

A close-up photograph of a man with glasses, smiling and resting his chin on his hand. The man has short, light-colored hair and is wearing dark-rimmed glasses. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile, showing his teeth. His hand is resting on his chin, and a ring is visible on his finger. The background is a warm, reddish-orange color.

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Broken Promises

When then-Superior Court judge Dick Murphy was running for mayor in the fall of 2000, he made ethics his number-one campaign theme. It seemed like the perfect antidote to the Valerie Stallings influence-buying scandal and conveniently forced Murphy's opponent, county supervisor Ron Roberts — a self-proclaimed friend of Padres owner John Moores, whose gifts to Stallings had ignited fierce controversy — onto the defensive.

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Migrant Gratitude
Thank you for John Brizzolara's article of July 18 ("Side-walk Employment Agency"). Anyone who has met migrant workers face to face, as I have, quickly loses their prejudices against them. Every one I have met is hardworking, polite, grateful, and noncomplaining, as Mr. Brizzolara discovered in the course of his article. They work hard and pay taxes. Ask yourself: Did you eat a strawberry this summer? Who do you think planted them? Would you be willing to do this work?
Amy Brown
Oceanside

I Didn't Write This
(Re. "Hometown CDs," July 18)
Dear Ms. Montgomery — there is no accounting for taste. (I understand that you are a Journey fan!) So I will not take you to task over your criticism of my new EP, although, I must point out that the lyrics to "Dope Show" (be they good, bad, or "mediocre") are by M. Manson and not myself. What I will object to, however, is the inaccuracy concerning the price. The CD costs \$11.99 or \$10.99 if ordered directly through the Heyday Records website. The two-CD deal of \$18.98 is optional. This is hardly made clear in your write-up. Throughout the review, you quote from a biography, crediting the comments to myself; I did not write this, it was written by a journalist, a fact that is pretty obvious when it refers to David J in the third person. Rock on, Mary!

David J

Little Mideast Guys
Responding to the letter by Jay Paasch ("Letters," July 18): There "ain't" no peace! Why? The national news organizations and the entertainment industry are all slanted to promote hate and chip away at any "peace" that we may strive to attain. Turn on your TV, Jay, and notice the "heroes." Our kids are subjected to a steady bloodbath, and the heroes many times are gay and/or a racially mixed couple, and the media makes it all okay, even desirable! And if you object, then YOU are a bigot! Should you really give a damn, Jay, spend an hour at your library, checking out who heads these organizations, then you will KNOW what is turning America into a rotting corpse, who

determines when and if we strike Iraq and how long we punish other SMALL Mideast countries. We do NOT mess with Russia and China! They can kill millions and we don't give a damn, but God help those little Mideast guys! Check it out! Don't take anyone's word on it, just CHECK IT OUT! I am so glad that I am almost 80 and not 18! I'd HAVE to act, again. I freely gave my service and plenty of my BLOOD for this country in WWII. Remember that one? Did I fight on the WRONG side? God knows I hope not!

William H. Boggess, Sr.
Disgusted, frightened, and disabled veteran

Bird Pleasure
The cover story on birding was very interesting ("Birds Squared," July 11). It was refreshing to read of the wonderful outdoors. This county has a very large bird and plant life, unique in many ways. Perhaps every few issues could include an article on the biodiversity here and motivate more people to partake in the many walks and talks available to all in our canyons and estuaries.

Marion Graney
Pacific Beach

Racist Passage
I was pretty disappointed by your performance in last week's offering, "La Jolla Does Not Mean 'The Jewel' in Spanish" (July 11). The Reader's introduction praises 1930s writer Max Miller, hoping to "hasten [his] rediscovery" and quoting a reviewer comparing him to Thoreau. Yet the editor chose not to comment on the dated, disturbing paragraph referring to American Indians.

Miller stated that "...our aborigines around here were as stupid and lazy as could be found on the continent and did not really have a true language, or much of anything else...." Is this one of the passages that the Reader thinks needs "rediscovery"? He continued that "Grunts were sufficient for a vocabulary the same as lizards or grasshoppers were sufficient for a meal." Is that a passage worthy of Thoreau?

I don't object to the reprinting of historical, racist writing — it can educate and even cheer us as a gauge of progress. But when editors allow such ideas to pass without warning or correction — without any comment at all — then this kind of poison retains all the power of the printed word. Surely that was not your intention? Unless it is that the Reader agrees with Miller's ideas about the mental deficiency of Indians? From this article, at least, it would appear that you think Indians can't read.

Yvonne Lever
Indian Tribe? Delaware.
Complete Language? Lenape,
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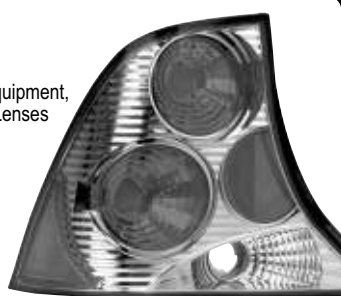
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Murphy's outlaw Around San Diego's city hall, the more things change, the more they stay the same.



Roger Hedgecock

It's been almost 17 years since **Mike Turk**, a Pacific Beach builder and business partner of then-mayor **Roger Hedgecock**, testified about his troubled deal with Hedgecock to build solar-powered condos in North Park. While candidate for mayor, Hedgecock frequently trumpeted the condos as an example of his environmental sensitivity. But the partnership cratered in the recession of 1981. There were a few sales — financed by a friendly lender with close ties to downtown redevelopment — to buyers such as Hedgecock's young campaign aide **Tom Shepard**. During his testimony at Hedgecock's 1985 trial for felony conspiracy and perjury, Turk maintained he couldn't remember ever having said he was willing to remodel Hedgecock's mansion for free: "I'd have been running off at my mouth...and it's certainly not true." Hedgecock, now a radio talk-show host, was ultimately convicted and forced from office, and Turk later pled no contest to a misdemeanor following a cave-in that killed two workers at one of his construction sites. But Hedgecock and Turk, according to public records, remain business associates to this day. In a document filed with the Nevada secretary of state's office this May 16, Hedgecock is listed as president of a limited liability company by the name of "THG Villas 1." Turk is listed as secretary. Now comes Mayor **Dick Murphy**, who last week put in a special appearance at one of Turk's latest developments in Mission Beach. "Mayor Dick Murphy today celebrated San Diego's first energy self-sufficient housing project by putting power back into the grid," said a glowing news release from the mayor's office. "The Mayor threw the power switch on one of seven energy self-sufficient homes recently built and actually sent power back to the grid." Turk was quoted as saying: "It's safe and reliable. The recycling of our land in the city in already urbanized areas and using sustainable energy will provide for future growth, and a clean environment." Murphy, according to the release, added that Turk was helping realize one of the mayor's top ten goals: "Goal #9 is to pursue energy independence and this type of project can make energy independence reality."

Bullish bear market The carnage on Wall Street is beginning to levy its toll on San Diego's ivory towers. Take, for instance, UCSD chancellor **Robert Dynes**.



Robert Dynes

In 1999, Dynes joined the board of Leap Wireless along with his friend, Padres owner **John Moores**, who had just entered into an investment

deal with Dynes's father-in-law, San Francisco venture capitalist extraordinaire **Warren Hellman**. In exchange for his board service, Dynes was awarded 2000 stock options, which, according to filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission, have since been added to, for a total of 8000. In February 2000, the value of a share of the company's stock rose to a stratospheric \$110. Moores left the Leap board during the **Valerie Stallings** influence-buying scandal, but Dynes remained. Earlier this week, the troubled company's stock was down to \$1.28 a share. San Diego State University president **Stephen Weber** has an even sadder story to tell. For years he's been on the board of Budget Group, a Florida outfit that owns a chain of rent-a-car operations. According to SEC filings, as of this spring he owned about 35,000 shares in the company. Back in 1998 the stock topped out at around \$40 a share. As of this Tuesday, it had dropped all the way down to 15 cents a share. The debt-laden company is reportedly facing bankruptcy.

Political food trip Tuesday potlucks are a tradition among Assembly Republicans, reports the *San Francisco Chronicle*, and each



Jay La Seur



Jack Dixon

week a caucus member takes a turn supplying the food. Most furnish meals from expensive capital watering holes like Frank Fat's and Andiamo. Not El Cajon's **Jay La Seur**. His e-mailed advance menu to his fellows: "delicately breaded chicken with creamy mashed potatoes." But the buckets, according to the *Chronicle*, said KFC ... The University of Michigan's **Jack Dixon** is headed for San Diego, and some people at Michigan's new Life Sciences Institute, which Dixon heads, aren't happy about it, reports the *Detroit Free Press*. Dixon will become health sciences dean for academic affairs at UCSD's medical school. But his departure, some say, is ill-timed: the Michigan institute is right in the midst of construction and recruiting drives. **Steve Sensoli**, president of a Michigan biotech trade outfit, told the *Ann Arbor News*, "It's going to obviously cause an interruption in how things develop. To lose a person in a leadership position is what really hurts" ... Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris comes to town next Tuesday for a cocktail fundraiser on Bill Lynch's yacht, the *High Spirits*. She's running for Congress.

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Sign at the entrance to Rancho Santa Fe

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By Matt Potter

When it was announced last month that America's richest community, measured by average per capita income, was Rancho Santa Fe, a flurry of stories appeared in the national media, most of which spun the woodsy little enclave of 5000 people as a bastion of political conservatism. "Mostly Republican," declared Tony Perry of the *Los Angeles Times*.

And Rancho, as it is known to high-dollar real estate types who ply their trade along its dusky eucalyptus-lined byways, does have more than its share of Republicans, although not all of them are true-blue conservatives. When Vice President Dick Cheney came into town earlier this year, ostensibly to review the troops at Miramar Marine Air Station, he headed straight for the sprawling El Montevideo Street manse of Gerry Parsky for a secret

fundraiser, reported only by the *Washington Post* months after the fact.

Parsky, an investment banker said to be a close buddy of George W. Bush himself, is also the president's chief liaison to the California Republican party, which, to the dismay of the state's conservative brethren, he has vowed to liberalize. His wife Robin — an amateur horsewoman, dressed up in jodhpurs — had, just before the bull-riding began, proudly rode her well-groomed mount around the arena as chairwoman of this spring's "Year of the Horse" extravaganza at the Del Mar National Horse Show. She was appointed to the Del Mar Fair board by Republican governor Pete Wilson.

With Rancho's average

per capita income of \$113,132, it would seem natural to assume that the Parsky family would be about as close to the left of the political spectrum as Rancho would tolerate. Other famous Republicans claiming the exclusive 92067 zip code include Art Laffer, the economist who popularized the "Laffer Curve" back in the days of Ronald Reagan; Helen Alvarez Smith, ex-wife of the late, disgraced San Diego banker



Gerry Parsky

and powerbroker C. Arnholt Smith; retired industrialist C. Neil Ash; car dealer Bob Baker; baseball-park contractor Doug Barnhart; Taco Bell founder Glen Bell; Cobra Golf founder and race-horse breeder Gary Bisantz; the widow of four-star admiral William F. "Bush" Bringle, Donnie Bringle; and brewer Joseph Coors.

All have contributed thousands of dollars to various Republican causes over the years. But the ranch has also lately seen its share of Democrats, and some have



John Moores and Bill Lerach

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Pain Solidarity

By Ernie Grimm

In New York, they're debating what sort of memorial to build on the six-acre site where the World Trade Center once stood.

Three thousand miles away, in Tijuana, one such memorial of the attacks of September 11, 2001, is already being built and will be dedicated on September 11, 2002.

Behind the project is a group of 500-plus Tijuana residents called Comité de Imagen de Tijuana (Committee for the Image of Tijuana). "We want to show the real

image of Tijuana," says committee president José Galicot. "The people of Tijuana are fed up with the image that we have in the world."

Galicot refuses to elaborate on Tijuana's negative image. "It's well known," he says. "I don't want to reinforce it by repeating it. But I can tell you, we want to change it."

To that end, Galicot says,

his committee is developing 20 projects throughout Tijuana. But the most important is the September 11 monument. They have raised about \$250,000 from private citizens in Tijuana to pay for materials. All of the artwork and construction is being donated by artists and contractors from San Diego and Tijuana. Construction has started at the site in front of the Hospital of the Children of the Californias, just south of the border in Otay. That particular spot was selected for the monument, Galicot explains, because "the space was close to the border, it was clean land, and we did not have to buy it. The hospital donated the

space."

The hospital also fits the theme that was selected for the monument: hope. The idea to build a monument to the September 11 catastrophe grew out of the committee's weekly meetings very soon after the attacks. Galicot points out that Tijuana suffered strongly in the aftermath of September 11, and that mood pervaded his committee's meetings. "It had a great effect on Tijuana," he says. "We cross the border every day — hundreds of thousands cross the border, and they were hurt by what happened in New York. And there were also Mexicans there who died. We want to show that we felt that pain. And we also have solidarity with all people who suffer pain due to violence." Sculptor Jack Winer, the chief artist on the project, describes his vision for the monument. "I envisioned an 80-foot tower made out of stainless steel," says Winer, who lives half of the year in San Diego, half in Mexico City, "with two openings shining into the sky, coming out of a circular pond surrounded by



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Artist's drawing of completed sculpture



Jack Winer (foreground), sands various metals to determine the surface of the sculpture



José Galicot

children holding hands, children from all of the world."

That idea, Winer says, came from "many conversations with the committee, especially Mr. Galicot. We thought that something with elevation, like a tower, would

be very representative of a feeling of hope. We did not want a figurative monument that would be morbid or would symbolize death, or attacks, or destruction, or anything like that."

"There is one hint of deep sadness," Winer adds. "The tower has three sides, and there are two tears falling down the back side."

As it stands now, the 80-foot, three-sided obelisk will rise up from the middle of a raised concrete ring 30 feet in diameter. "Schematic children," as Winer calls them, made of metal, each of a different ethnicity, will crown the circle. Their hands will be welded together, and on each child the word hope will be written in its native language and alphabet. At one point in the design phase, the children were to stand on a pentagonal base, but some of the local artists working on the project objected to the imagery. "The pedestal was designed as a pentagon," says Encinitas sculptor Jeffrey Laudenslager, "which makes perfect sense considering the Pentagon was attacked. But another artist, Ante Marinovich, and I discussed this and were a little bit concerned. The Pentagon here in the United States repre-



The metal frame of the sculpture is ready to be assembled to the foundation at the Hospital of the Children of the Californias

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emerged as among the party's most generous and prolific donors. The pioneer and arguably the most fa-

mous among their ranks is Bill Lerach, the attorney who has made millions by targeting the boardroom follies of corporate America.

A friend of Bill Clinton, Lerach and his wife, Star Soltan, also a plaintiffs' at-

torney, have repeatedly opened their home on El Montevideo for big-money fundraisers. In September 1998, 80 donors paid \$10,000 a couple to stand on Lerach's back patio and listen to the then-president

lavishly praise his host after having heard Lerach denounce Ken Starr and his Whitewater investigation.

Though a federal grand jury investigation of his law firm, Milberg, Weiss, Bershad, Hynes & Lerach, in

connection with a jailed Beverly Hills doctor who claimed he was paid to be a client of the firm has cast a small shadow over Lerach's swashbuckling reputation, he shows no signs of slow-

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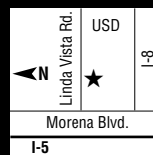
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ing his frantic giving to Democratic causes. Last September 25, he gave \$250,000 in so-called “soft money” to the Democratic National Committee’s so-called Non-Federal Individual fund: the nonprofit wing of the party that is building a new national headquarters on Capitol Hill.

In December of last year, he gave \$5000 to the Mainstream America Political Action Committee, which distributes its money to various Democratic candidates and causes. His wife gave \$6000 to Emily’s List, the

liberal women’s-issues PAC, as well as \$2000 each to Rahm Emanuel, a former Clinton staffer running for a House seat in Illinois; the Dan Blue Senate Committee in North Carolina; Charlie Rangel for Congress in New York; and San Diego congresswoman Susan Davis. She also gave \$500 to the Women’s Campaign Fund.

Lerach stuck mostly to senate races, giving \$2000 each to South Dakota’s Tim Johnson, New York’s Charles Schumer, Carl Levin of Michigan, and Maryland’s Joe Biden, all incumbent Democrats. Like his wife, he also gave \$2000 to Rahm Emanuel and Dan Blue. In

addition, he gave \$1000 to Lois Combs Weinberg, seeking a senate seat from Kentucky.

But Lerach is not alone in Rancho Santa Fe’s elite league of Democratic givers. Close on his heels are the nonhousehold names Lyle Turner and his wife Elizabeth Keadle, who live in a Las Montanas Street mansion with a four-car garage and a pool on about four acres. They have been playing a big role in the Iowa senate race of liberal Democratic incumbent Tom Harkin. They are also big backers of Massachusetts senator John Kerry and his presidential bid, and also have contributed to the PAC

of Connecticut senator Joseph Lieberman as well as to that of his former presidential running mate, ex-vice president Al Gore.

The 48-year-old Turner’s interest in Harkin is not surprising, considering that he was brought up on a farm in Diagonal, Iowa. He later joined the Navy and ended up in San Diego, where he went to UCSD and later founded Invitrogen, a Carlsbad biotech lab supplier with about \$625 million in annual revenues. The firm went public during the stock-market bubble and its founders and employees made millions on stock options. According to its website, “The Company manu-

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This February, Turner gave \$2000 to Citizens for Harkin and in March \$10,000 to Iowa Senate 2002, a soft-money conduit supporting Harkin. Also in February, Turner contributed \$1000 to Lieberman’s Responsibility Opportunity Community PAC, which the senator uses to fund his political travel and to reward friendly members of Congress with campaign contributions. In January,

Turner gave \$5000 to the Leadership ’02 PAC, formerly known as Friends of Albert Gore, Jr., Inc. Turner had also given the PAC \$5000 in November 2001. (Last weekend, it was reported that Gore attended a fundraiser for the PAC at an undisclosed location somewhere in San Diego County.)

In March of this year, Turner gave John Kerry’s Citizen Soldier PAC \$3000. His wife Elizabeth Keadle also anted up \$3000 for the PAC, along with \$2000 for the Kerry Committee. In February she gave \$2000 to Citizens for Harkin and in January \$5000 to Gore’s

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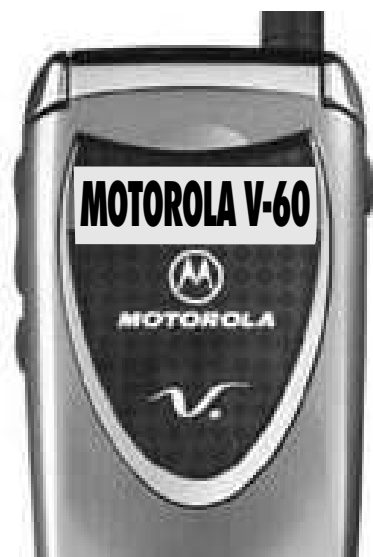
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Leadership '02 PAC (last October, she gave \$5000). Also in February, she contributed \$250 to Emily's List.

But it is in Democratic soft money where Keadle, who lists her occupation as biochemist, really rules. On June 27, 2001, for instance, she gave \$120,000 to the Democratic National Committee's building fund. In November, 2002, Keadle kicked in another \$25,000 to the fund, and on March 27 of this year, yet another \$100,000.

The new 90,000-square-foot building has long been the dream of DNC Chairman Terry McAuliffe, who has vowed to collect enough soft money to build it before the recently signed McCain-Feingold campaign finance law banning such contributions goes into effect November 6. Both Republicans and Democrats have filed lawsuits challenging the soft money restrictions, but both are racing to collect as much money as they can in case the legal challenges fail.

Outside of Rancho Santa Fe, other Democrats have been called upon to contribute to the fund. La Jolla's Sol Price gave \$55,000 in December. His son Robert gave \$5000, along with \$10,000 to the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee. And on April 4 of this year, Sol Price gave \$100,000 to the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee's soft money account.

Turner did not respond to requests for comment left with his public relations representative. ■

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sentiment."

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Galicot believes that, despite long-standing rivalry and resentment between the two nations, and despite recent results in the World Cup, solidarity between the United States and Mexico is strong. "Here at the border," he says, "we have American friends, we do business together, we share many things. We like the Padres even if they don't win, and we go to the Chargers games. We are forever united. When good things happen in San Diego, in a way it comes to Tijuana and vice versa. In 1993, Tijuana had a big flood, and many people from the United States came and brought supplies and food for people who were starving. That is the spirit of this region; that should be the spirit of the world."

He adds, "One of every six Mexicans lives in the States. And almost every family has people on both sides. Family feelings in Latin people maybe are stronger than in other cultures, and those family feelings link the two countries."

And even if anti-American sentiment persists with some Mexicans, Galicot believes that Tijuana will have no problem with commemorating an American tragedy such as September 11. "They will accept it as a monument against violence. They will accept it as solidarity with the pain of people. They will accept it because they understand it. Many are here in Tijuana because of pain they left behind in their home towns. And I think the people of Mexico, we feel our emotions very strongly. We are not a cold country, we are a warm country and a warm people. So when we see pain in somebody else, we feel pain." ■

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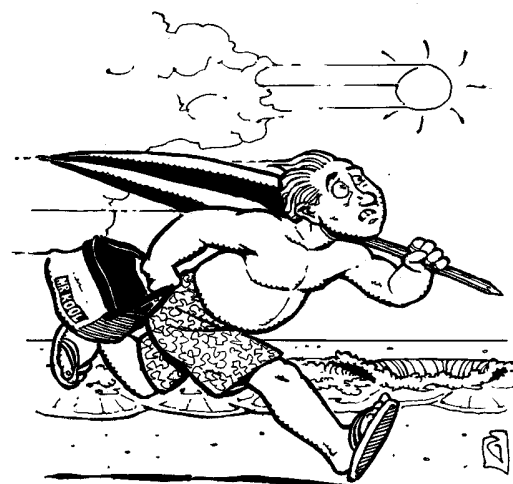
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

Illustration by Rick Geary



Hey, Matt!:

Are all the local beaches equally cloudy on any given day? Or do I have a better chance of actually seeing the sun at PB instead of Del Mar? Could you send the elves up and down the coast and have them report in? At your convenience. Just from the Silver Strand to Cardiff. I am elitist and you have a limited number of elves. My friend was shocked, shocked I say, when there was no sun at the beach. She is from Crimea and lived near the Black Sea. Apparently that is more like the Gulf of Mexico than the Pacific Ocean. I'm getting tired of hearing how good Crimea is compared to San Diego!

— Mungo, University City

I'm not sure why we have to defend PB against attacks from resorts formerly popular with overweight Communist bureaucrats. But we're into it now, so I guess we have to see it through. You'll have to impress Ms. Crimea with something other than our early summer weather, even on our low-budget beaches. The May Gray/June Gloom phenomenon is advection fog. We get it when the warming-up land pulls sea air across the very cold California current. Cold air holds less moisture than warmer air does, so the H₂O condenses and gets blown right onto the beach where you're listening to Ms. Crimea diss Encinitas. The only sure fire way to avoid it is to take your friend to Lake Havasu until August. But please remind her that the gloom is all part of the grand global interplay of wind, water, and sunlight. The Black Sea? A big bathtub. So what if their seaside resorts all look like the Riviera. Hey, PB has Hamel's castle. So the summer surface temperature of the Black Sea is anywhere from 70° to 78° F. Invest in a wet suit, and you'll never care how cold it gets here. So the Black Sea is a magnet for international vacationers. Introduce Ms. Crimea to a few Zonies. She'll forget all about home.

When Animals Attack!/When We Attack Animals!

It's well known that the easiest way to find something is to say in print that it doesn't exist. Everyone will be eager to call you a meathead and give you endless examples of your nonexistent thing. Apparently it's also a fact that the easiest way to hear a nearly unbelievable story is to say in print that you've never known anyone dumb enough to try it. Case in point, Nicole's tale of emergency first aid that is so painful to imagine, I can barely tap it out on my keyboard. It's in response to our musings on the value of peeing into a stingray wound, an old folk remedy. We did say we didn't know any old folk who had actually tried it. Nicole sets us straight:

My sailing friends and I were on Galapagos when I encountered a stingray. You are right, the pain is excruciating. Being out in the middle of nowhere, my friend had heard of the folk remedy. He had a remedy to add to the urination...after he urinated on the wound, you should hit the area with a rock or heavy object to break up the barb. He used a beer bottle to hit my foot, which also just about killed me, but it did work. I hobbled the rest of the day, but the next day there was no problem. I guess there is something to be said for some of the old folk remedies.

Well, here I am so unimaginative that I assumed you should use your own urine, not alien pee that could contain unfriendly bacteria. And why, why would you want to break up the barb if it can be pulled out intact? There's a folk remedy for getting rid of boils or cysts or something that involves hitting them with a Bible. Your friend may have his old wives' tales confused. But to be fair, I did check this out with our staff quack, Dr. Doctor, and he says you recovered in spite of the first aid, not because of it.

I once said I'd never heard of animal lovers protesting the abuse of fruit flies in biology labs. I still haven't, but this next letter made me think the idea's not so crazy. Our comments on how bee pollen is gathered (knocked off their legs as they enter the hive) prompted this bug lover to wail:

I learned that bee pollen is collected by a vacuum that pulls the pollen off the bees' legs as well as pulls off their legs and wings! The bees are "forced" into the vacuum. Bee products, honey, pollen, etc., belong to the bees. We steal it from them. They use it to feed their fellow bees. Let them be! Eat agave nectar instead.

We admire your compassion for our buzzing brothers, Anonymous. But our staff beekeeper says vacuuming up the little guys or maiming them for life would put you out of business fast. You may have fallen under the spell of agave-nectar cartel propaganda.

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By Patrick Daugherty

Another Day At The Office

It was one of those Kabul-to-Karachi drives. My journey entailed dodging two multicar automobile wrecks—one on I-5, the other on Highway 94—then a jaunt past Jamacha Elementary School where fire trucks, cops, and ambulances were dealing with 11 people who reported sore throats, dizziness, headaches, and nausea. This was just down the road from an earlier pesticide spill that still had HazMat teams, fire trucks, ambulances, and cops in attendance. In fact, that incident produced the double-overtime bonus of road closures *plus* radio announcements advising residents to stay indoors with windows shut. Even so, and despite the random destruction of life on every side, it's a sunny day, and when chirping birds fall to earth from dead tree limbs, their tiny thumps make a most pleasing sound.

I have risked my existence in order to attend the 2002 Callaway Junior World [Golf] Championships. Specifically, I am here to witness the thirteen-, fourteen-year-old girls division. Here being Singing Hills Country Club and Lodge, located just past the large pile of dead avifauna on Dehesa Road, east of El Cajon.

I am at the 18th hole watching young girls hand over their golf cards to officials who sit behind a cafeteria table set beneath a white canvas tent-top. Please allow me to introduce Christy Erb, a young woman who has played on the LPGA and Futures tours. Right now, she's working for the San Diego Junior Golf Association, "helping them out in the summer as a tournament coordinator."

No one, not child or adult, is smiling. I ask, "How many girls in the tournament?"

"For the whole tournament, all age groups, both sexes, at least 800, maybe 1000. Forty-some countries are represented. It's a huge tournament."

Tiger Woods won this tournament six times. "Is it first come, first serve?"

"No. Qualifying; each division has their own qualifier."

"So, if I'm eight years old, I still have to qualify?"

Ms. Erb responds as one would when speaking to an empty mailbox. "That's right."

I smile. "How young can you be?"

"Basically, for San Diego Junior Golf, you have to be at least five."

Ha! Wasting at least two years! Two years when the useless cretin could be working on her sand wedge. "Do five-year-olds get trophies?" I must know this.

"Ah, yes. First and second place."

Three girls walk toward the officials' table. Again, not one smile. I point to the course and ask, "What's the best score you've seen?"

"You'll see the little prodigies. There are at least ten in each division. We had a 68 yesterday, 4 under. That was Juliana Murcia from Bogotá. A 69 was second place. That's Angela Park, a local Torrance girl." Erb watches as the girls check their cards. "Even though they're only thirteen, they've been playing a lot of years. Most of them start young, at six or seven. They're veterans by the time they're thirteen or fourteen."

And a profit center soon after. I observe, "The thing I'd hate about working in youth sports is dealing with parents."

"That is a little difficult." This is said by Jason Walters, director of tournament operations. Walters has been tracking our conversation. "Parents are more nervous and more worried than the kids."

"I suppose the kids are playing year-round?"

Erb replies, "Oh, yeah. A lot of the girls are out there seven days a week."

And another covey of unsmiling girls makes their way to the officials' table. I say, "When golf gets to seven days a week, it's got to be parents—no kid wants to do anything seven days a week."

Erb says, "Oh, yeah, definitely. Most of these kids are pushed, to different degrees, by their parents. Some of it is nudging, some of it is much more than nudging. You can tell when kids are not enjoying it. They've got a frown on their face and they probably won't be playing a few years from now. They'll be burned out."

And they'll never forget how they were used. "What's the fun part for you?"

Walters says, "Watching the kids bring a 68 in. Watching Anthony Chapparone, a 130-pound, thirteen-year-old Poway boy, drive the ball over 300 yards. Chris Freeman drives it 330. He's fifteen. He was thirteen when he joined

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the fifteen- to seventeen-year-old division. We had a sixteen-year-old shoot a 64. That was his lights-out best round. But, when he's twenty-five, he's not going to have it together to play. It takes a special mindset."

Erb says, "Yeah, you got to work hard and have a lot of tolerance with yourself, be your own best friend out there, pat yourself on the back. If you don't have that here, on the junior level, then you're not going to succeed. You need someone saying, 'Hey, it's okay, you didn't do so good today, but go out and get them tomorrow.' Instead, some of these parents are over there berating their kids."

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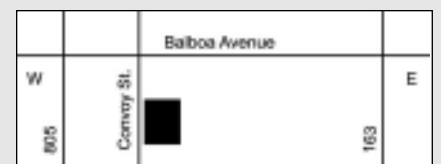
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SHEEP AND GOATS

PLACES OF WORSHIP REVIEWED

Denomination: Adventist Christian
Address: 3702 29th St., North Park, 619-296-3922
Year founded: 1911
Senior pastor: Pastor Dave Hart
Congregation: 90 members
Staff: one full-time, two part-time
Sunday-school enrollment: 30
Annual budget: \$125,000
Weekly giving: \$2400
Singles program: no
Diversity: mostly white
Dress: casual to dressy
Services: Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

For Pastor Dave Hart the *Handbook of Denominations in the United States*, the field guide to American religions he has on his desk, is one long obituary. "Denominational particularisms aren't exactly a high priority for post-modern youth," he said when I spoke with him early last week. "I don't think the fine distinctions of theology and doctrine, the details of ritual and ceremony, really interest today's young people. That's not what they're about." He should know. For 15 years he ran a local underground ministry called "Sanctuary" that was geared toward rock 'n' roll-crazed teens.

"During the '80s it was mostly heavy metal. And then in the '90s we started working with a more goth crowd."

Pastor Hart wears what's called a "soul patch," a little tuft of whiskers, beneath his lower lip. He still has something of the beach boy about him. But he pegs his past as "hippie." He was raised in what he describes as an "icy Presbyterian church."

"I was saved," he told me, "in the Jesus Movement."

Pastor Hart's spiritual migration at present finds him at North Park Community Church, an Adventist Christian congregation where for the past six months he's served as interim pastor.

"I got here because Adventist Christians aren't large enough to have a sufficient pool of clergy of their own, and because I was friends with someone here who worked with church's youth. I had a track record in working with youth."

"The Adventist Christians were never a particularly large denomination. These days I think they've got around 25,000 members in around 300 churches. They seem to be mostly back East. We're the only Adventist Christian church in the county. The next closest is in Tustin."

Adventist Christians grew out of the teachings of William Miller, a gentleman whom the Adventist Christian hymnal, *Hymns of Heritage and Hope*, describes as a "Baptist farmer-preacher who expected the Lord's return in 1843 or 1844."

The Lord did not return in 1843 or 1844. Many of the thousands Miller had inspired with his predictions were disappointed. They splintered and drifted away from his movement. Some drifted very far afield. (The Branch Davidians, of whom 80 died in a violent raid on their Waco, Texas, compound in April 1993, are distant cousins of Adventist Christians.) The only denominational particularisms Adventist Christians today maintain are the doctrine of "soul sleep," the belief that all the

dead exist in a state of spiritual suspended animation until Judgment, and "annihilationism," which holds that wicked souls won't be sent to hell, but obliterated.

"No one's asked me to give a sermon on soul sleep or annihilationism," Pastor Hart told me. "But some of the older folks have asked, 'Please, give more sermons on what it's going to be like once we get to heaven.'"

Last Sunday morning North Park Community Church did seem to hint at heaven. Outside, the sky was brilliant blue. Up and down the street, the lawns before the endless Craftsman bungalows were freshly mowed and immaculate. Birds chirped. Daisies and dahlias waved in the breeze. Inside, church members greeted each other and guests with the authentic enthusiasm you seem to find only in small congregations. Also, there was to be a Baby Dedication. Caroline Marie Cavanagh, the tiny star of the show, pink in a frilly white dress and satin slippers, was the object of adulation.

On their way into the sanctuary, people filed past a bulletin board decorated with photos of George Bush, Jr. ("Please pray for our president") and Dick Murphy ("Please pray for our mayor"). An organist played traditional hymns. Everyone rose and sang "Majesty." Pastor Hart dedicated Caroline Marie, the fourth Cavanagh daughter.

Pastor Hart's post-Baby Dedication sermon seemed to hint at our earlier conversation. He said that after he was saved he went often to "Roman Catholic youth Masses," which he found attractive.

"I'm not saying that we all should start celebrating the Roman Catholic liturgy. But the Roman Catholic liturgy is most definitely not empty and not devoid of meaning, although some people make it that way. "We are Protestants, however, and we're wary of 'sacramentalism.' We don't believe that ceremony, that the performance of a ritual, is somehow 'magical.' We don't believe our ceremonies make something happen in terms of our personal salvation."



REVEREND DAVE HART

**North Park Community Church
North Park**
★★★

Sermon
content.....★★★
delivery.....★★★
Liturgy.....no liturgy
Music
congregational.....★★
choir.....★★★★
Snacks.....★★★★
Flowers.....★
Architecture.....★★
Friendliness.....★★★★

Poor to satisfactory.....(none)
Good.....★
Very good.....★★
Excellent.....★★★
Extraordinary.....★★★★

Pastor Hart isolated ceremony and ritual's import in personal utterance. "When you stand up before people and claim something, you know you're going to be held accountable. It's not as though you're all alone and promising to do something."

And in an interesting way, he likened family life to ceremony and ritual.

"That's why we have Baby Dedications. The parents publicly promise to raise their children in a godly fashion. And when the father truly loves the mother is the best possible way for parents to show children the love of God."

I later asked Pastor Hart what he, if he were hired by North Park Community Church, would hope for the congregation.

"I wouldn't want us to get bigger. I am surprised by how much I love working in a small congregation. What I would hope is that we would become the small honest neighborhood church that the young couples moving into North Park would want to join."

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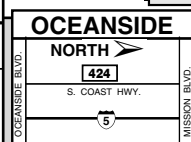
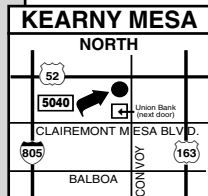
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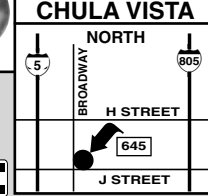
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

I'm 26 years old and mother to a loving seven-year-old girl. Her father has been in prison for five years and has a year to go. We had our daughter while still in high school. My daughter's father has had a hard life. He had undiagnosed attention deficit disorder, did poorly in school, got in trouble, got depressed, and medicated himself with drugs and alcohol. Our relationship ended because he got into physical fights with me, members of my family, and his own family as well. No one could get through to him. He hit bottom and eventually was convicted of manslaughter. My mother put up part of his bail, and she will never let me hear the end of it or stop putting him down. I know it sounds odd, but when my daughter's father wasn't drinking or on drugs, he was a good father and boyfriend. My daughter loves visiting him. My father and grandmother were both alcoholics, and my parents were always fighting about this. Still, I loved my father and have many difficulties with my mother, who seems to hold grudges forever. And I still love my daughter's father. He has been taking college courses in prison and has found religion. His family makes me feel great, unlike my own family. I want my daughter and myself to be happy, and when he is released I plan on us being a family again. All my mother does is criticize this decision and me. I have been attending college. I want to become a psychologist and help families. My mother just laughs and says, "You want to pick at people's brains." She says I am a back-stabber for wanting to reunite with my daughter's father. I plan to prove my family wrong. Am I nuts to want what I want? What can you tell me that will help at this point in my life?

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daughter's father's impending release. It's very understandable that you'd get caught up in dreams about being a family again, especially if you've been lonely and longing for love. But please be very careful. This man has killed someone. He has been physically abusive to you and to others. Reuniting with him is not your only chance at love or happiness. You have lots of possibilities. If you insist on seeing if you can reconcile with him after his release, which may or may not be possible, then I beg you to GO SLOWLY. You will be starting all over again. He has to earn your trust over time, not with sweet words and promises, but by proving over the long haul that he has really changed. You should NOT move in together. Live apart for at least a year. Start out by having him visit his daughter maybe once a week, perhaps with supervision at first. This will be a very gradual process of him proving to you that he is nonviolent, responsible, and capable of self-restraint, able to handle the stresses of living in the world, of working and parenting. It wouldn't be a bad idea for him to take some anger-management classes and perhaps parenting classes too. Has he gone through some kind of substance-abuse treatment program? Will he have continued support in that area after he's released so he doesn't start drinking and using again? Despite everyone's best intentions, adjusting to life outside prison and staying clean are not just a matter of wanting to. They are difficult battles to be won every day. If you want to start dating him again, remember you are back at square one. He has to slowly rebuild your trust in him and show that he has gained wisdom and self control; that he is capable of intimacy, of being a real father to your daughter, of being an honorable, worthy, loving partner to you.

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Broken Promises

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IN THE END, Murphy and Roberts vied for office

with dueling plans for a city ethics commission. Murphy trumped Roberts by calling for subpoena power in his version and narrowly carried the election after it emerged that Roberts had repeatedly traveled gratis on a corporate jet belonging to Moores.

Once in office, however, Murphy began to back-track from some of his more ambitious ethical promises. Although he moved early to set up the ethics commission itself, he discarded his original vow to support a lifetime prohibition on lobbying by former city employees, including city council and mayoral staff. That move was widely seen as a concession to John Kern, an ex-newspaper reporter and Murphy's long-

time political advisor who is now his chief of staff.

Prior to Murphy's election, Kern had built a prosperous political consulting business, to which he is expected to return following his service to the mayor at city hall. A lifetime ban on influence-peddling might potentially have cost Kern millions of dollars. During an April meeting to adopt the mayor's ethics ordinance, the lobbying prohibition was watered

down to just one year on a 5-4 council vote, with Murphy casting the deciding vote, even though his own appointees to the ethics commission had recommended the lifetime ban.

Murphy also argued vehemently against the commission's recommendation that the mayor and council be explicitly barred from soliciting campaign contributions from members of city boards and commissions, most of whom are appointed by the mayor and ratified by a majority vote of the council. According to a March 13, 2002, legal opinion from the city attorney, "State law...generally precludes the solicitation of campaign contributions from City employees and City

Officers," including "board and commission members who are public officials subject to the [state] Political Reform Act and required to file annual statements of economic interest."

The mayor, however, argued against giving the ethics commission the ability to enforce and expand the state prohibition against solicitations, and he carried the day on a 7-2 vote,

which came as no surprise to many old-time city hall watchers. Members of the city's 60 or so boards and commissions have long been lucrative fundraising targets for mayors and councilmembers.

Charles Walker, executive director of the ethics commission, says the commissioners still think that city officials should be subject to a lifetime ban on

lobbying and maintain hope that the council will ultimately reconsider its position.

"The ordinance as it was adopted by the council is the law in the city, and we have a one-year cooling-off period with regard to the revolving door. The ethics commission has an ad hoc subcommittee that's still exploring ways to go

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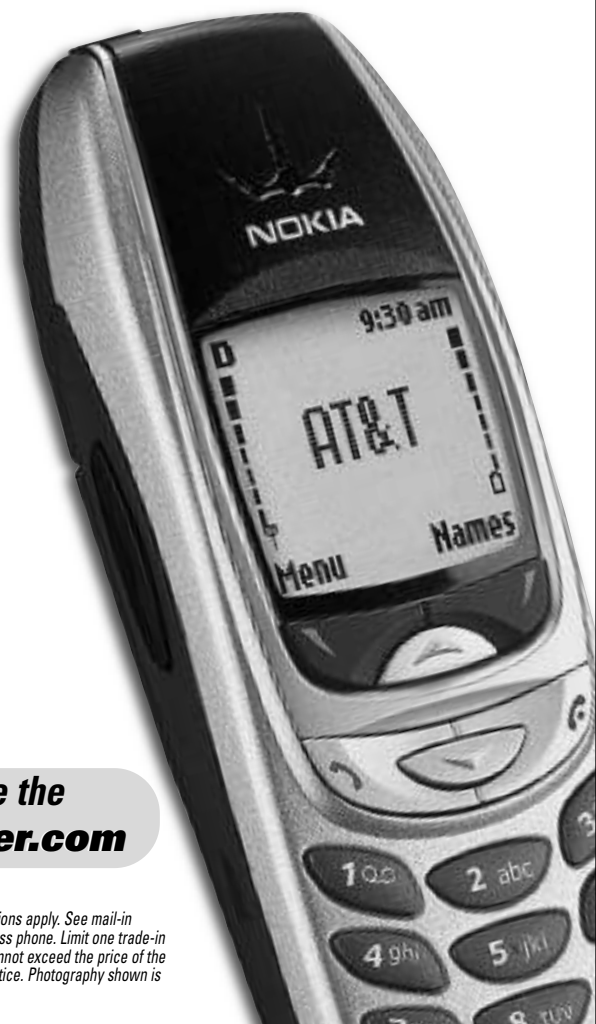
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back to the council regarding the lifetime ban revolving-door stuff. We don't know when we'll go back to them."

Walker adds that Murphy "didn't foreclose us from coming back. The big concern that most of [the council] had was the lifetime ban as we had originally proposed it. We needed to make it clearer, to come up with more hypothetical examples, more ways to sell it to the council. As it was written, it left a lot of ambiguity."

As for the commission's proposed prohibition on contribution soliciting from appointees, Walker says it was dead on arrival at the council. "They made it clear that they didn't agree with our position. We filed a brief that basically says that we believe that the stance they're taking goes against state law. They disagree. There's not going to be an effort to go back, because we don't think we're close on that." Murphy's office didn't respond to a request for comment.

One recent Murphy appointee, who declined to be identified by name, said he had been consistently refused appointment to a seat on one of the city's more coveted advisory panels until he broke down and contributed to Murphy's campaign fund. The appointee said that he had not been explicitly solicited by Murphy or his aides but wrote a check after seeing that others who had received appointments had contributed to the mayor. He subsequently received an appointment.

Not every mayoral appointee has given money to the Murphy campaign, but enough have to make an interesting list. Below is a reverse chronological record of appointees who have also been Murphy financial backers, based on official campaign finance-disclosure records. Biographies and other descriptive material are quoted directly from the mayoral news releases announcing each appointment. Contribution records for the first half of 2002 will not be available until

next month.

July 15, 2002 HOUSING COMMISSION

The duties of the Commission include investigating and improving dwelling conditions in the City of San Diego. The Housing Commission also reviews and makes recommendations on all matters before the Housing Authority.

Tyler Cramer is a director, officer, and principal at the law firm of Olmstead, Cramer & Pizzuto. He specializes in real estate and commercial matters. Cramer is a member of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce and current member and past chair of the Business Roundtable for Education. He received a bachelor's in political science from Stanford University and juris doctorate from the University of California, Hastings College of Law.

Cramer gave \$100 on June 3, 1999, and \$250 on

August 23, 2000.

June 27, 2002 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

The Commission's duties include advising the Mayor and Council on matters which impact both the technology industry and the City's research and scientific institutions in order to help ensure that our region will continue to attract and incubate growth and investment.

Craig Andrews is a partner and vice chairman at the law firm Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison. Andrews is a past member of the San Diego Biotechnology/Biomedical Corporate Partnership Forum and past chair of the San Diego Business and Technology Group. He holds a bachelor's from the University of California Los Angeles and a juris doctorate from the University of Michigan Law School.

Andrews contributed \$250 on May 18, 1999, and again on June 1, 2000. Chris-



Craig Andrews



John T. Brooks

tine Andrews of the same address gave \$250 on May 18, 1999, and again on June 1, 2000.

June 13, 2002 HISTORICAL RESOURCES BOARD

The Board shall advise the Mayor and City Council relating to the identification, protection, retention and preservation of historical sites in the City.

John Brooks is a partner at Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP. He is a past member of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association and the current editor of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers Report. Brooks received a bachelor's degree in phi-

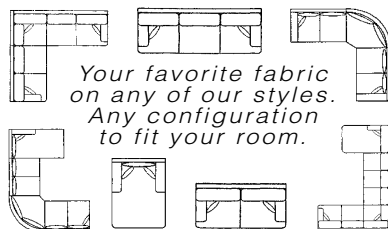
losophy and a juris doctorate from Stanford Law School.

John T. Brooks contributed \$250 on January 20, 2000, and again on April 28, 2000. His father, John W. Brooks, also a lawyer at Luce, Forward, gave \$250 on October 6, 1999, and again on April 28, 2000. Elizabeth Brooks, of the same address as John W. Brooks, also gave \$250 on April 28, 2000.

Gary Edwards is an attorney in private practice specializing in criminal law and is a past deputy district attorney. Edwards received his bachelor's in history from the University of Southern California and his juris doctorate from the University

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Edwards contributed \$125 on June 16, 1999; \$125 on September 30, 1999; and \$250 on April 26, 2000.

Otto Emme, a San Diego Historical Society member, is a licensed real estate agent and a property manager and owner of more than 70 apartment units citywide. He is an officer with the California Army National Guard and current chair of the Pacific Beach Community Planning Committee. Emme is also a current member of

the Pacific Beach Historical Society.

Emme contributed \$125 on June 29, 2000.

June 4, 2002

SOLID WASTE LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HEARING PANEL

The independent Hearing Panel is required by state law to hear appeals from solid waste decisions the enforcement agency makes regarding inspections, permitting, and enforcement activities.

Pennie McLaughlin Carlos, a current member of the Hearing Panel, is an Assistant United States Attorney with the Southern District of California. Carlos serves on the executive committee for the American Heart Association and is a lecturer for the California Public Defender Association. She graduated magna



Penny McLaughlin Carlos

cum laude from Fordham University and received her juris doctorate from Boston University, School of Law.

Carlos gave \$100 on May 17, 1999, and \$250 on June 9, 2000. Marc Carlos of the same address gave \$150 on June 28, 2000, and \$125 on September 19, 2000.

May 23, 2002

MAYOR APPOINTS FORD TO SENIOR AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD

Mayor Dick Murphy today announced the appoint-

ment of John Patrick Ford to the Senior Affairs Advisory Board. The Board advises the City Council on issues impacting the elderly community including transportation, housing and home security.

John Patrick Ford is chairman of Community ElderCare of San Diego. Ford is also a retired certified public accountant and served in the U.S. Army in Korea. His community involvement includes past service on the St. Paul's Retirement Home Foundation Board and as chair of San Diegans Inc. Cultural Task Force. He is an advisory director for the San Diego Opera and Friends of UCSD Library. Ford is a graduate of Willis College of Business, Los Angeles.

Ford contributed \$250 on November 12, 1999, and again on May 22, 2000. Car-

olyn Ford of the same address contributed \$250 on May 22, 2000.

May 16, 2002

MAYOR APPOINTS THREE TO CENTRE CITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD

The CCDC Board provides redevelopment services, and makes recommendations concerning redevelopment plans and projects.

Victor Vilaplana, named the Best Lawyer in America, is an attorney at Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitek, where he handles insolvency matters, particularly complicated business bankruptcies, and international transactions. Vilaplana served on the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on City Finance and is a member of the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce.

He also serves as trustee and counsel for the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation. Vilaplana received his bachelor's degree in history from San Diego State University, a master's degree in international affairs from George Washington University, and his juris doctorate from Stanford University.

Vilaplana contributed a total of \$500 on July 26, 2000.

Julie Dillon has served on the Board since 1999 and currently is the vice chair. Dillon is the president and owner of a land development, building, consulting, and investment company. She developed several residential land projects, a commercial building, and affordable housing units. Dillon is a member of the Downtown San Diego Partnership and the Urban Land Institute. For-

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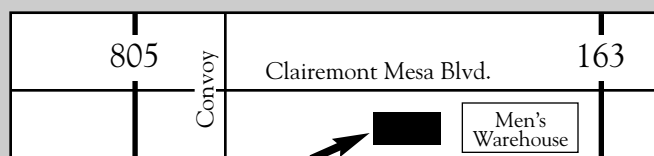
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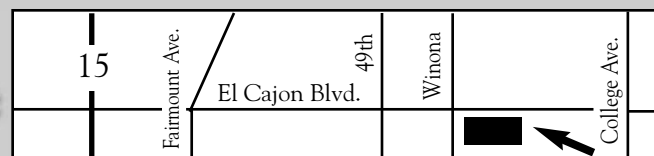
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merly, Dillon served on the California Transportation Commission Airspace Advisory Committee and was president of the Building Industry Association. Dillon has a bachelor's in business administration from San Diego State University.

Dillon contributed \$250 on May 24, 2000.

April 25, 2002
MAYOR ANNOUNCES PARK AND RECREATION BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The duties of the Park and Recreation Board include advising the City Council, through the City Manager, on public policy matters relating to the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of parks, beaches, playgrounds and recreational activities.

Norman Greene is the co-publisher and chief exec-

utive officer of the *San Diego Jewish Press Heritage* newspaper. For eight years, Greene was president of Alvarado Estates and concurrently served two years as president of Adat Ami Synagogue. He has also worked to build the Israel Tennis Centers Association to help socialize both Arab and Israeli youth. Greene is the recipient of two Congressional "good citizens" awards for his community service endeavors.

Greene contributed \$100 on June 3, 1999, and \$375 on March 3, 2000. Roberta Greene of the same address gave \$375 on March 3, 2000.

Robert Otilie is an attorney at his own law firm, which he began in 1985. Otilie has served on the San Diego Civil Service Commission and the Governmental Efficiency Committee. He is currently a



Robert Otilie

director of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association and a member of the City of San Diego Citizens Water Advisory Committee. He received his bachelor's in economics from Stanford University and his juris doctorate from the University of Iowa.

Otilie contributed \$250 on September 27, 1999, and again on August 28, 2000. His wife, Sharon Spivak, a lawyer with Gray, Cary, gave \$250 on September 21, 1999, and again on August 31, 2000.



Daniel Mazzella

Daniel Mazzella is a member of the board and works as in-house counsel for Zenith Insurance. He currently chairs the Balboa Park Advisory Committee. He has a bachelor's in political science from Syracuse University and a juris doctorate from Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

Mazzella contributed \$250 on February 17, 2000, and again on September 19, 2000. Margaret Mazzella of the same address gave \$250 on February 21, 2000.

April 11, 2002
MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS TO OLD TOWN SAN DIEGO PLANNED DISTRICT DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

The duties of the board include advising the planning director on architectural design for development projects in Old Town.

Cynthia Furlong is the community relations director for Bazaar del Mundo in Old Town. Furlong is also a board member of the Historic Old Town Community Foundation and of the Boosters of Old Town San Diego. She is a San Diego State Historic Park board member and has served on the San Diego Historical Resources Site Board.

Furlong contributed \$250 on April 17, 1999, and again on June 1, 2000. Timothy Furlong of the same

address gave \$250 on April 17, 1999.

April 3, 2002
MAYOR ANNOUNCES INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The International Affairs Board promotes economic cooperation, friendly relations, and better understanding between peoples and communities of the United States of America and of foreign nations.

Ernest Mike Choi serves on the Mayor's Asian Pacific Islander Advisory Board. Choi, a native-born Korean, served many years in the Korean Navy before becoming a U.S. citizen in 1972. He organized the Korean Chamber of Commerce in San Diego as well as the Korean War Veteran Association of Korea. Currently Choi serves as the Lt. Governor Elect

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Stan Chu, a member of the Mayor's Asian Pacific Islander Advisory Board, is the owner of O'Hungry's Restaurant in Old Town and a partner with TVC Enterprises Co. Chu serves as a board member on the San Diego Alliance for Asian Pacific Islander Americans and the San Diego Chinese Association. He has a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from San Diego State University, where he also attended graduate school for multicultural studies.

Chu contributed \$250 on May 6, 1999, and again on May 17, 1999. Xingli Chu of the same address gave \$250 on June 8, 2000.

Joseph Darby is a law professor, specializing in international business, at the University of San Diego. Darby has also lectured at



Joseph Darby

various universities in Austria, Belgium, China, France, Germany, Poland, Russia, and South Africa. He earned a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University, a master's and a Ph.D. from Columbia University, and a juris doctorate from Fordham University, School of Law.

Darby gave \$250 on July 26, 1999, and again on May 8, 2000. Ursula Darby of the same address gave \$100 on January 29, 2000.

Dr. Maryann Rosenthal is a licensed clinical and consulting psychologist at Psychiatric Health Systems Inc. and at Alvarado Park-

way Institute. She has a bachelor's in psychology from National University and a master's in psychology from United States International University. Dr. Rosenthal also earned a Ph.D. in clinical psychology from California Institute for Human Science.

Rosenthal gave \$250 on June 17, 1999. Joseph Rosenthal of the same address gave a total of \$500 on June 29, 2000.

Anthony Samson is a San Diego deputy district attorney, working in the fraud division of the D.A.'s office for 25 years. Samson also teaches real estate law at the University of San Diego. He received a bachelor's degree in economics and political science from the University of California Riverside and a juris doctorate from the University of California Los Angeles, School of Law.

Samson gave \$250 on July 26, 1999; \$100 on June 14, 2000; and \$150 on August 30, 2000.

March 22, 2002

MAYOR ANNOUNCES CITY PUBLIC UTILITIES ADVISORY COMMISSION

The City Public Utilities Advisory Commission will provide advice and recommendations to the Mayor, City Council, and City Manager on matters related to public utilities operations which impact ratepayers and residents of the City of San Diego. These operations may include water, wastewater, or other utilities. The Commission will also review department operations and planned expenditures and assist in promoting public awareness and outreach efforts to ensure that resources are responsibly managed.

Robert Coffin, an attorney, serves as a board member for the Center for the Environment, which has undertaken water-quality issues in many areas of the United States. He was a seminar participant in the Environmental Law Section of



Robert Coffin

the State Bar 2001 Environmental Law Conference, which focused on water resources in rural California. Coffin received a bachelor's in economics from Benedictine College Atkinson and a juris doctorate from Washington University.

Coffin gave \$125 on June 17, 1999, and again on October 29, 1999.

March 1, 2002

MAYOR NAMES FOUR TO HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

The Human Relations Commission prepares and distributes educational material relating to prejudice and

discrimination and recommends ways of eliminating discrimination. The commission also processes complaints and provides a written report of its activities to the Mayor and Council.

Robert Blumberg is the co-founder, chairman, and CEO of Spectragraphics Corporation and SMS Technologies. Blumberg serves as the director for the Anti-Defamation League, San Diego Region, and previously served as a board member of the Congregation Beth Israel. He received a degree in chemical engineering from MIT and a master's from Harvard Business School. Robert Blumberg will replace Mary Laquita Robbins.

Blumberg gave \$250 on April 30, 1999, and again on April 6, 2000.

February 13, 2002

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Simon Coleman is the chairman and CEO of Net-Gram Inc., as well as an accomplished attorney and certified public accountant. A current member of the Stadium Advisory Board, he also served on the San Diego Stadium Authority Board from 1986 to 1989. Coleman has a bachelor's and a juris doctorate from the University of Michigan.

Coleman contributed \$250 on April 10, 1999, and again on May 17, 2000.



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Daniel Salas has run his own legal practice, focusing on commercial and real property litigation, for over two decades.

He also dealt with title insurance claims analysis and litigation, bankruptcy law, and large-scale commercial litigation. Salas received a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration from the University of Southern California and a juris doctorate from the Stanford University Law School. Salas will replace John Rivera.

Salas contributed \$250 on October 6, 1999; \$150 on June 29, 2000; and \$150 on September 19, 2000.

January 10, 2002
**MAYOR
ANNOUNCES
BALBOA PARK
COMMITTEE
APPOINTMENTS**

The Balboa Park Committee advises the Park and Recreation Board, Mayor,

City Council, and City Manager on policy issues relating to the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of Balboa Park.

Dan Mazzella is a member of the Park and Recreation Board and an in-house counsel for Zenith Insurance. As one of the 40 members of the City Working Group regarding the proposed zoo expansion, he drafted significant portions of the final report ultimately adopted by the group. He has a B.A. in Political Science from Syracuse University and a juris doctorate from Thomas Jefferson School of Law. Mazzella will serve as the committee chair.

Mazzella contributed \$250 on February 17, 2000, and again on September 19, 2000. Margaret Mazzella of the same address gave \$250 on February 21, 2000.

November 14, 2001
**COMMISSION FOR
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mission include advising the Mayor and Council on projects and programs designed to promote public art throughout the neighborhoods of the City of San Diego, developing policies to involve artists in selected Capital Improvement Projects, and encouraging the private sector to include public art in private developments.

Claire Anderson is a real estate broker with CSA Enterprises. As secretary of the Balboa Theatre Arts & Education Fund Board of Directors, she is currently working on the restoration of the Historic Balboa Theatre. Anderson is a member of the San Diego Historical Society, Symphony Stars, and Performing Arts League. She has a B.A. in Design and Psychology from Wayne State University.

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Thomas Lancaster

Retired engineer with Qualcomm in the OmniTRACS division. Lancaster's career began in the aerospace industry at Bendix, where he participated in the Presidential Interchange Commission and worked in the Department of Transportation in the Urban Mass Transit Administration (UMTA). Later, he worked at Rohr in the Transportation Division and at Cubic Corporation in the Transit Fare Collection Division, where his early marketing efforts secured the fare-collection

contract for the New York City Transit Authority. He holds a B.A. in Physics and Mathematics from DePauw University and a master's from Stanford University. Lancaster replaces Jacqueline Vines, who resigned.

Lancaster contributed \$250 on April 22, 2000. Marilyn Lancaster of the same address gave \$250 on June 3, 1999, and again on April 22, 2000.

October 16, 2001

MAYOR ANNOUNCES SENIOR AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The Board advises the City Council on issues impacting the elderly community including transportation, housing, and home security.

Dr. Paul Thomas Retired Physician Anesthesiologist; member of the American

Medical Association and the San Diego Medical Society since 1963. The 38-year San Diego resident was past president of the California Society of Anesthesiologists and past president of the College Area Community Council and the Alvarado Estates Community Association. Dr. Thomas received a B.A. from the University of Denver and his M.D. from the University of Colorado.

Thomas gave \$250 on June 3, 1999, and again on June 12, 2000. Gwendolyn Thomas of the same address gave \$250 on June 12, 2000.

October 3, 2001

MAYOR APPOINTS TWO TO LOCAL ENFORCEMENT AGENCY HEARING PANEL

Pennie McLaughlin Carlos is Assistant United States Attorney with the Southern District of California.

Prior to her service at the Office of the United States Attorney, she served as a Senior Trial Attorney for the San Diego County Public Defender. In addition, Carlos serves on the Executive Committee for the American Heart Association and is a lecturer for the California Public Defender Association. As a professional triathlete, she twice finished the Hawaiian Ironman in the Elite Group. Carlos graduated Magna Cum Laude from Fordham University and received her juris doctorate from Boston University, School of Law.

Carlos gave \$100 on May 17, 1999, and \$250 on June 9, 2000. Marc Carlos of the same address gave

\$150 on June 28, 2000, and \$125 on September 19, 2000.

September 21, 2001

MAYOR MURPHY APPOINTS TWO TO RETIREMENT BOARD

The board determines the conditions under which city employees are admitted to the benefits of the retirement system and controls administration and investment of retirement funds.

Richard Vortmann, a member of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on City Finance, is the Vice President of General Dynamics and President of National

Steel and Shipbuilding Company (NASSCO). He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce's CEO Roundtable and the Business and Economic Development Council of San Diego. He has served in various financial-management positions with Kaiser Industries Corporation. Vortmann earned a bachelor's degree in finance and a master's degree in business administration from the University of California, Berkeley.

Vortmann gave \$250 on June 7, 1999, and again on August 2, 2000. Jocelyn Vortmann of the same address contributed \$250 on February 18, 2000, and again on August 2, 2000.

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August 3, 2001

MAYOR ANNOUNCES PARK AND RECREATION BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Dan Mazzella, attorney, is a member of the Legislative Committee of the San Diego County Bar Association and an in-house counsel for Zenith Insurance. Mazzella is also a certified legal specialist for Workers' Compensation. As one of the 40 members of the City Working Group regarding the proposed zoo expansion, he drafted significant portions of the final report, which was ultimately adopted by the group. Mazzella has a B.A. in political science from Syracuse University and a J.D. from Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

Mazzella contributed \$250 on February 17, 2000, and again on September 19, 2000. Margaret Mazzella of the same address gave \$250 on February 21, 2000.

March 2, 2001

MAYOR MURPHY APPOINTS VETER- ANS ADVISORY BOARD

"The distinguished members of this panel will help me and my staff best serve the veteran community of San Diego," said Mayor Murphy. "We look forward to frequent, thoughtful dialogue on veteran affairs."

Kenneth Golden President of Kenneth H. Golden Co; Pilot in WWII & Korean conflict.

Golden contributed \$250 on April 28, 1999, and again on April 10, 2000. Frances Golden of the same address gave \$250 on August 2, 2000.

Riley Mixson Admiral (retired); president, R.D.M. Associates; board member of Rolls-Royce North American holdings, and flew 256 Vietnam combat missions.

Mixson gave \$100 on November 1, 1999, and \$200 on April 11, 2000.

Dr. John Reppart Colonel, USAF (retired); retired Air Force doctor.

Reppart gave \$100 on July 26, 1999; \$100 on January 25, 2000; and \$250 on March 16, 2000.

February 16, 2001

MAYOR MURPHY APPOINTS CITIZEN'S ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

Mayor Dick Murphy today announced appointments to the newly formed Citizen's Environmental Advisory Board (CEAB). In his inaugural address in December, Mayor Murphy announced the creation of six new mayoral citizen advisory boards, including an Environmental Advisory Board.

Nancy Acevedo Retired deputy Park and Recreation Director, City of San Diego, Park Development and Open Space Division; vice president of Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation; and board member of both I Love a Clean San Diego County, Inc., and the San Diego Archaeological Center.

Acevedo gave \$125 on June 3, 1999; \$250 on April 6, 2000; and \$125 on September 28, 2000.

CITY ETHICS COMMISSION

Commissioners are appointed by the Mayor from a pool of nominees nominated by the Council and City Attorney and confirmed by Council. A Commissioner's four-year term begins July 1 and ends on June 30.

Dorothy Leonard, Commission Chair. Former vice chair of the City of San Diego



Dorothy Leonard

Elections, Campaign & Governmental Ethics Advisory Board from 1992 to 1994. Former chair of the San Diego City Planning Commission and president of the California State PTA. Member of the San Diego Unified School District Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee (ICOC) for Proposition MM, the \$1.5 billion bond measure. Former director of program services for the March of Dimes San Diego, and leader in the creation and development of

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Mission Trails Regional Park. Graduate of San Diego State University. Leonard is a registered Republican. Her current term on the Ethics Commission expires June 30, 2005.

Leonard gave \$250 on June 3, 1999, and again on May 10, 2000.

Albert Gaynor Commission vice-chair. Retired attorney with more than 12 years of public service and more than 25 years in the



Albert Gaynor

practice of law. Served on the ethics committee of the town of Mamaroneck, New

York, and was elected to the Board of Trustees of Larchmont, New York. Former chief of the Criminal Division in the office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York. Served as past president of the Conservative Order for Good Government (COGG). Graduate of New York University School of Law. Gaynor is a registered Republican. His current term on the ethics commission expires June 30, 2003.

Gaynor gave \$242 on January 26, 2000.

April Riel Certified Public Accountant with the forensic accounting firm of RGL Gallagher. Former investigative accountant in the fraud division in the office of the San Diego District Attorney; performed over 100 financial investigations pertaining to cases involving embezzlements, grand theft, real estate, and investment scams. Current member of



April Riel

the San Diego Filipino Accountants Association, American Institute of Cer-

tified Public Accountants (AICPA), the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, and the California Financial Crimes Investigators Association. Graduate of San Diego State University with a master's degree in public administration. Riel is a registered Republican. Her current term on the Ethics Commission expires June 30, 2005.

Riel gave \$200 on June 14, 2000. ■

— Matt Potter

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Famous people passed through San Diego on their way to, or from, history. These “temporary” San Diegans were here for weeks, sometimes years.

WYATT EARP: Came to San Diego with his common-law wife, Josephine Sarah Marcus “Sadie” Earp, between 1885 and 1888. The dates vary, because during that period Earp made several trips. In the 1870s, San Diego and Tombstone, Arizona, site of the OK Corral shootout, traded populations every few years, or so it seemed. Stewart: “There had been quite a bit of running back and forth between San Diego and Tombstone. After the boom of the early 1870s died in San Diego, and things were picking up in Tombstone, they said that every second man you met on the streets of Tombstone was from

San Diego. One whole store, Whitfield’s Drug Store, even was moved by freight wagons to the Arizona territory town. Then when things began booming in San Diego in the mid-1880s, the tide turned the other way.”

Earp came here as a real estate speculator, not as “Wyatt Earp, lawman” (in local directories he listed himself as a “capitalist”). He built three gambling halls: one on Sixth next to the Hotel St. James, one on E Street near Sixth, and one on Fourth, across from the plaza, between D and E. Patrons played faro, blackjack, poker, and keno.

In 1885 Earp won a racehorse, Otto Rex (“fellow named Jim Leach sorta donated him to me in a poker game”). This began a 12-year venture as an owner — and sometimes jockey — of racehorses. His colors were navy blue polka dots on a white field. He ran trotters at the American Driving Park (a race-

track, built in 1887, now the site of Mossy Ford, on Mission Bay Drive in Pacific Beach) and on the California circuit.

“Those were the days,” writes Josie Earp, “when San Diego was coming out of its Mexican serape and putting on an American suit. The tourists hadn’t got there yet, thank goodness. We were visiting Coronado across the bay when it was subdivided into the lots they built all those old mansions on. The lots were sold from a big tent, and it seemed like a circus to me. This was my first experience with a real-estate boom. We saw the foundations laid for the old Hotel del Coronado. It became a ritzy spot.

“It may surprise you to know that Wyatt was fond of the theater and was especially partial to Shakespearean plays. When he heard that the famous Lillie Langtry was to appear in *As You Like It*, he bought tickets.”

Restless nomads, ever in search of the big payoff, the Earps were most fond of movement. In 1892, they sold everything and headed for the Klondike. In their last years together, they “win-



Wyatt Earp

tered” in Vidal, California (near Parker, Arizona), and “summered” in Los Angeles. Earp died in 1929. He was 81. Josie lived to 83.

LEE HARVEY OSWALD: Enlisted in the Marines October 24, 1956, six days after his 17th birthday. He learned to

SELECTED QUOTATIONS:

1. Josephine Earp: “Wyatt must have possessed, as Bat [Masterson] put it, a ‘strange power over men.’ He had, again and again, without touching a weapon,” made “bad men” hand over their arms.
2. Nelson Delgado (fellow Marine): Oswald’s marksmanship “was a pretty big joke, because he got a lot of Maggie’s Drawers, you know, a lot of misses.”

3. Sonnichsen: “Somehow [Bean] discovered that he was the kind of person Americans like to make something out of, and he spent the last years of his life helping them make something out of him.”

4. Tinling: “Baptiste and the others did not see themselves as makers of history.”

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fire an M-1 rifle at the San Diego Marine Corps Recruiting Depot's Edson Range. The Marines have three rankings for riflemen: Marksman, Sharpshooter, and Expert. On December 21, 1956, Oswald scored 212 (out of 250) on the Range's A course. He qualified as a Sharpshooter by 2 points. Brown: "On May 6, 1959, he was barely able to fire a 191, only one point above marksman, the lowest designation you can achieve without disqualifying yourself from Marine Corps duty."

ROY BEAN: San Diego's first mayor, sworn in January 10, 1850, was Joshua Bean. His official title was *alcalde*, which "was something between a mayor, a police judge, and a Lord High Executioner." (Sonnichsen) He also became major general of the state militia and was instrumental in capturing the renegade Antonio Garra, who referred to him as "General Frijol."

Joshua's younger brother, Roy, fled to San Diego for sanctuary. He had shot a man between the eyes in Chihuahua. Old Town was a dusty little pueblo, and Roy had an ingrained impulse to stand out in small arenas. According to Major Horace Bell, one of his few close friends, Roy "was soon prancing around the old town appareled in all the gay trappings of a California caballero on a spirited steed with silver-mounted saddle and bridle, and became the beau ideal of the aristocratic señoritas."

Joshua left San Diego in 1851 (he was murdered in San Gabriel, by several assassins, in 1852). Roy stuck around San Diego but got in a duel with a boastful Scotsman named Collins. Somebody suggested, instead of an ordinary gunfight, they should fire at each other on horseback. When Sheriff Agostin Haraszthy heard about it, he said they could shoot it out, just aim away from spectators.

The duel took place February 24, 1852, on Old Town's main street. Since spectators lined both sides, "It was hard to shoot with-

out knocking over a few... Back and forth and round and round the duelists galloped, jockeying for position. Finally Roy cut loose, winged Collins, then shot his horse out from under him." (Sonnichsen) The sheriff stopped the duel, charged both

men with assault with intent to murder, and put them in jail. The jail was the pride of Old Town. Everyone believed it was "as safe as the United States Treasury," because it combined cobblestones with a brand-new material, concrete.

Ever the romantic, Major Bell swears that adoring señoritas helped him; others said inebriated natives. In either case, Roy escaped from jail on March 6, 1852. He headed to San Gabriel and eventually to Texas, where he became Judge Roy Bean, justice of

the peace of Langtry (like Wyatt Earp, Bean adored Miss Lillie — so much, in fact, he named his town after her). Instead of the dashing gringo-caballero of Old Town, Bean "drank too much and washed too little" and labeled himself "the Law West of the Pecos."

JEAN BAPTISTE CHARBONNEAU: If it weren't for his mother, Charbonneau would be more famous in his own right. Everywhere he went, history happened. The American frontier, in fact, often advanced with him. As a teenager he

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toured Europe with Prince Paul of Württemberg. He spoke at least six languages. He was one of the first fur-trapping mountain men. He served under General Stephen Watts Kearny and was one of the chief scouts for the Mormon Battalion, famous for their arduous 2000-mile trek across the Southwest that remains the longest infantry march in United States history. While riding on a mule, he searched for water and routes the wagons could traverse, across rivers and through mountain passes. Some compared his skills to Kit Carson, and, thanks in no small measure to Baptiste's guidance, the battalion forged a trail on which "two railroad lines and a much-used highway were later built." (Tinling)

A friend of James Marshall, who discovered gold near Sutter's Mill January 24, 1848, Charbonneau was among the first of the 49ers. He prospected at Murderer's Bar, on the middle fork of the American River, where he lived in a "village of canvas."

Charbonneau lived history. Yet people remember him for a journey he made as an infant on his mother's back. He was born at Fort Mandan, February 11, 1805. His father was Toussaint Charbonneau, a French-Canadian fur trader, and his mother was a 16-year-old Shoshone woman named Sacagawea. Baptiste was two months old when his parents joined Lewis and Clark's Corps of Discovery expedition as guides and interpreters. He was 18 months old when their journey ended.

Funkhouser: "Sacagawea carried him all the way across the country and back again. When she rode through rapids in a dugout canoe, she rode with her baby; when food was scarce, both she and her baby went hungry."

On February 24, 1847, Baptiste became *alcalde* at Mission San Luis Rey. Since the mission had become secularized, it had fallen into disrepair. Tinling: "The California governor recommended him for the post because he had a reputation for trustworthiness and because

he spoke Spanish, a language the Indians at the mission understood."

Baptiste discovered that the natives were the landowners' economic prey. José Pico, for example, ran the mission's store. He charged Flujencio, a native, \$51.37 for "whiskey and other goods" and demanded payment. Tinling: "According to the law, Baptiste was obliged to sentence the laborer, whose pay was twelve and a half cents a day, to work for Pico until the debt was paid. Because the man had little chance ever to pay off his debt, the sentence was equivalent to slavery."

Baptiste lasted eight months at the mission. Tinling: "In July 1848...he decided he could no longer enforce such unfair regulations." In his resignation, Baptiste wrote, "A half-breed Indian of the U.S. is regarded by the people as favoring the Indians more than he should do, and hence there is much complaint against him."

Baptiste went north, to the goldfields. He died May 16, 1866, at a stagecoach stop near Danner, Oregon. He was headed to the Montana Territory. Tinling: "It is appropriate that Baptiste died on the trail, like the adventurer he was." ■

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Lifeguards and a Shack Set Back in the Cliff at the Cove

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 11

Around here it is assumed that Mrs. Billings at one time may have had a husband, or might still have one. But the authority for this is beyond my scope, and perhaps of no special interest.

We do know, though, that her original home was in Massachusetts and that her occasional winter visits to this town became more extended as the years went along, until now she might be what is called permanent.

Yet in the old days around here she was not quite



Lifeguard at La Jolla Cove, 1956

what she is at present. She was just as tall, of course, or what a sportswriter would term either "willowy" or "wiry," but she did not seem so fully determined to be herself. There had been a time, indeed, when she had

compromised with the rest of the town and had behaved according to most of the rules. These rules are lenient enough, but they do not quite allow for a lady of fashion to tap a gentleman on the fly of his

trousers and say: "How they doing?"

And sometimes these taps by the willowy Mrs. Billings had really hurt, like the time, for instance, when she and poor old Mr. Whyming were being introduced. Her tap had caused him to double up. His glasses fell off and, even though they did not break, he cared very little about ever wanting to see her again.

Anyhow, Mrs. Billings's presence at the customary cocktail parties became a thing of rarity, and finally she no longer was asked to serve on committees either. But instead of seeming to mind any of this, she appeared to be relieved. And her big home on the mesa became a sort of club after her own liking, or rather a sort of gymnasium. The people who came to see her were for the most part out-of-towners, and still are. But in fairness to them, and to her, it must be admitted that at first they remained well within the confines of the stucco walls of her yard. Mrs. Billings, as is her prerogative, does like colors, and so she has them. These walls are painted a grapejuice purple.

I am mentioning all this now because so much of the talk around Perky at the cocktail party contin-

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ued to be about her, one of the possible reasons being that the nearness of her home could have been keeping her ever in mind. For her home was directly up there beyond the windows. In looking out of them, we could not help but see the purple. And in seeing the purple, we could not help but wonder what was going on inside. Quite a few cars were up there, none of which we could recognize. So it was obvious that Mrs. Billings, despite her absence at this cocktail party, was not sitting up there in loneliness and brooding about it.

But even while we were thinking about all this, one of the hired help went over to Perky and said: "You're wanted on the phone, Mr. Adams."

So, then it had started — the phoning — and none of us needed to be told who was doing the phoning. During previous years so many of the men present had been victims of this phoning, and at the damndest hours, that they no longer laughed



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La Jolla socialites at Sherwood Hall fashion show, 1962

about it. Nor did they give thanks for the memory. Likewise they knew that the phoning would continue unless something was done about it, either by leaving

the receiver off the hook or, as in this case, by having Perky obey the summons and go up to the other house. When he returned

from the little telephone room I asked him: "Well, Perky, how about it?" "It's not just me she wants," he answered. "She said she wanted me to

bring along Mr. Stuff Shirt too — and the whole party. Everybody. Everybody." **CHAPTER 12**
In this town with its cus-

tomary clubs, its customary and expensive golf and Country Club, its expensive though not so customary Beach and Tennis Club, its customary luncheon and culture clubs, the one and only club in which I am a member is an unofficial sort of thing. Or it may not even be a club. But we who belong, or rather we who are admitted or accepted at any time, have reasons for regarding our outfit as the most exclusive of them all. For anybody can get into the other ones if they pay the dues. But we have no dues other than an obligatory loyalty to each other. And this loyalty may mean protecting each other, or covering up for each other, whenever strange things over which we have no control may occur. And in an ocean town, especially one containing a Mrs. Billings, strange things do have a habit of occurring, and mainly at night. Our clubhouse is not a clubhouse as such, but a shack set back in the cliff at The Cove. This is the

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Lifeguards' Shack. We always have called it that, and nothing more. It is an oddly shaped room built partly alongside the cement stairs leading down to The Cove, and also built partly under the stairs, and always it is dark and damp inside. But this is not our fault. For there is only one little window. It is screened, and it faces toward the north. Consequently no sun enters. Yet in here, especially on cold days when nobody is in swimming and needs to be guarded, is where we sit and argue and talk about the town and maybe about the rest of the world. But not much about the rest of the world, for our own world is right here.

The interior of the Lifeguards' Shack contains a cot covered with an Army blanket. The cot originally was for the purpose, presumably, of patients who had been rescued, revived, and in need of rest — away from the crowds who usually watch patients being rescued, revived, and in need of rest. Yet the cot has not been used for such a purpose for a long time, and ordinarily a rescued person wants to disappear as soon as he can, and usually without a thanks, as if thereby in his own mind the whole embarrassing incident has been canceled. He may talk about it years later, of course, and even may enlarge the details of what he himself may have

done during his own danger. But rarely does he want to talk about it right then, or even admit it. He prefers to vanish.

So the cot seldom has been used for its original purpose, but instead has become the one practical place upon which we clubmen may sit and discuss. It is true, we do have one chair in the Lifeguards' Shack. But the legs of the chair are not too secure, and the back of the chair has been broken in such a manner that the spines stick up and are sharp. The chair originally was salvaged long ago from the sea, and nobody has bothered to do any repairing, the chair not being worth it.

But as for the tele-

phone, we do have one, and it is our most important item. A jingle on this telephone can mean to the lifeguards on duty just about anything. It may mean merely some of the guards' wives phoning in for errands to be done on the way home. This could be during those dull days which can extend themselves, day after day, into dull weeks. There is no telling. For at other times the jingles on the phone may go wild, and the lifeguards, being summoned here or there or everywhere along the long shoreline, may be finding themselves crowding into a single afternoon the equivalent of a whole month's work. For accidents or near-accidents,

as we know, are not averse to occurring that way. It seems that accidents also like company.

The lifeguards do not presume to have strangers understand any of this. For the lifeguards do not care. And so whenever they appear to be just sitting around, enjoying life, then this apparently is how it is supposed to appear, and anybody at such times may envy lifeguards, and even may wish he were one. In which case, if given a choice, it may be better to be a lifeguard at a lake or at a swimming pool than to be a lifeguard along an ocean with its surprise rips, its crazily behaving surfs at times, and its unfamiliar Sunday bathers who do presume

too often that the ocean is but another lake or another swimming pool — like those nice places back home.

The telephone in our clubroom, the Lifeguards' Shack, also has a double connection with the police station. For a policeman's beat, and quite obviously, goes only as far as the shoreline ordinarily, and so it is up to the lifeguards to carry on from there....

But anyway, and as one clubman to another, it may be just possible that our own club has better communication facilities than any other club in town for knowing or for overhearing — everything. ■

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Mission Valley is a distinctive place. In the midst of the mesa or plateau that is San Diego lies a canyon six miles long, 500 feet deep, and 2000 feet wide. Arthur Ribbel, in an April 30, 1972, article in the *San Diego Union*, described an earlier Mission Valley. "Oldtimers, many years ago, looked down upon a vastly different Mission Valley than they do today, a garden-land then of small farms and dairies, rather than a center of commerce pouring rich dollar-blood into San Diego's economy.

"Drifting into nostalgia, they see, instead of motels, business houses, restaurants, hotels, a golf course and hurry-up traffic, a tranquil and beautiful checkerboard of well-manicured farm fields planted in alfalfa, corn, cabbage, beans, squash, and other produce. They see peaceful dairies and the San Diego River, bubbling up here and there from its upside down position beneath the sand in summer. A green isle in memory... that natural playland of Boyville, maybe deep within virginal thickets of willow along the river....

"And, contrary to the detractors of the San Diego as a river, fish, bluegill, sunfish, could be caught in some pot holes where they took up residence after they tumbled over the Cuyamaca Dam spillway in the mountains, or through the outlet of the dam. Then they went down Boulder Creek to the diverting dam, worked up the river into the gorge below Julian and downstream to the lower reaches of Mission Valley....

"Japanese truck farmers hunkered solicitously over plants, giving each meticulous, individual attention. Some of the produce would be hauled to the Farmers' Market in downtown San Diego, where the city folks would gather on certain days to replenish their coolers, and their news of the town. How fresh was the air, and how fragrant were some of the unfertilized fields in that verdant valley....

"There were no flood control works, no great edifices, little paving, no El Capitan or San Vicente dams to stay the torrents of the river, no sports stadium, no mass migration of settlers, and the downtown, about four or five miles 'that-a-way,' seemed far distant.

"Shooting stars, lupin, violets and other wildflowers prettied some of the slopes and flats."

Mission Valley was discovered by Europeans in 1769, when members of Father Junipero Serra's colonizing expedition arrived in San Diego. As Richard Pourade writes in *The Explorers*, "The first task... was to find a good source of fresh water....

"They walked for about three leagues till they came to the banks of a river lined on both sides with overspreading cottonwoods of heavy foliage.... In the grove there was a variety of shrubs and sweet-smelling plants, such as rosemary, sage, Castilian rose, and above all, an abundance of wild grape-vines, which at that time were in flower."

Nan Taylor Papageorge, in her spring 1971 *Journal of San Diego*

their crops near the river, and the river rose so high that it carried away all that was sown. The second year planting was done further back from the stream, but the water was so scarce that most of the plants died.

"The padres recommended that the Mission be moved further up the Valley in hopes of having better luck with the crops. Fr. Serra in his first report of the Mission for 1774 stated, 'It is determined to move the Mission within the same canada of the port toward the northeast of the presidio, at a distance of a little less than two leagues. The place is much more suitable for a population, on account of the facility of obtaining the necessary water, and on account of the vicinity of good land for cultivation. The place is

"The marvel of the mission era was the dam and aqueduct which was started in 1807. Using Indian labor, they dammed the San Diego River at the head of Mission Gorge where the river ran the year round. An aqueduct was run nearly six miles through a rugged canyon to the fields of the mission. The padres didn't keep many records during this time but Frs. Sanchey and Martin reported in 1813, 'We are working on an aqueduct, which is to bring water to the Mission.' In 1814 they reported that 3.8 miles had been completed.... With the advent of the water Mission agriculture flourished. Vineyards, orchards and crops were quite successful, as were herds of cattle. When the Mission was secularized in 1833, the inventories show that it was a thriving enterprise.

"Don Blas Aquilar, an old time resident of San Diego, recalled that by 1821 there were 15 rancherias and two vineyards in Mission Valley. He said that all the crops were washed away and homes were damaged by a great flood that year, and the river changed its course back into False Bay [Mission Bay].

"A tiny town slowly grew up at the foot of Presidio hill....

"The townspeople planted their gardens in nearby Mission Valley, and obtained their water from the river or from under its sands...."

The Spanish-American War brought rapid changes to San Diego. Papageorge writes: "In 1846, as the Americans were about to take over, Pio Pico gave a deed of sale to Don Santiago Arguello for 'the remaining lands unsold' of the Mission San Diego. A new era was about to begin. The Spanish had discovered the San Diego River and Mission Valley and though peopled sparsely, the valley was used for agriculture and cattle raising. After the first few years of adequate rainfall, the valley suffered under a long dry spell until the 1820s and 30s brought more rain and several floods. The Mission, once the center of culture in the valley, was falling into ruins.

"After three hundred years of Spanish rule, and twenty-four years under the Mexican flag, the Pueblo of San Diego and all of California was ceded to the United States for

1. Guglielmetti farm
2. Jacob P. Jepson house
3. Jacob P. Jepson property, sold to H.G. Fenton in 1930
4. Christopher Nels Ohre farm
5. Lewis Nile Gibson ranch
6. M.G. McDermott house
7. David and Louis Ferrari farm
8. Peter Ricard farm



Southern view across Mission Valley to city pumping station

History article entitled "The Role of the San Diego River in the Development of Mission Valley," takes up the story from there. "When the group that had arrived by ship was joined by the land party of Fr. Junipero Serra, they moved their camp up to a bluff overlooking the river (both for safety and to be nearer the source of water) and on July 16, 1769 founded the Mission and military post that was known as the Presidio.

"The first year they planted

called Nipoguay.' The move was accomplished in August of 1774 and Mission Valley had its first white inhabitants and California's first mission had its permanent home....

"The Spanish Military forces remained at the Presidio. According to British Captain George Vancouver who visited there in 1794, the military were supported by the fields and labors of the missionaries and their Indian neophytes. Thus Mission Valley supported both settlements.



San Diego River

9. C.J. Clark Pumping Station headquarters

10. Railroad track for hauling sand and gravel up to San Diego

11. Reland house

12. Officer house

13. Sandrock Grade (Texas Street)

14. Scott house

15. Calvin S. Bond farm, Bond's Dairy

16. George M. Reed house
17. County Poor Farm; from 1932, McCready's Mountain Meadow Dairy

18. Mills farm

19. Henry Gray taxidermist shop

20. Philip Croswaithe house (1860–1884); Sereno Allen farm, Allen's Dairy

21. Adolph Levi/Levi-Cushman farm

22. Rubin farm

23. Ernest Bernard's Nursery
24. Harvey D. Allen pasture

25. Ernie Allen pasture

26. Hong Far Gardens

27. Another Chinese garden

28. Edmund J. Baughman farm

29. Russell Grant farm

30. Harland S. Cliff house

31. R.E. Hazard Block Plant

32. City pumping station
33. C.W. and Anne Sandrock store

34. Old Isolation Hospital

35. Steps to Isolation Hospital

36. San Diego Mission

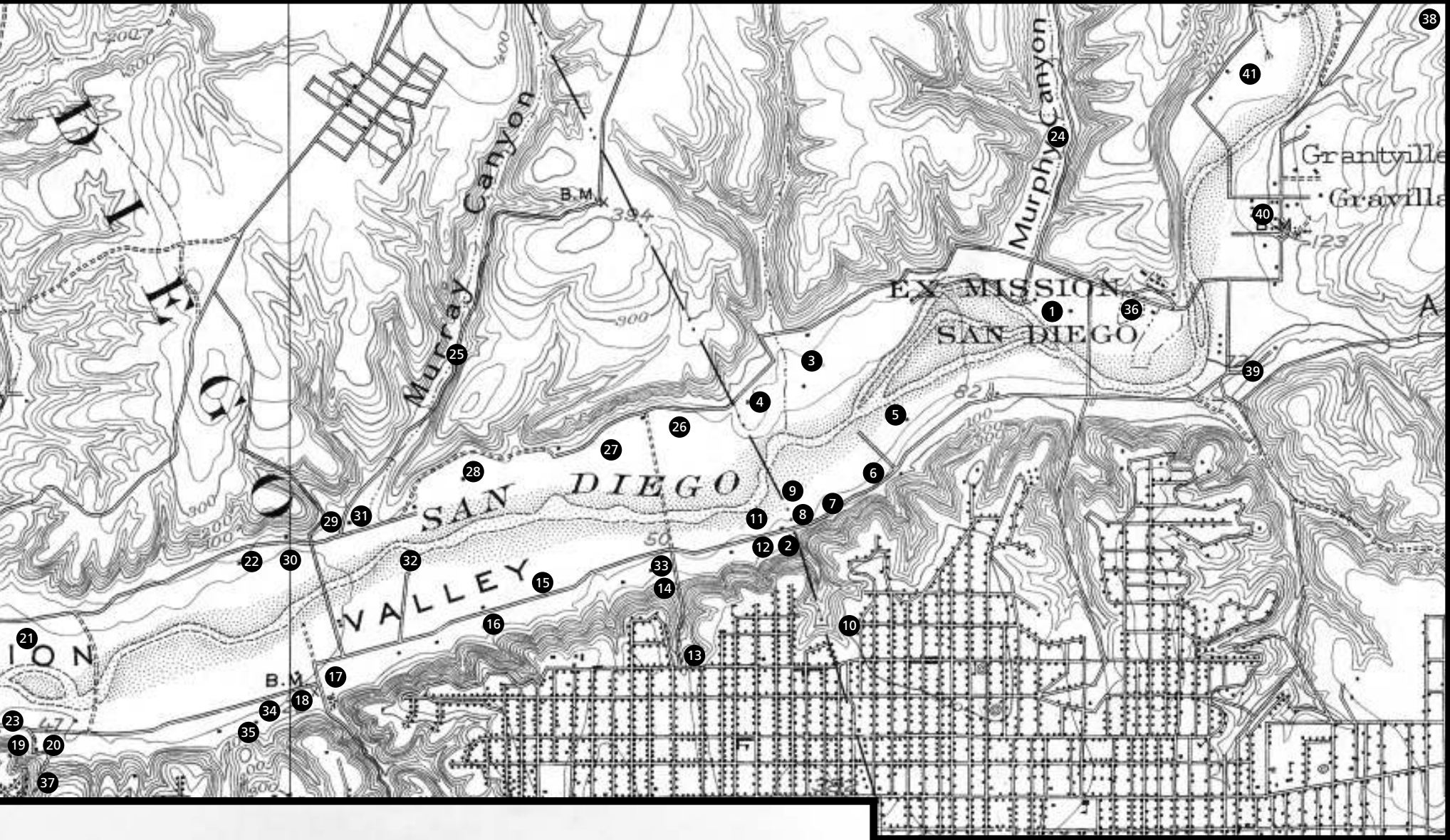
37. Allen Dairy Road

38. Hermine Hilkowitz house

39. Jules Jaussaud dairy

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41. Jakes farm



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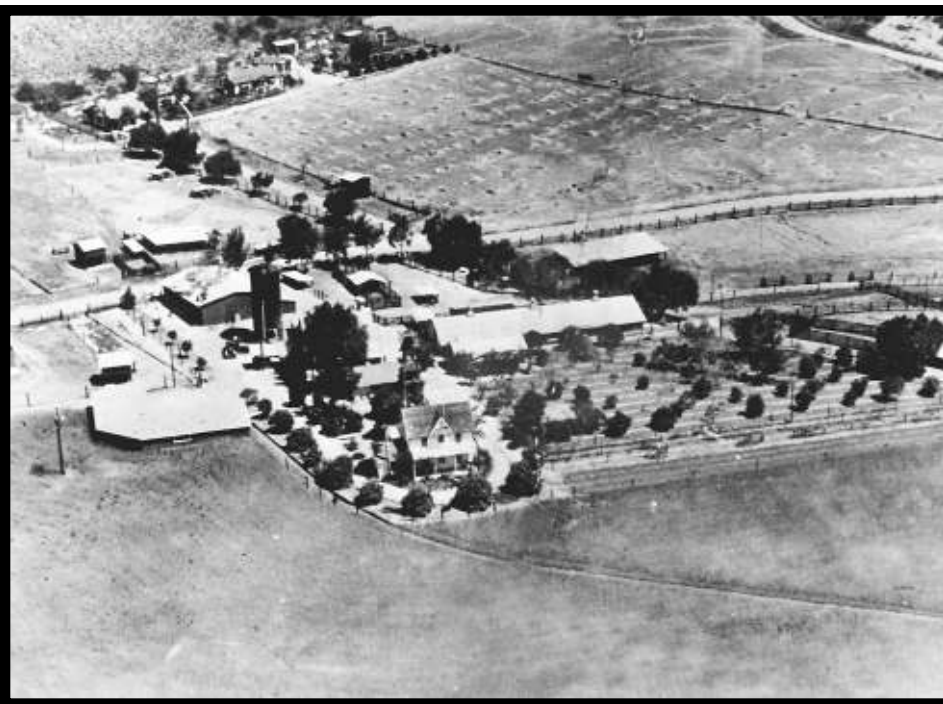
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\$15,000,000, in 1848. Captain S.F. du Pont, U.S.N., of the U.S.S. *Cyane* took the port of San Diego and his officer, Lt. Rowan, raised the American flag over the plaza of Old Town on July 29, 1846. Du Pont later viewed the dilapidated mission and the remains of its gardens and vineyards, remarking that, 'A more miserable and naked sight I never saw.' ”

During the war, the priests left the mission and American troops occupied it. Historian James Nolan was interested in what happened to the mission's paintings and artwork. In his book *Discovery of the Lost Art Treasures of California's First Mission*, he writes: "San Diego's art treasures... were not destroyed heedlessly either by the Spanish or American residents of San Diego, nor were the statues used for target practice as was said to have happened at other missions. They were cautiously removed from the Mission Church in the year 1848, as is testified to by an inventory made of the movable goods at the Mission in that year, at a time when those works of art were still in a good state of preservation. This fact is confirmed by Philip Crosthwaite, who upon leasing the mission from Colonel J. D. Stevenson in October of 1848, 'removed there with his family to the priest's house' and reported in that year that 'with few exceptions the old rooms, offices, and workshops were then in good order.... He found there many trunks full of priests' clothing. There were

rich vestments, chalices, and various church furniture, some good oil paintings in the church.' In 1849, Crosth-

waite reported, all of these invaluable treasures had been removed....

"All evidence, direct

and indirect, suggests, then, that the vestments, chalices, candlesticks, and other valuables of the Mission Church including its art, were not lost but carefully transferred to the Estudillo House [in Old Town]. Therefore, it is not in the least surprising to discover in September of 1851 the first well-known public ceremony of a religious nature in Old Town — involving the use of richly-laden vestments obviously from the Mission — emanating from that important mansion located at the east end of the plaza, an entourage coming from the Estudillo House intent upon the formal laying of a cornerstone for this tiny community's first church." One can only imagine the strange procession of horses and wagons that had transported the treasures from the mis-

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sion to Old Town several years earlier.

“In 1850,” Papageorge writes, “New Town was laid out by William Heath Davis closer to the port. But water for the ships and for the new community still had to be hauled from the river. The population, according to the first census of 1850, was six hundred and fifty...

“The first government action to imply that the San Diego river stood in need of curbing was the U. S. Coast Survey whose report of 1851 by A. D. Bache warned that the bay may be destroyed by the silting action of the river.... Thus, Lt. George Horatio Derby, of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, was sent to San Diego in 1853 to build what was to become known as Derby’s Dike....

“A painting shows Derby’s Dike in 1853 and in Mission Valley beyond, there are a few farms outlined in trees, and a large undeveloped area. Two years of heavy rainfall preceded 1855 when 12.7 inches of rain added up to the flood that

washed out Derby’s Dike....

“The great flood of 1862 is said to have been the largest in volume. (Precipitation was 15.75 inches that year.) The vast flat between Old Town and False Bay was covered. Houses were swept out to sea; gardens, olive orchards, and a grove of trees thirty feet high were washed away. Capt. Sherman lost his horses trying to cross the stream and a Capt. Johnson was unable to get across to his home for two days. Although apparently the volume of water was vast, there was no terrible loss of property. San Diego was only a town of about seven hundred and fifty people, and Mission Valley was still sparsely settled.

“Although a few wells were in use in the town, Mission Valley was still the principal source of water. It was known to old-timer Stephen Peters as Agua de la Comunidad and was for general use as were the community grazing lands. The water was obtained in dry season by sinking boxes



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Fritz Ohre, c. 1920

or barrels into the sandy river bed. Water was carted up to the Hotel in town and cost twenty-five cents a bucket.

“In the 1860s, a road crossed the river at Old

Town and went up the north side of the river to the mission. One early resident of San Diego remembers that there were several houses on the north side of the river. One man had his house

and garden in the river bed and people tried to tell him he would be washed away. He would not believe them, but woke up one morning in the flood of 1867 and found that he and his house were floating down to the bay....”

In 1868, Philip Crosthwaite built an adobe house. As Thomas Adema states in his thesis entitled “San Diego’s Oldest Pioneer, Philip Crosthwaite, 1825–1903,” “The Crosthwaites often held dances and parties on their ranch in Mission Valley....

“As was the tradition in the Spanish families, Philip Crosthwaite held a large celebration for his daughter Josefa’s eighteenth birthday in early March 1872. Like his other daughters, Josefa Crosthwaite was known throughout San Diego for her charming personality and beautiful appearance. The Spanish style fiesta, with music, dance and spirits, continued throughout the night and ended at about three o’clock in the morning.

“A month after the celebration on the ranch, a fire raged through San Diego [Old Town] delivering the knockout punch to the town. From then on Old San Diego would slowly decay and the area known as New Town would take complete control of the economy in the surrounding area.... In January 1874, a year and a half after the fire, a terrible flood swept down Mission Valley and all of the land from one side of the valley to the other was under water. This forced Crosthwaite to abandon his adobe and find higher ground. The flood destroyed most of the improvements which Crosthwaite had made to his ranch and also hit several structures on the somewhat elevated town of San Diego. It swept away sections of the old adobe home of Crosthwaite’s father-in-law Bonifacio Lopez, located at the base of Presidio Hill.”

In 1872, a county hospital and poor farm were started in the valley where today State Route 163 goes up the south rim to Hill-

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crest. In a report entitled "First Annual Report of the San Diego County Hospital and Poor Farm to the Board of Supervisors for the Year Ending June 30, 1889," a floor plan and history of the facility are presented. The history stated, "This Hospital was established July 1, 1872, and up to June 30, 1889, has accommodated 1,237 patients.

"It is located three and one-half miles from the City of San Diego, at the foot of the grade leading to Mission Valley, about midway between Old San Diego and the old Spanish Mission. The grounds and farm cover an area of 140 acres.

"The Hospital is capable of accommodating about 60 patients. A plan is now being considered by the Board of Supervisors for the construction of several additional cottages for the accommodation of sick and indigent families....

"[The superintendent's] office is supplied with telephonic connection with San Diego and surrounding towns....



Fagerheim dairy yard, c. 1935

SAN DIEGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY PHOTO

"The farm is provided with two first-class windmills, chicken houses and general outbuildings....

"On this farm there are four acres of orchard under cultivation, producing figs, apricots and peaches; and having a few orange trees not yet bearing.

"There are also about four acres of garden, producing vegetables enough to supply present demand."

A partial list of conditions for which people were treated includes abscess, apoplexy, arthritis, anemia, bronchitis, contusion, cardiac disease, cirrhosis, conjunctivitis, alcoholism, dysentery, and burns. Amputations were performed. The County Hospital, after a time, was moved up the hill, and the poor farm, later known as Edgemoor Farms, was relocated to Santee. The

Mission Valley site was taken over by Mountain Meadow Dairy.

C.W. Sandrock's Tienda, at the foot of what is now the Texas Street grade, sold provisions primarily to the Mexican families who owned small rancherias in Mission Valley. A one-story building, the store consisted of five rooms: the store proper, a front room, two side rooms, and a bedroom. Clemens Sandrock, the store's owner, was of Prussian ancestry. He had moved to Mission Valley with his German wife, Anne Doescher Sandrock, by 1878. By 1892, he had set up a second store in Old Town.

In 1895, Anne Sandrock was murdered in the store. She had separated from her husband, who was living with their younger children in Old Town. An inquest was held, and the motive

was felt to be robbery, as money from Mrs. Sandrock's purse was missing.

Eugene Skinner, in an interview conducted by Edgar F. Hastings on March 24, 1959 (San Diego Historical Society Oral History Collection), recalled the incident. "I faintly remember the Sandrock murder. I was a little fellow, and I remember my father taking me out there that next morning. It was a little store on the west side of the Texas Street grade, about 200 feet from where the speedway is today, on the left hand side as you go down. It was a little grocery store, and Mrs. Sandrock, as I remember it, was murdered there by an Indian that came down the valley that night. Something happened and she was murdered.

"I remember the location of the store at the foot of (I think that was called Sandrock Grade), now Texas Street. It was just about two or three hundred (feet) this side of what is now Camino Real — a little, one-story, small grocery store. I remember him taking me out there and we saw it, and that was all."

Only a few people lived in Mission Valley in 1895. George Veasey and Henry Frank lived near the Sandrock store, and Indians lived at Miguel's Rancheria, one or two miles away. There were several other households in the valley.

After the Sandrocks arrived, others came who were still there into the 20th

Century. Around 1884, Sereno and Phemie Allen and their children moved to San Diego. As daughter Gertrude Eudora Allen recalled in an interview conducted by Edgar F. Hastings on September 15, 1959 (San Diego Historical Society Oral History Collection), her father "...arranged to buy the place in Mission Rancho in Mission Valley about a mile above Old Town. It was the old Crosthwaite place. That historic old adobe house (was on it then) and it had been abandoned by the Crosthwaite family and the walls were boarded up and the old barns were a wreck, but he thought that was the best possibility....

"It was arranged to have somebody clean the old adobe house out and to take the family directly there. I can remember the horse and wagon met the train. We stopped at the grocery on the Plaza in Old Town and got some groceries and went directly to this house — of course we kept the necessary equipment to make a home.

"My father was interested in farming. He was an agriculturalist. He had a good deal to do to develop. There was no water and he started by building the windmill and the well down at the river to pump the water up to the house and getting a team of horses and the necessary things to run the farm. He saw that there was a future in farming when the Panama Canal was built.

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He wanted to have a lemon orchard.

“He started by farming the ground. Of course it was a rather tough going. It was sandy soil. He had a hundred and sixty acres there. He owned down by the Bernards Nursery and up on the hill, where Allen Terrace is, and that bench ground. Clear from the top of the hill — clear up Mission Hills — down into the river bottom.” A remnant of the old, abandoned Allen Dairy Road, used by the family to deliver dairy products to Mission Hills and other parts of San Diego, endures today as Allen Road.

People also settled at the east end of the valley. Grantville was established in 1887 as a haven for Civil War veterans but fell victim to San Diego’s economic bust of the 1890s.

“At the turn of the cen-

tury,” Papageorge writes, “San Diego was a growing city of 17,700 whose interests were elsewhere than in Mission Valley. ‘It’s only Mission Valley,’ quoted one oldtimer who complained of the marshes and mosquitoes.... To view the rural scene from above was, however, a favorite pastime of San Diegans who visited Mission Cliff Gardens at the foot of the trolley line on Park Avenue. The beautifully kept grounds opened onto a vista below of the river meandering through small groves and farms. A gazebo was perched on the rim of the cliff. This was also a favorite spot to watch the rampaging river during flood years.

“Some concern was felt for the problem of flooding....

“The first large flood of the twentieth century



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Oscar Ohre cutting oat hay, c. 1915

was in the winter of 1905–06 after a very wet year in 1905. The embankment at the end of Old Town bridge washed out, the channel shifted to the north, and the river ran until late in

the summer.”

Sometime in the early 1900s, the county planned a new hospital in Mission Valley for people with tuberculosis, syphilis, and other infectious diseases. Isola-

tion Hospital, also known as Detention Hospital or Women’s Detention Hospital, was built just below where UCSD Medical Center is today.

One business essential

to the growth and development of San Diego was the sand and gravel industry. Buildings were made of concrete, which is mostly sand and gravel, and these constituents also went into the manufacture of asphalt. Sand and gravel were mined in Mission Valley by the Hazard, Daley, and Fenton interests. Fenton purchased land near where the stadium is now. The Daley asphalt plant was located at the foot of Ward Road, and the Hazard plant was located where Hazard Center is today, near State Route 163.

From 1900 to the mid-1950s, the primary occupations in Mission Valley were farming, vegetable growing, dairying, and the supplying of sand and gravel.

The story of the Ohre family is typical for this period. On October 24, 1995,

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I conducted an oral history interview of Mr. Fritz Ohre, parts of which follow.

Mr. Ohre was born in 1910 and lived in Mission Valley until the mid-1980s. He was asked to show on a map who lived where in Mission Valley from approximately 1920 to 1950, starting at the east end of the valley and moving west. Some of the locations he discussed are numbered in the text below. The numbers correspond to positions on the map found on page 49.

Mr. Ohre begins, "Well, the first family that lived along there, I would probably say, was the Guglielmettis (No. 1).

"Then we have Jepson. He lived across the valley (No. 2), but he had 140 acres (No. 3) adjacent to our property (No. 4). He picked rocks off his property during the summer. They weren't



Ohre mobile home park, Mission Valley, 1975

used — they were just in the way. I was just ten years old and I recollect that Jepson wanted to sell that property to my father for \$15,000. It was 140 acres. It's next to Friars Road. My dad didn't

want to buy it. He said that he could keep the five brothers busy on the 60 acres. He didn't want us over there picking rocks. Anyway, that was a very false reading because we wouldn't have

had to pick any rocks. We would have just had to make ends meet on that property, and it would have been of terrific value later on."

"Wasn't Fenton the one that bought it?"

"Yeah. He first raised beans on there, and then it became a rock plant. The rocks were mined in the canyon and along with sand from the river were used to

make concrete. Henry G. Fenton married a woman whose family owned Western Salt Works.

"And now we're going to get into an area where my father bought Lot 33 and half of Lot 34, which was part of the Ex Mission Rancho. A man named Hoff also owned part of Lot 34 at one time. Lot 34 is an interesting piece of information. There was a eucalyptus grove in there and a Mr. Peck who lived uptown came in and cut down the eucalyptus trees to make utility poles, which weren't too good for that purpose because they would rot and split. Later we would cut the trees and sell them to our milk customers as cordwood.

"Our lot went to the middle of the river and to the top of the hill, just to the crest of the hill. The Jepson/Fenton place went on both sides of the river.

"South of Guglielmetti was Gibson (No. 5). He lived across the valley. A little bit west of Guglielmetti there

was two Phoenix palm trees there and a building, and I don't know what he done. He lived up on a point on top of the hill in a sharp gabled house and built a small building down in the valley on the south side of the road there. I don't know what he used it for.

"Next to Gibson was McDermott (No. 6). I don't know what he did for a living. McDermott was between Ferrari (No. 7) and Gibson.

"Ferrari grew vegetables, however, and later had a dairy. And west of Ferrari was Ricard (No. 8). He was a vegetable farmer and he was married to a woman who was a large portion Indian. He made wine and also sold cheese and milk.

"And there was next a pumping station going up and down the valley, and that was run by a man named Clark (No. 9).

"In between here, they had a railroad track (No. 10), and there's a little canyon right there with a railroad track going up it where they

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could take the gravel and sand up from the river area by horse and wagon. They had to haul it; they didn't have any fancy tools then.

"West of Clark was where Jepson lived, at the foot of the hill (No. 2).

"West of Jepson was Reland (No. 11), and after that was Officer (No. 12). Reland lived next to the Clark pumping station in a two-story house. I don't know who was in there before him. He was a Finn. I don't know what he did for a living. The Officers lived on the south side of the road in a two-story house with dirt floors. Officer was a farmer and later worked as

a watchman at a well located where May Company is now [Mission Valley shopping center]. The Timkin ball-bearing people drilled a well 5000 feet deep and struck oil down there, and I don't know what quality it was, but the well was sealed off later. I don't doubt that there was oil there. Union Oil went around and gave a percentage of it to people in the neighborhood. My father didn't want to take part in it, but the rest of the people did.

"Sandrock store was right in here (No. 33), and then we had Sandrock grade (No. 13).

"Then there was Scott

(No. 14). There were chickens there, and I used to go over there every once in a while. He had a daughter, Christine, that I used to see, and her father said to me, 'What are you doing over here?' and then I think he said, 'You're too young to see my daughter.'

"Bond's dairy was next (No. 15). Bond early on was a sheepman — his thing was sheep rather than cows. He used to grow vegetables there too. Then Reed, who had a dairy, was somewhere in this area here (No. 16)."

"On Camino del Rio?"

"They would be on the other side, right about here.

"McCready was there

(No. 17). They had Mountain Meadow Dairy, and that was on the old Sixth Street Extension. Prior to that, I think it was called the Edgemoor Farm there, when I was real young, and later they moved up to Santee.

"Next was another dairy in there owned by a man named Mills (No. 18). He tried to grow alfalfa, but at that time we had saltwater and that was there because we didn't have any dams. When you put dams in, there's seepage there, and it throws the saltwater back towards the ocean, and so later on it became the golf course. After the salt water

got pushed out and they started to irrigate it, then it became fertile land again.

"I want to mention another party in there by the name of Henry Gray (No. 19). Gray had gotten into a railroad accident, so his legs were crossed, and I used to trap coyotes and took them to Henry Gray, who would tan them for a dollar and a half.

"Allen Dairy was right in here (No. 20). This was known as the Allen Grade in here (No. 37)."

"And to the north of these properties, was that the Levi property?"

"Yeah, I think that's where Adolph Levi came

in. He had that whole bit in there (No. 21). There's still the old barn south of Friars Road where they keep golf equipment and mowers. The liquor store is across the street near Via las Cumbrés. In the early years, we took cows that were no longer producing to Hardy's Slaughter House where Levitz was, and when we went through the Levi ranch we had to open some gates, and we went right past his barn and right in between his development.

"And here (No. 22) was the Highland Ranch, and that was owned for a long time by a man named Rubin. He was an officer in the

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Navy and obtained a pretty high rank. I think he was growing vegetables on that property and had some olive trees there.”

“Did Levi’s property go from the Sixth Street Extension all the way down to Morena Boulevard?”

“Possibly so. I didn’t know the boundaries of those places. It went across over to where the Stardust Hotel and where those facilities were.

“Bernard had a nursery near Allen Dairy. He had trees, flowers, and plants for sale there (No. 23).”

“And the Allen spread was on the south side of I-8?”

“Yeah, and I don’t know how much property they had. Harvey Allen also had quite a bit of property up here at Murphy Canyon, which later became the tank farm, and he owned a chunk of property (No. 24) near Guglielmetti. And Ernie Allen (No. 25) was in the Murray Canyon. [Murphy and Murray Canyons extend north from Mission Valley; I-15 goes through Murphy

Canyon and 163 through Murray.]”

“Who owned this piece north of Bernard?”

“That would have to be the Levi-Cushman interests in there, Cushman being somehow related to the Levi family.”

“How far did the Levi property go? Did they go west of Bernard?”

“I think so. I think they went right on down to Morena bridge there, as far as I know. I guess there are maps that indicate that. Adolph Levi had a place up in Lakeside, and he was always trying to sell my dad some cows. And he being Jewish and my dad being a Norwegian and they were pretty good friends, Dad said, ‘The day that you sell me a cow, we will no longer be friends.’ So, anyway that’s the way it was. But Adolph Levi would always stop by and they would shoot the breeze.”

“Now, let’s go from your place west on the north side of the river.”

“Okay, west of us was the Hong Far gardens

(No. 26). There was another garden in here (No. 27) — I don’t know what that was called, but there was another Chinese vegetable garden in here.

“They grew all sorts of vegetables — beets, carrots, everything, up to and including the gourds that they put their tea in.”

“Who was the Chinese family that owned that?”

“Originally it was the Hong Far garden, and then later on the owner was Tom Choy.

“West of them was Baughman, another dairy, and I would say the house was on the north edge of the road (No. 28), and the dairy barn was on the south side. Their land went right in here — this was known as the Indian Canyon. I think there was a little piece in there owned by the Russell Grant family (No. 29). Yeah, they had a little piece in here, and then they owned a lot of land up here. They were land poor.

“Yeah. Ha! A friend of mine went down there one time, and Russell Grant was

a single person at the time, getting up in years, and anyway, he was chasing his secretary around, and he said, ‘We were only playing; there’s nothing serious about this.’ He later married this gal. He was way up in years. I always used to kid him. I said, ‘You should have done that a long time ago,’ and he said, ‘Yeah, that was one of the biggest mistakes I ever made.’

“Oh, I have to come back to one that I missed. Cliff. I don’t know just what they did. They were right there on the south side of the road (No. 30) where the Hazard block plant was (No. 31). And later there was a hot plant there owned by David Ryan, where they made blacktop or tar.

“When David Ryan got flooded in 1916, he told Baughman — see, the road at that time went straight through here, and it got flooded, and it was pretty sandy, you could hardly get through there. And he told Baughman that if he took his horses up here and plowed a furrow up here

that he could get his Caterpillar tractor up there and build a road up here, and that’s what happened.”

“Was that for when the floods came?”

“After the flood. We had a pretty good road in there, and when the flood came, it loaded it up with sand and you could hardly get through there. See, we only had Model Ts in those days.

“The city claimed property in this area (No. 32) for their pumping station, and I just don’t recall how far west that went.

“I recall the McCreadys [of Mountain Meadow Dairy] quite well. Mission Beach had just opened up and they had a Roamer car, and it was a long son-of-a-gun, and we used to go over to Mission Beach and we were big shots, you know. Everybody turned around and said, ‘Where did those kids get the car?’

“Our place was on a promontory about 50 or 75 feet above the valley, and a schoolteacher by the name of Ernie Lillgren, who was

a principal and teacher at Roosevelt, was quite an authority on Southwest Indian locations, and he said that our property was the second-largest Indian site in Southern California, according to his findings. You could pick up many arrowheads there and metates. One Indian jawbone.

“I never found the location of any type of Indian cemetery, so it was probably down near the river area where the digging was easy, and the graves probably all washed away.”

“Were there any other good artifact areas or Indian settlement areas in the valley?”

“Well, up at the mission. Of course, that was developed later on — that’s why Friars Road came to be, and that was the earliest road in the State of California. Down in the Old Town area, I think they were digging up some older stuff down there. They’re still digging at the mission.”

“And in the Old Town area, was it on Presidio Hill,

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or was it down below?"

"Yeah, the Indian site was right on the lower part of Taylor Street. There were no others that I recollect. The only place that I really knew was where we lived. And there was lots of seashells there, so evidently they went out to the ocean to pick up seafood."

"Where were the stores in the valley?"

"The Sandrock store was the only one at that time in Mission Valley. Where we delivered milk was at 4th and University. There was a Heller store, and most of the things that you bought were in bulk: potatoes by the sack, sugar by the sack, or you scooped up the sugar and beans in a brown bag. Later on, there were other stores in the valley. There was a Ben Gibbs store. There was a good store there in Point Loma on Rosecrans. They had a store in Mission Valley too, but that was after 1940."

"Where was Isolation Hospital?"

"It was across the valley and west (No. 34). There was a stairway coming down to that Isolation Hospital (No. 35), and later Isolation Hospital was moved over to Gaines Street."

"Do you know why it moved?"

"Well, I guess they didn't like the whores being treated close to Mission Hills."

"Didn't they have patients with infectious diseases there too?"

"Yeah, I guess they had gonorrhea and all the stuff that goes along with that, syphilis. They would pick them up and that's where they went."

"Any other hospitals in Mission Valley?"

"No. There was the old St. Joseph's Hospital — now Mercy Hospital."

"Was that a Catholic hospital?"

"Yes. In those days, when you were sick it didn't make much difference where you went."

"The Ferraris were Catholic. Where did they go to church?"

"They went to the mission."

"What about Lutherans or Protestants or any others, did they go anywhere?"

"Well, on occasion, I was seen at the mission, and the Catholic Sisters used to

come down to our place for contributions. Later on, there was a church developed up in Grantville. I don't recall the type of church. The minister up there was a mean son of a buck. He had a bull up there, and he would beat the hell out of that bull. I don't know why he did it. He was kind of a two-faced person."

"Were there any cemeteries in Mission Valley?"

"Well, Father Jayme was buried down on the mission property. They moved the body later on, and you can go up there and see where his remains are now. There are no other cemeteries in Mission Valley that I know of."

"Where were people who were not Catholic buried?"

"Mount Hope. And if you were a Catholic, you went to the Catholic cemetery."

"Do you remember the poor house at the bottom of the Sixth Street Extension?"

"The poor farm moved out and went up to Santee, and they were located at this part (No. 17), and then I guess Mountain Meadow Dairy came in there and replaced the poor farm."

"One person that I knew quite well who I think was of Dutch descent had a little place up on the mesa north of our place. At one time, he had some heifer calves, but he just bottomed out. Anyway, when he became too old, he had a savings of about \$1500, and since it cost about that much to go to the poor farm, when he went there, they took every cent he had. It was run by the county. There was quite a few people there. I think it was a one-story building."

"Were most of the houses in Mission Valley one story?"

"No, there was a fellow with a two-story house whose name was Gates and he lived in Grantville. Bond's house was two-story."

"Did the Ferraris have a two-story?"

"No. We had a two-story. The Ricards had kind of a square house, and that was two story."

"Did you have trails up the south side of the valley?"

"Well, we had one up to Adams Avenue and to Mission Cliff Gardens. They

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had an ostrich farm up there, and then there was the street-car barn. My brother used to get behind these ostriches, and he would try to get on them to ride them, and they would buck him and peck at him and run around.

"Ferrari had another one that they would use."

"So they had a trail right up behind their hill?"

"Yes."

"Any other ponds or trails?"

"There's an old road and a pond in here called Turtle Pond, in Alvarado Canyon near Adobe Falls."

"And were there swimming holes up there?"

"Yeah, there were in two different places. The girls would have one and the boys would sneak up there, and the girls would be swimming nude and we would try to swipe their clothes. I used to go up there and ride horses on my way to school. At times, my horse used to take off and I would yell and scream."

"I want to ask you about your family. What was your father's full name?"

"Chris Nels Ohre. He was born in Tonsberg, a seaport town in Norway. I guess 'Ohre' is an old Viking name. There's a river running over to Russia called the Ohre River, and, anyway, they conclude that there was a merchant route that went into Russia. My mother's name was Mathilda, and I think her last name was Olson. She was born in Gottenburg, Sweden. They were married in San Diego."

"My father was a captain of a sailing ship, and up in Descanso I have a book naming the ships that he was captain of."

"Did they meet in San Diego?"

"Yes. My mother came over here and got very seasick because it was rough weather across the Atlantic."

"Did they come through New York?"

"Yes. My father worked on the railroad in New York, and there were people standing in line waiting for work, and if somebody paused and got tired and wanted to rest, they were out."

"I guess my father came

to this country in the early 1880s. He went to Minneapolis and got a job with Minneapolis Moline. They had all this inventory and they didn't know what they had in stock, so my dad organized the inventory, vouchers, ledgers. Anyway, later they told my dad that he no longer had a job there, and someone asked him if he could see the ledgers and my dad said that he had organized the ledgers and vouchers sort of on his own time, and he said he was taking them with him."

"He came to San Diego in about 1897 or 1898, and he worked for Klauber Wangenheim for some time. I don't know what my dad did at Klauber Wangenheim. I imagine he did anything that needed to be done. My dad was pretty versatile."

"My mother I think arrived around the same time. She worked for a family, a Reverend Osburn. I can't remember what church. I think it was the Episcopal church somewhere in Uptown. Mother came out here with a girlfriend, and

the girlfriend later married someone and moved to Descanso. Dad came for the sunshine. My dad said that San Diego had the nicest climate of any place he had been."

"Dad was doing this work for Klauber Wangenheim and they started to expand the poultry to the end of Eighth Street, near St. Joseph's Hospital. So my parents, after they were married, moved to the end of Eighth Street and lived in a one-story house."

Five boys were born to them: Enoch Mauritz; Clarence, who died at 35 of a blood clot; Oscar Christopher; Albert; and Fritz."

"I was baptized at the Park Boulevard Lutheran Church. One time later, I decided to go to the mission to be baptized, because I thought that it couldn't hurt, and my wife said, 'You've already been baptized, you can't go there,' and I said, 'Why not?' But she stopped me in my tracks."

"When one of my brothers was born, Mother for some reason was having

a hard time breast-feeding him properly, and so she told Dad if he got a cow, she knew how to milk dairy cows. So in about a week, she looked out and saw a cow, and it was a Jersey cow."

"Well, first the cow started slowing down her milk production, and we found out they should have bred her, and so we got a second cow. We started selling milk, and Mother was making butter, and Dad kept good books on them, and we got some chickens. We were making pretty good money at this, and that was when we decided to start Fagerheim Dairy. Fagerheim was a place where my father went to school — somewhere in Norway is a place called Fagerheim."

"So, for back taxes, your parents bought the property in Mission Valley?"

"Yes. I think it was for \$750. I can't think of who lived there before. There was a ranch house and an old barn. They had hogs in that old barn for quite a while. And the house, incidentally, what do you think

it was lined with? Burlap. Green burlap. I guess that was the cheapest thing they could use. They didn't have these fancy things until later on."

"We replaced the burlap with beaver board, a pressed paper with 1½-inch slats covering the seam, which we later varnished. The house was built on the ground. It had wooden blocks under it. It was one story with a balcony up on top. That house stood all through the years on the blocks of wood, and when we later tore the house down, we discovered it had square nails."

"When you walked into the house, did you walk into the kitchen?"

"We walked into the kitchen, and in the front of the house, we went into the living room. When you looked in the living room, there was all sorts of knickknacks and Kewpie dolls there that we had gotten at Mission Beach, and many things like that. The downstairs bedroom was my parents' bedroom, and upstairs

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were two bedrooms, and I had a bedroom in an alcove. The kitchen was in the back and had a little porch.

“The house was set back from Friars Road, and there were four barns in front of it. There was the first barn, and then later we had the horse barn. There were two hay barns; one was built adjacent to Friars Road.

“To the east of the house and barns was a milk house, and to the north was a reservoir or small pond. A pump and windmill were down near the river, and they pumped water up to the reservoir. To the east of the house was an open area, and then the Fenton property.

“We had a family orchard, and the outhouse was in the orchard. It was a two-seater.”

“Was Friars a dirt road?”

“Oh, yes.”

“Always called Friars?”

“Yes. It was the first road in California.”

“This was all pasture-lands for the cows?”

“No, we had corn down there toward the river and alfalfa, and the rest of the land was pasture.”

“When you looked from the front door of your house to the south, what did you see?”

“Well, you could look out over this promontory.”

“And that was your yard, your family area?”

“Yes, and there was not much below there.

“We developed land down toward the river that washed away in the 1916 flood and again in 1927, and my dad built a couple of flood retaining walls, which helped a little bit. One was on the west edge of Lot 34. It went right in here, and Jakes Canyon was back here. Barry Jakes was an Englishman who later sold the property to Ernie Briden. The government took over part of the property in World War II, and later Ernie Briden sold the rest of it for development as a tank farm. The retaining walls were to keep the water from making a channel through here.

“On the west side was the county boundary line, and we had a well down here with a windmill that pumped up to the reservoir.”

“Did the river change its course a lot?”

“Not too much, because

we had a Chinese garden — I don’t know what it was called — between our property and Guglielmettis. There was clay underneath there and in the 1916 flood, it took all of their topsoil, but the clay underneath didn’t wash away. At one time there were lots of trees, but the 1916 flood took them all out with the exception of a big cottonwood at the Ferraris, which sat there for many years and eventually was taken down.

“To the west you could see Mission Cliff Gardens. There were some pictures taken from the Mission Cliff Gardens, and you could see the eucalyptus trees on our property.”

“When you looked to the west, you saw a lot of open land?”

“Yeah.”

“And when you looked

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“Oh, you could always see the mission.”

“When you were a boy, what were people doing? Were they doing their farm-work every day?”

“Dairies were twice a day, and the vegetable people, they worked from morning to night.”

“Did your parents speak Norwegian at home?”

“Very little. Other Scandinavian people were amazed that my mother didn’t teach us Swedish or Norwegian, and the reason was that they didn’t want us boys to have an accent. They wanted us to speak the English language as it should be spoken, without an accent.”

“The kids around your house spoke English?”

“The Chinese — Tom Choy pointed around a lot

because he couldn’t speak English.”

“So, most everybody spoke English by that time?”

“Yeah. When I was going to school, we had an Indian girl that was going to our school, and she didn’t speak any English. She was a kind of special challenge to the teachers.”

“What animals were around?”

“In the valley were coyotes, chipmunks, squirrels, bobcats, and fish — perch, sunfish, and bass. Lots of willow trees. There was the ordinary stuff you see. We had numerous wildflowers — violets, gourdscrew. To see what the valley looked like years ago, go to Mission Trails park and look at that area and the plants and animals around there, and you get a good idea of what Mission Valley was like.

“The soil was kind of a rich, black-brown loam. It was bare of rock. However, you had other kinds of soil that was rocky, and then you had adobe and sandy soil. It was a good farm for soil. If it was deficient soil, we could always put some nutrients in it.”

“Was the river shallow or deep right below your house?”

“It was relatively shallow. There were ponds. We had two natural ponds that people fished in — the one down by Harvey Allen, and there was one at the foot of Fairmount.

“We were warned that sometimes in the river there was quicksand, and when you got into that you just laid down and you flattened out and come back in. I think there might have been horses caught in it, and I don’t know if they got all of them

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out. And later on, that reservoir that we had, my mother would let me go up there swimming, but she could see me from the kitchen window. Early on, I was a very good swimmer."

"The roads at the time were Friars Road on the north side of the valley and Mission Valley Road on the south side?"

"Yes. There was a section of Friars Road between our property and the Fenton property that had a little detour in it. My dad and Fenton between themselves elected to run this road straight across, and Fenton had the equipment, and that's what they did. I always thought the road would always settle, but it didn't."

"Who attended Grantville School then?"

"Oh, Joe Ferrari. Lizzi Ferrari. Hilkowitz, there was a girl and a boy. Hilkowitz (No. 38) grew vegetables and owned a place on the approach to Mission Gorge near the V.R. Dennis Construction. Dennis sold crushed rock and also had a hot plant there. The school boundaries went from Grantville west to about where the 805 bridge crosses the valley now. West of that, the kids went to Florence."

"Joe Guglielmetti went to Grantville School for a while, and then he went to St. Augustine. There were Segawas, the Tanakas. There was an Amador family down on the Harvey Allen ranch in Murphy Canyon, which included a Serafin; then Anita, and Lupe. One of the girls was really black and

we called her 'black Amelia,' and then there was another Amelia. Then the Jaussauds (No. 39). I guess I haven't mentioned them. They owned a dairy, and there was also a Teisseire dairy (No. 40).

"When Grantville School was first built it was up on blocks. The Grantville School that I went to had a picket fence, some rings on chains, three swings, and a T-bar. The grades in this school were 1-8. My first teacher at this school was a Mrs. Weber. The second teacher was a Miss Murphy, who lived at Seventh and University. Then, we had a teacher that weighed a lot, and we tormented her a great deal. Then, there was a Mrs. Arnold."

"How many children did you have?"

"We had three daughters. Pat, who worked at SDG&E, and who now lives in Maine. Then, Lois, who

worked for the airlines and now lives in San Diego and Descanso. And Karen, who worked at a restaurant. Karen died of cancer at about age 50. She was a smoker."

"How did you meet your wife?"

"Joe Ferrari and I were buddies, and we would go to dances at Grantville School. There was a boy from the Gates family who used to play the drum at these events. Joe Ferrari was courting Bertie Holmud at that time. At any rate, one night, I met a girl at the school dance named Jean Crane."

"Her family was from Coffeyville, Kansas. Her mother remarried, and mother ran a restaurant on Fairmount and University. Her father remained in Coffeyville, Kansas, and ran a gas plant there. Jean lived about three blocks south of the restaurant, on 45th Street, and went to Hoover. We

were married in 1934. I personally felt that I wanted to find someone who was not from the valley, or there would just be more discussion about farming, and so on. And so, I was more interested in finding someone who was not from the valley."

"We lived in Mission Valley near my parents' house. Through the years, the Ohre family went through phases of farming. First we had corn, and then alfalfa, and oats, and later we used the land for permanent pasture. We had a variety of grasses on the permanent pasture and irrigated the pasture with pipes. We also sold the wood from the eucalyptus grove. We stopped growing corn because it was hard to cut it. We had to cut it by hand and then had to haul it. The corn grew real high, and it was a difficult crop to harvest."

"Fagerheim Dairy started in 1910 with Jersey cows?"

"When we lived up on Eighth Avenue, my father

looked for the first cow nearby in the city, because there were many families who owned at least one cow. Then he bought another one. In our peak year we owned about 150 head. Jerseys were not a predominant breed in San Diego. The nearest place where there were Jerseys was up in Sacramento. I do recall that Jerseys gave rich milk."

"First we sold raw milk. Many dairies advertised raw milk at that time. Later, when we no longer could sell raw milk, we sold milk that was pasteurized and homogenized. We had milk routes up in North Park and Mission Hills. We first delivered milk with wagons, and later used Model T cars. The brothers split the routes up. I was the backup for the North Park route."

"The first valley dairies were Guglielmetti dairy, the Jaussauds, the Ferraris, the Bonds, two dairies operated by the Allen family, also a dairy owned by the Teisseires."

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situation. Ha! Somehow or other, what started the whole damn ruckus was the cows were vaccinated for tuberculosis, and apparently they had a bad dose of vaccine, and this took out about half the cattle in the valley. Pretty near all of the cows had lesions on their legs. They were vaccinated under the tail, and if they showed any reaction, there would be a little swelling.

"Pete Ferrari got hit hard. We got hit hard, and all of us. My dad was kind of suspicious of our remaining cattle, and we ran short on milk. Dad heard of some Jerseys at San Pasqual that were owned by a man named Judson, so we got a cow from him and she wasn't down here too long when she got Bang's disease and aborted, and that started another round of problems.

"We left the dairy business when the land value got too high and it became difficult to pay the taxes on the property. Feed prices was never a factor in closing the dairy. We obtained our feed from Wirtz in Yuma.

"I recall a story about the safety of milk and our family's reputation in this area. After we closed the dairy, we decided to start a mobile-home park on our property. There was a doctor in town named Dr. Askew who was very opposed to mobile-home parks because of the threat of typhoid. Dr. Askew was threatening to make it difficult for any new mobile-home parks to be built in the city.

"So, I went to Dr. Askew and told him what we were going to do and said that any time the authorities had asked the Ohre family to comply with milk regulations in the past, they had done so without hesitation, and he fully supported any mobile-home park that would be sponsored by the Ohre family."

"Who were the oldest people in the valley when you were a child?"

"There was a person in Grantville and that was a Coutts. Coutts lived a short distance north of Grantville School in an average wood house. I believe he was a member of the Coutts family, and he worked in a prominent job for the

county. Another person that comes to mind is a Hefelfinger, and he lived across the road from Coutts.

"Then there was Barry Jakes (No. 41). There was Jakes farm over there, in the neighborhood over there. And then there was Summers who was up the other hill on the other side from there (No. 76). Summers had a plaster house and raised cows. I remember he had nice watermelon, also."

"Who lived in Grantville?"

"They were people who probably worked for the city and the county road station that was there.

"There are still a lot of houses and businesses down there. There was a Frenchman that lived down there named Debrouf, and I remember him because the kids used to play with slingshots, and one of the boys hit this man's horse with the slingshot, and the horse took off. Debrouf was mad,

"When World War II broke out, Ben Segawa and his family were forcibly removed to a Japanese relocation camp in Poston, Arizona."

and all hell broke loose.

"An old man named Duncan was the caretaker of the Mission, and the buildings of the mission at that time were going to rack and ruin. The front walls were there, and there was a building in the back, which had an attic, and we would crawl up into the attic, and there were bats in there. The Indians at the Mission were gone by then. I guess Duncan must have been way up in his 90s. I liked to listen to him, and I guess nobody visited him, so he would tell me the stories."

"I've heard that there were two tunnels at the mission, built for protection. Where were they?"

"One of them was straight down from the Mission."

"Okay, so it was right from the front door?"

"Yes. It wound up right inside the Mission."

"Did you ever see that tunnel?"

"I remember looking

down an open well, and I could see the tunnel down in the well. I would suppose it went in to the main building.

"And the other tunnel went down this way, close to the river. It went right up to the river. It's close to the river. There's a pretty sheer bank there, and it was pretty overgrown. I never saw this tunnel because it was by that time covered up. I know that Father Jayme was buried there first, and then later they moved him up onto the Mission grounds. This was the one to the east, and that area right in here was steep, real steep, and it's hard to find it."

"What was the attitude of the valley people toward people in North Park and other areas of the south rim?"

"The people up on the rim of the hill, they had indicated that they wanted to look down into beauti-

ful Mission Valley and see these vegetable gardens and everything, and we didn't buy it. We in the valley could have cared less because we were trying to make a living, and so if you could call that a separation...

"They could say what they wanted, but they were our customers, and they had to behave themselves. We had them on one side and on the other."

"Did people come through the valley when you were a boy?"

"The kids came down to the valley to play. One group of girls used to ride horses down in the valley—Judy Vandever and Alice Quinn. I remember Alice Quinn used to have a white horse with blue eyes. There was a Marian—I can't remember her last name—anyway, she died, I think, of cancer or something like that."

"Were there any special places in Mission Valley?"

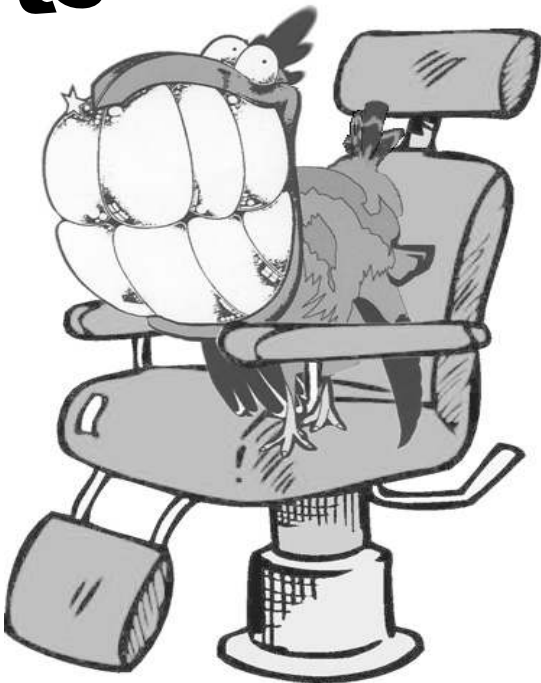
"Well, you could go out

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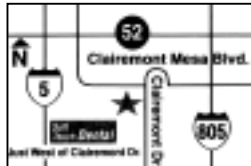
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there with the girls under the peppertree. People just didn't know where Mission Valley was. I would go downtown to Gould's Hardware and people would kind of kiddingly say, 'Where the hell is Mission Valley?' And I would say to them, 'To answer your question, there was a peppertree out there where people would go at night with a girl,' and one of the men that was there at the time just blushed. The peppertree was between Fairmount and Ward Road."

"Were there any places where there was a spiritual feeling?"

"Well, the only place I can think of would be the mission."

"Tell me about holidays."

"We spent Christmas at home, usually. We had Christmas things. The first Christmas tree that I remember, we went over there by

Bonds. There was some cypress trees over there, and I guess my father cut some branches from this cypress tree, and he drilled holes in it, and put branches into it, and it became a nice tree.

"I remember one time with the oldest daughter, we did our New Year's thing. There was a fence up there on the back of this perimeter here, and we got some dynamite sticks and we cut the fuses, and we cut one of the fuses too short and when it went off, it knocked me on my butt."

"The Fourth of July?"

"Mostly we just had it at home."

"Where did the river run?"

"It came down from the hills and cut in past the Mission and then built up steam right in here, and then it took a cut and came down here, and then across

here, and then took a right angle in here, and then it reached the city pumping station. It might have varied a little bit from time to time. One million years ago, the valley was deep and narrow, and every time it

"Mission Valley was a horse's paradise, another Rancho Santa Fe, containing twenty miles of bridle trails."

flooded, soil came down from the mountains and that was what you see down there today. We have this flat canyon which consists of sand, rock. We drilled our first well at 40 feet."

"Later you went down 850 feet."

"Yes, and you didn't have anything until you got down deep. You had pretty good water at the surface. When we dug that deep well, the water came to the surface and it was 90 degrees, and we pumped it up the hill

to our reservoir."

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"The largest, most destructive, and most famous flood of recent times," Papageorge writes, "occurred in 1916, again following a very wet year... The rainfall of the previous years was so dis-

tributed that there was little run off and the water in the city's reservoirs was very low. In December of 1915, Charles Hatfield appeared before the City Council. As a 'rainmaker,' he said he could fill the Morena reservoir for \$10,000. The city officials voted to accept his proposition and told the city attorney to draw up a contract. Hatfield did not wait, but built a platform and began shooting off chemical explosions.

"The rain began on January 16, 1916, and lasted four days. The newspapers welcomed the rain as the reservoirs began to slowly fill and noted that some people were beginning to take Hatfield seriously. Mission Valley flooded, quickly wiping out the vegetable gardens and homes of the Chinese and Japanese farmers, and ten of the twelve

wells used by the city. The police and Navy Militia used flat bottom boats to rescue families. The city's Isolation Hospital in Mission Valley had to move their patients up to the second floor as the water rose. Hundreds of people flocked to Mission Cliff Gardens to watch the spectacle below...

"The sun came out for a few days, and then a second storm began to batter the city. The San Diego River rose six feet higher. Bridges along the river were washed out, although the railroad bridge was partially saved by parking train cars loaded with rocks on it, and opening up a spillway through the earth to one side. There are many tales of heroism as more people were rescued from their homes in Mission Valley. *Union* headlines of the 27th stated: 'Dams holding against Great Flood as

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"The city was soon deluged by law suits, one of which was Hatfield's, asking for his \$10,000. The city attorney told Hatfield's attorney that if Hatfield would sign a statement assuming all responsibility for the flood and absolving the city, the city attorney would recommend that the Council pay the full claim. 'Go to hell,' said Hatfield's attorney and that was the end of that."

The Bond family had purchased from a Chinese man a house and land where the Robinsons-May department store in Mission Valley Center is today. Ray Ivan Bond discussed the 1916 flood in an interview with Robert Wright on December 13, 1988 (in the San Diego Historical Society Oral History Collection).

Robert Wright: When the flood came along you were about six or seven years old at that time. Did your father lose some property there, any crops?

Ray Bond: The main thing we lost in that flood... We had a big field of alfalfa and it just covered the whole field with about six inches of dirt and silt and we had to plow that all up so we could mix all that fine silt with what was left of the alfalfa below. I was the one who had to take care of the chickens and all of that during the flood. Father had me open the pens so the chickens wouldn't get drowned in the pens. We had a lot of little pigs at that time and when the flood came along we found pigs from there at home down to Old Town. People were calling up and saying that our pigs were down there so we would go down and get them.

RW: This was the Hatfield flood?

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RB: Yeah, this was the Hatfield flood.

RW: I often wondered if he really did cause this storm.

RB: He might have helped a little bit, but I think it was just mama nature to have a flood, have all that rain at that time.

RW: I assume the flood was caused because there were no dams in the back country.

RB: That is right. I went to school in a little schoolhouse very close to our house. I think it was the 1916 flood that took it away. It was just a one-room schoolhouse, just a little bit west of Texas Street.

RW: The loss in the flood in 1916 wasn't so great, then, was it?

RB: Actually it didn't destroy anything around the place but it did affect the front of the house a lit-

tle bit. It had to be done over. The water came down in front of the house and just dug out a big hole there so that had to be repaired.

Father came out to the front of our house with a big hay wagon, put two horses on it and we all got on the wagon. He took us across the road where his brother lived. We slept in the barn just curled in under the hay. We didn't take any covers or anything with us, we just dug down in the hay and slept in the barn until the water went down the next day to where we could go back. All the cattle had to be brought across the road. They were milked right there in the field, there was no barn or anything to put them in. The milkers came over and we milked the cows right out in the field. Then when it was real bad, the milk we couldn't cool we

put in ten-gallon cans. People came from the hospital down to get the milk. Two men would carry one ten-

name of the hospital?

RB: It was Mercy Hospital.

RW: Where was your

" 'Corruption' was the word applied to the City Council in November of 1957 by an article in *San Diego Magazine* when writing of the May Company's buying of land in Mission Valley for a proposed shopping center."

gallon can up the hill and they processed it at the hospital to feed the people in the hospital.

RW: What was the

uncle's farm?

RB: It was across Mission Valley Road and a little bit east. It was still a dirt road.

RW: From what I understand, in the flood of 1916 you not only lost the original Chinese house but also the schoolhouse, the original schoolhouse you went to. The reason why your father's property stood [was] because he built the new house well. Even though they were right on Mission Valley Road and the water came up as much as four or five feet, the house stood.

RB: We made fun of father for making the house three feet off the ground. Everything else was just built right on the ground. During the 1916 flood the water did get in on the bottom floor.

Harry C. Haelsig, a city planner from 1950 to 1964, was interviewed by Robert Wright on June 9 and July 29, 1984 (San Diego Historical Society Oral History

Collection). Wright asks Haelsig about Mission Valley:

Robert Wright: Do you feel that there is still a flooding problem there?

Harry Haelsig: Oh, yes, definitely, in spite of all the dams. The dams were there when we made the studies. If we would have had one more day's rainfall two years ago that was comparable to the rain that we had had the previous week, there wouldn't be anything in Mission Valley. It would have come down through there with a wall of water that would have taken that thing out, six hundred, or maybe a mile wide. I personally have seen the water at the bottom of the windows of the second story of the Bond house, which sat in Mission Valley where the shopping center is. The first floor of the Bond Family house was set up about four or five

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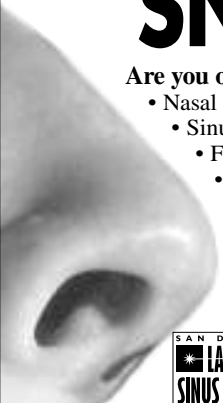
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feet and it was flooded in 1916. The water came through and it was up to the level of the windows of the second story. That means that the freeway down there would be about six or eight feet under water.

RW: But that was before a couple of dams were built? The dams are supposed to control all that problem now.

HH: Nope, because they will only catch off the top of it because the army engineers have found through studies that the flood of 1916 was only about a 35-year flood, not a 100-year flood. If we get a 100-year flood like they had at La Canada about thirty years ago it would take a channel eight hundred feet wide, sixteen feet deep with a velocity of about ten feet per second. When we were working on flood control I made reports on San Dieguito, the river that comes into Mission Bay — the San Diego River — the river that comes into the destroyer base — Sweetwater — Otay and Tijuana Rivers. I made a study like that as a consultant for the army engineers who were working for me. I had my staff working on things like projections which was a help to the water department. We made all these flood control studies, setting up preliminary designs for flood control channels based upon the 100-year flood estimation what was likely to happen. Look at the channel that goes down past Mission Bay. Now that channel in a 100-year flood will be within just a few feet of the top of the dikes and will be overflowing the dikes about two feet deep flowing into Mission Bay.

RW: Is that a foregone conclusion that it is going to happen?

HH: It is going to happen.

RW: When does the one hundred years come?

HH: We don't know; it is not a precise time; it could be anytime. But approximately once every hundred years we are going to have a storm like this.

RW: I notice where you live is on the high ground.

HH: Yes, sir, I'll stay on high ground, you're darn right I will. The crest of the hill is just about a hundred feet to the south of me. I

believe in it. I saw 1916 and 1937 about the San Diego River and that was something to see. There was a nice arched bridge across San Diego River right there at Presidio Park.

Let me tell you a funny story on that. This Art Johnson... who is down here at the sand and gravel pit, has been in the valley for years and years and years in the sand and gravel business. During the 1916 flood he was taking sand out of the bottom of the river and had quite a bit of equipment in there. The next morning when he came to work he couldn't find his 1916 Dodge truck that he had just bought. Thirty years later he was digging in the San Diego River again when the clamshell hit something metallic down there and he went down to find out what it was and here was his 1916

“Did you see the houses or wood going down the river?”

“There was a lot of things going down — lumber, other things. The bridge up at Lakeside washed out, and a lot of timber came down the valley and some of it was swept out to sea. People in the valley scrambled to get the wood, and later when the people from Lakeside came down for it, it was gone.

“In the 1916 flood, five Chinese men were tied together with a rope and they were probably washed out to sea. One of the guys was named Tony Loco. I didn't see them go out, but that's what they said. And the next morning, a few horses were down there and got to shore somehow.

“I think cattle got caught in the flood, but we didn't have any problem

by torrential rains totaling 14.38 inches. Yet Morena Reservoir, the one Hatfield promised to fill — and upon which his agreement with the city was based — was *not* full: eighteen inches remained between the water level and the top of the dam. Determined to collect his fee, Hatfield continued to release his magic mixture of chemicals into the cloudy skies....

“Unknown to officials in San Diego, or victims of the storm, another little drama was unfolding closer to home. Everett Parsons was checking his flood-ravaged property when he spotted two men struggling to ford the rain-swollen Sweetwater River. He gave the pair a hand in crossing the stream. It wasn't until they were on their way that it dawned on him that the bedraggled men were likely the Hatfield brothers... surreptitiously making their way out of town.”

Mission Valley flooded in 1927, 1933, 1937, and 1938. The dirt road that ran through the valley was replaced in the early 1930s by a two-lane paved road.

Floods brought destruction and a rapid discharge of water, but San Diego needed a permanent water source to supply a growing city. This led to the establishment of the water authority, which purchased water from the Colorado River and later from the Feather River near San Francisco.

In her *Journal of San Diego History* article, Papageorge writes: “1920 brought a new development in Mission Valley. The Mission Valley Oil Enterprise Company sank a well near the foot of Texas Street. Although they found a showing of oil, it could not be brought up in productive quantities. A medium flood occurred in 1921 and the City Isolation Hospital was again isolated. Although damage was not great, it was estimated that four billion gallons of water rushed through Mission Gorge and the *Union* urged that a dam be built there.

“Next to the flood of 1916, the flood of 1927 was the most damaging. The storm filled the county reservoirs and ‘a 10 year period of prosperity was assured for the city,’ wrote the *Union* of 2-17-27. The curious were again attracted to the

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truck down about 40 feet below the grade of the river. That is something to put in your little book as to what the destruction of the river was in 1916.

Fritz Ohre recalls that in the 1916 flood, “We were isolated for two weeks, and Dad built a flat-bottomed boat and we would haul it up the river a ways and then cut across and get across on the other side, and then we would have to crisscross back the other way.”

“Did a wall of water come down the river?”

“I don't think the flood came down as a wall of water. The crest of it was during the night, so in the morning in daylight we went out.”

“Did it go above your promontory line?”

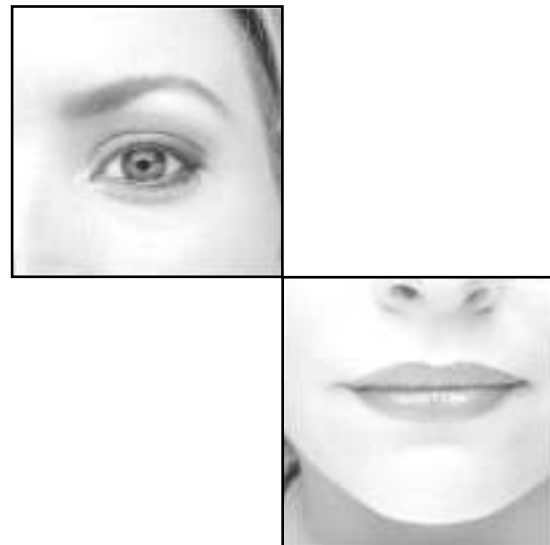
“No, that was 50 or 75 feet up. It came down to the foot of the promontory. So that's why we built the flood retaining walls.”

with that. Harvey Allen used to say that anybody that built anywhere down where there was creek gravel ought to move or they would be washed out. Creek gravel is gravel that is evident in any canyon, and it was an area that was always subject to flooding. The Guglielmettis were on the side of a promontory there also. The Bonds were down in the flat, but they moved over on the hillside with the cattle when the flood came.”

Eldonna P. Lay, in her book *Valley of Opportunity: The History of El Cajon*, writes of the 1916 flood that “For weeks it rained. Sweetwater Reservoir filled to overflowing, sending cascades of water into the Sweetwater Valley. Otay Dam gave way, releasing even more water and leaving only anchoring sections of the dam behind.

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bluffs above the river, and one witness recalls watching a rooster ride out to sea on a box.”

The San Diego Mission was restored in 1931. By 1940, Mission Valley had 20 dairies. Vegetable gardening was the second most important industry.

In the mid-’50s, the Ohre family started their mobile-home park. Later they sold the property to the Allred Company, which developed it for residential purposes.

“I remember I was managing it for a while, and Allred came in and said that he was going to move people out,” Ohre said. “Some of them didn’t want to leave, so I went out and got some rattlesnakes and put them in my freezer until they got stiff. People knew that I had these snakes, and one of the tenants asked me, ‘What are you doing that for?’ and I said, ‘Well, you never know. If I ever need any snakes, all I got to do is thaw them out, and they could be pretty mean when they came to.’ And he spread the word around, and that scared the neighbors. Allred paid the costs for the people in the mobile-home park to move, and they were moved up to Linda Vista.”

Mr. Ohre continued: “My father died about 1935, the year our first girl was born. My mother died around 1950, about 30 days after my brother Clarence died.

“Albert died of a heart condition. My brother and I were doing some work on our property one day, and he said that he felt bad. I told him to slow down and not push himself, and Albert said, ‘What is the difference?’ He continued working for a short time, but felt ill again, and then he started going to the house. He then said, ‘I don’t think I can make it.’ Albert continued on toward the house, got to the door, and... And then he died. We gave him some medicine, and later when I talked to the doctor about it, he said that Albert died because his heart was calcified.

“Enoch died of emphysema. My wife died about three years ago, and my brother Oscar Ohre, he’s in Encinitas.”

In 1945, planning and work began on a 3.3-mile-long flood-control channel, which directed the San Diego River to the ocean. A golf course was established in 1947 on property owned by the Levi family. This later became Stardust Country Club, later part of the Handlery Hotel complex. U.S. 395 (now called State Route 163) was blamed for sealing the valley’s fate in concrete and steel in the early 1950s.

Ben Satoshi Segawa was interviewed on September 13, 1990, by Vincent Ancona (San Diego Historical Society Oral History Collection). Mr. Ancona intro-

duces his interviewee by saying: “When World War II broke out, Ben Segawa and his family were forcibly removed to a Japanese relocation camp in Poston, Arizona. After the war, his family returned to the San Diego area and Mr. Segawa enlisted with the Air Force in 1948. Upon the death of his father, he left the Air Force and returned to help his older brother operate the family farm. By this time, the family had moved to a farm in

case was five dozen. And people used to buy it, a whole case at a time. So heck, we would sell it to them. And pretty soon we got, ‘No, I just want a dozen.’ So you know, good-hearted, Japanese farmers, ‘O.K., we’ll sell you a dozen.’ And before we realized it, we had a pretty good trade going with people driving in. We got so much business coming in that we decided, ‘Hey, we can’t have these guys coming into the packing area,

people out of Del Mar used to come clear down to our farm to buy corn because it was fresh....

“...I guess it was about the mid 1960s [that Mission Valley] really took a different shape. I remember May Company coming in there. You’ve got to remember, we were in there before the shopping center was in there. We were there before Interstate 8 was there. The only road we had there was Camino del Rio and Friars Road on the north bank. That’s all that was there. And Daley Corporation had their rock plant right at the foot of Ward Road and where Camino del Rio is, that’s where Daley Corporation used to be. And Don Daley used to come to our farm a lot and we used to go to his place a lot. My brother and he got acquainted quite a bit. Today, Daley is a very prominent name in San Diego. The only thing down there at that time was the old Mission, and you could see it for miles. You look at it today, you see all those highrises down there.

“In fact, when Interstate 8 finally went through, our friend and neighbor, Pete Ferrari, he was situated somewhere around there, I think where 805 goes over now, he was in the dairy business. And his cows were in the middle of the valley. And they were going to make this freeway and it was going to cut him

right in half. His house and milk barn was on one side of the freeway, his grazing ground was on the other side of the freeway. So he negotiated with CalTrans to build a tunnel underneath the freeway so the cows could go back and forth. I think that tunnel is still there today. So after he milks the cows, they go through the tunnel and back to the pasture. I remember that.

“Pete Ferrari was one real die-hard. He didn’t want to sell. He didn’t want the money, ‘I just want my farm,’ he said. ‘What the hell am I going to do, put a million dollars in my pocket and sit on the curb with nothing to do? Forget the money, I’d rather have something to do.’ I think a lot of farmers looked at it that way. They don’t know what to do with the money, but they enjoy farming. They didn’t want the money, they enjoyed their lifestyle.

“A lot of people may not quite understand the type of values that farmers have, but I know a lot of Japanese farmers are that way. Their farms are worth a lot of money, great, but if they sell it, what are they going to do next. They are bored to death. So they would rather have the farm. Anyway, we are learning to adapt. We are becoming more and more Americanized. We’re learning the vices, enjoying the things that other people enjoy....

“Modes of transportation change, and now they’re coming in with all this crazy trolley bit, and a lot of us feel this thing, well, anyway, is just a governmental experiment.”

Mission Valley. The Segawas left this farm in 1966, when the owners of the land sold it to a condominium developer.”

Ben Segawa: “When we relocated to Mission Valley in 1947, we planted a lot of corn. I don’t know how we got started in corn, but we started planting corn. And people used to drive by the ranch, ‘Will you sell us some corn? Will you sell us some corn?’ God, what a pain in the neck, we sold it by the case, not by the dozen. A

we’ve got to do the packing. They are disrupting the packing procedure. But gee, this is a nice cash business. We don’t want to discourage them.’ So we started up a stand....

“So, we made a flourishing business out of it. We made real good money, our retail business. We used to get the police chief coming through there, the mayor used to come buy stuff from us. All these politicians used to come. And a lot of chauffeur-driven cars came there,

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"I think we were one of the very last farms in Mission Valley. There were a lot of Japanese growers down there at one time. And when May Company started moving in, I remember Bill Miller, that was his farm, Bill Miller, I don't know if he is living today or not, but he was a pole-vaulting champion in the 1936 Olympics. He, and I think his father, who was associated with the United States National Bank, they owned that ranch where May Company is today. And I know that they did not sell the land to May Company, they made them a 99-year lease. He was there.

"And just east of him was Ross Barr [Bond], he had another farm right there. And then after that was Pete Ferrari and his dairy. And then there was the Gugliemettis down there. And then there was the Segawas, we had a farm. Up Mission Gorge, I can't remember, there was another farm up there and there was another, Joe Ferrari, I believe that was him, he was another one.

"Ferraris and Gugliemettis, there was a flock of them down in Mission Valley in those days, and they all kind of intermarried too. It was hard for me to keep them apart. They were all dairy people. There were more dairies down there I think at that time when we relocated to Mission Valley in the 1940s than there were of the rest of the farmers. And we all got along great. We borrowed equipment

from each other, I remember that. When we raised celery, we would have celery clippings. I remember those dairy men would come and get them and feed them to their calves, and things like that. It was a nice little community.

"You are asking were we the last, and I'm trying to remember. I think we were the last to get out of there. We farmed the ground where the San Diego Stadium is now, Jack Murphy Stadium, we farmed that. It was a few years ago. It would have been nice if we had owned that property."

But you couldn't stop progress. As San Diego property became more scarce, people looked to Mission Valley. Because there were only two main roads into the valley in those days, discussions began about modernizing the road system, which culminated in the building of a freeway, now

called I-8.

Fritz Ohre recalls: "There was nothing much done with the roads until later years. Then they started tearing things down. There was a monument up there, and they just pushed that down — there were some peppertrees pulled down.

"When we spoke of Mission Valley, I-8 was to be the first transcontinental highway, and Mr. Wallace, who was the head of the highway department, called a meeting to discuss the highway. A man named Simpson owned some property in the valley near where the Kings Inn is now and had a polo field on it, and I was very well acquainted with Simpson and his partner Carlson.

"So, ha! They had a meeting down there and had a big map of the proposed changes, and Simpson didn't like it very well because the highway went

right through his polo fields, and Simpson was talking to me about it. I said to Simpson, 'I can give you some advice.' He said, 'What's that?' And I said, 'There's a little place up there north of Tecate called Alaska. Why don't you take your horses up there.' And he said, 'Ahh, I ought to take you outside and beat the hell out of you.'

"How did Ferrari feel about the highway going in?"

"Pete Ferrari was

shocked. It cut his place right in half. Well, I told Pete, I said, 'Hell, they're going to take your goddamn dairy barn out of there.' 'No, no, no, they're not going to get it.' And then in the middle of the month, a couple of guys from the state came out and they told him they were going to take it. Well, there was nothing he could do about it, you know. He called them everything in the world. Later, the story got on national television. I was a little bit surprised

that this would be put on national television. He didn't want it, but there was nothing much he could do about it. But anyway, he said, 'If it's for the public good, they can condemn the property.' "

"So it was condemned?"

"Uh-huh. He told me, 'Can you believe that, Fritz,' and I said, 'What else can you do?'"

"Then, the stadium came in [in 1967] and I started to get angry about it, and I told them, 'You peo-

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ple are going crazy down there. All you can see is that goddamn stadium.' It was all right, but then they started to get stadium fever and they were going to change the name of Friars Road to Stadium Way, but we won out on that one. And they finally came up with the name for the street north of Texas Street, to make that Stadium Way."

"Was development bad for the valley?"

"No, I don't think so. I can't say it was a bad thing. Of course, you know, things always change. You just have to change with it."

To the Ferraris, the freeway was a predatory thing. John Ferrari was interviewed for a *San Diego Union* article that appeared on November 6, 1977. "My father couldn't believe they were going to put a highway through here," John said. "He just couldn't believe it."

"Louis Ferrari died in 1949, before the highway divided his dairy."

"We knew we couldn't stop it, but we got an attorney so we could get rights to build an underpass," John said.

"The attorney told us we should take the money from the easement and get a place somewhere else. 'There is going to be a city over there (north) and city over there (south) and a playground here (the valley),' the attorney told us."

"We were right in the middle of the city all along,

and didn't even realize it.'"

In a *Los Angeles Times* article on December 17, 1978, John's brother Pete Ferrari was stoic. The article stated: "Ferrari has been busy tearing down the old houses and a garage on the land [the new buyer had] bought. One of the buildings was the original family home — circa 1896. 'I was born in that house,' said Ferrari, now 62. 'I couldn't stand to see it bulldozed, so I had some fellows come in and take it down. They used the lumber for another building in Rosarito Beach in Mexico.'"

"There are other memories he will preserve closer to home. Ferrari is building a garage to store the old Model A farm trucks — he still treats his grandchildren to hayrides — and other antique farm equipment."

"And most of all, he has his big, comfortable white house that sits on nearly an acre of land he still owns on Camino del Rio South. Standing in his garden, he can turn his back on the 8 and 805 freeways and their blur of traffic and look up at untouched hills and the canyon he explored as a child."

"They'll never be able to cut into that," he said. "So the office buildings won't bother me. I've got my house and my frontage and I'll never give that up."

Development was inevitable. When the freeways were built in the val-

ley, an explosion of development occurred that took people by surprise. Papageorge writes: "*San Diego Magazine* of August 1950 pointed out that Mission Valley was a horse's paradise, another Rancho Santa Fe, containing twenty miles of bridle trails. It told how the Mission Valley Improvement Association had fought against roadside stands, an

1947.... In the early 50s, Brown made an evaluation of the land and found that the 'only alleged disadvantage seemed to be fear of flood.' He bought a 22½-acre site for \$79,000 and built the Town and Country Hotel....

"So began the rush to build the brightly lighted Mission Valley we see today. But not everyone was happy.

"Water can get around the dikes there and flood Avenida del Rio, the Fashion Valley parking lot, get onto Camino de la Reina, as well as flooding the Stardust Golf Course and Country Club beyond Fashion Valley Road...."

airport, and a cocktail lounge for State College students. It contained a plea to the San Diego Planning Commission not to let the valley become a non-stop super-highway for the big trucking companies.

"But such was not to be. Charles Brown was the 'pioneer' of the commercial building boom although the Mission Valley Golf Club had been operating since

'Corruption' was the word applied to the City Council in November of 1957 by an article in *San Diego Magazine* when writing of the May Company's buying of land in Mission Valley for a proposed shopping center. It made a plea for encouraging the City Planning Commission's idea for a green belt policy, and felt that the Commission should tell May Co. where to go:

they suggested an area near Rosecrans. The article predicted (correctly) that full-flood commercialism would surely follow.

"F. F. Friend, consulting hydraulic engineer, was engaged by the City Council to report on flood control in Mission Valley. He pointed out the need for flood zones, urged a 250 foot wide unlined channel, and hoped that the valley would develop into an area complementing Mission Bay with accommodations, entertainment, a motor boat canal, scenic roadways, bridle paths, etc...."

"Real property worth millions of dollars exists in the Valley, the scene of so many floods. A long series of dry years has certainly favored the building projects. In 1965 rain flooded the lower parts of Mission Valley. One motel had a foot of water over the floor; the bridge over the river at Zion Road washed out but no serious flooding or damage occurred."

"May Company hired engineers to study the flood problem and consequently built with the problem in mind. They built a riprap around the shopping center and designed the Center so that the parking area is underneath and the shops are on the second level...."

"In 1959 Congress authorized, and the Army Corps of Engineers completed, a report on flood control in Mission Bay. The

proposal suggested a concrete lined, rectangular flood control channel about 5.2 miles in length reaching from Zion Avenue in Grantville to the existing channel at the Morena bridge. It would range from 200 to 250 feet wide with tributary channels extending from several canyons. At the upper end there would be two inlet levees."

"Property owners in Mission Valley asked the City Council to support the narrow concrete-lined channel as they felt the wide unlined channel (850 foot swale) suggested by F. F. Friend would harm their property value...."

"After being approved by the Chief of Engineers and by the Secretary of the Army, the proposed flood control project (estimated cost — \$22,300,000) was approved by the various congressional committees and houses and was signed by President Johnson in October, 1965. Funds were refused in 1966 and thought to be a casualty of the Vietnam War."

In June 1985, the San Diego City Council was considering a master plan for Mission Valley. As a *San Diego Union* article on June 23, 1985, stated: "Earlier this month, [Mayor Roger] Hedgecock attacked the Planning Department proposal, which was approved in January by the Planning Commission, saying it threatens to bring 'Los Angeliza-

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tion with a vengeance.' He has urged a moratorium until the council 'can develop and implement a sound land use plan which improves the quality of life.'

"Hedgecock said he wants to make sure the roads and other support systems are in place when [proposed projects for Mission Valley] are completed. 'I am trying to be fairly rigid about this because we believe that San Diego does not want another Santa Ana Freeway system like you have in Los Angeles, where traffic is backed up all hours of the day and night...'"

The article also stated: "Property owners have denied claims they have tried to get ambitious development proposals approved before the master plan is adopted. But many are working on proposals that eventually could fill hundreds of acres in the valley with new hotels, shops and office buildings. Atlas Hotels Inc., which owns the Town and Country Hotel, has plans to develop 105 acres located on eight sites with office complexes, condominiums and more hotel rooms.

"Chevron Land Development Corp. has submitted a proposal to develop the 206-acre golf course adjacent to the Stardust Country Club with three hotels, 1,500 homes, retail shops and office buildings. MV Associates won approval last year to build 4,000 housing units, a 500-room hotel, 2 million square feet of office space and 115,000 square feet of retail shops on a 241-acre parcel located just west of the stadium."

Opponents of the proposed development tried to fight back. A *San Diego Union* article dated May 3, 1987, stated: "To the environmentally conscious like Sierra Club member Lynn Benn...Mission Valley is a high-stakes version of the 'Price is Right' where developers have been invited to come on down. 'As far as I'm concerned, the valley is gone,' said Benn, who also is a vice chairwoman of the city's Advisory Committee on Growth and Development. 'When I was a kid, the valley was beautiful trails and natural riverbeds. People had more sense in those days than to build buildings in the flood plain.'"

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spective, the proposed development is 'far too intense and grandiose.' ”

The article continued, “Despite the assurances from builders and city planners that Mission Valley growth will not be a pell-mell rush of development, James Fleming says he is not as convinced.

“A resident of the River Run condominium development, Fleming also serves on the Mission Valley planning committee. He said he was concerned about the flooding problems, the increase in density and the irrevocable change in the valley from a pastoral community to an urbanized core.

“ ‘I can safely say Mission Valley already has been given to the wolves, and no Sierra Club-leaning homeowner can come in and say, “Hey, wait a minute, stop this,” ’ Fleming said. ‘I think the developers can make it nice and lovely, but I don’t think it can be a paradise anymore.’ ”

The article quoted City Councilman Ed Struiksma,

whose Fifth District included the area. “The stakes are much higher in Mission Valley.... When you look at the improvements that are needed in the valley — traffic, trolley, river — it is not a place for timid property owners. If you cannot afford to play in that arena, you have no place being there.’ ”

The article continued, “Struiksma, a strong booster for the valley, takes pride in having gotten Mission Valley’s first community plan approved.

“Roughly eight years in the making, the plan takes a somewhat unconventional approach to governing development — it limits growth according to the amount of traffic the valley’s projected road and highway system can handle.

“At the time the plan was approved, then-Mayor Roger Hedgecock was the lone dissenting vote, maintaining that the plan as formulated would lead to unbridled growth, creating a polluted, congested and undesirable community.”

The article also stated that “The First San Diego River Improvement Project, a separate plan that deals exclusively with a 250-acre area between state Route 163 and Interstate 805, will cost area property owners roughly \$25 million to improve 7,000 linear feet of the river, and that is just 30 percent of the

“We don’t know what a ‘100-year-flood’ really is. But it will be something bigger than the valley can handle.”

river’s total length through the valley.”

Evidence of pollution began to emerge in Mission Valley. An October 10, 1992, *San Diego Union* article reported, “A petroleum tank farm in Mission Valley has leaked fuel, creating an underground plume the size of five football fields that reaches under the park-

ing lot of San Diego Jack Murphy Stadium, according to state reports....

“The 25 million-gallon Mission Valley Terminal tank farm detected the leak in 1989, and a cleanup and abatement order from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board was issued last January....

“The cleanup, estimated

to cost up to \$1 million, must be completed by the end of 1995 under the abatement order....

“It is not yet clear whether the leak came from the underground pipeline or from a petroleum storage tank on the site at Friars Road and Interstate 15, according to a consultant’s report. It is also not known

if the leak is continuing....

“David Barker, a senior engineer for the Water Quality Control Board, said the cleanup will be complicated and potentially expensive because petroleum appears to have entered the ground water at several different places.

“ ‘It is of concern to the board, and it will be monitored,’ Barker said.

“There are at least two small plumes of diesel fuel and three of gasoline, according to the consultant’s report. The one large plume, which measures about 1,500 feet long and 400 feet wide, extends below the northeast portion of the stadium parking lot, according to the report.

“Gasoline and diesel fuel contain benzene, a cancer-causing chemical, but the contaminated ground water is not used as a public water supply and the contamination has not reached the San Diego River....

“Situated across Friars Road from the stadium, the terminal is one of the largest

in the county. Trucks from several petroleum retailers, including Arco and Chevron, take on gasoline and diesel fuel at the terminal.”

The freeways, the Mission Valley Plan, and the improvement plan assured development would continue in Mission Valley. The mix of nationalities — Indians, Mexicans, Germans, Italians, Swiss, Norwegians, Chinese, and Japanese — was replaced with a more impersonal environment of shopping centers, motels, restaurants, and office buildings. People lived and worked in Mission Valley, but not the way they did before.

People became hostile. On September 20, 1990, the *San Diego Union* published a letter to the editor by George Stahlman, who said, “I have been a professional bail bondsman for more than 43 years, and in that time I have seen and been aware of crimes committed that would be considered unbelievable.

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the 'Rape of Mission Valley.'

"This is the taking over of the lease of the beautiful green space in the valley, called Stardust Country Club, by the Chevron Land and Development Co.

"How in God's name the politicians sitting on the City Council could approve the plans set before them to wipe off the face of this earth the one last thing of beauty in Mission Valley to be replaced by an asphalt jungle of condos, office buildings, supermarkets and shopping centers, in my estimation shows the complete lunacy of a bunch of idiots or that maybe something was passed under the proverbial table. I feel that, as in all major crimes, there should be a complete investigation to determine what really went down at City Hall."

Community activists Randy Berkman and Eric Bowlby of the River Valley Preservation Group tried to fight a plan to put the trolley through Mission Valley, and filed several lawsuits on behalf of environmental causes. Phil Mickelson of Phoenix, Arizona, writing a letter to the River Valley Preservation Group, stated: "I have long been told that you can't stop progress. It is a shame, however, if progress is defined as the commercial development of the remaining green Mission Valley area at the expense of the many residents and visitors that enjoy golf and the pleasant view and atmosphere of this San Diego asset....

"I can understand the property owners' interest in maximizing their investment profit, but I would hope that they could also be sensitive to the community needs and the opportunities and enjoyment this San Diego asset brings to so many others." Despite a valiant effort, the River Valley Preservation Group lost its fight against the trolley.

I asked Fritz Ohre his feelings about the trolley. "Modes of transportation change, and now they're coming in with all this crazy trolley bit, and a lot of us feel this thing, well, anyway, is just a governmental experiment, especially when they are going to wind up connecting to the stadium. The

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people that have to ride the trolley can't even afford to go to the stadium."

"What was your first reaction upon hearing the trolley was coming in?"

"Well, it was being planned for a long time, and then all of a sudden routes sprouted up here and there, down to South Bay and back to the foot of Broadway. I was a bit surprised about the trolley coming to Mission Valley, and then I heard that it was eventually going to go up Murphy Canyon and on to Escondido. I was surprised because I guess they are meant to increase population, which I guess it will do. People that ride the trolley — it reminds me of car pools. They don't work. They found that out, because the people that use them can't get to their place of business.

"Well, it seems to me like a step backwards. We had a pretty good streetcar system here at one time, and they tore that out, and we bought all the ties that came from there and used

them for fence posts. Ripped up the rails and now they're putting them back again. So you wonder, is this a step backwards? And even the railroads today — the airplanes are the mode of traffic today, the mode of transportation night and day."

"Did people in the valley talk about the trolley?"

"We talked about it and we laughed about it, and we wondered if the engineers are engineers or if they were something else. There was enough government money to spend and they were out looking for some damn fool place to spend it so they can prove whatever experiment they had. Nevertheless, that's the way the world is. Who knows what will come in another 50 years."

Many projects were approved for Mission Valley and development is now extensive. But what about flooding? In early March 1991 there was a flood in Mission Valley, and, as a *San Diego Union* article stated on March 17, 1991: "Earlier

this month, the First San Diego River Improvement Project — three years and \$29 million in the making — got its first test when flood waters swept through Mission Valley. Some property owners were surprised to see parts of Mission Valley turned into a lake, but the controlled flooding was all part of a carefully choreographed plan.

"Although the flooding 'didn't look pretty, you have to look at the consequences to gauge the project's effectiveness,' said Calvin Chong, assistant deputy director of the city's engineering and development department. 'With few exceptions, there was no damage to property.' ...

"Stretching from Stadium Way downstream to Highway 163, the river improvement is...built with \$24.5 million in assessments from affected property owners — raised Mission Center Road and Stadium Way 7 feet, extended Camino del Este north across the river, constructed earthen dikes and holding basins, and

installed storm-drain pumps along the river channel and near road crossings....

"Some people — local merchants, in particular — had some preconceived ideas and thought (the project) would eliminate flooding,' said Nick Napier, an engineer with Chilcote Inc., which built the river project. 'The only way to make those roads withstand a 100-year flood would be to raise them another 20 feet.' He said building bridges that high at Stadium Way and Mission Center Road would involve extensive engineering work and perhaps require permanent closure of Camino de la Reina, which runs parallel to the river along its south bank.

"What you saw were the design limits of the project,' Napier said. 'The project is not designed to solve all our problems. But I think it proved it will do what it was designed to do. I think it was a very successful project.' ...

"Until the river improvement project is extended, the 'weak link' will always

be downstream, the city's Chong said.

"With an undeveloped channel beyond 163, water can get around the dikes there' and flood Avenida del Rio, the Fashion Valley parking lot, get onto Camino de la Reina, as well as flooding the Stardust Golf Course and Country Club beyond Fashion Valley Road, Chong said....

"If the channel is freed up all the way down to the ocean, it will relieve the pressure upstream and allow that water to get out,' Napier said. 'You can't really evaluate it until the entire project is completed. But who the hell knows when that's going to happen.' "

Many changes have occurred west of State Route 163 since 1991, but the unpredictability of flooding remains. Local geographer Phillip Pryde was quoted in an article in the *San Diego Union* on March 11, 1973, "There is no doubt that a very wet period climaxed by a major cyclonic storm...could produce economically disastrous flood-

ing in the valley."

In a paper he wrote in 1976, Pryde adds these words: "Floods are a natural attribute of any river. They are usually perceived as harmful and undesirable phenomena, but this is generally because development has been unwisely permitted in the river's floodplain....

"But regardless of the use to which land in a floodplain is put, and regardless of where the river is located, two basic points must be understood.

"First, large floods are going to occur.... Secondly, we don't know how to predict floods. There is no way of knowing when one is going to occur or how big it is going to be. Even the recurrence interval can only be estimated. But we do know that large floods are going to occur somewhere every year, and that a few will be bigger than any previously seen on that particular stream."

Pryde continued: "On 27 January 1916, the largest recorded flood on the San

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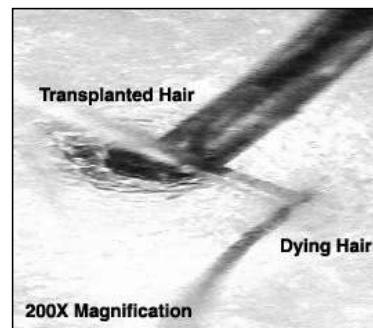
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Diego River flowed at 70,200 cubic feet per second (c.f.s.). During an average winter storm, when the river is fairly full within its normal channel, there is a flow of roughly 200 to 300 c.f.s. When the water is up into the rear parking lot of the Town and Country hotel, the runoff is about 1,000 c.f.s. This could be called the beginning of a small flood. The 1916 flood was 70 times this volume, a sobering thought. The second largest recorded runoff, 45,400 c.f.s., occurred in 1927....

"An important point to consider is the limited storage capability behind our county dams. Although their reservoirs have a considerable storage capacity, the 1916 storm would fill all of the major ones (with the possible exception of Lake Henshaw) to overflowing. So the dams, even if they were empty, would not capture all floodwaters from an exceptionally large storm."

Pryde commented on anticipated flood protection provided by the improvement project in an article in the *San Diego Union* on May 21, 1989: "You don't control rivers," he said. "The (improvement) project will keep the valley from flooding up to the capacity of that channel. We don't know what a '100-year-flood' really is. But it will be something bigger than the valley can handle — and there is even the small possibility that it could happen next year. When it happens, there will be an awful lot of unhappy people."

Professor Patrick Abbott teaches a disaster course in the geology department at San Diego State University. He recalls hearing about early floods in Mission Valley: "When I was a teenager, I used to hear stories about the 1916 and 1927 floods. One story that I heard but can't verify is from a man who was in the Navy in 1916. He said that, in order to rescue people during the 1916 flood, they ran a Navy boat up Mission Valley to where the stadium is now and plucked people from rooftops and trees."

A January 18, 1916, story in the *San Diego Union* confirms that the previous day, "The navy militia [sent]

boats out to assist in the rescue work" in Mission Valley.

Abbott continues: "There has never been a coordinated plan for flood control in Mission Valley. Looking at the entire length of the valley, we find four distinct areas. The first is from the ocean to near Morena Boulevard, where there is a broad, deep channel that could handle virtually any size flood."

"The second area, from east of Morena Boulevard to Highway 163, has little or no flood-control planning. In the third area, from Highway 163 to I-805, we see the modern approach — a compromise attempt at handling floods. This area could handle medium-sized floods, but not the historically large ones. Finally, from I-805 to the east end of Mission Valley, there is little or no flood control. This area is in transition, awaiting a planned flood strategy."

"Currently, the volume of water in cubic feet per second that several of the above areas could contain in terms of flooding is as follows:

"1. The Morena area flood control channel could handle 115,000 cubic feet per second.

"2. The area between the Town & Country Hotel and Fashion Valley could handle 8000 cubic feet per second.

"3. The area between the Town & Country Hotel and I-805 could handle 49,000 cubic feet per second.

"Compare these capacities with runoff figures in cubic feet per second (cf/sec.) for some of the larger floods that have occurred in Mission Valley:

Jan. 1862: 94,500 cf/sec.

Feb. 1884: 60,000 cf/sec.

Jan. 1895: 45,000 cf/sec.

Mar. 1906: 32,000 cf/sec.

Jan. 1916: 72,000 cf/sec.

Feb. 1927: 45,400 cf/sec.

"All of the above-listed floods predate the construction of El Capitan and San Vicente Reservoirs, which would help to reduce the size of flooding somewhat. But the effectiveness of the reservoirs is offset by urbanization. There is a very distinct, proven trend that as urbanization continues — as more buildings are built and more streets are

paved — flood levels rise. Flood-control channels are less able to do the job as the city grows. However, flood-control planning often doesn't fully take into account the fact of urbanization.

"It's hard to know how much the reservoirs would offset urbanization. It depends on how much rainfall comes and how much water the ground and reservoirs can absorb. But increasing urbanization will only make flooding worse over time.

"The purpose of flood control is to make floodwaters stay inside flood-control channels, but it doesn't take much for the waters to go outside them. And the randomness of flood levels over the years in San Diego has lulled people. When you go through a bunch of dry years, people tend to forget about flooding. Then when a big flood occurs, it gets people's attention.

"I would rather have nothing built in Mission Valley. But you could minimize damage if a parking structure is the first floor of a building, for example. This is an intermediate type of planning that involves lower dollar losses and emotional trauma. But, in my opinion, the lower San Diego River is a world-class example of bad, uncoordinated flood-control planning."

Look at the dynamics of flood control in Mission Valley today. There is massive paving surrounding the stadium. More improvements have been constructed, which act like ice cubes in a glass, raising flood-water levels. There is slope runoff from the gravel companies; a water-control project that does not eliminate major flooding; questionable flood control west of State Route 163; flood-control planning done in segments. No one knows what a 100-year flood is, or whether Mission Valley would be able to handle a flood of that magnitude.

I asked Fritz Ohre if people in the valley felt they were safe after the El Capitan and San Vicente Dams were built.

"I recall a meeting they had at the Town and Country Hotel and all the valley residents were invited as well as the city engineers

and the Corps of Engineers. Many people were happy and felt safe from flooding in Mission Valley because of the dams. Upon hearing this, the man from the Corps of Engineers got up and said he was sorry to adjust their thinking, but when they got a flood the size of the 1916 food, the dams would fill up and, regarding the amount of water that rose above the spillway, it would be as if the dams didn't exist."

"Why do people build in the valley if it's in a floodplain?"

"Well, there was money that had come in from the East and they were willing to gamble a little bit."

Another question one might ask is whether Mission Valley is a humane living environment. With large-scale projects being constructed, with additional mass transit and little remaining open space, with people living in isolated condominiums or apartments squeezed in by free-ways, is there a sense of community in Mission Valley?

Finally, what about potential and actual pollution? A partial list echoes through the years: slope runoff, pesticides washing down from the hills, teeming traffic, air and noise pollution, plumes from petroleum tanks, river silt-ing, water weeds, gravel-company cuts, the incompatible uses created with zoning by variance, the loss of open space and greenery, and a lack of compassion for those who lived in the valley in the past.

Pete Ferrari died in 1993. He was an environmentalist who lost his property to those who wanted to use the valley for their own purposes. One can imagine him in his last days, sitting in his house in Mission Valley, watching people tear up the river and lands that were once his... see him breathe fumes from the freeway and hear noise where it once was peaceful. One can only wonder. Maybe the development of Mission Valley killed Pete Ferrari. If so, he is an unrecognized martyr in our relentless drive for progress. ■

— Barbara Palmer

Barbara Palmer, Ph.D., is author of *The Civil War Veterans of San Diego*.

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Lowest Excrement

My letter is a comment on Mr. Ludlow's letter (July 11). I don't know where Mr. Ludlow was at the time of June 1967, or even

if he was a twinkle in his father's eye, but I was out of high school and followed all the news reports of the war in the Middle East. In my recollection, Mr. Ludlow, the Arab states fully coordinated a surprise attack on Israel from all fronts, with the intention of destroying anyone and everyone, young

or old, women and children, that was Jew. They didn't have to have a Star of David on their clothing, like the Nazis made all Jews wear during the Second World War, they just intended to kill everyone within the boundaries of Israel or watch any remaining Jews take to the sea like a beaten animal would.

Well, the beaters became the beaten, and it surprised much of the world when Israel started kicking butt on all fronts, which caused the Arabs to sue for peace, before they lost all their lands. I just wanted to correct Ludlow's poor, misguided mind on this one statement he made in his letter, that Israel started the 1967 war. As for the rest of the trash his mind has absorbed, including his views on terrorism, all I have to say is this: a terrorist who kills innocent people is the lowest form of excrement on this earth, and I personally would like to go one-on-one out in the boonies with any of these cowards, and I guarantee I won't be the one that they drag out of there feet first. As a parting shot, I'm an American, with mostly German bloodlines, a bit of Irish, raised a Roman Catholic, and I consider myself a Christian.

James Reeber
Alpine

Peace Prophecy

Re "Terror Crisp" by Lawrence Ludlow (Letters, July 11).

Romans forced the Jews out almost 2000 years ago and spitefully changed the name to Palestine, but the Jews kept their theocratical identity as a nation throughout Europe. They returned and for centuries have had a strong presence, especially in the area around Jerusalem. When the Islamic Ottomans ruled, the Muslim

presence in Jerusalem was minimal. I read a number of times where Mark Twain stated that the Holy Land was almost deserted, a wasteland; he saw hardly any people, in general. When the Jews drained the marshes and made deserts flourish, Arabs came in large numbers; they came for jobs and a better life. When the UN partitioned the area into Jewish and Arab states, the Arabs declared war as if it was only their land. The Arabs were displaced by the war started by Arab leaders and are still used as political tools. They were not uprooted by the Israeli. Instead of cohabitating in peace with Israel and sharing a mutual economic commonwealth for prosperity and a better life, the Arabs have preferred bloodshed and tragedy for Israel and their own people. When Jerusalem was under Islamic rule, Muslims had little interest in it. Al-Aqsa is not in the Koran; it was a Christian church until almost a century after Muhammad's death. It was robbed by the Muslims and changed to a mosque. The American media hardly exposes the Palestinians' Muslim persecution and ill treatment of the Palestinian Christians. There is a book called *Islamic Invasion* by Robert Morey. The Muslim fundamentalists want the world to convert to their schizophrenic morality and believe in Muhammad's story. The evil done by non-Christians —

such as the Crusaders, the Inquisition, and pogroms — was in disobedience to the New Covenant — violation of the New Covenant — made with Israel for the whole human race, including the Palestinians. Maybe there'll be no peace until the Suffering Servant Messiah, the son of Joseph, returns to fulfill the rest of the messianic prophecies as the reigning Messiah.

2 Chronicles 7:14 says it all for the whole world.

Name Withheld

Boo Duncan!

Re: The review of *Men in Black II* (July 11).

I never cease to be amazed by Duncan Shepherd's powers of intense critical perception. The manner in which he was able to view *Men in Black II* and immediately proclaim those who paid to see the movie "suckers" was pure genius. Using offensive name-calling techniques to insult a large number of his readers is a critical method that never would have occurred to me. I just wonder how Mr. Shepherd is even able to fit such a big and expansive brain into such a small little head. Incredible.

Markel D. Tumlin

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Matt Potter's mention ("City Lights," July 11) of the recent departure of Superintendent

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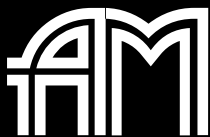
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Alan Bersin's chief "spin doctor" reminded me that since the departure of Mr. Spelich, the PR brain trust at 4100 Normal Street has begun running out of smoke and mirrors. Over the past four years, whenever the subject of what's really happening in the San Diego Unified School District was raised, I've been more and more struck by the truth of Abraham Lincoln's words: "You can fool all the people some of the time, and some of the people all the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time."

Up until now, Superintendent Alan D. Bersin and his three-vote majority on the San Diego Unified School Board have been getting away with fooling the public. Their 22-person public relations staff costs taxpayers well over \$1 million per year, and its sole mission has been to make San Diego believe what Mr. Bersin and his colleagues wanted the public to believe — never mind what the actual facts were. Here are some examples:

1. In the fall of 2001, right after the test scores from the previous school year were published, parents, teachers, and community members attempted to express their concerns about the state of San Diego Unified schools. Board member John de Beck and the Latino Coalition appeared before the board and presented the cold hard facts of how the Blueprint had failed. At that point, board

president Sue Braun issued her "one bullet for two board members" e-mail, and the Bersin PR machine was able to change the subject.

2. In the spring of 2002, word came that there was a \$33 million deficit in the San Diego Unified School District and that the three-vote board majority knew those facts before it voted Superintendent Bersin a new \$1 million contract, along with \$2.2 million per year for his executive staff. Immediately, board president Ottinger leveled charges of anti-Semitism against board critics, and again the PR machine was able to implement its "wag the dog" approach to dealing with city school problems.

3. Now it's the summer of 2002 and several new serious issues face the school district: (a) another letter from the California Department of Education outlining how the district has failed to observe the law with respect to Title I funds for disadvantaged children; (b) several dozen parents have filed suit in federal court for over \$100 million because the district improperly used federal and state Title I funds to underwrite the "Blueprint for Success"; (c) local families and organizations have filed suit against the district because of its documented failure to properly spend money earmarked for students with special education, learning disabilities,

and mental health needs; (d) the growing and undeniable achievement gap between advantaged and disadvantaged students; (e) the growing animosity between this administration and parents as witnessed by the deteriorating situation at Johnson Elementary. Before Mr. Bersin and Mr. Alvarado and their team forced their so-called Blueprint on Johnson Elementary, its students had substantially narrowed the achievement gap and were well on their way to new heights of literacy and learning excellence. However, Johnson parents and teachers insisted on using phonics as the basis of their reading programs, and

the Bersin team couldn't have that. Never mind that their New Zealand and University of Pittsburgh "whole language" teaching philosophy was a documented failure and worked to the extreme detriment of children of color (the *L.A. Times* documented these facts in an article dated April 30, 2000, about the Inglewood School District).

So what does the three-vote city school board majority do now to divert attention from their failed regime? Attack one of its minority board members with a bogus infraction (at the July 9 school board meeting), thus guaranteeing that the real issues will be obscured and for-

gotten by a confused and disillusioned public. The lesson for us all is that we, the people, have to keep our eye on the ball. We have to make sure that we see behind all the PR smoke and mirrors. The main question we need to keep asking ourselves is: After all the money spent on Mr. Bersin, his executive staff, and his PR team and all their hollow promises, and after all these years (four), has the achievement gap decreased, stayed the same, or

increased? If the answer is anything but a significant "decrease," it's high time for Mr. Bersin to go. He's had his chance.

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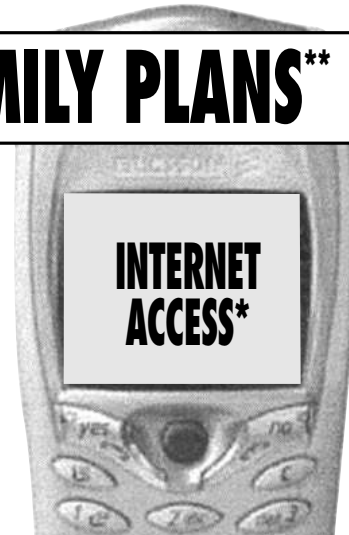
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Lucky Hawk

Gigantic Skate Park Tour

Tony Hawk answers the phone at his Carlsbad home. He has been expecting the call, arranged by a Manhattan publicist, who set a 15-minute limit. Fifteen minutes and fame just seem to go together.

The skateboarding “legend,” as he is billed, will conclude his ten-city Tony Hawk Gigantic Skate Park Tour this weekend. How does he rate the 37,000-square-foot skate park in Encinitas, where the finale will take place? “It’s good. It’s among the biggest parks. It’s got a little of everything,” says Hawk, who designed its 13-foot vertical ramp, which has a 19-foot roll-in, 15-foot

extensions, and a 15-foot floating platform.

LOCAL EVENTS

Hawk began his career

at the Del Mar Skate Ranch. It would be a holy place to fans if it weren’t defunct — a dinosaur, demolished. There, in 1982, Hawk won his first contest, having turned pro at age 14. Twenty years later, he is the most revered skateboarder in the sport’s short history.

How much does success depend on the quality of the skate parks that a skater skates? “It can help your progress if you have access to something diverse,” says Hawk. “But success really depends on how determined you are. If you’re determined to improve your skills, you’re going to, no matter what’s presented to you.”

Now that he’s 34, does he see skateboarding as a sport for life or one merely for the young? “I think it transcends age groups, especially nowadays.” But youthful flexibility is required for skateboarding, no? “Well, it always helps to learn a physical skill when you’re young, because the coordination stays with you. But I’ve honestly seen people of all ages skating — parents with their kids and even older.”

Hawk is one such parent. His eldest son, nine-year-old Riley, will perform with him on Friday.

It’s also true that this father of three performed the first “900” in skateboarding history at the X-Games in San Francisco, just three years ago. (The 900 consists of two-and-a-half 360-degree mid-air somersaults. “This is the best day of my life, I swear to God,” Hawk was quoted as saying by ESPN. “That’s it for me, I swear. What else is there? The 900 was my goal.”)

The five-time X-Games gold medalist is credited not only with athletic accomplishments but with



Tony Hawk

ambassadorial ones. More than anyone else, he is said to have changed skateboarding’s image from that of a time-wasting pastime of disaffected, tattooed teens to a respected, if “alternative,” sport.

Hawk is asked if the sport’s newfound legitimacy has produced any negative changes. “Some people will say, ‘Oh, it’s not as soulful.’” But that gripe doesn’t concern him. What does bother him is people who lump skateboarding together with other so-called extreme sports. “Suddenly people assume that just because you’re a skateboarder, you’re also a rock climber, and that you like to go sky surfing, and that you do lugeing downhill. But for us — the skateboarders — we skate. It’s not about doing other sports that people think are similar. It would be like saying, ‘Oh, yeah, baseball. You must be into all ball sports.’” Says Hawk, “I really don’t compare skateboarding to anything. If people ask me what skateboarding is, I tell them it’s a sport, it’s an art form, and it can be a way of life.”

Does Hawk still have the time and

inclination to make up new moves? The inventor of the Stale Fish, Madonna, and Varial 540 says he does but has become more “calculated” with experimentation, because of advancing age. “Instead of just leaving it up to fate, I try to figure it out, mentally, beforehand, because I know an injury isn’t going to be as easy to bounce back from as it used to be.”

Lucky Hawk says he has broken only one bone — “my elbow a few years ago.”

When Hawk began, money wasn’t to be made in skateboarding. “Even if I had dreamed of being a pro skater, pro skaters weren’t rich or famous. Maybe they got in the magazines and had sponsorship, but that wasn’t what anybody aspired to.” Yes, he bought his first house at age 17, but he committed to skateboarding because “it was the one thing I kept improving at and that I enjoyed doing on my own.”

Today, skateboarding is an industry, with careers available for many more people than the gods. Garrett Bjornson is one such careerist. And

despite the opportunity, this director of the skate park in Encinitas sounds nonetheless ungrateful. Even “breathing” the name “Tony Hawk” in the public’s direction, he says, will mean 500 calls a day on his personal line. “And they’ll ask the stupidest questions,” says Bjornson. “Like, ‘What’s the name of Tony Hawk’s dog?’ This is the hometown stop on his tour, and they’re going to come out for it.” He expects 2000 people; 1500 came last year. He cannot accommodate the crush. Parking is severely limited. He pleads for no publicity.

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BAJA

Go Behind the Scenes of Foxplo-ration Park when Baja California Tours hosts an outing to this work- ing movie studio on Thursday, July 25, beginning at 9 a.m. Partici- pants 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 infor-

mation, call 858-454-7166 or 800-336-5454. (ROSARITO BEACH)

Visit the Guadalupe Valley during a tour slated for Saturday, July 27. Guests will visit L.A. Cetto winery’s second location, located in the Guadalupe Valley outside of Ense- nada. 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)

Designed for Two-on-Two Play, the Rosarito Beach Hotel Beach Volley- ball Open Series begins with the first tournament on July 27. Registration begins at 8 a.m., with games getting underway at 9:30 a.m. The matches take place on the oceanfront sand courts directly in front of the hotel. The registration fee is \$20 per team; admission is free for spectators.

Find the hotel 18 miles south of the U.S.-Mexico border crossing at San Ysidro; take the Rosarito-Ense- nada Scenic Road to the toll road. Take the fourth Rosarito Beach exit; pass under the arch and drive two blocks west to the hotel’s entrance. For information, call 800-343-8582. The second tournament takes place on August 31 and September 1. (ROSARITO BEACH)

Ensenada’s Summer Fair, located at Boulevard Costero and Riviera Street, continues through Sunday, July 28. Entertainment includes lo- cal and regional singers, bands, and other talented performers, and there will be refreshments, children’s rides,

and games. Hours are noon to 11 p.m. on weekdays, 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. on weekends. Admission is free. Call 011-52-646-178-2065 for further information. (ENSENADA)

Tackle the Terrain of Doña Petra Canyon when the sixth race in the Gatorade Cup Mountain Bike Race series is held on Sunday, July 28, out- side of Ensenada. Fans are invited to watch the race, which begins at 10:30 a.m. at Rancho El Parral. Cat- egories run from beginner to elite for riders aged five years and older. For more information, call 619-422-3098. (ENSENADA)

The Baja Inn 5K Run is set for Sun- day, July 28, starting at 8 a.m. at the Country Club Hotel (on Boulevard Agua Caliente). Call 011-52-664-681-7733 for more information. (TIJUANA)

Mexico’s National and Regional Arts, crafts, and products are cele- brated in Rosarito Fair 2002, continu- ing 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)

“Concern for Kids,” this annual classical music concert featuring pi- anist Gustavo Romero is set for Thursday, August 1, at the Grand Hotel Tijuana. The evening begins with a reception at 7 p.m., and the

concert follows at 8 p.m. The \$50 tickets benefiting Project Concern International include transportation to the concert. For reservations, call 858-279-9690 x225. (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 infor- mation, call 011-52-664-687-9600 x50. (TIJUANA)

The Papantla Flyers, presenting a traditional ceremony with dance and music from the state of Veracruz, re- turn 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. Ad- mission is 90 cents U.S. Find the cen- ter at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río, in Tijuana. For more information, call 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

“Whales: Giants of the Ocean” pro- vide the theme for a photography show on exhibit through September at the Tijuana Cultural Center. Find the cen- ter at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río. Admission is \$1.10 U.S. For more information, call 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Fleas, the bane of pets and humans alike, are hopping all over San Diego

again as the summer progresses. Fleas were even more troublesome in San Diego County’s past than they are to- day. Soldiers on the Portola expedi- tion over two centuries ago named a deserted Indian village in today’s North County “Rancheria de las Pul- gas”; and the problem of *pulgas* (“fleas”) in the dusty streets and dwelling places of Southern California were commonly mentioned in 19th- century journals and diaries. The place-names Las Pulgas Canyon and Las Pulgas Road in Camp Pendleton are reminders of a timeless torment.

The Delta Aquarid Meteor Shower, typically one of the year’s ten best showers, will be mostly spoiled this year by a coinciding just-past-full moon. On either Saturday or Sunday morning (July 27 or 28), an hour or two before dawn, you may still see about 10 to 15 meteors per hour under clear, unobstructed skies away from the coastal marine layer and city lights.

Grunion will be active again this weekend (late Friday, Saturday and possibly Sunday evening), just before or after midnight, following the noc- turnal high tide a few days after the full 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 (ex- cept in those areas classified as eco- logical preserves) by those possessing a state fishing license. The grunion must be caught by the hands only, and should be eaten (not wasted).

Nature and Life, travel the trails of Blue Sky Ecological Reserve and en-

joy “Fun Nature Stories” when natu- ralist Dave Meier leads a hike on Sat- urday, July 27. Explore “just some of the wonders” of the reserve and learn about “Life in Blue Sky” when natu- ralist Julie Bennett-Smith leads an outing on Sunday, July 28.

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

Search for Three Species of Rat- tlesnakes and the threatened coast horned lizard when herpetologist and naturalist Allystair Jones leads a moderate three-mile hike on Boul- der Loop in Daley Ranch on Satur- day, July 27. The outing starts at 6:30 p.m. in the main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Bring water. Call 760-839-4680 for information. Free. No pets. (ESCONDIDO)

Fire Prevention is the topic when a retired forest ranger presents a demonstration and discussion on Saturday, July 27, at 7 p.m., in William Heise County Park (4945 Heise Park Road). The day-use fee is \$2. For more information, dial 858-694-3049. (JULIAN)

Bizarre Trees, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll to the desert garden on Saturday, July 27, at 10 a.m., starting from the park’s Visitor Center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

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A New Trail Beckons in San Dieguito River Park! Check out the new interpretive sites and learn how the early settlers lived when Bill leads this 2.5-mile round-trip hike on Saturday, July 27, 8:30 a.m. For reservations and directions to the trailhead, call 858-674-2275 x5. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Trekking the Refuges, view the migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of Tijuana Slough National Wildlife Refuge when the series hosted by the Chula Vista Nature Center continues on Saturday, July 27, at 8:30 a.m. Free. To make the required reservations and obtain directions, call 619-409-5903. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

South Park — The Neighborhood, Not the TV Show! Explore this quiet residential neighborhood, replete with 20th-Century Craftsman architecture, on a walking tour hosted by Urban Safaris on Saturday, July 27, 10 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$10. For reservations and directions to the starting point, call 619-944-9255. (SOUTH PARK)

Climb Cortez Hill to check on the progress of the new condominiums and apartments in this “revitalized downtown neighborhood” with Walkabout explorers. The moderately paced walk — slated for Saturday, July 27 — includes tips on how to miss one of the steepest sections of the hill. Bring money for lunch (optional). The adventure starts at

10:45 a.m. at the Balboa Theater (at Fourth Avenue and E Street). Call 619-231-7463 for information. (DOWNTOWN)

Support Your Local Wildlife Helpers! Wildlife Assist volunteers rescue wild animals in trouble. Two orientations are planned on Saturday, July 27, at 2 p.m. Get the information at the Escondido Public Library (239 South Kalmia Street); and at the Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center (301 Caspian Way). Participants are involved in all aspects of the work. Free. 619-921-6044. (ESCONDIDO, IMPERIAL BEACH)

Sing Around the Campfire during the family campfire planned at Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Saturday, July 27, from 7 to 9 p.m. Organizers promise a program with animals and volunteers from Project Wildlife, songs, stories, hot chocolate, and marshmallows to roast. Bring a flashlight for the walk back to your car.

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

A Dusk Nature Hike is planned in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve on Saturday, July 27. Participants may spy wildlife and flowers during this moderately paced four-mile walk to the waterfall and back. The outing starts at 6:30 p.m. at the kiosk located at the intersection of Camino Ruiz and Park Village Drive. Wear hiking boots and insect repellent, and bring water. Free. 858-484-3219. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

DANCE

Bellydance Showcase, Lucia, Linda, Cristina Devi, and Azelya will dance to live music by John Bilezikjian at Claire de Lune Coffee Lounge on Thursday, July 25, at 8 p.m. There will be open dancing. The cover is \$5. Find Claire de Lune at 2906 University Avenue. 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

Jump to Dance when Jump Fingers makes the music and JoAnn Koppany calls for the contradance on Saturday, July 27, at the 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)

Challenge Dance Night, you’ll need to have previous folk dance experience when Kin Ho teaches a difficult dance on Saturday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m., at the Folk Dance Center. Regular Saturday night international dancing follows. Find the center at 4569 30th Street, and by calling 858-638-1810. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

“Island Nights,” the Sandpipers Square Dance Club hosts a dance with calling by Lee Schmidt and Peter Gomez cueing on Saturday, July 27, 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)

“Living in the Light” is the theme for the Sufi dancing event led by Toni

Michael on Saturday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m., at the First Spiritualist Church (3777 42nd Street, at Wightman). Lara Gutierrez accompanies on guitar. The requested donation is \$5. Call 619-692-9542 for information. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Spice Up Your Swing Dancing, there’s a “Fun, Fancy Footwork Workshop” planned at the Portuguese Hall on Tuesday, July 30, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Admission to the workshop is \$15. Open dancing for everyone follows, 9 to 11 p.m. (\$3 to \$5 donation). Expect DJ music with “mainly swing.” Find the hall at 2818 Avenida de Portugal, just off Rosecrans). Call 619-291-3775 for information. (POINT LOMA)

FILM

The Horror, The Horror! Gather your newspapers, toast, and squirt guns for *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, screening every Friday at midnight at La Paloma Theatre (417 South Coast Highway 101). Tickets are \$7. For information, call 760-436-5774. (ENCINITAS)

There’s a Sneak Preview Planned at the Malcolm X Library on Sunday, July 28, and you’re invited. See *Making a Killing: Philip Morris, Kraft, and Global Tobacco Addiction* and take part in the following discussion. The screening begins at 11:30 a.m. at 5148 Market Street. Call 619-527-3405 for information. Free. (ENCANTO)

Someone Is Killing the Young Women of Juárez, Mexico. Since 1993, over 270 young women have

been raped and murdered in a consistent and brazen manner. Evidence of government complicity exists, and the crimes have gone unpunished.

Señorita Extraviada, a documentary by Lourdes Portillo, investigates the “crime wave amid the disorders and corruption of one of the biggest border towns in the world.” See this P.O.V. series film when it screens for the Film Forum at the San Diego Public Library on Monday, July 29, 6:30 p.m. The film is in Spanish with English subtitles. Adriana Jasso of the La Raza Rights Coalition, leads discussion following the film. Free. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Choo-Choo! The San Diego Model Railroad Museum invites you to enjoy movie night at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Monday, July 29. The evening begins with a barbecue hosted by the museum on the lawn next to the pavilion from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; \$12 gets you a complete

dinner. The silent railroad flick begins at 7:30 p.m., with accompaniment by organist Dennis James. Admission is free. For barbecue reservations and other information, call 619-696-1099. (BALBOA PARK)

“The Shaman’s Apprentice,” this film features ethnobotanist Mark Plotkin, who studied the relationship between indigenous people and plants for over 20 years in the Amazon, searching for plants that may help cure diabetes. The movie, offering a look at the ability of native people to manage their environment, screens on Tuesday, July 30, at 3 p.m., at the San Diego Natural History Museum. The \$10 ticket includes dessert. Call 619-232-3821 x203 for reservations. (BALBOA PARK)

Pictures at the Prado II, take in a three-course meal at the Prado Restaurant Patio Terrace and then see *Best in Show* when this series continues on Wednesday, July 31. The meal begins at 7:45 p.m., with the

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film 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)

Onscreen Summer Operas, comic operas are being presented in large-screen video format by the UCSD department of music in Erickson Hall (B-210) at UCSD's Mandeville Center. The series concludes with Giacomo Puccini's *Gianni Schicchi* on Wednesday, July 31, from 6 to 8:45 p.m. Free. For more information, dial 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

The French Connection, it's the theme for the "Summer of 2002 Outdoor Film Festival" series continuing at the San Diego Museum of Art, in conjunction with the exhibition "Idol of the Moderns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting." This week, see Vincente Minelli's *American in Paris*, with choreography by Gene Kelly. The film begins at dusk on Thursday, August 1. Bring a blanket for seating. 619-232-7931. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Summer Films are being shown at the SDSU Continuing Education Center. The Wim Wenders' docu-

mentary *The Buena Vista Social Club* screens at 1 p.m. on Thursday, August 1, in the CEC classroom at 16776 Bernardo Center Drive, suite 110A. The moderator is David Blitzblau. The fee is \$12. 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

What Are Sacred Singing Bowls? Get the skinny when "practitioner" Richard Rudis examines "Transformational Gong Bath and Sacred Sound Experience" on Friday, July 26, at 7:30 p.m., at the Shi-ho Center for Creative and Healing Arts. Organizers say "bring something to lay on." Find Shi-ho in the Del Mar Sculpture Gardens at 2002 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. The fee is \$20. For information, call 760-944-3441. (DEL MAR)

Nude Human Forms, real versus those sculpted from stone, are juxtaposed in photographer Annaliese Cassarino's "Ideal" series. The large prints are achieved through multiple exposures, visual poems examining "man's idealization of beauty compared to nature's endeavors." Meet Cassarino during an artist's talk planned on Saturday, July 27, at 1 p.m., in conjunction with her exhibition at the Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (4275 Cass Street). Free. 858-238-6627. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Does Your Parrot Bite? Hard? Find out why and what to do about it when the Parrot Education and Adoption Center hosts a seminar on Saturday, July 27. Does your companion parrot have other behavior problems? Possible causes and solutions will be explored in the lecture scheduled for Sunday, July 28.

Both talks run from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Marina Village Con-

ference Center (1936 Quivira Way, off West Mission Bay Drive). Admission is \$10 per seminar. 619-287-8200. (MISSION BAY)

A Child Is Waiting, Family Connections Adoptions is hosting an adoption information and family panel session at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 27, covering a variety of adoption issues. Find the office at 2181 El Camino Real; 760-754-0200. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Let It Rot! Master composters will be on hand for the composting workshop planned on Saturday, July 27, at 8 a.m., at the Escondido Community Garden. The program includes instruction and demonstrations in the building and maintenance of a backyard compost pile and worm bin. Free. The garden is found just north of Highway 78 on Centre City Parkway; park in the park and ride lot. Free. 760-839-4818. (ESCONDIDO)

Just a Crush? Both beginning and advanced home winemakers are invited to the "Pre-Crush Seminar" planned on Saturday, July 27, 1 to 4 p.m., at Belle Marie Winery (26312 Mesa Rock Road). Guests will hear information and strategies to help home winemakers achieve a more productive and successful crush season. The fee is \$15. For reservations, call 760-796-7557. (ESCONDIDO)

Pliers and Small Gardening Tools may be held in the tool basket being created during a San Diego Natural History Museum program slated for Saturday, July 27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program is for those 12 and

older. The fee is \$30 for nonmembers. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to register. (BALBOA PARK)

"Everyday Buddhism: How to Practice Daily Without Becoming a Monk" is the subject when Rinban George Chuho Matsubayashi of the Los Angeles Hompa Hongwanji Buddhist Temple speaks on Sunday, July 28, at 1:30 p.m., at the Buddhist Temple of San Diego (2929 Market Street, at 30th). The lecture will focus on lay practice as it is understood in the *Jodo Shinshu* (pure land) tradition. Free. For information, call 619-239-0896. (GRANT HILL)

Who Are You? According to the folks at Identity Wise, "identity theft can happen to anyone, anytime, anywhere." Learn to how protect yourself from identity theft during seminars planned by the company on Monday, July 29, at the San Diego Mission Valley Hilton (901 Camino del Rio South). Sessions begin at 1 and 6 p.m. The fee is \$29. To reserve a spot, call 877-304-2622. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Observations on Religion in Japan" will be offered when the Atheist Coalition gathers on Tuesday, July 30, at 7 p.m., at the North Park Recreation Center (4044 Idaho Street). Free. Questions? Call 858-459-8273 for answers. (NORTH PARK)

"You Are What You Eat and the Kitchen Is Your Pharmacy" is said to be the fundamental philosophical concept of Ayurveda. Improve your eating habits and learn which foods are best for you when Dr. Talavane

Krishna focuses on "Ayurveda, Diet, and Nutrition" on Tuesday, July 30, at 7 p.m., in the Conference Center at Scripps Memorial Hospital (354 Santa Fe Drive). Free. For more information, call 858-395-5485. (ENCINITAS)

Know of Any Female 17th-Century Painters? Susan Vreeland presents "Artemisia Gentileschi: The Woman Behind the Blush" on Thursday, August 1, for the "Art in the Afternoon" series at the Timken Museum of Art. Vreeland is the author of *The Girl in Hyacinth Blue* and *The Passion of Artemisia*. The lecture begins at 1 p.m. Admission is free. 619-531-9636. (BALBOA PARK)

IN PERSON

The Bauls of Bengals, the Center for World Music presents Purna Das Baul, known as "the King of the Bauls," in concert on Friday, July 26. Baul "combines Hindu, tantric Buddhist, and Sufi mysticism in a spirituality of ecstasy evoked by poetry, song, and dance."

The concert begins at 8 p.m. at the Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. Tickets are \$20 general, \$12 for seniors and students, and \$8 for those 6 to 12. For further information, dial 619-813-4136. (LA JOLLA)

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Events run from 5 p.m. to midnight on Friday and Saturday and 1 to 10 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$10 general. Find Sushi in the ReinCarnation Building, at 320 11th Avenue. For information, call 858-279-6589. (DOWNTOWN)

A “CD Unveiling” is planned by Tomás Riley at Voz Alta. Riley (of the Taco Shop Poets) and friends will perform work from his spoken-word CD *Message from the New for Real* on Friday, July 26, at 8 p.m. Find Voz Alta at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues); 619-230-1869. Donation. (DOWNTOWN)

The Featured Poet is Marc Kockinos when Poetry Unlimited Art and Music convenes on Friday, July 26, at 6:30 p.m., at the La Jolla Recreation Center (615 Prospect Street). Visual artist Virginia Ann Holt is also showcased, and an open reading follows. Free. 858-552-1658. (LA JOLLA)

Summer Music Festival 2002, the Bayou Brothers will entertain with their thumping, foot stomping Cajun/zydeco music on Friday, July 26, at 6 p.m., outdoors at the Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex (3795 Fairmount Avenue). Free. For information, call 619-641-6123. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Summertime, and the Music Is Easy, free concerts are offered all over the county at this time of year. The 17th annual TGIF Jazz in the Parks

series continues with a concert by the Bill Magee Blues Band on Friday, July 26. The music begins at 6 p.m. at Magee Park (at Carlsbad Boulevard and Beech Street). Call 760-434-2904 for more information. (CARLSBAD)

Trolley Barn Park is the site for the Summer in the Park concert series. Boogie-woogie and swing music is on tap when Sue Palmer performs on Friday, July 26, 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 Concerts on the Green series at Prescott Promenade on Main Street continues with Latin jazz by Cuban Explosion on Friday, July 26, at 5:30 p.m. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

Those busy Bayou Brothers perform on Saturday, July 27, 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 “Music in the Park” concert series continues with music by Quiet Storm on Saturday, July 27, at 5 p.m., in Chula Vista Community Park (1060 EastLake Parkway). For information, call 619-585-5682. (EASTLAKE)

The La Jolla Concerts by the Sea features swing and Dixieland music by the High Society Jazz Band on Sunday, July 28, at 2 p.m., in Scripps Park (at the foot of Girard Avenue). 858-454-1600. (LA JOLLA)

“Sundays at Six” — the series continues when the San Diego Concert Band presents “At the Movies” on Sunday, July 28, at 6 p.m., at the Harry Griffen Park Amphitheatre (9550 Mildan Street). Bring a picnic basket (no glass) and a blanket. Free. 619-667-1300. (LA MESA)

Classic Pink Floyd tunes are “re-made” by Pink Floyd on Sunday,

July 28, at 5 p.m., in Standley Park (3585 Governor Drive). Call 858-552-1652 for information. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

The “Concerts by the Sea” at Moonlight Beach continue when Michele Lundeen and Blues Streak perform on Sunday, July 28, 3 to 5 p.m. Alcohol, glass, and dogs are prohibited; picnics and dancing are encouraged. Find the beach at the western foot of Encinitas Boulevard. 760-633-2740. (ENCINITAS)

The “Playin’ in the Park” concert series continues with performances by Citizen X Posse, Super Sonic Samba School, the West Coast Iron Works Band, Jim Earp, City Moves!, Eveoke Dance, and others. Enjoy the party on Friday, July 28, 4 to 8 p.m., at the Adams Elementary/Community Park (4672 35th Street). Admission is free. 619-283-8379. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

He’s Professor of Physics at Washington University in St. Louis, and

on Saturday, July 27, Jonathan I. Katz will discuss his new book *The Biggest Bangs: The Mystery of Gamma-Ray Bursts, the Most Violent Explosions in the Universe* at 8 p.m. at D.G. Wills Books. Katz has worked on problems as diverse as x-ray stars, earthquakes, the fracture of glass, and gamma ray bursts. Find the shop at 7461 Girard Avenue, and by calling 858-456-1800. Free. (LA JOLLA)

The 150-Voice Professional Southern California Mormon Choir offers a concert on Saturday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m., at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (12701 Torrey Bluff Drive). The group has been performing since the early 1950s. Free. For information, call 858-259-0458. (LA JOLLA)

Feng Shui Practitioner Salome Waterhouse looks for solutions to murders in Washington, DC, homes in

Denise Osborne’s *Positioned to Die*. Meet the mystery author when she signs books on Saturday, July 27, at 2:30 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

Show Up, Sign Up, Step Up and get involved in theater when the Semi-Spontaneous Shakespeare Society presents *All’s Well That Ends Well* on Saturday, July 27. 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. (BALBOA PARK)

Summer Concerts in the Gardens, the series continues with cool-blue acoustic jazz by Ruby (*sans the Red Hots*) on Saturday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m., at the Wood House in Heritage Gardens (at Rock Springs Road and Woodland Parkway). Tickets are \$5 general, free for those under 10. Bring beach chairs or blankets for lawn seating. 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

Summer Sizzle, this concert on Saturday, July 27, features the Peter Sprague Group, singer/songwriter Peggy Lebo, and “funnyman” Richard Jerome. The entertainment starts at 7 p.m. at Seaside Church of

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Religious Science (1613 Lake Drive). The \$25 tickets benefit Lyne's Cancer Fund. Call 760-635-7820 for further details. (CARDIFF)

Author Trisha R. Thomas visits the Malcolm X Library on Saturday, July 27, at 3 p.m., to sign and discuss *Nappily Ever After* and her new novel *Roadrunner*. Find the library at 5148 Market Street (at Euclid); 619-527-3405. Free. (ENCANTO)

Popular and Lively! The San Diego-based Valley Bluegrass Boys perform for San Diego Folk Heritage on Saturday, July 27, at 7 p.m., at Templar's Hall in Old Poway Park (14134 Midland Road). Tickets: \$11. Call 858-566-4040 for reservations. (POWAY)

BYOP, take in "an enjoyable poetry reading and slam" on Saturday, July 27, 3 p.m., at the Rancho San Diego Library (11555 Via Rancho San Diego). Bring your own poetry to read or just listen. To register, dial 619-660-5370. Free. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Got Pride? If you're going to Hillcrest to celebrate, why not slam, judge, or just watch all the spoken-word action at the Last Sunday Poetry Slam scheduled for July 28, at the Urban Grind (3797 Park Boule-

vard). Slamming starts between at 7:30 and 8 p.m. (following sign-ups at 7 p.m.) 619-294-2920. The requested donation is \$2. (HILLCREST)

Federico García Lorca's First Theater Success came with the story of his Spanish heroine *Mariana Pineda*. The Hispanic Theatre of San Diego, under the direction of Jesus Sierra, presents this dramatic work on Sunday, July 28, at 2 p.m., in the third-floor auditorium at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. For more information, call 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Music for the Masses, this Voz Alta fundraiser is slated for Sunday, July 28, with performances by the B-Side Players, Agua Dulce, Proyecto Ameya, and the Taco Shop Poets. The party runs 8 p.m. until midnight at Chuey's Restaurant (1807 Main Street). Tickets are \$15 general, \$12 for students and seniors (you must be at least 21 years old to enter). For information, call 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

Pops Under the Sky, the MiraCosta College North Coast Symphony Orchestra presents a pops concert on Sunday, July 28, at 5:30 p.m., at the inner garden at Mission San Luis Rey (4050 Mission Avenue). The program includes selections from *Ragtime*, a *Star Wars* medley, Rimsky-Korsakov, a salute to big-band music, a tribute to Sinatra, and Lerner and Loewe favorites.

Admission is \$5 per person, or

\$10 per family. You're invited to bring a picnic supper. Dial 760-757-2121 x6612 for details. (OCEANSIDE)

Free Speech! Open-mike nights are planned on Mondays at Cafe Crema (1001 Garnet Avenue, at Cass). Sign-ups begin at 7:30 p.m., the readings start at 8 p.m. Free. For information, call 858-273-3558; to sign up, dial 858-635-1211. (PACIFIC BEACH)

An American Woman Travels to Rishikesh, India, in Claire Kruklikowski's memoir *Moonlight on the Ganga*, which she'll sign and discuss on Tuesday, July 30, at 7 p.m., at the Barnes and Noble store in Hazard Center. Free. Find the store at 7610 Hazard Center Drive. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Twilight in the Park, this summer concert series continues with big-band music by Ron Jerman on Tuesday, July 30. The Bayou Brothers perform their Cajun and blues music on Wednesday, July 31, and the Cabrillo Classic Jazz Band takes the stage on Thursday, August 1.

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)

The Power of Youth, this bilingual youth theater, poetry, and music event hosted by Teatro Con Safos starts at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, July 31, at Voz Alta (917 E Street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues). Admission is free. 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

Specializing in Contemporary Bluegrass and Western swing, three-

time national fiddle champion Byron Berline and his Oklahoma-based band will present a concert on Thursday, August 1, at 7:30 p.m., at Valley Music (530 East Main Street). Tickets are \$15 in advance, or \$20 at the door. For reservations, call 619-444-3161. (EL CAJON)

Rearing a "Different" Child is the subject of local author Debra Ginsberg's new book, *Raising Blaze*. Ginsberg, also author of *Waiting: The True Confessions of a Waitress*, will speak and sign books on Thursday, August 1, 7 p.m., at Esmeralda Books and Coffee (1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307). Free. Call 858-755-2707 for details. (DEL MAR)

A Fresh Collection of Magnificent Misadventures is gathered in *The Darwin Awards II: Unnatural Selection*, by Wendy Northcutt. The author visits Warwick's Bookstore on Thursday, August 1, to sign her book at 7:30 p.m. Find Warwick's at 7812 Girard Avenue, and by dialing 858-454-0347. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Thursday Night Thing (TNT), this "ongoing program of intriguing events" at the Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown begins on Thursday, August 1, at 7 p.m. The evening features art by Tania Candiani, with a taco cart, cocktails, and dancing to music by DJ Bostitch. Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard. Admission is free, although a \$3 donation is encouraged. For information, call 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Now Preparing for a Journey to Minneapolis for the National Poetry Slam, the official 2002 San Diego Slam Team takes the stage for the "Performance Quality Spoken Word Show" planned on Thursday, August 1, at Dizzy's Place. Los Angeles writer Iris Berry will perform with musician Tony Malone, San Francisco author Bucky Sinister, and local Jimmy Jazz round out the program. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. Get Dizzy at 344 Seventh Avenue; 858-270-7467. The cover is \$5. (DOWNTOWN)

SPORTS

Road Trip, Continued, the San Diego Padres are in Arizona for games against the Diamondbacks July 25-28, beginning at 3:05 on Thursday, at 7:05 p.m. on Friday, at 1:05 p.m. on Saturday, and at 1:35 p.m. on Sunday.

Next stop: Chicago. The Pads meet the Cubs July 30-August 1, at 5:05 on Tuesday, and at 11:20 a.m. on Wednesday and Thursday.

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

Surf's Up, Bro, the U.S. Surfing Championships and U.S. Team Trials continue through Friday, July 26, at the north jetty at Oceanside's Harbor Beach. Competition runs 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dial 888-987-7873 for more details. (OCEANSIDE)

We're Talkin' Old School, the World Class Wrestling Alliance — working without extreme violence and graphic soap opera-like story lines — hits the VFW Hall at 2885 Lemon Grove Avenue on Friday, July 26. The card includes Frankie "the Future" Kazarian, Primetime Peterson, the Dynamics, Bigg Babi Slymm, Hardkore Kidd, and others. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$13 at the door. Bell time is 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30). (LEMON GROVE)

Local Skater Makes Good, World Champion skateboarder Tony Hawk will be joined by "other premier extreme athletes in skating and biking" when the ESPN Gigantic Skatepark Tour hits the Magdalena Ecke YMCA on Friday, July 26, at 1 p.m. (doors open at noon). These professionals will give street and "vert" demos. Find the YMCA at 200 Saxony Road; 760-942-9622. Free. (ENCINITAS)

Acura Classic Tennis Tournament, La Costa Resort is the place for this women's competition, with qualifiers beginning Saturday, July 27; the tournament continues through August 4. Players who've entered include Venus Williams, Jennifer Capriati, Monica Seles, Kim Clijsters, Lindsay Davenport, and many others.

Qualifying matches begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 27 and 28; tickets are \$10 per seat. Matches begin at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday, July 29, 30, and 31; tickets are \$20. Games begin at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, August 1 and 2 (\$30). The playing starts at 12:30 and 7 p.m. on Saturday, August 3; and at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 4 (\$40). For tickets and other details, call 760-438-5683. (LA COSTA)

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Hey, How 'Bout a Destruction Derby? There's one on tap, along with racing by factory stock cars, bombers, street, and sportsman on Saturday, July 27, at Cajon Speedway. 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)

Five Cities Ride, visit San Diego, National City, Chula Vista, Imperial Beach, and Coronado with the Knickerbikers bicyclists on Saturday, July 27. Participants will picnic in a Coronado park, and then take the ferry back to the "mainland." Bring money for lunch and ferry fare. The 26-miles of fun begins at 9 a.m. at the corner of Grape and Harbor Drive (north of the County Administration Building). 619-450-9319. (DOWNTOWN)

Looping Vista, explore hilly rural areas of Vista with the Sierra Club bicyclists on Saturday, July 27. The approximately 25-mile ride starts at 9 a.m. near the intersection of Shadowridge Drive and Sycamore (just south of Highway 78). Free. 760-436-2352. (VISTA)

Cricket Time, the San Diego Cricket Club/UCSD Cricket Club hosts its next home games on July 27 and 28. The club has teams in divisions 1 and 3 of the Southern California Cricket Association. The first team meets up with the Hollywood Cricket Club on Saturday, and the second team meets up with the USC team on Sunday. Games begin at 10:30 a.m. and last until about 5 p.m. (bring a lunch!) at UCSD's Warren Field. Free. For information, call 619-518-1596. (LA JOLLA)

An Ocean Kayak Clinic is planned at La Jolla Shores by Hike Bike Kayak San Diego on Saturday, July 27, at 10 a.m. The fee is \$65. To reserve a spot, call 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA)

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 practices all summer long at Ocean-

side 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)

"Snorkel with the Sharks" during an event hosted by the Birch Aquarium-Museum on Saturday, July 27, 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)

The Plantation Walking Horse Association takes over the Del Mar Horsepark for shows on Saturday and Sunday, July 27 and 28, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. Find the park at 14550 El Camino Real; call 858-794-1171 for information. Admission is free for spectators. (DEL MAR)

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

Swim, Bike, and Run when the 21st annual Carlsbad Triathlon takes place on Sunday, July 28, beginning at 8 a.m. at Tamarack Surf Beach (take the Tamarack exit off I-5 and head west). The competitors muster energy for a 1k ocean swim, 25k bike ride, and 5k run. Free for spectators. For information, call 760-731-1165. (CARLSBAD)

San Marcos Blast, join San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders for this flat, 70-mile ride on Sunday, July 28. The ride starts at 8:45 a.m. at Doyle Park (8175 Regents Road at Nobel Drive). Free. 619-255-4194. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Turf to Surf, this 5k run/walk and kids 1k is slated for Sunday, July 28, at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m., the 5k steps off at 8 a.m., and the children start at 9 a.m. Participants receive two free passes to the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club meet (valid through September 11, 2002). Call 619-298-7400 for information. (DEL MAR)

Soccer Spirit, the San Diego Spirit, one of the teams of the Women's United Soccer Association, hosts the Atlanta Beat on Wednesday, July 31, at 5 p.m. Games take place in Torero Stadium, on the campus of the Uni-

versity 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)

See Some Sea Turtles up close when Hike Bike Kayak San Diego hosts an evening ocean kayak outing on Wednesday, July 31, 6 to 9 p.m. The fee is \$65. To reserve a spot, call 858-551-9510. (CHULA VISTA)

The Horses Are on the Track, the 2002 seaside racing season hosted by the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club continues through Wednesday, September 11. The horse racing takes place Wednesdays through Mondays; post time is 2 p.m. daily except Fridays, when racing begins at 3:30 or 4 p.m. p.m.

General admission is \$5 for adults, free for those 17 and under.

Find the Del Mar Racetrack at the San Diego County fairgrounds, Jimmy Durante Boulevard and Via de la Valle. For information, call 858-793-5533. (DEL MAR)

SPECIAL

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)

"The Indestructibility of Our Inner Nature" by Arthur Schopenhauer

provides the fodder when the Great Books Reading and Discussion Group gathers on Saturday, July 27, 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)

More Than 25,000 Handmade Pastries will be on hand when St. Gregory of Nyssa Greek Orthodox Church presents its Greek Festival 2002. Along with the aforementioned sweets, there will be live music, food, shopping, and dancing.

Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday, July 28. Find the party at the El Cajon Masonic Lodge, 695 Ballantyne Avenue. For information, call 619-593-0707. Admission is \$2. (EL CAJON)

"Pride Worldwide/Orgullo Mundial" is the theme for the 28th annual San Diego Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride weekend events. On Saturday, July 27, festivities get underway with the Run-and-Stride with Pride, starting at 8 a.m. at Sixth Avenue and Laurel Street.

The Pride Parade starts at noon, running down University Avenue from Normal Street to Sixth Avenue, then south on Sixth to Ivy Lane. Nearly 2015 floats and contingents are expected to participate.

The Pride Festival runs 1 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, and noon to 9 p.m. on Sunday, July 28, at Marston Point. There will be live music (including Cyndi Lauper at 7:45 p.m. on Sunday), dance floors, a youth space, children's garden, and exhibitors and vendors plying their

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wares. The fee is \$12 per day or \$18 for both. For more information, call 619-297-7683. (BALBOA PARK)

You'll Be Pleasantly Surprised by the tomes on offer, according to organizers of the bimonthly Lemon Grove Library's book sale, set for Saturday, July 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All manner of books will be on offer. The library is found at 8073 Broadway; 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

A Party of Marines and Sailors from the USS *Cyane* first raised the U.S. flag in San Diego on July 29, 1846. See a reenactment of the historic event on Saturday, July 27, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park. 619-220-5422. Free. (OLD TOWN)

Meow! The San Diego Cat Fanciers present their annual cat show on Saturday, July 27, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the San Diego Community Concourse (202 C Street). Guests will see "up to 225 of the finest pedigreed cats," and there's a household pet competition. Vendors will offer their wares. Admission is \$7 general, \$5 for seniors/military/children, free for those under 6. Questions? Call 760-419-3543 for answers. (DOWNTOWN)

"Clairemont's Coolest Event," yes, it's time for the 13th annual Clairemont Family Day Celebration, set for Saturday, July 27, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the South Clairemont Recreation Center (3500 Clairemont Drive). Organizers expect vendors, pancake breakfast (8 a.m.), a classic car and hot rod show, games, live entertainment, and lots of local music. For more information, call 858-581-9924. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

"Come Together to Make a Difference," celebrate the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act — which took place on July 26, 1990 — when Disability Independence Day festivities are offered on Saturday, July 27, from noon to 7 p.m., at the Balboa Park Club. Organizers plan a parade, workshops, and more. For more information, call 619-293-3500 x343. Admission is free. (BALBOA PARK)

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 festi-

val 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)

Seaside Celebration, in conjunction with the 21st anniversary Carlsbad Triathlon, festivities are planned on Saturday, July 27, from noon to 7 p.m., at Tamarack Surf Beach (take the Tamarack exit off I-5 and head west). Organizers promise a parade (9 a.m.), arts and crafts, surf contests, a kids' fun zone and craft area, rock climbing, and more. Admission is free. For more details, call 760-602-7512. (CARLSBAD)

Dance, Music, and Costumes are promised when the House of Argentina hosts the lawn program at the International Cottages at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 28. Food will be offered for sale. Admission is free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

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.

The rigors of 18th-century dress in comparison to the function-over-fashion mindset of Colonial America is explored when Kimberly Preciado speaks for the Showcase 2002 lecture series on Sunday, July 28, at 2 p.m. Preciado is the curator of costumes and textiles for the San Diego Historical Society. The talk is included in the price of admission.

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It's been said that the number of people on a wilderness trail diminishes in proportion to the square of the distance and the cube of the elevation gain from the nearest road. Perhaps that explains why only about one in every hundred visitors to Malibu Creek State Park bothers to check out the dead-end Lost Cabin Trail.

In truth, when you reach the end (about three miles out), there's no "there" there — just a trickling brook, a line of willows and oaks, lots of fragrant chaparral on the hill-sides, plus the overarching dome of the blue sky. (The cabin, if there ever was one, seems to be truly lost.) This placid scene, however, lies in the heart of the 1900-acre Kaslow Natural Preserve, an area of the Santa Monica Mountains being managed for research and low-level public use. The Kaslow (meaning golden eagle in the language used by the Chumash Indians) preserve harbors mountain lions, golden eagles, and a rare

native plant — the Santa Susana tarweed.

Begin at the state park's main entrance, off Highway N-1 (Las Virgenes/Malibu Creek Road), 0.2 mile south of Mulholland Highway. Walk west on the main trail, known as Craggs Road. At a summit just above Century Lake (1.2 miles) keep going west on the road. On the right is the marine sedimentary Calabasas Formation, consisting of light-colored, friable rocks roughly 15 million years old. On the left is the north wall of the Goat Buttes, which consist of the erosion-resistant Conejo Volcanics, also about 15 million years old. Ahead on the Lost Cabin Trail you'll get a look at the south side of the buttes, which features a weird assortment of pockmarked outcrops and boulders.

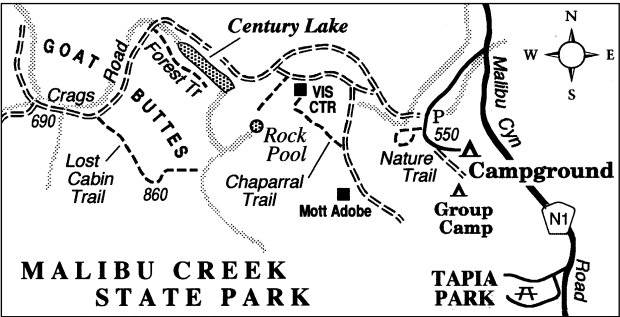
At 1.7 miles you come to a bridge over Malibu Creek. Just ahead, the Forest Trail goes left, providing access to Century Lake's south shore — a possible side trip. From the Forest Trail intersection, follow Craggs Road another 0.6 mile, to where an old bulldozed road goes left up along a draw. This is the Lost Cabin Trail, formerly an access road for sites used in the filming of the *M*A*S*H* television series. The main *M*A*S*H* site, dismantled upon the conclu-



Malibu Creek

sion of filming in 1982, is marked by a sign along Craggs Road. Little remains of the site of the fictional 4077th tent hospital other than an old burned-out jeep amid the encroaching brush.

Follow the Lost Cabin Trail up to a divide and then down to the bank of Lost Cabin Creek, a small tributary of Malibu Creek. At the trail's end a sign advises you to go no farther. Downstream, the trickling creek tumbles over a precipice to join Malibu Creek in the gorge between Century Lake and the Rock Pool.



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)

Truck Tribute Day is being marked when the San Diego Auto Swap takes place on Sunday, July 28, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., at San Diego Mesa College (7250 Mesa College Drive). View vehicles on display and for sale, along with "acres of parts and accessories." Admission is \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342. (KEARNY MESA)

Aiming for Fun, the San Diego Academy of Firearms Education hosts it's Family Fun Day at the Range on

Sunday, July 28. Expect "fun shoots on the rifle and pistol range to challenge your skills," big gun shoots, trap range activities, demonstrations, kids activities, and more.

Events run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Project 2000 Shooting Range, 2082 Willow Glen Drive. Admission is free; some of the activities have fees. For more information, call 619-442-9971. (EL CAJON)

Transforming Human Skin into a Rich Canvas? There's a tattoo show planned on Sunday, July 28, noon to 8 p.m., at the Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). Organizers promise demonstrations and exhibitions of tattoo art and artisans. Admission to this celebration of "wearable art" is \$15 for adults, \$7 for those under 12. For in-

formation, call 619-297-0397 or 858-635-1259. (MISSION VALLEY)

Take a Turn on the Bench, meet with pianists "of like skills" for an informal get-together at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 30, in the Santa Fe Room of the Balboa Park Club (found at the west end of Presidents Way). Bring your music and perform classical music and your own compositions. Free. 858-483-3939. (BALBOA PARK)

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After Pavese

*Why cannot I write about those red moonlit cliffs?
Because they reflect nothing of myself.*
— Cesare Pavese

I've been walking in the mountains
once a week or so for many years
in and out of nature like the last stages of making love

after the foreplay is over and you're finally ready
for the grand finale. I'm about ready to reach a climax
regarding my connection to the elements these days.

I know everything I need to about life,
except how to live it, and could even make progress
on that front by walking in the woods even more

and paying attention to the scraggly trailside brush,
the bright blue Steller's jays, the darting squirrels
who store their acorns in the thousands of holes

that woodpeckers make on the enormous sugar pines
that make me weep with calm. But I'm tied
to the flashing city lights I love and need so much.
It's the Brooklyn in me that won't let go,
the brownstone, blacktop, wrought iron
stickball, triangle, stoopball mornings

that hold me somehow, that stop me from slipping easily away
into the dry, dusty, green-brown California mountains
that turn red in the moonlight, when I'm not there.

After Pavese 2

*What gives poetry its intensity, from its very inception, is a preoccupation with
hitherto unperceived spiritual values, suddenly revealed as possibilities.*
— Cesare Pavese

From my bedroom window I see a tree
a house, a church, a hummingbird feeding
at the feeder someone hung from a branch long ago.

I took up the work of keeping it filled with sweet
water so that this hovering bug-bird
might have some nourishment today.

The tree the house the church the hummingbird
each has its own distinct presence in the vague
jumble of thoughts we agree to call consciousness.


In the morning, everything I see needs
its own brainspace so I can put things in order,
chart a course for the day. But at night

when the day's hoary events tumble in their ordinary way
toward the deep rest of sleep where they can be sorted out
and colored in the extraordinary blur of dreams,

the space expands, converges, intersects with others.
The tree's branches become golden wings;
it soars into the bright green night sky,

becomes a gigantic hummingbird,
comes home from church,
makes love, eats meat.

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READING

Dress Codes of Three Girlhoods: My Mother's, My Father's, and Mine



Noelle Howey

Picador USA, 2002; 332 pages; \$24

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Throughout her childhood in suburban Ohio, Noelle Howey struggled to gain love and affection from her distant father. In compensating for her father's brusqueness, Noelle idolized her nurturing tomboy mother and her conservative grandma, who tried to turn her into "a little lady." At age 14, Noelle's mom let her buy a pair of Guess? Jeans that she had been coveting. Then, staring straight at the car windshield on the way home

from the mall, her mom finally blurted out the family secret: "Dad likes to wear women's clothes."

As Noelle copes with a turbulent adolescence, further confused by the male and female role models she had as a girl, her father begins to metamorphose into the loving parent she had always longed for — only now outfitted with pedal pushers and pink lipstick. Could becoming a woman make her father a completely different person?

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

From *Publishers Weekly*: In this rich memoir, Howey details not one life, but three. It's a difficult juggling act, but it pays off beau-

tifully, for the story of her father's coming out as a male-to-female transsexual is only part of a larger narrative of growing up female in America. Howey's writing is neither sensationalistic nor condescendingly cheery; this is a loving portrait of a girl's complicated relationship to her father's femininity and her own. The author, co-editor of *Out of the Ordinary: Essays on Growing Up with Gay, Lesbian and Transgender Parents*, nicely juxtaposes her childhood dress-up games and clandestine sexual experimentation (she wanted to be Madonna) with her father's secret penchant for soft scarves and pumps (he dreamed of becoming Annette Funicello). As a teenager, Howey was impatient with the attention that her father's adventures always garnered and told her parents, both of whom she enjoyed a healthy relationship with, about her sex life: "It was a power maneuver on my part.... Dad kept raising the bar of what Mom and I could accept with equanimity, and I felt justified in doing the same." She is no less forthcoming about the odd celebrity status having a transsexual parent granted her at her ultra-liberal college, elevating her "above all the other upper-middle-class white chicks in thrift wear roaming the commons." Howey's candid, funny writing gives this memoir the cast of fiction, perhaps not surprising in a book honest enough to admit "We all reconstruct our lives in reverse, altering our own anecdotes and stories year after year in order to make them more congruent with our present-day selves."

From *Library Journal*: When we think of a typical American family, we do not often think of a family that comprises a transgendered father, a tomboy mother, and their daughter. However, this is the very dynamic of this touching autobiographical account of Howey's growing up under anything but ordinary circumstances. *Dress Codes* is a candid and compelling look back at how teenager Howey and her mother struggled with her father's transformation from a bad-tempered dad to a loving transgendered woman. Readers will both laugh and wince at the numerous issues Howey and her family have to come to terms with as they learn to grow both individually and as a family. Howey details her own evolution along with her family's with honesty, grace, and wit.

From *The Washington Post*: Eventually Richard became Christine, and Howey responded by giving him a Barbie for Christmas. Howey doesn't skip the heartbreak of adjusting to her father's new

gender and her parents' divorce, including the severe depression that swept over her by the time she reached graduate school. But she never loses her sense of humor, and even when she and her parents were in crisis, they never forgot that it was something they shared. "We're a family, and we support each other," her mother declared.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: On the day that we talked, Ms. Howey was at home in Minneapolis, where she lives with her husband of two years, who is an advertising copywriter, and their four-month-old daughter. Ms. Howey said, about her daughter, "She is just about the same age as the galleys for the book. It was actually really strange when I got pregnant and I realized I would have the baby before the book came out. I got pregnant at virtually the same time I was turning in the manuscript. It takes a lot longer to have a book gestate than a baby."

Ms. Howey, her parents' only child, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on July 6, 1972. She went all through school, from grade school through high school, in Cleveland. She graduated from high school in 1990 and went on to Oberlin College where she majored in creative writing and graduated in 1994.

She said that she first started paying attention to books when she was quite young. "I'm told," she said, "that I started reading when I was two and a half. I kind of remember always having my nose in a book for the first ten years of my life. I don't really remember doing anything else. I wouldn't go outside, I didn't want to stop to eat. I read all the time. That my mother was part owner in a bookstore was very convenient. That's like a dream job for a bookworm child, to have your mother run a bookstore. So I was constantly stretching out on the floor in the aisles of the bookstore reading every single thing I could get my hands on."

As for writing, Ms. Howey said, "I wanted to do it for as long as I can remember. In college I studied creative writing, and once I graduated I thought I was going to become an English professor and go to graduate school, but as I wrote in the book, going to graduate school didn't exactly work out as I planned, since I was there in Berkeley, California, for about three days. Eventually, though, I had to figure out what else I was going to do, and so I went into journalism."

"Once I started realizing, I did some essays for some magazines on my family and started realizing that there was enough for

tology, performance, art, and more.

Exhibits continuing through Wednesday, July 31, include Cleda-Marie Simmons's "Magic Realism" and the "Mayan Calendar Dream Spell Pavilion," created by artists Iaian Gunn and Elizabeth Zaikowski.

Works by fiber artist Charlotte Bird are gathered in "Storytelling With Quilts," on view through August. The exhibit includes quilts and three-dimensional, "interactive textile installations" which tell stories in different ways. Each quilt includes image and language references to children's stories, nursery rhymes, poetry, or other "cadenced rhymes" in English and Spanish.

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)

MUSEUMS

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

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

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

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, is located in the middle of Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. The facility is home to fish and invertebrates that inhabit the mud flats and marshes of San Diego Bay. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for

views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. At other exhibits, visitors can pet sharks and rays, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. For more details, call 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

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

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

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

Heritage 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)

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

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 cobble-

stone 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 admission 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

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a book there. And now I'm working on a novel, so the whole genesis of this has come from journalism, and it's now kind of become something else, although I still do journalism too."

Ms. Howey, with Ellen Samuels, edited an earlier book, *Out of the Ordinary: Essays on Growing Up with Gay, Lesbian, and Transgender Parents*. I asked about this book.

"We wanted to do this," Ms. Howey said, "because there was really nothing like it out there. Most of the books that existed on the topic of gay parenting were either social-science facts or they were self-help books. And we were trying to find a way to have a more literary voice; something, too, that would address the issue in greater depth. When you're the child in these families, you get asked the same questions 800 times. And we wanted something that would take it a few steps deeper than most of the books we had seen. They were all about reinforcing your thinking, 'Yes, you're normal.' Which was, you know, fine, but we wanted something that would take it to the next level."

Dress Codes is neatly put together, with the stories of Ms. Howey's parents, from childhood on, and the story of Ms. Howey's life, braided and twined. The reader gets a bit of the story of Ms. Howey's father's life, then a bit of the story of her mother's life, then a few more years of Ms. Howey's life. How she happened to put the book together as she did, she said, "just organically happened, to be honest. I mean, the way that the book appears now is virtually as I wrote it. It was barely revised after I turned it in. It was revised in the process of writing, of course, but the structure never was altered. I knew that I wanted our stories to overlap and come one after the other and then repeat, repeat, repeat. And that was the only way I could come up with to do it. And even when I was doing it, I was worried that it was going to be too confusing or that it was going to be too disjointed, or that the voice would change and confuse the reader. But I didn't know how else to devote as much space as I wanted to my parents' stories. Because I really didn't want this to be a book just about me, because, I mean, I'm 29 years old. And I was 27 when I started. I never wanted this to be perceived as just a book about me. I never envisioned it as that. I always envisioned it that I was a third of the equation. I wanted the structure of the book to reflect that as much as I could, with the obvious fact that it's all filtered through me, and there is more about me than there is about my parents, because I'm the one writing it. But I tried to decentralize myself as much as possible.

"I also wanted the parallels to be obvious or to be contrasting, depending on which aspect I was emphasizing. For instance, I titled one of the chapters about my childhood, 'Cross-dressing,' with the idea that people would think at the beginning of the chapter that it was going to be about my dad only. But it wasn't. Because the focus of the book, the main reason I wanted to write the book was to point out the incredible similarities in experiencing girlhood that the three of us went through. I thought that having our three childhoods related, back to back, would do that better than telling each person's entire life story.

"I was so worried about it while I was writing it. I would come screaming out of my office, like yelling at my husband, 'It's incoherent! I know it's incoherent!'"

"When did you begin to think of your mother's and father's and your girlhoods as similar?"

"Once I had a little distance from it. Also, I was thinking about it a lot. I've obsessed over this topic for many years. When you think hard enough about something long enough, it's amazing what you come up with. In my mid-20s I was tossing these issues over a lot when I was trying to write about them for various magazines, and the genesis of the book came from the first scene of the book that takes place in 1984, when I'm in seventh grade and am upstairs in my room dressing up in sort of sexual garb and having this extended sexual fantasy, and my father is in the basement dressing up in women's clothes and doing sort of the same thing that I am.

"I wrote that scene a couple of years ago, and it was a light-bulb moment. Suddenly I thought, 'Oh, my God.' I was just trying to illustrate a moment in time where my adolescence and this experimentation, my father's adolescence, overlapped. This made me realize how similar our girlhoods were and that we really were on these parallel trajectories through puberty. I'd really never thought of it that way until I had written that scene.

"I'm not sure why it suddenly occurred to me at that point, but once it occurred to me, it's never left me. It was a personal 'eureka' moment because I thought, 'Oh, my God, what my father has gone through is so much like what I have gone through.' This is not some foreign, bizarre experience that my father has had. This is something that I have done myself. Once I thought of it that way, it really changed my whole approach to my dad and to the issue in general. So it was a good thing to realize.

"There are a lot of books that bemoan situations like mine. 'Oh, this is what my parents did to me and this is how it affected me.' I didn't want that to be what the book was about. I didn't want a sob story. I thought that there was just so much more to it than this, and I thought it was a broader topic than that. Also, I didn't want the book to be something that was only interesting to other children of transgender parents, because that's not exactly a large population."

"What does your mom think of the book?"

"She really likes it. Both my parents are very happy with the book, which was not always a given, because I warned them that I was not going to paint them as holy, perfect characters. They didn't expect that, but I think it's still hard to read about yourself through somebody else's eyes, no matter who that person is. I think it's a credit to them, really, that they're able to read the book and be as objective about it as they are, because I'm not sure in their position if I would be able to be that generous about it. But they trusted me to tell the story, and my mother, I think, in a lot of ways, feels vindicated by the book. She went through a lot after my dad came out and was subjected to a lot of really unfair comments from various people who didn't quite understand the situation. Even to this day, she's kind of known as 'Wow, she's the woman who was married to the transsexual,' and that's an extremely weird identity for her to have, given how important it is to her to fit in. It's something that's always, I think, nagged at her, where she wanted somehow to be able to explain to people why she made choices that she made, even though maybe there's really no reason why we should need to justify ourselves, but I think there's part of her that has always wanted to, and in a way this book does that for her. I hope it illuminates some of the complexities and the nuances that were involved in her decisions and why she did what she did, as opposed to the black-and-white rendering that most

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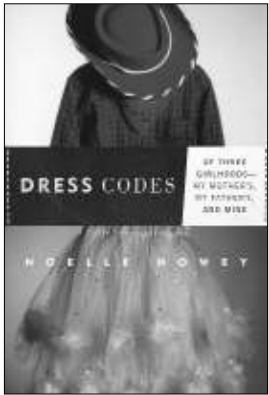
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people apply to other people's lives."

The accounts of her parents' childhoods are very detailed. I asked, "How did you gather the material to recreate their early lives?"

"I interviewed them extensively. I would say I interviewed them for at least five or six hours a week, for over a year. I always talk to my parents on the phone a lot, but we talked constantly, constantly about the book. I took notes, I read old letters. I read anything I could get my hands on that either one of them had written. I read my father's

old newsletters from when he was first going to cross-dressing groups. I read poetry that my father had written in college. I read every single thing. I wanted to understand them as completely as I could. Even if this book hadn't ever happened, this would have been an incredibly valuable experience. I thought I knew them very well, but when you really sit down and talk to your parents about every stage of their lives, you learn so much. There are a zillion different moments and anecdotes that I never would have known about had I not really grilled them."

The stories she tells from her parents' lives, I said, often were extremely intimate.

Ms. Howey agreed. "I mean, asking questions like, 'When did you lose your virginity?' and 'Where?' and 'With whom?' were questions that obviously hadn't come up between us before. One of the things that I did, too, was that I filled in a lot of blanks. My parents would tell me about a scene that they recall, something that

they remember, and I would write it the way — based on knowing them as well as I do — that I thought it happened. Then I would show it to them, and I would say, 'What of this isn't right, what doesn't ring true?' Because to a certain extent my parents can't remember what they ate for breakfast yesterday. They couldn't remember what color was this and where were they when. They couldn't remember details to the degree that I needed to convey the details for the book to be readable. So I sort of went ahead and filled in details of the scenes and how I thought they would react to various situations that they had presented me with, even if they couldn't remember specifically their reaction. And then it was interesting, because when I did that, suddenly that would catalyze their memory, and they would say, 'Oh, God, it didn't happen like that at all; this is how it happened.' Or they'd say, 'Yes, that's exactly what happened, but I actually said this and not that, and that sort of thing,' so together we recreated their past."

I asked about the title.

"I came up with the title last, way after I finished the book. It was *Untitled Memoir* for a long time. I wanted to play on the fact that my father in the phenomenon of transgenders is always described as a guy wearing a dress. So I wanted to address the clothing aspect, the appearance aspect of this issue in the title, but I also wanted to talk about how we were all living with these codes of behavior and codes of conduct and codes of dress that limited what kind of image each of us projected. I thought dress codes is so much a phrase of growing up, uniforms and dressing for school, that I was hoping that the two words would connote the whole idea of having to fit into this mold, this one-size-fits-all mode no matter who you are individually. For a long time I called it *Clothes-lines*, which ended up being a chapter title."

Ms. Howey's father, when he first began dressing as a woman, was fascinated with women's clothes. I asked if now that he had

had the operation and was "she" and not "he," was "she" still as interested in clothes as was "he"?

She wasn't, Ms. Howey said. "There's a fundamental aspect of gender, at least for my dad, that goes so much deeper than clothes, and at this point, I'm not sure it really matters what she wore. She would still think of herself as a woman. There's something more primal about it. Because she really wears clothes from the right side instead of the left side of the gap. The clothes that she wears are virtually unisex. Most of my dad's clothes are really so ungirly now. No pink, no frills, no dresses."

"Are you comfortable, now, calling your dad 'her'?"

"Yes. It was a long time in coming. It took me a number of years to be able to adjust pronouns. The pronouns are like the last frontier; once you've mastered pronouns, you've mastered the whole thing. It's really strange, too, because most people don't even think about pronouns, but for a transgendered person — the pronoun, because it's such a reflexive thing, whether you say 'he' or 'she' about somebody without even thinking about it — is terribly important. It's so unconscious in a way, the use of pronouns, that this usage is what tells people who are transgender that you really accepted them. Once it's such a part of the way you think of them that you don't even have to process it, that you don't have to think, 'Oh, is this a man or a woman?' and it's just 'she, she, she, she,' they know that you accept them as who they are for themselves. So this pronoun business was something that was very important for me to be able to get right, because I knew that it was important to my dad. But it does take a while, and one thing that undermines it is that I do have to keep going back, when people don't know about my father, and I don't want to sit down for three hours and explain to them my entire life story, I still constantly have to revert pronouns back to 'he.' It's confusing."

— Judith Moore

Make the call through Sunday, January 5, 2003 (although the show will be closed from September 4-21 for relocation within the museum).

An assemblage of museum specimens, rocks, fossils, live plants, and animals tell stories about the region's prehistoric and current habitats in "Natural Treasures: Past and Present." The ongoing exhibition is said to "display old treasures most loved by the community and to introduce new fossils that have never been seen

by the public," as well as highlighting the museum's extensive paleontological collections. Visitors will also discover why dinosaur fossils are rare in San Diego (the region was underwater during dinosaur times).

The museum also offers the "giant-screen 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)

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)

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

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

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Beethoven, like Shakespeare, was as adept at comedy as at tragedy.

Gustavo Romero's single encore, in the second installment of his current Beethoven sonata series for the Athenaeum, was the set of variations Beethoven composed in 1809 on a theme he would employ two years later in his incidental music to Kotzebue's play *The Ruins of Athens*. The tune, "Turkish" in manner (according to the musical conventions of the day), is a catchy one, and Beethoven clearly enjoyed himself in composing — initially, no doubt, in a public improvisation — his dazzling variations on it. Romero and the audience at the Neurosciences Institute had a romp too.

Beethoven wrote some 20 variation sets for solo piano, most of them early in his career. They gave him an opportunity to exercise his imagination, as he uncovered all sorts of unexpected formal and expressive possibilities in some simple, usually well-known melody. Since he performed many of them himself, they also gave him an opportunity to show off his formidable technical powers as a pianist: hence the high degree of virtuosity they display. The "Ruins of Athens" Variations, published as Opus 76, are his next-to-last venture in this genre (although, of course, there are numerous variation-form movements in his sonatas, symphonies, and quartets). In many ways, Opus 76 looks back to such earlier works as Beethoven's piano variations on "God Save the King," "Rule, Britannia," and arias from popular operas by Paisiello or Salieri (as well as his cello-and-piano variations on tunes from Handel and Mozart). The inventiveness is stunning; so is the virtuosity. But in its depth of imagination and its Olympian playfulness, Opus 76 also looks forward to Beethoven's last and greatest — and longest — set of piano variations, the "Diabelli" (which we heard a few months ago in a memorable performance by Peter Serkin at Sherwood Auditorium — this has been a good year for Beethoven!).

Recognizing the importance of this work, some pianists have treated it with the same sort of re-

spect they accord to Beethoven's middle-period sonatas. Gianluca Cascioli, for example, played it with utmost seriousness (in volume 6 of Deutsche Grammophon's Complete Beethoven Edition); but his meticulous, beautifully shaped performance pretty well excluded the fun. The young Alfred Brendel (very different from the *éminence grise* he has become) understood the music better, tumbling through

it with uninhibited gaiety. Gustavo Romero's performance was in the line of Brendel's, but even more so. It came off as a wild explosion of exalted zest, with more than a glint of mischief in the eye — recreating what we must suppose to have been the atmosphere when Beethoven himself played it at some Viennese salon.

This was not mere amusement. It was amusement raised to the level of divine comedy, as in the "Diabelli" Variations. Indeed, one of the excellences of Romero's Beethoven cycle has been to remind us that the real Beethoven is to be found not only in his works of intense moral fervor or titanic struggle or profound inwardness beyond the reach of tears. Beethoven, like Shakespeare, was as adept at comedy as at tragedy (not to mention everything in between), and his expressions of the joyful comic spirit can be as deep and powerful as anything in his work. Nor is this a matter of comic early Beethoven, noble-and-tragic middle Beethoven, and inward-and-spiritual later Beethoven. The "Diabelli" Variations (1823) come from the same period as the last piano sonatas and the *Missa Solemnis*. The last movement of what is virtually Beethoven's last composition, the Opus 135 String Quartet (1826), is a glorious joke.

Much the same sort of thing could be said about Beethoven's much earlier Sonata No. 16 in G, Opus 31, No. 1 (1802), and about Romero's brilliant performance of it at this concert. Everything here is a wonderful joke: in the first movement, the themes themselves, and the sly hijinks of the final pages; in the second movement, the "mechanical" staccato accompaniments, and the marvelous silliness of the decorative vari-

ations (this is another variations movement), with their plethora of trills and coloratura runs; and in the *Rondo*, the leg-pulling deceptive ending in the *Adagio* section, leading to that hilarious *Presto*, and — at the very end — an even more outrageous variant of the *forte* and *piano* joke that had ended the first movement.

As was to be expected, Romero was in his element in this delightful sonata, to which his own exuberant sense of humor responded totally. Without ever overstepping the mark, he did not hesitate to impart slight but telling exaggerations to the comic points of the score. I particularly enjoyed his flamboyant treatment of the "rushed" (Beethoven himself annotates the rushing) or unmeasured flourishes and cadenzas that punctuate the "*Adagio grazioso*," and that so often make it sound like a parody of 18th-century opera.

Romero's program began and ended with two of Beethoven's minor-key sonatas. The order reversed chronology. First we heard Sonata No. 27 in E Minor, Opus 90, which dates from 1814; and then, to finish off the program with a bang, Romero played the popular "*Pathétique*" Sonata (No. 8 in C Minor, Opus 13), which Beethoven composed in 1798.

The "*Pathétique*" received a driving, passionate reading — another of Romero's strengths being his concentrated emotionalism, his ability to focus powerful feelings and convey them to an audience. I might mention at this point that the descriptive names given to some of the Beethoven sonatas are a misleading nuisance. "*Pathétique*," "*Appassionata*," "*Tempest*," "*Pastorale*" — as emotional suggestions, these terms could apply equally well to dozens of other sonatas and sonata movements in the composer's *oeuvre*. In what way is the Sonata No. 8 more "*Pathétique*" than — for example — Sonatas No. 23, 30, 31, or 32 — or, for that matter, than Sonata No. 14, the so-called "Moonlight"? As for "Moonlight," it is highly annoying to have one particular programmatic interpretation foisted on the listener's imagination (pianists, of course, pay no attention to it, thinking instead about *legato*, *pianissimo*, and C-sharp Minor).

Even the designation "*Les Adieux*," where Beethoven actually had a hand in the programmatic indications, is distracting and unhelpful, as you listen for pictorial details in the music (in the manner of the "Pastoral" Symphony) and don't really find them. "*Hammerklavier*" is an especially

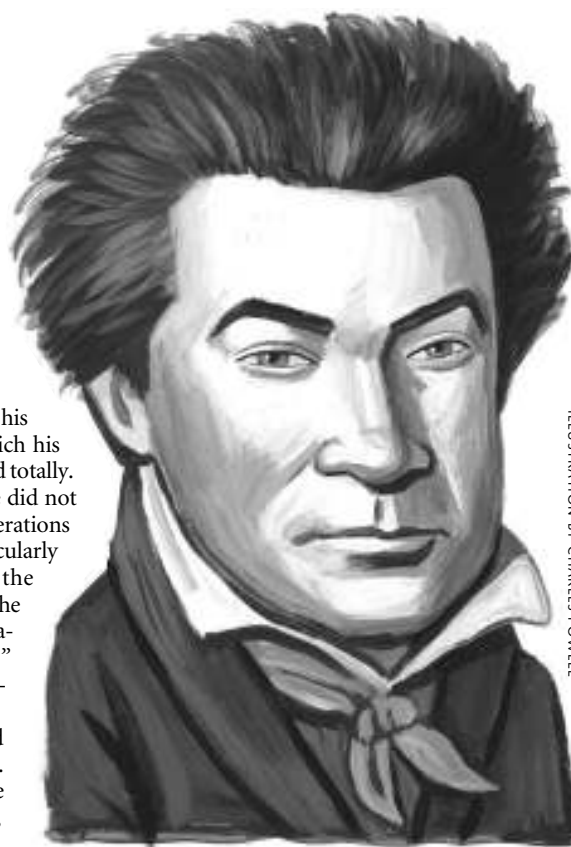


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Beethoven

Gustavo Romero, piano: all-Beethoven program Neurosciences Institute (Athenaeum)

Sonatas No. 8 in C Minor, Opus 13 "Pathétique"; No. 11 in B-flat, Opus 22; No. 16 in G, Opus 31, No. 1; No. 27 in E Minor, Opus 90. Variations on an Original Theme in D, Opus 76.

useless sobriquet, since it means nothing more than that the sonata is written to be played on a piano. The only title I have no gripes about is "Waldstein," which is simply the name of the dedicatee (without any intimations of stones or forests).

The E Minor Sonata might also have been given a title, for according to Beethoven's biographer, Schindler, the composer intended it as a description of Count Lichnowsky's courtship, thinking of the first of the two movements as a "struggle between head and heart" and the second as a "conversation with the loved one." None of that sentimental narrativizing provides any help in grasping the sonata itself, which perpetually wavers between the sublimely simple and the enigmatic. As such, it is already redolent of Beethoven's late style: the volatile shifting of moods, the unpredictability of the musical logic, the impression of deep and fluid emotion that cannot be tied down to any clear dramatic structure. No matter how this sonata is performed, a listener





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used to the “Waldstein” or the “Appassionata” — or Opus 90’s immediate predecessor, “Les Adieux” — is bound to hear an intimate voice bemusedly declaring, “Toto, we aren’t in Kansas anymore.”

This is not to belie the stirring, touching, and often wistful qualities of the E Minor first movement, or the serene Schubertian beauty of the oft-repeated *rondo* theme in the E Major second. Romero played the latter with infinite cheerfulness and tenderness, making each of its returns feel like a blithe caressing of the soul. He also, as is his wont, adhered to the composer’s instructions. Another pianist might dramatize things more, underlining a supposed struggle of emotional states. But such an interpretation falsifies this work’s identity. Romero took Beethoven at his word: liveliness, feeling, expression, lyricism (these are the composer’s explicit instructions about how the music is to be played) — and the result was a musical experience of dream-like poignance and loveliness, a long way away from the overt, stark passion of the “*Pathétique*” or the ebullient humor of the “*Ruins of Athens*” Variations. ■

Events that are underlined occur after August 1.

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Recorder Players are invited to join the San Diego County Recorder Society for instruction and playing on Friday, July 26, at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center. Recorder basics begin at 6:30 p.m., with a guest conductor leading the group from 7:30 to 10 p.m.

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Symphonic Blues on the Bay, local jazzman James Moody, Etoile “Ruby” Presnell (of Ruby and the Red Hots), and the San Diego Symphony present “Blues on the Bay” for the Summer Pops series on Friday and Saturday, July 26 and 27.

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 pi-

anist returns to complete his Beethoven cycle, with the remainder of Ludwig van’s piano sonatas. The “Athenaeum Beethoven Festival,” part two, commemorates the 175th anniversary of Beethoven’s death.

The series concludes on Sunday, July 28, at 4 p.m., at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). The program includes Opus 31 — No. 2 (“Tempest”), Opus 49 — No. 2, Opus 10 — No. 3, and Opus 11. Tickets are \$25. For reservations and information, call 858-454- 5872. (LA JOLLA)

Organ Concert, civic organist Carol Williams performs the weekly concert on Sunday, July 28, at 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. For more information, call 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

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 Randall Thompson’s “Peaceable Kingdom” conducted by Robert Plimpton on Wednesday, July 31, at 7 p.m. Admission to each “sing” is \$10.

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One Pianist and Five Young String Players have been selected to receive concentrated study with master teachers during the La Jolla Chamber Music Society’s SummerFest La Jolla 2002 workshops. This year’s designated musicians are pianist Gloria Lin, violinists Yoon Kwon and Sara Trobäck, violist Scott Lee, and cellists Jesús Castro-Balbi and David Kim.

Workshop sessions run from 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. each weekday from Wednesday, July 31 through Monday, August 12, in the Coast Room at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). The sessions are free to the public, offering a “behind-the-scenes” opportunity to observe the development of young talent during the festival. For more information, call 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

“Concern for Kids,” this annual classical music concert featuring pianist Gustavo Romero is set for Thursday, August 1, at the Grand Hotel Tijuana. The evening begins with a reception at 7 p.m., and the concert follows at 8 p.m. The \$50 tickets benefitting Project Concern International include transportation to the concert. For reservations, call 858-279- 9690 x225. (TIJUANA)

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New works are premiered at the Toy Piano Festival, which is slated for Wednesday, August 7. New Jersey composer John Sichel was commissioned to write a piece for toy piano and bassoon quartet which will be performed, and the Rabbinical School Dropouts will perform the “Concerto for Toy Piano and Klezmer Band” written by bandleader Michael Friedmann.

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I was once at a New York dinner party when an argument broke out between a painter and critic. Rather, it wasn't an argument so much as pronouncements beyond which it was pointless to argue. The painter thought Renoir one of the greatest modern artists; the critic thought Renoir not only *not* an important artist, but not even a good painter. Those mark the extremities of Renoir's reputation in the last hundred years. Of the major Impressionists, he's the one whose critical reputation remains somewhat unstable, though among casual museumgoers he continues to be, along with Monet, the most beloved.

Idol of the Moderns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting, on exhibition at the San Diego Museum of Art, probes the vacillation of American opinion on Renoir's work, when he went from being just another Impressionist to being the most celebrated, emulated, and collected painter of his time. Before 1904, Monet had seven solo exhibitions in the States and a growing critical literature. Until 1904, Renoir had no solo shows or critical recognition. By 1907 Roger Fry, who as curator of paintings of the Metropolitan Museum of Art had just acquired one of Renoir's now-famous works, *Madame Georges Charpentier and Her Children*, wrote that there were critics and connoisseurs "who think that Renoir is destined ultimately

to take a higher place than any of his contemporaries in the annals of art."

What accounted for the change? Renoir's first important champion was Camille Maclair, who wrote the first book-length study of Impressionism in English, anointing Renoir "the most lyrical, the most musical, the most subtle of the masters of this art." Renoir was evidence of Maclair's thesis that

Impressionism wasn't a revolt against traditional French painting but an extension and continuation of it. Maclair had earlier been an advocate of Symbolism and held to its belief that all arts should aspire to the condition of music and that lyrical subjectivity was paramount (even if it led to hermeticism or inscrutability), qualities he simply carried over to his evaluation of the Impressionists.

No one would accuse Renoir of inscrutability. His pictures, even the interiors, have an open-air musicality, which appealed strongly to American collectors like Leo Stein (Gertrude's brother), Albert Barnes (who created the stupendous Barnes Foundation collection outside Philadelphia), and John Quinn (New York tycoon and sometime benefactor of James Joyce and Ezra Pound). American painters used him as a source of pictorial ideas. They valued what many still appreciate in Renoir: colorism; affectionate presentations of bourgeois intimacies;



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a curvy, fleshy female type; anecdotalism equivalent to nationalism. An unfriendly viewer would flop these and say that Renoir prizes decorative dazzle over colorist dynamism; that his presen-

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ness left out of pictures by De-gas, Bonnard, Manet, and Matisse.

By contrast with these painters, there’s no anxiety in Renoir’s work. He had a dash-ing, confident touch and believed in the unambiguous goodness and inherent desir-ability of certain forms. If you enjoy his feathery style, it’s ex-uberant; if you don’t, it’s merely breezy. Certain por-traits in this smartly curated exhibition show the female fig-ure worked out in Renoir’s familiar pink/white/red palette. His women look whisked into form, swept into a satisfyingly stabilized struc-ture. The manner is imitated in two pictures by one of his admirers, William Glackens, who, as a consultant to Alfred Barnes, acquired several im-portant Renoir paintings. *At the Beach* and *The Soda Foun-tain* are American renditions of sweet Renoir-esque pas-times, and the handling looks practically copied. It’s when Glackens makes a more ner-vous picture, however much derived from Renoir’s exam-ple, that his work engages us more deeply. The big *Family Group* shows off three slinky, comfortably bourgeois Jazz Age dames and a girl. The brushwork recalls what the painter Robert Henri de-scribed as Renoir’s “strokes that move in unison,” but the figures cant and list oddly (and a little sadly) toward one an-other, and the overdecorated scene quivers. Renoir’s inte-riors often induce a narcotizing pleasure. Glack-ens’s picture, like the sound of his name, induces a crack-ling unease.

Renoir liked to paint the French at leisurely pursuits and to make the pictorial



Chanticleer, by Guy Pène DuBois

structure part of the pleasure of the scene. Such influence locks down *The Shoppers* (1920) by Kenneth Hayes Miller, where the brushstrokes look like a photographic re-production of a Renoir surface. (There’s also a funny detail: the fur stole draped across one of the shoppers’ shoulders looks about to leap down and light out for the ter-ritory.) Renoir’s influence on structural dynamics is more subtly absorbed in two of my favorites in the show, *Chanti-cleer* and *Night Club* by Guy Pène Du Bois, which depict clubgoing swells and good-time gals out on the town. The material is bountifully Amer-ican, but it’s not the bodies in the paintings that enact plea-sure so much as the compositional harmonics, which Du Bois learned some-thing about from Renoir.

One picture that stopped me was Isabel Bishop’s *At the Noon Hour*. Bishop was a sec-ond-generation Renoir enthusiast associated with a group of realist painters in

downtown New York. The wall label calls attention to the full-bodied female type in Bishop’s picture. To me these two women don’t look much like Renoir’s happily busty ladies. They stand slouching a bit, side by side, and against the verticals of the figures Bishop rakes gestural, subdued gray, blue, and yellow hori-zontals from one side to the other — a squeegee swipe — so that the picture seems to be a cylinder revolving upright on an invisible axis. Fully in-tegrated elements like hats and signage look mysteriously col-laged in. It may be Bishop’s womanly eye that makes the scene so unlike anything by Renoir. These women aren’t subdued and rounded off by the handling; they’re made sassier, looser, smarter. It’s not their beauty that matters — unstable in any case because of the racy handling — so much as their casual, sexy manner with each other’s bodies.

Renoir is pretty much pure *bonheur*. Nothing wrong with

that. *Young Shepherd in Re-pose*, from 1911, was a hit then and now: it was exhibited at five different museums and galleries between 1939 and 1944, and to judge by the at-tention it gets from viewers, it’s a surefire crowd-pleaser. But I can hardly stand to look at it. The shepherd’s druggy look, his rouged cheeks and lips, his finger extended as a perch for birdies, the body hugged by bucolic greenery — it all adds up to squishy pret-tiness. Much modern art in Renoir’s time aimed for frac-tured definition, broken or disrupted continuities that re-leased a new kind of sensuousness. The shepherd picture illustrates Renoir’s lack of interest in the sort of real-ization-by-facture pursued so tenaciously by Cézanne, Manet, Matisse, and Picasso. The formal cruelty they exer-cised to achieve voluptuous pictures simply wasn’t part of Renoir’s artistic nervous system.

It was part of Marsden Hartley’s. The show ends with



Woman Combing Her Hair, by Pierre-Auguste Renoir

two of his New Mexico land-scapes, one of them raucously playing off inky violets against watermelon reds. The exhibi-tion offers fresh, interesting historical connections, and the Renoirs are, of course, essen-tial to that. But to my eye, the Bishop, the big Glackens, and the Hartleys are more excit-ing than most of what’s around them. ■

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GALLERIES

A Grand Opening Reception for the new East County Art Association Art Gallery***CQ NAME! is slated for Friday, July 26, at 5 p.m. This mem-bership show featuring work in a va-riety of media continues through Monday, August 26. Regular hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thurs-day and Saturday. Find the gallery at 225 East Main Street, and by calling 619-588-8875. (EL CAJON)

“Added Power,” this exhibition of work in a variety of media by over 15 artists opens at the Farm with a reception on Friday, July 26, 7 to 10:30 p.m. View the art from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 27 and 28, and from Monday, July 29 through Friday, August 2, by appointment only. Find the Farm at 1946 Broadway. For more information, dial 619-595-0677. (GOLDEN HILL)

Born in Acaponeta, Nayarit, Vladimir Cora studied painting and sculpture in Mexico. Cora, whose work is said to be “filled with primi-tive images of life and is full of vital-

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ity,” exhibits “Nature (Flores para Mary)” at the Galerie D’Art International beginning with a reception on Friday, July 26, 6 to 9 p.m. The reception follows an artist’s talk at 4:30 p.m. on the same day.

See the show through Tuesday, September 17, at 592 Carlsbad Village Drive. Regular gallery hours are noon to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Dial 760-434-2282 for details. (CARLSBAD)

“**Locale: The Artists Home Inspiration**” opens at the Nofufi Garden Gallery with a reception on Saturday, July 27, 3 to 6 p.m. The show includes a collection of banners, flags, paintings, and sculptures dedicated to the home. Find Nofufi at 90-C North Coast Highway 101. Regular hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. To RSVP for the reception, dial 760-635-0556. (ENCINITAS)

Consider the Human Form while the sixth annual “Human Figure Show” at Summer & Dene Creations in Art — boasting “a cornucopia of variations” ranging from realism to abstract figurative work — is on exhibit through Sunday, August 25. The show opens with a reception for the participating artists on Saturday, July 27, at 6 p.m.

The gallery opens at 10 a.m. each morning, and closes at 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and at 4 p.m. on Sunday. The gallery is located at 2807 University Avenue. 619-688-5969. (NORTH PARK)

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 1500 A.D. Primarily fashioned from clay, the collection also includes works in stone, metal, and fiber depicting fish and other sea life as well as fishermen. Many of the forms are musical instruments. “Pre-Columbian Art — Marine Animal Forms” continues through Thursday, August 8.

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

Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown, “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. “Cerca” is a Spanish word referring to things nearby, or the process of bringing things closer. It’s also the title for a new, year-long series of exhibitions at the museum, seeking to present works created by regional artists — specifically from San Diego, Los Angeles, and Baja, California — and to create a forum in which artists will explore common cultural issues. The inaugural exhibit, opening on Thursday, August 1, is titled “Gordas,” highlighting work by Tijuana-based artist Tania Candiani. The exhibit includes Candiani’s “large,

machine- sewn canvases exploring cross-cultural questions of female body image.” See the show through Thursday, September 26.

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.” 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.

At once erotic and ascetic, both supreme god and intoxicated recluse, the figure of Shiva is one of the most compelling and contrary in Indian

mythology. Images of Shiva and his family exploring Shiva’s many forms and manifestations are included in “Shiva: Destroyer of Time,” concluding on Sunday, January 12, 2003. The images are from the museum’s Edward Binney III collection of South Asian paintings.

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*.

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Dagger Eyes

Social revolution is “unaccompanied women smoking at the opera.”

We never get enough of *those evenings* — when the acting inspires, the writing thrills, the audience often stops the show with applause and concludes on its feet, hollering with appreciation.

Tom Stoppard's *Travesties*, at the North Coast Rep, is one of those evenings: among the company's best in its 21 years. What also makes the achievement so special: *Travesties* is a Grendel-sized monster. The play has no middle: it thrives on extremes at once supremely earnest and a “travesty” of earnestness.

James Joyce's *Ulysses* grafts Homer's *Odyssey* onto Dublin, Ireland, June 16, 1904 (the day Joyce met his wife to be, Nora Barnicle). Joyce fuses the epic with a day in the life of Leopold Bloom and anthologizes literary styles. Stoppard “travesties” *Ulysses* by taking famous people — Joyce, Tristan Tzara, V.I. Lenin — and swizzle-sticks them through the memory of one Henry Carr, minor British consul and trouser-fetishist. In his mind, Carr creates an event that never happened (the three personages meet and discuss the function of art) and grafts the event into a performance of Oscar Wilde's *Importance of Being Earnest*. “Carr of the Consulate!” he shouts at one point, “first name Henry, that much is beyond dispute.” True, and everything else is “open to correction on all points.” Stoppard almost called the play *Prism*. The word refers to a character in *Earnest*

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JEFF SMITH

and also the way Carr's mind funhouses history.

Although they were in Zurich, Switzerland, at various times between 1916 and 1918, Joyce, Tzara, and Lenin never met. But what, Stoppard asks, if they did? And what would they say about art? For Lenin, the revolutionary, art should be didactic, a vehicle for social change. Tzara, the Romanian poet who coined the word “Dada,” saw art as anything that

tore down the forces behind World War I (his fellow Dadaist Hans Arp said art should “cure the madness of the age” and “restore the balance between heaven and hell”). Although his name evokes the ruling orthodoxy — TZARA — Tristan became a communist.

Art as political tool (Lenin), art as a comic neutron bomb (Tzara), “art for art's sake” (Joyce) — Stoppard says he “loaded the play” for Joyce's position: “the side of logic and rationality. And craftsmanship,” which is “what crystallizes art.” But the debate has four sides. Carr's in there too, even though he's a philistine who only recognizes history after the fact, in his warped rearview mirror.

Sean Murray's a wonderful Carr: bloated with entitlement, so eccentric he assumes he's the only sane being around (at one point, Carr, the sum of Oscar Wilde's fears, defines social revolution as “unaccompanied women smoking at the opera”). But Murray makes him also the funniest, most fallible, human character in *Travesties*.

His fogged, self-glamorizing views *dada* the others' and convert Stoppard's slanted debate into a free-for-all.

Murray and Rosina Reynolds codirected *Travesties* and throughout have honored the play's heady themes. But they've done much more. Like *Ulysses*, *Travesties* is also a compendium of styles, everything from magic and vaudeville to sophisticated comedy, to poetic riffs, documentary, song. The directors honor Stoppard's manic theatricality and, at one point, trump its imaginative reaches.

Carr suffers from “time slips.” When a phrase triggers memories, he follows the path, gets lost, and “slips” back to the beginning for a second, or third, go. In a note, Stoppard suggested using an artificially amplified cuckoo clock to mark the changes. NCRT's choice makes Stoppard's look lame. Chris Rynne's lighting casts the flickering shadow of a movie reel, running backwards, on the wall. The actors, rewinding the film, Chaplin-waddle back to the beginning. The sequences are funny and also pay homage to a new art form of the period, the silent film.

If you were directing *Travesties*, your audition notice would welcome “actors acquainted with Oscar Wilde's *Importance of Being Earnest*.” The NCRT cast has more than that; they're *playing Earnest*



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in repertory with *Travesties*. The combo has numerous payoffs: audiences can use Wilde's comedy as a skeleton key to Stoppard's (they can even see both on the same day); the actors, grounded in Wilde's epigrammatic style, can use it as a bottom line as they venture into Stoppard's Babel of languages. They also express their versatility.

Annie Hinton's Lady Bracknell is an aristocratic loose cannon. In *Travesties*, Hinton plays Lenin's soft-spoken wife, Nadya, for whom English is a second language and whose place, in the marriage, is behind her husband. Actors in opposing roles add another intriguing layer to both productions. Another example: James Saba's John Worthing/James Joyce and Jeffrey Jones's Algernon/Tzara — on the one hand, carefree and frivolous, on the other, driven to change the world, or capture it in words.

Julie Jacobs (Cecily) and Jessa Watson (Gwendolen) play the same characters in both shows, but in different keys (in *Travesties*, Stoppard makes the prim Cecily a Marxist). Their battle of verses is a joy. Above stiff-upper-lip propriety lurk daggers for eyes.

NCRT's design work matches the quality. Thanks to Shulamit Nelson's costumes, wigs, and makeup, Jim Chovick really looks like Lenin, as do Jones as Tzara and Saba as Joyce. The details are so accurate, you can trust that even old Carr, one of the world's least reliable narrators, looked exactly like Murray.

Carr wanted people to behave like characters — he played one himself — in *The Importance of Being Earnest*. Instead, he recalls three of the most influential shapers of the 20th Century. He wants gentility, not a "ponderous bore" (Lenin), "an overexcited little man" (Tzara), or, horror of horrors for Carr's meticulous fashion sense, an Irish novelist whose coat and trousers never match (Joyce). *Travesties* is about art, of course, but it's also about Carr. He outlives the movers and shakers yet must reside, to his chagrin, in the unstable century they helped to usher in. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

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Annie
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Beehive
Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the “Hives,” in the Theatre in Old Town’s reprise of its 1992 hit show. *Beehive* celebrates the women singers and “girl groups” of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you’d swear something’s amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the “Junkman,” was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the ’60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros’s costumes are a history lesson (the times weren’t the only thing “a-changin’ ” back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every

three years). Jasper Grant’s four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid’s set may require an explanation. What are those big black round things all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the ’60s, they were minted currency.
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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.

Catskills Conspiracy
Mystery Cafe’s interactive dinner theater show takes place at Camp Skills in 1962, where some of New York’s finest gather, and die. MYSTERY CAFE, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Chalk It Up to Murder
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The Cripple of Inishmaan
Palomar College Performing Arts Department stages Martin McDonagh’s “strange comic tale” about a Hollywood production company invading a remote island off the Irish coast. Dana Case directed. HOWARD BRUBECK THEATRE, PALOMAR COLLEGE, THROUGH JULY 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Dames at Sea
Moonlight Stage Productions presents the musical tale of Ruby, “soda shop sweetheart from Utah,” who could become a Broadway star. Don and Bonnie Ward have directed and choreographed. MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE, WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, THROUGH AUGUST 11; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

A Day of Absence and The Blues
Community Actors Theatre presents one-act comedies: *Day of Absence*, about the day “all the black people disappeared out of town”; and *The Blues*, in which an elderly blues singer answers questions about his career. COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, FRIDAY, JULY 26, THROUGH AUGUST 25; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M.

Death Rides the Stage
HIT Productions new interactive comedy-mystery, written by Beth and Scott McNellen, is set in Texas: “You survived a stampede, Lucy Tyler is looking for your underwear...and there’s a dead body in the next room.” SHIRLEY’S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

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Faith Healer
The Globe Theatres stage Brian Friel’s series of monologues about faith healer “Fantastic” Francis Hardy, his wife, and his manager and their hard lives on the road. Seret Scott directed. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, THROUGH AUGUST 25; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Fault Line One-Acts
The Fault Line Theatre presents a send-up of the “coming-out genre,” a “vampire thriller,” and a drama about the homeless and their struggles. FAULT LINE THEATRE, THROUGH JULY 27; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Fiddler on the Roof
Vanguard Productions stages one of the world’s most popular musicals. Songs include “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Sabbath Prayer,” “Tradition,” and “To Life.” John Spafford directed. WESTMINSTER THEATRE, 3598 TALBOT STREET, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH JULY 28; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Fifth of July
Lanford Wilson’s comedy-drama — Ur-text for the movie *The Big Chill* — is about the day after the fireworks. It’s 1977, and the ’60s are long gone. Jean Baudrillard calls this period “the post-orgy world, the world left behind after the great social and sexual convulsions.” Wilson explores what happens when hopes don’t materialize and, in Baudrillard’s phrase, people “re-question their own definition.” Family and friends gather at the 19-room Talley mansion in Lebanon, Missouri. They laugh, drink, bicker, and wonder where it went. One could quibble about Wilson’s loose, pseudo-Chekovian writing (you can almost hear a cherry orchard getting chopped down) — and how he breaks tone by injecting melodrama, and forces climaxes with fortuitous events. But under Tim Irving’s direction, Diversionary Theatre turns in yet another solid effort. The ensemble cast (especially Dan Gruber as Kenneth Talley and young Moriah Angeline as Shirley Talley), David Weiner’s indoor/outdoor sets (the change from one to the other just short of miraculous), and Corey Johnston’s costumes make valuable contributions. And K.B. Mercer, as the emotional loose cannon Gwen Landis, is unforgettable.
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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 siècle* 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.

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Love, Janis

The original *Love, Janis* that premiered at the San Diego Rep last year was a lot like her music: raw, unpolished, the next second, any-

body's guess. The new revised version, here by way of a New York run, is talky, and the performances have a comfort zone feel — push when essential, pull back when not. Aimee McCormick, who acts the role of Joplin, knows where her moments are and often milks them with

contemporary attitude, not '60s soul. Andra Mitrovich sings Joplin's songs well enough (though she speaks her lines too fast) but lacks Joplin's rabid energy. Joplin tore into a song like a famished lion with fresh kill. As did Beth Hurt, who sung her in the original as if each tune were her last. The original felt like a spontaneous "happening"; this one's more like a concert, mapped out in detail. Make no mistake, this is a good show. It captures some of the atmosphere of the San Francisco scene, circa 1966-69, the band howls, when allowed, and Janis's complex personality (Texas innocent, libertarian beatnik, icon *malgre lui*; Janis was groovier than thou, though she never held it against you) comes through.

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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 Ac-troTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a “challenge match” against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played “Emotional Sympathy,” “Shakespeare,” “Blind Line,” and “Freeze Tag,” with

judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try.

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Rio Can Be Murder

Mystery Cafe reprises its most popular show. *Rio* is easily the least mysterious of the interactive dinner theater’s offerings. It is also, however, the funniest. Author Byron LaDue takes us to Rio de Janiero’s Hotel Ipacabana. It is 1946. The war is over, though a German U-Boat was spotted off-shore loaded with would-be war criminals. Speaking of loaded, the hotel owner, Fritz (“call me Uncle Fritz”) Wright, likes to get high on the venom of poisonous snakes, especially during Carnival. In preparation for which, the hotel denizens break repeatedly into sambas. And there are no un-suspicious types: Nicole Larsonette (Carrie Heath) in Rio to marry handsome Captain Jack Legstrong (Ben Gilbert), who shouts “I’ll deck anyone who says Americans are intolerant!” There’s Orphio Carioca (Chris Wylie) who fights for truth, justice, and the Brazilian Way. Or does he? There’s also the headstrong Rita Sambina (Laura Arnold, back where she belongs — on stage!), Roscoe Carnahan (Darren Phillips), a corporal up to little good, the “Black Widow of Rio,” Cordelia Ranchera (Bonnie J. Stone), and, of course, Uncle Fritz, played by James Pascarella, one of the funniest people in San Diego. The set’s a kick. The show takes place aboard the William D. Evans, at the Bahia Hotel. The evening includes a funny show (with the audience making big contributions), a three-course dinner, a harbor cruise, and a mystery to boot!

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works of ancient Greek tragedy, 6th @ Penn Theater offers a series of staged readings, produced by Linda Castro and David Cohen. I caught the first, Euripides’ *Medea*, and it was a huge success. The approach is refreshing. There is no attempt at polished work or choices set in stone. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal: the threshold of exploration. They read in a semi-circle. There’s some movement, a slight suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek tragedy, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn’t take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free (though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates donations for new lighting instruments). Next play: Monday, July 29, at 7:30 p.m., Sophocles’ *Ajax*.

Worth a try.

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Singin’ in the Rain

The Welk Resort Theatre presents the story of Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont and their troubled transition from silent films to “talkies.” WELK RESORT THEATRE, THROUGH AUGUST 31; TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M.

The Sopranos’ Last Supper

Dillstar Productions presents an evening with the notorious Baritone family: “gambling, dinner, dancing, and good old mobster fun.” CULY THEATRE, 338 SEVENTH AVENUE, DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 800-944-JOEY.

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 McMurttry’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, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, THROUGH AUGUST 4; TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Seven MORE Weeks of Greeks!

The Tragedies

What a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the master-

Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scenemaking, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons, but Theatresports’ “game show” is a hoot. The 90-minute evening uses various formats. The show I caught had “Team Sports” — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and “Gorilla Theatre” — five “directors” invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a “forfeit.” Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group is talented enough (and know when to black-out best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (*Im-pro*) 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.

SWEDENBORGHIAN THEATRE, 1531 TYLER AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-465-SHOW.

Three Mo’ Tenors

Broadway-San Diego Concerts presents Victor Trent Cook, Rodrick Dixon, and Thomas Young in a “tribute to the multifaceted art of African-American operatic tenors.” SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, THURSDAY, JULY 25, AT 7:30 P.M.

Travesties

Reviewed this issue. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. (NOTE: TRAVESTIES RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH *THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST*; CALL THE THEATER FOR SPECIFIC DAYS AND TIMES AT 858-481-1055.)

Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy

Hugh Butternutt’s done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — “Grape,” “Scandinavian Blizzard,” or “Mokoko Cocoa Mocha” — Hugh plays ’70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh’s anniversary, got stuck in the ’70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They’re “losers,” they admit, but not “ordinary” ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There’s also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One’s a whiz at the piano. Another’s a first-rate mime, and the third’s a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they’d quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

Worth a try.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, SAN DIEGO, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-234-9583.

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"When Wolfman Jack was on XERB (AM 1090) in the '60s, he was licensed for 50,000 watts. Engineers who were there say he was actually

Pacifica, the radio group that runs the nonprofit KPFK. The North Hollywood station enjoyed interference-free broadcasting for 40 years, until February 2000, when Victor Diaz launched classical music station XLNC on the same 90.7 FM frequency as KPFK. (Diaz used to have four stations. He sold XHCR 99.3

free of retribution.

"It's actually a 20,000-watt monster. Based on my conversation with the Sacramento company that built the transmitter, Jampro, and on the photos you can



XLNC - MEXICO'S
"20,000-WATT MONSTER"

see on my website, the tower is actually 1000 feet above sea level."

Those photos are at www.well.com/~dmsml/look.html. FCC correspondence is also on the site.

Mussell said the increased power and the higher antenna has allowed XLNC's signal to ruin KPFK reception as far away as Malibu and West L.A.

The FCC is famous for busting illegal American broadcasters within hours. But Mussell said his contact with the SCT has been pointless.

"It's all documented. But the Mexican government is basically saying, 'We don't have a problem. What's your problem?' The FCC has offered to be an intermediary."

Local FCC administrator William Zears said his office had forwarded the matter to the international affairs office in Washington, D.C., which is looking into it.

Mussell says documenting the illegal height of XLNC's tower was easy enough. But getting the power reading was harder: Diaz and his Califormula Radio group would not allow him access into the transmitter building adjacent to the tower. "We

needed a nearby tower to use as a point of reference." So he asked for and received some assistance from his fellow radio engineers in Tijuana.

"I went down with an independent consulting



PHOTOGRAPH BY TRENTON JAMES

VICTOR DIAZ

engineer. We went to the tower of XTRA-FM [91X]. They were very nice to us."

Mussell said he took photos and transmitter meter readings. What he found was startling.

"We found that 91X, which is licensed for 100,000 watts, was actually broadcasting at 220,000 watts."

With 91X as a measuring stick, he was able to determine XLNC's power and that both XHRM 92.5 and XHCR 99.3 were also illegally using more power than allowed.

Diaz did not return a request for comment. But in August 2000 the *Los Angeles Times* wrote, "Maybe Mexican watts are different," said Diaz, laughing, who maintains he is operating in compliance with Mexico's Ministry of Communications and Transportation."

"I heard the KPFK people love to create controversy and animosity," said Lisette Atala, XLNC's executive director.

"We have been checked and our power is 1000 watts." She admitted her signal may make it 250 miles to Malibu but blames it on humidity and other atmospheric conditions. "We are completely under permit."

Atala admitted she would not allow Mussell on her transmitter site. "But we will allow the FCC or SCT to come in anytime."

She said the wattage may be moot anyway since XLNC may sign off due to financial problems.

"We almost went off the air in February. We are now going to have a fundraising drive to help us survive. If that doesn't work, we won't be alive any longer and [KPFK] will be happy to hear we are off the air."

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broadcasting at three times that amount."

Radio engineering consultant Don Mussell understands that illegal "border blasters" like XERB made Wolfman Jack a rock radio legend as his show blasted across most of the continental U.S. But Mussell is not pleased with Tijuana-area stations that he says are now flagrantly breaking international agreements and broadcasting with many times their legal power.

Mussell works for

and XHTZ 90.3 to Clear Channel in May. He retains XLTN 104.5/"Radio Latina" and XLNC 90.7.) Diaz is licensed by the Mexican version of the FCC (the SCT — Secretariat de Comunicaciones y Transporte) to use 1000 watts on a 300-foot-high tower. An FM station's ability to cover an area is a combination of its power and the height of its tower. The higher the tower, the less power needed.

Mussell says Diaz is openly violating those rules

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—Ken Leighton

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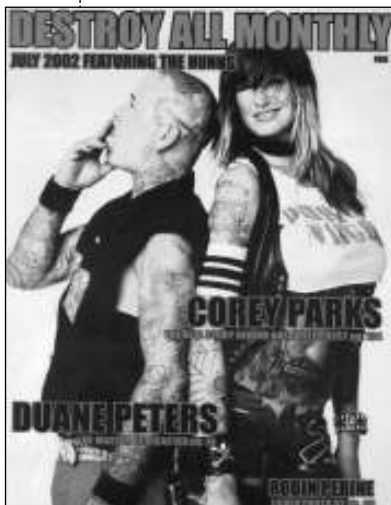
No Cover, Orange County's *Skratch*, and L.A.'s *Destroy All Monthly* are all free monthly music mags distributed in California, Arizona, and Las Vegas. *No Cover* and *Skratch* have long been distributed in San Diego (*No Cover* for five years and *Skratch* for seven). Last month Charlie Ackerman, co-publisher of *Destroy All Monthly*, said he began dropping 5000 copies of *Destroy* in San Diego.

"We want to take over the San Diego scene.... We have become the information source for underground

culture in L.A." He said his punk mag has gone from 48 pages to 120 pages in one year because it has more street cred than his competitor, the *L.A. Weekly*.

"That's a Westside paper for wealthy people.... Eighty percent of their advertising is for breast implants and facelifts.... We had the only interview with Corey Parks explaining what really happened to Nashville Pussy. We told how she quit the band, and that she didn't get kicked out over drugs."

The current issue of *Destroy* has 30 stories on bands with upcoming shows



DESTROY BOGUS CD REVIEWS

in L.A./Orange County. He admits his San Diego coverage is thin but says that will change with his September issue.

"I love the Locust and GSL [a record label], but other than that, I don't know what's going on in San Diego."

To help him, he said his SD delivery man, Ali Rashidi, will start covering SD bands.

Ackerman boasts that his true-blue punk credentials will never be compromised. "I refuse to pander to any advertiser."

One wonders, then, about his "Ten People/Eleven Records" CD review chart. One of the reviewers is Epitaph promotion staffer Christina "Whitetrash" White. It is her job to push Epitaph artists. She gave an "A" to the new CD by Epitaph artist Division of Laura Lee. Other reviewers gave that CD an "F" or a "D." White herself gave out two "F's" and three "D's" to other non-Epitaph CDs.

White's response when this was pointed out to her?

"Not a lot of people look at the grades anyway."

—Ken Leighton

"I didn't find him to be an asshole at all. He was very pleasant."

Oceanside musician-turned-actor David Lally says Russell Crowe is actually a very nice guy.

Since January of 2000, David Lally has played in Brehon Law, the house band at Tom Giblin's Irish pub in Carlsbad. He moved here

from Ireland the year before. The singer/guitarist saw a flyer in his bar asking for British Isle expatriates to try out for parts as extras in the \$135-million film *Far Side of the World*, which is now being filmed at the seaside Fox studios south of Rosarito Beach.

Crowe plays a 19th-century British sea captain in the film. Director Peter Weir was looking for sailors to man the fully rigged man-of-war ship.

"I went to the casting call on a whim. It was at the Mission Valley Marriott. There was a couple thousand people. They all had their head shots."

First-time actor Lally had no photo or bio, but he did draw the attention of casting director Judy Bouley.

"She walked past me and put her hand on my shoulder and said, 'Don't move.'"

His looks got him to the next interview.

"They picked three people from the room. Then they took us to get our Polaroid shots. They put us in front of a camera, and she told me to pretend that she was a Navy captain, and that I should argue why I wanted to be on this ship. I told her I don't think I could be loyal to the British because I was Irish."

Lally's candidness didn't

hurt. After hearing nothing for three months, he got a call saying he got the job.

"I was about to go back to college. I had signed up for a full load. It was two days



PHOTOGRAPH BY RYAN LOYKO

LALLY LEARNS HOW TO FIRE A CANNON

before classes began. They said, 'Can you be here on Monday?'

Lally, 30, postponed college to appear in what may be the most expensive movie of 2003.

He admits the pay is just "adequate." But the perks are great.

"They've taught me how to sword fight. I'm going to learn how to fire a cannon. If we are there for more than one day they put us up in the Hotel Corona. The catering is

gourmet. It adds up."

He said a core group stays all week long, but that he and other extras are on call to work two to three days at a time. So far, he hasn't had a speaking part. "It's very fluid. It changes from day to day."

He admits what he would really like is to play guitar in the scene where Captain Aubrey (Crowe) plays violin with Dr. Maturin (costar Paul Bettany) who plays cello.

"There is a band scene, but that remains to be seen [if he gets cast]. I am just a lowly extra so far."

The director trusts Lally with a sword but not with a lot of plot details.

"They don't give you a script. It's for security reasons. But I do know we will be attacking a French ship. It's set during the Napoleonic era. The ship itself is spectacular."

Lally says he has seen no Crowe fanatics.

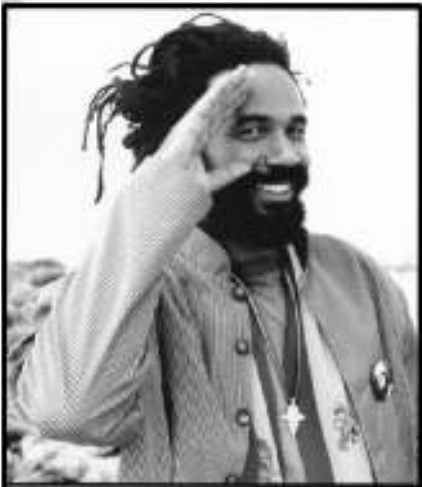
"It's out in the middle of nowhere. It's miles below Rosarito. There is no place to hang out near the studio. I've seen no groupies in dinghies out in the ocean. There is heavy security. You don't get on the set without your ID."

Lally says he has learned the best way to get from Tijuana to the Fox studios.

"The first day I took a regular cab. It was \$30. What I do now is walk across the border and get in one of those station wagon taxis that

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the locals take. It's like \$1.10 from Tijuana to the Corona Hotel." A shuttle takes the actors to the set from the hotel.

"One Friday I played [with Brehon Law] until midnight, got up Saturday at 5:30, raced to the border, worked all day, then raced back to the border to be at a gig in Point Loma at 5:00, and then be back at Carlsbad [to play with Brehon Law] at 8:30."

Lally said production on *Far Side of the World* lasts through November. "It should be out by next summer."

Brehon Law appears Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday at Tom Giblin's in Carlsbad. There is no cover.

—Ken Leighton

The \$35-Hootenanny festival on Sunday, July 7 had several no-shows. On the Hootenanny website, it said

that tickets started at \$35, but for \$100, you could get the "backstage package." I was considering this when I had trouble getting my backstage credential. Some of the bands had complained the day before about being overwhelmed by the media. After pressing several organizers, I finally got backstage and I was surprised to see John Doe (of the bands X and the Knitters) playing Mr. Dad with two young children. I asked his "X-wife," Exene, what time they were going on. She said, "Well, yesterday the Blasters didn't show up, so we had to go on an hour early. And, they aren't here yet."

I finally saw Blasters' singer Phil Alvin show up (an



STRUMMER LOVES KRAMER

hour late) and run to the stage. But it was without his brother Dave. Someone working a merchandise booth said, "Dave Alvin has left the Blasters for good. He's going to just play with the Guilty

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OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: LA JOLLA

JAY ALLEN SANFORD



Men from now on." (The Guilty Men will be at the Belly Up Tavern on July 31.)

I asked the event coordinator if she knew why Hank Williams III didn't show. She said, "He fired his band two weeks ago and cancelled all his shows until September. Our ads were already out with him listed."

The crowd was small. I would guess there were fewer than 700 people. (Fifty percent of the women looked like tattooed Bettie Pages.)

When I queried the Hootenanny people about attendance, they e-mailed back, "Our ticket sales in San Diego were low. Probably because it's only an hour-and-a-half drive from Orange County."

The person I was most

excited to meet was Joe Strummer of the Clash. A crowd of 20 waited outside his bus. A lady asked for his autograph when he was leaving the stage, and he barked, "Give me five fucking minutes!" I found out he and his band all had fevers.

I was talking to singer Elvis Suissa of 3 Bad Jacks. People were coming up to him, shaking his hand, and telling him his set was great. He looked at me and said, "People want to meet me and thank me. I'm standing here waiting to meet Joe Strummer."

Strummer came out, sat down by his bus, and started praying. We were around him like vultures. I'm holding



JOHN DOE, MR. DAD

my copy of *London Calling*. He looks up after a minute, and says, "What the fuck are you standing there for?! Sit down!"

The entire crowd

immediately dropped to their butts, and we talked to the king of punk rock.

One guy had something signed by punk group MC5. Strummer said, "Oh, wow, Wayne Kramer signed this! [Kramer is MC5's guitarist — he plays the Casbah on July 24th.] Are you sure you want my signature on this? Oh man, I love Kramer!" I asked him if he'd ever play with Mick Jones again (Clash guitarist who went on to form Big Audio Dynamite). He said, "No. No, I'll never play with him again."

—Josh Board

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When Linda Halcott goes to her 11-year-old son's violin recitals, she always takes a balloon.

"I blow it up until it's full and tight, almost ready to pop, and I tie it closed. When I hold it lightly in my hands, I can feel it resonate. I can feel the vibrations from the notes my son is playing — the faster, lighter vibrations of the higher notes; the slower, stronger vibrations of the lower notes. I can get at least some appreciation of the music my son is making."

Halcott describes herself as belonging to the ten percent of hearing impaired who are "profoundly deaf." When she was three years old, she had spinal meningitis. She fell into a three-week coma. When she woke, she could hear nothing. Now a 39-year-old mother of four, she says, "Most deaf people can hear a little. I still hear nothing. Nothing at all. I have no memory of ever being able to hear."

By holding a balloon during her son's recitals, Halcott mimics studies conducted two years ago at the University of Washington. A researcher asked profoundly deaf subjects to hold a vibrating plastic tube while he monitored electrical activity in their brains. What the researcher discovered — and what no one had expected — was that the vibrating tube stimulated the subjects' auditory cortex, the part of the brain that processes sound. When the researcher conducted the same experiment with hearing subjects, the auditory cortex showed no activity. The brains of the profoundly deaf subjects seemed to interpret physical sensation as sound.

There have been other studies, some conducted at the University of London, some at Massachusetts General Hospital, indicating that the deaf are in fact more sensitive than hearing people to very small changes in vibration. But all this recent research in part explains what the deaf have always known. Many deaf people, to one degree or another, appreciate music.

I meet with Linda and her husband Joe at an El Cajon McDonalds. They are on their way to a three-day camping trip to the mountains with their four children. From infancy, Joe has had what's called a "cookie bite" hearing loss. If you made a graph of sounds that Joe can hear, from lowest to highest pitch, you'd see a large "bite" taken out of the middle range — the range in which most people speak. Joe teaches American Sign Language at Mesa College.

"You should know," he tells me, "that there

are deaf people who *hate* music. They want nothing to do with it. At our church, which is a deaf church, there are people who wait until the musical portion of the service is over before they come in and sit down. For them, their dislike of

music is almost a political issue. Perhaps they were forced to take music classes in school and were punished for doing poorly. Or...maybe they tried to sing. And deaf peo-

ple, when they try to speak, often speak in high-pitched voices. So, maybe when a deaf teenage boy tried to sing, other boys made fun of him and told him, 'You sound like a *girl!*' There are deaf people who have very negative associations with music. They don't even like singing in sign language."

"Well," says Linda, "I've seen very radical deaf people who enjoy signing hymns in church.... I'd always loved the hymn 'Amazing Grace,' but the lyrics in English are difficult for a deaf person to really understand. And so one day, I was inspired to translate 'Amazing Grace' into signs that could express its deep meaning.

"Now, you know the part that goes 'I once was lost, but now am found / Was blind but now I see.' If you make the sign for 'lost' in the traditional way — interlocking your thumbs and second fingers in front of your chest and pulling them apart — it doesn't communicate the idea of being lost, of being separated, in a spiritual sense. And I realized that by changing the sign, by making the sign vertically instead of horizontally, with my right hand held high above my head, with my right hand representing God, I could see and feel what the lyrics meant.

"I went through the entire hymn, translating so that a deaf person could truly understand it. I modified the signs so that they were more expressive, more powerful.... I translated the whole hymn and when I 'sang' it in church, in sign language, I felt it. I deeply felt its meaning, and I started crying. And I looked up and there were several other people in church who were crying. It was an old hymn, one they'd probably read or seen signed many times before. And they, like me, could finally see and understand and *feel* its meaning."

"I was born deaf and really wasn't aware of music until my high school prom," said 29-year-old Tom Duva, an outreach specialist at the Hillcrest offices of San Diego's Deaf Community Services.

"I come from a family that's been profoundly deaf for *seven* generations. There was never a ra-

dio in our home or a stereo. I knew that hearing families had those things, but I never thought about it. I was raised in a completely deaf environment. Everybody was deaf and used sign language. There wasn't ever any reason to think about music. I never missed music. There was no reason to miss it.

"But I remember when I went to my high school prom, and for some reason I found myself standing near these big stereo speakers. I could *feel* the vibration. From my hips to my neck, in my torso, I could feel the beat — boom, boom, boom."

Duva thumped his fist against his chest to demonstrate the sensation.

"And I thought, 'Oh, that's what it is. That's *music*.' That was really my first impression of it, my first understanding of it. And it makes sense. I was at a high school prom. The music must have been very loud. Kids like loud music. The speakers were huge. The music had to be loud enough so that I felt it.

"That was how I began to appreciate the sensation. And of course deaf people have their own individual reactions to the sensation. I have some deaf friends, and when they feel rhythm, it excites them. It makes them feel like running. For me, it's mostly a calming feeling. I, of course, can't tell *what* sort of music is on the car radio, but I always turn it on. I turn it on loud enough that I can feel it. When I'm driving I can feel the vibration and it makes me feel peaceful, which is a nice feeling to have while you're driving. The only thing that bothers me is when the sensation suddenly stops, and I know it's because of a commercial. I know it's because someone on the radio is *talking* and interrupting the music. I *hate* that.

"Now when I go out with deaf friends to bars or clubs, we meet mostly to talk. We sit near where the music is loudest so we can feel it. It's just an agreeable sensation to have while you're talking with friends. I don't know what younger people, what deaf teenagers, feel about music these days. You'd have to go to a place like Madi-



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Rodney Hill

son High School, where there's a lot of deaf and hard-of-hearing teenagers. You'd have to talk to them."

I sit myself down at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 22, in the Madison High School auditorium. The school's Theatre Arts Guild is presenting its "Talent Show 2002." Joyce Brody, who directs Madison's program for 80 deaf and hard-of-hearing students, had told me that two of her kids would be participating in the show. The talent show features 29 different acts. Rodney Hill lip-synchs and dances his way through an R&B tune called "Same Old G." Dressed in a white shirt and long tuxedo coat, Hill pumps his hips while mouthing the lyrics. He flexes his biceps. He pumps his fists in the air. Girls squeal and bounce in their seats. Hill walks off the stage and saunters into the audience. From the back of the auditorium a group of girls scream, "You work it, Rodney!"

Madison High's "hip hop dance group," Synergy, takes the stage. Ten girls in midriff-baring

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pink shirts and low-slung skintight bell-bottoms bump and grind their way through a song called "Son of a Gun." In perfect synchronization, they spin, kick, and shake their booties. Sitting beside me, three boys pound their armrests. One of them shouts, "That's right, Natalie! Shake it for me!"

Later I learn that Rodney Hill is hard of hearing and Natalie Paluso was born profoundly deaf.

Madison High is a school where deaf and hard-of-hearing students are mainstreamed into regular classes. Madison's hearing students may also enroll in classes for the hard-of-hearing and deaf. As a result, a number of Madison's hearing students have studied American Sign Language as they might have studied Spanish or French. One of them, 15-year-old Dana Kreutzer, helped me talk with Rodney Hill and Natalie Paluso.

Nineteen-year-old Hill was born prematurely, and as he grew he lost all hearing in his left ear. With the help of a hearing aid, his right ear can hear "50 to 80 percent" of what a hearing person can hear. Audiologists at Children's Hospital aren't sure, he says, if his hearing will improve or further deteriorate. Hill took two years of American Sign Language instruction at Madison. His spoken English is understandable and fluent. His ASL seemed, at least to me, equally acute. He says he loves R&B, Soul, the "slower stuff, it's easier for me to understand the words."

"I can hear almost all musical notes, but it's difficult for

me to reproduce them with my voice. I don't think I could play a musical instrument. As for chords, they're difficult for me to hear. I have to concentrate very hard to hear that several different notes are being played at the same time. So, when I was out there on stage, I was *hearing* the music, the beat. I was moving and reacting to the music the way that a person with normal hearing might move and react.

"For Natalie, it's different. She was born deaf. Deaf people have incredible eyesight."

Natalie Paluso, 18, is strikingly beautiful — high cheek bones, aquiline nose, curly black hair that falls past her shoulders.

"When our dance group starts practicing a new routine, I stand back and watch the other girls dance and study how they move," she told me. "I have a visual memory of all the dance steps. Then I practice them. I remember how the dance *feels* in my body. When we're dancing on stage, I can feel the music's rhythm through the floor, in my feet, but I'm not really paying attention to it. Deaf people have very good peripheral vision. Without looking directly at what the other girls are doing, I can see when they're moving. I match what I'm doing with their rhythm."

"I hear *nothing*. For me, music is physical. I appreciate it through dance. I can also feel it, mostly in my chest, if it's loud enough. When I drive, I always turn the radio on. For hearing people, it's so loud that it would probably be painful. But for me the feeling is very soothing. I don't know how to explain it any other way than that it makes me feel good."

Lucia Ruiz remembers that when her son Robert was an in-



Natalie Paluso

fant, he would scoot across the floor to place his feet against the family's stereo.

"When I was two months

he loved our stereo."

Robert remembers, "I was just attracted to the vibrations... I remember that when I was a

"Right after I got the implant I sat down and listened to a CD my mother had bought from the Reader's Digest."

pregnant with Robert, I had German measles. Doctors told me that the measles effected Robert's auditory nerves while he was forming inside me. After he was born, we didn't know he was deaf for the longest time. But even at three-months old,

very small child, I'd crawl under the stereo to where the vibrations were strongest. I liked the way it felt."

"The amazing thing is that if you looked at his hearing tests and saw how deaf he was, it's almost impossible to understand how well he learned to speak," Lucia continued. "But we raised him with a strong emphasis on his being verbal. He didn't learn sign language until he was 17 years old."

"But even as a little boy, he *loved* music. Of my four children, he's the best dancer. I remember when he was in elementary school, his class studied American Indians and Robert's class learned Hopi dances. He was the best of all his class. He looked like a little Hopi kid who'd been doing those dances all his life."

Robert added, "The Hopi dances were very repetitive, and the beat was very simple and strong. Back then, I could remember only short simple rhythms."

Robert is now 43 years old and has returned to live with his parents while he studies computer science at Southwestern College. When I meet with him, his mother, and Al, his father, at their Chula Vista home, our main topic of conversation was how Robert's life changed two years ago.

"I had a cochlear implant," Robert explains. "It's a kind of digital hearing aid that transmits electrical impulses directly to the cochlea in my ear. I wear an earpiece that looks like a hearing aid, and it has a little microphone on it. I connect it to a small magnet that's been implanted under the skin just behind my ear. The magnet connects to a very thin wire that runs inside my cochlea. Old-fashioned hearing aids only *amplified* sounds. The cochlear implant helps me to actually hear sounds. My hearing has improved 200 percent."

"When I was young, I loved the Osmond Brothers, I loved the Jackson Five. They always moved a lot when they sang. For deaf people to enjoy music, it has to be very visual. I couldn't hear the words they were singing, so I spent hours asking my mom to tell me what they were saying. With the cochlear implant, I can *hear* music, all of it, the words, the melody, the rhythm. Right after I got the implant I sat down and listened to a CD my mother had bought from the *Reader's*

Digest. The CD was called *The World's Most Beautiful Melodies*, and the first thing I heard was 'Some Enchanted Evening.'

"It was the most *beautiful* thing I'd ever heard in my life."

Robert pauses. Lost in the memory, he raises his palms in front of him and slowly, rhythmically moves them up and down. "It was like the most beautiful voice touching deep in my soul."

I ask Robert to sing something for me.

"Singing with my voice is an entirely new experience. My brain's having to learn to process so much auditory information. I'm having to get used to hearing my voice and how to control it to match notes. I'm not very good at it yet, but I'm practicing."

He launches into *To God Be the Glory*.

His consonants were a little blurred, but his voice was strong. And he sang in tune, much better in fact than most hearing people might if they were suddenly asked to sing for a stranger.

"My goodness!" says Robert's father, Al, standing on the other side of the room. "Did you hear that? It's amazing. In the past when he tried to sing, his voice was monotone. He had no sense of pitch. His voice was entirely flat. Now he's singing on key."

"It is amazing," Lucia says. "I have a daughter-in-law who has perfect hearing, and she's completely tone deaf. She can't hold a tune."

"I like classical music most," Robert says. "To me it seems deeper and wider than other kinds of music. The sounds are too harsh in rock and roll. But I'm just now starting to understand that melodies can make you feel certain ways emotionally. I know that hearing people say that certain melodies can make them feel sad. And I think in time I'll be able to experience those sorts of emotions in music. Right now I know that when I sing, I feel joy." ■

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Ant recently spoke to me about her band, which she says “officially” came together in April of 2001.

“I had already been jamming with other people, but never clicked with anyone. Then I met Maren at Gelato Vero on Washington Street, and from there it started. Already, in one year, we have a CD out [titled *Mask*], so we’ve been working really hard with this band.”

How do you describe AntiQuark’s sound?

“I don’t like to label my music, but I guess I would have to say it has the musical components of industrial/experimental sounds and a punk attitude because that is where we come from. We don’t strictly play electronic instruments, though. We also use just plain junk we find to make noise, like a trash bin or this big gong we found....

“I’m really influenced by PJ Harvey, Björk, Alice in Chains, and the ‘80s punk scene. Oh, and the glam rock, of course. I know Maren’s influences include Laurie Anderson and Wire, along with other punk/alternative music influences.”

Why the name “AntiQuark”?

“I really like the way it sounds, but the meaning is actually pretty interesting, too. In physics, antiquark is the little part of the atom that’s really the antimatter. So, basically, it means it’s something that’s invisible, it’s the antimatter, but it’s still present, and it’s like a mysterious thing that could hit you in the back or turn society upside down, you know?...

“Our songs are really abstract. We don’t write the lyrics down because we don’t want people to know them. We just want people to hear them and interpret what we’re saying, however they want to. But some of our songs include “Nuclear Suicide,” which is about bin Laden killing himself with a nuclear bomb. And then there’s “Counting Hours,” which is about the concept of time and how it can be never-ending and get really annoying sometimes....

“We use keyboards and synthesizers, mainly the new analog and digital instruments. We also use computer software to program beats and drum

machines. And then, like I was saying, the junk we find. Harrito plays electric drums at our live shows to emphasize the electronic sound....

“Usually we play at local clubs and occasionally some in the L.A. area. The places that we’ve been

playing that I enjoy a lot are the Casbah and the Scene. The Scene is a really good venue. And then there’s festivals and stuff. We’re going to be playing at the Army of

S/he festival in August. But the places we play can really vary. We’ll basically play anywhere because we just like playing.... We recently got back from our European tour around Northern Italy and France. Since I’m originally from Italy, I had a lot of people I knew who set up the tour for us. It was pretty interesting because the audience there is really different from a crowd here. People there are a lot more picky and they analyze you more. It makes it really challenging to play in front of them. But still, it was really fun. It was a little intimidating, though, because here people are outgoing and fun, but people there can be a little too serious.

“I remember playing at this one club that was just full of Goths. It was really hard to warm up the environment, you know? But it was a lot of fun. Everyone treated us really well on this tour. We’re planning on a U.S. tour sometime soon. And, hopefully, next year we could go to England, Scotland, or Japan, but we’ll see what happens....

“We’ve made, like, \$300, \$400 at a good show. But the money pretty much goes back into the band. Maren and I own a record company called PetSetRecords, so we’re producing all our own material. There’s still so much more we need, like instruments and gear, you know? So it’s really not a lot of money we make, because it all gets reinvested....

“In Italy I played guitar in a hardcore punk band called Hex. It was really heavy music. We were around for a couple of years. We played with Kathleen Hanna so we were in the riot grrl scene at the time. We weren’t really that political, but definitely had the strong-minded lyrics. It was pretty intense music. That was my main project, but since I’ve been playing music since I was five years old,



AntiQuark (Ant, Maren)

AntiQuark is: Maren (singer/performer); Ant (programmer/keyboarder/guitarist/songwriter); Harrito (drummer) and Raul (dancer) also perform at events

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I’ve been in a lot of bands. In high school, I was in a dark band doing covers of Depeche Mode and the Cure. Maren is in another band right now called the Peppermints. They’re kind of like a raunchy punk band. They’re actually on tour right now in the U.S. for two months. I really believe that Maren has a big influence in the punk scene right now....

“I love creating and, pretty much all my life, I’ve loved the fact that I can create something new. To me, music is like a valve that I can release my creativity out of. And of course I hope that we sell CDs and grow to be something bigger, as well as continue writing and touring, but I’m not into a commercial view of success. I’m in it for the creative process....

“I really like it when people come up to me after a show and say things like, ‘Oh, I really liked it,’ or, ‘You really inspire me to start playing.’ But I also just like getting feedback from people. Like, at one show, this girl was really shocked and didn’t like us at all. But somehow that was still an achievement for me because at least we transmitted

something, although it may not have been positive. As long as people get something — whether it be good or bad — from our music, I feel like I have achieved my mission.... I just don’t like indifference.”

What do you like best about being in a band?

“Well, it’s fun, you travel, you get to go to places for free. But, the best part is meeting all the people. I enjoy talking to other musicians and exchanging different ideas with them.”

If you could record for any company or producer, who would it be and why?

“Since I’m a sound engineer, I’d really like to do it myself. My dream is to finally be able to open my own studio and produce on a higher level. But if I had to choose someone to do it for us it would be cool if Björk wanted to produce an AntiQuark record.”

Who do you think are the best bands in San Diego? Who’s the most overpaid?

“I really like the Merdivorators. The most overpaid, though...hmmm...we HATE Gwen Stefani! She should go work at McDonald’s.” ■

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Mick's Big Dog

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Mick Jagger's new solo album is a dog, featureless, overproduced. At its most interesting moments one realizes that one is listening to a washed-out pastiche of earlier performances with the Rolling Stones. Although I can recall one previous solo album, this is, apparently, his fourth. He's clearly a bright, hugely talented man, so why does he bother?

It's not an uninteresting question. I mean, the man's richer than Croesus. He's got an enviable — how shall I put it? — *social life*. Homes all over the world. And the legacy of being a matchless rock vocalist, fronting the hottest rock act of — well, ever. Why crap all over it? Why make a fool of oneself? I'm sure someone among what must be an enormous network of friends, flunkies, and advisers, musical, financial, and otherwise, said to him: "Don't go there, Mick. Not again."

Because he wanted to, I suppose. Because what else is he going to do? Sit at home dandling 25-year-old fashion models on his knees, looking up every so often at the stock quotations on the CNBC ticker-tape? Have a jog along the ocean come late afternoon, wash up, enjoy cocktails on the verandah, rent a movie, fly to Bali? Mick's a rocker. That's what he knows. That's what he does.

I thought about some of this the morning of 9/11 and afterwards. Not about Mick; about what one does, even if it's to no effect — no real effect, anyhow — and perhaps not very interesting to anyone else. I thought (and it seemed a very real possibility at the time), what if New York and London were dealt hammer blows of one sort or another and shut down, the houses I publish with destroyed, if not physically, financially; the journals I publish in, likewise. Would I continue writing poems? With the mail

service shut down and not even a friend to send work to? It was an unpardonably selfish line of thought, what with all the horror still being

played out in New York, D.C., and in the skies. I had other, more civic-minded thoughts, but that last one ate at me, in a dark, unpleasant, burrowing way. Writing, music, art are all highly social acts, no matter how interior or hermetic in conception. One always has some kind of audience in mind, even if that audience is wholly imaginary or a handful of people.

Mick Jagger doesn't do hermetic, at least as a pop artist. He does platinum, he does gold, he does million-selling 45s, LPs, CDs, videos. If you believe

that shaking your ass in an auditorium filled with 20,000 top-dollar-paying screaming fans — a large share of whom would give everything they own

just to spend a few hours in bed with you — isn't addictive, think again. So is producing great product,

the best ever. Perhaps even more addictive than the former, if you can imagine.

So what happens when you wake up one day and you're a rocker pushing 60, with one of the dozen or so best-recognized mugs on the planet and an open account at the candy store of your choice? Rockers are not like composers or concert violinists, who are near their peaks at age 60. Even country singers, like Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, and George Jones are as convincing at 60 as at 26, sometimes more convincing. Electric bluesmen tend to peter out early but not country-blues artists. In their heyday the Stones

were getting rich playing Bo Diddley, Muddy Waters, Howlin' Wolf, and Fred McDowell songs, and not as well as Bo and Muddy and the Wolf and Fred, all of whom, excepting the younger Mr. Diddley (b. 1928), were pushing 60 or well past 60 when the Stones were covering their tunes.

Rock, for all its glories, operates in limited musical format and age demographic. *Katy, bar the door*, but rock 'n' roll is about sex — which is, after all, the origin of the term rock 'n' roll, if you follow me. But not just sex: display, bravado, incitement. It's music for the young, performed for the young, by musicians still sexually credible to the young. When the great black proto-rocker Chuck Berry was sent onstage at age 45 for white middle-class audiences circa 1970, he was great fun but not capable of arousing the same feelings as the 28-year-old Jagger or his friend, the 31-year-old Tina Turner. True, they weren't kids anymore, but they sure as hell were sexually credible to kids, not to mention grown-ups.

Of course, the new Jagger album *Goddess in the Doorway* is meant to be more "personal and

introspective," but more's the horror. Would you want a personal and introspective album from James Brown? Of course, there's part of the problem. Mr. Brown, born in Barnswell, South Carolina, in 1928, may or may not be given to introspection, but he has the good sense to keep it to himself. Jagger and the Stones, in essence London art students infatuated

with the notion of black authenticity, suffer from...um, how shall I put this? *A bifurcation of sensibility*. They are very well set up: middle-class, by origin; middle-aged, by deterioration; and white.

I don't know that younger readers will be fully aware of just how androgynously Jagger projected himself at the height of his popularity. The popular wisdom 30 years ago — and

this among people who had actually met him — was that he was at the very least bisexual, probably gay. In retrospect, this appears not to have been the case, but Jagger certainly encouraged

the notion. Dylan, whom I wrote about last week, was also rather androgynous in the late '60s and also rumored to be bisexual or gay. Given the character of both performers, always opportunistic, protean, masked, this was likely a marketing strategy. It worked, lending their personas a certain mystique and outlaw sexuality. It was a strategy not repeated by many,

although the somewhat younger David Bowie clearly took up the gender-bender persona and ran hard with it, in fact collaborating with Jagger on a 1985 single, "Dancing in the Street." In any event, the gender confusion has subsided in all three cases, at least insofar as popular wisdom is concerned.

Although Jagger was the front man, the *face*, if you will, of the Rolling Stones, he was never more than part of the whole and certainly not very much at all without Keith Richards, guitarist and co-songwriter. Both men are from Dartford in Kent; both born in 1943. They go way back. But together, with a changing cast of sidemen, they started off wonderfully with their first LP in 1964, *The Rolling Stones*, and continued at white-hot intensity through *Sticky Fingers* in 1971, their finest album along with *Let It Bleed* in 1969. They've pretty much been history, apart from a song or two, for the past 30 years, like Dylan. But what a 7-year run. (Runs tend to be in patches of 7 or thereabouts: Bach in Cothen, Bartók in Budapest, Joseph in Egypt.)

I still listen to the Stones. I always had a special soft spot for their album *Flowers*, released in the summer of '67: "Ruby Tuesday," "Backstreet Girl," "Let's Spend the Night Together." They did provide the soundtrack for a lot of tender moments. ■

Mick Jagger, *Goddess in the Doorway* (Virgin Records 7243 8 11288 2 4)



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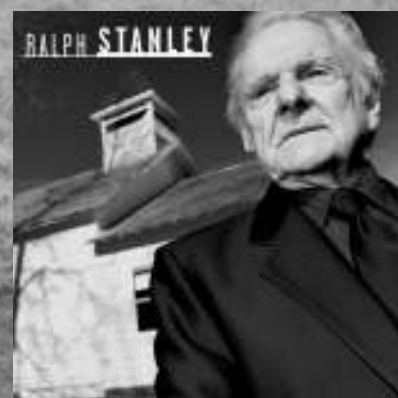
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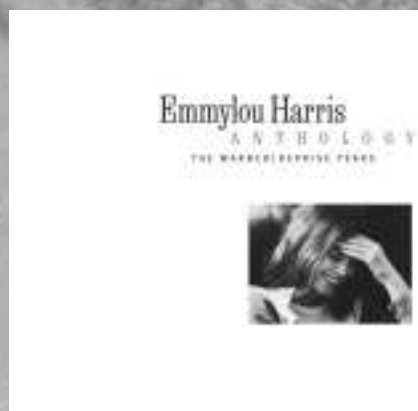
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George Benson /612/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, July 27, 7 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Tom Freund and Anya Marina /118/: Java Joe's Coffeehouse, Saturday, July 27, 8:30 p.m., 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356.

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Jewel /895/ and **M2M:** Open Air Theatre, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Geoff Tate (of Queensrÿche): "Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, July 28, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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AUGUST

Tommy Castro /938/, **Coco Montoya /937/** and **Lafayette & the Leasebreakers /930/:** 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

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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, **Speeddealer**, 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.

In Flames: "Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 4, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

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Michael McDonald /566/ and **Karla Bonoff /462/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 6, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Celia Cruz /788/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, August 6, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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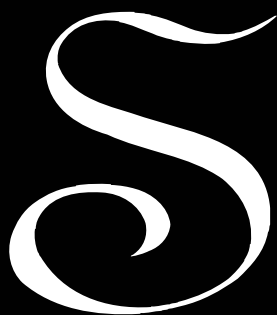
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The Dragons /115/, the **Bellrays**, and **Sin Sin 77**: The Casbah, Saturday, August 10, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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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.

Archer Prewitt, the **Front**, and **M Ward**: The Casbah, Monday, August 12, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Blondie /574/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, August 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Young Dubliners /438/, **Great Big Sea**, and **Seven Nations**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 14, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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 **X-ecutioners**: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, August 15, 6:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Maceo Parker /697/: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, August 15, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Charlie Zaa and **Pilar Montenegro**: Open Air Theatre, Friday, August 16, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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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,

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The Kottonmouth Kings /129/: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 18, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Ray Charles /979/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 19,

8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Juliana Hatfield: The Casbah, Tuesday, August 20, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Dwight Yoakam /793/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 21, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Allison Moorer: The Casbah, Wednesday, August 21, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Chris Isaak /576/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 22, and Friday, August 23, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dave Koz & Friends /676/ (featuring **Norman Brown** and **Brian Culbertson**) and **James Ingram**: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, August 24, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Peter, Paul, & Mary: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 25, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers /586/ and **Jackson Browne /587/**: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, August 25, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Misfits /496/: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 25, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

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SEPTEMBER

Lenny Kravitz /590/, **Pink /610/**, and **Abandoned Pools /185/:** Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 1, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Ted Nugent: 4th & B, Sunday, September 1, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

"Street Scene 2002": Friday, September 6, Saturday, September 7, and Sunday, September 8. Info line, 800-260-9985. www.street-scene.com.

Wire: The Casbah, Saturday, September 7, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Air Supply and Christopher Cross: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Antibalas Afrobeat Orchestra: The Casbah, Sunday, September 8, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Coldplay: Open Air Theatre, Monday, September 9, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Mark O'Connor & Natalie MacMaster: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 12, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Goo Goo Dolls, Third Eye Blind /472/, and **Vanessa Carlton:** Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, September 14, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Jaguares and Morrissey: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, September 15, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Frankie Avalon and Bobby Rydell: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 17, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Girls Against Boys /277/ and Radio 4: The Casbah, Tuesday, September 17, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Chicago /620/: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, September 17, and Wednesday, September 18, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Linda Eder /607/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Smokey Robinson /611/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 20, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Bonnie Raitt /591/ and Lyle Lovett: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, September 21, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

The Trevor Watts Trio: Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, September 21, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

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.

Willy Porter and Ashley Flynn: The Casbah, Tuesday, September 24, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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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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Bobby Caldwell: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 4, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Jon Spencer Blues Explosion /126/, the **Yeah Yeah Yeahs**, and the **Liars:** The Scene, Saturday, October 5, 7:30 p.m., 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Kearny Mesa. 858-505-9111 or 619-220-8497.

Derek Bailey and George Lewis: Spruce Street Forum, Saturday, October 5, 8 p.m., 301 Spruce Street, Banker's Hill. 619-295-0301.

Al Jarreau /562/ and Marilyn Scott /661/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 6, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Sergio Mendes & Brasil 2002 /694/: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, October 10, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Marco Antonio Solis and Rocío Durcal: Cox Arena, Saturday, October 12, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Dickey Betts & Great Southern, the **Marshall Tucker Band /537/**, and **Poco /561/:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 13, 6 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Jane Monheit: California Center for the Arts, Friday, October 18, and Saturday, October 19, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

Southern Culture on the Skids /266/: The Casbah, Saturday, October 19, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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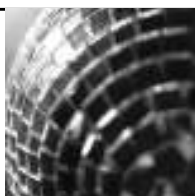


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397 **The Brothers from Another Planet:** 'Canes Bar and Grill

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Lance's Hero: Epicentre

Larger Than Life: Epicentre

Life Hates Me: Dream Street

Lighter: Surf N'Saddle, Tiki House

Little T: Epicentre

118 **Lovebourne:** Brick By Brick

Anya Marina: Java Joe's Coffeehouse

Maudlin: The Scene

Ming & FS: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Nothing to Lose: The Scene

Nowheresville: Epicentre

One More Time: Epicentre

One Track Mike: Epicentre

186 **Gregory Page:** Java Joe's Coffeehouse

Pain Unlimited: The Playhouse

Phantom Planet: Epicentre

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398 **Pinback:** The Casbah

RDG: Dream Street

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319 **Suckerface:** Brick By Brick

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Zero Against None: The Playhouse

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

Stephan Ashbrook: Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

Avalanche: Fannie's

The Baldwin Brothers: 'Canes Bar and Grill

The Bassholes: The Casbah

Beba: Blind Melons

The Bitty Bums: Blind Melons

The Michael Bliss Band: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

Boneyard: Hennessy's Tavern (Carlsbad)

Bordertown: Coyote Bar and Grill

597 **Bottomline:** Boar Cross'n

COI: Surf N'Saddle

Cilantro: Blind Melons

Cold Shower: The Kraken

435 **Natalie Cole:** Viejas Casino

Common Rotation: 4th & B

Concord: Belly Up Tavern

Convoy: Epicentre

The Country Teasers: The Casbah

D.J. Turbo: Sham Rocks Shack

The Dailies: Blind Melons

The Deep Sixx: Second Wind (San Carlos)

El Jardin: Neimans Bar and Grill

The Electric Waste Band: Winstons

Faze: Diamond Jim's Nightclub

427 **Fat Cat:** Fat Katz

402 **Fith:** Brick By Brick

15 Minutes: Winstons

493 **fluf:** The Casbah

Full Xposure: Dirk's Niteclub

The Grinders: Black Sheep Inn

The Groove Cats: On The Rocks

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461 **Hera's Olive:** Dick's Last Resort

547 **Hot Rod Lincoln:** Tio Leo's Lounge

Shai Hulud: Epicentre

ir: Blind Melons

Iron Sharpens Iron: Brick By Brick

Ben Kweller: Epicentre

Latanya Lockett Band: Cannibal Bar

Life or Death: Brick By Brick

Lovelight Shine: 'Canes Bar and Grill

599 **Lynyrd Skynyrd:** Humphrey's

The Machine: Belly Up Tavern

Magdaline: Brick By Brick

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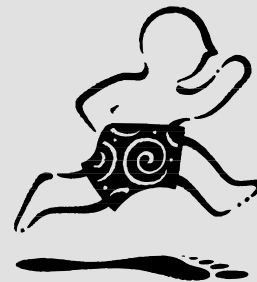
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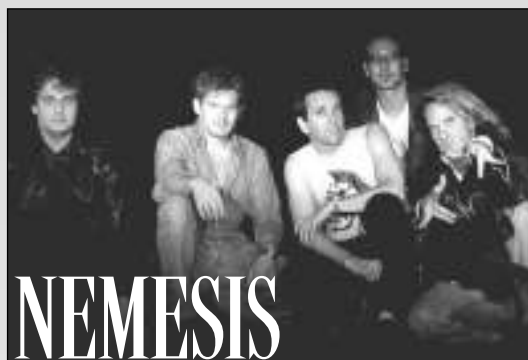
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Rockola: Hard Rock Cafe (Gaslamp), Humphrey's
Roxx: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub
410**Eve Selis:** Humphrey's
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434**The Sleepwalkers:** The Moreno Club
507**Solitude:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
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EXTENSION 4004

POP/TOP 40

- Andrea's Fault:** Carvers
612**George Benson:** Viejas Casino
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621**KC & the Sunshine Band:** Humphrey's
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Northstar: Coyote Bar and Grill
The Orbitz: The Flying Bridge
Jack Pollack: Shooters Bar and Grill
622**Peter Robberecht / Pianoman:** The Westgate Hotel, Dakota Grill and Spirits
Stage 4: Il Forno

Sweet Dreams: Neimans Bar and Grill
X-Cel: Jimmy Love's

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ/ BIG BAND

- Absinthe:** Bayou Bar & Grill
Christopher Adler Trio: Galoka
Agave: Blind Melons
The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies
666**Lori Bell:** Inn L'Auberge
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Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado
The B-3 Three: Bayou Bar & Grill
703**Bill Caballero:** Dizzy's
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667**Gilbert Castellanos:** Bayou Bar & Grill
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Barry Allen Cohen: Rock Bottom (La Jolla)
The Credit Union: Neimans Bar and Grill
Jo Dark: The German-American Societies
Derek Ethridge: Dizzy's
The Aubrey Fay Band: Juke Joint Cafe
638**Glen Fisher con Alma:** Croce's Jazz Bar
5 O'Clock Shadow: The

- Beach House, La Costa Coffee Roasting Co.
Larry Fogle: Moray's Lounge
The Tim Gill Orchestra: Neimans Bar and Grill
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Lady Dottie: Bayou Bar & Grill
Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado
Masterpiece: Jimmy Love's
The Coral McFarland-Thuet Jazz Quartet: Coronado Island Marriott
660**The Shep Meyers Quartet:** Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar
Duncan Moore: Dizzy's
Mystique: Jimmy Love's
Steve Nichols: Sassafra's Bar and Grill
Francisco Ojeda: Bayou Bar & Grill
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641**Sue Palmer:** Juke Joint Cafe
The David Patrone Quartet: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp), Martini Ranch (Encinitas)
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- Dean Paul Ratzman:** The Boathouse Restaurant
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659**Rick Ross-Piano:** The Inn at the Park, Moray's Lounge
The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn Suites
698**Ron Satterfield:** Inn L'Auberge
Allison Scull: Galoka
The Allison Scull & Victor Martin Duo: Monzu on Prospect Street
The Shade of Blue Quartet: Cafe 828
643**Peter Sprague:** Dizzy's, Coyote Bar and Grill
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655**Tony Taravella:** Lestar's Coffeehouse
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632**Patrick Yandall:** Humphrey's
Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE/ SKA

- Bananeiras:** Juke Joint Cafe
Jah Blood & the Fire Angels: The Scene
736**Common Sense:** Belly Up Tavern
732**Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations:** Winstons, Buffalo Joe's
Herb'n Root: Blind Melons
Mikah 9: Galoka
Organix: Dream Street
Prezident Brown & the Orchestra of Judah: Victor's Restaurant & Bar
Reggae Fever: Galoka
747**Semisi & Fulabula:** Robbie's Roadhouse, The Beach House
Shine Eye: Buffalo Joe's
Tabularasa: Belly Up Tavern
Tiger's Temple: Dream Street
Tribe of Kings: The Scene
The Twinkle Brothers: The Scene
Zionic: Galoka

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

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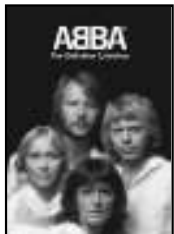


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880.....**Berkley Hart:** Humphrey's
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Joseph Scott: Blind Melons
Leni Stern: Dizzy's
Geoff Tate: 'Canes Bar and Grill
 875.....**Steve White:** Coyote Bar and Grill

EXTENSION 4009

BLUES/SOUL

Aunt Kizzy'z Boyz: Patrick's II
Bayou Bros.: Patrick's II
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Blue Label: Fat Katz

955.....**Blue Rockit:** Dick's Last Resort
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NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Most of the time, today's record industry doesn't give a crap about artistic development. Bands and solo performers are kicked to the curb if their albums' sales disappoint. Someone didn't want that to happen to **Norah Jones**. For the 22-year-old singer's debut, *Come Away With Me*, the jazz label Blue Note Records (a subsidiary of Capitol) set her up with hotshot producer Craig Street. But the result wasn't what the suits wanted, so she rerecorded most of the album with another hotshot producer, Arif Mardin.

Why would Blue Note make such a costly decision? Was it because the label is staffed with a bunch of music lovers who believed in Jones's talent? Perhaps. Jones

spin Latin, freestyle, house, and hip-hop. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos, 760-737-9402.

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Eavesdrop: Wednesdays, espionage stereophonics and downtempo DJs with residents SIX8, AKRANM, Jon Wesley, and Somatik. No cover; 21 and up. The Pirates Den, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego, 619-574-6833.

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does have a good, smoky voice and creative phrasing. Her concert appearances win rave reviews. But it probably goes without saying that Jones is easy on the eyes, and that raises her commercial potential. Blue Note paid attention to that fact: the album credits include a makeup/hairstylist and a clothing stylist.

Of course, there are a lot of pretty women who can sing, so Jones's back story helps make her stand out: her father is Ravi Shankar, the most famous exponent of Indian classical music in the West. Not that her country-inflected, jazzish music owes anything to that tradition, but her parentage does make for an interesting factoid. So, Blue Note set her up with players such as guitarist Charlie Hunter and got her high-profile gigs in jazz clubs and concert stages, even an opening slot for some Willie Nelson shows. The strategy is working. *Come Away With Me* is high on the charts. Yeah, there's



NORAH JONES

some corporate machinery at work here, but hell, better her than Jennifer Love Hewitt. **Richard Julian** opens.

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Big Jim's Old South Bar B Q, 190 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas. Music is blues. Saturday, 1 pm, *Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers*. Sunday, 1 pm, *Billy Watson and Robin Henkel*.

Bub's Whiskey Dive, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *the Diludes*, alternative.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *Andrea's Fault*, pop rock. Saturday, *the McNallys*, rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Ventilators*, rock, blues. Friday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Bordertown*, rock, blues, folk. Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, *Steve White*, acoustic blues, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Gumboyaya*, funk, blues. Sunday, 2 pm to 4:30 pm, *the Boogie Woogie Duo*, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Peter Sprague*, jazz. Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers*, blues. Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Northstar*, pop.

The Del Dios Country Store, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733. Friday and Saturday, *Hilbilly Noise*, country.

Fat Katz, 1476 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-943-7768. Music is blues. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Fat Cat*. Sunday, *Nick Perpich*. Monday, *Blue Monday*. Wednesday, *Blue Label*.

The Flying Bridge, 1105 North Coast Highway, Oceanside. 760-722-1151. Friday, 8 pm to midnight, *the Orbitz*, pop.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Liquid Blue*.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *the Stepping Stones*, rock. Saturday, *Boneyard*, rock.

Inn L'Auberge, 1440 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar. 858-259-1515. Friday, *Lori Bell, Ron Satterfield, and John Opferkuch*, jazz.

Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 760-743-7665. Friday and Saturday, call club for information.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, *Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors*, blues. Friday, *the Bill Magee Blues Band*, blues. Saturday, *Cold Shower*, rock. Wednesday, *Nitelite*.

La Casa del Zorro, 3845 Yaqui Pass Road, Borrego Springs. 760-767-5323. Fox Den: Thursday through Saturday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Tony Lencioni*. Sunday and Monday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Dick Matson*, piano and vocals.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Tuesday, *the David Patrone Quartet*, jazz.

Mas Fina Cantina, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Thursday, 9 pm, *the Small Town Heroes*, blues.

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, *Chris & Heather*, folk. Sunday, 10 am to 1 pm, *John Lowery*, folk.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, *Sweet Dreams*. Sunday, *El Jardin*.

The Raintree, 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Music hours are from 6 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *the Justin Brothers*, acoustic. Saturday, *Calima*, jazz, Flamenco.

Robbie's Roadhouse, 530 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-634-

NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

A scan of the Internet illustrates that bluegrass, porch music from America's heartland, is represented well by societies and at festivals around the globe — Ottawa, Great Britain, Telluride, France, Switzerland, Santa Cruz. Rediscovered during the folk revival of the '60s, bluegrass was an Appalachian genre named after a region of central Kentucky famous for its horses, bourbon, basketball, black lung, and the color of its grass. It is the music of *Deliverance* and *The Beverly Hillbillies*. Jerry Garcia liked bluegrass and performed it. So did David Grisman, Bela Fleck, and a handful of other contemporary musicians. They helped to ratchet bluegrass up in stature at a time when its founders were dying off or forgotten. An interesting note: not much Web space is

devoted to old-timers such as Doc Watson or even to the late Bill Monroe, who is considered the father of bluegrass.

As set forth by Monroe, true bluegrass has rules. First of all, there are no drums, ever. Percussion, when there is any, is played on something like a washboard. The acoustic instruments include banjo, fiddle, dobro/guitar, string bass, and a mandolin. Traditionally sung in a high tenor with two and three-part harmonies, bluegrass is driving music punctuated by solos performed at something just past breakneck pace.

In perhaps a nod to Monroe (decades ago, he called his group the Bluegrass Boys), the local **Valley Bluegrass Boys** have bent the rules little. Founded in 1990, the group includes guitarist **JD Loveland**, **Dale Sarles** on banjo, mandolin player **Paul Yancey**, fiddler **Bob Sandstrom**, and **Jack Johnson** on



string bass. Still, they call their music West Coast Newgrass. "We do the traditional things," says Sandstrom (formerly a classical violinist with the Tucson Symphony), "but we've been picking up some of what the new bands are doing."

VALLEY BLUEGRASS BOYS, Templars Hall in Old Poway Park, Saturday, July 27, 7 p.m. 858-566-4040. \$11.

2365. Thursday, *Semisi & Fulabula*, reggae. Friday and Saturday, *Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors*, blues. Sunday, *Ace Boon*. Monday, open mike. Tuesday, *Trio du Jour*, jazz. Wednesday, *Nathan James*, blues.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, *Nemesis* and *Top Dog*, classic rock.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, 9 pm, open mike. Friday, *Lighter*, alternative. Saturday, *COI*, rock.

Beaches

Barefoot Bar and Grill, the San Diego Paradise Point Resort, 1404 West Vacation Road, Pacific Beach. 858-274-4630. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, live music.

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *the Dailies* with *Bebo*, rock. Friday, *Fryday*, *Emergency Broadcast*, and *Herb'n Root*, hip-hop, rock. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *Vegetation*, 8 pm, *Urban Evergreen*, ir, and 3 *Against 1*, rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *Agave*, 8 pm, *Joseph Scott*, *the Bitty Bums*, and *Flynn Lechner*. Wednesday, *Resophonic* and *Cilantro*, rock.

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NAMES OF BAND MEMBERS: Shawn P. Rohlf (guitar, banjo, vocals, and harmonica), Don Hickox (fiddle and vocals), Dwight Worden (fiddle and vocals), Steve Peavey (mandolin, guitar, and vocals), Gregg Carpenter (upright bass and vocals). Since recording *Long Live the Caboose*, they have added Robin Henkel on Dobro and replaced Carpenter with Ken Dow on bass.

EXTRA INFO: 7th Day Buskers play at the Hillcrest Farmers Market every Sunday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the DMV parking lot.

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Long Live the Caboose, the debut CD of local acoustic roots band 7th Day Buskers,

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The 7th Day Buskers pride themselves on the fact that *Long Live the Caboose* was recorded



7th Day Buskers

“live, with no overdubs, effects, or hairspray.” Rohlf says the band felt this was the best way to represent “the raw, live energy you get when you attend a Buskers show.” Rohlf, a full-service musician, also teaches a rock-band class for kids at the San Dieguito Boys and Girls club.

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Friday, 8 pm, *Judy Chamberlain*, jazz. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *Mike Woffard & the Holly Hofmann Quartet*, jazz. Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Dejablue*, blues.

Galoka, 5660 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-551-8610. Thursday, *Christopher Adler Trio and Reggae Fever*. Friday, *Sitar Duo and Forward Funk*. Saturday, *Allison Scull and Zionic*. Sunday, *Mikah 9*.

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.

Java Joe's Coffeehouse, 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356. Friday, *Gregory Page*, alternative. Saturday, *Tom Freund and Anya Marina*, folk. Sunday, *Tim Easton*, acoustic.

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*.

Moonoggies, 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. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 8:30 pm to midnight, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Sunday through Tuesday, 8:30 pm, *Larry Fogle*, piano and vocals.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Club Tremors, call club for information.

Rock Bottom, 8980 Via La Jolla Drive, La Jolla. 858-450-9277. Friday, 6 pm, *Barry Allen Cohen*, jazz.

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. Thursday, *Lighter*, alternative. Friday, *Wonka Bar*, rock. Saturday, *the Big Provider*, alternative rock. Sunday, open acoustic. Wednesday, *Jimmy Lewis*, acoustic.

Victor's Restaurant & Bar, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Friday, *President Brown & the Orchestra of Judah*, reggae.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Mower*, rock. Friday, *Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations*, reggae. Saturday,

4 pm to 7 pm, *Zone 4* and *Simply Complex*, 8 pm, *Superunloaded*, rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, *Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors*, 8:30 pm, *Planet 22*. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, rock. Tuesday, *the Damn Dirty Apes*, groove. Wednesday, *Southern Tide*, country.

San Diego

Anthony's Star of the Sea, 1360 North Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-232-7408. Thursday and Friday, 5:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Duo*, Brazilian-Latin jazz.

The Boathouse Restaurant, 2040 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego. 619-231-0489. Wednesday, 7 pm to 9 pm, *the Louisa West-Jimmy Patton Duo*, jazz. Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm, *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz.

Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 pm, call club for information.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, *Suckerface*, *Kelly Joe Jones*, and *Lovebourne*. Friday, *Divided by Zero*, *Glu*, and *Ryan Hicks*. Saturday, *Fith*, *Suntower*, and *Magnuson*. Tuesday, *Iron Sharpens Iron*, *Life After Death*, and special guests. Wednesday, *Magdaline*, *Pisstest*, and *Trapt*.

California Club, 5522 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Friday, *Tori Cobras*, alternative.

Claire de Lune, 2905 University Avenue, North Park. 619-688-9845. Saturday, 8:30 pm to 11 pm, *the Chris Klich Jazz Quintet*.

Club Hollywood, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102. Call club for information.

Club Xanth, 4225 Thirtieth Street, San Diego. 619-584-2720. Sunday, 1:30 pm to 11:30 pm, ten live bands.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Thursday, *Ben Kweller*, *Little T*, *Phantom Planet*, *Convoy*, and *One Track Mike*. Friday, *Lance's Hero*, *Session*, *Trite*, *One More Time*, and *Nowheresville*. Saturday, *Shai Hulud*, *From Autumn to Ashes*, and *Coheed & Cambria*. Sunday, *Hey Mercedes*, *Piebald*, *Audio Learning Center*, and *Koufax*. Wednesday, *Rufio*, *Taking Back Sunday*, *Brand New*, and *Larger Than Life*.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *the Small Town Heroes*, blues. Saturday, *the International Silver Strings Submarine Band* featuring *Billy Watson*, blues.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge:

Thursday, *Rockola*. Friday, *Eve Selis*. Saturday, *Berkley Hart*. Sunday, 8 pm to 12 am, *Patrick Yandall*, jazz. Monday, *Richard Julian* and *Patti Zlaket*. Tuesday, *Private Domain*. Concerts by the Bay: Thursday, 8 pm, *Heart*, rock. Friday, 8 pm, *Trisha Yearwood*, country. Monday, *Norah Jones* and *Richard Julian*. Tuesday, 8 pm, *Lynyrd Skynyrd*, rock. Wednesday, 8 pm, *KC & the Sunshine Band*, pop.

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, *Sin Sin 77* and *A.M. Vibe*, alternative. Sunday, *the Neon Beat*, pop.

Lestat's Coffeehouse, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Wednesday, 9 pm to 11 pm, *Tony Taravella*, jazz.

Monzu on Prospect, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5218. Thursday, 8 pm, *the Allison Scull & Victor Martin Duo*, jazz.

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 Michael Bliss Band*, rock. Saturday, *Roxx*, rock.

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Coupe de Ville*, blues.

The Playhouse, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-284-8802. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, *Surface*. Saturday, *Zero Against None*, *Pain Unlimited*, and *Under the Stone*.

Rosie O'Grady's, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-7666. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, blues, rock, and jazz.

The Scene, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Thursday, *Forever February*, *Came In Second*, *Sevensixzero*, and *Artificial Amateurs*. Friday, *Nothing to Lose*, *Maudlin*, *Kimberly Kills*, and *21 Rest*. Saturday, *the Twinkle Brothers*, *Jah Blood & the Fire Angels*, and *Tribe of Kings*, reggae. Sunday, *Zao*, *Unearth*, *Underoath*, *Dead Poetic*, and *the Underwater*, alternative. Monday, *Sensefield* and *Rochelle Rochelle*. Tuesday, *Bongo Maffin*, *Masters of the Universe*, *Mission Infinite*, *Battlestar*, and *Dialectx Crew*, Afro-beat, hip-hop.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday, and Saturday, *the Deep Sixx*, classic rock.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Saturday, *D.J. Turbo*, rock.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, *Buddy Blue*, blues. Saturday, *Deores*, *Booby Trap*, *Boxx*, and *Balboas*. Wednesday, *Todd Stedman & the Fattones*, blues.

Top of the Cove, 1216 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla. 858-454-7779. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, *Kristi Rickert*, piano.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle Bossa-Jazz Quartet*.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Sunday, *the Celtic Ensemble*. Wednesday, open mike.

Downtown

The Bayou Bar & Grill, 329 Market Street, downtown. 619-696-8747. All music is jazz. Thursday, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, *Tricia* with *Joe Guevara*, 9:30 pm, *the Vanguard Players* with *Chris Vanacore*. Friday, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, *Francisco Ojeda* with *Joe Guevara*, 9:30 pm, *the B-3 Three*. Saturday, *Inner Voyage*. Sunday, *Gilbert Castellanos*. Monday, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, *Absinthe*. Tuesday, *Lady Dottie* with *Joe Guevara*. Wednesday, 9:30 pm, *H20*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

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The “bargain” options include \$30 prix-fixe dinners during the earlier part of the week — Monday there’s a veggie feast, Tuesday has duck for two, on Wednesday wines are 50 percent off, and Thursday offers Chateaubriand-for-two (normally \$52 a couple for just the entrée). Friday night there’s a seafood buffet with a Maine lobster or surf ’n’ turf entrée for \$40, and Saturday night there’s dancing (\$30 per person minimum for food). And interspersed amidst all of these are the major events — including the Renoir dinner.

The Fontainebleau is fittingly named for a 16th-century French palace built for Henri II and Catherine de Medici — the queen who introduced serious food to France, bringing a train of chefs and wagons of veggies from her native Italy. The restaurant is on the hotel’s second floor, with decor reminiscent of a different palace — Versailles. (In fact, it’s just around the lobby corner from a “Versailles Ballroom.” But happily, here there are no chestnut trees to pelt you with windblown nuts as you approach.) The windowless, cream-and-rose dining room is surprisingly small, though not exactly cozy given all its luxurious accoutrements: huge, sparkling chandeliers, fresh-cut flowers on the tables, and an incessant pianist (prone to forte volume) alternating between Chopin and show tunes. In the formal French style, there are a great many service staff — the eyes of Westgate are upon you. But the specifics of the crowd, the food, and even the silverware change according to the event.

RENOIR DINNER

The Renoir dinner series runs every Thursday night through September 12 at 6:00 p.m., sharp. Its price includes not only a well-conceived, well-wrought five-course prix-fixe dinner and a flute of champagne, but a pair of tickets for the Renoir exhibit (a \$16 value) at the San Diego Museum of Art, to be used whenever you choose. The



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actual cost, charged to your credit card before you even arrive, is \$122.79 per couple, including \$7.79 tax and a \$16 tip. It’s non-refundable. Any additions — cocktails, wine, the authentically French weak coffee or espresso — are billed separately at the end of dinner.

They really put on the ritz for Renoir. Vast quantities of genuine, substantial silver await at every table — enough flatware to see you through one of those notorious nine-course Gilded Age dinners, complete with separate forks for the larks’ tongues and the rooster combs. But just as dinner begins, staffers steal away the superfluous silver and chinaware. The series’ opening night was populated predominantly by a certain level of society characterized by exigent, even imperious suits (worn by both sexes, with a few glamour-gal exceptions). There was, however, at least one other couple who seemed to have come for the food and the art, rather than to make an appearance. I have promised myself to suppress the temptation to intersperse an Austenesque comedy of manners amid the food descriptions. I trust, though, that

future participants — including perhaps you, Dear Reader — will bring a welcome air of courteous democracy to this event.

The *amuse bouche* is “chef’s choice” — that night, a tiny, lightly poached oyster of intensely buttery texture over a mince of daikon and crowned with micro-greens too dainty to identify. Then a server brought soup bowls, each containing a single, large grilled diver scallop topped with a micro-sprig of lacy chervil. Under each scallop was a mattress of shredded, browned Belgian endive. The server poured around it a soup called “cauliflower cream cappuccino.” The scallop was so fresh, sweet, and intense, I imagined that it had been shipped here live and shucked in the kitchen (actually, it’s not) — the finest I’ve tasted since the first days after George’s Bank in Maine reopened to harvesting. The soup was a thickened cream flavored with cauliflower essence. The sum of all tastes was absolutely gorgeous — a perfect dish, assuming your arteries can handle the cream.

To cleanse the palate: a tiny sorbet of old Marc de Bourgogne, made from Burgundy’s equivalent

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★★★ (Excellent)

Westgate Hotel, second floor, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown; 619-557-3655; www.westgatehotel.com

HOURS: Lunch weekdays 11:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m.; Sunday brunch. Dinner Monday–Saturday, 6:00–10:00 p.m.

PRICES: À la carte: appetizers, \$9–\$16; entrées, \$26–\$34 (most \$29). Seven-course tasting menu, \$94 per person. Monday–Thursday, prix fixe three-course dinners, \$30. Friday seafood buffet, \$40. Sunday brunch, \$33. Special dinners vary by event.

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NEED TO KNOW: Card required for reservations, \$40 no-show charge. Special prix-fixe dinners nonrefundable. No doggie bags, ever. Dress varies from polos and sundresses (Friday seafood buffet) to business-dressy (special dinners) to fancy dancing duds (Saturday night). Hotel parking validated with dinner. Garage is on C Street, just west of Second Avenue, south of the trolley tracks. (Driving north on Second, make sharp right at the “No Right Turn Except Hotel” sign.) Vegetarian dinners available Monday nights through September.

Ratings reflect the reviewer’s reaction to food, ambiance, and service with price taken into consideration. Menu listings and prices are subject to change.

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of Italy’s grappa — brandy made from the skins and pulps of the grapes after the liquid has been pressed out for wine. I’ve never tasted anything like it, and it shook our palates with its freshness and intensity. Topped with a tiny sliver of sour green apple,

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it was set atop a “cassis compote” of puckery black currants, as tart as cranberries, amid their mel-low, sweetened juices.

The entrée consisted of a sizable hunk of medium-rare veal tenderloin fillet, wrapped in applewood bacon, well-salted, and topped with a cooked-on glaze of Bordelaise sauce. The fun lay in tasting the meat against each of its complements: a drift of crunchy, sharp daikon minced to the size of rice grains; a scattering of earthy morels strongly seasoned with black pepper; a tiny, crisp potato *galette* resembling a sand dollar seashell, with the same mandalic blossom pattern; a dollop of sweet, dark Morello cherry “marmalade.” And there was a subtle touch of sage *jus* under the tournedo. Alas, the veal — a bland meat from the blandest cut — outlasted all its trimmings, and I would have been happy to trade half its too, too solid flesh for some vegetable complement more substantial than a tablespoon of radish grains. The issue wasn’t nutrition, since this was a purely recreational dinner, but the hunger for an alternate flavor focus. I was still sipping the seemingly bottomless flute of excellent champagne, but if I had to do it all over again, I’d order a glass of Pinot Noir to help me make it through the meat.

Dessert (by pastry chef James Foran) was a warm chocolate soufflé *tarte* with cinnamon-stick ice cream and glazed banana. It consisted of a dark chocolate *tarte* shell, encasing a modicum of fudge-textured chocolate soufflé, with a crisp, cookie-like chocolate “basket-handle” arching over it. Around the perimeter were cubes of banana in a caramel syrup resembling Bananas foster. The ice cream’s cinnamon flavor was so intense, it resembled an 11-

year-old’s rendition of cinnamon toast.

À LA CARTE MENU

A weeknight à la carte dinner can be as special an occasion as a Renoir dinner, while less formal in tone. Our meal began with three little dips (as well as butter curls) for the Bread and Cie breads: a sweet, fresh tomato conserve, a ramekin of olive oil strongly flavored with basil (and tasting like liquid pesto), and an intensely salty tapenade made of Italian kalamata-style olives.

If the descriptions on the menu don’t always match the dishes precisely, the dishes are apt to have improved since printing. For instance, an appetizer of “sashimi tuna” arrived in the guise of a pyramid with a flower growing out of the center. The lightly seared ahi was thinly crusted with panko and spices, and the slices were balanced atop a stack of sliced green papaya, slivers of mango, and orange papaya (unmentioned on the menu), with tomato slices anchoring the bottom. You have to destroy the architecture in order to enjoy it: Under a topping of micro-greens (by their taste, infant cilantro) was a lettuce leaf cradling a dollop of mild wasabi. Every bite of this extravaganza carried a different combination of flavors.

A small portion of foie gras of duck tasted like goose, it was so rich and rosy, with raisins, sautéed pears, julienned salsify (“oyster root”), and a sauterne glaze — a classic treatment for this luxury liver. This plate, too, wore a heap of fetal vegetation, in this case with a strong, radish-like flavor.

If you order the rack of lamb — a very good idea — the server arrives wheeling a cart with a small wooden cutting board at one end. Wielding a huge chef’s knife, he splits the ribs and arranges them fanned on a plate, in the order of slicing. From a small skillet on the cart’s lower shelf, he serves out the vegetables, one at a time,

arranging them beautifully on the plate: there are roasted baby carrots, golden beets, steamed slender green beans (French *haricots*) in bondage, tied like a cord of wood with two chives. There are lentils with a touch of truffle oil, and that technical tour de force, soufflé potatoes — thin slices of potato puffed up with air in their centers from frying in ultra-hot fat, so that they resemble inside-out potato chips. The Colorado lamb was of extraordinary quality, as tender as butter. A separate silver gravy dish held a thick, salty demiglace sauce flavored with rosemary. I liked the sauce, but I loved the lamb too well to crave this adornment.

An entrée of roasted sea scallops included four plump diver scallops, perched on a heap of mini-diced green apples in a slightly sweet sauce, topped with unborn Italian parsley and accompanied by another knockout sorbet, this one flavored with wasabi. Like the veal plate at the Renoir, the dish was very pure — a few separate, intense flavors. And like the veal, it aroused in me a faint yearning for something — anything — to bring the flavors together.

FRIDAY-EVENING SEAFOOD SOIREE

I generally avoid buffets of whatever nation or foodstuff, because the chafing dish is the enemy of good food. The one sterling exception was a summer seafood buffet a few years ago at the Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco, served in a large room that was so nearly full, the management could afford hot and cold running chefs to cook the hot side dishes to order, and to constantly replace fading shellfish on the cold table.

At the smaller, less populated Fontainebleau, the Friday-evening seafood buffet (\$40 per person) follows the more common practice of setting out all the cold dishes and most of the hot dishes at the start of the dinner hour, with few “updates.” It’s best, then, to arrive as early

as possible, certainly no later than 6:30, when the selections are still pristine. I arrived sevenish; by 8:00 the lids had been firmly shut on several chafing dishes with plenty still left in them. Smart move.

You start with a flute of champagne at your table. Then you visit the adjoining room to sample the buffet items. When ready, you signal your waiter that you’re ready for your main course. The choices are: steamed Maine lobster, lobster thermidor, filet mignon, or “surf’n’ turf” of filet mignon and half a lobster. Another laden buffet table holds desserts.

The cooking style is as impersonal as any other upscale hotel buffet. Smoked salmon and various trimmings, numerous salads and cold vegetables await at a table along one wall, cooked dishes against the opposite wall, and iced shellfish, caviar, and dips on a smaller, round table at the end. The highlights include the glorious shrimp ceviche, perfect dilled cucumber salad, marinated mushrooms *à la greque* seasoned with cracked coriander seed, and some interesting, crunchy black American caviar with an odd, sweet flavor. I also liked the oysters Rockefeller (chafing dish notwithstanding), but other hot items were visibly wilting when I arrived, an hour after the room opened. As for the main course, the Maine lobster thermidor was overcooked to the point of chewiness. (It doesn’t have to be so — at Thee Bungalow’s “local lobster week” last fall, the tougher Pacific lobster was more tender than this.)

By the time we reached the dessert table, the sweets were undergoing a reverse-Cinderella effect, returning to their component ingredients. The crème brûlée had melted, its topping devolving into a pool of burned caramel syrup; liquid, too, was the Kool-Aid-like orange gelatin topping on a white pudding of some sort. The cream puffs had hardened, their fillings gone dusty. There was a live chef making thin, classic crêpes, and I did

enjoy the cheesecake and the dark chocolate cake, both solid survivors of the evening’s warmth.

On our way out, we stopped off a floor down to tour the lobby. As we passed the Plaza Bar, we heard the sound of good, jazzy piano, so we dropped in for a while to refresh our ears. The singer-pianist, named Fran, was a grown-up blonde with a lithe, soulful soprano and a light touch on the ivories. As we relaxed, my sweetie and I both realized that we’d felt an odd tension at the seafood buffet. Perhaps, unknowingly, we’d picked up some anxiety emanating from the kitchen, from which the head chef had, that very afternoon, suddenly vanished. Or maybe we just didn’t like the piano player up there.

ABOUT THE CHEF

Even as I ate my way through several dinners at the Fontainebleau, a drastic change was occurring behind the scenes. When I started eating, the kitchen was the realm of Chef Christophe Vessaire, who won this year’s James Beard House Award for “Outstanding Hotel Restaurant” just a few weeks earlier. Suddenly, on a Friday afternoon, the day after the first Renoir dinner, he departed (don’t ask me why or where he went), leaving his right-hand executive sous chef, Fabrice Hardel, in charge. My à la carte dinner, with Hardel in charge, reflected the same style and quality as when Vessaire was heading the kitchen.

“I don’t know what happened with Christophe,” said Hardel. “He went into a meeting with the general manager, and when the meeting was over, the general manager called me to come into his office. ‘Well, Christophe is gone,’ he said. When I went back to the kitchen, I never even saw Christophe again. It didn’t cause any difficulty in the kitchen because we are pretty much all set — I’ve been running the kitchen quite a lot for the past eight months. We have a pretty good team; I brought some people from Europe

and some staff from the Ritz-Carlton. Our pastry chef, Jim Foran, came from the Picasso at the Bellagio, and before that he was at the Mandarin-Oriental in San Francisco. He does amazing work.

Hardel comes from Normandy, on the northwest coast of France. “When I was young I didn’t really know what to do in life, and I was not really great for going to the university and studying a lot. A friend of mine started working for an executive chef and told me that ‘If you want to cook, they will teach you.’ I tried it, and I really liked it. I did an apprenticeship like everybody in France. You work in a hotel, then you go to a school to finish and get your degree. After that I did like every French chef — I took my bags and went all over France, learning about cooking different styles. I’ve worked in hotel restaurants all my life.

“I was working for the executive chef at the White House in Washington, D.C., five years ago. Then I married a really nice lady and went to St. Louis for four years, including a year and a half at the Ritz-Carlton. After four years in the Middle West I wanted to see some other parts of the U.S., so I decided to move on, and I got the opportunity to come to San Diego and work at the Westgate. I started here as a sous chef a year ago, and six months ago I got promoted to executive sous chef. I got more responsibility — I do the ordering, scheduling the staff; I’m more involved with the whole organization. But they’re going to bring someone else in as executive chef, because I really want to stay with the Fontainebleau, not be responsible for the whole hotel food service. I’m still young — I’m only 29 — and I don’t feel like I’m ready to be executive chef. I really enjoy being on the line with my guys every night. The new executive chef, when they get one, will focus on the paperwork, the going to meetings. I’ll be more the one to create the menus.” ■

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"The difference in tamales today from when I was a girl is sabor."

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"Queso de Tecate?"

"Say what?"

"You want to buy a cheese?"

Esperanza holds up a round white cheese. "Mexican cheeses. From a dairy ranch outside Tecate. Fresh. Healthy. No cholesterol! Not like supermarket cheese; \$5 each."

Esperanza looks too old to have to be doing this. I'm in Barrio Logan, right next to Rancho Fresco, the produce market. I was rolling by in the 901 bus and saw a sign. Mangoes, three for a dollar! A treat for Carla tonight. Help forget our troubles. I jumped off, trotted back past the Barrio Logan fire station to the Rancho, and there she was, Esperanza, selling cheeses outside.

But next to her, this gal Diana stood under a red awning with a white canopy on top and a small sign saying "Tamales." Families crowded around her. One table with two chairs was the only place to sit down.

I forget the cheeses and the mangoes. Been up four hours since 6:30. Haven't eaten. Tamales only \$1 each.

I spot a couple chowing down three tamales apiece. "Desayuno?" I ask.

"Breakfast," says the man.

"Enough?"

"Plenty."

"I have pork, beef, *queso con rajas* — cheese with strips of chili," says Diana. She says normally she has the "traditional tamale drink," *champurrado*, milk mixed with *masa* — ground corn meal — chocolate and cinnamon, for \$1 each. But already, at 10:30, she's run out. Oh well. I could do with a coffee anyway.

I get one inside the Rancho, 75 cents. Families roll out of the place laden down with everything from plantains to Hefty bags of *masa* corn meal. I take the coffee

back out to the tamale tent, order one pork tamale and — mainly because Diana said she likes it best — the *queso con rajas*.

She fishes them out from steaming pots, wrapped in their cornhusks. She plops them on a paper plate with a plastic fork.

I sit down in the one free seat, facing a little sister and brother, maybe 4 years old. They unwrap their tamales and nibble away as they compete over what they've seen in Rancho Fresco.

"*Hay de cho-co-la-te...*"

"*Hay de leche...*"

"*Hay de piñas...*"

"*Hay de fresas...*"

I unwrap my pork tamale. The meat has stained the *masa* and the husk bright yellow and orange. I fork into it. The strong spiced pork goes great with the doughy *masa*. I sit, munch, and watch. Big Anglo guy comes up. Wants a dozen

chicken tamales. Diana shakes her head. "I ran out." "Dang. This is for my family tonight. Well I'll take the beef." Guy behind him, Smiley, with a mat of Rasta hair, wants a *queso con rajas*. Diana shakes her head at him too. Seems I got the last one. "I'll be back," he says.

Not long after, a truck pulls up, and this Cuban guy, Rico, hops out. He brings steaming pots loaded down with more tamales. He's from the Restaurant Chiapaneco up on 25th and Market. That's where they produce these. "We make around 800 a day," he says. "Diana sells about 300 right here." He says they have another stand in Chula Vista in front of Costco.

Esperanza finally takes a break from hawking her cheeses and sits down. "I'm from Guadalajara," she says. "I'm 77. The difference in tamales today from when I was a girl is *sabor*. Oh, I remember that taste! Corn was natural then. They didn't spray all those chemicals."

They taste pretty good to me. I unwrap the *queso con rajas* and, oh, man. Rich cheese, nice *picante* pepper flavors. But what I love is these cornhusks wrapping the tamales. Esperanza says that's important for the flavor they give the *masa* inside.

It goes further than that, though. Talking with Esperanza, I realize that we're all eating *exactly* the same food, same presentation, as Aztecs in Tenochtitlan ate when Montezuma was alive.

They ground the corn, stripped the chilies, made the cheese, rolled them in corn husks, steamed them...*nothing has changed*. Not even the name. "Tamale" comes from the Nahuatl word "*tamalii*."

In fact, think about it. Corn, potatoes, tomatoes, beans, squash, limes, avocados, chiles, peanuts, cashews, turkeys, pineapples, yams, vanilla, chocolate, chewing gum... What the heck *did* Europe eat before the Aztecs gave them all this?

Diana is right. The *queso con rajas* is delicious, and quite spicy. Maybe I can fit one more. "I have a sweet one," says Diana. "*Piña*." Pineapple. Other days it's strawberry or coconut. She reaches down for one. I unwrap. Oh, yes. Couple of chunks in the middle. Their flavor combined with the corn is great. And this does just about tank me out.

Every now and then Esperanza darts off to waylay a potential customer. Boy, she's had a hard life. Years ago, her husband died in Guadalajara. She had to sell their *casita* to feed the three kids. She somehow got them all up here. Now they're grown and scattered. She lives alone in a trailer. She needs to sell these cheeses to make ends meet. Already my troubles are starting to deflate. She's 77. Alone. Come on, man, you're just a damned crybaby.

In the end I buy a cheese from her. Hey, this'll be the treat for Carla. Forget that mango nonsense. They're not even Aztec. ■

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The Young Store

“We used to go to San Francisco 49er games, and at the tailgate parties, they don’t really do beer there.”

Jason Ivy and Mark Davidowski, a couple of youngish guys from the Bay Area, have had their wine shop/tasting bar Meritage up and running for a couple of months now. Last week, I dropped in and had a look ’round. The shop had a clean feel that still retained warmth, thanks to its cozy size, beech-y shelving, and wood floors. The United States, France, and Italy dominated the shop, though there were at least a few entries from all over. I saw some over-\$100 California Cabs and red Bordeaux, and some under-\$10 stuff from Australia and the south of France. I wondered how a new wine shop gets going in the current economic climate.

“Mark and I were exposed to wine early on,” says Ivy. “We used to go to San Francisco 49er games, and at the tailgate parties, they don’t really do beer there — they do wine.” Ivy’s first “real pour” of wine — a slug of 1990 Silverado Reserve Cabernet — came at such a party. “I started out drinking good stuff from good vintages. I remember one game around 1994; they were playing the Denver Broncos. We went to this tailgate, and, as usual, there was barbecue and lots of good wines. People started going in to the game when the first quarter was almost over. There were just a few of us left, and out comes a bottle from the wheel well: I think it was a ’62 or ’66 Petrus,” one of the biggest of the big-name Bordeaux. The bottle was opened, the game progressed. “A couple more people left, and it was just Mark, his father, and myself.” The bottle was finished, so the elder Davidowski reached into the wheel well once more, “and pulled out a second bottle of the same wine. We had that bottle, and it was already the third quarter. We just went home. It was, like, ‘It’s not getting better than this.’”

After college in Colorado, Davidowski spent a year with the distributor Wine Warehouse but then found himself absorbed into the NoCal tech world. Ivy attended school in Arizona and did time with a computer company before spending five years selling commercial air conditioning, working as a sort of independent contractor and

learning business operations firsthand.

Neither fellow was particularly thrilled with his career path — “when you work for someone else, you’re not in control of what you can and can’t do,” notes Ivy — so when an opportunity came along to work up a business plan for some venture capitalists, they jumped on it. “First, we decided we wanted to work together. Then we decided on wine, because we were looking for a lifestyle business, not a business we could sell in a couple of years. We wanted this to be our career, the path we were choosing.” Memories of parking-lot Petrus and Bay Area tasting groups pointed toward a life intertwined with the vine. Then they decided on retail, with a focus on a tasting bar and its power to introduce people to new wines. “It’s fun to pour wine and talk about wine with people — how hard is that?”

Their next consideration was location, location, location. They wanted to be within a two-hour flight of their families back in the Bay Area, and the demographics pointed to San Francisco; Scottsdale, Arizona; and North County. San Francisco, while home to wine-drinking tailgaters, was an expensive place to start a business, and there were already more than a few wine shops in town. Scottsdale was hot — “which leads to people living there seasonally” — and wine was still something of a novelty for many. San Diego won with a reasonably well-educated and adventurous customer base and, of course, the weather. After losing out on a few sites in shopping centers where grocery stores had clauses that prevented liquor sales in neighboring stores, the pair found a spot near the Harvest Ranch Market in the West Village Center, which bumps the border between Encinitas and Rancho Santa Fe. Says Ivy, “A lot of people in Napa know where the center is. They know the Harvest Ranch Market; they know the area. That’s been helpful at times.”

Indeed. Meritage — the name refers to a California blend of traditional Bordeaux varietals such as Cabernet, Merlot, and Cabernet Franc — is a new wine store, chasing after many of the same highly allocated wines as more established

San Diego wine stores. It needs all the help it can get. It is not a discount warehouse, relying on volume to garner cherries from distributors — the shop is a mere 1800 square feet, and only a few of the wines are floor stacked in cases. Most of the 900 or so wines are displayed in gondolas or shelves to increase their visibility and create an uncluttered atmosphere. Nor is the shop attached to a restaurant with a prestigious list, one on which wineries are eager to appear. But if you live in Rancho Santa Fe and you get off the 5 at Manchester, Meritage is on your way home. And it’s a short drive from either Carlsbad or Del Mar. For the shop, the location means a certain measure of instant prestige.

Ivy and Davidowski are not resting on their address, however. They know that keeping distributors happy is an excellent way to obtain hard-to-find wines, and their desired market niche has helped in that regard. While the shop features wines in all price ranges, the focus is on well-made small-production wines priced from \$15 to \$40. Such wines are often too small for many big supermarket buyers, and so distributors are happy to find an outlet for them. Meritage is able to move a respectable amount of mid-range wine from a producer like Australia’s Rosemount — “their Hill of Gold Shiraz costs \$15 and got 90 points, and their Balmoral costs \$34 and got 93 points,” says Davidowski — and everybody, from the producer to the distributor to the shop to the consumer, is happy. The shop has already begun nabbing San Diego exclusives, such as the Archery Summit Renegade Ridge Pinot Noir.

The young store is also working to buy itself an added measure of gravitas through the purchase of cellared wines, wines often gleaned from customers’ well-kept collections. Most of the wine is stored off-site, but a few gems are dangled for the customer to see: ’88 Petrus, ’89, ’90, and ’92 Caymus Special Selection Cabernet, ’95 La Tâche Burgundy. And for regular shoppers, there is a Friendly Neighbor program: “once \$500 in pur-



Cristina and Jason Ivy, Patty and Mark Davidowski

chases are accumulated over the previous 12 months, our ‘Friendly Neighbors’ receive 5% off all purchases [excepting cellared wines].” After \$5000, the discount goes up to 10 percent.

But though the shop will provide the revenue, the tasting room is the real focus of the operation. Ivy and Davidowski have sought to create “a Napa tasting room, where you taste different wines and relax in a nice place. It’s that feeling when you walk into the winery and you stand around the bar and they pour you different wines. It isn’t a wine bar, where you sit down and look at a list of 70 wines.” The bar does offer a few wines by the glass — their current high-end pour is Dominus — but it emphasizes flights: four groups of wine that change twice monthly. When I visited, the choices were flights of Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Rhône, or Zinfandel, though the shop opened with a flight of big-name meritage blends: Joseph Phelps Insignia, Chateau St. Jean’s Cinq Cépages, and Bacio Divino. Ivy says the fancy flights will help people who wonder, “Well, gosh, why is this wine a hundred bucks?” You don’t have to buy the whole bottle to taste it.”

As for the current economic climate, Ivy isn’t worried. “It’s a long-term investment.” Also, “the last time there was a recession, wine sales didn’t really drop off. People actually tend to drink more during a recession than out of a recession.” ■

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Harbor Drive (at Ash Street), downtown, 619-232-5103; 215 West Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista, 619-425-4200; 9530 Murray Drive, La Mesa, 619-463-0368; 11666 Avena Place (off Bernardo Center Drive), Rancho Bernardo, 858-451-2070. — E.W.

BULLY'S NORTH 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-1660. Especially during summer, this branch is the most colorful and is jammed with the sporting crowd, which makes the place exciting. Food is the same as at other Bully's, but the high intensity carries it. Steak, prime rib, hamburgers, fries, and fresh fish are favorites. Open daily. Moderate. Other locations: 5755 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, 858-459-2768; 2401 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2685. — E.W.

CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN Here's a good family restaurant where you can take your children and grandchildren for salads, pasta, or pizza. There are 28 pizzas. The chicken tequila with spinach fettuccine is great, as are vegetarian sandwiches. Same menu, lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive. 437 South Highway 101, suite 601, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999; La Jolla Village Square, 3363 Nobel Drive, 858-457-4222; and Carmel Mountain Plaza, 11602 Carmel Mountain Road, 858-675-4424. — E.W.

THE FISH MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy ever-multiplying resta-

rants—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 "Hon-eymoon 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 (Center 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, College Area, 619-583-7373. If you're a nostalgia buff and long for cooking as it existed 50 years ago, try this all-you-can-eat buffet. Menus change daily. Massive amounts of food that's fresh but not low-cal/low-cholesterol. Not for gourmet diners, but fun. Open daily.

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JOE'S CRAB SHACK A seafood chain with a good Cajun corporate name (Landry's) based in southern Louisiana wouldn't survive without some pluses besides a Bourbon Street party atmosphere. Joe's is silly with crab-shack ambience (campy nautical paraphernalia on down to souvenir gimme caps) but the food's not bad. One tasty starter is "crabioli," fried wonton stuffed with crab and melted cream cheese ("crab Rangoon" by another name, but smoother). You can choose buckets of steamed, barbecued, or garlic crab (of various subspecies) or go for fried or grilled seafood or steaks, or salads. Grownups may prefer the patio to the rockin', raucous interior. Full bar, not much wine. Inexpensive to low moderate. 7610 Hazard Center Drive, Mission Valley, 619-260-1111; 4325 Ocean Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474. — *N.W. (5/01)*

KARL STRAUSS' OLD COLUMBIA BREWERY AND GRILL 1157 Columbia Street (between B and C Streets), downtown, 619-234-2739. The star attractions here are the ales and beers brewed on the premises. Up to a dozen beers may be available. Food includes burgers, pastas, soup and salad, fish and chips, grilled sausage. During weekends the noise can be shattering, but it's fun. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. Other branches at 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Valley, 858-587-2739; 5801 Armada Drive, Carlsbad, 760-431-2739; 1044 Wall Street, La Jolla, 858-551-2739. Call for hours. — *E.W.*

THE ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE 3906 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740 (plus locations in Poway, Encinitas, and Vista). Starve yourself for eight hours, then come in here and order up an Apple Pancake—a foot-wide,

batter-filled, five-egg paradise pelted with slices from two Granny Smith apples and baked till it puffs up like a golden mini-superdome. Cinnamon cinches it. The German Pancake, or its kid brother, the Dutch Baby, are good oven-baked alternatives, as is the really, really filling mushroom omelet, which comes with three pancakes. Oh, and the Eggs Michael: sausage patties and poached eggs lost somewhere under a mushroom-sherry sauce. The whole atmosphere—striped gold-and-cream wallpaper, dainty cups, shelves of ceramic dogs—feels like it's the Fifties and your granny took you here when you were five. OK, it's a nationwide franchise, but it's a comfy franchise, from Oregon. All-day breakfast only, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. Other locations at 14905 Pomerado Road, Poway, 858-679-0186; 160 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, Encinitas, 760-943-1939; 435 South Melrose Drive, Vista, 760-758-3441. — *E.B. (4/02)*

POPEYE'S CHICKEN & BISCUITS 2333 Highland Avenue (at 24th Street), National City, 619-477-5605; 2210 E. Plaza Boulevard (at Euclid Avenue), National City, 619-470-3002; 3489 Santo Road (at Aero Drive), 858-573-0035; Metropolitan Center, 1737 Euclid Avenue (north of Federal Boulevard), Chollas Creek, 619-527-6565; and 6095 El Cajon Boulevard (at College Avenue), 619-286-3322. This is the one major national chain to cleave firmly to a regional American identity: Wherever you go, if you find a Popeye's you'll be eating Louisiana flavors. But some flavors travel better than others in fast-food translations: The spicy, crisp fried chicken and air-light drop biscuits are fine as can be. The etouffé (whether of chicken or crawfish, when available) is surprisingly decent. The gumbo is weird—flavors aren't bad, but it's more like a Creole risotto, with wet rice instead of liquid (where's the soup?). Dirty rice and jambalaya are nasty and dry. Food quality varies subtly from branch to branch, as does the attitude of the counter-persons. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/02)*

ROCKIN' BAJA LOBSTER 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. At the birthplace of San Diego's Rockin'

Baja Lobster restaurant chain, the decor is Puerto Nuevo lobster house. All palm frond thatch, green wood-slat bar, support poles with green painted iguanas climbing them, signs on the ceiling joists like "Viva Bonita!" and "Work is for people who don't surf." The menu's big draw is the "big Baja bucket" (stuffed with slipper lobster tails, marinated chicken, grilled *carne asada*, and Baja-style shrimp) plus beans, rice, tortillas, and a Caesar salad. And wraps are great. Try the Chinese chicken wrap: grilled chicken, salad greens, crispy noodles, scallions, orange pieces, and oriental dressing in a "cilantro tortilla." Open seven days. Friday happy hour free buffet 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. Other locations: 310 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6333; 3890 Twigg, Old Town, 619-260-0305; 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos, 760-744-7550; 258 Harbor Drive South, Oceanside, 760-967-6199. — *E.B. (9/01)*

SAMMY'S WOODFIRED PIZZA You have a vast choice of wood-fired pizzas here, including many exotic toppings. Salads are popular and are available as half-orders. Same menu lunch and dinner. Continuous service. Open daily. 702 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-456-5222; 770 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-230-8888; 8650 Genesee, Costa Verde, 858-404-9898; 12925 El Camino Real, Del Mar, 858-259-6600; 1620 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 858-456-5222. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

STAR OF INDIA 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-459-3355; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar, 858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It's the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like vegetable *pakora*—a bunch of veggies dipped in chickpea batter and fried, or a nice mess of eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry *masala*, and maybe the first cooked spinach you ever loved, *palak paneer*. At the PB location, you sit under a sky-blue cupola. Ask owner Kulbir about his 14-year-old yogurt culture and its health benefits. Seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

UNO CHICAGO BAR AND GRILL

The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago's better-known exports (along with Oprah and steaks). Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, steak'n cheese burgers) is the wicked "grilled honey-mustard salmon." Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to stick to the staple: deep dish pizzas and salads. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. 4465 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-483-4143; Fashion Valley Center, 619-219-1866; 5th & H, Chula Vista, 619-420-8660. — *E.B. (8/01)*

NORTH COASTAL

AMICI 564 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-9050. Chef Monica Szepey and her brother Michael (hosting) offer personalized, home-style renditions of diverse Latin American and Italian dishes, including house-made breads, pastas, and beverages. You'll feel like a guest at an intimate party eating a leisurely dinner in this small, noisy, pretty dining room. The bill of fare (about five choices for each course) changes nightly. (Groups of three or more can order sampler dinners with tastes of everything.) Be sure to try the house's *chicha morada*, a tangy soft drink made from Peruvian purple corn. The signature dessert is a cloud-like Tres Leches cake. Vegetarian and allergy-restricted diets accommodated. BYOB welcome; beer/wine license pending. Dinner Wednesday through Sunday; reservations very strongly urged. Moderate. — *N.W. (2/02)*

BIRD HOUSE GRILL 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-2882. Turkish food is the order of the day at this cute, small café decorated with birdcages, birdhouses, and birds' nests all

over. The most popular order is the "Super Combo Plate" of charbroiled gyro meat, *kofte* (ground meat kebabs), and moist chicken kebabs, plus fragrant rice pilaf, Turkish salad, pita, and *tzatziki*, the traditional yogurt-cucumber sauce, made here with plenty of dill and a thick, luxury-grade yogurt. Other appealing choices are the vegetable kebab or the house special *Iskender* kebab, a pile of very fine-grained halved sausages (resembling soft-skinned hot dogs with Middle Eastern seasonings) dressed with tomato sauce and billows of the terrific yogurt. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

CAFE SEVILLA CARLSBAD 3050 Pio Pico (off Carlsbad Village Drive), 760-730-7558. The atmosphere is cozy and pleasant. Dine upstairs for larger tables. Tapas and Spanish specialties of average competence. Music will warm your blood. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly, to midnight Friday and Saturday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

CAFE ZINC 132 South Cedros, Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table. Dogs are welcome. Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculpture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

DEL MAR PIZZA 211 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-8088. If you've heard about, dreamed about, or were merely curious about New York pizza, the best local practitioner is now in Del Mar complete with New York manners. The hot sandwiches are good, but the pizza is in a league by itself. The secret lies in the crust. Lasagne and stuffed eggplant

also available, as well as cannoli for dessert. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

EPAZOTE SOUTHWEST RESTAURANT 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-259-9966. Patrons frequently call this establishment the New York Stock Exchange because of its high energy, young crowd, and exciting atmosphere. Good dishes include southwestern-style tapas and spit-roasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte. This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HIDE AWAY CAFE 150 South Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-755-3388. Here's where your mom met your dad the day he bought a long board. The Hide Away is the classic forties California beach café. You have to look carefully down the tiny tree-shaded street to spot their big blue-and-yellow sign. It's a homey little place, with a corrugated iron roof, wooden porch, and a green mantle of gnarly old ivy. Flap through the swing doors. Inhale the good smells from the kitchen. Sit down at one of the intimate tables. Order the jalapeño and grilled red onion omelet with avocado and jack cheese. Or the delicious "Kaleidoscope": scrambled eggs, cheese, bell peppers, onions, and home fries. Finish up with a slice of homemade pumpkin-nut bread. Breakfast and lunch only, open daily to 2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

LE BAMBOU 2634 Del Mar Heights Road, Del Mar, 858-259-8138. Nouvelle Vietnamese cuisine is prepared here that's fresh, light, delicate. But the portions are small and two people should order three entrees for a satisfactory meal. Soups are outstanding and the imperial rolls, lemon grass chicken, soft-shelled crab, vegetarian rolls, and charbroiled pork do well here. The wine list includes 40 items. Fast service and aesthetic surroundings. Closed Monday. Lunch Tuesday to Friday; dinner Tuesday to Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

NEIMANS 300 Carlsbad Village Drive (corner of Carlsbad Boulevard), Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. The peaked dining room has been refurbished and looks like a circular country inn. All-you-can-eat buffet lunch with all-you-can-



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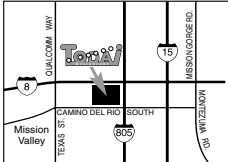
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PACIFICA DEL MAR 1555 Camino del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-792-0476. Select the fresh fish prepared in the simplest manner and you'll do fine here. The setting and view remain delightful and the service excellent. Wok items available. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

PARIOLI ITALIAN BISTRO 647 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-2525. Italian dishes from every section of Italy are prepared with loving care in time-honored tradition. Specialties are risotto, ravioli, leg of lamb, duck breast, fresh fish. Charming atmosphere with fireplace. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

PISCES DELICACIES OF THE SEA La Costa Spa, 2100 Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111. This long-established and still-excellent restaurant is located at the spa itself, in a gorgeous room one flight down from the lobby. The menu includes fresh Maine lobster, lobster thermidor, and Dover sole. Abalone and Maryland soft-shell crabs are seasonal. Please call for directions. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

ROSANNA'S DELI 1070 North El Camino Real, 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 *sfogliatelle*, a light, moist, faintly lemony multi-layered breakfast pastry. The eat-in/take-out menu includes pizza, pasta, salads, and deli sandwiches. Open daily. — *N.W.* (5/02)

RUBY'S DINER 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-RUBY (7829). One thing about Ruby's: You can build

an appetite just getting there. It's at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There's a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby's is part of a themed "forties diner" chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it's still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca Cola signs, "Dewey-Warren" presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too, from omelets to the "Super Burger" with Swiss cheese and avocado on a grilled Parmesan sourdough bun. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/01)

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, DEL MAR 11582 El Camino Real (exit Carmel Valley Road), Del Mar, 858-755-1454. First-rate appetizers, steaks, chops, lobster. You can make a meal from the crab cakes and smoked salmon platter. Outstanding desserts, large enough for two or more. For more romantic atmosphere, take elevator upstairs. Not as noisy as downtown. All vegetables à la carte. Dine early during racing season. Open 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Very expensive. — *E.W.* (6/00)

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 skeleton 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)

SBICCA AMERICAN BISTRO 215 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-1001. The roof garden has an unobstructed ocean view and is especially pleasant for very

good American or Mexican breakfasts. Select simplest preparation for dinner: Chilean sea bass, salads, soups. Roasted half chicken best bet. Lunch Monday through Friday, dinner nightly. Brunch Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.* (9/98)

TERIYAKI 101 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-8813. This surfer hangout has a secret: Behind a gate just south of the restaurant there's a sheltered outdoor dining patio decorated by a tropical mural of island life above and below the water. "Eat Healthy, Feel Good" is the motto on the menu, and teriyaki is the dish that dominates it. But this is Hawaiian teriyaki, with lighter, cleaner flavors than the Japanese version. The dark-meat "Maui chicken" skewer and the moist ono (pink snapper) kebab are especially succulent; you can also opt for pork, veggies, numerous combos, and charbroiled burgers (of beef, fowl, or veggies). Everything comes with rice (white or brown), pleasingly touched with teriyaki sauce. Open Tuesday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

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 cannelloni with an unusual stewed meat stuffing) and the flavorful entrées 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 branch at 1933 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff, 760 634-2335. — *N.W.* (10/01)

VILLAGE MILL BREAD COMPANY 12845 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley (Del Mar Heights), 858-794-4994. Sixteen varieties of bread, all fine for sandwiches. Best bets are honey sunflower and cinnamon swirl, which makes excellent French toast. The bread is soft with soft crusts; children love it. Open daily. — *E.W.*

VIVACE Four Seasons Resort Aviara, 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6999. The well-prepared food is no more expensive than the offerings in any upscale San Diego restaurant, but it's an experience to dine in such luxurious surroundings. Menus change seasonally. The appetizer list offers unique selections. For entrées try chicken in clay pot or daily fresh fish. The Four Seasons lounge is a great place to visit and listen to live music. Go see the hotel. It's worth the trip. Open nightly, 5:30 to 10:30 p.m., diners only. Expensive. — *E.W.*

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. — *E.W.*

WILD NOTE CAFE 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-259-7310. Located adjacent to the Belly Up Tavern, this uniquely decorated room offers excellent salads, pasta, fresh fish, and burgers. The new chef adds luster to the new menu. Loving and attentive service. Open daily. Inexpensive to low-moderate. — *E.W.*

NORTH INLAND

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CHICKEN PLUS GREEK 309 West Mission, Escondido, 760-480-1348. This pleasant little spot (mainly for takeout) has multiple personalities. First, there's very basic rotisseried

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FISH HOUSE VERA CRUZ 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346. This family-style restaurant serves seafood and fresh fish that changes daily. Simple but honest preparation, good value. Open daily for lunch and dinner (dinner menu is served from opening to closing on Sunday). Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE FORTUNE COOKIE 16425 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo, 858-451-8958. Since its 1992 opening, the luster of this handsome, once-ambitious Chinese restaurant has somewhat faded in the face of local preferences. Chef Yang's creative Chinese menu has devolved into the cornstarch-heavy Szechwanese and Cantonese-American crowd-pleasers favored by the RB golf-and-tennis set. Glimpses of high skill remain, in the greaseless beef egg rolls and the sublime soups. Venturesome "regulars" who know how to order can probably still get excellent meals, including delicacies that have vanished from the current menu. The long, smart wine list has minimal mark-ups, and there's a rare (for the genre) array of serious desserts. Moderate. — *N.W.* (9/00)

LA TAPATIA 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and

sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — *N.W.* (5/01)

MILLE FLEURS 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will, everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations a must. Very, very expensive. — *N.W.* (5/01)

MING COURT 12750 Carmel Country Road (Country Plaza Shopping Center), North City West (adjacent to Del Mar), 858-793-2933. Elegance describes the interior of this restaurant. Some unusual preparations are cilantro chicken, pungent shrimp, three-mushroom delight, tangerine beef, and items on the Ming Court specialty list. Service is first-rate. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

ONAMI JAPANESE RESTAURANT 240 East Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido, North County Fair, 760-738-7522. 160-foot Japanese seafood buffet, hot Japanese dishes, salads, desserts, all you can eat. Tons of fresh food. Seats 250. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

RANCHO VALENCIA 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-1123. The dining room and surrounding grounds are gorgeous, the meals beautifully prepared. Great place to take a guest to lunch. Best bets, fresh fish. All California cuisine dishes have Mediterranean influence. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

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RESTAURANTS

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LA JOLLA

910 RESTAURANT Grande Colonial Hotel, 910 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla, 858-964-5400, www.thegrandecolonial.com/nine-ten.html. In this lively, casual-chic dining room, Chef Michael Stebner shapes a constantly changing, luxurious menu based little on "luxury foods" and much more on inspired combinations of luxuriously perfect local, seasonal foodstuffs — clean, fine flavors that taste like themselves. Most items are available as either "small" or "large" plates, so it's easy to create your own tasting menu without breaking the bank. Pastry chef Jack Fisher creates the avant-garde desserts. Open daily, three meals; Monday (typically chef's night off) is a best bet, with Stebner usually on hand to cook for his peers. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (11/01)*

CAFE JAPENGO 8960 University Center Lane, Aventure complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. The decor is smashing and the Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California — is beautiful to behold. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with

crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best. Please make note of the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

DAILY'S Renaissance Towne Centre, 8915 Towne Centre Drive, La Jolla, 858-453-1112. The restaurant is owned by a doctor who has devised a menu that's low-fat, low-calorie, low-sodium. The dishes look and taste wonderful. All items available for takeout. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

DONOVAN'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-450-6666. Very noisy room and distracted service tend to make the experience more stressful than relaxing. Average steaks and chops, though nothing memorable. Popular "in" spot. Diner, Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. Expensive. — *E.W. (4/99)*

HOPS! BISTRO AND BREWERY 4353 La Jolla Village Drive (next to Macy's), University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-587-6677. Hops! serves the best food of any brewery in San Diego. The same menu is served continuously from lunch to closing. Best dishes are spit-roasted chicken and penne with salmon and shrimp. All beers are brewed on the premises. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

MAITRE D' 5523 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-456-2111. Two separate dining rooms, an elegant ambiance, and the presence of the owner himself (formerly with the Plaza Hotel in New York) contribute to a fine dining experience with faultless service. The half-lobster appetizer is a house specialty, and the rack of lamb or fresh fish are always outstanding. Excellent place for large parties and Russian specialties when available. Closed Sunday and Monday. Dinners only, Tuesday through Saturday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

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PANDA COUNTRY 4150 Regents Park Row #190, University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-552-1345. Gorgeous surroundings and stunning presentations carry the day here. The extensive menu does particularly well with its 11 appetizers and its 30 seafood and fish dishes prepared Mandarin or Szechuan style. Scallops and shrimp receive special treatment. Open daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE PANNIKIN CAFE 7467 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-5453. The outdoor seating area is almost always crowded with tea and coffee drinkers who sun themselves, read, or chat. Light meals, including breakfast (steamed eggs, bagels, fruit plates) and sandwiches, soup, salads, as well as beverages and sweets are served. It is a well-known hangout and always crowded. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

ROY'S 8670 Genesee (Costa Verde Center, across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost

of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi's ever-expanding chain has elements of both "top chef" and "chain" about it. That is, a potentially fine restaurant is somewhat stunted by celeb-chef silliness, with the staff working too hard to sell us on the place. (Cool out, guys, it's San Diego.) And it takes a few visits to decode Roy's Rules of Ordering, which make all the difference between a mediocre dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters (for starters or mains) — the same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu *ahi poke*) by asking for it; 3. Don't waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks, when the wine list is brilliant. (Try the "Loess is More" with seafood.) The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are pot stickers, *lumpia*, "Kahana" *shutome* (swordfish), or the chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Open nightly. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the raucous bar. Very expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

SADAF 613 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry — those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, especially at lunch. The appetizers are free: a basket of *lavash* (unleavened bread), and beside it, butter and a large sliced raw onion. Eating bread with onion makes you hungry, say the Persians. Then try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad, or *albalou polo* (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spicing. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (10/00)*

SKY ROOM Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla,

858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — *E.W. (10/99)*

TAPENADE 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-551-7500. Surely one of the best restaurants in the county, you'll find superb, utterly assured French cooking by famed chef-owner Jean-Michel Diot. This is the modern style of French cuisine, light and clean to let every ingredient shine, unmasked by heavy sauces. Each dish is perfect. Pork tenderloin, Muscovy duck, foie gras, and the fresh fish are small triumphs. Worth every penny. Expensive to very expensive. — *E.W. (7/98)*

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.*

ZENBU 7660 Fay Avenue (at Kline), La Jolla, 858-454-4540. It was a natural for fisherman-restaurateur Matt Rimel to open a sushi bar-fish house, featuring sparkling fresh catch, much of it from his own boats. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls, which can be lunkish. Don't miss the sashimi of live local *uni* (sea urchin) served on its shell most weekends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood, sometimes in almost goofily elaborate preparations. No reservations; 30-minute wait likely on weekends. Sushi bar is up a short staircase; dining room and patio tables are wheelchair accessible. Several vegetarian choices. Full bar, good sake list. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (6/01)*

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THE GOOD EGG 7947 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-4244. The menu offers omelets, gourmet pancakes, waffles, and several different kinds of frittatas. Freshly squeezed fruit juices are available, and for lunch there are burgers, salads, and a long list of sandwiches. Good value here. Open approximately 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

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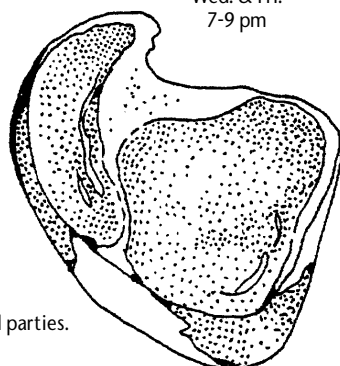
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gourmet Thai specialties. Do try the
Thai Boat filled with seafood. The ap-
petizer prepared from ground shrimp
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low moderate. — *E.W.*

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nue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A
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derful, authentic dishes from all over
Northern Italy (not Naples or Brook-
lyn). The nightly specials and well-priced
Thursday night tasting menus are par-
ticularly inspired — they're what Chef
Alan Martinelli really feels like cooking.
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perfect proportions of sauce, cheese, and
lovely, simple toppings. The long, help-
ful Italian wine list includes bottles at
every price range. The downside? Service
can be abrasive, and reservations, while
recommended, are not always honored
timely. Noisy inside; heated patio dining
for the fortunate. Park near the movie
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near theaters. Open daily, lunch and din-
ner. Moderate (pastas, pizzas, tasting
menus) to expensive. — *N.W. (6/02)*

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9550 Waples Street #115, Mira Mesa, 858-450-9557. This is the sister restaurant to Laurel, and the food is a delight to the palate. Lunch on Saturday served by itself or in conjunction with the wine tasting. Call for directions and specific hours. — *E.W.*

THE BEACHES

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 *ciabatta crostini* is divinely playful. Traditional 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 invariably 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)*

BALEEN Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham Street), Mission Bay, 858-490-6363. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida’s famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chandeliers, peeking from the paintings) and mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers are charmers. The wine list is long and rather steep at the bottom end with better values farther up the range. Reservations recommended. Very expensive. — *N.W. (12/00)*

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. — *E.W.*

HUMPHREY’S BY THE BAY 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-3577, *www.humphreysbythebay.com*. Most diners at this resort/concert venue restaurant eat at the prix-fixe pre-show dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door amphitheatre. They’re missing the best food, which emerges once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features top-quality seafood, juicy meats, and prime steaks with lively, seasonal veggie garnishes. Reserve for show-nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (11/01)*

KONO’S 704 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It’s cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono’s is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB burger (chicken breast, green chili, pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Inexpensive, breakfast and lunch only. — *E.B. (10/00)*

QWIGS BAR & GRILL 5083 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-1101. A splendid ocean view, a good sushi bar, sprightly salads, and fresh fish are the main attractions here. Friendly service. Long flight of stairs to the dining room, with an elevator for wheelchair access. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

SAPPORO JAPANESE RESTAURANT 5049 Newport Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It’s small, but Sapporo has big deals. Particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls

and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables, and noodles) and *Champon* noodle soup (*udon* noodles, scallops, shrimp, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl — a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables and a swag of rice. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

SASKA’S 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Saska’s is the perfect spot for insomniacs. Hearty breakfasts, which can include meat and eggs, are served Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.; the dinner hour extends to 2:00 a.m. as well. Saturday and Sunday brunches offer Mexican specialties. Beachcomber atmosphere. Open daily. Breakfast inexpensive; dinner moderate. — *E.W.*

SUSHI OTA 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don’t come easily. First, find the place: Driving south from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio’s). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors’ choices, watching for off-menu extravaganzas, e.g., sea-snails cooked over flaming sugar or the irresistible “sushi sundae” (*uni, toro*, mountain potatoes, salmon roe). Don’t miss the *ama-ebi*, with crisp shrimp-heads atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan-mushi* (custard broth with ginkgo nuts). Alas, when Ota-san’s away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar-seat for an early dinner Wednesdays through Saturdays, when the master is most likely to be present. Disabled-access chancy; long, crowded waits unless you’ve reserved. Moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

THE VENETIAN 3663 Voltaire Street, Loma Portal, 619-223-8197. For bargain hunters who like vast portions and home-style Italian cooking, try this family restaurant. The pizza is marvelous. For entrées, try shrimp scampi over linguine or eggplant parmigiana. One dining room is partially outdoors. Complete menu to go. Reservations taken for parties of six or more. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Inexpensive (pasta, pizza) to moderate. — *E.W.*

WORLD FAMOUS 711 Pacific Beach Drive, Pacific Beach, 858-272-3100. Located directly on the boardwalk with an unobstructed view, this casual restaur-

ant offers patio or indoor dining. Food preparation is straightforward — nothing fancy, but fresh, wholesome, and offering large portions. Thirty appetizers available in the bar. Combination dinners with steak and seafood are expensive. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday to 3:00 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

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BERTA’S LATIN AMERICAN RESTAURANT 3928 Twigg’s Street (at Congress, diagonal to Rockin’ Baja Lobster), Old Town, 619-295-2343. Sampling the whole range of little-known 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* (citrus-flavored lamb stew) from Peru, earthy Guatemalan *chilemal* (cilantro-laden pork stew), aromatic beef curry from Trinidad, and a sensuous *vatapa* (seafood in coconut sauce) from Brazil’s African-influenced Bahia coast. Vegetarians will find many meat-and-fowl-free options. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

FAIROUZ CAFE AND GALLERY 3166 Midway Drive, Loma Portal, 619-225-0308. Seek out this family-owned-and-operated restaurant for wonderful Lebanese and Greek food. The owner, a noted artist, displays his paintings on the dining room walls. The extensive menu offers excellent lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and a wide selection of exotic vegetarian meals. Copious all-you-can-eat buffet available at lunch or dinner in addition to the regular menu. Given 24 hours, this café will prepare an astonishing Lebanese feast at low cost. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

JACK AND GIULIO’S ITALIAN RESTAURANT 2391 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-294-2074. The former owners of Giulio’s in Pacific Beach now operate Jack and Giulio’s. Best bets are angel hair pasta, minestrone soup, and their famous scampi. Old-style chicken cacciatore always on the menu. Outdoor patio is one of the strong features. This is a low-cost family restaurant with fresh, casual food. Open daily, lunch and dinner; continuous service weekends. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

PREGO Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars Road), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall,

a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters include the antipasto platter, sparkling salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust). Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are near-perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or rotisseried meats and fish, but the nightly specials are where chef Josh McGinnis gets to strut his stuff. Service is warm and well-informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

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ALPINE INN 2225 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, 619-445-5172. If you’re a beef lover, try the Texas burger served on a Kaiser roll with steak fries. Stay with beef here. Dark interior with large booths. Very crowded for both brunch and dinner on Sunday. Early-bird dinner Monday through Saturday for \$7.95. Call for hours. Open daily: lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly, brunch Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

ANTONIO’S HACIENDA 700 N. Johnson Avenue (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 deep-fried confection served with honey, are complimentary with meal. Open daily, lunch, dinner, and Sunday brunch. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

ARIGATO 5575 Baltimore Drive, suite 110, La Mesa, 619-469-3157. Here’s a great bargain Japanese restaurant. Among the best are the combination plates which contain sesame chicken, tempura, and *gyoza* dumplings. The vegetable and shrimp tempura is outstanding. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

ASWAN 7404 University Avenue (at Lowell Street), La Mesa, 619-697-0361. Louisiana and East Africa share the menu at this spacious restaurant “where the Mississippi meets the Nile.” Most dishes are made to order, so don’t expect to eat and run. Start with a sampling of Maryam Suliman’s *Somalian sambussas* (of chicken, beef, spinach, potato, lentils, shrimp, cheese, fruit) — each savory filling is differently seasoned. Then dive into a bowl of co-owner Vernon Sukumu’s exemplary seafood gumbo. You can taste the Big Easy in every bite of NOLA-born chef Patrick Kavanaugh’s Louisiana dishes, including an unbeatable jambalaya, or you can opt for African specialties such as *tibsi, zigni*, *Somalian spaghetti*, or a vegetarian sampler. “All you can eat”

weekend brunches offer items from both cuisines, including fried turkey. No alcohol, no pork, all meats *hallal* (Muslim-butchered). Lunch/dinner Tuesday through Friday, brunch/dinner weekends. Low moderate. — *N.W. (2/02)*

BURNING TREE NATIVE AMERICAN GRILL 40080 Old Highway 80, Boulevard, 619-766-3442, *www.nativegrill.com*. This place feels like someone’s baronial country retreat. Since 1917, it has sat under a grove of California Live Oaks 60 miles east of downtown. It once housed the Chateau Basque restaurant. Elk heads, dark timbers, mottled yellow windows — you start wishing you’d brought your tie. But don’t worry. Jim Buel and his family keep prices reasonable and attitudes casual. They collected Native American recipes throughout the Southwest to create a pretty interesting fusion of American Indian recipes. Try Comanche fried frogs’ legs in a cornmeal crust, or hunter’s stew with venison and rabbit, sirloin of buffalo, or “Skokomish Huckleberry glazed duck.” Open Wednesday through Sunday for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

CHARLEY’S FAMOUS HAMBURGERS 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)*

D.Z. AKIN’S 6930 Alvarado Road, Alvarado Plaza, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother’s. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

EFFIN’S PUB AND GRILL 6164 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-229-9800. Come here after a hard day’s hittin’ the books at nearby State. It’s a brass-on-the-fan-blades, wild west-looking place where things can get pretty lively. The surprise is they have some pretty good food, especially the pizzas. Check the house specials: Monday Madness (an “x-large pizza with domestic draft pitcher”), Taco Tuesday (tacos are bi-ig), and Wing Wednesday (hot & spicy wings go for a song). But, best of all, you can come up to the bar and say “Gimme an Effin beer” and not have to duck. Closed Sundays. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

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OLD OAK INN 1367 Dewey Place, Campo, 619-478-9924. Don’t blink, or you might miss this hub of way-out-there downtown Cameron Corners, near the Campo steam train depot. Makes a great Sunday drive destination. The family who runs it has been homesteading this patch of country since 1868. So naturally the food is good, solid traditional American fare, from ham, eggs, and hash brown potatoes to barbecued beef “piled high” on a toasted bun with French fries and salad, to the three-piece chicken basket dinner. The great pleasure is to fill up, go outside, and then just listen to the silence. Open seven days, lunch and dinner, kitchen closed from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

RAMON’S SMOKEHOUSE BBQ 1730 Alpine Boulevard, Suite 110, Alpine, 619-445-1008. You’re 2000 feet up here, and the mountain air sharpens your appetite. The smell of mesquite wood burning under fresh-cut beef rib is beyond resistance. The secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, especially, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire, disappearing into the clouds of fragrant smoke to flip the racks of beef and pork ribs. In good weather you can eat out back next to an authentic chuck wagon. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

RODEO BAR AND GRILL 10109 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-390-7996. Agnes and Ildikor are

the two blue-eyed Hungarian-born sisters who run this only-in-Lakeside institution. It’s a low, red, grapevine-covered onetime produce barn near the rodeo grounds. A dirt parking lot hides under the trees, and an old freezer door is the main entrance to the restaurant, which has decor straight out of Dodge City. The menu has two sides: the A-side features big steaks, while the B-side offers bargain-priced sandwiches like grilled barbecued beef or the Pony-burger, a flame-broiled quarter-pounder with steak fries, barbecue beans, and fixin’s. On Thursday nights, the sisters’ mom cooks one of her special Hungarian dishes, depending on what the customers have asked for — so get on down there and vote! Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (10/00)*

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ASMARA RESTAURANT 4433 El Cajon Boulevard (at Fairmount), City Heights, 619-563-3666, www.asmarasd.com. The fare here is Eritrean (which proves very similar to Ethiopian), and the menu is long and uncommonly interesting. The meat combination platter is a terrific array, including top-notch *tsebbi derho* (known as *ye-doro wat* on Ethiopian menus), chicken and an egg in a rich, dark sauce, a similar dish with beef, *gored-gored* (lightly seared meat cubes in spicy butter), and lamb *al’cha*, a stir-fry in a mild curry sauce. From the à la carte choices, consider *zilzil t’bsi*, char-grilled meat in butter, and *kulwa*, a sprightly stir-fry of lamb, beef, or chicken. Vegetable dishes are luscious, too. Entrées are served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which serves as an edible spoon and edible tablecloth — use pieces of it to scoop up morsels (in your right hand). Meats are cooked (or not cooked) to your order and seasoned to your specifications

(understand that “hot” means seriously spicy). Vegetarian-friendly. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Can be noisy on weekends. Cash only. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (11/00)*

HUFFMAN’S BAR-B-QUE 5039 Imperial Avenue (at Euclid Avenue), Chollas View, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammad Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman’s fabulous Southern soul food. Try their gravy-smothered fried chicken served with collard greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread, or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sandwich and half-pound rib tips. Open seven days lunch and dinner, to 11 p.m. weekdays, 3 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

IMPERIAL HOUSE 505 Kalmia Street, North Park, 619-234-3525. If you are close to Balboa Park, this is an excellent place for lunch. The special, which costs \$8.95, includes soup or salad plus hot entrée. For dinner try steak, fresh fish, Anna potatoes. Tableside service and a charming view of the park. In a separate room is the Mystery Dinner Theatre which includes dinner plus theater on Friday and Saturday (call for prices). Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner, Tuesday through Saturday; dinner theater, Friday and Saturday in separate room; closed Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

LAO & CHINESE CUISINE 4212 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-263-0914. This restaurant is a simple place, large and spare around Formica tables, that serves uncomplicated, home-style Lao cuisine. I highly recommend the *larb*, a spicy salad with poached minced beef, chicken, or pork and seasoned with lime juice, hot pepper, cilantro, onions, fresh mint, and ground toasted rice. This dish is earthy

and wild, spectacular. Other tasty dishes include papaya pog-pog salad (papaya, chilis, and tomato), *tom yum* soup, and *pho* and *pad si-ew* noodle dishes. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (2/99)*

LUCKY STAR SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 3983 54th Street, corner of University in K-Mart Shopping Mall, 619-229-8228. The Cantonese and Mandarin menu runs to 225 dishes, not to mention the dim sum lunches from roving carts bearing goodies. The huge room is perfect for large parties (call ahead to reserve) or banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog legs. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W. (9/99)*

PAESANO 3647 30th Street (at Landis), North Park, 619-291-4090. Is that Cher pulling up a chair? There’s a definite *Moonstruck* atmosphere about this place. Joe Romano and his family started here in 1967, painting the interior to look like you’re among the stone arches of some Italian village grotto. Pictures of Italian tourist attractions line the walls, and the music is Italian mandolin ditties. The food is traditional Italian-American, with pittance-priced “daily specials” like eggplant parmesan and spaghetti with meatballs, plus salad and garlic bread. Regular dishes are bargain-priced, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

PEKIN RESTAURANT 2877 University Avenue, North Park, 619-295-2610. This old-time Chinese eatery was founded in 1931 by an immigrant from Canton; his grandchildren now run it and it’s hardly changed in 70 years. You’ll find red-tasseled hanging lanterns with translucent pictures of songbirds, mother-of-pearl wall decorations, and big cushioned booths. The food is Gold Rush-era Cantonese-American: chop suey, chow mein, barbecued pork, bean cake with shrimp and rice — all for a song. Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

PHOENICIA 3381 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree, an American flag, and the word “Phoenicia” written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafta* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions and seasonings, but you’ll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

ZIA’S AFGHAN CAFE 4118 30th Street, 619-285-1635. This storefront café with only eight tables serves inexpensive but very well prepared Afghan food. Try three-bean soup, stuffed pockets appetizers, banana squash with spicy yogurt sauce. Lunch and dinner buffet of basmati rice with six toppings for \$6.49. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

UPTOWN

ADAMS AVENUE GRILL 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can’t quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted

butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

BOMBAY EXOTIC CUISINE OF INDIA 3975 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest Cinemas complex, 619-298-3155. Don’t miss the elegant food, the lovely setting, the loving service. Owned by the former proprietors of Monsoon. You will find the food subtle and sophisticated. This Indian restaurant is a blessing to our community. All-you-can-eat buffet lunch \$8.98 daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

COTTAGE CAFE 2321 Fifth Avenue, Banker’s Hill, 619-696-0071, www.cottagecafesandiego.com. The Polish feel of this midtown café is palpable. But you can eat American if you want. The “Farmer’s Breakfast” is a roundup of chopped ham or sausage, onions scrambled with two eggs, home fries, and toast. Or go Polish with a grilled Polish sausage sandwich stuffed with peppers, onions, and sauerkraut on rye. But maybe the most Polish is the all-you-can-eat buffet. Expect items like stuffed cabbage, beef stroganoff, sausages and cabbage, and chicken paprika. Try the Polish beer, “Okocim, 1845,” but be careful — it’s 8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

CREST CAFE 425 Robinson Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. “Hearty Homemade Comfort Food” is the boast, and this small retro-deco café has a four-page menu to back it up. Cecilia and her dad, Luis Moreno, took over this place back 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loyal customers get their photos and names on an honor roll that fills one wall. Lots of lazy ceiling fans, long, hanging blue lights, and art. “Matisse in Morocco,” Salvador Dali, Frida Kahlo. Consider moomsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-

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EL ZARAPE 4642 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-692-1652. This stylish little Mexican restaurant on a tony stretch of Park Boulevard is proof that not all taco shop food is equal. Try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada and you'll know what we mean, with their generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat. Many enjoy their unusual scallop burritos, vegetarian potato-filled burritos and rolled tacos, and well-prepared soups. We go for the stewed meat. El Zarape is dependable, serving Mexican with solid, homemade, handmade flavor. Inexpensive. — M.N. (1/00)

FIFTH AND HAWTHORN 515 Hawthorn, uptown, 619-544-0940. Excellent, very fresh fish and seafood dinners are to be found here. The price of the entrée includes soup or salad. Best bet is the bargain-price per couple prix fixe dinner, which consists of four courses (with a choice of entrées) plus a bottle of wine. À la carte choices are available, too. This restaurant is often frequented by actors and writers, which can add cachet to the evening. Open daily, lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — E.W.

ICHIBAN 1449 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups

overflowing with veggies and thick udon noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "ichi-ban" means. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

KAZUMI SUSHI 3975 Fifth Avenue, Suite 120, Hillcrest, 619-682-4054; sandiego.citysearch.com/E/V/SANCA/0004/13/05/1.html. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, gyoza, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of *nabeyaki udon* (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (10/00)

LOTUS THAI 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegan-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *satay*, beef salad), featuring a very tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties, try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish, accompanied by jammy garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they're spicy), since the kitchen shuns Thailand's fish-based "secret sauce," *nam pla*. It doesn't help that the flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

MANDARIN DYNASTY 1458 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-8899. A splendid place to order a feast for a large party (give at least four hours notice). Banquet dishes include casserole soup, scallops in pepper, General Tso's chicken, and shrimp

in Chinese sauce. New vegetarian menu with over twenty items. Imitation chicken, beef, and pork prepared from soy or wheat gluten. Entrées from the menu may be Americanized and are of average competence. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

THE MISSION NORTH PARK AND CITY BAKERY 2801-2805 University Avenue, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its Russian pecan bread and cinnamon rolls. Lunch and dinner offer California food with Asian and Latino influences. Lots of items under \$10.00. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (7/98)

THE PARKHOUSE EATERY 4574 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays, three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (10/99)

PICASSO SPANISH RESTAURANT 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren't the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed *empanadillas*, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed greenlip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house's workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons' favorite beverage. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

SEVEN 1421 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-297-0722. At this Southwestern American café you can easily make a meal from the first courses plus one of several salads. Pasta dishes are good choices. Smoked or grilled items include barbecue salmon, ribs, and skewered lamb. Venison chili or steak sandwich always a good bet. Pleasant atmosphere. Excellent service. Open daily. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinners nightly. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W.

SHAKESPEARE PUB & GRILLE 3701 India Street, midtown, 619-299-0230. Probably the most convincing English pub in town, named after the most revered writer you've never read. The Bard's brew-house boasts bare-board floors, diamond lead-glass windows, and authentic Brits sitting around the bar quaffing ale from their own pewter mugs. Pub grub is bluff and plain-spoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing) — all are great with a pint of rich English beer, say a Boddington's Pub Ale. Sunday's roast beef dinner is worth dragging yourself out of bed for, too. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

WHOLE FOODS MARKET 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods' prepared food section will feed you better, and faster, than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their *farofa* salad, like American stuffing, but it's couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods' vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — M.N. (4/99)

DOWNTOWN

A LA CARTE ON SIXTH AVENUE 921 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.W.

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 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Separate dining rooms for parties. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

AUBERGINE 500 Fourth Avenue (at Island Street), Gaslamp Quarter, 619-232-8100, www.aubergineon4th.com. After its early awkwardness attempting to please all tastes, this restaurant has found its footing with a new chef and a shorter, more focused menu featuring light, rather sweet interpretations of Asian dishes, a scattering of Italianate flavors, and fine, smoky hardwood-grilled steaks and chops. Execution has improved, too, so that dinner here is no longer a gamble — you'll generally eat well, and if the food never startles you, it probably won't bore you either. On Friday and Saturday nights, the restaurant and adjoining theater turn into a huge nightclub filled with twenty-somethings; Saturdays, before the metamorphosis, there's an affordable three-course prix fixe dinner that includes the nightclub cover charge. Reserve for weekend dinners. Dinner Monday through Saturday. Upper moderate to expensive. — N.W. (7/02)

THE BLARNEY STONE 502 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-255-8519. This handsome establishment, made of dark wood from the Emerald Isle, includes a large, good-looking separate dining room that opens when the dining public forms a critical mass, or around 8 p.m. Like most local Irish pubs, the menu is mainly American and gringo-Mex snack foods, including an "Irish quesadilla" (corned beef and cheese on a flour tortilla). The three wannabe Celtic dishes are an indifferent corned beef and cabbage, "steak Kildare" (a tough, mushroom-smothered rib eye), and "fish and chips Lifey," which aren't noticeably different from, say, fish and chips "Thames" or "Afton" or even "Missouri." Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

BLUE POINT COASTAL CUISINE 565 Fifth Avenue (at Market), Gaslamp District, 619-233-6623. Very classy atmosphere and menu — mostly fish and seafood — to match. You can eat appetizers at the bar, but best bets are nightly fish entrées or steak and crab cakes served with lots of organic vegetables. A welcome addition to down-

town. Dinner only, from 5:00 p.m. Expensive. — E.W.

CAFE 828 828 Sixth Avenue (at F Street), Gaslamp District, 619-231-8282. Jay Greenfield (longtime chef at the celebrated Bernard'O in Rancho Bernardo) presides at this "find," a small, civilized bistro serving almost honey Mediterranean dishes with some California touches. Everything's carefully cooked from scratch and presented without pretension. Don't miss the home-style fried calamari or the scallop on lobster risotto. Desserts alone are worth the trip here: the classic warm apple tarte Tatin on a crackly-thin crust ... a pecan "cannoli" filled with a dense, satin-soft white chocolate mousse.... Full bar; below-average corkage for BYO wines. "Sun-set special" three-course dinner is a bargain. Dinner nightly, until 11:30 p.m. on weekends. Moderate. — N.W. (6/02)

CROCE'S RESTAURANT AND JAZZ BAR 802 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-233-4355. If you enjoy premises with doors open to the street and nightly jazz in the adjoining room, try Croce's. The chef prepares excellent appetizers, pastas, salads, and entrées. Menus change seasonally. Outdoor as well as indoor seating. Nightly jazz. Dinner only. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

DAKOTA GRILL AND SPIRITS 901 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-234-5554. First sign that you've arrived in chipotle/chile country: the toddler-sized cowboy boot on your table that serves as vase to a faux agave plant. This kind of cooking runs the risk of losing its focus in a multitude of ingredients, something Dakota does a decent job of avoiding. When everything works, it plays like comfort food with a kick. The seafood ravioli — spinach pasta stuffed with a blend of salmon, halibut, and swordfish planted atop wilted greens and topped with pickled jalapeno relish — melds into a pleasant whole. The blue cornmeal-crust chicken salad, similarly well-conceived, is gussied up with crispy potato strings, tortilla rajas, and dried apricots that sweetly counter the blue cheese in the dressing. The apricot-whole grain mustard glaze on the pork prime rib makes sense, as do the giant, multiple-straw margaritas. Meat — sizable quantities of it — is usually well-prepared; sides may feel cursory. Moderate to expensive. — A.M. (5/01)

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DUBLIN SQUARE 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 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, resembling the corned beef of Katz's Deli on the Lower East Side — it's that wee touch o' the garlic that does the trick.

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FAZ 530 Broadway (at Sixth Avenue), Courtyard Marriott, Gaslamp District, 619-446-3040, www.fazrestaurants.com. Persian-born restaurateur Faz Poursohi, owner of several successful Bay Area restaurants, presents Middle Eastern- and Mediterranean-inspired dishes interpreted in clean, streamlined Northern California style and executed with rare precision. Wood fire is the star of this show, ranging from kebabs on a rotisserie to a brined, smoked pork chop that's an object lesson in how to cook today's pork. Don't overlook the starters, such as the definitive eggplant puree, the marinated peppers with Laura Chenel goat cheese, or the house salad of baby greens and walnuts in a vibrant pomegranate vinaigrette. But save a little appetite for the ethereal warm cheesecake dessert. Valet parking is \$5 at hotel entrance on Sixth Avenue just north of Broadway. Full bar, affordable wine list. Breakfast daily, lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/02)*

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GYROSCOPE GREEK CAFE 926 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-235-4635. You want cheap and interesting food in the Gaslamp? Gyroscopes's one of the few that make that list. They have the usual medium-priced beef kabob, moussaka, *spanakopita*, *dolmades*, tiger shrimps, and steak. But you can also get amply filling sandwich-size plates for just a few bucks: beef kabob, lamb, chicken breast, and of course the gyro (marinated lamb and beef slices in pita bread). Get one of these, a glass of burgundy, and a table with a view of the passing parade, and you'll be feeling like a king. Even cheaper at lunchtime. Open seven days. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

LA GRAN TAPA 611 B Street, downtown, 619-234-8272. Here is a good spot for a light meal, especially before or after a cultural event. Tapas, Spanish appetizers, are prepared hot or cold, and the seafood, such as shrimp in sherry sauce and fresh octopus, is always fine. Try *tortilla española* (cold potato and egg "pie") and paella. Lively, casual atmosphere. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W. (1/99)*

LA STRADA 702 Fifth Avenue (at Fifth and G), Gaslamp District, 619-239-3400. The setting is lovely, but the Northern Italian food preparation may be uneven. Stay with pasta dishes and low-priced items. Open daily for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Late hours weekends. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

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ROYALE BRASSERIE 224 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-237-4900. Like a theme park for nostalgics yearning for bygone Bohemian Paris, Royale's eye-popping Art Nouveau decor re-creates a *fin de siècle* brasserie — but "re-creation" or no, it makes dinner a recreational activity. You'll find competent reproductions of French bourgeois classics — *escargots*, frogs' legs, *charcuterie*, et al. — with an emphasis on impeccable seafood. The newfangled yellowfin tartare is to die for, the Belgian-style mussels with *frites* to dive into, and the huge cold shellfish platters are to share and to swoon over. To accompany the feast, the wine-by-the-glass choices are super-savvy. Often very noisy; heated patio; reservations necessary. Moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (11/00)*

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE 1355 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-233-1422. Six cuts of steak are available, all cooked in a special broiler at 1800 degrees. The U.S. prime steaks are aged and hand cut daily. They're fabulous, but nothing is on the plate except the piece of meat. Vegetables and eight styles of potatoes are à la carte. Lobster tail, fresh fish, chicken, and chops also available. Gorgeous view and service. Open nightly for dinner. Reservations recommended three

to five days in advance on weekdays. Call a week in advance for weekends. Expensive. — *E.W.*

SADAF 828 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp District, 619-338-0008. Vegetarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There's excellent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. — *N.W. (12/00)*

TAKA 555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-338-0555. This restaurant is a knockout. Gorgeous food and beautiful setting. Entrées, which combine Asian and Continental elements, can be ordered in half portions. Don't miss linguine and seafood, filet mignon, salmon sauté. Highly satisfying food at prices you can afford. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

TOP OF THE MARKET 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-234-4867. The upper-crust upper floor of the downtown Fish Market (see Multiple Locations listing) has largely the same food as the downstairs, plus a few luxury items (e.g., abalone) and occasionally some creative appetizer specials. Prices are about 25% higher for identical items, in exchange for a slightly elevated view and a dressier, white-tablecloth setting that's almost "formal" by San Diego standards — flip-flops and tank tops (on men) aren't allowed, and collared shirts (e.g., polos) are suggested at dinner. That doesn't mean that the atmosphere is quietly gracious — the room's just as huge, packed, and raucous as the lower

realms, even on the terrace. Reserve, and expect a short wait anyway. Elevator provides wheelchair access. Open daily. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

TURFSUPPERCLUB 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, "re-established" in 1998), if your meat's done wrong, it's your own fault. Every night's an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that's the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat's a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you're an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you'd miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

VINCENZO RISTORANTE ITALIANO 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181, www.vincenzoristoranteitaliano.com. The specialty at this tourist favorite (Texans are rife) is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant's fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete's Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant's hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Easy parking a block east in lot on Columbia. Moderate. — *N.W. (8/01)*

THE WESTGATE GOURMET DELICATESSEN Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich

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SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

AZZURA POINT Loews Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road (Silver Strand Boulevard), Coronado, 619-424-4477. The quietly luxurious dining room with a serene bayfront view is romantic and a bit dressy, but far from stuffy. It's not just for tourists, but a lovely evening's getaway for locals. The California-French cuisine emphasizes seasonal ingredients in slightly unexpected combinations, with especial ingenuity in the appetizers. Along with the six-course "chef's menu," there's a reasonably priced five-course vegetarian menu showcasing fresh herbs grown in the resort's garden. A good wine list at reasonable markups is strong on half-bottles. Free valet parking at the porte cochere of the main lobby. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Very expensive. — N.W. (11/01)

CAFE 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chapman has created a French café atmosphere with round Parisian tables and slat chairs outside and a balcony inside. Here Coronado's arty types mix with admirals, CEOs, and SEALs. Big fat cups of tea are a favored drink. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs, Swiss cheese and ham, a side of fruit and sliced baguette. Lunches are sandwiches (like curried tuna or brie con pesto) or salads (try the chicken). Best deal: the Combo Special, a half sandwich and soup or salad. And there's always an art exhibit

going on inside. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

CATHIE'S PLACE CAFE Sharp Coronado Hospital, 250 Prospect Place, Coronado, 619-522-3634. Cathie's may look like a hospital cafeteria. It certainly serves patients, doctors, employees, the retirement home across the road, and the visiting public. But this place is run by a Marriott spin-off. And what meals! Beef burgundy with stuffed potatoes and seasonal vegetables, plantation pork loin with fruit and nut chutney, baked fish with lemon sauce.... Breakfasts are forgettable — lunch and dinner are where it's at. The menu changes daily, but you can call ahead or ask Cathie (she's real and she's Scottish) to fax you the weekly "take-out dinner" menu. Weekdays only, breakfast to early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/00)

IL FORNAIO 1333 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4911. Also at Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-8876. Il Fornaio's defensive architecture walls it off from the Great Unwashed — the tourists wandering around Coronado's Old Ferry Landing — but it's worth breaching if only to get your teeth into their to-die-for bread. "Il fornaio" means "the baker," after all. Beyond bread, we're talking rustic-feeling, herbal, ultra-fresh salads, and everyday Italian dishes ranging from *Sfilatino Con Bistecchina* (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquite-grilled 22-ounce *Bistecca Alla Fiorentina*, with lots of vegetarian and pasta dishes in between. A simple *Penne Alla Sorrentina* — pasta tubes with a tomato, mozzarella, and basil sauce — is charming. *Pizza Puttanesca* is heaven too, if you're into anchovies. Interesting regional menus from different provinces of Italy pop up during the first two weeks of each month. Most staffers seem mind-blowingly knowledgeable. Oh, and then there's that view. Go at sunset or on a Friday lunchtime when Navy ships are coming home, sliding right past your table. Moderate. — E.B. (1/02)

MCDIN'S 105 East 8th Street, National City, 619-474-6771. A historic, sprawling bar with a diverse, mellow family scene — all ages, all races, chatting, playing pool, cozying up to the all-encompassing jukebox, or smoking under a roofed front "patio." Or chowing down on industrial-grade pub grub, made largely of restaurant-supply products (including the vaunted corn beef, bland as packaged ham). But the fresh vegetables are surprisingly good, so choose something that includes the luscious mashed potatoes and look upon the rest as garnish. No wheelchair

bathroom. Open daily. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/01)

MCP'S IRISH PUB & GRILL 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5280. With a crowd ranging from Navy retirees to chic singles barely of drinking age, the perpetual party on McP's patio is nurtured by above-average Irish-Mexican-American pub grub (burgers, potato skins, nachos, etc.). The Irish fare includes a pleasing Mulligan stew served in a hollowed bread-loaf, and an absolutely fabulous corned beef and cabbage plate, with tender, thick slices surrounding cabbage so young and sweet it ought to be carded. Good soups, too. Daytimes, try the hearty (and then some) Irish meat-fest breakfast. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

MIGUEL'S COCINA 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. (Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, 619-224-2401.) Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

THE OLD BONITA STORE 4014 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-3537. The menu is strongly influenced by Baja Californian/Mexican cooking. The signature dish is the bucket of Baja-style lobster for two. The bucket includes slipper lobster tails, shrimp, grilled chicken, and carne asada, plus Caesar salad, rice and beans, and tortillas. Open daily. Moderate. — E.W.

SWADDEE THAI 1001 C Avenue (10th Street), Coronado, 619-435-8110. Tourists never stray to Swaddee's quiet residential location a block from the bright lights of Orange Avenue. Their loss is the locals' gain. The dining room is a quiet, lovely haven from the hustle; the service is caring and gracious. Even if the long list of Siamese specialties is merely standard, the kitchen, too, is devoted to the art of gently giving pleasure. The peanut sauce accompanying the satay, for instance, is classically balanced; the complex but soothing coconut-chicken soup can wash away all cares; and the calamari in the many

seafood arrays is cleverly knife-scored to achieve sheer tenderness along with good looks. Even the jasmine rice is an exceptionally fragrant brand. Unless you specify otherwise, spicy dishes have a nice nip tuned to brave but tender *farang* tastebuds. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

VFW 557 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6917. You may have to get over the feeling you're intruding on a private club here, but boy, is it worth it! One, everybody has a story. Two, the "public is welcome" lunches are home-cooking at genuine Korean War prices. Mondays and Wednesdays it's burgers. Tuesdays and Thursdays are "Guess What?" days — typically, enchilada casserole, baked chicken or spaghetti, or a fried-rice dish that's full of good things. Two really tasty occasionals are liver with mashed potato and onions or chicken-fried steak with fried rice. First and third Friday nights of the month, outsiders are invited to join the weekly fish fry from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Check out the photos and memorabilia from wars fought from Siberia to Vietnam. Lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/00)

TIJUANA

(The prefix for all Tijuana numbers is 011-52-664. From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.)

ANTOJITOS DEL PAIS Gobernador Balazero, 9750 Fraccionamiento America, near Azteca hotel, 686-2424. Open 24/7 except from midnight on Sunday to 7 a.m. Monday. Hit at lunch hour, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and you'll find 22 waitresses and cooks serving you on the street, stirring huge steaming pots of soup, foot-high clay pots simmering with frijoles, and dark-brown ceramic bowls of meat simmering on the flames. This isn't TJ, it's Central Mexico. Some great choices include *bistek ahumada* (smoked beef) or *costilla de res* (beef ribs), *pollo en mole*, *lengua de res* (ox tongue), and *carne de cerdo* (pork), all around \$3, including soup, dessert, and pleasant culture shock. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

CHIKI JAI 1388 Avenida Revolución (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're surrounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gardner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and

drank vino tinto — here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana's great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos' brands, and a matador's framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food's all Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, *salchicha* (pork sausages), *bacalao* (cod fish) *al la Vizcatina*, trout with olive oil and garlic, and gallician octopus. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/02)

EL RINCON DEL OSO Location 47, Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria, Rio District, Tijuana. Eating goat is an acquired taste. This little market restaurant is a good place to start acquiring. It serves kid for breakfast that's surprisingly easy on the taste buds. The best part is scooping the juices and the meat into a hot corn tortilla, adding cilantro, lime, grated onions, and a splash of salsa, and chomping in. It's meaty, slightly rich, almost gamey, like deer or buffalo, except the juices round out that gamey aftertaste. Come early morning for the best kid and the best market scenes. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

EL RODEO 1647 Blvd. Salinas, Tijuana, 686-5640. Steak lovers will have a field day here with a variety of cuts, some cooked right at your table. The accompaniments are wonderful: an appetizer and quesadilla, a crisp salad, beans served in their own liquid — even a dessert is included in the price of the entrée. Cheese soup, burritos, and tripe are also available. *Vaquero* decor, wood-paneled rooms. Good value if you like beef. Open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente; turn left just before the twin high-rise towers, and left again, onto the one-way street, Blvd. Salinas. El Rodeo is on the right side of the street. Highly visible and easy to find. Moderate. — E.W.

LA ESPADANA 10813 Avenida Sanchez Taboada, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. Beautifully prepared meals that include appetizer, soup or salad, and entrée are available in this structure whose name means bell tower and whose exterior resembles a mission. Best bets here are filet steak on a skewer (*brocheta de filete*), baby back ribs (*costillar de puerco*), and leg of lamb (*pierna de borrego*). The portions are mammoth, and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service,

delightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Moderate. — E.W.

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*, *bistek 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)

PALM GRILL Cantamar (halfway to Ensenada), 614-1203. The A-frame building looks like a thatched hut and has two interior floors and an upper- and lower-level patio. Food is American, French, and Continental with a few Mexican dishes. Lots of atmosphere and fine service. Best bets are daily fresh fish. Watch your costs here as prices rival good American restaurants. Open daily. Take Ensenada Cuota road to Cantamar exit. Turn right. Two toll charges. (Free road: 46-1/2 km Carretera a Ensenada.) Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

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Lovely and Amazing

is still another not-bad-looking digital-video "film" (not-good-looking, either), covered in a sort of hot-chocolate scum, unlovely and unamazing. Aside from that, it's a women's-issues forum on body image, sexuality, maternal instinct, career, the whole can of worms. Issues, it would be fair to say, in search of a movie, if not in search of characters. Brenda Blethyn is the middle-aged mother whose two biological daughters have flown the nest, though not as far or as soon as their father flew it, and who has attempted to fill that hole with an adopted black daughter (underline *adopted*, as this is not a reprise of Blethyn's role in *Secrets and Lies*), and who hopes to fill that other hole with, as it were, ten pounds of liposuction. In the meantime she fills her bed with throw pillows. The married one of her daughters, Catherine Keener (the indie queen whose forte is unsuppressed hostility), is an unmarketable crafty artist, neglected by husband and daughter, who takes an eight-dollar-an-hour job in a one-hour

photo shop and has a fling with her seventeen-year-old boss. The unmarried one, the stick-figured but twinkly-eyed Emily Mortimer, is a needy neurotic actress who drives away her boyfriend and takes in stray dogs (or merely unsupervised ones). Her, and the movie's, big scene: a part-by-part inspection of her naked body

by an egocentric actor: "Your bush is big.... Your teeth are yellow...." The adopted daughter, Raven Goodwin, is on the other hand certifiably overweight and yearns for fair skin and straight hair. Writer-director Nicole Holofcener, whether out of brutal honesty or vindictive spite, certainly not out of effervescent wit, spares none of them: they are lucky, she suggests in a charitable conclusion, to have one another. And unlucky, the viewer might chime in, to have their writer-director.

Never Again arranges a second-chance romance for two fifty-four-year-old New Yorkers, a social worker played by Jill Clayburgh (Ms. Zeitgeist of 1979) and a pest controller played by Jeffrey Tambor (an actor who has spent too much time in television comedy, breeding ground of oily insincerity). They find each other at the vulnerable moment when (a) her only daughter has left home for college and (b) he is exploring homosexuality as an antidote for impotence. Writer-

REVIEW

DUNCAN SHEPHERD



Eight-Legged Freaks

director Eric Schaeffer assumes that anyone hankering after a mature screen romance — anyone who will nod in agreement when the heroine laments, "It's disheartening that there's no movie about a woman over thirty-five who wants to have sex and doesn't get decapitated" — will also be hankering after the adolescent tastelessness of *American Pie* and *There's Something about Mary*. Hence the nonstop naughty talk, the Toys for Twats, the butt plug (titter-titter). To judge from the pants-wetting intensity of laughter around me during the dildo scene and the "gynecologist" scene, he might be right. For my part, I don't know when some-

thing so life-affirming has hit me as so depressing. Even disheartening. Then again, notwithstanding the crowd response at the preview screening, the opening date has been postponed indefinitely. I might take heart from that.

My Wife Is an Actress is a piece of fluff about a French sportswriter, an average Jean, who's having a hard time coping with his wife's occupation: the autograph hounds, the nosy acquaintances, the handsome co-stars, the kissing scenes, the nude scenes, the ten quarts of water per day and the commensurate trips to the bathroom. Very little weight is added by the autobiograph-

ical subtext: Yvan Attal, the leading man and first-time director, is himself an actor, not an average Jean, but he's hardly as well known as his wife and leading lady, Charlotte Gainsbourg, child of show-biz royalty, Serge Gainsbourg and Jane Birkin. More bluntly: the material is no less hackneyed for being first-hand. (Or for being foreign.) The leading lady, who speaks French like a Frenchwoman and English like a Brit, is without doubt a charmer (and much more than that in Franco Zeffirelli's *Jane Eyre*), but she cannot fill the hollow at the heart of the movie. What's her appeal to her fictional husband — what's their relationship based



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on — apart from her celebrity?
Eight-Legged Freaks (hyphen mine) is a wised-up, camped-up creature feature about overgrown arachnids overrunning Prosperity, Arizona. Incestuous horror-film allusions abound: a parrot who squawks, “I see dead people!”; a clip from *Them!* in a TV Monster Movie Marathon; a shopping-mall fortress similar to the one in *Dawn of the Dead*; and on and on. Although it presents itself as a comedy, it is somehow less amusing than its straight-faced Fifties forerunners, and paradoxically, thanks to technological advances in creature animation, more frightening at the same time. That, though, is not an even exchange. Nothing, and definitely not technology, matters more than attitude. And the filmmaker who has only contempt for his material and his audience — Ellory Elkayem, by name — will earn more of the same for himself. (For contrast, see, in its entirety, the aforementioned *Them!* It earns neither laughs nor chills so much as admiration.) The same principle applies to the foot soldiers. David Arquette shields himself behind an ironic detachment which proclaims he’s too good for this sort of thing, and which proves the opposite. Whereas Kari Wuhrer, normally a straight-to-video actress, can ill afford to act too good for it, and acts quite well. Scarlett Johansson, not apt to make an entire career of the Coen brothers (*The Man Who Wasn’t There*) and Terry Zwigoff (*Ghost World*), perhaps actually is too good for it.

Stuart Little 2 is little, too. (Approximately seventy minutes.) But cute. Too cute. This time the computerized mouse (not to be confused with the thing on your computer mouse pad) makes friends with a computerized canary, secret cohort of a Fagin-esque falcon. The avian aspect opens the door to some palm-moistening moments of acrophobic torture. (A clip

of *Vertigo* on TV points to the self-aware sadism of filmmaker Rob Minkoff.) The wholesomeness of the whole may be ninety-percent sham, but it’s still preferable to the smart-ass brassiness that threatens to tyrannize kiddie films today. Of those, no vigilant parent could bemoan a shortage in the summer of ’02. And of ones that might gracefully be borne by grown-ups, this one is right up there (worm’s-eye view) with *Reign of Fire* (that’s a kiddie film, right?), *The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course*, *Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron*, and *Spider-Man* (was that this summer?).

But here, to change course abruptly, is what excited me this past week more than any or all of the above. (It doesn’t really take much to excite me.) Some weeks ago TCM devoted a night to the work of Sam Fuller, never a great favorite of mine, but a colorful character, a true personality, a good guy. I chose to tape for future viewing two of his films I hadn’t seen in a while. The first, *Park Row*, was a 1952 B-movie about an upstart New York newspaper in the latter half of the 19th Century. Christened the *Globe*, it, among other things, spearheads a fund drive to purchase the needed pedestal for the Statue of Liberty. The second, *Shock Corridor*, eleven years later, was more like a grade-Z movie, looking as if it were shot in a week on a budget of around eighty dollars. It concerns an undercover reporter who gets himself committed to a mental hospital in order to solve a murder and win the Pulitzer. (Fuller had been a newspaperman himself.) The paper he works for is identified as the *Globe*, and on the wall behind the publisher’s desk is a framed front page commemorating the inauguration of the Statue of Liberty. As if *this were the same newspaper a century later!* Now, this was long before Turner Classic Movies, long before video, and well before *auteur* was a word in the American household. Who, I had to ask myself, without benefit of such a happy juxtaposition, could be expected to notice this and to make the connection? For whom, to ask it another way, was Fuller doing it? All of a sudden I felt as if I was looking through the right end of the telescope. ■

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and antipathies by the black spot. Unrated movies are for now unreviewed. Thousands of past reviews sorted alphabetically, by year of release and by rating, are available online at SanDiegoReader.com.

About a Boy — A conscience-free cad (e.g., inventing a two-year-old son so as to cruise a single-parents support group for dates) is rescued from his self-absorption by a twelve-year-old misfit with a dotty mother. Conventional in form and sentiment, despite such a dark-comic bit as the dead duck in the park (slain by a leaden loaf of mum’s multi-grain bread), and despite the breezy, brazen cheekiness of the Son-of-Angry-Young-Man protagonist (Hugh Grant, sugaring every effrontery with his innate sparkle). The dual narrators, man and boy, chain the movie to its literary source (a Nick Hornby novel), though co-directors Paul and Chris Weitz provide a visual touch or two. With Nicholas Hoult, Toni Collette, Rachel Weisz. 2002.
★ (LA JOLLA 12)

The Bourne Identity — Those who had been backing Doug Liman as a vital new maverick director (*Swingers*, *Go*) will have their work cut out for them on this one, a middle-of-the-road adaptation of the Robert Ludlum best-seller about an amnesiac spy, previously made as a two-part TV miniseries starring Richard Chamberlain and Jaclyn Smith. Granted, Liman’s cast has strong roots in the independent cinema: Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Chris Cooper, Brian Cox, Clive Owen, Julia Stiles. But that only accentuates the scent of the social climber: the “independent” who’s looking for a hook-up. For all its démodé denigration of the CIA as a band of dirty tricksters, the plotline is very much an ode to the superspy: far more Bond than Smiley. The hero doesn’t know he’s one of those, nor even know his own name, after he’s hauled out of the Mediterranean by subtitle-speaking fishermen, with two slugs in his back and a Swiss bank code implanted in his hip. His training, however, comes out in a twinkling whenever he needs it: one-man-army karate, human-fly climbing, Grand Prix driving, fluency in any language under the sun. He can even do a spot of women’s hairstyling for purposes of altering appearance. And the need arises often, because there’s an army of assassins on his 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; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; VOGUE)

Cinema Paradiso — A valentine to all movie lovers. Or else a blackmail note. Part-Truffaut and part-Fellini (part-*Day for Night* and part-*Amarcord*), it’s a sentimental flashback to a post-war Italian village where, in the eyes of one altar boy, the movie theater supplants the church as the religious house of choice, and the local projectionist becomes a kind of subversive high priest (with a bin full of censored hot parts). Inasmuch as the director, Giuseppe Tornatore, is Italian, it leans more toward, and even a bit beyond, Fellini: broad, loud, vulgar. Also in the Fellini way, it rambles on episodically, and it loses its bearings after the projectionist is blinded (and retires to the sidelines) and the protagonist grows up. And Morricone’s mawkish little “love theme” gets repeated and repeated until you want to scream. Plenty of nice old film clips, even though a little skimpy on Hollywood ones, and even though Vadim’s *And God Created Woman*, made in 1956, ap-



The Country Bears

pears chronologically prior to 1954. With Philippe Noiret and Jacques Perrin. 1989.
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

The Country Bears — Disney World amusement-park attraction comes to life, directed by Peter Hastings. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HARBOR DRIVE IN; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 7/26)

The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course — Entertaining lessons on Australian wildlife, from cable TV personality Steve Irwin (“It’s so hot out here the flies are comin’ right into my eyes for a drink”), are interrupted with an unentertaining fictional quest for a spy satellite’s data recorder: swallowed by a croc, like the alarm clock in *Peter Pan*. With Terri Irwin, Magda Szubanski, and David Wenham; directed by John Stainton. 2002.
★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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 Culklin, and Jena Malone are cast in a colder light. Based on a novel by Chris Fuhrman; with Vincent D’Onofrio and Jodie Foster. 2002.
★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 7/26)

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; HORTON PLAZA 14)

Eight-Legged Freaks — Reviewed this issue. With David Arquette, Kari Wuhrer, Scarlett Johansson, and Doug E. Doug; directed by Ellory Elkayem.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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 director Alan Taylor (*The Sopranos*, *Sex and the City*, *The West Wing*, *Homicide*), 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 Moloney 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. 2002.
★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 7/26)

Enigma — Second World War espionage thriller, set on the British homefront at Bletchley Park, otherwise known as Station X, the top-secret cryptography center, where they’ve now got just four days to crack “Shark,” the revised German U-boat code, before a convoy of merchant ships from the U.S. enters perilous waters. In other words: same genre, same era, same milieu (more or less) as the nearby *Charlotte Gray*. We even meet the protagonist, a woolly-headed math whiz (“With numbers, truth and beauty are the same thing”) recovering from a nervous breakdown, exactly where we earlier met Charlotte: at the window of a train compartment, which gives way to another train compartment in flashback. And like *Charlotte*, it belongs in the unglamorous, unromanticized, Graham Greene branch of spy fiction, notwithstanding the love triangle between an ace decoder (Dougray Scott, looking a bit like a young Tom Courtenay), a mysterious willowy blonde (Saffron Burrows), and the latter’s wallflower roommate (Kate Winslet), fellow employees at Bletchley. Plot convolutions aside, it’s historically interesting material, even, you might argue, intrinsically more interesting than the more famil-

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Lost Highway — The excitement of David Lynch's return to the big screen, ending an absence of five years, starts to taper off steadily after the breathless credits sequence of automobile headlights gobbling up an infinite dotted yellow line underneath the retro pulp-paperback lettering. It — the excitement, such as it is — does not drop off sharply. An indefinite, indefinable *noir*-ish mood of malaise, paranoia, *Angst*, tension, strain, and general heebie-jeebies is strongly established. A consistency of tone and texture, technically very adept, is cultivated through the visual ambience of chi-chi color (chocolate, salmon), interior shadows which in places approach the specifications of an extraterrestrial black hole, and almost Kubrickian, almost Antonionian expanses of empty space and blank walls around an isolated, alienated figure. And the spectator who is prepared to keep his part of the unwritten bargain, and meet the artist halfway, has several junior-detective questions to chew on. For openers: *What the hell is going on here?* By the time the jazzman protagonist (a five-o'clock-shadowed Bill Pullman) metamorphoses inside a prison cell into an altogether different person (Balthazar Getty), the junior detective should be ready to resign from the case. The trademark Lynchian atmosphere of seaminess and sinfulness remains strong throughout (bolstered greatly by generous helpings of Patricia Arquette's flesh), but there is nothing to keep you guessing, pondering, wondering. You give up. The nightmarish vein of thriller carved out by such fictionists (and *film noir* fountainheads) as William Irish, Fredric Brown, David Goodis, John Franklin Bardin, was always most profitable when there was a waking-up, a clearing-up, in the dénouement. That was a major plank in *their* end of the bargain. Lynch honors no pact with anyone. He follows his own course of logic or illogic, a loop-the-loop path that spirals outward into ever deepening confusion, pretension, and tedium. Suggested better title: *Lost Bearings*. With Robert Blake, Robert Loggia, Gary Busey. 1997.

★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 7/25 THROUGH 27, 7 P.M.)



Mr. Deeds

Lovely and Amazing — Reviewed this issue. With Catherine Keener, Emily Mortimer, Brenda Blethyn, Raven Goodwin, Dermot Mulroney, and Jake Gyllenhaal; written and directed by Nicole Holofcener. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

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, indistinguishable from and interchangeable with their predecessors. That the movie runs barely eighty

minutes (minus its closing credits) could likely be seen, in that light, 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. 2002.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Minority Report — A Steven Spielberg vision of the future, via Philip K. Dick, with a legitimate science-fictional idea in it. The idea has to do with an experimental crime-prevention unit in Washington, D.C., in the mid-21st Century — the Department of Pre-Crime — whose task is to stop the murders foreseen by a co-ordinated trio of clairvoyants known as Pre-Cogs, soaking round the clock in a communal bath, in a perpetual twilight zone between sleep and wakefulness. They can't tell everything. They can't, for reasons brushed aside in a single snippet of dialogue, foretell any crime but homicide. And they cannot tell *where* the crime will occur, much less whether the Pre-Crime storm troopers will arrive in time to prevent it. They can, though, tell the names of the victim and perpetrator (neatly spelled out on little wooden balls dispatched through a pneumatic tube), and they can tell, to the exact minute, *when* the crime will occur. It's the detectives' job to view the mental images (stored somehow in those engraved billiard balls) and to figure out the scene of the crime before the literal deadline. The system seems to be fool-proof, until, at any rate, the Pre-Cogs spit out a perpetrator's ball inscribed with the name of the lead de-

tective (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; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Mr. Deeds — Steven Brill's update of the Depression-period Capra-Cooper antique, populism and preachiness intact, is an above-average Adam Sandler comedy, about a sweet-natured rube who inherits a bundle. (Forty billion, for inflation.) The average is raised in large part by the rest of the batting order, Peter Gallagher, Erick Avari (the one whose hair is only on his face), Winona Ryder, Jared Harris, Conchata Ferrell, Harve Presnell, Steve Buscemi, and most of all John Turturro as a “sneaky” Spanish manservant with a foot fetish. (Spanish? Foot fetish? Homage to Buñuel?) And even though Sandler is no Gary Cooper — much less a Lou Gehrig — Frank Capra makes a helpful hitting instructor. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

My Big Fat Greek Wedding — Self-anointed “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; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; LA PALOMA, FROM 7/26)

My Wife Is an Actress — Reviewed this issue. With Yvan Attal, Charlotte Gainsbourg, and Terence Stamp; written and directed by Attal.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 7/26)

Naked Lunch — David Cronenberg carries on his dubious search to find “straighter,” more respectable outlets for his creature-feature schlock tactics: this

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time, the William S. Burroughs novel of the same name, although the movie is not a direct adaptation of it, but rather a reconstruction of the (highly drugged) state of mind in which it might have been written — and thereby, too, a validation and endorsement of it. Here as before, the pretensions take away from the schlock, and the schlock takes away from the pretensions. Cronenberg’s icky-poo special effects can tend to be silly even when meant to be scary; when meant (as these giant talking insects are meant) to be symbolic and metaphorical, and to be contemplated at leisure, the silly tendency becomes irresistible. Peter Weller, Judy Davis, Roy Scheider, Ian Holm. 1991.
★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 7/25 THROUGH 27, 9:45 P.M.)

Pépé le Moko — Slow, atmospheric French crime drama, with a curious history: its U.S. release was blocked until three years after the Hollywood remake, *Algiers*. That, no doubt, had the effect of stunting its reputation over here, although Pauline Kael, with customary authority, nonetheless declared it “the greatest French romantic-gangster movie until *Breathless*.” (Hard to argue with her if you hadn’t considered *Pépé* great or *Breathless* romantic.) The real star of the show is not Jean Gabin (nor, in the remake, Charles Boyer, more than a match for Gabin), but rather the “labyrinth” of the Casbah: the thronging maze in which the well-groomed rat loses himself. Directed by Julien Duvivier. 1937.
★★★ (KEN, 7/26 THROUGH 8/1)

Reign of Fire — A plague of napalm-breathing dragons plunges the planet into a new Dark Age. The computer-animated dragons are well designed, although (a common drawback of computer animation) they’re a bit fast and agile for their size. Nice opening scene of the first dragon aroused from slumber in the London underground; amusing scene, later, of the grown-ups re-enacting *Star Wars* for the entertainment of their benighted kids. Most of the remainder, though, is derivative and underimagined. And the posturing actors and chi-chi photography underscore the silliness. Christian Bale, Matthew McConaughey, Izabella Scorupco; directed by Rob Bowman. 2002.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Road to Perdition — Inflated, arty, but satisfactory reworking of an old gangster-film formula. The sense of raising the bar (in the fashionable phrase) seems quite ostentatious at the outset, with its unmistakable evocation of *The Godfather*. These are Irish gangsters instead of Italian, and they are gathered for a wake instead of a wedding; but the sanctity of the family and the strict demarcation between home life and professional life are very much the same: the pistol that Pa unstraps and puts down on the bed before supper is not meant for the eyes of his eldest (named, in a further echo of the Corleone clan, Michael), for whom the father has higher hopes. The film never loses its air of grandiosity, of outgrowing its trimly tailored britches; yet it does find its stride, right around half an hour into it, as a ritualistic genre piece, a twice-told tale of underworld revenge — you hit me, I hit you back, and back, and back — set in motion when an inquisitive twelve-year-old, his imagination stoked by Lone Ranger dime novels, stows away in the rear seat of his father’s car, to find out what the old man gets up to on those mysterious nocturnal errands. Director Sam Mendes, in his sophomore effort after *American Beauty*, unfliningly rises to the occasion in the scenes of violence, adopting a variety of approaches and vantage points to keep the scenes fresh, resisting the urge to charge into the thick of it. And although the anti-*Godfather* finale (at the end of a blessedly non-epic running time) may be a bit soft-hearted, even arguably self-contradictory, it doesn’t really ruin anything. There’s really nothing much to ruin. This is not, for all its striving, a “great” gangster



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film. But it’s at least a genuine one, a generic one. Its ordinariness, odd to say, is its primary source of strength. The striving for greatness weighs it down as much as pushes it upwards. With Tom Hanks, Paul Newman, Jude Law, Daniel Craig, Stanley Tucci, Jennifer Jason Leigh, and Tyler Hoechlin. 2002.
★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Scooby-Doo — Kiddie “camp” about a quartet of junior detectives (collectively, Mystery Inc.) and a computer-animated talking dog, who, along with assorted monsters, seems to inhabit a separate plane of existence. A lot of it is apt to go over the little ones’ heads, and for that matter the big ones’, too. What doesn’t go over goes straight on through. With Freddie Prinze, Jr., Sarah Michelle Gellar, Matthew Lillard, Linda Cardellini, and Rowan Atkinson; directed by Raja Gosnell. 2002.
● (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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 plasticity, 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: Bat-

man’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.
★ (VOGUE)

Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones — The saga grinds on, in state-of-the-art digital video: crisp and detailed yet somewhat overcast, monotoned, seemingly covered in a sort of pinkish-complexioned skin, like an unboiled wiener. The particulars — the diminished role of the reviled Jar-Jar Binks; the teen romance between Queen Padmé (now known as Senator Amidala) and an Anakin Skywalker who has inexplicably caught up to her in age; the emergence of the latter’s Dark Side in the form of adolescent petulance (or in the

form of Hayden Christensen’s impersonation of Ryan Phillippe); the casting of Count Dracula in the role of Count Dooku (Christopher Lee); the rebel army of identical, skeletal robots whose parade-ground drills are George Lucas’s latest extraction from Leni Riefenstahl’s *Triumph of the Will*; a new, improved, computer-animated Yoda to come to the rescue at the climax, with inverted syntax intact (“Around the survivors, a perimeter create”); and an up-in-the-air resolution (“Begun, the Clone War has”) similar to the middle one in the earlier *Star Wars* trilogy, right down to the severed limb — are best left to the addicts. The unhooked will remain untempted. Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Samuel L. Jackson. 2002.
● (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Stuart Little 2 — Reviewed this issue. With Geena Davis, Hugh Laurie, Jonathan Lipnicki, and the voices of Michael J. Fox, Melanie Griffith, Nathan Lane, James

Woods; directed by Rob Minkoff.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Sum of All Fears — A light doomsday snack, unsatisfying even for the duration. One wonders whether, out of post-9/11 sensitivity, or trepidation, or something, the images of a nuclear blast in Baltimore (at a football stadium where “Chicago” is for some reason lined up against “Florida”), not to mention its immediate aftermath, haven’t been scaled back and toned down a bit: an invisible tsunami crashing through the windows of a hospital, overturning cars, knocking a helicopter for a loop, etc. After which the color is drained from the screen, and the predominant tone becomes frigid blue, a visual synonym, perhaps, for sad, morose, mournful. The filmmakers (director Phil Alden Robinson and co-writers Paul Attanasio and Daniel Pyne) cannot bring themselves to muster up even a rough estimate of the casualties: the fear of all sums. Our general impression is that they are somehow unprepared to face up to their own chosen subject. Any contemporary “relevance” is in any event fribbled away in a plot ripped not so much from today’s headlines as from adolescent daydreams: a neo-Nazi conspiracy to push the U.S. and Russia over the nuclear brink, and one man only who can pull them back, a clean-cut desk-bound CIA yuppie who is thrust center-stage on the strength of a report he once authored on the new Russian president. That man is “Jack Ryan,” hero of a series of Tom Clancy novels, though the casting of Ben Affleck effectively severs all ties with the hero’s prior incarnations in the form of Alec Baldwin and Harrison Ford (old enough to be Affleck’s father). This isn’t just Pierce Brosnan slipping into the Brooks Brothers suits of Sean Connery and Roger Moore, with the twanging “James Bond Theme” providing continuity. This is as separate as *Casino Royale*. Affleck gets strong support, however, from the likes of Morgan Freeman, Liev Schreiber, Ciarán Hinds, James Cromwell, Ron Rifkin, Bruce McGill, and Philip Baker Hall; so strong, in

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truth, that it stresses the weakness of both protagonist and plot. 2002.
★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14)

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



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good reason to feel that way. Mary Steen-burgen, 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,

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Rancho San Diego 15
2951 Jamacha Road (800-555-8355)
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Mary Alice, Miguel Ferrer, Ralph Waite. 2002.
★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 7/25)

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 flesh-pot 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 hop-head. 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. With Jennifer Dundas Lowe, Joelle Carter, and Jamie Harrold. 2002.
● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 7/25)

Tadpole — Coming-of-age comedy with Aaron Stanford, Sigourney Weaver, John Ritter, and Bebe Neuwirth; directed by Gary Winick.
(COVE; HILLCREST CINEMAS; FROM 7/26)

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LA MESA

Grossmont Center
Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100)
Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 11:45, 1:15, 2:05, 3:35) 4:35, 5:55, 7:50, 8:20, 10:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 2:05, 3:35, 4:35, 5:55) 7:50, 8:20, 10:15, 10:45; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 2:10) 4:55, 7:45, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:55) 7:45, 10:40; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20) 4:40, 7:00, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:50) 7:00, 9:20; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 3:55) 7:15, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:10) 7:15, 10:30; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 3:00) 5:20, 8:00, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:20, 5:40) 8:00, 10:25; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:00) 4:25, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:25) 7:30, 9:55; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 1:50) 4:30, 7:20, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:30) 7:20, 10:10; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:55) 4:45, 7:35, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 4:45) 7:35, 10:20; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:25, 3:40) 5:50, 7:55, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 3:40, 5:50) 7:55, 10:05

Grossmont Trolley
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 12:40, 2:55) 5:10, 7:20, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (10:30, 12:40, 2:55, 5:10) 7:20, 9:35; **The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:15) 5:30, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 5:30) 9:40; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:40, 12:50, 3:05) 5:25, 7:50, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (10:40, 12:50, 3:05, 5:25) 7:50, 10:05; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 3:30) 7:30; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 1:30, 3:35) 5:40, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:30, 1:30, 3:35, 5:40) 7:45; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:10, 3:15) 5:20, 7:25, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 1:10, 3:15, 5:20) 7:25, 9:45; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:35, 1:25) 4:15, 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (10:35, 1:25, 4:15) 7:05, 9:55; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:20, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:40, 5:50) 8:00, 10:10; **The Powerpuff Girls** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:15); **Stuart**

Thirteen Conversations about One Thing — Four (or so) intersecting plotlines on the themes of the pursuit of happiness and the quirks of fate, but snipped up and patched together so that events that follow each other on screen do not follow each other in chronology. Additional chopping-up and rearranging are achieved through chapter headings excerpted from the dialogue: “Ignorance is bliss,” “Fuck guilt,” “Fortune smiles on some and laughs at others,” “Eighteen inches of personal space,” and so forth. There might be something to be gotten from the out-of-joint construction — a sense of the seeming randomness of the universe, the mysterious interconnectedness of all things, the surreptitious action of cause and effect, the endless recurrence of the pattern — but it’s hard to be sure you’re really getting it. Even so, the film is stronger on overall vision than on the fine points of dialogue and narrative. The former tends to sound “written” and artificial, while the latter tends to look contrived, uninventive, thesis-driven, illustrative. Somehow it’s not surprising to hear that the filmmaking sisters, director and co-writer Jill Sprecher and co-writer Karen Sprecher, acknowledge Bertrand Russell’s *The Concept of Happiness* as a “jumping-off point.” The economical, energy-efficient, no-waste performance of Alan Arkin as the



Stuart Little 2

consummate sourpuss, suspicious of anyone’s good fortune or good humor, so dominates the proceedings as to foment

impatience with the alternating plotlines. (Despite the presence in them of such watchable players as John Turturro, Bar-

bara Sukowa, Clea DuVall, Tia Texada.) The office milieu around Arkin — a tight-fisted insurance outfit — reminds us that the Sprechers had earlier collaborated on *Clockwatchers*. Their ambition since then has increased by leaps and bounds. Their charm has increased, too, by at least a hop and a skip. With Matthew McConaughey, Amy Irving, Frankie Faison, William Wise. 2002. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

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 bang-bang, is in the by-the-numbers male bonding be-

tween two Navajo code talkers (already bonded at the outset) and their individually assigned bodyguards, whose mission is, at all costs, to protect the code and not the talkers. (Get my meaning, mister? Sir, yes, sir.) An all-out war, of course, grants Woo his loosest license yet for his sustained sequences of high-energy chaos. And to some degree, the pressure of reality has served to woo Woo (beg pardon) away from all that fancy “balletic” stuff, even if a submachine gun is still apt to become momentarily a one-handed weapon. Admittedly this pressure hasn’t curtailed his use of slow-motion. Nor has it thwarted that signature moment when two gunmen stick their muzzles in one another’s faces and wait for the other to blink. And too often the director’s assertive personal “style” comes down to jarringly overamplified sounds and 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. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

10:15; **The Sum of All Fears** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:50

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)

Goldmember; **Eight-Legged Freaks**; **Men in Black II**; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13)

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

555 Broadway (619-338-4214)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Thu. 2:30, 6:45, 8:45, 10:45; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:30; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 4:30; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:45; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

Palm Promenade 24

770 Denmery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)

Goldmember; **The Country Bears** (G); **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13); **Eight-Legged Freaks**; **Stuart Little 2** (PG); **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**; **Scooby-Doo** (PG); **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13)

Rancho Del Rey 16

1025 Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 11:30, 11:45, 1:45, 2:15, 2:45, 4:25, 4:45, 5:20, 7:05, 7:30, 8:00, 9:50, 10:10, 12:15, 12:30; Sun.-Thu. (11:00, 11:30, 11:45, 1:45, 2:15, 2:45, 4:25, 4:45, 5:20) 7:05, 7:30, 8:00, 9:50, 10:10; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:15; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:10, 4:55) 7:15, 9:35; **The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 4:40) 10:05; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:35, 5:00) 7:35, 10:20; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:35; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 11:50, 2:30, 3:30) 6:55, 7:30, 10:15, 10:40; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (2:05) 7:45; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 4:00) 6:05; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:00, 4:25) 7:00, 9:25; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:00) 7:25, 10:30; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:50, 4:30) 7:10, 9:30; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:40, 5:15) 7:55, 10:25; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:20, 5:05) 7:50, 10:35; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 11:40, 1:50, 2:50, 4:50, 5:20) 7:20, 7:50, 9:40, 10:00

Vogue

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436)

The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:45,

8:00; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:15; **Spider-Man** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 10:00

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South Bay Drive In

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NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392)

The Country Bears (G); **Lilo and Stitch**

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:20; Sun. (1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 3:45, 5:50) 8:00, 10:05; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 2:50) 4:55, 7:00, 9:05; Sun. (12:40, 2:50) 4:55, 7:05, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:05, 5:05) 7:05, 9:05; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:10, 10:25; Sun. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:05, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 3:50, 5:55) 8:05, 10:15; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Sat. 8:15, 10:10; Sun. 8:10, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. 8:20, 10:10; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:25) 4:15, 7:05, 9:55; Sun. (1:25) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:00) 5:10, 7:20, 9:30; Sun. (12:50, 3:00) 5:10, 7:20, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:15, 5:20) 7:25, 9:30; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:25) 4:20, 6:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:50, 4:40) 6:30; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 9:50; Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:25, 5:35) 7:45, 9:40; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:05; Sun. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 9:55; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:30, 3:25) 5:20, 7:15, 9:15; Sun. (1:30, 3:25) 5:20, 7:15, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 3:40, 5:30) 7:15, 9:10

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:25, 1:00, 2:50, 3:20) 5:10, 5:40, 7:35, 8:10, 9:55, 10:30; Sun. (12:25, 1:00, 2:50, 3:20) 5:10, 5:40, 7:35, 8:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:00, 3:20, 5:05, 5:40) 7:35, 8:10, 9:45; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20) 4:20, 7:25, 10:15; Sun.

(1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:20, 9:50; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 4:45, 7:10, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:10, 5:10) 7:10, 9:20; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 8:00, 10:00; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:50) 7:00, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:10) 7:00, 9:55; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:15, 3:30); **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 1:55, 3:55) 6:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 3:25) 6:05; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:05, 3:10) 5:30, 7:40, 9:50; Sun. (1:05, 3:10) 5:30, 7:40, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:10, 5:30) 7:40, 9:40; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 7:05, 10:10; Sun.-Thu. 7:05, 9:55; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:05) 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Sun. (12:50, 3:05) 5:20, 7:30, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:05, 5:20) 7:30, 9:35; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:40) 5:15, 7:45, 10:25; Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:05, 7:25, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:45) 7:25, 9:50; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:30, 7:20, 10:20; Sun. (1:30) 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:15, 9:45; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:00, 5:00) 7:00, 9:00

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:45, 7:45, 10:15; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 5:15; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:45; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; **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. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

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San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (800-555-8355)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:10, 11:30, 12:00, 2:10, 2:30, 4:45, 5:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:25, 7:10, 7:30, 7:50, 9:35, 9:50, 10:10, 12:00, 12:15, 12:30; Sun.-Tue. (10:10, 11:30, 12:00, 2:10, 2:30, 4:45, 5:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:25, 7:10, 7:30, 7:50, 9:35, 9:50, 10:10; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:10, 1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Tue. (12:00, 2:20, 4:40) 7:05, 9:25; **The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:05, 1:20, 3:40) 6:05, 8:20, 10:30; **Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:30); **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:15, 1:45, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Tue. 9:30; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:40, 1:00, 3:50, 4:10) 7:00, 7:20, 10:05, 10:25; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:35, 1:55, 4:20) 7:00; **Lilo and Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15) 7:20; **Men In Black II**

(PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:10, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 7:10, 9:05, 9:30; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:35, 3:45) 7:05, 10:20; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:35, 2:10, 4:40) 7:05, 9:25; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 2:05, 4:35) 7:10, 9:40; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:40, 1:25, 4:10) 7:00, 9:20, 9:45; **Scooby-Doo** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:30); **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:30, 10:40, 12:30, 12:40, 2:30, 2:50, 5:00, 5:00) 7:10, 9:10

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:45, 2:45, 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00, 6:50, 9:45; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 2:30, 4:40, 7:00, 9:00

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (760-599-8221)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:30, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

12905 El Camino Real (858-646-9420)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; **The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:45, 5:15, 10:00; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 3:00, 7:30; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

Flower Hill 4

2430 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425)

K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:45; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 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

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)

Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. 1:15 (3:30, 5:50) 8:15; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sat. 12:20, 2:40, 5:10, 7:25, 9:40; Sun. 12:20, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. 1:20 (3:35, 5:55) 8:10; **Eight-Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 12:50, 3:15, 5:40, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:10

(5:15) 7:40; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:40, 3:50, 7:00, 10:05; Sun. 12:40, 3:50, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:50 (5:00) 8:25; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 7:45, 9:50; Sun. 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. 2:20 (4:30) 8:30; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:30, 4:00, 7:15, 10:20; Sun. 12:30, 4:00, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. 1:40 (4:40) 7:45; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sat. 1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:55; Sun. 1:20, 4:20, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 2:00 (4:50) 7:55; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:40, 9:45; Sun. 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 1:30 (3:40, 5:45) 8:00

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Assistant Manager
Rancho Bernardo

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Jen Gunberg
Nurse
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

I was at a Whalers' hockey game in Hartford, Connecticut. I left my wallet on the bleachers. I was 15 and had just gotten a bank card and freaked out when I realized I'd lost it. About a month later this man from Canada mailed me back the wallet, with everything in it, including \$10 cash. He wrote me a note saying that I should always know where my wallet was. I never forgot it.



Emily Reynolds
Teacher
Point Loma

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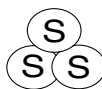
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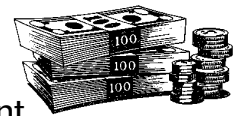
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- Father to John, Robert and Ted
- 1960's TV horse
- Walter Reuther's org.
- Wool source
- New York's state flower
- Greek letter
- "Later!"
- Alpine transport
- First-rate
- Outpouring
- Hesitant
- Hydromassage facility
- Road sign
- Raw materials
- 1963 Four Seasons' hit dedicated to the swagger of a Nobel Prize-winning German author?
- Dies ____ (Latin hymn)
- N.B.A. or N.F.L. players
- 1988 Michael Jackson hit dedicated to the vanity of a famed educator?
- Space starter
- Outstanding
- 1993 R.E.M. hit dedicated to the astronomical efforts of the singer whose songs were featured in the 1999 film "Magnolia"?
- Drive (around)
- Word repeated in a 1983 James Bond film title
- "Rocky III" actor
- Like some inspections
- Addresses for ladies
- "This ____ test ..."
- Utah ski resort
- Walk softly
- Ring around the collar?
- James of Hollywood
- Like a green tomato
- Often-repeated abbr.
- See 31-Down
- Dome-shaped cactus

Down

- Feb.'s predecessor
- Lennon's love
- Pepper, for one
- Years and years and years
- ____ alcohol (solvent used in brake fluid)
- Union latecomer
- 1985 New Edition hit dedicated to the director of "The Insider" and "Heat" and his penchant for talking on the line?
- Steal from
- He sold his birthright to Jacob
- "Jurassic Park" actress
- Improvement
- Stick out like ____ thumb

- Uses a towel
- "____ War" (William Shatner book)
- William, to Diana
- Do the crawl, say
- Prefix with legal
- Money guru Greenspan
- Truth or ____ (slumber party game)
- With 71-Across, star of TV's "thirtysomething"
- May honoree
- "____ was saying ..."
- Golfer Woosnam
- San Francisco Giant pitcher Robb
- 1982 Disney film
- St. Louis footballer
- Board's partner
- "...____ before the deadline"
- Where a big chunk of a pay check may go
- Fancy floor, maybe
- Remodeled Clay?
- 1930's flood control proj.
- Intensify
- Luxury fur
- French linen
- Start
- Snack in a shell
- Lander at Ben-Gurion
- Twinkle-toed
- Clavell's "____-Pan"
- Part of la familia
- Go (for)
- Basketball player's shoe specification, perhaps

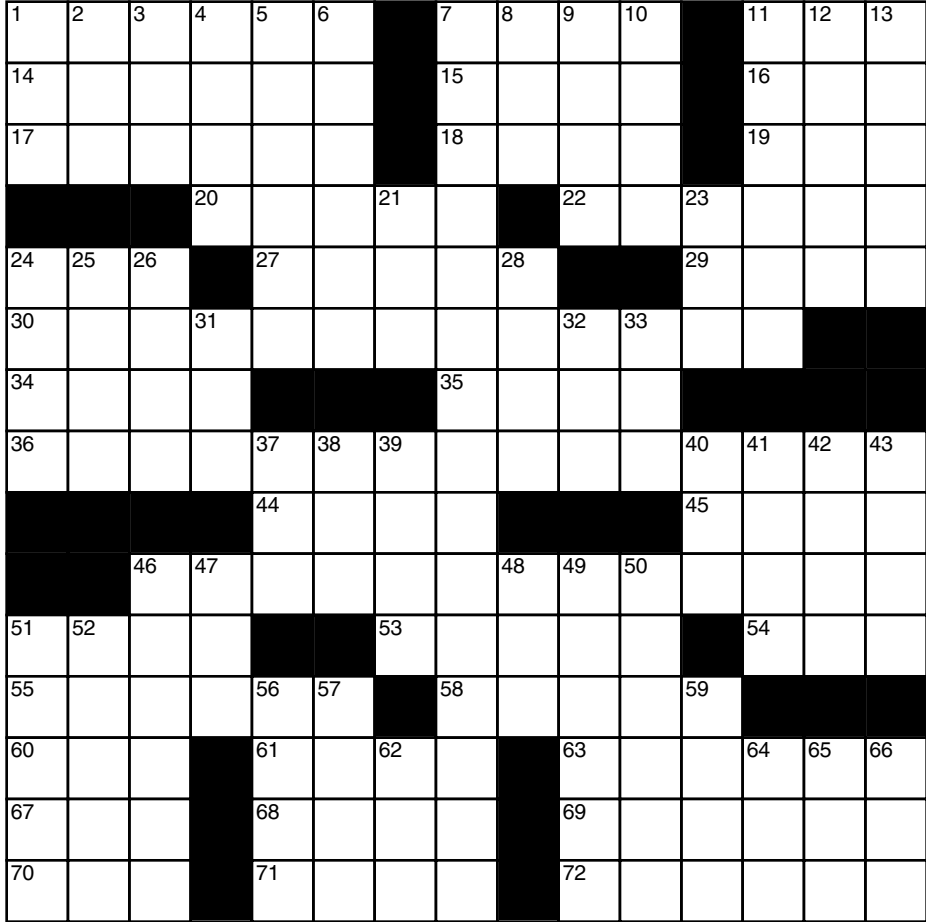
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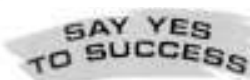
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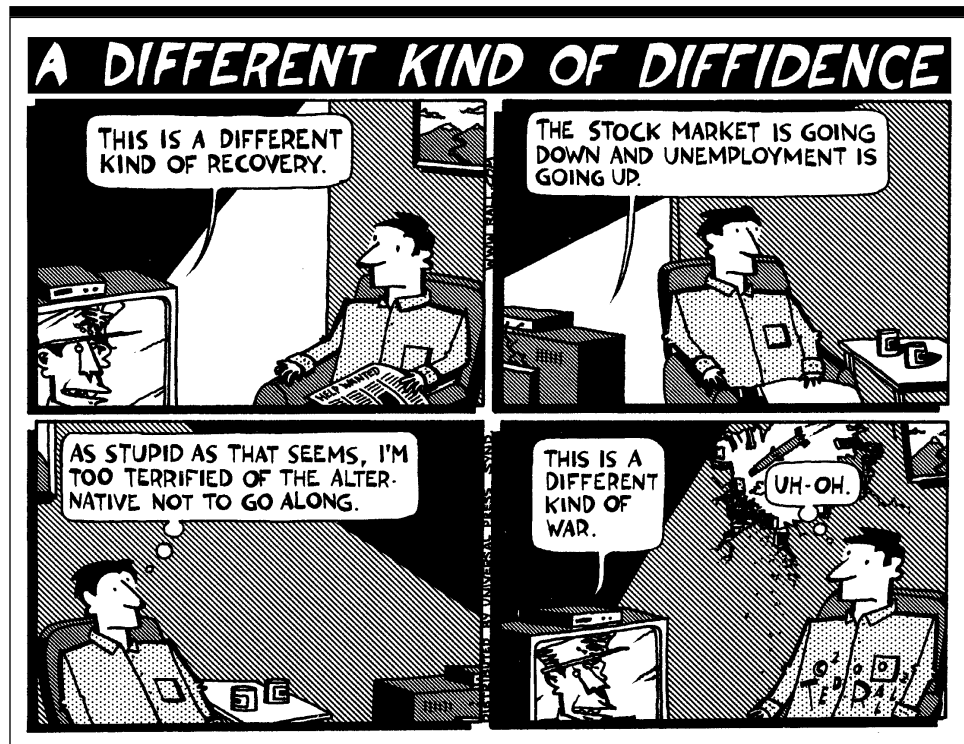
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BLACKER THE BERRY. Older gentleman for fun, laughter and friendship who is spiritual and morally sound. I'm white, 5'5", 155lbs., reddish hair, hazel eyes. (7/31) ☎34125

WHAT IS CHEMISTRY? 55-65 male with quick smile, laughing eyes, caring heart, good conversationalist, humorous, secure, physically fit, honest, for tall, slim, attractive redhead woman. (8/7) ☎48058

BEAUTIFUL, DARK LATINA. Single, no children, 35. Looking for same. You: 35-40, honest, kind, professional. Like to dine in/out, movies, etc. Serious inquiries only. (7/31) ☎34140

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LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL guy. I'm attractive, 51, 5'5" professional who seeks a man with traditional values, 45-55, for fun, happiness, romance and marriage. (8/7) ☎34179

ADVENTUROUS, FUN-LOVING, full-figured Asian lady looking for Caucasian or Asian male for dining, dancing, travel, tennis, golf. You: 30-40 with same interests. (7/31) ☎34118

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CUTE GUY WANTED! You: good looking, white, 21-31, 5'10"+. Me: white, cute brunette, 5'8", smart, sweet, fun, adventurous, passionate, sensual. Looking for fun, nothing serious. (8/7) ☎34182

THERE'S A LOT OF GOOD MEN out there. Let's share cooking, beaches, camping. I'm charismatic, intelligent, kind inside/outside. A glass of wine on bay. (7/31) ☎34119

SEXY, BLACK, 33, FEMALE, 5'7", long legs, looking for white male over 65, male financially secure and giving for long-term relationship, picture on line. (7/31) ☎34154

51, ENERGIZER BUNNY who keeps on going. Active, healthy lifestyle. Runner, hiker, professional. Lifelong learner. Also, theater, symphony, bridge, cooking, friends. San Diego city resident. (8/7) ☎34174

ARE YOU IN YOUR 50s? Teacher, 48, nonsmoker, seeks adventure, dining, jazz, hiking, dancing, conversation, romance and laughter. If you're spontaneous, give me a call! (7/31) ☎34112

PASSIONATE, SENSUAL, energetic, adventure-loving woman 5'3", medium build. Looking for that special man: nonsmoker, fun loving and honest. Ages 39-50. Let's get together soon. (7/31) ☎34138

LOOKING FOR LOVE. Happy, very active, attractive, slender, 50, 5'4". You're classy, 50, 180lbs., 6'; wear cologne and a suit every morning, like the arts. (8/7) ☎34203

ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, 45, seeks white, honest, caring gentleman, 40-60, for dating, eventual long-term relationship. Be nonsmoker, emotionally/financially secure, North County area. (8/7) ☎34189

JEWISH, 48, TOLD YOUTHFUL, beautiful, resemble Sophia Loren. Compassionate, educated, travelled, athletic, fit, artistic, musical, eclectic, interested/interesting. Seeking same for time of our lives. (8/7) ☎34175

THERE YOU ARE! Me: lighthearted, shapely, independent, spiritual, blonde, 40s, 5'7" goddess. You're self-assured, financially secure, very tall, dark, 40s, romantic, ready for relationship. (7/31) ☎34143

PEACEFUL LADY FROM ASIA. Still youthful in 40s. Seeking Asian/Caucasian best friend, any age, any career—especially law enforcement: police, lawyer or others. (7/31) ☎34146

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ATTRACTIVE, VIVACIOUS, blue-eyed blonde, 5'8", 120lbs. Classy, 52. Seeking handsome, intelligent, active professional. (7/31) ☎34156

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HIGH HEELS TO HARLEYS. Petite, attractive, sexy, fit female wants handsome Harley hunk for fun, laughs, love. Confident, passionate, happy, fun? Me too. Let's ride! (7/31) ☎34124

SLEEPLESS IN SAN DIEGO. Waiting to meet successful, degreed male professional for fun, frolic, and maybe forever. Me: very young 57, attractive, active and bright. (7/31) ☎34159

ASIAN, EXOTIC SULTRY, sensational, healthcare professional, 5'3", 115lbs., childless homeowner. Seeking healthy, wealthy, wise, nonsmoker, generous white professional, 35-55. Let's enjoy food, music and explore. (8/7) ☎34195

SINGLE, WHITE/ITALIAN, big beautiful woman, 39, 5'6", with good Christian morals. Seeking man between 34-44, nonsmoker, good sense of humor, emotionally and financially stable. (7/31) ☎34123

WORTH A MILLION and looking for someone who is the same between 35 and 47 with class, style/charisma and a sense of humor. Suzzetta. (7/31) ☎34131

I AM SEEKING A Caucasian man who enjoys stimulating conversation and likes to explore new tastes, sights and sounds. (8/7) ☎34183

PETITE, PRACTICAL, POLISH- Lithuanian girl-next-door, middle aged, seeks gentleman companion. Income, age unimportant. Live at beach; work in Kearny Mesa. Good manners appreciated. (7/31) ☎34106

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WANTED: FRIEND, LOVER, playmate for romantic, adventurous encounters if you are 55+, tall, huggable and completely unencumbered. Very pretty, nice-looking lady anxiously awaits. (8/7) ☎34171

BLACK LADY, 50, young at heart, enjoys movies, plays and romantic, quiet times, with a white professional, financially secure, 48-59, seeking that special lady. (8/7) ☎34163

HISPANIC, 37, PROFESSIONAL, seeking professional, eclectic, fit, nice-looking male, 32-42, for summer fun; willing to try anything once. No cigarette smokers, occasional cigar OK. (8/7) ☎34201

SILLY, SERIOUS, PETITE. 5', blonde/blue, 43. Seeking counterpart, 35-55. Christian values, honest, caring, classy, romantic, sense of humor, active, adventurous, nonsmoker for special partnership. (8/7) ☎34187

FEMALE, ASIAN, good looking, kind-hearted, engineer with an advanced degree and divorced. Looking for a man with similar quality for friendship and possible relationship. (8/7) ☎34209

SPICE UP MY SUMMER. Scandinavian-born beauty, class-act, 41, vibrant, alluring, professional, kind, inquisitive, multifaceted, active, seeks comparable gentleman counterpart. (7/31) ☎34158

VOLUPTUOUS, HONEST, PASSION, full figure, black lady needs white male, honest, knows how to love a real lady, financially secure, age 48-50. Let's do it. (7/31) ☎34148

FEMALE, 50, NORTH COUNTY Coast, seeking male with morals, honesty, humor, communication a must. Interests: Fishing on boat, walking, local and foreign travel. Petite, 5'. (8/7) ☎34194

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TALL, EXOTIC, NATURAL WOMAN who has her act together. Smart, funny, athletic, financially secure, no kids yet. You are same but male, over 6'2", 32-42. (8/7) ☎34200

BEAUTIFUL, PLUS-SIZE WOMAN. A quality woman looking for a quality black man. Someone that enjoys walks, romantic dinners, movies, traveling, just having fun. (8/7) ☎34193

REDHEAD, SLIM, WORKOUT, 53, 5'8", professional, loves blues, pottery, art,

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JUST MISSING YOU? 31, green-eyed brunette loves to laugh. Seeking someone special for an evening out. Have tickets for Saturday—double date! Let's play! (8/7) ☎34198

ATTRACTIVE HISPANIC professional, 46, curvaceous, classy, healthy, generous, educated, sincere. Dancing, dining, karaoke, reading, beach, fun, weekends. Seeking youthful, 40s-50s, nonsmoker, long-term relationship, friendship. (8/7) ☎34206

EUROPEAN, ATTRACTIVE, SECURE lady will meet gentleman, any race, 35+, with out children. Must be honest, dependable, caring, loving, like to have fun. Military a plus. (8/7) ☎34168

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BEAUTIFUL INSIDE AND OUT, I'm told. 50ish, intelligent, creative, spiritual, free spirit, seeking kind, gentle, emotionally mature, noncommitmentphobic, attractive man for sharing partnership, loving life. (7/31) ☎34137

CARING, GENTLE WOMAN, professional, 5'4", blonde, blue eyed, 120lbs., seeks fit, educated, nonsmoking man, 50 to 60, for dating and possible relationship. (8/7) ☎34177

DON'T BE ALONE; I'M HERE for you. Good woman, passionate, romantic, from Costa Rica. In this country 30 years. Nurse, tall, brunette, 170lbs.; two teens. Love beach, travel, etc. Looking white, healthy, average-size male, 45-55, self-employed. No drugs/alcoholics/bad tempers, please. Ready for love. (8/7) ☎34186

NEED SOMEONE TO LOVE YOU? Let me be the one. I have lots of love for you. Plus-size brunette, nonsmoker, very romantic. (8/7) ☎34164

I'M SEEKING CHRISTIAN, attractive white male who enjoys movies, talks, occasion dancing, museums, watching videos, playing video games; sincere, no games. Be for real. 50-57. (8/7) ☎34167

SINGLE, 32, FEMALE looking to find someone. You must be stable, 35-40, white male. So, are you ready to have a down-to-earth girl? (7/31) ☎34130

DISAPPOINTED BUT STILL trying? Gentleman wanted! Tall, caring, artistic, musical, retired senior, nonsmoker, East County, attractive lady, quality, personable, seeks compatible, easygoing, fun lifestyle now! (7/31) ☎34107


ME, HMMM, YOU'LL SEE East County. Seeking secure, creative, in-tune to self/others, balanced, fun-loving, fancy-free nature, stars, water, sound, aroma. 30+-. (7/31) ☎34157

SEXY, EXOTIC VIXEN, energetic, 25, graduate student, cultured, spontaneous. Seeking affluent, generous, adventurous, educated, classy, older gentleman who can spoil me plus share intellectual conversations. (7/31) ☎34116

FREE-SPIRITED, WARMHEARTED, professional, 34. Seeks male, 28-45, mover and shaker who still has time to surf, loves romance, wants to travel, see the world! (7/31) ☎34151

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CAPRICORN, WHITE FEMALE, brown/brown, 5'5". Music, movies, boating, pool, jogging, animals. La Mesa. Seeking Taurus/Cancer, white male, 43+, tall, dark and handsome type. (8/7) ☎34190

SWEET BRUNETTE, VERY attractive inside and out, seeking white male professional, 36-44; enjoy walks on beaches, travel, outdoors and a sense of humor. (7/31) ☎34114

ATTRACTIVE ASIAN-AMERICAN, educated, 50, youthful, homeowner, child grown, metaphysical, spiritual, sincere, seeks gentleman, 45-55, for higher consciousness, friendship, laughter, quality conversations, adventure, sharing, growth. (7/31) ☎34115

1959 MODEL, FABULOUS COOK, fun, adventurous, wanderlust. Join me for Padres, movies, theatre, zoo, travel. (8/7) ☎34199

AHOY MATEY. PERMISSION to come aboard. Shipwrecked Mary Ann waiting to be rescued by a strong sailor. Race unimportant. (8/7) ☎34172

BLACK, ATTRACTIVE, SINGLE female, 50, 5'3", enjoys dining out, movies, jazz, plays. Seeking black, single male, 38-55, for friendship, dating and possible long-term relationship. (8/7) ☎34192

WORLDLY WOMAN, BRUNETTE, 35, athletic and thin, outgoing, looking for intelligent, professional, fun, outgoing, athletic and good-looking man. Hiking, diners, socializing. 33-45. (7/31) ☎34136

ARTIST, WELL-SEASONED goddess, depth, integrity, romantic, heart centered, classy, magical, attractive, communicative, seeks friendship maybe love connection with man, 55-65, with purpose, passion; spirited. (8/7) ☎34173

YES, LIFE IS EXTRAORDINARY! 43, attractive, curvaceous, 5'7". Share love, honest communication, personal, growth, adventure, fun, relationship seminars, community, play, self-expression, freedom, friendship, partnership. (7/31) ☎34139

PETITE, CUTE, EDUCATED ASIAN, 37, seeks 30-50, educated, emotionally/financially secure, honest, sincere, fit, white professional. No drugs, non-smoker, nondrinker. Must be marriage minded. (8/7) ☎34176

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. (8/7) ☎34169

CUTE AND WITTY, 5'7" BLONDE would like to get acquainted with a man not intimidated by humor and spontaneity. (7/31) ☎34160

45, HISPANIC LADY, HAPPY, funny, loves country music, dancing, mustaches; wants gentleman, emotionally stable, who can make me laugh. Seeking fun relationship. Single daddys OK. (8/7) ☎34197

LOOKING FOR AN American/Korean guy for dating a nice and polite, fun lady. Ages between 28-34. (7/31) ☎34126

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT. It is hard, but he is out there and I will wait for him. If you are him, then... (7/31) ☎34144

HERE I AM. Single white female seeking single white male between 28-37, thick build, 5'9"+, educated, mature, funny, stable, nondrinker or smoker, and wants relationship. (8/7) ☎34180

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MEN SEEKING WOMEN

DOG LOVER, IVY LEAGUE, Reagan Republican, grounded, nonmaterialistic, 40, fit, divorced, simple lifestyle, seeks slender, like-minded for cookouts, gardening, friends, coffee, bookstores, dog walks. (8/7) ☎48042

DEEP CLEAR WATER SEEKS same. Me: 5'10", professional, warm, sense of humor, intellectual, active, clean, into self-improvement. You: 35-55, beautiful in/out, adventurous, romantic. (7/31) ☎48004

BONITA PARADISE GARDEN'S friend wanted to share in fun and games at 10-acre, exotic fruit and bird ranch: Cherimoya, guavas, horses, wildlife, water, organic. (7/31) ☎33997

KEEP IT SIMPLE. ME? 31, Latino, part-time musician, full-time employed/single parent. You? Honest, caring, understanding, realistic, drug free. Serious women only, please! (7/31) ☎33957

ITALIAN/AMERICAN, 48, 6', 182lbs, athletic, professional; bicycling, tennis, hiking, comedy clubs, dancing, music, arts. Seeking Filipina, 29-50, very attractive, athletic, North County. (8/7) ☎48074

BALANCED, UNENCUMBERED, educated, professional, athletic, 52, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social, Midwest values. Seeking compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (8/7) ☎48041

BLACK MAN, 41, attractive, young-looking homeowner, seeks white female for serious relationship. Tired of it all. Ready to settle down. Are you? (8/7) ☎48102

MRS. ROBINSON, YOUR YOUNG buck just graduated. You: 35+. Me: 23, wild imagination. Let me be your baby cakes. (8/7) ☎48100

BOYISH GOOD LOOKS. 6'2", eyes blue, slim, athletic, college educated professional enjoys surfing, sailing, travel, conversation, family, friends, music, kids. Seeking slim, 30+; friends first. (8/7) ☎48111

ARE YOU BLONDE/SLIM, respectful, a Rogerian communicator, liberal, healthy in body/mind/soul, not desperate, open to experiences that enlighten/enrich you? Contact me. (7/31) ☎33966

SEXY, BLACK MAN SEEKING cute and intelligent lady to show a good time. Preferably 18-29 years old. If interested, e-mail me. (8/7) ☎48050

PERFECT GENTLEMAN, TALL, dark, handsome, athletic, professional, spiritual, classy, confident, honest, passionate, intelligent, positive, clean, organized, never married, no kids, seeking beautiful soul mate. 25-35. (8/7) ☎48044

BLUE-EYED, TALL GUY seeks good times with big girl. Playing my guitar by the sea is my favorite pastime. Deep, witty, silly, fun, lonely. (8/7) ☎48048

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL. I'm 55. You're 40 to 50. We are friends; trusting, caring, travel partners, always listening, always sharing; are you looking for someone! (8/7) ☎48051

PHYSICAL ATTRACTION important! She'll be 35-45, attractive, physically minded, enjoy outdoor activities like boating and mountain biking, and just enjoy being together. Interested? Call now! (7/31) ☎33965

LONG, BLOND HAIR, surfer type, rocker, car nut, San Diego native, 38, seeking nice lady to spend time with! You name it, let's do it! (8/7) ☎48080

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CUTE 35-YEAR-OLD SEEKS pretty, slim, older woman. I'm fun and in great shape, and prefer older woman. Looking forward to hearing from you. (7/31) ☎33954

YOUNG AT HEART, sensitive romantic, balladeer, 57, eccentric, witty, fun, considerate, honest, likes kids, dogs, art films; seeks easygoing woman with smile. (8/7) ☎48046

INSIGHTFUL ELVIS MAN seeks nonpretentious, exotic partner for philosophy, movies, dinner and more. Me: Medium build, brown hair, brown eyes. You: Petite to medium. (7/31) ☎33937

I AM 33 YEARS OLD, and am a Pacific Islander, but born and raised in San Diego. I am very open minded to all races. (8/7) ☎48090

DIVE BAJA. SPIRITED, spiritual 50-year-old seeks adventures to share exploration on/in the water. Beautiful desolate bay. Ten days, late August and September. (7/31) ☎48032

BIBLE BELIEVING, BORN again, divorced white male, 41, would like to meet white Christian, fit, fun, forgiving, and I have a fancy for female feet! (8/7) ☎48089

TALL, CHINESE FEMALE WANTED for fun, romance and good times. Caucasian male, 6'3" tall, looking for Americanized Chinese female. Where are all the China dolls? (8/7) ☎48082

BALD, GRAYING, MOODY (yikes!), 44-year-old male. Seeking calm, thoughtful woman, tolerant of aforementioned attributes. You may find I'm secretly fun-loving, loyal, passionate. (8/7) ☎48071

49, 6'2", 180lbs., handsome, dark, fit, okay! Lite smoker! Stay off my back! Professional, nice, funny, dry, likes travel, golf, sports, movies, music, good food and wine, more. You: Appropriate height and age. Smart, attractive, classy, refined, but feisty. (8/7) ☎48061

WANTED: FULL-FIGURED, passionate, romantic, sincere lady! Serious white male seeks special woman. 50, brown/blue, enjoys: walks, movies, dinner, cuddling, reading, romance, being together. (7/31) ☎33958

ARE YOU BLONDE, SMART, SLIM? This executive, educated, 41, 6'3", 175lbs, slim, fit, well-dressed, engineer, MBA, Hispanic male with accant wants to meet you. (8/7) ☎48075

HARDWORKING, EAST COAST, Jewish guy, 40ish, seeking Jewish woman with family values who loves travel; enjoys spontaneous adventure, getaways. Looking for a love, friend. (7/31) ☎33940

MALE, FIT, 6'3", DARK brown, intelligent, funny, spontaneous, happy, never married, enjoys career professional; loves dive bars, surfing, politics. (7/31) ☎48028

FIT, 43, 5'11", 168lbs., easygoing, considerate, nice appearance, childless, athletic, financially independent. Wish to meet slender, nonsmoking lady with integrity for conversation, movies, dining, more. (8/7) ☎48039

WHITE BOY SEEKS attractive black female. I'm 32, clean cut, 5'10", blue eyes, surfer type looking to meet a sexy, fun, fit, open and passionate. (8/7) ☎48105

ASIAN IN SAN DIEGO SEEKS rare, single and available lady. (8/7) ☎48053

YOUTHFUL WHEELCHAIR ATHLETE, seeks able-bodied female to help pass the time. Must love out of doors, camping, kids, water sports, boating, fishing, etc. (8/7) ☎48037

LONGHAIRED GENTLEMAN, handsome, young 40, educated, honest, sincere. Love animals, music, photography, computers, hiking. Seeking sweet, petite, childless, vibrant, creative, long-haired lady with diverse interests. (8/7) ☎48118

HI! THIS SEXY, FUNNY, romantic, Clairemont guy, 45, 6'4", seeks a woman, 27-53. For barbecues, sports, beaches, music. Listen to my introduction and call me. (8/7) ☎48085

GENTLE, STRONG, CARING, spiritual, grounded, affectionate, fun-loving, professional, 47-year-old seeking mellow, spiritual woman, 40 and under, to celebrate life and each other. (8/7) ☎48088

LUTHERAN GIRLFRIEND wanted. Swedish, blonde, church organist, music director, to date handsome Christian male, 35, church organist. I am no drugs, no children, sincere, kind. (7/31) ☎33953

YOUNG-LOOKING, RETIRED, 60-year-old white knight seeks dragonless princess. Own castle. Petruchio. (8/7) ☎48119

STRONG, HONEST MAN in search of a down-to-earth woman. Me: black, handsome, educated, funny, talented. You: kind, loyal, sincere, intelligent. Let's fly together! (7/31) ☎33963

EMPLOYED, SMART, ACTIVE, attractive, honest, loyal, communicative! Think you fit any of these characteristics, too? If so, please do give me a holler! Thanks! (7/31) ☎33970

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VERY ATTRACTIVE SCIENTIST, lean, relentless, sexy, witty, 6'2", seeks intelligent, pretty woman, 28-44; heart, soul, subtle humor a must. Travel, adventure, film, workouts. No smoke. (7/31) ☎48030

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LATINO/ASIAN, 29, 6'1", 195lbs. I'm friendly, fun, honest and sensitive. I would love to meet a woman who would be my best friend. (7/31) ☎33961

ATTORNEY, 50, nonconservative, non-smoker, seeks single white female, 32-49, smart, playful, witty, slender. Walks, talks, bikes, hikes, day trips, food, music. Partner, companion, friend, more. (8/7) ☎48064

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SWEET, UNDERSTANDING, accommodating, dark, handsome, 5'10", 182lbs., 41, positive influence, smart male seeks quality, proportionate, upbeat, fun lady for dining, dancing; anything you like. (8/7) ☎48101

HANDSOME BLACK GENT, 5'7", 160lbs., 58, romantic, caring, affectionate, loving, seeking romantic, loving lady into keeping fit, healthy; movies, concerts, theater, travel; long-term relationship. (7/31) ☎33951

FIREMAN, 56, 190lbs., serious, financially secure, college degree, loves to laugh. Seeking passionate, slim female, 35 to 49, loves adventure; no smokers, no hang-ups. (7/31) ☎48009

LIVE FROM BROOKLYN. Caucasian, 45, 5'10", fit, attractive, humorous, Jewish, stable, homeowner, affectionate, outgoing, nonsmoker, seeks similar Caucasian, 30-42, for friendship first with lasting relationship. (7/31) ☎33998

SHAPELY, TALLISH LADY near La Jolla who would like fun, laughter, fine dining, motorhome travel, ocean cruises, with attractive 5'7", well-built, retired doctor. (7/31) ☎33978

ASIAN LADY. 30, WHITE, 195lbs.; love working out, beach, sports, ice cream, steaks, acting. Strong willed, free spirit. Teach preschool. Where do you fall. (7/31) ☎33935

COLORFUL GREEN-BLUE EYES, single, unencumbered, degreed professional, German-Irish Catholic, 38, 6'1", 215lbs., attractive, clean cut, conservative appearance, seeks very attractive, warm-hearted female, 22-34, unencumbered, possessing exceptional inner and outer beauty. (8/7) ☎48103

Bonjour My Passionate Lady

I'm long ways from home which is Canada to search, explore, to find new adventures, with a very sexy, sweet, beautiful, lady like you that will share romance, happiness, within the heart, with me. So ladies, no games. So please go out with me. I'll be waiting. What do you got to lose? (8/7) ☎48035

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PLAYFUL, FIT, PROFESSIONAL. Articulate, seriously funny guy. Seinfeld, convertibles, fresh air, getaways. Seeking petite sweetheart for romance, laughter, monogamy, adventure. You: 30s-40s, kind, happy, available. (7/31) ☎33985

KEEP YOU SMILING. Tall, good-looking white male, rugged, successful, romantic, sensual guy, 50s, seeks thin, feminine playmate, communicator, spontaneous, humorous, to share fun times. (7/31) ☎33955

SO YOUR FRIENDS SAY YOU'RE beautiful with great personality, but you're lonely. Circle ad and call me if you really want to change your life. (8/7) ☎48113

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IF YOU LOVE LAUGHTER, fun, good vibrations and jazz, allow this slim, 40ish guy, down to earth, share beauty in the moments. Yes! (7/31) ☎33936

HANDSOME BLACK MALE, 50, seeks spiritually sensual white woman, 35-50, intelligent, creative, sensitive. Plus a killer kisser. Ready for the passionate ride of her life. (8/7) ☎48116

NATURAL MAN seeks natural woman. Your being intelligent, educated, professional, creative, realistic, unencumbered, health conscious, tall, slim, attractive and at least 45, would be terrific. (8/7) ☎48072

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ARTIST SEEKS MUSE. Theater professional, 32, 5'10", slim nonsmoker. Like cycling, pool, golf. Value ongoing personal growth. You: Stylish, vibrant, sensible, sexy. Ready for relationship. (7/31) ☎48003

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INTELLIGENCE, HONESTY, fitness and diversity are appreciated by us both. Tall, athletic Caucasian, 31, seeks slender Asian for a lifetime of romance and adventure. (8/7) ☎48056

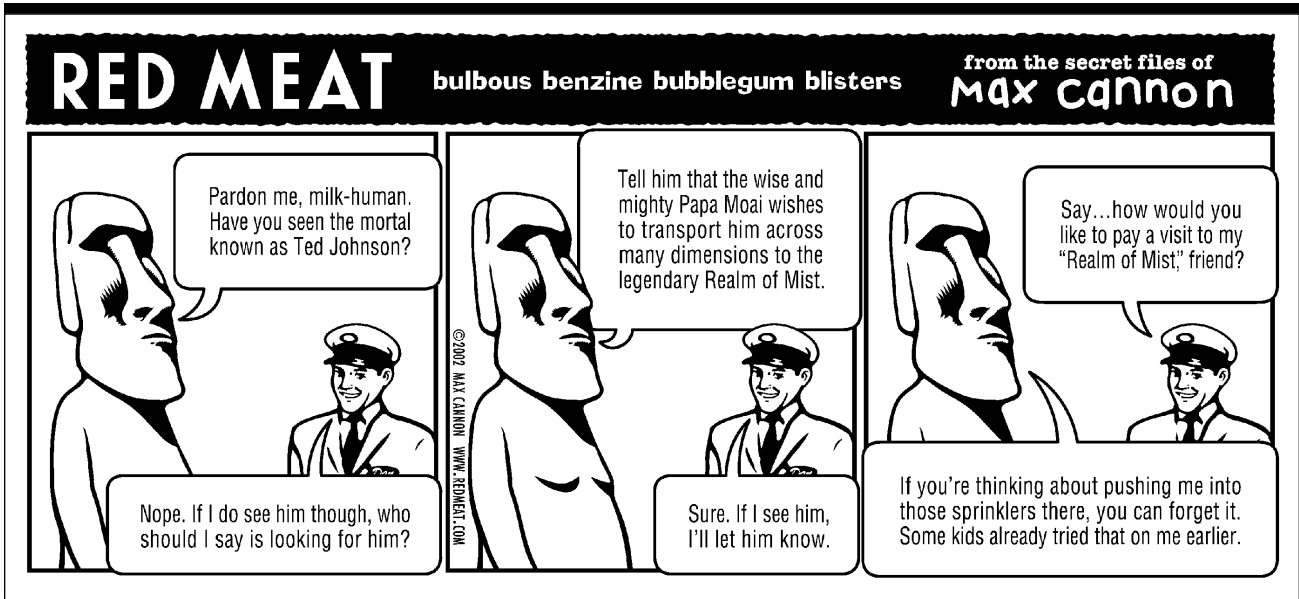
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SEEKING DREAM GIRL: Petite, cute, average, sexy woman. Me: Hispanic, 5'5", 138lbs., 44, no children, no ties, educated, artist, steady income, caring, passionate, loyal. Call. (7/31) ☎33942

50s, TALL, SLENDER, Jewish guy seeks tall, slender Jewish gal. (8/7) ☎48122

YOU JUST NEVER KNOW. Christian, 43, gentleman of integrity, seeks lady of virtue, inquisitive mind, passionate soul, athletic body, for friendship, spiritual growth, romance, relationship. (8/7) ☎48084

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WIFE WANTED. ARE YOU easygoing, adventurous, positive; enjoy hiking,

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HANDSOME, SUCCESSFUL, white male, 40, brown hair, blue eyes, financially secure. Seeking athletic, beautiful lady, 21 to 33 years old, with common sense, Midwestern, loyalty. (8/7) ☎48052

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ATTRACTIVE, CARING, sincere, warm, sexy, white male, 40, 165lbs., 5'11", night worker, seeks petite/slender female, 30-35, for long-term relationship/ friendship, developing great relationship. (7/31) ☎33945

YOU'RE ATTRACTIVE, SMART, independent and in good shape. Age open. Children OK. Poway, attractive white male, 5'9", 180lbs., active, looking for the special one: You. (7/31) ☎33979

PASSIONATE, INTELLIGENT, sober, spiritual, 5'8", 170lbs., blond/brown, 52, enjoy films, coffeehouses, conversations, walks, nature, classic rock. Seeking intelligent, spiritual, propor-

tionate to height, 38-52. (7/31) ☎33976

FREE FRUIT! Good-looking professional, 34, seeking lasting love with excellent, natural woman. I'm intelligent, playful, kind, happy, funny, progressive and dependable. Where are you? (7/31) ☎48002

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GOOD-LOOKING, SMART, stable, successful, unencumbered nice guy (approximately 6', 180lbs., 45) seeks slender, highly-educated, nurturing beauty (32-42) for balanced, long-term relationship. (7/31) ☎48011

LATINO MAN, FIT, SLIM, 5'8", 40s, educated, homeowner. Seeking companionship with fun, outgoing, attractive woman; any shoe size. (7/31) ☎33950

SEEKING JAPANESE IMPORT! Petite, attractive and adventurous. 25-35. Must love the outdoors, great music and art. Me: Caucasian, athletic, creative, 5'8", 138lbs. (8/7) ☎48117

ALL-AMERICAN, YESTERDAY'S values, 58, 5'10", 185lbs., attractive nonsmoker, professional, educated, sharp, adventurous; available for beach walks, trips to the moon. Seeking cute Jewish girl. (8/7) ☎48045

ROAD LESS TRAVELED. 43, white, 5'10", 170lbs., brown/brown. No smoke/drink. Kearny Mesa loner, idealistic, seeking very shy, white woman, 30s. You are appreciated. (8/7) ☎48099

CURVACEOUS, SENSUAL, intelligent, woman sought by good-looking fun, intelligent, talented, down-to-earth guy. Looking for casual or serious relationship, depending. Music lover appreciated. (7/31) ☎33981

CHRISTIAN, 53, WHITE RN, blessed with health, tall (5'8"), loves the lord before all else, runs, hikes, Cowles Mountain, enjoys outdoor. Two cats: Marmie, Marabelle. (7/31) ☎34150

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S.O.S.: SINGLE, old-fashioned, 30-something, Caucasian, childless female seeking fulfilling long-term relationship with similar, monogamous, mature male, fit and stable, in early 60s. (7/31) ☎48019

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SURPRISE! Athletic, adventurous, well-valued, Jewish male, 32, with up beat personality seeking honest, sincere, witty, outgoing female for good times and lots of fun. (8/7) ☎48063

54, 6'+, ATTRACTIVE, Harley dude seeking a lady that's attractive inside out for fun weekend trips. We will become friends, maybe more. Call. Let's talk. (7/31) ☎33934

Seeking Career Woman

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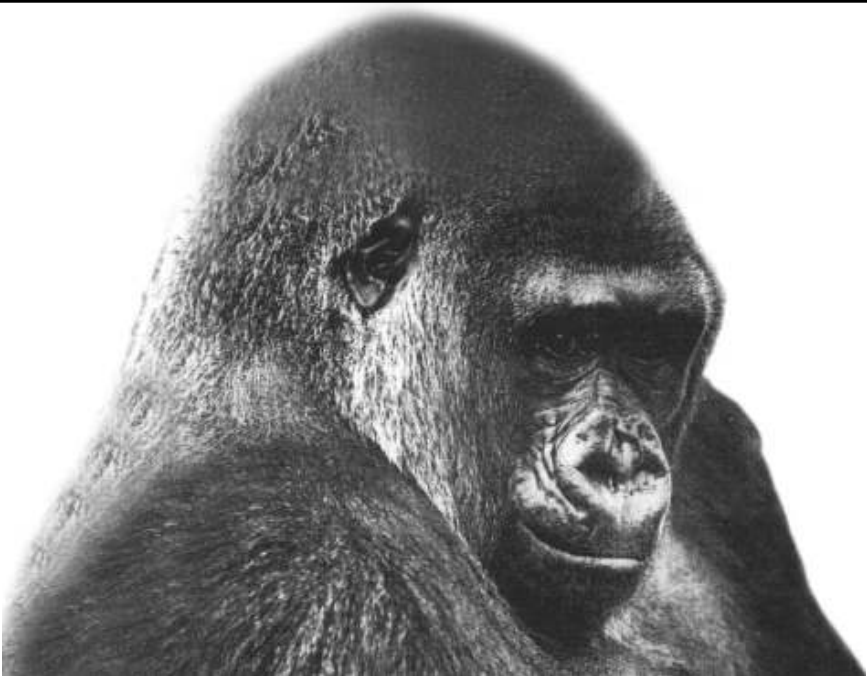
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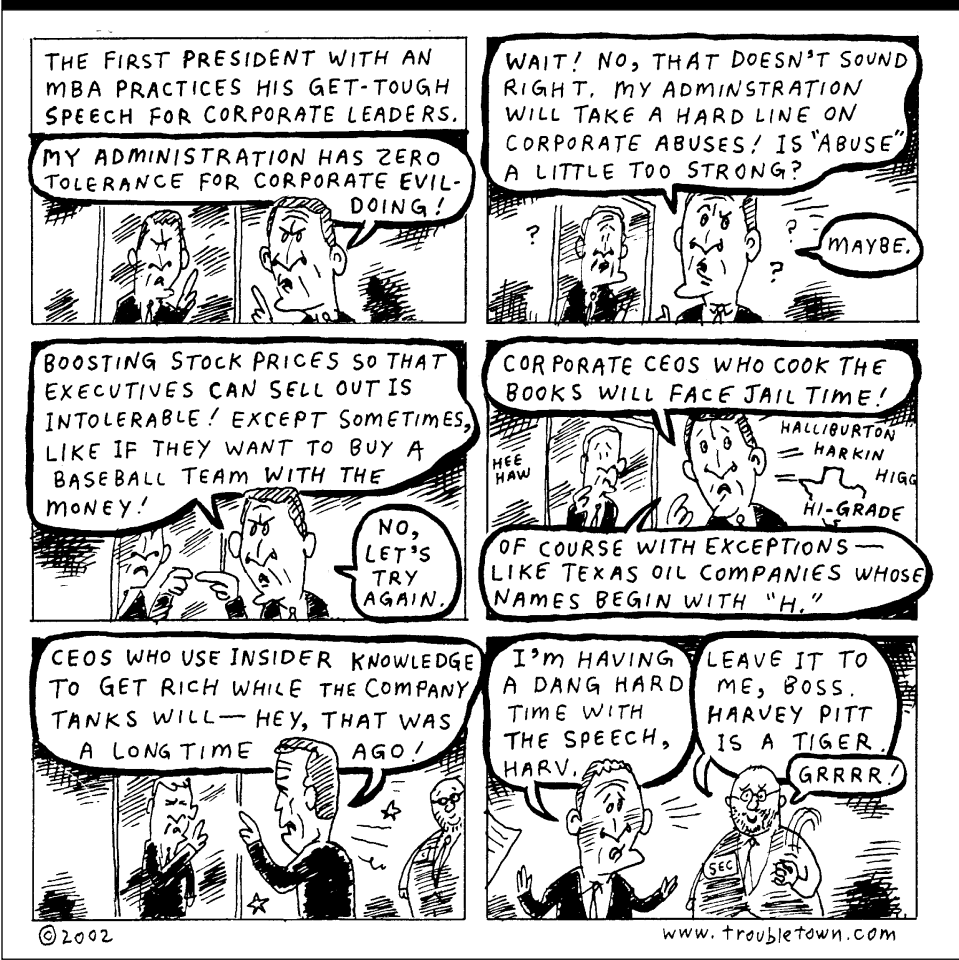
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DOWNTOWN. \$2500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer. Stove. Refrigerator. Microwave. Watermark. 655 India St. #119. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

DOWNTOWN. \$795 rent. 1 bedroom apartments. Security deposit \$500. Utilities included. Laundry on site. 2100 block First Avenue. Call for information, 619-233-7332.

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DOWNTOWN. \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath luxury condo. Fantastic view of bay and city lights. Completely remodeled. 2-car underground parking. Pool. 858-349-4663.

DOWNTOWN. \$1000. 2 bedroom. Quaint, quiet apartment complex on El Cortez Hill. Utilities paid. On-site manager. No pets. 8th Avenue and A Street. Available 8/1. 619-233-5330.

DOWNTOWN. Horizon. \$2350. Super deluxe 2 bedroom, 2 bath with big balcony. 23rd floor. Beautiful view. No pets. 858-274-2266.

DOWNTOWN. \$2100. Luxury Watermark penthouse, 16' ceilings, 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, city park view, sunny and cheerful, hardwood floors, Berber carpet. Available 8/1. 858-454-6518.

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DOWNTOWN. Studio. \$650. \$500 deposit. Quiet complex. Gated. Dishwasher. Laundry. Available now. 2545 A Street. Nolan, 619-235-8907.

DOWNTOWN. \$1025. Completely remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Downtown view. Hardwood floors. No pets. Nonsmoking. 1757 Second Avenue. Agent, 619-685-3960.

DOWNTOWN. \$1950. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, "Park Row." New carpet/appliances. Two patios, security, washer/dryer in unit. Pool, secured underground parking. 701 Kettner Blvd. #15. Agent, www.cephron.com. 619-295-1100.

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DOWNTOWN/GASLAMP. \$1975. Unique loft in historic building, approximately 1375 square feet with 10 large windows and high ceilings, central heat and air and dishwasher. On-site laundry, elevators, rooftop deck. Underground parking available. No dogs. 619-239-3999.

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and dishwasher. On-site laundry, elevators, rooftop deck. Underground parking available. No dogs. 619-239-3999.

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DOWNTOWN/GOLDEN HILL. \$1175. Huge 2 bedroom, 2 bath with downtown views. Small, gated complex. 1233 22nd Street. Available 8/1. Call Rochelle, 858-490-6543.

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DOWNTOWN/CORTEZ HILL. \$1690/month. Contemporary 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Top floor, hardwood floors, fireplace, washer/dryer, 2-car parking. No pets. 1 year lease. \$1500 security. 760-285-7327, cell.

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DOWNTOWN/SHERMAN HEIGHTS. \$875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Garage. New carpet/paint. Deposit. \$20 credit check. See manager at 165 20th Street #A. 619-987-5263; 619-501-5481.

EAST SAN DIEGO. \$875. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. New paint, stove, refrigerator. No pets. Near tennis court. 4538 Norwood. Contact manager, 619-284-6108.

EAST SAN DIEGO. \$795 rent. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom duplex with 1 car

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EL CAJON. \$950. Deposit \$750. Large 3 bedroom, 1 bath, second floor unit. Off-street parking. Laundry. Available now. 1028 Leslie Road #H. 619-843-8168.

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ENCINITAS. H Street 1 bedroom, yard, ocean view, walk to beach/downtown/Coaster, move in 8/15. \$1150, utilities, washer/dryer included. 760-942-7240, cell 760-419-7240.

ENCINITAS. \$1850. Attractive 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath paired home with attached 2-car garage on a wonderful cul-de-sac. Great neighborhood. 2023 Leafwood Place. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x110.

ENCINITAS. \$2000/month. Quiet 2 bedroom, 1 bath oceanview duplex on the bluff. Convenient beach access. Complete luxury remodel. 2-car garage. Rohn Properties, 760-436-7433.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Extra room. Newer carpet and paint. Decorative moldings. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

GOLDEN HILL. \$725. Rear unit apartment. Laundry on site. Borders south Morley Field with view of park. 2434 A Street. McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

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HILLCREST. \$835. 1 bedroom. Enjoy your summer in our sparkling pool! Great location in quiet area. 4166 Fourth Avenue. Les, 619-298-7868.

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HILLCREST. \$1100. Bright 2 bedroom, 2 bath in 8-plex. Stove, refrigerator, microwave. Laundry and parking. Storage room. Walk to everything. No pets. Call 619-297-2962.

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HILLCREST. \$625. Studio available. Best location, hardwood floors, laundry. Free utilities, kitchenette, parking. Charge, 858-751-1497.

HILLCREST. \$725-\$1050. 1 and 2 bedroom homes, walk to everything, great freeway access. Also, cottages available. Hardwood floors, laundry, balcony, parking. Charge, 858-751-1497.

HILLCREST. \$825. Downstairs quiet 1 bedroom. Centrally located, large walk-in closet, parking space, laundry, recently completely renovated, partial ceramic tile throughout. Cat OK. Available 8/15. 3952 9th Avenue #3. Call for information, 619-794-5300.

HILLCREST. \$1195. Charming Spanish-style 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, high ceilings. No pets. 3515 4th Avenue. Agent, 619-295-6005.

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HILLCREST. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Hardwood floors, breakfast nook, private side yard, street parking. No pets. \$1150. 3815 Park Blvd. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

HILLCREST. \$1200. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Built-ins. Garage. Private patio. Laundry hookups. Very clean, well maintained. No pets. Cassidy, broker, 619-275-LIST.

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HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. Studio. \$735. 1 bedroom, \$825. 2 bedroom, \$1095. Small courtyard complex. Gated. Laundry. Cat OK. 4009 Georgia. Open Saturday/Sunday 1pm-3pm. 619-255-5614.

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HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. south. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Remodeled. Laundry, deck, large storage area. No pets/smoking. 619-220-0446.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1450. 2 bedroom, 1 bath with den. Bright, large vintage apartment. Vaulted ceilings. Hardwood floors. New vinyl. Immaculate. Laundry hookup. Garage. No pets. 106 West Upas. 619-296-8802.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$695. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, off street parking, laundry on site, great location. No dogs. 4430 North Avenue. Year lease. 619-298-9107.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1800. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Quiet, security building. Point Loma/bay view balcony. Laundry, pool, sauna, garage. 3 blocks from Balboa Park, walk to Hillcrest restaurants. Up to \$300 off first month and \$50 off each month. 619-248-6744.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$795. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, quiet, dinette area, large closets, storage, laundry. No pets. Available 7/18. 1472 Iris Avenue. www.cal-prop.com 858-483-3534.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1650. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath apartment. Outdoor dog OK! Very nice unit with small yard. Available 7/26/02. 619-301-8654.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$950. Deposit \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, large unit, off-street parking, laundry on site, big balcony, lots of storage. 1085 12th Street #G. 619-424-5416.

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KENSINGTON. \$2400. Entertainers' dream! 3 bedroom, 2 bath plus office studio on quiet canyon with great deck, hardwood floors, fireplace, dining room. No dogs/indoor smoking. Agent, 619-280-7399.

KENSINGTON. \$1125. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with garage. Bright corner unit. All amenities. Security building. Centrally located. Best value in area! No pets. 619-281-5160; 858-456-2098.

KENSINGTON. Best location. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace, hardwood floors, washer/dryer, detached studio, garage. \$2595. 858-467-1776; 619-838-7411.

KENSINGTON. \$675. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Charming spanish style, secluded upper unit, breakfast nook, appliances, cat OK. 4162 Monroe Avenue. 619-698-6911.

KENSINGTON. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath house. Charming, secluded back house, refrigerator, fenced yard, small pet OK. 4625 Terrace Drive. 619-698-6911.

KENSINGTON. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, quiet, hardwood floors, landscaped setting. 1 year lease. Laundry. No pets. Available 8/14. 4140 Marlborough. www.cal-prop.com 858-483-3534.

KENSINGTON, SOUTH. \$675. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, dinig area, spacious, barbecue area, close to all, laundry. No pets. Available 8/8. 4386 Copeland. www.cal-prop.com 858-483-3534.

KENSINGTON, NORMAL HEIGHTS. Cute 1920s 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Fenced yard, garage, washer/dryer hookups, hardwood floors, fireplace, 3827 Monroe Avenue. \$1375. Call 858-232-5932.

LA COSTA Golf Course condo. 2300 square feet. \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Balcony with golf course view. Quiet cul-de-sac. All appliances included. 2-car garage. Call 760-809-3278.

LA COSTA. \$1300. 3 bedroom, 2 bath in quiet community. New carpet. Cats OK with deposit. Assigned parking. No dogs. Available 8/25. Gunney, 760-943-7590.

LA COSTA. \$1875. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, Fireplace, landscaped, fenced yard, 2-car garage, new windows/bathroom. Great family neighborhood/schools. 858-509-0593, 858-845-4544.

LA JOLLA COLONY. \$1375. 2 bedroom, 1-1/4 bath condo. Upstairs, corner unit, overlooks landscape. 2 reserved carports. Washer/dryer/dishwasher. Available now. George, manager, 858-735-8897.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. Lease and receive a \$500 shopping spree! Select homes, restrictions. Xtreme living meets... Xtreme luxury. www.Xtreme-Living.com. Crown molding, Pergo, new appliances, washer/dryer, more. Cybernet Cafe. Pools, spas, jogging trail. Pet friendly! 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1405. La Cima, 7503 Charmant Drive. 888-372-6243. www.sdreader.com/rent/1054.

LA JOLLA COLONY. 1 bedroom plus loft, 1 bath. All appliances including washer/dryer. \$1295/month plus deposit. 858-622-9940.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath with den. Bright, large vintage apartment. Vaulted ceilings. Hardwood floors. New vinyl. Immaculate. Laundry hookup. Garage. No pets. 106 West Upas. 619-296-8802.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. \$2300. 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Large garage, fireplace, close to 2 major highways. Near mall, shopping center. Call Nancy, 858-587-1288.

LA JOLLA SHORES. Summer rentals, 7/15-9/1. \$1200, \$1400/week. 2/3 bedrooms. By week or month. Completely furnished. 1 block beach. Close to zoo, Sea World. 25 minutes to racetrack. 858-456-7954.

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LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$1775. Beautifully remodeled 1 bedroom condo. Oceanfront building! Balcony overlooking tropical garden courtyard. Direct beach access. Secure entry. Underground parking/storage. Free utilities/cable! No pets. 858-454-2024.

LA JOLLA, WINDANSEA. \$2075. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath house near ocean. Fireplace, dishwasher, washer/dryer. Private fenced yard and deck. Gardener included. Carpets and hardwood floors. Will consider dog or cat for responsible tenant with excellent references. Walk to beach. Rent plus \$1200 moves you in. Move in by August 6th and receive \$100 off first month's rent. Drive by 561 Marine Street, then call Troy or Kelly. 858-454-3767.

LA JOLLA. Call for move-in specials! Indulge yourself! Resort-style living! Villas of Renaissance. Lush gardens. Resort style living! 4 pools/spas. Fitness center, saunas. Massage therapist. Personal trainers. Pilates, kickboxing. Step aerobics. Clubhouse, big screen TV. Great social activities. 5280 Fiore Terrace. 888-218-0377. Visit, web site: www.sdreader.com/rent/1051.

LA JOLLA. Studio. Full bath, kitchen, walk-in closet, dresser drawers/shelves, laundry. Block to beach, bus, restaurants. \$1095-\$1375/month, includes utilities. Cable ready. 619-645-8082.

LA JOLLA. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. 2-car garage, all appliances, fireplace, community pool. Panda Realty, 858-748-8850.

LA JOLLA. \$1150. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Pet OK, garage, washer/dryer, deck, canyon view. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1900. 3 bedroom, 3 bath house. Pet OK, double garage, dishwasher, washer/dryer, pool/spa. Low fee. 858-272-7368. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$2300, deposit \$2350. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath house on quiet street at Windansea Beach. Steps to sand. Washer and dryer. Hardwood floors. Yard. Street parking only. No pets. 437 Westbourne. Available 8/1. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

LA JOLLA. \$2500. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath beach house, 1 block from ocean, ocean views. New paint, hardwood floors, fireplace, garage. Private backyard. 5519 Chelsea. Appointment, 619-301-6384.

LA JOLLA. \$1150. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Pool. Steps to beach. Security parking. No pets. Available 8/20. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. Call 858-456-1432.

LA JOLLA. \$2500. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Hardwood floors, separate dining room. No pets. Available August. 625 Marine Street. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. Near Windansea Beach. \$2500. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. All new townhome. 2 unit condo building. Appliances, fireplace, tons of closet space, deck. Some view. Small fenced yard area. Large 2-car garage

LA JOLLA. \$4700. 4 bedroom, 3 bath home. 3050 square feet. 2-car garage. 2 blocks to Windansea. Family room with ocean view. Winamar Avenue. Pets OK. Available 8/15. Boone Properties, 858-274-0307.

LA JOLLA. \$1025. 1 bedroom. Near Windansea Beach. Balcony. All appliances. Laundry room. 510 Nautilus Street. Available now. Agent, 858-274-0307.

LA JOLLA. \$2195. 3 bedroom house. Wood floors. Fireplace. Dishwasher. 2 blocks to ocean. 5240 La Jolla Mesa Drive. 619-296-4191.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedroom/combo office, \$1950. 2 bedroom, 180 degree view, \$2550. Spectacular lifestyle, location, 616 Prospect. Call for appointment 858-729-0342.

LA JOLLA. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Spacious and bright. Large private balcony. Garden window. Fun, cosmopolitan location. 2 bedroom. No pets. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive #11. Ask manager for details, 858-457-4509.

LA JOLLA. \$1350. Modern, spacious 1 bedroom. Panoramic ocean views! Berber carpets. Walk-in closet. Private balcony. Covered parking. Must see! 5530 La Jolla Blvd. 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA. \$1150. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in the heart of the village. Quaint complex. Laundry room. Must see! 7709 Eads Avenue. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Pets ok. Washer/dryer, fenced patio. Prestigious complex overlooking pool. Fireplace, tennis courts, underground parking. Charge. 858-751-1497.

LA JOLLA. \$1100. 1 bedroom condo. Gated parking, balcony with view, pool, laundry. No pets. Nice sunny upper unit in La Jolla Shores. 858-450-4600.

LA JOLLA. \$2995. Clean 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath located on cul-de-sac near walking trail and La Jolla High. 750 Bonair Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

LA JOLLA. \$1850. 2 master bedroom suites, 2.5 bathroom townhouse. Spacious and light, tile floor, fireplace, double garage, all appliances, community pool and jacuzzi. 858-361-3374.

LA JOLLA. \$1195. Charming studio apartments, one block from The Cove, downtown. Spanish mission style architecture, 1920s building. Bright. One available! 1261 Prospect Place. 619-645-8082.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$2700. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Garage, washer/dryer, fenced yard, fireplace, hardwood floors. 858-454-0160.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Sunny, corner, second floor unit in Marbella. Fireplace, air conditioning, washer/dryer, 2-car garage, new carpet and paint. \$1695. Please call 619-501-5109.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2065. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Pool, patio, balcony, all appliances, including washer/dryer. Available 9/02. 858-554-1142.

LA JOLLA/LA JOLLA SHORES. \$925. Studio. Close to beach, shops and restaurants. Assigned parking. Must see. No pets. 8051 Calle De Plata. Open Saturday, 11:30am-12:30pm. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1950. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Beautiful pool, jacuzzi, sauna room, racquetball court, new carpet/paint. No pets. 619-888-5734.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Lease and receive a \$500 shopping spree! Select homes, restrictions. Xtreme living meets... Xtreme luxury. www.Xtreme-Living.com. Enjoy new appliances, washer/dryer, faux granite countertops. 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1190. Gated parking. Pools, spas, fitness center. Cats welcome. Nobel Court, 8895 Caminito Plaza Centro. 888-372-6228. www.sdreader.com/rent/1037.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1300. Immaculate, beautiful cathedral-ceilinged condo. 1 bedroom plus loft/bedroom. Newly painted by artist and rugs cleaned. All appliances, pool, jacuzzi, covered parking. Available mid-August. 858-558-7220.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1800. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Close to UTC mall. Fireplace, 2-car garage, all appliances. 4155 Porte de Palmas. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1200. Large 1 bedroom. Great location for shopping near, UTC and Costa Verde. Washer/dryer, refrigerator, garage, pool. Immediate occupancy. 858-578-3392.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2250. 2 master bedrooms, 1 den/bedroom, 2-1/2 bathrooms, garage. Hardwood floors, new carpet. Washer/dryer. Pool, tennis, racquetball. Available now. 760-967-0091.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1350. Lower 2 bedroom, 1 bath near ocean/bus. Laundry room, street parking. No pets. 6-month lease. 441 Mesa Way. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. 1 block to beach! Fresh interior. 1 parking. 324 Kolmar #B. \$1545. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1545. 1 bedroom near beach plus garage. Newer interior with dishwasher, microwave. 324-1/2 Rosemont. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1595. 1 bedroom with fireplace plus parking. Block to beach. 338 Rosemont. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1595. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 block to beach. Fireplace. Coin laundry. 1-car garage. 340 Palomar. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA MESA. \$1650. Charming 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, hardwood floors, yard, incredible view, quiet cul-de-sac, washer/dryer, dishwasher, large kitchen. Open House Saturday, 7/27, 1-4 pm, 7388 Pomona Way. 619-697-7102.

LA MESA. \$650. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath, spacious kitchen, newer appliances. Easy move in. Near shops. Low deposit. Fee. www.pchrent.com 858-581-1290.

LA MESA. \$865. Extra large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Balcony, view. Great location. Near trolley. Call now. 619-208-2320.

LA MESA. \$850. \$300 move-in special! 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Dishwasher. Blinds. Intercom entry. Laundry. Pool. Off-street parking. Available now. 4311 Parks Avenue. 619-460-5406.

LA MESA. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in convenient location. Courtyard, coin laundry, parking. Well maintained. No pets. 3717 69th Street. Manager, 619-337-2369.

LA MESA. \$1650. 3 bedroom house. New paint, fenced yard, covered patio. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

LA MESA. \$1195. Utilities included, hardwood, ceramic tile flooring, Cats ok. Garage parking. Charge. 858-751-1497.

LA MESA. \$800. Charming 2 bedroom unit, close to parks and shopping. Also, a few cottages available. Utilities included, dishwasher, pool, gated, parking. Charge. 858-751-1497.

LA MESA. \$650. Large studio with full kitchen: stove, refrigerator. Carpeted, utilities included, unfurnished. 619-465-8258. www.floiti.com.

LA MESA. \$895. Deposit \$750. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, garden setting, on-site laundry, off-street parking. 6004 Lake Murray Blvd #C. 619-843-8168. 858-273-8800.

LA MESA. Move-in special! Fabulous 1 and 2 bedroom apartment homes with fully equipped kitchens, air conditioning and patio/balcony. Some units have skylights, cathedral ceiling, fireplace and/or 2 patio/balcony. Call 619-464-8985. www.fletcherhillsc.com.

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LA MESA/LAKE MURRAY. \$1025. Move-in special! 1/2 off 1st month's rent. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Just steps from lake. Air conditioning. Private yards. Covered parking. Open house, Saturday, Sunday, 11AM-1PM. 5440 Lake Murray Boulevard. Agent, 619-260-1368; 619-825-5135.

LA MESA/MT. HELIX. Charming New Orleans-style, spacious 1, 2, 3 bedrooms from \$815. Completely gated community with flower gardens. Parking. Small pet OK. 619-462-1212.

LAKE MURRAY/SAN CARLOS. \$2195/ best. Beautiful peaceful home, 4 bed-

room, 2 bath, spectacular views, double garage, fireplace, near freeways, hiking, SDSU. Nonsmoking/References. 619-644-1941.

LAKESIDE. 2 bedroom, 1 bath from \$925. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Washer/dryer hook-ups. Yard. Balcony. Assigned covered parking. Quiet gated community. Pet policy. 619-561-7086.

LAKESIDE. Marilla Sundance Apartment homes located in scenic Lakeside. We offer spacious 2 bedroom, 2 full bath approximately 931 square feet. From \$900-\$930. Dogs/cats are welcome. Dog must be 40 pounds or less. Cats must be indoors. Two pet maximum. \$100 off move-in! 619-561-2922. Website: sdreader.com/rent/2024.

LAKESIDE. \$1550. 3 bedroom house. New paint and carpet, fenced yard, pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

LEMON GROVE. \$725/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled, new paint, carpet, linoleum, blinds. Appliances. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 619-280-2658.

LEMON GROVE. \$1300. Low deposit. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, sunlit kitchen. Newer appliances. Freshly painted. Quiet area. Secluded in greenery. Fee. www.pchrent.com 858-581-1290.

LEMON GROVE. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, private drive, deck, complete remodel, fresh paint, carpet, cabinets, washer/dryer, refrigerator, detached garage. Nonsmoking. No pets. 619-469-4312.

LEUCADIA. \$1025. West of 101. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, townhouse style, fenced patio, off-street parking, laundry room. Near beach. 129-B Jupiter. Leasing Unlimited 760-436-7273.

LEUCADIA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Walk to beach. Newly refurbished. Laundry on site. Off-street parking. No pets. Available now. Security deposit. Call for appointment. 131 Diana Street. 760-632-1900.

LEUCADIA. Adorable, spacious 1 bedroom apartment with private yard/entrance. Very quiet, blocks to beach, garage, utilities/cable included. No pets. Available 8/3. 760-943-7413.

LEUCADIA. \$1300. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Small pet. Fenced yard. 1000 square feet. 1375 North Vulcan. Available 8/8. Agent, 858-755-1139; www.scuba-rentals.com.

LEUCADIA. \$1050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Ocean view. No pets. No smoking. 276 El Portal. Available 9/1. Agent, 858-755-1139. www.scuba-rentals.com.

LINDA VISTA. Genesee Summit. Secluded, private. From \$995-\$1295, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments. Garages available. Spa, patio. Air conditioning. Laundry hookups. Central location, near all. No dogs. 2219 Judson Street. 858-576-0420. For photos, floor plans and map, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1043.

LINDA VISTA. \$900 apartment. Old navy housing. Near USD. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Refrigerator, stove, hardwood floors. Agent, 619-283-7300.

LINDA VISTA. \$845 and \$945/month. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Convenient location, some with fenced backyards, assigned parking. No pets. Office at 2451 Ulric Street. Please call for appointment at 858-278-3610.

LINDA VISTA. \$1550. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Garage, carpet, refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, garbage disposal, washer/dryer in unit. Small pet. 1 year. Available 8/15. 858-292-5124.

LINDA VISTA. \$1100. Deposit \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry on site. Near USD. Dishwasher. No pets. 5760 Lauretta Street. Available 8/1. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

LINDA VISTA. \$1150. 3 bedroom, 1 bath townhouse. Washer, dryer hookups. Section 8 OK. 6530 Kelly Street. Available now. No pets. Call AJPM, 619-220-4840 x0.

LINDA VISTA. \$1650. Deposit \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, fireplace, stove, refrigerator, microwave, washer and dryer, pool, underground parking. 1000 square feet. Gated community. 2045 Burton Street. 619-843-7827.

LITTLE ITALY. \$550. Spacious studio, IKEA kitchen, corner unit, bay view. Call 619-293-3118, x7.

MIRA MESA, Carroll Canyon Road (Maya Linda Apartments). Studio to sublet. from August. I-15 access, parking. Below market rent, first 2 months \$799, from October, \$810. gooddeal7@hotmail.com. 858-578-0813, 619-994-6147.

MIRA MESA. \$1250. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, cozy fireplace, spa and pool. Hidden in greenery. Extra storage space available. August 1. Fee. www.pchrent.com 858-581-1290.

MIRA MESA. \$1525. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint and carpet, 2-car garage. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

MIRA MESA. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Pets ok. Fenced yard, covered patio, dishwasher, disposal, washer and dryer in rental. 2-car garage. Charge. 858-751-1497.

MIRAMAR. \$795. Deposit \$745. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, stove, refrigerator, air conditioning. Off-street parking. No pets. 8767 Mira Mesa Blvd #6. 858-831-9342; 619-843-7827.

MISSION BAY/BAY PARK. Spacious 2 bedrooms from \$1150! Great location. Near beaches and bay! Quiet complex. Close to shopping, restaurants. Freeway access. Huge balconies/patios. 3 pools. 6 laundry rooms. Lush landscaping. Garages, storage available. Cats OK. Villa Pacific Apartments, 2905 Clairemont Drive. Call 619-276-1680. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1090.

MISSION BAY. \$1300. Immaculate 2 bedroom, walk in closets. Near bay. Newly remodeled. Hidden in greenery. Low deposit. Quiet area. Fee. www.pchrent.com 858-581-1290.

MISSION BAY, EAST. \$775. Bright 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Balcony. Walk-in closet. Close to bay. Small, beautiful complex. Assigned parking. Nice carpet. Laundry. Security lighting. Cat OK. Available 8/1. 619-276-8816.

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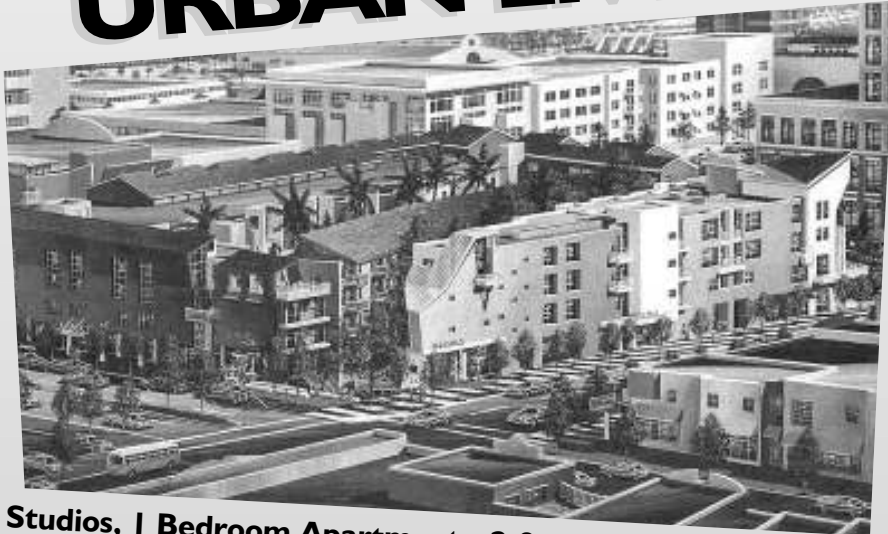
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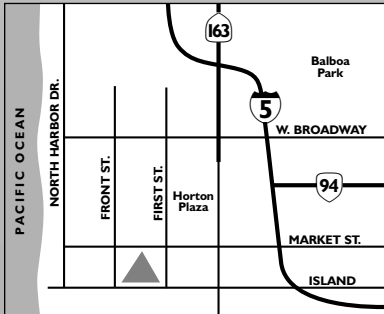
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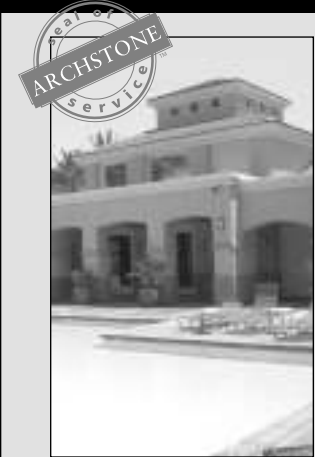


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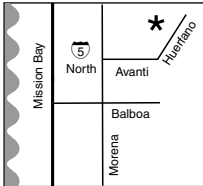
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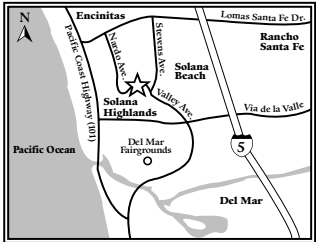
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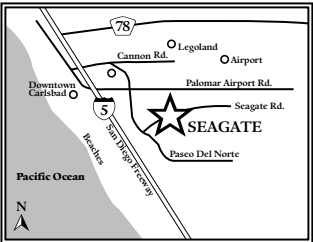
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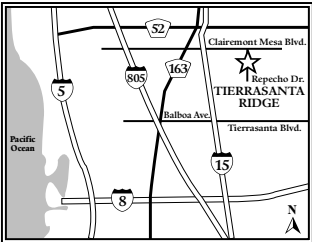
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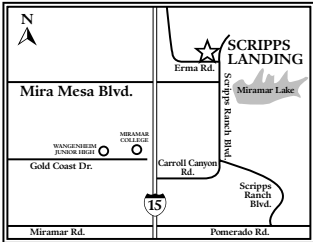
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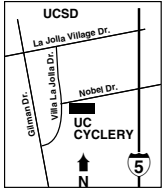


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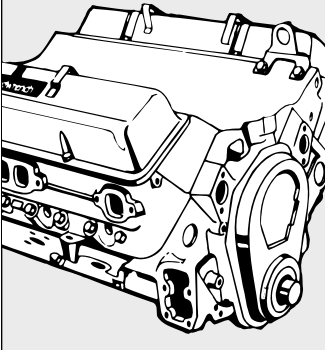
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It became apparent that I either quit drinking or get rid of the motorcycle.

By John Brizzolara

As a symbol of freedom, I think the motorcycle does a better job than the bald eagle or the Statue of Liberty. Liberty and license (yes, you need a special one), speed, balance, focus, grace, these are the associations I have with street bikes (never having done any real off-road scrambling, at least on purpose), and just looking at a fine one is enough to put you in a Friday-afternoon frame of mind, the weekend spread before you like a two-lane blacktop, with Monday morning over the horizon.

More San Diegans take off early on Fridays than they freely admit (one could never get an honest percentage just by polling), just as the percentage of the work force that are no-shows when the surf is up is likely to be far higher in San Diego than in many cities — even coastal cities. Is this a regional character defect? Maybe, but who asked you?

Leaving the office about 3 p.m. on a recent Friday, the day muggy and too warm, without even a breeze to assuage my city claustrophobia, I indulge in a brief and private memorial for my last motorcycle — a Honda Silver Wing. It was only 500cc’s, unlikely to be useful in any kind of race, too bourgeois for a motorcycle club, but just pushing the line in my own desideratum: *Never own a bike you can’t pick up if you drop it*. My ex-bike, with its black fiberglass panniers, was unlikely to label me as a hell-rais-

ing rebel, or a retiree from Arizona with an ass so wide he needs a Honda Gold Wing (kind of a Cadillac convertible on two wheels — DVD player and hair dryer optional) to accommodate its ample majesty.

Gone but not forgotten, I remember the good times as I cross Balboa Park and almost subconsciously head for the automotive museum, where I know they keep several items on display that are the stuff dreams are made of. And dreams of biking are what I’ve subsisted on since 1993. After a year of living with the helmet law, trying to decide if riding around with a toaster on my head (or, in summer, a microwave oven) is still freedom, I was forced to choose. It became apparent that I either quit drinking or get rid of the motorcycle. I got rid of the bike.

At the museum, I painlessly shelled out the six-dollar admission and made my way past some choice vintage cars that are another kind of pleasure altogether; cars and motorcycles being something like dogs and cats: cars are sloppy, farting, often faithful; bikes are unimpressed with so-called owners, autonomous, a stripped-down component of a minimalist haiku of steel, rubber, and flesh. Bikes are the embodiment of “road fever,” escape, balancing at the edges of lawlessness. As for loyalty, no motorcycle ever promised any such thing, and if you expect it, you’re dumb.

I quickly cross the large display room and head for one of my favorite curiosities: a 1912 Flying Merkel VS. Merkel was a guy out of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who experimented with the single cylinder, V twins, and sprung frames around 1902. The one I’m looking at was sold to a young man in North County just before he was sent off to fight a world war. To insure the safety of his Merkel while he was gone, he built a false wall in the basement of his parents’ house and enclosed the bike. He never told his parents, and he also never returned from the war. The Merkel remained entombed for 50 years until the house was demolished to make room for a freeway. It survived its interment well, and looking at it now (it looks as if it were constructed out of an old-fashioned insecticide sprayer), I wonder what it is about these things that inspires enshrinement like an Egyptian pharaoh. It is, to me, doubtful, that anyone would go to so much bother for a mere car. I suppose it could happen, but what the soldier was protecting here was a concrete symbol of a piece of him that longed for freedom, not status.

A 1915 Imperial Rover GT, a few feet away, reminds me of those final scenes in the film *Lawrence of Arabia*. A goggled Peter O’Toole is shown as T.E. Lawrence



San Diego Automotive Museum, Balboa Park

motoring happily through the English countryside in a prolonged, dialogueless shot depicting the last moments of his life before a road accident. The irony is considerable: here is a man who escaped capture and death at the hands of homicidal Turks and his own allies, the slightly less psychotically violent Arabs, to say nothing of the Sahara Desert he pitted himself against, only to be brought down on two motorized wheels on a peaceful country lane.

In a novel I wrote ten years ago, I describe a long motorcycle chase on Kawasaki Police 1000s, and other scenes describing Baja California from a motorcycle rider’s point of view. A line from that story comes to mind every time I think of Lawrence’s death. The narrator observes that operating a motorcycle is one of those few activities in which “...you can do everything perfectly and get killed anyway.”

There are about 45 motorcycles on display year-round at the automotive museum, and a once-a-year motorcycle show. If a quick shot of freedom fantasy is what you need before your other leisure pursuits on a Friday afternoon, check out the museum, and imagine your troubles all contained neatly in that rectangle above the throttle: the rearview mirror.

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And now this problem has been elevated to a crisis. I will be walking down the aisle as a bridesmaid for a friend's wedding in a couple of weeks, and I need to find a strapless bra for the sleeveless dress she chose for us gals. Oh, the dreaded strapless bra! Will there be one that will support these milk-filled melons?

"The strapless bra is no friend to the big-busted woman," moaned my friend Margaret. "It is difficult enough to find an over-the-shoulder boulder-holder that works, never mind finding a strapless bra. Lane Bryant sells a five-way bra with removable straps that is not horrible. But I just don't wear clothes that necessitate a strapless bra."

"A strapless bra fell down to my belly button at the prom," laughed my well-endowed



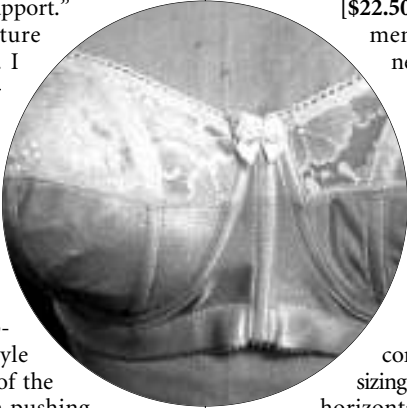
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sister-in-law, Monica. "I have never found one that I liked," she continued. "The long-line bra, the bustier style, is the only kind that gives me some support."

My strapless-bra future was not looking bright. I turned to the professionals. "It is hard enough to find larger sizes in a regular bra but to find a supportive strapless bra in a larger size is even more difficult," explained Laurie Thomas, owner of The Enchantress, located in Old Town. "You get more support from the bustier-style

strapless bra because of the boning underneath pushing you up. I have a bustier by Goddess [43], which is strapless, runs up to size FF, and it is a boulder-holder. It falls to about an inch lower than the waist and the manufacturers have boned it: there is wire framing the boob. It gives great support."

Goddess also makes a longer-line bustier strapless bra [49-55]. "It has a formed cup for extra support, underwire underneath, and it covers down to over the hips. It has removable garter straps and I tell the girls that if they don't want to wear the garter, they can tuck the bottom part under for a little extra tummy support."



"In the summer months, if you are wearing a strappy top, you hate to put this long-line bra underneath. Goddess also makes a strapless bra without the bustier part that runs up to a size FF [26-28]."

Fantasia of England's strapless bra, Thomas says, "starts in a 30 back up to an F cup. It comes with a regular strap and a clear strap if you need extra support [46]."

"Fashionforms sells a strapless bra that tapes on. It has reusable tape on the cups [22.50-25]. I would not recommend this for someone who needs lots of support, but it does work for sizes up to a D cup."

The Enchantress sells a variety of bridal foundations. A noteworthy pick among them is the Felina bridal piece demi-bra with a padded push-up bra [68].

"A couple of hints," continued Thomas. "For sizing in the cup, it's the width horizontally that is important."

The wire needs to come around on the side, almost directly under the underarm. A lot of women are wearing the wrong-size cup and their boobs are coming out over the top of the bra.

"Also, for a small-waisted woman looking for a low-back strapless bra, they might need to go to a lower size because they will be hooking the bra down around the small waist."

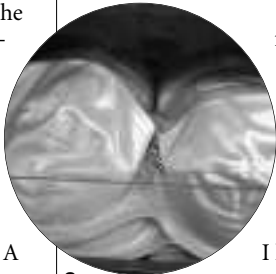
"And for sizing, I recommend trying on different-size bras. Manufacturers' sizing is all different so you really need to just try on the bras."

That is what I did. I first called department stores and lingerie shops to hammer

down who carried the larger sizes. Turned down again and again, I came away with only a few stores that actually carried bigger-sized strapless bras. I headed down to Mission Valley and popped into Lane Bryant to try on their five-way bra by Cacique (29). It came in black, white and off-white with a formed cup and underwiring. As a strapless bra, it gave minimal support, not enough for my needs, but with the straps on (as halter, or crisscross), it slung the "chi chis" high. I snatched it up and headed to Frederick's of Hollywood. The saleslady recommended a house-brand black formed cup with underwiring. Each side of the back had two thick elastic bands meeting at the hooks. I met with disappointment. It held the rib cage in tight under the breasts, but had almost no upward support. Not worth the 28 clams.

Nordstrom carried a few brands in sizes up to 38D. Wacoal, On Gos-samer, and TC Fine Shapewear all sold a rendition of the strapless, costing from 42 to 68, but all proved worthless in upward lift. I left them all behind.

My last hope was the Enchantress and this Goddess of all strapless bras. With Laurie's help, I strapped on the longer-lined Goddess bra and smiled. It worked as a great tummy tucker, gave me some back support, and, best of all, gave me that lift I'd been wanting. I guess I'm going to be a perky bridesmaid after all.



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During the school year, I run on schedule. Every weekday morning, my husband Jack leaves for work around 5:45. I'm up by 7:00. I shower and dress. I awaken those of my five children who haven't awakened themselves. Rebecca, who is nine, showers and puts on her school uniform. Seven-year-old Angela, after much hectoring, puts on her uniform. While I dress baby Ben and four-year-old Johnny, Lucy, five, lolls around in bed.

"Lucy, get out of bed and pick out something to wear," I tell her.

"I'm too tired," Lucy invariably answers.

"If you don't choose something, I will."

By 7:45, we're downstairs. I fix breakfast. The girls put on their shoes and socks and brush their hair. If we have time, I do braids or half-ponytails for them. Everybody eats. I help the boys

put on shoes and socks. We're out the door by 8:30.

Some mornings, we run a little behind. When I turn the key in the minivan's ignition, the car radio flashes the time. "Aargghh," I say. "We're late."

"But, Mommy," Rebecca counters. "It's only 8:37."

"Yes, but if I don't make all the lights, I won't get you two girls to school until 8:50. Then Lucy will be late for pre-school."

Summer is different. Last Friday morning, lying in the half light, I heard Jack ease the front door shut. Moments later, I heard Ben stand up in his crib and complain. I padded down the hall to the room Ben shares with Johnny. Johnny lay sprawled across his bed, arms flung out like Superman. Ben smiled when I lifted him out of his crib. He snuggled into my arms as I walked back down the hall and fell back to sleep curled beside me in my bed.

When I woke up again at 7:30, Johnny snuggled against my back. Benjamin's round, pink face loomed in mine. "Nose," Benjamin said and poked my nose.

"That's right," I croaked. "That's Mommy's nose."

"IIII-yeeeee," Benjamin said and poked my eye.

"That's right," I said a little more clearly. "That's Mommy's eye. Where's Benjamin's eye?"

Ben poked one of his hazel eyes.

"Where's Daddy?" Johnny asked.

"He left for work," I answered.

"What day is it?" Johnny asked.

"It's Friday. Tomorrow is Saturday. Daddy

will come home tonight, and he'll be home tomorrow when you wake up."

Johnny smiled. "Can we go downstairs in our p.j.'s?" During the school year, Johnny gets dressed before he goes downstairs every day but Saturday. Monday through Fridays are school days. Sunday, we go to 9:00 Mass.

"Sure," I answered.

"Really?" he asked. "In our p.j.'s?"

"Yes, in our p.j.'s."

"Yessssss," Johnny raised his arms and clenched both hands tight.

Ben clambered out of bed and headed downstairs. Johnny followed him. I peeked into the girls' room before I followed the boys. The room was bright with filtered sunshine. Rebecca, Angela, and Lucy slept as though dead.

Downstairs, I found Ben standing in front of the stereo. He pointed to the CD player and said, "O-ee in 'ca?"

"Nope buddy," I answered. "It's too early to listen to 'Only in America.' The girls are still asleep."

Ben threw himself to the floor and began to cry. "Only in America," a country song we recently purchased on CD, is Ben's favorite song. If I let him, he would listen to it all day. I picked Ben up and carried him to the family room. Johnny stood in front of the television. "May I please watch KPPS?" Johnny asked.

During the school year, Jack and I let the kids watch TV only on the weekends. Since school got out, I've gotten lazy. "Sure, you can watch KPBS," I answered.

"Yeah!" Johnny said and hopped up on

the couch.

"Yeah," Benjamin echoed and hopped up beside him. The boys sat together and watched *Dragontails*, a show about a brother and sister who travel magically to a special land where they play with friendly dragons. By the time the show was half over, Rebecca and Angela tromped downstairs and joined the boys on the couch. Lucy stumbled in as music played over the final credits.

"Can we watch *Arthur*?" Rebecca asked.

"I guess so," I said. "But at 8:30, the TV goes off."

For the next half hour, the kids watched *Arthur*. I ate my breakfast and read the paper. At 8:30, when we would normally be rushing out the door, I strolled into the kitchen still wearing my nightgown and popped sourdough bread in the toaster for the kids' breakfast. "What are we doing today?" Rebecca asked. "When is Meghann coming over?"

Earlier in the week, we had arranged for Rebecca's friend Meghann to come for a sleep-over.

"We need to clean up around here this morning," I answered.

The kids groaned.

"I'm sure you don't want Meghann seeing your room so messy. Then we need to go to Costco. On the way home, we'll stop and pick up Meghann. You guys can play for a while. When Daddy gets home, we'll go to the pool."

Rebecca smiled. The day stretched before us. As I put on the water for my morning cup of coffee, I closed my eyes for a moment and stifled a yawn.

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