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"They were drunk at the time, and they were a little flirtatious toward me."

Friday Night at Dad's

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Dianne's Corruption

I would like to thank Matt Potter for his article on the mayor ("Broken Promises," July 25). If possible, I would like to see an article of a similar nature about Dianne Iacob. I have observed Dianne for some time now and am increasingly aware of the corruption under her reign. Sailing Guy

Moral Questions

The following quote was taken from your column "Blurt" on July 25: "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.""

The above comments were written in the latest issue. of "Blurt." While I do not deny the quotes Mr. Leighton chose to use, I do feel it is necessary to dispute the spirit in which they are used. Mr. Leighton led me to believe he was concerned for the well-being of our artist and how their feelings might be hurt if I had to give a bad grade while reviewing one of their records. I do not pull punches in any aspects of my life; our artists are familiar with my cutting sense. Mr. Leighton also inquired that wouldn't it be difficult to give a bad grade to the records I am currently promoting. I assured him that since I promote our songs to the RADIO, as he so conveniently forgot to mention, I didn't think it

was a conflict of interest. I discussed at length with Mr. Leighton the moral questions that were raised when I started writing for *Destroy*, but he chose to leave all of that out. My feelings were hurt, and yes, even though it's a sin, my pride was as well. I have spent the last six years working here for our artists and promoting their songs to the radio with my integrity intact. Mr. Leighton has chosen to appeal to the lowest common denominator. I find it insulting, as one of your readers, that Mr. Leighton assumes we cannot understand complicated moral issues. For the record, I love the Division of Laura Lee. Do yourself a favor and steal a copy, that way Mr. Leighton can sleep at night, knowing my opinion won't influence any further record

> Christina White Epitaph Records

Ken Leighton replies: Yes, Ms. White assured me she really is honest and that she really does like the artist in question. I asked her if she ever gave a bad grade to an artist on her label, and she said she could not remember when or if she did. It is reasonable to assume that a record company employee would never give a bad CD review to one of its artists. It was my judgment that the quote she gave best summed up her position. It is unusual that a consumer publication allows a record-company employee to review its own product.

Classical Disgrace

(re "Blurt," July 25) Poor KPFK, the Los Angeles FM station complaining about XLNC transmitting on the same frequency (90.7). KPFK just happens to be THE MOST POWERFUL FM STATION IN THE USA. Its tower is not 1000 feet above sea level like XLNC but over 5000 feet. Their power is not 1000 or even 20,000 watts like XLNC, but 112,000 watts! In fact, even though they are over 120 miles away from San Diego, they overpower XLNC's signal anywhere north of Del Mar, and on some days the KPFK signal overpowers XLNC north of University Avenue. This leaves San Diego disgracefully without a reliable classical radio signal. (At least

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Sausage in the making A bill by San Diego assemblywoman **Christine Kehoe** to allow the San Diego Unified School District and the city to tear down





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Jim Gilber

public funding to condemn private property, ostensibly to replace housing lost by new school construction in the aging urban neighborhood. The proposal is strongly backed by San Diego Unified superintendent **Alan Bersin** and San Diego mayor Dick Murphy as well as the Union-Tribune. But critics like the Reverend **Jim** Gilbert of Fairmount Baptist Church say that the bill's language is suspiciously fuzzy about how much middle- and lower-income replacement housing would ac-

tually be built, and it makes no provisions at all for those who want to continue to own and rehab their own homes. In a report to the state Senate's Local Government Committee, which has scheduled a hearing on the matter next Wednesday, committee consultant Peter Detwiler points out that the measure "is the result of three separate gut-andamend changes. As introduced on February 25, AB 2867 addressed the land-use planning problems of siting schools. When it passed the Assembly in late May, AB 2867 would have changed the criteria for picking projects to be funded by the State Department of Housing and Community Development's Multifamily Housing Program. On June 6, AB 2867 was amended to allow a JPA to avoid state guidelines on siting schools. The June 24 amendments create the bill's fourth incarnation, prompting the Legislative Counsel to warn the author about a possible violation of the legislative rules requiring amendments to be germane. The Committee may wish to consider whether the bill's current contents have enjoyed sufficient public and legislative review."

One for the money Wasting no time, members of San Diego's housing commission are using public money in an effort to get themselves exempted from the "revolving door" provision of the city's new ethics law. Under that clause, officials who collect a fee for services rendered are banned from lobbying city hall for a year after they leave office. It



Charles Walker

turns out housing commissioners are entitled to receive a \$50 "stipend" for each commission meeting they attend and therefore are supposed to have their lobbying activities restricted by law. But in a July 25 letter to ethics commission executive di-

rector Charles Walker, attorney Charles Christensen of the firm Christensen Schwerdtfeger & Spath, the housing commission's attorney, seeks to keep the ban from being applied to members of the housing board. "Because the revolving-door provisions of the Ethics Ordinance became effective on July 1, 2002, I have advised all Commissioners to not collect any stipend after July 1, 2002, until such time as we have an opinion from the Ethics Commission concerning the application of the revolving-door provisions of the Ethics Ordinance to Commissioners who do not receive any such stipend after July 1, 2002," Christensen wrote. He added that "if this opinion is not legally possible, perhaps it would be appropriate to process an amendment to the Ethics Ordinance" lifting the revolving-door prohibitions for housing commissioners.

Junketeer, Inc. Millionaire North County Republican congressman **Darrell Issa**



Darrell Issa

has filed an annual personal financial disclosure, showing that he made five separate excursions during 2001 courtesy of various special-interest groups. From January 4 through 7, he was in Las Vegas to attend the board meeting of his car-alarm company, Directed Elec-

tronics, Inc. On January 26 and 27, he traveled to Michigan's Siena Heights University, where he serves on the board of trustees. From February 21 to 27, he went to Manila and on to Kuwait, sponsored by "Philippines United Against Crime and Kuwait FOTN." From March 9 to 11, he headed to the exclusive Greenbriar Resort in North Carolina to attend a meeting of the Aspen Institute. Finally, from October 5 through 10 he headed back to the Middle East to attend a meeting of the Center for Middle East Peace and Economic Cooperation in Beirut and Bahrain ... San Diego's Photon Research Associates has just bagged a \$55 million Navy contract to produce the "Battlespace Environment and Signature Toolkit" (BEST), to be used by engineers designing America's next Star Wars missile defense system, reports Navy News Week.

Contributor: Matt Potter

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More Pedophile Priest Follies

By Robert Kumpel

ather Paul Shanley, the Roman Catholic priest who lived in San Diego from 1997 until his arrest in May of this year at

his Hillcrest apartment, is currently awaiting trial in a Boston jail on rape charges. Shanley, who is accused of molesting boys, came to San Diego in 1997 after the Boston archdiocese granted him his retirement from the priesthood. As a senior volunteer patrol officer for the San Diego Police Department from 1999 to April miles south of Boston. "He had an ad in a weekly paper that said, 'Gay? Bi? Confused?' and at the time, it hit the nail on the head for me. That was his outreach, and he caught me with where I was at. It was what I was struggling with."

Shanley invited McLean to his Boston apartment. "I actually went to talk to him

turns out that he was about 20 years older than me. He seemed very sophisticated to me, very with it. He didn't seem like a priest at all. He wasn't dressed like a priest, and he didn't look like one."

Shanley's seductive power quickly led the relationship into the physical realm. "I didn't have sex with him the first time we met. I just asked him, 'How do you know if you're gay if you've never had sex with someone of the same sex?' and I never had. He first suggested that I go to a gay bar — the drinking age in Boston was 18 then — but I said there was no way I could do that. Finally, he said, 'If you want, we could try some stuff here, like massage and that kind of stuff. That



Paul Shanley

2002, Shanley maintained the guise of good citizen until his past caught up with him.

While many of Shanley's accusers have come forward, few of his former prey are willing to say anything good about him — until now. William McLean, a College Area social worker, is quite comfortable discussing his youthful encounters with Shanley.

A trim, muscular man at 6'4" and 210 pounds, McLean's face is framed by a graying goatee. Now 48, McLean first met Shanley in 1974 when McLean was a 20-year-old junior at Bridgewater State College, about 30

because he was a priest, and I thought he would talk me out of it — I think I wanted to be talked out of being gay. And he did just the opposite. He said, 'It's okay to be gay. The Church, society, and everything else has told you it's not okay, but I'm telling you it's okay to be gay.' It was actually kind of good for me to hear what he had to say."

At the time, McLean's sexual struggle was his own secret. Something about Shanley, however, made McLean more comfortable. "I thought he was kind of a cool guy. He was a lot older than I thought he was at the time. I thought he was in his mid-30s, and it

way you could see if you like touching another guy and if that's something you're into,' and I was kind of eager to do that."

After having sex with Shanley, McLean was more confused than ever. "I thought I had made a big mistake. I thought, 'I'm not gay, I want nothing to do with this,' and I had nothing to do with him again for a year. After that first time, I left very abruptly and he said, 'Don't leave so fast, I want to talk to you.' For a whole year, I just couldn't believe that I had done that; it seemed like a freaky, silly thing to me. But

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Julian Waits for Disaster

By Ernie Grimm

t's a muggy 93 degrees as I steer my car up the winding, climbing driveway of Buzz Machey's property in Julian. Near the drill has hit water.

top of the drive, I swing left to avoid a ten-wheel diesel truck with its front wheels six feet in the air. Two hydraulic lifts vertically position a 45foot drill rig mounted to the bed of the truck. Two young men, their ears plugged against the deafening racket of the working drill, stand and wait for signs that the

Walter Mansky using the old well

When I reach the modest green cabin house, Machey walks out to meet me. He's a stocky man around 60. Dressed in dusty blue jeans, a worn-out, red button-down shirt, and a grease-stained

blue cap advertising Bom-

bardier farm equipment, he's

as rugged as the gnarled red-



barked manzanitas that dot his land. "I've been here over 35 years," Machey says. "In all that time I've had a well 300 feet deep. Never had a problem."

But recently, Machey's well dried up — hence the drill rig growling down the hill in front of us. For a moment, he stares silently at the noisy drill, teeth clenched. "They just passed 560 feet," he finally says. "Still no water."

Stories like Machey's are not uncommon these days around Julian. The area is in the midst of a drought longtimers are calling the worst they've ever seen. (This week's 5000+ acre Julian fire was aided by the low-moisture content of the area's brush.) If you ask the locals what Julian's average rainfall is, they'll likely answer 30 to 32 inches. That may be wishful thinking. According to the California Department of Forestry records, 25.49 inches of rain is the annual average for Julian since July 1951. (Annual records are kept July of one year to June of the next.) The current 20-year average is 27 97 inches But the last time that much rain fell was



Smokey the Bear sign on State Route 67 in Ramond

the year of El Niño, July 1997 to June 1998, when 53.07 inches fell on the mountain town. The next three years were below average: 20.25 inches in 1998-1999, 19.51 in 1999-2000, 19.92 in 2000-2001. And the 12 months from July 2001 to June 2002 were the driest on record. Less than 10.5 inches fell on Julian in that span. Three years of below-average rain followed by one bone-dry year has resulted in well problems for the area.

"Recently, I've had about 14 wells that all of a sudden went marginal," says Craig Enloe, a 30-year Julian resident who owns a local watersystems business. Though he subcontracts the drilling to companies from "down the hill," he installs the pumping systems that connect wells to homes. "By marginal," he explains, "I mean they were keeping up with people's household activities, but just barely. I've had to have five or six other wells deepened because there was nothing

Enloe, a blue cap shading his bespectacled eyes, leans on the side of his pickup parked in an apple orchard in the Farmer's area north of Julian while his son, Marty, fits a valve to the head of a newly drilled well 50 feet away. "The average depth of a well up here," Enloe continues, "is about 300 feet. A few of them that were drilled during El Niño years are even shallower, maybe 120 feet deep. They thought, 'Hey, we have got plenty of water, so let's quit.' Well, you at least have to go to 300 up here, because that gives you storage capacity, and it kind of puts you down at the bottom of the tank, so to speak."

But Enloe says that the old 300-foot paradigm is no longer valid. "We've had three years of drought," he says, "and now we're having to go 400, 500, 600 feet. Some are even 700 and 800 feet."

Drought is only part of the dry-well equation, Enloe is quick to point out. Demand is the other factor. More wells have been dug and more water pulled out of the ground as more people have moved to the mountains. And Enloe says they have brought a city water-use mentality with them. "In the last five or six \mathfrak{L} years, we have had a lot of new people move up here and build weekend houses. And ₹ because they have a well, they think they have unlimited water. And they want extensive landscaping, they want 5 ponds, and they start water-



Water tanks from well-digging company in Julian

Pedophile priest

a year later, I was coming to a realization: Who are you kidding? You really are gay.' I had been struggling back and

Bring your world into

school. I was really coming to terms with it finally. So when I called him back a year later, he told me he was glad to hear from me because he had been worried about me. And

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see him and talk to him again."

During McLean's senior year, he would have sex with Shanley about five times. "Every time, I was really glad to see him. We would talk a lot first. He was very political in his thoughts and ideas about sex and gay sex, and I wanted and he was very pro-gay, prothe social/sexual politics of the time. Then I would have relations with him."

Shanley's influence was permanent, even though they would never meet or speak again after 1975. "To this day,

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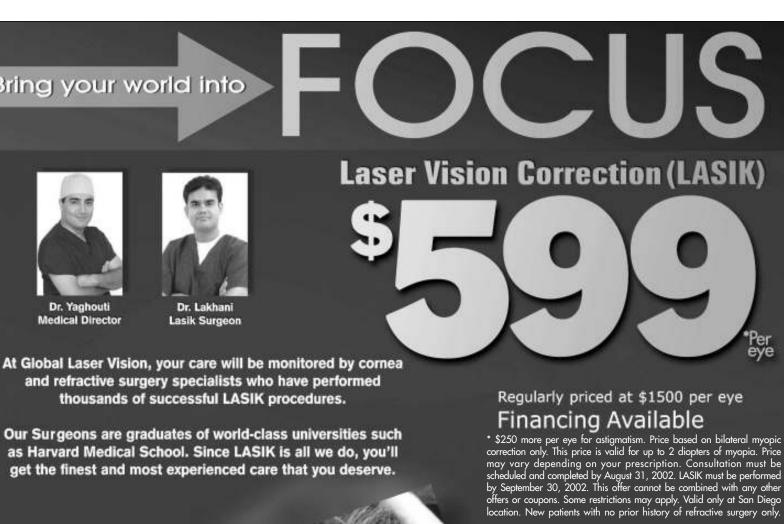
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I still think he was right on with everything he said. He told me that there was nothing wrong with gay sex. He said that I had been taught by my family, society, and the Church that it was wrong and sick and sinful — and I had bought all of that. He said it was all untrue. He said it was natural and that a certain percentage of the population was gay and that there was nothing psychologically sick about it or anything sinful or abnormal about it. He said it was totally okay, and I was glad to hear that."

Shanley's words came at a critical time for McLean. "It was my senior year, and I knew at that point that when I graduated, I was going to move right to California and come out. I didn't want to come out in Boston. Through the course of talking to him, I became more and more convinced that he was right. He told me that California was a better place for gay people than Boston — especially San

Francisco."

The reminders of his Catholic youth were just too pervasive at home. "I was brought up there, and the whole city was like the Catholic Church to me. It almost didn't matter what it was like in reality. In retrospect, [I realize] Boston is a pretty liberal, progressive city, but to this day, I don't want to live there."

There was never any formal good-bye to Shanley. "I just kind of stopped seeing him my senior year. It was getting pretty close to graduation. I just stopped going to him. I don't think he expected anything. He was always willing to see me, and every time I saw him he asked me to call him and let me know I was all right."

McLean came to California after graduating in 1975, first to Long Beach and then to San Francisco for almost 5 years. In 1980 McLean returned to Boston for 15 years, before coming back to California. "I was in Los Angeles for 2 years, then I came to San Diego. I met someone who lived here, and I didn't like Los Angeles — it was just too congested. I wanted to stay in Southern California but not Los Angeles, so I moved down here to be with him."

McLean had no idea that Shanley had ever been involved in sexual activity with younger boys until the news stories hit last spring. "Until all this stuff broke, I still kind of thought he was an okay guy. I never even knew he was in San Diego until I saw him on the news before he was arrested. Before he was on the news in San Diego, I had friends who told me he was on the news in Boston. They said he was part of this whole Catholic Church priest thing. It really surprised me, because I really didn't think he was having sex with minors. It was all news to me.

"I was kind of disappointed. When I talk to some people, they tell me that I was violated by him, since I went to see him for counseling and it became sexual. A lot of people tell me that he took advantage of the situation, but I just don't recognize that. I was of age at the time. He must have been close to 40

then. But at the time I did it, I wanted to participate."

While McLean still believes his relationship with Shanley was good for him, he never thought of contacting Shanley when he found out the former priest was in trouble. "Too much time had passed. Plus, I was kind of shocked to find this whole side of him. I think it was kind of creepy to do what he did. I mean, he was having sex with 12-, 13-, and 14-year-old kids, and I think that's creepy. I was disappointed."

McLean abandoned the Catholic faith in college before he met Shanley and has never gone back. Now a practicing Buddhist, McLean's disdain for the Catholic Church motivated him to speak out about Shanley. "When all of this broke, I found an ad in the Boston Globe that asked for people who knew Shanley, and I contacted them. I did this because this whole thing with the Catholic Church is so hypocritical. Anything I can do to expose the hypocrisy you know, I grew up with the Catholic Church telling me

that it was wrong to be gay. It was a thorn in my back all through high school and college. It made me slightly suicidal at times, all because of my family and their entrenchment in the Church and now to find out that half the priests were having not only sex — this is what infuriates me — that the Catholic Church was telling adult people that it was wrong for them to have consensual sex as adults, and they're not only having sex but having it with minors. To me it's just galling that they are telling people that they can't have gay sex while they're raping kids. I thought nobody would be interested in what happened to me, because I wasn't a minor. But anything I could do to help expose the hypocrisy of the Catholic Church, I would be willing and glad to do."

McLean's parents were "mortified" when he finally came out to them in the early 1980s, but they grew to accept it. They also knew about Shanley and their son before he called to warn them that his name would be in a news story — thanks to his sister stepping in ahead of him. "I knew it was going to be in the Globe, and I thought they didn't know anything about it. I told my sister a long time ago and assumed she had never told my parents, but she had. They never said anything to me because they didn't know if I knew that they knew."

If he could meet Shanley face-to-face now, McLean would express his disappointment."I think he could have done a lot of good if he didn't do all the harmful things he did. I think he could have been a major influence on a lot of people in a good way, and it's just really sad that he had this other side of him that violated kids. If this had never happened, I would have thought he was a great guy."

McLean isn't troubled that Shanley will probably spend the rest of his life in jail. "If he was having sex with these young kids, I think he's violated them in many ways. If you're violating somebody spiritually, I think that's really low. I think he should be behind bars." ■





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Julian disaster

ing a lot of grass. But this country is basically a desert. You go east, and in about four miles from here you're in the desert. But they think that because they have a well, that they have unlimited water, and they don't consider what the impact might be for their neighbors. It is nice to have landscaping, but people also like to take a shower and brush their teeth. So people need to be aware that it is not an unlimited amount, and when we run out up here, you can't call San Diego Water Department and say, 'Hey, we are out of water.' If you own a piece of property, you need to be a steward of the property. You can't bring a city mentality up here — that the water will always be there when you turn on the tap."

Enloe chuckles and shakes his head as an anecdote comes to mind. "Just over the hill over here, there is a guy from Rancho Santa Fe who is trying to water all of his pine trees that are distressed,

and he pumped his well dry. And I told him when he first moved up there that he'd run the well dry if he tried to water the landscape. And he called me because he was panicked; his tank was empty and he says, 'Let me tell you what I was doing.' And I said, 'Mike, you can't do that, I told you that. The wells up here should be for your household, so you can shower and flush the toilet. If you've got any extra, then that is good, but you can't go hog wild with it."

In Buzz Machey's mind, increased population is most of the problem. He scoffs at the suggestion that extended drought caused his well to run dry. "We've had dry years before and never had a problem with our well. It's the people. They've built more houses up here than the water supply can handle. And they're still giving out permits. If these people are going to be living out here, they've got to learn to manage water. Don't come up here and plant a big lawn that needs watering every day."

Speaking of lawns, while

Machey is drilling a new well, just down the hill from his house, the Julian High School football field grows plush and green. "Just before noon," Machey's chin quivers with anger, "I drove into town, and they were watering that whole field in the midday heat. They're dumping so much water on that field that it's draining out of some big drainpipes they installed under it, and it's forming a creek" — he pronounces it *crick* — "which runs downhill into a pond, which is full to the top. There are driedup ponds all over Julian, which in 35 years I've never seen dry. But that pond is full. I've spoken to the school superintendent and asked if they could back off the watering to the point where it wasn't running off, but it's still happening.

Humans aren't the only creatures suffering due to drought in the backcountry. Trees are dying off at an alarming rate. Around Santa Ysabel and Mesa Grande, northwest of Julian, it's the Engelmann oaks that are dying. More than half are in a

stressed state in which they drop their leaves and enter a drought-induced dormancy. Around Julian it's the Coulter pine that is suffering due to drought, though indirectly so. Barbara Mansky, who lives with her husband Walter in a mountain lodge-style house near Machey's, looks out her kitchen window at a stand of Coulter pines on her property. Half of their needles are golden brown, an indication that the trees are dying. "It's the beetles that kill them," she explains. "When there's enough rain and the water is up, the tree produces a lot of sap and encases the beetle larva. What's happened now is the water table has dropped below the root zone, so the pines don't get any water, and then they can't defend themselves against the beetles. Once they go, it's amazing. They change from green to brown in about a week."

Though the well they've had for 25 years isn't dry, it's close. So they recently drilled a new one 750 feet deep. "It costs \$12 per foot," says Walter, a slender, kind-faced man in his 60s. Leaning against the high kitchen counter in his split-level house, he adds, "But that's just the drilling."

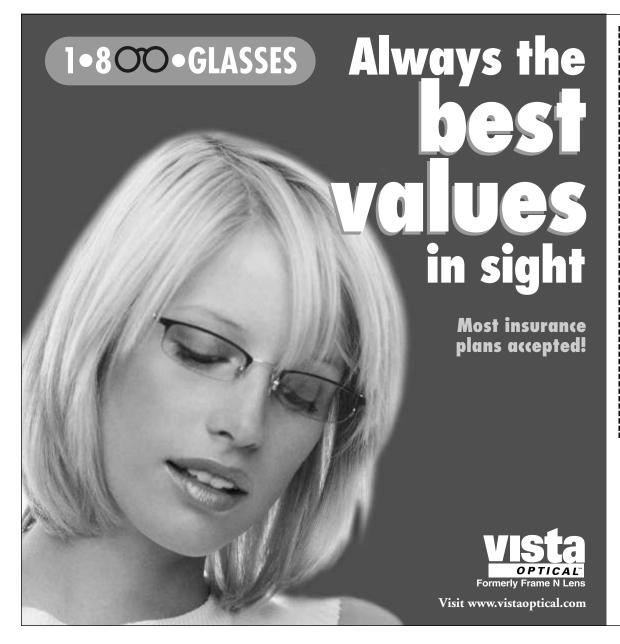
Barbara, sitting at the kitchen table with a glass of ice water, says with a German accent, "The pump is about \$1000, and there's the pipe that goes down the well. So by the time it's all said and done, it's \$20,000..."

"No, no, no," Walter gently interrupts his wife. "It's \$14,000 to \$15,000."

One thing they agree on is what will happen to Julian if the area receives another year of minimal rainfall. Walter shakes his head and lets out a long, low whistle. Barbara gives words to the sentiment: "It will be a disaster."

Enloe agrees. "Property values would plummet, people would have to haul in water to sustain themselves. People are already hauling water. And then the question is, where do you get the water from? You are not going to get it from up here, so you are going to have to truck it in from down below. That's very expensive, so it will be one of those deals of the haves and have-nots. If we don't have something good happen next winter, then it is going to be a disaster up





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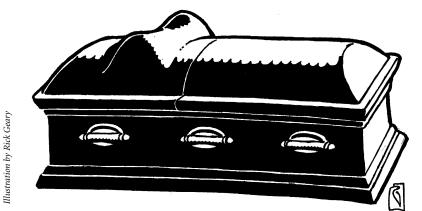
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So all my friends were wondering, when a woman with breast implants dies, do they remove them or bury them with her?

— Ashley, the net

The elves have had a great time speculating about why you'd be forbidden from being buried with your implants. Risk of silicone groundwater contamination? Potential explosions? Then they worked on why a person would request that the implants be removed. To recycle them as sentimental throw pillows? Pass them on to your daughter and her daughter and on and on for generations of women with heirloom enhancements until one day they show up on Antiques Roadshow? People have been buried with their Harley-Davidsons, so who'd worry about a couple of bags of saltwater or plastic.

According to professionals who prep bodies for burial or cremation, about the only worrisome things inside us are pacemakers. Occasionally the electrical heart devices are removed before a cremation since they can burst under the intense heat, which could cause damage to some types of incinerators.

But say Uncle Al has a titanium hip, or pins in his shins, or a plate in his head. He certainly would be buried with the hardware, and he also would be cremated with it. Once Al's been reduced to ashes, mortuaries discard metal implants. If for some reason the family can't bear to see any part of Al hit the Dumpster, they can negotiate to get the metal parts back, but only after they've been through the 1500-degree fire to remove flesh and pathogens. Apparently people believe they can resell the parts as scrap or on eBay to people who want discount transplants. Maybe you can scour a parts yard for a transmission for your Chevy, but medical parts don't work that way. The grieving widow usually changes her mind when she finds out Al's hip has no resale value.

Why do staplers have two settings on the base plate for the direction in which the staple bends? Everyone (I know of) uses the setting that bends the staple inward. What is the other setting

— R.W., El Cajon

According to stapler makers, that little-used groove is for the sniveling hordes who lack the decisiveness of your circle of friends. When your pals hook together a wad of papers, they mean business. They use the channel that double-bends the staple and clenches the points toward the middle and back into the wad itself. The other setting, the one that splays the staple points outward, is for temporarily attaching papers that are intended to be separated again. The attachment is looser, and it's easier to remove the staple without chewing up the corners of the pages

Before the advent of mechanical staplers, papers were often hooked together with a seamstress's ordinary straight pin — a thin metal shaft, sharpened at one end and with some sort of stopper at the other. That mysterious alternate setting on a mechanical stapler is a holdover from the straight-pin days. In fact, in the insider lingo of the desk-stapler professional, you're stapling papers if you use the common setting, but you're pinning them if you use the temporary setting. The base plate is called the anvil. Strangely enough, the little grooves in the anvil themselves don't have names, as far as I can discover. Are professional design engineers reduced to referring to them as the little staple-bender-groove thingies? Hard to imagine. But since they've remained unchanged since the dawn of staplerdom, there's probably not much reason to refer to them at all, except in correspondence to Matthew Alice.

Why is there stuff in the universe? Why is there anything instead of nothing? If there used to be nothing, it makes more sense that there would still be nothing. Can you help?

R&R, Clairemont

Skirting the religious implications, and with a little help from some consulting philosophers, I'll take a crack at it. According to all the big thinkers, "nothing" can't exist. The brainiacs challenge you to imagine nothing. Go ahead. Give it a shot. The holes in Swiss cheese? An empty bank account? A dark, spooky void stretching to nowhere? Ixnay, they say. Even the void has dimension in time and space; it can be imagined and described; therefore, it can't be nothing. Real nothing has no characteristics and so it can't exist. The savants conclude that a world full of rubber cigars and chow mein and cell phones and nuclear waste is much more logical; nothing has never existed, and the universe is infinitely old because something could not have arisen from nothing. They have reduced it all to a mathematical formula, in case you're still not convinced. But you're asking for even more trouble if you insist on seeing the proof.

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

The Last Great Tan

hen you say East Coast and surfing in one sentence, people in California laugh." I am not, however, laugh-

"Yeah," says Paul West, 42, president of the United States Surfing Federation. "It's almost an oxymoron, but the five-time men's world champion is from the East Coast and so is the five-time women's champion."

West and I are on the beach in Oceanside watching the 2002 U.S. Surfing Championships. It's a perfect SoCal day for civilians, temperature in the mid-70s, a subtle breeze and blue sky. For surfers, the day is grotesque. The surf is, at best, knee-high.

West goes on about the East Coast. "It's easy to look good when the surf is good. But, it takes a lot more muscle, a lot more knowledge, a lot more experience, a lot more push to look good when it's like this." For the record, waves are currently thighhigh. "Surfers who have experience riding slop, obviously, are going to do better."

In that case I'll be on the lookout for the Erie, Pennsylvania, and Chicago teams. "Tell me a little about your organization."

The United States Surfing Federation is the national governing body for the sport. We represent 15,000 members on every coast of the United States. We're responsible for running the U.S. Championships and fielding a U.S. team to represent our country at international competitions.'

West is a big, barrel-chested man with big shoulders and a big, square, Celtic face. He tells me he has competed for years. "The highest I ever got was third in the U.S. I still compete. I qualified to get here." By the way, in the interest of full disclosure, Mr. West's beach ensemble includes a blue baseball cap, white tank-top, shorts, and sun-

I note the official program lists — well, the program lists more events than I'm willing to read. "How many contestants this year?"

"About 450."

"Oceanside should be happy."
"Oh, definitely." West appears delighted at Oceanside's good fortune. "And that's just athletes. Every competitor brings family or a friend. And, it's a long competition, runs seven days."

Ah, the always heartwarming sound of money changing hands. "Do you have a relationship with the Olympics?"

'We have our application in, and we're working with the United States Olympic Committee. For a sport to get into the Olympics it takes 75 countries, a lot of lobbying, and a lot of money.

"Married, kids?" Might as well toss in one more. "Where do you live?"

Not married yet. I have a wonderful girlfriend. I've been living in Virginia Beach, Virginia, for the last 20, 25 years. I ran the East Coast Surfing Association for 17 years and they asked me to head up the national operation. I'm here [in Oceanside] three months out of the year. I just got back from the World Games in Durban, South Africa. Earlier this year I was on Margarita Island, off the coast of Venezuela, for the Pan American Surfing Championships. I'm on the road a lot.'

Okay, enough foreplay, let's talk about money. "What kind of money can you make if you're, say, rated number one, two, three, four, or five in the world?'

Probably \$150,000. With endorsements, probably, \$250,000 to \$350,000 a year. We want to make that opportunity and training available for the one-half percent who go on to a professional career. But, surfing has a short window. If you haven't made it by the time you're 25, you're not going to. There are less than one-half dozen pro surfers in the world who are successful after 33.

"Knees?" It has to be knees or back or being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

You always have another kid coming at you who is 17 years old. Those kids are

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Toronto Argonauts	8 to 1	20 to 1
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Ottawa Renegades	35 to 1	30 to 1

invincible. Remember what that's like? You stand in front of an 18-wheeler, take a full hit, and then get up and dust yourself off. Around 25, you start realizing that you're mortal. Some surfing conditions are a little bit heavy. Once you hesitate or start worrying about a real job or family or wife or kids, life takes on a different perspective. Also, it's very tough on the road. To make a living, you need to be on the road 24/7. You go to a lot of Third World places, there is a lot of island travel, and it wears on you after a while."

I look over to the officials' table. One does not, in these skin-cancer days, often see tans that dark and luxurious. I turn back to West. "What's the difference between good and great?"

"A great surfer has to have the mindset. Everybody is similar in physical fitness and training. The number-one factor is mental. It's focusing on not just what goes on in the water, but what goes on in your life. They have to have a positive attitude, because you're not going to win every day; you have to be able to take those losses.

I have pitched that question to 100 coaches in 50 sports. Every coach has the same

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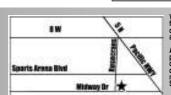
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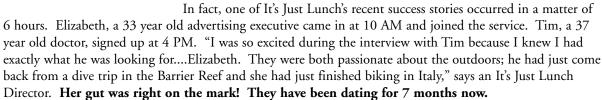
So, you're single, you're attractive and successful. Ok, so why is it so hard to meet that special someone?

Bar hopping isn't for you. Your friend's most recent fix-up was a disaster, and well, just forget your mother's idea of Mr. or Ms. Right.

Enter It's Just Lunch!, a dating service for busy professionals that hand selects couples for lunch dates. The company was born in 1991 in Chicago. Founder Andrea McGinty's fiance jilted her, and she began the tedious search for a way to meet "normal," well-educated professionals. Her friends sent her out on blind dates, she tried personal ads and even thought about a dating service, but she just wasn't comfortable with any of the options.

The ideal date, she decided, was a lunch date. Ms. McGinty launched the company with the simple premise: a dating service based on a personalized screening and a painless meeting with her to determine whether she had the type of people the client would like to meet.

The dating service caters to an upscale audience, Ms. McGinty explained. Nearly 95% have college degrees, 75% have a graduate degree; many are lawyers, doctors, people in the arts and entertainment industry, bankers and business executives. Men who join are in age from 30 to 55, most women from 24 to 45.



The majority come to It's Just Lunch because they are tired of the bar scene, have not been meeting the right people or they don't want to date co-workers.

More than 70% of her clients are referred by another client, Ms. McGinty says. In general, a client calls the service for information. Then, a one hour meeting is set up between the client and Director to discuss the type of person they'd like to meet. A wide array of topics are covered: age, education, background, hobbies, interests, people they have dated in the past and what their goals are.

In a few days, the company will call to tell the client all about their first date. The service handles all of the information in a confidential manner—while both people will know a lot about each other, last names and phone numbers are not given. It's up to the clients to do so after they have met—and most of them do exchange phone numbers at the end of the date. Then, they each check in with the company and give feedback on the date.

And, the lunch concept keeps gaining in popularity, especially due to the internet. "So many clients recently have tried internet dating," Ms. McGinty comments. "Then they come to us and say, Wow! It's Just Lunch is much more effective and fun!"

It's Just Lunch recently began franchising the concept. For every city where they sell a new franchise, the company generally receives over 100 calls from people interested in owning an office.

Ms. McGinty smiles and confesses to being a romantic at heart. "It's an absolute blast," Ms. McGinty says. "And, I absolutely believe there is somebody for everyone."



Southern California Directors, Sondra Lender, Cindy Olin, Lisa Purdum, & Diane Heil

A CLIENT STORY

A successful doctor joined IJL because he was too busy running his private practice to spend time meeting women on his own. He was matched with a busy advertising executive who had recently been transferred from the East Coast. She joined IJL to meet people, explore her new home, and hopefully start a relationship with someone special. The two of them had so much in common, the directors just knew they would hit it off. They both played tennis, loved jazz, and spent their holidays on the ski slopes; and, they both attended the same university in New England. After several phone calls, a date was made by It's Just Lunch!, and the two of them met at a little bistro. Imagine our surprise when they both called the next day to tell us that not only did they have a wonderful evening, but they actually have mutual acquaintances from college! She dated one of the people in his doctoral program, while she was an undergraduate, and he always thought that she was beautiful, but the never approached her, because she was "taken." Needless to say, there's no one standing in their way now. The last we heard they were planning a long weekend together in San Francisco.



Andrea McGinty,

Founder

"A study by It's Just Lunch! shows that eight years ago, the average male client kept his membership a secret from his male friends; today, the typical male customer tells three of his friends."

The Wall Street Journal 12/7/2001

"It's a very painless way to get started in the dating scene. When your mother sets you up with someone, there's lots of questions afterward. With 'It's Just Lunch!' there's none of that!" American Way Magazine 5/15/02

Save the Date!

■ For all your questions, we've got answers!

Dear Save the Date,

As a woman, how should I handle it when at the end of what I thought has been a great date, he doesn't ask for my number?

-Numberless

Dear Numberless,

If you've had a nice time, definitely say so! It's perfectly appropriate for a woman to offer her card first and express interest in a second date.

Dear Save the Date,

I was raised a bit on the old-fashioned side; however, i met an interesting man at a business meeting whom I would really like to see again. At the end of our conversation, we did exchange phone numbers. It's been a week and I haven't heard from him. Do I wait for him to make the move or do I become the aggressive one?

—Still Interested

Dear Still Interested,

Waiting to hear from someone you just met can be frustrating. But, there is nothing aggressive about extending an invitation to lunch or an activity that you might both enjoy. And, what is one of the biggest male pet peeves based on a recent IJL survey of single professionals? Men cite "always having to do the asking out!" Call him and have fun!

Dear Save the Date,

I am a 39 year old male who just ended my marriage after 15 years. I haven't been in the dating scene since college and I am nervous about dating again. Can you offer any advice on beginning to date again?

-Fresh Start

Dear Fresh Start,

We would suggest that you take it slow and meet new people through people you know. When you go out on a first date, remember to keep it light and simple. Don't talk about your previous marriage (the good or the bad) or anything else from the past. There are 2 goals to a first date: to enjoy yourself and to see if you'd like a second date with this person.

If you have questions for "Save the Date," please send them to It's Just Lunch!

Save the Date! 919 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2500 San Diego, CA 92101



Directors Gayle Jones and Jennifer Donnelley at out 11th Birthday Party

Fast Facts

79% of men who make up their minds within the first 15 minutes about whether or not they will see this person again.

Biggest TURN-OFF for **Men** on a first date: NEGATIVITY

62% of women will take an hour or more to decide.

Biggest TURN-OFF for **WOMEN** on a first date: their date TALKING too much about themselves.

58% of men prefer not to date someone in the same profession.

ROAD WARRIORS

So, How are you meeting people?

- 1. Many hotels give complementary guest passes to a local gyms. So don't forget to pack your gym shoes along with your suit and tie.
- 2. Make yourself available. If you're at a restaurant and on your cell phone, chances are nobody will want to interrupt you. If you are by yourself, bring a magazine to read such as Golf Vacations. It's a conversation starter.
- 3. Find our where people go after work to socialize; a sporting event, an Irish Pub, a concert, and attend one. Friendly spots in the Summer: The Ballpark!

Top 3 Attributes of Clients Who Have a Successful Time with IJL

There are always those dates when you wish you would have said or done something different to make sure you'd see the person again. Here's how to avoid these delicate dating errors.

- 1. Leave the past where it belongs, in the past! We assure you that your date doesn't want to hear about your previous relationships. Be positive! Talk about your future, not your past!
- 2. "OK, I'm going to lay all my cards out on the table and if she or he loves me they do, and if not that's okay too." Bad dating attitude! When you meet someone you like, let them get to know some of the lovely things about you and then, if you decide to develop a relationship, the things in your past are easier to share later in your relationship because it is diluted with the good.
- 3. Go on the date realizing that this is going to be fun because you get to meet someone who may want exactly what you want out of life. Go with the attitude of "Do I want a second date?" **Just have fun!**







SHEEP AND GOATS

PLACES OF WORSHIP REVIEWED

Denomination: Roman Catholic Address: 6016 Camino Rico, Del Cerro, 619-582-

Year founded: 1961

Senior pastor: Rev. Msgr. Frederick Florek

Congregation: 3500 families

Staff: 7 full-time, 6 part-time Catechumens: 35

Annual budget: \$1.2 million

Weekly giving: \$23,000

Singles program: yes

Diversity: white, Hispanic, Pacific Islander

Dress: casual to dressy

Services: Sunday Mass, 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., noon, 5:00 p.m.

Last Sunday morning the front page of the New York Times said, "Pope Tells Crowd of 'Shame' Caused by Abusive Priests." The front page of the San Diego Union-Tribune said, "William Kraft Built Two Local Parishes from Nothing, But Left Behind Accusations That He Sexually Abused Children."

One of the parishes Monsignor William

Kraft built from nothing was St. Therese in Del Cerro. Late last Sunday afternoon I drove out to St. Therese because I'd heard that since January, on the second and fourth Sunday of each month, the church has been celebrating a special youth Mass at 5:00 p.m.

St. Therese is huge and white and commands a view all the way to Point Loma. Two fountains plash in the large garden beside the church. Bright Spanish tile line the walkways surrounding the garden. The sanctuary is high-ceilinged. The Tabernacle sits to the left of the altar. (The bulletin noted that people were needed for the 3:00 a.m. shift of the parish's Perpetual Adoration of the Host.)

When I arrived, parish youth were gathered in an alcove near the altar. They strummed guitars and practiced hand motions to accompany a raucous rock-

style hymn. A parishioner named Susan came and sat next to me. She told me she'd attended St. Therese since 1968. I asked if she'd read the morning's Union-Tribune. Susan grimaced and said, "I think it's wonderful to see so many young people here. So many kids. For a long time we were an aging parish. Over the past few years, younger families have started moving into the area. It's great. It's terrific.'

Susan went on to explain that, "our associate pastor, Reverend Jack Cuddigan, a very conservative Jesuit from the Midwest, isn't keen on the music at these youth masses. He's in his 70s. But I think he understands that this sort of music is one of the things you have to do to keep young people active in the Church."

Father Cuddigan did in fact look as though someone were jabbing his kidneys with knitting needles when, at the beginning of the liturgy, a group of youngsters encouraged everyone to make hand motions as they sang a fast, perky hymn called "Big House." I noticed in the bulletin that the hymn's words and music had been penned by someone or something called "Audio Adrenaline.'

During the Responsorial Psalm, a tanned, handsome young gentleman, via one of those rock-concert-style microphones strapped to his face, warbled Psalm 29. He scampered up and down the aisles, trying to get the congregation to respond. He met with limited success.

Father Cuddigan, however, is not one to let jazzy hymns go to his head. In his homily he cautioned us against the "cult of celebrity," against our trying to emulate "people who are famous simply for being famous.

"In the past, saints were celebrities," he told us. "People made pilgrimages to their shrines. Saints were famous not for their physical beauty or their wealth, but for their feeding the poor, helping the sick, for dying for their

"As we in this age imitate our celluloid dreams we must *never* forget the foundation of our own worth. We are made in the image of God, not in some advertising agency's idea of who we are."

> After the liturgy I caught up with Deacon Robert Ekhaml, who was ordained 28 years ago and who's attended St. Therese since 1967.

> Deacon Ekhaml told me that St. Therese's youth mass was the only one of its kind in the diocese, that even some of St. Therese's most conservative parishioners have described the liturgy and music as "uplifting." When I asked if he'd read the morning's Union-Tribune, he said,

> sadly, yes, he had. "Of course I knew Monsignor Kraft. I served as an altar boy at what I believe was the first Mass he celebrated as a new priest. I was 13 years old. I think perhaps only 5 percent of parishioners now at St. Therese remember him.

> "I'm not a psychologist, but I believe the statistics show that the majority of these priests accused of pedophilia began to study for the priesthood

when they were 13 years old. I believe Monsignor Kraft fell into that category. What you had were men whose sexuality had become fixated at a very early age. They had no familiarity with adult sexuality. That sort of formation doesn't exist anymore. What you're now finding is that men entering seminary are entering after college. They've experienced the world and they want something more than what the world has to offer. I feel optimistic about vocations in that regard.

"But I agonize over what's going on in the Church. I agonize over the victims, over what they've been through. But for as painful as all that is, I remain strong in my faith. My faith doesn't depend on any priest, monsignor, bishop, or nun. My faith doesn't depend on any individual person. My faith is in Jesus Christ, and in the Roman Catholic Church, which I believe is the most complete revelation of what Jesus Christ brought to the world. My faith hasn't been shaken one iota."

— Abe Opincar



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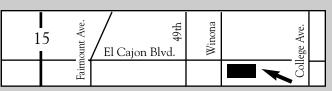
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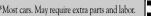
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

I've been with my boyfriend two years. We have a great relationship and are on our way to marriage. I have one problem, which doesn't get in the way much, but I worry I'm overlooking something I shouldn't be. My boyfriend will lie to me about stupid things. When he is with a bunch of guys, he won't answer his cell phone. Later he'll tell me he didn't have it with him when really he did. I tend to overlook these things as "immaturity" and just too lame to be concerned with. He cares a lot about what people think of him and will agree to something just to make someone happy, even if he knows he won't follow through. He sometimes tells me things that sound dubious. When I question him, he says he feels insulted or that I don't trust him. I trust him completely when it comes to being faithful, but I don't trust him when it comes to stories, promises, or answers. Is this a reason to break up with someone I truly love or will he grow out of this in time? He's 26. Although our relationship is getting better by the day, I would like your advice before I get in any deeper.

LIVING WITH A LIAR IN KEARNY MESA

Dear Liar-Lover,

You are wise to question whether to marry someone who is not yet a man of his word. Who wants to have to lug out the polygraph to know whether to believe what their loved one says? When he says "I do," how will you know he means it? This fibber you're smitten with needs to know that you REALLY hate being lied to about anything, big or small. Trust isn't automatic, it's earned, and his persistent fictionalizing erodes your trust in him. Being honest with someone is a form of respect. You want that respect from him and to give it back in return. Tell him you consider truthfulness an essential quality in a mate, and because you've grown so close, you expect more from him in that department, starting now. You may have to be patient. Real change is often slow. If it comes to your attention that he's dissembled again, let him know it makes you extremely unhappy. Ask how you can help him be more truthful. To avoid heartache later on. I wouldn't marry this guy until six months or so have gone by without any dishonesty on his part, or until you're confident he's become a man with the strength of character to tell the truth, rather than remaining a fibbing little boy.

Dear Aunt Trudy.

I have a frustrating 25-year friendship with a guy I went to college with. In the early days we hung out often and celebrated holidays with other mutual friends like we were family. Intimacy was always difficult for him. He likes the adoration of

students (we both teach at UCSD) and to converse with Ph.D.s who wield power. This friend is only available when I am flat on my back with difficulty. When my mom died he was there, front and center. When my father-in-law died, he was very generous to my wife. But during the regular, day-to-day, year-to-year, nontragic times, he is a complete noshow who won't return calls, ignores all invitations, and refuses to support us in our professional lives. His heroic moments are about the single grand gesture, being the dude in shining armor, a role he covets. He only appears when someone is truly wounded or down. At the time it's lovely and kind. But that's it, and it feels kind of ghoulish, like he's inspired by tragedy. He takes advantage of a grieving moment to show some heart. I appreciate it, to a degree, but I'm forever reminded that he's not really a friend, and it bugs me. He thrives on this distance. Your thoughts?

DISAPPOINTED LAKESIDE PAL

Dear Disappointed,

Your friend sounds like a troubled man with a severely limited ability to carry on close friendships. If this has been going on a quarter of a century, my guess is the behavior is pretty entrenched. You could try chatting with him about his lack of availability and reticence, but people who have difficulty with intimacy often have a tough trek in altering the way they relate to others, even if they want to change, and it's not clear your buddy even thinks there's a problem. Peace of mind in this situation might require that you find a way to live with your disappointment, and love your friend from what he considers to be a safe distance. Console yourself by seeking out other people who are able to be consistently generous with their friendship and attention.

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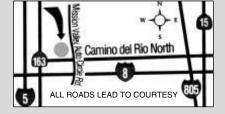
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Friday Night at

COVER PHOTOGRAPH OF RYAN TYROL, DAD'S PATRON WHO TESTIFIED ABOUT BRENDA VAN DAM

When you drive along Mountain Pass Road in suburban Sabre Springs and you go by the two-story van Dam house, it's difficult to believe that a few minutes before 8:30 on Friday night, February 1, 2002, 39-year-old Brenda van Dam was standing out in the garage attached to this home and lighting up a joint. It's difficult to believe because these Mountain Pass Road houses seem like houses you live in if you are churchgoing, straight-arrow, family-values Republican respectable. Having fed takeout pizza to her 36-year-old husband, Damon, a Qualcomm software engineer, and their three children — 5-year-old Dylan, 7-year-old Danielle, and 10-year-old Derrick — Brenda was sharing the doobie with her friends Denise Kemal and Barbara Easton.

So what do you do when you're stoned in a garage in Sabre Springs on a Friday night? You go somewhere else. Maybe a place where there is music and dancing, vodka and tequila, and spinning, stuttering colored lights.

When you look around Dad's Café and Steakhouse at 8:30 on a summer Friday evening, you can hardly believe this is the place where Brenda van Dam allegedly asked Cherokee Youngs, "Do you like girls?" You can hardly believe you might be sitting on a barstool where Brenda van Dam sat when she said, in reference to a couple whose names she didn't know, "I wouldn't mind taking these two home."

Dad's has the air of a landlocked beach bar. It is a big restaurant divided into rooms for dining, dancing, pool, pinball, and video games. You find fewer windows here than at a Denny's or a Coco's, but more windows than in what you would call a dive bar. It is less harshly lit than those places, but as with them, you can get breakfast anytime. You'll find pictures of ballplayers like Babe Ruth on the walls, and you might find kids dining with their parents as late as 9:30 in the evening in one of the alcoves. It's like a much larger version of Saska's in Mission Beach, without the salt air. It's the kind of bar where you'd have a drink during the day. Hardly an opium den. Not necessarily a staging area for pornographic activities. But sure, why not? It is no sleazier than a Black Angus and way less so than a Bully's or the

Butcher Shop. The atmosphere has a kind of twilight TGIF vibe; but it certainly seems no more likely to inspire the kidnapping and murder of a child than any other playground with a liquor license.

Anyone who's recently read the newspapers, listened to the radio, or watched television knows about Dad's, the Poway eatery and watering hole at 12735 Poway Road, where Brenda van Dam may or may not have lasciviously rubbed her hipbones and good-sized bosom against 50-year-old design engineer David Westerfield's hulking frame. Dirty dancing is how it was described in the San Diego courtroom where California vs. Westerfield is now in its last days. Westerfield is alleged to have kidnapped and murdered the van Dams' second-grader, Danielle. He is alleged to have committed these heinous deeds only hours after Brenda van Dam is described in court as "having her tail feathers up" and "acting frisky" and "acting huggy-huggy" on the dance floor at Dad's.

From the June 7 *Union-Tribune*: "A day after he grilled Damon van Dam about the couple's sexual and marijuana habits, [defense attorney Steven] Feldman did the same with Brenda van Dam, asking whether she had sex with her friends Bar-

bara Easton and Denise Kemal and their husbands. She acknowledged that she had. She later admitted that she and her husband had sex with Kemal and Kemal's husband, Andy, during a Halloween party in October 2000."

But at 8:30 on this Friday evening at Dad's, as smokers hunker over the seven tables in the glass-walled smoking section and moms and dads and kids linger over the cheesecake and hot-fudge brownie sundae in the red-cushioned banquettes and booths of the main room, it's hard to imagine any of this. Folks are dressed in summertime gear: shorts and T-shirts, sandals, baseball hats. At one of the two pool tables, two guys in jeans and work boots



Dads

lazily rack up the balls.

The dance floor — a 10- by 10-foot linoleum-covered area — waits empty. The floor is bordered by six tables and a bar ledge where, before the sun's even gone down, three women in their 40s, wearing shorts and shirts, chat quietly with one another. Bob Seger's "Night Moves" followed by Billy Idol's remake of "Mony Mony" play in the background.

Across from the dance floor, a small bar hugged by a dozen stools makes an L. In the far corner stand more tables. Men in jeans and T-shirts, some older and balding, some young with enough hair to gather into ponytails, all looking somewhat bored and somewhat weary, tip back beers and watch ball games on TV monitors that are set in every corner. Along another wall are more booths and a door that leads to the kitchen. Waitresses will swing in and out of this door all night.

Dad's Café bar manager Sean Brown, 32, has worked here for four years. He testified in California vs. Westerfield. He was at the bar on that Friday night of February 1, when the balding Westerfield, Brenda van Dam, Barbara Easton, and Denise Kemal were downing Cape Codders, playing pool, flirting with women and men, and walking out to the parking lot to Brenda van Dam's SUV to toke a few joints.

"Dad's," says Mr. Brown, "has been here for one year and five months. Dad is Pat Lipe, the owner. I will be part owner in ten days. It got the name because Pat wanted a family-oriented place in Poway, and Dad's is a conservative name you can trust, and it's a conservative place. There isn't a Mom's yet. Before this it was Poway Grill and Spirits for a year, and then it was Comiskey Park for probably about seven,



Dad's Café and Steakhouse, 7/28/02



Damon and Brenda van Dam

I Crawled Inside Brenda van Dam's Head and Tried to Guess What Went on in There

Dad's is probably the most famous barroom in America, at least this week, and what goes on here is probably not what you think goes on here.

I don't know what, exactly, I thought the place would be like other than I had some vague idea of a swingers bar — whatever that is — with a lot of Hollywood touches like spinning disco balls and Steve Martin and Dan Aykroyd in loud clothes, cruising for chicks. After all, it's Poway. Who knows anything about Poway?

As a bartender I worked in some two dozen gin mills in New York City and in San Diego. Except for a very few of them, any might have passed as a swingers bar at a certain time of night, given certain circumstances. Even the Coronado Cays Yacht Club back in 1983, after midnight, was a study in booze-marinated sexual desperation mostly, by far, among the married. I once was called upon to write a report as bartender and witness to alleged "lewd behavior" on the part of a certain blonde divorcée who was popular with male club members. I'll call her Maurine. She was thoroughly toasted by closing time. She climbed onto a low table and hit "Send in the Clowns" on the jukebox. It struck me as an odd choice to strip to; but the rich, it is said, are different from you and me. Besides, I was more concerned with drains clogged with lemon twists and soggy cocktail napkins.

I probably pounded a few tequila shooters and focused on going home as Maurine undulated "expressively" while tugging at her dress and draping herself all over a male club member. I say "expressively" because that's the word I used in my report, solicited by the commodore of the club. If I had written "suggestively" or "lasciviously" or some such, Maurine would have been booted out as a home-wrecking single member of the club in a bid to get rid of her once and for all by jealous yacht club

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eight years. Dad doesn't bartend. He's more on the restaurant side, he knows the food.

"As for comparing us to other similar types of places, I don't think we compare. We have very good food. We can compete with the Brigantine, but as for the whole package from breakfast to two a.m., plus being a sports bar, the only thing I can compare it to is to Trophy's, but it doesn't have a band like we do. We sponsor a softball team in Poway for adults, and we sponsor a couple of Little League teams too. Nothing co-ed, nothing Brenda played

"Because of the publicity we're getting, we see a lot of new faces. For us I think it's a good thing, because people want to see the place, and we're selling more T-shirts than we did before. Business

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wives. But I liked old Maurine, not a spring chicken, but a good tipper with a to-hell-with-you attitude I could appreciate and found refreshing in a woman of her age.

On the Friday night when Brenda van Dam was here at Dad's, what would it have been like for her? Maybe the bouncers knew her, maybe she didn't have to pay three bucks to get in; it always seemed kind of arbitrary unless you were a regular, and then it didn't seem to apply anyway. Was she a regular? No. Not really. So, you are Brenda van Dam, Mrs. Damon van Dam, mother of three, an aging hottie, and it's Friday night in Poway.

Maybe you stop at the first open bar stool on the right as you cruise the room with your eyes. The red leather booths all seem to be taken, and you're feeling a little anxious. Maybe it's the crowd. Maybe it's the music. "Rhythm of the Night" is a heartless, fascist dance tune that seems to challenge your age. You get tired just thinking about dancing to this one, but you're going to party, make no mistake; you deserve it.

Just above you, at a 45-degree angle, is the poster for the Beatles' movie *A Hard Day's Night* that doesn't seem to belong within miles of this song. Still it seems to reassure you, harkening back to an innocent high school–dance kind of reality, even though you don't take it in consciously.

Your mind is attentive, and much later you will testify that you were "clearheaded." The truth is, though, you were a touch fried. Everything seemed to be a few degrees left of reality. A few harmless degrees to be sure, but a little bent, just the same. So why this feeling at the pit of your stomach? This paranoid intimation about what was to follow in the next four weeks? It's nothing. Don't get paranoid. You need a vodka cranberry. What do they call them? Cape Codders.

It's still early for action, somewhere around 9, 9:30, you think, but you're not really thinking about that. The scene has started taking on momentum on the dance floor, and you and your friends sidle through the growing crowd of fun seekers toward the main bar. Maybe you edged along the left of the dance floor, past late diners in the booths where their faces look attractive in the low lighting. Just above your head are old LP covers like Led Zeppelin's first album, Buffalo Springfield, the Moody Blues, America, and just beneath them, brushing the heads of taller patrons, are paper pennants with baseball-team insignias, probably stuff from the beer sales rep. But these are things

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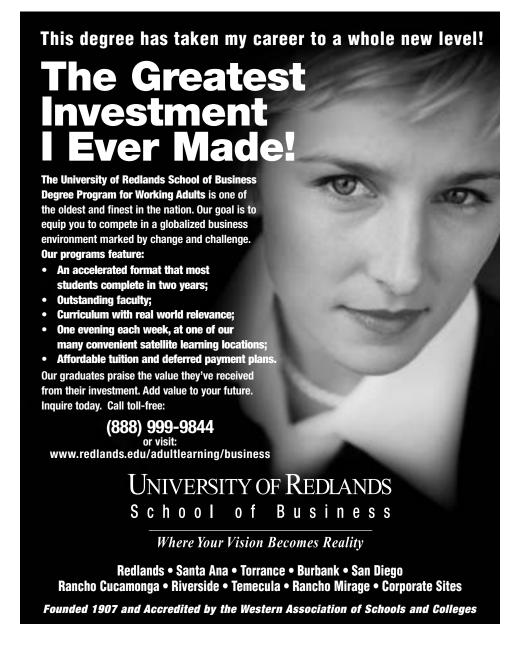
has picked up by about 20 percent. When I saw Damon [van Dam] in court, I offered him a free dinner anytime they want to come in. He said, 'We'll probably never be back again.'

"As for a swingers stigma, some people have associated the van Dams' lifestyle as part of the bar. We hear it a lot. I think people are here ten minutes, and [they see] this is just like any bar in PB where people hang out. We've been here for 30 years overall, so people know us.

"I didn't know anything about [swinging] in my bar. I've been a bartender for ten years, and I'm rarely shocked or surprised. But when it happened I was, like, whoa, what a different lifestyle. Personally, I would never participate in it, but that's just me. One thing as a bartender I've learned, you can't talk politics, religion, business, or judge [people]. Your whole purpose is to make money and make people laugh. If you judge them, that won't happen. If Brenda van Dam came in here as a swinger, I'm gonna treat her right and not judge her. But really, I only saw her in here a few times.

"David Westerfield





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"Nowadays a lot of these people try to get famous by talking to the media. I don't even know half the people who now say they're regulars. Really, there are only about 60 regulars.

"Since all this happened, Dad's has changed. It put us in the limelight and has given us notoriety. People have come to check us out. That's the positive thing. The only negative thing I can say is the repetition of questions, you know, like 'Where were they?' 'Where did they sit?' 'How was Westerfield?' and 'How was Brenda?' I'm here almost every night,

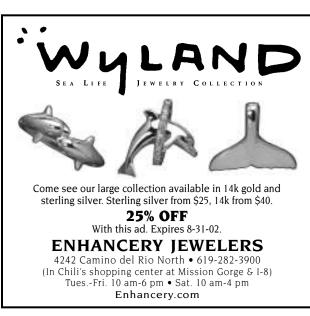


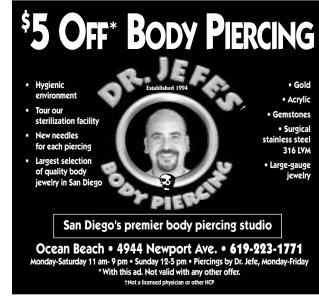
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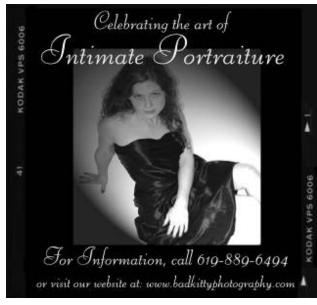
"I watched a little of the trial, but not a lot. No reading about it or listening to it on radio. For me it's unfortunate that there's a little girl that's lost, but life moves on, and with me being part owner, I have to move on. The only thing that matters is the end result."

By 9 p.m. the room begins to fill. A couple

stands near the dance floor. The guy, maybe six feet tall, could have played high school football. He wears dark shorts and a polo shirt, holds a beer glass in one hand, and keeps his other hand firmly splayed across the small of his girlfriend's back. He talks to a male friend who stands near them. The woman's a slender blonde wearing blackand-white cropped and flared pants, a white peasant shirt, and white plastic sandals. She looks around, glances across the tables and toward the bar as her date continues to talk with his friend. Led Zeppelin's "Nobody's Fault but Mine" plays in the background.









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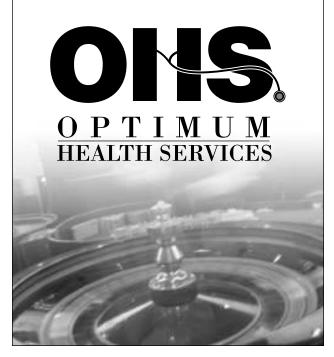
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A couple of women, tall, in their mid-40s, enter the bar and sit at one of the tables near the dance floor. The more butchappearing wears black boots, black jeans, and a jean jacket. Her hair is cut short; she wears no makeup. She looks around, as if searching for familiar faces. Her friend, with naturally blond hair cut in straight bangs, also wears black jeans and boots. This couple seems to know the staff. They say hello to and hug several people.

Across the room is Dana, 51, CFO for a construction company. He's lived in Poway for 15 years but now lives in UTC. Did the Westerfield trial publicity make him want to come to Dad's?

"It didn't make any difference. We came here because we hadn't been here in a long

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you take in subliminally as you spot an opening at the bar and the three of you — you, Barbara, Denise — make for it.

The music has changed. From disco to rock and roll: Bob Seger. One of you leans forward to order drinks from the increasingly busy bartender. Vodka and cranberry for you. When the barman brings the drinks and it's time to pay, someone leans between you and your friends and says, "Ladies don't pay for their drinks here!" He plunks down money. Oh, my God. It's that guy again. He was here last week and bought you a drink. He lives right by you, down the street. Don or Dave or...he bought the Girl Scout cookies from your daughter while she and your son Dylan ran around the guy's house. He had said something at the time that was sort of titillating and yet kind of creeped you out. Something about adult parties. You told your husband about it. Mmmm. The guy's eyes are kind of beady and untrustworthy, you think, and he doesn't have any hair on top. Oh, well, there is still something, well, devilish about him that isn't completely unexciting.

Still, how do you explain that gathering knot of unease in your stomach, a sense of being poised on some kind of precipice, an imminence of evil as yet unmaterialized? That joint must have been better than you thought.

You take a stiff pull at your drink, and when one of your friends suggests freshening up in the parking lot and laughs, you know what she means. You laugh and follow Barbara and Denise, and the two guys they were talking to. You might have placed a cocktail napkin over your drink before you left the bar.

Witnesses say that Brenda van Dam went out in the parking lot with her friends. Was this what she was think-

Out in the parking lot you ratchet up your high another notch or two and you are feeling no pain. But there is a slight sense of urgency that seems somehow misplaced. Everything, after all, is all right. Everything's taken care of. Damon's home with the kids. They're all three tucked in, Dylan and Derrick and pretty little Danielle. You love the way the back of her neck smells. You love her. You flash on her toothless grin when she peeks over the covers. The dope has plastered a happy smile across your own face in the lighting of the white Dad's Café sign, but it seems unattached to you at the moment.

Denise and Barbara are laughing at something one of the guys said, bringing you back, snapping you out of something. You're trying to laugh too, but for the moment

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time and we thought it would be a good place to come back to."

sexually frisky here? "Nah," Dana says What about the to that. "Dad's is a

sports-bar type of place. I don't sense this being a different place than most other sports

bars I've been in. I think it's been embellished somewhat. I've been here for [TV]

football, and people are yelling and cheering, but nothing you wouldn't expect in a sports bar. I never viewed it as a place for guys to pick up gals or vice versa. Randy Jones's restaurant on Pomerado Road is a similar place."

As for how all the publicity surrounding murder has affected Poway, Dana says, "Poway has become a place where there has been a lot nicer housing built up, and it's not so much of a cow town. It used to be known as just a nice middle-class area with good schools. Now it kind of has this image that this is more of a swinging place. I don't think that will last, but I think now it has put a stain on the neighborhood."

Dana hasn't followed the trial in much detail, but he thinks that Wester-

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field's guilty. "Based on what I can tell — the technical evidence, hair or fingerprints or whatever. Putting it all together, it seems like he was probably someone who enjoyed the sexual side of small kids. I think he did it."

9:15 p.m.

Smashmouth's "Walkin' on the Sun" plays. The bar crowd thickens with men looking like locals in their regular drag jeans or shorts, Tshirts with bands or businesses emblazoned on back, caps backward and forward. Bellies getting bigger. So far, no one looks as if he exercises much. A man in his early 50s, with dyed black hair, pinkie ring, slacks, and dark shirt approaches the two women dressed in black jeans.



Dad's

He hugs the blonde familiarly, and they talk.

Steve, 27, an elec-

trician who lives in Poway, says this is his first time at Dad's. He wants to know if this is a good place to hook up with women. When asked if Poway is a snooty place, hard to meet women, he replies, "Scripps Ranch can get pretty snobby. I used to live in Missouri. Scripps Ranch says it's country living, but it is snob haven is what it is. Poway is more of a country town, a working-man town."

What has the trial done for the town's image?

"It doesn't affect that city's reputation. It just shows there's a scumbag running around. You know, I think whoever did it should be shot in the head."

Did Westerfield do

"My personal jury is still out."

9:30 p.m.

A black woman with a short, red-tinged Afro enters the bar with a tall man wearing shorts and a casual shirt. He stands at the bar's end, nearest the door to the kitchen, and orders drinks. This becomes the unofficial lineup spot for drinks as the evening progresses and the bar crowd grows five deep.

A man in a Braves T-shirt and worndown thongs enters with a woman. They know the crowd, say hi, high-five, and hug. She has on a red top showing deep cleavage. He sees a friend at the bar. As they talk, his left hand moves to the back of her pants, where he claims ownership. She returns the favor by sticking her hand in his pocket. He draws circles on her back as he talks to his friend and gestures with beer. Shaggy plays "It Wasn't Me."

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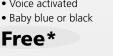
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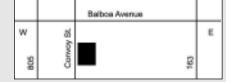












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band scheduled to play tonight has been replaced by a DJ playing techno music. Four Latino men set up elaborate equipment on the far end of the dance floor. The music begins, heavy bass along with a light show, to tepid response. The body count at Dad's is now about 75.

Dale Allen, 42, an unmarried maintenance worker, lives in Poway. Tonight he's wearing a company shirt with his name embroidered on it. While we talk he lifts his ball cap off and on his unkempt brown hair. About the trial coverage, Allen says, "I've followed it a lot...reading, listening to the radio, and watching it on TV. I do think Westerfield did it, because for one thing, an adult does not download child porn on his computer,

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you've been dislocated. You've been jerked out of the here and now, and you see a fat man in a gray beard on a witness stand saying something about "...blowflies and mummification...maggot mass in the pelvic area...." Something about coyotes. And you want to scream. What was that? Where did those images come from? But it passes, and you're going back in with your friends, and you can hear that Santana song they're playing inside. "Supernatural." That's what it is.

Another drink. They keep coming. Your neighbor is buying. One of your friends (Barbara? Denise?) is brushing her palm against your right breast, her head thrown back laughing. Your neighbor, David, not Donald, that's it, is laughing too, his eyes gleaming transient colors in the dance-floor lighting. And then you're dancing with Denise and then Barbara and one of the guys, and you're doing a little grind with someone. Who? Barbara? David? The other guy? Someone would later describe it as "huggy-huggy dancing." Who would that be? Who said that? A shot of tequila at the bar. Dan is buying. Or is it Dave? That's it. David. With his little stage-magician's goatee. Catch your breath. Why not one little shooter? And then the music has become Missy Elliott's "Get Ur Freak On." With your

palms and splayed fingers you trace your waist, hips, and thighs to the music. The song is crude, insistent, with an urgent, sexual heartbeat. The only melody is some mindless, repetitive video-game riff that seems to hold the night together, keeping it from spinning off into a million different fragments that can never be put back together again.

The song/riff is over and goateed magician man has disappeared. You laugh to yourself, thinking he has gone home to one of his adult barbecues, and you see him for a moment standing over the charcoal fire with tongs like a little pitchfork, his squinty eyes catching the coals like distant dance-floor lights. It is about 1:45, and you suggest all of you going back to your place. You know Damon will be glad to see Barbara and Denise, and it seems suddenly important to go home, but not to end the evening.

You're clearheaded but high. The night seems to go in and out of focus at intervals that get farther and farther apart. And while you can't articulate your fear, you somehow know, in some corner of consciousness, that it will be a very long time before anything is really in focus again.

Away from the lights of Dad's Café, along Poway Road, the night congeals into a different order of darkness like a stifling blanket of unthinkable possibilities. ■

— John Brizzolara

period. I wouldn't. I have a ten-year-old son, my niece is ten, and I wouldn't even think about that.

"Swinging? I never been there, but I'd have to say I'm surprised, because I was here that night. My girlfriend was mad because I was talking

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to Brenda. My girlfriend said, 'Let's go!' And Brenda said, 'Why do you let her talk to you like that?!'

"Without a doubt Brenda was liking me. I'm a chest guy, and she's got a good chest — a great chest — so I stayed and hung out. I danced with her and some girls, I think Denise. I agree with that woman [at the trial] who called it dirty dancing.

"Everybody knows everybody here, but I hadn't seen them before. When I heard what had happened and who it was, well, my parents and girlfriend said, 'Oh, shit!'

"I had no idea that swinging stuff was going on here. What I saw from Brenda was that she was a very friendly person. I got here at around 11:30 and stayed until closing. I think if my girlfriend hadn't been here, I think something would have happened with Brenda and me. I live close,

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"Dad's is much more mellow than before. Some people who used to come here from before don't come anymore. I think all this has made Poway, which used to be a sleepy little town, into a nightmare."

Jeannie Adelman, 33 years old and single, is a mortgage analyst in Carlsbad. She recently moved from Poway to Vista. She's been coming to Dad's for the past year. Tonight she wears black pants with a shiny red semi-sleeveless blouse cut to her waist, the kind of blouse usually reserved for clubbing. Her



Trina Born

shoulder-length brown hair falls around a face that will always appear somewhat youthful.

Ms. Adelman says, "I've been following all the trial on TV, radio, and in the papers. I

think he did it because I think he was angry. I think he abducted her because he wasn't

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included in their entourage. I don't think he meant to kill her, just to keep her quiet. I think he knew the type of life they

"My sister-in-law works here. She's a cocktail waitress, and she was here that night and says Brenda was a regular here. She knew about the swinging because Brenda'd come here and party and leave with other people.

"It's changed Poway because people are more cautious. In a way, the reputation of Dad's is different, but I don't think people think of us as a swingers bar. They were just in their little crowd. Still, I think people were surprised. This is the only happening bar in town. The only other places

to meet guys and girls is in downtown San Diego.

"If anything, Dad's is busier now, not more mellow. Tonight is different because there's a DJ, not a live band. I'd say I'm a regular. I come here once a week, and I usually stay from about 10 until closing. I like it because the average age of this place is between 25 and 35, sometimes older, because bands play classic rock and Top 40. Overall, it's a good place to take your family, and it's just allaround fun."

Thirty-five-yearold Trina Born, never married, is a personalcare attendant who works with paralyzed veterans. She lives in Poway. On this evening she sports jeans, wellworn boots, and a

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white cotton blouse over a red tank top. She has long, dirtyblond hair. She has the compact body and the presence of a Marine. A jangle of silver jewelry circles her neck, wrists, and fingers. Something about her stance, carrying a pool cue, makes her seem like a woman you'd not want to cross; and yet, when you talk with her, she's easygoing and friendly.

"I've been coming here," she says, "for two years, on Friday and Saturday nights, from midnight until closing. There are different groups here. Brenda's group usually hung out up at one end of the bar. She was always in the same group, the older generation. The guys definitely looked older. Some still come here.

"The people I know who testified are Terry, the bartender at

O'Harley's; Dwayne, who owns Something Fishy. I punched him a good one once. He was picking on someone and called me a cunt, and I coldcocked him."

Asked if she had been following the trial, Ms. Born says she has not. "Not at all. And I never saw Westerfield here. I don't think the van Dams are telling the whole truth. There's something weird between all three of them van Dams and Westerfield — or at least two out of the three. I think Westerfield couldn't handle rejection from Brenda. But, still, you don't take it out on an innocent girl."

Since Danielle van Dam's abduction, Ms. Born says, Dad's has changed. "There are different people here now. More fights from outsiders looking for something that's not



Trish Smith

here. And Poway, we stick together. We're bad.

"Dad's has gotten

more business with the lookie-loos. What they see is that the food is

good. At Dad's you

have more fun, have more variety than any other place in Poway, except for the bowling alley. But I can't go there anymore. I got in a fight there too. But someday I'll go back.

"I've been coming here since this place was Comiskey's. I came here one time, and it was just odd. Everybody looked at me weird. Even when I came in that first time, I was told it was like a swinger place, even then. But I thought it was fucked that people looked at me funny, especially since this place was supposed to be a swingers bar. They need to look at themselves."

10:00 p.m.

A trail of young people is still arriving. Friends waving to each other. The girls, in their early 20s, are in standard summer of 2002 garb: low-slung jeans, crop

tops, cleavage, wedgy or strappy sandals, long hair ponytailed or pulled back. They all carry their purses on their arms, never putting them down. Two or three are on cell phones. The boys vary: many in shorts, a few with sandals or thongs, most with

A couple in their late 30s/early 40s grabs a booth. He's in jeans, starting to bald, the beginning of a gut pushing out against a plain cotton T-shirt and sloping toward his belt. She wears bellbottom jeans and a light blue, V-necked, long-sleeved crop top that makes an inverted V against her taut, bare, brown belly. She stands up often and walks across the room to greet friends. She is in the best shape of her age group; her position will remain unchallenged throughout the

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evening.

Two of their friends arrive. The first is chubby and cute, wearing a shortsleeved maroon top, jeans, and sandals. Her cranberry lipstick matches her top. Her companion has a buzz cut that looks military. He wears jeans and a black T-shirt, tucked in. His belly is flat and his work boots are worn. They are regulars; the waitress hangs at their booth, whispering, laughing, and coming back often.

"Mojo is my NTN handle. Everyone knows me by Mojo." Mojo (Bill Wallner) is a 58-year-old insurance underwriter who spends a lot of time at Dad's playing the NTN video trivia game. He



Paul Daugherty at Dad's

lives two blocks away. "I know they weren't regulars," he

says of the van Dams.

"They said they were only here twice, and I think that was probably true. Dad's is a

fairly large restaurant and bar with entertainment on the weekends. They court regulars on weeknights. On weekends you get a bigger crowd drawing

from a bigger radius. They stay until one or two o'clock in the morning. On Friday and Saturday there is usually a good band with a good draw. Tomorrow the band 619 plays. A couple of years ago they had Liquid Blue, which was the premier San Diego dance band."

What has the trial done for Poway?

"We were just talking a few minutes ago about some court testimony about all the men in Poway looking like Westerfield. Well, most of us took offense at that. This all came from a guy who has been here twice. Most of us don't know what went on here or, after they left, what went on at the van Dam house. I'm convinced nobody knows 100 percent of the

truth, and we may never know. These people weren't Dad's Café people. They seemed like they belonged at the Big Stone Lodge. That place closed up last fall, and a lot of the people who used to go there come here because it's the only place in town. The only night I went to the Big Stone Lodge was the night they closed. I said to myself, 'What a scary place this is.' It was a pretty rough crowd."

Did Westerfield do it?

"Based on his actions, yeah. Either that or he's covering up for something. He was being way too weird."

Is Dad's where you go to pick up women in Poway?

"Not everybody comes here to pick up women. [But since the trial] it's become this swinger thing. All we know is four people who would be categorized as swingers by most people's definition came here twice. It's interesting that [all this happened] about the same time Dad's started having swingdancing lessons here. They were immedi-









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Because of the name swing dance?

"Yeah. They thought that would be more of a confirmation that this is a place for swingers. But I've been coming here probably six days a week on the average for five and a half years, and I've never seen this as a swinger place.... It's a restaurant that serves alcohol. It's a place with a dance floor and a bandstand and a goodsized bar that's crowded on weekends. But it's a social thing, not a bunch of weirdos coming here to swap wives and stuff. These four people would clearly fit the definition, but they weren't Dad's customers."

So where might these people go in Poway?

"There's nowhere. For a long time there were only two places in

town where you could have a cocktail. Comiskey Park and the Brigantine. That was it. The Brigantine is more of a dinner crowd. A lot of us, the regulars, we come here to play this trivia game. This is most of the reason I'm here.

"I'll be glad when it's over. I hope that we're satisfied that we know the truth. Most of the evidence against Westerfield is circumstantial. Even the DNA stuff is really circumstantial. A lot of the defense position is circumstantial, like the swinger angle. I think that Westerfield's actions are pretty suspicious. They don't seem normal, but here again it could be he's covering up for somebody. But I'm convinced he was involved. I'm convinced we don't really know what happened at the van Dam house.



Denise Kemal testifying at murder trial, June 10, 2002

When the gang got there from here, I don't think we know the truth."

Is this embarrassing to Poway?

"Poway is a small, provincial town that

has gotten big, but against the wishes of the founding fathers and the locals. It's like Roger Hedgecock, when he talks about not wanting a bunch of people moving to San Diego, that it's going to ruin the quality of life. Poway is like a small version of that. [The city is] very restrictive in their rules. It's very difficult to do things with businesses. This place used to have a sign on the outside wall advertising all-you-can-eat fish. The city made them take it down. They aren't really friendly to business because they'd just as soon Poway stay small and semirural. There are a lot of expensive homes in Poway. There is a lot of money here, and all this publicity isn't going to change property values."

The van Dams live in Sabre Springs.

"We don't even consider that Poway. These people came from a ways away, and they got involved in all this stuff, and something really tragic happened, and somebody in that group is responsible. If we had our druthers, it would have never happened here. It's 31/4 miles between us and the [I-15] freeway. Between us and the freeway, Sabre Springs occupies about two miles of that."

Poway does not seem to be a nightlife destination point.

"On weekends when there is a band playing, we get phone calls from people from Escondido, Rancho Bernardo, and Mira Mesa asking for directions. But they are coming here to see the band. They are not coming here to see the swingers place. That's why they hire these





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Have the van Dams been seen here since?

"No. They've been completely incognito."

10:30 p.m.

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blonde women flipping their hair around, edging up to the bar for a drink. "Brick House" comes on, and they head for the dance floor. The thinner of them wears jeans and a pink shortsleeved V-neck shirt. Her breasts heave as she gyrates around the floor with her friend, whose hair is also blond but bleached with a slight ratted top, à la Jean Shrimpton from the early '60s — the London mod scene. She wears tight black jeans and a tight, black cropped top. Her stomach, which protrudes fleshily around her waist, is darkly tanned. A man moves in and dances with both of them. All three move their hips a lot — air humping, shimmying, good ol' bump 'n' grind. The guy, with his khakis slung low and T-shirt pulled up,



David Westerfield

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wears black eyeliner, and her hair is parted in the middle. Her sister's hair is pulled back, a brighter blond. They are fresh-faced and cute and could be teenagers but say they're not.

"This is the first time I've been with her. But every time I turn around, she's talking to someone else. She wants me to meet some friend of hers."

"It's lower key than it usually is. Did you knock on that stall?"

"It's stopped up. Don't go in there."

"Do you have lipstick?"

"Yeah."

"I forgot my makeup bag, can you believe it? I need some too..."

10:40 p.m.

"It's feeling hot in here."

David says he is 30 and a meat cutter. "I grew up here. I don't have any kids, but Poway is a good place to raise a family."

Do you get inundated by new faces asking about the trial?

"You're the first. I usually just come in to get a bite to eat and get a couple of beers. I just live around the

corner."

The surroundings don't seem to support the swinger image.

"It doesn't, because it shouldn't. It got a bad rap that it doesn't deserve. Some bad seeds came in one night and ruined the whole gig. It's unfortunate."

What's the wildest thing that ever happened here?

"A fight."
Is Westerfield guilty?

"I will reserve judgment until it's over."

Jeff, 47, works in construction and lives off Mercy Road in Scripps Park. He says he's never seen any fights or drugs in Dad's.

What is going on in Poway?

"This is pretty much it."

Did Westerfield do it?

"It's like the new [murder] in L.A., where they picked up that girl. It could have been the same guy [who killed Danielle]. I'm not sure if [Westerfield] did it or not. You have all the DNA and everything, but he was dancing with [Brenda van Dam]. He was out there bumping

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ım *P* and grinding. His DNA could have been all over the place because of the situation. Granted, he was here [with Brenda], but who knows what happened?"

What about Dad's?
"This bar had
absolutely nothing to
do with the trial."

Rap thumps from the speakers, and 20 young people are on the dance floor, mocking videos, throwing signs, doing ghetto gestures that mimic rappers but look silly on white, middle-class kids. One couple in their 20s are mouthing the lyrics and kissing. He pulls at her pants by her belt buckle; she rides his leg. The blonde duo have made a sandwich with their khaki-wearing male friend, who has turned his cap around but doesn't let go of his beer bottle. The sidelines are watching intently. One young man with a beard and long, scraggly hair, black jeans, and a black Betty Page Tshirt, dances like a dervish. He is unaware of anyone else and whirls happily in the center. The two blondes charge out for a cigarette, waving to a friend and grabbing their drinks as they go.

New arrivals sidle up to the bar; an older foursome orders drinks. They watch the young kids dance (J-Lo's "I'm for Real") and put their arms around each other. First couple: early to mid-40s; man in green khaki shorts, white socks, Hush Puppies, plaid shirt, baseball cap. Receding hairline. Woman wears a plaid straight skirt to her knees, white shirt, black boxy jacket from the mid-'80s. She is bare-legged with black sandals, a single black strap between the toes, which could be retro



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or remake. She goes off to dance with a shorter, wiry, darkskinned Mexican man in white tank top and jeans. He is six inches shorter than she and at first appears younger, but up close, his weathered face seems older.

Second couple: an older man in a white polo shirt and shorts with a belt, sandals. He is white haired, with creases on the back of his neck— a lifetime

outdoor athlete (tennis or golf) in the 60-yearold range. She is short, squat, in faded jeans and a baggy shirt, lifeless hair with bangs, and glasses. She seems reluctant to dance; he is raring to go, gesturing with the music, snapping his fingers, slinging his arm around her shoulder and moving her out past the tables. He orders a drink with a wedge of lime maybe a vodka

tonic — which he places on a nearby table while he sneezes repeatedly. He pulls a handkerchief out of his pocket and blows his nose. Plaid skirt leans toward him for a hug. Then she and her Mexican friend do a slow, sensuous dance.

Lynn Melvin, 42, is from Poway. She's a bartender, married with three kids. On this night she sports what appears to be the norm in summer wear for Poway, or at least at Dad's — jeans and a cotton blue-and-white striped blouse with a white tank top underneath. She has long dishwater-blond hair and looks older than her age.

"I watch the trial on TV and listen to it on the radio. Normally they don't dance like that one lady [in court] said they do here, that dirty dancing, but there's a DJ here now, and that's why. Normally we have a band, and the dancing is more fun.

"I think he did it. I mean, it's her blood on his jacket! Too many other things too — blue-gray fibers, blood in his motor home, and blood on his jacket. I can't even

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imagine why he would do this. He had his life together. Maybe he's covering for his son. But then again, who says his son didn't wear his jacket?

"I used to be a regular here five, six years ago. I'm sorry. It's not a swingers bar. People used to say it was a gay bar.... What it is is a fun place."

Paul Daugherty is from east Poway, a tow-truck driver. The 41-year-old wears a "Forget Milk, Got Beer?" T-shirt, tennis shoes, and white pants, and has a crewcut. "My



girlfriend has been watching all the trial stuff. I'm tired of it. I listen on the radio and

see updates on the news once in a while.

"I think there's a lot that points to Westerfield, but I'm not sure he's guilty. The hair, the fiber, and fingerprints — that

can be dismissed. To say [the van Dam] kids never crossed the street, that's bull. I keep thinking the prosecutor will bring out the truth.

"I think there's more to Brenda van Dam and him, the swinging. Most people are cheating anyway, so why not be honest and swing? The child porn...porn is fine, but violence and with children? You've got to draw the line somewhere. Maybe his problem just festered that night. Poway is a nice town, but there

are sick individuals everywhere."

11:15 p.m.

Another group comes in, clearly outsiders. They range from early 20s to early 50s, from exposed cleavage and tight jeans to polo shirts and comfortable shoes. All the women carry short, fashionable bags that dangle at their elbows. They take them onto the dance floor. One man wears a Harley-Davidson T-shirt. A woman in her late 30s with feathered hair wears a tan peasant blouse

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with ruffles. Every woman dancing wears something tight, colorful, and revealing.

Ladies' bathroom: "We all came from Bonita just to check it out. We work with the district attorney's office. There's 15 of us. We were just curious so we drove up here. It seems like fun." Santana can be heard blasting over the dance floor.

Two women in their late 40s/early 50s, smiling, sit on high stools with their drinks. They look well kept, maybe facelifted. One redhead, one blonde, both trim, in perfectly fitting bell-bottom jeans, hip huggers, but no belly showing. Pedicured feet show through their high-heeled sandals. One wears a halter top with deep cleavage, the other a tight-fitting black top. They snap and swing to the music and whisper to each other. They watch people watch them and smile. They do not leave each other's side. They are happy to oblige when a photographer asks to take a picture of them.

Bill, a white attorney who lives in Mission Bay, is accompanied by Cheryl, a black accountant from the College Area.

Did Westerfield kill Danielle?

Bill: "I think the scientific evidence is very, very strong against him, and so far I haven't heard anything to counteract the scientific evidence.'

Cheryl: "It's his blood. There is all the forensic evidence. I can ignore all the innuendo about sexual preferences. The

pornography would have thrown me for a loop. It takes a special kind of person to want to have that much porn in their world.

"I'll be glad when it's over. I want closure, but I want it to be not about marijuana and not about wife swapping. I want it to be about children, protecting the kids, finding out what parents can do differently. The biggest mistake in the van Dam trial is the parents thinking they live in a safe neighborhood. We don't live in a safe

world, and until we realize that as parents there will be these abductions. This could go down in any affluent neighborhood. People think because they live in a million-dollar home they are safe. There are no good neighborhoods anymore. The little girl that got murdered this week was in a nice neighborhood. It was a lowcrime neighborhood."

What about the charge that Brenda allegedly asked a female, "Do you do women?"

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Cheryl: "I didn't believe all the witnesses. How is it that she has two women with her she already knows and she comes up and says that, risking alienating her friends? And why didn't the daughter [Cherokee] testify? If she was in fact hit on, why didn't she testify?"

Bill: "The thing I like about the trial is it's real-life drama. A lot of people watch Law & Order on TV, yet they don't watch something like this, which to me is so

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much more interesting because it's real. These are real people exposing their lives in front of TV, which would be horribly difficult, I would think. The poor woman who lost her job at Southwest Airlines because she testified truthfully that she smoked pot was terrible."

Is this what you thought Dad's would be like?

Cheryl: "It was depicted as a place like

Buffalo Joe's, downtown. But it's homey, where you bring your kids until it gets later, when it's just for adults."

Bill: "This bar very much reminds me of Phoenix. Poway reminds me of Phoenix."

11:30 p.m.

A sweep of new young people — girls in long sweaters and long ponytails, tan flares and short tops, matching purses and pink drinks sipped through straws. Sir Mix-a-Lot's "Baby Got Back" brings out the raunchy dancers. The blonde duo is back with their khaki-clad boy-toy. A new May-December:

woman in white jeans and tight, bright-blue top; she is tan, fit, and frisky. She dances with a younger man in white T-shirt and jeans, cap, goatee, work boots. He dances behind her, pulsing into her swiveling butt. She leans back; he juts forward. A few minutes later the music ends, and she moves away from him. Shortly after, she leaves.

He wanders to the bar and gets another drink, then approaches another woman at a table, who declines his offer to dance. He persists. She declines. He lifts his shirt, exposing his youthful belly and begins a makeshift lap dance, closing his eyes and pinching a nipple. The bartender comes over and scolds him. "You can't do that in here." He stands up straight, looks sheepish but not embarrassed, and moves on, smiling.

The Village People's "YMCA" plays, and the older crew looks relieved to recognize a tune. Twenty people on the dance floor mock the moves. Older woman and younger Mexican man still slow dance.

Ray Frost, 39, married, works for a vitamin-supplement manufacturer. He lives in San Marcos. Short and stocky with a gut that overlaps his beige shorts, Frost is also wearing a white T-shirt that says Kyocera, a ball cap that touts the Fresno State Bulldogs, sneakers, and white socks. His black goatee is beginning to gray.

"My wife watches the trial all the time, and I watch it on TV and on the Internet. I think he did it. Everything points to it — the orange fibers tack it down. I think he was jealous of Brenda. He knew her husband was



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supposed to be away, and he tried to make a point and went overboard.

"Swinging and swingers are none of my business. It's not right or wrong, but I wouldn't. I had no idea it was going on at Dad's. I'll be honest, this is where we come after our softball games, and we're either up or down depending on the score. We come here to bond. That's all. I don't see the dirty dancing. Dancing is all about expressing yourself. We're all trying to reclaim our youth.

"I come here two times a month and have been for over a year. I bring my kids here. They have good food.

"My friend used to play co-ed baseball with Brenda and said she was nice, but he was surprised at how nice. Ha! I think people are being too judgmental of them.

"If anything, Dad's is doing better financially than ever. More people come in now. This is the first time I've heard this hip-hop music, so I guess it is changing to get the young kids in. This is the best restaurant in Poway, day or night, and it shouldn't be labeled a swingers club. It's just people my age trying to be young."

Robin Johnson, 25, from Mira Mesa, is majoring in liberal studies at Cal State San Marcos. She's single. With a tight off-the-shoulder gold top, jeans, and a horseshoe necklace, Johnson looks like your all-American beach bunny.

"I haven't watched the trial too much. I come here because I like the dancing. That thing about dirty dancing is inaccurate. They're just girls having fun. That's just an old-lady's word. It happens everywhere.

"A lot of evidence points toward [Westerfield's] guilt. Her blood being on his possessions. The family lifestyle probably attracted him to the area and to the van Dams. I don't really think about it all. I just come here, hang out once in a while, and dance. I mean, it's sad and all, but what can I say?

"I think Dad's has benefited from all this. People want to check it out. I don't think it's hurt Poway at all. I still like it here."

11:50 p.m.

A crew of guys in their

20s, in slobby shirts and baggy shorts, travel as a troika to the bar, order beers, don't stop talking or drinking. Two guys in baseball uniforms wander in before midnight, slap the backs of friends, grab beers, high-five, and disappear into the crowd. Around midnight, a fully made-up, 40-plus woman in a short black vinyl skirt, maybe 15 inches hip to thigh, size 40D breasts

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barely encased in a black halter, black strappy sandals, and a mane of deep burnished red hair, winds her legs around her partner, a '70s dance instructor with golden blond hair below the ear line, a print knit shirt, and tight black pants that bulge at the waistline in a way they weren't meant to. He wears boots with a heel, and they cavort on the dance floor with exaggerated ges-

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Midnight

A couple joins the crowd. He has long, black shiny hair in a ponytail; Native-American? She has

curly hair in a long shag. She keeps her sweater on. Jeans and sandals. Sips a drink by the bar. Watches dancers. Walks around. He talks to friends.

In the front room, 15 smokers at the several tables. Mostly older. The blonde friends are here, laughing and whispering. They return to dance floor and sing along with a rap song. A tall blonde woman with bobbed hair and her friend, who is dark and shorter, dance with the crowd, now mixed with a few old and mostly young, dancing and mouthing words to the song's sexual lyrics. Couple in vinyl skirt and tight pants tango across the floor, employing elaborate gymnastics. They take a break at the bar and stare at each other and laugh.

Nate, 29, works with computers, lives in Poway.

Were the van Dams regulars here?

"No way. They just happened to be here. It doesn't reflect on the bar or the people who work here. You thought this was gonna be like a swingers bar, right? There were many times I've been here, and I've never been hit on by a bunch of women, or a bunch of men, for that matter. It's not that kind of bar. I've known these guys for years."

Did Westerfield do

"Absolutely. Why else would there be blood in his motor home? It's hard to dispute that."

What else is there in Poway?

"The Red Bird. It's pretty sweet. It's kind of a dive bar, actually. There's some places in Carmel Mountain Ranch — a Friday's and an Irish pub. There's not a lot, actually."



12:15 a.m.

Five guys arrive in standard outfits sweatshirts, shorts, jeans, sandals. Mid-20s. Two young girls follow behind, one tiny, maybe 5′5″, blond hair pulled back, wearing a boatnecked, pink knit top and low jeans with pink belt. She dances by herself; her friend joins her. They do not interact, but a guy comes over to the tiny one — he's in cutoff shorts, Hush Puppies, socks, short black hair — and tries to talk with the girl as she dances. She smiles but half ignores him. He's whispering in her ear. She finally relents and extends her arm, where he writes his phone number. Her friend, in jeans and a print scoop-neck top and a side-parted bob, goes to the bar and waits for a drink.

A tall guy, mid-30s, tattoos, jean shorts, white T-shirt, boots, talks with friends who watch the dance floor. Older couple (vinyl skirt) is back out there. So are the two blondes, who are now dancing with each other intently, until their sandwiched middle-man leads them on a choo-choo train around the floor. More aging athletes enter the bar. Foursome in the booth are out dancing, all of them overlapping with each other. Music is louder, more provocative lyrics, more thumping. Men at the bar are all big guys; not a sucked-in belly in the bunch. Mostly drinking beer. Glazed-eye look. Girls rush by, five across, to the bathroom.

"We should have gone to Escondido."

"It's not the same tonight."

"We normally don't stay in Poway, but we're all back from school. We went to

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Poway High, so this is like a reunion. Normally we go downtown."

Trish Smith, 26, from Point Loma, single, works in accounting. She wears tight, hip-hugger jeans, a tight light-turquoise short-sleeved sweater top with her shoulderlength blond bob. Her slight frame makes you want to protect and watch over her while

she's here. She watches from a bar stool while her friend Robin Johnson dances alone on the dance floor, suggestively, as if no one can see her. A party of one. You wonder what attracts Smith to a place like this.

"I've been here a couple of times in the last few years. My cousin lives close by. I hear things about the trial, but I don't follow it regularly. I know some people who know an investigator, and things he says this person has said gives me no doubt he's guilty, but I can't tell you what that is because people will get in trouble.

"I think swinging goes on everywhere. I think it brings more people here. In my opinion, Poway's reputation and Dad's hasn't been damaged, at least in my mind. Maybe in other people's it has been. But I don't care. It won't stop me from coming here."

12:40 a.m.

Young people clear the dance floor; four dancers remain — the two blondes sipping drinks, singing with the lyrics, and the porno couple, who have taken to dancing

close and very still. A skinny girl pulls her friend to the dance floor, and they turn circles and dance by themselves. "Must Be the Money" plays, and people come back to the dance floor. Girl in black bell bottoms, silver sandals, and jean jacket walks back and forth looking for someone. Her cell phone rings, and she takes it outside.

Waitresses scurry for drinks, do quick pivots for a holleredafter tip, smile, and head to the bar. Boys on dance floor continue to mock rap moves. Girls in tank tops lean in and whisper to each other. Older foursome are sitting at tables, watching. Will Smith's "Nod Your Head" plays.

Daniel, 25, lives in La Jolla and works on



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Elizabeth Walker: That's all I can remember about the ad, which ran nine years ago. It was a Valentine's Day special. We met in February, got engaged in March, and by June we were married.

Stephen: For the longest time, we didn't tell anyone how we met. If someone asked, we said, "Oh, we both went to Morse High School," which was true, but it was at different times.

Elizabeth: When I placed the ad, I was living on my own with my nine-month-old son. I wasn't looking for romance, but I was lonely. Stephen left me a message and I liked his voice. But when I called him back, his mother answered the phone and said, "He's in his room."

Stephen: I had just ended a relationship and wanted to get out of our apartment in a hurry. So I moved in with my parents.

Elizabeth: We talked for about three or four hours that first night. The following Saturday, we drove up to Julian. I took my son with us and he screamed his head off! Stephen

didn't say a word. I thought, "I like this guy."

Stephen: Elizabeth had a pleasant nature about her. She was really caring, and it touched me.

Elizabeth: One month later, Stephen proposed during a dinner cruise on San Diego Bay. He went down on his knees in front of all these people. It was like something out of a movie.

Stephen: We planned a church wedding, but then we decided to elope right away. Looking back, I think it would have been better if we had known each other longer.

Elizabeth: That first year was tough. I got pregnant right away, and then Stephen got laid off from his job at an insurance company. We were actually living in a tent for a while.

Stephen: After we hit rock bottom, we started to build a relationship. I went back to school, got some computer skills, and now I'm a supervisor at *Auto Trader*.

Elizabeth: Our ninth wedding anniversary was June 17, and now we have two sons, ages 8 and 10. I'm the coach of a soccer team and Stephen is the assistant coach. But he's a scout master and I'm the assistant scout master.

Stephen: Our biggest arguments are at the video store. She likes black-and-white movies and I like Sci-Fi.

Elizabeth: We were at my boss's house last Easter when someone asked how we met. We told them the truth. Everybody started saying, "Oh, you should call up the Reader and do one of those 'true stories.'" I said, "Really? You think other people would be interested?"



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computer circuit boards for a living. He has long hair, but his friends are more punk

"My friend brought me here. He said it was a great place to party, so I thought I'd come down. I never really thought of Poway as a good place

to party, but Poway is full of punks. I grew up with traditional skinheads. I came up here to see my boy with a mohawk and a couple of other punks. If you listen to some of the local bands, you hear 'Crazy Poway Kids' by Unwritten Law. Poway has always

been a little bit nuts. It's actually somewhat similar to the San Joaquin Valley.

"There is enough evidence to call that man guilty. The young lady I just dated is a lawyer, and she and I discussed it in depth. Unless there were things that were

brought into court that were not supposed to, he has no chance of getting off. Because of the things that were brought in, especially the videotapes, the man is screwed. The law is going to nail him to the wall.

"It has nothing to do with someone

being a swinger. I'm a polygamist. Anyone's beliefs have nothing to do with how well you protect your children or how well you protect your wife or husband. They did not protect their children properly.

"Who cares if they are swingers? There's a little girl's life, which is the point here. Society's intellectual standing right now is at about a tenth-grade high school level, and its emotional standings are at an eighthgrade level. It's fucking pathetic."

What about Brenda allegedly ask-

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ing about doing other women?

"I haven't heard about it, so I can't say. But I will say there is nothing wrong with a woman being with another woman. I've been in multiple relations where it was me and two women, because there's no way in the world one man can satisfy all of a woman's needs."

1:00 a.m.

A girl in red spaghettistrapped top and tootight jeans, big red curly hair; guy in jeans and a T-shirt, say hi to another couple in booth, she with blue midriff-bearing top. But they quickly leave, wrinkling their noses at the music. "This isn't techno," someone shouts. A Latin hiphop song fills the room for three lone dancers.

Tone-Loc's "Wild Thing." Couple tries to swing. Near-empty dance floor. Bar area filled with refreshers. Porno couple sweeps past and leaves the bar. A lot of standing around. Sweaty young men smell of alcohol. Girls swoop hair up on top of their heads and then let it fly once the music moves them. Middle-aged foursome gets up for this song. They have switched partners: white hair with boxy jacket; skinny Mexican with short, squat, bejeaned woman. Man in khaki shorts and white socks combo is at the bar getting drinks and watching. He leans over to a woman mid-30s, overweight,

large breasts, tight jeans — and protectively puts his arm on her back. He can't hear her, so he leans closer, and she shouts in his ear. He smiles, laughs, puts drinks down, and they head out to dance floor to join his group.

Nick Fabreggio, 26, single, electrician, lives in Scripps Ranch. He wears a white shirt, khaki pants, smokes prolifically, and wears a Quicksilver T-shirt, cap, and sandals. He reeks of alcohol, slurs his words, and insists

he's a Dad's regular who knows the real score here.

"I check it all out...TV, radio, any chance I get. I don't know if he did it or not. The court case hasn't proven anything for me. But I really don't fuckin' care. What I care about is I come here all the time, and now that's what everyone is talking about here. Makes it suck for us."

At this point, Fabreggio is asked to leave because a gray-haired

man who appears to be in his 60s begins swearing at him and telling him to "shut the fuck up." The man says Nick isn't a real regular — that *he* is, and Nick's gonna get his ass kicked if he doesn't shut the fuck up. A bouncer remains calm when asking both to leave. A backup team of two, including Sean, the bar manager, helps break up the brawl.

1:15 a.m.

Young couple acts out

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back outside to smoke. People are at edges of the room or outside. The bar crowd is thinning. Smoke from outside wafts in. Three people play pool. The front room holds five. An attempt to return to techno plays in the dance area, quickly replaced with Naughty by Nature. Black man in crisp white pants

and dark shirt dances with a blonde.

1:30 a.m.

Waitresses collect bottles and glasses; workers turn off fans, appliances. A quick peek at the men's bathroom: reeking of urine. More paper towels on the ground than in the wastebasket. Lights come on. Place is a

wreck. Looks aged, like those who remain.

1:40 a.m.

Intercom announces something like last call. Seven folks lingering at the back bar. Wasted men at the fringes lean into each other. Young girls head out. Regulars in the pool area shoot a last round, while their vis-

iting friend — a tall ash-blonde in black linen shorts and black-and-white T-shirt — watches. She's ready to go.

1:50 a.m.

According to the Court TV timeline, Brenda van Dam, Barbara Easton, Denise Kemal, Keith Stone, and Rich Brady left Dad's at 1:50 for van Dam house. Brenda was the designated driver.

1:55 a.m.

Brenda van Dam returned home with her friends. She noticed the alarm panel blinking.

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LATE PLIOCENE: 2.67 million years ago, continental glaciation began in the northern hemisphere. During the Late Pliocene, and episodically since then, Pacific Beach was underwater, part of a large bay extending south to Tijuana. Coronado and North Island were submerged and so was much of Point Loma.

"Visualize the San Diego
by shoreline of today," writes

Jeff Patrick L. Abbott, "then
S m i t h picture it with a sea level
210 feet higher." Around

every 100,000 years, continental ice sheets build and then melt, which causes a major flooding of coastal areas. "San Diego was submerged beneath a broad, ocean-filled embayment akin to a miniature Monterey Bay.

"We are living in an Ice Age. Just 15,000 years ago, 27 percent of earth's continental area was buried beneath mas-

sive ice sheets; and even though we are now in an interglacial episode, 10 percent of the continental area (Antarctica and Greenland) is still beneath ice." Should they melt, the earth would return to "normal" temperatures, 10 to 12 degrees higher than today, and the "global sea level would rise about 210 feet."

Like puddles after a rain, San Diego Bay and Mission Bay serve as mementos of the deluge, as do fossils, in the "San Diego Formation," of clams, sea urchins, snails, and other invertebrates "throughout the metropolitan region of San Diego, National City, and Chula Vista."

ROSE CANYON CREEK: At the corner of Mission Bay Drive and Bluffside Avenue, Rose Canyon Creek makes a gentle southwestward curve. For hundreds of years, Kumeyaay natives used the area as a semi-annual campsite. Mt. Soledad protected

them from wind and fog. They gathered acorns inland and roamed the coast for food and healthful herbs (they went as far as Ocean Beach, which they called "mussel" beach, for another staple of their diet). As settlers moved into the area and a railroad connecting San Diego and Pacific Beach was completed in 1888, the Kumeyaay went east. This was their last coastal campsite.

Until 1930, travelers going from San Diego to Los Angeles had to drive west around

Mt. Soledad, through Pacific Beach and La Jolla. On December 13, 1930, the Rose Canyon Highway opened: a five-mile shortcut on the east slope of Soledad bypassed the beach towns and passed close by the old Kumeyaay camp.

For decades, on almost the exact location of the campsite, the Pacific Drive-In lured cars to the area like a magnet. Historian John Fry remembers "lines and lines of cars wanting to see a movie. And



San Diego College of Arts and Letters, c. 1880s

people used to sit on the hill behind and watch for free."

PACIFIC PLAZA: In the late 1880s, thousands of newcomers came to San Diego. Towns sprung up across the county, among them Ramona, San Marcos, El Cajon, Lakeside, La Jolla, and Pacific Beach. The latter had an edge. A railroad, beginning downtown at D Street, went to what is now Mission Bay Drive, then

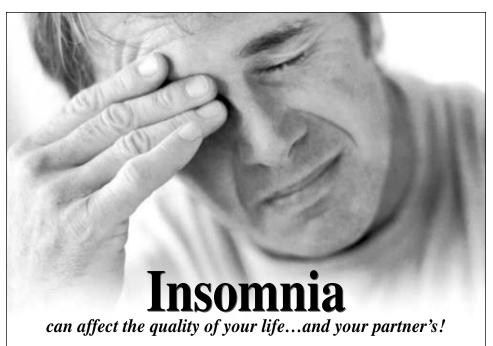
SELECTED QUOTATIONS:

1. Abbott: In the Late Pliocene, "Maybe the bay water would have been a few degrees warmer, and this is likely to have resulted in a bit more rainfall."

2. Fry (smiling): "P.B.'s been cursed eternally. In historical accounts, you hear La Jolla this and

La Jolla that, or Ocean Beach this-and-that. But nothing on P.B. Maybe we've always been in the middle of where someone else was going."

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To attract homebuyers to Pacific Beach, in 1887 the San Diego Union announced that a syndicate of millionaires envisioned a major university "in the area north of False Bay...an institution of learning that is second to none."

Sixteen acres, where Pacific Plaza stands today, became the site for the San Diego College of Arts and Letters. December 12, 1887, became the "most successful in the history of San Diego real estate transactions." Buyers purchased \$200,000 worth of lots around College (now Garnet) Avenue. The sale "continued unabated during the day," the *Union* reported, "notwithstanding...that no band was in attendance, no free carriage, and no free lunch." Joaquin Miller, "the poet of the Sierras," dedicated the college January 28, 1888.

"An idea way ahead of its time," says John Fry. "They wanted the only college south of L.A. Plus it'd be near a beach. Only people didn't go to beaches much in those days. When women'd go, they'd spend the day under grass roofs to keep out of the sun.

"They couldn't promote the idea of a college in a tourist town. It went bust almost before it got started."

Having Miller speak at the inauguration indicates another dream: that P.B. would become a major literary center. The poet Rose Hartwick Thorpe, who founded the Pacific Beach Women's Club, one of the nation's first, wrote a poem about False Bay but changed the name: she called it "Mission Bay."

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"The combatants: Captain Carl Weidermann, fencing instructor at the college, and 'Jaguarina,' a woman who had recently beaten the champion swordsman of the U.S. Army. She emerged victorious, and one can only imagine the atmosphere when Weidermann had to teach after losing the match."

John Fry sees his hometown's layers. The day I interviewed him, his car was getting a tune-up at Mossy Ford, on Mission Bay Drive, four blocks from the Kumeyaay camp, and the exact location of the old racetrack.

STREET NAMES: No one knows who named Pacific Beach. It probably had several earlier ones. And even P.B.'s streets are a palimpsest. By 1900, north-south streets had numbers, east-west, names of states. Frv: "When the San Diego City Council started sorting out street names in 1900, University Heights, which was actually subdivided after Pacific Beach, got dibs on the states. P.B. had to change its state names to gemstones. And since the city itself laid claim to numbered streets, PB had to rename its northsouth streets after 19thcentury statesmen, Allison to Randall. The city's housekeeping swept our names away." ■

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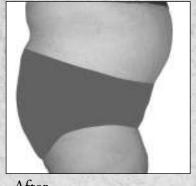
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TOWN FUNNY NAME Max Miller

Mrs. Billings Takes a Night Swim

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 13

But even the lifeguards, my own tried and true brothers of the club, often try to needle me into doing something they have no right trying to needle me into doing. We will be sitting around our clubroom, the Lifeguards' Shack, and all at once one of them will say: "Have you written up anything about Mrs. Billings yet? I sure want to see you write up something about Mrs. Billings sometime. She oughta make a whole book —"

And then, as if to be helpful, they may go ahead



La Jolla shoppers at Arcade building, 1950s

and tell me more incidents about her, some of which I already may have known. But I never can understand this unintentional conspiracy to have me be the fall guy in regard to Mrs. Billings or anything about her. For,

after all, she has not done me any harm. And even the adjectives she once in a while may use about me, adjectives denoting smugness, stuffy shirt, etc.—even these may be somewhat correct, inasmuch as this is my hometown, and

therefore I try to be on my best hometown behavior.

But at any other place, and were I but a visitor to that place, Mrs. Billings and her constant retinue of out-of-towners might have seemed a high spot for anybody on the loose. For maybe all of us have met her and her kind somewhere, and in confidence may still talk about it, should we as the guests ever see each other again. We will talk about that high old weekend or something.

For geography and circumstances, it is true, have a lot to do with anything, one's so-called morals or anything, the same as is credited to latitudes.

Also it may be possible that, in a peculiar way, we around here are all somewhat grateful to Mrs. Billings. In this town, with so many of the retired occupants standing day-and-night sentry duty over their health, Mrs. Billings is one person who fully appreciates her body and who keeps on showing how each minute of the hour she is living in this body, and who also keeps on showing the various uses to which she can put it.

Such an attitude may be classified as paganism, or it may be classified as

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something else. But since this is the final shore for so many of the dwellers here, then Mrs. Billings apparently would just as soon go skipping up and down the shore rather than lie in anxiety upon it. As a general rule, though, she is not what could be called a capable skipper. That is, her body during such events is not likely to keep up with her mind. And, too, there is always the liquid. But her lanky gestures can and do, at such times, cover considerable space, even though it may not be termed exactly an adagio.

I may have mentioned before that Mrs. Billings seems incapable of understanding any differentiation between nights and early mornings, or even comparatively late mornings. All seem to blend into the same thing for her, and it may not be her fault. Also I may have mentioned that her out-oftown guests have a habit of accompanying her wherever she goes, and this can be quite a few places, and usually when the rest of the

town is in bed.

Yet again, and in defense of this, there is no law in town prohibiting people from going swimming in the early hours of the morning of, say, around two or three o'clock. They are not expected to be rowdy about it, though, or to awaken any near neighbors. If this occurs the neighbors are likely to call the police station, and the prowl car will investigate. This does not occur often. but it has occurred. Yet our local police, and we do know them by name, appear to be exceptionally fitted for this type of town. This means that they can be, and will be, tough on outsiders but will look out for us. Nothing, then, could be more convenient for the little town as a whole, and the police and we get along splendidly.

Even Mrs. Billings (except for one incident which I may relate) has been getting along splendidly with the police. Whereas some people, after causing a disturbance or trouble, may try to even things up by going to confession or by



promising to be good, Mrs. Billings has her own method. She may have come by this method through instinct. What she does is to throw another party and invite

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everybody concerned. They may attend, or maybe only some of them may attend, but she genuinely seems to want them to attend, and on Christmas she never forDe Anza Cove, Mission Bay, 1953

De Anza Cove, Mission Bay, 1953

Ordinarily "Mrs. Billings and party" (as the society column would say if it ever mentioned Mrs. Billings anymore, which it does not do) — ordinarily "Mrs. Billings and party" utilize genuine. For if she were try-

ing subterfuge she might be

more subtle about it. And she

in this manner, while safely

out of her sight, I may be

finding this myself record-

ing a eulogy about her. There

is always this danger about

anybody, especially with

momentary distance and

my club members, the lifeguards, want me to write

about her. As one example,

and the most recent one,

they presume it would be a

favor to me if I were to record

how she caused two of them

to be awakened about two

o'clock in the morning to

go swimming out to sea to

hunt her. I can see their

point, for their reasoning

about her certainly would be

considerably different at this

moment than mine.

Nor is any of this what

contemplation.

Yet by continuing on

is not subtle about it.

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Now Mrs. Billings, with all her lanky ambition, does not mind walking. Or even climbing. And wherever she goes her out-of-town guests must go. The cars are parked at the end of a dirt road on the flat, and whatever is needed (bottles) is carried down from there, Mrs. Billings being in the lead.

I would like to presume, as indeed the whole town would like to presume, that down there upon the moonlight sands is held what is called an orgy, a word I always have wanted to use. But I do not know exactly what comprises an orgy or how many people are required to make one. But while the rest of the town is sleeping, and while the elders may be brooding about their own incapabilities, Mrs. Billings apparently is doing just the opposite. Yet this being my hometown I still dare not

go along to find out for sure just how she does it or what is done.

But as long as "Mrs. Billings and party" continued to use this other distant beach for what the lifeguards quaintly term "romping," the lifeguards had reason not to feel responsible or even much concerned. For this other beach was technically out of their jurisdiction and still is.

But the recent catch occurred when "Mrs. Billings and party," instead of using this other distant beach, ambled around here in town and finally descended upon the Cove. They — or rather she — was in search of Perky.

And whenever she is searching for Perky her determination is a kindred determination to what in our histories has brought a successful conclusion to so many of our greatest love stories.

Perky had remained absent, something he frequently is fond of doing, and she wanted to find Perky, and the longer the night went on the more she wanted him. Her guests could not help her do the locating. They could sympathize but they could not help. Not materially.

They aided her in telephoning around town, and about midnight they accompanied her to Perky's house which did not contain him, and from there they loyally accompanied her to wherever else she suggested, all the while being reinforced by that substance which comes in glass, until the expedition finally terminated at the Cove. She apparently was convinced by now that he was out in his rowboat, usually moored off there.

All this, the time element and all, was pieced together later. But not much later. It was pieced together after the prowl car, during its regular nightly rounds, drew up to the Cove, and when the policeman made inquiries to see if everything was all right. Well, every-

thing was absolutely all right. It was more than that, everything was absolutely perfect. Everybody in the party was absolutely happy. The night, or rather the early morning, was absolutely beautiful. Nobody was being disorderly. The policemen could see this for themselves. And would the two of them have a drink? No, they were on duty and could not have a drink. Everybody had on enough clothes. Look, the policemen could see for themselves. And would they change their minds and have a drink? Just one little drink? No? Well, then, would the policemen mind telling the guests, just as a favor, why

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The two policemen in the prowl car were good enough not only to tell the guests, and immediately, but also the local police station, resulting in the police station phoning the two nearest lifeguards and awakening them in their homes. The lifeguards, snatching on only their swimming trunks for clothing, came high-tailing it down to the Cove in their own little cars.

The search for Mrs. Billings was aided by the spotlight of the prowl car, and by every other available light, thereby allowing everybody in the vicinity to have a fair view of what was going on. The two lifeguards immediately took to the water, one of them swimming out with the "can and line," while the other went out without anything.

The lifeboat had been beached high for the night, and made secure. So the lifeguards quite wisely, and to save time, assigned the launching of the lifeboat job to a few volunteers. They would have to get the oars and oarlocks from out of the Lifeguards' Shack, and all such delays as that. So the lifeguards went out on their own, and could be overtaken later, which was smart of them.

It was doubly smart of them because the search for Mrs. Billings did not last long.

In addition to Perky's own rowboat moored outside there for overnight were three or four other rowboats belonging to other lobster-fishermen, and also there was the glass-bottom boat for the tourist trade. These formed quite a fleet of small boats bobbing up and down outside there all the time. But now, also bobbing up and down among them, was the head of Mrs. Billings. She obviously had been trying to go from boat to boat, a noble try, as noble and for much the same reason as why somebody in the long, long ago swam the Hellespont.

To the first lifeguard to reach her she could only gurgle the cause of her guest. But the lifeguard cut it short by grabbing her from behind, and around the neck, and

growling to her to shut up. "B-b-but I w-w-want

Perky."

"You're going to get more than that, lady." He towed her to the nearest rowboat where, with the help of the other lifeguard, he tumbled her up into the boat, and neither easily nor gently.

It has been said around town by some, who do not know, that Mrs. Billings by this time had discarded all her clothing into the ocean. This is a falsehood. She had discarded nothing, remarkably not even her bright cowboy boots.

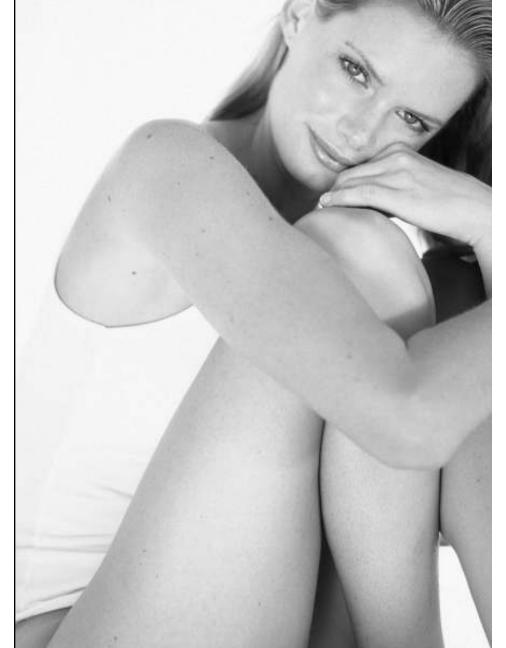
For even the lifeguards, who are still so persistent in wanting to have me "write up a lot of the things about her in a book" — even the lifeguards say: "She had on

all her clothes, all right."

After they had tugged and pushed her into the boat, they let her stay there, her hair and raiment being more elongated than ever they were. And when the lifeboat, having been

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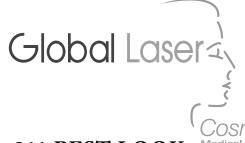
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launched by this time, finally brought her and the lifeguards back into the Cove, she had two demands to make. She made them while facing the policemen on the sand there, and before they could word what they themselves wanted to say.

Her first demand was that the policemen themselves find Perky, wherever he was, and arrest him. Yes, arrest and keep him. He had been the cause of all this. And if they arrested and kept him, she would know all the time where he was.

Her second demand was that they now all go up to her house — the policemen, the lifeguards, the spectators, everybody — they now all go up to her house. It was still early and — well, among other things they would all have some music.

CHAPTER 14

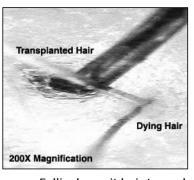
We used to call the inlet False Bay, but now it is being called by the more flowery name of the Mission Bay, and it sprawls over quite a large area between our town and San Diego proper. During the time I have in mind, Mission Bay was still surrounded by miles of marshes, and nobody paid much attention to the bay except to get around it or over it. But now the bay is being dredged and banked for a boating and swimming resort, and so I do not know

if mullet still run there.

Yet at the time the mullet did run in the bay, they were not supposed to take to bait, and had to be speared from a rowboat at night if taken at all. But I have not proven it, and so am not making any definite state-

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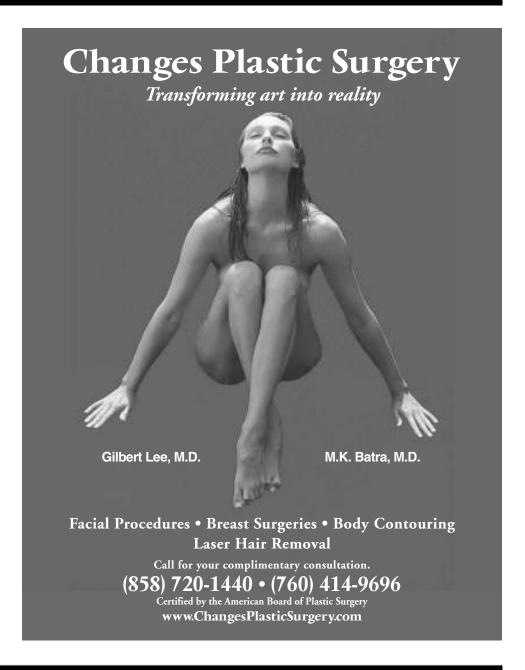
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ments. But I can make a definite statement about having come across once again in my life somebody who must be familiar the world around, and the nickname I will give him is Willie-the-Arranger. He comes in every nationality, every race, every color, every country, and it seems to me, too, that he speaks all languages, including Pidgin. He is on the Amazon, on the Sahara, in the mountains, on the lakes, on the South Pacific Islands, and perhaps every large office also has a Willie-the-Arranger.

He can be identified by several of his own phrases, but the spirit of each phrase amounts to about the same: "Yep, everything's all set. We'll get started right away. But just wait a minute —

Willie-the Arranger volunteered to take me mullet-spearing on a specific night. He set the meetingtime promptly at 9:00, and he named the meeting-place not far from the bay.

"Yep, be there promptly at 9:00, and everything will be all set."

The rowboat would be ready, the lantern would be ready, everything would be ready. "But you just see to it that you get there by 9:00."

"How about spears?" I asked. "Should I bring my own from home?"

"Naw, I'll have the spears right there." This sounded all right to me, as a long spear is awkward to carry in a car, and I had several miles to drive to reach the meeting-place.

I arrived there by 9:00, in fact, slightly before 9:00, and Willie-the-Arranger was not there yet, and the people who were there did not know where he was, but he might be over to Bob's. I asked who Bob was, and where he lived, and after waiting until a quarter-toten I went over to Bob's.

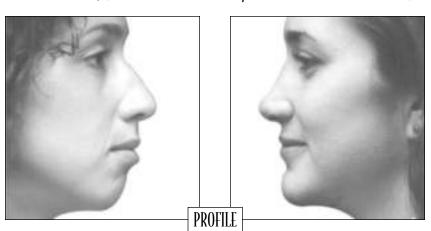
Willie not only was there but he also was glad to see me, and he wanted the other people there to be equally glad to see me.

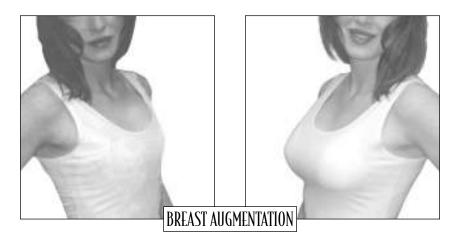
"Meet my old friend, Max," he said, introducing me around, and then reintroducing me around. I liked his friends and enjoyed talking with them, but as I had to be at work early in the morning, I threw in a timid reminder about mullet.

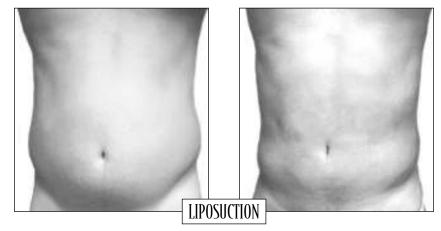
"Sure, you bet," said Willie-the-Arranger. "We'll

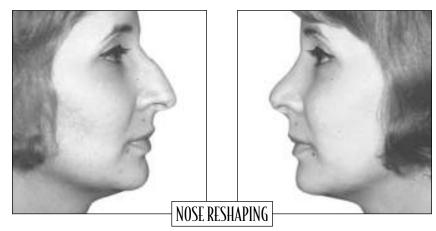
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get started right away." And then he turned to his friends and wanted to know if any of them wanted to come along. A couple of them did want to come along, but would have to go to their homes and change their clothes first. "It'll only take a second."

"Okay," said Willie. "We'll wait. But you hurry. Be sure now to hurry."

By eleven, one of them was back, but we had not heard from the other one, and so again I timidly suggested something about

"Yeah," said Willie. "We'll get started right away." And then he turned to somebody and asked: "Say, do you know where I can get the keys to Steve's rowboat?"

"From Steve, I guess," somebody wisely suggested.

"Where does he live now?" Willie asked. "Hasn't he moved?"

We were told where Steve might be living now, so we drove there, woke him up, and Willie said: "Hey,

Steve, I want you to meet my good old friend Max."

'Gladda knowya. Cantaskya innow. Wifesick."

I forgot just what Steve said, whether the boat was at the same place or at another place, as I could not understand him any too well, but in time Willie was handed the keys through the shadows of a narrowly opened doorway.

Willie said: "Thanks, Steve." And Steve said nothing.

We drove back to Willie's

own place to get his lantern. He knew exactly where it was in the backyard. And sure enough, he found the lantern almost immediately. He shook it and found it had no oil.

"No oil," he announced, and almost happily. "We'll have to go someplace and get some oil. Can't spear mullets at night without a light of some kind. Just can't do it."

To this remark I neither can agree nor disagree. Even to this day I neither can agree nor disagree. I merely do not know. But I did know where there might be an all-night garage. We went there and had the lantern filled, and then we went back to Bob's to pick up whoever else it was who was coming with us.

We went into the house, and Willie said: "Okay. Everything's all set. We'll get going now."

"But how about the spears?" I asked.

"Oh, sure," said Williethe-Arranger. "The spears." He turned to the people there: "Any of you got any spears? Mine are all busted."

The people looked at each other, and did not seem to have any spears, neither in their pockets nor anywhere, so one by one the people shook their heads.

Finally someone announced: "I think Mike's got a spear. A good one. But he's working tonight. Tonight's the night he's working."

"Where's he working?" "Up at Pacific Beach. But his brother might know where it is. He might be home; he'll let you borrow it."

"Come on," said Willie

to me. "I know where he lives. It's right on our way. He'd like to meet yuh. I've told him a lot about yuh."

"No. Maybe you'd better go alone. I'll wait here."

"Aw, come on. He'd like to meet yuh."

"No. I'll wait here."

The time of night was now around 1:30, maybe closer to 2:00, and the suggestion was made by Willie that while he was gone for the spear the rest of us, or some of us, could go over to an all-night place on Mission Beach and get some iced beer to take along in the rowboat. Although the night, or early morning, already seemed too cold for beer, especially iced beer, the errand seemed unanimously pointed towards me. I drove over and got the iced beer for the rowboat.

When we reached the boat at last, only three of us climbed into it. Two others started to come along but on reaching the boat they changed their minds. One reason was an early-morning wet wind which was starting to come in off the ocean and was rippling the

"Can't see mullet through ripples like that," one of them said, shivering.

"Aw, don't be too sure about that," consoled Willie. "If they start jumping we might see them."

Another reason that the two others decided not to come along was because we found we had no oars. According to Willie, this was Steve's oversight. When he







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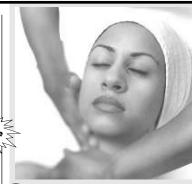
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gave us the keys to the rowboat, he also should have mentioned something about where the oars were being

"I bet they're in his house," Willie brightened. "We can go back now and get them."

"No." This was my remark. Besides, a break already was appearing in the eastern sky.

We found some boards and used them for paddles, and when our hands and our shoulders became numb from the wet wind we drank more iced beer. And in this manner the three of us moved eastward, ever eastward, and just in time to greet the dawn.

So, a hundred years from now, when my doddering frame is being helped onto a platform to describe the old days around here, the moment for sure will be a proud one for me.

The platform will be decorated with banners and bunting, and the occasion will be known as "Old La Jollan Day — Everybody Wear A Bear."

All the schoolchildren will be there, thousands and thousands of our schoolchildren — though by that time they may number a million. But as from the platform I look down upon their sea of happy upturned faces I will see to it that I am not on the platform alone, especially during the question

For when the first child asks: "And in the old days around here, Mr. Miller, did you ever go mullet-spearing?" — when this is asked I immediately will introduce a fellow speaker. Nodding to a companion on the right, I will say: "And now, children, let me introduce somebody who wants very much to meet you. He's heard so much about you. Let me introduce my old friend and pal, Willie-the-Arranger."

CHAPTER 15

They say moonlight on the ocean is a beautiful thing, but it was a little different than that last night. The sea was high and had whipped itself into a nervous froth, and the waves had no regularity to them. They were running crisscross to each other, and every way, and were beating out from shore as well as towards it, and as the

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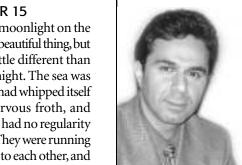
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moon poured down upon all this, exposing it, mankind could have been looking at all its own troubled minds under a raw light.

What was surprising too was that there was no wind, there was no standard cause for what was occurring. It was as if the substance of the sea, like the substance of ourselves, simply had gotten confused with itself and was going on a wild bender.

A white bird was flying and crying a short distance out from shore, and

one seldom sees that either a seabird, unless frightened, flying at night. Nor could I make out what kind of bird it was, although the moon brought out flashes of the bird's whiteness. Maybe the bird was a stranger to around here. The bird was not an

egret. I would have recognized an egret. Nor was the bird a seagull. I would have recognized a seagull. Nor was the bird a curlew, for the local curlews are not white. But because seabirds and waders are so in tune with the motion of ordinary waves, and are so quick and sharp in judging them, maybe this bird also was baffled and lost by the unusualness, and could have been crying out: "What the hell goes on here?"

There was no knighthood in last night's belligerency. Flaming figures of waves would arise for an instant only to be knocked back down. A pack would gang against the one, then turn about and attack each

other, and the bird kept

But it was not all grim. The sea merely could have gone slap-happy, jerkily nuts, under the moon's cold floodlight and, not knowing what else to do under the attention, was simply jumping up and down.

"You gotta believe me," one jumping wave would seem to say to the other jumping waves, and then promptly fall upon its face.

And there were committees in action out there, and conventions, and investigations, and staged open forums, and auxiliaries voting for or against resolutions, and hurried pamphlets were being passed around contradicting other hurried pamphlets that were being passed around, and each little jump-of-a-wave appeared desperately anxious to be considered a Director of Thought. So much so that the rest of us ashore should have felt ashamed for not being out there, too, and doing something.

This morning, though, the ocean was itself again, as if nothing at all had occurred, as if anxious to forget the whole business. I looked out the first thing as usual, and there was no driftwood, no broken crates ashore, no evidence whatsoever that anything had amounted to anything. The ocean, so accustomed to its own sureness, was back again on Big Time. ■

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in the daytime — at night there is KPBS 89.5.) I tried XM satellite radio but found that I couldn't hear the soft passages common to classical music when driving at freeway speeds because they refuse to employ any form of audio level control. Oh, for the good old days of KFSD 94.1!

Gregory Carrier

Blind Eyes Blaze

(Re Letters, July 25) William, you are right! And you did fight on the right side. I am also an old veteran, not of World War II, but still a vet of another old war. William, you miss the point of Hollywood movies; the movie is entertainment, and most kids know that! You should be mad at your governmental leaders who say nothing but what the people want to hear! Not the truth about what is going down in our old country. See, William, we no longer live in a sovereign state. The people of this nation do not get it! We live in a tribal world with people who look and do not see. In vour letter I see some Dylan Thomas, who wrote 50 years ago the words, "Grave men, near death, who see with blinding sight / Blind eyes could blaze like meteors and be gay / Rage, rage against the dying of the light." I also understand the words, do you? See, William, it's not about who is doing who in the movies or about the little Mideast guys; it's about people who will never check anything out...and always remember what you fought for. Indeed, we must all look into ourselves. See, William, it's all in their game and we are that game. Game over, or is it?

> Fred Dawes Oceanside

Gringo Bash

In the July 18 volume, the cover story about immigrant day-workers looked like a worthy investigative piece. It soon revealed itself as yet another gringo-bashing by your magazine. Page 24: "...In other words, someone white and clueless, to whom Italians, Mexicans, and probably Middle Easterners and Jews all look alike." The byline for this

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Name Withheld

John Brizzolara replies: Unaccustomed as I am to being accused of unfriendliness to white Americans and taken off guard, I will try to set this straight. Some of my best friends are white. In fact, my parents were white, as are mv brothers and sisters, I believe. While white people may labor under cultural disadvantages — on the dance floor, for example — I try not to hold them up to ridicule as

a journalist. The list of white people I admire is a long one and includes such historical figures as Bobby Sherman, McLean Stevenson, and Pauly Shore. Still, if I came across as less than American, it was white of you to point it out.

Usual Paranoia

I thoroughly enjoyed reading Mr. Brizzolara's article "Sidewalk Employment Agency" (July 18). It was a balanced article without the usual paranoia and prejudices that the press frequently resorts to in reporting these type issues. It was refreshing. Thank you.

R.G. Rodriguez

Italians Aren't Mexicans

Mr. Brizzolara: I'm reading your story in the Reader titled "Sidewalk Employment Agency," the front-page story, that is (July 18). I was surprised at the density of it the more and more I read on. Yes, we have seen these poor guys of Mexican descent milling around in various areas earnestly looking for some kind of work, labor, or contract work. But what are you talking about when you threw in Italians as another group that has to stand around here in San Diego and do the same thing? I've never seen a group of Italian men in this day and age in San Diego standing around sidewalks looking for work. You should know better, seeing that your last name is obviously Italian. I'm half Italian and I'll tell you one thing: Italians do not like to be considered like or put in the same category as Mexicans. There is a big difference. Spain is somewhat related to the other romantic country Italy in Europe. But

Mexicans have many mixtures of Indian tribes in their blood. Keep this in mind, Mr. Brizzolara.

Name Withheld

Debased Opinion

I would like to correct Mary Montgomery before she reviews another album for the "Hometown CDs" section (July 18) and makes a fool of herself again. In her review of David J's new album, The Guitar Man, she picks apart the words to the song "The Dope Show." Mary, this is a Marilyn Manson song. The fact that, as a music critic, you wouldn't know this debases your opinion. It also embarrasses the rest of us in San Diego because when someone from outside the area reads the Reader they think we're all a bunch of idiots. Brush up on your music history, buy a music archive book, or keep your

opinions to yourself. On a separate note, I have not heard the new David J release yet, but I highly recommend his live shows.

> Carol Holehouse Bonita

Mary Montgomery's attribution of "The Dope Show" lyrics to Marilyn Manson was edited in error. — Editor

Forever Y

(re "La Jolla Does Not Mean 'the Jewel' in Spanish," July 11) La Jolla is a created word with no translation in either the Spanish or American Indian language. When La Jolla was first "discovered" by adventurers, not "Native Americans," many broken Mexican pottery vessels were found along the shoreline. These same vessels were used by the Indians and Latinos to cool and dispense water, usually by hanging the vessel in a tree. They are called ollas. Pronounced oya. Yesterday, today, tomorrow...ll is pronounced as a y in the Spanish language.

Some later adventurers probably visited the area where La Jolla Village stands today, on a warm, sunny day, and found the sparkling surf; the smooth, rolling waves; and beach treasures of shells to have a gemlike quality of beauty and called the area La Joya — "jewel" in Spanish. Pronounced hoya.

The advent of the hotel moved the Indians, Spanish, and a large African-American community to the southern border of the village called La Jolla. Somehow someone coined the name "La Jolla" without thinking of the meaning, just the phonetic sound, and did not have enough knowledge of the Spanish tongue to be authoritative and gave

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the village a vagrant name.

Yes, La Jolla is a jewel of a community with unsurpassed shoreline and cliff-hanging beauty, and the ocean — perfecto! But no translatable meaning to its name. Lo siento mucho. (P.S. mañana does not mean "tomorrow"! Best translation: "not today"! Or "later"! Both are correct, depending on the person using them.)

Vivian Guzinski San Diego

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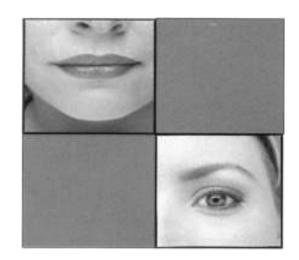
Re: "Valley Love" by Susan Luzzaro, June 6, 2002 (City Lights). The sense of nostalgia for a simpler life and the feel of an imminent loss that I perceived in Susan's article on the Lower Sweetwater Valley in Northwest Chula Vista compels me to write this letter to share with your readers a personal experience that puts into perspective the difficult task that average citizens face when, along with other members of their community, they try to preserve a valuable and unique asset against its destruction and disappearance.

Having participated over the years in the efforts to maintain the valley as an open space for the solace and enjoyment of the Rosebank neighborhood, and recognizing that a proactive role is better than a passive one, I applied for a position on the Parks and Recreation Commission with the encouragement of some of my neighbors.

Within two weeks I received a call giving me a date on which an interview by the city council would take place, but shortly thereafter I received another phone call canceling the appointment because the city council wanted more applicants from which to choose. Several weeks passed, and when I inquired on the status of my application the response was that no other applications had been received and that I would be informed when the city council would give me an interview.

Finally, I was notified that the council would give me the interview. On the surface, the interview was friendly and polite, and as a potential member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, I expressed the idea that the wealth of a com-

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munity is determined by its will and ability to preserve and use its natural resources in a sustainable way and that the most critical challenge of public-policy makers is to balance the interest of the individual and the community to avoid the pitfall of socializing the cost and privatizing the gain.

Perhaps these views did not resonate well with the council, because within a week I was notified that my application had been declined in favor of another person's. Although our neighbors value open space and the preservation of life in the valley — so well described in Susan's article — these views are yet to be represented in the decision-making process that will define the future of the Lower Sweetwater Valley.

> Jorge A. Sanchez Chula Vista

My Favorite

The *Reader* has become my favorite magazine to read (if you consider it a magazine). It's informative and fun to

read. I pick it up every week even if there is nothing I'm really looking for. Keep up the great work.

Chrystina

Uneducated Bias

I continue to seek excellence in your food reviews as well as in restaurants in the San Diego area. Having experienced the best of San Francisco, New York, Milan, and Paris, as well as being a certified chef from Boston University, there are few choices that measure up in our area. This, of course, is disappointing when one wishes to go out for a spectacular meal on special days.

I'm not sure whether it is that our community in San Diego is not discerning when it comes to food and what they are willing to pay for the massive quantities served in San Diego, or whether it really is just a vast uneducated palate, hampered by being influenced by the Mexican border.

Having been in San Diego for a year, there are some really great restaurants

(George's at the Cove, California Cuisine, etc.) that more than meet New York's James Beard Society's gourmet standards. There are others like Rainwater's on Kettner that have a reputation for being the place to be, but the food is overpriced and quite frankly powerfully disappointing for all the publicity. Then there are the foodie places for the masses that have to turn a buck to stay in business and unfortunately most of your advertisers. It would be better to find the great ones to review and not bother with the ones you currently seem to include.

I would continue to emphasize that a restaurant review is not a personal critique. No one cares about the "taste buds" or biases of an uneducated reviewer.

For your reviewers I would highly recommend following the format of the *New York Times.* A review is not a critique. Constructive criticism is still criticism, and there are no awards for critics. A review is objective, gives the facts, shows value

of experience in comparative terms, and puts the best face on what many times is not the most preferable place to eat. But then there is no accounting for taste.

Continuing my comments to you over the past weeks, soft-shelled crabs are from the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland — not Louisiana. A most recent review seemed like it was written by the Barbara Courtland of food reviewers (very '50s), this time another pizza parlor but in a genre understood to the reviewer. Also, no one cares about a reviewer eating in Paris on meager funds. Having a lousy hamburger, and I mean embarrassingly bad, at Hippopotamus in Paris doesn't make one a connoisseur of French or classical cuisine.

Could there be special relationships within the *Reader* that prevent correction of these oversights? Enthusiasm is great, but... can't you rise above the blue-collar (ring-around-the-collar) reviews? So, how do you educate your staff?

I really like the Reader

and San Diego. I think it offers great opportunity to rise up to its challenges to become a cultural center for California and the U.S. and not just the Navy beach town it has always been. Creating a realistic format for food reviews would be a major step forward.

Thanks for understanding my frustrations and hopefully for taking note of my suggestions.

Wayne Geiselman

Naomi Wise replies: Let's begin with an issue of fact: Mr. Geiselman's assumptions about soft-shell crabs are incorrect. All blue crabs molt seasonally and spend part of their lives as edible soft-shells. Blue crabs are approximately as plentiful in Louisiana as in the Chesapeake Bay, and fried "busters" are among the most common restaurant items in New Orleans during the molting season (See New Orleans Seafood Cookbook by Andrew Jaeger and John DeMers for an account of crabbing in Louisiana.)

To address another incorrect assumption: Unlike Mr.

Geiselman, I have never been so impoverished in taste as to eat hamburgers in France (or in any of the other 23 countries and 46 states where I've traveled, feasted, and col*lected recipes over the years).* Au contraire, mon capitaine, in Paris I lunched on the wonderful local pâtés, cheeses, and baguettes so that I could afford to eat sublime dinners at Allard, Le Trou Gaston, Odile, Chez Nick, etc. I did recently praise a "pizza parlor" because its cuisine was familiar to me — familiar, that is, from Liguria and Tuscany.

I agree that too many San Diego restaurants (and residents) emphasize quantity over quality. But the suggestion that this paper ought to address only first-class restaurants is hardly tenable: This entire county probably contains no more than 50 establishments that might conceivably meet Mr. Geiselman's exalted standards. Restricting our coverage to such paragons would not only exhaust the supply of "reviewables" in a single year but would also exhaust the purses (and prob-

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ably the patience) of all but the most prosperous readers. A local restaurant critic's responsibility is to cover the entire territory and delineate what to expect from each restaurant — in quality as well as genre and price — to help readers decide where they want to entrust their mouths and their wallets. One hopes to discover gems. But gems are rare.

Whatever the style, cost, or genre of the food, standards of quality remain largely the same. "Blue collar" food can be brilliant (think of the street foods of Asia and Latin America, the po' boys and muffalettas of New Orleans, the barbecues of Memphis, KC, Texas and Oakland). And "lace collar" food can be dismal beyond belief (particularly, I've found, in the creations of unseasoned cookingschool graduates). The universal questions: Are the ingredients fresh and of reasonably good quality? Are most preparations housemade from scratch, rather than based on ready-made purchased products? Are the dishes cooked with care, to spotlight the optimal flavors and textures of the primary ingredients? Finally, in traditional/"ethnic" cuisines, are the flavors authentic and in chef-cuisine, are they original, exciting, and harmonious?

Finally, there are the issues of critical style and personal taste. Mr. Geiselman clearly finds my writing style distasteful. (From this, he has evidently leaped to another incorrect assumption, that my education — culinary or otherwise — is inferior to his own.) Like him, I am a great fan of the New York Times' restaurant coverage, but I see no need for slavish imitation. I do devour William Grimes's prose avidly enough to know of the latter's open dislike of, for example, gooey chocolate desserts. Grimes discloses his personal tastes for precisely the reason that I do: So that the discerning reader may make an informed decision about how far to trust the writer's assessment of, say, a gooey chocolate dessert.

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Logan Heights Family Reunion Picnic

t's starting to sound like one of those iconic stories of American life. It's not the one about how everybody's ancestors were immigrants. It's the newer one, about how the neighborhood changed when the freeway came through town. According to Augie Bareño, when the freeway came through Logan Heights, it meant a racial transition as well as the usual social and economic upheavals.

Bareño, whose parents immigrated to the United States from Mexico in the 1920s, grew up at 2721 Newton Avenue. "Logan Heights then was a racially mixed community," says this board member of the Logan Heights Historical Society.

LOCAL EVENTS "There were lots of Anglos there." And they lived in harmony with the Mexicans,

"because in those times, things were different. Everybody was poor together. It was almost a *Happy Days* kind of thing: you didn't know you didn't have, because everybody didn't have."

He credits area churches for the peaceful existence between whites and Mexicans in a period when many other places in the United States were experiencing demographic turmoil. "Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Jude's, St. Ann's — the Catholic churches were a major socializing force. And the whites were Catholics, too. It was very mixed, until the freeway."

A second stabilizing force was work, which had brought the immigrants to Logan Heights in the first place, beginning in the early 1900s. Although the jobs didn't pay a lot, there were enough of them to go around, says Bareño. Initially the work was for the railroads. Then other industries, like those along the waterfront, got established there.

"The canneries hired predominantly women, so mothers from the 1930s through the 1950s all worked in them," says Bareño, whose own mother was a housewife. "There was one bus, number 11, that went up and down all of Logan Heights, and for everybody who didn't have a car, it was the principal means to work and to pleasure, because it went to Horton Plaza. In the afternoon, number 11 would smell terribly of fish, because the cannery ladies were riding to and from their shifts. These ladies had the smell ingrained in their skin. However, people were tolerant, because it was everybody's mother, and they knew the money would feed the family. So it was something you learned to tolerate and to respect.'







From the Logan Heights Memory Album (clockwise from top left): "Los Gallos," cannery workers at bus stop, Rachel Ortiz (present-day Logan Heights leader) in 1950s performance

African-Americans, too, lived in the Logan Heights of yesteryear, Bareño says. "Records show that the first ones settled there in the 1920s. There was a gathering of people primarily in the Imperial Avenue–Commercial Street area." From then until the 1960s, he maintains, the community was "always one.

"It may sound corny, but we were old-fashioned. If you fought somebody, it was a fair fight. There were no knives or guns. People didn't always love each other, but they knew how to get along."

But then, when the freeway was built, the community experienced what Bareño calls "a ripping apart." Interstate 5, completed in 1964, "essentially destroyed Logan Heights," says Bareño.

Did anybody try to fight the freeway? "It wasn't done in those days. There was no public-input process. Most people didn't even realize what it was. And the people who did understand were able to get market value for their homes and continued an upward spiral. That was predominantly Anglos. They left." As for the majority of Mexicans, "they stayed, and the freeway just happened to them."

And what of the African-

Americans' fate? "I remember the adoption of the Rumford Housing Act [the Fair Employment and Housing Act of 1963]," says Bareño, "which made it law that you couldn't *not* sell to blacks. Until then it was very, very common practice to discriminate. There weren't deed restrictions; it just didn't happen."

It's one reason why Logan Heights residents didn't sell to more African-Americans when all those real estate transactions took place.

"But [housing discrimination] is a part of San Diego's history, of course. It isn't just Logan Heights' history."

Bareño is asked how he would describe the current residents of Logan Heights, whom the U.S. Census characterizes as overwhelmingly "Hispanic."

"No question, it's still an immigrant population, struggling to survive. Unfortunately, from a land-use perspective," says the retired county administrator, "the zoning is pretty well established, in that its character is essentially industrial and commercial."

The rezoning that occurred after World War II, in other words, which at first brought more work, later began to erode the neighborhood as businesses crowded out residences.

Today, Bareño's former family home on Newton Avenue is gone. And in its place? "An aluminum recycling plant," says Bareño, who works as a land-use consultant in National City and lives in Otay Ranch.

Still, he'll return this weekend to *la Logan* for the reunion. He encourages other former residents to do the same and to bring photos of the old neighborhood. The *Logan Heights Memory Album*, published two years ago by the historical society, is a pictorial record of those years before the freeway. Because of the book's success, there are plans for a sequel.

— Jeanne Schinto

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A Community Festival celebrating the wine harvest — boasting food, "Baja's best wine," and traditional entertainment — is slated for Thursday, August 8. The second Noche de Vendimia starts at 7 p.m. at Las Rocas Resort and Spa. Admission is \$35. For information, call 888-527-6676. (ROSARITO BEACH)

The Papantla Flyers, presenting a traditional ceremony with dance and music from the state of Veracruz, return to the Tijuana Cultural Center with performances through August. Shows begin at 3 and 6 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and at 1, 3, and 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Admission is 90 cents U.S. Find the center at Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río, in Tijuana. For more information, call 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Elderberry, a common bush or small tree found from San Diego County's coastal canyons to the mountain slopes around Julian and Palomar, is in fruit this month. The branches carry myriad tiny bluish fruits covered with a white powder. The fruits have traditionally been used for various drinks and preserves.

The Milky Way appears at its most glorious during August summer evenings free of bright moonlight (this year, these evenings occur from now through August 11). You'll need to be in the mountains or the desert to see this diffuse band of light clearly; too much artificial light in or near the urbanized parts of San Diego County renders it all but invisible. The Milky Way seems to broaden and become generally brighter over the south horizon, specifically near the constellation Sagittarius. When we gaze in this direction, we look toward the crowded heart of our galaxy, where millions of dim stars are so closely spaced in the sky that taken together they resemble puffs of steam.

Watchers of the Dawn Sky early in August will notice the bright, so-called winter stars (especially those in the constellations of Orion, Taurus, and Gemini) rising just above the rosy glow of morning twilight. Jupiter and Saturn are currently amid this group, as is the waning crescent moon until the morning of Wednesday, August 7. A few bright meteors, belonging to the annual

Perseid shower that climaxes Monday and Tuesday, August 12 and 13, may be seen as well.

Camp with the Stars, an out-of-thisworld weekend is planned August 2 and 3 at Heise Park. The San Diego Astronomers Association will set up a dozen telescopes for an all-day, allnight star party. There will be star viewing in the meadow on Friday night, sun storm viewing all day until sundown on Saturday, and a star slide show at 8 p.m. on Saturday night, followed by stargazing and interpretation. You're invited to bring your own telescopes and binoculars if you have them.

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

Summertime, and the Birding Is Special, look for wood storks, black terns, yellow-footed gulls, laughing gulls, lesser nighthawks, burrowing owls, and migrant phalaropes when Audubon Society adventurers head to the Salton Sea for birding on Saturday, August 3, from 7 a.m. to noon. Meet at the Salton Sea National. Midlife Headquarters. Bring lunch and a scope, and expect strenuous hiking (due to the high temperature). Call 619-692-3246 for information and directions. (IMPERIAL VALLEY)

Under the Hot Blue Sky, naturalist Chuck Border leads a wildlife walk through the canyon of Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Saturday, August 3. Take in an "Introduction to Blue Sky" when naturalist Laurann Martin leads the hike slated for Sunday, August 4. Hikes begin at 9 a.m. Find the park on Espola Road, onehalf-mile north of Lake Poway Road. 858-694-3049. Free. (POWAY)

Observable History, Offshoot Tours offers its monthly hour-long history walk, blending Balboa Park history with its wealth of architectural and botanical treasures, on Saturday, August 3, at 10 a.m., starting at the visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

Practice Your Detective Skills to find out about wild animals living in Mission Trails Regional Park during a tracking workshop for families on Saturday, August 3, at 9 a.m. The workshop starts at the visitors' center (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). For information, call 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Boots and Paws, take a ranger-led interpretive walk with your dog and learn about the importance of dog care when in Mission Trails Regional Park on Saturday, August 3, at 8 a.m. Bring water for yourself and your canine friend, along with a bag to pick up after your pet. Join the group in the Kumeyaay Campground parking lot, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. Dial 619-668-3275 for details. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Explore the Plant World around the Mission Trails Regional Park's visitors' center with a ranger during a native plant walk on Saturday, August 3, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Many native plants from different habitats around Southern California are found in the park. Meet at the Kumeyaay Campground entry station (Two Father Junípero Serra Trail). 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Sounds in the Night, take a slow-paced hike along the trail down into the oak woodland to experience nature's nocturnal sounds in Oakoasis Preserve. The outing starts at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 3. Find the park at 12620 Wildcat Canyon Road (just past-mile marker four on Wildcat Canyon Road). To reserve a spot, call 619-561-0580. The parking fee is \$2 general. Bring a flashlight, trail snack, and comfortable walking shoes. (LAKESIDE)

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Put on Your Digging Duds and join People for Trees to plant trees on Saturday, August 3, at 8:30 a.m., in Azalia Park. Find the demo site at 2428 Shamrock Street (at Sycamore Drive). Free. Bring drinking water, shovels, gloves, and sturdy shoes (if you have them). For information, dial 619-222-8733. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Cabrillo Named It San Miguel, steel production was later attempted, and tiki-style hotels were rampant in the '50s. Get the skinny on Point Loma's rich past when Patty Fares leads an Urban Safari on Saturday, August 3, at 10 a.m. \$10. For reservations and directions to the starting point, call 619-944-9255. (POINT LOMA)

Rescuing Wild Animals in Trouble is the job of Wildlife Assist volunteers, with two orientations planned on Saturday, August 3, at 2 p.m. Get the information at the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy (in Cardiff-bythe-Sea Towne Centre, 2031 San Elijo Avenue) and at the Clairemont Community Service Center in Clairemont Town Square (behind Vons, at 4731 Clairemont Drive). Participants are involved in all aspects of the work. 619-921-6044. Free. (CARDIFF, CLAIREMONT)

Nature Hike, local naturalist Clint Powell leads nature hikes around Lake Cuyamaca the first Sunday of every month, including August 4, at 1 p.m. With over 30 years of study in the area, he'll explain the lake's history and the mountain ecosystem, including birds, plants, and animals. The three-hour hike covers about 3.5-miles. Bring binoculars if you have them.

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

Go Birding, a docent-led bird walk is offered at the Tijuana River National Estuarine Reserve on Sunday, August 4, at 3 p.m., at the visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). For reservations, call 619-575-3613. Free. Bring binoculars and field guides if you have them. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Architectural Heritage Tours are offered by the Committee of 100 on the first Wednesday of each month, in-

cluding August 7. Tours begin at 9:30 a.m. in front of the visitors' information center, located in Balboa Park's Plaza de Panama, Free, Call 619-239-0512 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

Hike in the Little-Known Torrey Pines State Reserve extension area during the Wednesday Wilderness Walkabout slated for August 7, at 8:30 a.m. Participants will continue down into the canyon to Del Mar and return along the beach, about nine miles' total walking. Park on the west side of Carmel Valley Road (in a dirt parking lot just outside the beach parking lot, just south of Mc-Gonigle Road). 619-231-7463. Free. (DEL MAR)

Highest Tide this month (+7.0 feet), coinciding with the new moon, is predicted for 9:45 p.m. Thursday, August 8. The month's lowest tides (-1.2 feet) will occur August 8 at 4:07 a.m. and again August 9 at 4:44 a.m.

DANCE

International Dance Festival 2002,

the festival gets underway with a per-formance by the Lula Washington Dance Theatre Youth Dance Ensemble on Friday, August 2, 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)

Contra-Temps, Martha Wild calls and Lime in the Harp makes the music for the contradance scheduled on Friday, August 2, 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)

Contemporary Dance, theater, and song are promised when the Dunn-Razo Dance Company performs on Saturday, August 3, at 8 p.m., at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). Dunn-Razo's "pre-professional ensemble" known as the North County Dance Company will be featured, along with guest artists. Tickets are \$10 general, \$5 for students. For reservations, call 760-757-3411. (ENCINITAS)

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Peggy Diamond presents dance lessons at 6 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month at Le Fontainebleau (serving French-California cuisine) at the Westgate Hotel (1055 Second Avenue). Pianist and singer John Cain, Tri o'v Us, and Sal and Sylvia entertain for these ballroom dancing

nights (convening every Saturday from 6 to 10 p.m.). There's a \$29.95 food and beverage minimum. For reservations and information, call 619-557-3655. (DOWNTOWN)

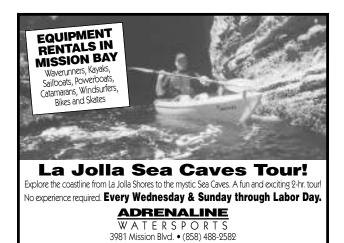
Expect a Wild West Gunfight show, a huge dance floor, food and beverages, live music by Tommy Shane Steiner and Brad Martin and others, arts and crafts, a kids' fun zone, and a fireworks finale when the 23rd Annual Outlaws Dance under the Stars takes place on Saturday, August 3. The fun runs from 5 to 11 p.m. at the Lakeside Rodeo Grounds (at Highway 67 and Mapleview). Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the gate. For information, dial 619-561-4331. (LAKESIDE)

"Bellydancing Fusion" is promised when the Urban Tribal Dance Company performs on August 3 at the Gargoyle Gallery (1845 India Street). Performances begin at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. The cover is \$5. For information, call 619-234-1344. These shows take place on the first Saturday of each month. (LITTLE ITALY)

Dancin' With the Pros. the annual master teacher series hosted by City Ballet begins with lessons led by the esteemed Susan Jaffe, open to the public for observation on Saturday, August 3, 2 to 4 p.m. Next up, teacher and choreographer David Howard leads classes on Wednesday, August 7, at 6:30 p.m. Dancer Fernando Bujones takes the floor on Wednesday, August 14, at 6:30 p.m.

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

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Learn to Dance the Hustle, jitterbug, West Coast swing, and salsa when All Things Swing and More convenes at the Portuguese Hall on Tuesday, August 6. Classes start at 7 and 8 p.m.; the fee is \$12 to drop in for lessons. Open dancing for everyone follows from 9 to 11 p.m. (\$5 donation). Expect DJ music for all dances. Find the hall at 2818 Avenida de Portugal, just off Rosecrans). 619-291-3775. (POINT LOMA)

Zydeco Dances with lessons take place every Tuesday, including August 6, at Tio Lio's (5302 Napa Street, between Morena Boulevard and Linda Vista Road). Beginning dance lessons start at 6:30 p.m., with open dancing to recorded tunes from 7:45 to 10:30 p.m. Admission is \$5. Call 619-857-8409 for information. (LINDA VISTA)

"Twerk That Thang," says dance instructor Prince, who leads hip-hop classes every Thursday, 7:54 to 9 p.m., at Dancing Unlimited (4569 30th Street). The fee is \$10 per class. For information, call 858-635-1211 (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

FILM

Love, Good Friends, and Fishing Tournaments revive hearts and help the human spirit to prevail in Choos-

ing Matthias. The film screens for the Independent Film Society on Sunday, August 4, at 7 p.m., at the UltraStar La Costa Cinema (6941 El Camino Real, at Alga). Director Caia Coley, producer Tamara Seymour, and actor Jeff Fahey are expected to be on hand for a question-and-answer period after the screening. Admission is \$12 general. 760-942-5988. (LA COSTA)

Up for an "Atmospheric Ghost Story" that frightens more through storytelling than special effects? Head to the San Diego Public Library when director Guillermo del Toro's film The Devil's Backbone screens for the Sunday Matinee at 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 4. Find the library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. Free. In Spanish with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

More P.O.V., there's another sneak preview planned for the Film Forum on Monday, August 5, at 6:30 p.m., at the San Diego Public Library. This week, see the documentary Mai's America by filmmaker Marlo Poras. The film follows a spunky exchange student from Hanoi who lands in rural Mississippi, offering "an outsider's glimpse inside America."

Following the screening, UCSD ethnic studies professor Yen Espiritu will lead a discussion. Find the library at 820 E Street. Call 619-236-5800 for information. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Pictures at the Prado II, take in a three-course meal at the Prado Restaurant Patio Terrace and then see My Cousin Vinny when this series continues on Wednesday, August 7. The meal begins at 7:45 p.m., with the 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)

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, enjoy Gerard Depardieu in Cyrano de Bergerac (1990), in French with English subtitles. The film begins at dusk on Thursday, August 8. Bring a blanket for seating, 619-232-7931. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Summer Films are being shown at the SDSU Continuing Education Center. The program on Thursday, August 8, features An Evening with Mark Salzman and Inspired by Bach: Yo-Yo Ma. Part one features San Diego cellist and writer Mark Salzman, while part two includes ice dance champions Torville and Dean skating to Ma's playing.

The films begin at 1 p.m. 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)

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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

"Grit and Grace: The Development of Northern Italian Painting" is the topic when Charles Cutter, SDSU associate professor of humanities and political science, speaks on Thursday, August 8. Both talks are in conjunction with "The Portraits of Bartolomeo Veneto" exhibit and begin at 1:30 p.m. Free. 619-531-9636. (BALBOA PARK)

What's a Hen Basket? Originally intended to hold a brooding hen on the way to market, today's version is a rib construction basket in the Appalachian tradition created with natural materials. Head to a class planned by Carol Lang at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, August 2, at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). The fee is \$50. For space availability, call 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

Are Vouchers for Religious Schools Good or Bad? Where should the line be drawn between church and state? Get one man's opinion when Joel Kobran, editor of the Threefold Review. presents "Freedom for Education and . Religion: Their Relation to Each Other, to the U.S. Constitution, and to the Threefold Organism." The lecture starts at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, August 2, at 1355 Stratford Court #17 (between 13th and 15th Streets). The requested donation is \$10 general. For more information, dial 760-722-1340 or 858-720-9691. (DEL MAR)

Desperately Seeking Pehles, Judy Davis talks about her research trip to Germany, her efforts to seek more information about all persons boasting the rare "Pehle" surname, and her travels to towns and archives in Lippe and Westphalia to do family research when the German Research Association meets on Saturday, August 3. Also on tap: John D. Bentz shares his expertise in interpreting Germanic maps for genealogical research.

The presentation runs 9 a.m. to noon at the Joyce Beers Community Center, 1230 Vermont Street, Free, For information, dial 619-420-4557. (HILLCREST)

All Manner of Writing Subjects are up for discussion when the San Diego Writers/Editors Guild hosts a writing clinic on Saturday, August 3, in the basement room at the Veterans Memorial Center and Museum. Instructors Gered Beeby, Carl Nelson, and Gene Elmore will focus on life stories, the novel, self-publishing, and more.

Registration starts at 7:30 a.m., and classes run 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fee is \$45 for nonmembers. For information and directions, call 619-421-5923. (BALBOA PARK)

What Is Environmental Yoga? Find out when yoga expert Robert Wisehart leads this class on Saturday, August 3, at 9 a.m., at Adventure 16. Hikers and backpackers will learn how to adapt classic yoga postures for all-terrain conditions, use breathing techniques for hiking, and practice mediation to deepen enjoyment of nature. Free. Find A-16 at 4620 Alvarado Canyon Road. To reserve a spot, call 619-283-2374. (MISSION VALLEY)

Explore the Beauty of adhesive and nonadhesive structures incorporating decorative template folds, envelopes, and miniature pocket "places" to store your thoughts when Bobbi Richards presents "Hidden Treasure Books" on Saturday, August 3. The class runs 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Paper Butterfly (624 South Coast Highway). The fee is \$25. To register, call 760-439-8689.

A Way to Inner Peace, learn "the initial steps to relieving stress and anxiety through the soothing techniques of mantra meditation" during classes planned on Saturday, August 3, at the Ocean Beach Women's Club (2160 Bacon Street). These ongoing classes begin at noon twice a month. Free 858-831-1770. (OCEAN BEACH)

Back to Basics, the North San Diego County Genealogical Society hosts a

beginners' class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, August 3, at the Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. For information, call 760-723-1342. (CARLSBAD)

Artist Delita Alvarez Piercy gives a demonstration of her techniques for the Pastel Society of San Diego on Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m., at the Bay Club at the De Anza Harbor Resort (2727 De Anza Road). 858-488-3864. Free. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Opera Showcase Workshops, the Small Opera of San Diego holds workshops for singers at 7 p.m. on Sundays, August 4, 11, and 12, at the Ark (3554 Kettner Boulevard). A professional accompanist is provided. The workshop culminates with a showcase recital on August 25. The requested donation is \$10. For information and registration, call 619-725-0777. (MIDDLETOWN)

Much Ado About Meds, there's a forum on prescription drugs planned when the AARP San Dieguito meets on Monday, August 5, at 1:15 p.m., at the Encinitas Senior Center (1140 Oak Crest Drive). Free. For information, call 760-942-8747. (ENCINITAS)

Local Art Teacher Drew Bandish demonstrates a technique for drawing portraits when the Southwestern Artists Association meets on Monday, August 5, at 10 a.m., in Gallery 23 in Spanish Village. Free. 619-232-3522. (BALBOA PARK)

"Cambodia and the Temple Cities of Angkor" provide the topic when world traveler and docent Carole

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Melum presents a slide-illustrated lecture for the 12 o'Clock Scholar series on Monday, August 5, at noon, at the San Diego of Man. Admission is \$6 for nonmembers. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

The "Highly Secret Story" of the World War II Enemy Alien Internment Program in the U.S. is told in Enemies: World War II Alien Intern ment. Author John Christgau will talk about his book on Tuesday, August 6, at 6:30 p.m., in the third-floor auditorium at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Christgau bases his reporting of events on voluminous and previously untouched National Archives and FBI documents in addition to letters, diaries, and interviews. Free. Call 619-236-5821 for information. (DOWNTOWN)

"Radio Journalism in World War II" is the subject when combat veteran and journalism professor Robert Mott conducts this class featuring audio recordings of major events during World War II on Tuesdays, August 6 and 13, for the SDSU Continuing Education Center. Classes meet at 10 a.m. in the CEC classroom, 16776 Bernardo Center Drive, suite 110A. The fee is \$20. For information, call 858-487-0464. (RAN-CHO BERNARDO)

Cooking with Roberta, the Italian Community Center hosts an Italian cooking class on Wednesday, August 7, at 6 p.m. Find the center at 1669 Columbia Street. To reserve a spot, call 858-488-9315. The fee is \$20. (LITTLE ITALY)

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Take a Gallery Walk-Through of the exhibition "Out of the Ordinary The Architecture and Design of Robert Venturi, Denise Scott Brown and Associates" with assistant curator Rachel Teagle on Thursday, August 8, at 7 p.m., at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Teagle will discuss the works and provide background on the architects' careers. The talk is included in regular museum admission. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Explore "Renoir's Influence on American Art" when San Diego Museum of Art curator Steven Kern reveals the impact Renoir had on American artists of the first part of the 20th Century during a lecture scheduled for Thursday, August 8, at 6 p.m. The talk is in conjunction with "Idol of the Moderns: Pierre-Auguste Renoir and American Painting. Free. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

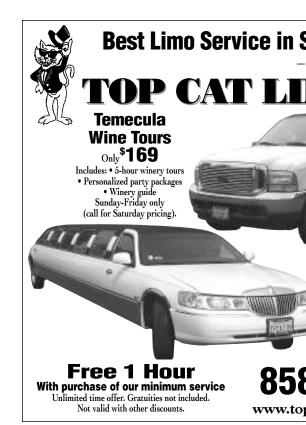
How Romantic? Local writers Iill Limber, Janice Macdonald, Sylvia Mendoza, and Janet Wellington will discuss romance writing during a panel discussion planned on Thursday, August 8, at 6:30 p.m., at the Barnes and Noble store in Hazard Center. Free. Find the store at 7610 Hazard Center Drive; 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)



GETAWAYS









Summer's Succulent Stone Fruits star when Ron Tolle, chef de cuisine at Loews Coronado Bay Resort, hosts this Saturday cooking class on August 10. Class begins at 10 a.m. and concludes with lunch; the fee is \$40. Find the resort at 4000 Coronado Bay Road. For reservations, call 619-424-4000. (CORONADO)

IN PERSON

"Talkin' Baseball Nights," meet Union-Tribune columnist and sportswriter Tom Cushman when D.G. Wills Books hosts this event on Thursday, August 1, at 7 p.m. Talk some baseball and pick up a copy of Keepers of the Faith — The San Diego Madres Biography. Admission is free. Find the shop at 7461 Girard Avenue. For information, call 858-448-6299. (LA JOLLA)

Eighteen Up, R.L. Buss, author of Life between Cigarettes, invites you to a reading (if you're at least 18 years old) on Saturday, August 2, at 9 p.m., at the Other Side Coffeehouse (4096 30th Street). Free. 619-521-0533. (NORTH PARK)

Guitarist and Actor Dimitri Diatchenko plans performances August 2-4 around the county. Catch him on Friday at 9:30 p.m. at Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard, at Madison). Tickets are \$12. Call 619-296-0616 for information. (NORTH PARK)

The appearance on Saturday starts at 7 p.m. at Witch Creek Winery (2906 Carlsbad Boulevard). Tickets - \$40 in advance, \$50 at the door - include wine tasting, dinner, and the concert. For reservations, dial 760-720-7499. (CARLSBAD)

Busy on Friday and Saturday? Last chance to catch Diatchenko arrives with a performance on Sunday at 7 p.m. at Dizzy's Place. Admission is \$12. Find Dizzy's at 344 Seventh Avenue. For information, call 858-270-7467. (DOWNTOWN)

Summertime, and the Music Is Easy, free concerts are on offer all over the county at this time of year. The 17th annual TGIF Jazz in the Parks series continues with a concert by Ruby and the Redhots on Friday, August 2. The music begins at 6 p.m. at Poinsettia Park (6600 Hidden Valley Road). Call 760-434-2904 for more information. (CARLSBAD)

Trollev Barn Park is the site for the Summer in the Park concert series. The Valley Bluegrass Boys pre-

sent their bluegrass tunes on Friday, August 2, 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 se ries at Prescott Promenade on Main Street continues with a salute to Frank Sinatra by Joe Marillo on Friday, August 2, at 5:30 p.m. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

Both the rural roots and progressive future of Louisiana's Creole-zydeco sound are represented by Sean Ardoin and Zydekool. The band performs on Saturday, August 3, at 5 p.m. when the Sounds in the Park 2002 Concert Series continues at Rancho del Oro Park (at College Boulevard and Avenida Empresa). Free. 760-435-5570. (OCEANSIDE)

Stranger presents reggae music on Saturday, August 3, 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 tunes by Breezin' on Sunday, August 4, at 5 p.m., in Memorial Bowl (373 Park Way, just off Third Avenue). For information, call 619-585-5682. (CHULA VISTA)

The La Jolla Concerts by the Sea features swing and Dixieland music by the High Society Jazz Band on Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m., in Scripps Park (at the foot of Girard Avenue). 858-454-1600. (LA JOLLA)

Vintage rock and roll music is promised when the Cat-illacs perform on Sunday, August 4, at 5 p.m., in Standlev Park (3585 Governor Drive). Call 858-552-1652 for information. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

The mariachi band Los Ravos de San Diego performs on Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m., at the Shops at Las

Americas (4211 Camino de la Plaza). 619-934-8400. Free. (SAN YSIDRO)

The Epic War Novel When Duty Whispers Low will be signed by author John I. Gobbell on Saturday, August 3, at 2 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Gobbell served in the U.S. Navy as a weapons officer aboard destroyers and became a member of the "Tonkin Gulf Yacht Club." Free. For information, call 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

The Rage of Children who become "adults in rage" is illuminated in There Were No Parents Here, which author Janice Higgins will sign and discuss at Barnes and Noble Bookstore on Saturday, August 3, at 7 p.m. Find the store at 10755 Westview Parkway and by calling 858-684-3166. Free (MIRA MESA)

"Noche de Tracidión," Ballet Folklorico Nanahuatzin presents its second anniversary concert on Saturday, August 3, at 7 p.m., at the Sunshine Brooks Theater (217 North Coast Highway). Dances from Tabasco, Navarit, Ialisco, Veracruz, and other areas will be showcased. Tickets are \$10. For reservations and information, call 760-717-7845. (OCEANSIDE)

Roots Rock Raza, Johnny Valenzuela of the roots rock band the Sleepwalkers presents a "candid discussion" about songwriting, and Chicano rockabilly border ballads, answers questions, and performs acoustic versions of favorite tunes on Saturday, August 3, at 8 p.m.

An acoustic open mike follows, hosted by Victory Payan (sign-ups begin at 7:30 p.m.). Find Voz Alta at 917 E Street (between Ninth and Tenth Avenues) and by calling 619-230-1869. Admission is \$7 general. (DOWNTOWN)

They Have No Shame, the Fault Line Players present their politically incorrect comedy show "Dirty Shorts: Hershey Squirts!" on Saturday, August 3, at 8 p.m., at the Fault Line Theatre (3152 Fifth Avenue, at Spruce). Tickets are \$7, 619-692-3382. (HILLCREST)

Quail Concerts, the series at Quail Botanical Gardens concludes for the season with music by Bruce Cameron and the Latin Jazz All Stars on Sunday, August 4, at 5 p.m. The \$20 ticket (for nonmembers) includes the music, light supper, and coffee. Find the gardens at 230 Quail Gardens Drive. To make the suggested reservations, call 760-436-3036. Don't bring food or beverages, chairs, or blankets. (ENCINITAS)

"Saturday Night Swing on a Sunday Afternoon," the Big Band and Jazz Hall of Fame performs on Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m., at the Oceanside Pier Amphitheater (200 North the Strand). Organizers promise a large dance area. Tickets are \$5. For information, call 760-945-9833, (OCEANSIDE)

"The Voyage of Cabrillo" is a fictionalized account presenting different viewpoints of the 1542 encounter between Juan Rodríuez Cabrillo's crew and the Native Americans living in the San Diego area. Abel Silvas narrates, while other cast members represent the views of a priest and sailor accompanying the expedition and a Native American woman.

See the program at 12:30 and 2 p.m. on Sundays through September at the Cabrillo National Monument. Admission is included in the

regular park entrance fee of \$5 vehicle. 619-557-5450. (POINT LOMA)

From Book Reports to Costume Making, Kathie Weir presents A Parent's Guide to School Projects. Meet Weir when she signs and discusses her book at Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway). For information, dial 858-684-3166. Free. (MIRA MESA)

Welcoming with Walt Whitman, actor David S. Cohen performs groundbreaking homoerotic poems" by Walt Whitman during a reading hosted by the Welcoming Congregation at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito on Sunday, August 4, at 10 a.m. The poems will be followed by discussion.

Find the church at 1036 Solana Drive; 858-755-3162. (SOLANA BEACH)

Summer Organ Festival, the 15th annual festival at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion continues when organist Frederick Swann performs on Monday, August 5, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, Call 619-702-8138 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

A Monk on the Lam after 20 years of monastery life is single mother Rebecca Marin's new tenant in Tim Farrington's new novel, The Monk Downstairs, which he'll sign and discuss on Tuesday, August 6, at 7 p.m., at Esmeralda Books and Coffee (1555 Camino del Mar, suite 307). Free. Call 858-755-2707 for information. (DEL MAR)

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An Old-Time Bluegrass Sound is promised when the Bluegrass Red-liners perform for the San Diego North County Bluegrass and Folk Club on Tuesday, August 6. There will also be shorter sets with other local bands and "pickup groups" from the parking lot jam sessions. Events begin at 7 p.m. at Round Table Pizza (1161 East Washington Street, at Ash). Free. Call 760-726-8380 for more information. (ESCONDIDO)

Assumptions About Family, Security, and Love are questioned in *Perfect Match*, by Jodi Picoult. The author will sign her "morally complex suspense fiction" book at Warwick's Bookstore on Tuesday, August 6, at 7:30 p.m. The shop is located at 7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347. Free.

Twilight in the Park, this summer concert series continues with a performance by the Navy Band Southwest Alumni on Tuesday, August 6. Harvey and 52nd Street Jive perform on Wednesday, August 7, and the San Diego Concert Band takes the stage on Thursday, August 8.

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)

"Jazz in the Park," the series continues with "Boogie-Woogie Night with Sue Palmer" on Wednesday, August 7, 6 p.m., at the San Diego Museum of Art. Tickets are \$12 general. For reservations, dial 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Toy Pianos Are the (Somewhat) Official Mascot of the Music Library at UCSD, and they provide the fodder for the second annual toy piano festival. The Toy Piano Collection at the Geisel Library consists of actual instruments, extant literature, and commissioned scores. Serious composers and local popular musicians visit the collection, choose a toy piano to their liking, and write new pieces (John Cage was the first person to write a "serious" work for toy piano, in 1948).

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 that will be performed, and the Rabbinical School Dropouts will perform the "Concerto for Toy Piano and Klezmer Band" written by bandleader Michael Friedmann.

Festival concerts begin at 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. on the lower level of the Geisel Library. Admission is free, but bring money for the parking me-

ters. For more information, call 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

How About a Romantic Comedy of Manners? Novelist Nancy Lemann signs and discusses *Malaise* — set in Southern California and New York — on Thursday, August 8, at 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. Call 858-454-0347 for additional details. (LA JOLLA)

Triple Word Score, the game Scrabble was invented by an unemployed architect during the Great Depression. Explore the underground world of characters for whom the game is life in Word Freak: Heartbreak, Triumph, Genius, and Obsession in the World of Competitive Scrabble Players. Meet author Stefan Fatsis when he signs and discusses his book on Tuesday, August 20, at 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. Call 858-454-0347 for information. (LA JOLLA)

SPORTS

Acura Classic Tennis Tournament, La Costa Resort is the place for this women's competition, continuing through August 4. Players who've entered include Venus Williams, Jennifer Capriati, Monica Seles, Kim Clijsters, Lindsay Davenport, and many others.

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)

The Beginning for the Bolts, Chargers' training camp, free to spectators, continues through Monday, August 26. Practices are slated August 1-8, starting at various times. FanFest 2002 takes place on Saturday, August 3 (practice at 8 a.m. and 2:45 p.m.), with autograph opportunities, interactive games, face painters, balloon artists, live music, and an appearance by the Charger Girls

Practice camp takes place at the north end of the UCSD campus, in the sports complex. Exit I-5 at Genesee, go west, turn left on North Torrey Pines Road, and then follow the "Chargers Parking" signs. Parking in lot 357 is free only during practice hours. Practice times and other fan information: 858-455-1976; regular-season ticket information: 877-CHARG-ERS. (IA JOLA)

Boys of Summer, the San Diego Padres are in Chicago to meet the Cubs on Thursday, August 1, at 11:20 a.m. The Pads return home to play the Cincinnati Reds in Qualcomm Stadium August 2-4, with games at 7:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. The Philadelphia Phillies arrive for a series August 6-8; games start at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday and at 2:05 p.m. on 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). (MISSION VALLEY)

Vrrooom! There's racing in speed truck, street, Grand American modified, bomber, and pony stock divisions on Saturday, August 3, 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)

The Horses Are on the Track, the 2002 seaside racing season hosted by the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club continues through Wednesday, September 11. The San Clemente Handicap for three-year-old fillies takes place on Saturday, August 3; the San Diego Handicap, featuring horses three and older, is slated for Sunday, August 4. 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.

"Donuts at Del Mar" is slated for Saturday, August 3, from 8 to 10 a.m. This "family oriented" event features doughnuts and beverages for racing fans, viewing of the morning workouts, and a question period led by track announcer Trevor Denman. Guests will include trainer Bruce Headley, jockey Alex Solis, and apprentice Kevin Krigger. Free.

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)

Run or Walk! The Fifty-Plus Fitness Association hosts a run/walk on the first Saturday of every month, including August 3. The four-mile outings start at 8:30 a.m. at 15th Street and Ocean Avenue and last a little over one hour along the beach. Wear good running or walking shoes; all levels of ability are welcome. Participants are welcome to join the group at a nearby restaurant after the walk. For more information, call 619-742-4151 or 858-454-5433. (DEL MAR)

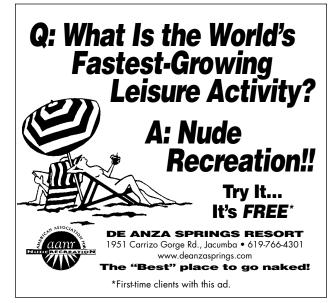
The Showpark County IV is set for Saturday and Sunday, August 3 and 4, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Del Mar Horsepark (14550 El Camino Real). Call 858-794-1171 for information. Admission to this county horse show is free for spectators. (DEL MAR)

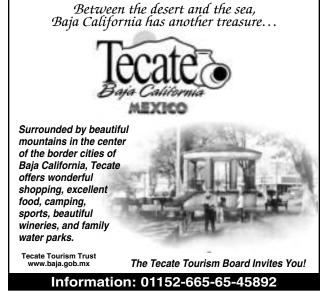
The Quest, there's live professional boxing planned on Saturday, August 3, at Sweetwater High School (2900 Highland Avenue). Featured boxers include Sergio "San Diego Sensation" Espinoza and Luis Perez, and three other "explosive bouts" are promised. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25, \$35, and \$45.

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READING

The Plants that Shaped Our Gardens



David Stua

Harvard University Press, 2002; 208 pages; \$39.95

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Why do our gardens look the way they do? Gardener and botanist David Stuart suggests that, inspiration aside, nothing has done more to shape the modern garden than the plants themselves. The establishment of colonies in the Americas and the spread of the Ottoman empire dispersed the first wave of new flowers to gardens across Europe. Over the following centuries, the influx of exotics inspired

a frenzy of hybridization, which in turn inspired gardeners to make room for, and showcase, the latest fritillary, delphinium, or rose

From Dutch tulip mania to the rhododendron craze to the 18th-century European passion for American plants, Stuart's book traces the making and remaking of the modern garden as it acquired features we now take for granted (the flower bed, the herbaceous border) and others that have vanished from the North American gardener's vernacular (the shrubbery, the rockery), and returned at last to classic, cottage-garden varieties long neglected in favor of the foreign and the new. Stuart concludes that plant prospecting today may prove essential to protecting botan-

ical diversity and preserving plant species rapidly disappearing from the wild. Long shaped by plants, our gardens may now prove crucial to preserving the plants themselves.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: A biologist and botanist, David Stuart has been a columnist for the *Sunday Times of London* and a nurseryman. He is the author of several books, including *The Garden Triumphant: A Victorian Legacy*.

I began by telling Mr. Stuart that I thought his book would interest even people unlike me, people who didn't care one hoot for plants and gardens. The photographs and illustrations — a rarity now as publishers practice cost-cutting of a ruthlessness not seen since the Great Depression — are generous in number and size. The stories of the plant explorers and collectors are sufficiently hair-raising to cause a reader to hurry on from page to page, wondering what next will happen — what ship stacked with rare rhododendrons will be lost at sea, what plant explorer will be bloodily gored by a roaring bull.

Mr. Stuart then, in answer to my query as to his beginnings, told me that he was born in London in 1940. The first plants that interested him were cacti. "When I was a kid," he said, "there was a florist around the corner, and she had cactuses. I always used to adore these plants, and I started buying them. I suppose by the time I was 15 I had a collection of several hundred different sorts of cacti, and friends at school started sending me stuff from their travels. I had a greenhouse full of them."

"Do you still have cacti?"

"I've still got a few, yes, from those days. Half a dozen I suppose. They're as old and grey as I am and almost as prickly and spiny. One of the most beautiful I've got is one which a friend gave me, and I've never found out the name, but it just finished flowering now. And it has the most enormous white-and-amber flower, and it has the most amazing perfume. It's in flower for three or four weeks a year. It's an old plant now, but it has had lots of cuttings." Mr. Stuart told all this in tones one would use to speak of a beloved friend of many years; for a person like me who entertains passionate fondness for certain plants, what he said and how he said it seemed entirely reasonable.

At the University of Edinburgh, Mr. Stuart took a doctorate

in botany. He said that after the doctorate he did postdoctoral work at Liverpool. "And then I went back to Edinburgh, and I was a civil servant for a bit, but then I sort of discovered that civil service was obviously not my thing. So I went freelance."

Mr. Stuart, while still a civil servant, bought the first in a series of houses that he would buy, houses made attractive to him because of their long-established gardens. Mr. Stuart was able to locate the original 1824 plans for the gardens of this house. He was able then to replant the garden with plants that had been there 175 years earlier. When he became a freelancer, he sold his first house and bought a second, what he describes as "a charming, rickety 17th-century house on the shores of the Firth of Forth." He saw that the garden's design was similar to those of gardens in 1700, and, he said, "Surprise, surprise, this garden had some of its original plant stuff left. So I reconstructed this marvelous *parterre* from about 1700, perhaps even earlier."

"How does a garden manage for 300 years to keep growing the same thing?"

"Nothing of the original planting remained. Though in the first garden, the Edinburgh one, there were, still surviving, pear trees and apple trees that the original owner had planted in the 1820s — lovely old varieties which were quite small but have the most marvelous flavor. Catillac, one of the oldest pears under cultivation, a variety of pear with a very good flavor, that was there."

Asked this same question several years ago by another interviewer, Mr. Stuart answered, "Some old plants have survived because they're thugs, charming but dangerous, like the old double soapworts — marvelous things, heavily perfumed and flowering in late summer but, once planted, almost ineradicable.

"Others survived because there had always been just enough gardeners interested in them to keep them ticking over. Of the double forms of sweetrocket, the double purple and the double striped seemed to be extinct, but a few gardeners still managed to grow the double white."

Mr. Stuart told me that for a time he and a partner ran a garden center. "I was very fortunate to buy some land that had a couple of walled gardens and the most beautiful two-story summer pavilion. I was actually selling the plants I was growing; people had been

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the public, take place on Friday, August 2, at 9:30 a.m., at the Holiday Inn found at 700 National City Boulevard. Admission is free. For information, call 619-250-1385 or 619-474-2800. (NATIONAL CITY)

Bring a Bike, Bird Book, and Binos when the Chula Vista Nature Center hosts "birding by bike" on Saturday, August 3, at 9 a.m. Participants ride along the many South Bay bikeways and stop for excellent birding opportunities. Free. For directions to the start point, call 619-409-5903.

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

(SOUTH BAY)

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

See Garibaldi, Lobsters, and octopuses when the Birch Aquarium-Museum hosts snorkeling at La Jolla Cove on Sunday, August 4, from 8 to 10 a.m. Participants take in the terrain of the La Jolla-San Diego Underwater Park and Ecological Reserve. Previous snorkeling experience

is required. The fee is \$25 for those 10 to adult. For reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Visit Torrey Pines via Rose Canyon with the Sierra Club bicyclists on Tuesday, August 6. This ride with moderate hills starts at 5:15 p.m. in the north parking lot at Mission Bay visitors' center (at East Mission Bay Drive and Clairemont Drive). Free. Call 858-974-4871 for more information. (MISSION BAY)

Tuesday Night Racing, watch the fastest bicyclists in San Diego race on the San Diego Velodrome every Tuesday night through September 10. Gates open for warm-ups at 6 p.m., with the racing beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is free for spectators. Find the velodrome at 2221 Morley Field Drive. (BALBOA PARK)

SPECIAL

An Explosion of Pop Culture! It's time once again for Comic-Con International — the 33rd annual event takes place August 1-4 at the San Diego Convention Center (111 West Harbor Drive). "Thousands of industry professionals" attend, and there are sneak previews, anime, awards, gaming, exhibits, lectures, and loads of vendors.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For ticket prices and other information, call 619-414-1020. (DOWNTOWN)

Handcrafted for You, the annual summer student glass and pottery sale at Palomar College runs

August 1-3. A wide variety of items crafted by Palomar students will be on offer. Sale hours are noon to 9 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Find the campus at 1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2302. (SAN MARCOS)

Latin American Festival, head to Bazaar del Mundo for the 20th annual installment of the festival, running August 2-4. Events include artist demonstrations, rare collections, food booths, and entertainment. Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Find the Bazaar at 2754 Calhoun Street; 619-296-3161. Admission is free. (OLD TOWN)

Summer Star Party, view celestial objects through the 21-inch Buller

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

Tickets are required for admission and are available free from the U.S. Forest Service visitors' information office on Sunrise Highway in Mount Laguna. They are distributed on a first-come basis for viewing the same evening (for space availability, call 619-473-8547).

To reach the observatory from San Diego, take I-8 to the Sunrise Highway exit (Highway S1); drive northeast on Sunrise Highway about nine miles to Morris Ranch Road. Turn east onto Morris Ranch Road







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wanting them anyway. So we set up a business we called 'Plants from the Past' that sold 17th-, 18th-, and 19th-century garden flowers."

"And you did a book by that title?"

"I did indeed. Penguin eventually asked for a book on that title, and it did quite well."

"I am surprised that no one has asked you to do a television show."

"Well, I'm hunchback and cross-eyed."

I asked who among garden writers was Mr. Stuart's garden god or goddess when he was first starting out.

"I suppose it was pretty much Vita. [The aristocratic Vita Sackville-West was a writer of fiction, poetry, and garden advice. It was for Sackville-West that Virginia Woolf wrote *Orlando*, published in 1928.] Reading Vita now, the writing seems very sloppy. But when I first started reading her I thought that was sort of a lovely romantic veil she put over everything. She was kind of ravishingly exciting. When she raved about peach trees I rushed off and planted peach trees. She was quite something. Not someone one would probably have liked too much."

"I never," I said, "liked her poems [see page 88], not even when I was young."

"Oh, the poems are quite frightful."

"I like the stuff that she wrote for gardeners during World War II." $\,$

"Yes. And some of the early work she did for her newspaper columns was quite nice too. It was self-indulgent, but we all like to be self-indulgent."

We talked a bit then about pieces that Vita Sackville-West wrote after World War II for the London *Observer* (beginning in 1951 these pieces were collected and sold between hard covers). Because her gardeners had been called up to national service, Vita was forced to do much of her gardening herself, for the war's duration and after. Because little new plant material was for sale during those war and postwar years, she had to make do with what she had. Given these difficulties, Ms. Sackville-West set to work grafting various trees, shrubs, and bushes. Her writing about how she did this grafting is some of her more interesting and helpful garden advice.

Mr. Stuart concluded our chit-chat about all this by saying,

"After Vita, I moved on to the more astringent Christopher Lloyd." (The now 82-year-old garden writer whose ancestral home in East Sussex, Great Dixter, is famous among gardeners.)

"What are you growing now that you love the most?"

"Oh, heavens. When we moved here, there was a lot of stuff left over from the nursery and the garden."

"Where is 'here'?"

"Here is a little 18th-century house on the Scottish borders. A stonemason had lived here; his commissions that fell through he sent directly to the garden. And a lot of them are still here — broken columns and bits of gravestone, all over the place. We've got lots of varieties of plants; we have an apple tree and daphnes and ferns. But, actually, I'm falling in love, I think, with magnolias."

I said, "You write about them rather lovingly."

In his chapter titled "The American Garden," Mr. Stuart writes, about *Magnolia virginiana*:

No gardener in western Europe had even seen a magnolia before. This one, in America called the swamp bay, has huge, glossy leaves and beautifully shaped flowers, creamy white and heavily scented, and gardeners swooned.

I asked Mr. Stuart what he loved so about magnolias.

"Their amazing simple flowers always get me. When you see a huge magnolia in bloom, it's a sensational experience. The leaves are lovely on some of them, and some of the flowers have a marvelous perfume. I'd love to be able to grow the big American ones, you know, *Magnolia grandiflora*, but the climate here just would not allow that."

"What plants do you like that are highly scented?"

"At the moment the garden here is filled with the smell of the various honeysuckles we've got — we have quite a few. And lots of the old roses are out, so the whole garden is awash with the smell of roses. Do you know a pink called 'Loveliness'? They're very frilly flowers. We have pots filled with these very, very frilled pink and purplish flowers. They have a very nice, sweet, clovey sort of smell — completely unlike carnations. They scent the whole terrace."

Our talk turned to Mr. Stuart's book. I said to him that I was so amazed at his stories of the plant explorers. So many of

these men led difficult and tragic lives. Frank Meyer, whose name is given our Meyer's lemon, was drowned — either fallen overboard, or a suicide, or a homicide victim. David Douglas, whose name was given our "Doug" (Douglas) fir, fell or was pushed into a pit where a wild bull was trapped; the bull gored him to death. Plant explorer George Forrest in 1905 was almost killed as he fled Tibetan lamas — his companion, a missionary priest, was hacked to death. Forrest wrote in his diary, and is quoted at pleasurable length by Mr. Stuart: "Pere Bourdonnec became completely panic-stricken...and made his way across the stream by a fallen tree, and, despite my attempts to stop him rushed blindly through the dense forest which clothed the southern face of the valley. The

"The garden here is filled with the smell of the various honeysuckles we've got. And lots of the old roses are out, so the whole garden is awash with the smell." Pere had not covered a couple of hundred yards ere he was riddled with poisoned arrows and fell, the Tibetans immediately rushing up and finishing him off with their huge double-handed swords."

"What," I asked Mr. Stuart, "do you think caused these people to have such tragic lives?"

"I think they probably had tragic childhoods, basically. I'm sure the only thing they could actually relate to

intensely were plants, and so, you know, they went off in search of plants, and they met other unhappy, lonely people. And they ended up in terrible straits. Lots of collectors are still like that. I mean, people who are obsessed by anything are usually very spaced out and alienated, aren't they? I mean, what about the collectors you know?"

"Have you ever had an obsessional phase?"

"Not really. About people, sometimes. Or some people, sometimes. But not alcohol or gambling or anything like that."

"I think obsession is like being in love."

"Collecting plants certainly feels that way for some people. I actually chose the most extreme examples because they have the

for about one-quarter of a mile to the observatory's visitors' parking lot. Bring a sweater or jacket and flashlight. For further information, call 619-594-1415. (MOUNT LAGUNA)

Warm-Toned Prints by Jesse Canales are on display through August at the Mission Hills Library (925 West Washington). Meet Canales — who says he has "attempted to make images that would resound in our minds and spirits" — during a reception planned on Saturday, August 3, at 5:30 p.m. For information, call 619-692-4910. (MISSION HILLS)

Family Reunion, the Logan Heights Historical Society hosts its first Logan Heights Family Reunion Picnic on Saturday, August 3. The idea is to reunite friends and families who've called Logan Heights home from the 1920s to the present. Music will be provided by the Neighborhood All Stars, comprising many musicians who played in various groups in the 1950s and 1960s; Los Alacranes; and others, and there will be historical displays and more.

Events run from noon to 6 p.m. at the Cesar Chávez Bayside Park (on Cesar Chávez Parkway, formerly

Couples and Singles

Crosby Street). Admission is free. Bring a picnic or pay \$10 for a carne asada dinner. Questions? Call 619-498-3949 or 619-238-0317 for answers. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

Bon Odori, the traditional Buddhist celebration to honor departed friends and relatives, is slated for Saturday, August 3, beginning at 5 p.m., with music, cultural displays, and food booths. Everyone participates in circle dancing starting at 6:30 p.m. "Obon Again" is a store in which to buy used *happi, yukata, geta, kimono*, and other clothing appropriate for the dancing and ceremonies; Buddhist books and altar items are also available.

This year, two special exhibits examining the role Buddhism played in sustaining members of the Japanese American community who were interned by the U.S. government during World War II are on display from 5 to 9 p.m. Take this opportunity to view "The Buddhist Church Experience in Camps, 1942-1945," a visiting exhibit from the Los Angeles Betsuin, and "San Diego Buddhists in Camp: How Our Temple Survived Internment," presented by the local Japanese-American Historical Society.

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego is found at 2929 Market Street. Admission is free. For information, call 619-239-0896. (GRANT HILL)

Dahlia Days, the San Diego County Dahlia Society hosts its annual show on August 3 and 4, in room 101 of the Casa del Prado. Approximately 450 dahlia blooms in all sizes and colors will be on display. Show hours are 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free. 858-672-2593. (BALBOA PARK)

An 1890s-Style Celebration is promised when the San Diego Electric Railway Association and the City of National City host a grand reopening of the historic National City Depot on Saturday, August 3. Organizers plan music, food, live entertainment, train rides on the Sant Maria Valley Railbus (utilizing tracks through the wetlands along the San Diego Bay), and a swap meet (at 9 a.m.).

Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children (extra for train rides). The depot is located at the corner of Bay Marina Drive and Marina Way. For more information, call 619-286-3255. (NATIONAL CITY)

Fun from the Philippines is promised during the Philippine Cultural Arts Festival planned on August 3 and 4, at Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. Guests will find cultural exhibits, traditional dance (Samahan dancers will perform at 2 p.m. on both days), rondalla music, Kulintang gong ensemble performances, folk songs, martial arts, food, crafts, and more. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free. For details, dial 619-444-7528. (BALBOA PARK)

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

Check and Check Again, the Balboa Park Chess Club hosts gambito open chess tournaments every Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. at the Balboa Club (2225 Sixth Avenue). Expect four rounds with a time control of 45 minutes for each competitor per game; cash prizes for winners. Current U.S. Chess Federation membership is required for participation; the

entry fee is \$15. For more details, call 619-239-7166. (BALBOA PARK)

All You Need Is a Valid Driver's License, proof of insurance, and an age of at least 18 years old to become a Meals-on-Wheels volunteer. Join the group as a delivery driver and serve homebound seniors all over the county after the orientation planned on Saturday, August 3, at 10 a.m., at the Meals-on-Wheels Center (2254 San Diego Avenue, suite 100). For more information, call 619-295-9501. An orientation will also be offered on August 17. (OLD TOWN)

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. "Pictures at an Exhibition" is being presented with toy and novelty instruments on Saturday, August 3. Mussorgsky originally wrote the piece as a piano solo about an exhibition of paintings by Victor Hartmann; at this performance, those Hartmann paintings become a paper theater presentation, with toy piano providing the live music. You're invited to stick around after the short show to help build the next

little paper theater.

According to festival director Scott Paulson, "paper theater was a popular form of drawing room entertainment in many countries 200 years ago. Small-scale models of famous theaters were elaborately designed and printed using the finest color printing presses. Families and friends would cut and glue the theater together and mount plays using paper dolls and the scripts that were provided in the kit."

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

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

Shark Discovery Days are being offered at the Birch Aquarium-Museum through Labor Day, beginning



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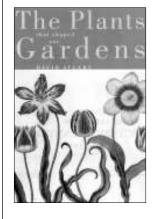
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most splendid stories to tell, but there are, of course, other plant collectors who have a wife and three children and live happily ever after. But they didn't make such good copy, so I didn't put them in."

"I was surprised by how here in the United States so many plants have foreigners' names."

"Yes," Mr. Stuart agreed, "it's most extraordinary. One of the themes in the book was really to try and show American readers how influential their plants have been. I never understand why American gardeners sometimes have a slight

inferiority complex about American gardens because you have all these wonderful plants and lots of good designers. So much of the contemporary American planting is wonderful."

The Plants That Shaped Our Gardens is divided into ten chapters. Among the chapter titles are "The Bedding Garden," "Classic Herbaceous Borders," "The Glass Garden," "The Rock Garden," and "Water Gardens." I said this was an interesting way to organize a book about plant explorers and exploration.

"I organized it by areas of the garden. I wanted to show how the areas of the garden and the drive to make them was actually made by the plants that were being introduced into the garden. For instance, when people started exploring the Alps and then went further afield in other mountain regions and in the Americas too, then everybody gardening in Europe had to have a rockery to grow these things. Nobody had thought about a rockery that much — or at all — before those explorations. That was true of other gardens too. Nobody had a rose garden until people started crossing all the roses that were coming in from China and America in the 19th Century."

Mr. Stuart writes, in his chapter on the Glass Garden:

The growers of exotic greens looked to the kitchen garden, where gardeners had long been aware of the heat given off by fermenting

farmyard dung and had used it to bring on early vegetables like asparagus and peas, or to induce melons to fruit in northern Europe. Bell jars, glass cloches, or even whole frames were placed on hotbeds built of horse manure, and the plants were grown in pockets of soil.

I said that I had not realized that one could heat with manure.

"It was a very effective method," said Mr. Stuart. "In the 18th Century and earlier it was the only way to heat greenhouses, and it was extremely effective. People had pineapples in Scotland almost the year round."

I said to Mr. Stuart that getting plant materials, say, from India to France, didn't seem that simple a matter in the 18th and 19th Centuries.

"Huge amounts were lost at sea," he said. "And there were huge fatalities, really, until the invention of the Wardian Cases, which were these miniature greenhouses which plants survived in extremely well. These cases were closed systems, which meant that the plants didn't need to get watered, and of course they were closed systems. The Wardian Cases were invented in the 1820s, 1830s, and their introduction sped up plant exploration and collection at an enormous pace because there were so few fatalities, and the plants could survive months and months and months and get back to Europe or wherever they were being sent to in perfect condition."

Plant explorers gathered seed that they brought back to their native lands and planted. I was curious as to how this was accomplished. Did an explorer, for instance, note a particularly pretty bachelor's button in bloom in summer and then haunt that plant until it was ready to throw its seed?

"No, no, no," Mr. Stuart said. "John Bartram [1699–1777], for instance, went around on his horse looking at plants that were in flower, and he then would mark them and then ride around the same trip again in the autumn and look for the stuff that he'd marked earlier. Bush collectors did that in the Himalayas too. Marked all the interesting plants and then tried to find the label in the autumn months or winter."

As the book's finale, Mr. Stuart praises plant diversity. "If you garden, let your collector's instinct loose. Let plants in all their fantastical diversity pour themselves into your garden. Diversity is

everything. Plant breeders and hybridists can increase it. Gardeners can preserve it. So don't deadhead: Let seed pods form. Sow what you get; each seed in the packet, or at the bottom of the crumpled and dusty envelope. You might find nothing new or more beautiful than the plants you already have. On the other hand, you might create a wonder, something that starts us all off in a new direction. And even if you don't, at least sow each seed. Each seedling, however small, is a part, as we all are, of the glory and abundance of the world."

I said, "I like the way that you ended the book, this great, almost symphonic conclusion."

"I thought after so many depressing life histories, I'd do something very upbeat."

"Some people are opposed to plants wandering around the world, and you're not."

"Not at all. I'm all for diversity and expansion. And the more of everything there is, the more exciting it becomes. A lot of botanists disapprove. Classically trained botanists disapprove of hybrids. Oh, phooey."

I asked why they disapproved.

"There are some people who like making systems, and the system is clearer in nature than it is in the garden in some ways. At least, that's what they believe. It's not actually true always. But people like to believe in nice, clearly defined species and nice, clearly defined genera. And then they get muddled up in the garden and with everything they possibly can cross with, and all these systems break down. I think some people hate that, and some people think it's quite fun. I'm one of the sort of people who think it's quite fun."

I said that when somebody tells me he's depressed, I often suggest that he grow something, anything. Why did Mr. Stuart think growing things was so good for people?

"It's one of the earliest things we learned to do, I think, isn't it? It's one of the basic things in human nature — eating, breathing, having sex, gardening; it's basic stuff, I think. You don't have to do a great deal for absolutely huge rewards. Particularly if you're growing stuff for the kitchen. It's all your production, and it hasn't cost an arm and a leg to do. I think it's astonishing."

— Judith Moore

with events on Saturday and Sunday, August 3 and 4. Expect hands-on exhibits, shark touching stations, classes, fish printing, chalk art, and more, all featuring these feared and admired predators of the sea. On Sunday, August 4, Nigel Marven from the Discovery Channel will dive with sharks at 11 and 11:30 a.m.

The events are included in regu-

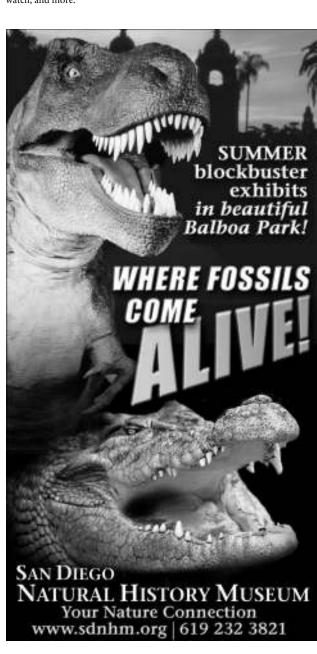
lar museum admission. The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). 858-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

Star After Dark, spend a night aboard the *Star of India* during the adventure planned from 3 p.m. to 9 a.m. Saturday, August 3, through Sunday, August 4. During this living

history program, participants journey back to the 1870s and partake of rat stew, hear sea chanteys, take some celestial navigation lessons, pull night watch, and more. Children under 12 must have an accompanying adult. The \$65-perperson fee includes dinner and breakfast. The ship is docked at 1306







North Harbor Drive. For reservations, call 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

Omnivores Are Welcome — as are vegans, vegetarians, and raw foodists — when EarthSave San Diego hosts its monthly vegan potluck on Saturday, August 3. The potluck starts at 6 p.m. at the Ocean Beach Women's Club (2160 Bacon Street), followed by Monica Zech discussing "Walkable Communities" at 7 p.m.

The suggested donation is \$5, or free for those on fixed income or anyone who brings a dish (sans meat, dairy, eggs, honey) to feed six people. For additional information, call 619-701-7172. (OCEAN BEACH)

"Two of the Top Tuning Legends in the country," L.G. Garcia and R.J. DeVera, will be on hand for the X Concepts Modified Car Show planned on Saturday, August 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Wal-Mart (1800 University Drive). DeVera and Garcia will be present with their "worldrenowned show cars." Free. 760-945-7995. (VISTA)

Psychic Times, a metaphysical conference and psychic fair is scheduled at Alexandra's BookStore noon to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, August 3 and 4. Tarot, palmistry, numerology, and other psychic arts will be featured; pay \$20 per reading. The shop is located at 3545 Midway Drive, suite G; 619-298-3422. (SPORTS ARENA)

Dance, Music, and Cultural Costumes are promised when the San Diego City Guard Band presents the lawn program at the International Cottages at 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 4. Food will be offered for sale. Admission is free. 619-234-0739.

1902 Curved Dashboard Oldsmobile boasting its original poplar woodwork body is the featured car in the 11th annual Automobile Heritage Day Auto Show. Automobiles, trucks, and motorcycles are entered to compete for trophies in 21 categories (awards at 3 p.m.). In addition to the vintage and classic cars, local auto dealers will have year-2003 models on view. Games, food, craft booths, and entertainment are on tap as well.

The whole party on Sunday, August 4, starts with a parade of cars at 8:30 a.m., leaving from 20th and Cleveland, winding through the Mile of Cars, and ending at Kimball Park. The show at the park begins at 10 a.m. in Kimball Park (at 12th Street and D Avenue). Free. 619-477-9339. (NATIONAL CITY)

Who Are "Angels of Healing"? Find out when Blisswoman hosts its "First Sunday Healing and Meditation Circle" on August 4, at 5:30 p.m. (\$13), followed by a drumming meditation circle, when "light drumming envelops your thoughts and guides your meditation" at 7 p.m. (\$13).

Sound like your cup o' herbal tea? Find Blisswoman at 4839 Newport Avenue and by dialing 619-523-5543. (OCEAN BEACH)

From Model Ts to Muscle Cars, the 13th Annual Rod Run boasts hundreds of vehicles - restricted to pre-1973 machines — and is slated for Sunday, August 4, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., around Main Street. Admission is free for spectators. The fee to register a vehicle is \$15 in advance, \$20 at the event; pre-1930 vehicles enter for free. For more information, call 760-724-8822, (VISTA)

Are You a Nomad? The Nomad Slot Racers Club invites you to partici-

pate in a 1/32 slot car racing series planned on Sundays at the Santee Model Car Raceway (9522 Carlton Hills Boulevard, at $\dot{M}ast$). The group meets for a potluck at 5:30 p.m., with racing at 7:30 p.m. Children 12 and older are invited to participate with their parents. The fee is \$6 to race on the track. 760-492-4619. (SANTEE)

Blast from the Past, these car and motorcycle shows take place every Wednesday night, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., on Third Avenue (between F and Park Way). All pre-1977 vehicles are welcome. Mustangs are the featured vehicles on August 7. Free. 619-422-1982. (CHULA VISTA)

Caion Classic Cruise, this weekly classic car show continues every Wednesday from 6 to 9 p.m. on East Main Street, More than 500 classic. custom, and hot rod vehicles are featured. This week, see offshore power boats and eliminator boats on August 7. There's also live music and food and craft vendors. Admission is free, 619-401-8858, (EL CAJON)

The Greatest Show on Earth? The 132nd edition of Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey hits the San Diego Sports Arena for shows August 7-11, boasting ringmaster Kevin Venardos, Sara the Tiger Whisperer, T.M. the Gator Guy, Mei "Empress of Equilibrium" Ling, animals, acrobats, and clowns, clowns, clowns.

Shows begin at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Friday; 11 a.m., 3:30, and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday; and 1:30 (in Spanish) and 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets range from \$8 to \$36.50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

Nestled on the Edge of the natural reserve of rugged hills and protected wildlife at the Lux Art Institute site stands three lifelike deer gazing over the San Elijo Lagoon. The deer were created by Los Angeles sculptor Gwynn Murrill and are on exhibit through the summer.

Find Lux at 1550 South El Camino Real (just north of Manchester Drive). View the sculptures from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. For information, call 858-756-2140. (ENCINITAS)

Stitch in Time, the American Needlepoint Guild offers its 17th annual stitch-in on Saturday, August 10, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Torrey Pines Christian Church (8320 La Jolla Scenic Drive North). Needlepoint and cross-stitch designer and teacher Carole Lake will lead the group in stitching a "Silver Threads and Golden Needles" needlecase. The \$50 fee includes the needlecase kit, catered lunch, door prizes, and stitcher's baskets. To reserve a spot, call 858-560-5291. (LA JOLLA)

FOR KIDS

"Aqua-'lectric" is presented by the Tom Jensen Puppets through Sunday, August 4, at the Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Millie Patter-

I bought these beads in Isfahan: I bought a handful for a kran, That's sixpence — at the motley stall

A BOWL OF BLUE BEADS

Against the Meidan's northern wall. At evening when the plane-tree's cool Shadow blessed the dirty pool,

And the great arch of the bazaar Gaped like a cave crepuscular. Blue beads to keep the evil eve Away as horse and mule go by Through narrow streets between the brown High walls of mud that make the town, And gain the melon-fields that lie Where the desert meets the sky.

Now, in a bowl, in exile, they Speak Persia to an English day; Blue as the skies that once in March Were framed for me beneath the arch Of a ruined caravanserai And oh, how glad, how glad am I That Persia is no lovely lie For me, but sharp reality.

Vita Sackville-West (1928)

English poet and novelist Vita Sackville-West's best known poem, "The Land," was awarded the Hawthorne Prize in 1927. The only child of Lionel Edward, third Baron of Sackville, and Victoria Josepha Dolores Catalina Sackville-West, his first cousin and the illegitimate daughter of the diplomat Sir Lionel Sackville-West, Victoria Mary Sackville-West produced eight novels and five plays between 1906

and 1910. In 1913 she married the diplomat and critic Harold Nicolson, with whom she lived a long time in Persia and then at the Sissinghurst Castle in Kent. They had two children, the art critic Benedict Nicholson and the publisher Nigel Nicolson. In 1923 the art critic Clive Bell introduced Sackville-West to Virginia Woolf.

son's Weaver's Tales performs Mother Holly August 7-11.

Shows begin at 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. For more information, call 619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

Dances from a Variety of Tribes will be presented by Eric Runningpath and other intertribal dancers on Thursday, August 1, at 3 p.m., at the Mira Mesa Library (8405 New Salem Street). Free. Call 619-538-8165 for information. (MIRA MESA)

A Caribbean Adaptation of the Hans Christian Andersen tale The Little Mermaid is on offer when the San Diego Junior Theater presents the musical Once on This Island August 2-18. In the play, peasant girl Ti Moune has the strength of her love for Daniel tested by the island gods. The production features book and lyric by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty.

Performances begin at 7 p.m. on

Fridays and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday in the Casa del Prado Theater. The performance on August 17 is American sign language interpreted. Tickets are \$7 to \$10 adults, \$5 to \$8 seniors and children 13 and under. For reservations, call 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

Celebrate Harry Potter's 14th Birth-

day when Barnes and Noble Bookstore hosts this party on Saturday, August 3, at 11 a.m. Play (some earthbound version of) quidditch, test your knowledge of Potter trivia, and enter the costume contest (dress as a character from the story). Find the shop at 1040 North El Camino Real. To make the required reservations, call 760-943-6400. Free. (ENCINITAS)

A Brave Young Boy builds a bridge high into the sky for his tiny fishing village in The Magic Fan. This story may be heard when the Japanese Friendship Garden presents Momotaro preschool story time for those three to seven years old on Saturday, August 3, at 10:30 a.m. Children under six are free with a paying adult

To make the required reservations, call 619-232-2780. (BALBOA PARK)

Learn About the Killer Bird Diatryma and hunters like Andrewsarchus and the saber-tooth cat when the San Diego Natural History Museum hosts "Take a Bite Out of Prehistoric Carnivores" for those in grades one through three on Saturday, August 3, 1 p.m. The fee is \$20 for nonmembers. Call 619-232-3821 x203 to register. (BALBOA PARK)

"Europe Through the Ages" provides the theme for the San Diego Museum of Art's "family festival" on Sunday, August 4, at noon. Guests will learn to apply gold leaf and paint like Renaissance-era apprentices and take in tours of "Idol of the Moderns: Pierre Auguste Renoir and American Painting," Free, For more information, call 619-696-1996. (BALBOA PARK)

Follow the Thick Yellow Hose! Artist Gabriel Orozco created a graceful drawing in the Edwards Sculpture Garden at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, using a common yellow garden hose. Spend the afternoon creating works of art from everyday materials when the museum hosts Free-for-All First Sunday activities on August 4. Events run 2 to 5 p.m. at 700 Prospect Street. For information, call 858-454-3541. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Crazy for Maisy? Meet the lovable mouse when she visits the story time planned on Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m. at White Rabbit Bookstore (7755 Girard Avenue). Free. Call 858-454-3518 for information. For children three and older. (LA JOLLA)

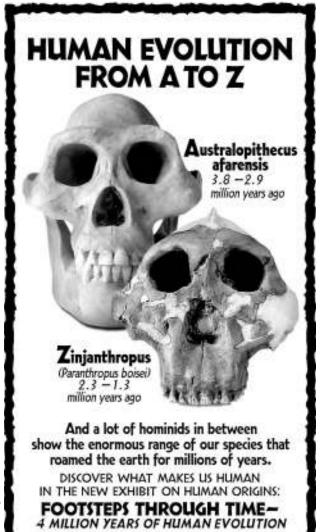
Make a Colorful Parrot Mask and listen to Helen Lester's Princess Penelope's Parrot on Tuesday, August 6, at 11 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). 760-943-6400, Free, (ENCINITAS)

Follow the Trail to Quail, head to Quail Botanical Gardens on Tuesday, August 6, at 10:30 a.m., for a general tour of the gardens oriented for kids (aged three to six). Meet at the visi tors' center located directly north of the parking lot, at 230 Quail Gardens Drive; 760-436-3036. Free. (ENCINITAS)

"No Trouble at All" by Sally Grindley will be read during the parent and tot story time planned on Thursday, August 8, at 10 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway). Free. Call 858-684-3166 for information, (MIRA MESA)

"Probers of the Mudflat," what adaptations do shorebirds have that help them in the estuary? Find out when the Junior Rangers gather on Thursday, August 8. The program starts at 3:15 p.m. at the Tijuana River Estuarine Reserve. The free program takes place at the reserve's visitors' center (301 Caspian Way) for kids 7 to 11 years old. 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Children's Discovery Museum of North County, "Make It Move" is an interactive exhibit from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. The



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exhibition explores the world of simple machines, with experiments to create a "super spinner" and in general to "make things move." See the show through Sunday, September 8.

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

Children's Museum of San Diego,

'Las Dos Amigas Artistas: Icons, Tributes, and Milagros," with artwork celebrating Mexican design, culture, and color by California-born artists Helen Shafer Garcia and Jane LaFazio, is on display through August. The show includes original watercolors, pastel, collage, triptychs, and altars reflecting each artist's interpretation of the Mexican style.

Fifteen etchings based on images of Aztec and Mayan temples from Mexico and Central America by Mexican artist Mariángeles Méndez may be seen through August.

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" that 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)

En Garde! The local division of the United States Fencing Association hosts its third San Diego Junior Invitational Fencing Tournament on

Roam-O-Rama

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Not all San Diegans flock to the beaches on sunny summer days. Some gravitate toward inland recreational spots like Lake Miramar, which offers a spacious venue for pursuits such as walking, jogging, biking, and in-line skating and a less spacious but also less crowded venue for boating and fishing. The latter two activities are permitted only on Saturdays through Tuesdays, sunrise to sunset, 11 months a year excluding October. The paved path following the shoreline of the lake is open to self-propelled travelers seven days a week year-round.

Miramar Lake, perched halfway up the dry hills overlooking Scripps Ranch, Mira Mesa, and the distant coast, was completed

in 1960 as part of the Second San Diego Aqueduct project. Water shipped south to the reservoir originates from both the Colorado River Aqueduct and the California Aqueduct. As a key component in San Diego's emergency water-storage system, the lake is kept nearly full during the months of drought. As a result, there's a palpable cooling effect when the summer breezes blow across the water.

The lake's five-mile-long perimeter road is smooth, nearly flat, and paved throughout. Unfortunately, September 11's fallout resulted in the clo-

sure, for security reasons, of the road segment crossing the dam itself. No loop route is allowable now, but you can travel for about four miles around the lake shore, then return on the same route. For a more peaceful experience, try Wednesday through Friday, when you will not have to tangle with any car traffic on the road.

Condominiums and



Cycling at Lake Mirama

boxy mini-mansions have risen like battlements around the lake in recent years. The mood there has changed from one of remoteness to one of quiet refuge within a spreading suburban milieu. Yet even today there's a reminder of former wildness in the pungent-scented sage-scrub and chaparral vegetation down alongside the perimeter road. Pets are welcome to enjoy the call of the wild along with you, but only if on leash and kept 50 feet or more away from the

Call 619-465-3474 for recorded information about Lake Miramar and several other San Diego city lakes.

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

1930s of the Chula Vista Star News

Find the museum at 4035 Bonita

Road. Dial 619-267-5141 for addi-

Chinese Historical Society and Mu-

seum, documents and photographs

of American and Chinese-American

aid to China during the Sino-

Japanese War are gathered in "Sup-

porting the Motherland," on exhibit

building originally built in 1927 for

the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the

building is an Asian garden, includ-

ing a statue of Confucius, a waterfall,

stream, and a large Chinese gate.

Find the museum at 404 Third Av-

enue (at J Street); 619-338-9888.

Chula Vista Heritage Museum the

museum features glimpses of Chula

Vista's past; exhibits feature lemon

packing crate labels, photographs of

downtown Chula Vista, doors and

adobe blocks from the original Star

newspaper building, and relics from

the Otay Watch Company. Find the

museum at 360 Third Avenue. For

further information, call 619-420-

6916. (CHULA VISTA)

The museum is located in a

tional information. (BONITA)

through October.

(DOWNTOWN)

George White and Anna Gunn Marston House, this historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, which emphasizes

Saturday and Sunday, August 17 and 18, at Stagecoach Park (3420 Camino de los Coches). Fencers 9 to 19 will compete, representing fencing clubs

throughout the western U.S.

Competition begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 4 p.m. each day. Admission is free, and assistants will be on hand to answer questions. For more information, call 619-296-9240. (LA COSTA)

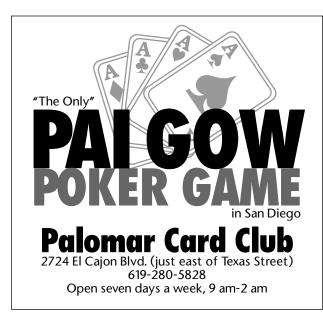
MUSEUMS

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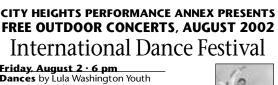
Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, the museum's activities include locating, collecting, documenting, and preserving historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related not only to agriculture, but to the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil drilling, and construction industries. In addition, the museum has a blacksmith and wheelwright shop, a country kitchen and parlor, a steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. Find the

museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. For further details, call 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, the museum highlights the history of the Sweetwater Valley from the mid-1800s, with historical photographs; artifacts, tools, and farming implements; the district's 1953 fire engine; and bound copies back to the







Friday. August 2 · 6 pm Dances by Lula Washington Youth Dance Ensemble

Friday, August 9 · 6 pm Dances by Ballet Folklorico Jalisciense (Mexico) Ramaa Bharadvaj & The Angahara Ensemble (India)

Friday, August 16 · 6 pm Dances by City Ballet Peruvian Dance Group (Peru)

Friday, August 23 · 6 pm **Dances** by McCaleb Dance Tango Alma (Argentina)

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simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue; 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages are open every Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. to present the history and traditions of 30 ethnic groups. Select cottages are also open on the fourth Tuesday of every month, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Children Around the World videos are shown in the Hall of Nations on the fourth Tuesday of every month. 619-538-4069. (BALBOA PARK)

J.A. Cooley Museum, an eclectic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections - is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an "Industrial Product Collection," with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with "some classics and a concept car."

Find the museum at 4233 Park Boulevard. For more information, call 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum, the "Navajo Code Talker" exhibit features photographs, World War II-era uniforms, traditional Navajo items, and a Congressional Medal of Honor awarded to Johnny R. Manuelito, one of the original 29 code talkers. See this exhibit through the year.

Housed in a historic building, the museum features five permanent galleries with artifacts, uniforms, vehicles, weapons, and photographs depicting Marine Corps history. The museum is located in Building 26 at

MCRD, just inside Gate 4. off Pacific Highway. 619-524-6038. (MIDWAY)

Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove, vintage photographs, books, desks, cafeteria menus, and other school paraphernalia are on display in "From Barn to Cyberspace: Lemon Grove Schools Evolve." The current Lemon Grove School District has its roots in the town's once-thriving orchards. William Hurst, an early pioneer in the local fruit-growing industry, offered his barn in 1893 as a schoolroom, and a district was born.

"Our Agriculture Roots" provides a look at the "sea of lemon trees" that once dominated the town's landscape. The display features stacks of lemon crates adorned with fruit labels. "The Parson's Study" is a decorated late-Victorian room with original furnishings, including a piped "Chorister" organ, evoking the museum's origins as the town's first church.

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ENEMIES a discussion with the author

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library services visit www.sandiego.gov/public-library.

Find the museum at 7715 Church Street; 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, over 30 exhibits designed to demonstrate the fun side of science, math, and technology from the Exploratorium in San Francisco are on display through June 2003. The exhibit revolves around themes of wind, weather and turbulence, mathematics, and motion and illusion.

"The Healer Within" is based on osteopathic medicine, introducing visitors to the body's self-healing abilities and explaining "how you can use these to improve your health." Touch a large model of the heart, take a virtual journey through the body, and test your knowledge of the human body through August.

Ongoing exhibitions include "The Human Body," "Technovation," "About Faces," and "Skyscapes II." The permanent exhibitions present a variety of hands-on exhibits illustrating scientific principles. Explore the various methods of transmission and storage and retrieval of information, such as lasers, flashing lights, waveforms, and more. Films are shown daily in the IMAX theater. For further information, call 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Automotive Museum, an overview of women's myriad relationships with the automobile is of-fered in "Women and Wheels," on view through Sunday, September 22. The show features a 1911 Maxwell, a 1907 Thomas Flyer touring car, a 1916 Saxon Roadster (important in depicting the automobile's role in advancing the suffrage movement), a 1957 Cadillac Biarritz, and many more. The exhibit includes displays, costumes, photographs, vintage advertising art, and a variety of

More than 80 automobiles and motorcycles from horseless carriages to future prototypes are included in the museum's permanent collection. Find the museum near the Starlight Bowl; 619-231-2886. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Hall of Champions, the museum — dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement — is located at 2131 Pan American Plaza, Call 619-234-2544 for information. (BALBOA PARK) San Diego Historical Society Museum, Danish-born Olaf Wieghorst's (1899-1988) artistic talent and his love of horses combined from a young age to make him one of the most successful painters of the American West. The self-taught artist created a picture of the West on canvas that "fired the imaginations of poets and presidents." Celebrate the El Cajon artist and his Western art in "Olaf Wieghorst: Painter of the American West," on exhibit through Monday, September 2.

A history of the motion picture industry in San Diego and the evolution of the city's image during a century of movie making is charted in "Filming San Diego: Hollywood's Backlot." From the earliest silent films through the recent movies Traffic and Almost Famous, directors and producers have long been attracted to the county's diverse topography and conducive climate. Ongoing.

The museum is located in the Casa de Balboa building; 619-232-6203. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Maritime Museum, almost every year for 250 years, a ship loaded with silver from Spain's New World colonies crossed from Acapulco to Manila, then made the hazardous return trip laden with treasures from Asia. "Treasures of the Manila Galleons" focuses on the Manila galleon trade, the original commercial link across the Pacific. The exhibit includes recently discovered pieces from the cargo of a ship that wrecked on the shores of Baja California about 1575, the earliestknown Manila galleon shipwreck; Spanish silver and pieces of eight; and artifacts, documents, and handson activities. View the exhibit through November.

Paintings created for the "Portrait of the Big Bay: The Second Maurice Braun Memorial Plein Air Painting Festival" are on exhibit through January 6, 2003, on the museum's 1898 ferryboat Berkeley.

The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego's waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, including exhibits concerning the old San Diego-Coronado ferryboats, the tuna fishing industry, and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark Star of India, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat Berkeley, and the 1904 Scottish steam vacht Medea. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

San Diego Museum of Man, handcarved animals, vibrant ceramics and textiles, masks, and imaginative human images are showcased in the "Hecho en México," continuing through February 2003. The exhibition boasts more than 900 pieces of handcrafted Mexican folk art from the museum's permanent collection, described as "the largest of its kind outside of Mexico." In fact, the Mexican government donated over 500 pieces of folk art to the museum in 1952, and many of these pieces have not been on display since the

The permanent anthropology exhibit "Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution" features five galleries filled with "more than a hundred touchable replicas of early humans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine)." The exhibit offers an in-depth look at human evolution. For more information, dial 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

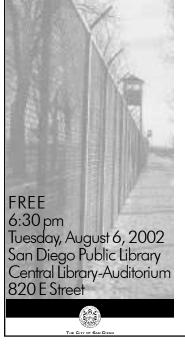
San Diego Railroad Museum, over 80 pieces of vintage railroad equipment are collected here. Among the pieces: five antique steam locomotives, seven large diesel electric locomotives, a number of small switchers, old freight cars and cabooses, a U.S. Army kitchen car used on troop trains during World War II and Korea, and a variety of passenger cars.

The museum also offers train adventures through San Diego's backcountry. Miller Creek trains depart every Saturday and Sunday from the Campo Depot at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Find the Campo Depot off Highway 94 and Forrest Gate Road. For information, call 619-595-3030 or 619-478-9937. (CAMPO)

San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. A slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. A selfguided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road. Call 760-737-2201 for additional details. (ESCONDIDO)

Villa Montezuma, built in 1887 for internationally celebrated author and musician Jesse Shepard, serves as both a historical house museum and cultural center. Find the museum at 1925 K Street (at 20th Street), Call 619-239-2211 for more information. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

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Of Mountains and Clinkers

The slow movement is one of the most profound and moving works of art ever created by anyone.

REVIEW

ustavo Romero is a man in love with playing the piano. Anyone who doubts that vas not at the third recital in Romero's current Beethoven series for the Athenaeum. After a more-than-full program ending with

Beethoven's biggest, longest, and toughest piano sonata, the "Hammerklavier," all 55 minutes of it, a more rational performer would have been content to respond to

the audience's standing ovation with an encore of "Für Elise" and go home. Not Romero, who offered as his encore the second and third movements of the "Moonlight" Sonata (he had played the first movement as an encore at an earlier concert), attending to the music with as much concentration, passion, and depth of feeling as he had bestowed on the "Hammerklavier" itself.

The reason for such a choice cannot have been merely to demonstrate that Romero knows how to play the "Moonlight" (and play it beautifully). He had already shown that last summer, during the first four-concert installment of this traversal of the Beethoven piano sonatas at the Neurosciences Institute. The point he was making here was a more illuminating one, in keeping with the subtle strategy of similarities and contrasts that have characterized his programming throughout the series. What could be a more astounding contrast than that between the brilliant young genius of 1801, when Beethoven composed his Opus 27, No. 2, and the ripe, unfettered, exploratory, precedent-shattering, supreme genius of 1819, when he unleashed the "Hammerklavier" on the world and propelled the piano sonata — and music altogether — into a new dimension?

There are some creative artists — and among them some of the finest — who remain very much the same throughout their careers. There are others who, at a certain point in their maturity, make a decisive breakthrough and (although still building on their past) become recognizably new beings. Among the latter one might name Shakespeare, Michelangelo, Verdi, Yeats, Monet,

Rembrandt, Stravinsky, Schubert, Picasso, Debussy, and — primus inter pares — Beethoven.

Romero's shrewd juxtaposition of the "Moonlight" and the "Hammerklavier" made the listener perceive the continuity and the transfor-

mation of Beethoven's muse with overwhelming clarity. The slow movement of the "Moonlight" is an exquisite poetic miniature; the immense "Adagio sostenuto" of

the "Hammerklavier," which Romero performed with magisterial control of shape, pace, and expression, is one of the most profound and moving works of art ever created by anyone (although one could say something similar about all the late-Beethoven slow movements). The "Allegretto" of the Opus 27, No. 2 is a charming little thing, gracefully shaped, utterly clear in its meaning; the "Scherzo" of the Opus 106, with the same fundamental scherzo-trio-da capo structure, is like a volcano in a kitchen garden, threatening at every moment to burst out of its confinement. The furious, driving energy of the "finale" of the "Moonlight" sounds almost polite in comparison with the relentless, unlimited, titanic power of the "Hammerklavier" 's first and last movements. And, of course, the stupendous fugue that constitutes that final movement, all its consummate power brought out under Romero's hands, has no precedent in the early Beethoven, and indeed no precedent in the earlier history of fugal form: it uses all the constructive devices of a J.S. Bach, but its dynamic shape and the dizzying intensity of its drama are all its own.

Many listeners to the "Hammerklavier," es-

pecially when it is performed with Romero's fire and grandeur, feel exhausted by it, beaten down by its vast scope and its uncompromising intellectual and emotional demands. In it, Beethoven gives no quarter to the audience or to the performer. Some people, Beethoven-lovers otherwise, are willing to confess that they don't "like" the "Hammerklavier" (I heard a number of such comments in the long, sloping, false-perspective walkway to the parking lot, as the crowd was leaving the Neurosciences Institute).

In one sense, that is a natural reaction; in another, it misses the point. This is not entertainment music; it does not caress the ear; it does not relax the spirit; it aggressively assaults all one's notions of music as a pleasant experience. There is nothing pretty in it. The themes of the fugue are like snarls. The motifs (especially the rhythmic motifs) in the fast movements are repeated obsessively. The mind's longing for closure, in the fugue, the opening "Allegro," and the slow movement, is continually frustrated, as some new and amazing development of the ideas arises out of the depths.

There are great composers who manage to be profound and at the same time decorous, elegant, and comforting: Mozart, Verdi, and Josquin des Prez are examples. Beethoven does not fit into this category, above all the late Beethoven. Neither do some other great and profound composers, such as Wagner, Mahler, Shostakovich, Ockeghem, Messiaen, or Guillaume de Machaut. These composers are striving for something else, and the difficult, harsh, violent, or excessive language they are compelled to choose in order to give voice to their inspiration comes with the territory. To talk about whether you like or dislike the "Hammerklavier" is like talking about whether you like or dislike Mount Everest. It's not there to be liked. It's there to be climbed.

While I'm taking issue with some audience comments at this concert, I should say something about the occasional complaints I've heard about Romero's technique. Every once in a while, during his Beethoven concerts, a momentary technical flaw has become

audible. These are not wrong notes, or double notes (flubs and clinkers). What happens is that, in a fast run (especially a downward run), a note fails to sound, as though the action of that key is improperly suited to the pianist's touch. This has occurred maybe one or two times at each of the concerts. As a result, in some people's minds the spectacular competence of Romero's technique (which includes his unerring memory) is clouded over, along with what is far more important: the spectacular musicianship, the deep understanding of these scores, the ability to make sense of complex structures, the meaningful balance of



Gustavo Romero: Beethoven sonata series Neurosciences Institute (sponsored by the Athenaeum)

Sonata No. 15 in D, Opus 28 "Pastoral"; Sonata No. 22 in F, Opus 54; Sonata No. 10 in G, Opus 14, No. 2; Sonata No. 29 in B-flat, Opus 106 "Hammerklavier."

the various lines, the way he uses an accent, a slight change of articulation, or a passing stretch or compression of rhythm to make the inner life of the musical thought dramatically clear. Romero is a remarkable exponent of the Beethoven sonatas, very much his own man, and his ambitious series has provided numberless original interpretive insights, as well as offering an unremittingly potent experience of this magnificent body of work — in short, of the whole

What does the sniping about Romero's technique — much of it spoken in sorrow, rather



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than in malice - come from? It comes from the unrealistic attitudes engendered by modern recordings. The pianist I revere most (and I am not alone in this) is Artur Rubinstein. I heard him scores of times in recital, and to tell the truth, scarcely a single Rubinstein recital went by without a flub or a clinker or two. I have heard the same sort of thing in concert performances by Rudolf Serkin, and even Vladimir Horowitz. Many of the greatest pianists are liable to such mishaps, because what occupies them during a performance is the vital realization of the music, the willingness to take risks for the sake of meaning and expression.

On old recordings of some of the foremost musicians, made at live performances, we can hear these things happening all the time: the premature entry in the concerto, the lapse of memory, wrong notes all over the place, missed notes in the runs, virtually anything you

can think of and dread. At a concert, excited by the presence of the performer and the moment-to-moment experience of the music being recreated, a judicious musiclover ignores the lapses and concentrates on what really counts. On recordings, however, the repetition of the same mistake every time you listen to the performance can drive you crazy. Hence the way modern recordings are made, with the artist playing the piece over and over until everything is exactly right. Even in so-called "live" recordings, the errors get fixed later on in the studio, and the corrected passage is spliced into the original recording, achieving an ideal perfection while concealing the human frailty of the performer.

I'm all for this process. I don't like hearing Schnabel mess things up, again and again, in exactly the same place and in exactly the same way (even though Schnabel's performances of Beethoven and Schubert tell me far more about the music of those composers than do the note-perfect recordings of Maurizio Pollini). When Gustavo Romero comes to record the complete Beethoven sonatas, he

will be granted all the privileges of modern recording technique, and there will be no unsounded notes on downward runs. In the meantime, I am grateful to hear his noble, passionate, and intelligent Beethoven performances in my own back yard (so to speak), with the living pianist taking chances on stage and the audience riveted in their seats. For the sake of all that, I'm willing to put up with ten missing notes in eight fabulous concerts. ■

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Music of the European Masters may be enjoyed when mezzo-so prano Georgetta Psaros and pianist John Danke perform for the Escondido Library's First Thursday series on August 1. The masters in question: Purcell, Handel, Scarlatti, De-Rachmaninoff, and Tchaikovsky. The performance begins at 7 p.m. in the Turrentine Room of the library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. Call 760-839-4329 for information. (ESCONDIDO)

If It's August, It Must Be Time for SummerFest! The La Jolla Chamber Music Society's SummerFest La Jolla 2002, led by artistic director Cho-Liang Lin, commences on Friday, August 2. There's a pre-concert talk at 6:30 p.m. with Lin and violinist Leila Josefowicz, followed by the concert at 7:30 p.m. The program includes Schubert's "Fantasy for Four Hands," the "Sonata for Cello and Piano" by Barber, "Road Movies" by John Adams, and Korngold's "Suite for Two Violins, Cello, and Piano.'

The Orion String Quartet is joined by guests to present the concert planned on Saturday, August 3, at 7:30 p.m. (following a pre-concert talk at 6:30 p.m.). The ensemble will present the world premiere of John Harbison's "Quartet," the "String Quartet No. 12 in E-Flat Major" by Beethoven, and the "String Sextet in G Major" by Brahms.

Spend "An Afternoon with the K-L-R Trio" when the group performs on Sunday, August 4, at 3 p.m. (the associated lecture starts at 2 p.m.). Pianist Joseph Kalichstein, violinist Jaime Laredo, and cellist Robinson will play

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Beethoven's "Piano Trio in B-Flat Major," "A Child's Reliquary" by Danielpour, and the Brahms "Piano Quartet in G Minor."

The week wraps up with a concert party devoted to the works of Franz Schubert on Tuesday, August 6, at 7:30 p.m. "Schubertiad" includes John Novacek, Yoon Kwon, Scott Lee, and David Kim performing Harbison's "November 1828," a selection of Schubert lieder by Metropolitan opera soprano Heidi Grant Murphy and pianist Kevin Murphy, and the master's "Shepherd on the Rock" (for soprano, piano, and clarinet), and the "Piano Trio in E-Flat Major." Get the skinny on these selections during the pre-concert talk at 6:30 p.m.

On Friday, August 2, Mark Mobley, music producer of the National Public Radio program *Performance Today*, presents a "Conversation with John Adams." Mobley returns to share a "Conversation with John Harbison" on Tuesday, August 6. These encounters with composers on hand last from 1 to 2:15 p.m. Admission is free.

Learn "how and why they do what they do" during three "guided open rehearsals" hosted by Mark Mobley on Friday, August 2, at 2:30 p.m.; on Saturday, August 3, at 11:15 a.m., and on Monday, August 5, at 2:30 p.m. Admission is free. There's limited seating and no late entry.

All of these events take place at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Concert tickets range from \$35 or \$50. For reservations and information, dial 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

"The Broadway Concert: A Romantic Journey," it's time for a romantic trip down Broadway when the San Diego Symphony presents Summer Pops concerts on Friday and Saturday, August 2 and 3. This tribute to the musical will includes selections from West Side Story, My Fair Lady, Funny Girl, Chicago, and

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)

Organ Concert, civic organist Carol Williams performs the weekly concert on Sunday, August 4, at 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. For

more information, call 619-702-8138. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Toy Pianos Are the (Somewhat) Official Mascot of the Music Library at UCSD, and they provide the fodder for the second annual toy piano festival. The Toy Piano Collection at the Geisel Library consists of actual instruments, extant literature, and commissioned scores. Serious composers and local popular musicians visit the collection, choose a toy piano to their liking, and write new pieces (John Cage was the first person to write a "serious" work for toy

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 that will be performed, and the Rabbinical School Dropouts will perform the "Concerto for Toy Piano and Klezmer Band" written by bandleader Michael Friedmann.

Festival concerts begin at 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. on the lower level of the Geisel Library. Admission is free. but bring money for the parking meters. For more information, call 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

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

Workshop sessions run from 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. each weekday 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)

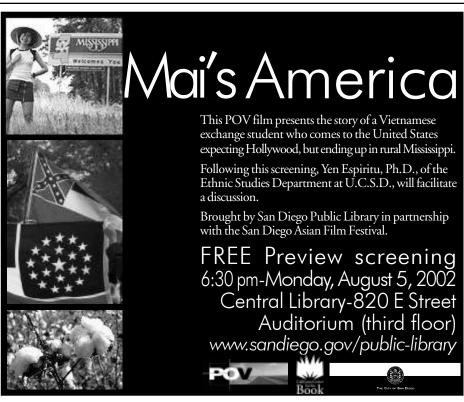
"French, Franck, and Fire," organist Hector Olivera takes command of "San Diego's largest musical instrument," the pipe organ containing over 6500 pipes at the First United Methodist Church of San Diego, to present this program on Friday, August 23, at 8 p.m. Find the church at 2111 Camino del Rio South, Questions? Call 619-429-0143 for answers. An offering will be received. (MISSION VALLEY)

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GALLERIES

More Than 700 Works were submitted by 170 artists for consideration in the 11th annual juried exhibition at the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, with jurors Mark-Elliott Lugo and Tina Yapelli ultimately selecting 53 pieces by 26 artists for inclusion. The awards reception is set for Friday, August 2, at 6:30 p.m. View the winning pieces through

Find the Athenaeum at 1008 Wall Street. Viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, Wednesday until 8:30 p.m. For information, call 858-454-5872.

A "Retrospective in Clay" by Barry Gillen is on exhibit at the San Diego Ceramic Connection through Saturday, August 17. Gillen, who has been working with porcelain/slip carving onto vessels, will be on hand for an opening reception on Saturday, August 3, at 6 p.m. Find the studio/gallery at 3216 Thorn Street; 619-281-2529. (NORTH PARK)

"Pausa," an exhibit of work by Mexican artists Aldo Guerra and Azzul Monraz, uses video, photography, text, themselves, and "any media that suit the purpose of documenting their own movement as an exploration of that very same act." Meet the duo during a reception set for Saturday, August 3, at 8 p.m., at Gallery Now (8053 Broadway). Stop for "Pausa" through Tuesday, August 20, on any Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m., and by appointment. 619-469-0775. (LEMON GROVE)

"Mood Landscapes" by California artist Donna McGinnis are on exhibit at the Ramsden Morrison Gallery (343 Fourth Avenue). McGinnis describes her work as "minimal representational and begins her work through memory, the actual object, or a photograph." Meet the artist — along with Paul Ecke and James Shilaimon, who also have work on display — during a reception planned on Saturday, August 3, at 6 p.m.

Regular gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. For more information, call 619-230-1000. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Midsummer Night at the Simic Gallery features new works by artists Vojkan Begovic and Roger Paul, with entertainment by guitarist Paul Olcott and libations from San Pasqual winery on Saturday, August 3, at 7 p.m. Find the gallery at 1205 Prospect Street; 858-456-5255. (LA JOLLA)

Described as a "Modern 17th-Century Master," Sebastian Capella was originally from Spain, where he had the honor of painting the royal family, heads of state, and celebrities. See a "one-man showcase" of new works by Capella on exhibit through Saturday, September 14, at Sparrow Fine Art (127 North Highway 101). Meet the artist at a reception planned in his honor on Saturday, August 3, 7 to 10 p.m.

Regular gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 858-350-1065 for further infor mation. (SOLANA BEACH)

Wildlife, Portrait, and Mural Artist Sallie Lynn Davis is the featured artist for the grand opening of the Vantage Point Fine Art Gallery, slated for Saturday, August 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Find the gallery at 580-A Grand Avenue; 760-434-6565. (CARLSBAD)

Works from Past and Present Members and their "creative relatives spanning six generations" are exhibiting art in many media when the Many Hands Cooperative Gallery displays "Arts from Generation to Generation." The show commences with a reception on Sunday, September 4, 1 to 4 p.m., and concludes on Thursday, August 29.

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

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

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

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

Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown, "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 Baia, California and to create a forum in which artists will explore common cultural issues. The inaugural exhibit is titled "Gordas," highlighting work by Tijuanabased 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 photo graphic 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.

"Terra Phantasma: The Photographs of Ray Carafono" are on display through Sunday, August 18. Carofano's work is said to "give a sense of deep time, of history, erosion, decay, passage, and renewal." The one-walled exhibit features photographs of ancient trees, graceful tunnels, and woods of rural Connecticut.

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, Septem-

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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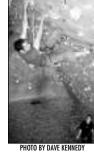
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eddy's way out of place on the grainy, plank-wood floor of the Cassius Carter.

He wears cream-colored shoes and pants, a checked shirt, an argyle sleeveless sweater, and a rayon smoking jacket on which charcoal patterns spiderweb.

He obviously sports a toupee: at ear-level, short brown hair defers to strawberry blond locks festooned in permanent waves.

Even though he calls us "dear 'eart," Teddy wants us to take him seriously. And we begin to when he says, "Spend your life in show business and you become a philosopher."

For 20 years of one-night stands, Teddy managed "Fantastic" Francis Hardy, faith healer. They never toured Britain's cities, or even larger towns - rent's too steep. And often in the kirks, schools, and meetinghouses of "dying" Welsh and Scottish villages, no one came. When "the crippled and the blind and the disfigured and the deaf and the barren" did show up, nine times out of ten nothing happened. But sometimes something did, like when Frank cured a ten-person congregation, "all made right again," at an old Methodist hall in Wales. And no one cheered or danced with joy. It was "as if not only had he taken away whatever it was was wrong with them, but like he had given them some great content in themselves as well."

Teddy's one panel of a triptych in Brian Friel's haunted *Faith Healer*. In extended monologues, Teddy, Frank, and Grace, Frank's "indefatigably"

loyal companion, recall their decades on the road. They talk about Frank's calling ("a craft without an apprenticeship, a ministry without responsibility"), faith, art, an elusive sense of "wholeness," and, in some ways, the most mysterious of all:

how Frank and Grace remained together so long.

He had no boundaries and

He had no boundaries and acted on impulse. Even though Frank wasn't handsome, and usu-

ally half-drunk, Grace, who was "controlled, correct, methodical, and orderly," saw a "special magnificence" in Frank the performer. Was she jealous of his work? Did she want to tear him from his "essence"? Grace says no. Frank says yes. They fought for 20 years. "Job for the headshrink, isn't it?" asks Teddy. "Why two people should burn themselves out in that way."

Teddy's theory: Frank was his work; Grace wanted him devoted to her. Each statement is true. "But when you put [them] together...somehow they both become only half-truths, you know."

Watching *Faith Healer* is like staring into a multifaceted gem. Turn it in the light, and sudden glints shine, while others recede to shadow. Frank, Grace, and Teddy urgently want to explain what happened. Each offers insights that ring true, at that moment, but shade to half-truths in the next.

Like Frank's "gift." Could he force it? No. He always knew when nothing would happen (and was convinced people came to him to confirm



Lizbeth Mackay, Michael Rudko, Tim Donoghue in Faith Healer

Faith Healer, by Brian Friel

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they were incurable; his failure gave them closure). But what about when it did? Miracle? Could he make people have faith in him? Did he evoke from them a faith in themselves (or did he, as Friel's oxymoronic title suggests, heal faith itself)? The answer resembles the Big Bang: ground zero remains unknown. And the question, says Grace, inspired an ongoing feud in Frank "between himself and his talent."

Michael Rudko's Frank, reciting the names of obscure Welsh villages in a nervous mantra, couldn't heal his loved ones. His suit looks slept in. Nothing will surprise those wan, deflated eyes. In his opening monologue, Rudko's bleached vocal tones tell as much as what he says: swirling mysteries and facts — your guess which is which — have beaten Frank down. He clings to irony like his mantra — as a centering device —









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No two characters are onstage at the same time, and Friel's Rashomon-like, interlaced perspectives clash in part two, where Grace tells her side. Gaunt and drab, "like a patient going back to solids," Grace feels self-control returning after an "absolutely horrific" experience. Frank became her faith. But his gift was a greeneved mistress. Lizbeth Mackay reveals the emotional carnage as Grace, in rehab, zigzags between living and giving up. At times she's a ghost, or something for a Samuel Beckett urn. Then, as if suddenly anointed, Mackay sheds decades and beams like a child at a circus. In the tension between life and death, and the recollections that prompt it, Mackay gives an astonishing performance.

His toupee almost in place, a beer ever in his clutches, Tim Donoghue's Teddy is part lounge lizard comic, part compelling narrator. Rather than explain, his account deepens perplexities, among them why he stayed so long with Frank and Grace. The relationship, "that hassle we never seemed able to rise above," was professional. Or was it?

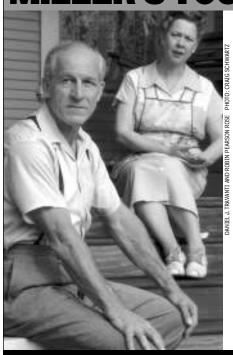
Donoghue is alone in the round on the Cassius Carter for at least 45 minutes. But he does such a capable job you'd wish director Seret Scott would just let him do it. Faith Healer has four monologues. Teddy's is third. Aware that audiences like activity, the director has actors put on and take off coats and move when unmotivated. David Lee Cuthbert's lighting has a similar quality. It enhances mood, but sudden shifts from light to dark signal the arrival of another big effect. Faith Healer should have an intimate, around-the-campfire feel: three storytellers and Friel's words weaving the spell. Around the actors at the Carter, however, hums one antsy production!

It's probably true that Faith Healer isn't for the attentionspan-challenged. Author of Dancing at Lughnasa and Wonderful Tennessee, Friel writes what sound like old-fashioned plays for a pre-MTV oral culture. But there's nothing old-fashioned about his craft. Frank, Grace, and Teddy are as unfathomable as their relationship. And somewhere in Teddy's monologue the play does an extraordinary thing: it sheds a cocoon. At first, Faith Healer seems straightforward, traditional. But then it changes, becoming nonlinear, outside of time, and interfused with mysteries far deeper than first imagined. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

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All My Sons

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Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. Beehive celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin" " back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. What are those big black round thingies all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency.

Worth a try.

THE THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M.

Boomers

Class is in session: Intro to Baby Boomers, Born between 1946 and 1964, they're the largest generation in history, they're writing the book on "self-obsession," and one turns 50 every seven seconds. Kerry Meads and Vanda Eggington's salute takes musical walks down all manner of memory lanes: historical, sociological, even televisional (at one point the cast blazes through TV theme songs, and mini-bursts of recognition ignite in the audience). The show alternates

between nostalgia and hard looks at then (JFK, Vietnam) and now. Backed by a hot four-piece band, the seven-person cast sings snatches of songs. It's as if your time machine is channel-surfing. Just as you remember one, the cast does another. The result: waves, at times floods, of memories. Directed by Meads, the briskly paced production boasts accurate period costumes by Jeanne Reith Waterman, a set composed of countless logos (from golden arches to Alfred E. "What, Me Worry?" Newman of Mad magazine), and a strong cast. For actual Baby Boomers, the show also includes advice for overcoming the "Big Chill syndrome." It's lively, funny, and could run forever.

Worth a try.

LYCEUM SPACE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUN-DAY AT 2:00 P M

Catskills Conspiracy

Mystery Cafe's interactive dinner theater show takes place at Camp Skills in 1962, where some of New York's finest gather, and die. MYSTERY CAFE, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRI-DAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Chalk It Up to Murder

In HIT Productions newest mystery dinner-theater show, Texas Ranger Slate Montana must find the truth. Did Butch Spikehorn kill Hank Anderson, as people have long believed, or was it someone

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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, 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,

THROUGH AUGUST 25: FRIDAY AND SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY

Death Rides the Stage

HIT Productions new interactive comedy-mystery, written by Beth and Scott McNellen, is set in Texas: "You survived a stampede, Lucy Tyler is looking for your underwear...and there's a dead body in the next room." SHIRLEY'S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON

BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFOR-MATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Ding Dong! Death Calling

Murder Mystery Players, Inc., present an interactive dinner theater show that proves "beauty may only be skin deep, but murder cuts to

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Faith Healer

Reviewed this issue. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SI- MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, THROUGH AUGUST 25; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Footloose

Christian Community Theater stages the local premiere of the dance musical, based on the popular movie and its "Oscar-nominated Top 40 score." MOUNT HELIX AMPHITHEATER. THROUGH AUGUST 3: THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Hurly Burly

Appetite for Productions presents David Rabe's drama about the 'quest for meaning in our morally muddled times."

SUSHI COMMUNITY SPACE, FRIDAY, AU-GUST 2, THROUGH AUGUST 18; FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M. FOR IN-FORMATION CALL 619-778-5198.

The Importance of Being **Earnest**

Codirectors Sean Murray and Rosina Revnolds have assembled one of the North Coast Rep's strongest casts. Through this summer the actors perform double roles, as Earnest runs in repertory with Tom Stoppard's Travesties. Although the opening-night performance of *Earnest* was a tad shaky, Oscar Wilde's farce is definitely a show to see and savor Along with being one of the funniest plays ever written, Earnest is cross-thatched with scathing social commentary so subtle it's almost unnoticed (fortunately for the characters, they don't listen to each other; if they did, society as they know it would crumble). Murray's scenic design includes walls so hyper-lime green they resemble a new, heartily tweaked Gatorade. When combined with proper fin de siecle furnishings and Shulamit Nelson's white and beige formal period costumes, they create a bifurcated tableau much like Wilde's play: a surreal rationalism. The only persisting opening-night problem: often the cast spoke more naturalistically than artificially. But with Wilde the rules don't apply. It's okay to sculpt a line and to "perform" (as does Annie Hinton's wonderful Lady Bracknell). After all, these carefully ordered sentences might be the only glue holding Wilde's fragile society together. Worth a try.

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(and I'll DIE if I want to)

H.I.T. Productions' new interactive mystery takes place at Ted Sterling's birthday party. But ask his wife: Ted hasn't been all that sterling, "and now he must pay!" SHIRLEY'S, 7868 EL CAJON BOULE-VARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRI-DAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Joey and Maria's Comedy Italian Wedding

The Culy Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater," as Joev and Maria tie the knot. CULY THEATER, 338 WEST SEVENTH AV-ENUE. DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN. FOR INFORMATION CALL 800-944-JOEY.

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Love, Ianis

The original Love, Janis that premiered at the San Diego Rep last year was a lot like her music: raw. unpolished, the next second, anybody'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. WORTH A TRY.

SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH AUGUST 18; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Mixed Emotions

OnStage Playhouse presents Richard Baer's romantic comedy about septuagenarians falling in love while movers prepare to relocate the bride-to-be in Florida. Connie Di Grazia directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH AUGUST 10; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Much Ado About Nothing

For its sixth annual "FREE Outdoor Shakespeare Production," the Coronado Playhouse stages the Bard's comedy about "two weddings, a fake funeral, and many comic antics." Keith A. Anderson directed.

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National Comedy Theatre

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedv Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional 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.*

MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. FOR INFORMA-TION CALL 619-295-4999.

The Odd Couple

San Diego Black Ensemble Theatre stages Neil Simon's comedy about antithetical apartment-mates. THE ACADEMY OF SOUND AND MUSIC, 3554 KETTNER BOULEVARD (BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND SASSAFRAS), SAN DIEGO, FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, THROUGH AUGUST 18; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-831-1931.

A Prayer for My Daughter

Thomas Babe's police station/scene-chewer has as many daughters offstage as violence onstage. Someone shot Mrs. Linnowitz. NYPD cops Francis and Jack collared two suspects, whom they also suspect of being gay. From one a.m. to daybreak, on the fifth of July, the officers interrogate, coddle (even cuddle with), and abuse Jimmy and Sean, while Francis's daughter Marge threatens to commit suicide somewhere in New England. The play's familiar territory — probably less so when first produced in 1978 — but though Babe's forced father/daughter and light/dark symbolism gushes everywhere, the script's strong on suspense and opportunities for naked emotion. Brian Salmon, San Diego mainstay, provides the latter, especially in a monologue where his character, Sean, recalls the day his light went out in Vietnam. John Nutten, a new face, does a fine turn as Jack, the slick "good cop," who just wants to head on home. Dale Morris and Diep Huynh also contribute, as do the uncredited costumes, which bring back the late 70s, and Sally Stockton's focused lighting (though the focusing, itself, could be less obvious).

Worth a try.

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Proposals

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Rent

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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 Carneval. 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

Worth a try.

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The Secret Garden

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LA JOLLA STAGE COMPANY, THROUGH AUGUST 11; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATUR-DAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Seven MORE Weeks of Greeks! The Tragedies

What a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek tragedy, 6th @ Penn Theater offers a series of staged readings, produced by Linda Castro and David Cohen. I caught the first, Euripides' Medea, and it was a huge success. The approach is refreshing. There is no attempt at polished work or choices set in stone. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal: the threshold of exploration. They read in a semi-circle. There's some movement, a slight suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek tragedy, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free (though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates donations for new lighting instruments). Next play: Sunday, August 11, at 2:00 p.m., Aeschylus's Seven Against Thebes.

Worth a try.

GTH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH
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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.





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The Taming of the Shrew

It's becoming a tradition. The Globe Theatres open their summer season with a Shakespearean comedy for people who don't like Shakespeare. The production offers a splendid set — Ralph Funicello's Paduan façade, eroding with Venetian decay, combines with a thrust

stage, original Globe floor plan gorgeous costumes by Lewis Brown (which have, with few exceptions, much more character and personality — and 20 times the detail than the actors), and moody, Mediterranean lighting by York Kennedy. And it has funny moments (thanks to Dakin Matthews' harried Baptista and Jonathan Mc-Murtry's orange-emblazoned Gremio). But it looks as if the cast, instead of brushing up their Shakespeare, studied The Compleat Works of the Three Stooges instead. Ten lines of dialogue don't pass

without someone slapping someone else, or biting, or stomping on another's feet, or running into walls, or gouging eyes, or poking ears, or — as Elizabeth Heflin's scratchy-throated, consistently shrill Kate does to Jeffrey Nordling's macho Petruchio – sucker-punching a codpiece. None of which helps define character (or leads to character-driven comedy). Under John Rando's frenetic direction, which treats the text as a minefield and much prefers to cavort outside it, this stuff just happens again, and again, and again.

LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, THROUGH AUGUST 4: THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

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 blackout best) to make the hits more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Impro) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."

Worth a try.

SWEDENBORGIAN THEATRE, 1531 TYLER AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL

One of the North Coast Rep's finest shows ever! Tom Stoppard's "epic farce" is funny, thought provoking, and moving, and the NCRT gets all of it. What makes the achievement so special: Travesties is a Grendeldle. It thrives on extremes both supremely earnest and a "travesty" of earnestness. James Joyce, Tristan Tzara, and V.I. Lenin meld in the doddering memories of Henry Carr, erstwhile minor British consul in Zurich and lifelong trouser fetishist. They debate the meaning and function of art, while Carr grafts them into a production of Oscar Wilde's Importance of Being Earnest. Codirectors Rosina Reynolds and Sean Murray (wonderful as Carr) have honored the play's themes and catalogue of theatrical styles (everything from vaudeville and magic to sophisticated comedy, poetic riffs, documentary, song). And the cast, performing Wilde's comedy in repertory with *Travesties*, is tops. That the actors often play the same (though opposite) characters adds yet another rinse to Stoppard's richly layered "pig's breakfast." Travesties is about art, of course (Lenin saw it as a political tool; Tzara as a bomb to level the old order; Joyce as "art for art's sake") — but the play's also about old Carr. He outlives three of the 20th Century's most influential shapers yet must reside, to his chagrin, in the unstable century they helped to usher in. And here he wanted the world to imitate life in The Importance of Being Earnest. Critic's pick.

sized monster. The play has no mid-

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. (NOTE: TRAVESTIES RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH THE IM-PORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST; CALL THE THEATER FOR SPECIFIC DAYS AND

Triple Espresso: A Highly

TIMES AT 858-481-1055.

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, hev, 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 crackeriack 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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The La Iolla Plavhouse and Seattle Repertory Theatre present the world premiere of Heather McDonald's poetic drama about a woman walking the tightrope of everyday responsibilities and a deep personal calling." Sharon Ott directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, SUNDAY, AU-GUST 4, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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"We don't call them fans, we call them Beatle People," Louise Harrison, George's sister, corrects me during BeatleFair 2002, held

Lomax, who was the first act to sign with the Beatles' Apple label, and such questionables as a man who dresses up like John Lennon and reads poetry in a British accent.

"I've been doing these since the Beatles came out," Louise said. "My mom and dad were the original Beatle

the inside track

July 21 at the Scottish Rite Center in Mission Valley.

"The Beatle People have known me now for about 38 years."

Louise is referring to the crowd that turns out in cities across the nation to meet the sister of a Beatle, get her autograph, or just express condolences about her late brother.

A traveling circus of Beatlemania, BeatleFair features not only a Beatle sibling but also such notables as speaker Jackie parents. I'm known as the Flying Mum."

Born in Liverpool, Louise Harrison, her Scottish husband, and two children came to Canada before settling in Benton, a small town in southern Illinois, in 1963 — just before Beatlemania struck America, although it was already going strong in England. At BeatleFair San Diego, Louise signs black-and-white wallet-size photos of herself for \$2, full-color 8x10s for \$5, or her limited-edition

narrative CD, *All About the Beatles*, for \$25. The CDs sell out in about three hours at the San Diego show.

"I really should have this out," she says, picking up a photo album. She turns to a recent photo of Paul McCartney, herself, and Heather Mills, along with some

pictures of her grandchildren. We talk about her former house in Benton, Ill., now run by the owners as a Beatles "minimuseum" called "Hard Day's Nite Bed & Breakfast.' George and his brother Peter stayed with Louise there in the early '60s, before the Beatles made their historic Ed Sullivan Show appearance in 1964. Legend has it that George sat in with the local musicians in Benton before any Beatles ever took the stage in America. He did bring down the house at the local VFW Hall, Louise confirms. Just after George's visit in the '60s, people started coming from everywhere just to sit on the

porch where George once sat. Some would pick a flower or save a blade of grass just to have a memento



LOUISE HARRISON AND ONE OF THE "BEATLE PEOPLE"

of Harrison. "They would take clumps of grass off the lawn because George had walked there," Louise said. "They would say, 'Would you be willing to sell some of your doorknobs?'"

— Kristen Collier

"Our market is known as the early adopters. The cool kids."

Sam Yago is the marketing director for Poor Specimen, the Solana Beach production company founded by Taylor Steele that has released some 20 surf videos. Some of Steele's more popular videos, like Momentum and Momentum II, gave early

career boosts to blink-182, Offspring, and Pennywise.

After 12 years of making videos with punk-based soundtracks, Poor Speciman is helping to point the trendsetting "action sports" crowd toward the acoustic-based music of Jack Johnson, Ben Harper, and unsigned artists like Tristen Prettyman of La Jolla.

Poor Specimen has released four features in the last ten months — three of which feature music by mellower un-punks.

"Jack [Johnson] has been totally accepted by surfers," said pro surfer Tim

pro surfer Tim Curran, 24, who is one of the four pro surfers starring in Steele's new Drive Thru, released locally last week. Now a

handful of
acoustic-based artists, including
White Buffalo, Donavan
Frankenreiter (formerly of
Sun Child), and Red West
are hoping to connect with a
larger audience through

Steele's surf video pipeline.

Encinitas band manager Rick DeVoe (Fenix TX, blink-182, New Found Glory) knows the value of surf video exposure, saying blink's early exposure on Steele videos gave the band invaluable international exposure. Now he sees a new opportunity with Red West, a Whittier-based band he comanages that is said to be a cross between the Police, Jeff Buckley, and Radiohead.

The four guys in Red West don't surf. But DeVoe, who does, is selling Red West to Surf City.



RED WEST: NONSURFING SURF MUSICIANS

"I have a stack of Red West CDs, and I make sure that all the pro surfers in the world get a copy. I just got back from Fiji. I was in this (continued on page 102)

Linkin Park gets Reanimated.

Far from your average remix album, Linkin Park's "Reanimation" enlists twenty heads from rock, electronic and hip hop to rethink the band's catalog. Featuring reworked versions of all the songs from "Hybrid Theory", plus the songs "High Voltage" and "My December". The new disc is yours for just \$14.69. While you're at it, pick up Linkin Park's DVD, "Frat Party at the Pancake Festival", and the original "Hybrid Theory". It'll reenergize you.







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hut with [pro surfers] and I gave them all a copy of [CDs by DeVoe-managed bands] Boxcar Racer, New Found Glory, and Red West.... I'm making sure their music gets in those [surf] videos. I also make sure they play at all the movie premieres for *Drive Thru*."

DeVoe says schmoozing works. "I just got a call from one of the Malloy brothers [surf video producers]. They want to use Fenix TX in their next movie."

"I've noticed Bob Marley is popping up again among pro surfers," said DeVoe. "Some of the best surfers in the world are now listening to Jack Johnson, Bob Marley, and Red West."

So if Taylor Steele's Poor Specimen has had such a big impact on the music world in the past ten years, first with punk and now with the Jack Johnson/Ben Harper school, why is there no Poor Specimen record label?

"We get that suggested to us daily," said Yago. "We want to focus on making videos. That's what we're good at."

Red West appears 4 p.m. Saturday at the Huntington Beach pier in conjunction with the U.S. Open surf contest. Free admission.

Red West also appears August 8, opening for Dashboard Confessional at 'Canes. It is sold out.

- Ken Leighton

"When KSON says they are playing 50 minutes of music an hour they are not telling the



BOB RAGS KSON ABOUT TIME KEEPING

truth..

"We counted," said the Bob 99.3 announcement. "At 10 o'clock KSON played just 45 minutes. At 11 o'clock they only played 44 minutes." Then came a segment from a George Bush speech that seemed to liken KSON to Osama bin Laden.

"It seems awfully hateful," said KSON general manager Darrel Goodin about the promo. "They sound desperate. I heard them mention our call letters six times in one hour. It's funny, this morning [July 17] they were saying KSON is a bunch of liars, and then I switch over to KSON and [morning hosts] Tony and Kris are talking about how you can keep your kids from being abducted by kidnappers."

Bob 99.3 is a Clear Channel station. Clear Channel general manager Kevin McCarthy said the heavily played announcement shouldn't be taken the wrong way. "Bob 99.3 is a fun radio station. Our listeners can tell when our tongue is planted in our cheek."

"We didn't realize we had done that," said Goodin about the lapse in his 50-minutes-of-music-anhour pledge. "But just to keep us honest, we invited our listeners to listen to us for an entire hour just to keep us honest. In fact, we think the Bob listeners should too."

—Ken Leighton

URL watching — Life and Death of Country Dick Montana

http://www.hbo3.com/dick

I only met the Beat
Farmers' Dan McLain, a.k.a.
Country Dick Montana,
once. It was 1984, and I was
on the production crew of
some crappy Cox Cable
public access TV music
show, learning how to work
the video camera equipment.
We were having equipment
problems. Actually, Country
Dick was the problem — he
kept spilling

beer on the equipment. As the floor manager and camera tech, it was my job to tell him it was against Cox rules to have liquids in the room. He'd say, "Oh, yeah, okay, no prob, big guy," and then moments later he'd pull another full bottle out of his coat or pants' pocket.

Montana has the rare and unfortunate distinction of being one of the few people to actually drop dead onstage. He was performing with the Beat Farmers in Whistler, British Columbia, when he was stricken from complications related to cysts he'd developed on his kidneys (McLain knew of this and had survived cancer previously). He was 40 years

old. A lot of people know this, but here are ten things about Country Dick Montana I bet you didn't know (garnered from an article by Howard Owens at this website).

(1) Dan McLain was a good kid. Every week, he went to the First Baptist Church in El Cajon, even attending Sunday school



COUNTRY DICK MONTANA IN REPOSE

there. According to his father, Monte McLain, his son was cited by his sixth-grade teacher as one of the class's best students. His wild side surfaced only when he reached his teens, such as the time he was arrested at the age of 12 for shoplifting.

(2) He was shy, sensitive, and quiet. As a boy, he had a doggie named Big Sweet, and when the pooch passed on to that big boneyard in the sky, the McLain family held a funeral, after which Dan locked himself in his room and didn't come out until a week later.

(3) He was a protective big brother. That's according to younger sister Connie McLain-Brooks. While in the sixth grade, she was challenged to a fight by a girl bully. The brawl was to take place behind a 7-Eleven and, when the time came, her older brother was there as well, to guarantee a fair fight.

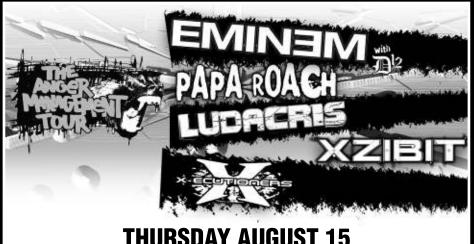
(4) He coulda been a promoter. While attending Grossmont High School, McLain went to see John Sebastian (Welcome Back, Kotter) and crawled under rows of chairs in order to sneak backstage and meet the former Lovin' Spoonful singer. His goal? To talk Sebastian into playing a free concert at the high school. He actually succeeded, but school administrators refused to authorize the performance and it never took place.

(5) He coulda been a politician. In 1971, the Grossmont High sophomore wanted to run for class president but wasn't allowed because his grade point average was below 2.4. In 1972, he ran for ASB vice president, on an "antiestablishment" ticket, and won. However, during a school rally speech, McLain



































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said, "Some of you are pissed off, and you are the guys I'm concerned about." This naughty language caused him to be suspended and then forced to resign his VP position. The school's newspaper, the Foothills Echo, contained this quote

from his resignation speech in the March 16, 1973, edition: "I could no longer work with a Commission and ASB in general filled with narrowminded, backstabbing, short-

sighted hypocrites." (6) He was a huge Kinks fan. McLain served as president of a fan club known as the Kinks Preservation Society. Hanging on McLain's wall for years was a prized photo of him backstage after a Kinks show, hanging out with Ray Davies.

(7) In the late '70s, he opened his own record store and invited bands to play there. Monte Rockers (named after his father) was located on El Cajon Boulevard, between 54th Street and College Avenue on El Cajon Boulevard.

(8) He lied a lot. Many reporters believed and printed tales spun by "Country Dick," about how he served time in prison for murder before forming the Beat Farmers after his parole. He used to say his father was also a parolee, who'd been in prison with Johnny Cash (in actuality,



COUNTRY DICK MONTANA AND RICHARD LIVONI

Monte McLain was a pharmacist).

(9) His career was furthered by threats of violence. Not threats from McLain, but from Beat Farmer fans. In the early '80s, the group was signed to Rhino Records and began playing larger and larger venues in San Diego,



graduating from the Spring Valley Inn to Bodies to house band status at the Bacchanal on Clairemont Mesa Boulevard.

(10) He was hated by hotel owners. If he found a room's accommodations lacking, he'd do things like sticking oysters in out-ofthe-way spots like light sockets and under the phone receiver. Days would go by, the stench would grow, but the source of the odor would be difficult to track down. There's also a report that he once "defecated under the mattress, taking a picture of his handiwork to prove to his bandmates that he really did it.'

One final note: on the day before Country Dick Montana died, in Whistler. B.C., where he and the Beat Farmers played their final show together, there was a story in the local newspaper calling him "a man who already has one foot in the

(Those with or who know of sites created in San Diego or that focus on local music are encouraged to forward info/URL links to jas2669@aol.com.)

— Jay Allen Sanford

"Let's say you and I are good friends in Laos," says Bounhong

Khommarath. "We're single and working in the fields during the day. Traditionally after dinner, the young ladies would come out on their verandas and spin cotton.

"So we go courting. One of us plays the khaen and the other sings the song. Perhaps

'My love is like the sun and the moon. The moon goes down, the sun comes up; Like them I will come back again and again.'

Khommarath is trying to explain how important the khaen is to the Lao people. The khaen is a complex reed organ. It is played by blowing into 14 bamboo pipes of different lengths tied together.

"An elderly couple keeps an eye on us. Chaperones. The girl you're looking at responds in poetry. She would make it challenge us somehow. 'Young men talk just like falling rain: when the sun comes, it all evaporates.... So then we play the khaen again, and I sing. 'Please be patient: eat monkey instead of rabbit. At least talk with the ugly

guy - me - till you find a good — handsome — one. Eye-signals will tell us who is attracted to whom.

Kommarath doesn't think his chances for a khaen school in San Diego are great. "Most Laotians here are still dealing with survival," he says. "Still, I've been collecting some of the poems and proverbs that people use in their courting. My wife told me, 'You're crazy! You won't make money from that!' People want things that translate into dollar signs.'

– Bill Manson

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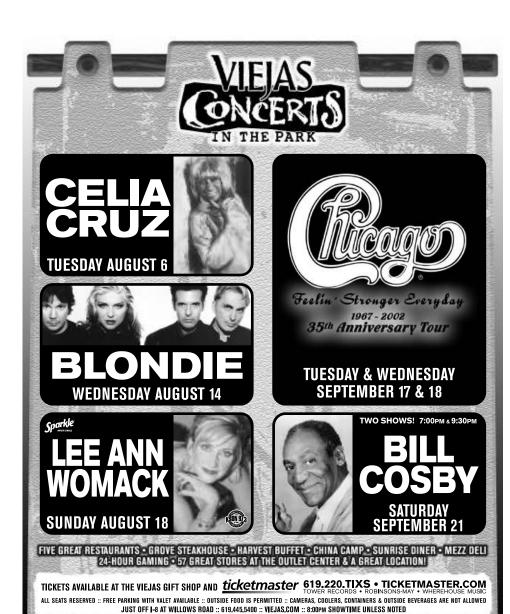
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ey, all you motherfuckers, sit yo fat asses down and read this, a'ight? Calm down, Gramma — this opening was a test to see which side of the Grand Canyon of the generational divide you inhabit. If you are in a lower age

bracket, this is home turf for you, homie G. If you're in the Geritol generation, you were disgusted two sentences ago and have trashed this newspaper already. But I'm a

teenager, and to me, these obscene lyrics are manna. Unfortunately, my parents don't get it.

Rap music, with its in-your-face lyrics, is deemed by my parents to be obscene, derogatory, and indicative of a drug-abusing ghetto lifestyle. It's

everything they've worked hard to keep me away from. However, they are misinterpreting the songs and the genre. Rap music is my generation's protest ballads. It expresses emotions and themes similar to those my mom and



Eminer

Man," "Mr. Bojangles," and "Puff the Magic Dragon" dealt with drugs and alienation. However, these lyrics were coded, to escape censors, and to create a secret language. This is like rap music. (Mom, are you listening?)

The prime perpetrator of this art form is Eminem, a white rapper. To me, his songs are an expression of anger, teenage angst, violence, and drugs—things that every kid of my generation has to deal with. Being a fan, I've taken the time to look at his lyrics, past the chorus line of "Ima kill you, bitch / you don't wanna fuck with me / Girls neither, you ain't nuttin but a slut to me" and have discovered that he describes a world that my parents choose not to see. They hear the word "rape" without realizing it refers to sexual conflict; they hear "kill" and "murder," but they don't understand that it describes the violence that all teens are exposed to. Eminem's music reflects the world I

live in more accurately than the vacuous lyrics of the Backstreet Boys or N*Sync.

Also, there is some humor and sarcasm in Eminem's works that adults are oblivious to. In the song "Kill You," Eminem spends three minutes

describing how he wants to kill his ho's and bitches, which my parents think is horrid. Yet at the end he laughs, saying, "I'm just playin', ladies, you know I love you." As in

many of his songs, he's just "playin'" with naïve listeners. A fallacy about Eminem's music is that the rhythm is redundant, migraine-inducing, a cacophony of dissonance (or, in rapper-speak, shit). Yet, this rhythm, unlike the singsong melody of pop or country music, reflects the pressures of my life. School, extracurriculars, a job, and sometimes survival is a strain on me; it ain't easy being 16 (not that it ever was, Mom adds).

— Stephanie Feldstein

he band Tool often endures negative judgment by those who misinterpret their lyrics. Their music can be passed off as "angry" or "weird," or "depressing and frightening" by older generations. I say Tool's music often contains spiritual or moral significance.

When hearing the song "Prison Sex" (on the

Undertow album), my parents reacted with "I can't believe you listen to this. This is disgusting. He's a rapist! Don't let Grandpa listen to that!" Sung through the perspective of the rapist, childhood memories inspire the lyrics "do unto others,



Maynard James Keenan of Tool

what has been done to you." This suggests the cycle that perpetrators of such crimes are a part of. It's a testimony to the psychological devastation that is caused by molestation. The lyrics and mood of the song convey an anti-rape idea; they suggest transcendence from the negative effects of rape to

understanding.

Tool's album *Lateralus* can take listeners on a journey deep within themselves to find something positive. The song "The Grudge" addresses bitterness by dismissing the negativity in other people and their tendencies toward "defining, confining, controlling" and revenging their actions by "transmutat[ing] these leaden grudges into gold." They confront condemnation by "let[ting] go" of grudges and allowing the principles of karma to take their course.

There are many hidden messages in Tool's music. They are not hidden on purpose, only discovered through openmindedness.

— Sonia Saxon

y parents denounce my music because it challenges middle-class values. Since jazz, no generation has been without its brand of "devil's music." Yet, the judgments of my parents are usually based on prejudices and misunderstanding. My parents say "turn that off," and they view rap as "vulgar and crude" as well as "promoting use of drugs, degrading women, and glorifying violence."

In every style of music there is good and bad. The "old school" rap, which includes Run-DMC,

NWA, and Public Enemy, is the least offensive, with little extreme and outrageous substance, while the more recent rap of Tupac, Eminem, and Afroman is the "most offensive" to my parents. Lyric examples include Eminem's



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"Superman," in which the phrase "bitches, they come and go" is repeated; Afroman's "Because I Got High," in which use of marijuana becomes an excuse to confront reality; and Tupac's "Hit'em Up," in which gang violence sounds as though it's justified by the artist.

From my parents' point of view, rap is not art and hardly pleasant. On the other hand, they should realize that rap is the music of the street; it is poetry and it is real. Many of its artists are products or observers of poverty, crime, poor education, and dysfunctional families that have struggled to survive. And so, they make music about the way they know life. The ebonics, profanity, violence, drugs, and sex illustrate the alienation of a lost generation in our troubled world.

— Matthew de Lira

pard is from a generation that came before me, but after the "keep on truckin" generation of my parents. Criticisms from my parents are that this music is repetitive and lacks melody. The raunchy lyrics of these artists are often obscured by the blaring music, which is probably why they have not yet come under scrutiny. I'd hate to think what

my parents would say or do if they could understand what guys like Bon Scott are saying.

The sounds of hard rock offer more than what people of my parents' generation dismiss as noise. They offer an escape from a long



Bon Scott of AC/DC

day, a soundtrack for harsh emotions, an outlet. In addition to these effects, it is nice to look back at a generation of hard rock that possessed a sense of originality when it came to both the sounds and lyrics of their music. Today, many groups of this genre have a homogenized sound that has become convoluted through their attempts to appeal to the mainstream. It's not that the sounds and lyrics of AC/DC were profound, but at least they were innovative. To each his own. I do not intend to impose my tastes on others. However, those who criticize a genre of music do so because they lack an objective view. This weakness makes them unable to appreciate the particular beauty of something beyond their realm of thinking. There is something captured in the chords of the electric guitar that only fans of hard rock will ever be able to perceive; a series of fervent sounds that stir an emotion within that evokes the sensation of feeling alive.

— Mary Montgomery

or every parent who believes certain lyrics "portray a frightening world," there is a teenager who finds them profound and ingenious because that world is all too real. Moms, such as mine, feel that because teens listen to suggestive lyrics, we will participate in the messages that are conveyed in our favorite songs. When the phrase "explicit lyrics" is used, Eminem is often mentioned. His latest hit, "Without Me," contains 11 curse words in its unedited version, a handful of insults to certain people, and some lyrics that demean women. In that song, Eminem proclaims himself the "king of controversy" due to who he is, stating, "it's just me, I'm just obscene." Another (continued on page 110)





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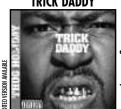
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song, "Under the Influence," on The Marshall Mathers LP, included the line "I light a candle and place it up on the mantel / grab a knife at the blade and stab you" and continued with even more graphic lyrics.

If my mom walked by and heard these songs from my stereo, there would be concern expressed about the music. But because I'm listening doesn't mean that I - or anyone else, for that matter - will go out and commit assault. Nor does it mean that Weezer's "Hash Pipe" lyrics ("you've got your problems / I've got my hash pipe") will make a teenager go solve their problems with drugs.

While parents hear teens listening to music that is "distasteful," teens hear them as the type of music they prefer. Most teens would say music is their escape from the harshness of their growing life, not something that makes them something they're not.

— Jessica Itschner

hen my mom hears some of the lyrics of the pop music many teens listen to, she is shocked. One song that continues to disgust my mom is "My Neck, My Back," by R&B artist Khia. The offensive lyrics include "You might roll dutch / you might have G's / But so what, player / get on your knees / A girl like me moans and screams.

What some adults fail to remember is the disbelief their parents had of their choice of music. When I made this point

to my mom, she agreed that love and sex have always been common themes in lyrics, but she feels the difference is that the subjects were implied and nowhere near as explicit as they are today.

I enjoy all kinds of music, ranging from classical and baroque to the hits of the '80s, a little country, and even some alternative. While spending a little time listening to a few "oldies," I realized that the latest hits on the pop chart are not the first to make references to sex and other taboo subjects. In fact, these subjects have been at the heart of music and other aspects of our culture for decades. Though the lyrics have changed, the content and messages of popular songs have remained the same. Sex sells, whether it's in music, movies, and almost any other product. Teenagers are naturally curious about sex, and because music is an expression of one's emotions and thoughts, it's logical that sex has been the subject matter that has appealed most to teenagers

for several generations. – Alexis Olsen

uring the '70s, many artists sang about what was wrong in their communities. Rappers Eminem and Tupac Shakur have done the same thing. My father believes that certain types of music I listen to are full of "nonsense." He always says, "Tupac's songs are just plain stupid, it has no meaning." All he hears are the cuss words, not the message. He doesn't hear the lyrics that Tupac wants people to hear, like, 'And I realize momma really paid the price / She nearly gave her life / to raise me right."

Tupac was one of the most controversial artists in the '90s, similar to how Eminem is viewed today. When analyzed, Tupac's songs describe the problems that occur in ghettos. "Keep Ya Head Up" and "White Man'z World" describe a few of the problems in today's society. In "Keep Ya Head Up," Tupac talks about

the hardship of living in the ghetto. The theme of the song is about single mothers and the exploitation of women. In "White Man'z World," he talks about how black people struggle to live. In a way, Tupac was more of a civil rights activist than a recording artist.

– Alecsis Ducusin

t the bottom right-hand corner of my Sublime: 40 Oz. to Freedom album glares in bold letters the "Parental Advisory — Explicit Lyrics" label. This label informs people of the presence of lyrical references to drugs, alcohol, and "bad" language. Some people, like my teacher, say such music is unintelligent. My parents say it shows a lack of culture. My neighbor says that children should not be exposed to such trash. From battling over which CDs I can play when my parents are present, I have been impressed upon that such music is not only unintelligence, lack of culture, and trash, but it

is a bad influence on me.

However, these are the views of conservative adults who cannot see the beauty of liberalism and the realism it brings to the eyes of teenagers who are trying to find the truth. The cacophonous music is merely a representation of society. Although many of Sublime's lyrics focus on marijuana and alcohol, if heard by a person with a liberal perspective, they paint a picture of what many people who do such things endure. Sublime lyrics don't endorse marijuana smoking, contrary to what many conservatives seem to think. They offer a viewpoint of a different world that many could be unaware of. Music can never be a bad influence, it is never trash, and it never lacks culture. It only influences those who allow it to influence them. It always has meaning because a human being wrote it, and it only broadens the cultural spectrum of society.
— Sirisha Prathipati

he first time I heard Out-Kast's album Stankonia in my friend's car, I begged him to replay it. The first time my mom heard Stankonia in my car, she removed the CD and told me to never listen to it again.

My parents rarely object to my taste in music, mainly because I usually choose clean, alternative pop. They adopted an immediate disliking for OutKast because of their profanity-laden lyrics, loud sound, and appearance (the album cover bears a picture of the musical duo Big Boi and Andre 3000 in gangster wear). Yet, I wish my parents would look past the parental advisory sticker. Stankonia, like many of Out-Kast's albums, is a hip-hop masterpiece: poetic lyrics set against a delicious, experimental funk backdrop; their songs not only entertain but enlighten. They prove that it's not always about the "bling-bling"; "Gasoline Dreams" and "Humble Mumble" speak of failed American dreams, and "Stanklove" and "Ms. Jackson" provide lessons in love. After a tiring day at school, I can listen to the upbeat drumand-bass-filled "Bombs over Baghdad" and "So Fresh, So Clean" and immediately feel energized. Unlike other hip-hop artists today, OutKast continues to innovate their rap and funk sound. They may look intimidating and use offensive language, but their music, at its roots, is magnificent. — Julie Yen **■**

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Not only do these old keyboard instruments enjoy distinctive provenances and sounds, but they are

often beautifully ornamented with paintings and carvings. A harpsichord or pianoforte by a famous maker was a treasure to hear and see and available only to the most affluent households where, as was the custom, distinguished musical visitors would come and give recitals to family and friends.

I have written in these pages before about the fortepiano and some of its master builders, such as the Portuguese Manuel Antunes and the German Gottfried Silber-

mann, who tried to win over LS. Bach to his instrument, which could play both loud (forte) and soft (piano), unlike the harpsichord, Bach's customary instrument for performance. Some of these magnificent instruments have not only their own musical personalities but their own stories, and few of these stories are as remarkable as the history of the Siena Pianoforte.

The original instrument dates back to around 1800, where it was originally made by the Marchisio family in Turin, a highly regarded family of Piedmontese harpsichord makers. The Siena Pianoforte was a wedding gift for one of the Marchisio daughters, who married a farmer named Ferri from Siena in Tuscany, the celebrated walled city

regarded by many as "the cradle" of the Italian Renaissance. There the couple raised grapes, children, and grandchildren. One of the grandsons, Anto-

nio, was an expert woodcarver. It was Antonio who carved the present case for the family's pianoforte.

Over time, the pianoforte seems to have wound up as part of the communal property of Siena and, along with other art treasures, was sent to the 1867 Paris Exposition, where it attracted considerable notice and praise. Upon the pianoforte's return to Siena in 1868, it was given as a wedding gift, on behalf of the city of Siena, to the heir apparent of the House of Savoy, Crown Prince Umberto. It was taken to Rome and placed in the

Quirinal, along with other art treasures belonging to the Royal Family.

In the late 1880s, Umberto, now king of Italy, attended a concert in Jerusalem where he heard a pianist called Yanovsky perform. Yanovsky, who had emigrated

from Kiev, enjoyed a celebrity on the instrument second only to Liszt. After the recital Yanovsky apologized to King Umberto for

the poor quality of his instrument. Umberto responded by inviting the pianist to Rome. In singing the praises of his instrument, the king told Yanovsky that the piano was "made of wood from Jerusalem, from

the very pillars of Solomon's temple. In turn they were installed in a new pagan temple, which later collapsed. The foundation was left standing, and in the Christian era a church erected on the site, again using Solomon's pillars. The legend tells us that this church was knocked down for the last time by an earthquake and that the wood was used to make my wonderful piano." Before Yanovsky could take the King up on his offer, Umberto was assassinated, presumably for reasons other than

making up tall tales about his piano.

Regardless, Yanovsky prevailed on his grandson Carmi to someday go see the famous piano with the extraordinary provenance. Years later, while serving with a British transportation unit in the Mediterranean theater during World War II, Carmi,

a piano tuner, was summoned to have a look at a piano that had turned up in dunes that morning by British mine-sweepers while sifting through the North African

It was a peculiar-looking beast, encased in thick plaster. Its inside works were clogged with sand. It had clearly been rebuilt at least once. Carmi, quite naturally, wondered why Rommel's forces had bothered to drag it through the desert. Carmi was allowed to take the instrument to ordnance headquarters in Egypt where, after bureaucratic resistance, the piano was repaired and made use of to entertain the officers. The instrument eventually fell to a group

of entertainers who dragged it around to army installations across North Africa, Sicily, and Italy. Carmi lost track of the pianoforte.

After the war the instrument apparently made its way to Tel Aviv, where it was sold to a local junk dealer. Various individuals bought it, but none was satisfied. Finally, a beekeeper bought it to use as an incubator for his hive, then a butcher

to keep meat refrigerated within the instrument's five-inch walls. Finally, the legendary Siena Pianoforte wound up in a Tel Aviv dump.

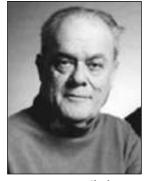
Now, allow me to quote Carmi as to what transpired next:

About that time I came home [to Tel Aviv], my army career happily over. While I was telling my wife that I wanted to reopen the old piano workshop, my children interrupted to say that they

had found my first job for me, and at their insistence I went with them to investigate. As we entered the street I saw a turned-over upright baking in the sun; several youngsters were sitting irreverently on its back. They alighted at our approach, and I saw with a shock of recognition that instrument was none other than my pal of years before. The plaster was incredibly intact, but otherwise the piano was battered beyond belief.

I had always told the children that a piano was a living thing, but this instrument was beyond repair. All the strings, keys, hammers, even pedals had been removed. Only the plaster case and the sounding board remained. I was forced to tell my children that this piano could not be repaired. But that night my conscience so bothered me that I decided to return the next day to see what I could do with this old relic. When I arrived at the dump it

was gone.



Charles Rosen

Believe it or not, a few days later the instrument, or what was left or it. turned up at Carmi's piano repair shop. A plasterer had come across it and wanted Carmi to fix it. After a few days, the plasterer, who realized the folly of his idea (or having discussed it with his wife), returned to demand the money back he had put down in advance.

He demanded it with such vehemence that he pounded the top of the instrument with his fist, inadvertently cracking the plaster case and exposing the head and torso of a little wooden cherub.

Carmi hastily forked over the money and got rid of the plasterer. After trying all sorts of sluicing mixtures to separate the plaster from the wood, Carmi finally got the job done with 24 gallons of acetone. Revealed, for the first time in many, many years, was the original carved case with its frieze of plump, intoxicated cherubs dragging their equally pixilated queen across the piano case, all of these leering with gusto.

The restoration of the piano took Carmi three years, maintaining the original, wafer-thin cypress sounding board. These performances by Charles Rosen and Katherine Dèguire were recorded in 1955-'56 on the instrument in stereo, but as stereo did not yet exist as a commercially viable medium, these recordings got put on the back burner and were eventually lost.

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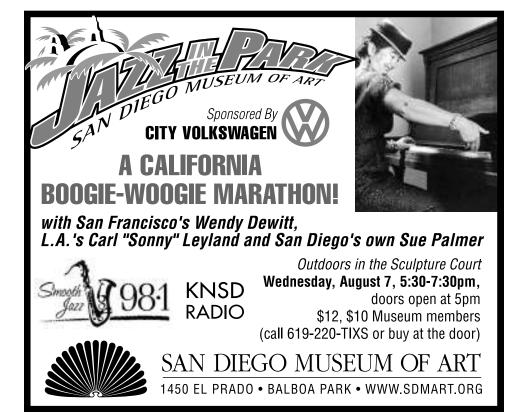
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Robert Walter's 20th Congress [665]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, August 2, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Fu Manchu, Speedealer, and Space Boy: The Casbah, Friday, August 2, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

SUNDAY

Alicia Keys [605]: Summer Pops Series, Broadway Naval Pier, Sunday, August 4, 7:30 p.m., 960 North Harbor Drive. downtown. 619-220-8497.

In Flames: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 4, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

TUESDAY

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.

EXTENSION 4001 UPCOMING CONCERTS

AUGUST

Herman's Hermits (starring Peter Noone) and the Turtles (featuring Flo & Eddie): Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, August 7, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-270.8497 or 619-523-1010

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Foreigner: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Burning Spear (**730**): 4th & B, Thursday, August 8, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-270-8497 **Dashboard Confessional:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, August 8, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Wayne Hancock [760] and Todd Stedman & the Fat Tones: The Casbah, Thursday, August 8, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Joe Satriani [571], Dream Theater, and King's X [487]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, August 9, 6:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Beat Farmers [404], the Paladins [962], the Modern Rhythm Band, and the King Biscuit Blues Band: 4th & B, Friday, August 9, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers [770]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, August 10, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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.

The Tragically Hip [148] and Wayne: 4th & B, Sunday, August 11,

8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

John Hiatt & the Goners (827) and Jimmie Vaughan: Humphrey's Concerts by the Boy, Mondoy, August 12, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelfer Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Archer Prewitt and the Prom: 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 Xecutioners: 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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John Mayer, Guster, and the John Butler Trio: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, August 18, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

The Kottonmouth Kings [129]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, August 18, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

Ray Charles [979]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 19, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-523-1010.

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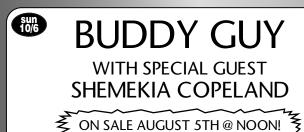


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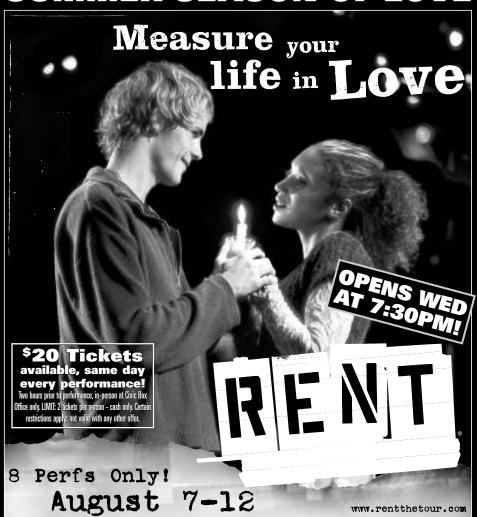
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Juliana Hatfield [207]: The Casbah, Tuesday, August 20, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

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 [783]: The Casbah Wednesday, August 21, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355 or 619-220-8497.

Juliana Theory [113]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, August 22, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach.

Chris Isaak /576 !: Humphrev's Concerts Isadak (370): 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.

Slightly Stoopid [352]: 'Canes Ba and Grill, Friday, August 23, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

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.

Hank Williams III /775 : The Casbah, iturday, August 24, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown 619-232-4355 or 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.

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Air Supply [532] and Christopher Cross [566]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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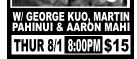












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Daryl Hall & John Oates [596]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 29, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Buddy Guy and Shemekia Copeland: 4th & B, Sunday, October 6, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Counterfit: Epicentre Daemos: 'Canes Bar and Grill The Damn Dirty Apes:

Dare-Say: Dream Street Databass: Brick By Brick The Death Ray Davies:

Dirtnap 29: Dream Street Disappointing Joseph: Blind

Dismissed: The Scene **Dragon Lounge:** Brick By Brick Eddie Elliott: Blind Melons The Enchanted: Rlind Melons Ether: Dream Street, Dream

Exit 180: The Playhouse Fono: The Kensington Club Forever February: The Scene Forwater: Dream Street Fourside Letter: Brick By Brick

..**The Furious IV:** The Kensingtor

Futvle: Dream Street Goddamn Gentlemen: The

Cuchuh Goliath vs. ZZYZX: The

..**H20:** Bayou Bar & Grill 281 Headfirst: Brick By Brick Heaving Grooves: Dream

Hot Like A Robot: The Scene The Hot Snakes: The Scene **Hudson River School:** Fnicentre

Ladwig: Blind Melons Lefthand Thread: Dream Street Life Hates Me: Brick By Brick Lightning Bolt: Epicentre The Locust: Epicentre Los Machos: The Scene

The Lucky Wongs: California

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Nautilis: The Casbah Noisegod: The Playhouse Nothing Yet: The Playhouse Notice: The Scene N.S.R.: The Playhouse Overcome by One: Dream

186 Gregory Page: The Ould Sod ...Phunk Junkeez: 'Canes Bar and Grill

Piss Test: The Playhouse **Qzen:** Brick By Brick Remik: The Scene Requiem: The Scene Revenge of Doh: Bub's Whiskey Dive, Dream Street Revolver: The Scene Royal Krown: Tio Leo's Lounge The 7th Day Buskers: The

Casbah Shamanation: Blind Melons **Shrike:** Brick By Brick Silent Screams: The Scene Sixth Day: Dream Street **Slumber:** Brick By Brick The Snodgrass: The Casbah Societies Victim: The Playhouse

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ROCK

Aguave: Tiki House
Alfred Howard and the K23 Orchestra: Belly Up Taverr Avalanche: Etta's Place BPM: Belly Up Tayern Bare Bones: On The Rocks

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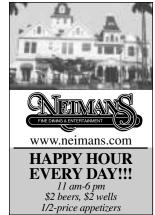
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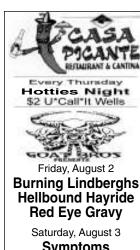
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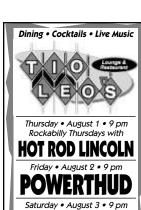


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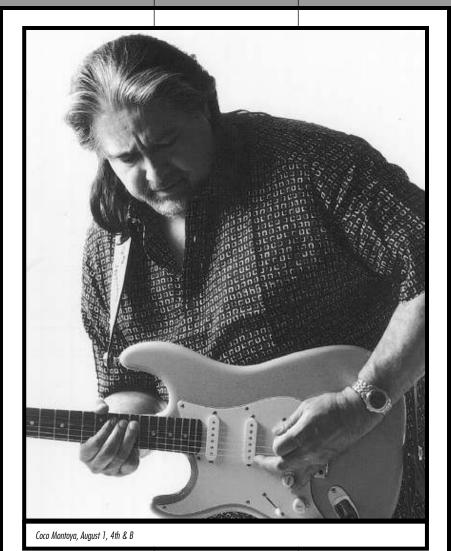
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649 The B-Side Players: Brick By Brick The Ray Barrie Big Band: Beleza: The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe

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.J**ohn Cain:** Hotel del Coronado The Westgate Hotel The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Loew's Coronado Bay Resort. Croce's Jazz Bar

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Della Coelho: Humphrey's The Cradit Union: Neimans Bar

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Richard Elliot: Humphrey's Donnie Finnell & Company East: Bistro 221, Red Circle

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..Liquid Blue: Boar Cross'n Bob Magnusson: Dizzy's Virginia Mayhew: Dizzy's The Coral McFarland-Thuet Jazz Quartet: Coronado Island

Dizzy's

660 The Shep Mevers Quartet: Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar

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643.....**Peter Sprague:** Dizzy's Stellita: The Wyndham Emerald

Joe Tarrantino: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

Trio du Jour: The Beach House The Jaime Valle Bossa-Jazz Quartet: Tutto Mare The Jaime Valle-Bob

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EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE/ SKA

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740 Psydecar: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Belly Up Tayern The Revelation Family: Tio

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Acapulco: Fridays, in the cantina, DJ Forte spins hip-hop; Saturdays, DJ OneSlippa spins hip-hop, R&B, and reggae. 8998 Miramar Road, Mira Mesa, 858-578-6390.

Apocalypse: First Friday of every month, DJs Joe Forester, Reverend Cybian, and LadyNoir spin a blend of Goth/industrial and techno in a postfuturistic fetish environment. Suggested dress: Goth-fetish-futura 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Blue Agave, Mission Gorge Road, Allied Gardens, 619-521-3194.

Art vs. Jungle: Saturday, August 3, a night of drum 'n' bass with the Drumz Team (Hazen, Havoc-Mega, Confuschia, Peacemaker, and Willow) and special out-of-town guest. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Event information, 619-317-2765.

Cathedral: Saturdays, cyberpunk, future pop, tribal, neo-folk, dark techno, goth, industrial, and more Open midnight; 18 and up with ID. Club Xanth, 4225 30th Street (at El Cajon Boulevard), North Park, 619-584-2720.

Club '80s: Thursdays, DJs Bryan Pollard, Richard D, and BCZAR spin the best of '80s music, new wave, synthpop, and new romantic; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744. Event

information, 619-465-5827,

Club '80s II: Fridays (except the first of the month), DJs Bryan Pollard, Richard D, and BCZAR spin the best of '80s music, new wave, synthpop, and new romantic. 11 p.m. to 4 a.m.; 18 and up. Club Xanth, 4225 30th Street (at El Cajon Boulevard), North Park, 619-584-2720. Event information, 619-465-5827, www.klubs.com.

Club LP: Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Anthony Alonzo spins disco, funk, hip-hop, and techno. 8 pm to close. Las Parrillas Mexican Restaurant & Cantina, 555 Montrose Court, El Cajon, 619-444-3955.

Club Rise: Wednesdays, DIs Samer, Todd Pelio, and guests spin hard NRG, deep house, and trance. 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; free admission before 11 p.m. Rhythm Lounge, 3048 Midway Drive, Point Loma, 619-224-4835.

Club Tropics: Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, DJs Kool T and guests spin Latin, freestyle, house, and hip hop. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos, 760-737-9402.

Darkwave Garden: Every second and fourth Saturday, gothic, ethereal, electro, fetish, and dance. 21 and up. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown, 619-296-6789. Event information, 619-465-5827, www.klubs.com.

Dragon Lounge: First and third Friday of every month, breaks and drum 'n' bass. Brick By Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park, 619-687-5779. Event information, 619-220-4944. www.mergelifeandmusic.com

Eavesdrop: Wednesdays, downtempo excursions with DJs Six:Eight, Somatik, AKRANM, and Jon Wesley. No cover; 21 and up. The Pirate's Den, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, San Diego, 619-574-6833.

Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club: Fridays, DJ Dizzy D and guest DJs spin hip-hop, R&B, and Latin house; DJ Battle spins trance, progressive house, and jungle on the



BY DAVE GOOD

The **Scorpions** matter, if only for the reason that their razor-sharp music and disturbing album covers foretold some of the violence that would enter mainstream metal a decade later. After a stretch of roadwork in Europe, they broke into American charts in the late '70s-early '80s when American bands were sporting big hair and spandex. But the Scorpions, a German band, brought a little more to the table.

The twin guitars of **Matthias Jabs** and Rudolph Schenker were fluid and clean, even though they sometimes reeked of stadium ham. Commercially oriented power chords, huge drums, and melodic vocals were the Scorpions' formula, And, if nothing else, their marketing got attention. The original cover art for Virgin Killers was banned in the U.S. for being too graphic. But other cov-

ers like Blackout, the one featuring a head-bound victim with bent dinner forks clawing out his eyes, made it past the censors.

Although first recorded around 1972, the Scorpions started in 1964 in Hanover with teen guitarist Rudolph Schenker and Klaus Meine on vocals. At ten years of age, Schenker's younger brother Michael could outplay his older brother and wanted in the band. He was included in time to record Lonesome Crow in '71, after which the Scorpions broke up. Michael took

his talents to the newly formed UFO while the remaining Scorpions retooled and began pounding out confident, tough, and exciting records. They changed personnel, toured hard, and prospered. But the Scorpions didn't hit the big payday until they recorded the lengthy ballad "Winds of Change" in the mid-'80s, by far their biggest hit. This would present a new direction for the rockers; thereafter, for every ten songs recorded, it seemed that nine of them were moody ballads. And.

SCORPIONS

with nothing viable recorded in recent years, the Germans are presumably back out on the road to fatten up their retirement accounts.

 $\label{eq:decomposition} \textbf{Deep Purple} \text{ and } \textbf{DIO} \text{ also perform.}$ (To hear a sample of the **Scorpions**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4538.)

SCORPIONS, Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, August 2, 6:30 p.m. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497. \$20 to \$45.

patio. Saturdays, Cabana Boy Geoff. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido, 760-741-9393.

Karma: Thursdays, house music from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, midtown, 619-294-9590.

Olé Madrid: Thursdays, Eves, guest DJs, movies, and dancers. Fridays, *Biba Club*. Saturdays, *Ritual*, DJs Jose Amezcua and Idol. Sundays, Industry Night. Wednesdays, Bombay, DJs Rags and guests. 755 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-557-0146.

ReMission: Mondays, DJs Bryan Pollard, Dekay, and Therma

Detonator spin your favorite classic gothic and industrial. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744. Event information, 619-465-5827, www.klubs.com.

Rio Nilo: Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Sundays, resident DJs Mikee and Junior spin *quebradita* and *cumbias*; Saturdays, Tijuana Club Music. All ages, 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. 4345 Home Avenue, San Diego. Event information, 619-264-8297.

The Room: Thursdays, *The Prospect*, hip-hop and funk with DFH. Fridays, *Tantric*, house, Latin, and hip-hop with DJ Eduardo. Saturdays, Ibiza Euro, Latin, and house rhythms with DJ Luis. Sundays, *Beauty Lounge*. Tuesdays, *Salsa Night* with Rumba Rica. Wednesdays, *Latin Pop*, progressive '70s and '80s dance beats with DJ Eduardo. Il Forno Bistro, 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-459-5010

Sabbat: Saturdays, DJs Eric Hart, Marc Brueland, and Adam Atom. Dark electro, gothic, darkwave,

industrial, and fetish. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744.

Therapy: Industrial, EBM, electro, ethereal, gothic, and darkwave with DJs Bryan Pollard, DeKay, Creep, and guests. The longest-running industrial-fetish-danse club in San Diego. The first Friday of every month at Club Xanth, 11 p.m. to 4 a.m., 18 and up, 4225 30th Street (at El Cajon Boulevard), North Park, 619-584-2720. Remaining Fridays at the Flame, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., 21 and up, 3780 Park Boulevard, San Diego, 619-295-4163. Event information, 619-465-5827, www.klubs.com

LOCAL MUSIC

If you wish to submit a listing, call 619-235-3000, ext. 405, night or day by 5 pm Friday, the week prior to publication. To send weekly or monthly schedules, fax to Lynne Houts at 760-788-0329 or mail to Reader Music Scene, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego CA

underground club listings, or performances that are not at a club should be directed to 619-235-3000, ext. 261; faxed to 619-881-2401; or emailed to sellis@nethere.com.

North County

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Saturday and Wednesday, the New Breed Band, pop, jazz. Friday, Power

The Beach House, 2530 South Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-753-1321. Performances are from 7 pm to 10 pm, except Sunday, 6 pm to 9 pm. Thursday, 5 O'Clock Shadow, jazz, swing. Friday, Trio du Jour, jazz. Saturday, the Justin Brothers, acoustic. Sunday, 5 O'Clock Shadow. Wednesday, Semisi & Fulabula,

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 8 pm, George Kuo, Martin Pahinui, and Aaron Mahi. Friday, 9:15 pm, Robert Walter's 20th Congress, jazz, with Alfred Howard and the K23 Orchestra. Saturday, 9:15 pm,



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Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Liquid Blue*, pop rock

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe. Flower Hill Mall. I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, Beleza, Bossa Nova.

Borders Books and Music, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Saturday, 8 pm, Lighter, rock.

Bub's Whiskey Dive, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, United Riot, Revenge of Doh, the Hill Street Strangers, and Loosing

The Camelot Inn, 887 San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-1332. Friday, the Strange Woods, Celtic folk. Saturday, Glenfinian, Irish folk.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive. Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *Footloose*, rock and roll. Saturday, the McNallys, classic rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, Sol Americano. Friday, 6 pm to 10 pm, the Restless Natives, rock, reggae. Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, Joey Harris, acoustic, 6 pm to 10 pm, the Jerry McCann Band, reggae. Sunday, 2 pm to 4:30 pm, the Boogie Woogie Duo, 5 pm to 9 pm, Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time, jazz. Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, Chill Boy, blues. Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, Johnny

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Bottomline, classic rock.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, Nude BBQ, rock. Saturday, Bias Bier, rock

The Hot Java Cafe, 11738 Carmel Mountain Road, Suite 182, San Diego. 858-673-7111. Friday, Rich Madison, folk. Saturday, Downside, blues.

Inn L'Auberge, 1440 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar. 858-259-1515. Friday, Lori Bell, Ron Satterfield, and John Opferkuch, jazz.

Jammers Java, 218 A North El Camino Real (in the Wiegand Plaza next to AMC Theaters), Encinitas. 760-942-JAVA. Saturday, *Jim Beggs*, acoustic.

Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Friday and Saturday, call club for

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors, blues Friday, the Flat Out Liars, classic rock. Saturday, Blue Heat, blues, rock. Wednesday, Nitelife.

La Casa del Zorro, 3845 Yaqui Pass Road, Borrego Springs. 760-767-5323. Fox Den: Thursday through Saturday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Tony Lencioni*. Sunday and Monday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Dick Matson*, piano and vocals.

La Costa Coffee Roasting Co., 6965 El Camino Real, Suite 208, La Costa. 7 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *Mike Cea*, jazz duo. Saturday, Dan Connor, folk.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Tuesday, the David Patrone Quartet, jazz.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South ont, Oceanside, 760-439-6646. Call club for information.

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Saturday, 7:30 to 10:30 pm, *Satish & Don*, folk. Sunday, 10 am to 1 pm, Brian Koehler,

Mocha Marketplace, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos 760-744-2112. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, John Lowery, acoustic

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Sunday, 10 pm, *El Jardin*, rock en español.

The Raintree, 755 Raintree Drive. Carlsbad. 760-931-1122. Music hours are from 6 pm to 10 pm. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, the Stilettos, rockabilly.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, Cornerstone, classic rock.

Solana Beach Coffee Company, 437 South Highway 101, Solana Beach. 858-792-1553. Music plays from noon to 3 pm. Saturday, 5 O'Clock Shadow, jazz/blues. Sunday, Sonny & the Rumble Tones, blues.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, 9 pm, open mike. Friday, the Shocks of Mighty, reggae. Saturday, Max Blasto, alternative.

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, Disappointing Joseph, Ladwig, and Christy Bruneau. Friday, Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations, reggae. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, Vegitation, 8 pm, Deadline Friday, and special guests. Sunday, Stranger, Cheeky Monkey, Magnuson, Shamanation, the Enchanted, Eddie Elliot, and Terren of Starfish.
Wednesday, Left Hand Smoke, rock.

'Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Friday, the Wise Monkey Orchestra, acid jazz, groove,

and Psydecar, reggae, funk. Saturday, Mix Master Mike, rock. Sunday, In Flames, Cage, Tea Bag, and Daemos. Tuesday, the Phunk Junkeez, Honey Bucket, the Classified, and Twelve Under.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, call club for information, Friday, *Dylan and the Dead, Highway* 61, and *Cubensis*. Saturday, call club for information.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquois Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, Tomcat Courtney & the

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131, All music is alternative/rock unle otherwise noted. Thursday, Heaving Grooves, Overcome by One, Revenge of Doh, and Adamite. Friday, Lefthand Thread, Sixth Day, Forwater, and Malice. Saturday, Ether, d.fRost, Futyle, and Alien Strange. Wednesday, Dare-Say, Murderous Red Glare, Dirtnap 29, and Suckerface.

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Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Saturday, live band, call club for information.

Il Forno, 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. Call club for information

Java Joe's Coffeehouse, 1956 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-523-0356. Friday, C.I. Hutchins, acoustic blues. Saturday, Shelly Om, Francis Charlotte, Christy Bruneau, and Cheeky Monkey, Sunday, 10 am, Tom au. Monday, Wendy's openmike night.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Barry Levich*, piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Leviticus*.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, live music

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Wednesday through Saturday, 8:30 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Sunday

through Tuesday, 8:30 pm, Larry Fogle, piano and vocals

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-272-7278. Club Tremors, call club for

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, Aguave. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, Yellowi reggae. Sunday, open acoustic.

Victor's Restaurant & Bar, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Friday, Turbulence, Lutah Fyah & Soul Rebel, Riddimystic, and Jah Blood & Fire Angels, reggae.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, Fist Fight and Reason to Believe, rock. Friday and Saturday, Jerry Joseph & the Jack Mormons. Also, Friday, Monkey Grass. Also, Saturday, Eric McFadden. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors 8:30 pm, *Three Thirds*. Monday, *the* Electric Waste Band, rock. Tuesday, the Damn Dirty Apes, groove, and Electrovibe. Wednesday, Vinyl.

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.

Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 pm, Steve Ducey, rock.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock, Friday, call club for information. Saturday, Swan, Life Hates Me, Malachi Crunch, the



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Band Members: Dante Loaiza (vocals, trumpet, quitar, and percussion), Paul Lopez (congas and percussion), Tizoc Hernandez (bass and percussion), Joaquin Hernandez (drums, timbales, and vocals), Israel Maldonado (vocals, guitar, and percussion).

Extra Info: Agua Dulce has performed in France, Holland, Hungary, the Balkans, Iceland, New York, Hawaii, Cabo San Lucas, and throughout California. Since their last CD was made, they have added a new band member. Dante Thomas (vocals, guitar,

Website: www.agua-dulce.net

Agua Dulce's second CD, Searching for Juana, captures a robust variety of Latin and Caribbean

rhythms that are blended with touches of salsa and soul. This ten-track album consists of rhythms that have the potential to stir the dancer in anyone.

Since their formation in 1997, after meeting in an African drumming class at Southwestern College, the members of Agua Dulce have dedicated themselves to the performance of world music. Agua Dulce constructs a solid rhythm by uniting the distinct sounds of their instruments. The band describes their style as a "fiery melting pot" that invites listeners on a "musical journey through Cuba, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, and Brazil." In addition to these sounds, many of Agua Dulce's songs are sung with intermingled English and Spanish lyrics. However, these lyrics are not quite as compelling as the rhythm carrying them. In the song titled "Juana," lead vocalist Dante Loaiza sings, "I've got this girl whose name is Juana / well, she was born down in Tijuana / she has a '64 Impala



/ and she was smoking marijuana." This song is melodic; however, the lyrics seem composed of words that just happened to rhyme.

Throughout Searching for Juana, Agua Dulce offers melodies that are made more appealing by Loaiza's smooth voice. Agua Dulce's mixture of ethnic sounds combine to form what is best described as a worthwhile listening experience.

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California Club, 5522 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Friday, the Lucky Wongs, alternative.

Club Hollywood, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102. Call club for information.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Music is rock/alternative Friday TBD, Mother Russia, Uncivilized, and more. Saturday, Swillbelly and Three Simple Words. Sunday, Superdrag, Hudson River School, Counterfit, and the Death Ray Davies. Wednesday, the Locust, Arab on Radar, and Lightning

Etta's Place, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Friday, 9 pm, the Fremonts, blues. Saturday, 9 pm, Avalanche, classic rock. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm Len Rainey & the Midnight Players,

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Todd Stedman* & the Fat Tones, blues. Saturday, the Boogiemen, blues.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, *Jose Molina Serrano*. Friday, 9:30 pm, *Makai*, pop. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, 8 pm, *Pro2call*, jazz. Monday, 9 pm, *Calvin* Romance. Tuesday, 9:30 pm, Patti Zlaket, original rock. Wednesday, 9 pm, Rockola, classic rock.

Concerts by the Bay: Thursday, 7 pm, *David Sanborn* and *Poncho Sanchez*, jazz. Friday, 8 pm, *Big Bad* Voodoo Daddy, jazz. Sunday, 7:30 pm, Gordon Lightfoot, folk. Monday, 7:30 pm, Richard Elliot, Marc Antoine, Warren Hill, Jeff Golub, and Della Coelho. Tuesday, 7:30 pm, Michael McDonald and Karla Bonoff, rock. Wednesday, 7:30 pm, Herman's

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.

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 Bl

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Friday, *Rochelle, Rochelle* and *Fono*, alternative. Saturday, the Furious IV and Watch It Burn, alternative.

The Morena Club, 1319 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-275-4431. Friday, 9 pm, the Rock Trio.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters.

The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Gregory Page*, alternative. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, the Hatchet Brothers, folk.

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Saturday, Coupe de Ville, blues.

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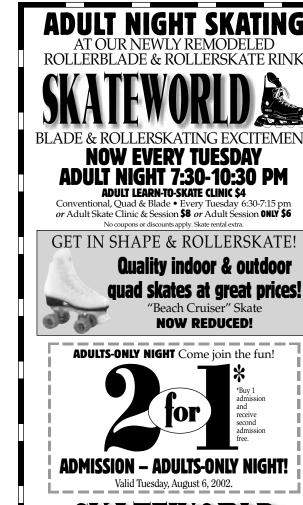
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Coronado Island Marriott (formerly Le Meridian), 2000 Second Street, Coronado. 619-435-3000. Friday, 6 pm to 9 pm, the Coral McFarland-Thuet Jazz Quartet.

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Loew's Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road, Coronado. 619-424-4000. Cays Lounge: Music plays from 8 pm to midnight. Friday, Mario Oliveras & Latin Spice. Saturday, the Jorge Camberos Quintet, Latin jazz.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Thursday, *Northstar*, pop. Friday, *Four-Way Street*, acoustic. Saturday, call club for information.

Sunday, 4 pm to 7 pm, Joey Harris, 8 pm to midnight, Jackson & Sven, acoustic. Monday, Jim Moore, acoustic/folk. Tuesday, Gary Rich, folk. Wednesday, Ron's Garage, acoustic rock.

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Aubergine is one of a number of venues that have undergone alterations since 9/11. The restaurant-packed Gaslamp scene always changes rapidly, but the past year has brought a maelstrom of openings, closings, and chefs coming, going, and running to the neighbors. This review, then, is the second (after Cafe 828) of a summertime series taking a closer look at this effervescent neighborhood.

'Aubergine" means "eggplant" in French, but the name has absolutely no relationship to the food, which epitomizes an easygoing combination of Asian, American, and Italian flavors, none of them specifically eggplant-centered or, for that matter, French. It's been 20 months since my last visit, which occurred just before a long-running show called Forever Plaid moved from another venue into the adjoining theater. The "Forever" part of the title proved highly exaggerated, and the theater space is now part of a huge, multi-room, weekends-only nightclub. The kitchen, which still serves dinner six nights a week, has gone through changes, too, including a complex game of "musical chefs." Henry Friedank moved here from Chive, up the block, but recently left to start a new venture in Del Mar. A few weeks ago, Aubergine's original executive chef, Australia's Matt Parker, departed.

The kitchen is now run by Parker's former sous chef, Eric Rillos, the able "wokman" who from the beginning has executed many of Aubergine's tastiest dishes. Rillos, a protégé of Seattle's famed Tom Douglas (cookbook author and chef/owner of Dahlia Cafe), is also a veteran of Jeremiah Tower's Stars in San Francisco, where he worked under Mark Franz (now chef of the famed Farallon).

Somewhere during this chefs' quadrille, the perplexing all-things-to-all-tastes menu was gradually fine-tuned to today's shorter, more coherent bill of fare. It's about half as long as it used to be, and the execution seems twice as skillful. The weirder



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flavor combinations (honey-glazed pizza) have happily vanished. If a dinner at today's Aubergine isn't a major adventure, it's also no longer a desperate gamble — you'll generally eat well there, and if the food never startles you, it probably won't bore you, either.

We deliberately chose to check out the new menu early on a Saturday evening — a challenging night for almost any restaurant, particularly those

in the Gaslamp, but we arrived well before the start of the nightclub crowd's influx. We began with a half dozen Chef's Creek oysters from Oregon. They were pristinely fresh

and grit-free — big, crisp, and salty, with a buttery undertone. They came with both a tart, vibrant mignonette and a rather ketchupy cocktail sauce flanked by lemons, horseradish, and Tabasco to let you amend it at will.

A lively cannelloni appetizer was unique in relegating cheese to a minor supporting role. The thin pasta shell was filled instead with an alluring mixture of chopped Italian sausage and melting spinach, with a scattering of pecorino cheese. The

sauce was based on woodfire-roasted tomatoes and garlic, sweetened by the caramels that arose naturally from the cooking method. The only thing wrong with this dish is that it's not available as an entrée. (But, hey, you can always order two portions if you want it as a main course!)

Several appetizers are, if pleasant, emphatically on the sugary side, probably appealing to the tastes of the twentyish dancing crowd. Rillos's own

favorite is salt-and-pepper shrimp, a Hong Kong-style tour de force that his mentor Tom Douglas learned from the late Barbara Tropp of China Moon Cafe in San Francisco. In the

original, unpeeled shrimp are seasoned simply and fried, unbattered, in super-hot oil. With some varieties of shrimp, this turns the shell to a mere hint of a crackle. At Aubergine, only parts of the shells proved so cooperative, and instead of a simple marinade, the quartet of prawns wore a dulcet honey-garlic glaze. Not being 20, I prefer the more austere original, but these were still very tasty.

Even an asparagus salad with tuna tartare and truffle vinaigrette is sweetened. It's a square Lin-

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HOURS: Dinner, Monday—Saturday 5:00—9:30 p.m. **PRICES:** Appetizers, \$6—\$13; entrées \$14—\$27; desserts \$6. Saturday-night prix-fixe dinner (which includes nightclub cover charge), three courses (limited selection) for \$30 plus tax, 20% tip: \$7 surcharge for scallop entrée.

CUISINE & BEVERAGES: Asian-Mediterranean fusion, plus hardwood-grilled steaks and chops. International but conservative wine list of mainly familiar vineyards at somewhat steep markups, reasonable number of choices available by the glass. Full bar.

NEED TO KNOW:Valet parking. Reserve for weekend dinners. Quiet most weeknights, but on Fridays and Saturdays the restaurant and adjacent theater turn into a DJ club (\$15 cover) at 10:00 p.m., with youthful, vocal crowd in dancing duds pouring in around 9:00.

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coln Logs–style stack, with asparagus spears topped by spring mix, capped by several rectangles of raw tuna and a crown of greens. The tuna is supermarket quality, and whatever truffle's in the dressing is overcome by sugar. A calamari salad is sweetest of all, resembling Thai *mee krob* — an elaborate wedding dish (served in many American-Thai restaurants as an appetizer) of puffy deep-fried rice-thread noodles topped with shrimp, pork, bean sprouts, chilies, and peanuts in a sweet-tangy red sauce. At Aubergine, thinly shredded lettuce stands in for the crisp noodles, and tender, lightly battered calamari slices mingle with chopped peanuts, red peppers, and





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scallions, all swathed in a spicysweet Asian chili sauce.

A Hoisin-glazed duck-breast salad with goat cheese was less successful, a reminder of the earlier menu's excesses. I'd hoped to find puffs of goat cheese on top of the salad; instead, the cheese was incorporated into a thick sesame-mustard vinaigrette, weighed down by a heap of Asian greens and slightly dry duckbreast strips. But buried under the haystack was a wonderful "green onion pancake," fashioned from a pair of small fried flour tortillas sandwiching a wealth of juicy scallion filling. (Here, too, the dish's ancestry goes back to Barbara Tropp, who in turn learned the tortilla trick from Henry Chung of San Francisco's world-famous Hunan

The half-dozen seafood entrées still include the wokseared combination of jumbo scallops and tiger shrimp that I've enjoyed in the past. This time, I tried a spice-rubbed salmon fillet with ravioli "du jour." The

thick, slightly dry, crosswise-cut hunk, painted with a faintly sweet glaze, sat atop "ruby red chard" looking more emerald than ruby - with a fine, strong flavor. Underneath were three thinskinned ravioli; that night's filling was an enchanting blend of oyster and portobello mushrooms bound with a little ricotta. They were, however, a bit greasy from being reheated in melted butter. (I'd have preferred a light cream sauce, which would have helped moisten the salmon.)

The "grille" menu includes three beefsteaks (ranging from 8 to 16 ounces), a pork loin chop, and Colorado lamb chops. With any of these, you have a choice of five sauces (béarnaise, horseradish, apple relish, chive and Ortega chile butter, and grilled peach chutney), plus any two vegetable dishes from a sevenitem list. The huge pork loin chop — actually a double chop and a thick single chop — was done just a tad under my order of rosy-medium, but who's counting? Permeated with a salty marinade, the meat was redolent of wood smoke from the flames. Grilled peach chutney proved an apt, pleasing companion.

My favorite dish of all was a side dish of wood-roasted vegetables, which included elitequality fingerling carrots, Japanese eggplants, zukes, and sliced sweet onion — all of them moist and tender and as smoky as campfire marshmallows. The fine veggies and their care in cooking is what kicked my view of Aubergine up a notch this time. My second side, a mound of "blue cheese bread pudding," was like nothing I've tasted before, a sort of dense fallen soufflé with a powerful cheese whammy. With the right garnishes, it could easily become a vegetarian entrée.

We'd been seated at a banquette along the back wall, and as we finished our appetizers, an ebullient young couple from Philadelphia was shown to the corner table to our right. They'd gone to L.A. for a sports event (from the looks of the young man, he must have been one of the athletes) and decided to make a side trip to San Diego for fun. As the couple finished their entrées, we learned they'd brought the rest of their posse south, too suddenly there were six or seven people squeezing together at the table for four, exchanging hugs and squeals of joy. Next, a sextet of young women in slinky décolleté were seated at a banquette along the side wall. On the other

side of us, the staff pushed three tables together to form a single long one. Groups arriving together were still being seated at their own tables, but singles and couples were shown to the communal board to make new friends (or not). The transmutation had

The dessert choices were on the conventional side (chocolate lava cake, crème brûlée). A pear tarte tatin proved a workmanlike version, a rather thick puff-pastry circle topped with cinnamon-seasoned pears in a light caramel sauce, crowned with a scoop of rich vanilla ice cream.

The communal table to my right now held one couple and six singles, including two women at the other end. A Latino busser politely delivered water, and the wispy, pale Brit nearest me kept calling him a "wanker"; fortunately, the busser didn't register the insult. Across from the Brit, the rambunctious ghost of Lester Bangs took spirit possession of a bearded fellow of about 22. A waitress approached the table, asking, "Would you like a drink?" "That's music to my ears!" roared Lester redux. He ordered a vodka tonic; the women ordered Cosmos, another guy ordered Red Bull. Suddenly the sound sys-

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tem cranked up a notch. It was 9:15 on a Saturday night in the Gaslamp, and Aubergine was well into its metamorphosis. Keeping a close eye on my feet to make sure my sandals didn't turn into glass slippers, I called for the check.

ABOUT THE CHEF

"I went to college as an English major, at Eastern Washington University," says Eric Rillos. "I needed jobs in the summer, so I cooked in restaurants in Seattle. When I finished school, I thought this might be something I could do as a career — I really liked it, I had an affinity for it, and I'd worked in some cool little places. I liked being around that kind of creative atmosphere.

"I learned by working. I got to work with some really good people, and they showed me the right methods and techniques, using fresh products, seasonal product. And being able to read — that helped too. I was at the Sorrento Hotel for Barbara Figuero, a James Beard Award winner, and at Place Pigalle. Then I went down to San Francisco, and I worked at Stars when Mark Franz was the chef. Right when he was leaving, going to Farallon, I went back to Seattle,

where I worked for Tom Douglas — another Beard Award winner. He has three restaurants in Seattle — Dahlia, Palace Kitchen, and Etta's. I worked at the Dahlia for a long time, and I was opening chef at Etta's.

"I came down to San Diego because my family is from here. My brother and sister live here, my mother lives close to here. and my wife at that time — her family was here, too. I was opening sous chef at the Prado under Ieff Thurston for the first year, and then I was offered this position, which was more of a chef de cuisine position, with more money.

Things are going really well here now. The food is better, and I'm starting a new menu in the next few weeks. That will tighten it up even more. I'm making some Clams Casino right now. Trying some new desserts, too. About once a month we do a special dinner based on the dishes of a specific area — Rio, Tahiti, Australia — and on Wednesday nights we're going to start doing something with one of the jazz radio stations. That ought to appeal to an older crowd than the one we get on the weekend, and I think I'm going to offer them a prix fixe dinner package as well." ■









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Not Much Jingle to Jangle

I had to at least say I had chowed down "in Julie's time."

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verybody wants a piece of Julie. Customers are getting all emotional. Cooks are being ■ nice. And — wow, look at that — a guy from the paper, the Union-Tribune. He's over there interviewing her. Taking a picture as she comes out loaded with three

steaming plates of food.

Well, it is almost her last day. "Morning, Bud. Usual?" she says as she passes by a customer. Her blue eyes have a twinkle. Her big gold earrings give her a Gypsy look. Plus, her hair is black, shirt and apron are black, and blue jeans are tight. Very sexy.

"I'm 73," she says. "Started here in '67."
"Get out of here!" I say.
This place used to be Topsy's, for, like, 40

years. Then, recently, two friends named Brian bought it. "They did good," she says. "They tore it out, cleaned it up, put in everything new, and got a good crew.'

I'd heard Julie was finally turning in her apron, so I had to at least say I had chowed down "in Julie's time." I'm sure glad I did, because I'm a little light on the dinero, and it's Julie who tells me about the unmarked weekday \$3.99 breakfast special (on till 11:00 a.m.): two hotcakes or a waffle, bacon or a sausage patty, and two eggs.

She brings a menu to the counter. Two whole pages of breakfast items. The cheapest is two eggs, country potatoes, and English muffin, \$4.39. With bacon or two sausage patties, \$5.99. With an eight-ounce charbroiled top sirloin steak,

\$7.99. A red bear's-paw sign (or is it a flame?) tells you which are the Brians' personal faves. Chickenfried steak (with "our sausage gravy, two eggs any style, country potatoes, and an English muffin,' \$7.99) is one. "Brian's Favorite" is another. This is "Li'l Brian's creation." (The other Brian's tall.)

"An omelet stuffed with diced chicken breast, fresh broccoli, onions, and cream cheese, topped with our creamy hollandaise sauce and scallions'

And it does sound great. But — blame Carla — the "Hey, Ricky!!!" is what gets me really drooling. Carla introduced me to chorizo way back when. "Hey, Ricky!!!" is an omelet with chorizo, avocado, green chilies, and onions, with jack and cheddar cheeses and sour cream and salsa and country potatoes and muffin (\$7.99). Man, I could really go for that. Plus they have egg scrambles with the same kinds of fillings, all between seven and eight bucks.

Except, as I say, not much jingle to jangle.

Thank goodness for Julie's confidential info, the \$3.99 hotcake special.

I look around while she holds her press conference. The place is bright and clean. Fifties moderne. Long sloping rafters, lots of glass, a walled patio with tables and green umbrellas outside, aqua blue booths inside, red counter stools, gray Formica counter. You get the feeling that there's a lot of late-night action here. But it's certainly crowded now, nearly 11 in the

I notice every customer gets a pitcher of iced lemon water, and when you order coffee (Farmers, \$1.59), you get a whole Thermos full of it. Here she comes with mine. I order the off-menu special (with the eggs poached, hotcakes, and sausage patty). Julie flashes the order over the high counter to the cooks. In a couple of minutes the plate appears under one of those swank aquamarine heating lamps. Julie swings it down. I chow into it. Plop the poached eggs on top of the hotcakes. Perfect. Whites not runny; yolks not hard. Also, there's plenty of butter to mix with the syrup. And the sausage is a nice big generous disk. It's a filling breakfast.

Between chews I chat with Sam, the guy on the left, eating bacon and eggs. He's a sculptor. Carves extinct local animals, like the huge sabertooth cat that used to roam around San Diego's canyons. Ed, the guy on the other side, is having his regular early lunch, the Turkey Club Salad (with turkey, bacon, tomatoes, avocado, and jack cheese, \$7.59). He gets Julie to stamp a little card. "See? There is such a thing as a free lunch," he says. "Every eighth one's on the house."

When Julie comes to clear away my plate we start talking again. Life has been good, she says. But you can tell it hasn't always been easy. "I started waitressing at a Greek diner on Canal Street in New York. 1957. I came out west with my husband Bob. Lived on the ranch he ran for his dad — near Paso Robles. Barley, hay, milking cows... Raised our four children there. Like farming? I'm a New Yorker! But I did it because I loved my husband."

She says she first walked through these doors in 1967. "I was 38. Bob had had a heart attack. I sat down at that booth over there by the patio and filled out an application.

Now, 35 years later, she'll take off the black apron for the last time. "Yes, it'll be hard leaving. I'm a people person. And these are lovely people here. The staff, and especially the customers. I've watched them grow up from kids."

She looks away. But only for a moment. "Listen, this is getting me behind. Anything else?" ■

The Place: Brians' American Eatery, 1451 Washington Street, Hillcrest (619-296-8268) Type of Food: American

Prices: Weekday breakfast special (two hotcakes or waffle, bacon or sausage patty, two eggs), \$3.99; Hey, Ricky!!! omelet with chorizo, avocado, green chilies, onions, cheese, \$7.99; Oceanside scramble (with bacon, ham, mushrooms, onions, cheeses, sour cream, scallions), \$7.39; turkey club salad, with turkey, bacon, tomatoes, avocado, cheese, \$7.59; the Frankie burger (half-pound patty with peanut butter, bacon, cheeses, and two sides), \$7.69;

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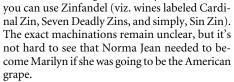
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Croatian Mouthful

Norma Jean needed to become Marilyn if she was going to be the American grape.

rljenak. Go ahead; roll that one around on your tongue. UC Davis professor Carole Meredith and a team of other academics have determined, via DNA fingerprinting and old-fashioned vineyard inspection, that Zinfan-

del's real name — the name it had before making its journey to Italy (where it became known as Primitivo) and before making its trek to California — is that vowelstarved Croatian mouthful. Not terribly sexy, Crljenak; not something you can use to hint at Bacchanalian indulgence, the way



It's a phrase you hear over and over: Zinfandel is the American grape. A grape of some humble, foreign origin, but one we made our own, one that found its bliss here in the wide-open States. Our brawny baby, blooming wherever it was planted, working its way up from immigrant jug wine to sexy giant, unlike anything else out there. A wine capable of staggering ripeness, capable of shrugging off the need for refinement and balance through sheer size and alcoholic strength.

Of course, tastes change, and not everybody wants all power all the time. Zin's popularity ascended through the '60s (historian Charles Sullivan says its arrival as a fine-wine varietal was heralded by super-grocer Darrell Corti's introduction of an Amador County Zinfandel made for him by Sutter Home in 1968) before exploding into the '70s. Winemakers such as Paul Draper at Ridge and Joel Peterson at Ravenswood began making much ado about Zinfandel, the later glee-

fully celebrating the varietal's potency with the motto "No Wimpy Wines" (which the winery also translates as *Nullum Vinum Flaccidum* and *No Vinos Sin Huevos*).

Then Zin suffered a backlash in the late '70s

and early '80s. Some say it was because people tired of drinking monstrous wines. Dry Creek Vineyard winemaker Jeff McBride, a Zinfandel veteran, thinks it also had to do with variability. "The customer was confused. They didn't know if they were getting one of those high-alcohol mon-

sters with residual sugar — if it was going to blow their socks off — or if it was a lighter, claretstyle," such as the Zin produced by Joseph Swan.

Like any proper American celebrity, Zinfandel proved capable of reinventing itself in order to stay in the public eye and heart. When what McBride calls "Zinfandel's identity crisis" hit, Sutter Home had already been producing a White Zinfandel for years. Around 1980, the wine took off. Historian Sullivan says that a stuck (stalled) fermentation at Sutter Home gave birth to the wine's trademark sweetness, but while lots of producers started making buckets of "Chateau Cash Flow" White Zin, not everyone went after the same sugary effect.

"There was quality White Zinfandel," says McBride, who was working at Kenwood Winery at the time. "A Sonoma Valley [appellation] White Zinfandel was a very rare beast," but it was one that Kenwood produced. "You were looking for a lower sugar content in the grapes. The higher the sugar, the more extraction you're automatically going to get during the harvesting process," extraction that will push your wine toward Zinfandel's natural redness. "Lower sugar and higher acids make a crisp, fruitier style of wine; you're going for that bright strawberry fruit that is one

of the components of Zinfandel at that earlier stage of maturity."

Still, such wines were the exception, and it was the sweet, flabby stuff that saved the Zinfandel vineyards that have become so prized today. "The largest selling wines during that time were Lancers and Mateus," recalls McBride. "They were off-dry roséstyle wines in fancy bottles, and everyone was drinking them.' White Zin followed the market, "and who's to argue with success? If we did not have White Zinfandel, all those old, head-pruned vineyards would have been ripped out and replaced with Chardonnay, or whatever the flavor of the year was. I still drink a bottle of . White Zinfandel every year, pray to the gods," thanking them for the pink preserver.

The late '80s saw the return of red Zin, partly because winemakers started employing technology and improved vineyard practices

in an effort to stay connected to the American palate. "Those early winemakers were being driven by what the vineyard gave them. Everything was either head-pruned old vines or just a California sprawl system with a lot of leaves and a lot of canopy. It was more a production-driven thing," until other ideas came into play: "trellising, getting the fruit up, exposing it to the sun. Increased canopy management increased crop loading. All that stuffjust mushroomed." The public thirst for less powerful, less alcoholic wines that were ready for consumption upon release could now be slaked.

Of course, tastes change, and as the '90s wine boom began giving birth to cult Zinfandel producers such as Turley, words like "big," "jammy," "extracted," and "super-ripe" began to sound attractive again. Alcohol levels began to creek upwards of 14 percent, then 15 percent, then 16... As a fan of restraint, I began to lose interest, and was ready to write the grape off as an Ugly American — overblown, in love with its

CORTI BROTHERS

RESERVE SELECTION ZINFANDEL AMADOR COUNTY VINTAGE 1968

This Zinfandel was produced from grapes grown on the K. Deaver Ranch in the Shenandoah Valley just north of Plymouth, Amador County. This family ranch is situated on an east-west exposure and is the oldest established vineyard in Shenandoah Valley.

Climate and temperature make Amador County perfect for growing Zinfandel. Here these grapes produce a superior wine with great depth and fullness and more spicyness and richness than anywhere in California.

1968 was an extremely warm year with the grapes for this wine picked very ripe having an acidity of .85. This wine was bottled unfined and unfiltered in June of 1970.

Since this wine was bottled unfined and unfiltered, it will throw a deposit with time and should be decanted.

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bigness, even crass. But this year's ZAP (Zinfandel Advocates and Producers) tasting in San Diego proved something of a surprise. I found a few wines under 14 percent alcohol, and more than a few others that held themselves together despite the enormity of their various parts.

Winemaker McBride was not surprised by my discovery. He opines that there is once again something of a backlash against the giant Zins, but this time, instead of abandonment, a "retro aspect" is taking hold. We are once again seeing Zinfandels all over the map. The difference is an increase in the market's size and knowledge. "Wine is a very international thing now, and Zinfandel is not produced in a lot of areas," so chances that you'll find a buyer for your particular style are improved. And though "it's a knowledgebased enjoyment," one that requires the consumer to check out your alcohol content and maybe sugars at harvest in order to find out what sort of wine you're selling, there are more people than ever who are willing to do just that.

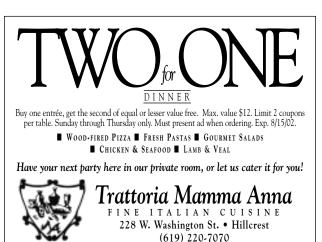












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MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

ANTHONY'S FISH GROTTO For its and its daily fresh fish specials, Anthony's still goes to the head of the class for stability of product, good-sized portions, time-honored preparation, and low cost. Open daily, lunch through dinner. No reservations, Inexpensive to expensive. Locations: 1360 North 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 Har bor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy ever-multiplying restaurants — namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed or panko-fried fin fish and shellfish, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Prepara-tions are generally simple and consistent among locales. The chain's facili-ties 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 mar-ket 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 "Ichihan Hamachi" (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding - and for a truly sexy treat, share a pair of "Honeymoon Oys-ters" 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

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. Other branches located throughout the city and suburbs. Call 619-583-7373 for locations. Inexpensive. — E.W.

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, Sor-

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THE ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE 3906 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740. Starve yourself for eight hours, then come in here and order up an Apple Pancake — a foot-wide, bat-ter-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 fran-chise, 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

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Wild Note Cafe O

O indicates at least one North County location.

national chain to cleave firmly to a regional American identity: Wherever you go, if you find a Popeye's you'll be eat-ing 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)

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 Pun*jabi*) 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. — EB (11/01)

NORTH COASTAL

BESTA WAN PIZZA HOUSE 148 Aberdeen Drive, Cardiff-By-The-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/01)

BISTRO SOLEIL 641 South Coast

Most French food in Encinitas is of the weighty cream-and-demi-glace traditional genre. Soleil offers an alternative with a seasonal menu of light, herbal Provençal specialties. The emphasis is on seafood, and on olive products in-stead of dairy. Dinner, Mondays through Saturdays. Upper moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

BUBBY'S GELATO 937 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet), but does them exceedingly well. The "gourmet sandwiches" really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediterranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled eggplant, gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that's your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Häagen-Dazs, and feature an everchanging array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewater and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

CALIFORNIA BISTRO 7100 Four Seasons Point, Four Seasons Resort Aviara, Carlsbad, 760-603-6800. On Wednesday night, an all-you-can-eat French buffet is available for \$25 (bev erage not included), half price for kids. It's more California cuisine than French, but there's lots of fresh food and the beautiful luxurious room carries the evening. Open 5:30 p.m to 9 p.m.; please make reservations. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* (7/00)

THE ENCINITAS CAFE 531 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-0919. This American café serves breakfast from opening to closing, with egg dishes, biscuits, and gravy for breakfast, sandwiches and salads for lunch, and American entrées for din-ner. Fast, excellent service. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — E.W.

J. TAYLOR'S 1540 Camino del Mar, L'Auberge Del Mar Hotel, Del Mar, 858-259-1515. Excellent value, good service, relaxing atmosphere. "Small plates" dinner offers well-prepared bargain-priced five-course meal at moderate cost. Otherwise expensive. - E.W. (6/00)

JUANITA'S TACO SHOP ESTILO TEPATITLAN 290 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-943-9612; also in Vista at 248 Main, 760-758-4531.

Enticing aromas of fresh tortillas and fragrant frijoles greet you as you enter this busy little taqueria, where the food's cooked in the style of Tepatitlan, a small city near Guadalajara. Its local specialty is carnitas — which Juanita's does up (by the plate or by the pound) as tender, non-greasy shreds, served with fresh, cilantro-laden mild tomato salsita. Standard wraps are fine, too, and the beans taste as good as they smell. Try a "Flying Saucer" — it really takes off, with shredded meat, onions, mild chiles, beans, sour cream, shredded orange cheese, and puréed gua-camole riding high on an airy crisped flour tortilla. Quick and good, open daily, three meals until 2 a.m. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/01)

KEALANI'S 137 West D Street, Encinitas, 760-94-ALOHA. Tucked between a 7-Eleven and a pizzeria, with an exterior sign that says "Saimin" (for Hawaii's version of Top Ramen), this island of the Islands prescribes "Living Da Aloha Spirit." A ukulele player sometimes serenades the noonday crowd at the sidewalk tables, and at any hour the food is "plate lunch" — two scoops of shortgrain rice, mild house-made macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the outstanding kalua pig, zesty, smoky shreds of imu-style roast pork, resembling a moister version of Southern "pulled pork." The menu covers the whole panoply of is-land standards, from malasadas (Portuguese donuts) to *musubi* (Spam sushi), with a Saturday special of a luau's worth of "local food." While you're waiting, check out the droll Hawaiian vocabulary lessons under the glass tops of the tables. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

LA BONNE BOUFFE 471 Encinitas Boulevard, Town and Country Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3081. Boeuf Bourguignon, rack of lamb, frog's legs (when available), duck in peppercorn sauce, and Dover sole in lemon-butter sauce are the staples of this French provincial restaurant. Dinners are à la carte. Charming room and sensitive wine list. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Reservations for weekend dinners advised. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

LA ESPECIAL NORTE 604 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical

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decor (take a look at the blue ceramic "pond" in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen re-gional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — for instance, the authentic Mexico Citystyle chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the savory eggplant soup includes airy little "croutons" of puffed relleno batter. The fresh, interesting seafood entrées outshine the relatively ordinary renditions of the standard stuffed-tortilla variations. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. N.W. (5/02)

PAMPLEMOUSSE GRILLE 514 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-792-9090. The locals' favorite French provincial restaurant offers exquisite, creative cooking. Favorites from an often changing menu include fresh crab salad with avocado and tomato coulis, white fish served any style, mushroom cap*pucini* soup, and *tarte Tatin*. Serene atmosphere with excellent service. Dinner reservations urged. Dinner nightly, lunch Wednesday through Friday. Dinners expensive. — *E.W.*

PAPA GUS 698 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-944-916, Healthful Cuban food is the specialty at this tiny, hard-to-find café with a pleasant sheltered patio. (It's just north of La Especial Norte, but the doorway may be half-hidden by hanging T-shirts from the shop next door.) The lively dishes are full o' beans — savory black beans, Cuba's staple dish, cooked with no animal products. There's no red meat on the menu; tuna and turkey are the furthest Papa goes with critters. The "Cuban Black Bean Soup Deluxe," rightly subtitled "a meal in itself," is a cauldron of thick beans (more stew than soup) with melted cheese, onions, avocado, a dash of sour cream and a daub of sprightly fresh salsita. Don't miss the cooked plantains, fully ripe and as sweet as candied bananas. The menu also offers some Mexican dishes styled with a Cuban accent, an oddsting ground-turkey picadillo (Cuban hash), plus salads, sandwiches, and smoothies made to order with whole fresh fruit. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. N.W. (10/01)

PAUL'S PLACE 3671 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-0124. This restau-

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rant looks like a McDonald's or Wendy's (the building used to be a franchise) and the food comes fast, but it's no chain. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek half-chicken, the spiced grilled chicken sliced up on salad with pita bread, and the gyros (all at earthy prices) mix with all-Ameri-can three-egg breakfast specials with home fries. Lunch offers include meaty hamburgers, gyros with fries, or a sur-prisingly tasty turkeyburger. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

ROXY NATURAL FOODS RESTAU-

RANT 517 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-5001. You don't have to be a Self Realization Fellowship follower to fit into Encinitas, but it helps. Roxy was made for the veggie crowd who've grown up around the famous seaside compound. These days, that includes surfers, vegans, and even visiting Hollywood stars picky about their food. Actually, it is no longer strictly a vegetarian eatery — the owners have added chicken and fish for Encinitas's "new people" — the carnivores buying up property in the hills. But the vegan-veggie spirit still rules. Most popular item on the menu is owner Shahram Naimi's own invention: the scrumptious Roxy falafel-burger. Its green "meat" is made from garbanzo beans, potatoes, onions, cilantro, and herbs, all bedded down with tomatoes, a thick mat of sprouts, and melted cheese, covered by a whole-wheat bun. For chicken-lovers, the gar-lic chicken pizzas sell big-time. Other healthy treats include the three-egg avocado omelet with toast, the artichoke sandwich (with marinated artichoke hearts), and the squash enchilada dinner (steamed banana squash with corn, bell peppers, and low-fat cream cheese in a flower tortilla). Payoff? You come out feeling good and full, not bad and bloated. Open daily, brunch through dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

SAMURAI JAPANESE RESTAU-RANT 979 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Solana Beach, 858-481-0032. This restaurant boasts "the largest California sushi bar," as well as a menu of over 100 items. The food is artistically prepared and pre-sented, the sushi uniformly fine. You can easily make a meal from the sushi and appetizers. Seating is available at the sushi bar or the central dining area, which provides capacious booths. A tatami room (with floor-seating on tatami mats, Japanese style) offers special prix fixe feasts (\$60 per person and up), by reservation only. Open daily. Moderate to extremely expensive. -

SCALINI 3790 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-259-9944. A handsome dining room offers northern Italian specialties with at least ten pasta dishes. All items on menu, which includes fresh fish and seafood, are tempting and well prepared. Imposing surroundings and excellent service. One of the best Italian restaurants in North County. Open for dinner nightly. Reserve for weekends. High moderate (pastas) to very expensive. — E.W.

ST. GERMAIN'S CAFE 1010 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-5411. Despite the Parisian name, the food here is all-American. Omelets are the café's best-known 14 variations of three-eggers

(or Eggbeaters by request) served with toast or a muffin, plus tasty herb strewn "café potatoes" or fresh fruit salad. But don't overlook the Belgian waffles, scrambles, pancakes, Louisiana sausages, or the three versions of expertly poached eggs Benedict with gen-uine hollandaise. Sandwiches run to hearty American classics (including some veg choices), and along with beef burgers, turkey burgers, and veggie burgers, there are no fewer than six twists on lean charbroiled chicken breast on a burger bun. The sheltered patio is always crowded, but there's a large interior dining room with a separate smoothies-and-ice-cream bar. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

ST. TROPEZ 947 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103D, Encinitas, 760-633-0084. If you love "continental breakfast," this bright café with indoor-outdoor seating offers scores of house-baked pastries (among them the rare, elusive brioche) and four styles of coffee, including an excellent French roast. Parisian-style brunch/lunch choices embrace croque monsieur and croque nadame (grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, topped with either light cream sauce or an egg), crepes, quiche, onion soup gratinée, or a chicken-filled volau-vent puff-pastry shell. Omelets are rather weighty. Some of the sandwiches offer Mediterranean flavors — try a *pan* bagnat (salade niçoise on a baguette) or one of the grilled panini. Desserts range from cookies on up to elaborate cakes. Open daily, breakfast to very early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

TIP TOP MEATS 6118 Paseo Del Norte, Carlsbad, 760-438-2620. This geranium-splashed blue-and-white Bavarian chalet is more than a butcher's shop. It's a combination butcher-deli-diner. Enter through the bulging deli and listen for the shouts and clatter of serving ladies. Look for the "Es ist Wunderbar!" sign over the counter. Try German and American dishes like Big John's all-you-can-eat bacon, pork-link sausage, bratwurst, or ham breakfast with three eggs, home fries, and toast. Or the sausage plate: bratwurst, knackwurst, and smoked Polish with German potato salad and traditional stuffed cabbage. Owner Big John is a heavyweight Olympic boxer from the former East Germany with an MA in meat sciences, so generous portions are second nature. And weekends after 4:00 p.m., he roasts his famous prime rib dinner. Inexpensive. - E.B. (11/00)

TOM GIBLIN'S IRISH PUB 640 Grand Avenue (at Roosevelt Street), Carlsbad Village, 760-729-7234, www.tomgiblins.com. Occupying the whole of a handsome, sprawling, block-long Eliz-abethan-style building, this friendly "small-townish" saloon offers some above-average pub-grub, especially the perfect, moist corned beef with firmtender cabbage, the huge, lively salads, and the house-baked brown bread. Boxty (Irish "peasant" potato pancakes, rarely found in California) are done up rather doughy rather than crisp to serve as "wraps" for corned beef and other dishes. Live music on holiday evenings and during happy hours. A large, attractive heated patio next to the parking lot offers some afternoon serenity. Open daily, lunch until late, plus Sunday

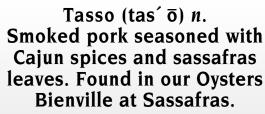












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— E.W. (6/98)

NORTH INLAND

A LITTLE BIT OF GERMANY 1717 East Vista Way, Vista, 760-941-4626. Authentic German menu offers most of your favorites: chicken in champagne sauce, *sauerbraten* (beef in wine-vinegar sauce), Wiener schnitzel. Hot potato salad, made-on-the-premises spaetzle, and strudel major pluses. Call for directions. Closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

ASHOKA THE GREAT 9474 Black Mountain Road (off Miramar Road), Mira Mesa, 858-695-9749. Seek out this splendid Indian restaurant. The setting is lovely, the service excellent, and the food first-rate. Don't overlook the tandoori dishes. Numerous selections are available for vegetarians. An all-youcan-eat lunch buffet is served daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

CHIEU-ANH VIETNAMESE CUI-SINE 16769 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-1231. Gourmet Vietnamese food is available here from a lengthy menu, including many items showing French influence. Good bets are chicken crepe, fresh fish with lemon grass, tangy-and-sour soup, egg rolls, and filet mignon beef. Chiêu-Anh enhances the selection of fine dining rooms in Rancho Bernardo. Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive. -

EL GALEON 503 West Mission Ave ene, Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffeeshop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter, and a salad bar. Shrimp and *langostino* ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are well-treated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory *al-bóndigas* soup(lime it up, too.) Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (5/01)

EL TAQUITO MARISCOS 500 North Escondido Boulevard (Felix Plaza, next to Pool King), 760-739-8204. Also 503 North Grande Avenue (Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-735-5819 At this sparkling, airy *taqueria*, a semi-open kitchen wafts out the alluring aroma of fresh corn tortillas. You can get breakfast right through lunch hour, fill up on huge combo plates, or create your own assortment of Baja-style mini-tacos (of asado, cabeza, pastor, carnitas, etc.) for pennies. The refried beans are as good as they get. But seafood is the focus, occupying a whole menu page offering gargantuan cocktails, soups, salads, antojitos, and hot and cold platters featuring shrimp, langostinos, tilapia, snapper, crab, etc. They're beautifully seasoned, if a tad overcooked. Try the lively levanta muerta ("raise the dead") seafood soup and rise again. Open daily, breakfast

until late. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). N.W. (5/01)

THE FIRESIDE 439 West Washington Avenue (at Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-745-1931. The Fireside bills itself as "North County's Finest Steak House." It also seems to be the area's community center, a rambling building with a karaoke bar, nightclub poolroom, and meeting rooms for many lodges. The dining room is large and lovely, plush and quiet, with soft lighting, a freestanding central fire-place, and seating in cushy booths. The menu is part steakhouse, part 1975 French-Continental — think duck à l'orange, tournedos Rossini, breaded rack of lamb - by now, these are American comfort foods. All steaks and prime rib are USDA Choice or better, dry-aged for maximum flavor, cooked to your preference. You can taste the difference. Sometimes an octogenarian pianist tinkles out old show tunes. Isn't it romantic? It is. Dinners nightly, with bargain-priced weeknight twilight dinners, champagne brunch Sundays. Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

THE FRENCH MARKET GRILLE 15717 Bernardo Heights Parkway at Pomerado Road, Ralphs Shopping Center, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-8055. Don't miss this small but chic French restaurant. The chef/co-owner, originally from Brit-tany, produces superb nouvelle cuisine, with a menu of fresh dishes changing seasonally. Reservations strongly advised. Breakfast served Sunday; lunch and dinner served daily. Expensive. -

 $\textbf{GOLDEN EGG OMELET HOUSE}\ 316$ West Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-489-6420. This morning treasurehouse is large but Swiss-style cute, its

brick walls festooned with knicknacks (for sale), and silent wind chimes hanging from every wooden rafter. This is the place on Sunday mornings, when three generations bond over great, generous breakfasts. Omelets are perfect — light, thin crepe-like eggs wrapped around tall mounds of elaborate fillings. Thick waffles can be topped with fresh seasonal fruit. And then there are eggs, hash, crepes, huge burgers and sandwiches, and a dozen-odd potato casseroles. Whatever you choose will carry you deliciously through until dinner. No reservations, so expect a wait on weekends. Open daily, breakfast-lunch (until 2 p.m.). Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

LUNGREN BROTHER'S PIZZA AND KARAOKE 29,000 Lilac Road, Valley Center Road, Escondido, 760-749-2346. It's all so cozy here that you don't care that this restaurant was once the cooler room of a turkey farm. The combo of spaghetti with eggplant parmigiana (around \$6) is excellent. generous, and includes garlic bread and soup or salad. Wash it down with the house's gutsy red wine. Other special-ties include meatball sandwiches, lasagna with spaghetti, and mini piz-zas. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

LA JOLLA

ALFONSO'S OF LA JOLLA 1251 Both the patio and the dining room are lively, crowded, noisy, and festive. The house specialty is *carne asada*, and the quesadilla Mercedes (shrimp over a quesadilla) is outstanding. Extensive menu offers combination plates, chiles rellenos, sopes, and flautas. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. —

THE CHEESE SHOP 2165 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-459-3921. Used to be the Cheese Shop had 100 varieties of cheese from all over. No more. "The cheese trade is dead," says owner Phil Schutz. They still have all-cheese sandwiches with mixes of provolone, Mon-terey Jack, Cheddar, Swiss, Muenster, Danish Havarti or Norwegian Jarls-berg. But today this small, busy café is more famous for its "overstuffed" meat sandwiches. The leg of lamb, top round beef, and roast pork loin are all spitroasted right beside you as you walk in, to waken your taste buds. Cheeses like crumbled Greek Mizithra add tang to the taste. If you're into salami and ham, try the foot-long. Free peanuts while you wait, and a cool street scene outside where you can eat and beautiful-people-watch. Inexpensive. Other location: 627 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-232-2303. — *E.B.* (10/01)

COME ON IN! 1030 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-551-1063. Delight ful 30-seat restaurant in mini-mall serves excellent Euro-bistro food. Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The dinners are best bets with first-rate soups, pasta dishes, fresh fish. Try the daily fresh fish or gnocchi in Bolognese sauce. Or select nightly soup plus salad. Open all day Tuesday through Sunday Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.W. (1/00)

CUVEE 5656 La Jolla Boulevard (at Bird Rock Avenue), La Jolla, 858-551-4090, www.cuveerestaurant.com. Seasonal but rather underseasoned California-Mediterranean cuisine designed to accompany an interesting wine list priced at low retail plus \$8 "corkage" per bot-tle; same corkage for BYO. Menu suggests apt wine pairings for each dish. Dining rooms are pleasant, but quite noisy. Reservations urged; a few tables on heated garden patio are available to

drop-ins. Small parking lot in alley behind restaurant. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

FRENCH PASTRY SHOP 5550 La Jolla Boulevard (at Forward Street), La Jolla, 858-454-9094, www.frenchpas-tryshop.com. A longstanding fixture of the Bird Rock area, this bakery/restaurant includes both a simple, spacious dining room and a shaded patio (reputedly San Diego's first dining patio). Breakfast — a highlight of the menu is served until 4 p.m. The whisper-thin crêpes with luscious stuffings speak in a Gallic accent. Other possibilities include omelets, eggs Benedict variations, and fine-quality brioches and croissants. Pastries are moist, fairly light, and very sweet. Dinner entrées focus on updated French classics, e.g., duck breast a' l'orange, with "early bird" bargains. Open daily for breakfast through early dinner. — N.W. (5/02)

HARRY'S COFFEE SHOP 7545 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-7381. This landmark coffee shop is noted for its breakfasts, served from opening to clos-ing. The buttermilk pancakes, varieties of waffles made from scratch, and egg combinations are all generous and well prepared. One of the few places where you can still get hot oatmeal or cream of wheat, Harry's also serves freshly squeezed orange juice and entire carafes of freshly ground Kona coffee, as well as specialty coffee drinks. Open daily, breakfast and lunch, from 5:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Inexpensive.

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LA JOLLA CANTINA 2161 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-459-4075. The surprise here is that this is one of those casual coast cantinas where you can relax, get a good meal, and not get gouged with La Jolla prices. *Huevos rancheros* (three eggs, corn tortillas, beans and rice) and *machaca* (*carne asada*, eggs, hall peppers, onions, rice, beans, torbell peppers, onions, rice, beans, tillas) are great, but you can't beat their eggs Benedict (Black Forest ham and two poached eggs smothered in hollandaise sauce). The short-stack pancakes or French toast (made with egg bread, dipped in cinnamon-vanilla batter and dusted with powdered sugar) should give you your sugar fix too. Lunch is great out on the sidewalk (carnitas lunch torta, seared ahi with greens, or lamb in chili sauce are good bets), but the really cool time to come is early evening, when all La Jolla Shores is out on the prowl, sitting with a cerveza, dishing the day's dirt. Breakfast through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

LA TERRAZZA 8008 Girard Avenue. La Jolla, 858-459-9750. This pleasant Italian café provides a loving and festive atmosphere. The pastas are delightful and so are the salads. A good place for casual dining. Same menu lunch and dinner except for nightly specials. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

OCEAN KITCHEN 5525 La Iolla Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-459-3993. The dishes at this Mandarin and Cantonese restaurant contain no MSG, nor are there starches in the sauces. Very lively cooking with many unique recipes. The dinner menu is available from opening to closing. This remains one of our best natural Chinese food restaurants. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E. W.

P.F. CHANG'S CHINA BISTRO 4540 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-458-9007. The decor and ambiance carry the weight here. Chinese food is only average. This is a place to see and be seen. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Dinner menu available from opening to closing. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

PIATTI RISTORANTE 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. This country-style Italian restaurant serves admirable Italian dishes with light sauces and moderate prices. Not-to-be-missed items are the daily soups, rotisserie chicken and garlic mashed potatoes vegetarian lasagne with zucchini, and ravioli with lemon sauce. Saturday and Sunday à la carte brunch offers 11 items, including pizza. Patio dining for all meals. Superb service. Arrive early for more leisurely dining. Very crowded weekends. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

ROPPONGI 875 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-551-5252. In terms of atmosphere and food preparation, one of the best restaurants in La Jolla. The Euro-Asian fusion menu offers a vast choice of 20 appetizers, or *tapas*, including several sushi rolls. Don't overlook the Thai coconut soup, Atlantic salmon, and duck confit at dinner, or the *niçoise* salad at lunch. Beautiful interior; lovely heated patio; excellent service. Be sure to reserve, especially for dinner, to avoid a very long wait. Open daily. Moderate (tapas) to expensive. -E.W. (12/99)

SHABU SHABU JIN SANG 7614 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-4545. Shabu shabu is a style of Japanese cuisine in which the ingredients are cooked in boiling water and then dipped into

sauces. The liquid becomes a soup, which you drink last. This gorgeous restaurant offers an excellent selection of shabu shabu entrées, electric cookers, patient servers, and an exotic appetizer list. Food is low calorie, low fat, Portions small, but aesthetic. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — E.W.

TORREYANA GRILL Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines, 10950 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-450-4571. Best seafood buffet in city, served Friday nights, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. At least 21 items, most of them fresh seafood and fish plus New York cut beef and chicken. Price is \$28.95, \$10.95 for children. Add \$10.00 for one and a quarter pound fresh Maine lobster steamed to order. Excellent value for the money. Friday night only. Expensive. — *E.W.* (6/99)

CLAIREMONT & KEARNY MESA

THE BEST LITTLE RIB HOUSE 4706Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (Diane/Ross Center), Clairemont, 858-581-9444. It's small, modest, and lost in a meandering mall, but this little rib house delivers on taste. You get nine basic rib choices of chicken, beef ribs, pork ribs, or different combos They also do pulled meat, taken off the bone, on the plate or in sandwiches. First time, take the number 7 sampler: beef rib, pork rib, and chicken, along with combread and two sides such as wedge country fries or macaroni salad. The standout is the pork. Some customers swear by Good-Time Charlie's — a BBQ elixir that Gail's pappy Charlie Coyle perfected 65 years ago. The chipotle, molasses, and mustard seeds will kick your taste buds awake. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

BOLSA VIETNAMESE CUISINE RESTAURANT 9225 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Suite 118, Mira Mesa. 858-693-3663. Try this fine Vietnamese café with an enormous menu. Especially jolly weekends. Open daily for three meals with continuous service, same menu. Inexpensive. — E.W.

HUNGRY STICK 4664 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 619-272-1412. "Life's too short to drink cheap beer," says the sign. They must mean it. At Happy Hour (weekdays 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.), a 24-ounce glass of

Guinness is as cheap as a Bud. Which Guilliess is as cheap as a bud. Which is nice because it goes great with this pool bar's greatest hit: "San Diego's Famous 1/2-lb. Steerburger." The burger bun is crisp, the big slab of meat's crunchy-grilled, and the tomato, lettuce and raw onion are fresh. The small menu also includes chicken breast on a bun, patty melt, and hot wings. They boast 24 beers on tap, and, of course, dozens of giant-screen sports TVs. Open seven days, until late. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

LORNA'S ITALIAN KITCHEN 3945 Governor Drive, Vons shopping center, University City, 619-452-0661. Twenty pasta dishes are prepared here, all from scratch, as well as hot sandwiches and pizza. Fine place for families. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — $\hat{E}.W$.

NIJIYA MARKET 3860 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you're not willing to sacrifice quality for convenience when eating fast food, try this Japanese market in Kearny Mesa, Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or bento, that are pretty to look at, appe tizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, passing by Nijiya's steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you'll find delicious chicken cutlets, fresh sushi, and chilled noodles, as well as dessert delicacies like sweet bread roll filled with sweet bean paste. Inexpensive. — M.N. (8/99)

PAMPAS ARGENTINE GRILL 8690 Aero Drive at Montgomery Field, Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. Argentine favorites, steaks, parrillada or mixed grill, empanadas, Italian-style Argentine items, fish, and chicken provide a wide range of choices. Lively atmos-phere and good service. Since the grill is very hot, order all items cooked medium or rare, else the beef, listed as organic without hormones or pesticides, arrives overcooked. Open lunch and dinner, Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (8/00)

SEOUL B.B.Q. 4344 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 619-505-0038. This Korean restaurant means sitting before a sizzling cast iron grill, sipping hot sake, the smell of grilled beef, grilled onions, and fresh garlic in the air. Try the "Korean B.B.Q." marinated short ribs (tong galbi) or thick marbled slices of sirloin (beef gui). You'll enjoy all the accompanying dishes that make the meal. like crunchy seaweed salads, radishes in garlicky tomato sauce, slow-cooked

potatoes with soy sauce and jalapeño pepper. Feeling adventurous, go for the goat meat hot pot or Korean steak tartare (yukhwoe). This is sensual, elemental, hairy-chested food. M.N. (12/99)

TOFU HOUSE 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 619-576-6433. Also at 3805 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-4406. This stylish little pair of eateries is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes. Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the *soontofu* soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom), with raw egg drop you drop yourself, and a side of tasty fresh kimchee. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food—Tofu House serves vivid ethnic food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — M.N. (2/99)

THE BEACHES

THE AUSTRALIAN PUB 1014 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9921. A great place to take your kids after a morning at the beach. This relaxing pub, owned by a true-blue Aussie, offers heaps of good Aussie food. Try the Road Kill (grilled chicken breast with pico de gallo sauce and cheese "run over" between 2 pieces of sourdough) or the Aussie Burger (1/2-pound patty, with a fried egg, cheese, bacon, grilled onions, beets, pineapple, and a side of steak fries). And for an "outback experience," order up Vegemite (a beefy kinda paste) and four slices of bread it's the Aussie national food, mate. Open Mondays through Thursdays lunch and dinner until midnight; week ends breakfast through dinner until 1 a.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

CHATEAU ORLEANS 926 Turquoise Street (at Mission Boulevard), Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744, www.chateauor leans.com. Just like eating in the French Quarter — at one of Bourbon Street's best tourist traps, complete with live music and party atmosphere. The lovely multiroom premises have a real Crescent City "let the bon temps rouler" feel to it, but the simpler South-ern dishes — honest crabcakes, fried catfish - seem better bets than the kitchen's attempts at more demanding Acadian fare. Reservations strongly ad-

vised. A little dressy on weekends. Full bar. Wheelchair users may need help with rest room doors. Dinner Monday through Saturday. High moderate. - N.W. (2/02)

CHINA INN 877 Hornblend Street (between Garnet and Grand Avenues), Pacific Beach, 858-483-6680. At least 118 items appear on the menu, which offers Mandarin and Szechuan specialties and includes sweet-and-pungent shrimp, Mandarin pork rib, duck in orange sauce, and shrimp in garlic sauce. Simple setting; outstanding food. The dinner is always preferable when Andy Kam, the chef/owner, is there. Ask his advice about dishes. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

THE FISHERY 5040 Cass Street, Pacific Beach, 858-272-9985. Half fish market, half casual fish menu, it offers fine fish and chips, salads, and fish sandwiches. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.W.

FRENCH GOURMET 960 Turquo Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-1725. This pleasant, airy dining room serves French food with California influences It's light, good-tasting, and easy on your purse. Breakfast items and lunch are served simultaneously. Ravishing desserts and bakery at one end of the restaurant. Open daily. Moderate. —

FRONTEIRA BRAZILIAN BBQ 3778 Ingraham Street (at La Playa Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-581-0200, Live large at this pleasantly plain-looking Brazilian *rodizio*, addressing a near-endless procession of rotisserie-grilled meats and poultry. At each table there's a wooden cone with one end red and the other end blue-green. Turn the green side up to start the servers parading to your table, offering you tastes cut from long spits of salty, simply seasoned pork, poultry, ribs, sausages, numerous cuts of beef, even shrimp. (Turn the cone red side up to take a break from the protein parade.) The gargantuan spread also includes a U-shaped buffet with a changeable array of alluring side dishes, salads, fruit, and such intriguing hot entrées as beef with okra or oxtails with plantains, with exotic but oddly homey flavors. There's al-ways a potful of *feijoada*, the national slow-cooked, meaty black beans (in a somewhat bland version, which you can liven up with a splash of









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hot sauce from the ledge above the salad buffet). No matter how often you eat here, you'll never have the same meal twice. Arrive relatively early for dinner (some buffet items run out by 8 p.m.). Call for weekend reservations to request a vegetarian meal. Open daily. Low moderate, a steal for the quantity and quality. — N.W. (8/01)

KARINYA THAI RESTAURANT 4475 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. The impressive menu boasts 80 items, of which 21 are appetizers. There's also a room with floor seating. Best bets here are firecracker shrimp, spicy fish cakes, stuffed chicken wings, and any item from the list of house specialties. Stunning presentation and excellent preparation. On weekends arrive early to avoid waiting for tables. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

LOTSA PASTA 1762 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-581-6777. This family Italian-American restaurant seats 160 people. It offers a menu where you can select your own pasta and your own sauces (12 pastas, 18 sauces). Best bets dinner specialties with dinner salad \$8.95. Only restaurant to offer timpand (from the movie *Big Night*). Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.W.

THE MISSION CAFE AND COFFEE

HOUSE 3795 Mission Boulevard (at San Jose Place), Mission Beach, 858-488-9060. Gourmet and Latino breakfasts served in funky surroundings. Outstanding are cinnamon French toast, blackberry-banana pancakes, and roast beef hash with rosemary potatoes and eggs. Chino-Latino lunch items. All dishes plus fabulous bread, scones, muffins, available for take-out. Open daily 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.W.

RANCHOS COCINA 1830 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-226-7619; 4705 Point Loma Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-224-9815. Also at 3910 30th Street (at University Avenue), North Park, 619-574-1288, At all locations of this delightful mini-chain, you'll find healthy, creative Mexican and vegetarian cuisine in cheerful. tropical-style settings burgeoning with

plant life and craft objects. A big plus: zero attitude. You don't have to be vegi-virtuous to enjoy full-flavored combinations that are as creative as they are wholesome. Try anything with lobster or calamari steak - in fact, all the seafood here is pristine. Try, even an antojito stuffed with beef - it's stewed, not ground. And sample something with the house-made mole sauce of a zillion ingredients. Actually, tryanything. (Well, the chicken breast is as dry here as everywhere else. Try anything else.) Open daily breakfast through dinner. No reservations, but call ahead for large parties. Inexpensive. — N.W. (6/01)

MIDWAY, **OLD TOWN &** MISSION VALLEY

CAFE PACIFICA 2414 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-291-6666. Superior standards always prevail here. The cooking is clean to the palate and burst-ing with freshness. For appetizers: Dungeness crab cakes or mussels steamed in chardonnay. For entrées, daily fresh fish, lamb chops, pasta. Everything is memorable. Not to be missed. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

HORSE AND COW BAR AND GRILL 2734 Lytton Street, Loma Portal, 619-224-6409. This hard-to-spot place "runs deep," like the customers it serves — submariners. Here is where the "Silent Service" lets off steam noisily. The H&C has probably the world's greatest collection of submarine memorabilia, Subs' banners, bells, lighters, even the deepest flush toilet in the world (it belonged to the USS *Dol*phin). The sub-like interior is dark, with walls painted camouflage blueblack. Snacks include mozzarella sticks, fried mushrooms, onion rings, chicken nuggets, and wings. If you're hungry, the flop-over-the-edge steaks and burg ers with fries are generous. Not that it matters. What you're really digesting is the atmosphere. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (3/01)

IKEA RESTAURANT & CAFE 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley. 619-283-6166, ext.1200. Central shrine for San Diego's 10,000 Swedes, so they say. They come to taste open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, and meatballs again. This restaurant inside Sweden's wildly successful "home interiors" chain is a great intro to Swedish tastes. The food's more sensible than exciting, of course. But healthy - beef and pork for the meatballs are guaranteed hormone-free. You eat the meatballs with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Fish is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon), are always on. And if you want to be disgustingly healthy, chew on their fresh vegetable plate (raw carrot sticks, cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms). All for a song. The only health hazard: hordes of babies and kids romping in the restaurant's mother-friendly play area. Inexpensive. - E.B. (5/02)

MARDI GRAS CAFE 3185 Midway Drive (near Rosecrans and East Street, in mini-mall with a 7-11, across the street from Godfather Pizza), Loma Portal, 619-223-5501. The Creole cooking at this café/grocery, to eat in, take out, or have catered for your next party, is sound and tasty, if deliberately underseasoned (just add salt and hot sauce to taste). You can also buy the real and rare ingredients from the freezer, deli case, and grocery shelves, including Cajun tasso (spiced ham), boudin blanc (rice sausage) and craw-fish sausage. Daily brunch through early dinner. No alcohol, everything available for takeout. Inexpensive. N.W. (2/01)

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JIMMY'S 9635 Mission Gorge Road Santee, 619-448-8994. We're at the end of the line here, the trolley's Orange Line. Feels like a safari. You walk back through the grass to the streets of San

tee. Thank goodness for this family friendly restaurant with good old-fash-ioned American food. Their six-page plastic menu tells all — forget your diet and dig into the breakfast "Eggs and Cakes" (two eggs, three pancakes), the "Touchdown" (two eggs, two hot (two eggs, two hot cakes, four strips of bacon or three link sausages), or the "Monte Cristo" hot sandwich (ham and turkey grilled on batter-dipped Texas toast with Swiss cheese, hot syrup, and French fries). Or later in the day, the New York strip and sirloin steaks with all the trimmings. and desserts like homemade cinnam bread pudding with sultanas and whipped cream. Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

LA MESA OCEAN GRILLE AND

SEAFOOD MARKET 5465 Lake Murray Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-463-1548. This spot is really three restaurants in one. One is a basic fish house with encyclopedic fish posters and paper placemats, serving seafood sandwiches, tacos, and various simple fish preparations (fried, blackened, etc.). Another is an old-style seafood restaurant, with lace curtains, tablecloths, and some richer fish dishes (e.g., with hol-landaise). The third is a slightly hip Italian eatery with a charcoal-gray track-lit ceiling and black-background fish upholstery, serving standards (scaloppini, *piccata*, etc.) plus nightly specials. Fish here is very fresh and properly cooked, although there are occasional missteps — too much salt in the blackening, a hollandaise that tastes of lemony mayo. Salads are fresh but iceberg-standard; hot rolls are delicious sourdough, and the halibut ceviche is a treat - cool, refreshing and slightly tart. Baked Maryland-style crab cakes in a thick red-pepper sauce are gooeyrich and tasty. Moderate. A.M. (5/01)

MARIO'S DE LA MESA 8425 La Mesa Boulevard, 619-461-9390. The man on the burro (seen on the restaurant's sign and menu) holds two flags, those of Mexico and the U.S.A. — very appropriate. Few dishes (except maybe the menudo) will push the paler palate too far in any direction, but gosh-all, everything is so darn tasty. Tamales are a house special: rich, pillowy clouds of

cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins for a smidgeon of sweetness. Pork also gets loving treatment in the carnitas rojas big chunks browned to the barest crisp, which falls away to melting tenderness. Great marinade (cumin?) on the carne asada; intense flavor and buttery richness on the "machaca sonora style (dry-roasted shredded beef). Beans are so light as to seem whipped; rice is stud-ded with peas and spicy carrots. Serv-ice is fast and friendly. Sunday brunch. Inexpensive. — *A.M.* (7/01)

PAIPA'S OASIS Sycuan Casino, 5469 Dehesa Road, El Cajon, 619-445-6002. Forget gambling — gambol through the slots till you pass under two huge elephant tusks. The "Joe and the Volcano"-style place with a fountain tower gurgling in the center is Paipa's. Pay the woman. Now decide: a lot of a little, or a little of a lot. The huge salad bar is surrounded by a groaning U-shaped table laden with everything from peel n' eat shrimp to baked cod to Certified Black Angus prime rib. Keep coming back. Save them from throwing away this stuff. End with, say, strawberry cheesecake and coffee. Unlike the other suckers, you've gotten a return on your money. Moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

PEARLS OF THE SEA Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way, El Cajon, 619-445-6002. In a quiet refuge from the bustle of the casino, you'll find re-fined Hong Kong versions of Chinese classics, skillfully prepared in the light Cantonese style. The menu ranges from low-priced noodle bowls (including a dynamite Cantonese take on Filipino pansit) up to live Maine lobster and ex cellent Peking Duck served with beautiful little Mandarin buns. The rear of the restaurant boasts live tanks, and if you love good seafood, do step back to choose your fish, which can be sensitively steamed, pan-fried, or deepfried — your option. (By the way, a whole fish to feed a tableful runs less than a skimpy fillet at any fancy restaurant.) Since most gamblers want to gobble and run, tell the server immediately if you want your meal served in leisurely courses (as the food deserves) No alcohol. Reserve for weekends or large groups. Inexpensive, with a few

large dishes and specialties at moderate prices. — N.W. (6/01)

POTRERO'S CAFE 25125 Highway 94, Potrero, 619-478-2694, Watch for the three great old Live Oak trees. This café sits under them and looks straight out of a 1930s Western movie. Lot of good old boys in ten-gallon hats gather here. The menu's non-PC. It features rib-sticking food from biscuits and gravy to a mountain of hot cakes, or the famous mushroom-and-onions hamburger with baked beans. Open for breakfast and lunch; closed Monday Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

RESTAURANT AFRIQUE Oak Plaza Mall, 4990 University Avenue 619-283-3838. The previous tenants' Chinese decor remains, but the atmosphere here is full-on Somali, Evenings it's an unofficial club for the oftenrobed Somali men of the neighborhood. Dominoes and card games make it nicely rowdy. The food is mainly Somali, with some Ethiopian and Sudanese dishes. Try muufo (Somali bread) with marinated goat meat or chopped steak, or spiced rice with goat. Sudanese *fuul* (fava beans in tomato sauce) with regular or pita bread makes for lighter eating. Bananas come with each meal. There are right and wrong ways to eat — ask the owner, Abdiaziz to show you. Many dishes come with pasta, a leftover from the Italian colonial period in Somalia. Open daily. In-expensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

SHAM ROCKS SHACK BAR & **GRILL** 7059 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-463-2263. It has the feel of a pub: nice solid-wood furniture, pool tables. dart boards, big open kitchen in back. Most of all, people know each other. Construction workers come in during the day, students at night. Around 6 p.m., you get a little of both. And the food tells the tale: yes, there's little bit of Ireland, like the corned beef sandwiches, but mostly it's all-American pre-health-craze cholesterol city. Denver egg omelets with home fries, Philly cheese steaks, spaghetti and garlic bread, hamburgers, jalepeño poppers, steak and eggs, and of course fish and chips. Presentation's old-fashioned, too: heavy white dinner china plates











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and sturdy cutlery, as long as you agree to "please don't steal the forks." But Irish? Well, think James Joyce on a surf-board. Brunch daily from noon to 6 p.m., Sunday special from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

SHMOOZERS KOSHER DAIRY **RESTAURANT** 6366 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-583-1636. Great for vegans! This Kosher eatery promises "all-rennetless cheese, vege-tarian food, no meat, no animal fat, certified Kosher, 100% fresh ingredients." Everything is prepared under the supervision of the "Va'ad Harabbonim of San Diego" — meaning, the restaurant is inspected every few days by an Orthodox rabbi to make sure the food is prepared properly. The milk is also checked — Chalav Yisroel — from milking to bottling. Good eats include "Felafel, California Style," balls of seasoned ground chickpeas, tahini (sesame paste), and salad rolled in a flour tortilla; the 16-inch vegan pizza; and breaded whiting fillets with chips or salad. Open Saturday from one hour after sunset to 11 p.m.; Sunday to Thursday, noon-8:30 p.m.; closed Fridays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

SUNNY GARDEN CUISINE OF **CHINA** 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa, 619-464-2288. Decent Chinese food, in East County, in a mall? Yes. Fans of fried goodness will of course swoon over tempura shrimp panko-crusted, huge and tender—but they might also start with the smoked chicken: smoky meat swaddled in an orangey fried coat, served atop a deeply munchable bed of salty-sour fried mustard greens. The menu is typically broad. Chicken, shrimp, beef and pork are all given the Mu-Shu treatment mixed with bamboo shoots, bean

sprouts, and thin, chewy mushrooms and wrapped tableside (if you like) ir papery pancakes. Yu-Hsiang (with shrimp, beef, or pork) includes vegetables that are flavorful (not afterthoughts) in a refreshingly nonsweet vinegar sauce. Specialties include Peking duck and fried noodle nests filled with either seafood or beef. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

TOSHI SUSHI 5943 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego, 619-287-3536. Don't ask what's in the "dynamite" sauce (besides the obvious mayo and smelt roe) — it's a house secret, one the restaurant dangles before you in numerous contexts. Try it baked onto the rich, everything-goes Garbage Roll, where deep-fried shrimp, freshwater eel, and tuna add flavor to the creamycrunchy interplay of sauce and vegetables. Rolls, both plain and elaborate, abound here. While some can be heavy on the rice and light on the fish, others are triumphs. The Toshi Tempura Spe cial Roll takes battered whitefish and wraps it around the seaweed casing, which is then filled with just-cooked whitefish and a host of garnishes — an exotic-yet-homey fried-fish alternative. The Johnny Roll shows octopus at its most tender, but watch out for spotlight-hogging sweet cream cheese. The simpler sushi can vary — a brilliant, translucent slice of tuna offset by a blander, duller salmon. Japanese en-trées are also available. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

VALLEY HOUSE RESTAURANT 10767 Woodside Avenue, Santee, 619-562-7878. This is for Cornbelt folks, plus wannabes who enjoy plain-speaking, plenty-of-it Iowan food. Take the morning special "Iowa Breakfast": breaded pork tenderloin, two eggs, and hash browns, fries, or grits plus a choice of biscuits, muffins, or toast — it's de-licious. Lunch or dinnertime you can't

go wrong ordering the signature "Iowa Porker" hot sandwich (breaded port

tenderloin in a bun with soup, potato salad, or steak fries) or the "Iowa

Beefers" (seasoned ground beef simmered in chicken broth, piled into a burger bun). Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

WOODSTOCK'S PIZZA 6548 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-265-0999. It's a college pizza joint, but the fare rates well above standard beer ballast. (For that matter, the beers — local Stone Pale Ale, Karl Strauss, Arrogant Bastard Ale, and Wyder's Pear Cider, along with the usual Coors Light and Bud — aren't exactly chug-suds.) Crusts - white or sweetly robust whole wheat — are pressed, tossed, and then folded over at the edge, producing a spongy, crunch-crusted rim. The mozzarella is rich, gooey whole-milk; the marinara sauce is dark and spicy; and the toppings are fresh, hearty standouts. Watching your weight? Two low-fat combos (half the cheese) are available. Happy hour 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight — your 32-oz. Karl Strauss drops from \$4.25 to \$2.50. Inexpensive. — A.M. (4/02)

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ASIA CAFE 4710 Market Street (at 47th Street), Chollas View, 619-527-1917. May be Asian San Diego's best-kept secret. You have to look behind the smog shop at this all-Laotian shopping center to find it. The menu's Southeast Asian, but the owner—and most of the conversation around you - is Lao Lao dishes include the famous Larb-Kai (chicken salad with hot peppers, lemon grass, and sticky rice). Good regional alternatives: *Bamee* (egg noodle) roasted pork soup, Crying Tiger (ground beef salad with vegetables), Duck Head BBQ, and *Lard Nar* (seafood, beef, or pork with sloppy wide noodles and vegetables). Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

CHICKEN PIE SHOP OF SAN **DIEGO** 2633 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-295-0156. How much do people love this place? Count the chickens lining the walls — ceramic, wood, beaded, painted, even feathered. Hundreds. They're gifts from genera-tions of customers. Now, as in the 1930s when it started up, the basic chicken pie comes filled with big chunks of chicken meat, doused with white gravy and accompanied by mashed potatoes, veggies, coleslaw, a roll, *and* dessert — like the delicious pineapple pie — all for one really low price. The menu also offers fried chicken, burgers and steaks, but 90 percent of customers still order that same old chicken pie. Seven days. Cash only. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/01)

HAPPY HOUR SPORTS BAR 2519 Market Street. (No phone.) Winner: hardest-to-find eatery in San Diego. You have to walk from 25th and Market till vou hear the sound of barking dogs. Next to their dusty yard sits a lit tle building that looks 100 years old and they say used to be a carriage house. It is 10 feet wide at the max, weatherworn chocolate brown, and hidden by a big California pepper tree. No sign except for a notice in the musty window: "Yes, we're OPEN." Reminds you of *Lonesome Dove*. Inside, maybe the friendliest bar since Cheers, but a lot smaller, a lot more real. During the week expect only hot dogs, but weekends, great bargains with down-home dishes like the Pork Chop Plate, Swiss steak with mashed potatoes, gravy and corn, and BBQ spare ribs. Outside BBQ during the football season. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

MAILO'S CAFE 4095 30th Street, 619-528-1602. OK, so Mailo's is a Greek café and Mailo and Blanca aren't Greek, they're Mexican-American. On the other hand, Mailo cooked in an OB Greek restaurant for 14 years before he opened here. Plus, the two have made Greek extremely affordable. Prices are

definitely down there for their breakfast gyros, with eggs, lamb, tomatoes, and onion wrapped in a hot pita. And they have this great street-corner outside deck to eat on. There's also plenty of American standard fare. Mailo's cheeseburger, with avocado and bacon is the most popular, with the half-pound steak burger close behind. American breakfasts are the old fashioned kind with three eggs any style, hash browns, and toast, plus ham or bacon or sausage or even chicken fried steak, at bargain prices. Same for their roast beef dinner, or the quarter chicken, Greek style, served with rice, salad, and pita bread. Open Tuesday through Saturday breakfast through dinner, Sunday and Monday till 4 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

MAMA'S BAKERY AND LEBANESE

DELI 4237 Alabama Street, North Park, 619-688-0717. This informal little restaurant is more interested in quality than presentation, concentrating on the specialties they do well. Mama's offers quick meals with a culinary tradition, definitely not "fast food," but with fast food prices and ease. Recommendations include the deliciously cheap falafel sandwich in Mama's fresh-made sajj, (soft flatbread). On cool days warm up to a bowl of *fool mudamas*, or slow-cooked beans (tasty fava and garbanzos). Try also spinach pie, *labneh* (creamy cheese, olive oil, and pita), and *baba ghanoush* (smoky pureed eggplant and hummus). Inexpensive. — M.N. (1/99)

OLD MILL CAFE 3949 Ohio Street (at University Avenue), North Park, 619-294-3804. The best-kept secret in North Park looks like a Swiss chalet inside, but serves 1950s American eats in big platefuls. Breakfast buffs should check out the pork chops with two eggs, potatoes, and toast, or biscuits and gravy, or the famous pigs in a blanket (three sausage links rolled in hot cakes with powdered sugar). The lunch and dinner menu is also good and cheap for instance, golden fried chicken with

vegetables and rice or baked potato They feature nightly prix fixe specials ("Meatloaf Mondays," etc.) just like Mom did in the 1950s. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

SAIGON 4455 El Cajon Boulevard, 619-284-4215 or 619-284-4288. You're in a big glass palace here. It's especially good on Sundays, when three- or four-generation Vietnamese families gather for lunch. Gaggles of waiters hover a glance away, but take your time. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the famous, filling soupmeal of Vietnam where beef cooks in the soup. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodle with seafood and assorted vegetables. "33" Vietnamese beer is on hand to make Saigon lovers sentimental. Inexpensive. E.B. (10/01)

TRIEU CHAU RESTAURANT 4653 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-280-4204. This is as near as you'll come to eating breakfast in Phnom Penh or lunch in Vientiane. Cambodians come in the morning to talk politics and play Cambodian chess. At lunch, Laotians replace them. Maps of "Kampuchea" decorate the walls, as well as long-distance telephone ads. The menu includes Chinese, Khmer, and Lao dishes. In the morning, ask for "djak kvai coffay dok ko" — fried bread with Cambodian coffee, the standard French-Khmer breakfast. Later in the day, you might try pan-fried noodles with broccoli and beef or shrimp and gravy ("koitiow bahat sai kho"). If in doubt, ask for Kathy, who speaks Chinese, Khmer, Lao — and English. Open 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

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UPTOWN

THE ABBEY CAFE 127 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-692-0311, www.theabbeycafe.com. Based on the chi-chi West Hollywood original. Look for the wooden cross tied to the giant cactus. By all means go during the day and sit out on the patio. But the must-visit time is after sunset, when they light the patio wall with thousands of candles (okay, 250 of them). Inside the 1910 house you eat in dark-wood rooms with (working) fireplace, church pews, metal chalices, black iron sconces, and stone cherubim. Pick from the all-day breakfasts (try the chicken breast, eggs, and fruit dish) or sandwiches if you're feeling cheap — or the Ahi Tuna New Orleans style (half a pound of fish) if you're more loaded. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (12/01)

BERTRAND AT MISTER A'S 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel Street), 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377, www.bertrandatmisteras.com. Bertrand Hug's airy, open renovation of this formerly "ancient regime" eatery offers a fabled panoramic city view with a casual-chic, highly romantic ambience. Chef Fabrice Poigin's modern French cuisine is a fine fit for the setting, including bistro classics and fresh inventions, emphasizing top-grade seasonal ingredients. A huge, intelligent wine list covers a full range of prices, ages and origins, including "ripe" first-growth Bordeaux. Smoking and fair-weather dining on wraparound terrace/observation deck. Note: parking entrance on Fourth Avenue; wheelchair access via ramp to left of reception desk. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Expensive, but not bank-breaking. but not N.W. (12/01)

CAFE ON PARK 3831 Park Boulevard. University Heights, 619-293-7275 Okay, it's trendy, from the rusty spoonand-fork sign at the door to the PC in-dustrial interior (concrete walls, exposed plumbing). But don't expect PC food. The plates are huge and over-flowing with fodder. Breakfast scrambles are popular with add-ons such as smoked salmon, artichoke hearts, or brie cheese. Health nuts choose the Park Porridge stuffed with apples, raisins, and honey. But the prize may be the dish that Placerville, California. miners ordered when they came down from the mountains with pockets full of gold: the Hangtown — luscious mar-inated sautéed oysters scrambled in eggs. Lunch has deals too: the roasted eggplant is cheap and good. Seven days. Expect a line on weekends. — E.B. (10/01)

CHEZ ODETTE 3614 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-1000. The nearest thing to drop-in French bistro in town, even if Odette (yes, she's real) comes from Belgium. Her place is small, slick, and smells of fresh French bread. She and her husband are usually slaving away in the kitchen preparing for the constant banquets they seem to cater. She has cooked for Julie Andrews, Governor Jerry Brown, and Linda Ron-stadt. For you, she'll cook great breakfast omelets (the Provencal, with peppers, mushrooms, tomatoes, and onions, or the smoked salmon are two good ones). They come with great sautéed potatoes with the perfect tang of garlic. Lunchtime, the salade niçoise (with tuna, anchovies, olives, and potatoes on lettuce) is the real thing, and so is the quiche Lorraine. But be like the French: have your main meal in the middle of the day. Weekdays, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

EL INDIO MEXICAN RESTAURANT 3695 India Street, midtown, 619-299-0333. El Indio, "the god of Mexican food," presides over this bustling (expect a line), airy restaurant in an atmosphere of pale blue 1940s solidity. The menu includes the usual suspects (burritos, tacos, etc.), plus slightly less common items (chicken mole, machaca, chile rellenos). Excellent house-made corn tortillas help the standard fare to better approximate the divine. So do the sublime core flavors of the meats — the chicken in the taco. the pork in the *carnitas verdes*, the beef in the enchiladas. The *carne asada* sports a pleasant char, and the beans have a raw-beany intensity. Less heavenly: seasonings (especially paprika and

salt) tend toward the heavy side. Inexpensive. — A.M. (11/01) **EXTRAORDINARY DESSERTS** 2929 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001. The desserts here do live up to the name, whether you gobble them on the spot on the patio of this charming café or buy them to take home. Owner Karen Krasne's pastries are created with strict French techniques with flavors inspired by the global reach of her travels, from the rice fields of Bali to the souks of Morocco. The white cakes are true food for angels — ethereal and not excessively sweet, vibrant with flavors of fresh ripe fruits - and some of the chocolate cakes (e.g., the "Caribe") fol-low suit, while others are rich and dense. Not your piece of cake? There are also tarts, cookies, chocolates, ice cream dishes, puddings, breakfast pastries, and fine teas and coffees, along with Krasne's own lines of honeys, jams, chutneys, syrups, and popcorn national craft objects. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend brunch until late, closing at 11 p.m. Sunday through

Thursday and at midnight on week-

THE GATHERING 902 West Washington Street (at Goldfinch Street). Mission Hills, 619-260-0400. Be prepared for surprises: the owner-bartender is a professional magician who occasionally enjoys entertaining his diners and hosts shows with aspiring amateurs during Happy Hours Thurs day through Sunday. This neighborhood favorite is comfortable with a Cheers atmosphere at the bar. Live jazz on Friday nights. Open daily, three meals, including Sunday brunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

HOB NOB HILL 2271 First Avenue (at Juniper Street), Banker's Hill, 619-239-8176. It opened in 1944 as a 14-stool lunch counter, but it's been under new management since the turn of the century. Now, you sweep in under the maroon canopy to shiny red booth seats, deep blue carpet, blond wood, paintings, and a half-wall of wine. You're thinking "business class," but don't be fooled. We're talking coffee-shop prices, especially with the all-day breakfasts and sandwiches, not to mention the burgers with a salad tossed in. It's across the street from a retire-ment condo complex and at dinner, savs the owner, "We cater to seniors. While there are à la carte choices, affordable three-course prix fixe dinners (with a regular entrée for each day of the week, Mom-style) are the order of the day — e.g., tasty barbecued pork on Saturdays, roast lamb or turkey Sundays. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

JOE'S GRILL 3537 Fifth Avenue (inside Nunu's Cocktail Lounge), uptown, 619-295-2878. Nunu's is a bar with a history. It has always been a tuna fishermen's hangout. You still hear Italian

and Portuguese in the mornings. But evenings, the neighborhood shows up, along with chefs and maitre d's from the Gaslamp, and the theater crowd—directors, actors, disciples. Most end up going to the hole in the back where serves up his solid, no-nonsense nosh, from meat loaf to his half-pound mushroom-and-bacon cheeseburger to his much-loved pot roast. You won't leave hungry— unless you're timid. You have to shout good and loud through that cubbyhole. Joe's got a lot of noise back there. Inexpensive. -E.B. (9/01)

KEMO SABE 3958 Fifth Avenue (off University), Hillcrest, 619-220-6802, www.kemosabesandiego.com. Audacity is Chef Deborah Scott's culinary signature. In her cooking, Southeast Asia meets the Southwest, with Japanese touches and towering heaps of garnishes. All the edible frou-frou decorating the appetizers can wear you out, but most entrées are more focused and friendly. Good choices include a starter of mussels in a seductive chilpotle cream sauce, and entrées of spicy, sweet-sour layered "jerk" chicken or the signature 'Skirts On Fire," a miraculously tender grilled skirt steak imbued with a picante marinade. Desserts by Sharon Bristol follow the housestyle - sky high, ornate, complex. Casual atmosphere, very noisy. Heated patio. Reservations strongly advised. Prices moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

MIXX RESTAURANT 3671 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania), Hillcrest, 619-299-6499. A meal here resembles an informal dinner party at the home of a good, well-traveled cook. Fitly, the dining room resembles a bohemian living room on steroids, with moody decor, rump-sprung Naugahyde banquettes, and witty paintings on the walls. The menu is an international hodgepodge of whatever chef-owner Deborah Helm fancies cooking: touris-tic Fisherman's Wharf crab-and-artichoke fondu in hollowed sourdough may cohabit with haute-Mex cremini mushroom quesadillas, "Indonesian" battered shrimp, or duck ragout with pasta sheets. Desserts (by Danielle Helm) carry through the "loving hands at home" theme — the most popular is a gooey peanut butter pie. A mainly California wine list is easy on both palate and wallet, with ample selections by the glass. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

ONO SUSHI AND PACIFIC SPICE 1236 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-0616. If you are searching for huge portions, fresh tasty food and reasonable prices, don't overlook this colorful Japanese/Pacific Rim café. Excellent specialty rolls, entrées, appetizers. Very crowded weekends; lively young crowd. Dinners nightly; open for lunch Saturday and Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (11/98)

PARALLEL 33 741 West Washington Street, Mission Hills, 619-260-0033. China, Pakistan, Algeria, Morocco, et cetera — the 33rd parallel. This new ethno-blend restaurant in Mission Hills is a hit for their shrewd, thoughtful creativity. It's not just "fusion food." Try the mango and ahi appetizer, one of the best I've ever eaten. Entrées like grilled salmon atop lobster tabbouleh or steak strips over mashed potato and caramelized onion show that chef Amiko Gubbins, of Café Japengo fame, knows what she's doing. — $M.N.\ (10/99)$

SASSAFRAS 3667 India Street, Mission Hills, 619-295-4745. This restaurant claims to serve "Continental Americaine" (whatever that is), but chef-owner Andre Bellard is a son of Lafayette, Louisiana, and knows his Cajun flavors inside out when he chooses



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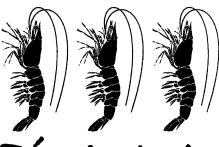
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to showcase them. The Acadian seafood gumbo, which includes spicy house-made andouille sausage, is one of the best in any town; oysters Bienville resemble the better-known ovsters Rockefeller, but Bellard miraculously manages to barely warm the bivalves while he bakes the lush spinach top-ping. Several other appetizers are creative flights on traditional Creole ingredients, and on Wednesday nights, there's an exuberant crawfish feast on the enclosed patio, with mudbugs shipped live from Louisiana cooked with andouille and corn in a tasty house-made "boil." Alas, the regular entrées are rather simple and not nearly so scintillating. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. High-moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

TRATTORIA POSITANO 142 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-6995. Sure to be one of your favorite restaurants, not only for hearty Italian food but also for loving atmos phere. Sixteen pasta dishes; many salads and entrées. A treat. Try seabass, salmon, any pasta. Lunch Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — E.W. (5/99)

DOWNTOWN

BANDAR FINE PERSIAN CUISINE 825 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-238-0101. The best Persian food in the city is prepared here. It's sensuous, low-fat, and a blessing to the sight as well as the palate. Try stuffed grape leaves, yogurt, eggplant, charbroiled filet mignon, lamb, or chicken. Order all three kinds of rice. Enchanting interior, wonderful service. Not to be missed. Open daily, same menu lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate.

BAY CAFE 1050 North Harbor Drive, hungry at the city ferry landing, you can eat in the bare-bones interior or take your tray upstairs to a handsome bayyiew terrace (with no wheelchair access). After a chilly crossing, try the enjoyable New England-style clam chowder, which is milky, clean, and not over-thickened, with tender clams and tiny diced potatoes. The menu features breakfast dishes, burgers, sandwiches, variations on fish and chips including prawns, and chili dogs (all served with generic fries), plus some entrée salads. The burgers are genuinely "have it your way" — for a few extra cents each, the kitchen will add extra ingredients (Jack or Cheddar, mushrooms, grilled onions, bacon, jalapeño). Open daily, breakfast to pre-dinner. Inexpensive.

BAYOU BAR AND GRILL 329 Market Street (at Third Avenue), Gaslamp District, 619-696-8747. Bayou has the most expansive (and expensive) Louisiana-style menu in the Gaslamp. Their best dishes are terrific — for instance, their red beans and rice (the washday treat) is the area's sole authentic version, meaty and with a rich, deep heat. Eggplant dishes shine, too, as do seafood pastas and a huge pork chop with dressing. Alas, though, too many dishes are faux-Paul Prud-homme, with incoherent spicing and, at times, too much cayenne added too late in the cooking to cozy up to other flavors. Desserts are frankly, fabulously revisionist, including pecan pie and bread pudding half as heavy and twice and good as their Creole models. Reservations advisable. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (3/01)

BROADWAY PIZZA 1008 Broadway (at 10th Street), downtown, 619-232-6264. This restaurant, near the downtown Senior Center and City College, offers good, no-nonsense Italian-American food. And they're not skimpy: from a pizza slice to barbecue beef sandwiches, portions are generous and filling. The sausage link sub (Louisiana-style hot sausage link, marinara sauce, and melted cheese) is great grub, but if you like a full dinner, try the whole slab of beef ribs, with veggies, garlic bread and salad. But the main thing is while the rest of downtown snores, they're still open, from 10 a.m. to to 3 a.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

BUCA DI BEPPO 705 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-233-7272. Also at 10749 Westview Parkway, Mira Mesa, 858-536-2822. Family-style, southern Italian cooking in a dining room seating 305 people. Food is simple (one sauce fits all), portions huge, and roaring-loud ambiance is childand teenager-friendly. Go for plain fun, not for gourmet dinners. Meatballs and spaghetti best bet. Dinner nightly, lunch Sundays. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (6/00)

CANDELAS 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp District, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — Chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in "la nueva cocina Mexicana," a luxurious, inventive update of traditional Mexican fare, combining French techniques and Latin ingredients into a sophisticated new cuisine that you've never tasted before but will want to taste again. In a ro-mantic Spanish-style dining room with extremely gracious service, you'll find a menu that emphasizes seafood, in-cluding jumbo prawns flamed with three tequilas, sea bass with huitlacoche ("corn fungus," but think of it as a mushroom), and a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster, Meatlovers will also enjoy several dishes, including a thick veal chop with a rosemary-spiked update of traditional mole

sauce. Reservations advised, slightly dressy. Expensive. — N.W. (11/00)

DIM SUM KINGDOM 730 Broadway (at Seventh Avenue), downtown, 619-239-1782. This "99-cent joint" is a great place to start the day if you're low on cash and crave some Chinese-American food. Breakfasts range from shrimp egg soufflé with rice to pork chops with three eggs, rice, and toast. One of the best deals has to be the breakfast steak, two eggs, home fries, and toast. And the steak is bi-ig. Lunch and early dinners feature the usual buck-an-entrée Chinese fast-food choices. Three meals to 7 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

DOBSON'S 956 Broadway Circle, downtown, 619-231-6771. This reputable downtown restaurant offers class and comfort, geared for people who enjoy eating well. The food is good, often very good, as with chicken liver mousse pâté, Mediterranean blue mussels, culotte steak, and, when available, the crude but virtuous soft-shell crab. Their sweets, such as brownies and bananas Foster strudel, are hefty, louche, and cheap. Bring a date to the upstairs dining room. Dobson's is suave, its confidence infectious. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (10/98)

GARGOYLE GALLERY & CAFE 1845 India Street (at Fir), 619-234-1344. One of the hidden gems of Little Italy, but there's nothing Italian about it. The Moroccan decor with Turkish pillows, exotic lamps, tiles, inside tap fountain and a sunlit courtyard all combine to turn a meal here — even though it's mostly modest *panini* ("small bread") sandwiches — into a really sexy feast. Lots of kalamata olives, feta cheese, mozzarella, ham, and tomatoes. Try "The Moroccan" with grilled eggplant, zucchini, roasted red peppers, raisins, spicy garlic chili oil, and mixed greens. Or "The Spanish" with grilled chicken, manchego cheese, sliced olives, mixed greens, and aïoli. The breakfast menu includes two-egg *panini* with grilled zucchini, marinated peppers, feta cheese, and orange slices. A must-have: French pressed coffee, a two-cup glass pot with a steel plunger. Open daily for breakfast and lunch. Belly dancing, first Saturday of the month. — E.B. (5/02)

GEN LAI SEN HAKKA SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 1065 12th Avenue (at C.Street), downtown, 619-239-5478 or 619-239-5479. Across the street from City College, you'll encounter a split personality. The good twin provides superb Hakka dishes, a style developed by a nomadic people originally from northwest China, now residents of mainly the south China coast. The bad twin dishes out gluey cornstarch-rid-den stir-fries for starving students. But it's easy to tell which twin is which: The "chef recommend sizzle plates," the hot pots that taste like home cooking (best ordered by four or more), the greaseless fried rice, the noodles (especially 'house special rice noodles"), and the whole steamed fish-of-the-day are pal-

pable hits. And if you really want to know what the fuss about Hakka is all about, try the sizzle plate stuffed tofuthese deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in each tender center resemble meat-flavored roasted marshmallows, and may just change your mind about bean curd. Open brunch through dinner daily. Pleasant service, very casual, mainly inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

GRAND CENTRAL CAFE YMCA, 500 West Broadway (at Fifth Avenue), downtown, 619-234-2233. A nice Broadway surprise — who'd expect the "Y" to have terrific meals? But Grand Central tries hard. The breakfasts are big and filling, and the lunch chili with salad and cheese toast is a tasty bargain. So is the veggie-burger with fries, coleslaw, soup, or salad. Plus you can look down onto Broadway and check when your boss is returning to work. Breakfast and lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

GREYSTONE 658 Fifth Avenue (G Street), Gaslamp, 619-232-0225, www.greystonethesteakhouse.com. The Italian steakhouse fare here centers on dry-aged prime beef, game meats (including exceptionally tender bison), lobster, and pastas as the main draws, with indifferent starters and desserts. An impressive wine list offers rewarding California and Italian bottlings at \$35 to \$50, but roars up to the strato-sphere of first-growth Bordeaux, super-Tuscans and scandalously overpriced Napa reds. Bossy, sometimes-abrasive waiters push higher-priced choices. Patrons are mainly "suits" with deep expense-account pockets, loudly talking business or enjoying raucous office parties in a testosterone-high atmosphere. Wheelchair access to the street patio and bar area only (dining rooms are up or downstairs). Reservations urged, but may not be honored promptly. Dinner nightly. Extremely expensive. — N.W. (12/01)

HARBOR HOUSE 831 W. Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-1141. The two-level building and the view of the harbor are major attractions. Fish and seafood predominate, but chicken, pasta, and steak are also available. The dining room seats 250, so don't expect intimacy. Preparations are wholesome, but not original. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

JUKE JOINT CAFE 327 Fourth Avenue (across from Cost Plus), Gaslamp District, 619-323-7685, www.jukejoint-cafe.com. This is the closest we've got to a good, funky jazz club in New Orleans Uptown neighborhood (but the Gaslamp is lots safer). They call their cooking "West Coast Soul Food," but it's still mighty South Coast, too, including a just-about-perfect filé gumbo, thick and rich, flavored with genuine Louisiana sausage. Good jam-balaya, fried foods (try fried pickles and gizzards for a down-home treat), huge steaks, and live music for a hip crowd make this a tasty scene. Full bar. Reservations strongly advised. No cover charge with dinner. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (3/01)

LA CASITA 1247 C Street (at 13th Street), downtown, 619-531-0044. Don't be fooled by the li'l old blue-andwhite clapboard house at the bottom of City College's hill. Princes and politiians come to this full-service restau-

rant to hammer out deals, mix with the Latino (or Anglo) community, and eat some of the best *chorizo con huevos* (spicy pork sausage with eggs) in town. Fair-weather eaters flock to the spacious garden patio to chow down among the songbirds. In the cozy Mexican-style interior, the pictures on the walls tell you who-all comes here for the good tacos and enchiladas or the delicious pork burritos. Most delicious of all is watching Anglo City-Hallers trying valiantly to learn to love the house-made menudo (tripe soup). De-livery anywhere downtown. Open weekdays, breakfast through early dinner; Saturday breakfast and lunch. —

NAPA VALLEY GRILLE 502 Horton Plaza, Gaslamp District, 619-238-5440. This new restaurant at the top of Horton Plaza is staffed by professionals and the food is very, very good. I suggest the calamari plate, and the rotisserieroasted chicken or pork are both moist and delicious. Their monkfish is a deeply satisfying Southern delight. Try the airy, sweet goat cheese cheesecake for dessert. There is an elegant homevness to Napa Valley Grille, a comfortng, satisfying dining experience Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (3/00)

REDFISH 731 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp District, 619-234-7226, www.redfishamerica.com/sandiego.html. At this sprawling New Orleans-style restaurant/nightclub (one of a small national chain), the varied music playing over the speakers before showtime is consistently tasty. Alas, one can't say the same for the cooking, so order with care. Best dishes include a rich, smoky crawfish etouffée, interesting okra gumbo, and mainly-decent salads and appetizers. But authenticity and taste go blazes in a tomatoey jambalaya with the flavor of bottled spaghetti sauce, and in several dishes (BBQ shrimp, dirty rice, etc.) so fiercely spicy, the kitchen might be catering a frat hazing. Smartly (given this impetus to chug-a-lug), they make their tasty Hurricane cocktails a little weak. Moderate, plus evening cover charge. — N.W. (3/01)

SALLY'S RESTAURANT One Market Place, rear of Hyatt Regency Hotel, Gaslamp District, 619-687-6080. You'll get great fish here as well as free-range chicken, lobster, and beef. Try Arctic char, loin of tuna, swordfish. Side dishes tend to be elaborate. Dinners for 6 to 12 served at chef's table in the kitchen. Open daily. Expensive.

SIXTH AVENUE BISTRO 1165 Sixth Avenue (at B Street), downtown, 619-239-4194. This charming, airy café offers some very credible New Orleans-style cooking at affordable prices. Among the sandwiches are an outstanding oyster po' boy (with big juicy oysters and good light batter) and a fine, fully-packed approximation of a muffaletta, albeit with a kaiser roll standing in for Central Grocery's big round Italian bread. The mix-it-your-self jambalaya is tasty, too, even if kielbasa proves a lame substitute for chaurice or andouille. Wine and beer. No reservations, breakfast to early dinner (closes 8:00 p.m.). Inexpensive. -N.W. (3/01)

SPICE HOUSE CAFE 1401 Ninth Street (at Ash Street), downtown, 619-239-8510. When your "head feels like an old potato" and your "tongue like a button hook" (to quote Kipling), Spice House's answer is their Hangover Omelet. We don't know if it's the Or-tega chilies or Jack cheese or super tangy tomato sauce, but some guys swear they feel better for eating it. The place is a pleasant surprise jutting out into the top foliage of trees sprouting up from Hwy. 163 — the view looks like a forest. Other excellent choices include Portuguese sausage with three eggs, paisano frittata with ham, tomatoes, mushrooms, and thick French toast topped with strawberries and whipped cream. Open daily, breakfast and lunch. Original branch at 9035 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Complex Drive, across from courthouse), 858-565-1028, also serves dinner nightly, with emphasis on Greek-American cuisine. Inexpensive. -E.B. (11/00)

TRATTORIA PORTOBELLO 715 Fourth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp District, 619-232-4440. The owners of Panevino operate this chic restaurant with its light menu and wide variety of dishes. You can make a meal from appetizers. The pastas are the best bets. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

WILDSIDE CAFE & REBEL JUICE BAR 1048 Seventh Avenue, (at C Street), downtown, 619-696-1466. Now here's a place that actually makes healthy food seem cool. Partly it's the names: "lunatic lentil soup," sand-wiches like "turkey tantrum" (roast turkey with salsa), "tuna scandal" (tuna mushed with egg whites and no-fat mayo), or our two favorites: "veggies on a bike" (cucumbers, spinach leaf, tomatoes, red onion) and "bagel with-out a cause" (bagel, cream cheese, fresh fruit). Actually, all come with fresh fruit. And do like the local lofties: take your daily shot of fresh-squeezed wheat grass juice with a chaser of strawberries or pineapple chunks. Open Monday through Friday, breakfast to late lunch: Saturday breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (9/01)

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BAY BEACH CAFE Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619- 435-4900, www.baybeachcafe.com. The dinner menu here has California's typical dumbed-down world-appetizer array, plus salads, pastas, grilled meats, a few sautée items and children's plates. The restaurant is very family-friendly (full o' kids, actually), with a menu that appeals to the young in mouth: The chef seems to have a sweet tooth, since almost every dish involves honey or sugar the table butter that's intriguingly flavored with a honey-basil mixture to the "teriyaki" ribs in a glutinous Karo-like sauce. Your server will tell you about the day's fresh-fish selections, which are more attuned to adult palates with fresh, fine-quality seafood done simply and well. Ultra-noisy inside when crowded; reserve for the lovely terrace with a view of the beach. Open daily, lunch and dinner, with weekend breakfast. Moderate to slightly expensive. -N.W. (8/01)

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THE FAMILY HOUSE OF PAN-CAKES 562 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-425-5133. This is a great place for three things: your family, your kids, and your appetite. The restaurant is famous for its "Grandma's" buckwheat pancakes, its banana-pecan pancake and its rolled pancakes, oozing with berries and topped with cream and powdered sugar. Just try and survive their 8-12 egg omelet! Other good bets include a deluxe burger with French fries, tomatoes, and house sauce, and a grilled tuna sandwich with fries. Breakfast/lunch only, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

ISLAND PASTA 1202 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-4545. This unassuming, spill-out-on-the-street restaurant has somehow got it right. Simple tables on the sidewalk, daily made-onthe-premises semolina pasta, most dishes costing in the single digits. A simple fettuccine Alfredo is a pleasure al fresco with a glass of wine, sparkling against the fresh flowers on the table, watching Coronado's world go by. The spaghetti pesto sauce is rich, too, with basil, pine nuts, and cheese, but all the standard Italian pasta and pizza dishes are reliable. One good — and vegetar-ian — special to ask for is the *verdure* pasta, a combo of artichoke hearts, spinach, capers, mushrooms, onions and olives over spaghettini. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

L'ESCALE Coronado Island Marriott Resort, 2000 Second Street, Coronado, 619-435-3000. This is the casual dining room that faces the pool at this firstrate hotel. Menus are constantly changing, so call to discover what type of cuisine is available. Jazz night on Friday and Saturday evening, with dinner specials. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

PRIMAVERA 932 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-0454. This standout in Coronado's culinary scene offers courtly charm and an impressive menu. Try their saffron risotto, clams bordelaise, or the delicious ossobuco. of which every detail is accomplished, admirable. For dessert, have one of their excellent espressos and the tiramisu or lemon ricotta cake. Primayera's accomplished staff takes unpretentious pride in their kitchen, the food and wine they serve, and rightfully so. Open daily. Expensive. — *M.N.* (11/98)

RHINOCEROS 1166 Orange Avenue (at Loma Avenue), Coronado, 619-435-2121. This bright, hectic bistro next door to the Lamb's Players Theatre draws pre-theatre crowds as well as locals — and that may be a problem, since the rushed pace of service does-n't abate even after the playgoers have departed. Perhaps that's why there are few appetizer choices (as though to discourage diners from spending extra time at the table). You may even be charged a "split plate" fee for sharing a first course despite ordering individual entrées. Meat and fish choices are simply prepared with ingredients of ordinary quality and generic veggie accompaniments. Why, then, is Rhino so popular? Pasta (and nothing but pasta) is the answer — that's where the kitchen shines. Very noisy when crowded; street tables are slightly quieter despite heavy traffic. Reservations advised for weekends, pre-show dinners. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. N.W. (7/01)

SOUTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER **CAFETERIA** 500 3rd Avenue (at C Street), Chula Vista, 619-691-4599. Hey, this is a courthouse. You expect the cafeteria in its basement to be brown and anonymous. You know you'll be munching with worried groups of litigants and moms with custody-dispute kids. But here, it's all worth it. This cafeteria is one of bestkept county secrets. For years, concession-holder Ben Riddell has kept his prices stable and his portions big. Lunches like roast pork or meat loaf or roast turkey or chicken pot pie or lemon chicken are the comfort food that folks coming here need. Breakfast and lunch only, Monday to Friday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

SPIRO'S GYROS Ferry Landing, 1201 First Street #4, Coronado, 619-435-1225. The food, the music, the view - are we outside Athens? Is this the Aegean? This inside-outside Greek café is located at the water's edge, and the heated patio has a spectacular view

of San Diego, the bay, and the boat traffic. At sunset, sipping their excellent Greek wine (cheaper than their Cali-fornia), watch the sun set the city ablaze in gold. The prices keep Spiro's popular with the locals as well as tourists. Try the moussaka (eggplant casserole) or the souvlakia chicken, marinated in tzatziki sauce, served with tomatoes onions, and pita bread. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

TANGO GRILLE ARGENTINE STEAK HOUSE 635 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-420-0384. Play gaucho and enjoy the most authentic Argentine parrillada (mixed grill) in town at this charming, warmly decorated bistro about two minutes from the Chula Vista Shopping Center. Fine, smoky wood-grilled Colorado beef appears in several unusual cuts (including succulent steak-cut short-ribs). You can choose from two different mixed grills (sized for one or two), the first with conventional meats, the other — the more adventurous — includes organ meats and blood sausage. For starters, there are brilliantly seasoned mini-empanadas of amazing lightness, as well as several interesting salads. Those not in a grilled-meat mood can opt for nu-merous pastas (including a big, meaty lasagna) or the ubiquitous *milanesa* (breaded beef or chicken patties) of the pampas. Portions are more than generous, and so are the flavors. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/02)

TIN FISH Imperial Beach Pier, 910 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414, www.thetinfish.net. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pi geons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by the sea air. The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages, (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The oyster shooters, for instance, boast a sauce made from fresh diced tomatoes topped with horseradish. The spicy fish tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy.

Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. Live music on weekends, good vibes all the time. "Tin Fish Shuttle" (50 cents) runs from parking lot to the restaurant. Open daily, breakfast (to 10:30 a.m.) through early dinner. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, open daily lunch and early dinner, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (7/01)

YE OLDE PLANK INN 24 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-423-5976. The last true beach pub on the coast? It's a great mix: biker jackets, ZZ-Top beards, shaved heads, Navy vets, Air America jocks, surfers, and sometimes half of Hollywood seems to turn up Food's pretty much always available but the must-eat is their unbelievable weekend brunch. You get a 6- or 8-ounce steak (your choice, or substitute six sausages or ham or a pork loin), plus a one- to ten-egg scramble (or any style), home fries, and a pick-me-up drink (like a Bloody Mary, Screwdriver, Salty Dog, Bud, or Coke) from the bar, all at a standard coffee shop breakfast price. No wonder the place has stayed open since 1886. Inexpensive. — Ê B (10/01)

TIJUANA

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CAFE FRANCAIS LA BELLE CLAUDE Calle Galeana (at 7th Street), #8186-A (two steps off Revolución), 685-3415. Maybe it's no surprise: the most French-like *patisserie* of all is in Tijuana. La Belle Claude, named after the owner's daughter, looks far too expensive, but it's not. Inside it's a light and airy place, full of beautifully var-nished wood, almost like a ship's saloon, with little Eiffel towers painted here and there, Victorian ceiling fans and lamps, and a counter of display

cases stuffed with cookies, artily frosted cakes, cheeses, and sodas. The menu is authentic too, offering such light dishes as Le Croque Monsieur (open-faced sandwich on honey bread with ham, grilled Swiss cheese, and béchamel sauce), the *Croque-Madame* (same as the "Monsieur" but with an egg), and the Salade Niçoise (tuna, an-chovies, tomatoes, cucumber, potatoes, egg, onions, and black olives) You can even order a *Provençal* omelet (zucchini, eggplant, tomatoes, and onions). Unusual bonus: the round cheeses, Cornish hen eggs, fresh veg-etables, and honey on display all come from the owner's own farm, Rancho El Eden, beyond the Rodriquez dam. Open every day. Inexpensive. -E.B. (5/02)

EL FARO DE MAZATLAN 9542 Boulevard Sanchez Taboada, Plaza Financiera, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 684-8882, 684-2236, or 684-8883. This fish and seafood restaurant offers a gorgeous dining room, an extensive menu with English translations, and fresh fish and seafood items which include abalone squid, crab, clams, shrimp, and lobster. The atmosphere and service are lovely, but the fish may be too dry. The style of cuisine will appeal to those who prefer simple preparations. The price of the main course includes an appetizer (fried fish plus ceviche), seafood soup, and Mexican rolls. Open daily, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., same menu for lunch and dinner, continuous service Moderate. — E.W.

MR. FISH 6000 Blvd. Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-3603. It's fun to eat in this restaurant with its thatched roof and its wide variety of fish and seafood Don't overlook the whole fish, either steamed or fried, the filet in garlic butter, or, for those who'd like a smor gasbord, the "Combination Mr. Fish," which supplies fresh lobster, shrimp, squid, and a filet of fish. The halfdozen preparations of crêpes are wild — there's even a Mexican version of blintzes. Open Sunday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Follow Revolución until it bends to the left and becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin high-

rise towers. Mr. Fish is on the righthand side of the road, just before the country club. Moderate. — E.W.

RICA TORTA Niños Heroes Avenue No. 890, between 2nd and 3rd Streets (opposite Dorian's department store), Tijuana, 685-8579. This café may have the best *tortas* (call them Mexican-style hamburgers) in Tijuana. Six-inch rashers of marinated *carne asada*, slices of ham, squares of cheese, chopped salad, tomato slices, fresh-scooped avo-cado... it's a double-wide, double-high burger. The menu has 16 different kinds of *tortas*, from chorizo with eggs to beefsteak ranchero, all served in huge, three-ribbed, crisp-toasted Mexican bread buns. There's other stuff, but to a burger buff, one of these is quite enough. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

UABC CAFETERIA 246 Autonomous University of Baja California cafeteria, 2580 Tecnologico Avenue, Tijuana, 607-1047 (for Tortas y Burritos Tonka). This cafeteria on the new campus near Tijuana's airport is always abuzz—the students set it alight. The difference from, say, SDSU? Everyone's well-dressed, with lots of ties and careful make-up (not on the same person, of course). Several concessions, including Tortas y Burritos Tonka, Armando's, and Panaderia Diego deliver cheap, standard Amero-Mexican. But come for the sound of 600 people like you, all chatting like crazy (in Spanish). Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

VALLARTA NATURAL 1252 Boule vard Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-1560 Vallarta Natural makes travel to Tijuana appetizing, serving only the healthiest, freshest ingredients. The kitchen makes its own bread and rolls soy chorizo, vegetable stock, and gluten daily. Recommended are goblets of fresh juice, caldo Tlalpeño soup, taquitos panzones (soft tacos) filled with sautéed mushrooms or soy chorizo, tostadas, and especially milanesa. The milanesa is made from fresh gluten and is almost indistin-guishable from veal: breaded, fried, it is delicious. Cool, clean, pleasant atmosphere. Open daily. Inexpensive.

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Signs. (As in warning signs or road signs, depending on your point of view.) For all those who can believe in crop circles, and those who only wish

they could, this is not the answer to a prayer. M. Night Shyamalan, the writer and director of *The Sixth Sense* and

Unbreakable, certainly takes a serious approach. So much so that you might imagine the grim cast of characters labored under the impression they were in an Ibsen drama. There are reasons for that: the hero, played by Mel Gibson as a change from Bruce Willis, is a backsliding cleric whose wife was killed six months earlier in a roadside mishap, details of which are leaked out in dribs and drabs. In the end, the ponderous, portentous forward progress of the film, together with its charged atmosphere of Domestic Tragedy, proves to be, as it were, all approach and no (or very late) arrival; all heavyhanded foreplay and diminutive climax. Shyamalan does not lack intensity or concentration, and he is capable now

and again of touching a sensitive spot, prompting a tremor: the first glimpse of an alien appendage disappearing into a cornfield, or the attempt to get a look at the shadowy prisoner locked behind the pantry door, or the siege in the

cellar illuminated only by flashlight. Unhappily, the filmmaker, more cursed than blessed by his *Sixth Sense*, seems

more concerned now to be a spiritual leader than a mere storyteller. Somehow, when alien invaders descend over the entire planet, the crisis of faith of one grieving widower in rural Pennsylvania is apt to seem small potatoes, no matter how symbolic or symptomatic of all mankind. And the confinement of most of the action to the family farm — like some Roger Corman grade-Z science fiction of the late Fifties — is ultimately stultifying. To be sure, the portable television, whenever the strictly monitoring father (no longer "Father") allows his children to watch it, serves to widen the scope, at least in our imaginations: the proliferation of crop circles in India (too fast and far apart to be a conspiracy of



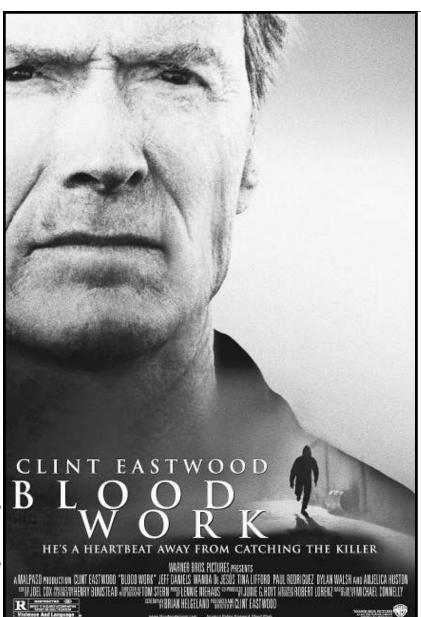
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hoaxers), the strange lights suspended over Mexico City, the network broadcast of a Little Green Man's cameo appearance in a birthday-party home video, etc. One of the TV viewers is tactless enough to remark, "It's like War of the Worlds." We wish!

Goldmember. (Or Austin Powers in Goldmember, or whatever it's called.)

Austin Powers, now *Sir* Austin Powers, has become respectable. That happened — it's the American way — as soon as he became a "franchise." Although critics are under injunction not to spoil the "surprise" of the Big Names who pop up on screen by way of endorsement (in return, one supposes, for mojo), any visitor to the

Internet Movie Data Base could find out that Tom Cruise, Gwyneth Paltrow, Kevin Spacey, Danny DeVito, and Sir Steven Spielberg are among them. It should be no surprise, either, that the movie was accorded a command performance at the White House, nor that our local Museum of Contemporary Art would light upon an Austin Powers



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Everyone wants to be a sport. Well not everyone. Not me. Austin Powers, a decent idea for a skit, was overextended in his first feature film, and every subsequent sequel only extends the overkill. There is already, in just the second sequel, a "Twelve Days of Christmas" feeling of picking up baggage as we go.

(Did we really need to bring back Fat Bastard? Will we need, next time, to bring back the freckle-faced and flaking-skinned Goldmember?) Sure, the running time can be padded with peepee-poopoo jokes (picture our President slapping his knee), along with incongruous spoofs of rap music, blaxploitation films, The Silence of the Lambs, what-have-you. And suddenly our swinging superspy can develop parental-approval issues. But what has any of this to do with the original premise? When I predicted two months ago that *Goldmember* couldn't match *Undercover Brother* for regressive good fun, I didn't know that Mike Myers would put up a Foxxy Cleopatra character (Beyoncé Knowles) for such direct and detrimental comparison: Myers, to draw him into further comparison with the likes of Woody Allen and Ingmar Bergman, does not write very well for women. (He does not write very well for anybody, but women especially.) And more than ever would I want to stress my compliment about the internal cohesion — the solidness — of the material in Brother. (No sequels, please.) By contrast, the final revelation in Goldmember, via a Galaxy Far Far Away, would have been enough to sour me if I hadn't been soured already. Just to prove, though, that I was not sitting with my arms folded throughout the entire film, let me note that Michael Caine, whose eyeglasses in his

Harry Palmer roles were clearly one of

the inspirations for Austin Powers,

looks to be a smart choice for the hero's

father, though not without some sort

of time-travel rationale, never forth-

coming. (Was not Austin a full-blown

adult in the Sixties?) And the sight gag

of our hero atop Mini-Me's shoulders

under a janitor's coat — a sharply tapering figure teetering around on tiny - is a sight for sore eyes. And the bit about subtitles partially disappearing over a white background was a bright idea, albeit dimly, dirtily carried out. (Without scatology, Myers would be held necessarily to skit-length.) And there was one sophisticated line of dialogue, quoted here in its entirety if it will save you the bother: "There are only two things I can't stand in this world. People who are intolerant of other people's cultures. And the Dutch.

Full Frontal. Steven Soderbergh offers no reassurance, after Ocean's Eleven (and Traffic and Erin Brockovich), that he has not been ruined beyond redemption. Outwardly, this day-inthe-lives-of-motley-Hollywoodites would appear to be an attempt to recapture that old Independent Spirit, even if the filmmaker hedges his bet by enlisting Julia (Roberts) and Brad (Pitt) and others, so that the mainstream press and mass audience will have something to buzz about. (Besides the gossipy topic of Hollywood or the impenetrable meaning of the title.) The 'appearance" of independence, in any event, amounts to little more than the appearance of cheapness, messiness, and obscurity: the over-reverberant sound, to be specific, and the grainy blurry home-movie-ish image that alternates with a sharper and highergrade image for a film-within-the-film called Rendezvous. (Apart from the film stock, little difference can be discerned is that the point? — between Hollywood "reality" and the "fiction" of Rendezvous, a film, if I've got it straight, about a magazine reporter interviewing an actor on an airplane, following him to a meeting with Miramax's Harvey Weinstein,

onto location with Brad Pitt, and back to the airport.) Where independence for Soderbergh once might have meant something like self-sufficiency or selfpossession, it now seems to mean things like self-indulgence and selfimportance. Not to forget self-deception. Any random touch of cleverness the cameo of Terence Stamp in his fictional persona from Soderbergh's The Limey — vanishes like a drop of water on a hot stove.

Tadpole. A rude reminder that in the world after Attack of the Clones there are still differing grades of digital video. The production banner over Gary Winick's little coming-of-age comedy — Indigent (or InDigEnt), acronym for Independent Digital Entertainment — is a commendable example of truth-in-labelling. Poor for sure. Needv indeed. An anemic, myopic image that gets ever blurrier with everv inch of distance from the camera. and ever pastier with every inch of closeness to it. There is no great harm, nor great joy either, in the amorous antics of a precocious, Voltaire-reading high-school sophomore (Aaron Stanford), in love with his stepmother (Sigourney Weaver) and actually in bed with the stepmother's best friend (Bebe Neuwirth, a sly scene stealer). And I can have no objection to films other than computer-animated kiddie films that come in at under an hour and a half: this one a quarter-hour under. If only, let me be clear, to abbreviate the tedium.

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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 twopart 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 hookup. 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 subtitlespeaking fishermen, with two slugs in his back and a Swiss bank code implanted in

his hip. His training, however, comes out in a twinkling whenever he needs it: one-manarmy karate, human-fly climbing, Grand Prix driving, fluency in any language under the sun. He can even do a spot of women's hairstyling for purposes of altering appearance. And the need arises often, because there's an army of assassins on his tail, for reasons unknown, or anyway unremembered. Watching him extricate himself from one tight spot after another, you have to wonder how he ever managed to drop his guard long enough to get two bullets in the back and lose his memory The answer, when finally it comes to him in flashback, reveals an incongruously, and laughably, soft heart. At that point, you have to wonder how he ever got the assignment to begin with. To give Liman his due, this is slick, sleek, fast entertainment, and he therewith demonstrates that he's up to the task of bigbudget blockbuster filmmaking — if "up' is indeed the correct location of it. 2002. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO

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, appears chronologically prior to 1954. With Philippe Noiret and Jacques Perrin. 1989. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 8/1)

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; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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. ★ (GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

The Dangerous Lives of Altar

Boys - Catholic-school hellions in the 1970s. Peter Care's handling of alienated youth falls somewhere between Larry Clark and John Hughes, though it's not a fixed position: there's an uncertainty of tone and intent. Todd McFarlane's animated sequences, bringing the kids' superhero fantasies to fruition, tend toward flattery, but the performances of Emile Hirsch, Kieran Culkin, and Jena Malone are cast in a colder light. Based on a novel by Chris Fuhrman; with Vincent D'Onofrio and Iodie Foster, 2002. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

The Devil's Backbone — Ghost story from Mexican filmmaker Guillermo del Toro (Cronos, Mimic), set in the Spanish

Civil War at an ad hoc orphanage for the children of slain Loyalists (identified in the subtitles as "Leftists," to cut through the mists of ancient history). Cerebral, somber, sure-footed, and creepy (highly evocative image of an unexploded bomb standing in the courtyard like a sculpture, nose in the dirt), but not at all scary, a bit static and overlong, with a pretty passive (if

imaginatively and tastefully visualized) ghost. Eduardo Noriega, Federico Luppi, Marisa Paredes. 2001.

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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 ${\it preferred}$ 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.

• (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Eight-Legged Freaks — 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 straightto-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. 2002.

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Alternative history lesson revealing how

The Emperor's New Clothes —

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 Molony shows good taste in the New Yorker



K-19: The Widowmaker

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)

Enigma — Second World War espionage thriller, set on the British homefront at Bletchley Park, otherwise known as Station X, the top-secret cryptography center, where they've now got just four days to crack "Shark," the revised German Uboat code, before a convoy of merchant ships from the U.S. enters perilous waters. In other words: same genre, same era, same milieu (more or less) as the nearby Charlotte Gray. We even meet the protagonist, a woolly-headed math whiz ("With numbers, truth and beauty are the same thing") recovering from a nervous breakdown, exactly where we earlier met Charlotte: at the window of a train compartment, which gives way to another train compartment in flashback. And like

Charlotte, it belongs in the unglamorous, unromanticized, Graham Greene branch of spy fiction, notwithstanding the love triangle between an ace decoder (Dougray Scott, looking a bit like a young Tom Courtenay), a mysterious willowy blonde (Saffron Burrows), and the latter's wallflower roommate (Kate Winslet), fellow employees at Bletchley. Plot convolutions aside, it's historically interesting material, even, you might argue, intrinsically more interesting than the more familiar material of Charlotte. But that's not to say it's cinematically more interesting. Not to say — to take our metaphor from their introductory scenes — that it fits together as tightly and moves along as powerfully as a railway train. Charlotte is a Eurostar, a Thalys; *Enigma* is more of a huffing-and-puffing handcar. To be sure, the Enigma code machine — a sort of rewired typewriter with ever-changing letters for each key — is an interesting object, as is the primitive computer with its

rows upon rows of revolving colored wheels. But these are essentially static museum exhibits. With Jeremy Northam; written by Tom Stoppard; directed by Michael Apted. 2002.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Fast Runner (Atanarjuat) - Any wag who wished to say that this is the best Inuit-language film to have ever come down the pike, might have said equally well, if not as waggishly, that it's the worst. More objectively: the only. The "language" qualifier allows it to dodge head-to-head competition with such superior Eskimo epics as Nicholas Ray's The Savage Innocents and Philip Kaufman's The White Dawn (subtitled only in part), let alone Robert J. Flaherty's seminal silent documentary, Nanook of the North. With its predominantly Inuit cast and crew, headed by director Zacharias Kunuk and scriptwriter Paul Apak Angilirq, it earns points for authenticity, if not, at the same time, for ability to communicate. And it earns more of the same — but again, nothing extra — for a storyline lifted from centuries-old oral tradition: an evil curse, forbidden love, jealousy, treachery, murder, rape, patricide, and incommensurate revenge (reminiscent of the Kenny Rogers C&W oldie in which the singer avenges the rape of his beloved by beating up her attacker: that'll teach him!). One measure of how far the filmmakers are inside the culture is the unapologetic brutality and barbarism: the Inuit equivalent of a knightly joust for the hand of a maiden is to have the rivals take turns punching one another on the temple, undefended. That sort of thing, to be sure, affords the spectator a sterling opportunity to test his broad-mindedness. As storytellers, however, even as documentarists, the filmmakers are to a high degree inept. And at nearly three hours in length, the experience is a bit of an ordeal. 2002. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

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Keener, Mary McCormack, and David Hyde Pierce; directed by Steven Soderbergh.

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Goldmember — Reviewed this issue. With Mike Myers, Beyoncé Knowles, Seth Green, and Michael Caine; directed by Jay Roach.

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K-19: The Widowmaker — Fact-based story of a near-miss nuclear disaster aboard a Soviet submarine in 1961. (A companion, of sorts, to *Thirteen Days*.) Full of Russian fatalism, isolationism, and hugger-muggerism, in addition to clenched muscles, sweat, and merciless music. A grind, but not unbearable. The only comic relief comes in the coda: the twenty-eight-year reunion of the survivors, all of whom (even those who were rookies at the time) are done up in gray wigs and old-age makeup. With Harrison Ford, Liam Neeson, Peter Sarsgaard; directed by Kathryn Bigelow. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; 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)

Like Mike — A thirteen-year-old, fourand-a-half-foot orphan (teen rapper Lil Bow Wow) makes chumps of a roster of as-themselves NBA stars: Allen Iverson, Jason Kidd, Tracy McGrady, David Robinson, Alonzo Mourning, Chris Webber, et al. Is it the shoes? (MJ's childhood sneakers?) Is it the bolt of lightning? Or is it just moonshine? With Morris Chestnut, Crispin Glover, Eugene Levy, Robert Forster; directed by John Schultz. 2002.

● (CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM



Men in Black II

PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SWEETWATER 9)

Lilo and Stitch — Disney cartoon with a strained and stretched and far-fetched premise, even for a cartoon. A pint-sized extraterrestrial, genetically engineered for deviltry, escapes to planet Earth, state of Hawaii, and bonds with an ostracized orphan. The movie spends a lot of time being "edgy" and anarchic, roughly up the alley of an old Warners cartoon, before it settles down to the traditional Disney schmaltz. Written and directed by Chris Sanders and Dean DeBlois. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16: TOWN SQUARE 14: VOGUE)

Lovely and Amazing — 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*),

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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 craftsy artist, neglected by husband and daughter, who takes an eightdollar-an-hour job in a one-hour photo shop and has a fling with her seventeenyear-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 \mbox{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. Dermot Mulroney, Jake Gyllenhaal, James Le Gros. 2002.

★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY, FROM 8/2; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat —

The stand-up comic in concert, directed by David Raynr.

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The Master of Disguise — Comedy vehicle for Dana Carvey, directed by Perry Andelin Blake.

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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;

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REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9;
TOWN SOUARE 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







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Pre-Crime - whose task is to stop the murders foreseen by a co-ordinated trio of clairvoyants known as Pre-Cogs, soaking round the clock in a communal bath, in a perpetual twilight zone between sleep and wakefulness. They can't tell everything. They can't, for reasons brushed aside in a single snippet of dialogue, foretell any crime but homicide. And they cannot tell where the crime will occur, much less whether the Pre-Crime storm troopers will arrive in time to prevent it. They can, though, tell the names of the victim and perpetrator (neatly spelled out on little wooden balls dispatched through a pneumatic tube), and they can tell, to the exact minute, when the crime will occur. It's the detectives' job to view the mental images (stored somehow in those engraved billiard balls) and to figure out the scene of the crime before the literal deadline. The system seems to be fool-proof, until, at any rate, the Pre-Cogs spit out a perpetrator's ball inscribed with the name of the lead detective (Tom Cruise, in the military haircut of the first Mission: Impossible, and briefly, shadowedly, in the shaved head of boot camp: what a trouper!), together with a victim's ball inscribed with a name the detective has never before heard. There must be some mistake. At around the fortyfive-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.

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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 -



Sex and Lucía

Frank Capra makes a helpful hitting instructor. 2002.

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My Big Fat Greek Wedding — Selfanointed "Frump Girl" meets Mr. Wonderful, with the X-ray vision to see the beauty within. Only problem: he's not Greek. Nia Vardalos, scriptwriter and star, gets to unburden herself on her lineage "My cousins have two volumes, loud and louder"), and at the same time indulge herself in an Ugly Duckling fantasy. It seldom rises above an ethnic sitcom, but the "personal" angle stirs sympathy. With John Corbett, Michael Constantine, Lainie Kazan, Andrea Martin, Gia Carides; directed by Joel Zwick. 2002.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN, FROM 8/2; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; LA PALOMA; OCEANSIDE 16: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14, FROM 8/2)

My Wife Is an Actress — 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 autobiographical 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 Iane 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 Iane Evre), 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 on - apart from her celebrity? With Terence Stamp. 2001.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Notorious C.H.O. — Margaret Cho's follow-up to I'm the One That I Want, filmed in Seattle by Lorene Machado. (KEN, 8/2 THROUGH 8)

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, THROUGH 8/1)

Reign of Fire — A plague of napalmbreathing 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. ★ (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM

Road to Perdition — Inflated, arty, but satisfactory reworking of an old gangsterfilm 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

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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-yearold, 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, unfailingly 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 softhearted, 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 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;
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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.

• (PALM PROMENADE 24)

Sex and Lucía — Wildly romantic, bewilderingly convoluted love story from Spanish filmmaker Julio Medem (*Lovers of the Arctic Circle*). Not only do you have to sort through a scrambled chronology, but, because one of the characters is a novelist, you also have to separate illustrated fiction from the facts on which the fiction might be based. All in all, the complexity of the narrative isn't put over nearly as well as the attractiveness of the cast or the sizzlingness of their sex. The natural beauty of their island hideaway fares less well in the bland, bleached, digital-video image. Paz Vega, Tristan Ulloa, Najwa Nimri, Daniel Freire, Elena Anaya. 2001.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 8/2)

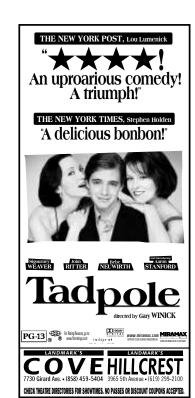
Signs — Reviewed this issue. With Mel Gibson, Joaquin Phoenix, Rory Culkin,

Abigail Breslin, and Cherry Jones; written and directed by M. Night Shyamalan.

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CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8;
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REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9;
TOWN SOUARE 14; FROM 8/2)

Spider-Man — Repulsively overhyped comic-book adaptation by Sam Raimi. (How would his lighter and livelier Darkman, of 1990, have been pushed a decade later?) The hype, which naturally took no notice of the actual product and its worth, is as de rigueur as the Danny Elfman musical score and the plasticky, elasticky CG animation. It's just the way this sort of thing is done, and no room to wriggle. Even so, the advance misgivings of Spider-Maniacs over the pivotal casting of sensitive, vulnerable Tobey Maguire (Ride with the Devil, The Cider House Rules) prove to be not unfounded. Yes, yes, the premise of the piece — the boy who gets bitten by a genetically engineered superspider and infected with arachnoid superpowers — is a metaphor of the adolescent-to-adult metamorphosis. And who better than Maguire to bring out the human dimensions of the larval adolescent? Still, the movie lingers so long on the human side of the equation that it might have been better named $Peter\ Parker$. It truly is a Tobey Maguire movie more than a comic-book superhero movie. (Marvel of Marvels!) That's not altogether a bad thing in view of the actor's eccentric, ritardando sense of timing and his deadpan talent for hinting at a beehive of interior activity. Yet the urban Tarzan in the spandex bodysuit seems (when he gets the chance) a completely separate entity, a twodimensional phantom in an alternate universe. And Willem Dafoe's Green Goblin, riding a sort of aerial surfboard, makes an unformidable and uninteresting villain: Batman's Joker reupholstered in metallic monochrome. Whatever thunder is available to be stolen is harnessed by J.K. Simmons (memorable as well in Raimi's The Gift and For Love of the Game) as the most jaundiced of yellow journalists. With Kirsten Dunst, James Franco, Cliff Robertson, Rosemary Harris. 2002. ★ (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-complected skin, like an unboiled wiener. The particulars — the diminished role of the









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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 — Cute, too. 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. $(\overset{\circ}{A}\ clip\ of$ 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 contemporary kiddie films. With . Geena Davis, Hugh Laurie, Jonathan Lipnicki, and the voices of Michael J. Fox, Melanie Griffith, Nathan Lane, James Woods, 2002.

★ (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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701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:00) 5:10, 7:50, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 5:10) 7:50, 10:20; The Country Bears (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:00) 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:00, 5:00) 7:00, 9:00; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:10) 5:25, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 5:25) 10:15; **The Dangerous Lives of Altar Boys** (R) Fri.-Thu. (3:05) 7:40; Eight Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:15) 4:30, 7:00, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 4:30) 7:00, 9:25; The Emperor's New Clothes (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:40) 4:25, 7:35, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:25) 7:35, 10:10; **Halloween: Resurrec** tion (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:15, 3:30) 5:40, 8:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:30, 5:40) 8:10, 10:10; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15, 1:45) 4:15, 4:50, 7:10, 7:50, 10:05, 10:40; Sun. (1:15, 1:45) 4:15, 4:50, 7:10, 8:15, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 1:45, 4:15, 4:50) 7:10, 8:15, Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 2:45, 3:40, 5:00, 5:50) 7:20, 8:20, 9:30, 10:30; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:20, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:30, 9:45; **Reign** of Fire (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:05) 4:40, 7:25, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 4:40) 7:25, 9:55; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:05, 2:00, 3:45) 4.45, 7.05, 7.40, 9.35, 10.25; Mon -Thu (1.05, 2:00, 3:45, 4:45) 7:05, 7:40, 9:35, 10:25; **Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 3:50) 7:00, 10:00

Horton Plaza 14

475 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:20, 11:05, 12:00, 12:35, 1:30, 2:30, 3:05, 4:10, 5:05, 5:35) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:20, 9:50, 10:25; **Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sis**terhood (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 7:30, 10:20; Like Mike (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:30); Lilo & Stitch (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:50, 1:10, 3:15, 5:20); Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat (R) Fri.-Tue. 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:35, 5:00, 7:05, 7:35, 9:35, 10:10; The Master of Disguise (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:50, 1:05, 3:20, 5:25) 7:40, 9:55; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:10, 2:25, 5:40) 9:00; Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 7:10, 9:35: 9:00; Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri.-1ue. /:10, 9:35; The Powerpuff Girls Movie (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:55, 1:05, 3:10, 5:10); Signs (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:45, 11:15, 11:45, 1:20, 1:50, 2:20, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00) 6:45, 7:15, 7:45, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15; Stuart Little 2 (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:00, 13:15); Stuart Little 2 (PG) Fri.-T 1:00, 3:00, 5:00) 7:00, 9:05; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:20, 4:40) 10:15; Windtalkers (R) Fri.-Tue. (1:55) 7:20

LA JOLLA

Cove

7730 Girard Ave (858-459-5404) **Tadpole** (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00;
Sat.-Sun. (1:00) 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) **About a Boy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:40, 3:00, 10:10; Sun. 12:40, 3:00, 10:05; Mon. 12:45, 3:00, 9:30; Tue. 1:40, 9:30; Wed.-Thu. 12:45, 3:00, 9:30; Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:30, 2:45 (5:00) 7:30, 10:00; **The** Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:00, 4:50, 8:10, 10:50; Sun. 2:00, 4:50, 7:40, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. 2:00 (4:50) 7:40, 10:35; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sun. 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. 12:35, 2:35 (4:40) 7:10; **K-19: The** Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:30, 3:40, 7:10, 9:55; Sun. 12:30, 3:40, 7:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. 12:55 (4:00) 7:05, 10:10; **Masters of Disguise** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 1:30, 3:50, 6:00, 8:20, 10:30; Sun. 1:30, 3:50, 6:00, 8:10, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 1:15, 3:30 (5:40) 8:05, 10:15; Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 7:25, 9:45; Sun. 12:10, 2:20, 4:40, 7:25, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. 1:25, 3:40 (6:00) 8:10, 10:20; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:50, 4:10, 7:15, 10:25; Sun. 12:50, 4:10, 7:15, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. 1:10 (4:10) 7:20, 10:25; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35; Sun. 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35; Sun. 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. 12:40, 2:50 (5:10) 7:25, 9:40; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) 7:45, 10:05; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sat.

9:45; Mon.-Thu. 1:30 (4:20) 7:00, 9:45; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 8:00, 10:40; Sun. 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 8:00, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. 1:00, 3:15 (5:30) 8:00, 10:30; **Spy Kids 2: The Island of Lost Dreams** (PG) Wed.-Thu. 12:45, 3:00 (5:20) 7:45, 10:05; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 1:10, 3:15, 5:35, 7:45, 9:40; Sun. 1:10, 3:15, 5:35, 7:45, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 3:50 (5:50) 7:50, 9:50

La Jolla Village 8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831)

Enigma (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:35: The Fast **Runner (Atanarjuat)** (Not Rated) Fri. (3:00) 7:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 3:00, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (3:00) 7:45; **Lovely & Amazing** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700) Call theater for program information

MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18 7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262) Signs (PG-13); The Master of Disguise (PG); Full Frontal (R); Martin Lawrence Live: Run-teldat (R); Goldmember; The Country Bears (G); K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13); Eight-Legged Freaks; Stuart Little 2 (PG); Reign of Fire (PG-13); Road to Perdition (R); Men in Black II: Like Mike (PG): Mr. Deeds (PG-13): Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; The Bourne Identity (PG-13); The Sum of All Fears (PG-13)

Mission Valley 20 1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) Signs (PG-13); The Master of Disguise (PG); Full Frontal (R): Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat (R); Goldmember; The Country Bears (G); K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13); Stuart Little 2 (PG); Reign of Fire (PG-13); Road to Perdition (R); Halloween: Resurrection (R); Men in Black II; Like Mike (PG); Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Minority Report (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch; The Bourne Identity (PG-13); Star Wars, Episode II: Attack of the Clones

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6 5831 University Ave. (619-287-8990) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15, 3:20) 5:30, 7:45, 9:50; Sun. (1:15, 3:30) 5:35, 7:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:05) 7:20, 9:35; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:10) 5:15, 7:20, 9:35; Sun. (12:50, 3:00) 5:25, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 4:55) 7:15, 9:30; **Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:55) 4:30, 7:00, 9:25; Sun. (12:40, 3:05) 5:20, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:25, 5:00) 7:25, 9:40; **The Master** of Disguise (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:25, 3:25) 5:40. 7:50, 10:05; Sun. (12:30, 2:20) 4:10, 5:55, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 3:55, 5:50) 7:45, 9:45; **Men In** Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:05, 3:15) 5:20,

Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 4:45) 7:05, 9:15; Signs (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:45) 4:45, 7:25, 9:55; Sun. (12:45, 3:10) 5:40, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30

Ken

4061 Adams Ave (619-283-5909) **Notorious C.H.O.** (Not Rated) Fri. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100) **13** Conversations About One Thing (R) Fri. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (10:10) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:50; **Lovely & Amazing** (R) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (10:20) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; My Wife Is an Actress (R) Fri. (1:05) 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (10:30) 1:05, 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:05) 4:30, 7:30, 9:55; Sex and Lu**cia** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (10:00) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; **Tadpole** (PG-13) Fri. (1:25) 4:40, 7:25, 10:00; Sat.-Sun (10:15) 1:25, 4:40, 7:25, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:25) 4:40, 7:25, 10:00; Fri. 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Sat.-Sun. (1:00) 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

Museum of Photographic Arts

Glen or Glenda?: I Changed My Sex, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Myra Breckenridge, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 8:40

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center 1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)

Bears (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 11:00: The Human Body (Not Rated) Fri.-Tue. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Wed. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00; Thu. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; **Space Station** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 9:15; Sat.-Tue. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Wed. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (09:45, 10:10, 11:50, 12:20, 2:20, 2:50, 4:50, 5:20, 12:50, 4:00) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:20, 9:50, 10:20; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 4:45) 10:05; The Country Bears (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:15, 2:35, 5:00) 7:20; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG) Fri.-Thu. (2:35) 7:50; Eight Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:40; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (09:55, 1:00, 4:10) 7:20, 10:25; Like Mike (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:20, 4:00); **Lilo & Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 12:10, 2:30, 4:45) 7:15, 9:40; Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:10, 4:50) 7:50, 10:30; **The Master of Disguise** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:50, 12:00, 2:15, 4:40) 7:10, 9:30; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 12:35, 3:00, 5:25)

8:00, 10:25; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:00, 10:10; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:55, 5:20) 7:45, 10:15; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (09:45, 12:10, 2:45, 5:15) 7:40, 10:05; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:15; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 100, 14) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:15) 7:10, 10:00; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 11:45, 1:10, 2:30, 4:15, 5:10) 7:15, 7:45, 9:45, 10:20; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 12:30, 2:40, 5:00) 7:35, 9:55

Rancho San Diego 15 2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:45, 5:15) 5:45, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:25, 5:15) 8:05, 10:40; The Country Bears (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:00, 3:05, 5:15) 7:25; The Crocodile Hunter: Collision Course (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 4:45) 9:20; Eight Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:35; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; **Lilo & Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:00, 3:10, 5:15); **Martin Lawrence** Live: Runteldat (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:35 5:00) 7:25, 9:50; **The Master of Disguise** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:00, 3:05, 5:10) 7:15, 9:20; Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:00, 3:05, 5:10) 7:15, 9:20;

Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50) 7:10, 9:20; Mr. Deeds (PG-13)

Fri.-Thu. (2:10) 7:00; Reign of Fire (PG-13)

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Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40; Signs (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 1:215, 2:15, 2:45, 4:45, 5:15, 7:15, 4:45, 5:15) 7:15, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00) 7:00,

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 11:45, 1:15, 2:05, 3:35) 4:35, 5:55, 7:45, 8:15, 10:20, 10:40; Sun. (11:00, 11:45, 1:15, 2:05, 3:35) 4:35, 5:55, 7:40, 8:10, 10:05, 10:25; Mon.-Tue. (1:15, 2:05, 3:35, 4:35, 5:55) 7:45, 8:15, 10:20, 10:40; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:35) 4:55, 7:20; Mon.-Tue. (2:35, 4:55) 7:20; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:00) 4:10, 7:10, 10:25; Sun. (1:00) 4:10, 7:10, 10:10; Mon.-Tue. (1:10, 4:10) 7:10, 10:25; **The Master of Disguise** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:05, 3:15) 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Mon.-Tue. (1:05, 3:15, 5:20) 7:30, 9:40; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:50) 5:15, 7:40, 10:10; Sun. (12:30, 2:50) 5:15, 7:35, 10:00; Mon.-Tue. (1:00, 3:10, 5:25) 7:40, 10:10; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 9:45; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:50) 4:40, 7:25, 10:15; Mon.-Tue. (1:50, 4:40) 7:25, 10:15; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 1:30, 2:30) 4:25, 5:10, 7:15, 7:50, 9:55, 10:30; Sun. (11:30, 1:30, 2:30) 4:25, 5:10, 7:15, 7:45, 9:55, 10:20; Mon.-Tue. (1:30, 2:30, 4:25, 5:10) 7:15, 7:50, 9:55, 10:30; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2:10) 4:30, 7:00, 9:15; Mon.-Tue. (1:40, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15

Grossmont Trolley 8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) Austin Powers in 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;

Tadpole — Reviewed this issue. With Aaron Stanford, Sigourney Weaver, John Ritter, and Bebe Neuwirth; directed by Gary Winick.

(COVE; HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Thirteen Conversations about One

Thing — Four (or so) intersecting plotlines on the themes of the pursuit of happiness and the quirks of fate, but snipped up and patched together so that events that follow each other on screen do not follow each other in chronology. Additional choppingup and rearranging are achieved through chapter headings excerpted from the dialogue: "Ignorance is bliss," "Fuck guilt," "Fortune smiles on some and laughs at others," "Eighteen inches of personal space," and so forth. There might be something to be gotten from the out-ofjoint 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



Tadpole

than on the fine points of dialogue and narrative. The former tends to sound "written" and artificial, while the latter tends to look contrived, uninventive, thesis-driven, illustrative. Somehow it's not surprising to hear that the filmmaking sisters, director and co-writer Jill Sprecher and co-writer Karen Sprecher, acknowledge Bertrand Russell's The Concept of Happiness as a "jumping-off point." The economical, energy-efficient, no-waste performance of Alan Arkin as the consummate sourpuss, suspicious of anyone's good fortune or good humor, so dominates the proceedings as to foment impatience with the alternating plotlines. (Despite the presence

in them of such watchable players as John Turturro, Barbara Sukowa, Clea DuVall, Tia Texada.) The office milieu around Arkin — a tight-fisted insurance outfit reminds us that the Sprechers had earlier collaborated on Clockwatchers. Their ambition since then has increased by leaps and bounds. Their charm has increased, too, by at least a hop and a skip. With Matthew McConaughey, Amy Irving, Frankie Faison, William Wise. 2002. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Windtalkers — John Woo's Second World War shoot-'em-up. The premise of the film, in contrast to that of any previous John Woo you will have seen (Mission. Impossible II, Face/Off, Broken Arrow, etc.), brings to bear what we could call a pressure of reality, to push against the director's cartoony tendencies, and to produce what we might like to hope would be a fruitful creative tension. Not just the reality of World War II, more specifically the Pacific campaigns on the Solomons and Saipan, but also the interesting and unexplored phenomenon of the Navajo "code talkers," whose language proved impenetrable to the Japanese. Woo, however, is not really interested in cryptography. His principal $\,$ interest, apart from his customary bangbang, is in the by-the-numbers male

bonding between two 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)

The Bourne Identity (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 5:25, 7:55, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (5:25) 7:55, 10:25; **Lilo & Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 1:30, 3:30); Lovely & Amazing (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:35, 3:45) 5:55, 8:05, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (11:15, 1:35, 3:45, 5:55) 8:05, 10:20; 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; Mr. Deeds (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:15, 3:20) Deeds (PG-15) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:15, 3:20) 5:30, 7:35, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:10, 1:15, 3:20, 5:30) 7:35, 9:45; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:20, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 1:20, 3:40, 5:50) 8:00, 10:10; Signs (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:20, 12:45, 3:10) 5:35, 8:10, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (10:20, 12:45, 3:10, 5:35) 8:10, 10:35; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 12:45, 2:40) 4:45, 7:55, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (10:45, 12:45, 2:40, 4:45)

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:30, 12:10; Eight Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:30, 11:45; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:10

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) **Austin Powers in Goldmember** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; The Country 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; The Country Bears (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Eight Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 4:30; Halloween: Res-urrection (R) Fri.-Thu. 2:30, 6:45, 8:45, 10:45; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:45, 10:45; **Masters of Disguise** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 5:30, 10:15; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 3:00, 7:45; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 12:45, 2:45, 5:00, 7:00,

Palm Promenade 24
770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)
Signs (PG-13); The Master of Disguise (PG);
Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat (R); Goldmember; The Country Bears (G); K-19: The
Widowmaker (PG-13); Eight-Legged Freaks;
Struct Little 2 (PG-18); 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; The Bourne Identity (PG-13)

Rancho Del Rey 16East H Street at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)
Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-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, 10:40; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:00) 6:50, 10:35; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:10, 4:55) 7:40; **Eight** Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:20; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:25) 6:55, 10:00; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 9:30; **Lilo & Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 4:30) 7:10; **The Master of Disguise** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:50, 5:15) 7:30, 9:35; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:00, 4:35) 7:00, 9:25; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:50) 7:25; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 5:00) 10:30; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:35, 5:00) 7:35, 10:05; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:40, 5:25) 7:55, 10:25; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:20, 5:05) 7:50, 10:35; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 12:00, 1:45, 2:30, 4:20, 5:10) 7:15, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15; **Stuart Little** 2 (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 2:05, 4:50) 7:20, 9:40

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436) Lilo & Stitch (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:15; Spider-Man (PG-13) Fri.-Thu, 4:00, 10:00; The Sum of All Fears (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:45, 8:00

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392) The Country Bears (G); Lilo and Stitch

Sweetwater 9 1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20, 3:35) 5:55, 8:15, 10:25; Sun. (1:20, 3:35) 5:55, 8:10, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 3:45, 5:55) 8:10, 10:15; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sat. (1:05, 3:10) 5:20, 7:20, 9:20; Sun. (1:05, 3:10) 5:20, 7:20, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 3:20, 5:20) 7:20, 9:15; **Halloween: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Sat. 5:40, 8:05, 10:05; Sun. 5:40, 8:05, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (5:40) 8:05, 9:55; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:15); Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:25); **Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:50) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun. (12:30, 2:50) 5:15, 7:45, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:10, 5:25) 7:45, 10:05; **The Master of** Disguise (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:50, 3:45) 5:45, 8:00, 9:55; Sun. (1:50, 3:45) 5:45, 8:00, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 3:55, 5:45) 8:00, 9:50; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:30, 3:30) 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Sun. (1:30, 3:30) 5:30, 7:30, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:30, 5:30) 7:30, 9:25; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:40) 4:20, 7:05, 9:35; Sun. (1:40) 4:20, 7:05, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:20) 7:05, 9:30; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. (2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:35) 7:15, 9:40; **Stuart** Little 2 (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:00) 5:00, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:00, 5:00) 7:00, 9:00

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **Masters of Disguise** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00. 6:15 8:30; Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:15,

4:30, 9:00; Sun.-Thu. 12:15, 4:30; **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; **Signs** (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; Stuart Little 2 (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 2:30, 7:00

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain 11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 1:00, 2:25, 3:15) 4:50, 5:45, 7:20, 8:10, 9:45, 10:25; Sun. (12:10, 1:00, 2:25, 3:15) 4:50, 5:45, 7:20, 8:10, 9:35; Mon.-Tue. (1:05, 2:05, 3:15, 4:15, 5:45) 7:20, 8:10, 9:35; **The Bourne Identity** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 7:35, 10:20; Sun.-Tue. 7:25, 10:00; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:15) 4:20, 7:05;
Mon.-Tue. (2:15, 4:20) 7:05; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:50) 7:05, 10:15; Sun. (12:50, 3:50) 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Tue. (1:00, 3:50) 7:05, 9:55; **Lilo & Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:10) 5:20; Mon.-Tue. (1:25, 3:25, 5:25); **The Master of Disguise** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:00) 5:10, 7:10, 9:20; Mon.-Tue. (1:20, 3:10, 5:10) 7:10, 9:20; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; Sun. (1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:50, 9:50; Mon.-Tue. (1:15, 3:20, 5:30) 7:50, 9:50; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 9:15; **My Big Fat Greek Wedding** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 9:40; Mon.-Tue. (1:00, 3:05, 5:15) 7:30, 9:40; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 2:35) 5:05, 7:40, 10:20; Sun. (12:05, 2:35) 5:05, 7:35, 10:00; Mon.-Tue. (2:00, 4:45) 7:35, 10:00; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 1:45, 2:30) 4:30, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 9:55, 10:30; Sun. (12:00, 1:45, 2:30) 4:30, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 9:45; Mon.-Tue. (1:45, 2:30, 4:30, 5:15) 7:15, 8:00, 9:45; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 2:40) 4:40, 7:00, 9:00; Mon.-Tue. (1:10, 3:00, 5:00) 7:00, 9:00

FSCONDIDO

Carousel Cinema 6 1868 East Valley Parkway (760-480-4666) Call theater for program information

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Poway 10 13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 9:30; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:30; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:45, 10:45; Masters of Disguise (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Men In Black II 1.00, 3.00, 5.17, 2.30, 10.00, Well in Black ii (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30; **Signs** (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; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

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SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California

Walk (760-471-3711) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:20, 11:35, 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. (11:05, 1:45, 4:30) 7:25, 10:00; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Tue. (11:55, 2:15, 4:40)
7:00; **The Crocodile Hunter: Collision** Course (PG) Fri.-Tue. 7:30, 9:45; Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:35); **Eight Legged Freaks** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 9:25; **Full Frontal** (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:05, 2:30, 5:05) 7:45, 10:15; **K-19**: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri -Tue (1:10. 4:15) 7:15, 10:20; **Like Mike** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:45); **Lilo & Stitch** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:45, 12:50, 3:05, 5:15); **Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat** (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:15, 2:45) 5:25, 8:00, 10:35; The Master of Disguise (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:45, 12:45, 2:55, 5:15) 7:40, 9:50; Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:10, 2:25, 4:45) 7:10, 9:30; **Minority Report** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (1:00, 4:05) 7:05, 10:20; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:40, 2:05, 4:40) 7:05, 9:25; **Reign of Fire** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 2:00, 4:35) 7:10, 9:40; **Road to Perdition** (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:40, 1:25, 4:10) 7:00, 9:45; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:25, 12:00, 1:55, 2:35, 4:30, 5:15) 7:15, 7:50, 9:55, 10:25; **Stuart Little** 2 (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:10, 1:05, 3:15, 5:10) 7:20,

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

La Costa 6

6941 E. Camino Real (760-599-8221) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15; Signs (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:00, 9:15

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147) Austin Powers in 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; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:00

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

12905 El Camino Real (858-646-9420) Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; The Country Bears (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15; Masters of Disguise (Not Rated) 7.13; masters of Disguise (Not Rated)
Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00;
Men In Black II (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15,
3:30, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Minority Report
(PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:30; Signs (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; Stuart Little 2
(PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00 (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00,

Flower Hill 4 2430 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425) Full Frontal (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **K-19: The Widowmaker** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:45,

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8 220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) **Austin Powers in Goldmember** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:30, 2:50, 5:15, 7:40, 10:00; Sun. 12:30, 2:50, 5:15, 7:50; Mon.-Wed. 1:15, 3:30 (5:45) 8:25; **The Country Bears** (G) Fri.-Sat. 12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:25, 9:40; Sun. 12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:20; Mon.-Wed. 1:20, 3:35 (5:55) 8:10; **K**-**19:** The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:40, 3:50, 7:00, 10:15; Sun. 12:40, 3:50, 7:00; Mon.-Wed. 1:50 (5:00) 8:15; **Masters of Disguise** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:50, 9:55; Sun. 12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:30; Mon.-Wed. 1:35, 3:45 (5:50) 8:30; Minority Report (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:20, 4:00, 7:15, 10:25; Sun. 12:20, 4:00, 8:00; Mon.-Wed. 1:40 (4:40) 7:40; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Sat. 1:10, 4:15, 7:10, 10:10; Sun. 1:10, 4:15, 7:10; Mon.-Wed. 2:00 (4:50) 7:55; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:40, 5:25, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 12:00, 2:40, 5:25, 8:15; Mon.-Wed. 2:10 (5:10) 8:00; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 1:00, 3:10, 5:30, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. 1:00, 3:10, 5:30, 7:40; Mon.-Wed. 1:30, 3:40 (5:40) 7:45

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)

My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) Fri. 6:30, 8:40; Sat.-Sun. 4:00, 6:30, 8:40; Mon.-Thu. 6:30, 8:40; The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Fri.

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13

College Boulevard and Mission Avenu (760-806-1790)

Austin Powers in Goldmember (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:00, 1:15, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00, 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:30; **The Country Bears** 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:30; The Country Bears (G) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45; Eight Legged Freaks (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:45, 5:30, 10:10; Halloween: Resurrection (R) Fri.-Thu. 3:10, 8:00; K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:05, 4:05, 7:05, 10:05; The Master of Disguise (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 2:45, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20; **Men In Black II** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 2:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20; **Mr. Deeds** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:30, 6:30, 9:15; Reign of Fire (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:40, 1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00; Road to Perdition (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 8:15, 10:25; **Signs** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 11:30, 1:35, 2:15, 4:15, 4:45, 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; **Stuart Little 2** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:10, 3:05, 5:30, 7:25, 9:45

Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue, Oceanside (760-439-1733) Signs (PG-13); The Master of Disguise (PG); Martin Lawrence Live: Runteldat (R); The Country Bears (G); My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG); Goldmember; Stuart Little 2 (PG); K-19: The Widowmaker (PG-13); Eight-Legged Freaks; Reign of Fire (PG-13); Road to Perdition (R); Men in Black II; Mr. Deeds (PG-13); Lilo and Stitch

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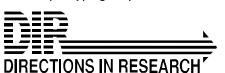
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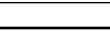


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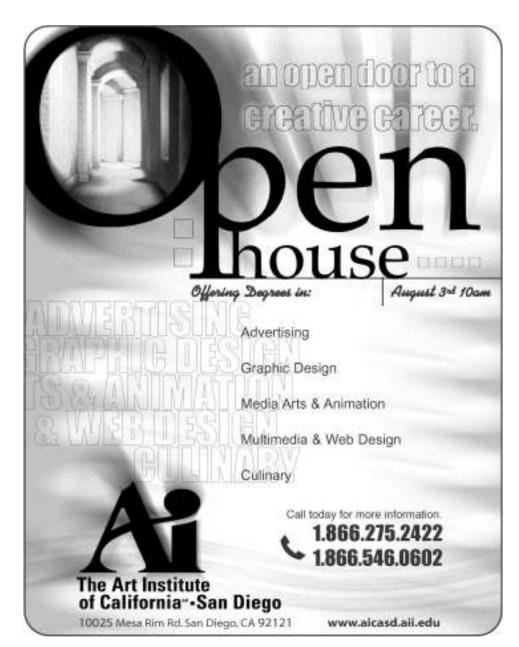
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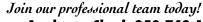
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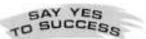
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OFF THE CUFF by Sue Greenberg



Jennifer Peretti

husband. He fanned me off, gave

me some water, put my head between

my knees, and when the blood

rushed back, I got up again. It's happened a lot — I fainted when I

wasn't pregnant. It usually hap-pened if my blood sugar was low.

Teacher Little Italy

glycemic, but with the baby and everything, and it being hot...I just, like, see some spots and then I go down. Thank God I was with my

She swooned — because I said "Yes" — but she didn't faint. faint all the time. Probably because I'm pregnant. The last time was last Saturday. I think I'm hypo-



Randall Archer

Unemployed

Serra Mesa

Relatives were in town, and I was driving them up to Riverside. In Escondido, an old man was crossing the street, and he passed out. My cousin got out of the car and performed CPR. The old man got up and we called the paramedics because we had to get to Riverside.



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 $\overline{F_{\text{payment and had to pay for matching employees, because I'm a}}$ single white male with no deductions. I came to, but I was partially passed out for the next two months paying it off.



Have you ever fainted?

Fabian Lam

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Chula Vista

My mom used to faint all the time. She had this weird...condition. My dad would sometimes have to almost, well, slap her. Then he would have to massage her chest to help her wake up. One time I remember she got angry at my brother and walked out of the house. We found her just laying in the dirt; it wasn't funny, but we were so used to seeing her faint that we weren't sure what to do. My brother had to carry her, and he was really struggling. We just put her on her bed and called someone for help. She still faints

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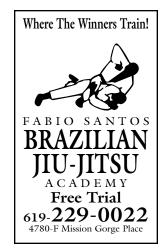


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ATTRACTIVE, SINGLE white male, slim, fit, 6'. Also, vegetarian and a career professional. Seeking long-term relationship with educated, financially secure, attractive lady. (8/14) \$\mathbf{4}\$183

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classical, rock, and knows how to hug and kiss. (8/14) 4848170

NORTH COUNTY, HANDSOME, athletic, 45,6°, 175lbs. Healthy lifestyle, financially secure, never married, no baggage. Enjoy outdoors, gym, sports, dining. Seeking attractive, fit, unencumbered woman. (8/14) 48131

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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

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BEACH WALKS AND SUNSETS, candlelight dinners, the great outdoors. Happy, handsome professional. 40, fit and fun. Seeking partner with attraction inside and out. (8/14) \$\mathbf{T}\$48202 HANDSOME, MUSCULAR, ATHLETIC

HANDSOME, MUSCULAR, ATHLETIC black male, 5'10', 210lbs., enjoys water sun, movies and plays; seeks slender to medium build, white female, 25-50, who spontaneous. Call me. (8/14) \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$ 48164

HELP WANTED! Seeking partner to share weekend getaways; outdoor activities, sport cars, exploring new restaurants and countryside. Must have natural good looks, common sense, spunk! (8/7) \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$48104

OLDER BEAUTY SOUGHT by white professional, 47, fit, positive, fun. You: Fit fessional, 47, fit, positive, fun. You: Fit, pretty, no excess baggage, good qualities. Be ready for fun/action. Call me. (8/7) 748038

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GOOD-HEARTED, HEALTHY gentleman,
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special woman. (8/7) ☎ 48068

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BLACK'S BEACH. White male, 39, looks 30, 5'8", 138lbs., attractive, seeks 18-45, height/weight proportionate female to enjoy sun and beach as they were intended. (8/14) **TA** 48137

NICE, NORMAL GUY. No promise I can't keep. No lies, no games, 46, average appearance. Friends/family important to me. Love kids. No smoke. (8/7) 48073

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) TAMES AND A STATE OF A

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HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 58, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic, seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun,

happy, exciting, committed relationship. (8/14) **2**48129

LIFE'S AN ADVENTURE. Handsome, humorous, 6', explorer, 36, enjoys outdoors, travel, photography, music, comedy. Seeking health-conscious, adventurous, fun-loving woman, 28-38, for romantic adventures. (8/14) **3**48165

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Handsome, successful, entrepreneur, youthful, 56, 5'11", fit, healthy lifestyle, quick wit, easy smile, loves films, music, nature, stimulating conversation; seeks special woman for friendship, laughter, love. (8/7) 48083

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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

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

HISPANIC MALE, 44, SEEKS white o Hispanic female under 35. Any size and shape. Must be loving, nurturing, affectionate and mothering. Voluptuous a plus. Marriage. (8/14) 348138

WHAT EVERY WOMAN WANTS! An understanding, caring and appreciative man who will treat you like the queen you are. Are you looking for me? (8/7)

48033

49-YEAR-OLD MALE behaves like a kid at times, seeks life partner. The journey's in the search/future. Edited... now let's write the rest. (8/7) ☎ 48114

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)

AFRICAN-AMERICAN, MALE professional, single dad, 44, handsome, smart, fit, 5'8". You: earthy, fit, sincere, attractive, Christian values, loving, warm, for friendship first. Commitment minded. (8/14)

THE LOVE YOU TAKE 15 LIVE you make. Pursuing an independent, articulate, athletic, spunky, petite brunette, 36-45. Travel, tennis, arts, genuine communication. (8/14) \$\oldsymbol{\Pi}\$48198 THE LOVE YOU TAKE IS EQUAL to the

SINGLE WHITE MALE, 43, tall, dark and nice-looking, teddy bear type, witty, good personality, homeowner. Seeking cute, upbeat, fun woman for healthy relationship! (619)(8/14) 48196

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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)

HAPPY GO LUCK! Divorced white male, 37, just moved from Texas. Looking for lady who is honest and optimistic to go on a date. (8/7) \$\frac{1}{48049}\$

a date. (8//) ☎48049

NOT A SLACKER BUT A COOL GUY into artsy things: foreign and indie films, alternative music. 33, 6'3', dark hair, attractive, fun, intelligent, thoughtful, educated. (8/14) ☎48184

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BLACK, BALD, 5'10", 180lbs., educated professional seeking good-looking, pet Latina, size 3/4 to 6/8, 5'-5'6", to become best friends and more. (8/14) \$\infty\$48135

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LONESOME, CHARMING female— where are you? 45-60. Like walks, togetherness, a soul mate, food humor, happy, good health. (8/7) \$\infty\$ 48034

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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

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50s, TALL, SLENDER, Jewish guy seeks tall, slender Jewish gal. (8/7) \$\frac{\asta}{2}\$48122

BRAZILIAN LADY WANTED. North County Coastal, tall, 57, surfer, photographer, world traveler, seeks 40s, sweet woman from Brazil for long-term relationship. Tudo bem. (8/7) \$\frac{\asta}{2}\$48109

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- 64. The shallowest Great Lake
- 65. Super ending
- 66. Weakens
- 67. Heat-cracked
- 68. Impertinent talk
- 69. Brush material

Down

- 1. Sixth word in the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Cooking pot
- 3. Fly high
- 4. Widely distributed, with "in"
- 5. Ford flub
- 6. Spinsters' counterparts
- 7. It's replacing 28-Down
- 8. "Give it ____ 9. Capital of Lesotho
- 10. Suffix with Manhattan

- 11. Belarus city
- 12. "Me too"
- ____ Mio"
- 19. Gallic Wars hero
- 21. She may appear on a tree
- 25. 1999 Oscar winner for best actor
- 26. Record on video
- 27. Half court game?
- 28. Old Italian money
- 30. Kind of den
- 34. Surrounds
- 36. "Since ____ You Baby" (1956 hit)
- 37. Dynamic opener
- 38. Zippo
- 40. "Forget it!"
- 41. Try to tag
- 46. Fall colors
- 49. Sidewalk eateries
- 50. "M" star
- 51. Site of "bombs bursting"
- 52. One making overnight deliveries
- 54. Churchillian symbol
- 57. Turner and Cole
- 58. Craps play
 - 59. Prefix with skeleton
 - 60. Part of N.B.A.: Abbr.
 - 62. Swing site

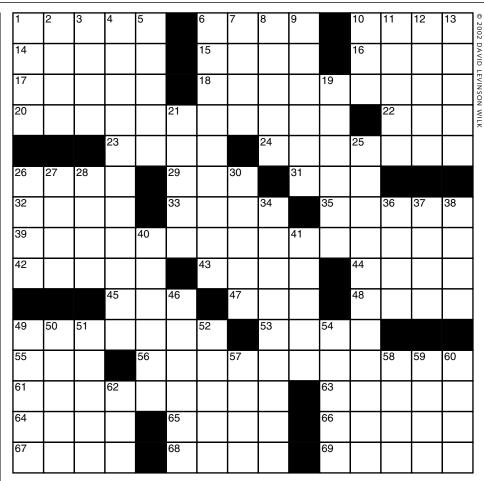
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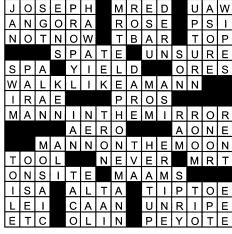
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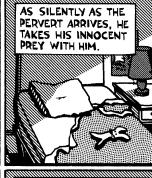
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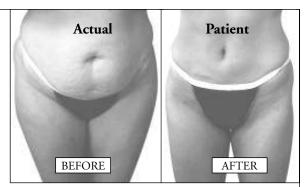
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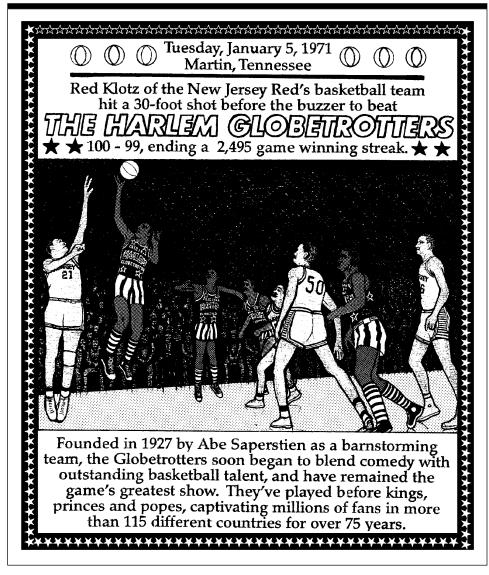
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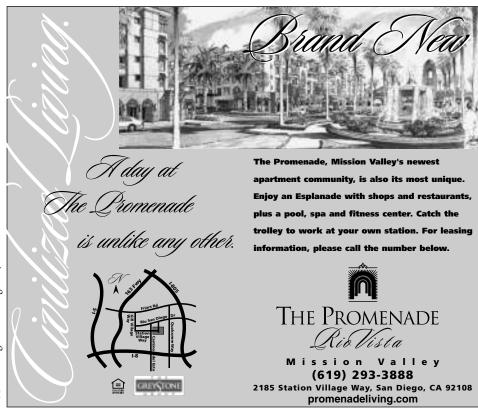
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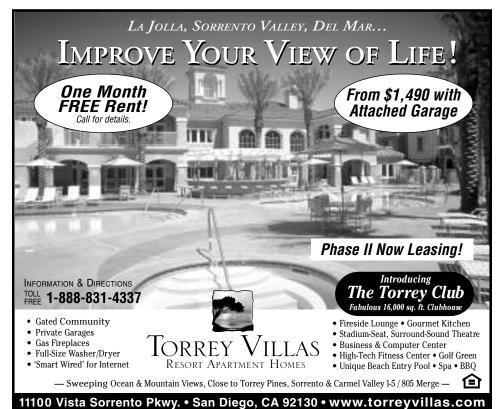
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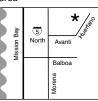
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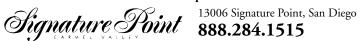




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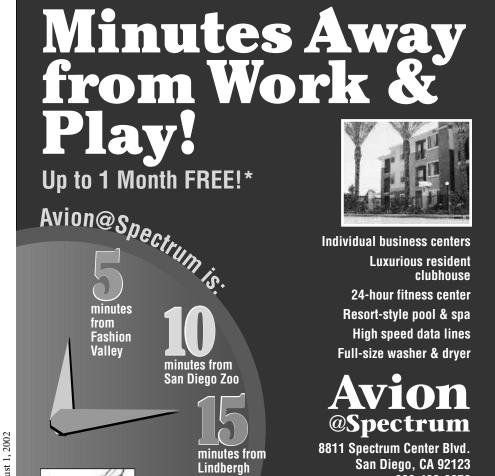
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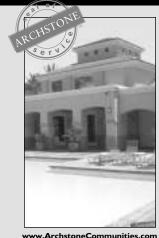
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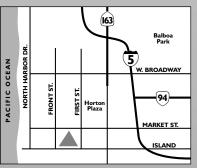
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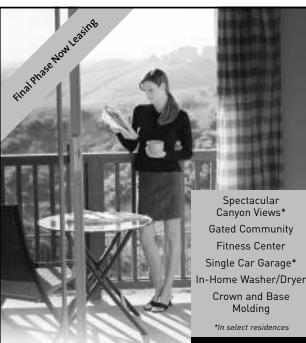
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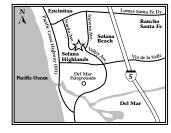
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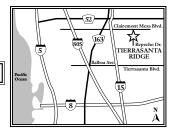
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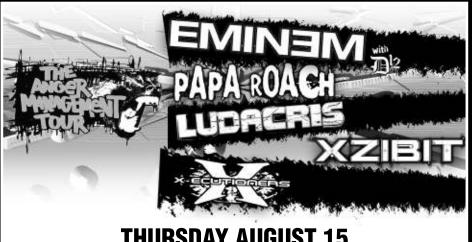
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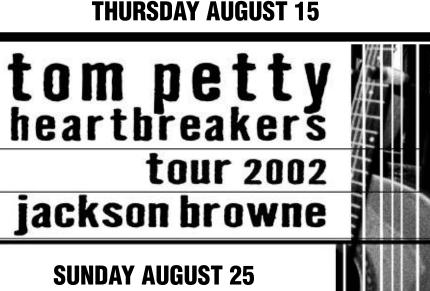
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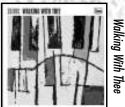


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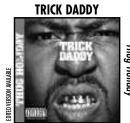
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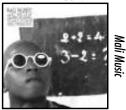


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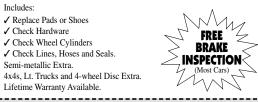
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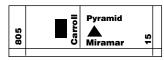
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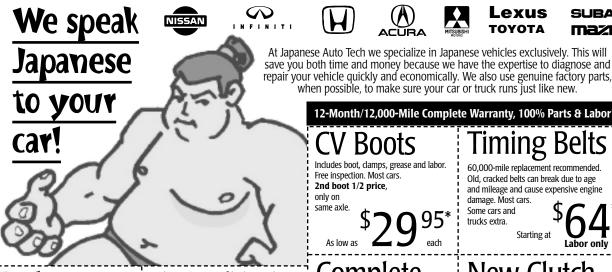
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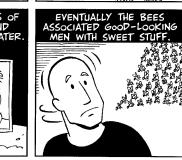


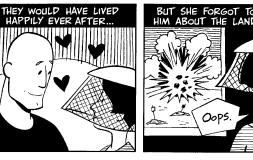




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By John Brizzolara

Getting in touch with your inner child may be passé, but so what. I'd rather be hopelessly infantile than die a smartass who never finger-painted. Ditch your inhibitions: the Children's Museum of San Diego is putting the muse back in museum and looking for grownups.

The current space for the museum will be closing at the end of August, and for the next 24 months the "Museum Without Walls" will be popping up at different locations in an effort to raise \$20 million for the new Rob Quigley-designed facility. Since adults tend to have more money than kids. the museum is encouraging the over-21 crowd to come on down and get funky at the "Clay Play Station," the "Rain House," the "Double-Decker Book Bus," and several other gratifying attractions. You can slap yet another coat of paint on the 1952 Dodge pickup truck that has been painted one layer every day for the past ten years; it looks like a giant gray and purple pickup truck-shaped candle. Or you can get into some puppetry or decorate a Volkswagen bug with scraps of fabric or make dolls or... You can easily spend the day there (bring a lunch, maybe), and if you're not as talented as the diminutive competition, you're bigger than they are so don't worry about it.

Deputy director of the museum Jennifer Case points out, "I think a lot of people in San Diego haven't realized that we're here, downtown. Sometimes we're perceived as being in Balboa Park,

which we would love to have been because the rent is a dollar a year. We, on the other hand, have been paying \$24,000-a-month rent to the city for the location we're in now. A lot of money we could use for exhibits — to bring art straight to the public — goes for rent. Because of that, we're actually closing September 1. We worked out a development plan with the city, where they are reclaiming two-thirds of this block, and a developer from Canada (Pinnacle International) is actually purchasing the two-thirds and building a high-rise condominium tower called the Museum Tower. On the one-third that's left, the museum is getting rebuilt. Three stories. So, while we'll be losing square footage on the ground level, we'll be gaining on a multilevel."

The drawings Case shows me indicate a battery of solar panels to provide all of the power for the facility. "It's ecologically sound," she says. "The exciting part for us is that although it was a difficult situation, we found a way that gives us a whole new building, which we are designing to support the creative process for our visitors.

In the meantime, the Museum Without Walls will materialize at street festivals, fairs, libraries, and schools, even Borders bookstore. Director of marketing Laura Lhotsky adds, "We are arranging for something called Happy Hour Art for local businesses: instead of getting right into rush-hour traffic, you'd come and do art for art's sake — as if you were a kid."

Lhotsky takes me on a tour around the site. Here are facilities for birthday parties — messy birthday parties. "We invite you, when you come to the museum, to not wear your best clothes." We pass Charlotte Bird's installations of story-telling quilts: "[These are] based on stories. This one," she indicates a predominantly green quilt, "is in collaboration with a five-year-old. We're doing a workshop in the next few weeks on how to make quilts.

Lhotsky guides me around a giant tree made of fiberglass, maybe. And around a children's slide that employs rollers instead of a frictionless surface so that kids can know the sensation of whipping down a ramp like a case of canned peas at the loading dock of a grocery store. "If you came here two weeks ago, you would have seen a collection of 300 puppets. We have a puppetry guild. And over here is our origami table. But that's not going on right now. We have mask-making and 'Clay Play,' which we'll feature in our Museum Without Walls in a traveling exhibit."

Here is a small theater where children can perform for parents, or vice versa, and a paper-making station. Lhotsky estimates that each day some 150 to 200 children come through the museum.

It is the "Clay Play Station" that interests me, and there is only one kid



Nico at Clay Play Station

ahead of me. His name is Nico, and he is under ten years old, I'd say, but beefy. I could elbow him out of the way or maybe just distract him: "Hey, look, Nico! Spiderman!" But I know I should just wait my turn. Art teacher James Watts is on hand doing a one-on-one lesson with Nico. Both of them are rolling clay eyelids beneath their fingers for their bust-in-progress. Lips are next. "I'm showing Nico how to add small bits at a time, and you develop a muscle structure. That's how you develop a face," Watts says. He teaches at junior high and elementary school levels. He has a show at the moment near 30th and University on Ray Street.

"The main tool of the artist is his imagination," Watts says, as I examine a thin wooden dowel with a flattened and scalloped tip. Nico was using it to create what might be indications of hair on the head of the bust. "We just start with a ball and our imagination." Nico shows no sign of a flagging attention span and Lhotsky notices my eagerness to create. I just know I could do an Easter Island-type head in about five minutes. "You can come back," the young marketing director says. "Anytime. I'll get you free passes."

"Okay," I say reluctantly, as I leave Nico to his lesson. "I guess."

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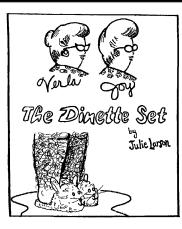
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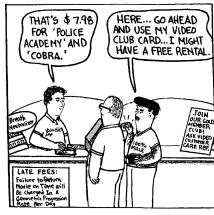
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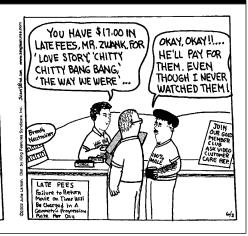
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The grass is always greener on the other side. It seems to me that this is especially true when it comes to feminine attributes. Straight-haired gals long for the genetic code that creates curly masses. The ringlet-headed complain about the difficulty of managing their mop tops. Small-chested women moan that clothes would look better on them if they had more up front, while well-endowed ladies gripe that they have to strap themselves in if they want to jog or play sports. And here I am, an Irish lass with milk-white complexion, suddenly wishing to sport a golden tan.

The most proximate cause of my desire hangs in my closet — a backless, strapless bridesmaid's dress that I will be wearing at an upcoming wedding. I find myself shuddering at the thought of my snow-white skin blaring forth from the altar amid all the other bridesmaids' sun-browned backs. With the wedding date looming, I have become desperate. I don't have time to sit in the sun, and even if I did. I would just end up a freckled mess.

I decided to seek relief from my worries at the bottom of a bottle — not a booze bottle, but a bottle of sunless tanning lotion. I was nervous about my decision — I had powerful memories of a high-school friend who ripened herself into a burnished orange with a bottled tanner. So I resolved to

scoop up several varieties and do some testing on my tummy — a region that would stay safely under wraps.

My first stop was at the beauty counters inside the Fashion Vallev Robinson's-May. Estée Lauder caught my eye with its line of Bronze Beautiful sunless tanners. Sales clerk Eitienne explained the different types. "The Bronze Beautiful (\$25 for 5 oz.) has a tint in it already, while the Sunless Super Tan (\$25 for 4.2 oz.) is a pure white lotion. With the bronzer, you'll see a light tint color immediately and more color within an hour. With the self-tanner, it will be about four hours before you see color. Both last about five days." Estée Lauder sold separate products for the face — Go Bronze Face (\$18.50 for 1.7 oz.) and Sunless Super Tan Face (\$18.50 for 1.7 oz.). Eitienne read the "What I tell people is, the first time you use a self-tanner, make sure you exfoliate the body well."

sticker shock in my eyes and tried to reassure me. "A lot of the cheap sunless tanners streak, and if you have a streaky tan, then what's the point?" I grabbed one bronzer and one sunless and headed toward the Clinique counter.

Clinique carried a similar line — Body

Self-Tanner (in regular or dark, 4.2 oz.), Body Bronze (4.2 oz.), and specialized formulas for the face in Bronze, regular, or dark (1.7 oz.). All products cost \$15.50. Eitienne offered a little more info: 'Some people like the bronze because it's easier to use. You see where the product is going, and that helps even the application, which prevents streaking. The regular lotion is for those that don't like the glistening, bronzy look. If you're a fair person, you need to reapply to get a darker tone. If

you're a dark-pigmented person, go with the darker formula. Don't mix up the formulas for face and body; the face is an oily zone, and if you use the body formula on the face, it will break up faster." I asked how it worked. "It's putting color in your skin; I guess that's it." I purchased some lotion for the face.

Rebecca at Complexions Rx wasn't sure how self-tanners worked either, but she told me experience had taught

her that her store's was the best, because it didn't streak, gave great color, and didn't smell bad. She gave me a free .55 oz sample; a 6 oz. bottle of Complexions Rx Sunless Tanner costs \$20. As I walked away, I noticed that, unlike Estée Lauder or Clinique, it contained a sunscreen as well as a tanning agent.

Rebecca had pointed me toward Saks Fifth Avenue, noting that Clarins-Paris carried a popular brand of sunless tanner. There, James suggested the Self-Tanning Milk (\$25 for 4.5 oz., contains sunscreen). "It's very hydrating. The self-tanners go with the natural melanin of the skin. If you have a very fair complexion and you get one and think, 'Oh, my God, I'm going to get dark,' or 'It's going to tint me or stain me,' it's not. Whatever the content of the melanin in your skin is the color you're going to get."

James warned, "If you want to look really natural, don't go with the products that are tinted. The rapid bronzers have their place. Maybe you're wearing shorts to a party and you're bone white, or you're wearing a strapless dress and you need to cover tan lines. You need color quickly, and that's what they're geared for. But if you're somebody who wants to see color on a regular basis, use the Clarins Self-Tanning Milk.

"What I tell people is, the first time you use a self-tanner, make sure you exfoliate the body well — you want to remove all the dead skin tissue so that the product glides on and you don't get any blotchiness in application.

Use your self-tanner three times consecutively, and then after you get your base color, use it once a week to maintain."

Another Clarins counterperson, Françoise, added, "I really love the Clarins Self-Tanning Milk. It's the least smelly of the self-tanners — they all have an odor. When using, apply with a circular motion and you won't miss any spots." She gave me a free .28-oz. sample of the Self-Tanning Milk for my test.

From Fashion Valley, I cruised

2 over to Target to collect a few of the more
garden-variety drugstore brands: Neutrogena Sunless Tanning Spray (\$7.99 for 3.5 oz.), Coppertone Sunless Tanning
Lotion (\$9.99 for 3.7 oz.), Banana Boat
Sunless Tanning Cream (\$5.99 for 5.7 oz.),
and SunCatcher Sunless Tanning Crème (\$4.99 for 8 oz.). As I drove home, I noticed All That
TAN, a tanning salon off of Lake Murray
Boulevard. I hit the brakes and picked up one
last candidate for the job of coloring my back:
Summer Illusion Self-Tanner (\$17.24 for 6 oz.).

Later that evening, after showering and thoroughly exfoliating my tummy, I squeezed, squirted, and sprayed the various self-tanners onto my skin, being careful not to mix them. The next morning, I checked the results. The Estée Lauder bronze-tinted cream, which did give color right away, had given me a light mocha hue, whereas their Sunless Self-Tanner gave me a more golden tone. However, I noticed that the bronzer contained sparkly flecks — too much trashy glamour for a wedding, or for my own tastes. Both products gave off a light floral odor.

Clinique's cream smelled of sour apples and left a subtle maple hue that I thought would be perfect on my face. Complexions Rx's cream, which smelled like a Watermelon

Jolly Rancher candy, left little more than a faint dusting of cinnamon color. Françoise had been right about the Clarins — it smelled wonderful; like a breeze after it has blown across a flower garden. And my eyes danced as they beheld the dark golden color on my skin — lovely and natural-looking. The Clarins was easily my favorite of the higher-end selftanners, taking top honors in smell, application, and color.

Moving down-market, I arrived at Sun-Catcher. While not offensive to the nose — it smelled of baby powder — it left no noticeable change in color. Banana Boat's colored cream (which does not leave an immediate tint) smelled and felt like coconut cream pie, and while its coffee-with-cream tint had helped in application, the final result was disappointing: the barest whisper of bronze. Coppertone, which smelled like hair mousse, showed color after only 15 minutes, but the morning revealed a yellow-brown tone that reminded me of a healing bruise.

Summer Illusions was icky — glycerin texture and sour-milk smell — and I thought I'd never use it again, except the results turned out to be favorable: a pleasant mocha. Neu-

trogena turned out to be the champ of the bunch. The sweet smell had only the slightest sour

edge, and the spray covered wide expanses effortlessly with minimal rubbing. And the color proved to be the darkest and most golden of the lower-end tanners.

I concluded that all the other drugstore brands

would require more frequent applications than the department-store varieties if I wanted to attain the same depth of color. But I was still curious about the mystical workings of sunless tanners. I made a call to Estée Lauder's corporate office — surely they would know the magic formula. I spoke with Beth. "The great thing about this product is it's not a stain on the skin. What it does is color the proteins in the skin. It works with what you have as far as your own coloring, whether it be warm-toned or a little bit cooler. That's why it looks natural." Beth reminded me that since the product didn't actually bring out sun-blocking melanin, I would still need to use sunscreen, even after I had "tanned." But my indoor-related concerns were taken

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Lucy lost a tooth. She surprised us all. She surprised herself. A week ago Wednesday, my third daughter, Lucy, stood in front of the living room stereo cabinet. At the moment, she had no interest in music. Lucy uses the cabinet's rectangular glass door as a mirror. If she stands at just the right angle, she can see her wavy copper-colored hair, her light blue eyes, the sprinkling of freckles on her long, thin face.

I sat at the dining room table reading the newspaper. Rebecca and Angela, aged nine and seven, played Barbies in the family room. Four-year-old Johnny sat at the computer in the office helping Buzz Lightvear save the universe from Evil Emperor Zurg. In the middle of the living room, Ben,

22 months, danced in circles to his favorite country song. Five-year-old Lucy stood before the stereo cabinet and gazed at her reflection.

As Ben flopped onto the carpet at the song's end, Lucy gasped and looked at me in alarm.

"What's wrong, sweetie?" I asked.

"I hurt my tooth," Lucy explained. Her eyes filled with tears. "I was touching it, and it made a cracking sound and bent backward."

"Let me see." I stood up and walked over to where Lucy stood. Angela and Rebecca walked into the room.

> "What's wrong with Lucy?" Rebecca asked. "Will she be okay?" Angela chimed in.

I peered into Lucy's mouth. "I don't see any blood," I said. Angela and Rebecca tried to look into Lucy's mouth, too. "Which tooth is it?" I asked.

Lucy reached up and touched one of her bottom middle teeth. "Thee?" she lisped with her finger in her mouth. "It wiggleth."

I smiled. "Lucy, you have a loose tooth." Lucy's expression changed from distress

to delight.
"A loose tooth?" Angela asked in disbelief, "It's not fair,"

Rebecca lost her first tooth when she was barely five. Before her sixth birthday, Rebecca had accumulated a small fortune in tooth-fairy booty. Angela, at seven, has lost only two teeth. Her top two front teeth are loose. They just don't seem to want to come out. At Angela's last visit to the dentist, Dr. Greenberg told her that

her two top teeth should fall out any day. He showed us on the X-ray where her adult teeth were coming down into place in her gums, getting ready to push out the baby teeth. Privately, he told me with a half-smile, "They may wear down before they fall out."

Indeed, Angela has inherited my husband Jack's soft teeth. Her two front top teeth look like tiny porcelain nubbins. When I look at Angela's mouth, I am reminded of those Amazonian Indian tribes you see on the Discovery Channel, the ones that file the women's teeth down almost to the gum line.

Lucy exulted in her loose tooth the rest of the day. She told me the story several times of how she had discovered the loose tooth in spite of the fact I had witnessed the discovery firsthand. "I was standing in front of the stereo touching my tooth," she told me breathlessly as I stood at the kitchen counter making lunch, "when it made a cracking sound and bent back in my mouth. At first, I thought it was broken. Then I discovered it was loose. Look." I peered into Lucy's mouth again while she wiggled the tooth with her finger.

We called Jack at work so Lucy could tell him her news. "Daddy said it should come out within a couple of days," Lucy told me when she hung up the phone. "Then the tooth fairy will come." Lucy gave me a conspiratorial look. "I know who the tooth fairy is," she said.

'Who's that?" I asked.

"You and Daddy," she whispered. "And

you're Santa Claus and the Easter bunny, too." With two older sisters, Lucy knows a lot more at five than Rebecca ever did.

Jack was right. Friday morning, Lucy came downstairs, walked over to where I stood rinsing dishes at the kitchen sink, and smiled. "Good morning, sweetie," I said.

Lucy kept smiling. I looked harder at her. 'You lost your tooth!" I congratulated her. "Was it in your bed?"

"Nope," Lucy said. "I can't find it." Lucy walked into the family room to show Angela her new smile. She came back a few moments later holding the tiny tooth between two fingers. "Angela found it on my shoulder," Lucy explained.

"Good work, Angie," I said.

Angela helped Lucy decorate a sandwichsized Ziploc bag to hold the tooth for the tooth fairy. With a blue Magic Marker, Angela drew a picture of Lucy, her mouth open in a giant smile. One of the front bottom teeth was missing. Lucy popped the tooth into the bag. She took the bag to the grocery store. She took the bag to the pool. She put the bag under her pillow when she went to bed that night.

The next morning, Lucy came downstairs wearing a mournful expression. "The tooth fairy didn't come," she said.
"I'm so sorry," I answered. "The tooth

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