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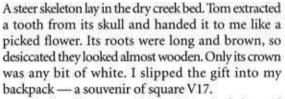
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The San Diego Bird Atlas Project



Red-winged Blackbird



Tom's wife, Ann, said that things had changed completely since the last time she and Tom were here in V17. "In the spring, this was neck-high grasses! We got lost, separated from each other a couple of times.

We were tripped by the logs that were hidden and fell on our faces. It was difficult to find a true path; eventually you'd find that it was a false path. We practically had to hack our way through here with our bare hands. A machete would have come in handy." She lifted her binoculars. "There's a California towhee," she said, pointing the lenses at a place on the ground about 100 yards away. "They're around our house in La Mesa. They come right into the garage. The cats wish they could have them."





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Ruby-crowned Kinglet



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Lesser Goldfinch



Northern Mockingbird



Yellow Warbler











White-breasted Nuthatch



Western Gull





#### **Italian Best**

Tante grazie to Professor Fred Moramarco for his "Hands in the Dirt and Heaven in the Mouth" (July 3), which extols virtues of Sicilian and Southern Italian gardening. It is the best cover article I have read in the Reader so far because it's nonboring, succinct, intelligent, and, yes, down to earth. In a non-overwritten, nonpretentious way he gives us the core of gardening: the ability and sensitivity to experience the "regenerative powers of the natural world." In quoting Nico Calavita he gives us the essence of gardening — the great joy in planting a seed, caring for it, and reaping a harvest that sustains both body and soul. Moramarco points to exactly what people need in our stressful, superficial, "all in the head" society of getting and spending. The cycles of nature will certainly outlast all of us, so why not be a part of them through gardening while we have this wonderful gift of life. Moramarco has written a sort of Georgics of

Southern Italian gardening. Frank La Rosa, Ph.D.

#### **Never Met Max**

Re: Max Miller (*The Town with the Funny Name*, an ongoing serial).

In 1954 I am browsing in the library at Colorado State College in Greeley and I find a book, *It Must Be the Climate*, by Max Miller.

I was an elementary schoolteacher, finishing work on a doctorate in education, and I became fascinated with his book and the tales of the roughwater swim and his experiences on the beaches in La Jolla.

When a recruiter from the San Diego City Schools came to Greeley, I signed up and was assigned to Bird Rock School in La Jolla. Some of my students lived on Camino de la Costa, Miller's street.

I never met him, but I followed his exploits through the articles in the local newspapers. He always took part in the rough-water swim, and usually came in last.

I am so thankful that I stumbled on his book and moved to this delightful city. I have been encouraging friends and family to read Max Miller's books and am delighted that the *Reader* will renew interest in this wonderful gentleman.

George K. Nies La Jolla

#### **Special Memory**

In his reviews (Classical Music, June 27 and July 3) of English pianist John Lill's performances at the Mainly Mozart Festival, Jonathan Saville mentioned that he regretted the omission of a work by Beethoven on the programs.

When Lill played here some years ago, I was impressed to learn that he knows every piano piece that Beethoven wrote by heart. After one performance with the San Diego Symphony, I asked him backstage if his extraordinary memory extended to other areas as well. "No," he replied, "I have to make out a grocery list just like everybody else." Cold comfort for the rest of us pianists!

Gerald A. Shepherd Allied Gardens

#### West Hills Racist-Free

Re "Klantee!" (Letters, July 3). The reader who responded to West Hills High School as prejudiced and racist is highly ignorant himself. Unfortunately, Santee has gained an unfair reputation. I attended West Hills High School for four years, and nothing was further from the truth. In fact, my senior year of '99 we had an African-American homecoming queen. I was outraged when I read this response. When I went to school, I never saw any bullies or prejudice against other students. It is a fine school in which I obtained a superb education. Even colleges commented on how tough West Hills is academics-wise. In fact, in Santee it is known that you go to West Hills if you want a good education. I am a prime target for childish teasing, but not once did anyone show anything but respect. I never met a racist at West Hills, and being involved in many school activities, I had the opportunity to meet many people. I believe that reader needed to get some of his facts straight before he started foaming at the mouth. I believe he spoke out of turn, and that is my opinion!!!

Christina Taylor

#### **Wise Hate-Crime**

I read the restaurant review for Kaiserhof ("The Kaiser Kid." June 20) and was horrified by the rating of one and a half stars. I can tell you that Kaiserhof's food is the best German food that I have ever tasted besides my mother's. My mother was a professional German cook and was hired by Ronald Reagan as his personal chef many years ago (he loves German food!!!). This review was laced with sarcasm and hatred; it is 80-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0o-o-o-o-o-o-o evident that the person had a personal dislike for Germans. If this review was done at a Jewish, Mexican, or soul food restaurant, I am sure that it would be nothing short of a hate crime filed against the person. I also worked at this restaurant several years ago and know firsthand that continued on page 64

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**Signs of corruption** With San Diego City Council elections coming up in the fall, city



dinance restricting liquor advertisements near schools and parks. **Charles Lewis**, who is running for the Fourth District council seat of his boss, incumbent

George Stevens, is widely believed to have the most to lose or gain from any final decision. Although Stevens championed the ordinance, and Lewis has said he supports it, the Lewis campaign accepted thousands of dollars from employees, attorneys, their spouses, and others connected to Clear Channel Outdoor, which, along with Viacom Outdoor, filed the lawsuit in federal court here last October. Lewis's campaign also benefited from an independent expenditure in the form of a large Clear Channel billboard on state highway 94. Lewis has said he doesn't know who paid for the sign, and nobody has come forward to report the contribution, as required by city law. The city's new ethics commission has reportedly been investigating the nondisclosure for months but has yet to reveal any enforcement action. As the secret settlement talks continue, some anti-liquor ad forces worry that city negotiators, who may be about to bargain away the ordinance's toughest anti-alcohol restrictions, have been compromised by the billboard companies' political largesse ... Will talk of a new stadium for the Chargers hinder the city's grand plans for raising funds for a new downtown library? For months, library boosters have been waiting for the results of a consultant's study, said to lay out a plan to put the bite on local philanthropists for millions of dollars in private funding — to be supplemented



Downtown public library

by state grant money — for a posh new library next to the downtown Padres ballpark. But high-profile talk that city tax dollars might be spent on a new football stadium is worrying some who fear that budget-minded charities might refuse to make up the gap for the library.

**Killer fund-raiser** New United Way chief **Fred Baranowski**'s attack-dog style is causing tongues to wag in local charity circles. Baranowski, onetime head of the local Bank of America operation, is best known for his op-ed piece in the *Union-Tribune*, back in January, lambasting **Bruce Henderson** for his opposition to the taxpayer-subsidized Chargers ticket guarantee and stadium-expansion deal. Calling Henderson a "chronic obstructionist," Baranowski, then head of the par-



Fred Baranow

tially tax-funded Downtown San Diego Partnership, claimed the ex–city councilman "and a handful of equally misguided cohorts" had "delayed the expansion of the stadium, nearly costing San Diego a Super Bowl." Baranowski's new job pays \$150,000 a

year, plus an annual \$10,000 "longevity" bonus payable at the end of each year he completes during his three-year contract, along with a \$9600 yearly car allowance ... It's arguably the biggest domestic story of the year: the scandal in the Catholic Church. And some of America's most distinguished newspapers are on top of it, most notably the *Boston Globe*, which back in January broke the news about alleged child molester Father **Paul Shanley** and his residence in San Diego. The



Bishop Robert Brom

Union-Tribune followed that story by more than two months, after Boston TV stations picked it up and dispatched video crews to town, tipping local TV. Last week, the Globe was first again, this time reporting that San Diego bishop Robert Brom — who had declared in a widely covered

news conference two weeks earlier that the local diocese had made "no large financial settlements" for sexual misconduct during his tenure — actually presided over at least one such arrangement worth \$250,000. This time the *U-T* was quicker to chase. After the story made local TV the night of July 3, the paper ran it the next day.

Bacchus worship Multimillionaire developer and Chargers owner Alex Spanos, who's been looking around for handouts to fund construction of a new stadium, has managed to scrape together enough money to buy an "ultra premium" Napa Valley winery with son-in-law Ron Berberian. The pair recently paid an undisclosed sum for Bell Wine Cellars of Yountville, including a 40-acre vineyard planted with "disease-resistant" cabernet sauvignon grapes, reports the Recorder of San Francisco. Said seller and new Spanos partner **Anthony Bell**: "Wine is grown in the vineyard. We are merely stewards of nature while the wine is in our cellar." ... Broadcasting and Cable magazine is out with a note about that new vice president's job at the Walt Disney Company for ex-San Diegan John Spelich, calling him "director, investor communications, Gateway Inc., San Diego." No mention of Spelich's last two previous employers: defunct public relations agency Stoorza Communications and Alan Bersin, controversial superintendent of the San Diego Unified School District

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### **Gringos Do Their Thing with Our Boys**

By Ernie Grimm

Tijuana's Centro and Rio zones meet, stands a boys' home operated by Desarollo

Integral de la Familia (integral development of the family). Better known by the acronym DIF (pronounced "DEEF"), it's the Mexican agency that cares for orphans and children who end up as wards of the state.

But not all such children in Tijuana are under the care of DIF. Many run the streets in small bands, camp out in canyons, or, when they have money, live in cheap hotels. They juggle oranges, sell flowers, and wash car windows at the city's many busy intersections to make a little money. And when that's not enough, they sometimes sell their bodies.

"It's a very serious problem," says Jorge Bedoya, director of the DIF home, "and we recognize the problem. For a lot of years it was not recognized at all. And when it was recognized, it was not considered a priority. But with Presidente Fox coming into the government, he recognizes fully the importance of this problem, and he has made it a priority of the national government. It's also a great priority of this municipal government. But [the governments] are basically the ones that hand out the laws, the statutes, and on the municipal level, we are the ones that work directly with the kids."

Bedoya says DIF's fight against child prostitution in Tijuana begins with a national campaign of information. "The first step — and this is on a national level there is a consciousness campaign to create awareness in all of Mexico that this problem exists and that we have to fight it. We tell them that this is a crime and that the people who directly or indirectly participate are criminals. We do this on TV spots and in the papers. And we give out information directly to kids that could be involved

in this, to report and give us information of any abuse."

Leaning forward onto his desk at the DIF office, Bedoya continues, "In Tijuana, we have a serious problem because of our geographic situation. We are a border city, and we are the most-visited city, the busiest border crossing in the world. There is a lot of trafficking, and we fall

That, Bedoya says, is the first step toward prostitution. "Unfortunately, for our city, there is a lot of demand for these types of services. When these kids are selling bubble gum or washing windows on the streets, they can be asked or someone can propose this type of activity, and since they are minors, they don't fully understand this problem; they just see easy money, \$20, \$50, \$100. We've heard of kids making \$1000 in one night."

Carlos Godoy, a 24-yearold DIF counselor, steers an aging 13-passenger Dodge van east through the Rio Zone of Tijuana. It's 7:30 p.m., and he and two other DIF counselors, Claudia López (28) and Jorge Gonza-



Soccer mate



Carlos Godoy

into a term that is called 'sexual tourism,' where people from the United States and from other countries, including people from Mexico, come here and search for these children. There is a lot of movement of people and kids from the heart of Mexico to here. They come with their families, hoping to cross over into the United States, and when this does not happen, most of the time, the eldest son or daughter is on the streets washing windows or trying to make money somelez (23), are just beginning a sweep of the city, which will last until 2:00 in the morning. Every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, they drive around the city finding street kids they already know and making initial contact with new children they see working on the streets. "The weather's not very good tonight," Godoy says, craning forward to look up at the overcast evening sky. "So we might not see many kids tonight."

But just as he says that, López, sitting in the front passenger seat, points to three boys selling flowers on the corner of Sanchez Taboada and Cuahtemoc Norte. The van's springs and joints creak as Godoy whips the big vehicle into a furniture-store parking lot on the same corner. The three boys look a little apprehensive until they recognize Godoy. "¿Que onda?" he asks the group before hopping down from the van along with López. González stays in the van. "Where's Christian?" Godoy asks the boys, who don't answer. The five chat for ten minutes or so before Godoy gives three-phase handshakes — shake, bump, bump — to each and asks again, "Where's Christian?"

One boy waves westward. "He's down there washing windows."

Back in the van, Godoy turns left out of the driveway and heads west. But as he drives through the intersection, he spots two kids, one boy and one girl, both under ten years old. The girl is sitting on the narrow median. The boy is juggling oranges at lightning speed in front of a row of cars waiting at a red light. Godoy pulls the van over and López jumps out and runs back to the kids. Godoy, driving the van around the block, explains, "This is the first contact we've

made with those kids. So Claudia will tell them what we do with our program. We tell them they can stay at our center if they have no place to live; that if they live at the center, they'll be able to go to school, play sports, and other



Claudia López



Tijuana red-light district

activities."

After five or six trips around the block, Godoy pulls the van over and parks where he can see López talking to the two children. He and González never join her. "We don't like to approach the kids with more than one or two people," he explains. "Three is too intimidating." After a half hour, López comes jogging back to the car, her ponytail bouncing behind her. She's laughing as she climbs into the van. "Ay, she could talk," she says. They said they live with their mom near here. Their mom is working, asking for money, not far from here. And one of the boys we talked to before is their brother. I asked

if they needed anything, and the girl said, 'Yes, could you bring us some bread and milk...and maybe some notebooks.' "

Godoy, who wears his hair spiked and frosted, drives the van the few blocks back to the center. He and López run into the building and return with a box full of food: six quarts of milk, a dozen small bags of Mexican sweet rolls, and 15 to 20 oranges. "We normally don't give out food because we don't really have the resources," Godoy says as he hefts a box in the side door of the van. "We're trying to find somebody to provide us with food to bring to the kids."

At 8:30, after a stop to give



Dorms at DIF

milk and bread to the kids they've already met, the van creeps east through the La Mesa district of Tijuana on the traffic-clogged Via Rapida. Twenty minutes later, Godoy stops at the busy intersection of Insurgente and Jesus Clouthier in the barrio of Gato Bronco. On two of the four corners, men are blowing fire like circus performers. "They do that by mixing diesel with water and spitting it from their mouths," Godoy explains as the smell of diesel smoke wafts through the open windows of the van.

López notices a girl about 13 sitting with her back to a concrete road divider looking dejected. "Come on, Jorge," López says as she jumps out of the van. González follows out the side door. The light turns green, and Godoy speeds up the steep hill ahead into another area known as Monarca. At the first intersection, a burst of flame to the left gives away the location of a boy about 16 whom Godoy recognizes. He makes a U-turn and, bumping up a curb, parks the van in a median. The firebreathing boy spots the van

and runs up the street, ducking into some bushes next to a Pemex station. With a couple of traffic maneuvers, Godoy brings the van up to the bushes where the boy and four companions are hiding. "¿Que onda?" he calls to the group, but they take off running again. "I know these boys," he explains, as he whips the van around. "But last time I was here I was driving a different van. They don't recognize this one. That's why I try to drive the same van every time."

DIF kids

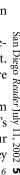
Four of the five boys — average age, 14 — make it across the six-lane divided street. But one very fat kid tires and slows to a walk on the near side, and Godoy pulls the van up alongside him. "Hey, why are you running?" he asks.

"Because we thought you guys were going to question us."

"No, no, no," Godoy responds, "we don't do that. If We're not the police. We're here to help you."

Godoy climbs down from the van and shakes the kid's hand. When the other four boys see what's going on, they





come running back from across the street. Godoy gives them all the three-phase handshake, which everyone and chats with them for 10, 15 minutes. Before leaving, he gives the boys a couple quarts of milk and three bags of pan dulce.

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Heading back down the hill to where he left López and González, Godoy exhave people called reglamenthey thought I was a

reglamento. But when I got out, they recognized me and

boys to stay at the center, Godoy answers, "Yes, I have to, though usually I don't the first or second time I see

them. If they ask, I'll tell them about the center. Or, if they ask for money for a hotel, I tell them they can come stay at the center. But most of the time they say no. They don't want to live under the rules.

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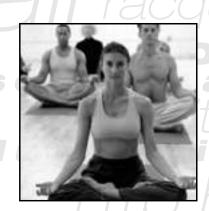
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They'd rather live out on their own. Of course, they might say no this time but say yes the next time. So the important thing is for me to make contact with them and for them to get to know me and trust me."

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Godoy continues, "Part of the problem is, when they run away, boys usually end up living in a group with

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three, four, five other boys their own age. They'll live together in a room or camp out in one of these canyons. Girls will usually go live in the house of a friend. So when I ask these groups of boys if they'd like to come back to

the center, maybe one or two do want to come back, but the rest of the group doesn't. So the one or two who want to come still say no because they don't want to go against the rest of the group."

López and González are

still talking to the girl when Godoy makes it to the intersection, so he bumps up onto a road median and waits. "Out in these areas," he says, "the kids wash windows and blow fire and things like that for money. But in the Zona

Norte and around Revolución, a lot of teenage boys are selling their bodies in order to have enough money to live."

Their customers, Godoy says, "are almost always gringos. They come down here and do their thing with our boys."

When the others are back in the van, Godoy drives toward the center of Tijuana, making stops in Cinco y Diez and La Hermita to talk to two older teenagers washing car windows in the first neighborhood and, in the second, to a teenager dressed as a clown juggling for tips from motorists.

"A kid can make maybe 300 pesos [\$33] in a night working on the street like this," Godoy says. "How much depends on what they're doing. It might be less washing windows, unless they're a little boy. Then they can make a little more."

The giant digital screen hanging from beneath the arch at the north end of Avenida Revolución reads 10:33 as we turn right off of Seventh Street. Music of various styles rings out from the second-story clubs and mingles in a horrible cacophony over the street. Locals and gringos strut along the sidewalks in their best clubbing costumes while doormen hail to groups of prospective customers. Signs advertising cheap drinks and low cover charges hang from every doorway. It's not these sights Godoy is looking for, as he cruises, slowly scanning the streetscape. He's looking for kids working on the street: shining shoes, panhandling, or worse

North of Second Street, Revolución grows dark and quiet. Godoy turns left onto First Street. Past the crowd of mariachis waiting to be hired to provide entertainment at someone's party, partially dressed women lean against the walls on both sides of the street, one every four feet, waiting to be hired to provide another form of entertainment. This is the red-light district, known as the Coahuila, after one of the streets running through it.

For half an hour, Godoy drives the big blue van slowly up and down Calle Primera, Coahuila, Constitución, and Calle Primera, silently scan-



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### With our boys

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ning the streets for kids. Around 11:45, he spots four boys cruising down Constitución on in-line skates. He calls to them, and they yell back, instructing Godoy to pull around the corner. There, they all pile in, and the van, which had been quiet for the last hour, becomes a box full of noise. López and González chat with the four boys — average age, 13 who are all talking at the same time, each trying to be heard by speaking the loudest. Godoy inquires about other boys by name and, following the directions yelled at him from the back of the van, he drives around the Coahuila picking up more kids until the van is packed full of pubescent boys.

The boys aren't riding in the van because they want to go back to stay at the DIF center, Godoy explains. "They just want to ride around for a while, and that's fine with us. It's another way to build trust between us and them. And it gets them off the street for a few hours."

At 11:30, Godoy leaves the Coahuila and drives the few blocks to the DIF center. There, the boys pile out and start shouting up at the thirdstory dormitory windows above. The boys who are sleeping start waking and coming to windows to shout back. A few barbs are traded between the groups, and soon it's an all-out, profanity-laced war of insults. González, López, and Godov let the boys have their fun and even laugh at the more clever insults. "They're kind of like rival groups," Godoy explains. "That's why they're yelling at each other. But they're not really serious. They're just having fun."

After 15 minutes of trash talk, Godoy orders the street kids back in the van if they don't want to stay. All of them get back in the van. A couple of minutes later, the van is back in the red-light district and one of the boys is calling to a girl who looks no older than 16 walking along the sidewalk. She sees the van and quickens her pace, walking around a corner into a short alley at the end of which is La Starlita

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#### CITY LIGHTS

### With our boys

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Hotel. The girl ducks into the hotel before Godoy or López or González can make contact with her. Still, the two men get out of the van and begin chatting with three kids who are standing in front of the hotel. As they chat, more and more older teenagers spill out of the hotel, which seems populated entirely by teenagers.

For an hour or so, the three young social workers mingle among the street kids, all boys, who seem to be divided into two groups. The 14-and-unders hang out in the van, playing rowdy games and flirting with López, who calls each of them mi hijo, my son. One boy, about 10, curls up on the back bench seat and falls asleep. The 15-andovers stand in groups on the sidewalk and in the street, talking and laughing with Godoy and González. This latter group, Godoy says, are the boys who often sell their bodies for money.

Around 1:00 a.m., Godoy sticks his head in the van and asks, "Is there any food left at DIF?"

"No, *nada*," López and González answer in unison.

Taking two older boys with him, Godoy walks down the alley out onto Coahuila. Five minutes later the three reappear, and the boys are carrying shopping bags of food with them. As they thank Godoy, he gives them each his three-stage handshake.

Back in the van, Godoy makes a few more sweeps through the Coahuila and Avenida Revolución while López and González write down the names and ages of the boys in the van and the boys that they've seen tonight. At 1:15, stopping at the corner of Constitución and Coahuila, Godoy announces, "Time to get out if you don't want to stay at DIF."

Immediately, five boys climb out. Two more hop out at Revolución and Second, another at Sixth and Revolución. Four boys, all members of the 13-and-under set, stay in the van. The mile-long ride back to DIF is very quiet as the night's excitement and chatter gives way to fatigue. ■



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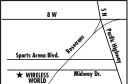
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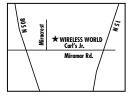
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Dear Matthew Alice:

What is that white gook that rises to the surface when you cook fish?

— Elaine Boyd, the net

Ewwww. Grandma Alice says the white gook is melted collagen, perhaps a little albumin and other proteins. It's stuff the fish used to need to help keep its muscles hooked to its skin and bones. But now it doesn't need the white gook, and I guess we don't either.

Hev. Matt:

Is it true that Balboa Park was designed by the same dude that designed Central Park in New York?

— Paul Broadway, San Diego

Common misconception. Well, maybe not common, since most people don't know? care? that someone actually arranged the park we see today. The king of American landscape architecture and champion of public green spaces, Frederick Law Olmsted, laid out Central Park in New York City. He was already six feet under the landscape by the time San Diego's city fathers selected a designer for the buildings and layout of the 1915 Panama California Expo. They chose Frederick's company, Olmsted Brothers, Brookline, Mass.; and Olmsted's sons, John C. and Frederick Jr., worked on the Balboa Park project. But when the expo committee decided to develop the north end of the park, not the south as the Olmsteds suggested, they quit. If you'd like to see a little of Daddy Olmsted's work on the West Coast, visit the Stanford University campus.

Why are people still messing up a.m. and p.m. in terms of noon and midnight?

– Anup, the net

So what are you saying — noon is a.m.? Noon is p.m.? Noon is neither. Noon is noon, midnight is midnight. There's no 12:00 p.m. or 12:00 a.m. For a fraction of a second each day, there's only noon and midnight.

Matt:

Long-time reader, first-time writer. I watch too much food TV and have often heard that to keep your knife sharp, you should slice green peppers and such from the inside, not the skin side. It seems to me that the thing that dulls my knife is its contact with the cutting board, not some wimpy vegetable. Whatcha think? Will I get an extra week between sharpenings if I follow their advice?

— Slicing and Dicing, the net

The only TV the elves watch anymore is Ground Force on BBC America, the show with the lady horticulturist who often operates jackhammers while wearing T-shirts without a bra. So I'm afraid we're not up to speed on the all-vegetable network. And the all-vegetable network must be running out of things to talk about if they've resorted to experts telling you to slice vegetables from the cut side. Sometimes having 200+ TV channels is no advantage at all. There is not enough interesting stuff in the world to fill all that air time, and your question is a perfect

A good sharp chef's knife has a blade that tapers to about the thickness of a sheet of paper, not hard to believe if you've ever had a paper cut. As the knife is used, the sharp edge actually begins to bend and curl. As the molecules get pushed around, the knife becomes duller and duller. The conscientious chef uses a honing steel before each slicing session. The steel helps push the blade edge back into alignment. Every year or so the knife may need to be sharpened, that is, have some metal ground off to create a fresh cutting edge.

Naturally, the harder the item you're cutting, the more the edge bends — carrots bend it more than strawberries. So if green pepper skin is a little harder than the cut side of green pepper, then I guess you'll get more edge curl. I'm not sure it's measurable, though, especially if you don't eat dozens of green peppers every day. Personally, I think the all-vegetable channel has just run out of things to say and should consider showing reruns of Ground Force, always interesting, always educational, always braless.

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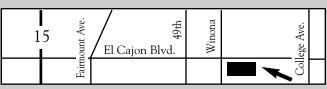
We've given the genealogy elves paid leave and a little time to come to their senses, buy some new erasers, and get their pedigree sheets in order. They were right two weeks ago when they determined that Phyllis Diller is not Susan Lucci's mother, in spite of the rumors and our most heartfelt wishes. But we still wonder how they decided that John Tesh was Susan's husband. No, no. Not true. In a momentary lapse of consciousness, perhaps, Connie Selleca married John Tesh. I'm sure all of Susan Lucci's time was taken up lobbying for that elusive Daytime Emmy, giving her little time to dally with the likes of John. On the elves' behalf, though, we should say we're not sure exactly what the difference is between Connie Selleca and Susan Lucci.

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

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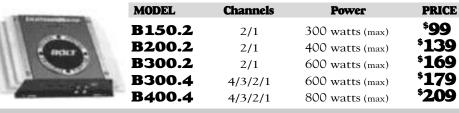


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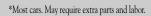
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### Hoover High School's Undead

A ffordable immortality." That's what Alcor Life Extension Foundation says in its sales pitch. Better believe I think Alcor is on to something. So did baseball immortal Ted Williams, or, at least, so did his son John Henry, and that's good enough, since the son controls the slugger's carcass.

If you haven't heard, which seems improbable (but still, repetition is how we learn) Ted Williams died on July 5th in Florida. Then, within hours, John Henry, a live birth product of Ted and his third wife, shipped Ted's cadaver to the above-mentioned Alcor in Scottsdale, Arizona. There, baseball's greatest hitter had his blood drained and replaced by special muck. Then the Sultan of Swat's corpse was inserted into a tube filled with liquid nitrogen and cooled to a pleasant -321 degrees. And, if things go as planned, very shortly, to the delight of millions, Ted Williams will be brought back to life as a healthy, bouncy, 83-year-old man.

Well, what's so bad about that? There'll still be a lot of TV left to watch.

Sadly, we know life is not that simple. And sure enough, now comes Ted's daughter, Bobby Jo Ferrell (live birth product of Ted and his first wife), who demands Dad be cremated. "I will rescue my father's body from the Alcor Life Extension Foundation," says Bobby Jo, and a damn heroic statement of principle that is.

If the situation was left to Bobby Jo and her commandos everything would be resolved by now. Ted's bones and rotting flesh would have been burnt at 1800 degrees Fahrenheit, and the residue thrown to the sharks patrolling the waters around Key West.

That's worth fighting for. Unfortunately, people have this habit of taking sides. People assign unworthy motives to their opponents. People hire lawyers and another Lexus moves off the showroom floor.

It turns out Ted didn't have much to do with Bobby Jo or John Henry. Never saw much of them until a couple years ago when John Henry walked in and took over big Ted's life. Apparently, until then, Ted didn't think much of his offspring. Still, that's only one man's opinion and since that man is dead, at least for the time being, his opinion doesn't count.

The point is, no matter how recently John Henry turned up, he's the kind of son one hopes for during a long and increasingly helpless dotage. John Henry saw to it that, every day, his formerly estranged father had a special time set aside to sign sports memorabilia. Ted liked photographs best because they were flat and therefore not too difficult to sign.

But bigger money could be had for signed baseballs and, particularly, signed bats. Some men would shake their heads and turn back. Others, like John Henry, saw opportunity.

Ted would have never thought of this. It took John Henry to bring forth a custom-made frame, whereon baseballs and, yes, baseball bats could be placed so that the weakened and failing Daddy Williams could continue to sign sports memorabilia at his special time every day. Always the visionary, John Henry had his dad sign an American Flag that he sold on eBay.

What greater love has a son for his dad than helping the dried up bag of skin earn money? And, don't forget, John Henry did this despite the responsibilities of his own, very busy career. John Henry's life has too many highlights to mention, so I'll pick the first

one that comes to mind.

Remember the nostalgic 1999 All-Star Game at Fenway Park? Ted Williams played his entire career at Fenway Park. And there's Ted, in a wheelchair, looking ten heartbeats from death, but he is celebrating baseball and its grand traditions. What's this? Ted is wearing a T-shirt and baseball cap. Each item features a large logo that spells out, *Hitter.com*, the name of John Henry's online business.

Class. *It is* the little things that count.

I know I said one highlight, but I can't stop myself. John Henry, at the age of 33, has signed to play professional baseball for the first time in his life. He's playing for a Fort Myers, Florida, minor league team and although he's not playing right now due to injury, he's gonna

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get healed and then the sky's the limit.

Here's the point: John Henry has bigger fish to fry than freezing his father's remains. That was done for love. Reports that this was done in order to sell his dad's DNA are outrageous and have no place in this column. DNA can easily be obtained from a thousand places.

It's selling body parts. That's where the money is. A little piece of dad's thigh. A dainty cut of his liver. A king's fortune for his right wrist. Mark me well, before this is over John Henry will be a billionaire. And isn't that what we all want?

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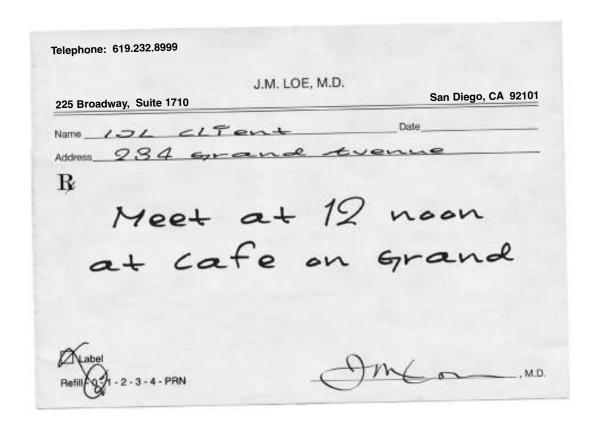
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Services: Saturday, 10:00 a.m.

Why do so many liturgical church members defect to evangelical congregations?

Last Sunday morning at Green Valley Church in Rancho Bernardo, a gentleman who asked to be identified only as Michael told me why his family had done so.

"My wife and I were born and raised

Missouri Synod Lutherans. When we moved to San Diego from the Midwest, we immediately joined a Missouri Synod church. After ten years of being very active in the church, we felt we were spiritually stagnating. We weren't growing spiritually. When we went to our pastor and explained how we felt, when we told him we were thinking of leaving, his attitude was basically, 'See ya. Adios!' After ten years of serving the church, that's all we

got, 'See ya. Adios!'
"Here there's a sense of community. If we announced tomorrow that we were leaving, we'd have people asking us out for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, wanting to talk about why we wanted

to go.
"Also, at the Missouri Synod church, the pastor was a very polished speaker. In terms of style and intelligence, he was satis-

fying. But here Pastor Doug Kyle preaches more directly from the Bible. His sermons are more practical. He's taught us how to pray, how to seek God, how to build a more personal relationship with God."

While Michael and I spoke, families meandered into Green Valley's spartan sanctuary for the 10:15 a.m. service. Men in madras shirts and khaki slacks back-slapped each other. Women in bright shift dresses kissed each other's babies. A teenage girl ambled past wearing denim shorts and furry leopard-print slippers. Green Valley advertises itself as a "church without pretense."

Everyone sang the usual interminable evangelical choruses. Flanking the stage, the usual big screens flashed the usual repetitive lyrics. The usual "praise team" warbled. They waved their hands in the air. Someone played conga drums. Someone played electric piano. The praise-team leader played trumpet. At one point he played a Latin-style riff.

Since senior pastor Doug Kyle is away

on a two-month sabbatical, Green Valley's youth pastor, Geoff Horn, delivered the morning's sermon, "Unity in the Body of Christ." The big screens flanking the stage flashed Reverend Horn's points as he made them.

In friendly informal evangelical churches like Green Valley, big screens flanking the stage always flash the speaker's points. The program always includes a "worksheet" to accompany the sermon, with spaces left blank for the more studious to fill in. If the speaker makes a point about hope, for example, there's a little space on the worksheet to jot down

The worksheets, the big flashing screens, give these sermons a prefab feel. These sermons sound as though some evangelical publisher has churned them out in the same way McDonald's churns out Happy Meals. (In most black churches, where the rhetorical tradition is still alive, you don't find work-

sheets in the program. You don't get the impression that the pastor's words have been taste-tested by a corporation.)

I'd expected something more spontaneous from a youth pastor, but Reverend Horn has mastered the art of sounding as prepackaged as any other friendly informal evangelical reverend. (If Reverend Horn thinks Green Valley's youth aren't ever going to tire of unsurprising sermons, he's got another

thing coming.)
Reverend Horn's sermon advised us that denominationalism was bad because it separated Christians into factions. Jesus intended the "Body of Christ," the Church, to be united. In order to unite the "Body of Christ," Christians should "walk in unity," be "humble," "tolerate differences," and do several other predictable things like "be

gentle with one another.'

Perhaps I'm the dupe. Perhaps the people attending friendly informal evangelical churches don't care that the sermons they hear sound mass-produced. Perhaps they overlook the mass-produced sermons because they're after something else.

In his own way Green Valley's senior elder Bob Mester said as much. Mester is a former Lutheran whose family found value in Green Valley's "small groups," which are common to evangelical churches.

"People here seem to hang out together more. It's more relational. Of course I and my wife miss the liturgical year. We miss things like Advent, and we try to add those things on our own, in our family. But in a liturgical church, people tend to get lost in the ritual. People show up for the service. They go home. There's nothing beyond that. In a church like this, you don't feel anonymous.'

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#### **Dear Aunt Trudy,**

Against my parents' wishes I recently moved to San Diego to study at the university, far from my home in India. Everything is going well as far as my education is concerned, but my parents drive me batty. They phone seven days a week, sometimes twice a day, questioning me about every waking moment of my life: what I am eating, who are my friends, and of course don't have sex, stay away from terrible, sexcrazed men, especially the coarse American ones. Not to be intentionally contrary, but I disagree with everything they say and think. I love men, I love sex, dancing, alcohol, red meat, midnight swims in the ocean... I can't be honest with my parents about anything because they worry like protective bears in a trouble-filled forest, so I find myself lying to keep them from hysterical babblements as well as to keep them from weeping. Any suggestions on handling my parental units?

NAUGHTY BY NATURE IN LA JOLLA

#### Dear Naughty,

Your folks might fret less if they visited you and saw for themselves how you're living. They could probably arrange a trip for less than they're currently spending on daily international phone calls. If they set foot in San Diego, hopefully they'll see it's a charming, safe city. Then when they're back home, they'll be able to conjure a calmer, more realistic picture of your doings and not imagine you trapped in a Hieronymous Bosch painting, abused by all manner of devils. I do wish you'd refrain from lying to your parents. Now that you're in college, you're faced with that age-old challenge of finding graceful ways to establish your individuality and values without traumatizing your parents into extinction. Try to answer their frightened admonitions with kind responses such as "Don't worry, I'm taking good care of myself, I'm doing well in school, things are just fine," instead of fibbing, which tarnishes the soul. Getting them to respect your privacy and choices may be a long haul. Why not begin by trying to wean them off the constant phone calls? Explain that due to your school schedule, it'd be easier for you to speak to them at prearranged times, say, three times a week. Be patient. Karma has a way of reversing our roles, again and again. Someday you could wind up a protective parent, worried sick about your own offspring who's about to cut the cord and leap into the fray of adulthood.

#### **Dear Aunt Trudy,**

I ran into an ex-boyfriend issue with my new boyfriend of five months. He was curious about why I've kept pictures, letters, stuffed animals that were given to me by my ex. I simply replied, "These things contain memories for me to look back on."

Although my new boyfriend thinks it is disrespectful

to him that I keep these mementos (they're all in one bag, deep in my closet), I never saw these items as a problem — they're just keepsakes. I don't look at them every day. But I definitely don't want to disrespect my new relationship. I can totally deal with throwing everything from my former relationship out, with the exception of pictures I've already glued into my album. My ex-boyfriend was my first love and first long-term relationship. I am a bit sentimental about keeping all kinds of mementos and probably qualify as a pack rat that way. Is it fair for me to say to my new boyfriend, "I'd rather not throw these things away for the sake of old memories," or should I do as he wishes and toss them, saying, "Out with the old, in with the new"?

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#### Dear Gathering,

You sound like a sensible young woman. It's up to you what you do with your keepsakes. They're yours, and you've been discreet about them — they're not strewn in every room, dominating the decor. Do look into your own heart once more, though, and make very sure you're not harboring lingering secret feelings for the old boyfriend and clinging to them by clinging to these "mementos." After you've made sure that's not the case, you can unequivocally and enthusiastically reassure your current squeeze that he is the sole object of your affections, the absolute monarch of your love kingdom, which he seems to want to hear. As we go through life, we may acquire all kinds of souvenirs from past relationships — furniture, cars, bank accounts, perhaps even pet cockatoos - not all of which are practical or desirable to jettison when we take up with someone new. What's important here is mutual understanding and trust between you and your current love. Do whatever's necessary in order to solidly establish that, and the bag in the closet will cease to matter.

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# BIRDS SQUARED

#### The San Diego Bird Atlas Project



Philip Unitt

As Ann wrote in a small spiral-bound notebook, I found the towhee with my own binoculars. What I saw was a chubby, gray-brown, robin-sized bird with a rust-streaked breast, a conical beak, and a way of foraging that made me think it was annoyed. Using both its beak and feet, it hunted for seed in the short, dead grasses. Despite its vexed manner, I envied the bird its lack of distractions and its purposefulness. It would never think of spying on me.

But the Keenans have a purpose here too; they're not just birding for idle pleasure. They're collecting data for the San Diego County Bird Atlas. "Citizen science" is one name I've seen to describe projects that use volunteers

who engage in fieldwork under the supervision of the professionals who recruit them. Tom's background isn't biology: he retired early, 15 years ago, from his job as an electrical engineer (or "double *e*," as he says); at the same time, Ann left hers as a computer scientist. Together they started exploring things. In 1988, they took their first birding course from a local chapter of the Audubon Society. "As far as we're concerned," Tom told me, "birds entered the planet that year."

V17, as it's known on the bird-atlas grid of the county, is a three-by-three-mile square close to the border near Tecate. On our way to it we took a dirt road that became a washboard road. Our voices vibrated as we rode along in the Keenans' 1999 black Mercedes SUV. The part of the square that we were on now was grazing land. We could see the herd in a distant pasture; later we would almost stumble into a stray herd member who was sitting as still as a big, black boulder under a live oak tree. Tom pointed out that all the oaks in the area were trimmed up to steer-mouth height and that no smaller ones grew underneath them: the steers had eaten the seedlings too. Meanwhile, Ann spotted lark sparrows feeding under one of those oaks and wrote in her notebook again.

The smell in the air was the sea at low tide. The Tecate and Cottonwood Creeks come together in V17, then flow into the Tijuana River. The land is owned by the San Diego County Water Authority — a rancher rents it — and the Keenans and I needed permission to be on it, along with a key to unlock the gate. They hadn't bothered to put their official sign on the windshield: "Bird Atlas. Volunteers Conducting Bird Survey. A Project of the Biodiversity Research Center of the Californias of the San Diego Natural History Museum." The Border Patrol had prob-

ably already seen us with our birding gear anyway. Their cars occasionally appeared on the cliffs above us, and their helicopters sometimes passed overhead.

The Keenans signed up for the birdatlas project as soon as it began, on February 22, 1997. When the results of the five years of fieldwork are published by the museum, as a series of colorcoded maps with detailed commentary, we will know exactly what birds were where — and when — and what they were doing during the five-year period that ended on February 28, 2002.

A comparison of this fresh data with available historical data will reveal how distributions have changed over the past century. We'll also know which birds are adapting to urbanization and "habitat fragmentation" — and which ones aren't.

The project isn't unique. Bird-atlas work has been conducted in Europe since the mid-1960s. In the United States, the first results of bird-atlas surveys were published by Vermont and Maryland in the 1970s. The California counties of Marin, Monterey, and Sonoma have published bird atlases

recently. Fieldwork for the bird atlases of several other counties in the state is underway. And San Diego itself has had a forerunner to this current project; the results were published by the museum in 1984 as *The Birds of San Diego County*.

Philip Unitt, collection manager of the museum's birds and mammals department, was the author of that earlier study and did most of the fieldwork for it him-

The new project is one of the most ambitious bird-atlas projects in the world.

self. That wasn't what he had intended to happen. "A group of us talked about doing an atlas in 1978," he told me in his office one day. "But as time went on, the other people fell by the way-side until I was the only one left. We all realized an atlas was needed; the latest thing available was from the 1950s."

Unitt's reference is to the 1959 annotated list of birds in San Diego County compiled by James R. Sams and Ken Stott. Forty years earlier, Frank Stephens (1849–1937), a self-taught ornithologist, compiled the first list for

the region. In 1924, Stephens became the San Diego Natural History Museum's director; his collection of study skins formed the nucleus of the museum's collection.

Unitt, whose job is to oversee that collection today, will be the author of the forthcoming volume. But having recruited a core of 200 consistent long-term data collectors like the Keenans, he has been able to be much more ambitious than anyone at any previous time, including his younger self. In fact, the new project is acknowledged by some

experts to be one of the most ambitious bird-atlas projects in the world. That's because it will include birds that winter here as well as birds that breed here. There's a good reason to include them: more species spend winters in San Diego than breed here. The latest British studies have included winter birds, and a few other places around the world are starting to do the same. But the winter portion of the San Diego project is among the first for North America. It is definitely the first for California — and is likely to be prece-

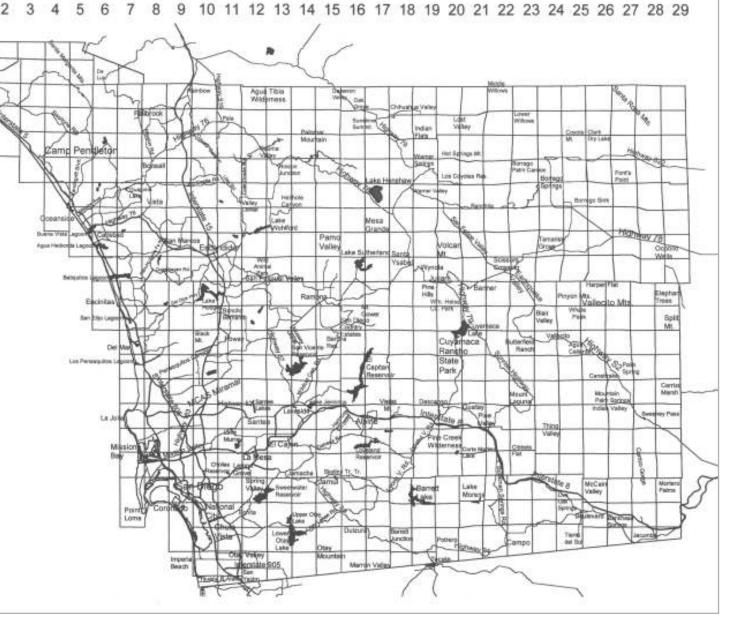
dent setting.

Not every good birder in San Diego has been involved. "A certain number of people with adequate birding skills flunked the paperwork," Unitt said. Reams of it have been required. A couple who, like the Keenans, have been among the most loyal participants showed me the biggest, thickest threering binders I had ever seen when I interviewed them at their home. The binders were filled over the five-year period with copies of their bird-atlas forms.

I looked at some of those forms that volunteers were required to submit to the project. They made it clear that bird-atlas work was no mere walk in the woods. The Winter Record Form (which isn't even as complicated as the form required during breeding season) lists six columns of bird species, about 300 in all. "Specify a single date" for your sighting, the instructions say. "Enter count or estimate of number observed in square in one day. Enter a specific number, even if just an estimate, rather than a range or order of abundance level. Estimate the abundance level only when you have achieved the threshold criteria for covering the square. Abundance level: E1, 1-10; E2, 10-100; E3, 100-1000; E4, 1000-10,000. If a more accurate estimate or count is possible, enter it without the 'E' prefix." Some of the species have asterisks after their names. For those one must plot the precise location of the sighting on another form, the Daily Field

To be committed participants, birders needed something else besides tolerance for tedium. They needed to be free from their own long-term birding goals and interests — rare-bird sightings, for example.

(Even if some of the county's great birders didn't adopt a square and weren't working specifically for the bird atlas, they were constantly feeding data into it. In addition, the last five years of Christmas bird counts, sponsored by the National Audubon Society, have been folded into the bird-atlas data. Same goes for the Breeding Bird Survey, spon-



San Diego County Bird Atlas grid

sored by the U.S. Geological Survey and conducted by volunteers.)

Those who signed on for the full term of the project also had to believe in its usefulness as a conservation "tool." That tool would logically take the form of maps, because any bird that gets listed as an endangered species is put into geographical context: the area considered essential to its survival must be listed along with it, as a critical habitat.

'San Diego's Multiple Species Conservation Program advertises itself as being able to preserve species while at the same time it alleviates the conflict between development and conservation," said Unitt. "It will consign substantial areas to development all at once as well as to conservation all at once." Whether it will actually accomplish these goals won't be known for some time. "What it amounts to is a big experiment. Well, with an experiment you need a control group."

Portraying the bird atlas as that control group

was, he said, one of his primary means of marketing the project to both funding sources and volunteers. "Other monitoring programs have been proposed, and I'm not sure what has been decided, because a lot goes on inside the bureaucracy of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service which I'm not privy to. But we were fortunate that many people bought into the bird-atlas idea and saw the value of its approach."

It was "bought" literally, since the project is being paid for by more than \$600,000 of grants and contracts as well as cooperative agreements from the Cleveland National Forest, California State Parks, California Department of Transportation, Zoological Society of San Diego, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, U.S. Department of the Navy, California Department of Fish and Game, San Diego Unified Port District, and San Diego Foundation. Another \$30,000 came from individual donations and from local groups, including the Palomar Audubon Society and the



Susan Smith

San Diego Audubon Society. The estimated worth of the fieldwork by the volunteers is more than \$700,000. Another \$100,000 is being sought for publication expenses.

The three- by threemile square is standard for bird atlases. The fine scale was essential for San Diego, Unitt said, because of the diversity of its habitat and its endemism, an ecological term meaning native to or confined to a certain region. "A hundred and fifty years ago, when the first naturalists were starting to visit the West, it was like 'Location: California.' They didn't yet know that one mountain or one river could be different from the next. That knowledge took decades to accumulate. A plant example is one species of yucca relative, Nolina interrata. It grows on something like five peaks in central San Diego County in a certain soil type. If there's going to be effective conservation, obviously you want to emphasize the peaks that are relevant. So for the bird atlas we set up our grid and tried to sample each cell to some minimum threshold. That's the fundamental principle behind our project."

Birding is acknowledged to be a mental challenge. "It's an intellectual exercise," Ann Keenan told me while we were in V17. "You have to put a lot of information together to make the identifications." But a project of this scope designed to cover the whole

county, the remotest and most rugged parts of which few people had ever seen and no ornithologists had ever studied — has also been an extraordinary physical challenge for many volunteers.

"Five days out of the last seven I've been on tenmile hikes," the 60-yearold Ann told me on the phone one day last spring, six months before we met. "I've been birding in really remote parts of the county. What people for this project do is adopt a square. They're responsible for reporting on the birding activity there. Many squares in the remotest spots weren't adopted by anybody. So now we have what we call blockbusters, where a group of us do the square. Last weekend I helped do a square that we had to hike two and a half miles just to reach. There were a few squares Phil was ready to give up on. He thought nobody was going to get there. But everybody is pitching in, and we're all learning about these places we would never have known about otherwise."

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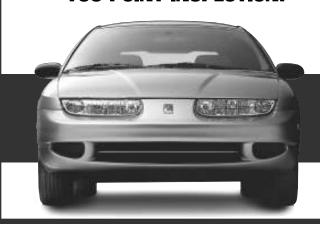
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The number of squares is 479. The A's start in the north; the W's are the southernmost row. The numbers start in the west and move eastward, from 1 to 29. So you can approximate a square's location if you know its number and letter. Each square was also given a name based on a landmark within its borders. Some squares on the eastern edge of the county have lyrical landmark names, perhaps the better to entice volunteers to adopt them — "Well of Eight Echoes," for example, and "Hills of the Moon Wash." Other landmark names — "Thing Valley," "Arsenic Spring," and "Hellhole Canyon" — don't pretend to be luring.

The landmark name for V17 is the relatively neutral "Little Tecate Peak." No one had adopted it; the Keenans were part of a blockbuster whenever they went there. The terrain wasn't the reason why it needed a blockbuster. As Unitt explained it, touching on other challenges of the project: "V17 wasn't difficult to get to, provided"

key, had a vehicle you were comfortable driving on dirt roads, and weren't intimidated by the nearness of the Mexican border, at a point where armed drug smugglers could easily slip across. It actually wasn't until the last year of the project that we found out we could get the key to the gate on the line between U17 ['Engineer Springs'] and V17 from the Bureau of Land Management. Previously, we'd had to borrow a key from the rancher who leases the land, a situation requiring much more diplomacy." One project member went to a community meeting in Dulzura to familiarize people with the bird atlas. "His central goal was maintaining friendly relations with this lessee. Finding out how to negotiate some of these difficult areas took us years. Even if an area is owned by some more or less public agency, there may be all sorts of other obstacles to our just wandering in and looking at birds."

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ahead of time to pick up the



Rich and Susan Breisch

Unitt knew that three squares in the Santa Rosa Mountains of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park — C27, C28, and D28 ("Villager Peak," "Santa Rosa Mountains Northeast," and "Santa Rosa Mountains Southeast") — were so remote that one simply could not hope to drive out there, hike to the square, have time to bird, and carry enough water to make it out alive. It's some of the

steepest terrain in the county. So he and two others were helicoptered to those places. Lori Hargrove was one of those two. "It only took a few minutes from the Borrego Springs airport before we were looking down at the ridges we would be exploring," the 36-year-old Hargrove wrote of her experiences for *Wrenderings*, the birdatlas project's quarterly newsletter. "After dropping

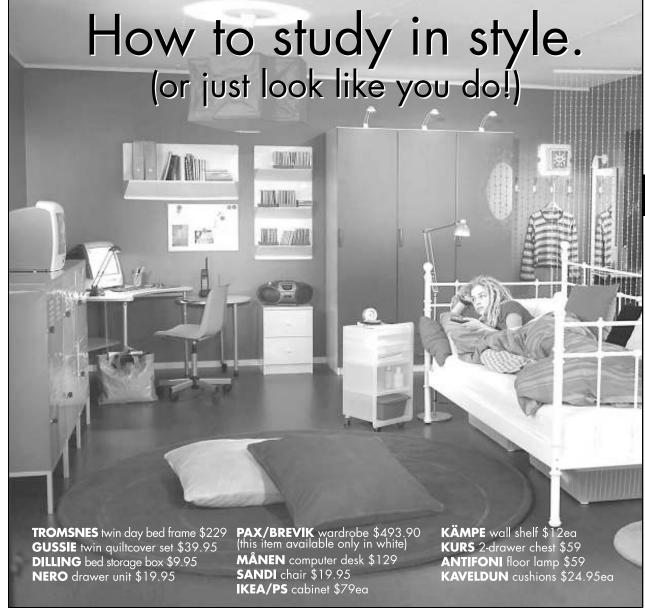
Phil off at Villager Peak, the helicopter pilot wanted to know where to take me, so I motioned toward the range I was to cover just east of Rattlesnake Canyon and told him 'anywhere you can find an open spot.' We soon alighted gently in a small clearing next to a rocky peak. I got myself and gear out, waved goodbye, and while I squinted from the blowing sand watching him fly off, I won-

dered if he would be able to find this same spot three days from now."

Securing permission to bird on Indian reservations posed a challenge of another sort. Each tribe reacted in its own way to requests from volunteers.

"I had anticipated the varying reactions," said Unitt. "Their reputations were already known. For example, the La Jolla and the Los Coyotes reservations have public camping facilities, and as long as you pay the fee, there's no problem gaining access."

In the case of Los Coyotes, it was particularly important for the project to have this tribe's cooperation. Six squares are either entirely or significantly within its borders. "And if we had not gotten on there, we simply wouldn't have been able to cover those areas at all. So that was really good. They have been extremely friendly. In addition, the highest mountain in San Diego County is on their land, and in the 1980s, while working on the old book, I went to that moun-



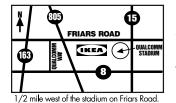
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tain, the first birder or ornithologist ever to go there. Hot Springs Mountain. So this time we've been able to cover it much more thoroughly than I did. It spreads over four squares, E20 ['Hot Springs Mountain West'], E21 ['Hot Springs Mountain East']; F20 ['Eagle's Nest'], and F21 ['Los Coyotes']. The summit is in E20, but the most interesting habitat is in E21. Two of our volunteers covered these squares for us very thoroughly, making some overnight owling trips as part of it."

The Kumeyaay Indians, by contrast, were not cooperative, unfortunately for Unitt. "We just discovered a new colony of willow flycatchers up at El Capitan Reservoir, and now the Indians are patrolling around the reservoir and are not even—"He paused, choosing his words. "We don't want to antagonize them. We want to be friendly with them. See, the thing is that these requests have to go to their tribal councils, and then it gets ratcheted up to another level of politics.

And I think a lot of it is done by consensus. And unless it has unanimous enthusiasm from everybody, which as a possibility is basically nil, nothing happens."

In the end, for a variety of reasons, only three squares would prove to be unconquerable. One is D13, or "Frey Creek." That square is mostly an extremely steep slope on Palomar Mountain belonging to the Pauma Indians and has no driving access. The second inaccessible square is C4 yes, like the plastic explosive. It's an appropriate designation: C4 is the bombing range of Camp Pendleton. (All the rest of Camp Pendleton was surveyed.) The third inaccessible square is D14. Also known as "French Valley," D14 is not unreasonably rugged, but the way to it was blocked by someone Unitt described to me as a "xenophobic landowner."

"Many squares have a lot of private property," Unitt said, "and we have had to rely entirely on public-access roads or the goodwill of private-property



Goldfinch

owners to get to those places. And in San Diego we are on the front line of — " He stopped himself. "I have been told not to use this expression, and you will not print it."

I turned off my tape

recorder. The man whose wit has been characterized by volunteers as "diabolical," "mischievous," and "creative" muttered the unprintable phrase. Suffice it to say it uses "private-property rights" and

"state religion" in the same sentence.

Trying to be fair, Unitt acknowledged that "quite a number of friendly landowners" have "balanced out" the others—"all too many" — who said, "'Get the hell out' or 'We don't even want you walking on the public road in front of our property.'"

Not that landowners who have welcomed Unitt "with open arms" always endeared themselves to him. "One thing that gets me is people who use birds and other organisms as pawns in a battle that's social and political and not biological," he said. "There's the example of the landowners who say, 'Oh, can you find such-andsuch a bird on my property and stop a power line, road, or whatever?' People call the museum with questions like that all the time. Nobody likes going to endless hearings, lobbying their representatives, and duking it out with the opposition. But if you want a certain end, that's what needs to be done. We should not expect some law like the Endangered Species Act to do our work for us. Besides, as a tactic, that has frequently been counterproductive, because it starts to antagonize the property owners against endangered species and against native wildlife plants. There have been episodes of landowners piling land over land just to kill everything."

The materials that volunteers got when they signed up for a square included a form letter to landowners. They were instructed to use it or something similar when seeking permission to go birding on private property. "The volunteers will make arrangements with you at your convenience," the letter says. "They go alone or in very small groups and are as quiet and unobtrusive as possible — this is the only way in which birds can be studied effectively. They will comply with whatever conditions you stipulate."

Jack Gibson, spokesperson for Citizens for Private Property Rights, phoned and faxed a volunteer after



Gibson was vague about where he lives, so I cannot name the square. He would say only that it's "between Ramona and Santa Ysabel, probably closer to Santa Ysabel, in a very isolated area." How many acres is it? "I'm not going to go into that. I will tell you that I'm at the end of a driveway a mile and three-quarters long. I have an ocean view, and I'm way inland. I don't have neighbors. Step out my front door and you're as rural as you're going to get."

Gibson, who speaks quickly and in the timbre of a radio talk-show host, wanted me to know that John James Audubon shot birds. "Piles and piles of them." The artist was no conservationist, he said. As for himself: "I'm not someone who lives in the city and thinks nature is beautiful and should be protected. I'm someone who lives in nature. I respect nature as much as anyone you're gonna find, but only within certain limits of, let's say, the Constitution and capitalism. Surveys like [the bird atlas] are used against rural landowners. There are people who would try to impede progress on the bird atlas because the bird atlas is going to be used against them. And the people who come on the property will do everything they can to hurt these people — the rural landowners. People who live in the city don't understand rural issues. They think the land out here should be totally preserved. I am well versed in ornithology, archaeology, natural history, as much as most people you might find. And I have a high respect for nature, but I don't have a feel for people saying that fairy shrimp or kangaroo rats have precedence over people. I don't have a good feel for that at all; in fact, I have a very, very bad feel, because once you say that you can't touch your land because of things like that, we're heading for

Communism. That system doesn't work. It's tyranny."

An instruction handbook is yet another paper item issued to volunteers. "Despite our best efforts," the booklet says, "it's inevitable that certain tracts, even important ones, of private property will remain inaccessible to us. There is no point in agonizing over this. We will cover the accessible areas best we can, use gentle persuasion to open as many areas as possible, and not worry about the rest. Remember, even in squares that are entirely public ownership, many areas won't get covered. The project can only sample each square. Exhaustiveness is an unattainable ideal."

Ann Keenan, for her part, gave me her shorthand assessment of the situation, and her solution: "You have to avoid the landowners. People don't want a rare species to be found on their property."

"National City"), where there are historical records to prove the fact. It's a good guess that the species, with its distinctive loop of a black plume topknot, has also been eliminated from Q7, R7, S8, S11, and U11 ("Pacific Beach," "Ocean Beach," "North Island," "Encanto," and "Chula Vista"), where there are no records from the past. The bird is beginning to disappear from H5, J11, and Q13 ("Oceanside," "Escondido," and "El Cajon").

But not all species react negatively to development, according to a preliminary draft of Unitt's analysis of the fieldwork. Lots of observant San Diegans have probably come to similar conclusions. Some birds have adapted remarkably well to the new conditions. House finches, Brewer's blackbirds, and Anna's hummingbirds are obvious cases. So is what's perhaps San Diego's most aggressive urban colonizer,

#### "I don't feel like it's about me. Ultimately, it's an evolutionary question, how the whole habitat evolved."

The Keenans themselves, significantly, own a 700-acre ranch in the San Felipe Valley.

I met the Keenans for the first time in the parking lot of the Jamul post office on the day before we went to V17. We would be visiting another square on this opening day of the first blockbuster weekend of the project's final winter season — a Saturday morning in early December under a blue sky marbled with pink and purple.

To get to Jamul I passed persimmons for sale, horses for rent, and Jake's Drive-Through Espresso, as well as the usual number of highway construction sites. It's easy to think of moveable concrete barriers (often called Jersey barriers) as ominous for birds. According to bird-atlas fieldwork. the California quail, for example, has been eliminated from R8, R9, S9, S10, and T10 ("Old Town," "Mission Valley," "Downtown San Diego,""Greenwood/Mount Hope," and

the American crow. In addition, the spread of Nuttall's woodpeckers has occurred in urbanized areas over the past 15 years. Cooper's hawks are another species that has suddenly and dramatically taken up city living. House wrens and Western bluebirds are starting to move in, aided by back-yard birdhouses.

Urban adaptation doesn't mean they'll stay healthy city dwellers. Burrowing owls lived in drains along El Cajon Boulevard in the 1930s, the historical records show. Now they're nearly absent from all of San Diego County, known to survive only precariously in parts of S8, at the Naval Air Station in "North Island"; V10, at Ream Field in "Imperial Beach"; and V13 and V14, whose landmark names are "Otay Mesa East" and "O'Neal Canyon." Unitt considers these owls, who nest in abandoned animal burrows, the most endangered bird species in all of San Diego County.

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About halfway through the fieldwork, Unitt detected a pattern in the adaptations: "Arboreal species that can take advantage of urban trees and live in a stratum above us people on the ground ultimately adapt to urbanization," he wrote in a speech he gave to a meeting of professional wildlife biologists. "Terrestrial" and "undergrowth" species, on the other hand, "retreat."

I met Unitt for the first time in Jamul, as he organized all of the dozen volunteers who had gathered that morning. The temperature was 34 degrees, and volunteer Susan Breisch, for one, wore earmuffs. She also wore her gardening gloves, lacking mittens to keep her hands warm. She and her husband Rich were the couple who would show me their giant three-ring binders when I interviewed them later in the week. That afternoon, Susan would go home to the warmth of their house in Tecolote Canyon, while Rich would camp out with Unitt and others in Potrero.

Unitt is 46 years old, slender but solidly built. He wore a broad-brimmed, navy-blue cowboy hat, one of his signature hats, I was told. Beneath the hat, his hair was reddish, to match his reddish-blond mustache and short beard. His chiseled jawline gave him the look of self-portraits of Vincent van Gogh. As he pointed to places on a



map spread out on a car hood, it was hard not to think of another image: a general with his troops a congenial general, with a courtly manner and a sonorous voice.

A native San Diegan, Unitt grew up in S10 ("Greenwood/Mount Hope"); his mother lives there still. S10 is one of his own personally adopted squares. He chose it for three reasons, he said. First, he didn't anticipate that others would request an urban area, so he wanted to fill what might otherwise be a gap in the coverage. Second, the square was close to his home in Hillcrest and his office in Balboa Park, so he could cover it easily. Third, it gave him a chance to reacquaint himself with places where he began looking seriously at birds, for the first time,

as a junior high school student.

Unitt lived in North Park for many years before moving to Hillcrest, so his habitat has always been "inner city," he said. But his family, especially his mother, instilled in him a love of nature. "My mother grew up in complete poverty in Descanso. My grandmother's husband was killed — he was a janitor in the school in Descanso. But anyway, she had an attachment to that area. And when I was a kid, we would go camping at Green Valley Falls in Cuyamaca State Park, just up the road from Descanso. That was our playground.

It wasn't until I was 13, though, that I picked up my mother's bird book, which was a very crummy bird book, and wondered, 'How many of these birds

have I seen?' Well, I could identify 30. I went on from there."

Yes, he has. Today the number of birds on his "life list" (all birds ever seen anywhere) is well over 1000. To put this into perspective, consider that, while 70 million Americans are estimated to watch birds, fewer than 100 of them can claim 800 or more birds on their life lists. It's also helpful to realize that the number of species on the American Bird Association's checklist is 906. In other words, many birds on Unitt's life list are those he has traveled to see in other parts of the world. (To put these counts into another sort of perspective, some 9000 bird species inhabit the earth.)

Unitt is respected by the volunteers not only for his knowledge but for his

way of imparting it to them. "Un-show-offy" is a word I have heard used to describe him. Once, at a meeting, someone brought in a tape of a birdsong, and everyone was guessing that it was an indigo bunting. Phil was the only one who said quietly, "Lazuli bunting." He was right. For the record, in the National Audubon Society's Sibley Guide to Birds, the fine distinction between the two songs is noted: "Indigo Bunting: Voice: Song a high, sharp warble with most phrases repeated; quality musical and metallic ti ti whee whee zerre zerre ('fire, fire where where here here')." The lazuli's song "averages slightly longer, higher, faster, and perhaps less repetitive than Indigo."

The Breisches told me another story about their leader. "I won't mention any names," said Rich, "but when Phil was a teenager, a bird expert would just put down the amateurs and he put down Phil. So Phil said that if he ever got into the same position, he would never — " Susan finished her husband's thought: " — behave that way and make people think they were worthless. We all crowd around Phil, like little kids: 'Phil! Phil! Teacher! Teacher!' And he gives you his attention: he's so good at that. And I think it's partly because of that experience he had as a young man, of being made to feel unimportant and ignorant, so he's not going to do that to anyone else."

Susan is a teacher herself, of third grade, so she knows whereof she speaks. (Her expressiveness and animated manner of speaking must be put to good use in her classroom.) Rich is a software engineer. For all of these citizen-scientists, birding is a hobby. I asked Unitt when a hobbyistbirder became an ornithologist. "Ah, well. It's a question of semantics," he said. " 'Birder' implies that it's a sport; 'ornithologist' implies that it's a science. Now, of course, many people who are entirely amateur birders make an enormous contribution to science. In fact, that's one of the things that our project is all about. There are also lots of ornithologists who enjoy birding recreationally, even if they don't like to admit it. Ornithology is unique, because it's one of the few sciences that maintain a continuum of highest-end Ph.D.s to people who may just look at birds at their back-yard feeder. Astronomy still has a heavy involvement of amateurs too. But most other sciences have gotten beyond the reach of people without specialized gadgetry. Field biology in general is one of the few places where the general public can still get a finger in the pie."

I wondered aloud if Unitt himself had time for any non-birding-related hobbies. When I had looked over the list of squares and



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their adopters, I had seen his name appended to dozens besides S10. After thinking a moment, he said, "I enjoy cooking. I'm interested in languages and in history. But birds are — "He thought again. "When I was in French Polynesia in 1991, I met a botanist the San Diego Zoo had sent me there to search for ultramarine lorikeet — and I'll never forget the botanist's line: La botanique est une maîtresse exigeante. 'Botany is a demanding mistress.' It's a phrase that can equally be applied to birding."

The amateurs in San Diego County are less amateurish now. Maybe it happens to birders in every locale that undertakes a bird atlas. And yet this byproduct — a huge increase in birding skills among the participants — is something Unitt hadn't anticipated. Still, he called it "one of the most grati-

volunteers must have observed in order to make their breeding claims. Behaviors range from specific actions like nest-building to more subtle signs like territorial behavior. ("Use this category with caution," the handbook states; "some species, like hawks and hummingbirds, will defend a feeding territory or favorite perch while wintering or migrating.")

Of course, using volunteers, some of whom began with only average skills, meant that Unitt spent lots of time checking their reports. "Everything that got reported I reviewed," he said. "And some things got crossed out. Other things people got grilled on, for further details."

The Breisches had this to say about Unitt's reviews of their submissions and of their own rigorous reporting techniques. "Rich is a

At the time of Audubon
(1785–1851), passenger pigeons
were considered to be among
the most populous bird species
in the world. What had
happened to them all?

fying aspects of the whole project."

Partly it's the result of the sheer number of hours volunteers have been required to spend in the field. (About 46,000 hours have been officially reported; thousands more were not.) The minimum number required per square was 25. And many of the most devoted volunteers had numerous squares. (The Keenans, for example, signed up for 5 initially, then added several more, in addition to participating in the blockbusters. The Breisches had at least 12.)

Partly, too, the improvements in skills were the result of the intensified observations required to confirm breeding. It's no exaggeration to say that each spring for the duration of the project, evidence of the sex lives of birds in San Diego County was more scrutinized than ever before.

The instruction handbook lists behaviors that real stickler for details," said Susan, putting most of the onus for rigor on her husband.

"Susan would write half a page for just one bird," Rich countered.

"And after a year or two Phil told us that we were a little too stringent in what we demanded in order to confirm breeding. I had seen a shrike going back and forth, back and forth, from the wire here to the tree there. I said, 'There has to be a nest.' Rich said, 'We can't confirm it.' 'Okay, okay.' So I get underneath the tree and look up. 'I can see a nest! I can see a nest!' Rich said, 'Not good enough.' So I climbed up this elderberry, which is sort of brushy."

"I had to boost you," said Rich.

"So a bird flew off the nest in which there were eggs — incubating eggs. One adult was feeding while the other stayed on the eggs. So I got down from the tree. 'Okay, can we count this nowwww?''

Still, Unitt did question even the Breisches several times. "For example," said Susan, "he called us on a violet-green swallow: 'Are you sure it wasn't a tree swallow?' And I said, 'Okay, I was hiking on suchand-such hill and the bird flew below me so I could see his rump.' And on a violet-green, the white wraps around and makes a little white on either side, with the dark in the center, whereas with the tree swallow it's all dark and you can't see any white going up to the top of the rump. So I said, 'The bird was below me. I could see it completely.' But my best story is the time we were going down the highway 65 miles an hour and Phil was with us. And I said, 'Stop! There's a hawk on that pole! I think it's a ferruginous!' So we turned around and sure enough, it was a ferruginous. And I think Phil thought, 'Maybe she does know birds."

"I definitely recall the ferruginous hawk incident," Unitt would tell me. "Susan has always been a cautious observer, and I've always taken her identifications seriously. But it's episodes like that one in the field that familiarized me with our participants' abilities."

From the Jamul post office I went into the field with the Keenans, prepared for a strenuous outing. It wasn't. That first day, in U15 — "Otay Mountain North" — we mostly "birded by car." It was either that or hike the 3572 feet up the Otay Mountain Truck Trail to Doghouse Junction. Just like V17 the following day, U15 required a four-wheel-drive vehicle — and a key to unlock the gate. As Unitt had told us with a grin before we left: "When the Border Patrol took over Otay Mountain, they made it more difficult to get through and to look there for birds, but they also improved the roads."

For this trip the Keenans had their beige Ford 4X4, from which we disembarked at every turnout, not to admire the view, but to conduct our



business.

Among the birds we saw was an American pipit. "Nobody has gotten one for this square yet," said Ann, happy with the discovery of this slender, upright bird that bobs its tail in pump-handle fashion.

Participants, in order to fulfill their responsibility, need to observe 90 percent of the species on "target lists" prepared by Unitt. Sometimes that means finding the opposite of a rare

The Breisches, whose many squares included two in Camp Pendleton, had a frustrating time trying to find a house sparrow. "That was the last bird we needed in order to finish," Susan would tell me. "Isn't that sick

and disgusting?" They finally found one near a barracks. "They have these little Marine villages. It's surprising how many — a village every five miles or so — maybe 15 or 20 barracks."

Around a barracks they also found their most unusual bird. It was emerald-colored, with a red forehead, black chin, and turquoise shoulders. They saw it, among some orioles, in sycamore trees. They thought it must be a tropical bird from Mexico.

When they got back home, they went to their library and had a race to see who could find it first. Susan grabbed a book about Mexican birds, Rich one about South American species. They tried Europe next.

They couldn't find it, but when they gave their description to Unitt, he knew its country of origin: India. An escaped caged bird, it must have been a pet lost by a Marine.

Joe Barth, a paid field assistant (there were four or five in all), told me he had a frustrating time trying to find mourning doves in some of the highestnumbered squares. "I have done several of the 29s," he said in a phone conversation, "and they have been the most rewarding, because out in the desert you have to fight for every observation. Phil says, 'When things are slow in the desert, you have to initiate a bush-to-bush search.' It's very challenging and thus very rewarding. It's not like the coast, where all the shorebirds are just sitting there. Two birds out in the desert that have been difficult to confirm as breeding are easy to spot in the city: they nest on windowsills and flower boxes. They're the mourning dove and the Northern mockingbird. In the city they're common as anything and are used to humans, but in the desert they're wary and do everything they can to hide."

Another memorable bird of my day with the Keenans in U15 was a glossy black phainopepla. Anyway, it was memorable for me, because I had never seen one. "A very acrobatic



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bird,"Tom said of this longtailed insect-eating bird that somersaults in flight as it feeds. "With a punk rocker's hairdo," he added, referring to its ragged black crest, "and red eyes, like the devil's."

Still, as we approached the peak, I must confess that I looked more at the view than I did at birds. ("It's probably one of the most spectacular views in all of San Diego County," Unitt had said.) I could see the Otay Reservoirs, the San Ysidro Mountains, San Diego Bay, and northern Baja. I also found Mount Palomar Observatory a little white pearl embedded in the mountains. Volcan Mountain was on the other side of that. What interested me most, however, was downtown San Diego and the blue of the Coronado Bay Bridge, which looked like a magnificent model of a toy bridge.

"It's easy to get distracted," said Ann of my fascination with this perspective on "civilization."

It's true that no one would call me a nature girl.

If compelled by friends to go on a hike, I'm apt to say, halfway up the trail, "Oh, good. Here comes a sign something to read." But gradually I have come to understand the attraction of the long-rangedness of this project, which was my draw to these birders in the first place. They may be data lovers, but they also make the kind of leap of imagination that's required by those engaged in more conventionally creative acts. Each of them, as they birded in one square, imagined the whole, the completed

On the second day of the blockbuster the Keenans and I birded mostly on foot. Neither they nor I had camped out with the other volunteers, but we met at their Potrero campsite. From a fur-hatted Unitt (the temperature was in the low 30s again) we got our assignment, then drove to V17.

"To bird best, you walk a little, then stop and hunker down," said Tom. "You don't make much progress that way, but you might make some friends." Watch-



Northern wheatear

ing Ann ahead of us, I saw how she moved — slowly, deliberately, as gracefully as a dancer. The balletic impression was enhanced by her pixie-style haircut, her upright posture, and by the gaiters she wore around the cuffs of her pants: they looked like leg warmers but were meant merely to keep the burrs off her socks.

Among the birds she found were mourning doves sunning themselves

on a hill; white-crowned and rufous-crowned sparrows; a Northern flicker; a lesser goldfinch; a rubycrowned kinglet, with its big white eye rings; and a yellow-rumped warbler. We didn't know it yet, but we'd be seeing lots of yellowrumped warblers in V17, and in her notebook Ann would keep track of their number to transfer to her forms at home. "It's giving me a nice good view," she said of the first yellowrumped, "like a shorebird." When I found it, I watched it flit up from a branch to catch a flying insect, then alight again on the branch, like a gymnast on a trampoline.

"You'll discover today that Ann is a more accomplished birder than I am, even though we usually go together," said Tom. "She's more motivated." It may be true. "I've been a searcher all my life," Ann herself once told me — she, who attends *four* book groups; has meditated and studied yoga for 30 years (which accounts for her upright posture); been a vegetarian for 40 years; a vegan for 4.

But Tom is no slacker. Besides spotting his share of birds, he showed me many other things, especially among the plants — for example, an old cactus wren's nest protected inside a cholla. And birding without knowledge of plant life is just about impossible, as every birder learns.

When I spoke later in the week with Lori Hargrove, one of the three who went by helicopter into the Santa Rosa Mountains, she would say that she, for one, can't separate the two birds and where they live. A self-described "inveterate volunteer," Hargrove took on acres and acres of monotonous chaparral when the project began. (On certain occasions, she was also acting as a paid field assistant, like Joe Barth.) Very often she went alone to her squares, using weekends and vacation time from her job as a cytotechnologist at the Sharp Pathology Lab in Mission Valley. What she learned as a result of all her work will become known with the bird-atlas's publication. What, I won-



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dered, had Hargrove learned about herself as a result of her participation. She would dismiss my question. "I don't feel like it's about me. Ultimately, it's an evolutionary question, how the whole habitat evolved. It's a snapshot of the birds. Ultimately, I am interested in conservation issues." The bird atlas will help the county make "informed decisions," she would tell me, slipping into the language of the hospital.

In V17, besides evidence of birds and mammals, the Keenans and I saw signs of people: pieces of clothing; a pair of boots in an old feeding trough; empty food tins; a comb. We saw also a warning posted in Spanish: "Danger. Contaminated water. Avoid all contact." Ann and Tom said they gave their snacks one day to some border crossers they met up with in another square.

Susan Breisch would tell me that in the last three years of the project, after border restrictions got tighter, they did not see as many crossers. "But in those first couple years, when we would go out to Lake Morena and squares nearby, there wasn't one trip where we didn't see people making their way across. One time Rich saw a group of 30. Another time, before we got our radios, Rich said he was going back to the car with Domino, our dalmatian. I said, 'I want to see a little more on this tree. See if I can get these birds.' And as I started down the path, about nine men came out of a little canyon. And I said to myself, 'I know they're just going on their way, but — 'So I yelled for Domino. Rich couldn't hear me but Dom could. And as soon as I started yelling, the men, of course, immediately went back up into their little canyon."

Just as the Keenans and I were seeing today, the Breisches often saw empty food tins and clothing. They would also see abandoned water jugs, as well as flags marking caches of full water bottles placed by people involved in "some kind of a compassion movement — because so many have died in the desert." But the Breisches



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believe that it wasn't the border crossers that they needed to worry about; it was the drug smugglers. In our conversation, Susan would mention another volunteer who has a ranch on the border. "It's in U26 or U27 ['Lake Domingo' or 'Boundary Creek']. It's a second house he's had there for 25, 30 years. In the past, he knew that people were using his property to come across, and

he did not object. But then he realized that there were probably smugglers too. He says he never goes out on his property without a side arm now — for protection. Also in the past, he had not allowed Border Patrol on his property. But now he allows them."

The Breisches have had their own encounters with the Border Patrol. According to Susan: "At one place where we had seen 'travelers, all of a sudden a Border Patrol vehicle comes up out of nowhere, and he doesn't look at our faces. He's looking at our feet. And he says something like, 'Oh, darn. I've been tracking you.'

In V17, on the banks of the Tijuana River, the Keenans and I ate the snacks we had brought. It was warm now (40 degrees warmer than it was that morning, we would note

when we got back to the car and read its thermometer). As we sat there, we peeled layers of clothing, Tom put on the sun hat that had been folded into a pocket, and Ann continued to spot birds. They included a whitebreasted nuthatch walking down the side of a tree, in the posture of a downhill skier, headfirst, looking for insects with its long, pointy bill. She also noted a pair of red-winged blackbirds as they flew by, just above the sedges growing in the green water. Tom said they had seen hundreds of red-winged blackbirds in K23, a desert square called "Earthquake Valley West." But at Lake Cuyamaca, they saw what Ann called their "most memorable" bird sighting: hundreds of intensely colored mountain bluebirds. "Clouds of them," said Ann, "the color of the sky."

When we got ready to move again, Ann thought she saw a rail in the sedges, but she didn't know what kind. She needed a better view. She clapped her hands three times, and it responded

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with sounds of its own. Still, she didn't know what kind it was — it didn't show any of itself again after that; she said she would ask Phil when everybody reassembled at the post office.

For the last part of the day's outing, we ventured a bit into V16 ("Mine Canyon"). The Keenans wanted me to see some nests at an old abandoned farmhouse. On the way to it I saw my own mountain bluebirds, three of them, as well as a peach-bellied Say's phoebe, one scrub jay, and then another, with an acorn in its beak that made it look like a toucan.

Outside the farmhouse, hanging from a sycamore, was one of the nests we had come to see an oriole's. It hung like a long net sack, threaded with blue ribbons. "An oriole builds a nest, and if it hangs too low, it has to build another," said Tom as we entered the farmhouse. It was single story, four or five rooms, whose walls were painted various shades of green, from neon to olive. Our feet crunched

on the animal scat on the floor. In the ceiling corners I saw two more nests, made of sticks and mud by phoebes. I also saw a pair of pants; a large-sized bra; a couch; some dented pots and pans. There was, too, a strong feeling of ghosts watching. "Indian graveyards are worse," said Tom. The Keenans have one on their property.

I wondered why the place had been abandoned. The river got polluted; the water had become a hazard instead of a boon. The old ways didn't work any longer for these people, just as they sometimes stopped working for birds. So they, too, had been forced to "retreat."

We returned to the Jamul post office, where Unitt was conferring with others who had returned from their own squares. He himself had been in U15, our square of yesterday.

Ann asked him what kind of rail would respond to three claps. Unitt needed more details: he wanted to know what *kind* of sound it had made in response to her claps. Ann wasn't sure



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how to describe it. Unitt said, "The Virginia rail would do a low-sounding oink — sort of like *urff*, *urff*, *urff*. And the sora would be higher-pitched, like *heeheeheeheehee*."

How impressive were Unitt's bird imitations! It wasn't just the sounds he made; it was the way he seemed to transform himself into the birds themselves to make them. I was

so impressed, I forgot to write down which rail they decided it was.

He was pleased to learn that we had seen mountain bluebirds. Some years in that area of the county there have been none. The fluctuations are "one reason for spreading the study over five years," he said. "Conditions in no single year can be considered 'typical.' We have seen a lot of variation within the five years due to weather. Quite a few species extended both their ranges and their breeding seasons during and immediately after the wet El Niño of 1997–98, then retracted as drought took hold."

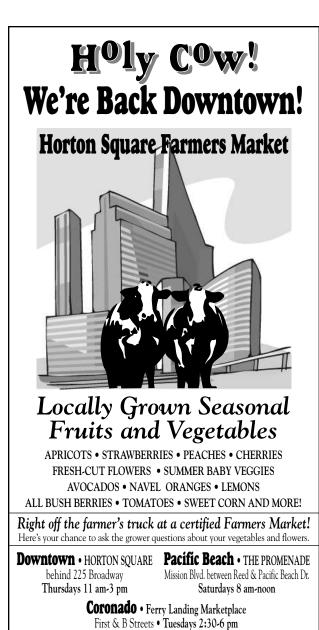
Some variations were actually genuine, smallscale changes, however, due to human activity. "For example, a spot near Ramona where a volunteer found our largest concentration of grasshopper sparrows was later graded and developed. The one spot in S10 where I found Western meadowlarks and a pair of loggerhead shrikes was turned into a Home Depot, with its accompanying vast parking lot. Of course, many such smallscale changes add up to big changes."

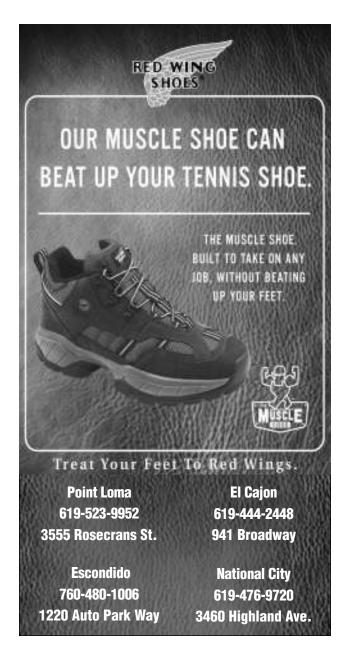
The second blockbuster of the final winter season would take place the following weekend, in the Vista Irrigation District, which was another otherwise-closed property that Unitt had secured permission for volunteers to enter. Consisting of six bird-atlas squares, the land was bought years ago for Vista's water supply. During the previous spring's blockbuster in the same area, participants found 101 species, and 49 confirmed breeding. Ann and Tom had spent 15 hours in the effort. Next weekend I would go there with them, but not as part of the blockbuster. One square of the six was a late adoptee of the Keenans'.

That evening, I read some of the bird reference books I had been accumulating, both old and new ones. Reading them was an unexpected pleasure. In fact, it was a book — *The Handbook of Birds of Eastern North America*, published in 1895 by Frank M. Chapman (1864–1945) — that introduced birding to the general public.

I liked the secondhand books for their lavish illustrations, old-fashioned writing, and the new-tome phraseology — for example, "accidental in spring" — which struck me as an accidentally poetic term. (Unitt would explain







the phrase to me this way, apologizing for "draining the poetry" from it: "The term applies to the rarest of the rare vagrants. There's no formal definition, and the concept has evolved with birders' realization that deviation from normal migration routes happens every time birds migrate. But 'accidental' implies that many years pass between occurrences of that species in some regions. Because migration routes in spring often differ from those in fall, a bird could easily be 'accidental' in California in spring but of regular occurrence in fall, or at some other season.")

Birds of America (1917) includes quotations from other, early-20th-century bird books, published when the birding hobby was still new. Here is a quotation about the snowy plover by a Dr. Baird: "Great was the alarm of the colony as soon as Mr. Henshaw's presence was known. They gathered into little knots, following him at a distance with sorrowful cries. When her nest was seen to be really discovered, the female would fly close to him and make use of all the arts which birds of this kind know so well how to employ on like occasions. With wings drooping and trailing on the sand, she would move in front till his attention was secured and would then fall helplessly down and, burying her breast in the sand, present the very picture of despair and woe, while the male bird and the other pairs expressed their sympathy by loud cries."

I looked up "snowy plover" in Unitt's Birds of San Diego County and read of what happened to that species here: "Numbers have decreased greatly during this century as a result of human development and disturbance of coastal habitats. [Frank Stephens, in his 1919 study, considered the species an abundant resident of sandy beaches near the surf." It was, Unitt wrote in 1984, "an evaluation that certainly does not hold true 60 years later." (Unitt's current assessment of the species is this: "It's doing no better than it was two decades ago, probably worse. I'd consider it the second most threatened species in San Diego County, after the burrowing owl.")

I thought about the idea of extinction. *All my pretty ones?* In another book, I read that the last passenger pigeon died in a Cincinnati zoo in 1914, despite Audubon's estimate

that the migrating flocks he saw in his lifetime numbered between 1 and 2 billion. At the time of Audubon (1785–1851), passenger pigeons were considered to be among the most populous bird species in the world. What had happened to them all?

All these and others? In those days it wasn't just development that did them in. A lot of the doing-in was more direct: they were shot for food, feathers, or sport. (Until the 1940s, ornithologists shot them too. That was how they "collected" them and made

the stuffed specimens available to others for study.)

In Birds of America I read about the sport of shooting black rails, which have been "extirpated," as they say, in San Diego County: "The Black Rail runs swiftly, like a mouse, through the herbage, and

seldom flies, although in migration it has reached the Bermuda islands. [Another authority] quotes a Mr. Robinson who says that in Jamaica it is so foolish as to hide its head and cock up its tail, thinking itself safe, when it is easily taken alive."



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Next I turned to a book called *Thoreau on Birds* (1964), compiled and with a commentary by Helen Cruickshank. On May 10, 1854, Henry David wrote in his journal: "In Boston yesterday an ornithologist said significantly, 'If you held the bird in your hand — '; but I would rather hold it in my affections."

Thoreau's ear, I learned, was known to be keen for bird language; he was considered skilled at translating birdsongs and calls into "English." Orioles, for example, sounded to him as if they were saying, "Eat it, Potter, eat it."

In Cruickshank's book was another, startling fact: Thoreau birded without binoculars or any other optical aid for a dozen years before he bought a "spyglass." On the occasion of his purchase he wrote, "I buy few things, and those

not till long after I begin to want them, so that when I do get them I am prepared to make a perfect use of them and extract their whole sweet."

Finally, in my copy of The Sibley Guide to Bird Life & Behavior, a companion to The Sibley Guide, I read this: "In birds the dominant sense, by far, is vision. Birds' eyes are so large relative to their skulls that there is no room left to rotate them, as mammals can; birds must turn their heads frequently to align their field of view."

I read more about bird vision according to David Allen Sibley: "The acuity of avian eyesight is unparalleled among vertebrates: On average, birds can see two to three times more sharply than humans." I had already known about eagles and owls; I had observed robins, with cocked heads, looking down



Yellow warhler

into wormholes. But now I understood that all birds were seers. That pulled me up short. I began to wonder if some of the birds I had seen over the last two days had been looking back at me and the Keenans,

spying after all. If so, it would have served us right.

At eight the next morning I drove to P7, where I would go birding with another volunteer in a venue entirely different from the weekend's. P7 is

"La Jolla." It runs from La Jolla Shores south through La Jolla Cove down to Bird Rock and east to include Mount Soledad. My guide would be Leslie Polinsky, who adopted P7 with her husband Mark. "We'll meet at La Jolla Cove around eight," Leslie told me on the phone from her home in Fashion Hills, above Mission Valley. "I have blond hair and a red convertible Mustang. It's my midlife crisis car, and I highly recommend it."

Leslie works as a family-law paralegal, and when she pulled into the small parking lot near the entrance to the caves, she was dressed for the office in a short, tailored, black skirt and matching jacket. "I'm wearing heels," she pointed out as we walked up the path above the caves, "but I don't care. I come here before work a lot. In fact, I prefer weekdays,

because on weekends it's crazy with tourists and I can't get a parking place. So I cruise and bird from the car. I pull in, look up, jump back in the car, and drive on."

She put the strap of her binoculars around her neck. "I told my husband, 'Don't buy me jewelry. Buy me some top-notch binoculars — buy me Leicas and take me birding.' But I have to add that my boss buys me jewelry, so my husband's off the hook. I work for a great lawyer. I've been with him 17 years, and I've been with my husband 17 years. So I don't know if I'm boring or consistent."

Seventeen years is also the length of time that the Polinskys have been birders. "We lived in a house in Pacific Beach, and a great blue heron lived in a tree near us. We had no clue what it was. 'Oh, is that a



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crane?" "she imitated herself. "One thing led to another. When we bought our first bird book, that was either the beginning of the beginning or the beginning of the end. We started actively birding, then we started traveling all over the country to bird. About 12 years ago we started rehabilitating injured birds of prey for Project Wildlife. We house four nonreleasable handicapped birds now: two American kestrels — falcons; a Western screech owl; and a barn owl. Because of their handicaps they can't go back to living in the wild. Two of them have eye injuries and two have wing injuries. And we take them out to do public-educational programs for schools, scouts, and anyone else who will listen."

Because of these commitments, the Polinskys hesitated before signing up for the bird-atlas project. "I don't like to do things halfway. But when some friends got bogged down and asked me for help, I said, 'You know, I better take a square.' I ended up with quite a few, but the one I started out with was 'La Jolla.'

Considered a plum, "La Jolla" was offered to them, because "the guy who is a super expert on pelagic birds, ones that actually live out in the ocean, has bad knees." His name is Stan Walens. "Stan is a phenomenal birder.

He can often be found birding the Cove after winter storms, when pelagic birds come inland, and is usually the first to report the rarities." But he couldn't do the walking that the square required.

"And then I took the square south of here, which is Q7. That's 'Pacific Beach.' It goes all the way down to the roller coaster at Mission Beach." The Polinskys also took another adjacent square, P8 ("San Clemente Canyon"). "And then I volunteered to help with five or six desert squares, because Mark and I go out to the desert a lot. And then I just got to the point where I would ask Phil, 'What do you need? Where do you need help?' "

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Occasionally Leslie and Mark faced the obstacle of a gated community in P7. "But most times, when people asked me what I was doing, they got excited when I told them. 'Is La Jolla special?' they'd ask. And I'd say, 'Yes, it's very special.' "Despite the human population density and the traffic congestion, the square has lots of habitat variety and upwards of 150 species on the target list. One spring day, in just two hours the Polinskys saw nine kinds of warblers, hermit and Swainson's thrushes, hooded and Bullock's orioles, a lazuli bunting, Western tanagers, black phoebes, nesting mockingbirds, Western flycatchers, a warbling vireo,

four black-headed grosbeaks, and two California quail. President Clinton had chosen the same day to visit La Jolla, so they also saw — and heard plenty of police helicopters.

All told, the couple has spent 100 hours birding in P7 — that doesn't count time spent shopping, eating, and "carousing," said Leslie. In fact, the birdatlas work in P7 had already been completed by the time she offered to show me what she has come to consider her square.

"This is where I would usually start," she said as we reached an overlook above the caves. "I would come out here and scan. And then I'd get in the car and work my way down to Bird Rock."

We didn't need binoculars to watch the brown pelicans plunge headlong into the ocean below us, diving for their breakfast; but optical aids helped to tell the gulls apart. "Here's a California gull," said Leslie. "No, I'm sorry, it's a ringbilled. You'll see Western gulls too. They're the big ones with the dark backs. They're here year-round; they nest on these cliffs and on the roofs of the buildings. Another pretty gull — it's gray with a red beak — is a Heermann's gull. They're a Mexican species, but they're here for part of the year."

A man in a flowered tank suit passed us; he was about to amble down the

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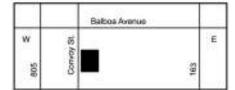
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rocks to the water. He wore his hair in a long white ponytail.

"Good morning. You look cold to me," said Leslie.

"Are you birders?" the swimmer asked.

"This is my square," she said to him. "This is my bird-atlas square. I census all the birds in La Jolla and report them to the Natural History Museum."

"You census right from here? Have you seen any surfbirds lately?"

"Oh, yeah. Just last week. The best time is low tide, and you'll see them on the rocks. And if you want to see big numbers of them, wait till they start to group to migrate north, like in late spring." "But how many lately?"
"I've been seeing anywhere from four to eight."

"Well, I've been wondering if the numbers of surfbirds have gone down. I haven't seen many. Say hello to Phil when you see him."

"Small world," said Leslie, as the swimmer went on his way. She predicted that we would see some surfbirds at another of her habitual outlooks, but for now she showed me some Brandt's cormorants.

"See the big black birds flying in here and over here?" They had necks as long as broomsticks and their wings were flapping madly. Were they geese? No, cormorants. The cliffs beyond where we were standing featured the only nesting colony of Brandt's cormorants in the county, and the birds we were seeing were headed for that colony. "Cormorants eat fish, and even if we don't neath us. La Jolla's unique because of the rocky shoreline. It's not like this anywhere else except at the Cabrillo monument on Point Loma. La Jolla also has pelagic cormorants in winter and double-crested

"Cormorants eat fish, and even if we don't see them, we can always smell them."

see them, we can always smell them." The fish smell was, indeed, intense, but until then, I hadn't attributed it to anything with feathers. "They like the rocky cliffs, and they nest on the ledges undercormorants. But the Brandt's are the stars."

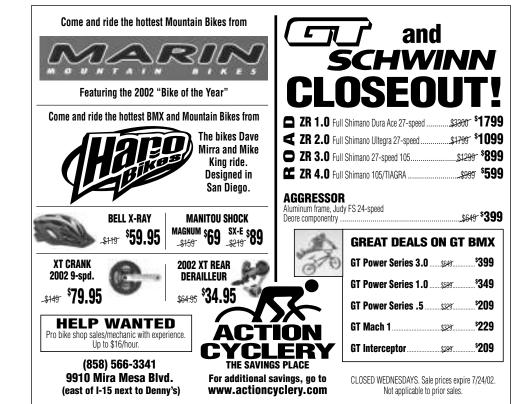
I asked Leslie why the birds didn't also nest at Point Loma. She wasn't sure. (I would ask Unitt the same question. His reply: "I'm sorry, but I don't

speak the language of Brandt's cormorants! Seriously, bird distributions are governed by all sorts of factors that may not be obvious when we classify habitats by such gross terminology as 'grassland,' 'sage scrub,' or 'rocky cliffs.' The effects of history and chance likely also play a major role. That is, in colonial species, once one pair starts the nucleus of a colony, other pairs will be attracted to the neighborhood of that pair in preference to other, seemingly equally suitable habitat elsewhere.")

How many Brandt's cormorants did Leslie think were here? "In winter, there's probably a couple of hun-

dred. Unlike birds of prey, cormorants are social. They group together. Where you find one, you'll find a lot more. Unfortunately pigeons have been taking over." We associate pigeons with man-made structures, but I had read that they did make homes on "rocky cliffs" like these. Bird-lover that she is, I wondered how Leslie felt about pigeons. "I'll sum it up in two words: hawk food. But they do provide me with entertainment. Some days I come here and not much is happening, and I watch them copulate, which they do with a lot of regularity, no matter what time of year

We returned to the







Mustang and drove a short distance south, parking easily. The hour was still too early for tourists.

"For the bird atlas you're supposed to find the best of each habitat within your square," she said, scanning the rocks and tidepools with her binoculars. "I'm not expected to cover every square inch. It's impossible. You pick the best that you can get of each habitat within your square. This is one of my favorite spots, because we're away from the Village, and there are benches.'

Were there any habitats in La Iolla that surprised her? "Yeah, there are some hidden canyons, a couple of canyons that were really productive."

What birds were in there? "Some wintering hummingbirds. There's a beautiful place called Pottery Canyon — Oh! There's a surfbird! All these tidepools are filled with mollusks and crabs and green

I found them — they were pudgy, chicklike things, all right, the color of the rocks.

"A lot of the rocks are getting covered by the incoming tide. Usually I would be able to say, 'Oh, there's a turnstone, there's a whimbrel, there's a thisor-that.' At low tide this is one of my favorite — Okay, here we go! There are some Western sandpipers, and I'm going to find you — Oh! Here's a great bird! A spotted sandpiper! You'll see him shake his butt, like he's dancing."

I saw that its tail did bob, like the tail of the American pipit that Ann Keenan had shown me in U15.

"Oh! Here! See the one running? That's a black turnstone. He's going to run away from us, but let's go over here, because there's a whole bunch of them." We moved down the way. "Turnstones are like the surfbirds in that you'll only find them in this kind of

### Rich was a cave explorer long before he was a birder, and Lake Morena has mud caves.

slimy algae and little bugs, and this is where the surfbirds like to feed. Oh, here we go! I told you they were here, buddy," she said, addressing in absentia the swimmer we had seen above the caves. "One, two, three, four, five, six, seven surfbirds. They're the little fat birds with the yellow legs and yellowish beaks. They're gray with white bellies. I like them, because they're tough. They'll stand there, even as the waves crash over them. They're always looking down in the crevices on the algaecovered rocks, and the waves will blast them, and they won't even move. This is home for them. They strictly like the rocky shoreline. So you can search all over for them, but you have to be in this kind of habitat to see them. I have seen groups of 50, 60 at a time. when they're getting ready to migrate. They're frenzied in spring. This is the best place in the county without a doubt to see them. Are you getting a good look?"

setting. There are several birds like that — they're called the rocky shoreline specialties."

The turnstone's bill was the perfect tool for doing what its name implied it could do. Its wing feathers resembled scalloped roof shingles.

"And here, these are willets; they are real plainlooking until they fly, and then they have a nice white patch."

I found the willets. They looked a bit like surfbirds on stilts.

"And off in this far corner, you'll see a ruddy turnstone. The blacks are different from the ruddys, but they do hang out together."

As I tried to find it, Leslie said: "Ooh! Ooh! We've got a royal tern. He's grooming himself. Terns are so beautiful. I can't sav they're favorites of mine. I'm so full of baloney, because I like them all. And there's another black turnstone! But find the ruddy turnstone first. The other black turnstone is right



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next to him. Oh! There's the black turnstone in flight. Black and white? They're really pretty in flight. Are you with me? Here, take my Leicas — they're an extension of me. And the tern? With its head bent down? Far corner? Royal terns come in and rest when the tide's out. Can you see? And right here, close to us, to the right of the gull? That's a willet behind him, taking a bath. Oh, look to the left of the willet! You'll see another good bird, sleeping. It has a speckled back? That's a black-bellied plover in winter plumage."

I told Leslie that I did get discouraged when people talked about winter plumage and juvenile plumage. "It can make you nuts," she said. "It's just like birding by ear. When you first start watching birds, you say, 'How will I ever know a bird, just by hearing it?' And then you do. I just heard an Anna's hummingbird chasing another one, right over

there." She gestured behind her. "I never thought I would ever be able to bird by ear. But you do." What did an Anna's hummingbird sound like? "When they're guarding their food source, they'll do like a ticktick-tick, meaning 'Stay away, please.' And if they're chasing someone, it's kind of a faster-paced chickchick-chick-chick. Hummingbirds are really how do I put this? They're antisocial."

We got back in the car and went a few blocks farther south. "This is one of my most reliable spots," she said. "I can just cruise the rocks and count. After a storm is when we might see something rare, and also the pelagic birds. And this is where I get a little upset, when it is so overrun with people that the birds can't do what they need to do. People climb on the rocks. I see little boys chasing the birds, when they need to rest. And tidepooling is really neat, and I don't blame anyone for

wanting to tidepool. If we had the right shoes, we could walk down there ourselves... It's an age-old problem. I don't know what the answer is."

It was after nine now; Leslie had to get to work. "Down here is another raw stretch of rocks. From here down, coastal access is had to do it over again, I'd have done even more. I loved it, and it's so important, because now we know what's here. We know where the important areas are and what birds need to be protected." She said she wanted to tell as many people as possible about this project. "When I refer to

I felt that birds did indeed inhabit their own world, full of signs and symbols and meanings distinctly different from humans'.

restricted, because of the houses. So I'll turn around here and cruise back up. I've had many a lunch here."

As she headed back toward the caves to drop me off at my car, she mentioned having been "stuck" with other squares not nearly as exciting as P7. But she really wasn't complaining, she stressed. "If I

La Jolla as P7 and people look at me like, 'You're out of your mind,' well, that's a chance for me to give my spiel."

The Breisches, in T21 ("Lake Morena"), likewise, were happy to inform the curious — and the initially hostile in one case — of what they were doing as they set up their telescope.

"'Oh, come in!'" Susan recalled the initially hostile man said when he understood their purpose. A woman invited them not only onto her property but into her house to see her doll collection and her late husband's clocks.

T21 was one of two squares that the Breisches adopted at the start, they told me when I went to see them at their house in Tecolote Canvon. The other was N28 ("Arroyo Seco del Diablo") in the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Rich's first trip to N28, in spring 1997, was discouragingly uneventful. He walked alone up and down desert washes for five and a half hours and saw a total of four birds: a couple of ravens and two whitethroated swifts. Perhaps others were discouraged by similar experiences. The volunteer list is a lot longer than the core 200 people that Unitt grew to rely on. (He says the total of those who contributed fieldwork of any kind is 590, but that includes even people like me, a mere looker-on, and only for a matter of days.) Still, Rich and Susan continued, and continued to adopt squares.

"We purposely picked squares all around the county," Susan said. "If you look on a map, you'll see we have a couple of squares in the desert, a couple on the coast, a couple down at the border, a couple in the middle by the reservoirs. So we didn't do this just to be altruistic. We got to see a lot of areas in the county that we might not have even thought about visiting and others that we couldn't have" — a reference to their two squares at Camp Pendleton. "The only places we didn't have squares were in the Cuyamacas and the Lagunas, because it was too cold."

They were familiar with Lake Morena, because Rich was a cave explorer long before he was a birder, and Lake Morena has mud caves. He only came to birding in 1977 when he







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was in his 30s and living in China Lake. "My brother's a biologist, and while he was visiting me, we went somewhere and he said, 'What's that bird?' And I said, 'I don't know.' " He was shamed into becoming a birder, he said.

When Susan was herself "just a youth of 20," about 38 years ago, she was introduced to birding in Vancouver while visiting a friend who had married an ornithologist. " 'Well, do you want to go out and look at birds?' " he had asked. She said sure. Had she looked at birds before? I asked. "Not really. Not really. He was so enthusiastic. It was infectious enthusiasm. And he didn't overwhelm me with his

knowledge. It was just gradual. 'Notice this. Notice that.' "Could she remember any birds that she saw with him? "Yes. Canada goose." Hard to miss. No binoculars necessary, certainly. "Nope. And that's a good way to start: something big and obvious. Go to a bird refuge, where they're not hidden in the trees."

If not for birding she and Rich might not be together. "It's a story of romance!" said Susan. "We were thrown together" for a Christmas bird count. "Then he started asking me out: 'Do you want to go birding at the dump?' They were married in 1983.

Besides adopting squares, where they averaged 30 hours per square in the winter and 105 hours per square in the breeding season, one or both of them participated in nearly every blockbuster. (Unitt estimates that there were 36.) They consider their sighting of a prairie falcon pair one of their best bird-atlas experiences. "This was in the desert." They wouldn't say exactly where -"because the birds would be snatched up by falconers." It was still winter, February, but they saw them copulating repeatedly. "We camped that night," said Rich. "We had the telescope trained on them until it got too dark to see."

Their most exciting experiences, though, were at Camp Pendleton. "The reason we volunteered for Camp Pendleton was because we figured we'd never get in there otherwise," said Rich. Not unless he joined up. "I had a job interview there once..."

Their first Camp Pendleton square was E3 ("Agra"); they later adopted D3 ("Horno Canyon"). "In many areas the Marines do a good job of protecting the habitat," said Rich. "They used to have three or four biologists whose duty was to make sure that the guys weren't running vehicles all over sensitive areas. In our squares, places were roped off by order of the commandant or whatever."

What was so great

about Camp Pendleton, from a birder's point of view, was the varied habitat, said Susan. "It runs from the coast to the grasslands. They have agricultural fields. Intermittent streams. A river. They have lakes. So it provides you with a broad spectrum of species. It's a wonderful place for any kind of biologist. When it drops down on the other side, it gets nearly to desert-type conditions. But the mountains go up pretty high. So we have oaks and oak woodlands... Then, of course, the Marines have their 'exercise' areas. And impact zones."

Of C4, one of the three squares that the bird atlas never did manage to access,

Rich said, "That's 100 percent impact zone. And the guy who has been head of environmental services at Camp Pendleton for 10 or 15 years told me he has only gone into that area once, and he had an EOD [explosive ordnance demolition] team walking ahead of him, looking for any unexploded bombs."

All volunteers with Camp Pendleton squares had to go through clearances, not only when they adopted the squares but each time they wanted to visit them. The Breisches visited 20 times, they estimated. "'No, we're going to have practice there that day,' they might say." Otherwise, the Breisches would be cleared and make their

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The clearance for one square didn't mean there wasn't "practice" going on in some other square. "When you go into Pendleton they give you one of their radios, because every hour you have to radio them your location, what you're doing," said Rich. "So if they have a report of a vehicle in a certain area, they know who it is. 'It's the butterfly watchers.' Or other science people. So we heard several times on the radio: 'We're going hot.' That's live fire. And then you hear, 'Send the ambulance!' Something exploded, and somebody got 'burnt'!"

"Well, we were all cleared for Red Beach," said Susan, referring to an area where they loved to bird, because it had a marsh. "It's at the downstream end of Las Flores Creek, near the Las Pulgas exit on

I-5. It's really a primo area. So, we're walking along and we hear this noise. And see these half-tracks? They're sort of like tanks, and they go fast! Rrrrrrrr!"

"We were on top of cliffs looking down on them," said Rich.

"But we had been down there," said Susan. "It was so scary. We could have been crushed to death underneath those rolling tracks. And here it was supposed to be okay for us to be there."

"It turned out that the Marines did not have permission to be out there, and we did," said Rich.

Another time they had clearance to be in a square of theirs until four o'clock. "At three we noticed the camouflage trucks rumbling up the road," said Susan. "We had to jump into a ditch. All the guys had their faces painted green and brown. They

had their weapons! 'Gee, they're early,' I'm thinking. 'Okay, we better get out of here.' But then we see that the perimeter has been razor-wired. We can't get out. We have to undo it, pull it to the side, go through, and put it back.

"especially during hunting season." Sometimes they looked in hunters' bags — "with their permission." Dead or alive, birds were counted for the bird atlas. "We saw ducks and we saw coots, which were shot through misiden-

On another trip to the square, others saw the same hawks and confirmed that they were, indeed, juvenile Swainson's (first-year birds).

And then we do the same when we come to another piece of it. By this time there are guys everywhere." They had to deal with lots more razor wire before they got back to their car.

"We always wore orange vests at Camp Pendleton," Susan said,

tification, allegedly."

Despite the distractions, they had what they rank as their "top" birdatlas experience at Camp Pendleton: confirmation of the first breeding of American bitterns in San Diego County.

In Unitt's Birds of San

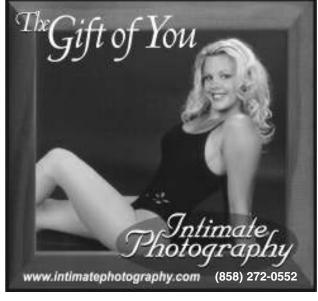
Diego County, he writes, "Usually only a single individual of this secretive species is noticed at one place." The Breisches saw a pair, along with a juvenile, hiding in cattails. Susan described the bird this way: "It's like a heron or an egret, but short-legged, rather than long-legged, and its breast is streaked with white and tan." The streaks are camouflage. In addition to its color protection, it moves slowly through the marsh grass — its gait is "agonizingly" slow, says The Sibley Guide to Birds. Susan said, "And then it freezes with its bill up, so that it blends right in with cattails or whatever. So it's usually found by its booming voice rather than by sight. Phil describes the song very well. He says it sounds like a pump — a water pump. Oo-whoo. Oowhoo. And nothing else

sounds like that." The Breis-

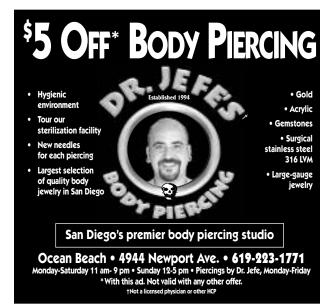
ches not only heard the birds, they saw them. "It was very exciting. We have water shoes, so we could walk out into the marsh. And I got in there and flushed them, and they flew up."

Susan Smith and David Au, bird-atlas volunteers who work as fishery biologists at the Southwest Fisheries Center in La Jolla, made an even more significant find while on watch in one of their squares. They sighted a Northern wheatear during a lunch-hour walk in O7 ("Torrey Pines").

The Sibley Guide to Birds says that the Northern wheatear is a Eurasian species that "barely enters North America." In Smith and Au's article for Wrenderings, they called it "an arctic bird that commutes between Alaska and Siberia." One mid-December day Smith agreed to









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show me the spot where she and Au had seen it a few months earlier.

We met at her office, where she studies "the potential of different shark species in their abilities to rebound from fishing pressure." She uses demographic methods and information on their reproductive rates and life spans to do this. She and Au collaborate on this type of work. On her filing cabinet was a can of shark-fin soup; she brings it along to the educational programs she conducts. "There is conservation concern about fishing sharks for shark-fin soup," she said. "It's a lucrative market in the Pacific Rim."

Smith's office connects with Au's, and when she

introduced us, Au was quick to say that Smith was a better birder than he was; but, said Smith, Dave was the botanist: "He knows the plants." A good team for that reason? "Yes, and he does spot birds that I don't see. After all, he was the first to spot the wheatear."

Au showed me the Christmas gift Smith had just given him. Original artwork by Smith, it was a watercolor of three varieties of violet-eared hummingbirds, natives of Peru. Smith's earlier career choice had been artist, and she has a bachelor of fine arts degree. But one summer she got a job drawing fish embryos as they developed in a lab. To do so, she had to sleep on a cot nearby

them, since there was no stopping their growth once they got started. At two o'clock one morning, she saw the first heartbeat. She says, "I was converted." She went back to school to prepare herself for the career she has pursued. Smith's drawing ability came in handy when she and Au sighted the wheatear.

The lunchtime walk took us through a neighboring residential area and out along pathways in the Scripps Coastal Reserve, a grassy bluff that overlooks Black's Canyon. Black's Beach is around the corner from that. Across the way, on an adjacent cliff, is "one of the most expensive houses ever built in San Diego County," said Smith as we both trained our binoculars on this Italianate villa at the edge of the Pacific. "Dave and I watched its construction."

On our way to the southern part of the loop trail, Smith pointed out a Savannah's sparrow, a California thrasher, and an American goldfinch. "The finch is a new species for lunchtime," she said. "We usually see just the lesser goldfinch, a more common species that shows up here."

In addition to O7, Smith and Au worked on five squares in the Santa Ysabel/Wynola area (J18, 119, 118, 119, and K19, or "Santa Ysabel,""Wynola," "Santa Ysabel Mission," "Upper Santa Ysabel Creek," and "Pine Hills"). They were also responsible for S21 ("Morena Creek") off Buckman Springs Road. Being in those places, she said, was "like walking around in old California before the malls and the superhighways."

When we got to the spot, near the base of a lemonadeberry bush, where she and Au had seen what turned out to be the Northern wheatear, I told her how impressed I had been by their process of identification, as they recounted it in Wrenderings. "At least I knew what it wasn't," Smith said. A lengthy quotation from the newsletter article shows how modest a statement that is:

"Dave pointed to a

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bird about 125 feet away, beside the trail, hawking insects from a low perch about 2 to 3 feet above the ground. Sue saw it had a general Say's Phoebe coloration (grayish brown above, cinnamon below, with a dark eye/face mask and black tail), but something did not fit the Say's Phoebe mold. The bird was closer to the bluebird mold. Dave also noticed that the throat and chest pattern looked wrong for a Say's. And there were two Say's Phoebes nearby, so we could see the difference.... It had a definite bluebird look and size, including a very vertical posture and a bright cinnamon-orange bib on the breast with color most intense high up on the

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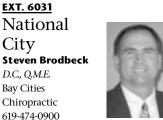
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chest, higher than a Say's, which is dusky in the upper chest. It also had an unusual face pattern and a whitish throat faintly reminiscent of a female Vermilion Flycatcher. It was flicking its tail like a Palm or Prairie Warbler and bobbing its body, which a Say's does not do. As we moved closer we could see more details. The tail was very black and medium-short. Dave later said he was struck by the shortness of it. Sue saw thin slashes of white in the outer tail feathers as the bird was perched. The wings were very long in proportion to the tail, like a Mountain Bluebird's.

There was also a subtle buff eyebrow that continued across the forehead like a pale diadem above the eyes. This Sue dimly remembered being a Wheatear characteristic (fitting with the bluebird 'look' and white and black tail feathers), and at that point she suggested that the bird might be a Wheatear. But we couldn't remember exactly what a Wheatear was supposed to look like, much less in fall! All we knew was that if it was a Northern Wheatear, it would be a life-list bird for both of us, and a very good bird for San Diego.

"So we simply kept on

looking and hoping. Then, as we got closer and continued to watch the bird flycatching for about a minute or so longer, Sue saw the rump, upper and undertail coverts, and upper

ter looks (especially of the tail pattern, an important feature) but still felt lucky to have seen it, if only briefly. We hurried back to the lab."

Smith made field notes

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tail flash bright white. She also saw that the eyes were black with a dark broken eyeline through them, and above and below were narrow whitish supra- and sub-ocular crescents. Other details were a creamy peach below the bright cinnamon bib fading to white ventrally, a uniform dark brownish gray color to the upper wing, pale edges to the primary tips, and black bill and feet.

"After another 3 to 5 minutes of viewing, we lost the bird as it dove toward another lemonadeberry bush, on the ridge of the bluff, and after a search we were unable to refind it. We had hoped to get betand color sketches, including front view, side view, back view, and bird in flight. She also phoned some rarebird experts, including Guy McCaskie of Imperial Beach, a civil engineer by profession, who has been one of the major forces in Western birding since the early 1960s.

'Guy made it up here in 30 minutes or less! I said, 'Guy, vou must have broken the sound barrier." In a few hours many other birders converged on the site. But the bird was gone. Smith and Au got worried. Finally, at about 4:30, McCaskie and others resighted it. If the report is accepted by the California Bird Records Committee (Unitt thinks it will be a mere formality), it will establish the first Northern wheatear for San Diego County and only the second for Southern California.

North of Lake Henshaw, in F17 ("West Fork San Luis Rey"), Smith and other bird-atlas volunteers spotted another rarity. Not quite as singular a spectacle as the wheatear, it was a group of Swainson's hawks. She couldn't name the species at the time. She knew only that it wasn't a red-tailed hawk or some of the other more common ones. The birds were slender with white heads. When she told Unitt about them, he didn't say the word "Swainson's," Smith told me. He didn't want to put an idea into her head, she realized later. But, she said, "I could see that little smile of his, and I could tell he was mulling it over." On another trip to the square, others saw the same hawks and confirmed that they were, indeed, juvenile Swainson's (first-year birds). "The basin of Lake Henshaw is overrun with vast

numbers of grasshoppers — hundreds of millions," Unitt wrote in his report. "Apparently a flock of young ones found this bonanza (Swainson's are well known to feed on grasshoppers) on its spring migration and stayed. The record has no precedent."

Smith isn't ordinarily a seeker after rare birds, and her attitude toward "trash birds," as she calls them, is magnanimous. On our way back to her office, she told me she had taken pleasure in watching a tenacious house finch by UCSD graduate-student housing, where she sometimes takes an alternative lunch-hour walk. It was spring and the finch was trying to pluck strings from a mop on a balcony nesting material, she presumed, given the season.

"This was a very determined female that would take a string and start to fly away with it and get yanked back. She never did get her string but kept trying."

Several years ago, while living in Marin County, Smith worked on its bird atlas, so her work on the San





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A "post-bird-atlas support group" was Lori Hargrove's suggestion for what might come next after the close of the project's fieldwork. When there were still three months to go, Hargrove and I spoke at a vegetarian restaurant in Normal Heights, where she has recently bought a house. I had wanted to meet her and hear more about her helicopter ride into the Santa Rosa Mountains.

In Wrenderings she had written of the dramatic 360-degree view and of seeing the Salton Sea and Coachella Valley that lay below her. The range where she had been dropped off for her threeday mission was "a series of several small but wellvegetated peaks connected by narrow rocky ridges, in places only a few feet across." Below her lay a "maze of tortuous and convoluted dry hills and canyons." Every July 4 weekend for the last six years, Hargrove has participated in the bighorn sheep count in the Anza-Borrego Desert. It requires an arduous hike just to get where the sheep may be, but she doubted she would ever have been able to hike to this spot.

She pitched her tent in as sheltered a spot as she could find. "The stunted and twisted shapes of the pinyon pines and junipers reminded me to expect very windy conditions, and dark clouds threatened over the mountains to the west," she wrote. She was grateful for calm winds the first day but suffered severe winds in the next two days.

Noticing fragments of Indian pottery embedded in the rocky soil, she wondered how long it had been since the last Indians had collected pinyon nuts here — and how many explorers like herself had been here since then, "if any." Hers was the "first biological reconnaissance of any kind" in the southeast section of the mountains.

She took both notes and photographs. Birds were "quite scarce." She reported a total of 150 individual birds, only 50 a day — a mix of 19 species, including mountain quail and sage sparrow.

She also found a pile of 30 old cans labeled "US Govt. Property — Emergency Drinking Water" and two bighorn skeletons.

Her favorite moment was a visit by a golden eagle, a species whose wingspan is typically over six and a half feet and whose habitat is bigger than a single bird-atlas square. "It soared by, 15 yards in front of me, at eye level." Because of her isolation, she said, the moment was even more intense than it might otherwise have been.

When the end came and the helicopter found her, she felt relieved — "of course." But she regretted having to leave her "new, and now-familiar, home." After landing at the airport, someone asked her to point out the peak where she had been. She wrote of this backward glance: "I was amazed at how unrecognizable and distant it seemed. It had returned to its own kind of solitude." She guesses the peak will remain mostly undiscovered.

Hargrove, who is slightly built, expressed no physical fears about this and other adventurous bird-atlas experiences she described to me. Being in remote squares for the project, even by herself, "is so much safer than being in a city," to her way of thinking. "I could easily be killed in a car accident," she said. Besides, if she had been fearful, that wouldn't have stopped her: "I like to overcome any fears that I have." She also said, "I know my limits." And "I am very



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careful, and observant. I pay attention to landmarks." Having camped and hiked since she was a little girl, she possesses the equivalent of street smarts in the wilderness, we agreed it could be said. She claimed, further, never to have been lost, and to have run into many rattlesnakes but never been bitten.

Hargrove grew up in Orange County, where her parents, John and Beverly, still live. All three Hargroves participated in the bird atlas. The family has a deep connection to San Diego. Hargrove's paternal grandparents had a five-acre avocado grove in Bonsall. They bought it in their retirement, in 1959. Hargrove used to love to visit them as a child. "It seemed like a paradise," she said, recalling the native plants, the lizards, and coyotes, as well as the solo train rides she took to come for her visits. The avocado trees used to grow to be three stories high, and she loved to climb them. She actually worked the groves,

hired by her grandparents beginning when she was eight. "Today the area is mostly tract housing. The farm is still there, owned by someone else, but root rot is doing it in. It's a dead grove more or less."

Hargrove's grandparents were birders. Her grandmother put up dozens of hummingbird feeders, and the migrant workers' nickname for the place was Rancho Chuparosa ("Hummingbird Ranch"). One of the first words Hargrove uttered as a baby was "bird,"

according to the family story. She received binoculars and a field guide from her parents when she was very young. At UC Santa Barbara she earned a degree in biology. She is currently taking courses at SDSU with an eye toward building a second career: field biologist. For now, she noted, there are similarities between birding and the kind of work she does as a cytotechnologist. In both cases, she looks for "patterns and differences between patterns." For both birding and diagnosing cancer, she uses optical instruments: binoculars and an electron microscope respectively. "And there is some subjective

criteria in each instance."
In the spring of 1999,
Hargrove, Unitt, and others blockbusted K28 ("Vallecito Mountains Southeast"). It required a two-and-a-half-mile hike just to get to the edge of the square. "On a map, K28 looks like the most remote and desolate square imaginable," Unitt has written of the expedition, "and in a sense it is. Yet it yielded one of the

most notable results of the entire atlas effort."

What they found that weekend were gray vireos, a declining species in California, owing to brood parasitism by the brownheaded cowbird. Brood parasites lay their eggs in nests built by other birds, disrupting the host species' breeding success. Change brought about by humans is blamed for this situation. Fragmentation of forest habitat and the keeping of livestock have improved conditions for cowbirds and allowed their populations to spread, according to Sibley.

Seeing the gray vireos on the blockbuster wasn't a chance sighting. On a previous trip to K28, Hargrove had noticed large stands of elephant trees along the canyon leading to Starfish Cove and mentioned them to Unitt. He knew that gray vireos and elephant trees had "a mutualistic" relationship. The birds feed mainly on the tree's fruit, while the tree relies on the birds to disperse its seeds through regurgitation of the digested pulp. (Yes, this does mean that the seeds don't exit the other end of the digestive tract. "These seeds

come back up the esophagus and out the bird's mouth," Unitt told me. "Birds do this all the time; for example, owls commonly regurgitate pellets of undigested bones, and large flycatchers commonly regurgitate pellets of undigested chitinous exoskeletons. And many fruit-eating birds regurgitate the pits or seeds of fruit after they digest the pulp. Digest pulp; regurgitate pit. Remember, the physics of flight demands that birds put a premium on lightness. Why carry a heavy pit while it makes its way through your intestines if you can rid yourself of the burden so much the quicker by just regurgitating it?")

Unitt reasoned that, even though the gray vireo had never been confirmed wintering in California, a substantial population of elephant trees must need some "seed-dispersers." So the stand of elephant trees in the Starfish Cove area — confirmed as the largest in the state — would be the best place to look for the birds

Along with their camping gear, they brought a recording of a gray vireo. *The Sibley Guide* says the bird sounds like this: "tiree

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pwideer dew tiree pwideer dew." Early the first morning, their first gray vireo, hearing it, came into view. It's a plain gray bird, smaller than most sparrows, that raises and flips its tail. "It didn't sing in response but uttered a short sharp trill," Unitt wrote. They later found four more.

Hargrove made two other visits to the square. She found one additional gray vireo not seen on the first weekend. (How did she know it wasn't one of the first four counted? "Of course, unless a bird is uniquely color-banded or has some unusual individual characteristic, we don't know for sure," Unitt said. "But in the vast majority of cases we infer the bird remains within the home range or territory appropriate for its species' biology. In the case of the gray vireo, we actually have excellent evidence for this in the form of John Bates's study of its winter ecology in Sonora. One of his two publications coming out of the research for his master's thesis was titled 'Winter territorial behavior of Gray Vireos.")

Higher numbers of gray vireos may well live in the area; many slopes with elephant trees — itself an endangered species in the state, according to the California Native Plant Society — were extremely steep and unstable, and no one attempted to conquer them. But finding the birds so readily on initial tries implied to Unitt that they are a regular winter visitor to the area, and he added the new species to San Diego County's and California's winter avifauna. In doing so. Unitt called the expedition "a stunning example of why thorough coverage exploring the unknown is worthwhile."

The bird-atlas project didn't only utilize recordings; some volunteers made their own. "Perhaps the most interesting recording was that of a winter wren summering in Jeff Valley on Palomar Mountain," Unitt told me, "That's way outside the winter wren normal range; even in winter, a winter wren is a very rare visitor here. Two volunteers found this winter wren singing away in Jeff Valley." They turned

on their machine, "no more sophisticated than your cassette recorder," said Unitt.

There was still a question for Unitt to ask himself:" 'Well, where the hell is this winter wren from?' It's a complex and interesting species, with several subspecies, and some are more strongly migratory than others. But the ones in the West have songs and calls that are very different from those in the East. and it easily could have been that an Eastern bird got off its migration route."

He sent the tape to Kimball Garrett, collection manager at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County and one of North America's leading birdsong experts."He determined that it was a Western bird. So that was a bizarre finding that came out of the project. And it was only because of the recording that identification was positively made."

In the end, however, most bird-atlas work was not made up of exciting discoveries; it was, well, workaday, for the army of the unpaid who walked up and down the county's metaphorical corn rows looking for the specific birds on their target lists. On my second weekend with the Keenans, with bird-atlas work no longer a novelty for me, I began truly to understand the depths of the citizen-scientist's commitment. On another December Saturday we would visit not only their Vista Irrigation District square (G20—"Upper Warner Valley") but some of their other nearby adoptees.

The Keenans adopted G20 in 2000, three years into the project, as they got more involved and as certain gaps in coverage became apparent to Unitt. Its entrance is near the intersection of highways S-2 and S-22, between Lake Henshaw and Ranchita. One attraction to the Keenans was that the Pacific Crest Trail crosses the entire length of the square from north to south.

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Finally we came upon chain-link fencing beyond which there was a house. Under a stand of pines we saw three robins drinking from a trickle coming from a hose. "It's a new bird for the square," said Ann, making a note. "You love to come upon a house in the boonies, because there's always birds around. We must be on the fringes of Ranchita."

We saw other birds in that back yard, dark-eyed juncos among them. "See their white tails?" said Tom. "We saw these birds for the first time in northern New Mexico. We had to ask the ranger what they were. That's birding after the fact."

I loved the look of this bird that has a black hood like an executioner's. That surprisingly sinister detail delighted me. I felt that

birds did indeed inhabit their own world, full of signs and symbols and meanings distinctly different from humans'. It deepened their mystery.

A yellow-rumped warbler also made an appearance. Common in last weekend's square, it was another new one for this square, which made Ann happy.

We left when a barking Weimaraner emerged from the house. Someone inside must have seen us and let the dog out to warn us away. On our return trip to the car, we weren't sure

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which way to go. Eventually Ann and Tom figured it out by reading the trees and other landmarks.

On this day we were driving in a third Keenan vehicle, a Dodge Caravan that once belonged to Tom's son. He's in the Coast Guard and had just shipped off to Bogotá, to work at the American embassy. The sides of the car were scratched, as if keyed by vandals. It was the work of scratchy desert plants, said Tom, as we entered another of their squares, K22 ("Granite Mountain"), a desert square at the southwest edge of Anza-Borrego.

We made thick dust

driving into it even though our speed was no more than three or four miles an hour. The road was just the car's width, no wider. The desert plants clawed the car's chassis and its doors with the sound of fingernails on the blackboard. We parked. It was dead quiet, except for the sound of a couple of fighter jets overhead that soon were gone.

We saw ants, lots of Yucca whipplei (Our Lord's Candle), but not too many birds. It wasn't the wind's fault now. "It's because we're not being still and listening," Ann admonished. We had been chattering. After we got silent, still nothing.

Then while Tom took a nap on a rock, Ann and I saw a verdin eating insects off a creosote bush. It's a tiny gray bird, only about four inches in length, with red epaulets on its shoulders and a bright yellow head that could be mistaken for a wildflower. No verdin had yet been seen in the square, so it was another nice sighting for our day's work on the project.

While Tom continued to nap, Ann and I came up with very little else, just a ladder-backed woodpecker. It wore a zebra-patterned feather coat. Ann said to

notice the white stripe below its eye, which is thicker than the eye stripe of the more common Nuttall's woodpecker. As we watched it and listened to its drumming, Ann was reminded of what she considers her most difficult square: her visit with Rich Breisch and Joe Barth to "Carrizo Gorge" (S28). "My nose went right into a woodpecker's hole as I was climbing," she said. "It's amazing how round a hole a bird can make."

This was the trip she had told me about on the phone, the first time we spoke. The way to the square took her and the

others along railroad tracks to Goat Canyon Trestle, which they crossed. At more than 100 feet, it's the highest curved wooden trestle in the country. When they got to the other side, they dropped to the bottom of the canyon some 800 feet. You don't have to rappel, but you do have to bushwhack. There's no trail. The way down was full of loose boulders, one of which, having become dislodged, headed straight for Ann. She watched it carefully, judging which way it would go, and managed to avoid it.

Stories like these, I was beginning to realize, were like war tales. They made their tellers proud, understandably, and would be retold years from now.

The last two squares visited with the Keenans — H20 and I20 ("San Felipe" and "Volcan Mountain") — were the ones that they know best. Their 700-acre ranch, which has a San Felipe address, straddles them. "Bienvenida a Rancho de la Paz," said Tom, welcoming me to their "Ranch of Peace."

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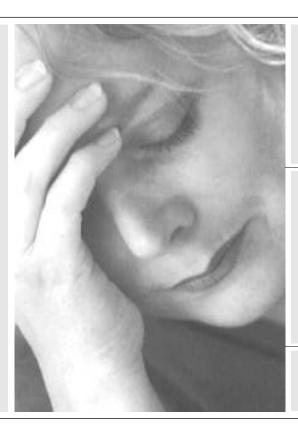
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We walked down to the Indian cemetery that we had passed on the way into the property. The tribes who have relatives buried here are mostly Kumeyaay. On All Soul's Day, November 2, family members come to visit their dead and to decorate their graves. "They say a man dies three times," said Tom. "When he stops breathing, when he's put into the ground, and when nobody comes to see him."

The cemetery isn't

large, perhaps 500 square feet, and enclosed by a wrought-iron fence. Inside, a rotted wooden cross was lying on the ground with faded crepe paper wrapped around it. On the graves I saw pottery shards, small rocks set in patterns, artificial flowers. I also saw some unorthodox grave decorations: collectibles and beer bottles. Recurring names on the headstones were Maxcy, Grand, and Hyde. The life spans were uniformly short.

Behind the cabin Ann showed me another remnant of Native American life: an acorn-grinding hole so deep it must have taken centuries to make.

The paths were lined with the oaks from which the Indians had harvested some of those acorns; the black oak and Engelmann oak are becoming rare. "All the different warblers love the oaks," said Ann.

On this land, too, were acres of blackberries, old pear trees, persimmons, pomegranates, wild grapes. "We've taken down miles

of barbed wire," said Ann as we walked deeper into the property. At the pond, near dusk, we saw an American coot. It rode high in the water, with most of its bluish-black body exposed, pumping its head back and forth in a gesture that teenaged girls in inner cities sometimes use for emphasis. Upturning itself, it dove, looking for food.

"The other pond is the mountain lion's dining room right now," said Ann as we walked to it. In other words, it was a seasonal pond, dry at the moment. As we stepped down and crossed to the other side of it, we passed big, oval indentations in the tall, yellowed grasses. They had been made by deer who slept there. The mountain lion's dining room was the deer's bedroom.

On the way back to the cabin, we saw few birds. "Now it's their bedtime," said Ann.

Three months later, on the last day of the birdatlas project, Ann and Tom "celebrated" by birding for nine hours in the Salton Sea area in Imperial County. Ann wrote me in an e-mail: "We hadn't been there for almost two years. The last time was when we were late for a blockbuster in the desert and missed Phil, so we decided to go there instead."

After three more months had passed, celebration had given way to "letdown," Ann told me on the phone. She and Tom were missing the "little bit of pressure" to bird that the bird atlas had provided. They were getting out less, Ann said.

Furthermore, she believed a lot of people were feeling the same way. "There are messages on the bird atlas listsery now. 'Does anybody know about any other projects?' It's a little bit of a withdrawal situation."

There was an upside to her melancholy, she said. "Because I'm not out and around as much, I think I'm paying more attention to the birds right here," she said, reminding me of Mrs.

Nice. "I saw a bird for my life list the other day outside my window in La Mesa. It was a white-throated sparrow, with the white patch under its throat outlined in black — a really pretty bird."

Some volunteers — Rich Breisch is one — have been urging Unitt to organize a bird-atlas project next for Imperial County. When I asked Unitt, on the day of my visit to his office. what he thought about that idea, he laughed; then he said, "Please," seriously imploring for mercy. For while the fieldwork is completed, he must produce the bird atlas itself. (It is scheduled to be published in 2003.)

It's also true that Breisch and the other volunteers who thought they were through with San Diego's bird atlas may yet hear from Unitt as he writes up the nearly 500 species accounts. In the secondto-last issue of Wrenderings, spring 2002, Unitt wrote: "Thanks very much to all of you who have par-

ticipated in the project so faithfully over the past five years. Your efforts exceeded my wildest expectations. Please stick with us as we move into this final phase of the project. I will be contacting many of you with questions as I work on the accounts, and I will be asking many of you to review accounts of species with which you're especially familiar."

Print is not the only form that the bird atlas will take. "We're also envisioning something on CD-ROM and on a website," said Unitt. The electronic forms of the bird atlas were being proposed to grant-givers when he and I spoke. "Electronic would allow us to have more material and interactive capabilities. A number of our technosavvy participants are helping with that."

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paperwork organized has been Ann's task exclusively," said Unitt of Klovstad, who managed the database, besides doing virtually all of the data entry. "I don't move anything from one stack or file to another on my own."

"Overqualified for her position" was the phrase he used to characterize her in brief. "She should be running her own company or a department of a large organization."

Unitt and Klovstad showed me bird-atlas mapsin-progress — the county in mosaic. The squares were green, olive, and yellow for the breeding season, depending on the counts. Various cross-hatch patterns denoted the instances of breeding that were possible, probable, and confirmed. The counts in winter squares were denoted by a range of blues from sapphire to ice.

I also saw one of Unitt's sample analyses, on the yellow warbler, illustrated with photographs by Anthony Mercieca taken in Chula Vista. The male is a small golden short-tailed bird with a red streaked breast; the female, a drab copy.

copy.
"The Yellow Warbler is well known throughout its range as a frequent host

of the Brown-headed Cowbird," Unitt wrote of this riparian woodland resident, "and famous for its response of flooring over parasitized nests to build a new nest atop the old." But the situation is improving for the inventive yellow warbler, according to Unitt's account. "From 1997 through 2002, we recorded only a single instance of cowbird parasitism on the Yellow Warbler — a female feeding a fledgling cowbird in Kit Carson Park (J11)."

The reason? Cowbird trapping began throughout the county several years ago, after least Bell's vireos, another cowbird victim, were officially listed as endangered. Yellow warblers were among the species who directly benefited.

Beyond the cowbird trapping, Unitt wrote, regulations restricting the removal of riparian woodland have been critical in slowing the loss of the yellow warbler's habitat. Also, the damming of rivers has largely eliminated the flooding that once knocked over large trees. These warblers like streamside cottonwood, willow, alder, and ash trees that have reached full height. Continuing negative factors, though,

are the proliferation of the exotic giant reed *Arundo donax*, which replaces native riparian trees, and the pumping of groundwater, which lowers the water table.

I wondered when the next San Diego County Bird Atlas project would have to be conducted. "That's a completely open question," Unitt said. "I may have a long attention span, but I need to set a feasible goal. It may not be in my lifetime."

I rephrased my question. What I really wanted to know was how long the information would be accurate. How long before it

became obsolete, given the rate of change — big change, small change, natural change, change brought about by humans? How long before the "snapshot of the birds," as Lori Hargrove had called it, would come to seem like an aged family snapshot? In some of our own, literal snapshots, we hardly recognize ourselves.

"Our expectation is that it will be useful for a long time," Unitt said. He would be no more specific, and when pressed, he asked a question of his own: "How much of the future can *you* foresee?"

— Jeanne Schinto

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San Diego's a bonanza of buried-treasure legends... We've got rumors of abandoned gold and silver mines, Thomas L. "Pegleg" Smith's "hill of black gold" (somewhere northeast of the trail connecting Yuma to San Diego) and, at least according to Dr. Joseph J. Markey, the lost treasure of Francisco de Ulloa. Cortés Markey, who died in 1985, was an ophthalmologist, a Navy medical officer, journalist, theater critic, novelist, historian, a KFMB radio personality, and an archaeologist. He called his 18-room Mediterranean villa, on a cliff in

by Oceanside, San Malo

Jeff ("Saint Wicked"). It was

part of a motion-picture colony in the '50s.

Artists got away from it all on the thentwo-lane Coast Highway. Ben Hecht lived next door, and Markey regaled his Hollywood pals with stories of his world travels.

The most infamous happened near his home.

Historians agree, with almost metaphysical certitude, that Juan Cabrillo discovered San Diego Bay in 1542. Wrong, said Markey: Francisco de Ulloa sailed to "upper California" in 1540, beating Cabrillo by two years. Markey also swore he had proof.

In 1539, Hernán Cortés outfitted three ships — the *Santa Agueda*, the *Santo Tomás*, and the *Trinidad* — to explore the Gulf of California and find the legendary passage to China, Strait of Ainan. Ulloa sailed north from Acapulco on July 8. Within days, the 20-ton *Santo Tomás* sunk. Ulloa continued, however, becoming the first to discover the Colorado River mouth, which meant that Baja California was a peninsula, not an island.

Ulloa sailed around the tip of Baja, through fierce and fickle winds, and headed up the West Coast to Cedros Island, latitude 28 degrees (about halfway up the peninsula). The two ships explored the area for three months. Then, short of supplies, Ulloa sent the *Santa Agueda* back to Mexico. His crew for the *Trinidad* was 25 men and five prostitutes. He wrote to Cortés, "I have determined with the ship *Trinidad* and these few supplies and men, to go on, if God grant me weather, as far as I can, and the wind will permit."

For centuries, no one knew how far north Ulloa went. The traditional story held that the *Trinidad* shipwrecked somewhere off Baja.

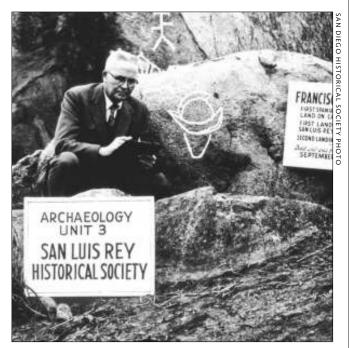
Twelve years before Markey's "discovery," historian Henry Raup Wagner wrote that Ulloa didn't get far

beyond Cedros Island and came back to Acapulco. In 1542 Ulloa testified at two trials — one in Mexico, another in Spain and abducted the daughter of Antonio Cordero, one of his pilots.

Markey didn't blink at Wagner's proof. "Most historians," he said, "are so busy copying each other's texts they seldom open the door to sniff the air.... To steal from one author is plagiarism, but to steal from six is 'research." He was particularly irate about San Diego

historians, whose "loyalty to Cabrillo is unshakeable."

These words prefaced Markey's announcement, in 1952, that the *Trinidad* reached Santa Barbara. On its way home the ship anchored at the mouth of the San Luis Rey River. Somehow — Markey doesn't make clear — the ship sunk. And the scurvy-plagued crew came ashore. They drank polluted water from a lake and died of "violent dysentery." Markey's proof? He found 22 skeletons in a cave in the San Luis Rey Valley (near what is now Camp Pendleton). They were "white Europeans," proclaimed Markey, and



Joseph Markey

their weapons, a breastplate, lead buttons, gold coins, and a Spanish helmet dated back to the 1530s. Therefore, Francisco de Ulloa "was the first white man to set foot on California soil."

Markey added more evidence. In 1950, he had a "chance meeting" in Paris with Miguel de Ulloa, who claimed to be a direct descendent of Francisco. Miguel said two members of the *Trinidad* expedition survived. One of them, Pablo Salvador Hernández, wrote a document about the odyssey. Hernández claimed that, because he and a companion remained near the boat

### SELECTED QUOTATIONS:

1. Henry Raup Wagner: "Just how far north Ulloa finally sailed we do not know, but a little north of the island of Cedros is as far as the accounts of the expedition which have survived show the party to have gone."

2. J.J. Markey: "This sentimental goo about who is the first man in a state forever amuses me. Who in the wide world cares? In San Francisco they'll tell you it was

Drake. But do you know or care who was the first white man into Wyoming, or Kansas?"

3. San Diego Magazine, August 1971, editor's note: the cave photo with the skull "was taken in Tahiti.... Markey was using the same cave to illustrate two different discoveries, or that maybe neither cave was what he said it was."

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and drank only wine, they didn't contract dysentery. When they went to the cave, the only person still alive was a prostitute. "To end her misery," Hernández dropped a stone on her head. Then he and the other crewman rowed the Trinidad's longboat from Oceanside to Acapulco.

Garrahy and Weber: "The Hernández account, Dr. Markey tells us, was accompanied by three maps. These showed the location of the Trinidad at anchor, the location of the cave, and the location of some gold that Ulloa had asked Hernández to bury."

Using the maps and the Hernández account, and asking local ranchers if they'd ever found human skeletons, Markey says he explored the San Luis Rey Valley. He found the cave, the skeletons — including "one of a female with a crushed skull" - and 2000 gold coins, dating "from the First Century B.C. to about 1500 A.D."

Markey announced

his findings to the San Diego Historical Society January 25, 1952. Except for a photo of him, in the cave, holding a human skull with other skulls in the background, Markey produced no other evidence. He said a forthcoming 500-page book (with 300 illustrations) would contain all, including, he hoped, discovery of the sunken *Trinidad*. About where it might be, he added, "professional treasure hunters" don't "share anything with anyone. They would steal it."

The thing about Markey: his résumé impresses, but he always added something more. He wasn't just a journalist; he worked with Damon Runyon. When writing in New York, he lived at the Algonquin Hotel, the famous literary hub. And his writing shows a flare for the sensational, as if his goal were violent reactions, not truth. His 1932 novel, For Women Only, described, in detail quite graphic for the time, the

"sins" of almost every officer in the 11th Naval District. The brass hit the ceiling, in print, and demanded proof of Markey's allegations. Markey called their rant "a million dollars' worth of free publicity" but showed no proof. The book was a best seller.

In 1953 Markey wrote two articles, one the subject of an Art Buchwald column, arguing he could prove, scientifically, that women are inferior to men. "Women of all ages and cultures have been intellectually lazy," he wrote. "With minds incapable of entertaining sustained projects of any great magnitude, their mental equipment finds abstract thinking difficult or impossible.... Women are egocentric and not nearly so selfless as the poets would have us believe."

In 1971 Markey confessed to Genevieve Claussen of San Diego Magazine that he meant both articles as a spoof and, says Claussen, "He was as delighted as a schoolboy with a lunch pail full of garter snakes when a couple thousand irate women responded by rush mail."

In the mid-'50s, Markey searched the waters off Oceanside for the Trinidad. Richard Crawford: "Suggesting that the galleon must have sunk somewhere near the San Luis Rey River, he began launching rafts in the river loaded with tons of scrap iron. By noting where the rafts sank, Markey hoped to locate the logical burial spot of the *Trinidad*. After three years of raft-building, Markey gave up."

Treasure seekers continued to search the river mouth. "The Aztec Six," professional divers, explored in 1968. Crawford: In 1969, "Bill Takasato claimed to have found a wreck buried in sand only a few hundred yards from shore. Bad weather and equipment failures forced him to abandon the search."

In 1973 salvagers said they found the wreck, then

lost it, owing to equipment problems. Crawford: "in 1976 Bill Warren, a nightclub singer and swimming pool salesman, found 'a couple of cannons down there' with the aid of a \$7000 metal detector."

Markey died in 1985, leaving no 500-page book, no maps, no gold coins, no Hernández diary.

Richard Crawford (former archive director of the San Diego Historical Society and currently the San Diego Library's "preservation specialist"): "It was a hoax, all right. Maybe it was a power thing. Maybe Markey just got off making people look like idiots. Perhaps the most remarkable fact is that Markey's theories have been so widely believed in the first place. In my years at the Historical Society I helped many researchers who were studying the story. I gave them all the material that debunked Markey, but it was clear they'd rather believe in sunken treasure and old bones!" ■

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# TOWN FUNNY NAME Max Miller

### La Jolla Does Not Mean "The Jewel" in Spanish

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 7**

When mentioning this small town, I am not referring to San Diego. For San Diego has outgrown its diapers and is a city now. But I am referring to La Jolla which, although technically a part of San Diego, is nevertheless its own community and has always been.

There are some who say the place reminds them of the Riviera. They will say this over and



The caves of La Jolla, c. 1905

over as if to impress us. Or they may go more general and say it is just like living "someplace on the Mediterranean, don't you think so?"

Yet I never have learned what our

answers are supposed to be to this kind of remark, whether we are supposed to start an argument or agree or feel flattered. I know that whenever the remark is made to Perky, he

merely nods his head very knowingly, almost as if to please whoever is making the remark, and almost as if he has been to the Riviera, or even knows where it is. But why not? In his mind, I am sure, an ocean is still an ocean, and the one he owns here presumably reaches to the Mediterranean too somehow, and therefore the Mediterranean must be a part of what is here, a part of the whole. Sure, and part of South America also. And part of Africa. Geography obviously troubles him not at all, the world merely consisting of two things: a shore and a lot of water.

Unlike so many other places too, even places in California, this little town has no traditions. That is, traditions measured in terms of a century or so. Or another way of wording it could be that the traditions of the little town are just beginning, and may not come to a head until 50 years from now, if they do come to a head. In which case the basic memories of Perky may be one of them, or through another wild guess the current doings of Mrs. Billings. Nobody knows, insomuch as traditions or influences or

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even future memories are beyond anyone's ability to predict.

Yet as for present traditions, there certainly are no ancient cathedrals in this little town, or any old missions, or old forts, and for that matter no old battlegrounds which "changed history." The nearest such battle site, if such it could be called, is some 40 miles away, and nobody pays much attention to it simply because the small Battle of San Pasqual changed nothing, did not have to be fought. Besides, the Americans in this battle got hell knocked out of them by Old Californians fighting mainly with lances. But afterwards things went on the same as usual. Everybody got chummy again. It was neither a Thermopylae nor a Bunker Hill. It was merely a momentary mess.

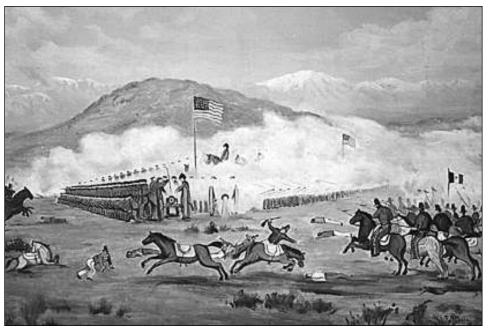
And so we of this little town are just here is all, living our days by the sea, and we have not been a part of "history."

Now, the City of San

Diego may be slightly different in some of these respects. At least a lot of history and pamphlets are written about it: the old Spaniards, Father Serra, the first California mission, the "First Palm planted in California," 'The Plymouth Rock of the West Coast," all such flourishes as that.

But we of nearby La Jolla do not really know what our own name actually means, other than it obviously is not that of a saint.

The poetically minded say that La Jolla in Spanish means "the jewel," but it does not mean "the jewel" in Spanish. Others say that La Jolla is a misspelled Indian word meaning "the hole," and refers, so they say, to our valleylike indenture between our mesa and our shore. But this interpretation is wide open for argument too, and especially since our aborigines around here were as stupid and lazy as could be found on the continent and did not



Battle of San Pasqual

really have a true language, or much of anything else, and did not care to be bothered. Grunts were sufficient for a vocabulary the same as lizards or grasshoppers were sufficient for a meal, and so the aborigines would have been the most surprised of all possibly to have known that La Jolla was now being credited to them.

Anyhow, the meaning or the non-meaning of the name really makes no difference so long as there are at least a few people besides ourselves who know how to pronounce it as it is pronounced today. Or so long as there are a few people besides ourselves who do not think we are joking when we try to put through a long-distance call home from

somewhere else. Or who do not repeat to us here, as if brand-new, all the accumulated stories which have been going on for years now about travelers struggling over the *J* as a Y and finally ending up by calling La Jolla something else, maybe San Luis Obispo or San Juan Capistrano, and that they visited here during the months of "hoon and hoolye," and out of politeness we have to laugh very much each time.

Yet all of this is merely part of living here, and we must take it along with the winter salt spray on our windows. And we must accept the fact too that novelists, in writing about Carmel or Monterey or similar towns in the comparative far north of us, towns with a "background," do not have to include that familiar phrase "the name of the town is purely fictitious." The novelists can come right out and say Carmel is Carmel, or Monterey is Monterey, the same as San Francisco (oh, so far north of us too) is San Francisco. But in regard to fiction about La Jolla — ah no, not yet. It had better be called some other place, and often I wonder whv.

For, after all, we do have our own post office. We are legal.

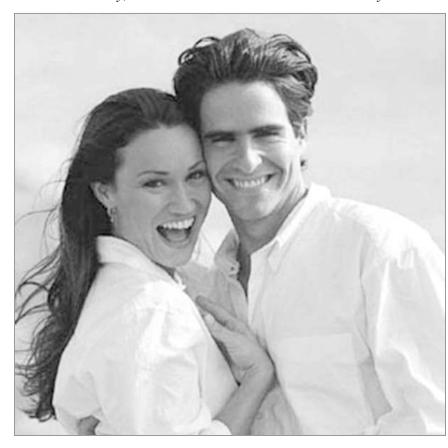
### **CHAPTER 8**

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Yet this thing of living here someday in idleness is what they aimed for, and what they have. They aimed for it while conducting Eastern factories. Or they aimed for it through wealthy marriages. Or they aimed for it through a multitude of other ways, and maybe have devoted some 50 years towards obtaining these five. The interval may be

more than five, it may be less, but the proportionate equation remains much the same nevertheless. A brief glimpse of idleness by this sea — this same sea, these same sandstone cliffs, which serve as our only cathedrals — and

these same rocky coves which Perky Adams has had all the time, he who knows nothing else.

These old people, while looking out on all this, and on the surf which edges all this, and on the indescribable color which

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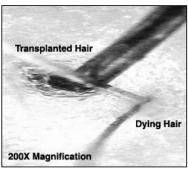
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is the ocean's horizon these old people cannot help but wonder, I suppose, who will be taking their places here, and seeing all these things, four years from now, or even one, or maybe even tomorrow. For the rest of us wonder about it also, and

Within a comparatively short distance from this window, for instance, is a certain jutting reef which always contains, or

almost always contains, a spectator. He or his counterpart always is there, yet from this distance he always appears to be the same person.

Yet inasmuch as he also is mortal like the rest of us, we must presume that his place likewise will have to be taken by somebody else someday. And also someday it will have to be other people who do the looking out and see the spectator there.

For all of this likewise is part of the little town.

The turnover is neither slow nor uncertain, and it does have a sameness.

So, with the ultimate constantly being demonstrated, as if on a blackboard before us, each additional day, even though we accomplish nothing during the day, can be made to seem like an accomplishment — just the additional day — if we want it to seem that

way. We could go around congratulating each other instead of bemoaning our lack of tasks accomplished.

Nor do even our own local pelicans year after year seem too disturbed about wanting to become more than they are. They do not appear to have any growing pains about wanting to become anything else, at least instantly, or to make one more step in evolution while still alive. while still in their own

generation. Some of us humans, of course, are more likely to want to have done that. I know I have wanted to do that. But pelicans merely keep on being pelicans.

And their attitude, I think, becomes more and more our own attitude, the longer we live here.

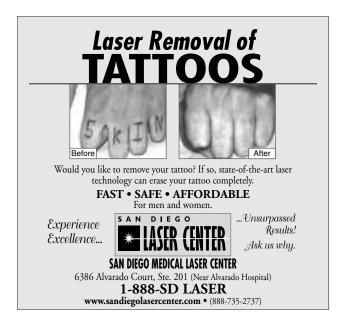
We may look at a line of pelicans in their mysteriously rhythmical flight — when the leader stops moving its wings all

the others in line stop moving their wings — we may look at this and we may think: "Ah, at least there's one pelican which must have ambition, the leader."

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Monika Anderson

### **Overpriced German**

Re the Kaiserhof review (Restaurant Review, June 20). I ate

there once. It is overpriced and not very good by American tastes. If it is good German food, I am glad my ancestors moved to America.

Earl Kline

### **Word To The Wise**

The way Ms. Wise responds to criticism (i.e., the letter by John Mathias, July 3) is even more appalling than her dilettante "reviews." Not only is it bad style that she blames cookery books or restaurant personnel for being responsible for her ignorance and failure to carry out the most basic research. (That she does not know these things herself is sad enough and tells a lot about her professionalism.)

She also blames (the intellect of) the readership of the Reader to be the reason for her incorrect terminology and lack of expertise concerning wine. Or beer. She probably even needs a can "on hand" to spell Coke! One is inclined to cheer when she offers to fall into her sword, since this would save us from any more of her contributions.

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### **Jew-Hatred**

Once again irrational hatred of the Jews surfaces in the Reader, in the disguise of a letter seeming to defend the Palestinians' "right to their own state." This time, the writer, Ms. Lecia Smith (June 27), accuses Jews of "selfrighteousness" and of assuming "they have the right to possess everything." And she suggests that this "selfish[ness]"

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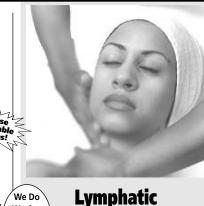


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comes from the "chosen people' idea."

There are three points to be made in response to these ignorant and bigoted remarks:

First, Jews do not think being the "chosen people" justifies them in being self-righteous. Jews believe they have been chosen by God not to receive glory or possessions but to witness to the existence and oneness of God and to all mankind's duty to serve Him by striving to be good. Of course anyone who does not want to be reminded of man's obligation to be good will direct his or her hatred to the messenger. In the case of the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians, many would rather find a

way to blame the actions of the murderers on the victims than to be reminded that killing innocent people for selfish ends is evil. In fact, the behavior of the Israel Defense Forces in all conflicts with the Palestinians has set an example of moral uprightness that no other armed force in the world can even approach.

And why is Ms. Smith not equally "shocked" about the "selfishness" of those who are oppressing others in Bosnia, Rwanda, Tibet, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Sudan, and many other places in the world? Why is she not outraged by the firebombing of synagogues in Europe? The answer is that she doesn't care in the least about rights or righteousness. She only wants the pleasure of rationalizing her causeless hatred of Jews.

Second, the idea of the Jews' wanting to possess "everything" is utterly ludicrous if one simply looks at a map. In 1947, when the U.N. partitioned Palestine between Jews and Arabs, the Jews were given a tiny sliver of land surrounded by a huge semi-continent of Arab neighbors. They accepted it. It was the Arab states who did not accept it. It was the Arab states who wanted even that little undeveloped sliver of Jewish land and who started a war to wipe the Jews out of the Middle East. It is Arabs who have started every Arab-Israeli war since then.

While most Israelis will have nothing to do with the idea of removing the Palestinians from the West Bank, the majority of Palestinians at the present time explicitly want every Jew in Israel killed and Israel itself destroyed.

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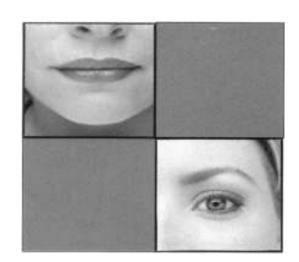








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Third, nowhere else in the world would Ms. Smith defend the right of a people to their own state if the explicit intention of that state is to destroy its neighbors. It is the Palestinians and their Arab-state supporters who have denied Jews the right to their own state. Israel has no obligation to grant the Palestinians a state if that means committing suicide. The moment the Palestinians acknowledge Israel's right to exist, in deeds as well as in words, the Israelis will have no trouble in granting the Palestinians the same right. For proof, when Jordan and Egypt were willing to grant Israel the right to exist, land conquered in Israel's war of self-defense

was returned to those countries within a matter of weeks.

Despite the ignorant hatred in her letter, I commend Ms. Smith for having the courage to sign her name. But I would ask her whether she really cares enough about rights and justice to learn the truth or whether she would rather just sink deeper into the anti-Semitic

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muck. Obviously the latter is the easier path. But it is also the path of bigotry, injustice, and violence.

Finally, I would like to thank all those good Christians who have stood up for Israel in recent months, both at rallies and in print. Not only do they recognize that in supporting Israel they are supporting the

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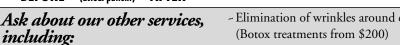




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and the outrage felt by the many victims of America's disruptive foreign policy. Many of the letters helped to redress the anti-Arab media bias and expose the mythology accepted by so many Americans. Those who wish to preserve the myths appear to congeal into three groups: (1) right-wing Christians who want to precipitate the end of the world so they can all go to heaven as soon as possible, (2) racist liberal Zionists who wish to immolate the planet upon the altar of the apartheid state of Israel, and (3) people who support Israel because it is our ally, regardless of its policies. Although I'm pessimistic, two pieces of information and a suggestion may provide a glimmer

First, it is not true that all Jews are pro-Israeli and anti-Palestinian. Conservative Jews have long opposed Zionism and the seizure of Palestinian land to create the state of Israel - both in the 1940s and again when Israel started the 1967 war. Opponents of Zionism have long pointed out the irony that Israel was largely the creation of secular European activists, not observant Jews already living peacefully with their Arab neighbors. Furthermore, libertarian Jews in the U.S. oppose the use of tax dollars to prop up regimes throughout the world. In addition, hundreds of refusniks in the Israeli Army are courageously putting down their weapons and refusing to slaughter Palestinians. They decry the hypocrisy of Jews using such methods within living memory of the Holocaust. These refusniks are as brave as the many citizens in the German resistance who died fighting Nazis while President Roosevelt turned a deaf ear to their pleas for help.

Secondly, the portrayal of Arabs and Palestinians as anti-Semitic is both untrue and absurd. During a recent protest in Balboa Park, my wife and I spoke to many Palestinians and Arabs who took great pains to explain that they were not anti-Jewish but were only opposed to the injustice of Israeli apartheid laws and Israel's aggression. They didn't even know that my wife's father was Iewish. I only wish my liberal Jewish acquaintances had half the integrity and restraint of these Arabs. Instead, far too many feel comfortable in their bias. Further, since Arabs are also Semitic, the anti-Semitism rebuke is silly. Duh.

Finally, it might help to offer some practical suggestions to avoid becoming a victim of terrorism. We certainly won't get any help from the Washington politicians. They've written us off as suckers and have said we are "on our own." Meanwhile, they take innumerable and expensive measures to protect themselves from the consequences of their policies leaving us to pick up the tab. Even worse, they refuse to stop kicking bees' nests around the world — creating more anti-American sentiment and guar-

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3. Don't use bone-headed slogans like "United We Stand." The idea of unity is a favorite of dictators and cowards who want to hide in a crowd — using your body as a shield when terrorists lash out at them. Don't help them to pretend that everyone agrees with rally-round-the-flag tactics, an old favorite of

collectivists who wish to quash dissent. Remember: patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel.

4. Stay away from the American flag. It no longer stands for the guiding idea of the American republic, which was liberty. It now stands for blind obedience to tawdry politicians, hypernationalism, parasitism such as corporate and individual welfare, the false glory of world domination, Big Brotherly surveillance, the Nanny-State, and cheap oil (cheap if you don't count the price in blood).

5. Don't vote. It only encourages them. Do you really want to be held responsible for the deeds of our politicians? If you don't vote, you have a clean conscience and a superior moral right to complain. Why? Because when you vote, you put your stamp of approval on Gov-Co's actions. Refusing to vote means you disapprove of the madness of democracy, which is really nothing more than two wolves and a sheep voting on what to have for dinner. Choose liberty instead. Now that's American.

Lawrence Ludlow

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# Calendar

### **Weird Things**

### Opening Reception for Garden of Angels

arcos Ramirez has known about the graveyard for a long time, because his mother and grandmother are buried there. The artist gives the graveyard's name, starts to spell it, then the phone connection to his home in Tijuana goes dead. When the call resumes a minute later, he suffices to say that the graveyard is "on the road to Tecate."

One day he happened to wander into what he came to realize was the children's section. What he found were many graves that had been decorated not only with religious icons but with "world icons of the new age" — commercial items made in America and Japan: Pokémon dolls, Hot Wheels cars, Mickey Mouse and other Disney-inspired toys.

How did that strike him? "It struck me enough to go home and get my camera and come back."

The 41-year-old Ramirez returned several times to take shots of particular tombstones. "Because the sun hits them at various angles, each one required two or three sessions." It wasn't a ghoulish or

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morbid activity if taken in context, he says. In Mexico and elsewhere, photographers

of the late 19th and early 20th centuries were paid to make postmortem images for grief-stricken parents. "They used to dress up their angelitos - little angels and bring them to the photographers' studio. The mother would have her picture taken with the baby in her lap, dead." He sees himself as part of that tradition. Still, during one session in the gravevard, on the Day of the Dead in November, Ramirez held back. "On that day I didn't take a lot of pictures, just a few long-range shots, because it was crowded, and I wanted to have respect for the mourners." The photos he couldn't resist taking were those of a group who had brought along a musical trio. "They were playing norteño music, giving a serenade to the kid. They were playing Mexican sad songs and Mexican kid

On that day he also saw lots of people in the act of making what Ramirez calls their "installations," using the massmarketed childhood playthings.

Ramirez's own installation, consisting of the first 7 of a planned 25 or so pieces that will complete his "Garden of Angels," are ready to go on display this weekend in La Jolla, where they'll be through the middle of August. Each one is a photo mounted inside a light box similar in size (30 by 40 inches) to an actual tombstone. Most of them will hang

on the walls; others will be freestanding, "so that when you look at them, you will see them as if you were in the graveyard. The whole idea is to bring you into the place."

And yet the show is the opposite of somber, by design of the artist. The photos themselves are bright with the lollipop colors of the toys. The light boxes are sheathed in metals of baby blue and pink and yellow — colors of the nursery. The light itself is a symbol of the divine, of eternal life, says Ramirez. He has included only one photo that offers a general view of the gravevard.

Looking at the other photos, closeups, one isn't immediately aware of where they were taken. "The place looks more like something out of Alice in Wonderland than a graveyard," says Ramirez, who also goes by the name of "Erre" (the initial of his last name, as spelled in Spanish). "But that's the interesting part. Supposedly Mexicans can deal with death. It's said we almost enjoy it. The graves are part of another long tradition: we make altars and all these things, paying homage to the dead. But now the tradition is changing. It's mutating to include new elements that aren't from our own culture. The graves are a hybrid."

Have there been different reactions to the pieces on either side of the border? "Well, not many pure-bred Americans have seen the images yet. Only Mexicans — and they all react the same way. They understand that these graves are something peculiar to the region. They see that, somehow, even these pieces are 'border art,' " says Ramirez, one of whose best-known installations is Trojan Horse, a 30-foot, two-headed wooden horse at the San Ysidro border crossing. "They understand that all these contradictions, like the use of the commercial objects on the graves, are what happens in a place like Tijuana.

Do kids' reactions differ from the reactions of adults? "Well, the only kids who have seen the pieces so far are my own. I have two and my girlfriend has one, ages 9, 11, and 12. And none of them really reacted, because they are used to me doing weird things. We'll see on the day of the opening how other kids react."

— Jeanne Schinto

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#### BAJA

#### **Explore "The Invention of Mexican**

**Art\*** when Oliver Debroise speaks on Thursday, July 11, at 7 p.m., in the reading room at the Tijuana Cultural Center. Free. Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río. Call 011-52-664-687-9600 for more information. (TIJUANA)

**Celebrate the 113th Anniversary** of Baja California's largest city with cultural festivals, film presentations, sporting events, and many other

happenings during Tijuana Fiesta 2002. The festival runs Friday through Sunday, July 12-14, noon to 2 a.m. each day, on Avenida Revolución.

Dr. Rafael Vázquez Bayod presents "Memories of a Bullfight Veterinarian" on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m.; call 011-52-664-633-4000 for more specifics.

For more information on the whole event, call 888-775-2417 or 011-52-664-684-0537. Admission is free. (TIJUANA)

Spend "A Night in Oaxaca" — with music, food, and entertainment — during the program planned on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m., at the Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). The \$22 tickets benefit the Indian Education Scholarship Program at the center. For reservations, call 011-52-664-687-9638. (TIJUANA)

**The Trova Music Festival** features a performance by Carlos "Caito" Diaz on Friday, July 12, at 9 p.m., at El Lugar del Nopal (Callejón 5 de Mayo #1328).

The festival continues with a concert by Silvina Tabbush and Cacho Duvanced on Saturday, July 13, at 9 p.m. Tickets for either event are \$11 U.S. For more information, call 011-52-664-685-1264. (TIJUANA)

Visit the Guadalupe Valley during a tour slated for Saturday, July 13. Guests will visit L.A. Cetto winery's second location, located in the Guadalupe Valley outside of Ensenada. Tours leave at 8 a.m. from L.A. Cetto on Cañon Johnson, 2108 Colo-

nia Hidalgo (in Tijuana). Tickets are \$30. For reservations, call 011-52-664-685-3031. (TIJUANA, ENSENADA)

**¡Toro!** There's bullfighting planned in the Downtown Bullring at 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 13. For further information, dial 011-52-664-686-2472. [IJIJJANA]

The Romaria de Verano Catholic Summer Festival is slated for Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14, hosted by the Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Catholic Church (on Avenida Hidalgo). Expect traditional Mexican food, kids' rides, arts and crafts booths, music, and fireworks (nightly at 11 p.m.). Admission is free. For information, call 011-52-665-654-1095. (TECATE)

**Toreador and Author** Manuel Capetillo Villaseñor will sign *More Than a Legend*, his new book on bull-fighting, at 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, at the Palacio Azteca Hotel. For details, dial 011-52-664-681-8100. (TIJUANA)

**Set and Spike It,** the Baja Open Ensenada Volleyball Tournament is set for Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14, at El Faro Beach (located six miles south of Ensenada). Admission is free to watch the matches, and there's live music. For more details, dial 011-52-646-177-6688. (ENSENADA)

French Music will be performed by Jacqueline Levot, and there will be food and other entertainment, on Sunday, July 14, at 5 p.m., at the Alianza Francesa (Fraccionamiento del Prado). Admission is \$30 U.S. Call 011-52-664-622-1522 for reservations and further information.

**Run for Fun,** there's a half-marathon planned on Sunday, July 14, starting at 8 a.m. at Unidad Deportiva CREA, in the Zona Río. For routes and other information, call 011-52-664-683-1985. (TIJUANA)

Mexico's National and Regional

**Arts,** crafts, and products are celebrated in Rosarito Fair 2002, continuing through Tuesday, July 30. Guests will enjoy Mexican food, rides, open-air theater performances, live music, ballet folklorico, and more.

To reach the fair, take the first Rosarito exit from the toll road; the fair will be visible at its Boulevard Benito Juárez location. Fair hours are 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. daily. Admission is \$5 U.S. For more information, call 800-962-2252. (ROSARITO BEACH)

Go Behind the Scenes of Foxploration Park when Baja California Tours hosts an outing to this working movie studio on Thursday, July 25, beginning at 9 a.m. Participants will go "behind the scenes" to learn about the filmmaking process. The \$75 fee includes transportation, admission to the park, a guided bus tour, and a lobster feast in Puerto Nuevo. For reservations and information, call 858-454-7166 or 800-336-5454. (ROSARITO BEACH)

The Papantla Flyers, presenting a traditional ceremony with dance and music from the state of Veracruz, return to the Tijuana Cultural Center with performances through August. Shows begin at 3 and 6 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and at 1, 3, and 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Admission is 90 cents U.S. Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina

Street in the Zona Río, in Tijuana. For more information, call 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

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

#### **OUTDOORS**

July Is San Diego's Driest Month, according to precipitation data compiled since the year 1850. Only four hundredths of an inch of rain falls on average this month, compared to

on average this month, compared to almost two inches in January — the wettest month. July also marks the beginning of a new rainfall year, as defined by local meteorological convention.

Birdwatchers need not despair now that the winter migrants are gone Plenty of shore birds can be found on summer evenings in the natural coastal wetland areas of San Diego County. From south to north the publicly accessible coastal wetlands include the Tijuana River Estuary. south San Diego Bay (just north of Imperial Beach and along the bay shore at Chula Vista), the San Diego River channel (inland from Sea World), Los Peñasquitos Lagoon (adjacent to Torrey Pines State Reserve), the San Dieguito River estuary, San Elijo Lagoon, Batiquitos Lagoon, Agua Hedionda Lagoon, and

Buena Vista Lagoon. In and around these areas look for California gulls, American avocets, brown pelicans, snowy egrets, killdeer, and redwing blackbirds.

Grunion will be active again this weekend (late Friday, Saturday, and possibly Sunday evening), just before or after midnight, following the nocturnal high tide a few days after new moon. The small, silvery grunion tend to spawn on wide, gently sloping beaches such as Silver Strand, Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, La Jolla Shores, and Del Mar. California law allows the taking of grunion in summer (except in those areas classified as ecological preserves) by those possessing a state fishing license. The grunion must be caught by the hands only and should be eaten (not

**Twilight Nature Hike,** head out on this hike hosted by Preserve Calavera on Thursday, July 11, 6 to 8:30 p.m. The hike starts at Oak Riparian Park (off Lake Boulevard at Ridge). For information, call 760-724-3887. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

A Slender Crescent Moon returns to the evening sky Friday, July 12, its fingernail image visible low in the west during late evening twilight. Notice how the sharp-tipped cusps point away from the sun, whose glare will be evident on the northwest horizon until well after sunset. With every passing evening, the increasingly thicker crescent will be spotted in twilight higher than and farther to the left of its initial position on Friday. The moon lies to the right of Venus on Friday and then moves

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above and to the left of Venus on Saturday.

Sighted Guide Nature Hike, visually impaired individuals are invited to join a sighted guide to hike, explore, and experience the flora, fauna, and Native American history of Stelzer Park on Friday, July 12, at 10 a.m. Find the park at 11470 Wildcat Canyon Road. For information, call 619-561-0580. There's a \$2 dayuse fee. (LAKESIDE)

Camp with the Stars, an out-of-thisworld weekend is planned July 12 and 13 at Heise Park. The San Diego Astronomers Association will set up a dozen telescopes for an all-day, allnight star party. There will be star viewing in the meadow on Friday night, sun storm viewing all day until sundown on Saturday, and a star slide show at 8 p.m. on Saturday night, followed by stargazing and interpretation. You're invited to bring your own telescopes and binoculars if you have them.

A \$1 donation is requested. Find William Heise County Park at 4945 Heise Park Road. Dial 858-694-3049 for details. (JULIAN)

Head to Kitchen Creek with Audubon Society birders on Saturday, July 13, for an outing from 8 a.m. to early afternoon. Participants will meet at Penny Pines to look for rufous and Allen's hummingbirds congregating at a seemingly isolated clump of red penstemon before heading on to the Kitchen Creek to do some general birding.

Be prepared for hot weather. Bring water, lunch, and insect repellent to the Penny Pines parking area.

Expect considerable hiking of a moderately strenuous nature. Free. Call 619-692-3246 for directions. A Forest Service Adventure Pass is required (available at A-16). (MOUNT LAGUNA)

The Plants of Summer, naturalist Charles Hurd shares his knowledge of the many uses for local native plants of Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Saturday, July 13. Learn about critters and plants when naturalist Carol Simpson focuses on "Summer in Blue Sky" on Sunday, July 14.

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.

Search for Three Species of Rattlesnakes and the threatened coast horned lizard when herpetologist and naturalist Allystair Jones leads a moderate three-mile hike on Boulder Loop in Daley Ranch on Saturday, July 13. The outing starts at 6 p.m. in the main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Bring water. Call 760-839-4680 for information. Free. No pets. (ESCONDIDO)

You Better Get This (Work) Party Started, tend California natives, weed native plant gardens, and remove invasive plants with the Friends of Famosa Slough around the treatment ponds at this urban wetland on Saturday, July 13, from 9 a.m. to noon. Meet at the corner of West Point Loma Boulevard and Famosa Boulevard with work clothes, and bring work gloves and tools if you have them. 619-224-

Palm Walk, Offshoot Tours offers its monthly hour-long guided stroll ex-

ploring the structure, growth habits, and landscape value of palm trees in the park on Saturday, July 13, at 10 a.m., beginning at the visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

Arbor Day, join People for Trees to plant trees on Saturday, July 13, at 8:30 a.m., at the post office found at 2692 C Street (at 27th). Free. Bring drinking water, shovels, gloves, and sturdy shoes (if you have them). For information, dial 619-222-8733.

Second Saturday Nature Walks at the Reserve, take a nature walk hosted by the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy at 9 a.m. on July 13. Free Call 760-436-3944 for directions and information. (CARDIFF-BY-THE-SEA)

Okay, It's Not Giza, but you can explore the Egyptian District, the Vermont Street Bridge, Gill architecture, and find a few surprises when Patty Fares leads a two- to three-mile Urban Safari on Saturday, July 13, at 10 a.m. \$10. For reservations and directions to the starting point, call 619-944-9255. (HILLCREST)

Listen for Owls during an earlyevening hike planned by Clint Powell on Volcan Mountain at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 13. A flashlight and sturdy shoes are mandatory on this 1.5-mile round-trip adventure. To reach the trailhead, drive to Julian, and then take Farmer Road 2.2 miles; turn right on Wynola Road and drive 100 yards. Turn left, back onto the continuation of Farmer Road; proceed 100 yards and park on the shoulder of the paved road by the preserve sign on the right. 858-694-3049. Free. (JULIAN)

River Rambling and Canyon Cavorting, you're invited to "saunter through surprising canyon and riverfront scenery" in the countryside with Walkabout explorers on Saturday, July 13. This moderate-plus, mostly flat walk lasting 2.5 hours includes Crest Canyon and travels along a little-known San Dieguito River channel and estuary. Join the group at 9 a.m. at the northwest corner of Del Mar Heights and Durango Drive (six blocks west of the Del Mar Heights exit off I-5). Bring water. Free. Call 619-231-7463 for information. (DEL MAR)

The Art and Science of wildlife tracking and nature awareness are the subjects when the San Diego Tracking Team offers beginning tracker-naturalist training from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 14, at the Peñasquitos Canyon

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Learn About Riparian Habitats, watersheds, and the history of the San Diego River, flowing from the Laguna Mountains to Mission Bay, when ranger Sue Pelley leads a walk on Sunday, July 14, at 9:30 a.m., in Mission Trails Regional Park. Meet in the Old Mission Dam parking lot, at the north end of the park (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). 619-668-

Coastal Hiking is planned by the ranger staff of the San Dieguito River Park on Sunday, July 14. This one- to two-mile hike focusing on the flora and the fauna of Crest Canyon runs from 1 to 2:30 p.m. For reservations

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## Calendar Local Events

and directions, call 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (DEL MAR)

**Birding the Marsh,** the Chula Vista Nature Center hosts guided bird-watching hikes around the Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, July 14, at 11 a.m. For reservations and directions, call 619-409-5903. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

**Trail Maintenance** is planned in Daley Ranch on Sunday, July 14, and you're invited to contribute some labor with the ranger staff. Join the group at 8 a.m. in the main parking lot (on La Honda Drive), with water and hiking boots. Free. 760-839-4680. (ESCONDIDO)

Local Pollution Solutions, San Diego BayKeeper is offering volunteer water monitor training sessions for its Citizen Water Monitoring Project. Participants learn sample field collection and laboratory techniques used to assess water quality in local creeks, bays, and coastal waters.

The training takes place on Saturday, July 20, 9 a.m. to noon, at the San Diego BayKeeper offices, 2924 Emerson Street, suite 220. To register, call 619-758-7743. Free. (POINT LOMA)

#### DANCE

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 Thursday, July 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. To register, call 619-516-3366. (NORTH PARK)

**Zydeco!** The Bon Temps Social Club hosts its weekly "Thursday Club" get-together at the Balboa Park Club (take Presidents Way off Park Boulevard) on July 11 and 18. Dance workshops (beginning and intermediate/advanced) run 7:30 to 8 p.m., followed by a CD mix of zydeco, Cajun, and waltzes for dancing from 8 to 10 p.m. The requested donation is \$5; kids are free and welcome. Partners are not required. 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

**Marula's Showcase** — with dancing by Shalimar, Marizabel, and Havi-

lah — is planned for Thursday, July 11, at 8 p.m., at Hajji Baba (1065 Fourth Avenue, at C Street). The cover is \$3. For reservations, call 619-595-7887. (DOWNTOWN)

Contradance, Graham Hempel calls and Cobblestone makes the music for a contradance on Friday, July 12, 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)

There's a Ballroom Dance Party planned at Absolutely DanceSport on Saturday, July 13, from 8 p.m. until midnight. The cover is \$7. Find the fun at 2400 Kettner Boulevard. Call 619-531-1700 for details. (LITTLE ITALY)

Zydeco Music in the Louisiana Tradition is promised when Horace Trahan and the New Ossun Express perform for the Bon Temps Social Club dance planned on Saturday, July 13, at the War Memorial Building (3325 Zoo Drive, at Park Boulevard). Dance instruction runs 7:15 to 8 p.m., with open dancing from to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$10. Food will be offered for sale by Zia's Afghan Cafe. Call 858-496-6655 for further information. (BALBOA PARK)

The Summer Folkfest hosted by the St. George Serbian Orthodox Church includes performances by the Morava Folklore Ensemble, guest dancers, and the Orchestra Srbija on Saturday, July 13, at 1 p.m., in Seville Theater at San Diego City College

(1313 12th Avenue). Tickets are \$12 general, with discounts for seniors and youths. Questions? Call 619-276-5827 for answers. (BAY PARK)

"T's and Shorts," the Sandpipers Square Dance Club hosts a dance with calling by Charlie Robertson and Peter Gomez cueing on Saturday, July 13, at St. James (625 South Nardo). Rounds begin at 7 p.m., with alternating squares and rounds from 7:30 to 10 p.m. The donation is \$5. For information, call 760-436-0685 or 858-481-8411. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Funkification,** get funky on the second Saturday of each month, including July 13, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the Starlight Dance Studio (6506-H El Cajon Boulevard). Guests West Coast swing to funk, hip-hop, disco, and rhythm and blues. Beginner and advanced lessons are offered. All ages are welcome. 619-287-9036. The cover is \$5. (SAN DIEGO)

Scottish Country Dancing lessons are offered by the San Diego Royal Scottish Country Dance Association. Beginners may join up on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in room 203 of the Casa del Prado of Balboa Park and on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. at Pomerado Elementary School (12321 Ninth Street). A mixed-level class takes place each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Twin Oaks High School (158 Cassou Road). Fees are \$3 or \$4. For information, call 858-549-8879. (BALBOA PARK, POWAY, SAN MARCOS)

All Things Swing and More...they'll be dancing the West Coast swing, Lindy, hustle, and Balboa at 7 and 8 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16, at the Portuguese Hall, and you're invited. Classes are \$12 to drop-in (less for the monthly series). There's open dancing for everyone from 9 to 11 p.m. (\$3 to \$5 donation). Expect DJ music for all dances listed. Find the hall at 2818 Avenida de Portugal, just off Rosecrans). 619-291-3775. (POINT LOMA)

#### Tribal Stories Set to Drums and Mu-

sic are on tap when Abdoulaye Camara from Guinea, West Africa, performs on July 17 and 18, at 8 p.m. each night. Wednesday's performance takes place at Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue), while Thursday's show may be seen at the Encinitas Community Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive). The requested donation is \$25, benefiting the Foundation for Women. For reservations, call 858-483-0400 or 888-303-2622.

**Argentine Tango,** dance to an extensive collection of tangos, *milongas, vals cruzados*, and *candombes* every Thursday, 9 p.m. to midnight, at Dance Connection Studio (2710 Garnet Avenue). Admission is \$8 and includes light refreshments. For information, call \$58-695-9138. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Dancin' With the Pros, the annual Master Teacher Series hosted by City Ballet begins with lessons led by the esteemed Susan Jaffe, open to the public for observation on Saturday,

August 3, 2 to 4 p.m. Next up, teacher and choreographer leads classes on Wednesday, August 7, at 6:30 p.m. Dancer Fernando Bujones takes the floor on Wednesday, August 14, at 6:30 p.m.

Find City Ballet Studios at 941 Garnet Avenue (the entrance is on the alley). To make the suggested reservations, call 858-274-6058. The fee is \$25 per class, or \$65 for all three. (PACIFIC BEACH)

#### FILM

**"Il Mostro"** starring Roberto Benigni screens for the Italian Film Series on Thursday, July 11, at 7 p.m., at the Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). Call 619-237-0601 for information. Admission is \$2 for nonmembers. In Italian with English subtitles. (LITTLE ITALY)

A "One-Time Screening Event" of *The Fair* is planned by the Independent Film Society on Sunday, July 14, at 7 p.m., at the UltraStar La Costa Cinema (6941 El Camino Real, at Alga). Director and producer Sarah McAnally will be on hand to answer questions. Admission is \$12 general. Call 760-942-5988 for information. (LA COSTA)

**Support Your Local Film Folk,** the Museum of Photographic Arts and the San Diego Film Critics Society hosts a benefit screening of the director's cut of *Cinema Paradiso* on Monday, July 15. The screening begins at 7 p.m.













at the Museum of Photographic Arts. Tickets are \$8 general, \$5 for students and seniors. For information, call 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Set in the Brazilian Badlands in 1910, the two families in Behind the Sun are locked in a blood feud over ownership of a sugar plantation; the vicious circle is broken when two traveling circus performers arrive on the scene. See the film - in Portuguese with English subtitles when it's screened for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library on Monday, July 15, at 6:30 p.m. Free. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Onscreen Summer Operas, comic operas are being presented in largescreen video format by the UCSD department of music in Erickson Hall (B-210) at UCSD's Mandeville Center. The series continues with Wolfgang Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro on Monday, July 15, from 6 to 9 p.m. Free. For more information, dial 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

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 continues on Wednesday, July 17. The meal begins at 7:45 p.m., with Amelie starting at 9 p.m. 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)

Whaddaya Know About Ecoparque? Explore the creation and impact of this small-scale innovative wastewater treatment facility that naturally filters a local community's wastewater in a canvon of Tijuana when the documentary film Ecoparque is shown on Wednesday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m., at the Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). An open discussion with the film's writer/director/producer Michael Bedar and international environmental consultant Oscar Romo follows the screening. Free. Call 619-575-3613 for details. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

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 exhibition "Idol of the Mod erns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting." William Dieterle's 1939 version of The Hunchback of Notre Dame, in which Charles Laughton plays the deformed Parisian bellringer Quasimodo, screens on Thursday, July 18. The film starts at dusk. Bring a blanket for seating. 619-232-7931. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Summer Films are being shown at the SDSU Continuing Education Center, continuing with Ingmar Bergman's 1955 film Smiles of a Summer Night. Catch the film at 1 p.m. on Thursday, July 18, 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)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, the incredible everyday story of life that is, the daily biological processes that go on without our control and often without our notice - is told in The Human Body. The film takes the audience on a fantastic voyage with great detail and sound through Saturday, August 31.

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**

Start Your (Writing) Engines! Tom Bird "has spent the past quarter-century proving, refining, and teaching his revolutionary approach to writing

at schools such as Duke University.' Penn State, and many others. The prolific author plans writers' workshops for SDSU's College of Extended Studies on July 11 and July 13. Learn "How to Get Published" on Thursday, at 6:30 p.m.; subjects on Saturday are "90 Days or Less to the Completion of Your Book or Screenplay...in Your Spare Time" (9 a.m.) and "Making Writing Pay" (1 p.m.).

The fee is \$55 per class; enroll in two or more for \$49. Workshops convene at the San Diego State University Gateway Center (5250 Campanile Drive). To register, dial 619-594-5152. (SDSU)

Rapid Economic Development and global geopolitical changes have led to increasing concerns in the West about the rising tide of nationalism in China. Lei Guang, assistant professor of political science at SDSU, presents "Chinese Nationalism — A New Viewpoint" for the U.S.-China Peoples Friendship Association on Saturday, July 13.

The group meets at 2 p.m. at the Mira Mesa Library (8405 New Salem Street). Free. Call 858-566-0711 for details. (MIRA MESA)

How Did Our Ancestors Live during the colonial period, living in Jamestown from 1607 to the Revolutionary War in 1775? Find out when Ann Beinert speaks at noon on Saturday, July 13, for the San Diego Genealogical Society. At 1 p.m., Beinert will present a slide-illustrated lecture on the lives of six U.S. presidents and their libraries.

Beginners are welcome. Take in the talks in the St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 6556 Park Ridge Boulevard. Call 619-588-0065 for information. Free. (SAN CARLOS)

Opposing Oppression and Exploitation, the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom stands for the equality of all people The guest speaker is Carol Jahnkow, executive director of the Peace Resource Center. The meeting starts at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 13, in the Community Room at La Jolla Village Square (8657 Villa La Jolla Drive). Free. 858-259-5690. (LA JOLLA)

Use a "Lazy Stitch" to make a coil basket out of raffia and paper cord during the class planned for those 12 and older on Saturday, July 13, 9 a.m. to noon, at the San Diego Natural History Museum. Participants will complete a three-inch basket during the class. The fee is \$30 for nonmembers. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to reserve a spot. (BALBOA PARK)

Ancient Art, techniques that capture the shapes and textures of the sea will be taught by artist Margie Durkin when she leads a gyotaku (fish and nature printing) class at the Birch Aquarium-Museum on Saturday, July 13, at 9 a.m. With a special focus on seahorses, items such as fishes, seaweeds, shells, and other natural objects will be used to produce original inal pieces of art.

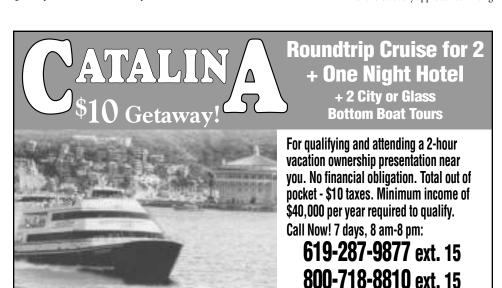
The fee for the class is \$35 (participants supply their own items to decorate). The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way. For reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

The Iris Encompasses the Totality of a human being, according to clinical nutritionist and iridolgist Rita Schumacher. She'll present a workshop on "the basic constitutions of iridology and your unique physical roadmap of life" on Saturday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m., at the Fraternal Spiritualist Church (4720 Kensington Drive). Admission is by donation. For information, call 619-442-2242. (KENSINGTON)

Make an Appalachian Rib-Style Melon Basket, also known as an egg basket, when Carol Lang leads a class on Sunday, July 14, noon to 5 p.m., at the Oceanside Museum of Art School of Art (219 North Coast Highway). Participants will use locally available natural materials as well as commercially processed ones. The fee is \$55, plus \$8 for materials. To register, call 760-431-1645.

"The Truth and Lies of 9/11" will be divulged when Michael Ruppert, publisher and editor of the From the Wilderness newsletter, speaks on Monday, July 15, at the Lyceum Theater in Horton Plaza. Expect to hear historical and current facts about the "War on Terror" as well as an overview of the U.S. Patriot Act,

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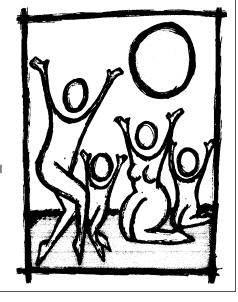




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"Conserving the Pines on Guadalupe and Cedros Islands: A Multinational Expedition" is the subject when conservation geneticist Deborah L. Rogers from UC Davis speaks on Tuesday, July 16, for the California Native Plant Society. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. in room 104 of the Casa del Prado. For information, call 619-685-7321. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Come Aboard for Info, Matey! Carefree Vacations hosts an infor mational seminar on crewed and bareboat sailing vacations on board the 70-foot Spike Africa sailing schooner on Tuesday, July 16, at 5:30 p.m. The \$15 fee includes refreshments and sunset sail. To make the required reservations, call 619-224-2961, (SAN DIEGO BAY)



**Cabo San Lucas** 

Do You Know the Five Hindrances "that create life difficulties of various degrees"? These hindrances are ignorance, hatred, anger, doubt, and idleness, according to organizers of the "Exploration and Understanding of the Buddhist Compassion Principles' lecture planned by Lama Tenxin Dhoden. The talk starts at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17, at the Shi-ho Gallery (2002 Jimmy Durante Boulevard). The Lama will answer questions following the talk. The requested donation is \$10. For more information, call 760-753-5158. (DEL MAR)

Mind Your Ps and Qs, editors Bar bara Halliburton, Marianne Maggini, and Katie Spiller will discuss "words and how (and how not) to use them' when the San Diego Professional Editors' Network gathers on Wednesday, July 17. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. in the Clairemont Community Room at Clairemont Square Shopping Center (4731 Clairemont Drive). Free. 858-451-3266. (CLAIREMONT)

"Alfred Stieglitz: Secrets of the Skies" is the subject when Mike Weaver presents an illustrated lecture on Wednesday, July 17, at 7 p.m., at the Museum of Photographic Arts. The talk is in conjunction with the current exhibit "The Photography of Alfred Stieglitz: Georgia O'Keeffe's Enduring Legacy." Admission is \$10 for non members. For information, call 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

What Does "Going Bankrupt" Really Mean? Find out when attorney Mark L. Miller conducts an educational seminar on many facets of bankruptcy at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17, in the auditorium at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5894. (DOWNTOWN)

 $\boldsymbol{Get\ Cookin'},$  the ongoing vegetarian cooking school classes sponsored by the Scripps Center for Integrative Medicine continue with a look at 'Amazing Grains and Pasta" on Wednesday, July 17, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., at the Grateful Heart Café (at the Scripps Center for Integrative Medicine, 10820 North Torrey Pines Road). Chef Lou Ellen Tapia leads the classes, with future subjects in-

Honolulu

cluding "Wheat Meats" (August 7) and "Marinades and Condiments' (August 14), among many others. The fee is \$25 per class. To reserve a place, call 858-554-3663. (LA JOLLA)

Forum Fronterizo, "top-level speakers" from both sides of the border will be on hand to examine "The Future of Manufacturing in Baja California: The Electronics and Auto Parts Sectors" when the next San Diego Dialogue forum takes place on Thursday, July 18, at noon, at the Sheraton Harbor Island (1380 Harbor Island). The meeting will feature recent research results from an extensive survey conducted by El Colegio de la Frontera Norte. The fee is \$50 general. To register, call 858-534-8638. (HARBOR ISLAND)

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

#### IN PERSON

Poet, Literary Translator, and 619-426-1283. (CHULA VISTA)

A Magical Spiritual Evening is expected when singer and songwriter Rickie Byars-Beckwith presents a concert on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m., at the Seaside Church of Religious Science (1613 Lake Drive). She's the founder and director of the 160-voice choir at the Agape International Center of Truth in Los Angeles. Tickets are \$15. For more information, call

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round is open to the first 18 in line). Free. 619-294-2920. (HILLCREST)

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 Latin jazz by Jose Molina Serrano on Friday, July 12. The concert begins at 6 p.m. at Magee Park (at Carlsbad Boulevard and Beech Street). Call 760-434-2904 for more information. (CARLSBAD)

The first free Bird Park Concert promises Tami Thomas and Her Big Band Swing on Friday, July 12, at 6 p.m. Bring a picnic dinner and be prepared to dance. Find Bird Park in the northeast corner of Morley Field, at Upas, Pershing, and 28th Streets. 619-379-2327, (BALBOA PARK)

The Ideas perform rock and roll on Saturday, July 13, at 2 p.m., for the annual summer concert series at Chula Vista Center (at Fifth Avenue and H Street). 619-427-6700. (CHULA VISTA)

The Concerts by the Sea begin with Motown and rhythm and blues music by the Fabulous Fingertips on Sunday, July 14. The concert runs from 3 to 5 p.m. at Moonlight Beach (at the foot of B Street). 760-633-2740. Alcohol, glass, and dogs are prohibited. (ENCINITAS)

The "Music in the Park" concert series continues with music by Bill MacPherson on Sunday, July 14, 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)

The La Jolla Concerts by the Sea features jazz by the SDSU Big Band Jazz group on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m., in Scripps Park (at the foot of Girard Avenue). Dial 858-454-1600 for more details. (LA JOLLA)

Barbershop harmonies will fill the air when Tuesday Night Alibi performs on Sunday, July 14, at 5 p.m., in Standley Park (3585 Governor Drive). Call 858-552-1652 for information. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Trolley Barn Park is the site for the Summer in the Park concert series. Gatos Papacitos performs Gypsy and flamenco guitar music on Friday, July 12, at 6 p.m. Bring a blanket and picnic dinner. The park is found in the 1900 block of Adams Avenue. 619-297-3166. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

The Village of Gowrie in northern Ghana benefits when Abaa Koma, the SDSU African Ensemble, performs on Saturday, July 13, at the College Lutheran Church (6650 Montezuma Road). Gowrie has been suffering from drought, and monies raised will go toward the purchase of food and seeds for the following year. Tickets are \$15 general, including African dinner, dance, and drumming. Questions? Call 619-594-7452 for answers. (SDSU)

Show Up, Sign Up, Step Up and get involved in theater when the Semi-Spontaneous Shakespeare Society presents Comedy of Errors on Saturday, July 13. According to organizers, "All parts are open during the show, which runs from 2 to 7 p.m. in front of the Botanical Building. There are no parts to memorize. For information, call 619-778-6558. Free.

From Reels to Airs, SilverWood performs a wide spectrum of Celtic sounds. The group plans a concert for San Diego Folk Heritage on Saturday, July 13, at 7 p.m., at Templar's Hall in Old Poway Park (14134 Midland Road). Tickets: \$11. Call 858-566 4040 for reservations. (POWAY)

"WordPerfect," this night of hiphop and poetry featuring Hue of Intuition, Stacy Tolbert, and Orko the Sykotic Alien starts at 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues). Tickets are \$7 general. Call 619-230-1869 for more information.

Science Fiction Author David Brin heads to Mysterious Galaxy Books on Saturday, July 13, at 2:30 p.m., to sign and discuss Contacting Aliens: An Illustrated Guide to David Brin's *Uplift Universe.* Find the shop at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

Improvised Sketches and Musical Numbers based on audience suggestions provide the fodder when the Creative Urges Improvisational Comedy Troupe performs on Saturday, July 13, at 8 p.m., at the Swedenborgian Church theater (1531 Tyler Avenue). Admission is \$10. Dial 858-581-0050 for details. (HILLCREST)

Not for Those "Weak of Constitution," the Fault Line Players present their politically incorrect comedy show "Dirty Shorts: Butt Munch!" on Saturday, July 13, at 8 and 10 p.m., at the Fault Line Theatre (3152 Fifth Avenue, at Spruce), Tickets are \$7. 619-692-3382. (HILLCREST)

Radio Host Robert Griswold leads a workshop and signs Property Management for Dummies on Saturday, July 13, at 1 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway). Free. Call 858-684-3166 for details. (MIRA MESA)

Share Your Talents or just listen to others when Jill Badonsky hosts open-mike fun on Saturday, July 13, at the Seaside Church of Religious Science (1613 Lake Drive). Signups start at 7 p.m. The requested donation is \$5 to \$10. For more information, call 760-414-1949. (CARDIFF)

Laugh Out Loud when the Comedy Codependents perform at the Creativity Centre (4716 32nd Street) on Friday, July 12, at 8 p.m. The group depends upon suggestions from the audience to fuel the improv fun. 619-280-5177. Free. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

The Debut Crime Novel by David Corbett is The Devil's Redhead, which he'll sign on Sunday, July 14, at 2:30 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. Call 858-268-4747 for details. (CLAIREMONT)

Woof! Journalist Lisa Mendoza visits Borders Books and Music on Sunday, July 14, at 3 p.m., to sign and discuss Hi! It's Me, Your Dog! Find the shop at 668 Sixth Avenue and by calling 619-702-7420. Free. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

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

Mothers from Beyond, Feathers Brush Mv Heart is described as a "collection of women's stories of contact with their mothers after death." Editor Sinclair Browning and contributor Martha Lawrence will sign and discuss their book on Monday, July 15, at 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Boulevard). Free. Dial 858-268-4747 for further details. (CLAIREMONT)

'Moving Moments in Time: Spotlighting Local Actors and Global Issues" - expect dramatic readings on peace and justice from ancient to modern times when nine local actors perform for Voices of Women on Monday, July 15, at 7 p.m., at the North Coast Repertory Theatre. Margo Dockendork will read from her book The Mahdi, and Karl Anthony performs, accompanied by wife Jeanne, "interpreting in sign dance.

A forum on global justice and fairness follows the performance. The requested donation is \$15. Find the theater at 987-D Lomas Santa Fe. For information, call 858-481-1055 or 888-776-6278, (SOLANA BEACH)

Student Poets from the Border Voices poetry project will read from their work for the San Diego Writers/Editors Guild on Monday, July 15, at 6:30 p.m. Find the group in the Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Admission: \$5 for nonmembers. For more information, call 858-576-3800. (HILLCREST)

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

Author Betty Byrd signs and discusses Trinity's Daughter on Tuesday, July 16, at 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

Twilight in the Park, this summer concert series continues on Tuesday, July 16, with music by America's Finest City Freedom Band. Earl Thomas and the Jezebelles perform

Teacher Joan Lindgren will read excerpts from the anthology Poetry Inside Out on Thursday, July 11, at Moctezuma Books and Gallery (289 3rd Avenue). The book is a collection of work by Federico García Lorca and others as translated by bilingual children in the San Francisco area. Free. For information, dial

760-753-5786. (CARDIFF)

Friday night slam planned on July 12, at the Urban Grind (3797 Park Boulevard). Events start at 7:30 p.m. (following 7 p.m. sign-ups; the first

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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)

**Author** James Houston visits Esmeralda Books and Coffee to sign and read from *Snow Mountain* on Wednesday, July 17, at 7 p.m. Find the shop at 1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307; 858-755-2707. Free. (DEL MAR)

**Listen Up,** spend an evening with Kay Lindahl, founder of the Listening Center in Laguna Nigel on Wednesday, July 17, at 7 p.m., at Open Door Books (4761 Cass Street). Lindahl will also sign her book *The Sacred Art of Listening — Forty Reflections for Cultivating a Spiritual Practice.* For information, call 858-270-8642. Free. (PACIFIC BEACH)

The Lingo, the Non-Prophet Poets — Everett Vigil, Mark Gonzales, Ame DeMayo, and Marcus Vigil — hit the stage for this openmike event. Tomás Riley and Bennie Herron of the Taco Shop Poets host this event at Voz Alta on Wednesday, July 17, at 8 p.m. Find Voz Alta at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues); 619-231-1869. Admission is free. (DOWNTOWN)

Suzy's Zoo Creator Suzy Spafford visits Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Thursday, July 18, to read from Witzy's Book of Words and discuss her characters at 10 a.m. Find the store at 10755 Westview Parkway; 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

**Author** Robin Maxwell will discuss and sign her new book, *Virgin: Prelude to the Throne*, on Thursday, July 18, at 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). Free. 619-295-2201. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Take the Stage** for open-mike-night fun on Thursdays, 8 to 10 p.m., at Boomers Brew (1404 Garnet Avenue). Free. 858-273-9377. (PACIFIC BEACH)

#### SPORTS

Amateur Athletes of All Ages and Abilities are competing in the 14th annual California State Games; the multisport festival of Olympic-style competition runs from July 11-14 at venues all over the county. A partial list of events includes archery, badminton, goaltimate, field hockey, gymnastics, roller figure skating, swimming, softball, water polo, weightlifting, wrestling, and many more. Admission is free for spectators. For details, call 619-282-1360. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

**All Stars and Others,** the All Star break concludes with a game on Thursday, July 11. The San Diego Padres host the St. Louis Cardinals in Qualcomm Stadium July 12-14, with games at 7:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. The Colorado Rockies arrive for games at 7:05 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, July 15 and 16.

A quick road trip to Los Angeles is planned for games on Wednesday and Thursday, July 17 and 18, at 7:10 p.m. both nights.

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 (MISSION VALLEY)

Not Just a Tournament, but an Event, the Emmo Tennis Grand Prix Series benefiting Children's Hospital runs July 12-14. The tournament boast competition in men's, women's, and mixed doubles divisions. For details, dial 619-697-1418. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Are You Building Biking Expertise and endurance? The Knickerbikers have just the ride planned for you on Saturday, July 13. This 29-miler for novices starts at 9 a.m. in the parking lot at Peohe's (1201 First Street). Rest and sightseeing stops are promised. Bring money for an optional lunch. 858-456-3842. (CORONADO)

**Rev It Up and Go** to Cajon Speedway on Saturday, July 13, for racing in the sportsman, street, bombers, pony stock cars, and train race categories. The first race starts at 6:45 p.m., with qualifying runs starting at 5 p.m.

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

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

**Get Wet,** the Kumulani Outrigger Club trains three days a week on Mission Bay. Training starts at 9 a.m. on Saturdays and at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The outrigger canoes launch from the San Diego Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club, just northwest of DeAnza Cove. The first two visits are free. For more information, dial 619-497-1506. (MISSION BAY)

More of a northerner? The Makana Ke Kai Outrigger Canoe Club is looking for new members who like to compete. The group

14, practices all summer long at Oceanside Harbor. Workouts for newcomers start at 10:30 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The first four paddles are free. Call 760-941-0715 x3003 for details. (OCEANSIDE)

See Garibaldi, Lobsters, and octopuses when the Birch Aquarium-Museum hosts snorkeling at La Jolla Cove on Sunday, July 13, from 8 to 10 a.m. Participants will take in the terrain of the La Jolla-San Diego Underwater Park and Ecological Reserve. Previous snorkeling experience is required. The fee is \$25 for those 10 to adult. For reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

**Hard Corps Competition**, the Camp Pendleton International Triathlon is slated for Saturday, July 13. Race-day registration begins at 0630 hours, soldier, and racing starts at 0830. Events include a 1500-meter swim, 40k bike ride, and 10k run. Enter via the main gate. For information, call 760-725-6836. (CAMP PENDLETON)

Champions on Ice — including Olympians Michelle Kwan, Elvis Stojko, Surya Bonaly, Todd Elredge, Michael Weiss, and Irina Slutskaya — take the rink at the San Diego Sports Arena on Sunday, July 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$47 to \$67, available by calling Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

Soccer Spirit, the San Diego Spirit, one of the teams of the Women's United Soccer Association, hosts the San Jose Cyberrays on Sunday, July 14, at 5 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)

Multi-Sport Enthusiasts Beckoned,

the 18th annual Sri Chinmoy swim/run is slated for Sunday, July 14, with a one-mile swim and 10k run. Events begin at 7 a.m. at La Jolla Cove. For more information, call 619-687-5859. (LA JOLLA)

Hotter Than July, Master Dixon's second annual karate championships run 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 14, at the San Diego Convention Center (111 West Harbor Drive). Admission for spectators is \$5 for adults, free for those under 6; competitors pay \$35. For information, call 619-948-4080. (DOWNTOWN)

Ready to Paddle? Hike Bike Kayak San Diego has two events planned this week. A beginner's kayak clinic is slated for Sunday, July 14, at 10 a.m., in Mission Bay.

The group leads an evening paddle off Shelter Island on Wednesday, July 17, at 6 p.m. For both classes, the \$65 fee includes equipment and instruction. To reserve a spot, call 858-551-9510. (MISSION BAY, SHELTER ISLAND)

**Polo Time,** the San Diego Polo Club hosts the USPA Rossmore Cup on Sunday, July 14. 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 park-

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"Snorkel with the Sharks" during an event hosted by the Birch Aquarium-Museum on Sunday, July 14, from 8 to 10 a.m. The sharks in question are (harmless) leopard sharks, smooth hound sharks, and guitarfish. The fee is \$25 for those ten to adult. For more information and the required reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA SHORES)

Mountain Biking 101, the Mountain Bike Assistance Unit and Cuyamaca Rancho State Park host the annual seminar and ride on Sunday, July 21, from 9 a.m. to noon (and beyond), in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park. Topics include mountain bike maintenance, outdoor preparedness, trail etiquette, repairs, and more. Rides are planned through the park in the afternoon (bring your bike, helmet, water, and lunch). Free. 619-523-1744. (CUYAMACA MOUNTAINS)

#### SPECIAL

**Discuss** *The Crito* by Plato with the Del Mar Great Books Reading and Discussion Group on Friday, July 12, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (Del Mar Highlands Town Center, 12835 El Camino Real). 858-756-4298. Free. (DEL MAR)

Bring Your Canine Companion to the "doggie cafe" planned at the San Diego Humane Society on Friday, July 12, at 5:30 p.m. Certified dog trainers and "dog friendly" volunteer trainers will dispense tips on "how to keep your dog calm in public around distractions like people, food, and other dogs." Dogs should be friendly and on-leash. The suggested donation is \$5. Find the society at 887 Sherman Street; call 619-299-7012 x230 to register. (LINDA VISTA)

Explore the Stars when the Cleveland National Forest and Orange County Astronomers join forces for programs on Friday and Saturday, July 12 and 13, at the renovated Observatory Campground (located two miles from the Palomar Observatory). The event begins with a 45-minute amphitheater presentation, followed by evening viewing with telescopes provided by volun-

teers. For times and other information, call 760-788-0250. (PALOMAR MOUNTAIN)

Whaddaya Know About Diderot? The author's *Rameau's Nephew* is the subject when the Great Books Reading and Discussion Group gathers on Saturday, July 13, at 2 p.m., in the third-floor conference room at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-440-5625. Free; newcomers are welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

A Year-Long Collaboration between the Sierra Club and Public Address (a public artists' advocacy group) gets underway with the inaugural exhibition "Fresh Wi(n)dow — Homage to Larry Dumlao," opening on Saturday, July 13, at 6 p.m. This collaboration will take the form of a series of art installations by Public Address members in the window of the Sierra Club Bookstore (3820 Ray Street). This show features work by Robin Brailsford, Dumlao's studio neighbor for many years at Brown Field Airport, on display through Wednesday, August 7. Free. 619-299-1743. (NORTH PARK)

**Wolfish,** the California Wolf Center hosts public programs every Saturday at 2 p.m. Admission is \$8 general, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for children ten and younger. Reservations are required, made by calling 619-234-9653 or 760-765-0030. (JULIAN)

The Festival of Bells planned July 13 and 14 at Mission San Diego de Alcalá celebrates the 233rd birthday of the mission's founding (on July 16, 1769). Organizers promise entertainment by live bands and dancers, pottery-making demonstrations, children's entertainment, rock-climbing wall, food and drink (for sale), crafts, and more.

Admission is free. Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Find the mission at 10818 San Diego Mission Road. Call 619-286-2055 for information. (MISSION VALLEY)

The Smallest Show on Earth? 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 through 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)

Rare, Exotic, and Unusual snakes, lizards, frogs, monitors, spiders, geckos, and turtles will be on display and for sale when the International Reptile Breeders' Show and Sale takes place on July 13 and 14, at the San Diego Concourse (202 C Street). Workshops will be offered, and vendors will offer their wares.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$3 for children. Call 619-615-4100 for information. (DOWNTOWN)

**Star After Dark,** spend a night aboard the *Star of India* during the adventure planned from 3 p.m. to 9 a.m. Saturday, July 13, through Sunday, July 14. During this living history program, participants will journey back to the 1870s and partake of rat stew, hear sea chanteys, take some celestial navigation lessons, pull night watch, and more.

Children under 12 must have an accompanying adult. The \$65-perperson fee includes dinner and breakfast. The ship is docked at 1306 North Harbor Drive. For reservations, call 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

**Tea for You?** Would you like to taste unique teas and learn the art and science of tea at the same time? The Tea Pavilion offers informative presentations about tea and complimentary tastings of tea from around the world on the second Saturday of each month. Tea specialist Michael Figgins will offer two different teas — such as formosa silvertip oolong and China Yunnan — and tea pastries.

The pavilion is located at the entrance to the Japanese Friendship Garden (next door to the Spreckels Organ Pavilion). Presentations begin at 11 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. on July 13. Reservations are not required. Free. 619-607-3298. (BALBOA PARK)

**Psychic Times,** a metaphysical conference and psychic fair hosted by

Alexandra's BookStore is set for Saturday and Sunday, July 13 and 14. Tarot, palmistry, numerology, and other psychic arts will be featured; pay \$20 per reading. Events run from noon to 6 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple, 1895 Camino del Rio South. For more information, dial 619-298-3422. (MISSION VALLEY)

Allons Enfants de la Patrie, the House of France — quite appropriately — hosts a program of native dances, music, and costumes at the International Cottages on Bastille Day, Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m. Admission is free. Food will be offered for sale. 619-234-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Second Sundays at Trios, visit with Patrick McGowan and see his works when the local sculptor is on hand to demonstrate his craft on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m., at the Trios Gallery (130 South Cedros Avenue). Free. For information, call 858-793-6040. (SOLANA BEACH)

Wanna Be a Nomad? The Nomad Slot Racers Club invites you to participate in a 1/32 slot car racing series planned on Sundays at the Santee Model Car Raceway (9522 Carlton Hills Boulevard, at Mast). The group meets for a potluck at 5:30 p.m., with racing at 7:30 p.m. Children 12 and older are invited to participate with their parents. The fee is \$6 to race on the track. 760-492-4619. (SANTEE)

Bring a Score or Rent One at the Door when PACEM Summer Sings take place at St. Paul's Cathedral. All are invited to sing favorite choral works under the direction of five distinguished conductors. The series continues with Vivaldi's "Gloria" conducted by Stanley Wicks on Wednesday, July 17, at 7 p.m. Admission to each "sing" is \$10.

You only want to listen? Admission is free for those who don't want to sing. Find the cathedral at 2728 Sixth Avenue, at Fifth and Nutmeg. For information, call 619-298-7261.

A 1930s Stately Red Brick Colonial Revival-style home is the site for the San Diego Historical Society's 29th annual showcase. The Ione Gilfillan Brown House was home to three generations of the Brown family, designed by female contractor Ione Gilfillan Brown, and is among several of her surviving Coronado properties. The home features 17 design spaces.

Find the home at 1901 Monterey Avenue. Tour the home through Sunday, July 28. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, with hours extended to 7 p.m. on Thursday. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 619-533-7355.

Now for the rules: No people under eight years old will be admitted, no photographs may be taken, and your shoes must be flats. (CORONADO)

Tours and Art Discussion given by friends of the La Jolla Art Association are planned at 1:30 p.m. on Thursdays from July 11 through August 29. The presenters will relate the history of the 82-year-old organization. Pieces at the gallery will be "reviewed for intellectual and technical markings," as well as the use of composition, value, and color employed by the artist.

Free. Find the gallery at 7917 Girard Avenue and by calling 858-459-3001. (LA JOLLA)

**Oil Paintings** by Constance Jackson, July's featured artist at the San Carlos Library (7265 Jackson Drive), are on display through Thursday, August 1. For information and viewing hours, call 619-527-3430. (SAN CARLOS)

Zin, Zin, Zin...head to the Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina when "Pioneers on the Zinfandel Frontier: America's Heritage Wine Tour" takes place on Thursday, July 18, 6 to 8 p.m. Seventy-six Zinfandel producers will pour libations, and hors d'oeuvres will be provided. The fee is \$45. For reservations, call 530-274-4900. Find the hotel at 1380 Harbor Island Drive. (HARBOR ISLAND)

Maritime Music., pirate "re-enactors" will visit the sea chantey festival planned on Sunday, July 21, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., on board the tall ship *Star of India*. Visitors are invited to sing along, pull on lines to help set the massive sails, see rope-making demonstrations, and be decorated by "pirate face painters."

Tickets are \$6 general, with discounts for seniors, kids, and military. Find the *Star* and the Maritime Museum at 1306 North Harbor Drive (along the Embarcadero); 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

Dancing White Stallions, coming down through 425 years of history, the famous Lipizzaner stallions perform on Friday, July 26, at 7:30 p.m., at the San Diego Sports Arena (3500 Sports Arena Boulevard). Tickets are \$17.50 and \$19.50 general, with discounts for seniors and children, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

**"Moonlight Sonata:** A Tribute to Italo Scanga" is on exhibit through the year at the Carlsbad Sculpture

Garden. The show includes seven Scanga pieces, including the very last piece he finished before his death, *Moonlight Sonata*. The artist's sculptures combine found and salvaged objects, telling tales "of the human existence."

Find the garden behind the Carlsbad Arts Office, 2955 Elmwood Avenue, next to the Cole Library. 760-434-2920. Viewing hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Free. (CARLSBAD)

#### **FOR KIDS**

High-Flying Fun, over 30 local children are taking part in the summer community musical *Peter Pan*, taking flight at the Poway Center for Performing Arts July 11-14. Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, at 8 p.m. on Friday, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Find the center at 15498 Espola Road (at Titan Way). Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children 18 and younger, available by calling 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

**"Rumplestiltskin"** is performed by Millie Patterson's Weaver's Tales through Sunday, July 14, at the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Learn about "Comical, Magical Ventriloquism" when comic-ventriloquist Lynn Trimble performs July 17-21.

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

Adventure Through Wonderland when Kidz Theater presents the rock/pop/gospel/country/musical theater production *Alice in Concert* July 12-14 at the Avo Playhouse. Forty children from 8 to 18 are featured in the play. Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, with a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday and a performance at 5 p.m. on Sunday.

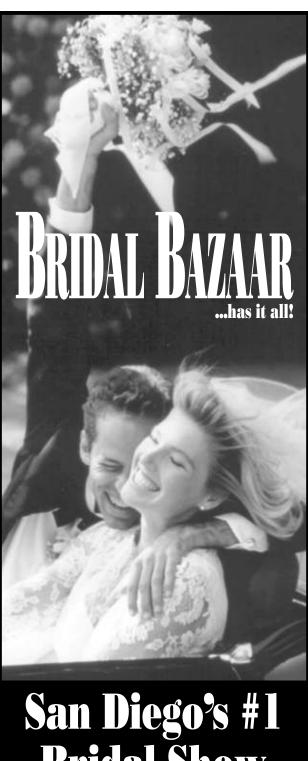
Tickets are \$8 for children under 12, \$10 for adults. Find the theater at 303 Main Street. For reservations, call 760-724-2110. (VISTA)

Wear Your Pajamas to Barnes and Noble Bookstore for the Harrison and Pals "puppet magic" pajama party planned on Friday, July 12, at 6:30 p.m. Find the shop at 1040 North El Camino Real and by calling 760-943-6400. Free. (ENCINITAS)









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Learn 23 Secret Lessons on how to handle the joys and sorrows of being a child when the San Diego Junior Theater presents the fast-paced musical How to Eat Like a Child through July 21. The production features book by Delia Ephron, John Forster, and Judith Kahan, with music and lyrics by John Forster.

Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Fridays and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday in the Casa del Prado Theater. Tickets are \$7 to \$10 adults, \$5 to \$8 seniors and children 13 and under. For reservations, call 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

The Wonderful Feline Yoko visits Borders Books and Music while Reiko Obata tells the story of Yoko and the Paper Cranes on Saturday, July 13, 2:30 p.m. Find the shop at 668 Sixth Avenue; 619-702-7420. Free. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Choo Choo! The Chula Vista Live Steam Club provides train rides from noon to 3 p.m. on the second weekend of each month, including July 13 and 14, in Rohr Park (4548 Sweetwater Road). The requested donation is 25 cents. For more information, call 619-421-5227. Children under 48" must be accompanied by an adult. (BONITA)

Let Down Your Hair and enjoy Rapunzel when the San Diego Actors Theatre presents "Children's Classics" on Saturday, July 13, at 11 a.m., at L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino del Mar). The program includes Green Eggs and Ham, Little Red Riding Hood, poetry, and songs. 619-268-4494. Admission is \$4 per person. (DEL MAR)

Children's Museum of San Diego, works by Charlotte Bird are gathered in "Storytelling With Quilts," on view through August. Meet the artist during a reception planned for her on Saturday, July 13, at 5 p.m.

Continuing exhibits include "The Book Stop," "Improv Theater," and "Cora's Rainhouse." Find the museum at 200 West Island Avenue. Dial 619-233-8792 for additional details (DOWNTOWN)

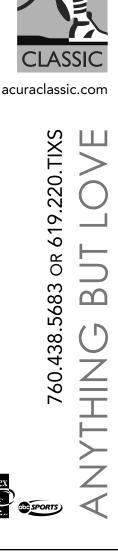
Calling All Kids, there's a talent show planned at the Mission Trails Regional Park visitors' center on Saturday, July 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All are invited to share their talents, with singing, dancing, acting, jokes, poetry, skits, and more expected. Storyteller Mary Holma hosts. Find the center at One Father Junípero Serra Trail; 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

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Meet Author Suzy Spafford — creator of Suzy's Zoo - when she visits the parent and tot story time to read from her work and discuss her characters at Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Thursday, July 18, at 10 a.m. The store is located at 10755 Westview Parkway; 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)





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## READING

#### **The Forgotten Memoir** of John Knox: A Year in the Life of a Supreme Court Clerk in FDR's Washington



David Garrow

Edited by Dennis J. Hutchinson and David I. Garrow University of Chicago Press, 2002; 288 pages; \$32.50

FROM THE DUST JACKET: "My name will survive as long as man survives, because I am writing the greatest diary that has ever been written. I intend to surpass Pepys as a diarist." When John Frush Knox (1907-1997) wrote these words, he was in the middle of law school at Harvard, and his attempt at surpassing Pepys - part scrap-

book, part social commentary, and part recollection — had already reached 750 pages. His efforts as a chronicler might have landed in a family attic had he not secured an eminent position after graduation as law clerk to Justice James C. McReynolds arguably one of the most disagreeable justices to sit on the Supreme Court — during the tumultuous year when President Franklin D. Roosevelt tried to "pack" the Court with justices who would approve his New Deal agenda. Knox's memoir instead emerges as a record of one of the most fascinating periods in American

history.

The Forgotten Memoir of John Knox offers a candid, at times the Court that took place in 1937. At the same time, it marvelously portrays a Washington culture now long gone. Although the new Supreme Court building had been open for a year by the time Knox joined McReynolds's staff, most of the justices continued to work from their homes, each supported by a small staff. Knox, the epitome of the overzealous and officious young man, after landing what he believes to be a dream position, continually fears for his job under the notoriously rude (and nakedly racist) justice. But he soon develops close relationships with the justice's two black servants: Harry Parker, the messenger who does "everything but breathe" for the justice, and Mary Diggs, the maid and cook. Together, they plot and sidestep around their employer's idiosyncrasies to keep the household running while history is made in

A substantial foreword by Dennis Hutchinson and David Garrow sets the stage, and a gallery of period photographs of Knox, McReynolds, and other figures of the time gives life to this engaging account, which like no other recaptures life in Washington, D.C., when it was still a genteel Southern town.

Dennis J. Hutchinson is William Rainey Harper Professor in the College and senior lecturer in law at the University of Chicago. He is the author of The Man Who Once Was Whizzer White, a New York Times Notable Book. David J. Garrow is Presidential Distinguished Professor at the Emory University School of Law and author of several books, including the Pulitzer Prize-winning Bearing the Cross.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: On the day that David Garrow and I talked, Mr. Garrow was in his office at Emory. Forty-nine-year-old Garrow, born in Massachusetts, has been teaching at Emory since 1995.

I was curious as to how John Knox's manuscript came into Garrow's possession.

Professor Garrow explained, "The closest surviving relative

of Knox's when Knox died, who is Ginny Whitehill - Virginia Whitehill. She is thanked in the foreword. Ginny is a women's activist in Dallas, Texas. I'm not sure precisely what age Ginny is; off the top of my head, I would think she's 70ish. But Ginny was Knox's closest surviving relative. Ginny was also one of the women in Dallas who in 1970 started Roe v. Wade.

"I first called Ginny up when I found her name in some of the archival documents about how women in Dallas and Austin first got together to file Roe v. Wade. I did a huge book, some years ago now, on where Griswold v. Connecticut and Roe v. Wade came from [Liberty and Sexuality: The Right to Privacy and the Making of Roe v. Wade, 1998]. I first met Ginny in early 1992, to interview her about Roe v. Wade. She's mentioned 15 or more times in my huge history of Roe. So I first met Ginny in '92 and saw her a number of times when I was in Dallas in '92 and '93 when I was doing the research for that. She had mentioned to me at that time something about Knox, who at that point would still have been alive. He didn't die until '97.

"And I don't know whether she had the whole manuscript then or just a portion of it. I forget. But I do know that Ginny had mentioned to me that she had this and that this would be a fascinating piece of Supreme Court history. My immediate reaction was, 'James McReynolds, yuk.' Because anyone who knows Court history and knows of McReynolds's reputation automatically thinks of him as the justice one least wants to know about.

"I was back in Dallas after the book Liberty and Sexuality came out. Ginny again tried to get me interested in the Knox manuscripts, and I said, 'You know, not right now.' And then in the spring of 1998, I got a book to review for the New York Times by a guy named Edward Lazarus, entitled Closed Chambers. Lazarus clerked for the Supreme Court under Harry Blackmun in 1988. And Lazarus published this account of his year as a clerk that unfortunately got a little too histrionic in his indicating that he was much smarter than the justices. My review in the Times was fairly negative, and a lot of the reviews it got were quite, quite negative. But that book got me interested in the question of law clerks and their recollections. So out of that review I did a much, much longer law-review piece for Cornell Law Review,

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#### MUSEUMS

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

Bancroft Ranch House Museum houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area and is run by the Spring Val-

ley Historical Society. The home,

built in 1863, was registered as a Na-

tional Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; call 619-469-1480 for more information. (SPRING VALLEY)

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Dennis Hutchinson

which talks about both the Lazarus book and shows you how incestuous all this is and also spends a number of pages talking about Dennis Hutchinson's biography of Byron White, which was new at that point. So when I was doing this *Cornell Law Review* article on the history of clerks talking for the historical record, what Ginny had showed me of Knox's came back to mind.

"In May 1999, Ginny shipped me the whole manuscript in a big FedEx box. So seven years after she first tried to get me interested in it,

I started reading the full 978-page manuscript, which was in double-spaced typescript with large margins. I quickly realized that this guy was a superb writer."

Professor Garrow talked, then, about his coeditor, Professor Hutchinson. He confessed that even though for several years they have talked on a daily basis and each day pass e-mail back and forth, they have never met face to face. "We do, though, have as one of our closest mutual friends Linda Greenhouse, who's the *New York Times* Supreme Court reporter. Dennis clerked for Justice White and Justice Douglas. So he's a member of the Supreme Court clerks alumni. Dennis had seen my reference to the Knox stuff in this law-review article that in part was about his book. So when I was telling him how wonderful the Knox thing was, Dennis got interested too. And Dennis, I want to stress, Dennis did 85 percent of the work on this."

Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter (1882–1965), even before he left his chair at Harvard Law School and ascended in 1939 to his seat on the Supreme Court, was *the* person who recommended Harvard Law School graduates as clerks to the Supreme Court justices (although he was not the person who recommended John Knox).

In his introduction to his diary/memoir, John Knox wrote:

After 1933 it became well known that Professor Felix Frankfurter...was recommending many graduates of that school for positions in Washington with the New Deal administration. While ostensibly doing little else but teaching classes at Cambridge, Frankfurter was busy placing friends or "disciples" of his in key positions in the government.... Each year Professor Frankfurter would also recommend to the Supreme Court two recent graduates to serve in Washington as law clerks for the ensuing year. These men were generally assigned to Justices Brandeis and Cardozo.

About his own hiring by Justice McReynolds, Knox wrote:

McReynolds had mentioned to Justice Van Devanter that he would need a new law clerk and secretary for the period from June 1936 until June 1937. Justice Van Devanter offered to locate such a person, suggesting that the selection could be made from the 1939 Harvard Law School graduating class, but without Professor Frankfurter's knowledge. The new law clerk, of course, would have to meet certain requirements, such as being an acceptable WASP conservative who never smoked cigarettes.

I asked Professor Garrow how Justice Frankfurter happened to acquire this hiring authority.

"Really because of his almost son-father–like relationship with Justice Brandeis." (Justice Louis Brandeis [1856–1941] served as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1916 to 1939. He was the first Jew to serve on the Court.)

Young John Knox was fond of paying calls on his superiors. During his year in the capital, he visited Justice Benjamin Cardozo (1870–1938). Justice Cardozo served on the Court from 1932–1938. Professor Garrow said that Knox's visit with Cardozo was his, Garrow's, favorite Knox visit. He added, "I know Justice David Souter pretty well, personally. David is a very sort of old-fashioned though extremely relaxed, friendly, New Hampshire gentleman. But there's something of that and more in the way Knox is, you know, able to recount what Cardozo was like."

"Why," I asked, "do you think that Knox never married? It just occurred to me at the very end of the book that maybe he was gay."

"You put your finger on it. That's what we now think, although, let me stress, we don't know anything. I did a book years ago on the FBI's harassment of Dr. King [The FBI & Martin Luther King, Jr.: From "Solo" to Memphis, 1981], and so I'm pretty familiar with the J. Edgar Hoover story. But my guess about Mr. Knox is the same as my opinion of Mr. Hoover: I don't think either of them ever did anything, so to speak, but I certainly think that that was where their repressed interests lay. We both, Dennis and I, think that the way that Knox describes his friend Quigg Newton and Newton's friend G. Mennen 'Soapy' Williams at one of those parties that he attended during that year in Washington has a sort of unconscious or subconscious homoerotic quality to it. [Knox writes about these gentlemen that they were "tall and handsome with a vibrant personality and a zest for bubbling conversation." About Williams, later to become governor of Michigan, Knox notes that he could not "help but turn and gaze at him from time to time as he walked from group to group with a smile on his face and a hearty handshake."]

"I've got a gay friend who lives in Paris who has read it. I think he is going to review it, and I'll be curious to know what he thinks. The review hasn't run yet, and we've been good boys and haven't talked about it. I don't know whether he's going to address that or not. But I'm curious, you know, once the review runs, and we can talk about it with each other, to know what his reading on it is."

John Knox, even while still at Harvard Law, made a point of paying calls on various worthies, particularly those who worked in the legal arena. He also initiated what became a sizeable correspondence with many prominent men, some among them quite elderly. I asked Professor Garrow if he thought this behavior unusual.

"I don't," he said. "I think it was unusual only in degree. Knox was something of an autograph collector anyway. An elderly couple in Chicago who were sort of Knox's caretakers at the end of his life still retain an autographed photo of Kaiser Wilhelm the First, from 1915 or whatever, that Knox got the Kaiser to send him. Also, to some extent, Knox had this thing about Civil War veterans as well as Germans. He also had this notion that he wanted to write to the great people of the world, above and beyond just Supreme Court justices. But what strikes me as notable is that with all of these

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surf documentarian, telling the stories of those pioneering surfers in photographs by Ball and text. Many of the photographs, surfboards, and other artifacts have never been on public display before.

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia — such as surfboards and clothing — of local legends Phil Edwards, John "L.J." Richards, and Peter Johnson, and that way-cool megastar from Hawaii,

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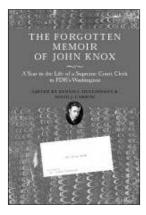
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justices that he was writing to, like when he writes to Holmes [Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., 1841-1932, served on the Supreme Court from 1902 until 1932], like when he writes to Justice Van Devanter [1859–1941; Justice Willis Van Devanter served on the Court from 1910–1937], they write back. So my guess is that in that era when the world was a whole lot smaller, so to speak, that these exchanges were more normal."

During John Knox's year with Justice McReynolds, people routinely wrote to ask for his autograph, and the

grumpy justice regularly signed his name to pieces of paper and John Knox duly addressed envelopes and sent these autographs to those who had requested them. The other eight justices also received requests for autographs. Professor Garrow laughed, saying, "If I put some first-year law student up to writing to the nine justices of the Supreme Court to ask for their autographs, I'd be sort of surprised if she got any responses at all."

Although John Knox graduated from Harvard Law School, he repeatedly failed the bar exams, both in the District of Columbia and back at home in Illinois. Why did Professor Garrow think that Knox did so poorly on the bar? He also never acquired and kept a really good job. Why did Professor Garrow think this was so?

'That," he said, "Ginny and Dennis and I have all talked about, and I don't know if any of us have a good answer for that. At Harvard, he made somewhat average or above-average grades. But the thing to keep in mind is that up until maybe the late 1960s, you could get into a good law school if your check cleared. So, what it took to get into Harvard Law School in 1930 was entirely different than during the last quarter century. But it's clear also that it's not just a question of Knox's difficulties with the bar exam. The succession of early jobs that he had, none of those really went anywhere.'

I asked if Professor Garrow thought Knox perhaps suffered

from depression.

"My guess would be that there's certainly a visible air of depression about him by, say, the early 1950s. Now, I don't think we see any evidence of that in 1936, '37."

Certainly, I said, it seemed that after his year with the racist and disagreeable Justice McReynolds, Knox seemed disillusioned. He seemed to have lost the zest with which he began his year with

Professor Garrow said, "I think one possible interpretation though it's not that I believe it; I just think it's a possible hypoth-- is that Knox was an adequately self-confident and comfortable man until he worked for McReynolds. And that the experience of dealing with McReynolds was so unsettling and humiliating, that post-McReynolds, Knox thereafter is just not an adequately self-confident person. And the sort of work he was doing for McReynolds, just sort of summarizing stuff, didn't necessarily require any personal initiative or creativity. It was almost secretarial compared to what law clerks do nowadays."

John Knox wrote in his introduction to his memoir:

During the early days of the New Deal, there were four Justices of the Supreme Court who wre considered as conservatives: Van Devanter, McReynolds, Butler, and Sutherland. Many times the Court plit 5 to 4 in deciding a case, and these four Justices usually constituted the

"How," I asked Professor Garrow, "is McReynolds regarded among those of you who write about the Court?"

"He's thought of as not only one of the most reactionary conservatives, in terms of substance, but as the book so extensively detailed, he's also thought of as an astounding anti-Semite, you know, who refused to deal with Brandeis and Cardozo. This refusal was pretty well known. So this account by Knox adds a lot of chapter and verse. But the fact that McReynolds was this sort of horrific person in his dealings with the Jewish justices, that people have known previously.'

"And he did not seem to be a scholar."

"No, no. Not at all."

"And," I said, "he seemed incredibly lazy, doing as little as possible when he was assigned opinions to write.'

"Yes. Clearly. People, if they've thought about it carefully, would realize that McReynolds would dissent in some case but blow off actually writing an explanation for why he was dissenting. But this is really the first time that his laziness or lack of taking the job more seriously has been more fully addressed. And none of the other three conservatives, maybe with the exception of Justice Sutherland, were this lacking in seriousness. I think some people would argue that Sutherland ought to be taken more seriously in terms of judicial reputation, certainly more seriously than McReynolds and probably more seriously than Justice Butler. But, as I think the book makes clear, the most serious of the conservatives in terms of doing the work was Van Devanter, but Van Devanter also had this sort of writer's block."

Professor Garrow concluded, "McReynolds seems like such a profoundly unhappy person that one reads this and one comes away wondering how McReynolds himself kept functioning, more or less successfully, month after month, year after year.

I suggested that people then did not have the same expectations for happiness that we do, that notions like "building selfesteem" were not considered. I suggested, too, that you did your duty and soldiered on. Also, I said, Justice McReynolds had those wonderful helpers, the two black servants who cared for McReynolds and his Washington, D.C., apartment, where John Knox came daily to work.

Professor Garrow said, "Dennis and I both think that Harry Parker and Mary Diggs are the two real heroes of the book.'

I'd so much enjoyed dwelling with young John Knox in the late 1930s, and I said so. I added that I was glad that Professor Garrow and his coeditor had taken the time to save John Knox's diary jottings from oblivion.

Professor Garrow thanked me and said, "I must stress, you know, that if it weren't for Ginny's initiative and persistence, and then Dennis doing the scut work to take the 978 pages and edit them down to a manageable size, this might not have happened.'

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

Heritage of the Americas Museum, more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 BC) through the Ming periods (1368-1644 AD) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China," on view through July. From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments in death or as proudly worn ornaments in life. Jades were symbols of dignity and rank (as early as the Late Stone Age) and were status symbols closely connected with the conviction that jade brought long life. A new acquisition is now on exhibit: a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 BC to AD 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). The jade suit continued the quest for immortality.

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

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

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

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

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. On exhibit are Indian artifacts from the Kingery family. The museum is open on the last Saturday and Sunday of every month from 2 to 4 p.m., at 2116 Tavern

Road. For information, call 619-659-8740. (ALPINE)

Museum of History and Art, reflecting themes of spirituality, Mexico, and nature, artist Poppy Clark was influenced by a six-month period when she lived in Guadalajara and by an early acquaintance with famed Mexican muralist Ramos Martinez. Suffering from diabetes, Clark lost sight in one eye at the age of 29, followed shortly thereafter by a ten-year period of total blindness,

during which she continued to paint. "Through Her Eyes: The Art of Poppy Clark" continues through Wednesday, August 21.

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

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Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house. a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. Women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800 are also on display. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex. Find it all at 645 Main Street. For

more information, call 760-789-7644. (RAMONA)

San Diego Aerospace Museum, the U.S. Air Force and Boeing Corporation have donated a global positioning satellite (GPS) for a new permanent exhibit. This GPS is "the only one of its kind on display in the world." Members of the women's flying club the Ninety-Nines have donated personal memorabilia, trophies, flight logbooks, and

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And from that day on everything under the sun and moon made me sad — even the yellow wooden beads that slid and spun along a spindle on my crib.

You taught me to exist without gratitude. You ruined my manners toward God: "We're here simply to wait for death; the pleasures of earth are overrated."

I only appeared to belong to my mother, to live among blocks and cotton undershirts with snaps; among red tin lunch boxes and report cards in ugly brown slipcases. I was already yours — the anti-urge, the mutilator of souls.

#### 2 BOTTLES

Elavil, Ludiomil, Doxepin, Norpramin, Prozac, Lithium, Xanax, Wellbutrin, Parnate, Nardil, Zoloft. The coated ones smell sweet or have no smell; the powdery ones smell like the chemistry lab at school that made me hold my breath.

#### 3 SUGGESTION FROM A FRIEND

You wouldn't be so depressed if you really believed in God.

Often I go to bed as soon after dinner as seems adult (I mean I try to wait for dark) in order to push away from the massive pain in sleep's frail wicker coracle.

#### 5 ONCE THERE WAS LIGHT

Once, in my early thirties, I saw that I was a speck of light in the great river of light that undulates through time.

I was floating with the whole human family. We were all colors — those who are living now, those who have died, those who are not yet born. For a few

moments I floated, completely calm, and I no longer hated having to exist.

Like a crow who smells hot blood you came flying to pull me out of the glowing stream. "I'll hold you up. I never let my dear ones drown!" After that, I wept for days

#### 6 IN AND OUT

The dog searches until he finds me upstairs, lies down with a clatter

of elbows, puts his head on my foot. Sometimes the sound of his breathing saves my life — in and out, in and out; a pause, a long sigh...

#### 7 PARDON

A piece of burned meat wears my clothes, speaks in my voice, dispatches obligations haltingly, or not at all. It is tired of trying to be stouthearted, tired beyond measure.

We move on to the monoamine oxidase inhibitors. Day and night I feel as if I had drunk six cups of coffee, but the pain stops abruptly. With the wonder and bitterness of someone pardoned for a crime she did not commit I come back to marriage and friends, to pink fringed hollyhocks; come back to my desk, books, and chair.

#### 8 CREDO

Pharmaceutical wonders are at work but I believe only in this moment of well-being. Unholy ghost, you are certain to come again.

Coarse, mean, vou'll put vour feet on the coffee table, lean back, and turn me into someone who can't take the trouble to speak; someone who can't sleep, or who does nothing but sleep; can't read, or call for an appointment for help.

There is nothing I can do against your coming. When I awake, I am still with thee.

#### 9 WOOD THRUSH

High on Nardil and June light waiting greedily for the first note of the wood thrush. Easeful air presses through the screen with the wild, complex song of the bird, and I am overcome

by ordinary contentment. What hurt me so terribly all my life until this moment? How I love the small, swiftly beating heart of the bird



singing in the great its bright, unequivocal

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tors from the six local chapters of the

The museum offers exhibits of

replica of the Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, the flight deck of the USS Yorktown, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from the Montgolfier hotair-balloon era to the Space Age,

over 65 aircraft — including a

Aerospace Hall of Fame. The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. For additional information, call 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

along with an International

San Diego County Sheriff's Museum, the 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles,

along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. View four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading. See "Lionel Town" in the toy

train gallery, described as "an animated Lionel train exhibit featuring city buildings which come to life such as a fire station, car wash, movie theater, train store, and a scale-model replica of the Lionel train factory in Lindenwold, New Jersey." This exhibit continues through December.

The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. For admis-

sion and museum hours, call 619-696-0199, (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Natural History Museum, what was life like on Earth in the years between the dinosaur extinction and the rise of human beings? Find out in "After the Dinosaurs: When Crocodiles Ruled," continuing through Tuesday, September 3. The traveling exhibition is based on the discovery of 60-million-year-old Wannagan Creek Quarry by the Science Museum of Minnesota's curator of paleontology, Bruce Erickson. The species uncovered at the site, combined with those found at other quarries worldwide, tell the story of climatic, geologic, ecological, and evolutionary changes that form the modern world. Exhibit sections include "Welcome to Tropical North Dakota," "World Change Central," and "Field Camp."

Tyrannosaurus rex — predator or scavenger? Guests use scientific methods to recreate a "crime scene" to determine the meat-eater's guilt or innocence in "T. Rex on Trial." World-renowned paleontologist and T. rex expert Jack Horner weighs in, acting as judge in the case. Complete casts of fossil skeletons of Tyran-

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An assemblage of museum specimens, rocks, fossils, live plants, and animals tell stories about the region's prehistoric and current habitats in "Natural Treasures: Past and Present." The ongoing exhibition is said to "display old treasures most loved by the community and to introduce new fossils that have never been seen by the public," as well as highlighting the museum's extensive paleontological collections. Visitors will also discover why dinosaur fossils are rare in San Diego (the region was underwater during dinosaur

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

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#### San Dieguito Heritage Museum,

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

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

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

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

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

Technology, motion, and illusion combine to create a realistic environment to "challenge and stimulate the mind" in Morphis: Movieride. Morphis is described as "a 20-seat motion theater featuring three ride films: Riding With the Dolphins, The Water Cycle, and Astro-Canyon Space Roller Coaster." Each film is around three minutes long. Tickets are \$4 (in addition to the regular admission fee). Children must be 42 inches tall to ride.

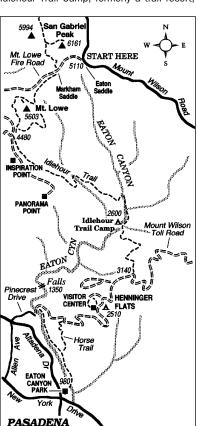
The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). For more information, call 619-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

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

#### Roam-O-Rama

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

The "Idlehour Descent" - not really an idle descent at all - is a one-way, 11-mile, mostly downhill hike through ever-changing terrain in the San Gabriel Mountains above Altadena and Pasadena. The name "Idlehour" comes from Idlehour Trail Camp, formerly a trail resort,



passed at the midway point of the hike.

Have someone drop you off at Eaton Saddle, mile 2.4 on the road to Mount Wilson Observatory (2.4 miles uphill from Angeles Crest Highway). You'll end the hike at Eaton Canyon park, on Altadena Drive just north of New York Drive in Altadena.

From Eaton Saddle, follow the unpaved Mount Lowe Fire Road 0.5 mile west to Markham Saddle, where trails intersect left and right. Bear left on the narrow Mount Lowe Trail. At a trail junction (1.3 miles), the Mt. Lowe west trail comes in acutely from the right. Keep straight to remain on the shorter, better-maintained east-side route down along the flank of the mountain. At 2.1 miles you can either drop to the fire road on your right or stay on the trail another 0.2 mile to meet the same fire road farther south. Continue walking south on the fire road, curving left toward Inspiration Point as the road on the right descends toward Mount Lowe Trail Camp. After another 100 feet, turn left on the Idlehour Trail. You've now come 2.4 miles from the start.

On the narrow trail ahead, you descend through shade-giving groves of live oak and bigcone Douglas-firs. At 3.7 miles you cross a west fork of Eaton Canyon. You then climb a bit to cross a chaparral-covered divide to the east and begin a switchback descent into the main Eaton Canyon. Look for the faultlike discontinuity in the igneous rock exposed on Eaton Canyon's sheer east wall.

At the bottom of the zigzag descent (4.8 miles) the trail stays near the canyon bottom and becomes intermittently lost in a refreshingly cool wonderland of crystal-clear cascades, overarching oaks and maples, and crispy carpets of orange and brown leaf-litter. Cabin foundation ruins can be found under the trees, a reminder that even in this inviting hideaway, no construction is spared for long the ravages of fire and flood. After some easy boulder-hopping, you come to Idlehour Trail Camp (5.4

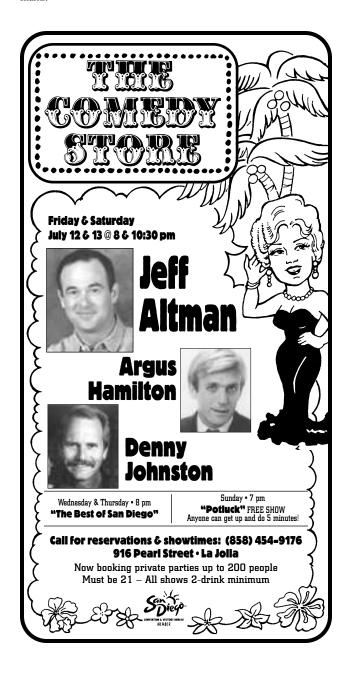


Mini-waterfall along Idlehour Trail

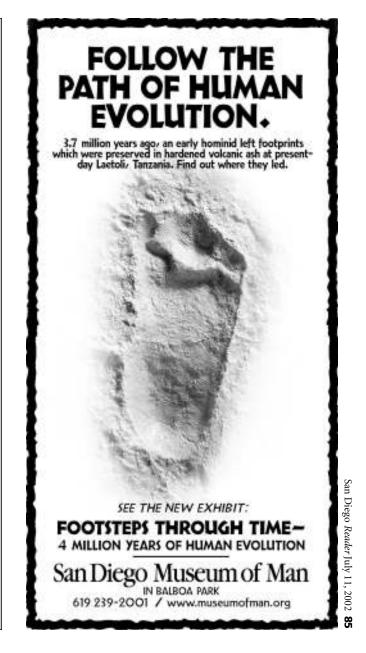
miles), nestled on an oak-shaded flat lying next to a rock fin, with vertical striations, dividing Eaton Canyon from its aforementioned west fork. This is perhaps the best spot for a picnic

Below Idlehour Camp, Eaton Canyon abruptly narrows, and its waters tumble over several near-vertical falls, 40 to 50 feet in height, in a three-mile stretch. Don't go that way! Continue on the Idlehour Trail, which ascends the left-side (east) canyon wall, then dives down to a junction with the Mount Wilson Toll Road (6.9 miles). Early in the 20th Century, telescope parts for the Mount Wilson Observatory were laboriously hauled up this road by mule-driven wagons. Today, the old toll road is reserved for self-propelled travelers. Go west, continuing your descent.

At 8.1 miles you reach Henninger Flats, which offers a small visitors' center, planted pines, and potable water. Continue descending to a hairpin turn (9.8 miles), where an equestrian trail takes off down the slope to the left. At the bottom, turn left and complete the remaining short distance to Eaton Canyon's nature center and parking lot.







## A Violinist from Venus, a Pianist from Mars

The incompatibility of character was perceptible in almost every work on the program.

JONATHAN SAVILLE

his year's fine Mainly Mozart Festival closed with a violin-and-piano recital at the Neurosciences Institute. The artists were violinist Andrés Cárdenes, well known to San Diegans because he was once concertmas-

ter of the San Diego Symphony (he now holds that position with the Pittsburgh Symphony); and pianist Zeyda Ruga Suzuki, whom few concertgoers will have

previously heard of. The concert was characterized by some interesting programming, by the excellence of the two musicians, and by the disconcerting nature of their musical relationship.

To take the last issue first: Cárdenes and Suzuki are artists of high quality, both technically and in terms of musicianship. Their program was rehearsed to perfection, the seamlessness of their collaboration providing a wonderful example of artistic teamwork. But their musical personalities were so radically different that, throughout the program, one of the things a listener was most aware of was the utter strangeness of this combination.

Cárdenes's style was marked by its warmth, elegance, shapeliness, and decorum. His tone was consistently sweet and creamy-smooth, with a lovely tender expressiveness. His phras-

ing had a comforting roundedness and concinnity. An inherent gentle lyricism pervaded every utterance of his instrument. Suzuki, in contrast, turned out to be a pianist of assertive power and broad architectural scope, with a

largeness of expression that often seemed to dwarf the violinist's persistent sweetness and delicacy. The pianist's range of colors and articulations was

striking, and in all her playing, whether the particular passage called for grandeur or sprightliness or reflective inwardness, there was a sense of contained energy, a variously modulated tension that drove the music inexorably forward. The playing of the violinist was embraced by the playing of the pianist like an exquisitely flowering rosebush surrounded by a vast mountain landscape.

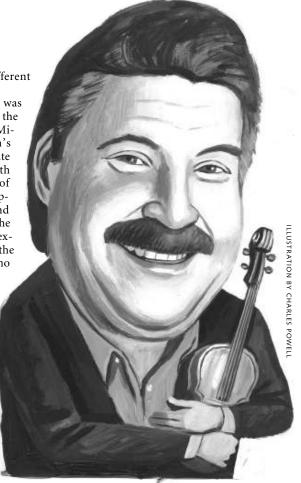
I hasten to say that there was nothing feeble about Cárdenes's playing and nothing overbearing about Suzuki's. Nor was there any notable disaccord in their technical skills. They cooperated with courtesy and with what seemed like mutual admiration. Suzuki took care never to drown Cárdenes out and never to assert a leadership position. They played — as all good chamber music players do — as equals. But, at the deepest level of musical identity, they came

from different worlds and spoke different languages.

This incompatibility of character was perceptible in almost every work on the program, beginning with Mozart's E Minor Sonata, K. 304 and Beethoven's "Kreutzer" Sonata. The high, passionate drama that repeatedly emerges in both pieces called forth the most intense of Suzuki's resources, while Cárdenes's approach was invariably more elegant and lyrical. Everyone knows and waits for the big, driving tune that concludes the exposition in the opening movement of the "Kreutzer," first presented by the piano and then repeated by the violin. What a furious storm this was in Suzuki's

hands, and how comparatively decorous it sounded in Cárdenes's. The contrast of temperament in the two artists could not have been demonstrated more clearly. Nor, in this volcanic movement, did Cárdenes ever risk a tone that was anything other than beautiful. For expressive purposes, violinists like Heifetz or Pamela Frank (to take just two examples) have been willing to bear down hard on the bow and to produce rough, pressured, and almost ugly sounds. Not the gentlemanly Cárdenes.

The result (not only in the first movement but in the other two as well) was a "Kreutzer" of considerably less dramatic impact than we have become used to. The great clarity of the performance and the nicely proportioned exposure of Beethoven's ideas could not make



Andrés Cárdenes

Andrés Cárdenes, violin; Zeyda Ruga Suzuki, piano Neurosciences Institute (Mainly Mozart)

Mozart, Violin Sonata in E Minor, K. 304; Beethoven, Violin Sonata in A, Opus 47 "Kreutzer"; Respighi, Violin Sonata in B Minor; Debussy-Heifetz, "Beau Soir"; Falla-Kreisler, Spanish Dance No. 1 from La Vida Breve.

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up for the lack of dynamic power in the violin part, and, of course, nothing could disguise the conflicting attitudes of the two performers.

The same thing was necessarily true in the performance of Respighi's Sonata in B Minor. This ripely emotional late-Romantic work (not at all like the composer's popular orchestral suites programmatically depicting Roman pines or fountains) demands a seething, turbulent expressiveness that did not seem to fit Cárdenes's character at all, while Suzuki responded to the composition as though she had composed it herself.

Once again, it was by no means a matter of the violinists not understanding the music. Cárdenes is an intelligent and sensitive musician, of just the sort one wants in a concertmaster. But he did not seem capable of letting himself go, of exceeding limits, in the way required by Romantic art of all sorts. His magisterial self-control (also a virtue in a concertmaster) kept the Respighi Sonata from taking off, although the less inhibited Suzuki kept driving it to the edge of the cliff. Still, it was a pleasure to hear this rarely performed work in a performance that, if it did not get to the heart of things, nevertheless let an attentive listener intuit what it might sound like when played more idiomatically.

The profound problems of the Cárdenes-Suzuki collaboration were evident even in a little programmed encore, like the Fritz Kreisler arrangement of a Spanish dance from De Falla's La Vida Breve. Cárdenes, having a good time, was peppy and delightful and pleasantly violinistic; Suzuki was fiery and fiercely ebullient, evoking the vivid colors of an orchestra and the wild energies of dance. Only in the Heifetz arrangement of Debussy's "Beau Soir" did the partners actually sound compatible, with Cárdenes in his tenderly expressive, lyrical element and Suzuki modestly receding to a murmuring background. ■

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Classical Guitarist Annamarie Iones will perform works by J.S. Bach and others on Thursday, July 11, at 5 p.m., at the Rancho San Diego Library (11555 Via Rancho San Diego). Free. Call 619-660-5370 for information. (EL CAJON)

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Summer Pops, enjoy some "Opera Favorites" when San Diego Opera's general director Ian Campbell guides listeners of this San Diego Symphony series through selections from Carmen, La Bohème, The Marriage of Figaro, and La Traviata Friday and Saturday, July 12-13.

Next up: "The Classical Mystery Tour," on Sunday, July 14, with original members of *Beatlemania* performing classic Beatle hits.

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

The series continues on Sunday, July 14, at 4 p.m., at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). The program includes Opus 90, Opus 22, Opus 31 — No. 1, and Opus 13 ("Pathétique"). Tickets are \$25 per concert. For

reservations and information, call 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Old Masters in Music and Art, the series continues with a concert of early music by the medieval quartet the Goliards on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. The concert is included in regular museum admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Organ Concert, civic organist Carol Williams is joined by Michael Morgan (bass) to present the weekly concert on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. For more information, call 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

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#### **GALLERIES**

Democracy in Action, the San Diego Museum of Art Artists Guild's "Democratic Juried Exhibition" opens with a reception on Friday, July 12, at 6:30 p.m., in Palomar College's Boehm Gallery. All guild members in good standing were invited to a "Jury Party" to view and judge the entry slides; the artists with the highest totals of votes were included in the show. View the winners through Friday, August 30.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Find the campus at 1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2304. (SAN MARCOS)

Installations Set Up Around Graves of Angelitos ("little angels") in a special section of a Tijuana cemetery are said to "reveal an interesting hybridization of Mexican and global cultures. Here the Mexican tradition of honoring the dead is accomplished with distinctly American icons: Disney characters, Pokemon dolls, and Hot Wheels cars."

Marcos Ramirez Erre's "Garden of Angels/Jardín de Angeles" includes photographs of the cemetery in light boxes sheathed in metal, "so they become sculptural objects which simulate actual gravestones." The show opens at Quint Contemporary Art with a reception for Erre on Friday, July 12, at 6 p.m., and continues through Saturday, August 17. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. Find the gallery at 7661 Girard Avenue; 858-454-3409. (LA JOLLA)

"Searching for Peace: The Works of Thomas Antel and Bobby Neel Adams" features photographs taken in Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam, and Mozambique, with "humanity's capacity for violence...evidenced through thoughtful and dignified

photographs." The show opens with a reception on Friday, July 12, at 5:30 p.m., at the COVA Gallery.

The show concludes on Friday, August 30. Find the gallery at 840 G Street (in the Arts College International Building). Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. 619-234-0928. (DOWNTOWN)

He Gained a Reputation as a Master Printer after working closely with Robert Mapplethorpe, while quietly making his own pictures. Now the photographs of Tom Baril range in subject matter from views found along the edge of the flowing currents of Niagara Falls to urban structures of New York, to still-lifes of organic objects.

An exhibition of work by the New York-based Tom Baril opens at the Joseph Bellows Gallery with a reception on Friday, July 12, at 6 p.m., and continues through August. The gallery is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and is located at 7661 Girard Avenue; 858-456-5620. (LA JOLLA)

"Glued, Screwed, and Nailed," this exhibition of collage and assemblage art opens with a reception for the 11 participating artists on Friday, July 12, at 5:30 p.m., at the Flux Gallery (655 Tenth Avenue, at G Street). View the various forms of two-dimensional collage and three dimensional sculptural assemblages through Friday, August 23. For more information, call 619-234-3589.

Take in a "Contemplation of Color" when Patricia Klem exhibits her work through Saturday, August 17, at La Jolla Fiber Arts. Meet the artist when the gallery hosts a reception in her honor on Friday, July 12, at 6:30 p.m.

Regular hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Find the gallery at 7644 Girard Avenue; 858-454-6732. (LA JOLLA)

"The Relationship of Two," an exhibition of new paintings and collage by Matt Forderer, is on exhibit through Sunday, September 15, at the Playa Gallery (2940 Adams Avenue). There's a reception for Forderer slated for Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m. Regular hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. For information, call 619-985-0699. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

A Summer Exhibition of work by artists of Scott White Contemporary Art — including Leigh Li-Yun Wen, Dirk De Bruycker, Peter Ambrose, and Charles Lindsey — features an opening reception for the artists on Friday, July 12, at 6 p.m. View the show through August at 7661 Girard Avenue. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. 858-551-5821. (LA JOLLA)

**"Pinturas Ambientes"** closes with a reception for artist Valerie Aranda on Friday, July 12, at 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth

and Tenth Avenues). Call 619-230-1869 for information. (DOWNTOWN)

"Our Art" — this exhibition of work by 18 regional artists was juried by Karen McGuire, curator of the William D. Cannon Art Gallery. The show of paintings, drawings, and assemblages opens with a reception for the artists on Saturday, July 13, at 6 p.m., at Gallery Nagdeo, and continues through Wednesday, August 21.

The gallery is located in the San Diego Center for the Moving Arts, 3255 Fifth Avenue. For viewing hours and information, call 619-298-2687. (HILLOREST)

"The Spirit of Color" is on exhibit in the work by Sara Van Sciver, Stephanie Claire, and Lynn Buettner on display through Monday, July 29, at the 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). Meet the trio during a reception planned on Saturday, July 13, at 5 p.m. The "Student Art Gallery" features work by "The Children of Chernobyl."

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

Watercolor and Acrylic Paintings by Tyrone Crosby are on exhibit through Wednesday, July 31, at the Mixed Media Art Gallery. Crosby will be on hand at the reception scheduled on Saturday, July 13, at 6 p.m. Regular viewing hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and on weekends by appointment, at 4576 Federal Boulevard. 619-527-2508. (SAN DIEGO)

"America the Beautiful" is touted in the members' show at the Olde Ramona Hotel Gallery starting with a reception on Saturday, July 13, at 5 p.m. View the exhibit through July. Find the gallery at 845 Main Street. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. 760-789-3682. (RAMONA)

"Ghost," an exhibit of photography by Stephanie Alexa Yaussy, opens with a reception on Saturday, July 13, at 6 p.m., at Planet Rooth (3811 Ray Street). The show concludes on Sunday, July 28. Viewing is by appointment. 619-297-9663. (NORTH PARK)

See Some "Stuff" by artist James E. Watts while it's on view through Monday, August 12, at the Très Gallery (3805 Ray Street). Expect to see large and small colorful sculptures constructed of carved wood and covered in hammered tin. Selections from his "100 Series" of chairs, eggs, heads, and dolls are included, along with new works.

Meet the artist during a reception on Saturday, July 13, at 6 p.m.; he'll discuss his work during an art talk at the gallery on Thursday, July 18, at 7 p.m. Gallery hours are 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays, and by appointment. 619-297-8737.

"Racing Colors," an exhibit of work by members of the Oceanside Museum of Art-Artist Alliance, is currently on exhibit at the Del Mar Artist Space (South Faire Center, 2010 Jimmy Durante Boulevard). Meet the participating artists at the reception planned on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m. The show concludes on Friday, September 27. 760-721-2787. (DEL MAR)

The Featured Artist of the month at the COAL Gallery is David R. Darrow, whose painting and drawing style is described as "realistic Impressionism." Meet the artist at a reception planned on Tuesday, July 16, 1 to 7 p.m.

Find the gallery at 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, suite 101. For information, call 760-434-8497. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The show continues through Saturday, August 3. (CARLSBAD)

#### 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."

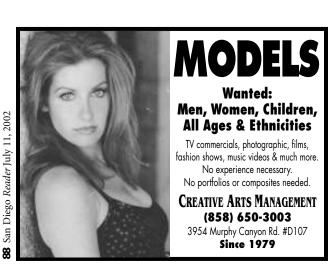
The diversity of print techniques practiced by artists working in San Diego over the past 100 years is revealed in "A Good Impression: A Century of Printmaking in San Diego," opening on Saturday, July 13. The show boasts approximately 60 prints, 30 of which are rarely seen works from the museum's collection; artists represented include Harry Sternberg, Italo Scanga, and Françoise Gilot. The show concludes on Sunday, October 27.

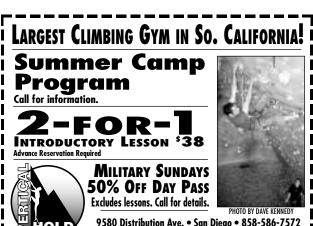
The third rotation of Indian miniature paintings, gathered in "The Way of Rama: A Prince in Exile," follows the twists and turns of the Indian epic The Ramayana from the museum's Edward Binney III collection of South Asian paintings. The exhibit focuses on the adventures of the Hindu god Rama who, like 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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#### THEATER LISTINGS

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#### Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. Beehive celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly

as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin" " back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. What are those big black round thingies all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency.

#### Worth a try.

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#### **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, THROUGH JULY 28: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 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 IULY 14: THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR DAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT

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#### Chalk It Up to Murder

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#### Death Rides the Stage

HIT Productions new interactive comedy-mystery, written by Beth and Scott McNellen, is set in Texas: "You survived a stampede, Lucy Tyler is looking for your underwear...and there's a dead body in the next room." SHIRLEY'S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFOR-MATION CALL 619-561-8673.

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#### 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, terri-

fied 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 clipon 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.

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#### A Feast of Fools

World premiering at La Jolla Playhouse, the show could be retitled "Hoyle's Greatest Hits." It includes eight pieces from Geoff Hoyle's 25-year career as a clown/comic ac

tor. The quality's a mite uneven (some stories get communicated better than others; and others, like Hoylo 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 set-up, 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 under water). And her Marlene Dietrich takeoff, in which "Falling in Love Again" becomes "Falling Apart," is an empyrean hoot.

#### Worth a try.

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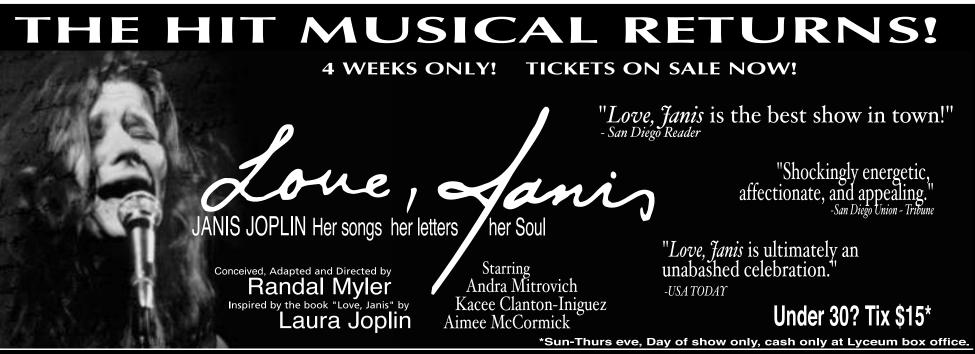


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#### Fifth of July

Lanford Wilson's comedydrama — 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.

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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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#### Hello, Dolly!

Moonlight Stage Productions opens its summer season with "a musical theater valentine to America's turn of the last century" the ten-Tony Award-winning story of Dolly Gallagher Levi, New York's matchmaker, Lewis Wilkenfeld directed. MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE, THROUGH JULY 21: WEDNESDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

#### Hydriotaphia

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, THROUGH JULY 21; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P M MATINEE SUN-DAY AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-239-2894.

#### The Importance of Being Earnest

Codirectors Sean Murray and Rosina Reynolds have assembled one of the North Coast Rep's strongest casts. Through this summer the actors perform double roles, as Earnest runs in repertory with Tom Stoppard's Travesties. Although the opening-night performance of Earnest was a tad shaky, Oscar Wilde's farce is definitely a show to see and savor. Along with being one of the funniest plays ever written, Earnest is cross-thatched with scathing social commentary so subtle it's almost unnoticed (fortunately for the characters, they don't listen to each other; if they did, society as they know it would crumble). Murray's scenic design includes walls so hyper-lime green they resemble a

new, heartily tweaked Gatorade. When combined with proper fin de siecle furnishings and Shulamit Nelson's white and beige formal period costumes, they create a bifurcated tableau much like Wilde's play: a surreal rationalism. The only persisting opening-night problem: often the cast spoke more naturalistically than artificially. But with Wilde the rules don't apply. It's okay to sculpt a line and to "perform" (as does Annie Hinton's wonderful Lady Bracknell). After all, these carefully ordered sentences might be the only glue holding Wilde's fragile society together. Worth a try.

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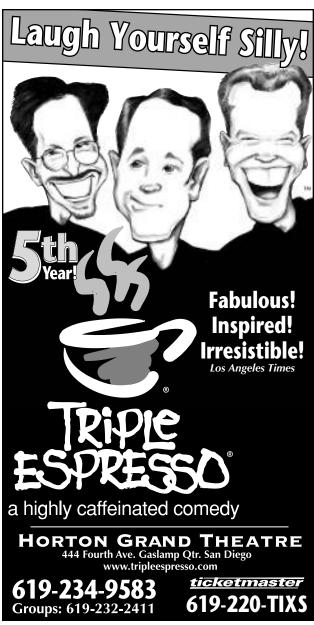


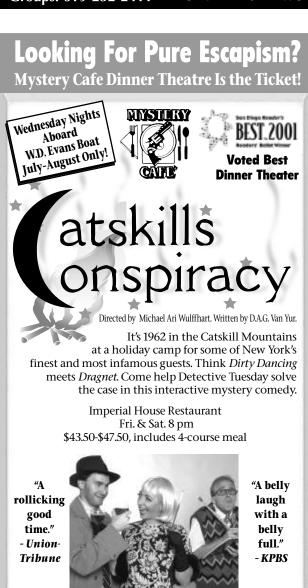




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East Side Repertory Theatre stages the world premiere of David Weiner's drama about Louis B. Mayer and Irving Thalberg, during the early years at MGM studios. Wayne Alan Erreca directed. EAST SIDE REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH JULY 28; FRIDAY AND SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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#### **National Comedy Theatre**

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audi-







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#### Othello

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 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 wiley 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 performances. Most Desdemonas are passive, insipid ingenues. 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.

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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, THROUGH JULY 24; MONDAY THROUGH WEDNES DAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

#### **Proposals**

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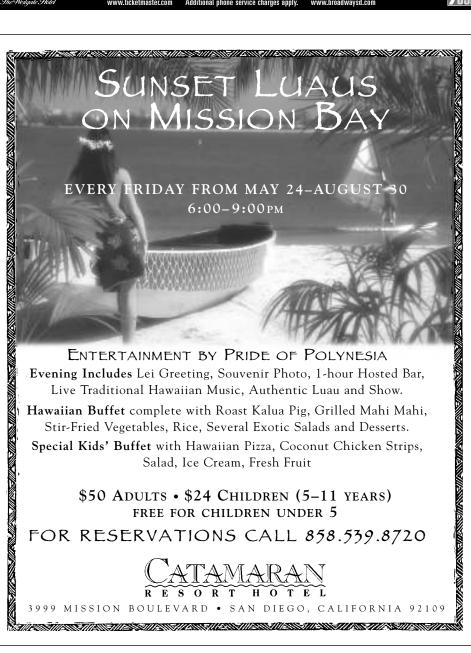
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#### Seven MORE Weeks of Greeks! The Tragedies

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 appreci-







ates donations for new lighting instruments). Next play: Monday, July 29, at 7:30 p.m., Sophocles' Ajax. Worth a try.

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#### The Taming of the Shrew

It's becoming a tradition. The Globe Theatres open their summer season with a Shakespearean comedy for people who don't like Shakespeare. The production offers a splendid set — Ralph Funicello's Paduan façade, eroding with Venetian decay, combines with a thrust stage, original Globe floor plan gorgeous costumes by Lewis Brown (which have, with few exceptions, much more character and personality — and 20 times the detail than the actors), and moody, Mediterranean lighting by York Kennedy. And it has funny moments (thanks to Dakin Matthews'

harried Baptista and Jonathan Mc-Murtry's orange-emblazoned Gremio). But it looks as if the cast, instead of brushing up their Shakespeare, studied The Compleat Works of the Three Stooges instead. Ten lines of dialogue don't pass without someone slapping someone else, or biting, or stomping on another's feet, or running into walls, or gouging eyes, or poking ears, or — as Elizabeth Heflin's scratchy-throated, consistently shrill Kate does to Jeffrey Nordling's macho Petruchio – sucker-punching a codpiece. None of which helps define character (or leads to character-driven comedy). Under John Rando's frenetic direction, which treats the text as a minefield and much prefers to cavort outside it, this stuff just happens again, and again, and again. LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SI-

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#### **Theatresports**

A cross between improvisational comedy and Family Feud. Improv, making up a funny scene as vou 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 at-

tempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group is talented enough (and know when to blackout best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Impro) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art.' Worth a try.

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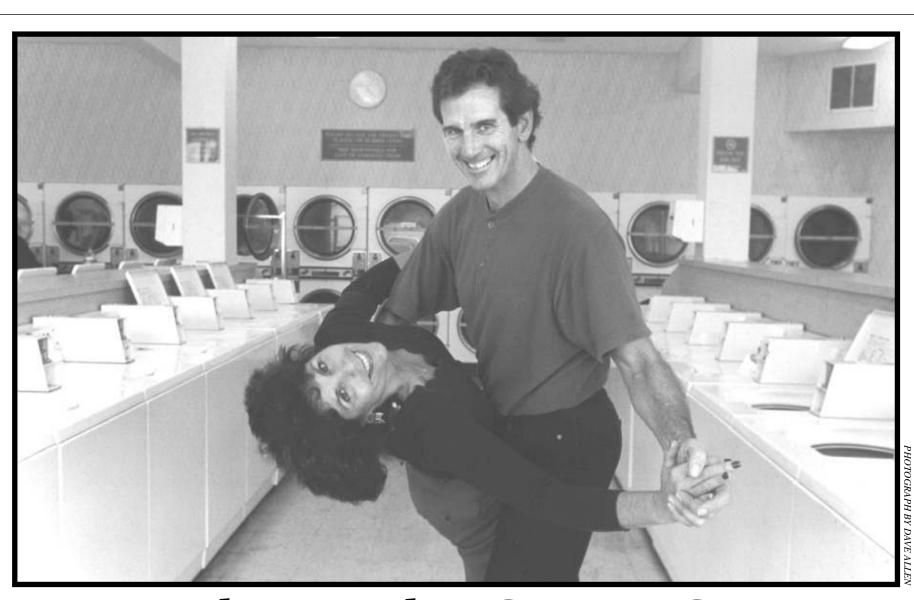
Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '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.

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nanger, not a doctor or a lawyer. So I called and listened to her voice recording. I remember her saying, "The best things in life cannot be bought."

Maya: This was around the time of the Super Bowl this year. I'm a massage therapist, and with all the athletes in town, I was pretty busy. John left me a message and we talked several times, and finally I paged him on a Saturday night. He called me back from a laundromat. I thought, "This is cool. Here's a guy doing his laundry on a Saturday night." I asked him if he wanted some company.

John: The place was practically

empty and she wanted to know how she could recognize me. I said, "I'm the only 6'6" guy in here."

Maya: He was standing by the dryers when I came in. I went over and he gave me a little hug.

John: She said, "I'm here." I thought, "Yes, you're finally here." I was taken with her right from the start. She was so gorgeous and then she started folding my shirts.

Maya: We went to a bookstore after that, drank some hot chocolate, and talked for hours. The following week, I called the other guys I was dating through Reader Matches and told them my search was over.

John: We had a date to watch the Super Bowl that Sunday, but at the last minute we decided to have a picnic on a bluff overlooking the ocean instead. There was nobody around. We had the whole place to ourselves.

Maya: Four days later, John asked me to marry him on the Spruce Street Bridge.

John: We met on January 25 and got married in a private ceremony on February 9. Two months later we did it all over again, in front of our family and friends at the house I

Maya: My granddaughters fight

over him now. We just took them to Yosemite. We've also gone camping at Green Valley Falls and in Anza

John: I can't believe I've found someone who likes to be outdoors as much as I do, but who makes me like staying at home. We were made for each other.

Maya: I think it's important to keep looking for the right person and not settle for less. There are no maybes.



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"It sounds like they are making fun of country music to me.

Why in the world would you name a country radio station

deceased Texas swing bandleader Bob Wills, not many country artists with the first name of Bob come to mind.

Radio station nicknames are nothing new, but most come under two classifications: natural phenomena (K-Earth, Planet, Wave, Sunny, Beach, River,

Mountain, the Peak, Star,

the Rock, K-Surf, Coast,

Breeze) or animals (the

Otter, Camel, Bear, Bull,

Eagle, Cat, Dog, Frog, Toad,

Power Pig). North County's

92/1 used to play country as

alternative stations that dub

unknown as to why, though

many have a "looking glass"

motif), it is unusual for

although a Web search

stations to use a person's

first name as an identifier,

themselves as "Alice" (it is

Except for a handful of

"the KOW."

## the inside track

'Bob'?"

One local country musician, who didn't want to be identified because "I still want to leave the doors open to Bob," was baffled as to why the Clear Channel radio group chose to change the name of its newest acquisition from "Hot Country" to "Bob."

"Is it a verb?" the musician asked.

The new channel's slogan? "Turn your knob to Bob."

Except for the long-

showed a "Bob 94.9" in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, that plays contemporary country music. This station is also owned by Clear Channel and appears to be the prototype for 99.3.

"We were thinking about calling ourselves George or Fred, I can't decide," joked Darrel Goodin, who is general manager of KSON, Bob's direct local competitor.

"Bob was tried one other time about eight years ago by a country station in Minneapolis." Goodin said the station eventually dropped both its country format and its Bob handle. Clear Channel wants the new Bob 99.3 to focus exclusively on new artists. To make its point, last week Bob dedicated each day to playing nothing but material by one particular modern country artist — Garth Brooks on Monday, George Strait on Tuesday.

Goodin said KSON has a big edge over Bob 99.3. "We have local DJs and local contests." He says that two of the three DJs listed on the Bob 99.3 website — Billy Greenwood and Travis Moon — remain based at stations in Nashville and Minneapolis, respectively, and voicetrack their local DJ

BOB 94.9FM NEW COUNTRY

WILL SAN DIEGO TURN THE KNOB TO BOB?

"It didn't stand the test of time, and no one has tried it since."

Former owner Victor Diaz ran "Hot Country 99.3" as a station that embraced classic country artists. Goodin said it is clear that shows on Bob.

"Our hosts are always live and local. And you won't have to call an 800 number to play a national contest," said Goodin.

Bob 99.3 program director Mike O'Brian did not return a request for comment.

"Robert" Hughes is the afternoon DJ on 102.1 FM,

which recently changed its on-air brand from Sets 102 to KPRI. "When we went to change our name, we had suggestions

like 'True

102.' I said, let's get real.
Over 90 percent of Arbitron
diary entries are official call
letters. The second most
prominent is the frequency.
A distant third is the DJ, like
'Howard Stern,' for example.
A distant fourth is a
nickname like 'the
Mountain,' which almost
never gets written down.
KIFM used 'the Breeze' for a
while. They went back to just
KIFM."

— Ken Leighton

#### **CBS** Radio estimates

that one-fourth of all the people on earth were tuned in to the June 30 World Cup soccer match, but Brazilian music promoter/drummer Steve Spencer was amazed at how unwilling San Diego bar owners were when it came to



LOCAL BARS BLOW OFF WORLD CUP CARNAVAL

hosting a Brazilian World Cup party that would feature the televised game and local samba drummers.

Spencer has presented a Brazilian stage at Street Scene for seven years. Every February he stages a Brazilian carnaval at 4th & B. Each Sunday his Brazilian Productions presents Brazil music night at Café Sevilla. Spencer says his proven track record with Brazilian culture didn't matter when he looked for a venue to celebrate the Brazil vs. Germany World Cup game.

"We found out on Wednesday morning [June 26] that Brazil made it to the



## blurt

finals. We spent all day Wednesday and Thursday trying to find a place. The main problem is we couldn't sell alcohol."

State law prohibits the sale of alcohol between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. The game began at 4:30 PST June 30. Spencer said more than 20 establishments turned him down. He finally discovered the 300-capacity Arena Club, situated underneath the Sports Arena. Spencer worked out a deal by noon on Friday: The Arena Club would televise the game and sell sodas for \$3, water for \$2.75. Spencer would pay for rent and security and collect

\$10 admission.

"We had one whole day
to promote it." Without
flyers or advertising but with
a lengthy e-mail list,
Spencer's predawn party sold
out immediately.

The only access to the party was through the backstage Sports Arena door made famous in Cameron Crowe's movie *Almost Famous*.

"At least a hundred

people rushed the door. I would say that less than ten people actually got in [without paying]. The police were called to disperse the crowd."

"It was mass hysteria. Everybody vibrated together. After the first score, one of my male friends actually fainted."

In hindsight, Spencer said he wished he would have rented out the entire Sports Arena for \$8000.

"The Staples Center [which holds 20,000] in L.A. sold out."

— Ken Leighton

#### The 101 KGB Sky

**Show** has been an annual event for 27 years. It used to have bands like Ratt, Mötley Crüe, and Def Leppard performing live as fireworks were going off overhead. In the early '80s the live bands stopped, and the fireworks became synchronized to KGB's radio station. On May 31 of this year, after a Padre game, the sky show had a few fireworks go off course. Some hit fans in the stands who were then rushed to hospitals. Matt Heimer, who was sitting in plaza section 41, said, "They landed between section 40 and 39. I had seen one earlier misfire from second base toward the outfield. So I made sure to stand in front of my grandmother. A few seconds after the second

misfire, security guards were all around."

This incident prompted Cox's San Diego Insider reporter Dennis Morgigno to say on air, before a June 25 pregame show, "So many homeless veterans hear these war toys and bombs going off. This is every combat veteran's worst nightmare. The fans were being covered with shrapnel and choked by gunpowder. They [the fireworks] did what they were designed to do - hurt people; this fireworks show makes a mockery of the combat experience.' Morgigno continued, saying,



MORGIGNO – ONE CRANKY OLD MAN WITH OPINIONS

"Residents from miles around have to deal with car alarms and dogs being tortured."

Morgigno also mentioned being at 24 of the 27 sky shows, and he knew his comments wouldn't make him popular with the Padres or "the frat boys over at Clear Channel."

The next day KGB's Dave, Shelly, and Chainsaw spent their entire show talking about Morgigno's comments. Veterans were calling in saying they enjoyed the show and that "combat is a veteran's worst nightmare, not fireworks."

Dave Rickards, of KGB's morning show, said, "It bothered me that Morgigno said, "The sky show did exactly what they intended it to do," with people being hit by fireworks. Obviously that wasn't anyone's intent."

I asked if he had talked to Morgigno personally about the incident. He said, "I actually knew and liked Dennis. One of our producers had him on the phone, to see if he wanted to come on the air with us. He declined, saying his comments were just one cranky old man's personal opinion, not his professional opinion."

— Josh Board

Many in San Diego remember Devon
Goldberg for Creedle, the slippery alt-art-jazz-rock outfit he founded in the early '90s. Besides his guitar/vox/songwriting work in Creedle, Goldberg skillfully wielded his ax in the Holy Love Snakes, aMiniature, rust, and free-playing ensembles like the

underappreciated Fern Trio. After three albums, Creedle ceased operations in 1998, when the UCSD graduate moved to New York City with his girlfriend Rene Fennern.

Last week, the couple

returned to San Diego to get married. While in town, Goldberg played the Casbah, presenting the local debut of both bands he's formed since relocation to the Big Apple:

the Big Apple:
Morricone Youth, a critically acclaimed sextet that covers soundtrack material, and the Dao Son For, a newer Creedle-ish quartet. (Both include ex-San Diegan John Castro, who also moved to New York City a few years back. A boyhood pal, Goldberg had initially lured Castro to San Diego from his native Las Vegas in the mid-'90s to successfully audition as bassist for the Rugburns; while here, Castro took part

show on the Fourth of July.) Morricone Youth played Windows on the World, the restaurant on the 107th floor of the World Trade Center's north tower a few weeks

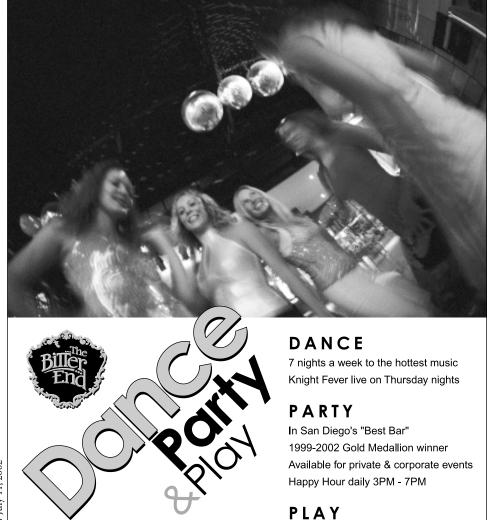
in the Rugburns' reunion

before 9/11. Goldberg remembers, "We played as a part of a '60s go-go party thing they had going on up there on Friday nights. We learned two sets' worth of stuff: *Barbarella*, *Our Man Flint*, some Bond, etc. It was



EX-CREEDLE GOLDBERG WEDS AND GIGS

a good gig. And we were hoping to play there on a semi-regular basis. Ironically, the day before — September 10 — my mom asked me if we had been invited back, and I responded, 'No, but we will; we'll play there again, don't worry.' The next day the towers were completely gone. I also played in between the towers the month before that as a part of Glenn Branca's 100-guitarist symphony. We have incredibly sad photos and video footage of those two performances ...everyone looks so happy, with Leah Reingewirtz [another ex-San Diegan who



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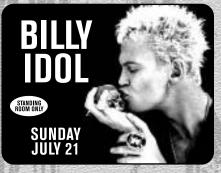


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moved to NYC] skipping around the fountain in the plaza, playing jokes on the security guys, and Pierre [de Gaillande, another onetime Creedle player] smiling happily with his girlfriend.... Ren and I were in midtown when it happened and ended up walking home across the 59th Street Bridge with thousands of others. Delivery trucks leaving the city were allowing people to get in the back or hold on to the sides to help people over the bridge.... From a friend's rooftop that evening we saw the sun set over the burning Manhattan skyline where the immense towers used to exist. Lower Manhattan was completely engulfed in smoke. It looked like the pictures you see from World Wars I and II. That smell lasted through December.'

#### "We are not planning any all-age shows."

– David Stampone

That surprise announcement came from Don Watson, the vice president of operations, who oversees the eight House of Blues nightclubs.

For the past four years, the HoB chain maintained that the San Diego nightclub would be like the other House of Blues nightclubs in that it would mix both under-21 and over-21 music lovers at their concerts. As the SDPD and the state ABC (California Alcoholic Beverage Control) make their final approvals on the local HoB, the L. A.-based chain now says its San Diego venue will maintain a 21-and-up policy.

This would leave 'Canes as the only local venue that presents both all-age and 21-plus events.

Watson has named Aidan Scully, of the Cambridge HoB, as the new general manager of the local House of Blues, but Watson admits he doesn't have a launch date

"I honestly don't know." The House of Blues has said for the past three years that it will open a club in San Diego.

— Ken Leighton

#### CD review: Amherst, 2001

The three members of the group Amherst, whose name was taken from a street near San Diego State, deem themselves as being a hard rock band whose sounds are similar to those of Tool and Staind. However, placing

JAY ALLEN SANFORD OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: 4TH & B THE LINES THIS WAS THANK GOD AT THE BARS AND CLUBS . THE WORST *FOURTH* ALL THE NEW FOR BEER AND THE WERE A MILE LONG. I JUST I USED TO OF JULY I EVER MOVIES WERE COM-TWILIGHT ZONE STAYED HOME AND LOVE FOUR DAY HAD. PLETELY SOLD OUT. MARATHON. WATCHED TV. WEEKENDS. THE TRAFFIC AT THE BEACH THIS ONE WAS UNBELIEVABLE WAS ROUGH

Amherst in the venerable genre of hard rock would be a crime

Much of Amherst's music could be described as musical expression of

nearly as fervent as those commonly associated with the sounds of hard rock; rather, they come across as empty and fatigued. The contribution of lead singer

apathy. Their sounds numbly blend together, resulting in a repetitive nature that is excessive. which makes it easily forgettable. The chords of the electric guitar are not

a steady hum. At some

to break through the

value of the band's fourtrack EP is a portion of a song entitled "Eleanor." In Dan Deaton is the almost the opening of the song, the inaudible drone in which he lethargically speaks, rather guitar forms a melody that than sings, at a decibel above the listener is somewhat able to follow. However, about points the drums do manage halfway through, the song withers as Deaton begins to

monotony and hold the songs together by providing them with a faint amount of rhythm. The only redeeming



utter the name Eleanor repeatedly.

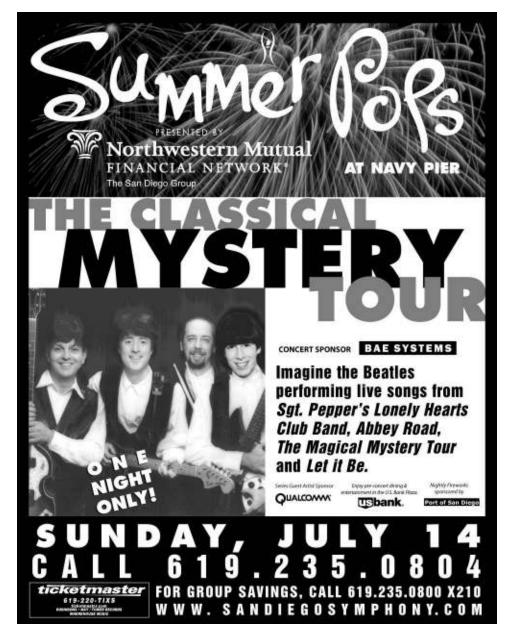
For individuals who are more accustomed to the roaring guitars and catchy lyrics of hard rock and detest witnessing the rapid shift of hard rock going soft, the languid sounds of Amherst might induce fits of narcolepsy.

- Mary Montgomery

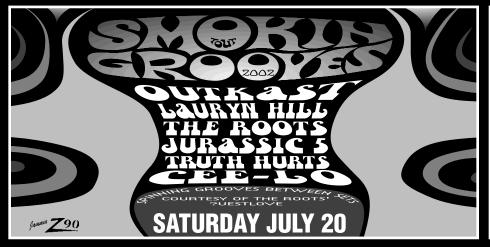
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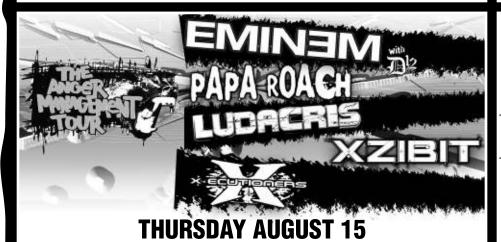


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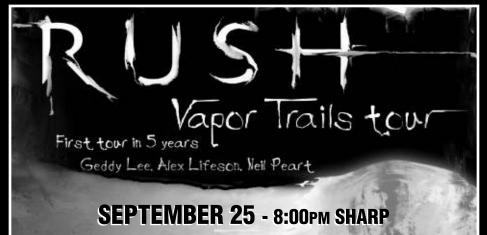




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## Squerd Riffs

"He passes out ripe fruit to audiences."

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obert Fripp — founder/guitarist of King Crimson — held a guitar clinic "at some ranch outside Santa Barbara.... I've been hearing stories about these courses for years," says Tom Griesgraber. Griesgraber plays guitar

and Chapman Stick for the band Agent 22. The Stick is an instrument that combines six guitar strings and six bass strings onto an enlarged fretboard that is

played with both hands to create bass chords and melodies simultaneously.

Fripp rumors abound. "Things like he only lets you eat a bowl of oatmeal a day; you can only sleep four hours a day; he puts you in a room one-on-one with him and stares at you without saying anything. He passes out ripe fruit to audiences and encourages them to throw it at students onstage. I guess [some] people have dropped out."

Oh, and they insist that you tune your guitar low to high CGDAEG.... [The] guitar is normally EADGBE — low to high. New standard tuning — Fripp's term — is almost an upside-down standard tuning." Griesgraber explains, "This tuning gives you more low notes and more high notes and a sound that, in general, is more 'open' since most of the strings are five notes apart as opposed to standard tuning, which has strings mainly four notes apart."

"Guitar Craft," Fripp's seminar, costs \$1050 and ran from February 11 to 17. "They said to bring a sleeping bag; warm, loose clothes; and rubber or plastic sandals. They described accommodations as 'adequate, but not necessarily comfortable."

Having opened several times for the California Guitar Trio, a Los Angeles-based acoustic group, Griesgraber knew of the seminar through them. All three members of the trio — Bert Lams, Hideyo Moriya, and Paul Richards — are graduates of Guitar Craft and have attended Fripp's advanced seminars at his home in the British countryside.

"The GC people say not to play your guitar for a week before the program starts.... I think it's just to get yourself away from your normal playing habits a bit. One of the hardest things in music is to unlearn a bad or old habit and try to replace

it with a new one. I think that request is just a way of trying to give you a cleaner start once the program begins.'

Griesgraber was happy to discover that the one-bowl-of-oatmeal-a-day thing appeared to be

a myth. "We did, however, only get vegetarian food. I ended up in a cabin full of 15 guys in bunk beds. On the first night, Fripp in-

structed us to 'stay in the program,' predicting that we'd be annoyed by the living arrangements. Between the snoring and the late-night aromas caused by 15 nonvegetarians living on beets, oatmeal, and beans, I thought seriously about sleeping in my car on a few nights."

The seminar was held at St. Vincent de Paul a Catholic ranch for underprivileged children in the mountains outside of Santa Barbara. Two large buildings were used as a dining hall and meeting area, and four smaller cabins were for sleeping. The cabins were heated; the meeting room and dining hall were not.

"I was freezing the whole time," says Griesgraber. "There was about a half-mile hike to the showers along an unlit, poorly paved road. I got into the habit of showering at midnight just to make sure I could get hot water."

There were about 60 guitarists from all over North America in attendance. There were only nine female students.

"We had to get up at 6:15 every morning for a 'sitting.' Fripp led us through it one afternoon. It was exactly 30 minutes of silence. He sat on the floor cross-legged and described how he was tracing his awareness through all the major parts of his body. He cautioned not to focus on organs, just flesh and bone.... We did it every morning in silence. It also happened randomly at dinner. The whole group might be sitting in the dining hall eating away, when you'd notice things getting quiet. A look up at Fripp — who sat at his own table — would show him not eating and staring quietly out at the room. That was the cue, I guess, and we would all stop eating and quiet down — usually for exactly 30 minutes. It was so quiet that if you so much as swallowed, it seemed to reverberate around the room.

As for the food, "Fripp coined a term for Guitar Craft food. It's called 'squerd.' He actually posted a page-long definition of it [on the dining room wall]."

There are currently two categories of squerd: savory and

dessert.
"The colors of 'savory squerd' tend toward brown and green, indicating the healthy origins of the fundamental ingredients: these must be vegetable.

'Sometimes, however, the colors are brighter; for example, orange (swede) or scarlet-purple (beetroot). These more demonstrative colors may sometimes be compromised by the inclusion of less exciting vegetables...in which case, the default color tends towards brown.'

When I ask Griesgraber what "swede" is, he admits he doesn't know.

As for actually playing the guitar — what musicians come here for — "He had about four pages of writing on the dining room wall just describing how to pick. I think it was a reprint of an old magazine article.' Fripp used to write a column for Guitar Player magazine.

"The gist was, you start with your hand straight out...then bend all four fingers back from the second knuckle till the tips are parallel to the arm. The thumb comes straight down onto the pick, with its knuckle flat. The pick is essentially held by the thumb and the entire first section of the first finger, not just the tip of the first finger, as is probably most common.

"He doesn't even call pick-

ing 'down' and 'up,' but rather 'release' and 'return.' The idea being, you let gravity drop your wrist to pick. The 'up' pick is simply bringing your wrist back to its normal position (return).

Sometimes Fripp and the other instructors led the Crafties through an exercise they called 'circulations." All 60 or so guitarists sat in a circle around the room and played one randomly picked note, then passed it from player to player

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around the room.

Toward the end of the course, Fripp randomly set up groups of two to eight guitar players. Each group had to compose a piece and perform it that night.

"At lunch, he cautioned us that, in the past, audiences had been equipped with overripe fruit. 'Great,' I thought, 'looks like that rumor is dead





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"After four pretty serious groups and a ton of tension in the air, the fifth group sets up and this hefty guy announces their band by saying, 'We're Blast o' Crap. This song is called "Here Comes My Ass."

"The place lost it.... From that point on, the hecklers were in full swing: They threw peanuts all over the place, set off alarm clocks, and shined flashlights on [the musicians'] hands and faces.

Toward the end of the seminar, Fripp allowed each of the Crafties to meet with him individually for ten minutes.

"I went to his little cabin, without a guitar, and asked about the music business. Fripp said being a professional musician sucks and never stops sucking.... He's had a hard time with a big lawsuit."

When I press Griesgraber for details, he tells me, "Fripp went through major turmoil with an old record label he was on called EG Records, which started back in, like, 1969 with the original King Crimson. By the late '80s, however, Fripp was having major disputes with them, trying to get out of the relationship, trying to get his music back, royalties paid, etc. I don't think EG exists anymore, but he actually told me he spent about six years in

According to Griesgraber, music critics have been rough on Fripp. "Paul Richards [of California Guitar Trio] told me about reviews with phrases like 'Who killed Bobby Fripp's puppy?' and another that described Fripp as a 'Fly that's been buzzing around the music industry for years.'

Paul Richards, who was on the staff at the Santa Barbara Guitar Craft, says, "The levelone and level-two courses are usually one or two weeks long. When I took level three in 1987 it lasted three months — and almost a year for level four. The year-long level four, which I attended at Fripp's home, cost \$3000. I think room and board was another \$2000.

"My level five was, for the most part, touring with Robert Fripp's League of Crafty Guitarists. We did a show at the Bacchanal in 1988. It was a critic at the Reader who wrote that quote about Robert being a fly buzzing around the music industry.'

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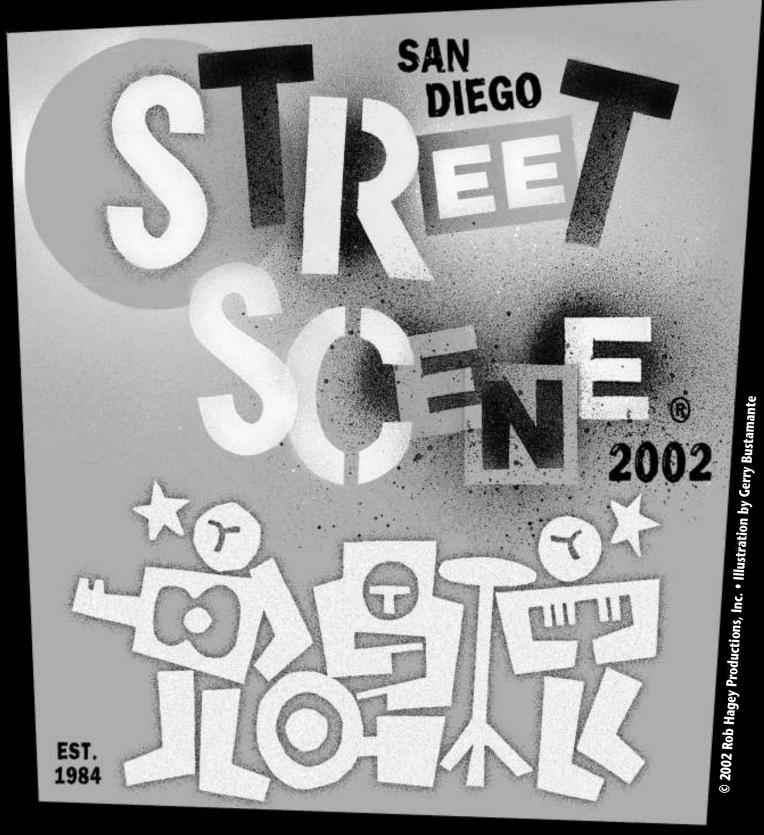
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## I Ask Myself, "Why Am I Gay?"

"I would hang out more around girls, because girls would be more accepting and understanding."

close friend of mine, who recently graduated from high school, is the only gay teenager I know. I was interested in sharing his story with other young adults dealing with the same issues surrounding homosexuality, so I asked him if he'd be interviewed.

He agreed, and we met in his threebedroom apartment on a warm summer day.

My friend weighs 123 pounds and is 5'7" tall. He's Filipino and was born in San Francisco in 1984. Throughout his life, he has shuttled back and forth between San Francisco and San Diego, first moving here in fifth grade. He moved back to the Bay Area after a couple of years and then returned to San Diego to live with his father during high school. This summer, he returned to San Francisco for vacation before beginning his undergraduate studies at California State University, Fullerton, in the fall.

#### **FITTING IN**

My friend wears clothes by Abercrombie & Fitch and American Eagle Outfitters, two of the most popular young-adult clothing brands. He blended in well with the crowd at Mt. Carmel High School in Rancho Peñasquitos. It was there, he said, that he felt most comfortable among straight people.

"At school, everybody's so culturally diverse and there's just a lot of diversity on many levels," he said. "Along with that, I guess you could say a lot of people can be sort of conservative about their opinions. Yet, there's also those who are open to new ideas. So there are those great people who do accept people for who they are, and there are those who don't."

His first crush was on a fellow member of the baseball team.

"It was while I was going to this small private school in San Francisco," he said. "There was this one guy named Peter who was also on the baseball team (I played baseball when I was in the fourth grade). He played first base, and he was kind of cute. He wore jeans all the time, really tight

jeans, and that was how I remembered him."

Although attracted to other guys, he found himself associating more with girls in junior high.

"I would hang out more around girls, because girls would be more accepting and understanding," he said.

#### COMING OUT AND STAYING OUT

April, one of his girlfriends, was the first person he told of his homosexuality.

"She was a nice person and very accepting," he said. "I guess there's a selection process in my mind when I decide to tell people. It's like any type of friendship you have — there's a point where there are no secrets between two people."

That point came for him and his father during my friend's freshman year. On an impulse, he told his father he was gay as they were about to begin dinner. He doesn't remember his emotions leading up to the confession. My friend's eyes widened as he recalled his father's reaction.

"He kind of freaked out a bit," he explained. "I guess it's your typical parent reaction, but he kind of got angry. I had to sleep over at a friend's house because he was mad, but a few teachers talked to him and, ever since, he's been really understanding.... It made me comfortable because it builds up the relationship, knowing that there's nothing between me and my dad."

My friend went through high school without ever feeling pressured to change.
"I wasn't as active [in grade school]," he said.

"I wasn't as active [in grade school]," he said.
"Even though I did play baseball, I wouldn't be so active in P.E.... A lot of the boys that I know are into sports, but I was into more intellectual stuff. Hobbywise, I don't take masculine-type hobbies. I don't think I would try to take on masculine gestures, but if I was making not-so-masculine gestures in public, I would take note of it and try not to do it."

Peers have called him "fag," "homo," and "queer," but he said that hostility has mostly been expressed indirectly.

"Nobody ever jokes about it to my face, because I have a reputation of getting angry," he said with a laugh. "There [was] this one rumor going around school that I had slept with a guy who was older than me. Actually, I had not, and I am not sure how the rumor started. I haven't heard any derogatory gay jokes though."

Teachers didn't make my friend's homosexuality an issue in the classroom. Only his former French teacher and speech and debate coach asked if he was gay.

gay.

"A lot of teachers, it really doesn't matter to them," he said.
"I don't see them treating me differently; if anything, they probably treat me better."

He encountered gay-bashers on one occasion, after school while he was walking with friends to his car.

"We were walking by, and as soon as they were behind us, they started yelling, 'Fag!' really loud and multiple times," he recalled. "I knew it was directed toward me, but I really didn't think about it."

#### NOT BY CHOICE, BUT BY NATURE

During his senior year, he decided against going to the senior prom. However, his refusal was not motivated by fears of criticism.

"Actually, I was going to go to prom this year," he said. "This

one girl invited me to go to prom as a friend, but then I was thinking prom is something more personal; you don't just play the game that's in everybody's mind and just go out with the girl and pretend that you're a straight person. As my own protest, I didn't go because I couldn't find another guy to go with me."

His decision was based on his belief that homosexuality is genetic; being with another male is natural to him.

"A lot of people would argue that it's something you choose to become, but I don't see it that way," he said. "Because you ask yourself why, and if you can answer why you are, you probably have the power and the knowledge to change your sexual orien-



The interviewee

tation. But it's not that way."

My friend cannot pinpoint the moment when he started asking himself why he is gay or realized that he is. He constantly questions the reasons behind his homosexuality.

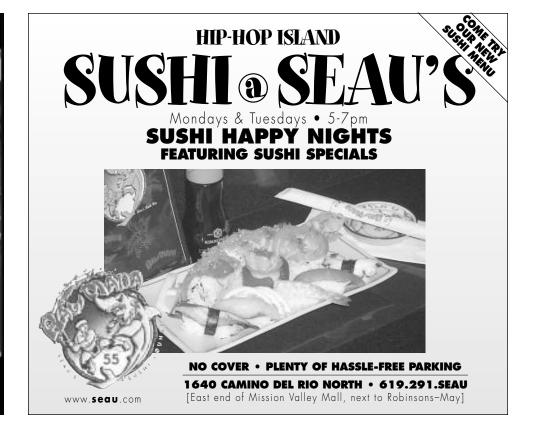
"I ask why, and it's kind of puzzling, I guess, because you don't know why," he said. "It has always been like that. It's not like when I am depressed or when I am happy [that I ask myself why]. Throughout life, I have always asked myself why."

#### MISCONCEPTIONS

When people meet my friend, he said they do not ask why he is gay. They may wonder, though.

"I think that most people would think that I





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am, because my voice is rather high-pitched," he chuckled. "And I don't know, but I might act a little flamboyant — even though I try not to. There are also a few people who need to ask me whether I am."

He finds the sexuality guessing game unnecessary and unrealistic and refuses to evaluate whether people are straight or gay.

"I actually don't make a judgment. I can look at some people and think they are definitely gay just by the way they act and all, but I don't make it a point to only talk to people who I know are gay or try to avoid people who I know are straight."

Judging homosexuality based on certain characteristics and actions, he feels, often propagates misconceptions, specifically in the straight community.

"A lot of straight women think that most gay men are attractive, and I don't know if it's the sense that they can't get them. I think it's a very common misconception with straight women that they can change them....

they can change them....

"[Straight men think] that gay men can't do the same things that straight men do. For example, straight men might think that gay men are wimpy. Whereas, there are gay sports players and high-end business people. It's, like, anything you can do, I can do too. They don't realize that sometimes....

"I think when straight people think about gay teenagers, they think about the promiscuous, druggie type. I tend to see that a lot when I go to Hillcrest. What people don't understand is that there are also gay people who have morals just like other straight people. I'm, like, a nonpracticing Catholic, but it doesn't mean that I don't hold the values and morals your typical Catholic has — disregarding what has been happening in the Church. I think that's wrong.

"I really don't understand why straight men

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are afraid of gay men. It's probably because it's unnatural and the predisposition that the Bible states that it's a sin, and straight men just try to stay away from that because of all the negativity it may bring."

#### **FUTURE**

My friend looks ahead optimistically. Happiest when he is taking pictures, this photographer imagines that in an ideal world, gay men and women would be treated "like everybody else. There wouldn't be any laws protecting gays from discrimination, because there wouldn't be any discrimination."

In his mental picture of the future, he is a public relations director for a big company, doing photography on the side, and raising an adopted child once he has a stable income. Marriage is a possibility.

"I think there are certainly people who do take marriage and their love for each other very seriously," he stated in support of gay marriage. "If they want to commit to something like that, they should be allowed to."

At the mention of AIDS, my friend pauses and straightens his blue-tinted glasses.

"I don't have AIDS, but I guess it's kind of scary. Even though it's considered a type of 'gayperson disease,' and some people think it's here to get rid of the gay people who don't belong in this world, it's just devastating. Now people have become aware of it, and they practice safer sex. I, personally, wouldn't know what to think of AIDS, because I haven't had a friend who has it, and I don't have it."

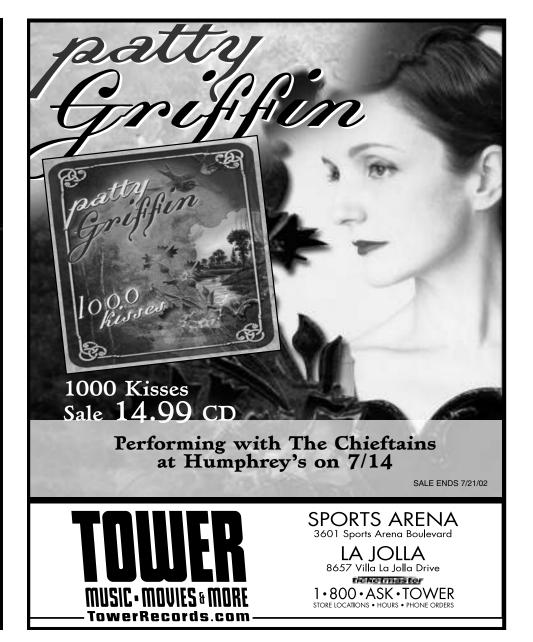
After the lines on his forehead smoothed, I asked my friend what he would say if he had 30 minutes to live, a tape recorder, and plenty of energy to talk. He chuckled again.

"I would talk about what my beliefs are and the things I like to do," he said. "There would probably be another straight person who would think, 'Oh, I like to do that stuff too,' and maybe people wouldn't be as biased against gays."











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The first pianist to take on "the 48" was the great Swiss pianist and pedagogue Edwin Fischer. Many consider his rendition of Bach's preludes and fugues the ultimate expression of Bach's intentions, a balance of

the intellectual and romantic. One doesn't customarily think of this music as romantic, and yet Andras Schiff, an admirer of Fischer, calls

Bach the "most romantic of all composers," an iconoclastic view worth thinking about. Regardless, Fischer's legendary recordings of "the 48" for the

HMV recording company in London, between 1933 and '36, are available in a budget-priced edition from Naxos. These recordings initiated

a standard for "the 48," which, over the years, subsequent pianists would divert from or reject (Glenn Gould) or emulate (Schiff). The

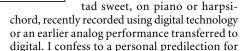
transfers to digital were made from the original 78 rpm HMV pressings by preamplification and equalizing of the analog signal and converting it into the digital domain with a DCS 904 A/D converter. The digital audio restoration was treated with

the CEDAR Deeclick and NR3 noise-reduction systems and a Weiss ÉQ1-MK2 parametric equalizer. All of which is a longwinded, somewhat bewildering way of saying it doesn't sound

too bad for a recording made in the 1930s

Edwin Fischer

All of the performers I've mentioned do wonderful jobs with "the 48." It depends on how you AUGUST KLEINZAHLER like your Bach: dry or a



the more recent performances. Many of the earlier mono and later stereo analog recordings have been splendidly transferred to digital. I am no audiophile, and I have an old, quite mod-

est system. But some of these recent recordings, soundwise, are awfully convincing.

I'd like to recommend Angela Hewitt's recordings of "the 48" without reservation. She brings a brilliantly singing tone to these preludes and fugues, quite unlike anyone else. She's a terrific interpreter of Bach, perhaps the best of the younger crop, and isn't it suitable that she's a Canadian, like her distinguished precursor and countryman Glenn Gould? The two volumes of The Well-Tempered Clavier were recorded by Ms.



recordings; her Goldberg Variations is of the highest order as well.

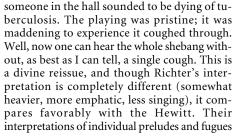
and she gave her first recital at age nine. Since 1985 she has lived in London. She has Murray Perahia and Alfred Brandel to keep her company there, among others. It's quite a town for mu-

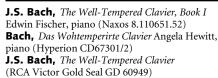
sic. Ask Handel. He moved there too.

RCA Victor Red Seal has recently rereleased a 1972-'73 recording of "the 48" by the matchless Sviatoslav Richter, recorded at the Schloss Klessheim in Salzburg on a Bosendorder piano. It is an analog recording transferred to digital and sounds wonderful. Readers may remember my dismay over a Richter live recording, a selection of "the 48" from an Italian concert where

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Robert Levin





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Angela Hewitt

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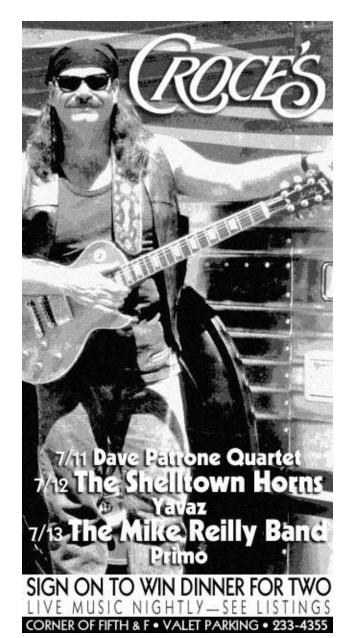
In fact, I'm holding on to three. The third, a remarkable collection of the preludes and fugues by the American Robert Levin, is performed hänssler edition's bachakademis series at the Bandhausen Church in Wassenaar, which I suppose is in the Netherlands, where they take their music making and sound engineering as seriously as the Germans. Both the Levin and Hewitt are digitally recorded.

What makes the Levin recordings so special, apart from Mr. Levin's brilliant playing, is that he makes use of five different instruments when playing "the 48," depending on the nature of the prelude and fugue. He explains his choices in the liner notes. The five instruments are the one-manual harpsichord, the two-manual harpsichord, the clavichord,

the organ, and the fortepiano.

As I discussed earlier on, Bach meant no specific instrument when he designated clavier. In performance, certainly in the concerto context, Bach and his contemporaries would have necessarily used a harpsichord, unless the piece was specifically written for organ. The clavichord cannot project like the harpsichord. It has a smaller, more delicate sound, so beyond 15 feet or so, or in contention with other instruments of an ensemble. it cannot be heard to its advantage. What it does have that the harpsichord doesn't is its ability to register shifts in dynamics and achieve a vibrato, which makes it a more sensitive, responsive instrument, with a broader timbre closer to the flexibility and range of the human voice, to which all instruments and instrumentalists aspire. Bach would have been exposed to the forerunner to the modern piano, one of Gottfried Silbermann's fortepianos, near the end of his life.

As to which, given his druthers, Bach would have chosen (including the modern piano among these choices), it's difficult to say. My uninformed, irresponsible guess is that he might well have done as Mr. Levin has and chosen among all five keyboard instruments, depending on the particular prelude and fugue and his temperament that day. ■





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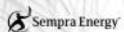
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**Yellowman:** Belly Up Tavern, Friday, July 19, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Shortbus:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, July 19, 9 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Outkast, Lauryn Hill, the Roots [267], Jurassic 5 [176], Cee-Lo, and Truth Hurts: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, July 20, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Billy Idol (506): Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 21, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Frank Black & the Catholics (554) and David Lovering: Brick by Brick, Sunday, July 21, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-775-5483.

No Knife (309), the Jealous Sound (294), and Like Millions: The Epicentre, Sundoy, July 21, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000 or 619-220-8497.

Boz Scaggs [598] and the Noe Venable Trio: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 22, and Tuesday, July 23, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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**LL Cool J** [603]: 4th & B, Tuesday, July 23, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Collin Raye [785]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 24,

8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

**Pinback** [398] and **Two Guys:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, July 24, 7:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-720-8497.

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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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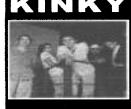
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**Geoff Tate** (of Queensryche): 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Randy Travis (779): Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400. Cyndi Lauper (615): San Diego LGBT Pride Festival, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., Marston Point in Balboa Park. Festival tickets, 619-297-7683.

Norah Jones and Richard Julian: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 29, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

**Lynyrd Skynyrd** [**599**]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 30, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

KC & the Sunshine Band (621): Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 31, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Down from the Mountain" featuring Alison Krauss & Union Station, Jerry Douglas, Dan Tyminski, Ralph Stanley, Patty Loveless, the Del McCoury Band, Ricky Skaggs, Emmylou Harris (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

Tommy Castro [938] & Coco Montoya [937]: 4th & B, Thursday, August 1, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497. 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.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with Gust Tsilis and John Hicks: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, August 1, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

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 Boy, 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.

King Chango: Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, August 6, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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.

Burning Spear [730]: 4th & B, Thursday, August 8, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**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 Boy, Wednesday, August 14, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

**Nina Hagen:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, August 14, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780

**Diana Krall** [675]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 15, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Eminem (158), Papa Roach (198), Ludacris, Xzibit, and the Xecutioners: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, August 15, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-270-8497.

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]: 'Cones Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 18, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.



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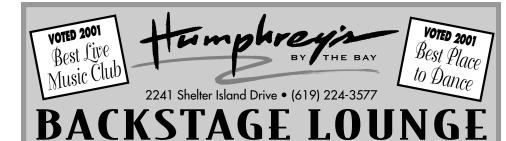
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Jonathan Richman: The Casbah Monday, August 19, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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., 2741 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

Chris Isaak /576 /: Humphrev'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

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.

#### **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.

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**Chicago** [620]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Pork, Tuesday, September 17, and Wednesday, September 18, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Girls Against Boys [277] and Radio 4: The Casbah, Tuesday, September 17, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or

Linda Eder [607]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010

Smokey Robinson: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 20, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-220-8497 or

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Bonnie Raitt /591/ and Lyle Lovett: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, Sept SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Keiko Matsui and Craig Chaquico [651]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 22, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Brad Paisley [794]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 24, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010

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619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497 The Herbie Hancock Quartet: Humphrey's Concerts by the Boy, Thursday, September 26, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Daryl Hall & John Oates [596]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 29, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

#### OCTOBER

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.

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Atlas Strategic: The Casbah Audio Karate: The Scene The Bad Apples: The Kensington Club The Bears: Dream Street Beatfreak: 'Canes Bar and Grill

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The Bi-Peds: The Scene
The Bitty Buns: Blind Melons

Brain Salad: Brick By Brick Canobliss: Dream Street Cilantro: Dream Street The Classified: The Scene The Color Turning: Epicentre

Crossover: Brick By Brick
Dama: Dream Street
The Damn Dirty Apes:
Winstons

Death On Wednesday:

Defects: 'Canes Bar and Grill Demit: Dream Street Dissolution: Dream Street Drama Bomb: Dream Street

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Drivemoredrive: 'Canes Bar
and Grill
Drive Pin: 'Canes Bar and Grill

The Dropsies: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Flounders: Surf N'Saddle The Flower City: The Playhouse

Fortress: The Playhouse 107 .....The Furious IV: 'Canes Bar

Glü: Dream Street
Grove: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

Happy Endings: The Casbah
The Hatchet Brothers: The

Lisa Hayes: The Scene Heavy Trevy: 'Canes Bar and Grill

The Helio Sequence: The

Her Space Holiday: The

Hot Like A Robot: The Casbah Ir: Brick By Brick Judging Korah: Epicentre

Karmaniac: 'Canes Bar and Grill King Dub: Dream Street The Knuckleheads: The

Like Millions: The Casbah
Limit Point: 'Canes Bar and Grill
Little Joe Gould: The Casbah

Lodus: Dream Street
Lovelight Shine: The
Kensington Club

Maudlin: The Scene Modern Rhythm: Brick

Native Flux: Dream Street, Brick By Brick Neverbound: Brick By Brick

11 .....No Motiv: The Scene
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Brick, 'Canes Bar and Grill
Other Natural Flavors:
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Pensive: The Scene

Psy-Fi: Dream Street Radio One: The Casbah Rebus: Winstons

Red Rox: Dream Street
The Regulators: Brick By Brick
Reservation for One:

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Ricksha: Blind Melons

Saturday's Child: The Playhouse Sinaloa: The Casbah, Epicentre

Slick Idiot: Club Xanth
Snatch Pebble: Tio Leo's

**The Sneaker Pimps:** Brick By Brick

Star Strangled Bastards: Dream Street Sugarcult: The Scene

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Swillbelly: 'Canes Bar and Grill Swindle: The Casbah Thee Corsairs: The Casbah Theron: 'Canes Bar and Grill 3 Against 1: Blind Melons Tora! Tora! Torrance!: The

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Vegetation: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

Vocoder: Blind Melons
Volta do Mar: The Casbah
W36: The Playhouse
Wither: 'Canes Bar and Grill

#### **EXTENSION 4003**

#### ROCK

514 .....Altered Time: Victor's Restaurant & Bar Avalanche: Etta's Place

460 .....**Baywolf:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

561 .....Pat Benatar: Viejas Casino
The Michael Bliss Band:
Island Sports & Spirits

Blizzard: Brick By Brick
The Bumpin' Uglies: Surf
N'Saddle
Chaotic Culture: Brick By Brick

Compass: Sham Rocks Shack
Thomas Conner Band:
Humphrey's
Depswa: Brick By Brick

Detroit Underground: Fogerty's Pub

El Jardin: Neimans Bar and Grill The Electric Waste Band: Winstons

The Full Circle Band: Blind Melons, O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

The Ghost Town Deputies:
Brick By Brick

Happy Go Lucky: Etta's Place 461 .....Hera's Olive: Dick's Last Resort The Hoochie Coochie Men:

547 .....Hot Rod Lincoln: Tio Leo's

The Ideas: Dick's Last Resort
Identity Crisis: Fogerty's Pub
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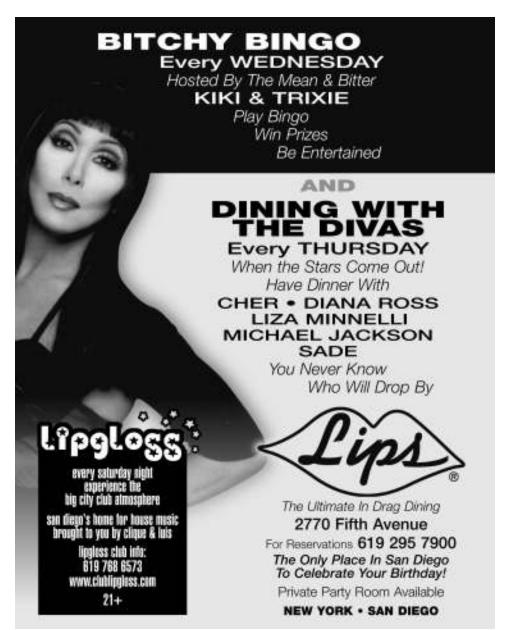
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Jack Pollack: Shooters Bar and Grill

622 ..... Peter Robberecht/ Pianoman: The Westgate Hotel, Dakota Grill and Spirits

Roz & the Wrecking Crew: Jimmy Love's

Nancy Sinatra: Humphrey's Stage 4: Il Forno

..The Stylistics: Humphrey's Universe: Winstons

#### **EXTENSION 4005**

#### JAZZ/ BIG BAND

Agua Dulce: Winstons The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies

..Lori Bell: Inn L'Auberge

..David Benoit: Humphrev's Inke Blackshear: Dizzv's Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado The B-3 Three: The Bayou Inzz Rar

680 ..... Cabaret Diosa: Winstons

....John Cain: Hotel del Coronado, The Westgate Hotel Calima: Trattatoria La Strada The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bar

Gilbert Castellanos: Dizzv's The Gilbert Castellanos Quartet: Juke Joint Cafe Mike Cea: In Costa Coffee Roasting Co.

Judy Čhamberlain: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge

Craig Clark: Caffe Salotto #1 Barry Allen Cohen: Rock Bottom (La Iolla)

The Cradit Union: Neimans Bar and Grill Jo Dark: The German-American

Societies The Dirty Dozen Brass

Band: Belly Up Tavern The Aubrey Fay Band: Juke

638 ...Glen Fisher con Alma: Croce's Jazz Bar

5 O'Clock Shadow: The Beach House

Forward Funk: Galoka The Tim Gill Orchestra: Neimans Bar and Grill

The Cynthia Han Juke Joint Cafe

Kevin Hennessy: Dizzv's M'Tafiti Imara: Cannibal Bar Inner Voyage: The Bayou Jazz Bar

Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del Coronado, Juke Joint Cafe Jazzmag: Jimmy Love's Jefferson: Galoka The Kato Salsa Experience: The Cashah

The Chris Klich Jazz Quintet: Coyote Bar and Grill 674 .....**Kokopelli:** Cannibal Bar

Dianna Krall: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge
Ned Landau: Miracles Cafe Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado Brian Levy: Dizzy's

...**Tim Maglione:** Jimmy Love's ...**Joe Marillo:** Cannibal Bar

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..Sue Palmer: Juke Joint Cafe The David Patrone Quartet: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamn) Martini Ranch

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The Pendulum Jazz Quintet: IIS Grant Hotel

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659 ..... Rick Ross-Piano: The Inn at the Park, Moray's Lounge

Salsa Encendida: Cannibal Bar The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn

698 .....Ron Satterfield: Inn L'Auberge Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time: Jimmy Love's, Humphrey's

643 .....Peter Sprague: Dizzy's
Tripp Sprague: Dizzy's The Strummers: Dizzy's
Trio du Jour: The Beach House The Upstairs Jazz Club: Jammers Java
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Bayou Jazz Bar Dave Warren's New Jazz:

Josh Welchez: Dizzv's The Louisa West-Jimmy Patton Duo: The Boathouse Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

**EXTENSION 4006** 

#### REGGAE/ SKA

Bananeiras: Juke Joint Cafe Congregation: The Casbah

Jim Morrison

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Eliiah Emanuel and the Revelations: Buffalo Joe's **Quino:** Humphrey's

..Semisi & Fulabula: The Beach

Shine Eye: Buffalo Joe's

#### **EXTENSION 4007**

#### COUNTRY

Calico Ridge: Don's Cocktail

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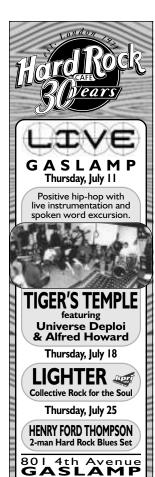
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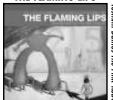


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#### **BLUES/SOUL**

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- 910 .....Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors: The Kraken
- 978.....**The Mike Reilly Band:** Croce's
- Top Hat Bar and Grille 913 ..... Shelle: Juke Joint Cafe The Shelltown Horns: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille The Soul Review: limmy

Love's Todd Steadman & the Fattones: Tio Leo's Lounge

946 ..... Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors: Winstons, Patrick's II

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- 986 ..... Honey Bucket: 'Canes Bar and Gri Daniel Jackson: Hotel del Coronado
- 983 ..Gordon Kohl: House of Munich Tony Lencioni: La Casa del Zorro

Barry Levich: La Valencia Hotel Leviticus: La Valencia Hotel Fran Loskota: The Westgate

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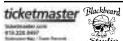
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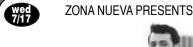


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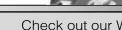




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**Apocalypse:** The first Friday of every month, DJs Joe Forester, Reverend Cybian, and LadyNoir spin a blend of Goth/industrial and techno in a postfuturistic fetish environment. Suggested dress: Goth-fetish-futura. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Blue Agave, Mission Gorge Road, Allied Gardens, 619-521-3194.

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Cathedral: Saturdays, gothic, industrial, ethereal, ambient, and danse with DJ Karma. Open midnight; 18 and up with ID. Club Xanth, 4225 30th Street (at El Cajon Boulevard), North Park, 619-584-2720.

Club Bananeiras: Sundays, live reggae and worldbeat, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Juke Joint Cafe, 327 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-232-7685.

**Club '80s:** Thursdays, DJs Bryan Pollard, Richard D, and BCZAR spin the best of '80s music, new wave synthpop, and new romantic; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744. Event information, 619-465-5827. www.klubs.com

Club '80s II: Fridays (except the first of the month), DIs Bryan Pollard, Richard D, and BCZAR spin the best of '80s music, new wave, synthpop, and new romantic. 11 p.m. to 4 a.m.; 18 and up. Club Xanth, 4225 30th Street (at El Cajon Boulevard), North Park, 619-584-2720. Event information, 619-465-5827. www.klubs.com.

**Club Tropics:** Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, DJs Kool T and guests spin Latin, freestyle, house, and hip-hop. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos, 760-737-9402.

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Dragon Lounge: First and third Friday of every month, the finest in breaks and drum 'n' bass. Brick By Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park, 619-687-5779. Event information, 619-220-4944

**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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**5N**TE BY DAVE GOOD

Paddy Moloney's been at the helm of the Chieftains for almost 40 years now. He's a  ${\it nappy-headed\ pipe\ player---a\ Uilleann\ piper,}$ to be exact — and, as such, has surrounded himself with musicians who have brought an unparalleled level of musicianship to Irish folk. Moloney and his crew are near-virtuosos at their respective instruments, some of which are little more than noisemakers. like the strange multitonal drum called the bodhran and the tin whistle. The Chieftains aren't the first of the Irish revivalists, but they are possibly the best known. They even had a hit record once. "Women of Ireland." off the soundtrack of the Stanley Kubrick flop Barry Lyndon.

In the early '60s, Moloney met with Martin Fay, Sean Potts, Michael Tubridy,

and **David Fallon** to record an album of Irish folk instrumentals — this at a time when every folk group on the planet (like Peter, Paul, and Mary and the Kingston Trio) was recording vocal music. The Chieftains' was a new approach, and some saw it as short-lived. The group struggled at menial jobs and didn't put out another record for five years. But they had verve and a maniacal zest in performance, and all it took was a listen to catch on. In 1975, the Chieftains beat out the Stones and Led Zeppelin for Melody Maker magazine's Group of the Year.

After Barry Lyndon, the Chieftains quit their day jobs and went pro. Vocals found their way into the mix; Irish dancers did too. In 1983, the Chieftains' act included Michael Flatley, "Lord of the Dance." After they grabbed their first Grammy in 1991, the awards kept coming. The Chieftains even beat out Michael Jackson at the Grammies once with their Van Morrison collaboration.

THE CHIEFTAINS

"Have I Told You Lately That I Love You." a sweet effort subsequently covered and nearly put to death by Englishman Rod Stewart.

(To hear a sample of the **Chieftains**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4867.)

THE CHIEFTAINS, Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 14, 7:30 p.m. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010. \$40 to \$85.

Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club: Fridays, DJ Dizzy D and guest DJs spin hip-hop, R&B, and Latin house; DJ Battle spins trance, progressive house, and jungle on the patio. Saturdays, Cabana Boy Geoff. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido, 760-741-9393.

**GLO:** Fridays, superstar guest DJs, house percussionist Sacca, and the GLO girls fill the main level with progressive house. '70s and '80s in the Ultra Lounge; R&B and rap in the Gallery Bar. On Broadway Event Center, 615 Broadway, downtown, 619-231-0011. www.obec.tv.

Karma: Thursdays, house music from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, midtown, 619-294-9590.

Neimans: Last Thursday of every month, Sweet Dreams, hip-hop and house with DJs Carr, Sal, and Trend. Room one: 18 and up. Room two: 21 and up. Saturdays until 3 a.m., *Last Call*, North County's only after-hours event; hip-hop, house, techno, and trance. 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, 760-729-4131.

Olé Madrid: Thursdays, Eyes, guest DJs, dancers, and limo shuttles Fridays, Biba Club. Saturdays, Ritual, Fridays, *Biba Club*. Saturdays, *Ritual*, DJs Jose Amezcua and Idol. Wednesdays, *Bombay*, DJs Rags and guests. 755 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-557-0146.

Red C Lounge: Thursdays, Milkcrate, hip-hop breaks and reggae. Fridays, Funky House. Saturdays, Deep Soulful House. 756 Fifth Avenue (beneath Alambres), downtown, 619-233-2830.

ReMission: Mondays, DJs Bryan Pollard, Dekay, and Thermal Detonator spin your favorite classic gothic and industrial. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744. Event information, 619-465-5827. www.klubs.com.

Repent: Sundays, DJ Sachamo and Ricky Wrecks spin classic and underground hip-hop, reggae, and soulful house. 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Pokez (the Rosary Room), corner of Tenth Avenue and E Street, downtown, 619-702-7160.

The Room: Thursdays, DJ Scott Martin, Top 40, hip-hop, disco, and

funk. Fridays, DJ Edjuardo, pop en español and progressive '70s and '80s. Saturdays, *Club Ibiza*, Euro dance, Latin, house, and trance. Tuesdays, *Salsa Night* with Rumba Rica. Wednesdays, pop en español and progressive '70s and '80s with DJ Edjuardo. Il Forno Bistro, 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-459-5010.

Sabbat: Saturdays, DJs Eric Hart, Marc Brueland, and Adam Atom. Dark electro, gothic, darkwave, industrial, and fetish. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744.

Shay's Lounge: Saturdays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., hip-hop, house, and two-step; no cover. Zao's Sushi (above the Spot), 1025 Prospect, suite 250, downtown La Jolla. Event information, 619-892-3837.

Therapy: The best of industrial, EBM, electro, ethereal, gothic, and darkwave with DJs Bryan Pollard, DeKay, Creep and guests. The longest-running industrial-fetish-danse club in San Diego. The first Friday of every month at Club Xanth, 11 p.m. to 4 a.m., 18 and up, 4225 30th Street (at El Cajon Boulevard), North Park,

619-584-2720. Remaining Fridays at the Flame, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., 21 and up, 3780 Park Boulevard, San Diego. 619-295-4163. Event information, 619-465-5827. www.klubs.com.

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Voodoo Lounge: Saturdays, DJs Kazy, Sandman, Didi, and guests spin house techno, trance, and progressive house at the Gaslamp's only open-air nightclub. Redfish, 731 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-7226.



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#### **North County**

**The Alley,** 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday and Friday, *PowerHouse*. Saturday and Wednesday, the New Breed Band, pop,

The Beach House, 2530 South Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-753-1321. Performances are from 7 pm to 10 pm, except Sunday, 6 pm to 9 pm. Thursday, 5 O'Clock Shadow, jazz, swing. Friday, *Trio du Jour*, jazz. Saturday, *the Justin Brothers*, acoustic. Sunday, Rick Ross, jazz, Wednesday, Semisi & Fulabula, reggae.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 8 pm, *Dar Williams* with *Lorna Hunt*, folk. Friday, 9:15 pm, Blackalicious, hip-hop. Saturday, 9:15 pm, Robert Randolph & the Family Band with the Dirty Dozen Brass Band, jazz. Sunday, Primo, Latin jazz. Wednesday, Carrie Weiland and Something Else, alternative.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue. Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Night Train*, classic rock.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe. Flower Hill Mall. I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, Joseph Angelastro, acoustic.

**Borders Books and Music,** 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Saturday, 8 pm, *Harmonija*, folk.

**Bub's Whiskey Dive,** 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Live music, call club for information.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive. Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *Nite Hawk*, classic rock. Saturday, Jeff Lee, acoustic.

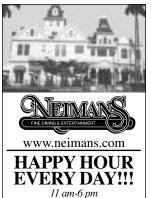
Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Sunday, 5 pm to 9 pm, the Chris Klich Jazz Quintet.

The Del Dios Country Store, 20154Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733. Friday and Saturday, the Working Cowboy Band, country.

**Fat Katz,** 1476 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-943-7768. Music is blues. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Whitey Conwell & the Tone Kings.
Sunday, Nick Perpich. Tuesday, Candye Kane. Wednesday, Blue Label.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Identity Crisis. Friday and Saturday, Detroit Underground.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729 6951. Friday, Skeltin, rock. Saturday, call club for information.



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Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 760-743-7665. Friday and Saturday, call club for

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors, blues. Friday, Tommy Budd & Windy City, blues, Saturday, the Blues Brokers blues. Wednesday, Nitelife.

**La Casa del Zorro,** 3845 Yaqui Pass Road, Borrego Springs. 760-767-5323. Fox Den: Thursday through Saturday, 7 pm to 11 pm, Tony Lencioni, Sunday and Monday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Dick Matson*, piano and vocals.

**La Costa Coffee Roasting Co.**, 6965 El Camino Real, Suite 208, La Costa. 760-438-8160. Music hours are from 7 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *John Lowery*, folk. Saturday, *Mike Cea*, jazz duo.

**Martini Ranch,** 485 South Coast Highway (at "D" Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Tuesday, the David Patrone Quartet, jazz.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646 Call club for information.

Mi Fiesta Mexican Seafood Restaurant, 1551 West Mission Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-434-3316. Saturday, 6 pm to 9 pm, the California Rangers, country, folk.

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Saturday, 7:30 to 10:30 pm, *Jared Mattson*, jazz duo. Sunday, 10 am to 1 pm, Ned Landau,

Mocha Marketplace, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-2112. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, Dan Connor, folk.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729 4131. Friday and Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, *El Jardin*. Wednesday, call club for information.

**The Raintree,** 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Music hours are from 6 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *Daryl* Johnson & Friends, R&B. Saturday, the Stilettos, rock, blues.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, Serious Guise, classic rock.

**Solana Beach Coffee Company,** 437 South Highway 101, Solana Beach. 858-792-1553. Saturday, 7 pm to 9 pm, Dan Connor, folk.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, the Jackson 3, pop. Saturday, Reventlos and the Bumpin' Uglies, rock. Sunday, 5 pm to 9 pm, Flounders, alternative.

#### Beaches

**Blind Melons,** 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *the Full Circle Band*, rock. Friday, Rad Bones, 3 Against 1, and Siren, rock. Saturday, Vegitation, Monte Montgomery with Lou Ford, pop. Sunday, the Bitty Buns, Johnny Love, and Greg Magnuson, alternative. Monday and Tuesday, call club for information. Wednesday, Ricksha and Vocoder, alternative rock

Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Theron*, Beatfreak, and 2 Cent. Friday, Mr. Crowley, Redline 5, and Led Zepagain. Monday, the Furious IV, One Track Mind, Heavy Trevy, and Uncalledfor Tuesday, Honey Bucket, Limit Point, Swillbelly, Other Natural Flavors, and Defects. Wednesday, Wither, Drive Pin, the Dropsies, Drivemoredrive, and Tragic Ritual.



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

A few years ago, I walked into the café around the corner and there was a good-looking woman behind the counter. She was  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left$ playing a CD loud and it sounded great. I asked her what it was, and she said it was Modest Mouse. What else was I going to do? I bought the first Modest Mouse album I could find. And I didn't like it. It wasn't the same without the smell of the beans and the roar of the steamer and the woman behind the counter. The next time I went into the café, she wasn't there, and later I heard she wasn't working there anymore. The next time I saw her, she was walking in the park with her arm around some guy who just had to be a jerk. He wasn't even very good looking. That's when I formulated my unscientific theory that Modest Mouse is for pretentious girls who fall for creepy guys.

It didn't surprise me when I heard that Modest Mouse singer Isaac Brock's new side project is called Ugiv Casanova. It sounds. as a friend of mine said, "like Modest Mouse, but less annoying." That is, Brock's vocals are less screechy. (Notable exception: the hip-hop-flavored "Ice on the Sheets," in which the vocals are his

most irritating yet.) Also featuring members of Red Red Meat, Califone, and the Black Heart Procession, Ugly Casanova makes mildly psychedelic, pleasantly repetitive music. Like Modest Mouse, it's kind of mellow and kind of rock; kind of arty and experimental. All it really needs to send it over the top is a beau-



tiful barista.

Sunshine Fix, the Helio Sequence, and Atlas Strategic also perform.

UGLY CASANOVA, The Casbah, Friday, July 12, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497, \$12.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, the Steely Damned, classic rock. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, 4 pm to 7 pm, Comanche Moon, Joey Harris, Kokopelli, M'Tafiti Imara, and Joe Marillo, variety.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131. All music is alternative/rock Thursday Psy-Fi, Star Strangled Bastards, Demit, and Cilantro. Friday, King Dub, Drama Bomb, Lodus, and Red Rox Saturday, After Black, Dama,

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Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Friday and Saturday, 8 pm, *Judy Chamberlain*, jazz. Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, Dianna Krall, Latin jazz

Galoka, 5660 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-551-8610. Thursday, Jefferson. Friday, Forward Funk. Saturday, Ministry of Standards Sunday, call club for information.

**Il Forno,** 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. Thursday, Dave Warren's New Jazz. Friday, Affinity, rumba, Spanish guitar. Saturday, Stage 4, pop, jazz, R&B. Wednesday, the Sugar Trio, blues and jazz.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Barry Levich*, piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, Leviticus.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, live music.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Wednesday through Saturday, 8:30 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Sunday through Tuesday, 8:30 pm, Larry Moore, piano and vocals.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-272-7278. Club Tremors, call club for

Rock Bottom, 8980 Via La Jolla Drive, La Jolla, 858-450-9277, Friday, 6 pm, Barry Allen Cohen, jazz.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Jack Pollack, piano. Wednesday, Stephen Knight.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue Pacific Beach, 858-273-9734, Friday, G Funk and Mississippi Mud, blues, rock. Saturday, Surf Report, rock. Sunday, open acoustic. Wednesday, *Jimmy Lewis*, acoustic.

Victor's Restaurant & Bar, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Thursday, *Altered* Time, classic rock. Friday, Vegetation and Grove, alternative, Saturday, the Travel Agents, alternative.

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#### San Diego

Anthony's Star of the Sea, 1360 North Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-232-7408. Thursday and Friday, 5:30 pm, the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Duo, Brazilian-Latin jazz.

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Etta's Place, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Friday, 9 pm, Avalanche and Happy Go Lucky, rock. Saturday, 9 pm, Beyond Blue, blues, rock.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers*, blues. Saturday, *the Boogiemen*, R&B.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. Concerts by the Bay: Friday, 7 pm, the Rippingtons, jazz, and David Benoit, rock. Sunday, 7:30 pm, the Chieftains, acoustic. Monday, 7 pm, the Stylistics, the Manhattans, the Chi-Lites, the Delfonics, and Harold Melvin's Blue Notes, soul, blues. Tuesday and Wednesday, the B-52's and Nancy Sinatra. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, Kim Patton-Johnston, Devan O'Day, Eve Selis, and more. Friday, Makai. Saturday, Thomas Conner Band and Viva Santana. Sunday, Reggie Smith. Monday and Tuesday, Calvin Romance. Wednesday, Quino.

**The Inn Suites,** 2223 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 pm to 10 pm, workshop/concert with *the San Diego Concert Jazz Band*.

The Inn at the Park, 3167 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-296-0057. Music is piano/vocals. Thursday, Karen Giorgio. Friday, Kenny Ard. Saturday, Carol Curtis. Monday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, Rick Ross, jazz piano, saxophone, vocals. Tuesday, Kristi Rickert. Wednesday, Andy Anderson and Ron Council.

**Jolt'n Joe's,** 8076 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa. 619-466-2591. Saturday, call club for information.

**Kelly's Pub**, 6344 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area. 619-286-0400. Friday, *Evans*, acoustic. Saturday, live music. Wednesday, *Tommy Price*, acoustic.

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.

Friday, *Lovelight Shine*, alternative. Saturday, *the Bad Apples*, alternative.

**The Morena Club,** 1319 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-275-4431. Saturday, 9 pm, *the Sleepwalkers*, rockabilly

**O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub,** 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *the Full Circle Band*, rock. Saturday, *Nectarine*, rock.

**Pal Joey's,** 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Mr. Red Shoes*, rock.

The Playhouse, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-284-8802. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, Acts of Aggression, the Flower City, and the Knuckleheads. Saturday, Fortress, W36, and Saturday's Child.

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**The Scene,** 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, *Trite, the Bi-Peds, Maudlin,* and *Lisa Hayes.* Friday, *No Motiv, Audio*  Karate, the Classified, and Pensive. Saturday, Sugarcult, Death On Wednesday, and Agent 51.

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**Sham Rocks Shack,** 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Saturday, *Compass*, rock.

**The Tin Fish,** 1706 Sixth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-8100. Saturday.

11:30 am to 2:30 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, Hot Rod Lincoln, rockabilly. Friday, Vernon's Burnt Chicken, blues. Saturday, Snatch Pebble, Mercy House, and Ronny & the Rinestones, alternative/rock. Monday and Tuesday, call club for information. Wednesday, Todd Steadman & the Fattones, blues.

**Top of the Cove,** 1216 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla. 858-454-7779.

Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, Kristi Rickert, piano.

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#### **Downtown**

Axiom, 655 Fourth Street, downtown. information.

The Bayou Jazz Bar, 329 Market Street, downtown. 619-696-8747. All music is jazz. Thursday and Tuesday, the Vanguard Players with Brian Jones Friday, call club for information. Saturday, Inner Voyage. Sunday, Gilbert Castellanos. Wednesday, the B

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Buffalo Joe's, 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-236-1616. Thursday, Shine Eye, reggae. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, the Disco Pimps. Sunday, Whitey Conwell & the Tone Kings, blues. Tuesday, 7 pm to midnight, Blue Frog & Compo

blues. Wednesday, Elijah Emanuel and

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**Chuey's Numero Uno,** 1894 Main Street, downtown. 619-234-6937. Friday, 8 pm, live music.

**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. Sunday and Monday, Glen Fisher con Alma. Tuesday, the Shep Meyers Quartet. Wednesday, the Jorge Comberos Quintet.

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Martini Ranch, 528 F Street, downtown. 619-235-6100. Wednesday, the David Patrone Quartet, jazz.

**The New Bristol Hotel,** 1055 First Avenue (between Broadway and C Street), downtown, 619-232-6141. Friday, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm, the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Trio.

**Patrick's II,** 428 F Street, Gaslamp. 619-233-3077. Thursday, *Jonny Viau and the Blue Allstars*. Friday, *Michele* Lundeen and Blues Streak. Saturday, Shane Dwight. Sunday, Bayou Brothers. Monday, Blue Largo. Tuesday, Bill Magee, Wednesday, Blues Ambassadors

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Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue downtown. 619-233-5979. Music is Latin. Thursday, *Hector Rivera & La* Conciencia. Tuesday, Orquesta Guayao. Wednesday, Primo.

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**U.S. Grant Hotel,** 326 Broadway, downtown. 619-232-3121. Lounge Thursday and Wednesday, Joe Cano, piano. Friday and Saturday, Ches *Wesley*, piano.

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**Di-mond Jim's Nightclub,** 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Friday and Saturday, the Sensations,

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Palm Court: Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 5:30 pm to 10:30 pm, Ray Briz. Sunday through Wednesday, 5:30 pm to 10:30 pm, John Cain. Also, Sunday, noon to 4 pm, *Joey West*.

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**The House of Munich,** 230 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-426-5172. Friday and Saturday, 6 pm, Gordon Kohl, Kjell Holmes, or Vicki Eriqat, European and ethnic accordion.

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McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Thursday, *Coupe de Ville*, blues. Friday, *Baywolf*, classic rock. Saturday, the Noize Boyz, rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 7 pm, Northstar, pop, 8 pm, Jackson & Sven, acoustic. Monday, Ingram & Hanley, acoustic folk, Tuesday, Iim Moore, acoustic. Wednesday, Gene Warren, folk.

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Don Primo's Bolivian Restaurant, 9570 Murray Drive, El Cajon. 619-466-2912. Saturday, 8 pm, *the* Rhythm Kings, Latin.

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**Fannie's,** 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley. 619-698-2204. Friday, *the* Hoochie Coochie Men, rock.

The German-American Societies, 1017 South Mollison Avenue, El Cajon. 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 pm, the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band featuring Jo Dark.

Magnolia Mulvaney's, 8861 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-448-8550. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, *Emerald River*, country.

On the Rocks, 518 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-579-3537. Friday, the Tall Dudes, rock. Saturday, Scavenger, rock, blues

**Second Wind,** 8528 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-596-8350. Friday and Saturday, Private Domain, rock and roll.

Viejas Casino, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine (off Interstate 8), 619-445-5400. Concerts in the Park. Saturday, 8 pm, *Huey Lewis & the News*, rock. Sunday, 8 pm, Pat Benatar, rock.

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# Ohh! The Pizza!

As my friends and I approached Via Italia, a boy of ten was fleeing the maître d's feigned pursuit. "Who's number one?" shouted the mustached restaurant manager. "You are!" the kid shouted back. "I didn't hear you!" "You are!" "Okav." said the manager as he "You are!" "Okay," said the manager, as he ambled over to a patio table where a young couple was enjoying a pizza. "First time here?" he asked. Mouths full, they nodded. "For that, we charge you

I flashed back to the first time I saw the guy his name is Mauricio — two years ago. We could have sworn it was Via Italia's opening night (it wasn't), because the center of the dining room was devoted to a huge, noisy celebratory dinner. Everybody at the party seemed to know the staff, jocularly shouting at Mauricio and vice versa.

Sandwiched between a large, empty building and a small ice cream parlor in a huge mall, the small trattoria had been hard to find and was rather cramped inside. Although we'd reserved, my sweetie and I had to wait in line at the door for 25 minutes before we were shown to a tiny corner table and abandoned to our fate. The tables were covered with red-and-white checked tablecloths topped with butcher paper, and the flatware was light enough for backpacking gear. After some 20 minutes, a sullen blonde giant with a Wehrmacht crewcut took our order and vanished.

Some long while later, a very young busboy, smiling sweetly, silently removed our untouched napkins, butter plates, and cutlery. Soon afterwards I espied him placing fresh settings on a nearby vacant table, so when he turned away, I stole that set back again. Fifteen more hungry minutes, and the busboy returned, still smiling, and mutely insisted on clearing our table again. Finally, about an hour after our arrival, the Wehrmacht waiter reappeared with our first course and yelled at the busboy in Italian to set our table, already! Ten minutes later, the waiter delivered bread and in barely seven more minutes remembered to bring our wine. That dinner was a Marx Brothers movie - in which I got to play Margaret Dumont, Groucho's bewildered dupe. But ohh, the pizza!

Since that evening, I've received many emails about Via Italia — some praising the food, others griping at the 'tude. So I returned this time with some friends who are semi-regular patrons, hoping that the familiarity of their faces might get our reservation honored. Although two newly



arrived couples were seated ahead of our foursome, at least the wait was brief. And happily, comedy hour was drawing to a close. By 8:00 p.m., the evening had settled into its adulthood, and so had the staff. The big blond waiter and the smiling little busboy were nowhere in evidence, probably long since replaced — and ohh, the pizza!

old warhorses from Palermo or Jersey City. Instead, you'll find interesting dishes from Milan, Venice, Genoa, Florence. And as in Rome, pizzas are

available as whole pies only, not by the slice. The best night to enjoy Chef Alan Martinelli's range of flavors is Thursday, when there's the option of three- and four-course "tasting menus," structured as traditional Italian meals — an antipasto, a starch course (pasta, risotto), an entrée, and a dessert. (With the three-course dinner, you get your choice of either a pasta or an entrée, not both.) There are two or three alternatives for each course, featuring seasonal items that the enthusiastic young chef is

really in the mood to cook. The reverse side of the tasting menu includes the evening's à la carte spe-- including the pizza du jour.

With a foursome, we were able to sample every "tasting" item and some à la carte choices, too. While you're unlikely to encounter an identical array of dishes, these are representative.

The tasting's soft polenta was topped with melted Bel Paese cheese, sautéed fresh porcini mush-

rooms, and a dash of white truffle oil. It's lucky the portion was modest or we'd have drowned ourselves in it. The plain, coarse-milled cornmeal was elevated to a luxury dish

by the rich, creamy cheese and exceptional mushrooms. A minestrone alla Genovese proved to be a puréed vegetable soup, with a blending of pesto pointing to its ancestry in Genoa. It was porridgethick and deliciously earthy, with a few chunks of veggies that had escaped the blender blades. It needed salt and pepper, which we were glad to add to our taste.

Carpaccio, the least of our "tasting" appetizers, wasn't the paper-thin sliced raw beef that we

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**NEED TO KNOW:** Park near the movie multiplex in this huge mall; restaurant is in "Food Court" near the theaters. Reservations recommended but not always honored. Restaurant can be very noisy. Heated patio dining for the fortunate.

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expected; instead, medium-thin slices seemed to have been cooked by a brief dip into boiling water. The health risk was eliminated...but so was the flavor. At the center of the plate was a small dollop of a lively sauce in which we could taste garlic, grated Parmesan, and minced semi-hot peppers. The beef needed more of it or more of something.

From the à la carte specials, we chose insalata al funghi con sardine, a salad of baby greens with sautéed button mushroom slices, crisp cherry tomato halves, and the star of the show, anchovies

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wrapped around pimientostuffed green olives. These weren't the familiar canned-in-oil anchovies but larger herringlike fillets, brined in their sleek, silvery skins, packing a whale of a wow. Dressed in a mild vinaigrette, the salad greens were sprinkled with kosher salt, which formed fierce, shocking little islands of crystals. If a salad could have muscles, this one would look like The Rock.

Even more stellar was (tada!) the evening's pizza special. Via Italia's wood-fired pizzas aren't New York style but rolled out thin in the true Italian manner, their flavorful crusts barely thicker than saltines (albeit softer and denser). A highly original topping featured puffs of creamy mascarpone cheese swathed with thin-sliced Speck (a cured ham similar to prosciutto) and strewn with spicy raw arugula leaves. Mascarpone is best known as a dessert ingredient (in tiramisu), and its use on pizza was startling. The entire composition looked like a flower-petal mandala and tasted just as gorgeous - assuming that you like mascarpone straight (as I do).

In the primi (starch) course, our table's favorite was the linguine al frutti di mare, seafood pasta. The noodles were sparsely coated with a light, fresh, barely cooked marinara sauce (a far better thing than the heavy red sauce so common around here), garnished with large ocean-fresh green-lip mussels, along with some small-shelled clams and chunks of rather dry fish.

The other two starches were subjects of debate - as they always are. The gnocchi would have been a great dish, if not for the gnocchi. The sauce of diced filet mignon in a reduction of Barolo wine was just delish, but the dumplings were as dense and sticky as half-chewed bubble gum. Some people actually prefer this texture, but I'll take cloud pillows every time. A risotto was graced by another dose of those sublime fresh porcini, simmered with Vialone nano short-grain rice (the right stuff). Now, everybody with even the remotest connection to Italian food has a different idea of risotto - should it be al dente? Creamy? Dry? Gooey? This version was a little on the dry side, but it was far from the dryest I've ever tasted — and oh, those mushrooms!

Normally I'm not a fan of filet mignon, but that insipid meat got a radical makeover in an entrée of medaglioni di manzo al pepe rosa, which treated the beef to a sauté in a white wine sauce studded with pink peppercorns. Sliced to half the standard "mignon" thickness, the filet pieces were browned outside and rare at the center, and the clean, camphory bite of the peppercorns lent a sharp, cracking focus. Our second "tasting" entrée made this a surf 'n'

turf dinner: A pair of jumbo prawns (scamponi) the size of langoustines were lightly coated with herbs and breadcrumbs and quickly broiled, giving them the mouth-feel of the shrimp heads in sushi bar ama ebi. The prawn meat was even sweeter than the sushi's and brought back joyous memories of a nearidentical Ligurian dish eaten on the shores of the Mediterranean. The prawns came with three very sweet carrot slices and three zucchini slices, finished au naturel under the broiler. A mound of starkly simple polenta completed the array.

One of Chef Martinelli's specialties is pastry, so Via Italia is an Italian restaurant where you do want dessert, preferably in the plural case. Especially the torta caprese. This very dark chocolate cake studded with almonds, served with a vanilla cream sauce, must be what brownies become when they grow up. A homey apple tart was somewhat bland but came with a rich, sexy mascarpone cream sauce. And for a lighter sweet, sorbetto alla fruta con vodka couldn't be improved. The fruit of the evening was pear: pear nectar with macerated pear flesh met in a tall tulip glass, with a shot of superior vodka bestowing such bite and brilliance, the mild-mannered pome tasted like passion fruit. After spooning up the sorbets, we chugalugged them to the last drop. And the espresso accompanying them was of a rare perfection, mellow and full-bodied with a finger's thickness of foamy "crema" on top, the mark of a meticulous barista.

But my, oh, my, the pizza! We came back and got another one to go. To challenge the house, we chose pizza napoletana, garnished with anchovies and oregano. The anchovies proved a far cry from the hairy, bony, creepy critters of chain pizzerias. They were thick little slabs, strong-flavored but clean tasting rather than "fishy." And the pie was as gracefully proportioned as a Botticelli Venus, with just the right amount of cheese, the right amount of tomato sauce, on that fine, thin crust. Sometimes moderation is more pleasurable than excess — this pizza's not stuffed, and neither are those who consume it. The only problem is, if you want the pizza or any of the other pleasures coming from Via Italia's kitchen, you may have to risk playing straight man in a Marx Brothers movie to get them.

#### ABOUT THE CHEF

At age 24, Alan Martinelli is already an experienced chef. He was born in Desenzano de Garda, a town between Venice and Milan on the shores of Lake Garda, Italy's largest lake. "Desenzano has one of the best culinary schools in Italy, and it's where I graduated from," he says. "I started when I was 13 years old and went to school for six years, but I was already working in restaurant kitchens during the summertime and on the weekends. When I was 14, I worked

in a restaurant with one star in the Michelin Guide — there are just 223 restaurants in Italy with

"As a small boy I'd go to restaurants with my parents, and I was always fascinated by restaurants. I really appreciated what the chefs were doing. It was then that I realized that I wanted to work in restaurants. I enjoy my job, I enjoy everything about it. It's not just cooking — the school qualifies vou as a chef in four years, but I went for six years so that I can also be a restaurant manager.

'Via Italia has been in business for five years. We do a northern-style Italian kitchen. although we do a few southern dishes, too. I came to work here two years ago. The chef before me, also from Italy, is a good friend of mine. He'd started something nice — the special menu — and I've continued that. What we've done, in a way, is split the restaurant in two. We have our regular menu, and then we have our specials menu that I change every day — that's the most important. We do the tasting menu on Thursday, but if people call me ahead, we can do it any time. I create the specials menu every day, according to what's in the market and what I feel like cooking. Every night at 10:00 I talk with Bruce, my vegetable supplier, and sometimes I go to Chino Farms. It took me three months to find the porcini I use; I want just the little corksize mushrooms, not the big ones that have too much water

and taste like the dirt in the field.

"As you know, Clairemont is not the best location for a restaurant in San Diego, and that is why in about three months we're opening another branch in Encinitas. I'll be cooking there; I'll be in charge of both as executive chef, but most of my job will be there. But I get my satisfaction here, too, because you don't expect to find a really good place in a location like this.

"The owner, Paolo Pedrazzani, told me that the first three years here were really tough, because people expected a different sort of menu in an Italian restaurant - spaghetti and meatballs, veal parmigiana... But I don't want to do things like that. I can, but I don't want to. Some of those things, like lasagna, we have on the regular menu, but I'd never put them on as specials. But I won't do anything that's not really an Italian dish. I'm not going to put chicken on my linguini or serve pasta Alfredo. We've had to do a lot of education with the customers. People come in and ask for angel-hair pasta, and when I say I don't do it, they tell me I'm not a real Italian! Even my grandfather only eats angel hair when he's

"The pizza? It's 11 inches around, a thin-crust pizza, and that's what you'll get in any pizzeria in any part of Italy. There are some little differences from place to place, restaurant to restaurant — but it's never one-inch-thick, New York-style pizza." ■



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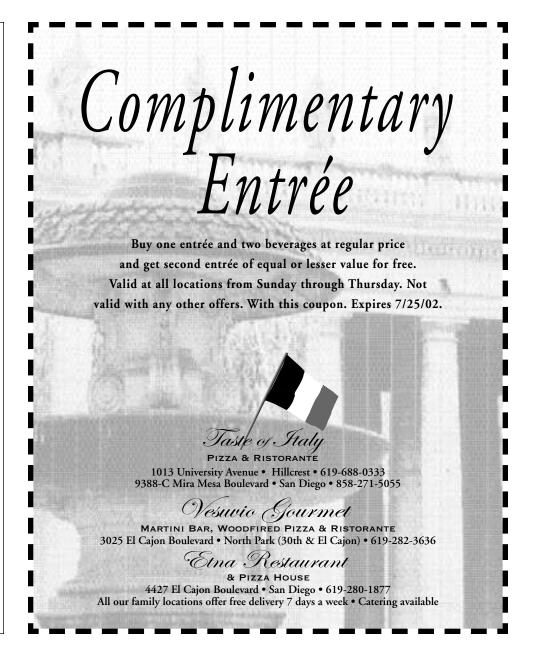


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# **Flapper Swank**

### The clam chowder is so thick you could walk across it.

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ot spats?" asks Hank. He's hurrying us along B Street toward Sixth Avenue. "This place, you should be wearing spats and monocles and waistcoats and pocket watches." We turn right on Sixth, walk along restaurant row,

where all those office-worker loncherias sit cheek by jowl.

Hank stops at the last one. "Lilo's," says the big vertical sign hanging off the building. Shiny tiles cover the lower front in brown and cream. Four tables stand outside with cream cloths and blue napkins under big blue umbrellas. But

Hank carries on inside to a huge ancient stand-up radio. An old Philco four-foot-high tube model. It acts as the host station. Gal named Erin welcomes us, takes us round to the table by the window.

Hank's right about the spats. I look around. The whole thing feels Art Deco. Twenties. It has this combo of dark varnished wood, cream walls, sconces, mirrors, giant French posters, and an old-fashioned cocktail bar. A dark band of wood loops around the ceiling, concealing lights. At the tables, more crisp cream-colored tablecloths and blue folded napkins, and there are lots of vases loaded with live sunflowers around the sunny window.

Guy named Paul comes up. "Our special today is lasagna with garlic bread and soup or salad for \$7.95." He plops a vase filled with bread sticks in the middle, pours iced water into our glasses, and hands us menus. Just hope we ain't in over our depth here.

But au contraire, I check the menu and noth-

ing runs over \$7.95 — spinach salad with crumbled bacon, egg, mushroom, and cheese (\$6.25); "goat cheese medallion" salad (\$7.75); or the pear and walnut with bleu cheese and "sherry walnut dressing" (\$7.75). Yum. And for \$1.25 you can

add chicken. The tuna-salad sandwich with apple and onion looks good too for \$5.95. But here's the one I'm almost ready to jump on: Lilo's Belport Chicken ("chicken breast, sautéed onions and peppers, Swiss, Dijon mustard, served on our house-made bun"), \$6.75. Entrées are kind of

seductive as well. Like salmon fillet, "pan-seared, caper-anchovy butter, lemon, rice pilaf, French baguette," \$7.95. Or a spinach fettuccine, with cream sauce, fresh veggies, and French baguette for \$6.50. Or "all real" crab cakes, with sour cream, vegetables, and French baguette, \$7.25.

Hank hardly bothers to scan the menu. "I'll have the special," he says.

For some reason — okay, it's to match Hank's \$7.95 — I switch at the last moment back to the salads. "Greek," I say. Mainly because I have high hopes of getting Greek olives, my only true love besides Carla. It's \$6.75. "Uh, and add chicken breast." That'll make it \$8.00.

"Would you like the soup too?"

"Is it part of the deal?"

"Only with the special."

"Uh, no."

But when Paul comes with Hank's soup, he brings one for me anyway.

"Wouldn't want you to feel left out," he says. I try to put up a fight. "Just eat the damned

thing," says Hank.

Eat's right. It's clam chowder, and so thick you could walk across it. Stacked with corn and celery and potatoes and clams. What with the bread sticks and two slices of French bread they bring (with nice, soft butter), it's a filler in itself. The full bowl (\$3.75) would be, for sure.

Paul brings us iced tea (\$1.50 each). We could have had beer or a glass of wine, but they cost four bucks or more each. I don't think so.

When our lunch plates arrive, I see Hank has the better deal. Two large chunks of pink and red lasagna stuffed with meat and cheese and tomatoes and noodles and topped with Parmesan, and with a large boat-shaped chunk of garlic bread on the side, the boy is set for six hours at least.

"Ah. Good, fresh garlic, not garlic powder," he says, munching his bread.

Paul brings my salad. First thing I do is grab one of the Greek olives. Oh, yes, the real salty ones. Kalamata. I count them: 15. This is going to be great. The chicken-breast slices lean against each other like drunken sailors. You get a threeslice share of French bread, and Paul has brought two pots of dressing — balsamic vinegar mix and bleu cheese — because I couldn't make up my mind. The lettuce is crisp romaine. Tomatoes and cucumbers play hide and seek with crumbled feta cheese and toasted croutons. I test the gunk. Bleu wins, hands down. Fits better with the feta, as you might say. Comes on a nice wide white china plate too.

"You're right," I say to Hank. "It feels swanky." That's the thing. You somehow feel like a bigshot eating here.

To soften the blow of the bill (it's \$20.42 with tax), Paul brings two chocolate chip cookies, still soft and hot from the oven.

"You know what?" I say to Paul. "You should hold flapper parties here."

"Well, the place is old enough," Paul says. "The building's 1905. That Philco radio is 1924. It still works."

"Hey," says Hank. "It probably plays music you'd recognize."

"Buddy," I say. "That's fighting talk."

"Oh, come," says Hank. "No spats at Lilo's, please." ■

**The Place:** Lilo's New American Cuisine, 1125 Sixth Avenue, downtown (619-231-1969)

Type of Food: American

**Prices:** Breakfast steak and (two) eggs, \$6.95; corn cakes, \$5.75; gingerbread pancakes (with molasses and candied ginger), \$5.50; two-egg omelet with potatoes, toast, \$4.50; with three eggs, \$5.25; spinach salad with crumbled bacon, egg, mushroom, Parmesan cheese, \$6.25; pear and walnut salad, with bleu cheese, sherry walnut dressing, \$7.75; Lilo's Belport chicken, with sautéed onions and peppers, Swiss, Dijon mustard, on bun, \$6.75; salmon fillet with caper-anchovy butter, rice pilaf, French baguette, \$7.95; macaroni and cheese with baguette, side salad, \$6.50; dinners more expensive

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# **Price Cult**

"You see them walking around, and you can see it in their face — 'This is all costing too much.'"

ary Parker can remember walking into the (now departed) Big Bear market on Via de la Valle over 30 years ago and asking buyer Jeff Slankard what was good in California Chardonnay. Slankard replied, "The

Grgich is really great, and so is the Far Niente." No surprise there — Mike Grgich was already a hot property as a winemaker. The surprise, an unpleasant one, was the price: \$17 for the Grgich, and over \$20 for the Far Niente. Parker was outraged, in part because he couldn't afford \$17

Chardonnay (this was long before he became owner of the WineSellar and Brasserie, a restaurant/storage facility/wine shop off of Mira Mesa Boulevard). But the real sting came later, when a host of other producers decided that Grgich's wine wasn't any better than theirs and raised their prices accordingly.

History repeats itself. "Cabernet is getting way pricey," admits WineSellar wine buyer David Derby. The \$100 bottle is no longer the exaggerated image used by "ordinary" wine consumers to describe the purchasing habits of borderline obsessive, sky's-the-limit collectors. It's grown too common; in fact, it's grown common enough to trigger a backlash. Says Derby, "It's happening the most to the ones who sold their wine for a fair and reasonable price, say \$30 to \$40, when they had their '90, '91, '92, '94— all good vintages. Then somewhere around '97 or '98, they said, 'Well, everyone else is getting \$100 a bottle. I want \$100 too.' So they went from \$40 to \$80 to \$100, and now they're hang-

ing at \$120. And everyone says, 'I remember buying this for \$40, and that was four years ago.' It's hard to accept that."

Case in point: In 1995, I bought the '92 Chateau Montelena Montelena Estate Cabernet

Sauvignon for around \$44. An astronomical price for me, but I was starry-eyed. Wine Spectator lists the '98—a vintage generally regarded as inferior—at \$110. Comments Parker, "Grgich raised his price, and then pretty soon everybody was too high. That's kind of what we've seen re-

cently, I think, is a correction with California wines. And with that correction, and with the global market, we're seeing [the rise of] wines from Spain and Italy, and I think smaller châteaux from Bordeaux fit right in there really well."

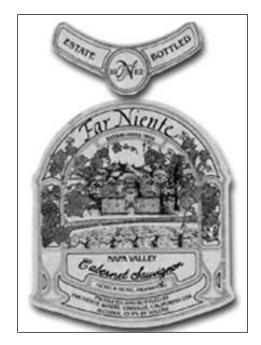
Adds Derby, "What is really hurting the market is people who have a healthy limited knowledge of wine." They know a lot about a particular varietal. "Wine is not the most important thing in their life — they've got more going on. Through the years, they've developed an affinity towards Napa Valley Cabernet — perfectly reasonable." But now, "They walk in, and a lot of it is priced so high that they say, 'You know what? I'm going to bail.' And they don't bail to Pinot Noir or Syrah or Italy or Spain; they bail to cocktails or beer or total abstention. They spent a long time developing an affinity, and when that wine gets priced out of their market, that hurts. You see them walking around, and you can see it in their face — "This is all costing too much.'"

Not everybody gets that look, of course, and the WineSellar is not getting out of the cult Cabernet game. But they have recently taken steps to woo the people Derby calls "consumers" (as opposed to "collectors"). Consumers are people who come into the shop on a regular basis, buy wine, drink it, come back, and tell what they thought of it. They may not buy the big-ticket items, but they do bring repeat business.

Step one was tripling the size of the retail shop, a move that allowed Derby to bring in a fair number of under-\$12 bargain wines. The larger shop also allowed for a broader range of wines from around the world, a goal Derby pursued even if it meant cutting down on the California product that had been the shop's hallmark. "Instead of having 30 Pinot Noirs," he says, "I'd rather have 20 Pinot Noirs and a good Cru Beaujolais from a good producer. I want a Vouvray; I want some New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc; I want a Chenin from the Loire region of France."

Step two is opening the downstairs wine bar, a more informal space than the upstairs restaurant that will serve tastes of wine all day at one-tenth the cost of a bottle. "We're going to offer a lot of lesser-known" — and often, less expensive — "wines. South of France, Spanish stuff." Stuff to snag sticker-shocked Cabernet devotees before they bolt the store. (This was what kept me interested in wine after the Cabernet insanity began.) "I think if people are politely introduced to new things, they're going to get a kick out of that. If they don't, we'll change; nothing's etched in stone."

And in case the shocked party isn't ready to venture outside the Golden State, Derby hopes to provide the odd local gem. When they start looking at the exit, "That's when you've got to jump in and say, 'Can I help you? Perhaps I could point this out,' " "this" being the hen's tooth–find of a \$17.99 Napa Cabernet from 1999 that delivers the goods. "Often, it's a brand they're not as familiar with. It's very tough part-



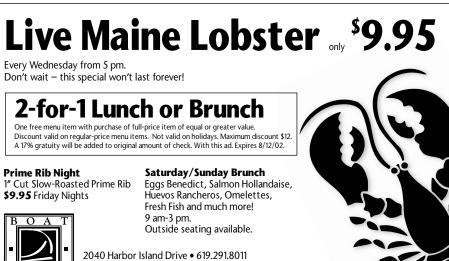
ing with money not knowing what you're going to get, which is why we want to open it up in the bar and say, 'You're not going to have to spend \$20 on a risk; spend \$2, and I feel comfortable that you'll walk away with a smile.' "

Step three is perhaps the most intriguing. Parker tells me that the WineSellar is working with an English wine tour guide to import a broad range of (mostly) unheralded small French producers. Many hail from Bordeaux, a region every bit as price-mad as California, but one with — so the argument goes — more small producers flying under the radar and producing decent wine at sensible prices. The shop's Bordeaux section now fills a substantial portion of the newly expanded floor space, offering the sticker-shocked yet another alternative to California Cabernet. Who woulda thunk it?









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THE FISH MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy ever-multiplying restaurants - namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed or 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)

HEIDI AND BERNIE'S GERMAN BRATWURST TENT North Park Thursday Night Market, North Park Way (between 29th and 30th Streets), no phone. Also Scripps Ranch Saturday Morning Market (10380 Spring Canyon Road) and La Jolla's Sunday Morning Farmers Market (Genter and Girard), 619-588-1288. Heidi and Bernie have kept it simple — just a blue and white square tent with a table and chairs. The menu is simple too: "Bratwurst Sausage in a Bun, Kosher Polish sausage, Louisiana Hot Link, Smoked Turkey and Chicken Sausage with Artichoke and Roasted Garlic, Hot Dog, Double Double Burger," and "Single Burger." But you know from Bernie's authentic Bavarian background that these sausages are the real, earthy thing. And the sauerkraut is sweet. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

HOMETOWN BUFFET 5881 University Avenue, University Square Shopping Center, 619-583-7373. If you're a nostalgia buff and long for cooking as it existed 50 years ago, try this all-youcan-eat buffet. Menus change daily. Massive amounts of food that's fresh but not low-cal/low-cholesterol. Not for gourmet diners, but fun. Open daily. Other branches located throughout the city and suburbs. Call 619-583-7373 for locations. Inexpensive. — E.W.

JOE'S CRAB SHACK A seafood chain with a good Cajun corporate name (Landry's) based in southern Louisiana wouldn't survive without some pluses besides a Bourbon Street party atmosphere. Joe's is silly with crab-shack ambiance (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)

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)

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, tor-tillas, and a Caesar salad. And wraps are great. Try the Chinese chicken wrap: grilled chicken, salad greens, crispy noodles, scallions, orange pieces, and oriental dressing in a "cilantro tortilla." Open seven days. Friday happy hour free buffet 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. Other locations: 310 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6333; 3890 Twiggs, Old Town, 619-260-0305; 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos, 760-744-7550; 258 Harbor Drive South, Oceanside, 760-967-6199. — *E.B.* (9/01)

SAMMY'S WOODFIRED PIZZA You have a vast choice of wood-fired pizzas here, including many exotic toppings. Salads are popular and are available as half-orders. Same menu lunch and dinner. Continuous service. Open daily. 702 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-456-5222; 770 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-230-8888; 8650 Genesee, Costa Verde, 858-404-9898; 12925 El Camino Real, Del Mar, 858-259-6600; 1620 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 858-456-5222. Inexpensive. — E.W.

**STAR OF INDIA** 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-459-3355; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar, 858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It's the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like veg

etable 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. In-expensive 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 sir-loins. They come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes faiitas, ribs, shrimp campi, steak'n cheese burgers) is the wicked "grilled honey-mustard salmon." Still, most lunchtime customers we say 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**

BESTA WAN PIZZA HOUSE 148 Aberdeen Drive, Cardiff-By-The-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/01)

BISTRO SOLEIL 641 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-9549. Most French food in Encinitas is of the weighty cream-and-demi-glace tradi-tional genre. Soleil offers an alternative with a seasonal menu of light, herbal Provençal specialties. The emphasis is on seafood, and on olive products instead of dairy. Dinner, Mondays through Saturdays. Upper moderate.
— N.W. (9/01)

BUBBY'S GELATO 937 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet), but

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does them exceedingly well. The "gourmet sandwiches" really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediterranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled egg-plant, gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that's your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Häagen-Dazs, and feature an ever-changing array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewater and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

**CALIFORNIA BISTRO** Four Seasons Resort Aviara, 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6800. On Wednesday night, an all-you-can-eat French buffet is available for \$25 (beverage not included), half price for kids. It's more California cuisine than French, but there's lots of fresh food and the beautiful luxurious room carries the evening. 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.; please make reservations. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* (7/00)

THE ENCINITAS CAFE 531 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-0919. This American café serves breakfast from opening to closing, with egg dishes, biscuits, and gravy for breakfast, sandwiches and salads for lunch, and American entrées for dinner. Fast, excellent service. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* 

**IUANITA'S TACO SHOP ESTILO TEPATITLAN** 290 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-943-9612; also in Vista at 248 Main, 760-758-4531. Enticing aromas of fresh tortillas and fragrant frijoles greet you as you enter this busy little taqueria, where the food's cooked in the style of Tepatitlan, a small city near Guadalajara. Its local specialty is *carnitas* — which Juanita's does up (by the plate or by the pound) as tender, non-greasy shreds, served with fresh, cilantro-laden mild tomato salsita. Standard wraps are fine, too, and the beans taste as good as they smell. Try a "Flying Saucer" — it really takes off, with shredded meat, onions mild chiles, beans, sour cream, shredded orange cheese, and puréed guacamole riding high on an airy crisped flour tortilla. Quick and good, open daily, three meals until 2 a.m. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/01)

KEALANI'S 137 West D Street, Encinitas, 760-94-ALOHA. Tucked between a 7-Eleven and a pizzeria, with an exterior sign that says "Saimin" (for Hawaii's version of Top Ramen), this island of the Islands prescribes "Living Da Aloha Spirit." A ukulele player sometimes serenades the noonday crowd at the sidewalk tables, and at any

hour the food is "plate lunch" - two scoops of short-grain rice, mild house-made macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the out-standing "Kailua pig," zesty, smoky shreds of Imu-style roast pork, resembling a moister version of Southern "pulled pork." The menu covers the whole panoply of island standards, from *malasadas* (Portuguese donuts) to musubi (Spam sushi), with a Saturday special of a luau's worth of "local food." While you're waiting, check out the droll Hawaiian vocabulary lessons under the glass tops of the tables. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. N.W. (10/01)

LA BONNE BOUFFE Town and Country Shopping Center, 471 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas, 760-436-3081. Boeuf Bourguignon, rack of lamb, frog legs (when available), duck in peppercorn sauce, and Dover sole in lemon-butter sauce are the staples of this French provincial restaurant. Dinners are à la carte. Charming room and sensitive wine list. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Reservations for weekend dinners advised. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

LA ESPECIAL NORTE 604 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical decor (take a look at the blue ceramic "pond" in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen re-gional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — for instance, the authentic Mexico Citystyle chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the savory eggplant soup includes airy little "croutons" of puffed relleno batter. The fresh, interesting seafood entrées outshine the relatively ordinary renditions of the standard stuffed-tortilla variations. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. – N.W. (5/02)

PAMPLEMOUSSE GRILLE 514 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-792-9090. The locals' favorite French provincial restaurant offers exquisite, creative cooking. Favorites from an oftenchanging menu include fresh crab salad with avocado and tomato coulis, white fish served any style, mushroom *cap*pucini soup, and tarte tatin. Serene atomsphere with excellent service. Dinner reservations urged. Dinner nightly. Lunch Wednesday through Friday. Dinners expensive. — *E.W.* 

PAPA GUS 698 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-944-916. Healthful Cuban food is the specialty at this tiny, hard-to-find café with a pleasant sheltered patio. (It's just north of La Especial Norte, but the doorway may be half-hidden by hanging T-shirts from the shop next door.) The lively dishes are full o' beans - savory black beans, Cuba's staple dish, cooked with no an-

imal products. There's no red meat on the menu; tuna and turkey are the fur thest Papa goes with critters. The "Cuban Black Bean Soup Deluxe," rightly subtitled "a meal in itself," is a cauldron of thick beans (more stew than soup) with melted cheese, onions, avocado, a dash of sour cream and a daub of sprightly fresh salsita. Don't miss the cooked plantains, fully ripe and as sweet as candied bananas. The menu also offers some Mexican dishes styled with a Cuban accent, an oddtasting ground-turkey picadillo (Cuban hash), plus salads, sandwiches, and smoothies made to order with whole fresh fruit. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

PAUL'S PLACE 3671 Mission Avenue Oceanside, 760-721-0124. This restaurant looks like a McDonald's or Wendy's (the building used to be a franchise) and the food comes fast, but it's no chain. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek half-chicken, the spiced grilled chicken sliced up on a salad with pita bread, and the gyros (all at earthy prices) mix with all-American three-egg breakfast specials with home fries. Lunch offers include meaty hamburgers, gyros with fries, or a sur-prisingly tasty turkeyburger. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

ROSANNA'S DELI 1070 North El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-633-4546. A town abounding in Italian restaurants ought to have a great Italian deli, and it does. The house-made sausages are juicy Sicilian-style classics of coarse-ground, fennel-seasoned fresh pork, and the bright-green frozen pesto is fresh and delicate. You'll also find frozen pizza dough and ravioli (with fillings such as lobster, wild mushrooms, or eggplant, as well as cheese), plus cold cuts, salads, and imported foodstuffs. Don't miss the sfogiliatelle, a light, moist, faintly lemony multi-layered breakfast pastry. The eat-in/take-out menu includes pizza, pasta, salads, and deli sandwiches. Open daily. — N.W. (5/02)

ROXY NATURAL FOODS RESTAU-**RANT** 517 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-5001. You don't have to be a Self Realization Fellowship follower to fit into Encinitas, but it helps. Roxy was made for the veggie crowd who've grown up around the famous seaside compound. These days, that includes surfers, vegans, and even visiting Hollywood stars picky about their food. Actually, it is no longer strictly a vegetarian eatery — the own-ers have added chicken and fish for Encinitas's "new people" — the carnivores buying up property in the hills. But the vegan-veggie spirit still rules. Most popular item on the menu is owner Shahram Naimi's own invention: the scrumptious Roxy falafelburger. Its green "meat" is made from garbanzo beans, potatoes, onions, cilantro, and herbs, all bedded down

with tomatoes, a thick mat of sprouts. and melted cheese, covered by a whole-wheat bun. For chicken-lovers, the garlic chicken pizzas sell big-time. Other healthy treats include the three-egg avocado omelet with toast, the artichoke sandwich (with marinated artichoke hearts), and the squash enchilada dinner (steamed banana squash with corn, bell peppers, and low-fat cream cheese in a flower tortilla). Payoff? You come out feeling good and full, not bad and bloated. Open daily, brunch through dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

SAKURA BANA 1031 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-6414. One of the most friendly eateries in a friendly town, this is a sushi bar where everybody knows your name (or acts like they do). The chefs love to whip up special dishes for the many regulars at the counter, so if you're a newbie, keep an eye out for what your neighbors are eating. A blackboard lists the specials, guiding you to the day's freshest catch. Should you spot pompano on the list, get two orders - with two orders (but not if you just order one), after you've consumed the delicate raw fillets, the chefs will deep-fry the skele-ton to a lacy crunchiness. If you don't feel like sushi, there are several tables and standard Japanese appetizers and entrées are available. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. N.W. (9/01)

SAMURAI JAPANESE RESTAU-RANT 979 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Solana Beach, 858-481-0032. This restaurant boasts "the largest California sushi bar," as well as a menu of over 100 items. The food is artistically prepared and pre-sented, the sushi uniformly fine. You can easily make a meal from the sushi and appetizers. Seating is available at the sushi bar or the central dining area, which provides capacious booths. A tatami room (with floor-seating on tatami mats, Japanese style) offers special prix fixe feasts (\$60 per person and up), by reservation only. Open daily. Moderate to extremely expensive.

SCALINI 3790 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-259-9944. A handsome dining room offers northern Italian specialties with at least ten pasta dishes. All items on menu, which includes fresh fish and seafood, are tempting and well prepared. Imposing surroundings and excellent service. One of the best Italian restaurants in North County. Open for dinner nightly. Reserve for weekends. High moderate (pastas) to very expensive. — *E.W.* 

ST. GERMAIN'S CAFE 1010 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-5411. Despite the Parisian name, the food here is all-American. Omelets are the café's best-known dish — 14 variations of three-eggers (or Eggbeaters by request) served with toast or a muffin, plus tasty herbstrewn "café potatoes" or fresh fruit

salad. But don't overlook the Belgian waffles, scrambles, pancakes, Louisiana sausages, or the three versions of expertly poached eggs Benedict with gen-uine hollandaise. Sandwiches run to hearty American classics (including some veg choices), and along with beef burgers, turkey burgers, and veggie burgers, there are no fewer than six twists on lean charbroiled chicken breast on a burger bun. The sheltered patio is always crowded, but there's a large interior dining room with a separate smoothies-and-ice-cream bar. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. In expensive. — N.W. (10/01)

TIP TOP MEATS 6118 Paseo Del Norte, Carlsbad, 760-438-2620. This geranium-splashed blue-and-white Bavarian chalet is more than a butcher's shop. It's a combination butcher-deli-diner. Enter through the bulging deli and listen for the shouts and clatter of serving ladies. Look for the "Es ist Wunderbar!" sign over the counter. Try German and American dishes like Big John's all-you-can-eat bacon, pork-link sausage, bratwurst, or ham breakfast with three eggs, home fries, and toast. Or the sausage plate: bratwurst, knackwurst, and smoked Polish with German potato salad and traditional stuffed cabbage. Owner Big John is a heavyweight Olympic boxer from the former East Germany with an MA in meat sciences, so generous portions are second nature. And weekends after 4:00 p.m., he roasts his famous prime rib dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

TRATTORIA POSITANO (CARDIFF-**BY-THE-SEA**) 2171 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-632-0111. If you're tired of Italian restaurants, you'll be revitalized by this one. Original recipes, 16 pastas; wonderful fresh fish, nightly specials; excellent lamb. Very loving management. A treasure. Same menu lunch and dinner. Call for hours and directions. Moderate to expensive. - E.W. (6/98)

**VIGILUCCI'S** 505 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-7332. In the Land of 10,000 Trattorias, this is one of the most popular — and for good reason. The restaurant's motto, "a little piece of Italy," is actually accurate. Freshness, simplicity, and savvy seasoning: That's Italian. The pastas are luscious — try the comforting cannel-loni with an unusual stewed meat stuffing — and the flavorful entrees come with honest fresh vegetables. The staff is bouncy and jokey, the wines are mainly affordable, and spirits run high. Of course it's crowded, so reserve to avoid a long, hungry wait. Additional (smaller) branches in Carlsbad and Solana Beach. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W.* (10/01)

**WHEN IN ROME** 1108 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-1771. This elegant restaurant offers three dining areas and a menu with outstanding appetizers and pasta dishes. There are many unusual preparations of chicken,

fish, and meat. Gorgeous presentation; loving service. A winner. Open for dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. —

#### **NORTH INLAND**

ASHOKA THE GREAT 9474 Black Mountain Road (off Miramar Road), 858-695-9749. Seek out this splendid Indian restaurant. The setting is lovely, the service excellent, and the food firstrate. Don't overlook the tandoori dishes. Numerous selections are available for vegetarians. An all-you-caneat lunch buffet is served daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive.

**CHIEU-ANH VIETNAMESE CUI-SINE** 16769 Bernardo Center Drive, Suite 10, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-1231. Gourmet Vietnamese food is available here from a lengthy menu, including many items showing French influence. Good bets are chicken crepe, fresh fish with lemon grass, tangy-and-sour soup, egg rolls, and filet mignon beef. Chiêu-Anh enhances the selection of fine dining rooms in Rancho Bernardo. Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive. -

EL GALEON 503 West Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffeeshop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter, and a salad bar. Shrimp and *langostino* ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are welltreated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory albóndigas soup (lime it up, too.) Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — *N.W.* (5/01)

EL TAQUITO MARISCOS 500 North Escondido Boulevard (Felix Plaza, next to Pool King), 760-739-8204. Also 503 North Grande Avenue (Centre City Parkway), 760-735-5819. At this sparkling, airy *taqueria*, a semi-open kitchen wafts out the alluring aroma of fresh corn tortillas. You can get breakfast right through lunch hour, fill up on huge combo plates, or create your own assortment of Baja-style minitacos (of asado, cabeza, pastor, carnitas, etc.) for pennies. The refried beans are as good as they get. But seafood is the focus, occupying a whole menu page offering gargantuan cocktails, soups, salads, antojitos, and hot and cold platters featuring shrimp, langostinos, tilapia, snapper, crab, etc. They're beautifully seasoned, if a tad overcooked. Try the lively *levanta muerta* ("raise the dead") seafood soup and rise again. Open daily, breakfast until late. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (5/01)

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THE FIRESIDE 439 West Washington Avenue (Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-745-1931. The Fireside bills itself as "North County's Finest Steak House." It also seems to be the area's community center, a rambling building with a karaoke bar, nightclub, poolroom, and meeting rooms for many lodges. The dining room is large and lovely, plush and quiet, with soft lighting, a freestanding central fireplace, and seating in cushy booths. The menu is part steakhouse, part 1975 French-Continental — think duck à l'orange, tournedos Rossini, breaded rack of lamb — by now, these are American comfort foods. All steaks and prime rib are USDA Choice or better, dry-aged for maximum flavor, cooked to your preference. You can taste the difference. Sometimes an octogenarian pi anist tinkles out old show tunes. Isn't it romantic? It is. Dinners nightly, with bargain-priced weeknight twilight dinners, champagne brunch Sundays. Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

THE FRENCH MARKET GRILLE 15717 Bernardo Heights Parkway at Pomerado Road, Ralphs Shopping Center, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-8055. Don't miss this small but chic French restaurant. The chef/co-owner, originally from Brittany, produces superb nouvelle cuisine, with a menu of fresh dishes changing seasonally. Breakfast served Sunday; lunch and dinner served daily. Reservations strongly advised. Expensive. — E.W.

GOLDEN EGG OMELET HOUSE 316 West Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-489-6420. This morning treasure-house is large but Swiss-style cute, its brick walls festooned with knicknacks (for sale), and silent wind chimes hanging from every wooden rafter. This is the place on Sunday mornings, when three generations bond over great, generous breakfasts. Omelets are perfect—light, thin crepe-like eggs wrapped around tall mounds of elaborate fillings. Thick waffles can be topped with

fresh seasonal fruit. And then there are eggs, hash, crepes, huge burgers and sandwiches, and a dozen-odd potato casseroles. Whatever you choose will carry you deliciously through until dinner. No reservations, so expect a wait on weekends. Open daily, breakfastlunch (until 2 p.m.). Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

#### LA JOLLA

ALFONSO'S OF LA JOLLA 1251 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-2232. Both the patio and the dining room are lively, crowded, noisy, and festive. The house specialty is *carne asada*, and the quesadilla Mercedes (shrimp over a quesadilla) is outstanding. Extensive menu offers combination plates, *chiles rellenos, sopes*, and *flautas*. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. —

THE CHEESE SHOP 2165 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-459-3921. Used to be the Cheese Shop had 100 varieties of cheese from all over. No more. "The cheese trade is dead," says owner Phil Schutz. They still have all-cheese sandwiches with mixes of provolone, Monerery Jack, Cheddar, Swiss, Muenster, Danish Havarti or Norwegian Jarlsberg. But today this small, busy café is more famous for its "overstuffed" meat sandwiches. The leg of lamb, top round beef, and roast pork loin are all spitroasted right beside you as you walk in, to waken your taste buds. Cheeses like crumbled Greek Mizithra add tang to the taste. If you're into salami and ham, try the foot-long. Free peanuts while you wait, and a cool street scene outside where you can eat and beautiful people-watch. Inexpensive. Other location: 627 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-2303. — E.B. (10/01)

COME ON IN! 1030 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-551-1063. Delightful 30-seat restaurant in mini-mall serves excellent Euro-bistro food. Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The dinners are best bets with first-rate soups, pasta dishes, fresh fish. Try the daily fresh fish or gnocchi in Bolognese sauce. Or select nightly soup plus salad. Open all day Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.* (1/00)

CUVEE 5656 La Jolla Boulevard (at Bird Rock Avenue), La Jolla, 858-551-4090, www.cuveerestaurant.com. Seasonal but rather underseasoned California-Mediterranean cuisine designed to accompany an interesting wine list priced at low retail plus \$8 "corkage" per bottle; same corkage for BYO. Menu suggests apt wine pairings for each dish. Dining rooms are pleasant, but quite noisy. Reservations urged; a few tables on heated garden patio are available to drop-ins. Small parking lot in alley behind restaurant. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

FRENCH PASTRY SHOP 5550 La Jolla Boulevard (at Forward Street), La Jolla, 858-454-9094, www.frenchpastryshop.com. A longstanding fixture of the Bird Rock area, this bakery/restaurant includes both a simple, spacious dining room and a shaded patio (reputedly San Diego's first dining patio). Breakfast — a highlight of the menu— is served until 4 p.m. The whisper-thin crèpes with luscious stuffings speak in a Gallic accent. Other possibilities include omelets, eggs Benedict variations, and fine-quality brioches and croissants. Pastries are moist, fairly light, and very sweet. Dinner entrées focus on updated French classics, e.g., duck breast a' l'orange, with "early bird" bargains. Open daily for breakfast through early dinner. — N.W. (5/02)

HARRY'S COFFEE SHOP 7545 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-7381. This landmark coffee shop is noted for its breakfasts, served from opening to closing. The buttermilk pancakes, varieties of waffles made from scratch, and egg combinations are all generous and well prepared. One of the few places where

you can still get hot oatmeal or cream of wheat, Harry's also serves freshly squeezed orange juice and entire carafes of freshly ground Kona coffee, as well as specialty coffee drinks. Open daily, breakfast and lunch, from 5:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Inexpensive. —

INDIA PALACE 7514 Girard Avenue (at Pearl, across parking lot from Von's), Suite 10, La Jolla, 858-551-5133, www.diningsandiego.com/cyber67.htm In one of the best (and prettiest) Indian restaurants in the area, the refined cuisine of the north is served in a curva-cious, serene room with a domed ceiling. Most dishes are gently spicy, but you can specify your preferred hotness. Stunningly tender tandoori sea-bass (and a rich, slightly-sweet stew made from it, fish *masala*) is a house specialty. Vegetable entrées are also outstanding particularly the sprightly *navrattan ko-*rma, mixed veggies in a luscious nutty, creamy yogurt sauce. Other fine choices include tandoori lamb dishes, stir-fried prawns karahi, lamb pasanda, and eleven house-made Indian breads. Fried appetizers, however, tend to be greasy, and chicken in all preparations is over-cooked dry breast meat. For dessert, don't miss the fresh, fruity house-made mango kulfi (Indian ice milk). Reserve for weekends. Open daily. Bargain-price buffet lunch (à la carte also available). Service is competent and cordial. Dinners inexpensive to low moderate, with a price-leap for tandoori meats. — N.W. (6/01)

LA JOLLA CANTINA 2161 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-459-4075. The surprise here is that this is one of those casual coast cantinas where you can relax, get a good meal, and not get gouged with La Jolla prices. *Huevos rancheros* (three eggs, corn tortillas, beans and rice) and *machaca* (*carne asada*, eggs, bell peppers, onions, rice, beans, tortillas) are great, but you can't beat their eggs Benedict (Black Forest ham and two poached eggs smothered in hollandaise sauce). The short-stack pan-

cakes or French toast (made with egg bread, dipped in cinnamon-vanilla batter and dusted with powdered sugar) should give you your sugar fix too. Lunch is great out on the sidewalk (carnitas lunch torta, seared ahi with greens, or lamb in chili sauce are good bets), but the really cool time to come is early evening, when all La Jolla Shores is out on the prowl, sitting with a cerveza, dishing the day's dirt. Breakfast through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

LA TERRAZZA 8008 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-459-9750. This pleasant Italian café provides a loving and festive atmosphere. The pastas are delightful and so are the salads. A good place for casual dining. Same menu lunch and dinner except for nightly specials. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* 

MANHATTAN OF LA JOLLA Empress Hotel, 7766 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-459-0700. If you're searching for a restaurant that provides a sense of gaiety as well as good New York-style Italian food, then try Manhattan of La Jolla. Of the many tantalizing à la carte dishes, some of the best are rack of lamb, superb steaks, and "Seafood Mediterranean." Cannelloni is the best in San Diego. Very New York atmosphere. Lunch and dinner daily. Reserve for weekend dinners. Expensive. —

**OCEAN KITCHEN** 5525 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-459-3993. The dishes at this Mandarin and Cantonese restaurant contain no MSG, nor are there starches in the sauces. Very lively cooking with many unique recipes. The dinner menu is available from opening to closing. This remains one of our best natural Chinese food restaurants. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* 

P.F. CHANG'S CHINA BISTRO 4540 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-458-907. The decor and ambiance carry the weight here. Chinese food is only average. This is a place to see and be seen. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Dinner menu available from opening to closing. In expensive to moderate. — E.W.

PIATTI RISTORANTE 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. This country-style Italian restaurant serves admirable Italian dishes with light sauces and moderate prices. Not-to-be-missed items are the daily soups, rotisserie chicken and garlic mashed potatoes, vegetarian lasagne with zucchini, and ravioli with lemon sauce. Saturday and Sunday à la carte brunch offers 11 items, including pizza. Patio dining for all meals. Superb service. Arrive early for more leisurely dining. Very crowded weekends. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

**SHABU SHABU JIN SANG** 7614 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-4545. Shabu shabu is a style of Japanese cuisine in which the ingredients are cooked in boiling water and then dipped into sauces. The liquid becomes a soup, which you drink last. This gorgeous restaurant offers an excellent selection of shabu shabu entrées, electric cookers, patient servers, and an exotic appetizer list. Food is low calorie, low fat. Portions small, but aesthetic. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.* 

TORREYANA GRILL Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines, 10950 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-450-4571. Best seafood buffet in city, served Friday nights, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. At least 21 items, most of them fresh seafood and fish plus New York cut beef and chicken. Price is \$28.95, \$10.95 for children. Add \$10.00 for one and a quarter pound fresh Maine lobster steamed to order. Excellent value for the money. Friday night only. Expensive. — E.W. (6/99)

**THE WHALING BAR** La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. Now open after extensive renovation with an expanded menu. They offer their usual specialites, including paella. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* 

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# Calendar **RESTAURANTS**

#### **CLAIREMONT & KEARNY MESA**

ANDRES' PATIO RESTAURANT 1235 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-4114. This is a cozy cultural surprise on hard-to-define Morena Boulevard. The food is flavorful (and not spicy-hot like Mexican and South American dishes). A good introduction to it is *ropa vieja* ("old clothes"): shredded beef sautéed with mushrooms, green pepper, and tomatoes with ever-present rice and black beans. And the Cuban sandwich (roast pork, baked ham, and cheese) shows off the Cuban handling of pork. Other interesting dishes include alcapuria (pork and green plantain) and luscious, messy yuca con mojo (yuca root with garlic oil). Open for lunch Monday to Thurs-day, lunch and dinner Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. -E.B. (8/01)

THE BEST LITTLE RIB HOUSE 4706 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (Diane/Ross Center), Clairemont, 858-581-9444. It's small, modest, and lost in a meandering mall, but this lit-tle rib house delivers on taste. You get nine basic rib choices of chicken, beef ribs, pork ribs, or different combos. They also do pulled meat, taken off the bone, on the plate or in sandwiches. First time, take the number 7 sampler: beef rib, pork rib, and chicken, along with cornbread and two sides such as wedge country fries or macaroni salad. The standout is the pork. Some customers swear by Good-Time Charlie's sauce — a BBQ elixir that Gail's pappy Charlie Coyle perfected 65 years ago. The chipotle, molasses, and mustard seeds will kick your taste buds awake. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

BOLSA VIETNAMESE CUISINE **RESTAURANT** 9225 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Suite 118, Mira Mesa, 858-693-3663. Try this fine Vietnamese café with an enormous menu. Especially jolly weekends. Open daily for three meals with continuous service, same menu. Inexpensive. — E.W.

**HUNGRY STICK** 4664 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 619-272-1412. "Life's too short to drink cheap beer," says the sign. They must mean it. At Happy Hour (weekdays 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.), a 24-ounce glass of Guinness is as cheap as a Bud. Which is nice because it goes great with this pool bar's greatest hit: "San Diego's Famous 1/2-lb. Steerburger." The burger bun is crisp, the big slab of meat's crunchy-grilled, and the tomato, let-tuce and raw onion are fresh. The small menu also includes chicken breast on a bun, patty melt, and hot wings. They boast 24 beers on tap, and, of course, dozens of giant-screen sports TVs. Open seven days, until late. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

LORNA'S ITALIAN KITCHEN 3945 Governor Drive, Vons shopping center, University City, 619-452-0661. Twenty pasta dishes are prepared here, all from scratch, as well as hot sandwiches and pizza. Fine place for families. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

NIJIYA MARKET 3860 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you're not willing to sacrifice quality for convenience when eating fast food, try this Japanese market in Kearny Mesa. Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or bento, that are pretty to look at, appetizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, passing by Nijiya's steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you'll find delicious chicken cutlets, fresh sushi, and chilled noodles, as well as dessert deli-cacies like sweet bread roll filled with sweet bean paste. Inexpensive. — M.N. (8/99)

PAMPAS ARGENTINE GRILL 8690 Aero Drive at Montgomery Field, 858-278-5971. Argentine favorites, steaks, parrillada or mixed grill, empanadas, Italian-style Argentine items, fish, and chicken provide a wide range of choices. Lively atmosphere and good service. Since the grill is very hot, order all items cooked medium or rare, else the beef, listed as organic without hor-mones or pesticides, arrives overcooked. Closed Sunday, Open lunch and dinner, Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (8/00)

SEOUL B.B.O. 4344 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 619-505-0038. This Korean restaurant means sitting before a sizzling cast iron grill, sipping hot sake, the smell of grilled beef, grilled onions, and fresh garlic in the air. Try the "Ko-

rean B.B.O." marinated short ribs (tong rean B.B.Q. marinated short ribs (tong galbi) or thick marbled slices of sirloin (beef gui). You'll enjoy all the accompanying dishes that make the meal, like crunchy seaweed salads, radishes in garlicky tomato sauce, slow-cooked potaoes with soy sauce and jalapeño pepper. Feeling adventurous, go for the goat meat hot pot or Korean steak tartare (yukhwoe). This is sensual, elemental, hairy-chested food. — M.N. (12/99)

**TOFU HOUSE** 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 619-576-6433. Also at 3805 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-4406. This stylish little pair of eateries is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the *soontofu* soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom), with raw egg drop you drop yourself, and a side of tasty fresh kimchee. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food — Tofu House serves vivid ethnic food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — M.N. (2/99)

#### THE BEACHES

ALFIERE Sheraton Harbor Island, West Tower, 1590 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-692-2778. Sophisticated, deluxe Italian/Mediterranean cuisine takes center stage in a handsome, view-endowed dining room decorated in a "Venetian Carnival" theme. In a menu that follows the seasons, San Francisco-born Chef Antonio Friscia proves he's capable of brilliance. His thin-skinned ravioli stuffed with marinated braised short ribs shouldn't be missed, and his goose foie gras on *cia*batta crostini is divinely playful. Tradi-tional dishes take on new life, too: The house "antipasta" (of marinated vegetables and top-quality Italian deli meats) is everything you'd hope for, while house-made pesto gnocchi float off the plate. Some dishes are invari-ably less successful, but boredom will not be a problem — this is nothing like "hotel food." The Italian/Californian wine list emphasizes lesser-known Italian reds. Daily, three meals. Upper moderate to expensive. — N.W. (5/02)

THE AUSTRALIAN PUB 1014 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9921. A great place to take your kids after a

morning at the beach. This relaxing pub, owned by a true-blue Aussie, of fers heaps of good Aussie food. Try the Road Kill (grilled chicken breast with pico de gallo sauce and cheese "run over" between 2 pieces of sourdough or the Aussie Burger (1/2-pound patty with a fried egg, cheese, bacon, grilled onions, beets, pineapple, and a side of steak fries). And for an "outback experience," order up Vegemite (a beefy kinda paste) and four slices of bread — it's the Aussie national food, mate. Open Mondays through Thursdays lunch and dinner until midnight; weekends breakfast through dinner until 1 a.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

CHATEAU ORLEANS 926 Turquoise Street (at Mission Boulevard), Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744, www.chateauor-leans.com. Just like eating in the French Quarter - at one of Bourbon Street's best tourist traps, complete with live music and party atmosphere. The lovely multiroom premises have a real Crescent City "let the bon temps rouler" feel to it, but the simpler Southern dishes — honest crabcakes, fried catfish — seem better bets than the kitchen's attempts at more demanding Acadian fare. Reservations strongly advised. A little dressy on weekends. Full bar. Wheelchair users may need help with rest room doors. Dinner Monday through Saturday. High moderate. -N.W. (2/02)

CUCINA FRESCA 1851 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-224-9490 or 619-224-9470. Here's a good place for very tasty Italian food at low cost. The lasagne Florentine is especially good and so are the chicken dishes. At least ten dishes available. Open for lunch Tuesday through Friday. Dinner nightly. Inexpensive to moderate. —

**THE FISHERY** 5040 Cass Street, Pacific Beach, 858-272-9985. Half fish market, half casual fish menu, it offers fine fish and chips, salads, and fish sandwiches. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* 

FRENCH GOURMET 960 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-1725. This pleasant, airy dining room serves French food with California influences. It's light. good-tasting, and easy on your purse. Breakfast items and lunch are served simultaneously. Ravishing desserts and bakery at one end of the restaurant. Open daily. Moderate. — E.W.

FRONTEIRA BRAZILIAN BBO 3778 Ingraham (at La Playa), Pacific Beach, 858-581-0200. Live large at this pleasantly plain-looking Brazilian rodizio, addressing a near-endless procession of rotisserie-grilled meats and poultry At each table there's a wooden cone with one end red and the other end blue-green. Turn the green side up to start the servers parading to your table, offering you tastes cut from long spits of salty, simply seasoned pork, poul-try, ribs, sausages, numerous cuts of beef, even shrimp. (Turn the cone red side up to take a break from the protein parade.) The gargantuan spread also includes a U-shaped buffet with a changeable array of alluring side dishes, salads, fruit, and such intriguing hot entrées as beef with okra or oxtails with plantains, with exotic but oddly homey flavors. There's always a potful of fei-joada, the national dish — slowcooked, meaty black beans (in a somewhat bland version, which you can liven up with a splash of hot sauce from the ledge above the salad buffet). No matter how often you eat here, you'll never have the same meal twice. Arrive relatively early for dinner (some buffet items run out by 8 p.m.). Call for weekend reservations or to request a vegetarian meal. Open daily. Low moderate,

KARINYA THAI RESTAURANT 4475 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. The impressive menu boasts 80 items, of which 21 are appetizers. There's also a room with floor seating. Best bets here are firecracker shrimp, spicy fish cakes, stuffed chicken wings, and any item from the list of house specialties. Stunning presenta-tion and excellent preparation. On weekends arrive early to avoid waiting for tables. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* 

a steal for the quantity and quality. —

N.W. (8/01)

LOTSA PASTA 1762 Garnet Avenue Pacific Beach, 858-581-6777. This familv Italian American restaurant seats 160 people. It offers a menu where you can select your own pasta and your own sauces (12 pastas, 18 sauces). Best bets dinner specialties with dinner salad \$8.95. Only restaurant to offer timpana (from the movie *Big Night*). Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.W.

THE MISSION CAFE AND COFFEE Jose Place, Mission Beach, 858-488-9060.

Gourmet and Latino breakfasts served in funky surroundings. Outstanding are cinnamon French toast, blackberry-banana pancakes, and roast beef hash with rosemary potatoes and eggs. Chino-Latino lunch items. All dishes plus fabulous bread, scones, muffins, available for take-out. Open daily 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* 

RANCHOS COCINA 1830 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-226-7619; 4705 Point Loma Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-224-9815. Also at 3910 30th Street (at University), North Park, 619-574-1288. At all locations of this delightful mini-chain, you'll find healthy, creative Mexican and vegetarian cuisine in cheerful, tropical-style settings burgeoning with plant life and craft objects. A big plus: Zero attitude. You don't have to be vegi-virtuous to enjoy full-flavored combinations that are as creative as they are wholesome. Try anything with lobster or calamari steak - in fact, all the seafood here is pristine. Try, even, an antojito stuffed with beef - it's stewed, not ground. And sample some-thing with the house-made mole sauce of a zillion ingredients. Actually, try anything. (Well, the chicken breast is as dry here as everywhere else. Try anything else.) Open daily breakfast through dinner. No reservations, but call ahead for large parties. Inexpensive. — N.W.~(6/01)

#### MIDWAY. **OLD TOWN &** MISSION VALLEY

BERTA'S LATIN AMERICAN **RESTAURANT** 3928 Twiggs Street (at Congress, diagonal to Rockin' Baja Lobster), Old Town, 619-295-2343. Sampling the whole range of littleknown cuisines from Guatemala down to Patagonia, Berta's lengthy menu reads like a culinary "pick hits" list of each country's best flavors, typically rendered with expertise and verve. Some outstanding dishes include sweet-savory Chilean pastel de choclo (a casserole of beef, chicken, and corn pudding) from Berta's homeland, spicy ceviche and subtle seco de cordero (cit-rus-flavored lamb stew) from Peru, earthy Guatemalan chilemal (cilantroladen pork stew), aromatic beef curry from Trinidad, and a sensuous *vatapa* 



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HORSE AND COW BAR AND GRILL 2734 Lytton Street, Loma Portal, 619-224-6409. This hard-to-spot place "runs deep," like the customers it serves — submariners. Here is where the "Silent Service" lets off steam — noisily. The H&C has probably the world's greatest collection of submarine memorabilia. Subs' banners, bells, lighters, even the deepest flush toilet in the world (it belonged to the USS Dolphin). The sub-like interior is dark, with walls painted camouflage blueblack. Snacks include mozzarella stick, fried mushrooms, onion rings, chicken nuggets, and wings. If you're hungry, the flop-over-the-edge steaks and burgers with fries are generous. Not that it matters. What you're really digesting is the atmosphere. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (3/01)

IKEA RESTAURANT & CAFE 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley. 619-283-6166, ext. 1200. Central shrine for San Diego's 10,000 Swedes, so they say. They come to taste open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, and meatballs again. This restaurant inside Sweden's wildly successful "home interiors" chain is a great intro to Swedish tastes. The food's more sensible than exciting, of course. But healthy — beef and pork for the meatballs are guaranteed hormone-free. You eat the meatballs with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Fish is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon), are always on. And if you want to be dis-

gustingly healthy, chew on their fresh vegetable plate (raw carrot sticks, cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms). All for a song. The only health hazard: hordes of babies and kids romping in the restaurant's mother-friendly play area. Inexpensive.

— E.B. (5/02)

MARDI GRAS CAFE 3185 Midway Drive (near Rosecrans and East Street, in mini-mall with a 7-11, across the street from Godfather Pizza), Loma Portal, 619-223-5501. The Creole cooking at this café/grocery, to eat in, take out, or have catered for your next party, is sound and tasty, if deliberately underseasoned (just add salt and hot sauce to taste). You can also buy the real and rare ingredients from the freezer, deli case, and grocery shelves, including Cajun tasso (spiced ham), boudin blanc (rice sausage) and crawfish sausage. Daily brunch through early dinner. No alcohol, everything available for takeout. Inexpensive. — N.W. (2/01)

# EAST COUNTY & STATE COLLEGE

ANTONIO'S HACIENDA 700 N. Johnson (corner of Arnele), El Cajon, 619-442-9827. Fine place for children, parents, grandparents. The food is not regional or gourmet, but standard items are fresh, generous in size, and inexpensive. Sopaipillas, a deepfried confection served with honey, are complimentary with meal. Open daily, lunch, dinner, and Sunday brunch. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* 

CHARLEY'S FAMOUS HAMBURG-ERS AND KEBOBS 8312 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-460-2690. When you spot an old red-and-white gas station that looks like a café, don't hesitate. That's Charley's. The palm and ficus trees have replaced the gas pumps and a fountain now gurgles where the air hoses used to be. The menu is a long list of hamburgers, as well as hot dogs, sandwiches, and kebobs. Charley's sweet dough beef-and-onion sandwich is scrumptious. Mostly take-out, but you can dine out at their picnic tables under bougainvillea. — *E.B.* (12/01)

GRINGO'S BREW HOUSE 40601 Old Highway 80, Boulevard, 619-766-4030. The signs outside read "American owned" and "Check guns at the register." We're out in border-country here, folks. But just ask for Elizabeth, a spunky black-haired Italian-American, who explains that the signs are "a joke for the Border Patrol." For dinner, try the house-rolled ravioli or lasagna. At breakfast, play "stuff-your-own omelet" with onions, peppers, tomatoes, mushrooms, ham, sausage, bacon, or cheese. Pool tables and a smoking room add to the rustic charm. You can now camp overnight in their yard, or park your RV. Inexpensive, open daily. — E.B. (10/00)

JIMMY'S 9635 Mission Gorge Road, Santee, 619-448-8994. We're at the end of the line here, the trolley's Orange Line. Feels like a safari. You walk back through the grass to the streets of Santee. Thank goodness for this family-friendly restaurant with good old-fashioned American food. Their six-page plastic menu tells all — forget your diet and dig into the breakfast "Eggs and Cakes" (two eggs, three pancakes), the "Touchdown" (two eggs, two hot cakes, four strips of bacon or three link sausages), or the "Monte Cristo" hot sandwich (ham and turkey grilled on batter-dipped Texas toast with Swiss cheese, hot syrup, and French fries). Or later in the day, the New York strip and sirloin steaks with all the trimmings, and desserts like homemade cinnamon bread pudding with sultanas and whipped cream. Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

LA MESA OCEAN GRILLE AND SEAFOOD MARKET 5465 Lake Murray Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-463-1548. This spot is really three restaurants in one. One is a basic fish house with encyclopedic fish posters and paper placemats, serving seafood sandwiches, tacos, and various simple fish preparations (fried, blackened, etc.). Another is an old-style seafood restaurant, with laceurtains, tablecloths, and some richer fish dishes (e.g., with hollandaise). The third is a slightly hip Italian eatery with

a charcoal-gray track-lit ceiling and black-background fish upholstery, serving standards (scaloppini, piccata, etc.) plus nightly specials. Fish here is very fresh and properly cooked, although there are occasional missteps — too much salt in the blackening, a hollandaise that tastes of lemony mayo. Salads are fresh but iceberg-standard; hot rolls are delicious sourdough, and the halibut ceviche is a treat — cool, refreshing and slightly tart. Baked Maryland-style crab cakes in a thick red-pepper sauce are gooey-rich and tasty. Moderate. — A.M. (5/01)

PAIPA'S OASIS Sycuan Casino, 5469 Dehesa Road, El Cajon, 619-445-6002. Forget gambling — gambol through the slots till you pass under two huge elephant tusks. The "foe and the Volcano"-style place with a fountain tower gurgling in the center is Paipa's. Pay the woman. Now decide: a lot of a little, or a little of a lot. The huge salad bar is surrounded by a groaning U-shaped table laden with everything from peel 'n' eat shrimp to baked cod to Certified Black Angus prime rib. Keep coming back. Save them from throwing away this stuff. End with, say, strawberry cheesecake and coffee. Unlike the other suckers, you've gotten a return on your money. Moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

PEARLS OF THE SEA Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way, El Cajon, 619-445-6002. In a quiet refuge from the bustle of the casino, you'll find refined Hong Kong versions of Chinese classics, skillfully prepared in the light Cantonese style. The menu ranges from low-priced noodle bowls (including a dynamite Cantonese take on Filipino pansit) up to live Maine lobster and excellent Peking Duck served with beautiful little Mandarin buns. The rear of the restaurant boasts live tanks, and fyou love good seafood, do step back to choose your fish, which can be sensitively steamed, pan-fried, or deepfried — your option. (BTW, a whole fish to feed a tableful runs less than a skimpy fillet at any fancy restaurant.) Since most gamblers want to gobble and run, tell the server immediately if you want your meal served in leisurely courses (as the food deserves). No alcohol. Reserve for weekends or large

groups. Inexpensive, with a few large dishes and specialties at moderate prices. — N.W.~(6/01)

PHO HOACALI 4126 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-284-2620. This place isn't glamorous, but there's an ease about it I like. And the kitchen is dependable, consistently good. Try their complex, clean-tasting chicken noodle soup or the light, intricate bungio, a bowl of rice noodles and spring rolls with spicy dipping sauce. The chicken in lemon grass with hot pepper is also particularly good. Their menu lists 24 beverages, which are simple, but artfully made. I'm partial to their limeade. Pho Hoacali is a lesson in how the plainest ingredients, intelligently balanced, can produce something unforgettable. — M.N. (6/99)

POTRERO'S CAFE 25125 Highway 94, Potrero, 619-478-2694. Watch for the three great old Live Oak trees. This café sits under them and looks straight out of a 1930s Western movie. Lot of good old boys in ten-gallon hats gather here. The menu's non-PC. It features rib-sticking food from biscuits and gravy to a mountain of hot cakes or the famous mushroom and onions hamburger with baked beans. Great family country drive destination. Open for breakfast and lunch. Closed Monday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

RESTAURANT AFRIQUE Oak Plaza Mall, 4990 University Avenue, 619-283-3838. The previous tenants' Chinese decor remains, but the atmosphere here is full-on Somali. Evenings, it's an unofficial club for the oftenrobed Somali men of the neighborhood. Dominoes and card games make it nicely rowdy. The food is mainly Somali, with some Ethiopian and Sudanese dishes. Try muufo (Somali bread) with marinated goat meat or chopped steak, or spiced rice with goat. Sudanese fuul (fava beans in tomato sauce) with regular or pita bread makes for lighter eating. Bananas come with each meal. There are right and wrong ways to eat — ask the owner, Abdiaziz, to show you. Many dishes come with pasta, a leftover from the Italian colonial period in Somalia. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

SHAM ROCKS SHACK BAR & GRILL 7059 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-463-2263. It has the feel of a pub: nice solid-wood furniture, pool tables, dart boards, big open kitchen in back. Most of all, people know each other. Construction workers come in during the day, students at night. Around 6 p.m., you get a little of both. And the food tells the tale: yes, there's little bit of Ireland, like the corned beef sandwiches, but mostly it's all-American pre-health-craze cholesterol city. Denver egg omelets with home fries, Philly cheese steaks, spaghetti and garlic bread, hamburgers, jalepeño poppers, steak and eggs, and of course fish and chips. Presentation's old-fashioned, too: heavy white dinner china plates and sturdy cutlery, as long as you agree to "please don't steal the forks." But Irish? Well, think James Joyce on a surf-board. Brunch daily from noon to 6 p.m., Sunday special from 10 a.m. to

2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

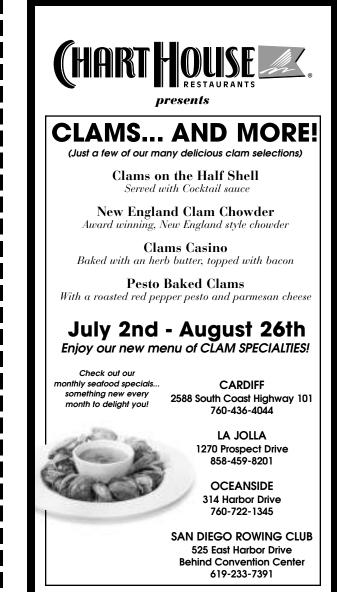
SHMOOZERS KOSHER DAIRY RESTAURANT 6366 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-583-1636. Great for vegans! This Kosher eatery promises "all-rennetless cheese, vegetarian food, no meat, no animal fat, certified Kosher, 100% fresh ingredients." Everything is prepared under the supervision of the "Va'ad Harabbonim of San Diego" — meaning, the restaurant is inspected every few days by an Orthodox rabbi to make sure the food is prepared properly. The milk is also checked — Chalav Yisroel — from milking to bottling. Good eats include "Felafel, California Style," balls of seasoned ground chickpeas, tahini (sesame paste), and salad rolled in a flour tortilla; the 16-inch vegan pizza; and breaded whiting fillets with chips or salad. Open Saturday from one hour after sunset to 11 p.m.; Sunday to Thursday, noon-8:30 p.m.; closed Fridays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

SUNNY GARDEN CUISINE OF CHINA 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa, 619-464-2288. Decent Chinese food, in East County, in a mall? Yes. Fans of fried goodness will of course swoon over tempura shrimp — panko-crusted, huge and tender — but they might also start with the smoked









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chicken: smoky meat swaddled in an orangey fried coat, served atop a deeply munchable bed of salty-sour fried mus-tard greens. The menu is typically broad. Chicken, shrimp, beef and pork are all given the Mu-Shu treatment mixed with bamboo shoots, bean sprouts, and thin, chewy mushrooms and wrapped tableside (if you like) in papery pancakes. Yu-Hsiang (with shrimp, beef, or pork) includes vegetables that are flavorful (not afterthoughts) in a refreshingly non-sweet vinegar sauce. Specialties include Peking duck and fried noodle nests filled with either seafood or beef. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

THE WAYSIDE CAFE 507 South Main Avenue, Fallbrook, 760-723-9633. Locals love meeting and eating in this long low-porched building — partly because it all just feels small-town America. The place used to be Mahrs' Service Station. You can even sit in the old Lube Bay to eat. Count on generous servings, especially the mountain-piles of red-skinned home-fries as a side at breakfast. Open for breakfast and lunch six days a week; closed Mondays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

TOSHI SUSHI 5943 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego, 619-287-3536. Don't ask what's in the "dynamite" sauce (besides the obvious mavo and smelt roe) — it's a house secret, one the restaurant dangles before you in numerous contexts. Try it baked onto the rich, everything-goes Garbage Roll, where deep-fried shrimp, freshwater eel, and tuna add flavor to the creamy-crunchy interplay of sauce and vegetables. Rolls, both plain and elaborate, abound here. While some can be heavy on the rice and light on the fish, others are triumphs. The Toshi Tempura Special Roll takes battered whitefish and wraps it around the seaweed casing, which is then filled with just-cooked whitefish and a host of garnishes — an

exotic-vet-homey fried-fish alternative The Johnny Roll shows octopus at its most tender, but watch out for spotlight-hogging sweet cream cheese. The simpler sushi can vary — a brilliant, translucent slice of tuna offset by a blander, duller salmon. Japanese en-trées are also available. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

#### VALLEY HOUSE RESTAURANT

10767 Woodside Avenue, Santee, 619-562-7878. This is for Cornbelt folks, plus wannabes who enjoy plainspeaking, plenty-of-it Iowan food. Take the morning special "Iowa Breakfast": breaded pork tenderloin, two eggs, and hash browns, fries, or grits plus a choice of biscuits, muffins, or toast — it's delicious. Lunch or dinnertime you can't go wrong ordering the signature "Iowa Porker" hot sandwich (breaded port tenderloin in a bun with soup, potato salad, or steak fries) or the "Iowa Beefers" (seasoned ground beef simmered in chicken broth, piled into a burger bun). Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

VILLAGE GARDEN RESTAURANT AND BAKERY 8384 La Mesa Boulevard, 619-462-9100. The Garden is part of what makes La Mesa Village great. Its vine-covered garden patio is wonderful on warm evenings. The decor inside is kind of grandma-ish, lots of green and white, with flower-shaped lamps sprouting out of overhead fans and brass rails with momsy curtains between the booths. It's bright and cheery. And so are the prices. This is traditional fare: creamed chipped beef on toast, sandwiches, a dozen different omelets, salads, and eight "signature" "big game" burgers. Maybe the best thing is their bread. Big, tender, and baked right there. Two must-haves: the Country Boy Sampler (a mix of Virginia baked ham, chicken, and dumplings), and a take-home loaf of their apple-nut bread. One sniff and you're gone. Evenings, catch the early bird special. Great deal on the threecourse meal plus drink. Open break-fast through early dinner Thursday through Sunday, breakfast and lunch Monday to Wednesday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

#### CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ANTIQUE ROW CAFE 3002 Adams Heights, Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-9750. Antique-land's favorite eatery is a serious exhibit in its own right, especially if you're into sports memorabilia. Look for signed photos of Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio (all googly-eyed with Marilyn) on the walls. The word for food: generous. All-day breakfast dishes include "The Works" omelet, stuffed with bacon, sausage, ham, bell peppers, onions, tomatoes, and cheese bulging over a big oval plate with skins-on breakfast potatoes doing the in-filling. "Philly Steak Heaven" (you choose: steak, ham, or turkey) is one of the more popular lunchtime dishes. Night choice: baked stuffed salmon, And conversation? The fun's in the buzz you overhear from antique dealers in nearby booths. Seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

ASIA CAFE 4710 Market Street (at 47th Street), Chollas View, 619-527-1917. May be Asian San Diego's best-kept secret. You have to look behind the smog shop at this all-Laotian shopping center to find it. The menu's Southeast Asian, but the owner—and most of the conversation around you - is Lao. Lao dishes include the famous Larb-Kai (chicken salad with hot peppers, lemon grass, and sticky rice). Good regional alternatives: Bamee (egg noodle) roasted pork soup, Crying Tiger (ground beef salad with vegetables), Duck Head BBQ, and *Lard Nar* (seafood, beef, or pork with sloppy wide noodles and vegetables). Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

BALE'S CAFE 3926 30th Street, North Park, 619-293-0772. This bare-bones café offers some of the best Vietnamese-Chinese and American food prices in San Diego County. Owner Mr. Pham and his family are trying a formula that has worked in the Vietnamese community in Santa Ana, of fering meals as low as \$1.99. Try the

steak and egg breakfast with hash browns or toast. Or BBQ pork chop, egg, and shredded pork with rice. Mr. Pham knows what Americans like — before the fall of Saigon he supplied food to the U.S. military there, so you can trust his good, basic burgers. Also good: spicy lemon grass chicken, half a fried Cornish hen with fried rice, or kung pao shrimp, pho tai (rice noodle beef soup), curry chicken or chow fun (thick noodles, beef, shrimp, chicken, with black mushrooms). Decor is sparse, but at these prices, who's complaining? Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

**CHICKEN PIE SHOP OF SAN DIEGO** 2633 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-295-0156. How much do people love this place? Count the chickens lining the walls — ceramic, wood, beaded, painted, even feathered. Hundreds. They're gifts from generations of customers. Now, as in the 1930s when it started up, the basic chicken pie comes filled with big chunks of chicken meat, doused with white gravy and accompanied by mashed potatoes, veggies, coleslaw, a roll, and dessert — like the delicious pineapple pie — all for one really low price. The menu also offers fried chicken, burgers and steaks, but 90 per-cent of customers still order that same old chicken pie. Seven days. Cash only. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/01)

**HAPPY HOUR SPORTS BAR** 2519 Market Street. (No phone.) Winner: hardest-to-find eatery in San Diego. You have to walk from 25th and Market till you hear the sound of barking dogs. Next to their dusty yard sits a little building that looks 100 years old and they say used to be a carriage house. It is 10 feet wide at the max, weather-worn chocolate brown, and hidden by a big California pepper tree. No sign except for a notice in the musty window: "Yes, we're OPEN." Reminds you of *Lonesome Dove*. Inside, maybe the friendliest bar since Cheers, but a lot smaller, a lot more real. During the week expect only hot dogs, but weekends, great bargains with down-home dishes like the Pork Chop Plate, Swiss steak with mashed potatoes, gravy and corn, and BBQ spare ribs. Outside BBQ during the football season. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Inexpensive

MAILO'S CAFE 4095 30th Street, 619-528-1602. OK, so Mailo's is a

Greek café and Mailo and Blanca aren't Greek, they're Mexican-American. On the other hand, Mailo cooked in an OB Greek restaurant for 14 years before he opened here. Plus, the two have made Greek extremely affordable. Prices are definitely down there for their break-fast gyros, with eggs, lamb, tomatoes, and onion wrapped in a hot pita. And they have this great street-corner outside deck to eat on. There's also plenty of American standard fare. Mailo's cheeseburger, with avocado and bacon, is the most popular, with the half-pound steak burger close behind. American breakfasts are the old fashioned kind with three eggs any style, hash browns, and toast, plus ham or bacon or sausage or even chicken fried steak, at bargain prices. Same for their roast beef dinner, or the quarter chicken, Greek style, served with rice. salad, and pita bread. Open Tuesday through Saturday breakfast through dinner, Sunday and Monday till 4 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

MAMA'S BAKERY AND LEBANESE **DELI** 4237 Alabama Street, North Park, 619-688-0717. This informal little restaurant is more interested in quality than presentation, concentrat ing on the specialties they do well. Mama's offers quick meals with a culinary tradition, definitely not "fast food," but with fast food prices and ease. Recommendations include the deliciously cheap falafel sandwich in Mama's fresh-made *sajj*, (soft flatbread). On cool days warm up to a bowl of *fool mudamas*, or slow-cooked beans (tasty fava and garbanzos). Try also spinach pie, *labneh* (creamy cheese, olive oil, and pita), and *baba ghanoush* (smoky pureed eggplant and hummus). Inexpensive. — M.N. (1/99)

OLD MILL CAFE 3949 Ohio Street, North Park, 619-294-3804. The best-kept secret in North Park looks like a Swiss chalet inside, but serves 1950s American eats in big platefuls. Breakfast buffs should check out the pork chops with two eggs, potatoes, and toast, or biscuits and gravy, or the famous pigs in a blanket (three sausage links rolled in hot cakes with powdered sugar). The lunch and dinner menu is also good and cheap — for instance, golden fried chicken with vegetables and rice or baked potato. Inexpensive. - E.B. (11/00)

SAIGON 4455 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-284-4215 or 619-284-4288. You're

in a big glass palace here. It's especially good on Sundays, when three- or four-generation Vietnamese families gather for lunch. Gaggles of waiters hover a glance away, but take your time. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the famous, filling soupmeal of Vietnam where beef cooks in the soup. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodle with seafood and assorted vegetables. "33" Vietnamese beer is on hand to make Saigon lovers sentimental. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

TRIEU CHAU RESTAURANT 4653 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-280-4204. This is as near as you'll come to eating breakfast in Phnom Penh or lunch in Vientiane. Cambodians come in the morning to talk politics and play Cambodian chess. At lunch, Laotians replace them. Maps of "Kampuchea" decorate the walls, as well as long-distance telephone ads. The menu includes Chinese, Khmer, and Lao dishes. In the morning, ask for "djak kvai coffay dok ko" — fried bread with Cambodian coffee, the standard French-Khmer breakfast. Later in the day, you might try pan-fried noodles with broccoli and beef or shrimp and gravy ("koitiow bahat sai kho"). If in doubt, ask for Kathy, who speaks Chinese, Khmer, Lao — and English. Open 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

VESUVIO GOURMET 3025 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-282-7040. Wonderful Southern and regional Italian food is served here. The interior is gorgeous, the service swift, and the servings huge and tempting. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W.

#### UPTOWN

THE ABBEY CAFE 127 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-692-0311, www.theabbeycafe.com. Based on the chi-chi West Hollywood original. Look for the wooden cross tied to the giant cactus. By all means go during the day and sit out on the patio. But the must-visit time is after sunset, when they light the patio wall with thousands of can-(okay, 250 of them). Inside the 1910 house you eat in dark-wood rooms with (working) fireplace, church pew, metal chalices, black iron sconces,



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**BERTRAND AT MISTER A'S** 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel Street), 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377, www.bertrandatmisteras.com. Bertrand Hug's airy, open renovation of this for-merly "ancient regime" eatery offers a fabled panoramic city view with a casual-chic, highly romantic ambience. Chef Fabrice Poigin's modern French cuisine is a fine fit for the setting, in-cluding bistro classics and fresh inventions, emphasizing top-grade seasonal ingredients. A huge, intelligent wine list covers a full range of prices, ages and origins, including "ripe" first-growth Bordeaux. Smoking and fair-weather dining on wraparound terrace/observation deck. Note: parking entrance on Fourth Avenue; wheelchair access via ramp to left of reception desk. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Expensive, but not bank-breaking. — N.W. (12/01)

CAFE ON PARK 3831 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-293-7275. Okay, it's trendy, from the rusty spoon-and-fork sign at the door to the PC industrial interior (concrete walls, exposed plumbing). But don't expect PC food. The plates are huge and overflowing with fodder. Breakfast scrambles are popular with add-ons such as smoked salmon, artichoke hearts, or brie cheese. Health nuts choose the Park Porridge stuffed with apples, raisins, and honey. But the prize may be the dish that Placerville, California, miners ordered when they came down from the mountains with pockets full of gold: the Hangtown — luscious marinated sautéed oysters scrambled in eggs. Lunch has deals too: the roasted eggplant is cheap and good. Seven days. Expect a line on weekends. -E.B. (10/01)

CALIFORNIA CUISINE 1027 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-543-0790. This Hillcrest restaurant has been around forever, has a durable reputa-

tion and an established clientele. Perhaps the flawless waitstaff working their sleek, calm dining room is the reason why. The menu is sensible, but the preparations uneven. The appetizers are interesting, but don't live up to their promise. It is California Cuisine's classic entrées that endure despite their menu's excessive range. I recommend the New York steak or lamb loin, accompanied by one of their clever salads. If you appreciate life's finer things, California Cuisine is a place for a good meal. Moderate to expensive. — *M.N.* (5/99)

EL INDIO MEXICAN RESTAURANT 3695 India Street, midtown, 619-299-0333. El Indio, "the god of Mexican food," presides over this bustling (expect a line), airy restaurant in an atmosphere of pale blue 1940s solidity. The menu includes the usual suspects (burritos, tacos, etc.), plus slightly less common items (chicken mole, *machaca*, *chile rellenos*). Excellent house-made corn tortillas help the standard fare to better approximate the divine. So do the sublime core flavors of the meats — the chicken in the taco, the pork in the *carnitas verdes*, the beef in the enchiladas. The carne asada sports a pleasant char, and the beans have a raw-beany intensity. Less heavenly: seasonings (especially paprika and salt) tend toward the heavy side. Inexpensive. — A.M. (11/01)

EXTRAORDINARY DESSERTS 2929 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001. The desserts here do live up to the name, whether you gobble them on the spot on the patio of this charming café or buy them to take home. Owner Karen Krasne's pastries are created with strict French techniques with flavors inspired by the global reach of her trav-els, from the rice fields of Bali to the souks of Morocco. The white cakes are true food for angels — ethereal and not excessively sweet, vibrant with flavors of fresh ripe fruits — and some of the chocolate cakes (e.g., the "Caribe") follow suit, while others are rich and dense. Not your piece of cake? There are also tarts, cookies, chocolates, ice cream dishes, puddings, breakfast pastries, and fine teas and coffees, along with Krasne's own lines of honeys, jams, chutneys, syrups, and popcornplus a truly lovely assortment of international craft objects. Open for week day breakfast, weekend brunch until late, closing at 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and at midnight on weekends. — N.W. (5/02)

THE GATHERING 902 West Washington Street, Mission Hills, 619-260-0400. Be prepared for surprises: the owner-bartender is a professional magician who enjoys entertaining his diners. This neighborhood favorite is comfortable and the oblong bar at the center of the room seems straight out of Cheers. For Sunday brunch, it's a toss-up between the "Mission Hills Omelet" (snow crab sautéed in butter, sherry, and tarragon, with dilled-hollandaise sauce) and the "Goldfinch Omelet" (Canadian bacon with sautéed mushrooms, onions, and hollandaise sauce). Open seven days, three meals. Inexpensive. -E.B. (11/00)

HAMBURGER MARY'S 308 Univer sity Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-491-0400. All the action is on the patio, under ficus trees, ferns, the *palapa* bar, and white umbrellas. Bougainvillea bursts out of tables. Hamburger Mary's mural comes at you in a Stetson, wild red hair, big blue eyes, and a plump butt. Basically it's a gay rendezvous, but everybody's welcome. The burgers are way-big with funky titles, like the "I'm Sooo Bleu" burger with bacon and bleu cheese crumbles, or the "Two Tons Of Fun," a six-inch-high double-burger with mushrooms, bacon, lettuce, cheese, and onions. The kicker is they're all served between wickedly crisp, sweet slabs of golden Hawaiian bread. Moderate. — *E.B.* (3/01)

HOB NOB HILL 2271 First Avenue, Banker's Hill, 619-239-8176. It opened in 1944 as a 14-stool lunch counter. Now, you sweep in under the maroon canopy to shiny red booth seats, deep blue carpet, blond wood, paintings, and a half-wall of wine. You're thinking "business class," but don't be fooled. We're talking coffee-shop prices, especially with the all-day breakfasts and sandwiches, not to mention the burgers with a salad tossed in. Dinners (slightly more expensive) are also generous. Try chilled gazpacho, then pork

chops, baked potatoes, and a dessert of mince pie with mock brandy topping, all part of the deal. Also good: Sunday's roast leg of lamb. Open seven days. In-expensive to moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

JOE'S GRILL 3537 Fifth Avenue (inside Nunu's Cocktail Lounge), uptown, 619-295-2878. Nunu's is a bar with a history. It has always been a tuna fishermen's hangout. You still hear Italian and Portuguese in the mornings. But evenings, the neighborhood shows up, along with chefs and maitre d's from the Gaslamp, and the theater crowd — directors, actors, disciples. Most end up going to the hole in the back where Joe serves up his solid, no-nonsense nosh, from meat loaf to his half-pound mushroom-and-bacon cheeseburger to his much-loved pot roast. You won't leave hungry— unless you're timid. You have to shout good and loud through that cubbyhole. Joe's got a lot of noise back there. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

**KEMO SABE** 3958 Fifth Avenue (off University), Hillcrest, 619-220-6802, www.kemosabesandiego.com. Audacity is Chef Deborah Scott's culinary signature. In her cooking, Southeast Asia meets the Southwest, with Japanese touches and towering heaps of garnishes. All the edible frou-frou decorating the appetizers can wear you out but most entrées are more focused and friendly. Good choices include a starter of mussels in a seductive *chilpotle* cream sauce, and entrées of spicy, sweet-sour layered "jerk" chicken or the signature "Skirts On Fire," a miraculously tender grilled skirt steak imbued with a *pi-cante* marinade. Desserts by Sharon Bristol follow the housestyle — skyhigh, ornate, complex. Casual atmosphere, very noisy. Heated patio. Reservery vations strongly advised. Prices moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

MIXX RESTAURANT 3671 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania), Hillcrest, nue (at Pennsylvania), Hillcrest, 619-299-6499. A meal here resembles an informal dinner party at the home of a good, well-traveled cook. Fitly, the dining room resembles a bohemian living room on steroids, with moody decor, rump-sprung Naugahyde ban-quettes, and witty paintings on the

walls. The menu is an international hodgepodge of whatever chef-owner Deborah Helm fancies cooking: touristic Fisherman's Wharf crab-and-arti-choke fondu in hollowed sourdough may cohabit with haute-Mex cremini mushroom quesadillas, "Indonesian" battered shrimp, or duck ragout with pasta sheets. Desserts (by Danielle Helm) carry through the "loving hands at home" theme — the most popular is a gooey peanut butter pie. A mainly California wine list is easy on both palate and wallet, with ample selections by the glass. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

ONO SUSHI AND PACIFIC SPICE 1236 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-0616. If you are searching for huge portions, fresh tasty food and reasonable prices, don't overlook this col-orful Japanese/Pacific Rim café. Excellent specialty rolls, entrées, appetizers. Very crowded weekends; lively young crowd. Dinners nightly; open for lunch Saturday and Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* (11/98)

SASSAFRAS 3667 India Street, Mission Hills, 619-295-4745. This restaurant claims to serve "Continental Americaine" (whatever that is), but chef-owner Andre Bellard is a son of Lafayette, Louisiana, and knows his Cajun flavors inside out when he chooses to showcase them. The Acadian seafood gumbo, which includes spicy house-made andouille sausage, is one of the best in any town; oysters Bienville resemble the better-known oysters Rockefeller, but Bellard miraculously manages to barely warm the bivalves while he bakes the lush spinach top-ping. Several other appetizers are cre-ative flights on traditional Creole ingredients, and on Wednesday nights, there's an exuberant crawfish feast on the enclosed patio, with mudbugs shipped live from Louisiana cooked with andouille and corn in a tasty house-made "boil." Alas, the regular entrées are rather simple and not nearly so scintillating. Lunch weekdays, din-ner nightly. High-moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

SAVOR 3687 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania Street), Hillcrest, 619-299-3663, www.savoronfifth.com. This cute, con-

verted cottage offers seasonal comfort food with a Mediterranean accent, in-cluding an excellent revisionist bouillabaisse (saucy rather than soupy). Seafoods are delivered fresh daily (except Sundays) and are well-treated by this kitchen. Meat dishes, if sometimes over-simple in preparation, arrive in huge portions. Weekend brunches on the front patio overlooking the street are wildly popular with the local crowd. Dining room has tight-packed tables and an open kitchen, and can be very noisy. Wheelchair lift to left of staircase. Open for lunch weekdays, brunch week-ends, dinner nightly. Expensive. — N.W. (2/02)

TRATTORIA POSITANO 142 Uni-Hillcrest, versity Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-6995. Sure to be one of your favorite restaurants, not only for hearty Italian food but also for loving atmos phere. Sixteen pasta dishes; many sal-ads and entrées. A treat. Try seabass, salmon, any pasta. Lunch Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — E.W. (5/99)

THE VEGETARIAN ZONE 2949 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-7302. The V-Zone's motto is "in harmony with the earth." So, sorry — no meat, no bleached white flour, white or brown sugar, or iceberg lettuce. On the other hand, you can be sure what you do eat is "free from chemical preservatives or dyes." Spinach mushroom lasagna and sesame mock chicken are surprise! — great. Even desserts can be yummy, including a three-layer carrot cake and a cocomint pudding. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

#### DOWNTOWN

12TH & BROADWAY RESTAU-**RANT** (The sign says only "Restaurant".) Corner of 12th and Broadway, 619-232-5998. At these still-scuzzy crossroads, this place shines. Red, white, and clean. The walls are white, the seats are red, and the long U-shaped counter is vast and could seat a platoon, Tiny Teresa Gonzalez has been running the place for forty years and featuring the Breakfast Special (two





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large eggs, two sausage links, hash browns, toast and jelly) for twenty of those. She's 77, but she keeps this great old-style all-counter eatery going, often single-handed. Try her Spanish omelet, generous cheeseburger, or burrito plate. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

ACQUA AL 2 322 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-230-0382, www.acquaal2.it. Despite its monicker, this isn't a seafood trattoria, but a near-fishless branch of a restaurant in Florence that won success by eschewing the standard Florentine menu, while maintaining Tuscan purity of style. Chef-owner Martin Gonzales trained there, and serves as charming host of the local outpost. Best bets are the vegetarian pasta and rice dishes made with aromatic porcini mushrooms. The tasting of five pastas may sound tempting, but they're chef's choice — and he tends to choose the dull ones. "Tastings" of salads, cheeses and desserts are also offered. Mains are mainly rather plain. Moderate (pasta) to expensive. - N.W. (8/01)

ATHENS MARKET 109 West F Street, downtown, 619-234-1955. Surely the finest Greek restaurant in San Diego, and it's ideal before or after a cultural event. Lentil soup, Greek appetizers, salads, chicken, fish, and lamb dishes are first-rate and so are the desserts. It's festive for late-night dining. Open for lunch Monday through Friday; dinner nightly, to 10:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Separate dining rooms for parties. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* 

BANDAR FINE PERSIAN CUISINE 825 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-238-0101. The best Persian food in the city is prepared here. It's sensu-ous, low fat, and a blessing to the sight as well as the palate. Try stuffed grape leaves, yogurt, eggplant, charbroiled filet mignon, lamb, or chicken. Order all three kinds of rice. Enchanting in-terior, wonderful service. Not to be missed. Open daily, same menu lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate.
— E.W.

BAY CAFE 1050 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-595-1083. If you're hungry at the city ferry landing, you can eat in the bare-bones interior or take your tray upstairs to a handsome bay view terrace (with no wheelchair access). After a chilly crossing, try the enjoyable New England-style clam chowder, which is milky, clean, and not

over-thickened, with tender clams and tiny diced potatoes. The menu features breakfast dishes, burgers, sandwiches, variations on fish and chips including prawns, and chili dogs (all served with generic fries), plus some entrée salads. The burgers are genuinely "have it your - for a few extra cents each, the kitchen will add extra ingredients (Jack or Cheddar, mushrooms, grilled onions, bacon, jalapeño). Open daily, breakfast to pre-dinner. Inexpensive.

— N.W. (8/01)

BUCA DI BEPPO 705 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-233-7272. Also at 10749 Westview Parkway, Mira Mesa, 858-536-2822. Family-style, southern Italian cooking in a dining room seating 305 people. Food is simple (one sauce fits all), portions huge and roaring-loud ambiance is childand teenager-friendly. Go for plain fun, not for gourmet dinners. Meatballs and spaghetti best bet. Dinner nightly, lunch Sundays. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (6/00)

CAFE DE PARIS 819 C Street, downtown, 619-234-2559. French sans frills. But don't underestimate owner-chef Faiz's skills. Faiz ran a classy French restaurant in Syria (which was long under French influence). Of course, at his location on C, Faiz has to offer standard sandwich lunch fare — along with some truly filling salads. But the other half of his menu has all the French dishes you'd expect: filet mignon, *steak* au poivre, even sole meunière if you give him advance notice, and all currently sliding in under \$10. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

**CANDELAS** 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here: Chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in "la nueva cocina Mexicana," a luxurious, inventive update of traditional Mexican fare, com-bining French techniques and Latin ingredients into a sophisticated new cuisine that you've never tasted before but will want to taste again. In a romantic Spanish-style dining room with extremely gracious service, you'll find a menu that emphasizes seafood, in cluding jumbo prawns flamed with three tequilas, sea bass with *huitlacoche* ("corn fungus," but think of it as a mushroom), and a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster. Meatlovers will also enjoy several dishes, in-cluding a thick veal chop with a rosemary-spiked update of traditional mole sauce. Reservations advised, slightly dressy. Expensive. — N.W. (11/00)

DOBSON'S 956 Broadway Circle, downtown, 619-231-6771. This rep-utable downtown restaurant offers class and comfort, geared for people who

enjoy eating well. The food is good, often very good, as with chicken liver mousse pâté, Mediterranean blue mussels, culotte steak, and, when available, the crude but virtuous soft-shell crab. Their sweets, such as brownies and bananas Foster strudel, are hefty, louche, and cheap. Bring a date to the upstairs dining room. Dobson's is suave, its confidence infectious. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (10/98)

**DUBLIN SOUARE** 554 Fourth Ave DUBLIN SQUARE 554 Fourth Averenue, Gaslamp, 619-239-5818, www.dublinsquarepub.com. The entire pub was hand-crafted in Waterford, shipped over, and installed (by Irish craftsmen) in the Gaslamp. The exterior indeed resembles a real (but very new) Dublin pub; the interior has authentically dim lighting and spirited Irish music including live bands (acoustic but loud) during Happy Hours and some evenings. If you're looking for food, too, there's a shockingly fine corned beef and cabbage, re sembling the corned beef of Katz's Deli on the Lower East Side - it's that wee touch o' the garlic that does the trick. Other choices include Guinness beef stew, shepherd's pie (made with ground beef), chicken pot pie, steaks, lamb chops, fish and chips, and grilled fish, plus standard pub grub. Lunch and dinner (including Irish breakfast any time) daily. Moderate. N.W. (3/02)

EDGEWATER GRILL 861 W. Harbon Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-7581, www.edgewatergrill.com. An easy walk from the Convention Center, the dining room is spacious and handsome, and the view from the crowded dining terrace is optimal (the bay, the Coronado Bridge, a park, etc.). The menu, though, is convention-centered — like a Howard Johnson's for the 21st century. The fare features middle-of-the-road faux-fusion salads, seafood, grilled steaks, pastas (most with shellfish), and individual pizzas, plus daily fin-fish dishes listed on a card in a plastic holder on the table. The lighter dishes are the most successful — this is not a bad place to "graze" on appetizers and a mini-pizza when you're starved for a view. Difficult wheelchair access to terrace. Open daily, breakfast through dinner, entrées high moderate to very expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

**GARGOYLE GALLERY & CAFE** 1845 India Street (at Fir), 619-234-1344. One of the hidden gems of Little Italy, but there's nothing Italian about it. The Moroccan decor with Turkish pillows, exotic lamps, tiles, inside tap fountain and a sunlit courtyard all combine to turn a meal here - even though it's mostly modest panini ("small bread")

sandwiches - into a really sexy feast Lots of kalamata olives, feta cheese, mozzarella, ham, and tomatoes. Try "The Moroccan" with grilled eggplant, zucchini, roasted red peppers, raisins, spicy garlic chili oil, and mixed greens. Or "The Spanish" with grilled chicken, manchego cheese, sliced olives, mixed greens, and aïoli. The breakfast menu includes two-egg *panini* with grilled zucchini, marinated peppers, feta cheese, and orange slices. A must-have: French pressed coffee, a two-cup glass pot with a steel plunger. Open daily for breakfast and lunch. Belly dancing, first Saturday of the month. — E.B. (5/02)

**GRAND CENTRAL CAFE** YMCA, 500 West Broadway, downtown, 619-234-2233. A nice Broadway surprise — who'd expect the "Y" to have terrific meals? But Grand Central tries hard. The breakfasts are big and filling and the lunch chili with salad and cheese toast is a tasty bargain. So is the veggie-burger with fries, coleslaw, soup, or salad. Plus you can look down onto Broadway and check when your boss is returning to work. Breakfast/lunch weekdays, breakfast only weekends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

HARBOR HOUSE 831 W. Harbon Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-1141. The two-level building and the view of the harbor are major attractions. Fish and seafood predominate but chicken, pasta, and steak are also available. The dining room seats 250, so don't expect intimacy. Preparations are wholesome but not original. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* 

IUKE IOINT CAFE 327 Fourth Avenue (across from Cost Plus), Gaslamp District, 619-323-7685, www.jukejointcafe.com. This is the closest we've got to a good, funky jazz club in New Orleans' Uptown neighborhood (but the Gaslamp is lots safer). They call their cooking "West Coast Soul Food," but it's still mighty South Coast, too, including a just-about perfect file gumbo, thick and rich, flavored with genuine Louisiana sausage. Good jambalaya, fried foods (try fried pickles and gizzards for a down-home treat), huge steaks, and live music for a hip crowd make this a tasty scene. Full bar. Reservations strongly advised. No cover charge with dinner. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (3/01)

I.A CASITA 1247 C Street (corner of 13th and C), downtown, 619-531-0044. Don't be fooled by the li'l old blue and white clapboard house at the bottom of City College's hill. Princes and politicians come here to hammer out deals mix with the Latino (or Anglo) community, and eat some of the best chorizo con huevos (spicy pork sausage with eggs) in town. In the cozy Mexican-style interior, the pictures on the walls tell you who-all comes here for the good tacos and enchiladas, or the delicious pork burritos. Most delicious of all is watching Anglo City-Hallers trying valiantly to learn to love the house-made menudo (tripe soup). — E.B. (11/00)

LEE'S CAFE 738 Fifth Avenue Gaslamp District, 619-239-1621. This beautiful place is a thorn between two roses. Located mid-Gaslamp with luxury Euro-ristorantes on either side heh heh — here a big plate of baked chicken, or chicken-fried steak, or baked ham, with gravy, potatoes, veg-gies, rice, salad, bread and butter and macaroni and egg flower soup go for almost nothing. Breakfast is a bargain too, offering sausages, eggs, hash browns, and all the coffee you want. "Uncle Lee started 40 years ago," says

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Lily, who runs it. God bless Uncle Lee Open 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

NAPA VALLEY GRILLE 502 Horton Plaza, Gaslamp District, 619-238-5440. This new restaurant at the top of Horton Plaza is staffed by professionals, and the food is very, very good. I suggest the calamari plate, and the rotisserie-roasted chicken or pork are both moist and delicious. Their monkfish is a deeply satisfying Southern delight. Try the airy, sweet goat cheese cheesecake for dessert. There is an elegant homeyness to Napa Valley Grille, a comforting, satisfying dining experience. Moderate to expensive. -M.N. (3/00)

OSTERIA PANEVINO 722 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp District, 619-595-7959. At this Tuscany-style Italian restaurant, the appetizers and pastas are as close to heaven as you can get, particularly the spinach ravioli and potato gnocchi in a four-cheese sauce. The stuffed focaccias are simply incredible, and the pizzas are well-nigh perfect. The exposed brick walls en-hance the European feeling. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive, wines rather high. — E.W. (4/00)

REDFISH 731 Fifth Avenue (at G). Gaslamp District, 619-234-7226, www.redfishamerica.com/sandiego.html . At this sprawling New Orleans-style restaurant/nightclub (one of a small national chain), the varied music playing over the speakers before showtime is consistently tasty. Alas, one can't say the same for the cooking, so order with care. Best dishes include a rich, smoky crawfish etouffée, interesting okra gumbo, and mainly-decent salads and appetizers. But authenticity and taste go blazes in a tomatoey jambalaya with the flavor of bottled spaghetti sauce, and in several dishes (BBQ shrimp, dirty rice, etc.) so fiercely spicy, the kitchen might be catering a frat hazing. Smartly (given this impetus to chug-alug), they make their tasty Hurricane cocktails a little weak. Moderate, plus evening cover charge. — N.W. (3/01)

SALLY'S RESTAURANT One Market Place, rear of Hyatt Regency Hotel, Gaslamp District, 619-687-6080. You'll get great fish here as well as free-range chicken, lobster, and beef. Try Arctic char, loin of tuna, swordfish. Side dishes tend to be elaborate. Dinners for 6 to 12 served at chef's table in the kitchen. Open daily. Expensive.

SICILIAN VILLAGE DELI 895 Fourth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp District, 619-234-4002. This was located in the Farmer's Bazaar in East Village until the ballpark knocked them out of left field. Now they're one of the best values in the Gaslamp. Though the owners aren't Sicilian, two of their most delicious dishes carry the flag: the Sicilian Sandwich (tuna, olive oil, capers, tomatoes, onions) and the Chicken Siciliana (chicken breasts sautéed in a brandy sauce with soup or salad, garlic bread and a choice of fries, rice, or spaghetti) Eating outside is interesting for people-watching — a reality-check after Horton Plaza. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

SIXTH AVENUE BISTRO 1165 Sixth Avenue (at B Street), downtown, 619-239-4194. This charming, airy café offers some very credible New Orleansstyle cooking at affordable prices. Among the sandwiches are an outstanding oyster po' boy (with big juicy oysters and good light batter) and a fine, fully-packed approximation of a

muffaletta, albeit with a kaiser roll standing in for Central Grocery's big round Italian bread. The mix-it-yourself jambalaya is tasty, too, even if kiel-basa proves a lame substitute for *chau*rice or andouille. Wine and beer. No reservations, breakfast to early dinner (closes 8:00 p.m.). Inexpensive. -N.W. (3/01)

SPICE HOUSE CAFE 1401 Ninth Street (at Ash), downtown, 619-239-8510. When your "head feels like an old potato" and your "tongue like a button hook" (to quote Kipling), Spice House's answer is their Hang-Over Omelet. We don't know if it's the Crtege, chilies or Lock chaese or super Ortega chilies or Jack cheese or super tangy tomato sauce, but some guys swear they feel better for eating it. The swear they feel better for eating it. The place is a pleasant surprise jutting out into the top foliage of trees sprouting up from Hwy. 163 — the view looks like a forest. Other excellent choices include Portuguese sausage with three eggs, paisano frittata with ham, tomatoes, mushrooms, and thick French toast topped with strawberries and whipped cream. Breakfast and lunch, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

TRATTORIA PORTOBELLO 715 Fourth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp District, 619-232-4440. The owners of Panevino operate this chic restaurant with its light menu and wide variety of dishes. You can make a meal from appetizers. The pastas are the best bets. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.* 

**VIDA CART** Corner of Fifth Avenue and Island Avenue. (No phone.) This is the kind of street scene you would find in New York or San Francisco. Daniela, an artist from Bulgaria, started this evening-to-late-night food cart right un-der the historic Chinese Callan hotel. The idea was: extra cash between paintings. It has evolved into a late-night meeting spot for artists, students, chefs, and new downtowners looking for street-life. Friends and strangers sit around until 2 or 3 in the morning arguing about art, politics, and life in a town that's not used to staying up. Her staples are coffee, sodas, jumbo hot dogs hot links, corn dogs, pretzels, and nachos. But her seven-inch pizza is as good as a meal, and the clincher is she has a fenced-off seating area where you can talk and watch the scene. And at Fifth and Island there's always a scene. Open Wednesday to Sunday 6 p.m. until 3 a.m. or so. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

WILDSIDE CAFE & REBEL IUICE BAR 1048 Seventh Avenue, downtown 619-696-1466. Now here's a place that actually makes healthy food seem cool. Partly it's the names: "lunatic lentil soup," sandwiches like "turkey tantrum" (roast turkey with salsa), "tuna scandal" (tuna mushed with egg whites and no-fat mayo), or our two favorites, "veggies on a bike" (cucum-bers, spinach leaf, tomatoes, red onion) and "bagel without a cause" (bagel, cream cheese, fresh fruit). Actually all come with fresh fruit. And do like the local lofties: take your daily shot of fresh-squeezed wheat grass juice with a chaser of strawberries or pineapple chunks. Open Monday through Friday. Hours vary seasonally. Inexpensive. E.B. (9/01)

#### **SOUTH BAY &** CORONADO

BAY BEACH CAFE Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First Street, Coro ado, 619- 435-4900, www.baybeachcafe.com. The dinner menu here has California's typical dumbed-down world-appetizer array, plus salads, pastas, grilled meats, a few sautée items and children's plates. The restaurant is very family-friendly (full o' kids, actually), with a menu that appeals to the young in mouth: The chef seems to have a sweet tooth, since almost every dish involves honey or sugar — from the table butter that's intriguingly flavored with a honey-basil mixture to the "teriyaki" ribs in a glutinous Karo-like sauce. Your server will tell you about the day's fresh fish selections, which are more attuned to adult palates with fresh, fine-quality seafood done simply and well. Ultra-noisy inside when crowded; reserve for the lovely terrace with a view of the beach. Open daily, lunch and dinner, with weekend breakfast. Moderate to slightly expensive. -N.W. (8/01)





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GALLEY AT THE MARINA 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. This is a great place to relax, take in the view and decide which yacht you're gonna buy when you win the lotto. It's run by Fran Muncey, widow of Bill Muncey, San Diego's greatest speedboat-racing champion. The tasty, bargain-priced happy hour specials (3:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday) make a visit worth the trip west of I-5: try a 1/2-pound steerburger with French fries, chicken caesar salad with sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Next morning, catch the breakfast favorite: biscuits and sausage gravy with eggs. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

ISLAND PASTA 1202 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-4545. This unassuming, spill-out-on-the-street restaurant has somehow got it right. Simple tables on the sidewalk, daily made-on-the-premises semolina pasta, most dishes costing in the single digits. A simple fettuccine Alfredo is a pleasure al fresco with a glass of wine, sparkling against the fresh flowers on the table, watching Coronado's world go by. The spaghetti pesto sauce is rich, too, with basil, pine nuts, and cheese, but all the standard Italian pasta and pizza dishes are reliable. One good — and vegetarian — special to ask for is the *verdure* pasta, a combo of artichoke hearts,

spinach, capers, mushrooms, onions and olives over spaghettini. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

RHINOCEROS 1166 Orange Avenue (at Loma Avenue), Coronado, 619-435-2121. This bright, hectic bistro next door to the Lamb's Players The-atre draws pre-theatre crowds as well as locals — and that may be a problem, since the rushed pace of service does n't abate even after the playgoers have departed. Perhaps that's why there are few appetizer choices (as though to discourage diners from spending extra time at the table). You may even be charged a "split plate" fee for sharing a first course despite ordering individual entrées. Meat and fish choices are simply prepared with ingredients of ordinary quality and generic veggie ac-companiments. Why, then, is Rhino so opular? Pasta (and nothing but pasta) is the answer — that's where the kitchen shines. Very noisy when crowded; street tables are slightly quieter despite heavy traffic. Reservations advised for weekends, pre-show dinners. Moderate (pastas) to expensive.

— N.W. (7/01)

SOUTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER CAFETERIA 500 3rd Avenue (at C Street), Chula Vista, 619-691-4599. Hey, this is a courthouse. You expect the cafeteria in its basement to be brown and anonymous. You know you'll be munching with worried groups of litigants and moms with custody-dispute kids. But here, it's all worth it. This cafeteria is one of best-kept county secrets. For years, concession-holder Ben Riddell has kept his prices stable and his portions big. Lunches like roast pork or meat loaf or roast turkey or chicken pot pie or lemon chicken are the comfort food that folks coming here need. Breakfast and lunch only, Monday to Friday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

SPIRO'S GYROS Ferry Landing, 1201 First Street #4, Coronado, 619-435-1225. The food, the music, the view — are we outside Athens? Is this the Aegean? This inside-outside Greek café is located at the water's edge, and the heated patio has a spectacular view of San Diego, the bay, and the boat traffic. At sunset, sipping their excellent Greek wine (cheaper than their California), watch the sun set the city ablae in gold. The prices keep Spiro's popular with the locals as well as tourists. Try the moussaka (eggplant casserole)

or the souvlakia chicken, marinated in *tzatziki* sauce, served with tomatoes, onions, and pita bread. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

STRETCH'S CAFE 943 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-8886. Stretch got his name in World War II when he was 6'1" and 135 pounds. Now he wants to get back to that — and he wants you to, too, so he serves strictly nuts and twigs. His menu includes veggie salad, chicken breast and beans over brown rice, or a plate frankly named "Steamed Veggies," featuring carrots, zucchini, broccoli, mushrooms, and melted cheese on brown rice. You'll come out feeling so proud that you resisted the greasy Slamburger at Danny's bar next door. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

TANGO GRILLE ARGENTINE STEAK HOUSE 635 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-420-0384. Play gaucho and enjoy the most authentic Argentine par-rillada (mixed grill) in town at this charming, warmly decorated bistro about two minutes from the Chula Vista Shopping Center. Fine, smoky wood grilled Colorado beef appears in several unusual cuts (including succulent steakcut short-ribs). You can choose from two different mixed grills (sized for one or two), the first with conventional meats, the other - the more adventurincludes organ meats and blood sausage. For starters, there are brilliantly seasoned mini-empanadas of amazing lightness, as well as several interesting salads. Those not in a grilled-meat mood can opt for numerous pastas (including a big, meaty lasagna) or the ubiquitous milanesa (breaded beef or chicken patties) of the pampas. Portions are more than generous, and so are the flavors. Low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/02)

TIN FISH Imperial Beach Pier, 910 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414, www.thetinfish.net. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pigeons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by the sea air. The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages. (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The oyster shooters, for instance, boast a sauce made from fresh diced tomatoes topped with horseradish. The spicy fish

tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy. Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. Live music on weekends, good vibes all the time. "Tin Fish Shuttle" (50 cents) runs from parking lot to the restaurant. Open daily, breakfast (to 10:30 a.m.) through early dinner. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, open daily lunch and early dinner, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (7/01)

#### TIJUANA

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CAFE LA ESPECIAL 718 Avenida Rev olución (down the market steps), 685-6654. Café la Especial was once a great favorite of American aficionados of Tijuana's bullfights at the old downtown Plaza de Toros. Summer Sundays, fans would crowd into the café to chow down before the fights or rush back afmeal. Inside little has changed, not ever the 50-50 locals-to-gringos ratio. Food is standard Mexican/American border fare, from tacos and tamales to carne asada and bistek ranchero, from cactus and eggs to steak and eggs. But the atmosphere is the real draw: the low ceiling, varnished wood, black furniture with flowers painted up and down the legs and portraits on the backs, varnished tabletops lots of murals of Mexico on the walls Owner Humberto Brambila's aunt Justina started it all, he says, in 1948, with the steamed taco stand upstairs. That's still going too. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (5/02)

EL FARO DE MAZATLAN 9542 Boulevard Sanchez Taboada, Plaza Financiera, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 684-8882, 684-2236, or 684-8883. This fish and seafood restaurant offers a gorgeous dining room, an extensive menu with English translations, and fresh fish and seafood items which include abalone, squid, crab, clams, shrimp, and lobster. The atmosphere and service are lovely, but the fish may be too dry. The style of cuisine will appeal to those who prefer simple preparations. The price of the main course includes an appetizer (fried fish plus ceviche), seafood soup, and Mexican rolls. Open daily, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., same menu for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Moderate. — *E.W.* 

LA FONDA ROBERTO'S La Sierra Motel, Old Road to Ensenada, Avenida Cuahutemoc #2800, Tijuana, 686-4687. Unusual regional specialties are found here. Beef tongue in sesame seed sauce, spicy shredded pork with artichoke seeds, two preparations of chicken, a half dozen of steak. Don't miss the soups or *chile en nogada*. Portions are small, so two people may order three entrées. Take Avenida Revolución all the way to Agua Caliente Blvd. At Calimax, make a right; go up two blocks and make a left. After one block, make another left. Roberto's is in the motel just after the road veers right. Closed Monday. Open Tuesday through Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 10 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

LONCHERIA LA POCA LUCHA Municipal Market, 105 Avenida Niños Héroes, Tijuana. Venturing to the far end of Tijuana's Mercado Municipal is like entering a scene from The Sorcerer's Apprentice. Shafts of sun penetrate the dark of an incredible kitchen of great black iron stoves and giant steaming pots, and hoods gathering into black pipes that snake up and out through the roof. But what a welcome! As you walk through the mercado, ladies bounce up, enticing you away to their eateries. Hang in there till you reach Loncheria La Poca Lucha, "The Small Struggle Lunch Place." Ask for *carne de puerco* (pork), chiles rellenos, bisteck ranchero, or higado al gusto (liver), all around \$3. Pescado frito (fried fish), milanesa con papas (veal with fries), pollo frito (fried chicken), and carne asada are slightly more. Price includes soup, steaming hot corn tortillas, and a soda. Open seven days, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

MR. FISH 6000 Blvd. Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-3603. It's fun to eat in this restaurant with its thatched roof and its wide variety of fish and seafood. Don't overlook the whole fish, either steamed or fried, the filet in garlic butter, or, for those who'd like a smorgasbord, the "Combination Mr. Fish," which supplies fresh lobster, shrimp, squid, and a filet of fish. The half-dozen preparations of crêpes are wild —

there's even a Mexican version of blintzes. Open Sunday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Follow Revolución until it bends to the left and becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin highrise towers. Mr. Fish is on the righthand side of the road, just before the country club. Moderate. — E. W.

RICA TORTA Niños Heroes Avenue, No. 890, between 2nd and 3rd Streets (opposite Dorian's department store), Tijuana, 685-8579. This café may have the best tortas (call them Mexican-style hamburgers) in Tijuana. Six-inch rashers of marinated carne asada, slices of ham, squares of cheese, chopped salad, tomato slices, fresh-scooped avocado... it's a double-wide, double-high burger. The menu has 16 different kinds of tortas, from chorizo with eggs to beefsteak ranchero, all served in huge, three-ribbed, crisp-toasted Mexican bread buns. There's other stuff, but to a burger buff, one of these is quite enough. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

UABC CAFETERIA 246 Autonomous University of Baja California cafeteria, 2580 Tecnologico Avenue, Tijuana, 607-1047 (for Tortas y Burritos Tonka). This cafeteria on the new campus near Tijuana's airport is always abuzz — the students set it alight. The difference from, say, SDSU? Everyone's well-dressed, with lots of ties and careful make-up (not on the same person, of course). Several concessions, including Tortas y Burritos Tonka, Armando's, and Panaderia Diego deliver cheap, standard Amero-Mexican. But come for the sound of 600 people like you, all chatting like crazy (in Spanish). Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

VALLARTA NATURAL 1252 Boulevard Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-1560. Vallarta Natural makes travel to Tijuana appetizing, serving only the healthiest, freshest ingredients. The kitchen makes its own bread and rolls, soy chorizo, vegetable stock, and gluten daily. Recommended are goblets of fresh juice, caldo Tlalpeño soup, taquitos panzones (soft tacos) filled with sautéed mushrooms or soy chorizo, tostadas, and especially milanesa. The milanesa is made from fresh gluten and is almost indistinguishable from veal: breaded, fried, it is delicious. Cool, clean, pleasant atmosphere. Open daily. Inexpensive. — M.N. (9/98)











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# Calendar Movies

# **Daze of Summer**

Gags are cranked out the way McDonald's cranks out hamburgers.

**DUNCAN SHEPHERD** 

isease of the week (maybe the season): catatonia. *Road to* Perdition should snap me out of it by next week, but not....

Men in Black II. The embodiment, the epitome, the acme of the "franchise

picture," one of those brass rings that studio executives like to stack up on their lances. So perfect a one, in truth,

that it would make more sense to cover the movie in the financial pages than in the entertainment ones. A recitation of components, amenities, selling points could reasonably take the place of a review. Both Will Smith and, after half an hour, Tommy Lee Jones are back, albeit with roles reversed — Smith the blasé veteran, Jones the bemused novice — until the latter's elective "neuralization" can be undone and his memory restored. Rip Torn and Tony Shalhoub are back as well, if that matters to anyone, along with director Barry Sonnenfeld and composer (but of course) Danny Elfman, whose surname seems to entitle him to a monopoly on such projects. There are also Lara Flynn Boyle as an extraterrestrial femme fatale, a quorum of computer-generated creatures of no

particular originality (a giant worm who crawled over from *Dune*, etc.), and a wisecracking dog who speaks in the voice of a cartoon gangster. Gags are cranked out the way McDonald's cranks out hamburgers, indistinguish-

able from and interchangeable with their predecessors. (Apologies to Burger King, who has the promo-

tional tie-in.) That the movie, minus its closing credits, runs roughly eighty minutes — or roughly the same length as Sonnenfeld's *Big Trouble* earlier in the year: he appears to have little to say — could likely be seen as a Smart Business Practice tantamount to shaving an ounce off every Quarter-Pounder. As a work of creative imagination, on the other hand, it is pretty close to a total cheat. The tally of \$90 million over the opening weekend is but a census of suckers.

The Emperor's New Clothes. Alternative history lesson revealing how Napoleon escaped St. Helena, leaving behind a dead ringer to fool his British jailers, and how he returned to France but not all the way to the throne as planned. A well-mounted production, handled with care by television direc-

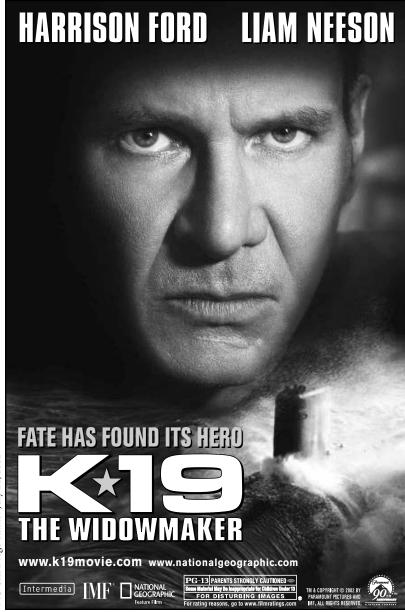


Men in Black II

tor Alan Taylor (*The Sopranos, Sex and the City, The West Wing, Homicide,* none of which cultural monuments I've ever seen), and acted with commitment by Ian Holm, Iben Hjejle, and others. Yet the level of amusement comes nowhere near matching, and thus justifying, the level of absurdity: hard as it must be to find an

exact facial likeness of anybody, it would be quite a bonus to find it on so undersized a frame into the bargain. (For Holm, this might not be the most advisable follow-up role to that of a waist-high Hobbit, quite apart from the English accent in which he gripes about English cooking, and the twenty or so surplus years of age he brings to the part.) And if screenwriter Kevin Molony shows good taste in the *New Yorker* cartoon he chooses to plagiarize — "How about never? Is never good for you?" — he shows poor judgment in attempting to pass it along in the 19th Century.

Pumpkin. Post-Fassbinder mock soap opera (or closer to home, post-



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Swimming. More like sinking. A sub-Sundance (meaning Slamdance) independent film by Robert J. Siegel, to do with the plight of a scrub-faced young woman unconcerned about her looks (baggy overalls and T-shirts), trapped in the teeming fleshpot of Myrtle Beach. Her best and evidently only buddy, a professional body piercer all too happy to sample her own wares, is soon in jealous competition with a busty new blonde in town and a nomadic hippie hophead. A question of sexual identity begins to form, but is never quite asked, much less answered. (No fault of Lauren Ambrose, an actress who hides nothing behind her face.) The minutes crawl, the seconds tick. Finally there's a freeze-frame and it's over. The puniness of ambition never overtakes the puniness of budget.

Idle chat.... The new, fifty-minutelonger version of Cinema Paradiso will be having a benefit screening (for the public education projects of the San Diego Film Critics Society) next Monday at the Museum of Photographic Arts: "Discover what really happened to the love of a lifetime." I myself might



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be more impatient to discover what happened to it if I could remember anything else about it .... The recently shut-down Hazard Center 7 is now scheduled to re-open in August under the banner of Madstone Theatres, a new presence hereabouts. I know nothing of their plans for the place beyond a Mexican film series, sponsored by the Media Arts Center San Diego, that extends from August 9 to November 14. Perhaps Hazard will remain, after all, a hospitable spot for local film festivals.... The latest such festival, however, the first annual (so it says on the press release) San Diego Film Festival, has announced its intentions to set up camp at the Gaslamp 15, from September 18 through 22. A perception persists among entrepreneurs that San Diego lacks a film festival. My own perception is that it has more of them than it can handle. (More than I, at any rate, can handle.) Stay tuned to see what the new one throws at us.... The expected reissue of 2001 in the calendar year of 2001 materializes on Friday at the Ken, seven months late. Better than never, I guess, but what's the point? ■

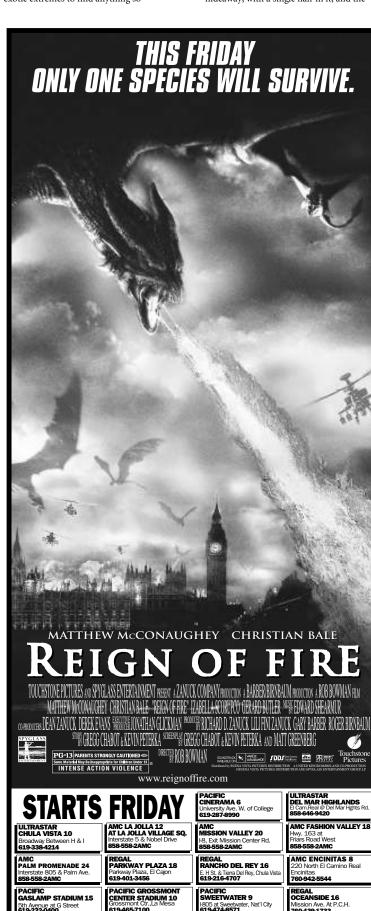
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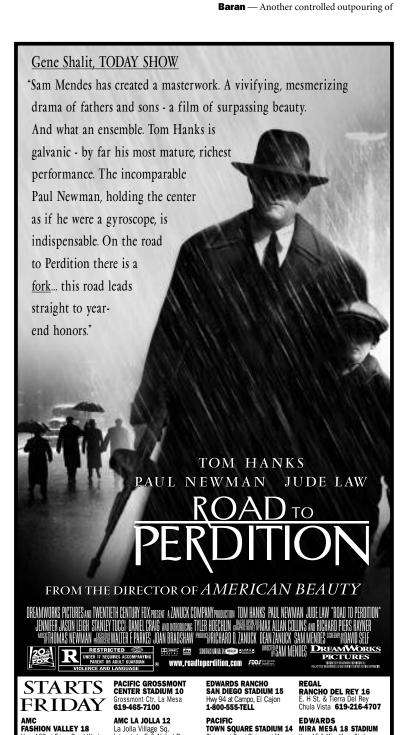
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About a Boy — A conscience-free cad (e.g., inventing a two-year-old son so as to cruise a single-parents support group for dates) is rescued from his self-absorption by a twelve-year-old misfit with a dotty mother. Conventional in form and sentiment, despite such a dark-comic bit as the dead duck in the park (slain by a leaden loaf of mum's multi-grain bread), and despite the breezy, brazen cheekiness of the Son-of-Angry-Young-Man protagonist (Hugh Grant, sugaring every effrontery with his innate sparkle). The dual narrators, man and boy, chain the movie to its literary source (a Nick Hornby novel), though codirectors Paul and Chris Weitz provide a visual touch or two. With Nicholas Hoult, Toni Collette, Rachel Weisz, 2002. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14;

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 unsmiling, 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 — prestochange-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





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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, THROUGH 7/11)

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-manarmy 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 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. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION

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The Breakfast Club — Improbably heterogeneous group of high-school students at an improbable all-day (Saturday) detention hall, improbably unsupervised. A detention hall, without all the improbabilities, would not seem to have much chance at drama. But with all the improbabilities it does not have much chance at Albee-esque group therapy, either And in point of fact writer-director John Hughes (Sixteen Candles) is well content for the most part to go after the cheap laugh; and on that quest he appoints the most quickly tiresome character — the class hoodlum — to act as chief catalyst and satirist: "Are you a virgin?" and so on. With Emilio Estevez, Anthony Michael Hall, Judd Nelson, Molly Ringwald, and Ally Sheedy. 1985.

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#### The Brother from Another Planet —

John Sayles, in his script contributions to things like Alligator and The Battle beyond the Stars, has shown his allegiance to grade-Z science fiction. But in this, a tale of a black extraterrestrial hiding out in Harlem from two white pursuers (one of them played by Sayles himself), his allegiance to the type extends all the way to total responsibility: writing, directing, editing. It isn't just a

matter of cheapness, with the attendant sound problems and image problems. It is also the deliberate dumbness (and undeliberate dullness). The liberal sentimentality, never an incompatible element in science fiction, doesn't raise the level a single notch. With Joe Morton. 1985. ● (KEN, 7/17)

#### The Crocodile Hunter: Collision

**Course** — Fictional adventure for Aussie outdoorsman Steve Irwin, directed by John Stainton.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SOUARE 14: FROM 7/12)

#### 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)

#### Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya

Sisterhood — The title alone told you that you needed to read no further in the Rebecca Wells novel. But the screen version, written and directed by Callie Khouri, temptingly makes room for one of our premier performers, Ellen Burstyn, in addition to Fionnula Flanagan, Maggie

Smith, and Shirley Knight, troupers one and all. The common lament about Hollywood's lack of use for actresses of their age must be amended with a lament, too, about Hollywood's preferred use of them, however infrequent. Case at hand: an overseasoned jambalaya of stereotyped Southern lunacy. Three out of four of the Ya-Ya Sisters (a blood sorority from early girlhood) attempt to mediate a reconciliation between the fourth one and her adult daughter (Sandra Bullock), a successful though indiscreetly autobiographical playwright. This necessitates a rummage through flashbacks and the replacement of our quartet of troupers with an unmatching set of younger actresses (Ashley Judd for Ellen Burstyn, most egregiously). In short, while the film makes room for Burstyn and Co., it doesn't make enough room for them, nor comfortable room, 2002.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

#### The Emperor's New Clothes -

Reviewed this issue. With Ian Holm, Iben Hjejle, Tim McInnerny, and Tom Watson; directed by Alan Taylor.

 $\bigstar$  (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 7/12)

**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 Uboat code, before a convoy of merchant ships from the U.S. enters perilous waters. In other words: same genre, same era, same milieu (more or less) as the nearby Charlotte Gray. We even meet the protagonist, a woolly-headed math whiz ("With numbers, truth and beauty are the same thing") recovering from a nervous breakdown, exactly where we earlier met Charlotte: at the window of a train compartment, which gives way to another train compartment in flashback. And like *Charlotte*, it belongs in the unglamorous, unromanticized, Graham Greene branch of spy fiction, notwithstanding the love triangle between an ace decoder (Dougray Scott, looking a bit like a young Tom Courtenay), a mysterious willowy blonde (Saffron Burrows), and the latter's wallflower roommate (Kate Winslet), fellow employees at Bletchley. Plot convolutions aside, it's historically interesting material, even, you might argue, intrinsically more interesting than the more familiar material of Charlotte. But that's not to say it's cinematically more interesting. Not to say — to take our metaphor from their introductory scenes — that it fits together as tightly and moves along as powerfully as a railway train. *Charlotte* is a Eurostar, a Thalys; *Enigma* is more of a huffing-and-puffing handcar. To be sure, the Enigma code machine - a sort of rewired typewriter with ever-changing letters for each key — is an interesting object, as is the primitive computer with its rows upon rows of revolving colored wheels. But these are essentially static museum exhibits. With Jeremy Northam; written by Tom Stoppard; directed by Michael Apted. 2002

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Fast Runner (Atanarjuat) — Any wag who wished to say that this 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. With its predominantly Inuit cast and crew, headed by director Zacharias Kunuk and scriptwriter Paul Apak Angilirq, it earns points for authenticity, if not, at the same time, for ability to communicate. And it earns more of the same — but again, nothing extra — for a storvline 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



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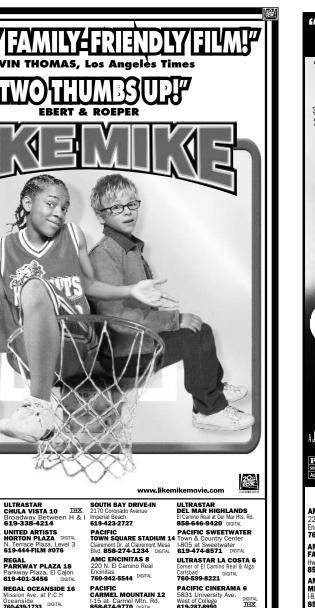
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Halloween: Resurrection — Eighth installment in the horror series, with Jamie Lee Curtis, Bianca Kajlich, Busta Rhymes and Tyra Banks, directed by Rick Rosenthal. (CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; FROM 7/12)

#### The Importance of Being Earnest

Overfurnished production of the Oscar Wilde farce: so much artifice does not require so much circumstantiation. And the jaunty, jazzy musical score is meddlesome at best, muffling at worst. (In any case it has not remedied the play's sag in the second act.) But the good lines are plentiful, and people such as Colin Firth, Rupert Everett, Judi Dench, Anna Massey, and Edward Fox know well how to put them over. Not so much, however, Frances O'Connor or a lightly accented Reese Witherspoon, whose shared strategy relies on elevated eyebrows. Directed by Oliver Parker. 2002. ★ (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 breathstoppingly beneath the logs. But a faithful remake, a close copy, is not what we would have expected as an encore from Christopher Nolan after his devilishly clever Memento. (Naming the sleepless cop "Dormer" will not pass as cleverness.) It is, on the contrary, exactly what we might have expected of any foreign-born and/or independent filmmaker who wanted to slither into the Hollywood mainstream. Hilary Swank, Maura Tierney, Martin Donovan. 2002.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12)

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.

• (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Lianna — Diagnosis of this second specimen from writer-director John Sayles is much the same as for The Return of the Secaucas Seven. The facile, fast-shuffle dialogue is very much at odds with the shoddy mise-en-scène, and very much outside the capabilities of the amateurish cast. The best delivery of a line (and perhaps best line, too) is a little girl's sullen "No," in answer to her father's question: "Theda"she is named after Theda Bara; her brother is named Spencer, after Tracy; her father, of course, is a film buff— "do you know what we're talking about?" What they're talking about is the lesbian attachment of a university faculty wife to her night-school Child Psychology teacher, a short-haired Joanne Woodward lookalike. The subject matter is quite modish; the attitude about it somewhat less so, with the motivation for lesbianism traced directly to the horridness of the husband. Does Sayles think he is being magnanimous by dumping the burden on his own sex? With Linda Griffiths and Jane Hallaren. 1983.

● (KEN, 7/18)

**Like Mike** — A thirteen-year-old, fourand-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; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20;

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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.

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Men in Black II — Reviewed this issue.

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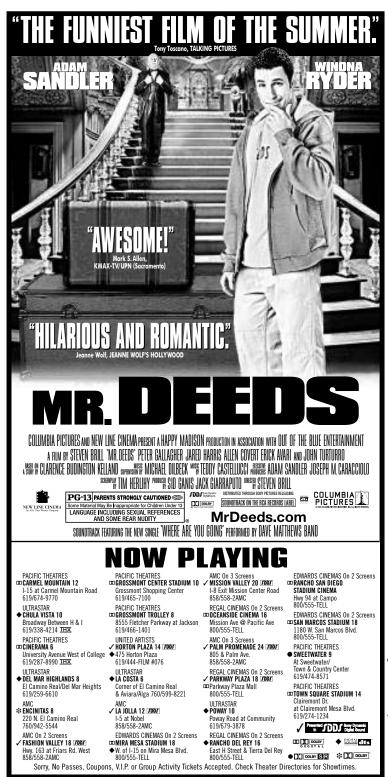
With Will Smith, Tommy Lee Jones, Lara Flynn Boyle, and Rosario Dawson; directed by Barry Sonnenfeld.

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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 crimeprevention 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 clairvovants 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



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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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Monsoon Wedding — A gathering of the clan for an arranged marriage in modern Delhi. You won't be alone if you have a hard time telling who's who and how they're related: even one of the invitees voices the complaint. It's a standard comic situation (Father of the Bride, etc.), almost a can'tmiss one, and the Punjabi exoticism goes far to compensate for all the conventionality. It may not, however, go so far as to compensate for the belated dark turn down the side street of molestation: a new comic convention, but no less a convention, now that every TV sitcom feels obligated to Address Important Issues. The conflict between the old ways and the new, too, is standard for Eastern cinema (Ozu, etc.), although Mira Nair's scrambling catch-ascatch-can camerawork - 16mm blown up to 35 — leaves no doubt, for even a moment, where her own sympathies lie. The movie comes to a somewhat premature climax, albeit a moving one, at the cathartic celebratory dance the night before the ceremony. It would all feel a lot more barren, though, without the delightful figure of the weaselly wedding planner ("Ten minutes," he promises, "exactly and approximately"), with his polka-dot scarf, his leisure suits, his calculator wristwatch, his clip-on pager. By himself, this inch-byinch social climber embodies the strengths and weaknesses of the whole: complacently formulaic yet infused with a palpable humanity. However large a laughingstock, he is not denied his own romantic yearnings

and his inhibiting self-awareness. Naseeruddin Shah, Lillete Dubey, Vasundhara Das, Parvin Dabas, Vijay Raaz.

★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 7/11; LA PALOMA, FROM 7/12)

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.

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My Big Fat Greek Wedding — Selfanointed "Frump Girl" meets Mr. Wonderful, with the X-ray vision to see the beauty within. Only problem: he's not Greek. Nia Vardalos, scriptwriter and star, gets to unburden herself on her lineage ("My cousins have two volumes, loud and

louder"), and at the same time indulge herself in an Ugly Duckling fantasy. It seldom rises above an ethnic sitcom, but the "personal" angle stirs sympathy. With John Corbett, Michael Constantine, Lainie Kazan, Andrea Martin, Gia Carides; directed by Joel Zwick. 2002.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Powerpuff Girls — Animated superhero fantasy based on the Cartoon Network series, written and directed by Craig McCracken. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9: TOWN SOUARE 14)

Pumpkin — Reviewed this issue. With Christina Ricci, Hank Harris, Sam Ball, and Brenda Blethyn; co-directed by Anthony R. Abrams and Adam Larson Broder.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Reign of Fire — Flying dragons in futuristic London, with Matthew McConaughey and Christian Bale, directed by Rob Bowman.

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Return of the Secaucus Seven —

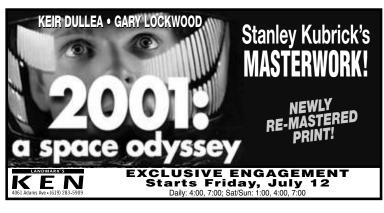
John Sayles's characters are the Ivy League student activists of the Vietnam War years, who, a decade later, have found niches for themselves in such "meaningful" lines of work as high-school teacher, Vista volunteer, drug counselor, singer-songwriter manquée, and chief speechwriter for a U.S. senator (Democratic, of course). A similarity of age, of outlook, of concerns, between these people and the present generation of movie critics has probably contributed greatly to this movie's fat portfolio of raves. That, and the predisposition of critics to be overgenerous to any movie costing just \$60,000, whether out of their compassion for paupers or their esteem for inflationfighters. frugality, though, only becomes a virtue in movies to the extent that it combines with other virtues, and Secaucus Seven is basically just a very small movie with commensurately small virtues. Any moviegoer who cannot instantly cozy up to the cast of characters, cannot feel himself to be just one of the gang, will conceivably have great difficulty taking an interest in their meandering discussions of whether or not they want to have babies, what kind of birth control devices they employ, who is, or has been, or soon might be, sleeping with whom, etc., etc. None of these topics, or any of the others touched upon, is worked out dramatically to any satisfactory degree, and Sayles's hip, chirrupy dialogue is pitched way out of the range of the overtaxed actors and the supposedly down-to-earth, realpeople, slice-of-life situations. 1980.

Road to Perdition — Prohibition-era gangster film, starring Tom Hanks, Paul Newman, and Jude Law, directed by Sam

★ (KEN, 7/18)

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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







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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; CHULA VISTA 10; FASH-ION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION MARKET-PLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RAN-CHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Spider-Man** — Repulsively overhyped comic-book adaptation by Sam Raimi. (How would his lighter and livelier Darkman, of 1990, have been pushed a decade later?) The hype, which naturally took no notice of the actual product and its worth, is as de rigueur as the Danny Elfman musical score and the plasticky, elasticky CG animation. It's just the way this sort of thing is done, and no room to wriggle. Even so, the advance misgivings of Spider-Maniacs over the pivotal casting of sensitive, vulnerable Tobey Maguire (Ride with the Devil, The Cider House Rules) prove to be not unfounded. Yes, yes, the premise of the piece — the boy who gets bitten by a genetically engineered superspider and infected with arachnoid superpowers — is a metaphor of the adolescent-to-adult metamorphosis. And who better than Maguire to bring out the human dimensions of the larval adolescent? Still, the movie lingers so long on the human side of the equation that it might have been better named Peter Parker. It truly is a Tobey Maguire movie more than a comic-book 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.

★ (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; VOGUE)

Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron — A DreamWorks animated feature in the old hand-drawn style: a horse odyssey after the fashion of the thrice-filmed Will James novel, Smoky, with the four-legged hero falling into many hands on his roundabout way home (which looks to be in the vicinity of Monument Valley, nowhere near the vicinity of the Cimarron River), but with the main difference that in this case the only good master is no master. Even the puckish, Peter Pannish Indian, with whom the horse reaches a mutually beneficial rapprochement, is not granted the privileges of ownership. (The horse is called Spirit because, among other reasons, he can't be broken.) But this is a precociously PC horse: the Indian is good, the white-eye is bad, the railroad is the snake in the Garden of Eden. He is also a thoughtful, if naggingly singleminded, horse: his interior speaking voice is the tranquilized one of Matt Damon ("They say the mustang is the spirit of the West"), and his interior singing voice is the constipated one of Bryan Adams ("Here I am, so young and strong,/ Right here in the place where I belong"). Thankfully, there are no cute animal sidekicks, voiced by standup 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. 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.

Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the **Clones** — The saga grinds on, in state-ofthe-art digital video: crisp and detailed yet somewhat overcast, monotoned, seemingly covered in a sort of pinkish-complected skin, like an unboiled wiener. The particulars — the diminished role of the reviled Jar-Jar Binks; the teen romance between Oueen 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 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.

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● (FASHION VALLEY 18: GASLAMP 15: MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SOLIARE 14)

St. Elmo's Fire — Post-graduate soap opera: seven collegiate colleagues in their "freshman year of life." ("Four months after graduation," one of them impatiently fumes, 'and you're still acting like every night's a frat party!") It's nice that the movie takes so impartial a view of its characters, and nice that it offers no permanent solutions to their problems. But a messy, ensemble manner does not disguise a tidy, empty mind. The blizzard of fast talk and flashy action includes stuff like one character dunking another's head in the men's-room toilet at

their favorite tavern. Did the director, Joel Schumacher, ever think of putting himself in anyone else's shoes? On the one side (in this particular instance) there is the feasibility of so neatly wetting the hair, without cracking open the skull, of the unsuspecting and uncooperating victim; and on the other side there is the dual question of personal dignity and hygiene: "Oh, well, the wet look is 'in' anyway." Emilio Estevez, Rob Lowe, Andrew McCarthy, Demi Moore, Judd Nelson, Ally Sheedy, Mare Winningham. 1985.

• (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 7/11 THROUGH 13, 7 P.M.)

The Sum of All Fears —  $A\ light$ doomsday snack, unsatisfying even for the











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duration. One wonders whether, out of post-9/11 sensitivity, or trepidation, or something, the images of a nuclear blast in Baltimore (at a football stadium where "Chicago" is for some reason lined up against "Florida"), not to mention its immediate aftermath, haven't been scaled back and toned down a bit: an invisible tsunami crashing through the windows of a hospital, overturning cars, knocking a helicopter for a loop, etc. After which the color is drained from the screen, and the predominant tone becomes frigid blue, a visual synonym, perhaps, for sad, morose, mournful. The filmmakers (director Phil Alden Robinson and co-writers Paul Attanasio and Daniel Pyne) cannot bring themselves to muster up even a rough estimate of the casualties: the fear of all sums. Our general impression is that they are somehow unprepared to face up to their own chosen subject. Any contemporary "relevance" is in any event fribbled away in a plot ripped not so much from today's headlines as from adolescent daydreams: a neo-Nazi conspiracy to push the U.S. and Russia over the nuclear brink, and one man only who can pull them back, a clean-cut desk-bound CIA yuppie who is thrust center-stage on the strength of a report he once authored on the new Russian president. That man is "Jack Ryan," hero of a series of Tom Clancy novels, though the casting of Ben Affleck effectively severs all ties with the hero's prior incarnations in the form of Alec Baldwin and Harrison Ford (old enough to be Affleck's father). This isn't just Pierce Brosnan slipping into the Brooks Brothers suits of Sean Connery and Roger Moore, with the twanging "James Bond Theme" providing continuity. This is



Swimming

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.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18: GROSSMONT TROLLEY: HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM

PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: RANCHO

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 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)

**Swimming** — Reviewed this issue. With Lauren Ambrose, Jennifer Dundas Lowe, Joelle Carter, and Jamie Harrold; directed by Robert I. Siegel.

• (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 7/12)

#### **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 choppingup 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

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**Town Square 14** 

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#### **DOWNTOWN**

Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) Call theater for program information

#### Horton Plaza 14

475 Horton Plaza (619-234-8602) About a Boy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:15, 9:45; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 1:10, 3:55) 6:40, 9:20; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 11:45, 12:25, 2:15, 2:50, 4:40, 5:15) 7:05, 7:40, 9:30, 10:00; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:20, 11:10, 12:35, 1:15, 2:50, 3:20, 5:00, 5:25) 7:10, 7:30, 9:15, 9:40; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:05, 12:30, 1:00, 2:20, 3:50, 4:10, 5:40, 7:00, 7:25, 9:00, 10:10, 10:35; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 11:00, 11:30, 12:20, 1:30, 2:00, 2:45, 4:00, 4:30, 5:10) 6:30, 7:05, 7:35, 2:00, 2:45, 4:00, 4:50, 5:10) 6:50, 7:03, 7:53, 9:00, 9:25, 9:55; **The Powerpuff Girls** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 12:40, 2:55, 5:05); **The** Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:10, 4:55) 7:45, 10:30; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:25, 4:25) 7:20, 10:15

#### **LA JOLLA**

#### Cove

7730 Girard Avenue (858-459-5404) **The Fast Runner (Atanarjuat)** (Not Rated) Fri. 4:00, 7:30; Sat.-Sun. (12:30) 4:00, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 4:00, 7:30

#### La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) Reign of Fire (PG-13); The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG); Road to Perdition (R); Halloween: Resurrection

(R); Men in Black II; Like Mike (PG); Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13); Insomnia (R); About a **Boy** (PG-13)

**La Jolla Village** 8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831) **Enigma** (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; **Swimming** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; **The Importance of Being Earnest** (PG) Fri. (1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45

#### MIRA MESA

#### Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700) Call theater for program information

#### MISSION VALLEY

#### Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262) Reign of Fire (PG-13); The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG); Road to Perdition (R); Halloween: Resurrection (R); Men in Black II; The Powerpuff Girls; Like Mike (PG); Hey Arnold!; Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; Insomnia (R); Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; About a Boy

## Mission Valley 20 1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)

Reign of Fire (PG-13); The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG); Road to Perdition (R); Halloween: Resurrection (R); Men in Black II; The Powerpuff Girls; Like Mike (PG); Hey Arnold!; Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; Scooby-Doo (PG); The

Bourne Identity (PG-13); Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13): The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; Spider-Man (PG-13)

#### STATE UNIVERSITY

#### Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990) Call theater for program information

4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909) 4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909)
Home Movie, Thursday; 2001: A Space
Odyssey (G) Fri. 4:00, 7:00, 9:55; Sat.-Sun.
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55; Mon.-Tue. 4:00, 7:00,
9:55; Lianna (R) Thu. 4:45, 9:30; Matewan (PG-13) Wed. 7:15; Return of the Secaucus 7 (R) Thu. 7:15; The Brother from Another Planet (Not Rated) Wed. 4:35,

#### **UPTOWN**

#### **Hillcrest Cinemas**

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100) 3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Thirteen Conversations About One
Thing (R) Fri. (1:35) 4:35, 7:35, 10:05;
Sat.-Sun. (10:40) 1:35, 4:35, 7:35, 10:05;
Mon.-Tue. (1:35) 4:35, 7:35, 10:05; Wed. (1:35) 4:35, 10:05; Thu. (1:35) 4:35, 7:35, 10:05; **Pumpkin** (R) Fri. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (10:25) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; **Sunshine State** (PG-13) Fri. (2:05) 5:05, 8:05; Sat. (11:05) 2:05, 5:05, 8:05; Sun. (11:20) 2:05, 5:05, 8:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:05) 5:05, 8:05; The Dangerous Lives of Altar Boys (R) Fri. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (10:35) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55; Mon. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:55; Tue. (1:10) 4:10, 9:55; Wed -Thu, (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:55; **The Emperor's New Clothes** (PG) Fri. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (10:30) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 9:50

#### Museum of Photographic Arts

1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559) St. Elmo's Fire, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 7 p.m.; The Breakfast Club, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 9:20 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center 1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)

Bears (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 11:00; Space Station (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 9:15; Sat.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **The Human Body** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00

#### **EAST COUNTY**

#### **EL CAJON**

Parkway Plaza 18 405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 1:30, 4:30) 7:45, 10:30; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:50, 5:15) 7:50, 10:10; Hey Arnold! (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20); Like Mike (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 1:20, 4:00) 7:35, 10:05; Lilo and Stitch (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 12:10, 2:30, 4:45) 7:15, 9:40; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (09:45, 10:15, 10:45, 12:05, 12:35, 1:15, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00, 4:55, 5:25) 6:50, 7:25, 8:00, 9:20, 9:50, 10:25; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:45) 7:00, 10:10; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 1:10, 2:55, 4:10, 5:20) 7:15, 7:45, 9:35, 10:15; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:15; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 1:00, 4:15) 7:00, 10:00; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:45, 12:00, 2:20, 4:35) 7:05, 9:30; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:20, 10:20; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:45, 12:50, 3:55) 7:10, 10:25; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:20, 4:40) 7:40, 10:30; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision **Course** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 12:00, 2:15, 4:40) 7:10, 9:30; **The Powerpuff Girls** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:15, 2:30, 4:50); Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 1:15, 4:30) 7:30, 10:35

#### Rancho San Diego 15 2951 Iamacha Road (800-555-8355)

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#### LA MESA

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#### SANTEE

#### Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:30, 12:20: Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:25: **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:30, 12:00; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:20

#### **SOUTH BAY**

#### **CHULA VISTA**

#### Chula Vista 10

555 Broadway (619-338-4214) Halloween: Resurrection (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **Hey Arnold!** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:00, 1:00, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:15; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:30; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00,

**2001: A Space Odyssey** — Much of its reputation comes from exposing the masses to special effects that had been done much more excitingly, not to mention economically, in experimental shorts. Only where money really counts — the finicky construction of model spaceships — does it move into new territory. Kubrick's paranoid spoofs on modern technocracy have never been very sharp — not then, not before (*Dr.* Strangelove), and not after (Clockwork *Orange*). Nonetheless a definite feeling of awe creeps in now and then during this incomprehensible chronicle of mankind from birth to rebirth. 1968.

**★★★★** (KEN, 7/12 THROUGH 16)

Undercover Brother - Always amiable,sometimes actually amusing blaxploitation spoof, more explicitly a Jim Kelly spoof, directed by Malcolm (cousin of Spike) Lee, in a suitably sleazy style. The free-lance hero (Eddie Griffin, practically licking his chops), an atavistic Seventies superdude sporting a 'fro the radius of a medicine ball, but a master of disguise as well, to enable him to pass in the white-collar world as a fully



assimilated Alan Keyes or Clarence Thomas, is recruited by a secret organization abbreviated as B.R.O.T.H.E.R.H.O.O.D. (cousin of U.N.C.L.E.), to combat The Man, a shadowy archvillain and architect of Operation Whitewash, bent on stemming the tide of black influence in the culture, turning back the clock on race relations, and robbing African-Americans of their individuality in full flower during the big-haired, widecollared, platform-shoed, gold-medallioned

Seventies. The conspiracy, once pointed out, can be seen to be everywhere: "The NBA instituted the three-point shot to give white boys a chance." The fast-and-loose commentary on, or mere litany of, crosscultural perceptions and stereotypes has something of the snap of a Chris Rock stand-up routine. Besides which, it's educational: who would ever think of mayonnaise as exclusively a Caucasian condiment? If there's a proneness to selfcontradiction — the black man losing his individuality at the same time he's gaining influence, the hero alternating between a Bruce Lee and an Inspector Clouseau — it's a testament to the knottiness of the issues. With Aunjanue Ellis, Denise Richards, Dave Chappelle, Chi McBride, Chris Kattan. 2002.

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 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 bangbang, is in the by-the-numbers male bonding between two Navaio 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 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. OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18: HORTON PLAZA 14: PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

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Palm Promenade 24
770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)
Reign of Fire (PG-13); The Crocodile
Hunter: Collision Course (PG); Road to
Perdition (R); Halloween: Resurrection (R); Men in Black II; The Powerpuff Girls; Like Mike (PG); Hey Arnold!; Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones; Spider-Man (PG-13)

#### Rancho Del Rey 16

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1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)

Halloween: Resurrection (R) Fri.-Thu.
(11:55, 2:45, 5:10) 7:45, 10:05; Hey Arnold!
(PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:15); Like Mike (PG)

Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:05, 4:40) 7:45, 10:10;
Lilo and Stitch (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 4:35) 7:20, 9:35; Men In Black II (PG-13)

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#### Vogue

Vogue
226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436)
Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:00, 7:45;
Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron (G)
Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 6:00; Undercover Brother (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:15, 10:00

#### **IMPERIAL BEACH**

#### South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

#### **NATIONAL CITY**

#### **Harbor Drive In**

32nd and D (619-477-1392) Lilo and Stitch; Reign of Fire (PG-13)

#### Sweetwater 9

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#### **BONSALL**

#### Galaxy 6

76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Like Mike (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Thu, 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00; Minority Report (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15; **The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00

#### CARMEL MOUNTAIN

#### **Carmel Mountain**

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770) Call theater for program information

#### **POWAY**

#### Poway 10

Poway 10 13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) Lilo and Stitch (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 10:30, 12:30, 12:45, 3:00, 3:00, 5:15, 5:30, 7:30, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15; Men In Black II 7:30, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:00, 1:00, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:15; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:30; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Road to** 

Perdition (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:45, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; **The** Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG)
Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30;
The Powerpuff Girls (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15,

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Ramona Twin 626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

#### **SAN MARCOS**

#### San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (800-555-8355) Walk (800-555-8355)
Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:15, 9:55; Halloween: Resurrection (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:45, 5:00) 7:25, 9:50; Hey Arnold! (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05); Like Mike (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:20, 5:10) 7:30, 9:55; Lilo and Stitch (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:35, 9:45; Map In Black II

3:15) 5:30, 7:35, 9:45; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:20, 10:35, 12:10, 12:30, 2:30, 2:50, 4:45, 5:05, 12:55, 3:10) 5:25, 7:10, 8:00, 8:20, 9:30, 10:05, 10:40; Minority Report (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 3:45) 7:05, 10:20; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 2:35, 4:40, 5:05) 7:05, 7:55, 9:25, 10:20; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:05, 4:35) 7:10, 9:40; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:40, 1:25, 4:10) 7:00, 9:45; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:40, 4:55) 7:10, 9:15; **Spi-der-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 4:40) der-Man (PG-13) Ffl.-1nt. (10:35, 4:40) 10:35; Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:25, 4:25) 7:25, 10:30; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:45) 7:40, 10:15; The Powerpuff Girls (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 12:30, 2:55, 5:10); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50,

#### **NORTH COASTAL**

2:45) 5:20, 8:10, 10:45; **Windtalkers** (R)

#### CARLSBAD

#### Plaza Camino Real

Fri.-Thu. (1:45) 7:45

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#### La Costa 6

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#### **DEL MAR**

#### Del Mar Highlands 8

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12905 El Camino Real (858-646-9420)
Hey Arnold! (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00; Like
Mike (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00,
5:30, 7:45, 10:15; Lilo and Stitch (PG)
Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45;
Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30,
12:00 1:00 2:30 2:30 4:45 Eth. 7:00 8:00 Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:00, 1:00, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:15; Minority Report (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Reign of Fire (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45 Course (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45

#### Flower Hill 4

2430 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425) Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; **Road to** 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00,

#### **ENCINITAS**

#### **Encinitas 8**

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) Hey Arnold! (PG) Fri. 2:15 (4:45); Like Mike (PG) Fri. 1:50 (5:10) 7:55; Lilo and Stitch (PG) Fri. 2:05 (5:00) 7:40; Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri. 2:00 (5:30) 8:15; Minority Report (PG-13) Fri. 1:45 (4:50) 8:00; Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri. 2:35 (5:40) 8:00; Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri. 2:35 (5:40) 8:25; Scooby-Doo (PG) Fri. 8:30; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri. 2:30 (5:20) 8:10; The Powerpuff Girls (PG) Fri. 2:20 (4:30) 6:30; Windtalkers (R) Fri. 7:45

#### La Paloma

A71 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-7469)
Dogtown and Z-Boys (PG-13) Sat.-Thu.
9:00; Monsoon Wedding (R) Sat.-Sun.
4:00, 6:30; Mon.-Thu. 6:30; SubUrbia (R)
Fri. 8:00; Sat. 12:00; The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Sat.

#### OCEANSIDE

#### Mission Marketplace 13

431 College Boulevard (760-806-1790) Halloween: Resurrection (R) Fri.-Tue. 10:15, 12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:20; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:15, 12:40, 3:10, 5:50, 8:10, 10:40; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:40, 1:00, 3:30, 5:50, 8:10, 10:15; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:00, 11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 7:15, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 12:15, 3:30, 7:00, 10:10; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:30, 1:00, 3:30, 6:30, 9:15; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:30, 1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Tue. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:50, 10:30; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:00, 12:20, 2:50, 5:10, 7:20, (PG) Fri.-1ue. 10:00, 12:20, 2:30, 3:10, 7:20, 9:40; The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:30, 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:15, 12:40, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:20; The Powerpuff Girls (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:30, 12:40, 3:00

#### Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733)
Men in Black II; The Powerpuff Girls; Like Mike (PG); Hey Arnold!; Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; Juwanna Mann; Scooby-Doo (PG); The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Windtalkers (R); Bad Company; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13); Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron

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CHILD CARE WORKER needed for overnight position for residential treatment center. Must be in fourth year, working towards B.A. degree. Fax resume to New Alternatives, attention Matt at 619-421-6000 >280

CHILD CARE WORKER needed for residential treatment center. B.A. degree required. Pay dependent on experience. Fax resume to Matt, 619-656-1429.

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CLASSROOM AIDES. Work with develop 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@ steincenter.org. Fax resume to 619-281-0453. Apply in person, weekdays, 9am-4pm, Stein Education Center, Attention:

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COMMUNITY TRAINING Specialist \$8.38/hour to start, depending on experience. Assist developmentally disabled adults in the community. 32.5 hours/ week. Benefits. Apply Monday-Friday. 8:30am-4:30pm: Stein Education Center, 6145 Decena Drive, San Diego 92120. E-Mail: hrdept@vistahill.org. Fax 858-514-5195. www.vistahill.org. 5195. www.vistahill.org.

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COUNSELOR, Child Development. Full/
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Loma area. B.A. degree in related (psychology) field preferred. Fax resume to
attention: Robert, 619-523-0249 or mail:
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COUNSELOR. Women's residential treat

COUNSELOR/CHILD CARE Worker. Work with SED children, ages 6-12, East County Rehabilitation Training Center. B.A. Degree/senior status required. Various full-/part-time available. Training. Benefits. EOE. Fax resume: NAI#17, attention Kristi, 619-447-5386.

COUNSELORS needed to implement in-dependent living skills in a residential program for our Transitional Living Pro-gram. Full and part time. All shifts avail-able. Point Loma area. B.A. required. Fax resume: Attn: Kathy, 619-523-0249.

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#### COMMUNITY TRAINING SPECIALIST

\$8.38/hr. to start, DOE

To assist developmentally disabled adults in the community. Hours: 32.5 hours/week. Benefits.

**Duties:** Behavioral and instructional programs • Implement schedules

Applications/résumés are accepted Monday-Friday 9 am-4 pm. **Stein Education Center** 6145 Decena Drive, San Diego, CA 92120

Fax: 619-281-0453 • E-mail: hrdept@steincenter.org

All applications/résumés must include job title. www.vistahill.org.

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# MEDICAL



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#### **Sheriff's Detention Nurse II**

Salary range: \$42,203-\$51,272 annually

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San Diego office: 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 207 Information: (619) 236-2191

North County office: 600 East Valley Parkway, Escondido Information: (760) 740-4199

Website: www.co.san-diego.ca.us

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DEPUTY SHERIFF/Detentions/Courts.
San Diego County Sheriff's Department.
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Miramar College, 10440 Black Mountain
Road, San Diego CA 92126, \$33,216\$51,382, benefits. U.S. citizen or applied
for citizenship; 20-1/2 years old; U.S. high
school graduate or G.E.D. No felonies,
probation (misdemeanors may disqualifly). Vision 20/100 uncorrected, corrected
to at least 20/30. No minimum vision requirement for soft contact lenses wearers.
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CLERICAL

#### Admissions and Records Assistant 1

Miramar office Part time - 20 hrs/wk \$1113 per month

Part time - 20 hrs/wk \$1113 per month Req's any combination equivalent to: graduation from high school & 1 year of clerical exp. involving frequent public contact. Closes 6:00, Thursday, July 18, 2002. For more info: http://www.barstow.cc.ca.us/hrdo/ iohore htm

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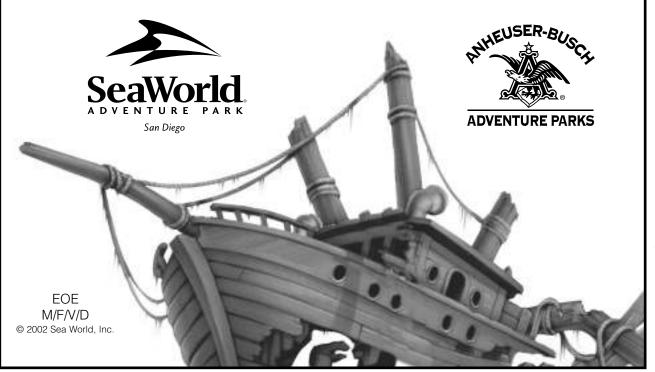
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Julie Miller

Sales Hillcrest

Get Knocked Down and I Get Back Up Again" — I think Back Up Again" — I think Chumbawamba sings it. It's indicative of the space I'm in right now; I can really relate to the words and



Chris Radder

Engineer Hillcrest

 $\overline{F^{\text{eliz Navidad." Pretty much from}}_{\text{mid-December on through May.}}$ I hear it, and it just sticks in my head. Yeah, the José Feliciano version. Now you'll be singing it.



Nicholas Feather Barista

Golden Hill

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Christopher McNurlan

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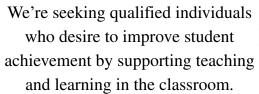
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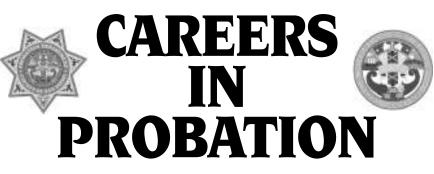




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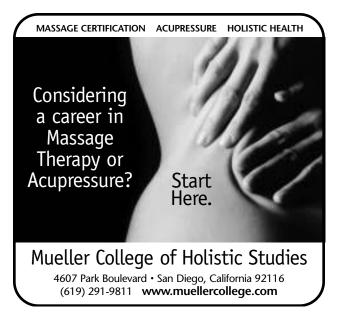
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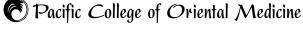
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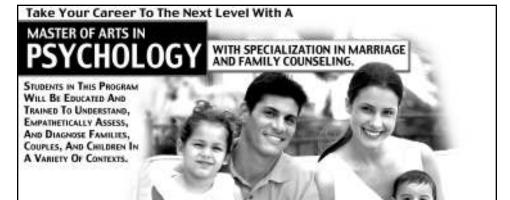
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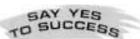
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- canto (singing style)
- 15. Sour-tasting 16. A.C. stat
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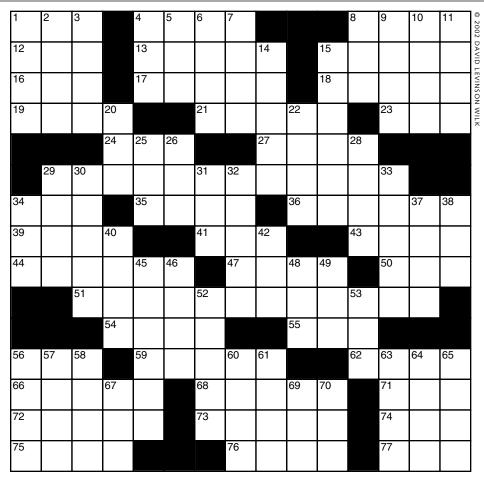
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- 29. With 51-Across, like a meddlesome Winnie-the-Pooh (or most of this puzzle's answers)
- 34. Dickens cry 35. The "A" in A.D.
- 36. Fix the hair again
- 39. Old Spice competitor
- 41. Amigo of Fidel
- 43. Asinine
- 44. Most minimal
- \_-Seltzer 50. Yiddish Mr.
- 51. See 29-Across
- 54. "Que" follower, in song 55. Part of a line outside a hotel
- 56. Word with punching or sleeping
- 59. Proscriptions 62. Ship bracket
- 66. Person in front of a train?
- 68. Confession of faith
- 71. Priest's robe
- 72. Rum-soaked cakes
- 73. Person who says "The job is yours!"
- 74. Disorderly crowd
- 75. Part of 51-Across
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- 4. "I, Claudius" network
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  5. Pal, colloquially
  6. "Little Women" woman
  7. Phi \_\_\_\_ Kappa
  8. Classical scholar's period of
- study: Abbr.
- 9. End of class sound 10. La \_\_\_\_ (fossil-rich area) 11. Part of 51-Across
- 14. Michelangelo work 15. Say yes (to)

- 20. New Deal pres.
- 22. Baltic Sea feeder
- 25. Time piece?26. Hither's partner
- 28. Start of kindergarten learning 29. 20-Down's mother 30. "Star Trek" lieutenant
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- rock grp. 45. Norwegians' neighbors 46. South Seas food staple
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- 52. Alternative to Italian 53. Kind of tide
- 56. Part of 51-Across 57. Like some Mideasterners 58. Andy who sang "Shadow
- Dancing"
  60. Windy City paper, with "The"
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- 63. Shakespeare's foot? 64. Amorphous mass
- 65. Part of 51-Across
- 67. Tiny bit
- 69. Girl in a gown
- 70. Planet, poetically

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- 1. The prize for solving the Reader Puzzle will be a Reader T-shirt.
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- 6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- 7. One entry per person.





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WAITING WORTH IT. European, beautiful inside/out, professional, red/blue, childless, diverse, sensual, warm, seeking professional, emotionally secure, romantic; humor, conversation, outdoors, travel; honest, more. (7/17) 

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HI. I'M LOOKING FOR A GUY in San ulego to hang out with and go on ship dates. (7/24) \$\overline{\alpha}34101\$

SEEKING FINANCIALLY SECURE. attract tive man, 45-50, 6'-64", brown/black hair, brown eyes, fitness intelligence. Me: 43, attractive, voluptuous, 5'8", blonde/green. Contact for profile information. (7/24) \$\mathref{3}\$34092

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ATTENTION: MILITARY officers! Exotic beauty queen with brains, loyalty, in-tegrity, honor, romantic, soul, courageous heart, never married, no kids, seeks gen-tleman with special heart; 36-55. (7/24)

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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)

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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

PRETTY, AFFECTIONATE brunette desires educated, handsome, fit, secure man for fun, outdoor activities, sushi, gourmet barbecues, movies, good conversations, passionate kisses and humming allowed. 42+. (7/17) \$\textit{T}\$ 34025

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BEAUTY'S IN THE EYE of the beholder I'm 28, full-figured, very attractive single mom seeking white male, 28-45, good job, loving, play no games. (7/17)

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ATTRACTIVE LATINA, romantic single mom, 5'7", 145lbs. Seeking honest, handsome, fit, affectionate, communicative, good sense humor, nonsmoker, gentleman, 38-50; possible relationship. No compositions (2/14), 2873 (4/24)

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GIRL WITH GREAT PLANS for her life seeks affectionate, funny male for fun, adventure, movies, plays, concerts and fun. Please be 35-45 and emotionally available. (7/24) \$\alpha\$34090

42, 53, full figure, brown hair, seeks a guy who enjoys dancing, art and coffeehouses. And weekend trips. (7/17)

FAT, HAPPY WOMAN (age 48) seeks secure easygoing man for conversation cure, easygoing man for conversation, adventure and fun. Educated professional, independent spirit. Like films, music, art, travel? Let's talk. (7/17) \$\infty\$34051

tractive, communicative, emotionally/fi-nancially secure, outgoing, romantic, hu-mor, tall, Scripps Ranch plus. Dining, healthy, honest. Me: Professional, sen-sual; laughter, conversation. Take chance. (7/17) \$\oldsymbol{\text{3}} 34057

CUTE GUY WANTED! You: good looking, white, 21-31, 5'10"+. Me: white, cute brunette, 5'8", sweet, smart, fun, adventurious, passionate. Looking to have fun, nothing serious! (7/24) \$\alpha\$34093 CLASSY JAPANESE, VERY young-look ing 50s, proportionate, feminine, is seeking nice gentleman for sharing life together. No drugs, no smoking please. (7/24) \$\alpha\$34088

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WANTED: 100% MAN, 45+, brilliant, cre-WANTED: 100% menu, 2007, ative, funny, capable of intense intimacy/joy. Share music, nature, learning, growth, by 100% beautiful lady, positive, highly spiritual, nonsmoker. (7/24) ☎34078

STRIKING BLONDE BEAUTY, 29, 5'6' 118lbs., fit, vivacious, classy, no baggage, looking for fit, adventurous, smart, eccentric man, 33-43, that's used to an upscale lifestyle. (7/24) 🕿 34085

BLACK MALE WANTED! You are 36-45, handsome, successful, adventurous. Me: handsome, successful, adventurous. Me: 5'8", attractive, vivacious, brunette. Will work for wonderful relationship. (7/17) 2334054

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open-minded, adventurous, great kisser! Love travel, music, wine and romance. Want adventurous male, 28-40 to share life, love and more! (7/17) \$\mathbf{T}\$34064

PLUS-SIZE BLONDE, blue eyes, mid-50s, honest, easygoing, great sense of humor, would like to meet nice gentleman for

quality time. Social drinking only. (7/17) \$\alpha 34060\$

SUGAR AND SPICE! Silly/serious, sporty, brown/green, 34, 5'3". Craving Caucasian cutie, 29-36. Us: Balanced, responsible, degreed(?), childless, never married, adventurous, social, tenderhearted nonsmokers. (7/17) \$\textit{\Pi}\$34052

nearea nonsmokers. (//17) ☎34052

LATINA, TALL, LARGE build, enjoys reading, swimming, walking, movies, eating out. Seeking 40-something man who has sense of humor and enjoys people. Friends first. (7/17) ☎34036

YES, LIFE IS EXTRAORDINARY! 43, at tractive, curvaceous, 57". Share love, honest communication, personal growth, adventure, fun, relationship seminars, community, play, self-expression, freedom, friendship, partnership. (7/17) 234047

**ENTERTAINING CONVERSATION, travel** a glass of wine. Slim, petite, attractive, unencumbered art docent, 55, seeks fit professional for good companionship and possible relationship. (7/17) 334068

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or exotic males between the ages of 23-28. I'm easygoing, dramaless and down to earth. (7/17) \$\infty\$34042

**BEAUTIFUL BLONDE,** 40, seeks younger man for relationship. Be employed, handsome, athletic. I am professional, fit, desire same. (7/17) ☎34027

MYSTICAL, MAGICAL, creative. High energy, active, young looking, 56. Sensual, fun loving, share from the heart. Mictwestern values, simplicity of life, spiritual, warm, positive. (7/17) ☎34040

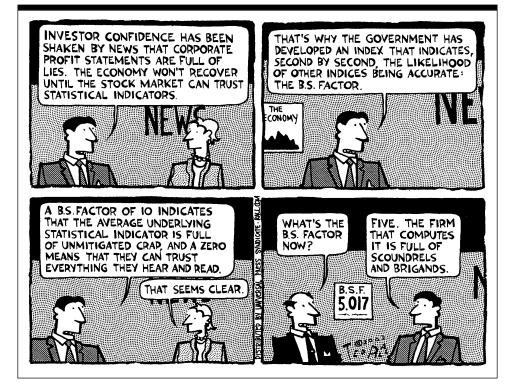
REDHEAD, 49, ACTIVE, upbeat, profes sional, looking for fun, romance, excitement with soul mate. Like tennis, sailing, movies, exploring. Please be honest, caring and family oriented. (7/17) \$\frac{1}{2}\$34031

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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. (7/24) AS-34099

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LONG, LEGGY, SLIM AND trim. Pretty, petite brunette, 5'8", 123lbs., 40ish. I'm loving, passionate and playful. Love laughter and life. Seeking outgoing, ruggedly handsome gentleman with warm heart and sweet smile. (7/17) \$\alpha\$34063

WANT TO PLAY? Ample, open-minded adventurous 45, 5°2°, loves music, travel, fun. Seeking adventurous, open-minded, North County 38-48, under 6°, for fun/more. (7/24) \$\frac{1}{4}\$34102

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ASIAN, EXOTIC, SULTRY, sensational, healthcare professional, 5'3", 115lbs., childless, homeowner. You're tall, fit, successful, nonsmoker, generous white professional, 35-55. Let's enjoy food, music and explore. (7/24) \$\textit{\alpha}\$34089

PREFER BROWN EYES, intelligence sensitivity, sense of humor. Slim blonde, Ph.D., 40s, intelligent, vivacious, affectionate; art, cinema, travels; seeks best friends and lover for life. (7/24) \$34079

LIKE TO HIKE, PLAY TENNIS and travel? Searching for a kind, easygoing companion who likes good conversation over coffee or wine, music, books, movies, PBS. (7/24) \$\infty\$34086

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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) \$\infty\$34024

SEXY. SMART. EUROPEAN educated gorgeous petite. Seeking successful, stylish, truthful, compassionate, loyal, generous, monogamous, passionate, spiritual/nonreligious, sportive, 38-48, no kids, 5'9" + . No Republicans. (7/24) 73:34103.

WANT TO PLAY? SEXY 40. blonde. blue friends. Love camping, travelling, parties, adrenaline rushes, beaches. You be 35-45, honest, happy. (7/17) \$\frac{1}{2}\$4045

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN INSIDE and out is in need of putting herself back in-shape physically. Looking for a playmate to make the process more fun! (7/24)

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

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, (7717) 334032

ATTRACTIVE, PETITE BRUNETTE, 48 5'1", 125lbs., brown/brown, seeking nor-mal, educated, sincere, caring gentle-man, 45-59, for friendship or more, to en-joy common interests. (7/24) \$\mathbf{T}\$34087

ATHLETIC DEFINITION, LATIN, 51", 36, brown/brown long, at gym 10-14 hours/week, outdoors, diversified, highenergy sweet, positive balance; mind, body, soul. Looking: soul mate, gentleman; mostly attracted to very tall, athletic types. (7/17) \$\alpha\$34056

ypes. (///) \$\tilde{1}\$ 34050
ATTRACTIVE, EUROPEAN, sexy, blonde lady, 49, slim, educated, loving, all kinds fun, wishes to meet nice gentleman, 60+, for companionship, trips abroad, dinners, movies. (7/17) \$\tilde{2}\$34022

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a lady. (7/17) 25/34043

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LIBERAL VEGETARIAN, 36, craves cre

VERY ATTRACTIVE MEXICAN, great legs, easygoing, wants to meet very attractive guy, 38-49, healthy, honest, financially secure, nonsmoker, no drugs, for friendship or possible relationship. (7/17)

ATTRACTIVE, SENSUOUS, playful brunette, fit, intelligent, 5'2", 44, seeks fit, honest, intelligent man for a possible long-term relationship, laughter, companionship and more. 40-50, 5'7"-6'. (7/24) 334084

TALL BRUNETTE, 48, unencumbered professional, seeking teddy bear, 6'+, loves outdoors, music, physical activity, dining; romantic who wants more out of life than shallow relationships. (7/17)

YOU ARE ATTENTIVE, HONEST, affect tionate and nonjudgmental, seeking the same. 45-55 years young. Are you the one? E-mail me, let's talk. (7/24)

**GOOD-LOOKING,** nice-figured, sexy lady seeking monogamous relationship with 58+, tall, outgoing, cheerful personality who is classy, playful, fun, loving, snuggable, lovable, easygoing. (7/17)

HOT BLONDE. CURVACEOUS SCORPIO. youthful 47, seeks prosperous and good-looking Pisces, Cancer, Virgo, Capricorn or Taurus. Seeking new adventures and a real romance. (7/17) ☎34067

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sionate, 5'7", 130lbs., adventurous female. No smoke, please. (7/24) 🕿 34075

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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) \$\overline{a}\$33817

GOT BIG LEGS. WITH SOUL and mind? Brown eyes/hair optional. Desire romantic friend with creative spirit. I'm 46, 5'11". Outdoors, movies, wine, ethnic cuisine. (7/24) 33897

FIREMAN SEEKING 30-40- year-old open-minded female to spend quality time with zoo, picnics and laughs. Must like children. No games, drugs. (7/24)

HERPES MALE WITH STD SEEKS female HERPES MALE WITH STD SEEKS female with STD for friendship and possible long-term, loving relationship/family. Your bio: between 25-35 years old, attractive, height/weight proportionate, well groomed, honest, positive outlook on life, moral. Ethnicity unimportant. My bio: Caucasian, handsome, honest, happy, respectful, understanding, responsible, loyal, down to earth. If you're wondering if you should respond to this inquiry, then you should. (7/24) \$\tilde{2}\$3329.

SELECTIVE. 43. 5'11". trim build. nice appearance, easygoing, considerate, athletic, childless, varied interests. Wish to meet slender, energetic, realistic, outdoor oriented, nonsmoking lady, 35-45. (7/17) \$\alpha\$33826

45. (7/17) \*\*\text{Constant} \*

ENGLISH PROFESSIONAL, 57 years highly travelled, enjoys rural life and out door activities; seeks fit and trim counter part. (7/24) \$\infty\$33914

BLACK MALE SEEKING professional ye classy lady, playful, romantic, affection classy lady, playful, romantic, affectionate. Me: 6', 215lbs., 50ish, active. Like outdoor activities. No drugs, smoking or excuses. North County. (7/24)

MR. RIGHT COMES AROUND only once. Unless he's lost, than he'll circle for hours before asking for directions. Me: 41, 5'6", 150lbs., brown hair/eyes. (7/17)

☐ 33772

TIRED OF JERKS? Tall (6'4", 208lbs.), active, professional engineer, 30 years old. tive, professional engineer, 30 years old. Great catch because I'm a smart, funny, easygoing guy that's honest and reliable. (7/24) 🛣 33847

HANDSOME, ARTICULATE black male 37, 510°, 210lbs., athletic, enjoys beach walks, movies and stimulating conversation; seeks outgoing, spontaneous, openminded black female, 25-55. Call me. (7/17) ☎33806

HISPANIC MALE, 44, SEEKS white o Hispanic female under 35. Any size and shape. Must be loving, nurturing, affectionate and mothering. Voluptuous a plus

**HEART FOR SALE.** Easy pay plan. White male, 56 years young, seeking soul mate and much more. Now is always the best time of life. (7/17) ☎33801

HANDSOME, SMART, STABLE, confident, unencumbered, successful De dent, unencumbered, successful Del Martian (approximately 6', 180lbs., 45) seeks slender, refined, educated, nurtur-ing Venusian (30-42); healthy, balanced, long-term relationship and? (7/17)

LET'S CLIMB A MOUNTAIN together. There's a beautiful spring on the other side. Jewish male, 32, likes new adventures, laughter. Seeking honest, sincere, classy woman. (7/24) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 33907

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Wanting to share love,
passion/friendship. 50-year-young,
divorced, gentle, music/dance lover,
Latino. You: 35-45, attractive, liberal,
nedical profession. Green eyes a
plus. (7/24) ☎33905

BLACK MALE, 40s, seeking full-figured,
white/Latin female who enjoys good conversation, relaying massages, walk on the
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Monogamous relationship. (7/17)
☎33795

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)

TALL, HANDSOME WHITE MALE, conser vative, divorced father seeks younger woman for romantic, intimate, sensuous, sexy, relaxed evenings. My place or yours. Kissing, cuddling, enjoying me. (7/24) \$\alpha\$ 33918

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casian. Friendship, conversation, jogging, travel, adventure. (7/24) \$\alpha\$ 33921

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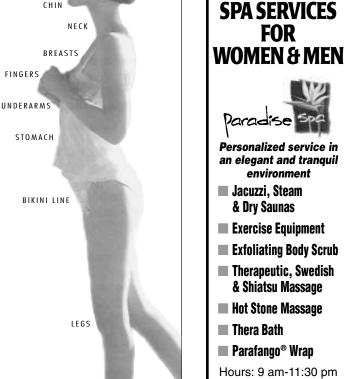
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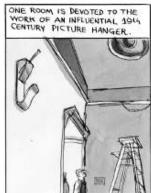






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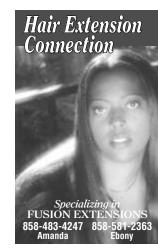
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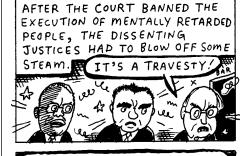
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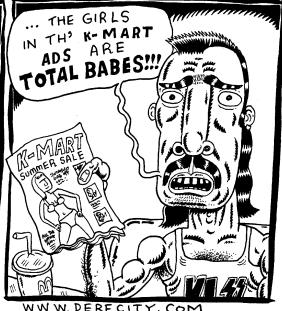
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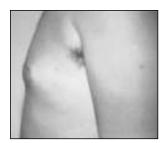
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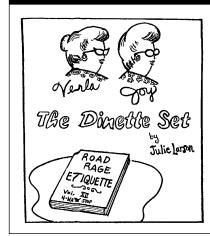
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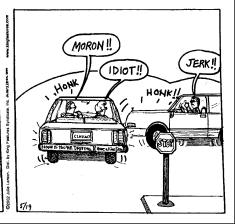
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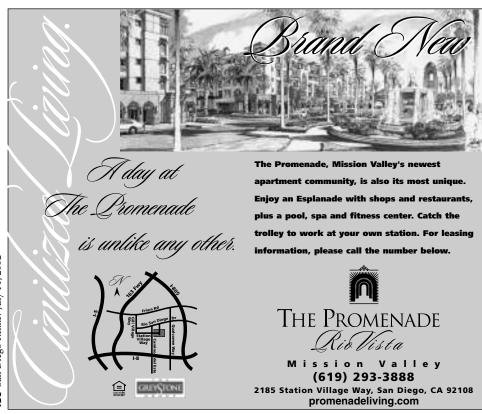


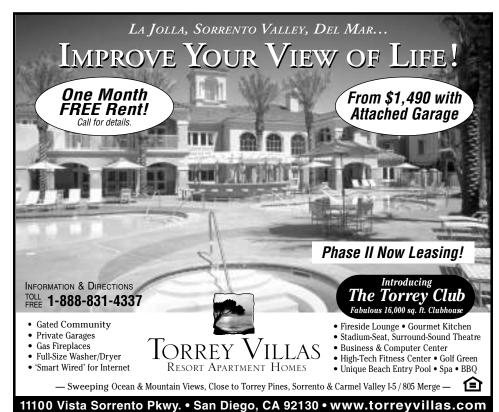
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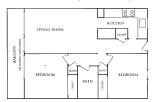


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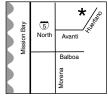
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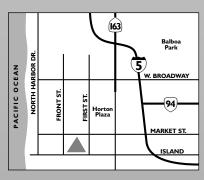
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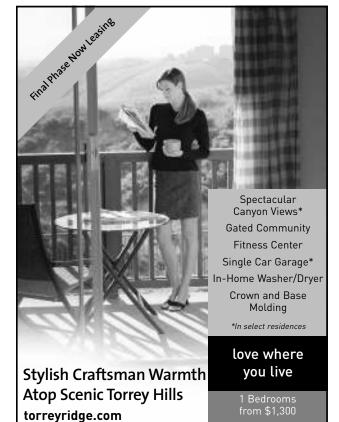
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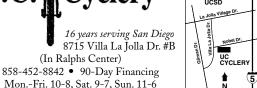
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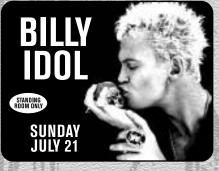
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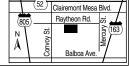
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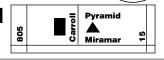
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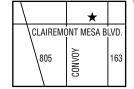
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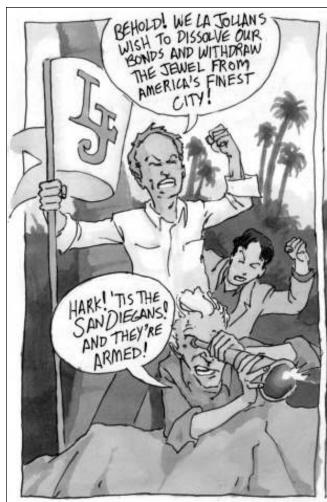
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"I don't think I've ever met anyone as thoroughly English as you two."

By John Brizzolara

The Westgate Hotel serves a formal high tea every day except Sunday. With a facile harpist in the background, one can look around the grand lobby and imagine oneself in 18th-century Europe. I met my party at 3:30 on a Friday afternoon. We were the first and only tea customers in the next hour. "Too bad we couldn't have rounded up a vicar, eh?" I asked my associate, Jasper Groomsby-Smith, a retired journalist from the Manchester Guardian.

"Mmmm" was all he said. Jasper had brought with him a friend or relative (it was unclear) from England, a woman in her 40s named Devon Meriot.

We took a table for three, no reservations, and I sank into a capaciously stuffed, flower-printed sofa. Ms. Meriot set to work right away establishing herself as a woman of mystery by whispering into her cell phone, hanging up, replacing the phone in her bag and standing. "I have to make a call," she announced. Jasper stood and, a beat later, so did I. She kept doing this for the next 20 minutes, muttering to herself when she returned to the table, appearing quite put out.

I had never been to a tea, much less a "high tea" (as opposed to the working-class version, which can feature baked beans on toast instead of cucumber sandwiches and petits fours), and it became clear that this was a mercy to whomever might have been my tea mates. I had no idea how anything was done properly.

A Hispanic waiter brought Meriot and I Victoria tea, and for Groomsby-Smith, an Earl Grey, I believe. The silent waiter poured through a strainer over the cups (there would be no question of reading tea leaves later) and cued us that now would be a good time to order what

we would like to accompany the tea. I went for the petits fours, reasonably sure it was a kind of candy pastry, as the rest on the menu appeared, except for scones, completely foreign to me.

Groomsby-Smith was reminiscing about a fellow correspondent in Southeast Asia named Nigel "Spats" Caruthers. Meriot seemed distracted, and I was having difficulty with Groomsby-Smith's accent, which seemed to have become far more pronounced since we sat down. He was going on about tea at a place called Raffles in Singapore. The only bit I understood was when he squinted off into the middle distance of the large room and said, "wasn't the same chap I'd met in Knightsbridge...not at all. The war, I suppose, or the colony itself, the heat, you know..." He might easily have been talking about the Crimean War or the heat at Khartoum.

It was fortunate that Groomsby-Smith was along, however, since he is a great talker, changing subjects as suddenly as California motorists change lanes on the freeway. One minute he would be talking about discovering the "sleep" function on his computer, appearing confounded, and the next about another correspondent named John Michelle who traveled about south Asia on a motorbike. "He was married to the niece of General Giap. Had an unfortunate affliction. Muscle spasm or something. His arm would just shoot straight out like this at the oddest moments." Groomsby-Smith appeared to be doing a Doctor Strangelove imitation. "He would pretend it hadn't happened, and he being an affable sort, everyone else pretended it wasn't happening either."

Groomsby-Smith removed his straw boater when his scones arrived. He wore a kind of gray, polka ascot with an open-throated shirt he fondled as he inspected his scones critically. Ms. Meriot stood again and announced another phone call. I hadn't realized she had returned from the last one. She was hardly present. I assumed that a lover or a stockbroker was on the other end of the telephone line.

The waiter leveled a plate with the petits fours in front of my eyes and I tried to take it from him. He jerked it back. Then I jerked it toward me once again. This odd tug-of-war was brought to an end when he pointed at my napkin, folded like a seashell sitting on the table in the spot meant for the plate. I removed the napkin and he set it down. Groomsby-Smith was saying something about Somerset Maugham. I realized it was in response to my question about Raffles and why it sounded so familiar. He then began to synopsize a number of stories Maugham had written while hanging around Raffles. In a heartbeat he was then off on lump sugar and espresso coffee — with no apparent segueway.

I studied Meriot's plate: a spinach sandwich on a small rectangle of white bread with the crust removed, a strip of salmon rolled in white bread that looked like a cookie, and less recognizable fare. "Wonder if she's going to eat that?" Groomsby-Smith asked no one in particular. He was pouring milk into an empty teacup first and then the tea on top of it. I remember reading that putting the milk in either before or after the tea betrays either upper class or lower class sensibilities. I later learned that Groomsby-Smith's way was supposedly middle or lower class.

"So how do you know Devon?" I asked, "Do you work together?"



Jasper Groomsby-Smith

"You might say so. She is something of a spiritual advisor. Ah, here she comes again.

Meriot seemed in a better mood and joined the conversation. "This isn't really high tea as I know it," she said, nibbling at a crustless piece of bread. "High tea is more like six o'clock and with a meal.

"And this?" I wondered.

"Just tea. But a good one. I've had tea at Raffles as well, and the Peninsula in Hong Kong, with their curries and ginger and almonds. Let's see, Ashoka in New Delhi, the Old Majestic in Kuala Lumpur. Yes, this stands up." Groomsby-Smith and Meriot began exchanging notes on who does Devonshire splits with clotted cream best, seedy cake and apricot teacake, Chelsea buns and cider cake. I had no idea what they were talking about. I spooned more sugar into my Vic-- another teatime faux pas in England.

"I don't think I've ever met anyone as thoroughly English as you two," I had to comment.

"Odd, isn't it?" Groomsby-Smith allowed, "When we've both made such a point of avoiding the damp of jolly old. Haven't been there in years. I propose a toast to her all the same.3

'And here's to your little newspaper story," Meriot raised her cup, pinky unextended. "Good God, it's Friday isn't it?"

"Yes it is," said Groomsby-Smith. "Every day should be Friday, don't you think?" As usual Groomsby-Smith seemed not to be asking anyone in particular so no answer was required. I just hummed, "hmmm." I alarmed myself by nearly saying, "Here, here, old chap." It would have sounded ridiculous coming from me, and yet I had to fight down the urge. I compromised with myself and merely uttered, "Quite," teacup raised, my pinky protruding.

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'll take a dog over a burger any day," my husband Patrick always says at barbecues. I could live without them for the rest of my days but Patrick and the kids can't get enough of them, that is, unless I buy the chicken or turkey franks. Then they won't touch them. So when I went out in search of the best hot dog, I stuck to the beef hot dogs, throwing in just a few wild cards: tofu dogs, a pack of chicken franks, and a light beef hot dog.

Enlisting our friends Sarah and John, we sat down around the 21 packages and started comparing. There was a wide difference among the hot dogs, in color, from sickly beige to dark red. Some dogs were little more than half an inch in diameter while others pushed past the inch-and-a-half mark. After Patrick barbecued them all, we started tasting. The Farmer John Wieners made with pork and beef (\$2.29 for a pound at Albertson's) tasted

over-processed. "To smooth to be meat," said John.

Oscar Mayer produces a few varieties of hot dogs. The Oscar Mayer Beef Franks (\$3.19 for 16 ounces at Albertson's) were short orangey dogs. "The skin is firm but the insides melt in your mouth," grimaced Sarah. "I could use a little more texture."

Oscar Mayer Beef Light Franks (\$3.99 for a pound at Albertson's) were a touch salty but had satisfactory flavor for a light hot dog.

The terra cotta-colored Oscar Mayer XXL Deli Style Beef Franks (\$3.89 for 16 ounces at Albertson's) left an abundance of grease on the plate. "It is quite juicy with a firecracker taste to it," John said. "And the meat stands

Both cooked up like a plastic spatula left too close to a range burner.

up to the tooth," added Patrick.

Oscar Mayer also makes a red-colored Beef Smokies Coarse Ground Franks (\$3.69 for 14 ounces at Albertson's). "This looks and tastes more like a salty Vienna sausage than a hot dog," said John, "but it is flavorful.'

The inexpensive Hoffy Wieners (\$1.59 for a pound at Albertson's) and the Albertson's Jumbo Beef Franks (\$2.49 for a pound) lacked heft and texture and carried an aftertaste. "Revolting," said Patrick, spitting the remainders out of his mouth.

The Ball Park Franks (\$3.59 for a pound at Albertson's) were almost white on

> the inside and tasted like smoked bologna. The flesh-col-

ored Park Fat Free Franks (\$3.99 for a pound at Albertson's) displeased us with their hash-like taste. "They didn't barbecue up well," added Patrick, "they sat there blistering."

Despairing of ever finding a decent dog, we bit into the Bar S Jumbo Beef Franks (\$2.59 for a pound at Albertson's). Though a bit mushy on the inside, they proved to be a decent inexpensive dog. "A heavy-condiment hot dog," said Patrick.

Niman Ranch Beef "Fearless Franks" Stadium Style (\$3.99 for a pound at Trader Joe's), with its terra cotta color, saturated our tongues

The pricey Hans' All Natural Uncured Beef Hot Dogs (\$5.59 for 12 ounces at Whole Foods), colored with beet powder, carried a chewy

beet flavor. Not worth the steep price.

We forged ahead to the Hebrew Nationals. Hebrew National Beef Knockwurst (\$4.19 for 12 ounces at Albertson's), some of the bigger dogs of the bunch, exploded with beef

The burnt sienna-colored Hebrew National Reduced Fat Beef Franks (\$2.99 for 12 ounces at Trader Joe's) had no artificial flavors or colors. They turned out to also be a crowd pleaser with a hint of paprika and a strong beef taste.

The expensive Pure Farms Uncured Beef Wiener (\$5.99 for a pound at Whole Foods) was a dark-sand color. "I am suspicious of uncured hot dogs," stated Patrick.

"But if you were a hater of cured meats, this peppery groundup meat taste would be passable," he added.

Nathan's Famous Bigger Than the Bun Skinless Beef Franks (\$3.99 for a pound at Albertson's) turned out to be the surprise favorite of the evening. "It has a nice snap through the skin, which releases a burst of juice," smiled Patrick, "This

tastes better than the Hebrew Nationals," said an amazed John. "And the meat holds up to the tooth, with a nice chewy texture," added Sarah.

The other favorites of the evening proved to be the two varieties from Iowa Meat Farms in Allied Gardens. The all-beef hot dog (\$2.99 a pound) cooked well without blistering and was the juiciest of the bunch. "You would only have to eat one of these, not six," laughed John.

Iowa Meat Farms also sold a natural-casing hot dog (\$4.99 a pound). "The skin is firm and there is a spicy consistency inside," remarked Sarah. "It tastes like pepperoni sticks," added John. "These would be tasty on their own."

The wild-card hot dogs disgusted the group. The Rocky Uncured Chicken Hot Dogs (\$4.59 for 12 ounces at Whole Foods) tasted like a bad Chicken McNugget without the deep-fried batter.

Smart Dogs Meatless Fat Free Franks (\$2.49 for 12 ounces at Trader Joe's) and the Yves Veggie Cuisine Tofu Dogs (\$3.29 for 12 ounces at Henry's) both cooked up like a plastic spatula left too close to a range burner, the skin melting as Patrick tried to turn them. "These smell and taste like plastic," groaned

The winners of the tasting were Nathan's Famous, the two Hebrew National hot dogs, and the Iowa Meat Farms hot dogs.

I contacted Wayne Norbitz, president of Nathan's Famous, who told me, "Our hot dogs have no fillers, no preservatives; they are 100 percent beef. We have been selling hot dogs since 1916. Our founder, Nathan Handwerker, opened up a hot dog stand in Coney Island, New York. His wife Ida gave him a proprietary recipe that her grandmother had given her, and that spice formula we still use to this day in all of our hot dogs."

> Anna Lancman, product manager for hot dogs at Hebrew National let me in on a few secrets to the Hebrew National hot dog success. "We use 100 percent kosher beef," Lancman said. "We follow very strict regulation as to the parts

and the way that the meat is processed. This is based on biblical strictures from the Old Testament. There is rabbinical super-

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vision in our plant." Lancman continued, "Our hot dogs have no additives, no fillers. We use a special blend of spices that we have been using for about 100 years that really hearken back to that authentic, ethnic taste of the brand's origins.

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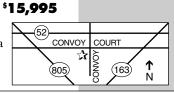
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Lucy wasn't quite ready to say good-bye to preschool. Last Monday night, my husband Jack and I and our five children gathered as we do every night in the room five-year-old Lucy shares with her older sisters Rebecca and Angela. At 8:30 p.m., on the first day of summer, a blue gray dusk filtered through the blinds. Fouryear-old Johnny lay on the floor with his feet in Jack's lap. Baby Ben toddled around the room and occasionally crawled up under the covers beside one of his sisters.

As we prayed for family and friends, I added a special petition for Lucy. "And, Dear God, please bless Lucy on this, her last day of preschool. Thank you for the many blessings she has received

from her teachers and friends. Help her to enjoy her summer break and be ready to start kindergarten in the fall."

"What a big girl you are, Lucy," Jack said. "We're so proud of you."

When we had finished prayers and put the boys to bed in their room, I walked back into the girls' room to say a last good night. Lucy sniffled in her top bunk.

"What's the matter, Sweetie?" I stepped up on the corner of Angela's bottom bunk and peered over the guardrail at Lucy.

Lucy's head of coppery curls obscured her fair face. "I don't want to leave preschool," Lucy said and began to weep.

"Oh, Sweetie," I soothed. I climbed up over the rail and lay down beside Lucy. The thinnest of my children, Lucy has a dancer's willowy body. I wrapped my arms around her as she lay under her quilt. "It's sad when something ends, isn't it?" I remembered all the times I had cried at the end of school years. I thought about the day Rebecca finished her first year of preschool five years ago. I had to pull the car over to the side of the road as we drove away, so tortured was Rebecca's wailing. "It's okay to feel sad. I understand.'

Lucy cried harder.

'But next year when you start kindergarten, you'll make so many new friends. And you'll be at the same school with Rebecca and Angela.

After a while, Lucy's sobs subsided a little.

"And on Wednesday, we'll go to your luau. You can see your friends and teachers and do the hookie-lau.'

Lucy smiled a little through her tears. Every year, the preschool ends the spring session with a luau picnic at a park in San Marcos. Parents bring desserts and side dishes. Volunteers barbecue hot dogs. At the luau's end, the kids get up in front of the assembled parents and sing and hula the hookie-lau. "We are going to a hookie-lau, hookie hookie hookie hookie hookie lau." When Angela was in preschool, she hookie-lau'ed twice. Lucy had hookie-lau'ed once the year before. This year, Johnny started preschool in April and would join Lucy in the traditional end-of-the-year dance.

"You'll have lots of fun." I hugged Lucy hard. She hugged me back. "Now go to sleep."

Wednesday at 5:30, Jack and I loaded up the kids and drove the three miles from our home in San Marcos to the park. When we arrived, we saw a sea of beach blankets and folding chairs spread out across the grass near the picnic area. The smell of grilling hot dogs wafted on the early-evening breeze. Jack spread out the blanket then took the older kids to stand in line for food. I chatted with another mom and watched Ben try to grab food off abandoned plates. "No no no, Buddy," I said each time Ben's chubby hand reached for a half-eaten hot dog or pile of chips. "That's not our food."

When Jack came back, we sat for a while and ate. As we were finishing, Johnny noticed the play area across the parking lot. "Daddy, can we go play?" Johnny asked.

Before Jack could answer, Ben was already running toward the parking lot. "I'll take the boys to play," Jack hollered back as he and Johnny chased Ben. "Come get us when it's time for the

I stood with Lucy as she waited to get her face painted by a clown. Before we reached the head of the line, the teachers moved through the crowd. "Preschoolers," they called. "Time to come to the front for your dance."

Lucy looked up at me and smiled then followed her teacher. Jack appeared with Ben and Johnny. Ben screamed and tried to pitch himself out of Jack's arms. "Ben's not happy about having to leave the play area," Jack explained.

"I'll take him," I answered. "I know you wanted to get some pictures of Lucy and Johnny.'

A few minutes later, I watched Ben climb the ladder and slide down a wavy blue slide. Johnny joined Ben on the slide. "I decided I didn't want to do the hookie-lau," he explained.

As the boys laughed and chased each other up and down the slide, I heard the faint strains of little voices raised in Hawaiian song. I pictured Lucy's long, thin hands waving back and forth. At the top of the slide, Johnny burst into his own song, one of the country tunes we listen to on the radio. "Well, it's a GREAT DAY to be alive," he belted to no one in particular. I found I had to agree.

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