for deviltry, escapes to planet Earth, state of Hawaii, and bonds with an ostracized orphan. The movie spends a lot of time being "edgy" and anarchic, roughly up the alley of an old Warners cartoon, before it settles down to the traditional Disney schmaltz. Written and directed by Chris Sanders and Dean DeBlois. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HARBOR DRIVE IN; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

MASH — The sense of humor in this smart-ass service comedy is actually more sick-making than all the bloody operating room splish-splashing. The gags are constructed to have a practical-joke thrust: there is always a victim and a violator. The jokers are a couple of barbarians, conceitedly acted by Elliott Gould and Donald Sutherland, and the audience is supposed to thoroughly relish their ravaging of the countryside. But, disregarding the petty scale of their activities, what makes them any more amiable than the average American imperialist? Directed by Robert Altman. 1970.

★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 7/3, 5, AND 6, 7 P.M.)

Men in Black II — Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones re-team to battle alien invaders, directed (again) by Barry

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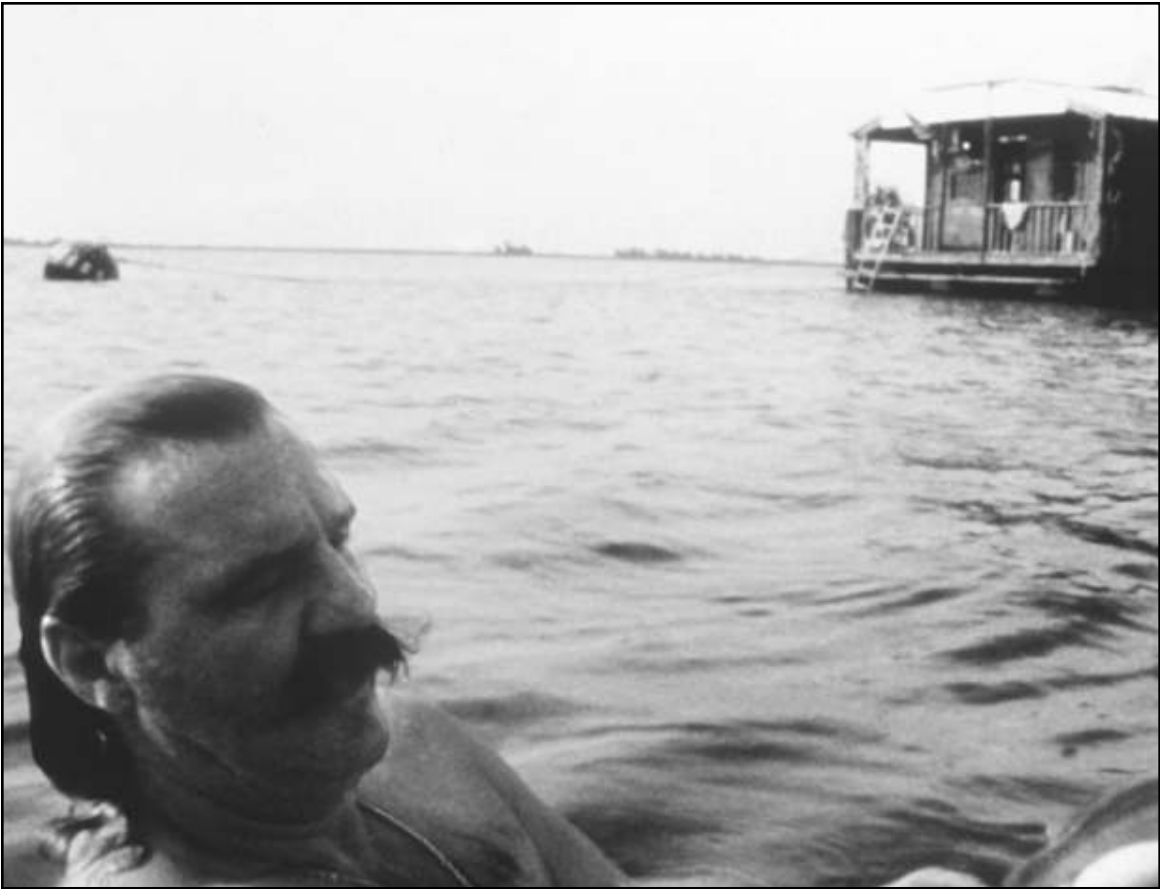
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PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16;
SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Minority Report — A Steven Spielberg vision of the future, via Philip K. Dick, with a legitimate science-fictional idea in it. The idea has to do with an experimental crime-prevention unit in Washington, D.C., in the mid-21st Century — the Department of Pre-Crime — whose task is to stop the murders foreseen by a co-ordinated trio of clairvoyants known as Pre-Cogs, soaking round the clock in a communal bath, in a perpetual twilight zone between sleep and wakefulness. They can’t tell everything. They can’t, for reasons brushed aside in a single snippet of dialogue, foretell any crime but homicide. And they cannot tell *where* the crime will occur, much less whether the Pre-Crime storm troopers will arrive in time to prevent it. They can, though, tell the names of the victim and perpetrator (neatly spelled

out on little wooden balls dispatched through a pneumatic tube), and they can tell, to the exact minute, *when* the crime will occur. It’s the detectives’ job to view the mental images (stored somehow in those engraved billiard balls) and to figure out the scene of the crime before the literal deadline. The system seems to be fool-proof, until, at any rate, the Pre-Cogs spit out a perpetrator’s ball inscribed with the name of the lead detective (Tom Cruise, in the military haircut of the first *Mission: Impossible*, and briefly, shadowedly, in the shaved head of boot camp: what a trouper!),

together with a victim’s ball inscribed with a name the detective has never before heard. There must be some mistake. At around the forty-five-minute mark, the concern with issues (destiny, determinism, and the like) gives way to a concern with chases, fights, games of hide-and-seek, cheap plot tricks. (School’s out. Playtime begins.) Well before that, even, the concern with issues has already had to jostle for space alongside a concern with various forms of spectacle: eye-assaulting special effects, elaborate set design, gizmos and gewgaws, smoky desaturated monochromed color. That’s the

price you have to pay in a Spielberg movie — and the price *he* has to pay as well. Never can he work on a movie without overworking it. Colin Farrell, Samantha Morton, Max Von Sydow, Tim Blake Nelson, Peter Stormare. 2002.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;
CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8;
ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6;
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SQUARE 14)

Monsoon Wedding — A gathering of the clan for an arranged marriage in modern Delhi. You won’t be alone if you have a hard time telling who’s who and how they’re related: even one of the invitees voices the complaint. It’s a standard comic situation (*Father of the Bride*, etc.), almost a can’t-miss one, and the Punjabi exoticism goes far to compensate for all the conventionality. It may not, however, go so far as to compensate for the belated dark turn down the side street of molestation: a new comic convention, but no less a convention, now that every TV sitcom feels obligated to Address Important Issues. The conflict between the old ways and the new, too, is standard for Eastern cinema (Ozu, etc.), although Mira Nair’s scrambling catch-as-catch-can camerawork — 16mm blown up to 35 — leaves no doubt, for even a moment, where her own sympathies lie. The movie comes to a somewhat premature climax, albeit a moving one, at the cathartic celebratory dance the night before the ceremony. It would all feel a lot more barren, though, without the delightful figure of the weaselly wedding planner (“Ten minutes,” he promises, “exactly and

approximately”), with his polka-dot scarf, his leisure suits, his calculator wristwatch, his clip-on pager. By himself, this inch-by-inch social climber embodies the strengths and weaknesses of the whole: complacently formulaic yet infused with a palpable humanity. However large a laughingstock, he is not denied his own romantic yearnings and his inhibiting self-awareness. Naseeruddin Shah, Lillete Dubey, Vasundhara Das, Parvin Dabas, Vijay Raaz. 2002.
★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Mr. Deeds — Steven Brill’s update of the Depression-period Capra-Cooper antique, populism and preachiness intact, is an above-average Adam Sandler comedy, about a sweet-natured rube who inherits a bundle. (Forty billion, for inflation.) The average is raised in large part by the rest of the batting order, Peter Gallagher, Erick Avari (the one whose hair is only on his face), Winona Ryder, Jared Harris, Conchata Ferrell, Harve Presnell, Steve Buscemi, and most of all John Turturro as a “sneaky” Spanish manservant with a foot fetish. (Spanish? Foot fetish? Homage to Buñuel?) And even though Sandler is no Gary Cooper — much less a Lou Gehrig — Frank Capra makes a helpful hitting instructor. 2002.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;
CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8;
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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.
★ (GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Powerpuff Girls — Animated superhero fantasy based on the Cartoon Network series, written and directed by Craig McCracken.
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Pumpkin — Dark comedy about a sorority girl (Christina Ricci) who falls for a retarded boy (Hank Harris), co-directed by Anthony Abrams and Adam Larson Broder.
(HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 7/5)
Scooby-Doo — Kiddie “camp” about a quartet of junior detectives (collectively, Mystery Inc.) and a computer-animated talking dog, who, along with assorted monsters, seems to inhabit a separate plane of existence. A lot of it is apt to go over the little ones’ heads, and for that matter the big ones’, too. What doesn’t go over goes straight on through. With Freddie Prinze, Jr., Sarah Michelle Gellar, Matthew Lillard, Linda Cardellini, and Rowan Atkinson; directed by Raja Gosnell. 2002.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; 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)

Spider-Man — Repulsively overhyped comic-book adaptation by Sam Raimi.



Like Mike

(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 plasticity, elasticity CG animation. It’s just the way this sort of thing is done, and no room to wriggle. Even so, the advance misgivings of Spider-Maniacs over the pivotal casting of sensitive, vulnerable Tobey Maguire (*Ride with the Devil*, *The Cider House Rules*) prove to be not unfounded. Yes, yes, the premise of the piece — the boy who gets bitten by a genetically engineered superspider and infected with arachnoid superpowers — is a metaphor of the adolescent-to-adult 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 superhero movie. (Marvel of Marvels!) That’s not altogether a bad thing in view of the actor’s eccentric, *ritardando* sense of timing and his deadpan talent for hinting at

a beehive of interior activity. Yet the urban Tarzan in the spandex bodysuit seems (when he gets the chance) a completely separate entity, a two-dimensional phantom in an alternate universe. And Willem Dafoe’s Green Goblin, riding a sort of aerial surfboard, makes an unformidable and uninteresting villain: Batman’s Joker reupholstered in metallic monochrome. Whatever thunder is available to be stolen is harnessed by J.K. Simmons (memorable as well in Raimi’s *The Gift* and *For Love of the Game*) as the most jaundiced of yellow journalists. With Kirsten Dunst, James Franco, Cliff Robertson, Rosemary Harris. 2002.
★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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 single-minded, 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 — 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.

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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.
★ (OCEANSIDE 16; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones — The saga grinds on, in state-of-the-art digital video: crisp and detailed yet somewhat overcast, monotoned, seemingly covered in a sort of pinkish-complexed 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; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; 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

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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 Connery 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.

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Sunshine State — John Sayles carves a large slice of sociology out of the Florida coast, similar in size to his slices in *City of Hope* and *Lone Star*. The blacks, the whites, the developers, the sticks-in-the-mud. Their dreams, their disillusionment, their desperation, their secrets, their scars, their villainy, their integrity, their humor — in sum, their humanity. The scenes are well



Pumpkin

crafted, if a bit stiff and finicky, and the long slow succession of them is somewhat unmodulated and monotoned. (Nowhere as melodramatic as the comparable material in *A Flash of Green*, by the cinematic bard of Florida, Victor Nuñez.) You can imagine the actors would have felt flattered to be asked to take part, flattered to be taken for representatives of humanity. Edie Falco, Timothy Hutton, Angela Bassett, Bill Cobbs, and Jane Alexander have especially good reason to feel that way. Mary Steenburgen, as the driving force behind Delrona Beach’s annual Buccaneer Days (“They don’t realize how difficult it is to *invent a tradition*”), has the least reason. With James McDaniel, Tom Wright, Gordon Clapp, Mary Alice, Miguel Ferrer, Ralph Waite. 2002.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Thirteen Conversations about One 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 chopping-up and rearranging are achieved through chapter headings excerpted from the dialogue: “Ignorance is bliss,” “Fuck guilt,” “Fortune smiles on some and laughs at 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 tight-fisted insurance outfit — reminds us that the Sprechers had earlier collaborated on *Clockwatchers*. Their ambition since then has 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, wide-collared, 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, cross-cultural 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 self-contradiction — 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.

★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Windtalkers — John Woo’s Second World War shoot-’em-up. The premise of the film, in contrast to that of any previous John Woo you will have seen (*Mission: Impossible II*, *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

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MOVIES

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 phenomenon of the Navajo "code talkers," whose language proved impenetrable to the Japanese. Woo, however, is not really interested in cryptography. His 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.) An all-out war, of course, grants Woo his loosest license yet for his sustained sequences of high-energy chaos. And to some degree, the pressure of reality has served to woo Woo (beg pardon) away from all that fancy "balletic" stuff, even if a submachine gun is still apt to become momentarily a one-handed weapon. 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. And too often the director's assertive personal "style" comes down to jarringly overamplified sounds and



Scooby-Doo

oppressively overmagnified images. (Just when you think the close-ups can't get any bigger, you get one that can't fit both of the subject's eyes simultaneously on the wide screen.) The fervency of expression tends to

look and sound a lot like desperation. Nicolas Cage, Adam Beach, Christian Slater, Mark Ruffalo, Frances O'Connor. 2002. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION

MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Y Tu Mamá También — Mexican horny-teenager comedy tells of two buddies, one affluent and one not, who, to their astonishment and delight, are able to entice the ripe Spanish wife of a bumptious philanderer to accompany them on a trek to an imaginary beach named Heaven's Mouth. En route, she offers a sexual tutorial that brings the know-it-all boys to such depths of self-revelation as to uncork a geyser of vomit. (The intrusive, third-person, know-it-all narrator heightens the feeling of patronization.) Filmmaker Alfonso Cuarón, unlike the makers of American horny-teen comedies, tries at all times to serve the characters and the story rather than simply to twist the arrow off the laugh meter. Or to put it another way, he tries at all times for realism, even when trying for raunch. And the two young actors — Gael García Bernal and Diego Luna — are revoltingly convincing. But the character of the woman — the starved-looking Maribel Verdú, whose entire intake of calories appears to go straight to her bosom — is something of a contrivance, perhaps a more complex contrivance than some, but not a more believable one, for all that. There are numerous points of cultural interest along the road to the beach (which turns out to exist after all), though the pallid color and casual camerawork fail to make the most of them. 2001. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

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CLASSROOM AIDES. Work with developmentally disabled children in a nonpublic school. Experience preferred. Allied Gardens or Chula Vista. Monday-Friday, 7:30am-1pm. \$8.14+/hour to start, depending on experience. EOE. www.vistahill.org or E-mail to HRDept@steincenr.org. Fax resume to 619-281-0453. Apply in person, weekdays, 9am-4pm, Stein Education Center, Attention: HR, 6145 Decena Drive, San Diego CA 92120.

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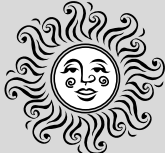
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Lindsey Moynihan

Student

San Carlos

I just like people's back yards. It's homey and it has a certain closeness. I like the lawn and a pool — a nice patio, some chairs. I don't care that much about the food; it's mostly about the people and the patio.



David Talbot

Retail Manager

Normal Heights

I would have to say, because I took a recent trip to New York City, I'd love to be able to go back to New York, to be in the city this time of year...there's so much going on there that will be somewhat patriotic. I would love to be in Manhattan on Fourth of July.



Malia Catalano

Retail Clerk

Hillcrest

I like Catalina. I used to live there in the summertime. They have a big barge out on the bay. You can see [the fireworks] from almost anywhere on the island. You can be up in your house and see them; you can be out in a boat and see them.



Joseph Koumpounis

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North Park

I don't know about ideal, but a great one that I've experienced is the Great American Smokeout in Washington, D.C. It starts at one park, and there's a protest and a rally, and then they close the streets and we march for the legalization of marijuana, in front of the mall near the Vietnam memorial, and you're pretty much allowed to smoke — the cops don't bother you. You can see the White House and the fireworks and everything.

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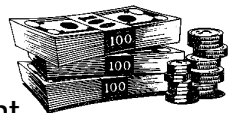
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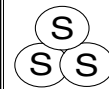
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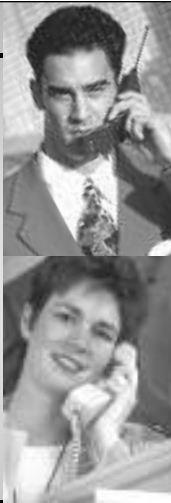
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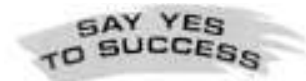
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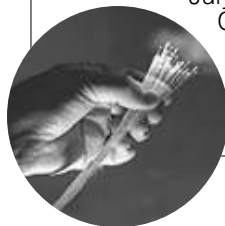
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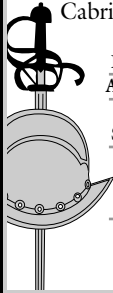
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FRIENDSHIP. Female, 38, seeks platonic gal pals close to Lemon Grove/El Cajon. Interests: visiting at home, movies, music, light walking, general low-cost activities. (7/10) **33723**

FRIENDSHIP. Female graduate student, 32, sort of new to San Diego. Looking for intelligent, funny, interesting male/female friends for drinks, movies, good conversation. (7/10) **33724**

FRIENDSHIP. Night owl company. Like to play late-night cards, board games, chat, have some fun. I live in North Park. Friends/buddies wanted. (7/10) **33725**

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FRIENDSHIP. Novice student looking for someone who can practice Dutch with her. Love dogs, strolls, movies, dancing, jazz and many other activities. (7/17) **33821**

FRIENDSHIP. North County female, 39, looking to expand circle of gal pals (29-55). Sharing, conversations, travel, night-clubs, cards, movies, videos, walks and fun! Let's talk! (7/17) **33841**

HARLEY PEOPLE. Looking for anyone going to Sturgis, or just to ride. Let's go. (7/10) **33721**

SURFING. 31, male with new board and wetsuit seeking other males, 25+, new to surfing like me. (7/17) **33822**

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PRETTY BRUNETTE, Jewish, intelligent, sensuous, fit, 44, 5'2", seeking good looking, honest, physically fit, intelligent, for companionship and a possible long-term relationship; 5'6"-6'1", 39-50. (7/10) **23975**

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SOPHISTICATED, FUN, eclectic, 45, white female would like to meet man (no kids), who enjoys art as well as science for friendship leading to romance. (7/17) **34026**

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WANT TO PLAY? SEXY 40, blonde, blue, 5'4", 125lbs. Wanting mischievous friends. Love camping, travelling, parties, adrenaline rushes, beaches. You be 35-45, honest, happy. (7/17) **34045**

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BLONDE BEAUTY, 55, voluptuous, healthy. Country music, dancing, sense of humor, walking, cooking, travel; long-term relationship. Seeking nice, caring gentleman, nonsmoker, nondrinker; love life. (7/17) **33840**

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BLACK FEMALE SEEKS white or Hispanic male, 30-40, 5'8"+. Love bald not balding, fun, talkative, outgoing, athletic; enjoy the art of romance; aggressive, intelligent, spirited. (7/10) **23997**

BLACK MALE WANTED! You are 36-45, handsome, successful, adventurous. Me: 5'8", attractive, vivacious, brunette. Will work for wonderful relationship. (7/17) **34054**

LET'S HAVE FUN. 5'7", brown/brown, attractive, fit describes me. You: Attractive, fit, 35-45, fun-loving guy who enjoys a wide range of activities. (7/17) **34062**

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CAPRICORN, WHITE FEMALE, brown/brown, 5'5"; music, movies, boating, pool, jogging, animals; La Mesa. Seeking Taurus/Virgo, white male, 43+, tall, dark and handsome type. (7/10) **34010**

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VOLUPTUOUS, INDEPENDENT, successful, genuine, talkative. Seeking man, 30-40, for fun casual dating, outdoor activities, travel, beach, movies, concerts. I'm 32, curvaceous, pretty, blonde/blue divorcee. (7/10) **23981**

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CINNAMON GIRL FOR YOU! Sweet Brazilian beauty, natural! Recently relocated, dancer, massage tech, spirited girl seeks fun-loving gent over 45 with blue/green eyes. (7/10) **34002**

WANTED: PROFESSIONAL, honest, attractive, communicative, emotionally/financially secure, outgoing, romantic, humor, tall, Scripps Ranch plus. Dining, healthy, honest. Me: Professional, sensual; laughter, conversation. Take chance. (7/10) **23987**

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ATTRACTIVE, 46, FIT, 5'3", long hair, educated, creative. Cultural activities, foreign films, bookstores, togetherness, family, simple lifestyle. Seeking formally educated, attractive, nonreligious, marriage-minded male. (7/17) **34033**

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YOU ARE A GENTLEMAN rancher type. 50+, nonsmoking, homeowner. We both like books, theatre, art, film, music, walking, dining and travel. Let's see what happens. (7/17) **34023**

PROFESSIONAL, 39, active, enjoy traveling, fashion, cultural plays, concerts, the beach, reading and jazz. I enjoy working out and staying in shape. (7/10) **23984**

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ARE YOU THERE? I'm here! You: Fun, sincere, good humor, positive, 48-58. Me: Fun, classy, honest, upbeat. Us: Walks, talks, dinner, sunsets, movies, concerts, cuddling. (7/17) ☎34032

REDHEAD, 49, ACTIVE, upbeat, professional, looking for fun, romance, excitement with soul mate. Like tennis, sailing, movies, exploring. Please be honest, caring and family oriented. (7/17) ☎34031

VOLUPTUOUS, BLONDE, green-eyed goddess, 44, retired, ready for travel, music, dining and hiking. Nonsmoking, no children. Seeking long-term relationship. (7/10) ☎23974

LOOKING FOR YOU. North County gal, 42, 5'3", full figure, brown hair, seeks a guy who enjoys dancing, art and coffeehouses. And weekend trips. (7/17) ☎34037

PETITE ASIAN PREFERS Caucasian male or exotic males between the ages of 23-28. I'm easygoing, dramaless and down to earth. (7/17) ☎34042

HEY YOU: It's me. I love California's mountains, valleys, deserts. Seeking a male professional, a nonsmoker who enjoys outdoors/hiking. Someone kind and gentle. (7/17) ☎34024

56, 5'4", SLIM, VIBRANT. We're both playful, quick-witted, positive, warm (98.6 a must), tolerant, good at what we do. We'll connect, co-conspire, have fun. (7/10) ☎34009

GIRL NEXT DOOR SEEKING a fun-loving guy. 5'9" white female into cycling and sports looking for 6'+ white male for fun friendship to start. (7/17) ☎34044

TALL, VOLUPTUOUS, playful, Caucasian, 39, sexy, long hair, optimistic, creative, intelligent, affectionate, open minded, non-judgmental, independent. Music, dance, reading, writing, learning, smiling, laughing, sharing. (7/10) ☎23990

SEEKING CONSCIOUS LOVER, 40s-50s, Vipassana, outdoors, risk taker, liberal, truth teller, generous, creative. I'm tall, slender, athletic, brown/blue, 42, mind-full/affectionate, part-time mom. (7/10) ☎34015

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AMAZING WOMAN SEEKING amazing man. I'm 5'7", 27, attractive. You are 28-37, taller than me, thick, build, educated, responsible, secure, nonsmoker, non-drinker and funny. (7/10) ☎34000

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HANDSOME, ATHLETIC, young-looking, 30-year-old professional enjoys travel, adventure, concerts. Seeking a nice, down-to-earth woman for a committed relationship. (7/17) ☎33779

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PETITE CUTIE WANTED by white male professional, 47, emotionally and financially stable, fit, fun. You: Slim, short, cute. No baggage, race open. Call me. (7/10) ☎33748

CAPTURE MY HEART. Fun, fit, romantic white male, 49, 6', 185lbs., seeks affectionate gal for quality time together. (7/10) ☎33704

TALL, ATHLETIC, COMPUTER engineer, age 43, would like to meet an attractive, warm and classy single lady between the

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GOOD-LOOKING JEWISH MALE, 40, educated, passionate, spiritual. Seeking an intelligent, open-minded woman who enjoys the ocean and intimate conversations for friendship and romance. (7/17) ☎33830

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONAL, 33, nature lover, enjoys beaches, hikes, healthy foods, exercise and meditation. Seeking trim, pretty, easygoing woman with similar interests. (7/17) ☎33818

LUTHERAN GIRLFRIEND WANTED: Blonde, Irish, or German, 21 through 40, church organist, choir director like me. You're slender, faithful; no drugs, no children; creative, musician. (7/17) ☎33798

SEEKING TALLER, FULLER woman, smart, funny, 35ish-60ish. Will plan our

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I DON'T DO BARS. I prefer plays, concerts, restaurants, travel (Vegas, Palm Springs), golf, skiing, tennis, Chargers, beaches, restaurants. Nonsmoker, Italian, 5'10", 185lbs., 40-47, slender. (7/10) ☎33762

HANDSOME LATIN MALE, 29, 5'7". Looking for slim, attractive, very passionate female, race open, ages 18-35, intelligent, honest. No games, please! (7/17) ☎33819

GREAT-LOOKING YOUNG millionaire, 6'1", 195lbs., 44, with old-fashioned values, witty personality; loves travel, beach, fitness and adventure; seeks you, slim beauty, 25-40. (7/10) ☎33747

BRAZILIAN LADY WANTED, tudo bom. Just back from Rio. Tall 57, good looking, seeks 40s, fun, ocean-loving lady; long-term relationship. Please call. Obri-gado. (7/10) ☎33711

JEWISH, GOOD-LOOKING professional. Attorney, muscular, fit, skier, dancer. Enjoy the arts, travel, fun. Seeking slender, caring woman, 40-52. Let's stroll on a rainbow! (7/17) ☎33817

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
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THE READER PUZZLE

Across

- Put in again
- Long-stemmed flowers
- TV's "ears"
- It's 39-Across, meaning "to drag"
- It's 39-Across, meaning "to talk idly"
- Civil War historian Foote
- "Hard ____!" (ship command)
- Community next to Van Nuys
- Kind of story
- Not good, but not bad
- Letters on a police report
- Wannabe
- Show ____
- Firms: Abbr.
- "Arrangement in Grey and Black" painter
- Pack animal
- \$\$\$ provider
- Dying language that has some life to it, as evidenced by this puzzle
- Ernesto Guevara, to many
- Dead letters?
- Ratfinks
- 650, Roman-style
- Day-____
- Materializes
- It's up in the air
- Nighttime temperatures, on a weather report
- Kind of whale
- Jungle vines
- Daddy-o
- Member of the 500 home run club
- It's 39-Across, meaning "brazen nerve"
- It's 39-Across, meaning "to complain"
- Break
- Raise canines?
- Like some seats

Down


- Tabula ____
- Abbr. on a business letter
- Spillane's "____ Jury"
- Formidable foe
- Commercial prefix for winter products
- "Music for Airports" composer
- Demolish
- Archie and Jughead, e.g.
- Francis of ____
- It's 39-Across, meaning "the human nose"
- "Dear ____: The Autobiography of Vincent Van Gogh"
- Building add-on

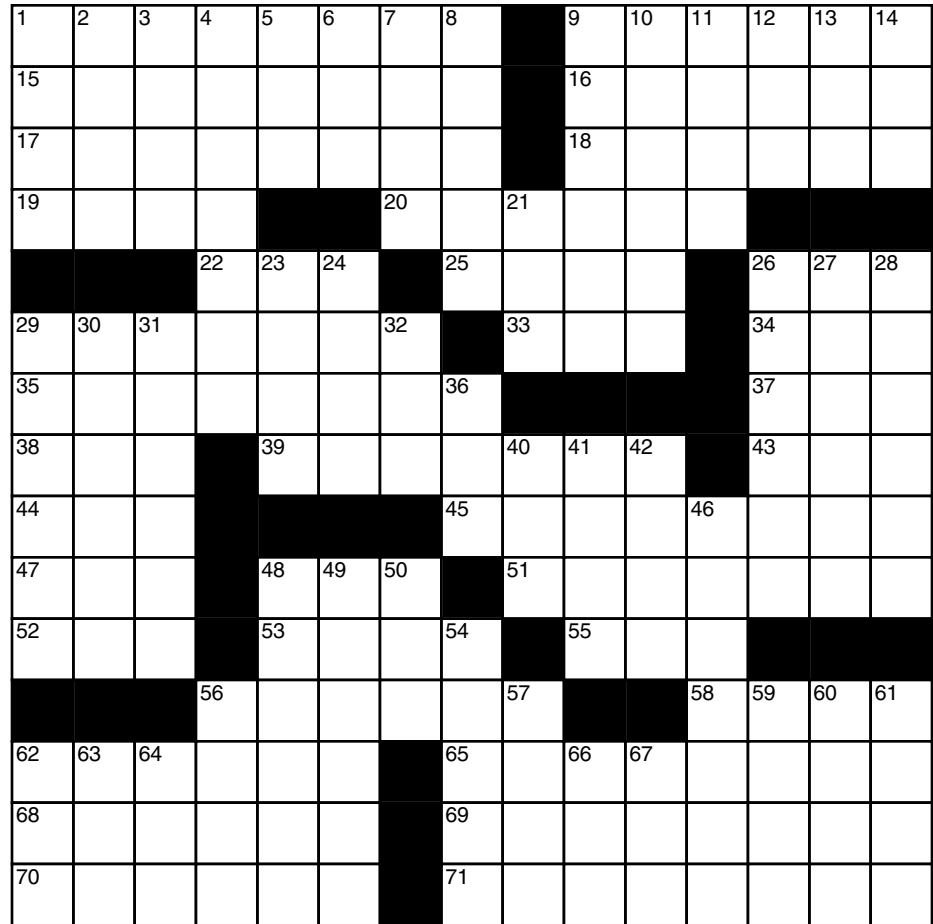
- Antietam soldier
- Bond, for one
- Corn on the ____
- Affected
- Where Swiss may be found
- Spiny tree or shrub
- It's 39-Across, meaning "fit to eat"
- Look over
- Blue ribbons and gold stars
- It's 39-Across, meaning "overly used gesture"
- With a tough problem to face?
- Cinergy Field athlete
- Country rtes.
- "I've said ____ thousand times ..."
- Soaks (up)
- Bill Clinton's hometown
- City southwest of Berlin
- It's 39-Across, meaning "a slide" or "a skid"
- Hate with a passion
- Have the deed to
- Pelvic bones
- Football great Ronnie
- Spike Lee's "____ Gotta Have It"
- Word with sea or season
- Smooth the way
- Tool building
- AMEX, e.g.: Abbr.
- A 1950 film was "all about" her
- "Fever" singer Peggy
- Increases
- Pod opener?

RULES OF THE GAME

- The prize for solving the *Reader* Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.
- All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* (addressed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803) by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, six days following the issue date.
- All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.
- In the event of disputes or ties, decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a lottery.
- All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- One entry per person.

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Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 6/27/02.

Of the 35 entrants, 33 were correct. The winners are:

- Sallylee Gilliland, *San Diego*
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HOLA! Princesita, 40, Latino, 5'10", fit, hazel eyes, fun, loving, romantic, loves to travel, dance. I'm also single dad raising 8-year-old boy. Thanks. (7/10) ☎33738

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ATTRACTIVE BUSINESS OWNER, 40, looks 30, athletic, sandy blond/blue eyes, fun loving, positive, seeks attractive lady; kids OK; kind, smart, sensual, passionate, honest, warm. (7/10) ☎33705

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I'M A LATINO/ASIAN professional who stands 6'1", 195lbs., with long hair. I'm very friendly, honest, sensitive, caring. I love meeting people and stimulating conversation. (7/17) ☎33784

NO GAMES PLAYED HERE! 36, fine, degreed, man of color, 6'2", nice build, seeking mixed, Hispanic, black or white female. Must take laughter seriously! (7/10) ☎33739

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BLACK'S BEACH. White male, 39, looks 30, 5'8", 138lbs., attractive, seeks 18-45,

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SMOKING GOOD TIMES sought with older female. Me: 30, 6'2", blond, 175lbs., attractive, open, charming, adventurous, unconventional. Enjoys nights out, 4x4ing, live music and more. (7/10) ☎33760

ITALIAN/AMERICAN, 48, 6', 182lbs., athletic, attractive; biking, tennis, jazz, dancing, comedy clubs, metaphysics, foreign films. Seeking Filipina, 29-50, very attractive, athletic, kind, North County. (7/10) ☎33688

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HANDSOME, CHARMING, romantic, successful executive, 50s, centered, spiritual, jeans to tux, 5'8", eclectic. Seeking classy, sophisticated, stylish, sensual, passionate, well-educated, fit, lady professional, 35-55. (7/10) ☎33683

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ATHLETIC BUSINESSMAN, honest, non-religious, cuddler, divorced, college degreed, outdoors, caring, good guy seeking 55-65; likes dining, walking. Intelligent, nonsmoking, committed, caring, happy, humorous. Try me! (7/10) ☎33679

HANDSOME, SMART, STABLE, confident, unencumbered, successful Del Maritan (approximately 6', 180lbs., 45) seeks slender, refined, educated, nurturing Venusian (30-42); healthy, balanced, long-term relationship and? (7/17) ☎33782

NICE GUY, 32, white, childless, average job, average income, above average looks/physique, sense of humor, looking for childless female into honesty, monogamy, laughing, romance and rock and roll. (7/17) ☎33803

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TEACHER, 36, HAS TIME OFF for the summer. Looking for someone 26-36 who has time for adventure, laughter, dancing, zoo, beach, walks, tennis, coffee, theater. (7/10) ☎33708

THERE'S A FEW GOOD ONES still out there! 35, Hispanic, attractive, 5'11", 165lbs., clean cut, educated, nice, fun, fit, active, enjoys traveling. Race unimportant. (7/10) ☎33716

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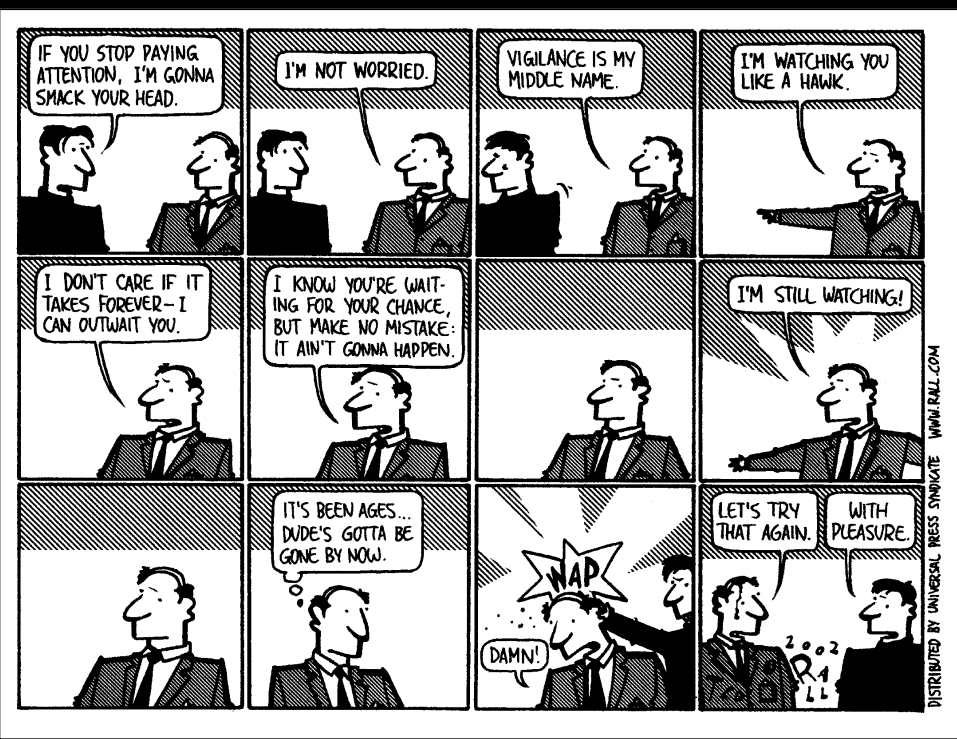
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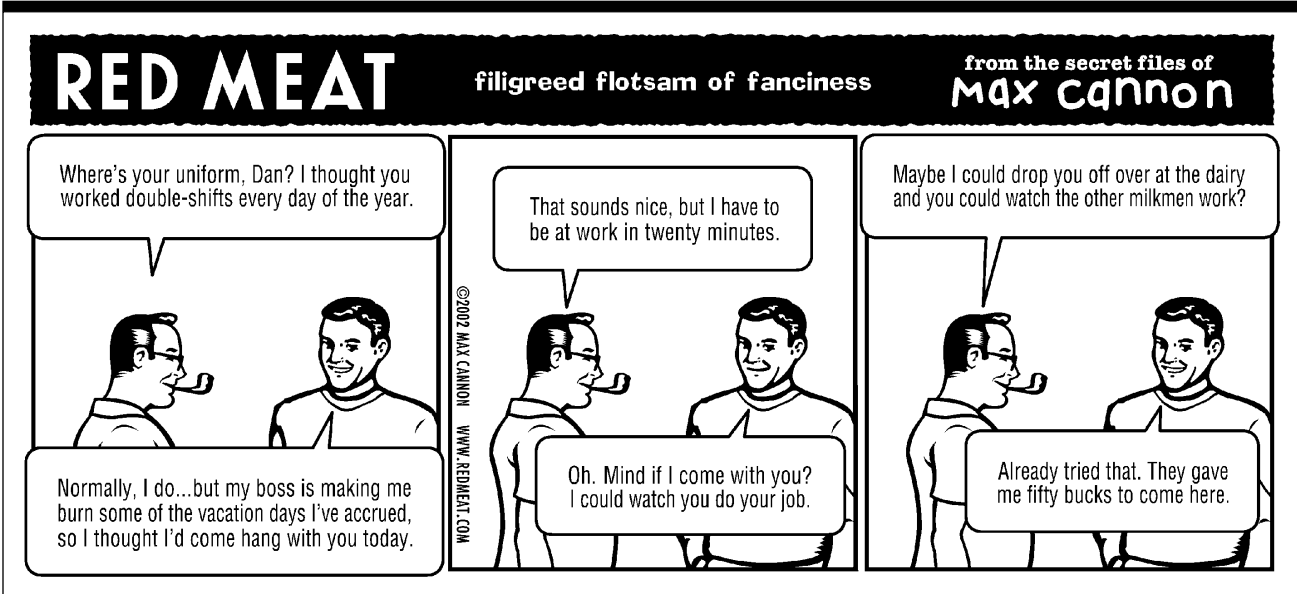
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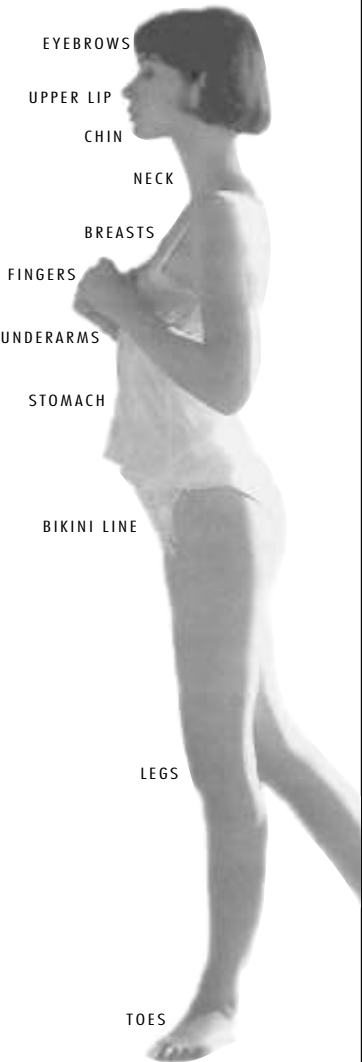
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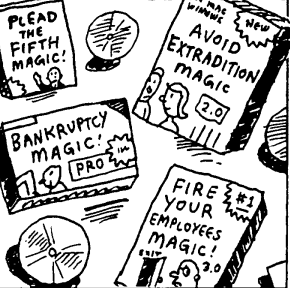


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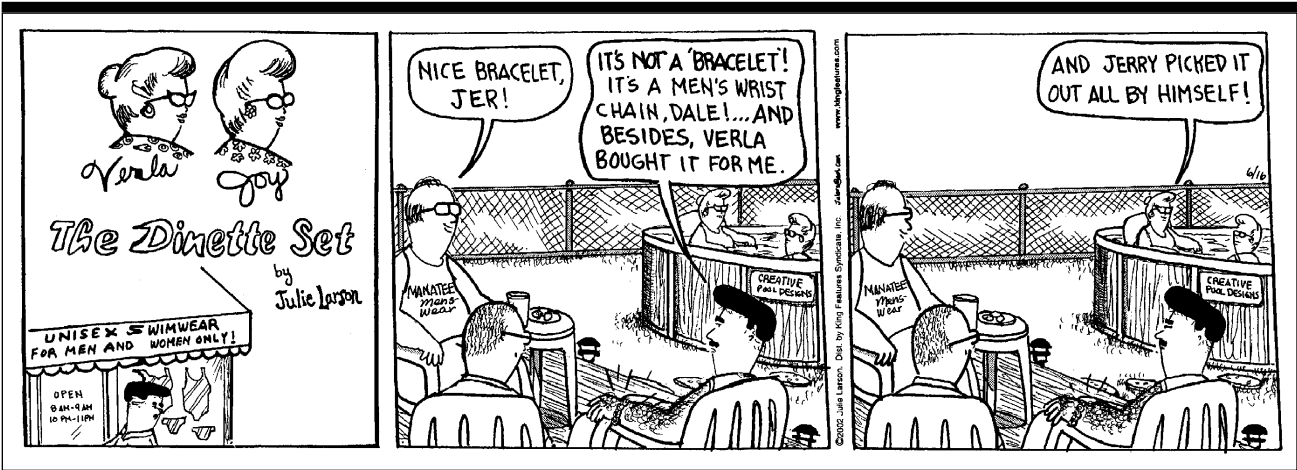
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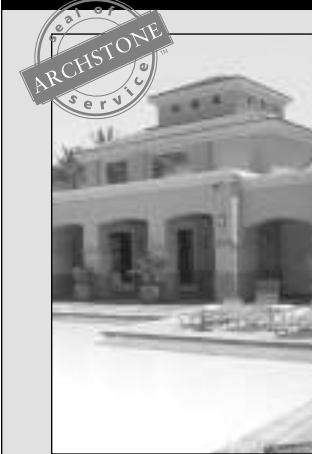


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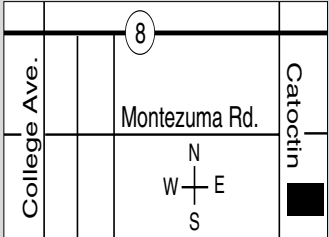
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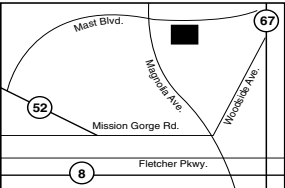


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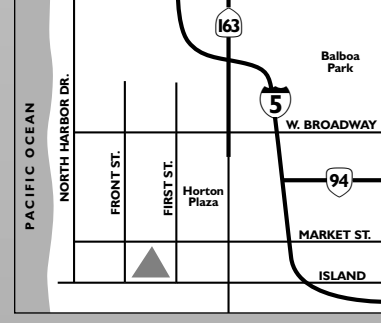
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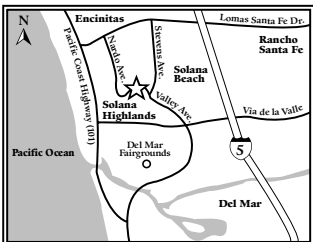
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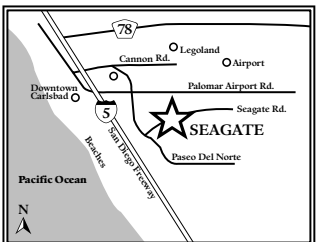
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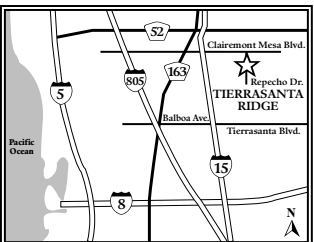
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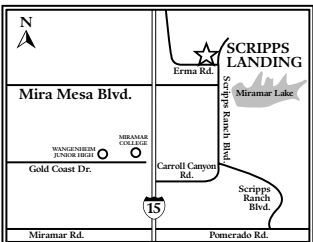
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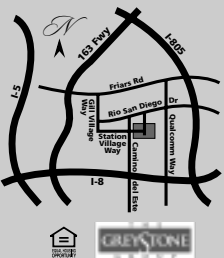
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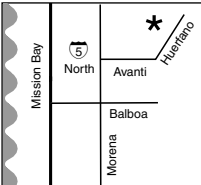


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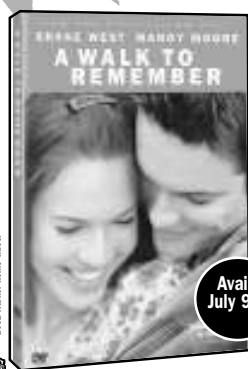
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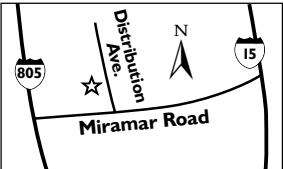
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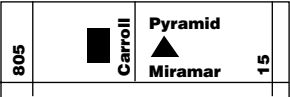
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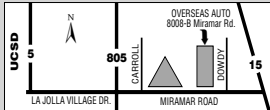
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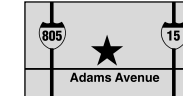
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By John Brizzolara

It may not be up-to-the-minute news, but summer is young yet and it is worth noting here that the first day of summer, the longest day of the year, June 21, fell on a Friday. As winter solstice also fell on a Friday this past December, it gave me pause: coincidence? Probably. Even Pete Evaristo of the Normal Heights Cultural Council and Adams Recreation Council, the man behind the solstice celebration at Adams Elementary Park, and also the Druidic sensibility behind the Stonehenge of palm trees at the center of that park, wouldn't insist it was a fairy plot, though he wrote days earlier in the *Adams Avenue News*:

“On Friday, June 21, the portals to the fairy realm are open and fairies may pass freely into our world. Witches may also roam about. So carry a sprig of rue in your pocket to keep those prankster fairies at bay. Burn a huge bonfire for your protection from those nasty witches.” Evaristo’s piece on celebrating the solstice is an excellent primer on the occasion on which daylight hours begin to retreat and darkness increases measurably with every rotation of the earth, citing what it meant to Natchez Indians and pre-Christian Europeans.

The 40ish neighborhood booster is correct in pointing out the tradition of seasonal festivals as the heart of community life, and the community of participants on the Friday evening in question is remarkable. The gathering of 60 to 100 people in Adams Elementary Park at Mansfield and School Street

was so, I don’t know, so Friday. To the pagan or Druidic notes the occasion strikes, reverberations of the Rainbow Coalition and the Age of Aquarius might be added, not to mention late-19th-century–style band concerts in the park. The difference, over a century since the days of George M. Cohan, is the park itself was pretty much designed by old hippies like Evaristo, with palm trees growing out of the stage to frame the sun at equinox. Also, the entertainment consists of underage rappers (the Rec Center Kids), dancers (City Moves), extremely talented (if a tad butch) women performing Hank Williams tunes (the Clovers), and acoustic guitarist James Earp singing Tom Petty songs and improvising New Age instrumentals. It’s not quite the same as uniformed and mustachioed guys playing militaristic Sousa oompah ditties for overdressed promenaders, and while there was no sarsaparilla for sale, you could get a very cheap root beer float — you just had to buy it from a big guy with gray hair in a ponytail; the very image of a rakehell biker who has changed his ways.

All in all it was a celebration of not only the season but of the kind of family and community values that do not come immediately to mind in the context of a Republican speech. Still, this is a community of families with values as American as hot dogs or gunpowder; it’s a slightly different shade of Americana, and one we’ll see more of before we see less of it. While the disparate types of celebrants in the park around sunset that night are certainly representative of Normal Heights’ population, I think it’s safe to say this smattering of ages, races, sexual preferences, hairstyles and hair colors, politics and religion (fundamental Christianity meets the New Stone Age) might have shown up at any city park in the U.S. on a summer night.

Evaristo is smiling on the sidelines, approving of the acoustics in the park (school buildings on two sides and a muraled wall yards west of the band), which are no accident. “There is a program through the Commission of Arts and Culture where they got funding from the NEA [National Endowment for the Arts] to do this pilot program on cultural heritage tourism. They’re called Neighborhood Cultural Councils. Out of the 102 neighborhoods in San Diego, they picked Normal Heights, Sherman Heights, and Gaslamp. The initial seed funding came from the NEA, and we’re sponsored by the San Diego Foundation with a neighborhood civic grant. Our fiscal agent is the San Diego Historical Society.”

Having been active for 20 years in the neighborhood, Evaristo was called upon to chair proceedings by the council. The solstice celebration idea is his. “When we did this eight years ago, we billed it as the Local Music Showcase, and it was also a way to screen and audition bands for the street fair in September — that’s a big event.” Evaristo was also behind the *Adams Avenue Post* for 12 years, a hand-distributed paper with a circulation of 16,000.

Evaristo gestures at the seating wall at the entrance to the park and asked if I noticed all the handprints and quotes written in the cement. “There’s about 1000 handprints and about 60 quotes. We worked with, like, 900 kids from the school, and they all chose a quote they liked.” “I was sad because I had no shoes until I met a man that had no feet.” “No one tests the depth of a river with both feet.” “The infinite ocean is inside the tiny drop of my heart.” Among the handprints are some Asian, Chinese-like characters and the attribution of quotes; the last above quote, for example, from Sri Chimnoy.

Evaristo is listing some of the Native American rituals associated with summer solstice, including standing stones, corn harvests, bonfires to warm the earth, and running naked through a river — theoretically to cleanse the previous year from your pores or your aura or whatever. “Since Christianity, this has been called St. John’s Day. I guess the church figured if everyone was going to celebrate it anyway, they’d put a Christian face on it.” This is followed with a discussion of herbs associated with the day, including Saint-John’s-wort and something called rue. Evaristo and guitarist Earp compare notes on the solstice, the earth’s 23.5-degree tilt of the axis, and then the subject reverts to fairies again.

“I can almost see them,” I say easily because I’m looking at two little girls, one black, the other a little Latina. They are locked arm in arm and doing a countrified reel (“swing your partner do-si-do”) to the Clovers’ interpretation of “Your Cheatin’ Heart.” I would be willing to bet that before tonight, the whitest music they ever danced to might have been the Spice Girls. I could find no explanation for this display other than fairies.



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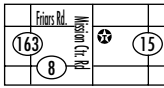


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On my 30th birthday, my visiting mother-in-law cleaned my windows. It was a sweet gesture, one of those things a more experienced keeper of houses will sometimes do to show a relative novice the way. I had been studiously avoiding paying attention to the gradually thickening layer of sticky dust on my windows. The practice required more effort in the late afternoon, when the setting sun would gleam off of every brown speck, rendering the panes all but opaque. My husband Patrick had washed the windows a year before in a fit of anti-filth pique, but now, he showed no signs of discontent with our smudgy view. Maybe he just felt too busy to take the several-hour chunk of Saturday the job would require; I know I did. So I was grateful on the morning when Mom quietly set to work.

She spent hours hosing down screens, scraping away dead bug carcasses and vanquishing grime, wiping and wiping, first wet, then dry, until the view was pristine. The results transformed my vision of the back yard; I felt like a blind man restored to sight. What a joy to gaze out of my bedroom window at my azalea tree each morning, the vista unmarred by sepia tinges. But as the months passed, the view dimmed — I receded back into semi-blindness.

I remembered how long window-washing had taken my mother-in-law. I recalled the classic proclamation of cleaning women — “I don’t do windows.” I decided to call a pro. I met with Dave Smith, an England-to-San Diego transplant and the owner of Lovely Win-

“He can stand on the ladder and pole the window at the same time.”

dows By The Lads. Though friendly, he didn’t have much advice for an amateur looking to get the job done quickly. “For a professional who cleans windows all the time, it’s not difficult, but it would take a homeowner eight or nine hours for a big house that would take us two. We have the right equipment, and my guys have worked for me for a long, long time. They’re excellent workers; they know the houses.”

Smith kept the recipe for his cleaning solution to himself, but he did let out a trade secret from days gone by. “When people smoked in their homes — I’ve got a couple thousand clients now, and there are only two that smoke — we used to put ammonia in the water to cut the nicotine. If we didn’t, the squeegee wouldn’t slide over the window. But now there are no chemicals in the water, so flowers and bushes won’t be damaged by runoff. The boys take care not to step on them, either.”

Smith laid out some of the boys’ other practices. “After they soap and water a window, they take a dry cloth and go down the sides. Then, when they put the squeegee on the window and take it back, it won’t take any water with it. It’ll make a clean sweep. We have a variety of squeegees — maybe five or six different sizes. The same for applicators and scrubbers. We also have belts with 15-inch-long buckets on them. The men can make their way ’round with them. It’s less mess and movement every-

where.”

The guys also put towels down whenever they work over carpets, to catch any interior drips. “Everything is squeegeed and towed around the sides, and naturally, where you have a white rim, it’s wiped clean. I tell people, ‘You wouldn’t iron your pants and then put on bad shoes.’ If the window is clean, you need the rim or the ledge beneath it clean, or it ruins it.”

A key part of the service is the washing of screens. It makes general good sense to not slap a dirty screen onto a clean window, but Smith has another, more particular reason: the rainy season. “A lot of people don’t think they want to get their windows washed in November because the rains are coming. But if you wash the screen and the screen is clean going into the rainy season, then when the wind and the rain hit it, they’re not going to take the dirt off of that

screen and throw it on the window.” And because the sills have been wiped, there won’t be any dirt “to build up into mud.” Besides just before the rains, Smith suggests window-washing every four months.

I found that my home was on the “little guy” end of Smith’s spectrum — a lot of the houses he services look out onto the Pacific instead of a cul-de-sac. Glass cleaner is employed accordingly, sometimes in places that require a little squeegee magic to clean. “Some homes we do in Rancho Santa Fe and La Jolla are really difficult, stuff on hills going straight up. I have one guy, Mammo, he’s the acrobat. He brings in the 40-foot ladders. He can stand on the ladder and pole the window at the same time.” If even Mammo cannot reach a window — if, say, it is three stories up — “we use tanks that spray de-ionized water, which won’t leave any spots. The only thing is, it’s not as perfect as when it’s done by hand.”

Though he is window-man to the well-to-do, Smith was quick to add that, “we still do the little guy, without question.” If I were interested, he would come out to my one-story home to give an estimate. “I figure, the window cleaner is going to go into your bedroom. Why hire someone if you haven’t seen them?” Visiting also allows Smith to give a more precise quote, since “every window is different in terms of size and degree of difficulty.” But he estimated that for a job like mine — seven big sliding-glass windows, two medium louvers (windows with glass slats that rotate open and shut), and two small louvers — it would run about \$65. Wiping the inside window tracks involved a small additional fee — not included because not every house needs it.

Some other prices around town:

Squeaky Kleen (858-578-1160): for my house, \$55–\$75, includes brushing out of screens.

Window Magic (858-576-2442): \$7 per window, including screen washing; \$10–\$12 per louver window.

My Window Man (858-560-4880): for my house, \$70–\$75, includes screen brushing, \$2 additional per screen for washing; tracks washed, \$2 per track; \$7 for a sliding-glass door.

Pro Window Cleaning (619-548-8661): \$5 for standard (non-French-paneled) window, includes screen brushing; \$10 for louver window with ten slats; \$5–\$6 for a sliding-glass door.

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1. Dave Smith (right) and crew
2. Dave Smith
3. Squeegee and applicator in belt bucket

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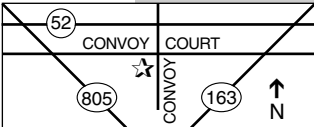
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Each time I read this book to my kids, I feel guilty. I've made sock puppets with my kids. Nobody had a ball. Five or six

years ago, I followed the directions in a craft book my mother-in-law got for my oldest daughter Rebecca when Rebecca was three. I sewed buttons for eyes on one of my husband Jack's old white athletic socks. Rebecca used her colored markers to draw Groucho Marx eyebrows and a broad red mouth. The puppet didn't look like the friendly Lamb Chop-esque puppet pictured in the book. Our puppet looked like some sort of mutant alien worm. Rebecca threw down the puppet in disgust. We never made sock puppets again.

In spite of my craft disability, I try gamely to encourage craftiness in my three daughters. At the beginning of each summer break, I say, "Let's go to Michael's. You can each get a project to do during vacation." Rebecca, 9, and her sisters Angela, 7, and Lucy, 5, always respond with great enthusiasm. Which is how I found myself pushing an empty cart up and down the aisles at the Michael's in Vista last Wednesday night. After dinner, Rebecca had asked, "Can we go to Michael's tomorrow and get our crafts? You said we could go this week."

"I think so, sweetie," I answered. "It depends on what kind of a day Benjamin has. You know how hard it is to take him to Michael's." My youngest son Benjamin, at 21 months, doesn't like to sit in a shopping cart. At a store like Michael's, he either screams and writhes in the cart or runs down the aisles pulling beads and glass ornaments and big bags of unmixed plaster of paris off the shelves.

"You can go tonight if you want," Jack offered from the other end of the table. "I'll keep the boys here with me." Jack turned to Ben and four-year-old Johnny. "Want to watch baseball with Daddy?"

Jack and the boys disappeared into the family room as the girls and I headed out the door. At Michael's, Rebecca quickly chose a latch-hook rug project. According to the box, you use a latch hook implement to attach pieces of yarn to a patterned open-weave backing. By using the right colored yarn in the right places, the rug ends up looking like a baby tiger's face. "Are you sure you know how to do this?" I asked Rebecca. "I don't know how much help I'll be."

Rebecca nodded her head as though speaking to a simpleton. "I told you, I did this at Kathy's house when we had our sleepover. It's really easy."

"Okay," I said. "It looks pretty. I'm sure you'll do great."

We wandered the aisles for another ten minutes. I considered each craft as we passed. "Candle making? No, too dangerous. All that hot wax. Knitting? Too hard. The girls wouldn't be able to hold the needles right. Woodburning? Fire and hot implements? I don't think so." Lucy finally settled on a pom-pom animal kit. The box said the kit was appropriate for ages six and up. "Lucy's only five," I thought. "But she's smarter than most six-year-olds. She'll do fine."

Angela chose a big bag of beads and some filament. "I'll make necklaces and bracelets to

sell in front of the house," she told me. "We'll have to see about the selling part," I answered. "And you'll have to keep these beads away from Benjamin. He still puts little things into his mouth. He could choke."

"I promise I will," Angela assured me.

Angela started stringing beads the moment we got home. She sat up late in bed and strung beads by the light of her bedside lamp. The next morning, she displayed her wares to me as we headed out the door to take Johnny to preschool. "Can I sell them in front of the house when we get home?" she asked.

"Not very many people come down our street," I reminded Angela. We live on a short, quiet cul-de-sac that dead ends into a park.

"But people walk their dogs in the morning," Angela argued. "They might come by on their way to the park."

Half an hour later, when we got home, Angela set up shop on the curb in front of the house. She and Rebecca carted out a few stools to sit on, a big bowl in which to display the jewelry, and a sign with prices. "Necklaces \$1. Bracelets 50 cents." Rebecca sat with her rug kit, hooking and latching like an old pro. Angela called out up and down the empty street, "Beads for sale! Necklaces and bracelets!" Lucy followed me around the house asking, "Can you help me with my pom-poms now?"

"I will as soon as I finish the breakfast dishes," I told her. "If you can call it 'help,' " I thought to myself.

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