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Reader

More Than Support

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I first started to notice breasts when I was ten years old. Not my own, because I didn't have any yet, but my mother's. I had seen my mother dressing often enough; she was small-framed, and her pear-shaped breasts were average in size and proportionate to the rest of her.

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Scribe Snatched

Hats off to the *Reader* for snatching Don Bauder out of retirement. I suspect he was pushed out the *U-T* door by the cocktail-corruption set he so eloquently describes in today's issue ("Cocktail-Party Corruption," "City Lights," April 17). I hope for some inside info on life at the *U-T* and on their senior management, but I assume they were smart enough to force the independent-thinking scribe into signing a non-disclosure agreement.

Chuck Allen

Most Amazing Thing You've Done

I'm still rubbing my eyes. Is that really Don Bauder writing for the *Reader*? This is the most amazing thing you've done since, well, refresh my memory, when was the last time the *Reader* pulled off something this amazing? What a pleasure to read a pro dissect the folly of our leaders as they march San Diego toward decrepitude. Of course, as he says, the march will continue until the voters wake up, which is not likely to happen anytime soon.

Eric Taylor
Ocean Beach

Criminal Council

I would like to thank you for giving Mr. Bauder the opportunity to write in your paper. And I certainly hope that you will continue doing so. We have lived in San Diego for 45 years, and I have read his articles regarding financial matters. When he writes, he plays it straight, he shows concern for the public. What an excellent job he's done on this article "Cocktail-Party Corruption" ("City Lights," April 17). I remember that during the much-discussed Jack Murphy Stadium deal he appeared on many, many talk shows and gave his opinion in the paper, but those pow-

ers that be decided that he wasn't saying the truth. Because of that 60,000-seat guarantee, it's cost the public millions and millions of dollars. It seems like the only thing that really counts in this city is money, money, money. I believe that this city council, as well as CCDC, what they're doing to the poor and the middle class, is criminal. I really feel that way.

Joseph Cuseo
San Diego

Still Here After Bush

I just wanted to comment on Dick Kolb's suggestion (Letters, April 17) that anyone who does not like our present leaders or their actions should leave the country. What I find interesting is that it is highly likely he was one of the people bitching and moaning about the Clinton Administration and its actions, and lo and behold, he is obviously still here! This is America, we are supposed to be allowed our opinions. I didn't vote for Bush, but I voted. So I can hold any opinion that I want about the present administration. Please do not print my name, because people like Dick seem to think people like me have no right to live here. Dick, you are a credit to your name.

Name Withheld
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What's The Problem?

The April 17 story "Driver's License to Pierce" was a rather short article, yet it took me back over 25 years to the '70s in Illinois, when I and my girlfriends from school would all meet at Sherry's house. We would pierce each other's ears, using only a sewing needle, alcohol, and a piece of ice.

We were only 9 to 11 years of age. I do not recall any of us getting sick or infected. And if our ears did get scabby, we washed with soap and water and alcohol afterwards. No big deal!

As a woman now of 39, I understand the concern about this man in his van seeking business from teenage girls (mostly) from high schools and junior highs. I am also a mother. If I had met the guy and checked out his quarters where he operates from and seen everything was okay, then why not? There have been no reports of molestation, so what's

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Full spin ahead The *Union-Tribune*, apparently intent upon shoring up the eroding credibility of San Diego schools chief **Alan Bersin**, gave a hero's sendoff to **Veronica "Ronne" Froman**, who abruptly left her lucrative job as Bersin's chief financial advisor last week to head up the local Red Cross. In a Thursday news story bylined by two *U-T* reporters, the paper garlanded the retired rear admiral with nothing but the highest of praise, failing to even mention the ongoing controversies besetting Bersin's district budget. Then, on Saturday, the paper ran an editorial full of glowing praise for Froman, particularly what it called her "innovative business reforms." The paper hadn't even reported one of those controversial "reforms," awarding of exclusive beverage contracts to Coke and Pepsi, until the Froman sendoff piece. Conspicuously missing from both coverage and editorial were the myriad of critics of those outsourcing deals or any account of the upheaval in the district-finance department, which as a result of Froman's housecleaning has been left without a single licensed certified public accountant ... It appears clear who won't get the endorsement of San Diego City Attorney **Casey Gwinn** in the race to succeed him. Deputy



Lesley Devaney

Deborah Berger, who — along with fellow city attorney staffer **Lesley Devaney** — has declared for the job, has dispatched a fundraising mailer with an implied disparagement of the office's handling of the infamous **Roque de la Fuente** inverse condemnation suit. "The \$100 million the City lost in the de la Fuente case," Berger said, "would have paid annual salaries for 1345 firefighters or 1205 police officers!" Gwinn and Devaney, his close confidante, are widely blamed for botching the case. Berger also alludes to Gwinn's coziness with professional sports team owners and their sweetheart deals with the city by promising she would "file lawsuits against anyone who attempts to take advantage of the City of San Diego or its citizens." Berger, a Democrat, has lined up ex-police chief **Jerry Sanders** and ex-state senator **Lucy Killea** as campaign co-chairs. Her website features a picture of her and ex-president **Jimmy Carter** together at a Padres game.

Ivory bubbles Local public university chiefs are now zero for two in their service on corporate boards. Last year, it was SDSU president **Stephen Weber** whose company, Florida-based Budget Group, Inc., the rent-a-car giant, slid down the tubes into Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Now it's UCSD chancellor **Robert Dynes** and La Jolla's Leap Wireless, which filed for Chapter



Stephen Weber



Robert Dynes

11 last week, most likely wiping out public shareholders. Dynes joined the Leap board back in 1999, shortly after his friend, Padres owner **John Moores**, also became a member. Moores, appointed a UC Regent by Democratic governor **Gray Davis** and Dynes's father-in-law, San Francisco financier **Warren Hellman**, had recently cemented an investment deal between themselves. Moores, who resigned his Leap board seat during the **Valerie Stallings** influence-buying scandal, subsequently quit the board of his own high-tech outfit, Peregrine Systems, after it went into bankruptcy and was faced with an ongoing federal fraud investigation.

Censorship 101 Private San Diego-based National University is causing a stir in public university circles by running a radio spot pointing out budget-caused weakness in government-run schools. "California's community colleges say budget cuts will deny access to nearly 146,000 students this fall, which equates to the total number of undergraduates within the UC system," say the spots, which are running throughout the state. "The tone of the advertisement seems as if they're trying to capitalize on the problems the community colleges face," **Scott Lay** of the California Community College League complained to the *Sacramento Bee*. "We're fighting like heck to keep the doors open, and we don't need people with ulterior motives mixing the message." Not so, National U marketing V.P. **Patricia Potter** told the paper. "There's no malicious intent here," Potter said. "Their only purpose is to create a forum where people talk about important issues facing education and along the way raise the visibility of our university." One station that has banned the messages: San Diego State University-owned KPBS, though the Sacramento public radio station deemed them educational and allowed them on the air as "underwriter" spots. "SDSU holds our license," KPBS spokeswoman **Tammy Carpowich** was quoted as saying, adding that the station was "sensitive" to anything having to do with the California State University system. "They don't have editorial control, but we share the same mission of education," Potter begged to disagree: "I felt very uncomfortable. My understanding is that stations are their own entity and that the campus should have no control over them."

Contributor: Matt Potter

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Robber Barons

By Don Bauder

Recently, Padres owner John Moores complained of "a huge streak of populism in San Diego" that, he claimed contemptuously, had contributed to ballpark delays. Similarly, in early 1997, when Herbert G. Klein, then top editor of Copley Newspapers, was trying to stop me from opposing the Chargers' first sweetheart stadium deal, he complained that I was listening to those execrable "populists."

Of course, both Moores and Klein were promoting the most anti-populist, anti-citizenry, anti-taxpayer corporate welfare scam of all: the pro-sports-facility extortion. Economists have shown definitively that there is little or no economic benefit — and possibly a negative effect — from taxpayer-subsidized sports palaces. Of course, they are a windfall for team owners, stadium beer suppliers, mainstream media, and sports-service suppliers.

The pro-sports racket — an egregious example of redistribution of wealth from the poor and middle class, to the superrich — is one big reason why San Diego desperately needs a streak of populism. With luck, the next mayoral election could

serve as a referendum on how much corporations are milking the public and lining the pockets of politicians



ILLUSTRATION BY THOMAS NAST

who do their bidding.

To save itself financially, San Diego could glean some insights from Populism (the political movement that flowered in the late 19th Century) or populism (the generic kind).

After reading Moores's condescending quote, San

Diegan Dan Toleno rushed to his dictionary. He found that populism was defined as "a political philosophy directed to the needs of the common people and advocating a more equitable distribution of wealth and power."

In their platform of 1896, the Populists proclaimed, "Executive power and patronage have been used to corrupt our legislatures and

defeat the will of the people, and plutocracy has thereby been enthroned on the ruins of democracy."

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Neal Obermeyer



El Cajon Mojo Master Lectures Spielberg

By Thomas Larson

It was no accident, said San Diego clairvoyant Dr. James Capers, that movie mogul and occult aficionado Steven Spielberg attended his lecture in February, when Capers demonstrated his “spiritual gifts” at the Los Angeles Conscious Living Expo. Capers surmises that Spielberg came to his lecture (which he describes as “sitting-on-the-floor-room only”) because Spielberg had been cursed by an African witch doctor: “Mr. Spielberg should be afraid — these demonic powers are quite real.”

According to April’s *Vanity Fair*, Michael Jackson had Baba, a “voodoo priest” from Mali, brew up death curses for Spielberg, Hollywood powerbroker David Geffen, and 23 other Jackson “enemies.” Baba, who is probably closer to a witch doctor than a voodoo priest, nonetheless received \$150,000 for the conjuration that included a ritual sacrifice of 42 cows. A similar amount was paid to another

sorcerer who gave Jackson a bath in sheep’s blood. The “gloved one” is getting back at Spielberg, say news sources, because Spielberg failed to cast him as the lead in *Hook*, while Jackson be-



James Capers

lieves Geffen, who managed him briefly in the 1990s, sabotaged his career.

“If Mr. Spielberg,” Capers says, “has done something to Michael Jackson, like stab

him in the back or persecute him, this is grounds to move on him.” Such a hex can take its time killing someone, he says. “Mr. Spielberg could pass blood in his urine, go to the hospital, and come down with cancer. It’s the amount of negative manifestation that occurs according to how it’s projected.” The hexer may not kill Spielberg, just “make him suffer.”

Capers, who directs the Temple of Divine Prophecy (late of El Cajon, now “in search of a new building”), understands voodoo because he doesn’t practice it — he combats it. He hails from “five generations of clairvoyants” in Jamaica. As a young man, he came to San Diego to study with a great-aunt who “performed miracles right in front of my eyes.”

Born with “supernatural, paranormal ability,” Capers says he doesn’t conjure. That’s what voodoo practitioners and witch doctors do — the practice — “summoning and invoking multiple types of spirits. People who are clairvoyant don’t have to do that.” When Capers speaks, he says, his words can “bring the spiritual into the realm of reality. I’ve done it many times.” He distinguishes between his Pentecostal religious back-

ground and his spiritual ability. He says the Bible tells him that “gifts and callings are without repentance. Meaning that people can do all kinds of miraculous things that have nothing to do with God, with religious belief or doctrine.”

In his ken, Capers counts 46 spiritual gifts — among them telepathy, or the ability to read minds, as well as speaking in tongues and interpreting others who speak in tongues. Prophesying is another gift. “I look inside the body and tell whether people have cancer or AIDS,” he says. “It’s frightening because I never know

what I’m going to see. I walk through” an audience of people who “come to see me, and I’m never wrong. Never! I’ll tell them, ‘You had an operation on your back, and I see the scar.’ ‘Yes,’ they say, ‘last month.’ ”

Yet another of his spiritual gifts is “powerful works — the same power to combat evil that evil has to combat good. When someone comes forth and conjures negative spirits for harm or whatever,” Capers uses “the same power to summon angels to combat demonic forces. It’s not what you know that can harm you, it’s what you don’t

know that can harm you. Because voodoo and witchcraft and sorcery are not all spiritual. Some of it is alchemy.”

Capers says he “casts out bad spirits or bad energy. It is not fake. It is very real.”

An illustration: In early March, Capers was working at an office in Palm Desert. He was opening a letter from a New York woman, who had asked him for help because she was being tormented by a “high priestess witch,” when suddenly Capers saw at his feet “mushrooms grow, five inches high, underneath my feet —

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I-Star and Daisy

Language Problems

By Jim Morris

In Special Forces, the ideal is that every soldier is fluent in one foreign language and able to limp along in two others. But in a standard infantry company it wouldn’t be unusual for no one to speak the language of the “host country.” So how do you get along?

Even for SF guys who do have those language skills, there are no guarantees that when an emergency arises, it will be where we have the greatest fluency. The Fifth Special Forces Group (Airborne), my old outfit in Vietnam, is now oriented toward the Middle East. Most members of the Fifth speak Arabic or Farsi. Fat lot of good that

did them in Afghanistan, where most people speak Pushtun or Kazakh or something more obscure. It was not unusual in the rapid deployment to Afghanistan for an SF team to become “advisors” to, say, Northern Alliance troops who spoke, say, Kazakh, and have no one involved know a word of each other’s language.

They were supposed to guide and control the deployment of these forces, and they were supposed to call in air support, i.e., send-

ing tons of explosives and steel flying around at supersonic speeds, based on their “advisees” pointing and saying, “Talib, Talib!” or the more obscure, “Arab! Arab!” for the al-Qaeda terrorists.

Not as big a problem as one might think.

My friend, the late Larry Dring, was a Special Forces soldier par excellence, a true hero and legend in his own time. Larry finally succumbed, in 1983, to wounds he picked up during the Tet Offensive of 1968. He had pretty much singlehandedly saved the city of Pleiku and lost an entire company of Montagnards in the process. He also met his wife, an American missionary nurse, in the firefight. But that’s a different story.

In 1981 Larry found himself in Beirut, at the press

headquarters of the Lebanese Forces militia. Larry spoke Korean; a little Vietnamese; a little French; a bit of Rhadé, a Montagnard language; and a bit of Jarai, another Montagnard dialect. But he had no Arabic, and his French was pretty minimal. “No problem,” he found himself telling Samir, one of the LF press officers. “All you need is ‘hello,’ ‘good-bye,’ ‘please,’ and ‘thank you.’ You can do the rest by gesture.”

At the time Larry, who knew a bit about Psy Ops, was helping the LF with some propaganda leaflets. The artist they were working with was a deaf mute. “Okay,” Samir said. “Ask this guy to dinner tonight at 6:00.”

Larry pointed to the artist. He pointed to himself.

He moved his arm in a circular gesture from the height of a tabletop to his mouth, holding his fingers as though he were holding a fork. Then he pointed at his watch, waved his forefinger in a circle around the watchface a couple of times, and stopped on six, then tapped the watch. This took about as much time as it took you to read the sentence “Larry pointed to the artist.”

The artist nodded assent, and the dinner was on.

I have a friend, a young Special Forces officer, who has written a book called *The Quick and Dirty Guide to Learning Languages Fast*, under the pseudonym A.G. Hawke, published by Paladin Press. It’s primarily a workbook. The idea is that you get a phrase book and dictionary in the language you

need to use, then make up sentences in English you expect to need, translate them yourself, using the phrase book and dictionary, then, if possible, get one of the locals to check your work. Then you memorize two or three or four of these a day. Very quickly you have a small, specialized vocabulary, and with that you start to play mix and match.

You’d be amazed how fast you become functional, if not eloquent.

When I was a young SF officer on Okinawa in the early ’60s, we used a similar system, but the sentences were prepared for us. We had a one-month “survival” language program in several languages: Vietnamese and French for Vietnam; Thai; Tagalog for the Philippines;

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Robber barons

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It's true again today. Corrupt corporations and Wall Street own politicians of both parties. Wealth is more

unequally distributed than at any time since the days of the robber barons.

In his preface to last year's great best-seller, *Wealth and Democracy*, author Kevin Phillips, who writes for *Time* and *Harper's* magazines and

has been observing the political/economic landscape for more than three decades, sees today as a Second Gilded Age with a staggering concentration of wealth and political manipulation by the upper class that even dwarfs

the original Gilded Age of a century ago. Phillips points to today's "policies of market extremism, corruption, and a politics ruled by campaign contributions." The last two decades of the 20th Century "echoed the zeniths

of corruption and excess — the Gilded Age and the 1920s." This trend continued into the new century.

Says Phillips, "By 2000... the United States was not only the world's wealthiest

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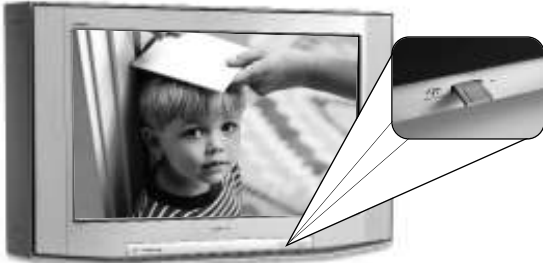
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nation and leading economic power, but also the Western industrial nation with the greatest percentage

of the world's rich and the greatest gap between rich and poor."

William Jennings Bryan couldn't have said it more eloquently 106 years earlier. (Incidentally, one of the reasons Populist Bryan lost his

bid for the presidency in 1896 is that his opponent, Republican William McKinley, had a fundraising edge of 20 to 1. And that 20 to 1 just happens to be the minimum advantage that pro teams enjoy in local stadium

and ballpark elections all across the country. Some bulges get to be 200 to 1 or more.)

Today, San Diego is run by a new kind of robber baron. Real estate developers get whatever they want

from politicians who devote most of their time to land-use decisions. Your road rage is the direct result.

The government-subsidized Naval Training Center desecration is only one example. It is no coincidence

that the asinine Chargers stadium proposal is tied to promised real estate miracles. Alchemists of the Middle Ages claimed they could change base metals into gold. The Chargers and their supporters propose to turn Qualcomm asphalt into a platinum real estate development. The Padres made grandiose promises for real estate development that would purportedly provide the money to service the ballpark bonds. Once voters were suckered into the deal, Moores's JMI Realty operation, backed by city government, changed the terms.

In the next mayoral elections, San Diegans could well vote on how much influence businesses should have over local politicians. Mayor Dick Murphy's flip-flop came after business drafted him and promised campaign funds. A good question is whether mainstream media also agreed to smear his opponent, whoever it might be. Hopefully, Murphy's opponent will raise a critical question: In his first campaign, was Murphy in the pockets of the Chargers and Padres even as he promised to sue the former and not give the city away to the latter? If so, this is no kindly judge; his campaign would have been as cynical and disingenuous as campaigns get. Murphy's staff did not return numerous calls for comment.

"I would say in the last 10 or 14 years the public's interest has taken a back seat to the corporations' interest," says Donna Frye, a city councilperson dedicated to fighting the special corporate interests that own most of the rest of the city council.

"Basic services are going unmet, quality-of-life issues are not addressed, but we see \$12 million of interest payments going next year for a ballpark for a multimillionaire," says Frye. She especially remembers battles over increases in water rates. "The chamber of commerce lobbied hard on the [city council] floor, and big corporations got less of an increase," as the burden was disproportionately slung on the backs of "the average citizen and small business."

Frye is a Democrat. But populists come in all vari-

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eties: conservatives and liberals, Democrats and Republicans. Historians have debated for years whether Populists were conservatives or liberals. Newt Gingrich proclaimed himself an anti-establishment populist. Kevin Phillips, who authored the 1969 best-seller *The Emerging Republican Majority*, saw populist leanings in Richard Nixon, whom he once served. Of course, Republican Progressives of the early 20th Century such as Teddy Roosevelt, Robert LaFollette, and California's Hiram Johnson adopted populist ideas for their platforms.

In San Diego, leading the battle against the latest proposed giveaway to the Chargers are Republican Bruce Henderson and Democrats Mike Aguirre and Frye. Henderson says Hiram Johnson's championing of the people's right of initiative, referendum, and recall was an important step forward, because it was the only method to threaten the power of entrenched business interests in California. When Prop. 13 passed in 1978, "Populism in California quickly became associated with conservatism," says Henderson.

In Henderson's opinion, neither Republican Murphy nor his potential opponent Democrat Dede Alpert has "ever taken a stand against the corporate greed that has characterized so many of San Diego's problems over the last decade."

Aguirre complains of "secret government backroom deals, generous campaign contributions, excessive gift-giving, and bad public policy by which the public's assets have been given to private individuals. We need a streak of populism to return community power to community purposes."

Oh, yes. Henderson points out that Moores's problems with the ballpark weren't the result of a streak of populism or lawsuits. What delayed the project was its unworkability and the governmental investigation of Moores's gifts to former councilperson Valerie Stallings. ■

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and I watched them grow. They were poisonous mushrooms, indigenous to France." He left that room

for another room where he saw a "huge black-widow spider" on the wall. "It's not a coincidence, I'm sorry." These were the "negative manifestations of a spiritual attack.

"What did I do? I had a

young minister put on rubber gloves, pull the mushrooms up, put them in plastic, and throw them out. Then I had the minister take some Raid and spray the spider." Capers says, he next "saw [the woman's] face, and

I spoke my words. 'All that is good in the universe and the light of Jesus Christ and the power of God, let it flow, cover, and repel, that every curse be in reverse, according to his riches and glory.' " Capers believes that "80

percent of true voodoo is based on mind projection that manipulates wave lengths sent to a person" so that he or she "sees a huge, ugly monster. The brain gives the eyes what they're

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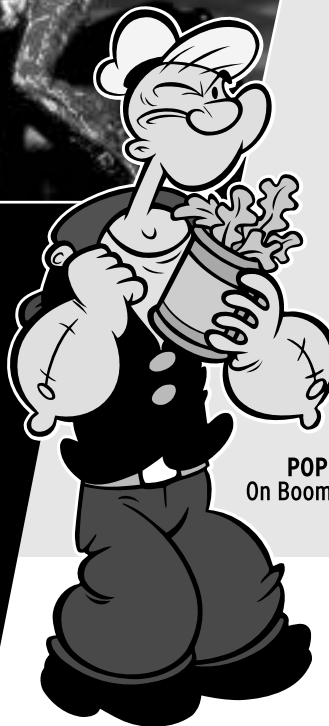
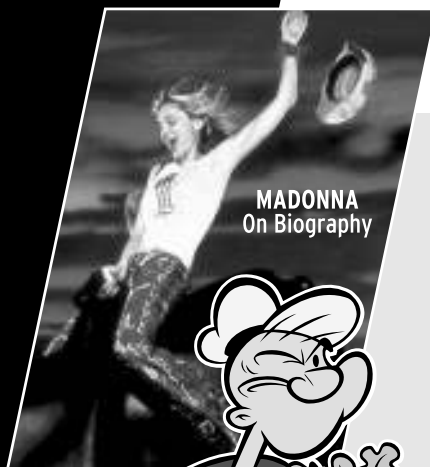
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supposed to see, then that object is in existence. It's very real. They go in the mind and find your most terrible

fear, then induce it. That's real craft, from a master practitioner, a high voodoo priest." Thus, Spielberg's and Geffen's minds might see their worst fear, next to sudden death: Michael Jackson prevailing in court.

There are no voodoo priests or priestesses in San Diego, Capers insists. "Real practitioners, who practice real craft, have millions of dollars. That's how you can tell the real deal. These little storefront places are basically

putting on a show. If they were true practitioners, they'd be able to manifest funds, prosperity." In rap-like rhythms, Capers scoffs at the voodoo showman: "How can you cast a spell on me when you can't cast a

spell to get out of that poverty?" One of those little storefronts, which may or may not be putting on a "show," is in Normal Heights on Adams Avenue — Mama Roots Traditional and Urban

Magic, run by Mama Roots, also called I-Star. Her shop is bedecked with jars of herbs and vials of oils, smells of incense, and a black cat, who arches at my touch. As a spiritual healer, I-Star focuses on Santería and voodoo — African religious traditions that came to the Caribbean with the slaves — as well as the Wicca tradition from Europe. Joining us one recent morning was Daisy, I-Star's godmother, who initiated her into Santería. Both, by the way, are also practicing Catholics, whose church knows nothing, directly, of their work in the magic arts.

I-Star tells me that voodoo and Santería came from the Yoruba and the Fon people in what is now Nigeria and Benin, West Africa. As these people were enslaved and transported across the Atlantic, they converted Christianity (thrust upon them by slavemasters) to their own uses, by hiding their traditions "in the disguise of Catholicism." In Cuba, Santería developed; in Haiti, where it is still practiced by 80 percent of the people, Vodoun. I-Star calls them "pagan religions, sister religions, in reverence to the earth and the forces of nature." At base they are similar, though their practices differ.

Like Capers, I-Star and Daisy say they were born with spiritual powers. Daisy was born in Cuba, in a house that practiced Santería. Her gifts developed once she was initiated into the religion. I-Star echoes her godmother: "I was reading cards, talking to and listening to spirits, all my life; of course, in high school, I had to put it under the covers because people think you're nuts if you talk about seeing things. I was on my own for a long time, working with spirits and helping people with prayer, when I realized I had a path in Santería. My spirits were guiding me there. We have a saying that says, 'You don't get anywhere unless your spirits take you there.'"

I-Star dismisses words like hex, curse, and spell. They're all negative in western culture — the boogeymen, zombie flicks, and Salem Witch Trials. In the European tradition, "If you

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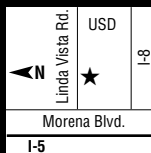
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 cast a spell, you're a witch." Vodoun has similar bad connotations, she says, and is only peripherally about

pricking dolls and sending evil energy. Alongside Santería, I-Star practices Vodoun, whose "good side, the healings" are never portrayed. It's the practitioner, she says, not the religion, that determines its worth.

"No matter what religion you belong to, you can work with the dark or the light side." In Santería, Daisy uses the "higher energies" to do "good things." If something is very bad, she says, "You

can go in front of one of the *orishas*," the nature-based gods and goddesses of Santería, "and tell him your fear, your pain, your sorrow. Talk to them; they will take care of you. You don't work with someone to do

harm, no." To petition an *orisha*, the women do rituals where they make an offering, with herbs, oils, minerals, scents, and colors, which are sacred to the *orishas*, and which the *orisha* likes. Such rituals, I-Star

says, are "really hands-on prayer." They also sacrifice animals, which they define as an "exchange of energies." Once properly summoned, they hope the *orisha* will "defend someone" or "put someone in check." Who comes to I-Star and Daisy for help? "You'd be amazed," I-Star says. "I'm amazed myself." She gets people who want to find love or a particular someone to fall in love with; people undergoing custody battles or lawsuits; people who are sick, mentally troubled, or feel possessed; families who want help for a loved one in jail. In that case, they ask for the name of the judge, the district attorney, the lawyers, everyone involved, to "put them all together" so the participants in the case "work on one thing only," namely, that justice is done. To summon spirits, they begin with a reading, using either coconuts, shells, or cards. "Depending on what my spirits say," I-Star notes, "I can advise a client what prayer or offering to give, to bring about a positive result." It's always best to have the person present: "If the person's energy is negative," Daisy says, "you have to clean that aura so the good energy can come in." I ask if they are able to banish the negativity that clings to people. Both announce heartily, "That's what we do best." They cite a recent client, a boy, who was complaining about seeing "bad spirits walking everywhere" in his house. They visited and found it was true — that is, they both saw the bad spirits and communicated with them. Several rituals later the spirits had fled. "It may sound very bizarre," I-Star says, "but we work with spirits all the time. It's a reality to us. The church does exorcisms only to cast out the devil. But there's ordinary spirits walking around that can jump on you, too. Say you've been in the hospital when someone dies. For a minute, that soul is lost and wandering. It might jump on you. You've done nothing wrong, but now you've got this troublesome spirit with you, and it's in your way. Maybe we can help to guide it to the light."

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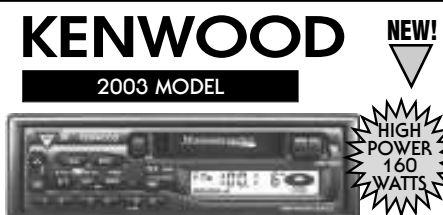
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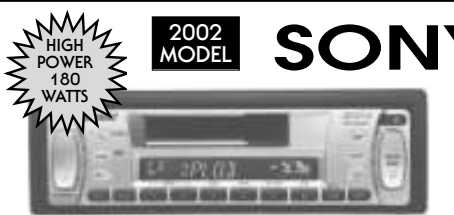
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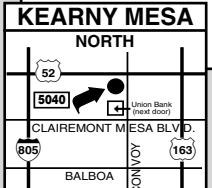


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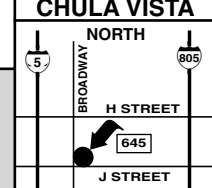
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Language problems

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Malay. The sentences we learned were the same in each language. But they weren't the standard, "Where

is the bathroom? How much is that?" of the usual phrase book.

"Il est blessé. Il a besoin de sang" was one useful little sentence. It means, "He is wounded. He needs blood." Another with the potential

to be useful was "Il a un fusil!" or "He has a gun." My fave, however, for the sublime silliness of it, was, "Quand les routes sont inondées, vous devez voyager en bateau," or "When the roads are flooded, you must travel by boat."

But the course proved very useful. Half our team learned it in Vietnamese and half in French. Oddly, those who had learned French fared better than those who had learned Vietnamese. Most of our Montagnards spoke only Jarai, and more of their leaders spoke French than spoke Vietnamese, or at least would admit to speaking Vietnamese.

I quickly found myself making up my own sentences from my little inventory of French words. "Ou est le chef du garde?" or "Where is the sergeant of the guard?" and "Premier groupe, suivez moi!" for "First squad, follow me."

A couple of things happened with the language, though, that I never really understood. At one point we were operating a small forward operational base, where we'd station one company and run patrols from there. At night we always had a guard detail on the perimeter, and the Americans stood two-hour watches, so one of us was always up. When it was my turn I'd check the perimeter, then try to figure out the most likely spot from which a sniper might shoot, or an attack be launched, and sit on that portion of the perimeter. One night, during my watch, a rabbit tripped one of the flares we had put out. One of the guards started shooting when the flare went up, and usually that's the signal for everybody else to join in. In seconds we were going to have a mad minute that would wake everybody up and do bad things to our ammunition inventory. "C'est un lapin! C'est un lapin!" I yelled, and everything quieted down. Here's the mystery. The French word for rabbit wasn't in that phrase book, and I had no memory of having learned it elsewhere. Buried memory? Am I the reincarnation of Louis XIV? Woo-oo-oo!

Another time, one of our patrols brought in an entire

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These people not only did not know Vietnamese, they had never heard the word "Vietnam." They didn't know what soap was.

The patrol brought them into the compound in the back of a two-and-a-half-ton truck. The driver let down the tailgate of the truck, and they just stood there, the men in loincloths, their legs dusty to the knees, the women barebreasted, wearing long, tight, shiny black skirts. At that point my Jarai was limited to "Hiam droi jian muon," or "Hi! How are you?" and "Ih djup hot moh?" or "Would you like a cigarette?" So I went with the French and nervously said things like, "Mes amis, por favor, departez le camion!" See,

'cause I got a bit rattled. They stood in the back of the truck and looked at me in wonderment, but they moved not an inch.

Ray Slattery, our senior demolitionist and supply sergeant, a man of great practicality, not to mention wit and savoir faire, approached the truck and said, "C'mon, babe, get off da muddafuggin' truck!" and they all hopped off and followed him to the tent area we had prepared for them.

Years later, I edited a magazine called *Eagle*, which was a kind of *Soldier of Fortune* clone. One of my writers was another Special Forces legend, Jim Perry, who had been the first commander of the Golden Knights, the U.S. Army's world-champion parachute team. Perry had been in Laos and Vietnam, as well as having served in Panama. I sent him to El Salvador. Before he left I asked him, "How's your Spanish?"

He replied, "When I ask for a beer, I get a beer. When I ask for a taco, I get a taco."

"Okay," I said. "You're good to go." ■

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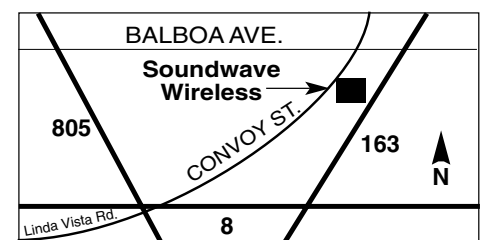
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Looking back, I had a sense of what was coming. There was something about Sunday ante meridiem that was off-key. The morning had a sluggish, walking-through-molasses quality to it. Arising from my bed, attending morning toilette, preparing a breakfast of Raisin Bran cereal and tap water (I was temporarily out of milk) took much longer than usual, and so, as a consequence, I arrived 15 minutes late.

My destination that morning was an older, two-story, brick and wood-paneled residence, home to a middle-aged male I'll call Richard. Richard's wife and children have been sent off for the day, replaced by eight — now nine — men, members all, of a fantasy-baseball league, currently in its 21st year.

I slog into the dining room and see eight soon-to-be team owners seated around a big oak table. Each man has his newspapers, magazines, charts, and writing tablets in front of him. Everything is at the ready and everyone is eager to begin. Of course, the new guy is late.

Draft day is an annual event. Today, each participant will assemble, from the ranks of American League ball clubs, a 17-man team made up of eight position players, five starting pitchers, three relievers, one DH, and a five-man taxi squad.

For the rest of the baseball season someone or some machine, or, more likely, a combination of machine and personhood, will keep track of players' performances. Come October, that entity will declare the person whose team has the overall highest score — computed from the categories of batting average, home runs, RBIs, runs, stolen bases, ERAs, pitchers' winning percentage, wins, saves, and strike outs — the league champion. Festivities follow.

There is money involved, although very little (\$50). The real hook seems to be masculine banter, six guaranteed months of verbal jabs and parries, which, in this age of galloping PC, can be regarded as a most generous prize indeed. I joined — or perhaps I should say, agreed to make a donation — in hopes of gleaning prodigious amounts of baseball folklore while sharpening my addition and subtraction skills.

It goes like this. All the positions are written on slips of paper and thrown into a hat. Somebody draws a slip of paper out of the hat and announces, for instance, "First base," and then names a player who plays that position *and* makes an opening bid. "First base. Giambi. Two dollars."

A competitor announces, "Three."

From across the table, "Four American dollars."

"Eight."

"Eight-and-a-quarter."

Eventually, Giambi sells for \$9.50. Of course, I don't know any of these names. My preparation amounted to going on the Internet and printing out rosters for all the American League teams. I have names and positions and teams. But that's it. I have no meaning and no history. I have sounds.

My turn comes to pick from the hat. I select a slip and say, "starting pitcher." I look at my list of starting pitchers and teams. It takes a long, long time to peruse every team and pitcher. Finally, I am drawn to a name on the Detroit roster. The name has a nice, low

rumble to it. I proclaim, with authority, "J. Bonderman."

Richard asks, "How much are you throwing him out for?"

"A quarter."

Ray, the bearded man says, "Hold on."

Now, the entire table laughs. Someone asks Ray — I believe the word is *incredulously* — "Are you thinking about bidding?"

More laughter. Detroit is 1 and 16. Richard looks up from a fantasy-baseball magazine and says, "Bonderman has an ERA of 15.63. Five walks and six strikeouts." The table is roaring. One man has tears on his cheeks.

A small voice asks, "So, what's the downside?"

Richard is howling, actually chokes on his words, "He's 0 and 3. The man is nothing but upside."

Yes, it was exceedingly clear how I sneaked Bonderman past these sharks for a paltry 25 cents.

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It was fun. And so was the rest of that first hour. My competitors are, without exception, smart, knowledgeable, funny men having a good time, and that's a pleasure to be around. But, saying that, I can only say or hear, "Erstad for a buck," so many times, before I am seized with stupefying boredom.

Every person gets five starting pitchers. So, a starting pitcher slip is drawn, nine men bid, and one man acquires a starting pitcher. Another starting pitcher slip is drawn. Eight men bid, one man acquires a starting pitcher. And once more to the breach and another starting pitcher is drawn. Seven men bid and it continues until, in the fullness of time, every team has its starting pitcher. Of course, every team gets five starting pitchers, three relievers, backups, outfielders and...it goes on forever.

Five hours into it (maybe it was six) I stumbled out to the sidewalk to get some air, hoping to catch a glimpse of how free people live. No one is about. So I call a friend on my cell phone and say, in that deadened tone of voice people use when up against unalterable events, "This will never end."

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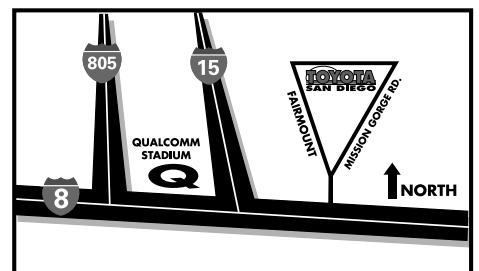
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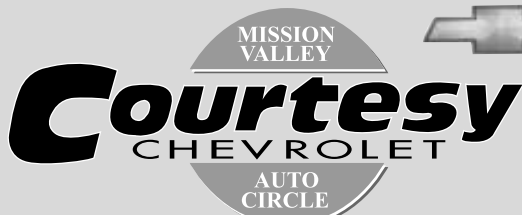
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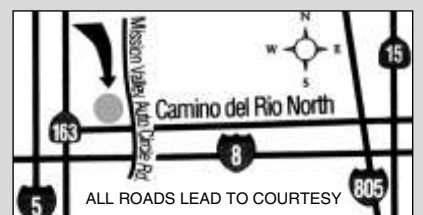
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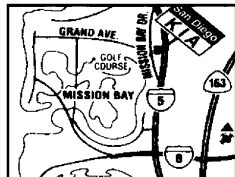
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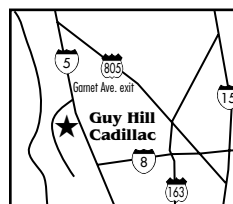
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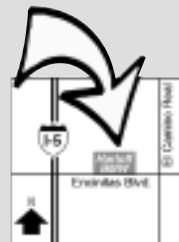
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Staff size: 2 full-time

Sunday school enrollment: 5

Annual budget: \$50,000

Weekly giving: \$1,000

Singles program: no

Dress: casual

Services: Sunday worship, 6:30 p.m.

Something's going on among nondenominational evangelicals. Entire congregations have converted to Episcopalianism (e.g., Church of the Advent in San Marcos) or to Eastern Orthodoxy (e.g., St. Anthony Antiochian Orthodox Church in University City). A number of young pastors who came to faith in nondenominational evangelical churches have turned to the Reformed tradition (e.g., Rev. Gene Cook at Unchained Christian Church in Kearny Mesa and Rev. Daniel Hyde at Oceanside United Reformed Church).

What these conversions and transformations seem to have in common is a desire for theology, which, to my mind at least, is a desire for history. So I wasn't surprised, two weeks ago at Kaleo Fellowship of Christ in Serra Mesa, to hear that one of the church's weekly classes covered church history "from biblical times, up through the Renaissance and Reformation." The young gentleman who made the announcement added, "If you sort of faded out during your high school history classes, we'll definitely bring you up to speed."

Several weeks ago, when I first spoke to Kaleo's senior pastor, 34-year-old David Fairchild, he told me that he had served as an interim pastor at Mission Valley Christian Fellowship. He now describes himself as being within the Reformed tradition, although Kaleo doesn't belong to a Reformed denomination.

"I'm one of many young pastors who've left the large body of evangelical churches because they felt something was missing. It's an undercurrent movement. Something's definitely happening.

"I think we're reacting to a number of things. Moralism. The politicization of the Church. Those are symptoms of larger problems. Part of what we've recognized is that there's a serious vacuum in terms of Church relevance. We're really living in a post-Christian era. A good portion of churches have become culturally irrelevant. There's a lot of hypocrisy and barren religiosity. A lot of Christians walk around speaking in terms that non-Christians can't understand."

I told Reverend Fairchild that what first interested me about his church was its fancy website and monthly film discussions. He told me that he believed that there was a "modern reformation of information going on in the Church."

"The website portion of our ministry is huge, which we didn't expect. We get about 1000 downloads a month from our site. People from all over the world visit our site. Many people are interested in our approach to Christianity. If you look at our site you'll see that we actively engage the world's views and open them up for discussion. We don't shy away from issues. Of course we don't want little kids watching Rated movies. Our 'film and theology' discussions are only for adults. What we do is take a movie, watch it, and examine what ideas, what philosophy, it's presenting or advocating. We ask whether a film like, say, the *Matrix*, essentially agrees or not with the Gospel of Christ."

Kaleo holds its Sunday worship services at 6:30 p.m. When I visited two weeks ago, I walked in and saw two dozen outgoing young men and women preparing the simple sanctuary for the service. Reverend Fairchild, goateed, casual, back-slapped and joshed his way around the room. Until he starts to preach, his approach to Christianity seems laid-back. (He later told me, "Our preaching and teaching are pretty intense.

I work my sermons out beforehand. We may engage popular culture in some of our weekday discussions, but I don't shy away from preaching theology.")

The congregation first sang several of the monotonous soft-rock hymns that many contemporary churches seem to love. But then Reverend Fairchild started to preach, on the seventh chapter of the Book of John. Reverend Fairchild told us that many Christians today distort the nature of Jesus.

"They make him out to be either a gay feminist or a government-hating terrorist," he told us. "Or they try to make him cute and cuddly. They emphasize that image of him in the manger. So sweet and lovely, with that silly little halo always around his head."

These misrepresentations, he said, led people to embrace an "éclair-like" Christianity. "A religion that

pleases them with its surface, but which really has no substance within."

He went even further in his wide-ranging sermon to take to task people "who run to megachurches to hide from God. But going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than does going to a garage make you a mechanic."

Listening to Reverend Fairchild tackle these touchy issues, I remembered something he'd told me earlier. He said what he really wanted to do was to encourage his congregation to think.

"Rather than have them parrot scripture, I would rather that they went home and studied the Bible and gave serious thought to what they were reading. I want to engage them. I want to open up a dialogue with them about their faith and how they see the world. That's how you reach an individual's heart. And the heart is what we aim to change. I don't ever preach on moral issues. The heart is the wellspring of human behavior itself. People's lives are transformed from within."

— Abe Opincar



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Sermon

content.....★★★
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By Maria Elena Kennedy
(ACI-Prensa)

The son of traditional Mexican Catholics, state assemblyman Juan Vargas was known as a religious child by the parishioners at St. Mary's Catholic Church in National



Everybody's D.A.?

Some Hate Crimes More Important Than Others

By Allyson Smith

The San Diego district attorney's office held a "hate crimes training" session on Friday, February 28 in the downtown Hall of Justice. The public seminar occurred less than two months after Bonnie Duran was sworn in as the United States' first openly homosexual D.A.

During the forum Hector Jimenez, a deputy district attorney in the hate crimes division, compared San Diego's hate crimes statistics

Approximately 40 people, many of them gay carrier staffers, including executive director Delores Jacobs, attended the forum. Jimenez welcomed participants by saying, "I'm very proud to offer these services. I don't think we've ever done this before to your community and the people who service the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transsexual community, so I'm very happy to do that."

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Dear Aunt Trudy,

I am a male college professor in my early 30s. I am not a lecherous guy. In fact, I'd say I'm kind of a straight arrow, pretty conservative and mild mannered. I get along well with my students and try to always treat them respectfully. I do not understand, though, what some of the young female students are thinking when they show up to class or come in during my office hours to talk to me wearing the kind of scanty outfits many of them do. A new fad seems to be for these young women to wear pants that are so low on their hips that they seem to barely cover important parts of their anatomy. They usually wear these very low-cut jeans with thong underpants so that the underwear are clearly visible above the back waistline of the pants, and if they bend over, look out! It's kind of obscene. Also, they seem to like to wear tops with these low pants that are cropped so you can see their bellies. Almost all the students seem like decent girls, and maybe they're unaware of how distracting these kinds of get-ups are to the male students in class and even, at times, to me. I am fond of most of my students and try not to get sidetracked by some of the incredibly revealing clothes these girls wear, but there are times I almost wish the college had a dress code.

GETTING AN EYEFUL AT UCSD

Dear Eyeful,

I've seen the kinds of fashion statements you bemoan in your letter. Young people come into the library all the time sporting outfits that would have constituted appropriate beachwear in my day but wouldn't have been acceptable dress anywhere else. And the wearers of these barely-there clothes aren't all female. Many young male library patrons have a penchant for wearing pants so saggy and loose in the waist that onlookers are treated to a clear view of these young men's boxer shorts and are left wondering when the pants will suddenly plummet to the young man's ankles. The wearers waddle around in these droopy drawers like proud penguins. I chuckle to myself when I see these outfits, marveling at how the young like to adorn themselves with curious plumage, and at how times change, and with them our mores. To quote (at least approximately) the Cole Porter song, "In olden days a glimpse of stocking was looked on as something shocking. Now, heaven knows, anything goes." At one time it was not even acceptable for women to wear trousers.

But my historical musings aren't helping you with your discomfort. I think you have two choices. If you are really profoundly disturbed by the way students are clothed today, you may want to seek employment at a school where those enrolled dress more modestly, such as a school with religious affiliations.

Otherwise, it's up to you to behave professionally, and ignore the *dishabille* around you — to keep your eyes on the lesson at hand no matter how scantily or distractingly the students attire themselves. I realize this becomes a real exercise in concentration at times, but it's good for one's character. Your behavior needs to be a model of decorum. After all, you are setting for them an example.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I am worried about the little children I have seen in my neighborhood and other places selling Girl Scout cookies and candy and various fundraising items for their schools or groups door-to-door. I am sad to say this, but I just wonder if it's safe for kids (especially young ones) to do this kind of thing these days. We live in a pretty dangerous world, like it or not. While I know these schools and organizations need to raise money to keep going in tough economic times, it seems to me that some unscrupulous person could easily do harm to these kids who are roving neighborhoods knocking on strangers' doors without an adult to keep watch over the situation. This practice seems like an invitation to kidnapping or worse. What do you think?

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Dear Concerned,

I think that responsible parents, if they wish to allow their children to sell items door-to-door for their schools or clubs, need to accompany the children on their appointed rounds. Responsible organizations and schools should, I believe, encourage parents to go along with their little ones on such a mission. Otherwise, I agree with you; it's like sending Red Riding Hood out into the woods where the wolf may be lurking. I also think that there may be better ways for organizations to raise money than sending kids out as traveling salesmen, but that's just me.

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BestBuys

—EVE KELLY

Hubby Patrick and I will be lounging in Mexico next month. My sister has bought us a weekend trip to Cabo San Lucas. Daydreams have been floating through my head: pristine beaches, crystal-clear water, and icy margaritas. The prospect of packing, however, is the only bummer. Last summer, Patrick and I spent a weekend in Washington D.C. for a friend's wedding. You would have thought

we were spending two months in Europe. We brought two gigantic bags stuffed with amenities, reading materials, candles, treats, and numerous outfits. Since we were not sure what occasions our stay would entail, we packed for everything. And everything left Patrick with a backache. I vowed the next trip would be different and decided to get some advice on light traveling.

When I think of organization, I think of my sister Cathy. Her kitchen shelves are color-coded for organizing the food to its color. Need I say more? She has made numerous cross-country family road trips and has thoughts on most everything in life. "Well, my traveling rule," shared Cathy, "is one to wear, one to spare, and a third churchy outfit. I try to pick clothes that are comfortable as daywear but that can double as pajamas. The next day starts with a fresh outfit."

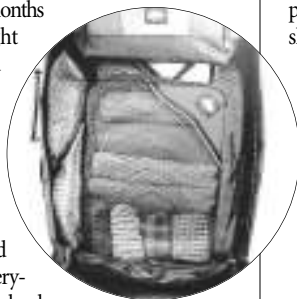
Curious about a professional's opinion, I spoke with Le Travel Store owner Joan Keller. As my Irish luck would have it, she was just the lady to speak with, having recently returned from giving a seminar in Louisville, Kentucky, on traveling lightly. "I've been traveling for 30 years," explained Keller, "and I don't think I have checked a bag in two decades. I am definitely a carry-on traveler."

Keller began with the luggage. "The first thing is to choose your bag. Don't get out everything you think you want to take and then find bags to accommodate it. Find a bag first, one that is light, and maneuverable. Then what fits in that bag you need and what doesn't fit in that bag you don't need."

Keller's second suggestion was with the wardrobe. "Plan your wardrobe so that it layers and coordinates. Let's say that it is chilly out, I will have a button-up shirt, a turtleneck, a pullover sweater, and a jacket and I will put them all on. If the temperature is moderate, I will skip the turtleneck and just wear the shirt and the sweater.

All the colors will coordinate. I usually do black and white and an accent color. I take some piece of outer wear, a coat, that I don't pack inside the bag, but use that as a robe and as a blanket to throw over me if I am traveling Europe by train or something like that."

Keller travels with one pair of shoes that can be dressed up, and a pair of running shoes. She also warned against feeling you need to pack more for a longer trip. "What you need for a trip for two months is the same as a two week trip or a trip for two years," explained Keller. "It doesn't really matter because you stop and wash things. On our website (www.luggage.com), there is a recommended packing list. My son did a trip around the world, he was on the road for six months and this is basically the packing list that he took. Just find a laun-



"What fits in that bag you need and what doesn't fit in that bag you don't need."

dromat and wash your clothes.

"For the frequent traveler, I recommend lists and kits. I have a basic list of what I take which I just check off as I pack. This way, I am not making it up each time I go somewhere. And, you know, surprisingly, it doesn't vary too much trip to trip. I am a big believer in putting together your own first-aid kit," continued Keller, who also travels with a picnic kit. "That has gotten harder in carry-on," she explained, "because it included a Swiss Army knife. But when you get in late from a trip, you want to be able to pick up a little something to eat in the hotel rather than having to call room service." Keller recommends replenishing your toiletry kit when you return from a trip, so that it is always ready to go.

She also recommends a money belt for international travel.

Do you have a favorite type of luggage?

"Eagle Creek is my favorite brand. They are a San Diego company. Their luggage isn't really traditional luggage, it is lighter weight, sturdier, a little more casual."

Eagle Creek makes a packing system that Keller highly recommends. "I won't travel without them.

Eagle Creek makes packing folders and packing cubes, which keep the clothes organized, less wrinkled, and neat. The packing folders (which cost \$24 and up) come with a folding board that gives a bit of form to the top and shows you exactly how to fold the clothes, to get the creases in the right spot. When you pull the corners together to close the folder, it keeps all the clothing compact. Usually, when you travel, your bag becomes terribly disorganized after you've gotten a few things out and put things back. Then you have to repack everything all over again. But with these organizers, you just open it up, take out what you need, close it up again, and everything stays neat and orderly."

The saleslady at Le Travel Store let me in on how she uses the Eagle Creek Packing Cubes. "The 2-Sided cube (\$22) has two separate zippered compartments, one side is totally waterproof, and the other side is breathable, so this is good for wet/dry items. I put all my cotton items on this side and put my extra shoes on the mesh side. I use the cubes to save space. I roll my T-shirts, workout clothes, pajamas, those sorts of clothing, and pop them into the cubes. The folders and cubes are good for going through security at the airport because the inspectors will hopefully just pull out the folders or cubes and look at them rather than rifling through your clothes."

The saleslady also highlighted the Wallaby II toiletry kit (\$32). "This is a very popular bag," she explained. "It unfolds and can be hung up on a hook in your bathroom. It comes with a mirror inside, a removable cosmetics case, and lots of compartments for all your toiletries." The bag came in yellow, lime green, orange, black, and, my favorite, blue. I also noticed that all of the Eagle Creek gear came with a lifetime guarantee.

Eagle Creek also sells Pack-It Compressors (\$12 for a single pack). It has a zippered closure and "reduces volume by up to 80 percent."

I asked Keller about the carry-on size.

"The size varies from airline to airline, but pretty standard is the basic 22-inch carry-on. But I always say, the airline worker at the gate is God. He decides whether or not that bag is going on that plane that day. I use the Eagle Creek Expandable 22-inch bag (\$200) and I haven't had to check anything for a long, long time."

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But even if they were not big, they seemed to me very real and salient: there's a breast. It was hard to imagine my flat front being sculpted into such fullness.

For the first part of that year, Mom's breasts were what a breast was, the very form of breasts. That changed when our family traveled to Virginia to visit Mom's sister Nancy and her three teenage daughters. Aunt Nancy was divorced; the house was occupied

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entirely by women, women who were either full-blown or budding feminists. Everybody was eager to be rid of feminine self-consciousness when it came to the body, so nobody was shy about nudity. I saw all the girls naked at one time or another.

The girls, none of them younger than 16, had real women's bodies: average to tall in height, with curving hips and full, pendulous breasts. The breasts were similar to my mother's in shape, but they had a youth and

bouncy vigor that my mother's lacked. Still, they all shared a certain heft and hang.

Breasts seem to have changed over the 20 years since my girlhood. I know that my childhood idea of breasts was hardly comprehensive; it was limited in even the most basic variable, size. I wouldn't have known what to make of the memorable titles given to cup sizes by 1940s brassiere designer Ruth Kapinas: nubbins, snubbins, droopers, and super-droopers. But it seems that gravity has lessened over those two decades, freeing breasts, even large ones, to float undisturbed as a woman walks along.

The defeat of gravity may be due to locale — I live in San Diego now, which, unlike the Midwest of my childhood, attracts a great number of the "beautiful people." Surgery, for the sake of both enhancement and lift, has surged in popularity. But I suspect the biggest boost has come from the brassiere industry's perfection of its latest, most wondrous technological achievement, the push-up bra. By the middle of the '90s, a proper war of push-up specials was escalating. Besides the Wonderbra by Sara Lee, there was the Miracle Bra by Intimate Brands (which owns the Victoria's Secret lingerie label), the Ultra Super-Boost by Gos-



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sard, and the X-Bra by Vanity Fair, all of which raised the bosom to new heights.

A prototype push-up “breast supporter” was patented in 1863 by one Marie Tuck, but her idea was judged too innovative for commercial success in the years leading up to the 20th Century. Now, nearly 150 years later, nothing seems too innovative for commercial success. Not long ago, I stopped into Victoria’s Secret at the Fashion Valley mall and had my eyes opened. Cleavage enhancement seemed the primary reason for wearing a brassiere, and a wide range of elements had been enlisted in the cause. I found “padding” made from air, water, gel, and fabric woven into silicone.

Candy, an employee, explained some of the different styles. “Some bras push you in, and some push you up. Our new line, the Very Sexy, comes with the interwoven silicone pad. On the Very Sexy Lace Miracle Bra, the pad is in the bottom, so it pushes up and gives an upward-cleavage look.” So it makes you look like you have more than you really do? “Yes, because the pad is in there. It takes you and pushes you up and fills in the lower area.” Another employee chimed in, “You wear that if you want to show more of your breasts, like with the sort of dresses they wore in medieval days.” Candy continued. “The Very Sexy Seamless Bra has a deep-V plunge. The pad is on the side; it pushes up and in and creates inner cleavage.”

Well and good, but this was just high-tech stuffing. What had me really curious was the water bra. I had heard it mentioned in faux-shocked whispers by women I knew, but no one owned one — or at least, no one admitted to it. Water wasn’t quite breast tissue, but surely it had more quiver and bounce than silicone. Did it move like the real thing? “Kind of. If you were to squish it, it would feel like you. There’s a pouch inside the bra filled with mineral oil. It’s a regular demi-style bra, so it pushes up more than in.”

The other employee, a slender young Asian named Jenna, weighed in. “Some women have complained that they’re too heavy to wear and that there are leakage problems. The bras aren’t supposed to break, but when they do, you can’t really wear them anymore. The silicone-weave bra is a lot lighter.

“Our number-one selling bra is from the Body by Victoria line; we carry nine different styles. It’s lightly

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You're American? You're Hired

"No sun and no pancake mix!" Jennifer Lees-Garagic jeers about living in Europe. "And if you say hello to people in the street, they look at you like you're crazy." Jennifer has been living in Prague, Czech Republic, for the past 11 years, and though she jokes about the differences and difficulties of living abroad, she wouldn't trade her life there for the world. Like Steve Conway and Stephanie Rosenblatt, two other San Diego transplants, Jennifer has put down roots and carved a life for herself in one of Eastern Europe's crown jewels. Prague's classical architecture, its steeples and medieval bridges, couldn't be more contrary to San Diego's sun and beaches. But it's exactly this beauty that has been attracting foreigners and expatriates for the past decade.

Jennifer grew up in University City and attended

UC High. She first came to Prague with a group of college friends after graduating from UC Davis. "This is 1991, right after the revolution, and it was like the Paris of the 1920s...and I fell in love with the city. I just loved it." When the Iron Curtain fell in 1989, a whole new world opened to both Easterners and Westerners. Jennifer was part of a wave of expatriates and entrepreneurs who recognized the potential of a country just opening to capitalism. "I saw that there was just a lot of opportunity to make money. They were lacking in so many areas, and I saw I could apply my common know-how from America here." And that's exactly what she did. After spending some time scraping by on odd jobs like teaching aerobics, teaching English, and writing for the *Prague Post*, an English-language newspaper, Jennifer decided

to get serious about her life abroad and assert her American know-how.

She first began working with another American woman who was establishing the city's first yellow pages. "Back then, our experience in sales and service, it was pretty easy to set up. You know how things work with business just by being American and growing up with it. My mom was a realtor. But it wasn't easy to train the Czechs. They had no idea because of their communist history. Something so basic as going to sell an ad for the yellow pages seemed totally foreign to them and difficult."

Jennifer then decided to strike out on her own. She met her future husband, Morris Lees, who had fled Bosnia in 1992 after war broke out there, and she told him of her ideas at a party. She wanted to make travel maps for



Steve Conway

American Express and small brochures for foreigners that companies could hand out to clients. Morris had a background in graphic design and printing and was taken by the idea — and Jennifer. The two set up shop in Jennifer's tiny apartment designing brochures and maps for American Express, Hertz, and small hotels. Jennifer had been studying Czech, so she was proficient enough to go out and market their service while Morris focused on design and production. Finding printers was difficult, she explains. "[For the Czechs] it was just a

competitors. Bit by bit, their company grew into an office with several employees.

Around this same time, the mid-'90s, Steve Conway was also living in

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different way of life. They never printed on the weekends, they would go home by 5:00; but, you know, in printing the presses never go off. Eventually we were able to find reliable printers, and we became the middle people. We would do the design and have the printers make the material. But to the clients we would market ourselves as the printers, as a sort of one-stop shop." Customer service and attention to detail is the advantage the pair had over other Czech

Prague. Steve had attended Helix High and then graduated from UCSD in 1992 with a degree in philosophy. Like Jennifer, he had come through Prague as a backpacker and decided to stay. However, what attracted Steve weren't the city's business opportunities, but the lifestyle and culture. "Growing up in the States, I certainly didn't come to escape anything in America," he explains. "But it was a pleasant change. At that time, Prague

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Conservative estimates put the number of Americans living in Prague in 1992 at 80,000. The city was bursting with hippies, backpackers, and expatriates from all over the world. Some, like Jennifer, call Prague at this time the Paris of the 1920s, but for many it was the Woodstock of the 1960s. Though there were many Americans, Steve tended to spend more time with Czechs, not for any particular reason, he claims,

but because his mentality was much more attuned to their way of thinking. "There's a Czech word, *pohoda*. I think it should be an international word. You look it up in the dictionary, and it says something like relaxing, easy-going. But it is a quintessential word for the Czech mentality. They work hard, but they definitely know how to relax."

Steve first worked as an English teacher in a Czech elementary school teaching third through eighth grade, a position he admits he wasn't qualified for. "Now you need a TEFL [teaching English as a foreign language] certificate

and a degree, but back then you just threw in a stick and you're hired." After working for two years teaching and doing odd jobs such as selling marionettes

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in Prague's Old Town, Steve went back to America to work for a cerebral palsy organization. He thought he had put his life in Europe behind him, but after going back to Prague for a short

visit, he decided to stay. Living on an irregular schedule, spending the evenings in pubs and cafés, constantly meeting new people — it's hard to leave

this sort of lifestyle behind. By then Steve was proficient in the Czech language, and he had a lot of friends here, but more than that, he was beginning to find himself at home in Europe.

The majority of the some 20,000 Americans currently living in Prague are English teachers. It's an easy way to make a good living and enjoy a carefree lifestyle. USD graduate Stephanie Rosenblatt is a 22-year-old English teacher who says it's the youth culture and easy living that make Prague so fun and desirable. "This is a little bit of a fantasy land. We party way too much here. I live in this world where I teach 23 hours a week, and the rest of the time I'm taking naps." Rather, she means the rest of the time she's hanging out with fellow expats in any one of Prague's underground cellars or

nightclubs, drinking, dancing, and enjoying herself.

The pubs here are quite chatty, particularly ones full of British and Americans, and just about everyone is approachable. On any given night, one can go to an expat bar with a group of friends and end up going home with a whole new mob of people. Stephanie explains, "We're all in the exact same position. We all took a step, moved abroad, and we're going through the same thing. We're all at that jumping-off point. Everyone here is just much more dynamic. They were the ones willing to move to a new place where they don't



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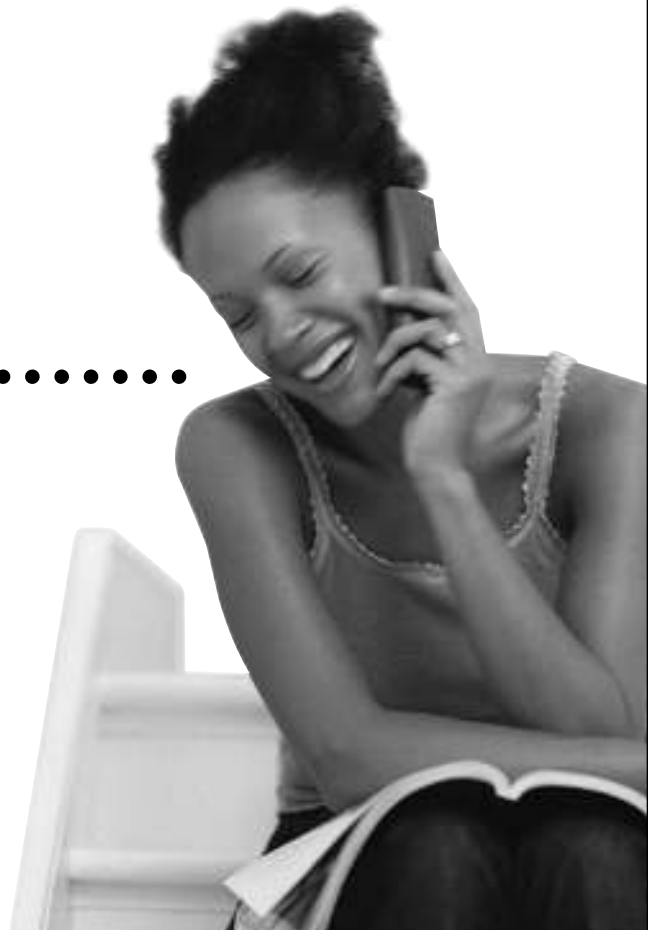
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know one person.”

Comparing her life in Prague to that in San Diego, she says everything here is an adventure. First, there’s the language barrier. It’s mostly professionals who speak English, so simple things like ordering food and asking for directions can be a big problem. Then there’s public transportation and Prague’s illogical city layout. But all this is what Stephanie loves. “My life is so different, completely different than in San Diego. I’ll tell you one thing that is so great. In San Diego everyone is so health-conscious and fitness-oriented. When I would go grocery shop-

ping I would spend an hour reading labels. And here, there are no food labels.” She loves Czech traditional fried cheese, a food she would never have eaten so readily in the States.

Her one complaint is all the Americans and British living in Prague. “There’s such a huge English-speaking community, sometimes I hate that. I haven’t really been so immersed in the culture. It sucks that way. All my friends are American. It’s really hard to meet Czech people.”

Stephanie plans on staying in Prague until November of this year and then heading somewhere

else in Europe. She doesn’t think she can handle another Czech winter but knows that she’s not ready to go back to the U.S. before graduate school. This is the transient youth culture Prague supports. Thousands of such teachers and students pass over Charles Bridge every year looking for cheap drinks and easy living. But as Steve Conway has found, “If you want to maintain friendships, it’s got to be with Czechs.”

In 1998 Steve decided he would give America one more try, so he headed back to San Diego in an attempt to begin a life here. Though his parents now live in Texas, he has a sister who lives in

Carlsbad, and he thought that being near her might help him reacclimate. But he found this to be impossible. “I don’t know what to call it — a nervous breakdown or reverse culture shock — but it just... I couldn’t fit in. It’s really a bitch to be a foreigner in your own country.” Steve remembers clearly his moment of epiphany: “I was sitting in gridlock on the 5, listening to music as I had always done, had done for years. You know, you just do it, ’cause that’s what you do. But then having been away for so long, I couldn’t understand how people could do it every day.”

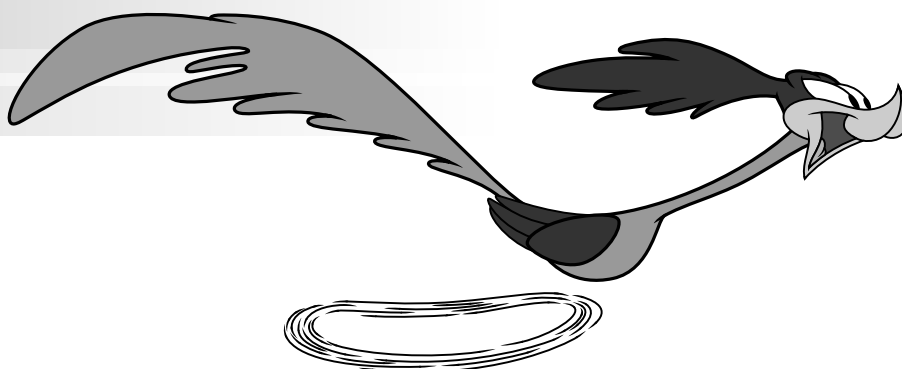
After this, Steve headed back to Prague, where he has remained since. He remarks on the change he has gone through since his return. “A lot of people just teach to pay their bills, but if you want to stay here for a long time you have to get out of that bubble. I was like that for six years, living day to day, but then I had to get a little serious. You show up hungover to a lesson, and I just felt like a cheat and had to stop doing stuff like that.” Steve has acquired a Czech business license and takes teaching English seriously and professionally, charging clients as much as \$30 for an hour-and-a-half lesson,

which, in a former Eastern Bloc country, goes a long way.

The life that Jennifer Lees-Garagic has made for herself in Prague is nothing short of the American dream. Several years ago she and her husband Morris (they were married in San Diego in 1996) bought a house in the Czech countryside, 30 minutes from Prague’s center. The house was old and rundown, but the couple found repairing it so enjoyable that they decided to do it with a smaller house, which they resold after renovation. The couple then bought a five-story apartment building just outside of central

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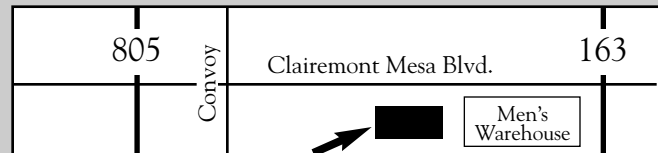
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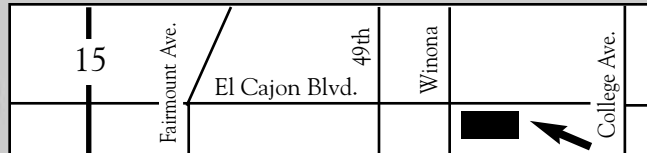
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Prague. Under communism, the apartments had been subdivided, and the building had nearly gone into ruin, particularly the façades, which had been chipped away by authorities who had thought the molding too decadent. Jennifer and Morris had countless problems with Czech bureaucracy and negotiations with former tenants, but slowly the apartment has been renovated. Anyone wanting to buy property in the Czech Republic will find this is no get-rich-quick scheme, as crooked bureaucrats often require bribes to expedite paperwork, and there is a lot of red tape surrounding tenant rights.

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Jennifer's four-year-old son Zuko attends the English International School in Prague, where classes are taught in English. Like his four-month-old brother Max, he will be raised speaking English, Serbian, and Czech, and will live in the country under a Czech green card. Jennifer would eventually like to return to San Diego so that the children can experience junior high and high school the way she did, though she knows leaving Europe and her friends will be difficult. Most of her friends are career expatriates whom she met through her son's school. They come from Ireland, England, the Netherlands, Portugal, and Spain. Though she visits her family twice a year, such friendships are important. "When you are living abroad," Jennifer remarks, "your friends really do become your family." ■

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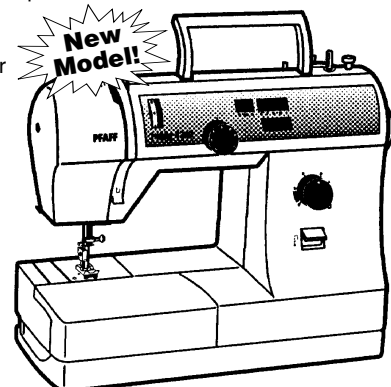
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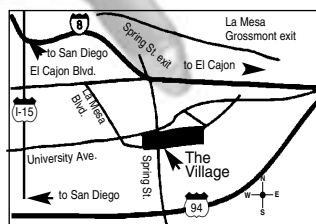
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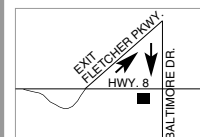


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CHAPTER 28

Nine singers had been waiting in front of Rudy's at 3:00 p.m. Over the next half hour while the band members straggled in, a few more arrived. All flouncy, restless girls.

Clyde McGraw sat in a booth with Hickey, twisting the ends of his mustache, tapping his fingers in 6/8 time. He'd appointed Swede the clarinetist to conduct the orchestra. The singers ranged around the room, each performing her nervous routine. One stared at her image



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in a compact and dabbed on rouge. Another hitched up her nylons. A stump-legged, buxom girl paced like a stilt artist on her six-inch heels. The oldest of them, dressed in tight pants and sweater, leaned against a wall chewing on a clump of her hair.

Two perky sisters audi-

tioned first. They'd come prepared to sing duets, but Clyde wanted soloists, so each did a number of her own. One sang “Sunny Side of the Street” dolefully. The other crooned “Deep Purple,” wiggling as if she'd stepped on an anthill. Of the next few auditioners,

one had a cute but trilly voice that would probably enchant young sailors while reminding the admirals and bankers who frequented Rudy's of their daughters and send them running home; another looked as if her cheeks were stuffed with cookies; the prettiest, a slinky

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brunette, sounded operatic.

Number nine was Carline Biggs, a mulatto with soft, wavy hair, somebody Hickey'd watched a few months before in the Blue Note on Market Street. She'd been singing with Earl Watson's group, a Negro quartet. Hickey remembered thinking how she'd fit better fronting a big band. She looked too proud and domineering for the quartet, like she ought to have a brigade of musicians behind her, more concerned with showing her off than with taking their solos.

Clyde gave Hickey a dubious glance. "Who invited her?"

"Beats me," Hickey said. "Word gets around."

She led off with "Mood Indigo." Her voice was silky, tinted with gloom. One of the girls still waiting gave up and left. She might've noticed Hickey fold his arms behind his head, lean back, and give Clyde a nod. This one had the range, the tone, the poise, and beauty. A couple bars and it didn't matter if she were a mix of Negro, Siamese, and polar bear — she could draw in

the fellows, get them longing, make them want to drown in booze. All she lacked was the magic that convinced every man she was singing to him. She wasn't Cynthia Moon.

Clyde called out to Swede and rolled his hand. Swede conferred with Carline, got the key she wanted, then cued the orchestra to "Moonglow."

Hickey leaned over to McGraw. "If you rehearse her every afternoon, maybe one day off, think you could lose Martino by Monday?"

Clyde crooked his lips and nose sideways, wagged his chin. "I don't know about this one, Tom."

"What's the problem?" "You don't have to ask, man, 'less you're color-blind."

"No offense, pal, but she's a shade lighter than you."

Clyde looked her over once more. "About the same, but she can't hardly pass with those lips and that behind."

"You think when you and Johnny tell folks you come from Saint Croix, half of them don't figure that's a street in Harlem?"

"Long as they hire us. Tom, maybe if I was Count this or Duke that, all the ritzy joints would do us the honor. But my name's Clyde, and I got a white band."

The cigarette girl, who'd just come in, still wearing the coat over her tutu, appeared and tapped Hickey's shoulder. "There's a guy wants to see you, boss."

Hickey nodded, turned

carrying him to Denver.

The man straightened up and stepped forward. Another young fellow who'd sidestepped the military and was hustling up the abandoned ladder. Already made detective. Medium build. Cool, dark heavy-browed eyes. He didn't offer his hand. "You Tom Hickey?"

"Yeah. You?"

"The difficulty with raising children is, every flaw in your character, every mistake in your life, is apt to be reflected, even magnified, in them."

back to Clyde. "Fine. When you leave Rudy's, dump her. Meantime, give her a bunch of Cynthia's numbers." He got up, rounded the booth, spotted the man at the bar. He was leaning backward, both elbows on the rail. He hadn't checked his hat or coat. A cop, judging from the impudent frown. Hickey's fists clenched, eyes blurred. He felt the plane lifting off,

"Detective Sergeant Ripperger."

"What town?"

The cop scowled as though Hickey were toying with him. "What do you think? Tokyo?"

Hickey caught his breath, let his shoulders drop from where they'd been squashing his ears. "Thrapp send you?"

"You determined to ask

all the questions, or do I get a chance?"

"Sorry. Habit," Hickey said.

The cop plucked a notebook from inside his overcoat, browsed a page to refresh his memory. "Seems a couple weeks ago... That'd be December 17th, Thursday. A guy that looks about like you was driving a 1941 Chevrolet happens to be registered to you, harassed and threatened a motorist, couple blocks from here. Out on Broadway."

Hickey tried not to snicker, couldn't manage.

"Think it's pretty cute, do you?"

Waving a hand toward the office, Hickey led the way. Inside, he shut the door, sat on the desk, left the cop standing beside the coat-rack. "I gotta tell you, pal. In the last couple weeks — first my singer disappeared, I tailed her up north. Then a fellow sends me to Denver on a bodyguard job. A louse gets shot and I spend the night in jail. Come home, I lose my singer *and* my meat supplier. My wife and I are squabbling. Now you stroll in, remind me I yelled

at this horn-blowing fool. Come on, Sergeant. Laugh."

The detective barked a couple times. "Okay, now we got that out of our systems, I'd suggest you devise a way to get the horn blower to drop charges."

"I'll apologize. Give me his number."

"Naw. Suppose you go over there and sock him? My pretty ass gets burned."

"Okay. I drop a letter by your office, you pass it on. Who do I address it to? Dear horn blower?"

"That'll do."

Hickey walked Ripperger out, shook his hand at the door. "Come back off duty, Sergeant. I'll set you up with dinner and drinks, for two, for your trouble."

The cop wagged his head. "I don't hang around any mob joint. Bring me the letter tomorrow."

Hickey sat staring out the door long after the sergeant had vanished, sorting through the mix of dismay and fury that was gnawing at him. Finally he wheeled and grabbed the phone. Dialed the Playroom. The Pacific Ballroom. The Del Mar Club. Castillo

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didn't answer the pages, and nobody'd seen him. Hickey'd started out to the bar for a scotch when the phone rang.

"Person to person for Mr. Tom Hickey."

"Yeah, that's me."

Fay Giles's voice rasped urgently. "Have I got news."

"I'm listening."

"Sheriff Poole suggested I call you, but I would've anyway. Mr. Hickey, a forestry man was driving up Black Forest Road when he met the swami. Their master. You know. He was staggering down the mountain, Joe Kraft said. At first he didn't recognize him, almost passed by thinking it was a drunken hobo. Oh, God, this is horrid.... The man was delirious."

"The forestry guy?"

"No. The master. They'd bound his hands behind him. That's how Joe knew something was wrong." She muffled the phone.

"Who'd bound his hands? You there?"

"I'm here. I don't know. There was blood on his trousers. Joe got him into the bed of his truck and rushed him to Dr. O'Day. Oh, Christ, Mister Hickey, I knew those people were devils, but..."

Hickey rapped on the desk a dozen times. "Yeah. But what?"

"...There were wounds on his thighs and his torso as if they'd beaten him and...someone had tied off his...scrotum, with a band of rawhide. Of course, Dr. O'Day tore it off. But not in

time." She muffled the phone once again, returned with a groan. "Mister Hickey. They castrated him."

"Whoa," Hickey muttered. He squirmed from a cramp in the pit of his stomach.

"Do you believe anybody could..."

"You don't know who did it?"

"No, how could we? The sheriff's on his way to the Black Forest now. I'll call you later."

Hickey let her go, resumed his walk to the bar, knocked down two shots of Dewar's. He thought of phoning Mr. Bair with the news, but to gloat over somebody losing his nuts seemed too foul. Even when the nuts were Pravinshandra's.

Just after 8:00, when Billy Martino took the stage, Hickey turned the place over to Phil, promised him \$20 more each week.

On the drive home, until he was rounding the bay, he noticed nothing. Not his speed, or whether he ran any stop signs, or whether he almost careened off the Ingraham Street bridge into the bay. All he saw were visions of hands with painted fingernails tying a rawhide thong around the master's scrotum. He even heard the man screaming, clearly as though it were broadcast over his radio.

Dark mist had erased the moon and stars. Tonight the bay looked miles deep and blue-black, treacher-

ous. He didn't expect his house to be dark, for Madeline to have gone out, at least without calling him at Rudy's. She'd left a note on the kitchen counter:

Tom, in case you get home early, I'll be back about 11:00. Mrs. Thorndike phoned and invited me to meet with the Relief Society about their charity ball. She wants me to be on the committee, and that's not all. She asked if I'd be willing to sing. Maybe, I said. It's been so damned long. They may ask me to give them a sample. Cross your fingers. Oh, and Lizzie's staying over with her pal Clementine.

Love, M.

He felt mildly annoyed with Madeline but vicious toward

whatever chance or fate had snatched her away at this moment when he ached to hold her, hear a gentle voice, find a little assurance that life contained at least a trace of normalcy. He changed to old dungarees, a sweater, and a USC baseball cap. He sprawled on the living room sofa beside the bay-view window, propped himself on a pillow and the armrest so he could look out, reached over his head for the *Tribune* on the end table, and glanced at headlines.

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He rose and grabbed a pair of oars from where he stored them in the corner of the sleeping porch. He crossed the beach to his pier, unleashed the row-boat, and climbed in. The first quarter mile he rowed strong, straight out; then he angled toward Crown Point, following a track of moonlight. The water looked dark and thick as motor oil. He passed not a single bird or fish jumping. Not a single shoreline house had left the curtain open to its Christmas tree. He rowed in bursts and drifted between, again picturing the mutilation of Pravinshandra, but also worrying, pondering matters from the odds of his being summoned back to Denver to the dumping of sewage in the bay. Anything to fend off doubts about Madeline. He kept looking up, spotting his house, waiting for a light to flick on.

The house was still dark when he tied up the boat. He went inside, to the bookshelf in the dining area, chose a history of China from the books he'd been collecting since his reading time got swallowed by obligations at Rudy's. He lay in the hammock, read the first page several times, and listened to cars on Pacific Beach Drive, waiting for the one that would deliver Madeline. About half past ten, a car pulled onto the gravel of Parker Place. Hickey sat up and listened, recognized the voice of his neighbors, a pair of sisters who both taught at Pacific Beach School. He lay back down, read for another hour. Three pages.

He was in the bathroom when the next car turned onto the gravel. It stopped beside their carport. A loud man said, "Three and a quarter." A minute later the cab backed away. Madeline's heels clicked

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Hickey met her in the kitchen. She looked radiant, young enough to be Elizabeth's girlfriend, wearing the burgundy sweater and the diamond ring he'd given her for Christmas, a white, snug-fitting skirt and pumps with medium heels.

"Been home long?" she asked.

"Yeah. You gonna sing for the old dames?"

"They want me to. Mrs. Thorndike had her son play that new Johnny Mercer tune, 'Tangerine.' It's kind of cute. I gave it this sultry mood, like I was this jealous broad. Tom, you look a little peaked."

As he told her about the phone call from Duns-

muir, Madeline staggered toward the living room and flopped onto the sofa. Hickey sat beside her. When the story was done, she reached over and fondled him, extra gently. Her hands felt steaming.

"Imagine," she whispered.

"Naw," Hickey said. "I don't want to."

CHAPTER 29

The cloudless sky was still silver-blue when Eva's cockers' yapping got so loud they sounded directly beneath Hickey and Madeline's window. He dragged himself up, pulled on his trousers, a pair of slippers, and a sweater, and walked through the house and out back to the beach. Eva was stand-

ing beside the pier, dressed in her usual khakis and jacket, deck shoes, fishing hat. She was petting one of the monsters.

"Hey, you," Hickey growled. "Hand over the

Somewhere he'd read that beauty was truth, truth beauty, and considered the statement reasonably accurate, even about people.

mutt. I'm gonna make his paws into key chains."

"Keep your distance, brute." Eva strode toward him swinging the handle end of a leash as if preparing to box his ears with it.

They faced off nose to nose and scowled.

"Where you been, Tom?"

"Up north. Denver. The Pine Hills Lodge for Christmas. You miss me?"

"Not too bad. There's more than one man in my life, you know. What's in Denver?"

"Ice. Windstorms. Italian food."

"What brought you

there?"

"Never mind."

She reprimanded him with a pout. The cockers tugged at their leashes. Eva started walking and Hickey followed along, past a stone ring filled with ashes and charred cans, an overturned rowboat, a sand castle with dripped spires. By the turn in the bay, he'd asked her twice for the latest gossip, but all he'd gotten back was a curiously sympathetic punch on the arm, until she muttered, "This is gonna pain me, Tom."

She squatted and unsnapped the dogs from their leashes, shooed them off to run, then took his sleeve and led him over to the wall that bordered the

bayside walk. "Sit down here." She waited until he obeyed, then joined him. "Last evening I was casting for perch, out at the end of Crystal Pier. Your wife comes walking. What's her name?"

"Madeline."

To avoid looking at him, Eva removed her hat, slapped it on her leg a couple times, put it on again. "She's smooching with a fellow."

"Oh, no. She was out with some ritzy old buzzards. What time?"

"Sunset. She comes walking right past me, arm in arm with a tall guy, black greasy hair, all snuggled up. Every so often they'll stop and kiss."

"What was she wearing?"

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"Pants, I think. Maybe a dress. She has the fellow's overcoat on. I sure don't want to distress you, Tom, but I expect you oughta know."

"Sure," Hickey mumbled. "I'll go ask her about it."

He wheeled and took about 50 long strides toward home, stopped still a moment, then shuffled to the bonfire pit and sat on a log seat. Elbows on his knees, he covered his eyes, pictured himself stomping onto his porch, through the living room, finding Made-

line in the kitchen. He saw himself grab her by the chin, lift it up, pinch it hard. He got up, left the beach, cut through a vacant lot and down the alley to Mission Boulevard, going for coffee, hoping to clear his brain a little. In the bakery he remembered he wasn't carrying money. The frosty-haired baker's wife poured him a cupful, said pay when he brought the cup back. He returned to the log by the fire pit, sat, and drank the coffee, staring out at the glassy water and telling himself it wasn't Madeline. Old

Eva hardly knew Madeline. Besides, a night out smooching didn't concur with Madeline's demeanor, the brightness with which she'd told him about Mrs. Thorndike and her piano-playing son, the way she'd described just how she'd sung "Tangerine."

"You got the wrong gal, Eva," he muttered, as he got up and started home.

Or, he thought, if it was Madeline, if she'd gone to Castillo after the way she'd talked when he came home from Denver and in spite of Hickey's promises, after he'd warned her about the Cuban's mob pals and she'd agreed not to step into the same room with the guy — if Madeline was that far gone, if he knew that little about who she'd become, Hickey'd already lost the game.

He left her sleeping, took a shower, then dressed and kissed her good-bye without waking her. Before he reached the kitchen door, the phone rang. His answering service with a message. A lady named Venus would meet him at the Grant Grill at 9:00 this morning.

With an hour to kill, he crossed Pacific Beach Drive, drove the dirt road up to Grand Avenue, took it east across the Coast Highway to Milly's Texaco Beanery.

He ordered a couple eggs over medium, no potatoes, a bowl of cornflakes with half-and-half. The straw-haired waitress, a girl Milly had rescued when a



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Crystal Pier, 1938

as if her hips were in a cast and she had a set of invisible encyclopedias balanced on her head. "This way, Mister Hickey," she beamed.

"Naw," he said. "I'm going to meet a lady here, take her somewhere besides the boys' club."

"But she's waiting for you. Mister Jack let her in." The girl drew closer, lowered her voice. "He does that for special people, only before lunchtime, though."

He followed her through the dim room of dark mahogany, dark carpeting, dark maroon leather booths, sketches of hunting dogs on the walls. The place could be a replica of a billiard hall for the British Parliament. It even stank like half-smoked cigars.

The hostess led him to a booth on the Fourth Street side. Venus had stood to greet him. She wore a snug tailored suit of deep aquamarine, a white silk blouse with hat and gloves to match. In heels she stood level with Hickey. Her lipstick was dark, her smile ingenuous. Her eyebrows looked natural, thick but trim and shapely, slightly darker than her cinnamon hair, which was folded up into layers and held in place with the hat. Her eyes were like Cynthia's, an emerald color so deep it made the white seem especially pure. There were sapphire and silver clips on her ears and an emerald ring on the third finger of each hand.

She offered her hand. He took and pressed it, nod-

long-haul trucker dumped her, kept refilling his coffee every time he drank it down an inch. He nibbled, sipped, wondered if Venus knew that the Grant Grill was restricted, no females. Thinking of the fuss she might raise, he chuckled and started planning his attack. Not a chance she was the kind you just waltzed in on, bossed around, overwhelmed with your manliness. He sipped, smoked, and rehearsed a few lines. At 8:30 he tossed \$2 onto the table and walked out, aiming to arrive at the Grill before Venus showed, to lead her across the street where ladies were welcome. Open the meeting with him in charge.

He cut east on Sassafras Street, took India, then Ash, and pulled into the lot behind Rudy's. He crossed Fourth and walked fast, dodging around the postal employees and secretaries timing themselves to arrive at work about 20 seconds before nine.

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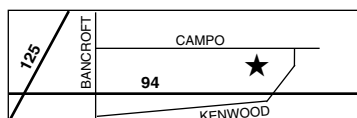
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ded, pulled out her chair, and watched her graceful descent, a dancer's balance and poise. He sat across from her. "Pleasant trip?"

"No. We weren't able to leave as early as we'd planned. Something came up." She narrowed her eyes and studied him. "We didn't arrive until after midnight. It was a tedious drive."

What a voice, Hickey thought. From deep in her chest yet mild and soothing. Even sexier up close than

at the meeting in Denver. A couple words from Venus in the right ear, whole armies charge to their death.

"Mr. Hickey, who sent you to Denver?"

"Never mind."

Her gaze pinned him, as if focused on a tiny dot in the middle of each of his eyes. "At least tell me if the dead man was really there to kill Pravinshandra."

"You bet."

"And who was the instigator?"

"Forget it, lady. You bring the master along?"

"A brother drove me down. I don't drive. Pravinshandra, as I expect you know, is under suspicion of a crime. The sheriff of Dunsmuir advised him not to leave. So, tell me, are you the one who accused him of raping my daughter?"

Okay, Hickey thought, here we go. "Your daughter accused him. I passed it along."

The waiter showed up.

A balding, stooped fellow who muttered a string of indecipherable words. Hickey ordered juice. Venus asked for tea and the fruit plate.

"I wonder if you truly believe my daughter." Venus waited, raised her eyes to summon his reply. "You must know she's been affected terribly by our family troubles. Are you two close?"

"Yeah, too close," Hickey said.

The woman's lip rose, almost into a sneer except that she caught and softened it. "I suppose she told you I was to blame for the demise of Otherworld, and that I treated her father wickedly."

"Yeah. All that and plenty more."

"Such as?"

"About how Laurel and you lined up on one side, she and Henry on the other, a long time ago. She says you've been trying to kill

her ever since."

Venus gave a bitter sigh, took a sip of her tea, and looked up calmly. "Do you have children?" Hickey nodded. She turned to the window. Her lips pursed and sucked in, fishlike. "The difficulty with raising children is, every flaw in your character, every mistake in your life, is apt to be reflected, even magnified, in them. I certainly haven't been a perfect mother. I'm impatient, exacting, and worst of all, I follow my own star."

"Where's Laurel, by the way? I called to tell her Cynthia's in Riverview. Nobody's home."

"She's in Dunsmuir, taking care of the master. He's very distraught."

"He's worse than that."

"What?"

"I'm not sure it was Laurel took care of him, but somebody certainly did." Venus demanded.

"Laurel give him sedatives, maybe?"

"Why are you asking these questions?"

"I got a call from Fay Giles, runs the Castle Crag Motor Hotel. Last evening. She phoned a while after your boyfriend wandered down the road from Black Forest, doped, beaten, and with a string of rawhide tied just so around his private parts. I'm afraid you have a eunuch on your hands, Mrs. Tucker."

Her expression had frozen, her chin dropped a little. Her eyes brightened and quavered as though something volcanic churned behind their emerald sheen. She stared at the silver sugar bowl in front of her, panting through her nose. Her hands lifted, fingers touching like a spider on a mirror.

"Please don't call me Mrs. Tucker," she said flatly.

Hickey thought, *Whoa, she's tough. You wouldn't catch her whining.* She reached for her cup, sipped her tea. "You think Laurel did that to him?"

"Yeah. Shouldn't you be stunned or something, lady?"

Her face stiffened momentarily and relaxed into a wan smile. "What happens, Mr. Hickey, when you live by the sword?" The way her exquisite lips had set, he thought it might be a smirk, an innuendo about his fate.

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“Look, what I heard, Cynthia isn’t the first gal Pravinshandra raped. Seems he liked to dope up, hypnotize, service, and brand his disciples while he had them cornered on the mountain.”

Venus rubbed her temples, gazed studiously at him. “I’m afraid you don’t

know women. Whomever Pravinshandra wanted, he merely had to ask. If she resisted, a little talk would persuade her. In rare cases he might have to touch her hand.”

“You’re telling me Cynthia didn’t get raped?”

Her lips had gone drier and flared. “The easiest con-

quest on earth. She would give herself to a beggar if she believed it would torment me.”

“How about Laurel?”

“What about her?”

“You think it was Laurel who fixed him?”

“Of course not.”

“You wanta know why I think she did?” he asked.

Venus nodded curtly. “Wait here, then, while I run next door for something.”

She picked up a strawberry and bit delicately as though trying not to hurt it. Hickey didn’t bother to stop for his hat or button his coat. He scampered out as though fleeing from a packed elevator. When he got out-

side and waited at the stoplight, he felt reprieved. Somewhere he’d read that beauty was truth, truth beauty, and considered the statement reasonably accurate, even about people. He’d known plenty gorgeous, wicked humans — they had looks but not beauty, which was a feeling that sometimes

leaped between the hearts of the observed and the observer. After sitting with Venus, the idea that beauty was truth seemed preposterous. No gesture, no tone of voice, nothing hinted she could be a vicious liar. In her presence, Hickey thought, most any man couldn’t help but want to

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win her favor. Each unkind word, he'd felt like a rat.

When the light changed, he hustled across, strode past the display window of the Owl Drugstore, turned in to the entrance of his building, and loped up the stairs past a curly blonde who walked stiffly, wrapped tightly in a coat, clutching her arms across her stomach.

A thumping noise issued from his office. He checked the doorknob, shoved the door open, and found Leo inside, feet on the desk, tossing a tennis ball. Without glancing Hickey's way, while the ball rebounded off the wall

beneath the photos, Leo flipped him a salute.

"Way I understood, you were a busy man," Hickey said.

"We're no hod carriers, Tom. Our kinda work requires meditation."

"So that's what I've been doing wrong. Say, you oughta see the doll I left up at the Grant."

"Let me guess. You found a new singer."

"Yeah, but she's not the one. This one's Venus."

Leo caught the tennis ball, set it on the desk while he swiveled the chair around. "What're you doing with Venus?"

"Negotiating, about the

girl. I'll give you the whole story later. Maybe tonight, over a couple steaks at Rudy's. Tomorrow we might be serving tuna instead."

"Huh?"

"Later. Now I gotta run. Came to get something out of the desk." Leo rolled the chair back, let his feet drop, allowing Hickey to open the top drawer and remove the manila envelope with Emma Vidal's drawing. "Six or so. I've got a story that'll make you keep your fly buttoned." Hickey gave a wink and turned to the door.

He hustled downstairs, caught a green light, double-timed across and into the Grant, where he found Venus

nibbling papaya. Laying the envelope between them, he sat down, reached for his water glass. Venus only squared her shoulders, dabbed at her lips with a napkin, raised her eyebrows, and peered at him. Finally he slipped the picture out of the envelope, adjusted it to lie straight beneath her eyes, and watched her eyes dull as they moved across the picture and down to the note at the bottom. She slid the picture under the envelope and folded her hands on the table.

"It's Laurel," Hickey said.

"I know."

"The way I figure, mak-

ing the guy a eunuch sounds like the work of a betrayed lover. Meaning it could be any one of who knows how many. But I'm betting on Laurel."

"Did Henry give this to you?"

"Nope. Gave it to Cynthia."

"I see." She leaned back, stared overhead around the room. At last she nodded, returned her gaze to his eyes, intently as though to spook him or fracture his will. "Cynthia hired the killer."

"Forget the killer. Here's the deal. I want you to pay for Cynthia's stay in Riverview, as long as it takes.

I want you to leave her alone, for good. You, Laurel, the *Nezahs*."

She flashed a delighted smile, as if she found his gall fascinating. "Is that all?"

"Nope. You've gotta sell back all the Dunsmuir property. Keep the Black Forest if you want."

Her smile crimped, then re-formed into one as patronizing as a bishop might give to a heathen, or a scientist to a monkey. "Anything else?"

"That's all."

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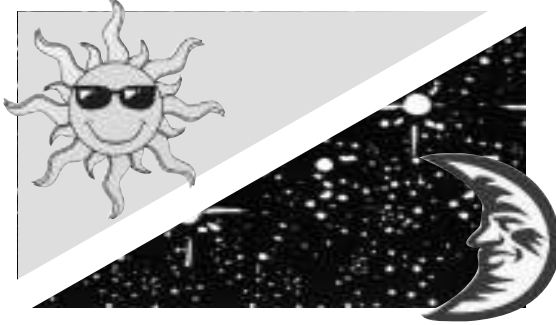
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arrested. You say Laurel perpetrated this castration, but don't delude yourself that the citizenry of Dunsmuir will convict her of punishing the man who raped her. The less if he's a dark-skinned man who threatens their feeble religion."

"None of that," Hickey said. "I'm thinking about the 70 grand of Otherworld's loot you had in your mitts when you skipped town."

She picked the napkin off her lap and began fold-

ing it restlessly. "I'm truly amazed at how thoroughly you've fallen for Cynthia's lies, considering she's now committed to the sanitarium where she obviously belongs."

"Look," Hickey said. "If you're clean, don't make the deal."

"Don't you think if I'd embezzled from Otherworld, they would've pursued me?"

"Naw. Madame Esmé was sick. The place was going

to collapse, no matter. From what I read in the paper, plus Cynthia's story and what I got out of Joshua Bair and Mr. Murphy, looks like people just ran, on account of they were heartbroken over losing their home. Losing faith. They ditched, cut their losses."

"Mr. Bair." She sighed languidly. "I'm innocent, you know, but I'm sure you could stir a cauldron of trouble. You certainly know how to pry."

"Yeah. How about it?"

She placed her hands on the arms of her chair, gracefully pushed herself up, glanced out the window, then gazed down at him coolly as if she'd just granted him knighthood, "Of course I'll pay for the hospital, and if she believes we're dangerous, you're right, we should stay out of her life. The property — that's just business. Business is everywhere. I'll sell, if you insist. I'll buy elsewhere."

Hickey stood, admired the way her face had paled, her eyes and lips became deathly still. One of those people who with a glance could make you ashamed to have bettered her. She offered her hand, pressed his warmly. The damned woman didn't know how to act any way but gracious. If she were slitting your throat, Hickey thought, she'd do it politely, with elegance.

"Thank you for looking after my daughter. Please

ask the waiter to bill my room. Two-seventeen." With a pallid smile, she turned and walked off, left Hickey to marvel at her. From behind she could've passed for the queen of heaven. Her voice lingered in the air.

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stranglehold around the topmost edge of his scrotum. Kneeling beside him, the Bitch whispered viciously, "It's okay, baby."

He tossed a five onto the table and walked out, his gut constricting, his pulse on double time. Breaths came hard. He stood on the curb through two green lights, telling himself he'd beaten the woman, made the deal, seen the last of Venus. It was no use. Thirty-seven years had taught him to recognize people who wouldn't stay beaten.

As he crossed the street, he allowed himself to think about Madeline for the first

time since he'd left home, and he still couldn't believe it was her on Crystal Pier. He leaned against the wall of the Owl Drugstore and reviewed everything Madeline had said and done last night after she'd come home. He recalled her tone of voice, her expressions. Not a damned thing seemed amiss. "Hell," he muttered, "old Eva's jealous, thinks she can land me for her own."

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There was a message on the office desk, to phone Thrapp. The switchboard rang about ten times, Thrapp's extension another dozen, before the captain grumbled his

name. "What's up?" Hickey asked.

"Your lieutenant called from Denver. Seems a couple days after the fact, this old woman shows up and swears she saw Donny go for his gun. Swears she saw his hand on it. Lieutenant says why the hell didn't you come in sooner? She pleads too much to do at Christmas. He described her as a churchy-looking dame. Anybody you know?"

"Yeah, Rusty. It's my mother-in-law. We rehearsed a couple days, then I sent her up there."

"I figured. Lucky that lieutenant's not smart as

me. You're off the hook, Tom," he said glumly.

"He say what makes this witness the one they're gonna believe?"

"I'd guess, when you got a sweet old dame saying she saw something, and a Negro fella saying he didn't see it—you know. Besides, if one person saw it, a hundred of them that didn't don't mean a damn. Only way they could convict you is break the old lady down. Who's gonna want to risk a lightning bolt in memory of Katoulis?"

Hickey was trying to remember a woman near the railroad yard. He only recalled the taxi and Katoulis,

the men swarming after he tossed the guns away. "Swell news, Rusty. I owe you a big one. Look, about the other—believe me or don't, but if Paul's fronting for anybody, I'm in your corner. Doesn't matter if I land in the poorhouse. I'll find my way out."

"Yeah, okay," Thrapp said flatly. "See you around."

It was becoming a glorious day. He'd backed Venus into a corner, made her deal. Some anonymous angel had lifted the noose off his shoulders. At this rate, the clouds would make way for rainbows, soon an old client might show up and give him a 50-foot ketch. This

afternoon the war would end. By tomorrow he, Elizabeth, and Madeline could sail away.

He called the Saint Ambrose Home. Father McCullough answered the first ring, loudly as if he'd been dozing by the phone.

"Good news," Hickey said. "I had a chat with Venus this morning. She's gonna pay the Riverview bill, leave the girl alone, and keep Laurel away. Looks like Henry and you are Cynthia's mama and daddy now. You better try and keep the old boy alive."

"He's breathing better."

"I've got a tidbit you can pass along, might have

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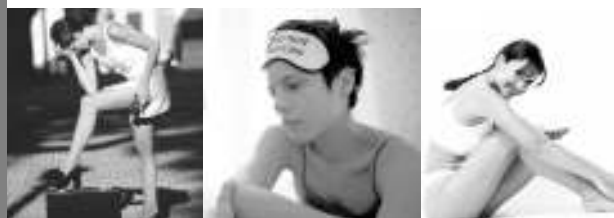
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him up chasing sisters around the garden.”

“Oh?”

“The *Nezahs* got tired of their master acting like a bull. They made a steer out of him.”

“Oh, aw, uhn,” the priest groaned.

“Yeah. I’ll say. When you tell Henry, bring a nurse along so he won’t die laughing.”

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Hickey sat parked out front of Riverview Hospital, debating whether, if he even got the chance, he should tell Cynthia about Laurel’s revenge. Still undecided, he walked in, holding the door for a hunched, drooling kid in a wheelchair pushed by a stalwart-looking Army corporal, probably his brother. Hickey turned in to the reception area. The receptionist was plump, Indian-looking. On Hickey’s request, she paged Dr. Carroll. Hickey took a seat and listened to a volley of shrill cries that sounded blocks away, but probably were close, behind a couple walls. In apparent response to the cries, a howl rose. Like a caveman giving orders to the moon.

The doctor appeared and led Hickey down a short corridor to an office almost as cramped as the one at Rudy’s. A dozen or so frameless diplomas looked glued onto the walls. The doctor was sallow-faced, long-necked, about Hickey’s age. He had a mop of frizzy blond hair, shoulders so thin that coat hangers must’ve stretched his shirts.

They shook hands. Hickey asked how Cynthia was acting. The doctor gave a shrug, said he was hopeful.

“Still think she’s carrying a baby?”

The doctor raised his eyebrows. “When did I say I thought she was?”

“I don’t know. My mistake. What do you think?”

“She may well be.”

“Look, I know I’m acting hasty, but I figure it’s best we get prepared. So we can act fast if the time comes. You know where she was when I grabbed her?”

“Tijuana.”

“Yep. You’ve probably heard her yelling about the devil baby and the Fiend. As far as I can see, it’s a fact she got raped. I’m not suggesting we take her back to TJ, but I know a fellow, a

doctor — well, a chiropractor — that’ll do it safe and clean.”

The doctor wrinkled his nose. “You know this person, what he’s doing, and you allow him to go unpunished?”

“You bet. The ones that don’t go to him, it isn’t like the kid lives happily ever after. Mama gets the job done by some after-hours grease monkey, or she goes to TJ, and you don’t know who’s doing what down there. A girl dies, a cop takes a third of the fee, undertaker another third, leaving the doc a little short that evening, no big deal.”

“I see your position,” Dr. Carroll said. “It’s rather calous, and fortunately it doesn’t apply here. Father McCullough called me. If there is a child, as long as Miss Tucker and her parents assent, the church will see to adoption.”

Hickey pondered the idea, decided he liked it. They’d need to hold Cynthia until the child was born, to keep her from ripping it out. Eight months at least. Long before then, Charlie Schwartz would discover another doll.

“Miss Tucker won’t agree,” Hickey said. “I’ll help you get a court order if you need. And somebody better make damn sure they get that baby far enough away so he never comes looking for his mama. I’m no prophet. But I’ll give mighty odds on this one — there won’t be a moment of peace in that family until they’re extinct.”

The doctor nodded as though humoring Hickey and began doodling on a file folder. “In all probability, there is no baby.”

“Sure. You gonna let me see the girl?”

A few minutes later Hickey followed a sour young nurse down a hallway that led off the reception room. They passed a line of closed doors. One of them rattled as something powerful crashed into it, from inside. The hall opened into a wider area, where a nurse stood beside a counter chatting with a Negro orderly while she filled syringes.

Hickey’s nurse peered through a window in a set of double doors. She reached for a key ring from a hook on the wall and used one of the keys.

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The brightness of the room behind the doors shocked Hickey's eyes. At first he couldn't see where the music came from, the piano intro to a melody he knew. The nurse ushered him through, then backed out and shut the doors. The lock clicked.

As his vision adjusted, Hickey stared around the long, wide room, one side of it walled in plate glass looking out at a dead vegetable garden. Brown tomato

plants. Wilted beet greens. A row of sunflowers stooped almost to the ground. The room held about 30 occupants, a few of them orderlies dressed in green, the others white-garbed patients. Along the right wall several men and a skeletal woman slouched on low stools. Two men stood leaning against the window, one thumping his head on the plate glass. A giant fellow with silver teeth and a nose about an inch off center strode

toward Hickey, his eyes flaming. He veered left, circled behind Hickey, and strode back the other way. A gray-skinned woman squatted, stood, squatted again as if that were her style of dancing.

Hickey guessed the oldest person, except a couple of the orderlies, was a few years younger than he. They made him think of massacre victims in a common grave, dead on their feet, mutely staring back at the

treacherous world.

The piano, an old upright, sat at the far end of the room. The pianist was a Negro orderly. Another, darker orderly stood nearby, scowling like a tyrant's palace guard, his arms tensed and ready to snap the neck of anybody who might harm the girl standing beside him, her elbow leaning on the piano, the spread fingers of her other hand pressing her abdomen.

She gazed vaguely

around, scratched her face nervously, pinched the bridge of her nose, then darted the hand back to cover her belly. The pianist stopped once, tapped the girl's arm. As he ran through the intro a second time, she stood straight, slightly bent her knees. A wistful smile appeared. Her eyes flickered on like a searchlight. All at once she looked at everyone, welcomed each of them into her heart, and sang.

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lined with a molded cup, and it's very comfortable." In its smallest sizes, "It's good for a training bra — it has the little molded-cup look, but it's natural feeling. My mom bought me Jockey for Her and Fruit of the Loom for Girls. I didn't even know what Victoria's Secret was until I was, like, a sophomore in college. You have little girls in here who are 11 or 12, and their moms are buying them bras, and I'm, like, 'Hello? You're so lucky!'"

I bumped into some of those lucky girls outside the store and asked them to reveal their bra preferences. Fourteen-year-old Debra didn't know her size, but she did own "probably 20 bras. I just ask the sales lady for help, and she picks a bunch for me. I

don't want flashy colors or lacy texture. If it's kind of lacy and you want to wear a white shirt, that won't work because it would show through. I don't like front closures because they kind of pinch or ride up a little. The most I've paid for a bra was \$50 at Nordstrom."

Desiree, also 14, thought she was a 34A; she topped out at \$20. "I don't like a hard cup. Most bras my size have a soft cup, and I like a flexible cup. I probably own 20 bras in black or white. I don't go for pink or orange, because you can't wear them with white shirts."

Leah was a year younger than Desiree, but she exceeded her in cup (34B), number of bras (30), and expense (average price of \$30 at either Victoria's Secret or Nordstrom). "A bra has to be comfortable and it



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Bink Cook

has to fit well. I hate it when they're loose — your size, but still loose. My favorite is an underwire that's soft and silky, and my least favorite is a

lacy one that itches so bad. I guess I have so many bras because I have a dog that chews up my underwires. Mom and I always have to go

shopping for them." Down by the food court, I happened upon 18-year-old Kim, a 32A whose memories of bras and moms were not so rosy. "My mom pretty much forced me to wear a bra in seventh grade. I didn't really need one; it was the whole 'being a lady' thing, and I absolutely hated it. I would try to sneak out of the house without one, and she would make me put one on. I actually cried because she made me put one on. Now I walk around the mall and I kind of try not to touch them. I don't really know what to look for because my mom would just get them for me, and now it's, like, 'My gosh, they cost \$28 each!' I own about ten, but they never fit. Victoria's Secret never has 32A. My favorite bra is pink with white little thin straps. Thick straps

are annoying; they tend to fall, and you can't wear a tank top with them." Neither 14-year-old Carla nor 23-year-old Jane (both 34Bs) minded wide straps, but they differed on water bras. "I don't like them," said Carla. "They feel weird and they don't look real." "I'm wearing one now," said Jane. "They're the best. You can't feel it; it feels real and it's not heavy." Jane's friend, 22-year-old Shelly, thought they were both wrong. "Bras are a pain in the ass, and they're expensive. When I get home, I take it off. I don't wear one if I'm not going out. I have one tube top that's my love; it has one of those built-in shelf bras. If I can get away with it, I'll wear that to work, but if I'm home, I'll go all day without a bra. Though I probably should wear a

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bra because my boobs are going to start getting saggy."

Jane disagreed. "I don't think that's true. I think that's a myth."

Shelly's eyes went wide. "Is it?"

"Well, maybe if they're really big. I mean, my roommate has humongous boobs — she has to wear a bra. She got a really expensive bra from Victoria's Secret, and it saved her back. Her boobs were, like, five inches off her waist because she's a size zero and she's 4'11". Her boobs were so big that they made her look big around the waist. The bra lifted them up and showed off her tiny waist."

As I glided down the escalator and strolled out into the mall's parking lot, I wondered about 13-year-old Leah and her 30 \$30 bras. Nine hundred smackers spent on brassieres floored me, but it shouldn't have. The kids have been slaves to fashion and suckers for advertising since way back. I was reminded of this while perusing *Uplift: The Bra in America*, a scholarly, yet readable tome by Jane Farrell-Beck and Colleen Gau. The authors noted, "So potent was the adolescent market that the term 'teens' appeared in trade and consumer advertising as early as the 1930s." (That was a mere 13 years after brassieres made it over the hump from being a "fashion minority" to being a mainstay in American women's wear — a journey made possible by innovations in design and production and the attendant reduction in pricing.) Besides their (parents') dollars, the teens — "young things who wore up-to-date bandeaux to go with their wispy garments" — also gave the industry its current terminology, truncating the more formal "brassiere"

to "bra." By 1934, a *Harper's Bazaar* survey declared "bra" to be "the going expression."

Most of the girls I spoke with seemed comfortable with their bras and even with their bodies. But something in me — perhaps some aspect of my own womanhood — picked up a faint hum of tension, and my curiosity was piqued. Bras, after all, are bound up with what they bind, intimately connected to the glands that give them their reason for being — breasts. Bras had brought me their share of anxieties and joys — or at least,

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bra and breasts. My bra had me feeling like my breasts were problematic. I wanted to take it off, but I couldn't — it wouldn't be proper, I would feel self-conscious, my nipples would show. But when my breasts were wrapped in a black lacy number, there was no question that I felt more desirable. Breasts and bras were all entangled for me, and I wondered what other women had to get off their chests.

Micky, a 49-year-old speech pathologist, wears a 36B. Her linguistic studies affirmed what she already knew about the relation between breasts and American culture. "The Japanese have about 50 words for 'penis.' In our society, we have I don't know how many names for breasts. Boobs, jugs, hooters, tits, a good set... Boobs are very important in our society." And so, by extension, are the houses we provide for them.

"I got my first bra, a Maidenform, back in 1965, when I was in seventh grade. I was 5'5"; a hundred pounds; a tall, skinny track star. For me, it was the transition period from being a tomboy into being a girl — the braids were cut. I had my first short haircut. I remember that it was so embarrassing to go into the store. I couldn't fill an A cup. I think I was a double-A, maybe a toss-up between that and a triple-A. I had the flattest chest on the spectrum. I was devastated; it was my first realization of just how flat I was."

The letters indicating bra size confronted her in ways that more personal comparisons did not. "My best friend, Mary Ann, was endowed. They bounced, but we never talked about it. I just knew that my friend bounced and mine didn't flinch. I wanted boobs. I had a

training bra that wasn't training anything. So I stuffed. I thought I had come up with something totally unique, because you didn't talk about it or read about it."

Not to say that it couldn't be read about; just not in the sort of books Micky frequented. A limerick from *Uplift* resonates with Micky's dilemma:

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Some training bras, says Micky, "were stretchy. You couldn't stuff those; it would look unnatural. So I went up a step to a

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drawer. But then, there was always the fear of my mother going into the drawer and finding them — she wouldn't buy me a padded bra."

Micky's tissues did the trick for her, but for others whose mothers were perhaps not so opposed to enhancement, the options were plentiful. From *Uplift*: "Various methods of faking an ample bosom had been employed from time immemorial, but the 1950s offered more innovative plays." Foam rubber, built into the cup or in the form of

insertable pads was the most popular option. But eiderdown was also used, and one bra, the Très Secrète, was actually inflatable. A plastic straw was used to blow the cup up to the desired size. ("In the late '60s," notes the book, "a new material for padding, polyester fiberfill, was introduced." It lacked foam rubber's tendency to "become dry, hard and powdery from repeated washings.")

Had Micky been allowed to purchase one of these bras, she might have been spared the

most embarrassing moment of her girlhood. "I was running track. There were three white girls, and all the rest were beautifully developed black girls. Back in those days, you dressed down for track, and all the girls were very modest. We didn't run around the locker room bare naked; we stood locker to locker. I was stuffing my bra every day with toilet paper, and I was very careful every day to get very carefully into that little locker" so as not to be spotted. "Everyone

was very careful about their privacy under their towels. One day, someone swatted me with a towel from behind, and my towel fell off. I looked down and there were two perfectly formed cone titty tissues at my feet. The roar of the waves of laughter through the whole locker room was all I could hear. Before I was finished getting dressed and turning red, it was like the wave had gone through the whole school. Everyone knew Micky stuffed. I knew I was dead. I mean, there

couldn't be anything worse than stuffing your bra."

The embarrassment, of course, faded with time. "I just learned to work through it. I kept wearing my bras and thinking, 'I'm going to develop any day now.'" But her athletic endeavors apparently staved off that development until her mid-20s. Then, when she had children, development came with a vengeance. "I had my first pregnancy at 28. I was probably a 34B before I got pregnant. I actually went up to a

44DD when I was breast-feeding, I had so much milk. They were huge. I never knew we had more than one hole — what a realization, the first time your milk lets down and you've got multiple spigots. Did anyone ever tell you that you had more than one hole? I wore nursing bras and pads in the beginning. But after three months, I knew when my milk was coming, and I didn't need the pads. I knew how to regulate myself."

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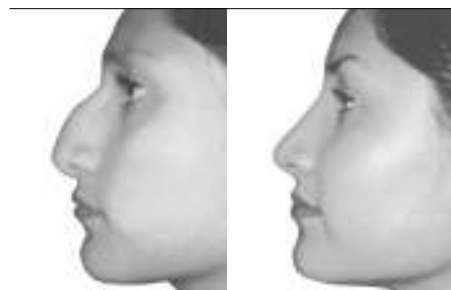
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Now she buys bras “twice a year. I don’t have little children anymore, so I can afford them. For my work — because I do lifting of patients — I need support bras without wires. That’s hard to find; I had to go to Playtex or Maidenform types of bras. And you really have to hunt for bras that don’t have wires. But the Playtex bra is a good, sturdy bra with a thick strap and everything up front. The bra takes them and kind of puts them upward and pointy — kind of the sweater-girl look.

“During the spring, I will do a spring bra. I will go for pink, pastel yellow, and green. Then I definitely have my falls, where I go for nice brown or black or beige. I have a leopard one. And last night I bought a set that was a black bikini thong and a bra with rhinestones. I paid \$80 for it; for me, that was a lot to spend. I probably have 25 bras at an average of \$20 apiece. There’s big money in bras, and I get the matching undies. But I still look for sales. I went to Victoria’s Secret last night and bought two sets on sale.”

While she was there, she noticed “all these 15- and 16-year-old little girls with their mothers. They were buying the bras that have the little water bags in them. I asked one girl, ‘Why are you buying a bra with enhancement?’ She looked great; she probably had 34Bs or Cs. She said, ‘Everybody wears them. They give you lift and make them come out of your clothes.’ I thought, ‘My God, we’re still stuffing, 35 years later. Some things just have not changed.’”

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body who knows what they’re doing. You start the fitting — ideally — with the bra on. You measure with a tape measure underneath the bra line all the way around, and you add five

inches to that. That’s the band size. If a woman has had one breast removed, you measure under the remaining breast from the sternum to the center of the spine, double that, and

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difference to determine whether you will be an A, B, C, or D cup."

Cook handed me a sheet produced by the Camp company with numeric examples. (According to *Uplift*, the company was started in 1908, specialized in maternity and postoperative brassieres, and "pioneered the relating of the size and pendulousness of breasts to the letters of the alphabet A through D" in the early '30s. Before that, manufacturers relied on stretchable cups to accommodate differently sized breasts. Many companies adopted the ABCD system, but the big catalogs continued to use the terms "small, medium, large, and stout" through the '40s.) If a woman measured 31 inches under the line of her brassiere, then her band size would be 31+5=36. Then, if she measured 37 inches around from the apex of her breasts, you would subtract 36 from 37 and get 1 inch. That 1 inch would mean a cup size of A. A difference of two inches would mean a B cup; three, C; four, D; five, DD; six, DDD; and seven, F.

"That's a guideline," noted Cook. "Not every woman will fit it that way. If a woman has all kinds of breast tissue hanging out over the cup, it's not a good fit — the cup is too small. And you should be able to get two fingers underneath the band in back, or else the band is too tight. If the bra is pulling to one side or the other, something is too small, or even sometimes too large. If there is extra fabric in the cup, obviously it's too large.

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balance and have good cosmetic features are made from silicone. The very old prostheses were made from clear, heavy, balloonlike material, and there was a straw that inflated it. When women

would fly in airplanes, their prostheses would deflate" due to the change in air pressure. "All the bras that we carry have pockets on both sides, which are made from different fab-

rics." She showed me a delicately detailed lace bra. "It's a pretty bra; they're much less industrial than they used to be. They used to be made of nylon and more heavy-duty fabrics and

have heavy, wide straps. The surgeries that they used to do were more invasive — they removed tissue all the way down to the bone and way up the chest walls. We still have

women who come in and need the bras that are cut high under the arms, because lymph nodes were usually removed." Cook stressed the importance of wearing a

prosthesis to avoid back and neck pain, as well as potential curvature of the spine. The cosmetic reasons seemed obvious, but she added, "You want weight for balance and to hold the bra in

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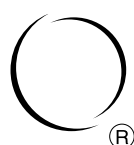
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place. If you just wear cotton-fiber filler, there's nothing to hold it down, so you end up with one up and one down."

Jane, a mastectomy patient, told me about her bras. "I'm so under-endowed that I would wear the Victoria's Secret Wonderbra or Olga with foam. I was, like, a 34A, but in the mastectomy bras I went down to a 34AA because they tend to be large in the pockets. The kind of bra that I wear every day is lower in the front and sides and very tailored. It has more material, so that it evens you out if you're wearing a prosthesis, but unfortunately, it still has seams across. I have some attachable prostheses so I can wear over-the-counter bras; I just have to watch how low the front goes. Some

bras go lower than the top of the prosthesis. I slip the prosthesis on before I put on the bra, and it can shift, so I have to push it up and recenter it."

Ellen, a 40-year-old attorney, wears two prostheses, but only occasionally, and not because of what cancer took away, but because of what nature failed to provide him. "I'm a cross-dresser," he explains, "and I am in-between being a cross-dresser and a transsexual. I feel more comfortable going both ways, having kind of a bigenderism. I really like the female part of me, and I don't always have to dress up to experience it. But I find dressing up to be very relaxing."

"I started out wearing my mom's bras in

the '60s, when I was 12. Then I graduated to my sister's bras; I stuffed them with toilet paper or socks. In 1980, I started full-time cross-dressing. At first, I went to JCPenney and Sears to buy bras, but as I've gotten older, I've gotten into exclusive bras like Wacoal or Lily of France or Victoria's Secret. I shop dressed as a woman, because it's good to try them on. I know I'm a 36 or 38C, but depending on the bra and the way it's cut...it's better to try them on."

Ellen stuck with socks at the beginning of his cross-dressing days, but, he says, "I've also tried birdseed breasts. It's a drag-queen thing; you use only small, round seeds. You wrap birdseed in a nylon stocking; then you tie the stocking in a knot and that makes a nipple." Another trick is to pour Jell-O into balloons and allow it to set. "Then, a few years back, I decided I wanted a bit more realism, so I started wearing silicone mastectomy cups. They were expensive — like, \$750 — but they last forever if you take care of them. Just wash them with soap and water, keep them out of the sun, and make sure that you don't handle them with nails."

When it comes to deciding upon size, he says, "I think the smaller the cup, the better — the more passable you look. I'm a size 10, and a woman who is size 10 should have normal breasts. I first got the silicone cups in what amounts to a C cup — they size them funny — and I didn't feel comfortable in that big a size. So I went down a size. They look really natural, like a real breast. They're heavy and they bounce."

Ellen told me about some of his bras. "I have over a dozen. I used to

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have white, off-white, and black, but then my tastes got more extravagant. I want underwear to be fun. When I have a bra on that is pretty, it enhances my whole self. I've started getting into lavender and other colors, different styles of bras. Victoria's Secret sells a water bra, and for

a guy that's not thin, I have a lot of breast tissue, so wearing low-cut stuff is easy. I just tape them or push them up. I usually get an underwire bra. I'm pretty traditional, so I usually get bras with back closures. And I like a more full-cut bra, because it holds the breast forms better.

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"Wearing a bra feels totally natural. It doesn't bother me or dig into me. I don't have the same experiences that genetic women do. I find it kind of liberating to wear a bra. I guess there are women who wear bras just for their utility, but to me, breasts are the height of what makes one feminine. It's a wonderful feeling, as a heterosexual male, to remove a woman's bra from her, because when you take a woman's bra off, you're releasing her femininity, and she's

sharing a very intimate part of herself with you. I think that's a lovely thing and very much of a turn-on. I worship women. I enjoy women. My cross-dressing doesn't detract from my heterosexuality; it adds to it. If I didn't love women, I wouldn't try to emulate them."

Dee, a 65-year-old great-grandmother, never "stuffed." Her cups began to runneth over from her first early burst of development. "I got my first bra at 11. It was a Bali bra — bow in

front. It had cups for falsies — which I didn't need — and I cut them off as soon as I got home. My mother had the lady at the department store show me how to lean into the bra. This old lady pulled my breast up and showed me how — it was so embarrassing. In a couple of months, I outgrew that bra. I had to cut it open and add ribbons to expand it so that I could get it on. I think that bra was a B cup. Mom wouldn't get me one when I was an A, so I always walked around with my arms in front of my chest, and I wouldn't wear sweaters. Once I got my breasts, they got so big that I went from my first bra to a D in a year. I was a 32D, and that was a hard size to find."

Dee now wears a 42C, though she says that "if they had a C and a half, that would be perfect." She was a

young woman during the bra-burning '60s, but she has regarded bras as functional rather than political. "They've always been to keep me from flopping when I run." And maybe to help her breasts keep their shape through the years of nursing several of her seven children. "I wore a nursing bra day and night. It was because of my grandmother. I asked her when she was about 55 why her breasts were down so low. She said, 'Because we didn't have bras when I was young and nursing my children.' I thought, 'Then I'm going to wear mine day and night.' I think it worked, because I had a better shape than a lot of high school girls when I was 45. When I was in my 40s, I had a 17-year-old boyfriend, and when I took my bra off for the first time with him, he expected my boobs to drop and they didn't. They were still

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south when the hormones departed."

What matters in these days after the southward migration is "comfort, comfort, comfort. I don't care if a bra gives support, as long as

it keeps me from sweating. I won't wear nylon, because it's itchy. I don't even wear cotton anymore, because I like the fabric to give a little bit. All my bras end up being made of Dacron. I

think materials in bras have improved vastly. When I first started wearing them, you could only get cotton. The bras had four sections of cotton in the cups. We'd starch the hell out of

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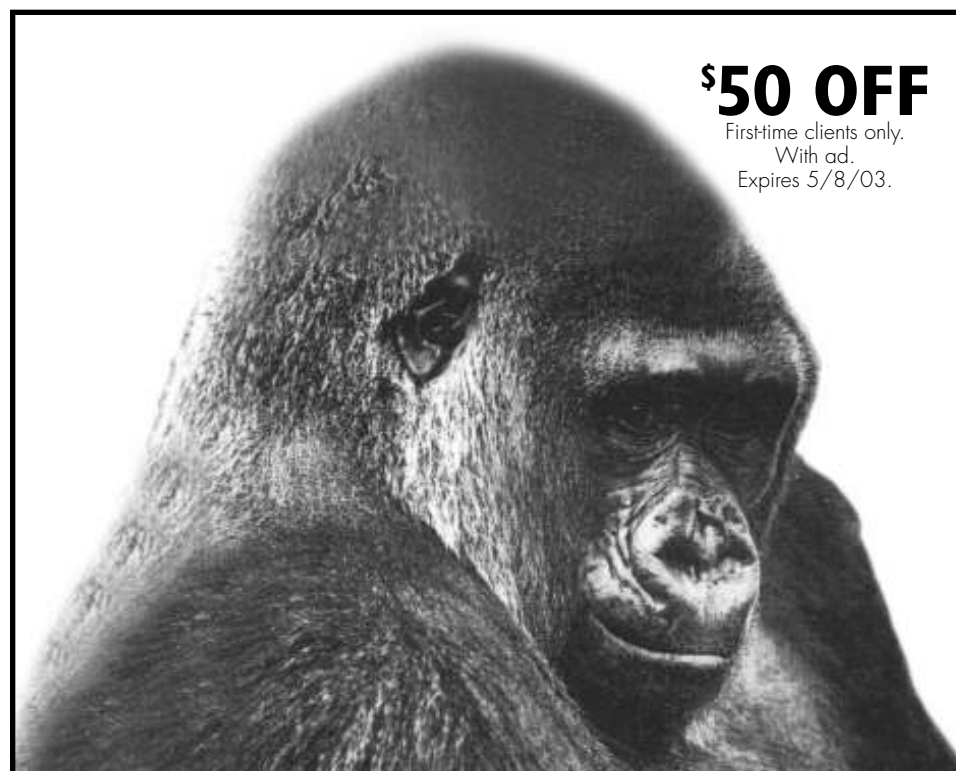
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rounded contours." Further, "Just as important as cup shape were cup textures. These became seamlessly smooth to fit unobtrusively under sweaters, double-knit dresses and even T-shirts. Heat-shapeable 'thermoplastic' polyester and nylon, along with spandex, became the mainstays of bra-making."

As her reminiscent chuckling over home-fashioned bullet-bras subsided, Dee got down to the nitty-gritty of her gripes with modern-day bra design. "I can't stand underwires, because they hurt. I'm disabled. I don't run around; I'm sitting scrunched over a lot. And sometimes, if you're in a bra and you're out to the last hook, they don't give you enough fabric at the end of the backstrap, so the hook digs into you. So you have to go to the next size up and put it to the tightest hook, and then the tab wobbles all over the place. The worst bra I ever owned was called a Sideshaper by, I think, Playtex. The Sideshapers just cut into my armpits, and I had to cut them off. Finally, I just threw those bras away.

"But my biggest, biggest gripe is that soft [non-underwired] bras for big women need to have more colors and flowers. Just because we don't want a whole lot of support doesn't mean we don't want a whole lot of beauty. They're all either white, black, or beige. I am so color oriented, and it just drives me bananas that I can only have those three colors. I drew designs on a couple of the white and beige ones with Magic Markers to liven them up.

"I mean, I can get underpants in colors. I wear the old-lady ones that come up high, because the bikini ones just go *ba-lump* on me — my saddlebags are



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bigger than my hips. But Vanity Fair makes some that fit great, and they have all these pretty colors and flowers.”

Dee does most of her bra shopping at Wal-Mart and Mervyn's. She

avoids specialty stores such as Victoria's Secret. “Most of their bras are for women who are looking for enhancement. If they have support, they're heavily underwired. My favorite

brand now is Just My Size; Playtex has some good ones. I pay between \$13 and \$15, because I buy them when they're on sale.”

Like Dee, 24-year-old Helen has seen her

cup size shrink — she went from a 34DD to a 34C. In her case, it was a matter of fat. “When I wore a 34DD, I was 170 pounds; now I'm 140 pounds. I wanted to be healthier, so I started

dieting and exercising.” Other factors also played into her decision. “I think that in popular culture, people feel that if you're heavier, men won't be as interested in you. It's believed that

thinness is beautiful. So I felt that maybe I'd be more desirable if I were thinner. Since I've lost weight and my bust got smaller, I've gotten less attention from men.”

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to shrink her breasts; she enjoyed the attention from men. "I didn't mind having them that size. I mean, they were bigger than one handful. Reaching across stuff was harder, and they were always jostling when I exercised — I had to get a really tight sports bra that would really hold them down. Now my breasts are less than a handful, and it's easier to run, so that's a good aspect of the shrinkage."

Through surgery, it would have been possible for Helen to lose weight and keep her bounteous bosom, but enhancement never appealed to her. "I wouldn't do it, because of the possibility of scarring or becoming numb. I mean, the whole point of having them is to derive pleasure from them. I wouldn't want to risk hurting them. And I have a lot more important things to spend my money on than that."

She prefers to focus on the positive aspects of her reduced circumstances, noting that she enjoys "shopping for bras more now because there's more selection. The average 34 is a B cup, and I was a DD. Most DDs would be a 36 or 38 band size; a 34DD was hard to find. Before, when I'd shop, I'd go into the dressing room, put on the bra, then hop around to see how much they bounced. I wanted to see what it would be like if I were walking down the street, how much they would be jostling."

She recalls her old 34DDs. "There were four hooks in the back; it was hardware. It was a completely functional garment." Her current bras "are much prettier. They have thinner straps and only two hooks. When I had to wear the more severe bras, I would have to tighten the thick straps for support, and they would

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feel uncomfortable.” Unlike Dee, Helen says she “always did and still does wear underwire; I think that bras without underwires ride up.”

And while her bras have changed, her exte-

rior wardrobe has not — mostly. “I don’t dress differently. I still wear the same clothes, but now I have a Wonderbra and a two-piece bathing suit with a padded top. I’m trying

to maximize my chest, where before, the bras I wore were minimizers.”

Karen, a 41-year-old day-care worker, wishes she could minimize her weight a bit — she’d like to fit into her old bras. “I

weigh 148 pounds now, and I wear a 36C. I’ve gained a bit of weight; I’m really a 34C. My family teases me; they say I’m a 34 long. You know gravity. I’m over 40 and I nursed both my

kids, so they’re not like they used to be.”

Karen reminds me a little of myself, especially in the way her bras engage her self-image. “Right now, I have four to six bras, but I mainly

wear my favorite everyday bras. Oh, those are ugly. They’re the white kind of grandma bras, very full and supportive. They’re battered — all cotton, nothing fancy, and the elastic needs to

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be replaced. I have fancier ones that I could fit into when I was thinner: a black sheer one, a blue velvet one, and one with lace and a bow. I'm still hoping to lose weight, because there are fashions where you can show your strap and match your bra to your outfit. Sometimes you can wear fancier bras as tops under jackets. But for everyday, I like the plain, regular, comfortable bra that you can toss in the washer with other things. The fancier bras I have to wash by hand."

She does not wear underwires "because they gnaw into me," and she avoids front closures. "I'd be walking around, and *boing!*" But comfortable or fancy, "I've never had a bra that fits well. They always ride up, no matter what bra I wear."

Karen does most of her bra shopping at Mervyn's or Sears, spending \$15 to \$25 for everyday, well-made bras. But when it comes time to take her daughter bra shopping, she will head to Kmart, "because my dad brought me to Kmart for my first bra." Her daughter is only six but is already excited by the prospect. "She says, 'I can't wait until they grow.' She's interested in body growth. She walked in when I was dressing. I didn't hide from her, and she asked if she could feel. I said, 'Yeah, go ahead.' I remember having those thoughts with my own mom."

Brenda, 33, is also a mother, but she is single and often struggling to make ends meet. Her breast size has proved as unstable as her life, bouncing from a 36C to a 36A and then to a 36D. That last jump was the result of surgical enhancement. "My chest size didn't matter to me until I got with this one guy. He gave me a com-

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plex. He'd come home from the titty bars and lift up my shirt and say, 'Where'd they go?' I was a 36C before I was dating him, and after I had him, I worked out so much that they just disappeared. I went down to an A cup.

"Then he told me, 'If you get your body fat percentage down to 16 percent, I'll buy them for you.' So I worked

hard and got my body fat down to 18 percent. I tried and tried, but I couldn't get it down to 16 percent." The guy wouldn't budge on the percentage, "so I decided to buy them myself, but then I went back and forth." A night of clubbing with a girlfriend helped Brenda make up her mind. "I went out with a friend who goes to these Gothic indus-

trial places where there are cross-dressers and homosexuals. I met a couple of her friends. One of them said, about me, 'She's beautiful.' They just talk about you right in front of you! And then he said, 'Oh, it's a shame she's flat-chested.' Two days later, I was on the phone with Visa, trying to get a loan. A cross-dresser had been making fun of me — I'd

had it. That broke it for me."

Now when she shops for bras, "I try to find something that's not like armor. Once you become a D cup, the bra covers high up. It's hard to find a D; when I see the cutest bras, they're always a smaller size and I'm, like, 'What was I thinking?' And now, because of the surgery, I can't sleep on

my stomach anymore, and I have to wear two bras at night. Otherwise, the packets in my breasts shift and move, and it hurts. The first bra holds them there, and the second one I put on is a tight sports bra. That pulls them together and holds them up. If I go with just a negligee at night and there's no support for my breasts, they're kind of loosened

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Playboys and told you that's what I wanted. I didn't want the *National Geographic* look; I wanted the *Playboy* look.' Also, since the surgery, my nipples don't go through that soft stage; they're always hard. I wear the same blouses to work that I used to, but I've realized that I have to keep my jacket on all day. I need to get one of those bras

with foam in it to disguise my nipples." But despite all her frustrations, she says, "To tell you the truth, I wish I would have gotten them a little bigger. I'm in proportion now, and I want to be more exaggerated in certain areas. I want to be bigger on top than on the bottom." Despite the increased frustration in bra shopping? "Yeah, but

maybe I'd have a bit more money to get them, you know what I mean? Your looks make or break you sometimes. I just stopped working for an online modeling agency where you show a lot of yourself. Some people consider it porn, because you're getting naked and you're actually doing things for the people" who are watching. "But you're alone. I

had a lot of lacy bras for that, because you need to wear something before you take it off. Those bras normally cost \$45 at Frederick's of Hollywood. I like Frederick's better than Victoria's Secret because Frederick's is for a more curvy woman like me. Victoria's Secret is more for petite women. Those Frederick's bras look good, but if you put a

shirt over it, it's not going to hold you. It's a show bra more than a go bra." Brenda still goes back and forth on the ups and downs of her new chest, including the question of how much she should show. "I had to do a bachelor party a couple of weeks ago to make enough money for rent. I figure I've got these and people will

pay to see them, but at the same time, I don't like to sell myself short. I just want to be a good mom, but someday I'll be old and think, 'I could have done this.' So it's used against me and it gets me places. There are pluses and minuses. The negative part is that men don't really look you in the eye anymore." ■ — Deirdre Lickona

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the problem? Let him be.

Sara Dean
Carlsbad Village

Check Cold Tires

In the "Best Buys" column of April 17, the manager of the tire store certainly gives mixed tire information. To find proper inflation pressure for passenger cars, look for a plate in the console or on the cen-

ter pillar by the driver's seat. Ford Expedition owners are an exception. Don't try to guess the proper pressure based upon the maximum pressure embossed on the tire.

Don't drive more than a few blocks to get the pressure checked. Tires must be checked when they are cold, i.e., after being parked for a few hours. Driving even a few miles heats up the tires and the air in the tires, and hot air reads as more pressure. Boyles Law teaches that.

A properly inflated tire will always measure overinflated after a few miles of driving.

Regarding tire gauges, motorcycle magazines always recommend digital gauges. On a motorcycle, we really depend on our two tires. I have calibrated my digital gauge against many dial and stick gauges; I trust digital with my life, literally.

Maybe God will punish them for building superior products (Letters, April 17), but I will continue to buy

Japanese cars and motorcycles. I prefer to buy quality regardless of its origin. Obviously I will never buy French. Japanese brake calipers can be remanufactured; I bought some for my Maxima. That was after 120,000 miles on the originals. Their other parts seem to last forever.

In Japan there is no replacement-parts market. The Japanese are very different; they buy new cars every few years even if the old one just has a minor problem. Their

government encourages that by tax laws. Getting a used car certified costs almost as much as a new car. The Japanese barely drive anywhere; I don't know why they buy cars. On weekends they just polish their cars and use a micrometer to check the gaps in sheet body parts.

Mungo St. James
University City

I'm Upwind

Re "Too Close for Comfort," April 10. I rationally chose the

ocean side of Point Loma for my home choice, nowhere near and upwind from the nuclear subs.

Violet

Additional Distress

I'm responding to your article regarding the Westerfield children's name change ("Sins of the Father," "City Lights," April 10). Why would you choose to inflict additional distress on these children, conveying information which has no

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Downtown

Others To Be Committed
In the article on Descanso ("Developers Eye Sleepy Descanso," "City Lights," April 3), Ernie Grimm states, "In a litany of developments planned...none have suc-

ceeded, due in large part to...Hucker and Duncan McFetridge." He is correct in assigning credit to Duncan McFetridge and SO-FAR. Our community and the backcountry are grateful for his altruism and continued commitment to keeping us rural.
However, Hucker only deserves a small part of the credit. She is a member of the Descanso Planning Group. Developments are being stopped because of the efforts of the entire group. Previous planning-group and subcommittee members have also acted as obstructionists to large-scale developments. They are also to be commended. We all work together to preserve

and protect our groundwater and our rural way of life.
Jo Ellen Hucker
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140-Mile Mistake

Railroad Museum's Living-History Presentation

"I am a businessman, not a Santa Claus, nor a damn fool."

That's a quote from John D. Spreckels (1853–1926), who once owned so much of San Diego that he paid 10 percent of its total property taxes. For starters, all of North Island used to be his. So were several local transportation systems, including the streetcar line. Hotel del? Check. Coronado Water Company? Ditto. San Diego–Coronado Ferry? That, too. *San Diego Union*? Every magnate needs a newspaper. Having come from money

(his father was a sugar king), he went ahead and made more. He did suffer one

significant business failure in his lifetime, however: the San Diego & Arizona Railroad.

Spreckels's 140-mile mistake is the focus of this weekend's living-history program at the model-railroad museum. It will consist of 15 scenes in which actors play Spreckels and other historic personages involved in the history of that railroad.

Hal Ritz, the event's organizer, said that these actors would be model-railroad club members wearing period clothes and posed with antique furniture against painted backdrops. He and a 12-year-old member of the club painted one of those backdrops.

Bruce Semelsberger will play Spreckels's chief engineer of construction, Edmund J. Kallright. Semelsberger is the amateur historian who appeared on the public television program about the so-called "Impossible Railroad" a few years ago.



John Spreckels



Postcard of Carrizo Gorge, San Diego & Arizona Eastern Railroad

The railroad got its nickname, said Ritz, because between the place where ground was broken for the line in 1906, near the foot of 28th Street, and the eastern terminus, in El Centro, there was never land more ill-suited for train tracks. For the crossing of the Carrizo Gorge alone, a mere 11 miles, 14 trestles and 21 tunnels were required.

To build the railroad took 13 years, much longer than Spreckels had anticipated. A massive flood caused one period of delay. San Diegans believed that Charles M. Hatfield was responsible for that flood, and someone will play him this weekend. "Hatfield was, of course, the rainmaker," said Ritz. "He was hired by San Diego to produce rain in 1916, during the very bad drought. And so he got his chemicals together and went out to the desert, and conjured. And in a few days, believe it or not, it rained. And it rained. And then it rained some more." Before the rain ended, the flood that Hatfield had seemingly produced had washed out newly constructed train bridges. (It also washed out auto bridges and finally even broke the Otay dam.)

Many of the railroad's laborers were Chinese immigrants. "And so we're going to have the Chinese connection," said Ritz, "to be presented by the San Diego Chinese Historical Museum under the leadership of Dr. Alexander Chuang." Ritz calls the

Chinese the railroad's "unsung heroes," but new evidence suggests that labor problems were perhaps the major reason why the railroad took so long to be built.

The route of the San Diego & Arizona dipped down into Mexico before reentering California on its way east. The inhospitable terrain had dictated it. But during the period when those tracks were being laid, lawlessness prevailed: the Mexican Revolution was taking place. "Most of the action was occurring in the Mexico City area," said Ritz, "but it left a power vacuum up here." So there will be a scene in which a train is held up by club members playing *banditos*.

The Mexican route also gave Ritz and the others a reason to include "the Hollywood connection," and he promised that a couple of members would be playing generic movie actors. "That's because many stars of the day traveled on the train down to Agua Caliente, which was a gambling place south of the border."

In 1928, Paramount Pictures produced a silent film, *Beggars of Life*, "which is about the railroad and the hoboes," said Ritz. "We're showing the actual movie continuously. So people can drop in there" — in a corner of the museum that's been fitted out as Spreckels Theater.

When the railroad was finally completed in 1919, it was one of the last links in the transcontinental line, and, at nearly \$19 million, one of the most expensive. What's left of it today is "a little portion in Campo," said Ritz. It's run by the Pacific Southwest Railway Museum (the one for full-size trains). "It only goes a few miles — an excursion train." For tourists? "Sadly, yes. There's talk of running freight on it again, but that's a long way off."

Besides educating the public, another reason the museum sponsors this annual program, said Ritz, is "to let the public know we're not just a bunch of grown men down here playing with toy trains." But if they or younger enthusiasts don't feel compelled to justify that pleasure, they'll be free to ignore the history lessons and just have fun with the models rolling through the miniature scenery.

— Jeanne Schinto

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LOCAL EVENTS

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BAJA

“Homenaje a Cri-Cri” (“Homage to Cri-Cri”), the Orquesta de Baja California with soprano Florencia Tinoco will perform on Thursday,

GETAWAYS

April 24, 6 p.m., in the Sala de Espectaculos of the Museo de las Californias, Tijuana Cultural Center, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

“Jueves de Arte y Literatura” (“Art and Literature Thursdays”), this week is on the *literatura extrema* of Juan Manuel Servin, in the Sala de Lectura of the Museo de las Californias, Thursday, April 24, 7 p.m. Free. (en español). Tijuana Cultural Center, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río. 011-52-664-687-9600. [Tijuana]

Newport Beach-Ensenada Regatta, sailing starts in Newport Beach, California, at noon on Friday, April 25, and concludes on Sunday, April 27, in Ensenada. 714-771-0691. (NEWPORT BEACH, ENSENADA)

All Kinds of Vehicles compete in the Estero International Short-Course Off-Road Race starting Friday, April 25, and ending at 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 27. 011-52-646-173-6734. (ENSENADA)

Mainly Mozart, the third concert of the winter season will be held on Sunday, April 27, at 5 p.m., at the Tijuana Cultural Center, Avenida de los Heroes and Avenida Independencia, Zona Río.

Approximately U.S. \$7.50. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

“Chamalú en Tijuana,” Andean mystic, poet, and healer Chamalú, from Bolivia, discusses how to bring harmony, magic, and ritual into daily life. He can be seen on Wednesday, April 30, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., when he is joined by the Tribu Artística Koná for a “therapeutic concert” of Andean music at the Casa de la Cultura, Colonia Altamira.

The next presentation, on Thursday, May 1, includes a program of ritual for developing feminine sacred power (8 a.m. to noon); ancient teachings and sacred wisdom for preventing illness (2 to 6 p.m.); and ritual for couples and the education of children (6:30 to 9:30 p.m.). About US \$20, all at the Salón Hotel Country Club. Information: 619-237-0407. (TIJUANA)

Tijuana Cultural Center, Tuesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the center (CECUT) offers guided tours in Spanish and English of an exhibit of the history of the Baja peninsula. Cultural and artistic exhibits. Entrance fee is approximately \$2, with two-for-one entrance on Tuesdays.

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OUTDOORS

Monkey-Flowers of various species are putting on an excellent display this month around San Diego. Look for these low, shrub-like plants with tubular yellow, orange, or red flowers wherever native vegetation clothes the landscape — from the coastal bluffs to the lower slopes of the mountains. As you drive Interstates 8 or 805 near Mission Valley, look for the rust tint these flowers give to the steep hillsides. On the terraces just above San Onofre State Beach, you can usually see springtime monkey-flower blossoms of every intermediate shade from yellow to red.

Blue-Blossoming Jacaranda Trees have already produced a first wave of color along the streets of San Diego. By early or mid-May, warm weather permitting, this Brazilian import could put on a dazzling show. The larger jacaran-

das, which in full bloom are leafless, or nearly so, display myriad delicate, trumpet-shaped blossoms — a lavender haze as seen from afar. Jacarandas are commonly used as landscaping in parks and on most college campuses. A nice row of jacarandas graces Ash Street downtown.

Bracken Ferns are rising on the higher mountains of San Diego County, their bright green, unfolding fronds (called “fiddle-heads”) pushing up through the russet remains of last year’s growth. Look for waist-high bracken fern along the creeks and hollows of the Palomar, Cuyamaca, and Laguna Mountains.

Desert Agaves, or century plants, are sending up their asparagus-like flower stalks on rocky hillsides throughout much of the Anza-Borrego Desert. On warm, sunny days the stalks may grow almost one foot per day (fast enough for you to notice the sharp leaf tips at the bud actually separating from one another). After the stalk reaches a height of 10 to 20 feet, clusters of waxy, yellow flowers appear, ready for pollination by bees and other insects. After blooming, the fleshy, dagger-like leaves at the base of the plant die (after a life of 10 or 20 years, not a century) and the stalk, bearing a crop of seeds, dries up as well.

The Old Mission Dam Area is a lively birding site. Join the Audubon Society on a bird walk, Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m. to noon. Meet in the parking lot at the dam in Mission Trails Regional Park, about two miles into the park off Mission Gorge Road. Bring water and binoculars. Wear sturdy shoes. The hike is free, but there is a day-use fee in the park. 619-682-7200. (MISSION GORGE)

Canyon Hike, this one will be a bit strenuous, up Clevenger Canyon, with a guide from the San Dieguito River Park, Saturday, April 26, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Meet on the south side of Highway 78, 5.3 miles east of the Wild Animal Park. Free. Reservations: 858-674-2275 x31. (SAN PASQUAL VALLEY)

Mountain Wildflowers can be seen on a guided hike sponsored by the San Dieguito River Park, Saturday, April 26, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volcan Mountain Preserve, only open during hikes like this one. Farmer Road north from Highway 78. Free. Reservations: 858-674-2275 x31. (JULIAN)

Wild Grapes and Coastal Live Oak line Wildcat Creek. See it on the next Canyoneers guided hike (easy pace), Saturday, April 26, 10 to 11:30 a.m. See more of the native plants and wildlife on an optional extra hour (until

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12:30 p.m.), a more uphill climb. Louis Stelzer County Park, Wildcat Canyon Road. Meet at the park entrance. Hike free, \$2 parking fee. 619-232-3821 x203. (LAKESIDE)

“Trekking the Refuges,” the next Chula Vista Nature Center guided hike is set for Saturday, April 26, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at the Otay/Sweetwater National Wildlife Refuge. For reservations and directions, call the center at 619-409-5903. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

Good Lichens, Good Air, lichens indicate the air quality is good. Enjoy some good air and lovely lichens at Daly Ranch on the next naturalist-guided leisurely 2.5-mile hike to the ranch house, Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m., La Honda Drive (off El Norte Parkway). Bring water, hat, wear sturdy shoes.

Help Plant Native Vegetation, volunteers are needed at the Tijuana Estuary to restore the visitors’ center gardens (301 Caspian Way), Saturday, April 26, 9 to 11 a.m. Then (at 11:30 a.m.) join the free composting workshop so you can improve your own garden. Call for registration or details: 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

The Largest Native Habitat in Coastal North County is the Calavera Nature Preserve, Carlsbad Highlands Ecological Reserve,



Ronald K. Brown/Evidence at UCSD’s Mandeville Auditorium, April 30 (see Dance)

and the surrounding open space. Help with trash cleanup to celebrate Earth Day, Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m. to noon. One team will cover the area around Lake Calavera Dam, Strata Drive; another will clean the oak riparian park in Oceanside, off Lake Boulevard. Wear hiking boots and heavy gloves. Bring water, though

drink and refreshments will be provided. For information call state fish and game at 760-720-2003. (CARLSBAD, OCEANSIDE)

Desert Vegetation is the subject of this week’s Offshoot Tours guided walk around the park, Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. Meet at the visitors’ center. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

Park-Trail Cleanup, for Earth Day, make your contribution by joining the group to clean up the Black Mountain Trail in the Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m. to noon. Meet at the parking area above the old dirt Black Mountain Road. Wear a hat, sturdy shoes, and work gloves. Bring water. For information call the rangers at 858-538-8082. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

Carmel Mountain Wildflowers, tour one of San Diego’s newest nature preserves, Saturday, April 26, 3 to 5 p.m. Wear sturdy shoes, a hat; bring water. From SR-56 east of I-5, take Carmel Country Road south across the bridge to the dirt parking area on the right. Free. 858-484-3219. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Be a Wildlife Helper, Wildlife Assist volunteers rescue wild animals in trouble. Orientations are planned for Saturday, April 26, 2 p.m., at Tijuana Estuary visitors’ center, 301 Caspian Way, (IMPERIAL BEACH) and at the Escondido Public Library, 239 South Kalmia Street (ESCONDIDO) Information: 619-921-6044.

Family Campfire, learn how to stay safe on the trail and meet some search-and-rescue dogs, then roast marshmallows and join the sing-along, sponsored by the Blue Sky Ecological Reserve, Saturday,

April 26, 6 to 8 p.m., Lake Poway Recreation Area, 14644 Lake Poway Road. \$1 donation requested. Reservations required: 858-679-5469. (POWAY)

Campfire Program, meet at the amphitheater at the Kumeyaay Campground, Mission Trails Regional Park, 2 Father Junipero Serra Trail, Saturday, April 26, 7 p.m. Information: 619-668-2784. (MISSION GORGE)

Sweetwater River Gorge is the site of Sunday’s Canyoneers guided nature hike, sponsored by the San Diego Natural History Museum, April 27, 9 a.m. to noon. From Highway 94, turn right on Campo Road 0.4 miles east to Singer Lane and the meeting place. It’s free; it’s easy. 619-232-3821 x203. (JAMUL)

Birding, Chula Vista Nature Center hosts a birding walk at Sweetwater Marsh, Sunday, April 27,

11 a.m. Call 619-409-5903 for reservations and directions to the meeting place. (CHULA VISTA)

Geology Hike, Don Albright leads a hike to the waterfall in Los Peñasquitos Reserve and reveals a unique fossil. Hear the geologic history of the area, Sunday, April 27, 9 a.m. to noon. Meet at the intersections of Caminito Propico and Calle Cristobol. Wear very sturdy shoes for steep hiking, and bring water and sun protection. 858-484-3219. (MIRA MESA)

Animal Tracks, learn how to recognize which animals have been by in this Daley Ranch hike, Sunday, April 27, 8 a.m., La Honda Drive, off El Norte Parkway. Free. Reservations: 760-839-4680. (ESCONDIDO)

The Plants, the View enjoy them both on a naturalist-guided hike at Daley Ranch, Sunday, April 27, 9 a.m., La Honda Drive, off El

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DANCE

Flamenco Guitar and Dance, Adam and Laila del Monte will perform on Thursday, April 24, at 7 p.m., in the Hibben Gallery of the San Diego Museum of Art. \$18 general. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Hustle and Nightclub Dance Party, lessons at 9 p.m.; open dancing to DJ'd music 9:30 to 11 p.m., Friday, April 25. Pattie Wells Dancetime Center, 1255 Morena Boulevard. \$5 (first visit free). Couples, singles, all ages. 619-275-3533. (BAY PARK)

Zydeco Party, dance to the Cajun rock rhythms of Zydeco Patrol,

Saturday, April 26, 8 to 10 p.m., with lessons at 7:30 p.m., Balboa Park Club, Presidents Way off Park Boulevard. \$7 donation requested; bring the kids for free. 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

Contra and Square Dancing, Steve Barlow calls, live music by the local band Hey Wire, Saturday, April 26, 8 to 11 p.m., with lessons at 7:45 p.m., Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. \$6. Please wear soft-soled shoes. Sponsored by San Diego Folk Heritage. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

Movement Workshop, Ray Chung integrates various movement forms into "Contact Improvisation," Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Monday, April 28, 6 to 9 p.m., Sushi Performance and Visual Art, 320 11th Avenue. \$60. 619-239-6065. (DOWNTOWN)

Senior Concert, a performance of original choreography by graduating dance majors from the SDSU School of Music and Dance, Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 8 p.m., \$7 general, \$5 students. 619-594-6824. (COLLEGE AREA)

West Coast Swing and Hustle, a dance class and party every Wednesday, 7 to 11 p.m. (class 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.) at the Marriott

Hotel, 4240 La Jolla Village Drive. \$6 at the door.

Urban Energy with modern and West African dance can be enjoyed when Ronald K. Brown/Evidence, a New York-based dance company, performs on Wednesday, April 30, 7:30 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium, UCSD. \$25 general, \$15 students, \$22 seniors. Box office: 858-534-TIXS; 858-534-6467. (LA JOLLA)

— **West Coast Swing**, six weeks of lessons Wednesday nights, beginning April 30, 7:30 p.m., Mind Body and Soul Dance Studio, 2971 India Street. \$48 series; \$10 individually. Registration: 619-957-1090. (MIDDLETOWN)

Dance the Tango every Wednesday night, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. (lessons at 7:30 p.m.), Center for Moving Arts, 3255 Fifth Avenue (between Spruce and Thorn). \$5. 619-970-6620. (HILLCREST)

"Kultur Mix," as part of the Blurred Borders International Dance Festival, the Patricia Rincon Dance Collective presents Company Drift (from Zurich), Ricardo Peralta Danza Performa (Tijuana), and the PRDC itself from San Diego, Thursday, May 1, through Saturday, May 3, 8 p.m.; Sunday, May 4, 7 p.m., Sushi Community Space, 320 11th Avenue. \$16 general, \$12 students. 760-632-5340. (DOWNTOWN)

FILM

"Jenin Jenin," the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee sponsors a screening of this film about the Israeli attack on the city of Jenin last year and its effect on the people of that city. Best Film award at the Carthage International Film Festival. Thursday, April 24, 6 p.m., Four Points Sheraton Hotel, 8110 Aero Drive. Free, though donations are appreciated. 858-382-1059. (KEARNY MESA)

Chicano Film Night, *El Norte* kicks off a new series of Chicano films on Thursday, April 24, 6:30 p.m., room CH-1, Palomar College, 1140 West Mission Road. The film nights are sponsored by MEChA. Spanish with subtitles. Free, but contributions to MEChA are appreciated. 760-470-2725. (SAN MARCOS)

Flava Film Festival, the Ebony Pride/Umoja Center presents films about GLBT people of African descent: *D.B. Women and Divas: Love Me Forever*, Thursday, April 24; *All God's Children* and *Punks*, Friday, April 25, 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, \$7, Centro Cultural de La Raza, 2123 Park Boulevard (BALBOA PARK); and Kevin's Room, Saturday, April 26, 7 p.m., Bienestar, 3020 North Park Way. Saturday's performance is free. 619-269-3245. (NORTH PARK)

"Paul Robeson: Here I Stand," directed by St. Clair Bourne, the film presents the life of the athlete, singer, orator, and activist (1898-1976) and the personal and political price he paid for his views, Saturday, April 26, 3 p.m., at the Malcolm X Branch Library, 5148

Market Street, at Euclid. Free. 619-527-3405. (LINCOLN PARK)

"Quitting" is director Zhang Yang's third film, based on his own life, which portrays a cutting-edge Chinese artist who descends into drug addiction, and his struggle back. See this 2001 film (in Mandarin, with subtitles) on Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m., third-floor auditorium, San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

"Mendel," director Alexander Rosler was born in Dachau and relocated after the war. His film examines the effects of the Holocaust on the second generation. A Jewish family leaves post-Nazi Germany and moves to Norway. The Lipinsky Institute of Judaic Studies sponsors the screening, Monday, April 28, 6:30 p.m., third-floor auditorium, San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. Free. Norwegian, with English subtitles. Lipinsky Institute for Judaic Studies director Lawrence Baron moderates a discussion following the screening. 619-236-5821. (DOWNTOWN)

"Greats of Women's Surfing" is the last entry in the Carlsbad Library's Third Annual Surf Fest, screening Wednesday, April 30, 6 p.m., Schulman Auditorium in the library at 1775 Dove Lane. Free. 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

"Journey to the Tip," the latest longboard surf video from the local Arballo Entertainment — men and women in longboard action, Thursday, May 1, 7 p.m. and again at 9 p.m., La Paloma Theater, 471 South Coast Highway. \$7. 760-809-4558. (ENCINITAS)

"History Alive," this series by the Lemon Grove Historical Society

continues with a video presentation on the internment of Japanese-Americans during WWII and the war record of the 442nd Brigade, interpreters during the war. Presenters are Jeanne Elyea and Ben Segawa of the Japanese-American Historical Society. May 1, 1:30 p.m., Lemon Grove Library, 8073 Broadway. Free. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, the center celebrates its 30th anniversary with the After 5 p.m. Classic IMAX Film Festival. "Adventure Week" concludes the fest with *Fires of Kuwait* (6 p.m.) and *Everest* (7 p.m.) through Friday, April 25. Admission to these screenings: \$5.

Also screening: *Coral Reef Adventure* (through summer); *Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees* (through Thursday, May 15); and *Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West* (through May).

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

LECTURES

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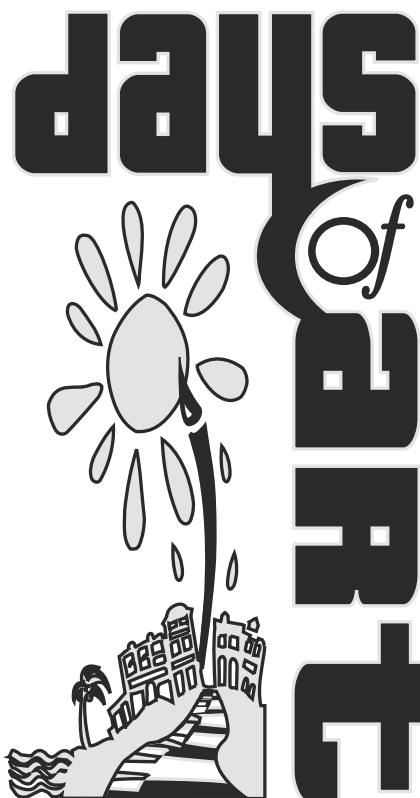
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Theater (217 North Coast Highway). "What Do You Do for Yourself" Thursday, April 24, and "Evolution of a Designer" May 1. 7:30 p.m. \$5. 760-754-4512.

An artists' reception is set for Friday, May 2, from 5 to 9 p.m., at the Phantom Gallery, Artists Alley, 212 North Coast Highway. His work can be viewed there through May 11, with an open house on Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4, 1 to 5 p.m. (OCEANSIDE)

"American Indian Art," a Docent Series lecture by former director of science at the Museum of Man Barton Wright is set for Friday, April 25, 10:30 a.m., San Diego Museum of Art. \$10. 619-696-1953. (BALBOA PARK)

Are You a Piece of Meat? Author and activist Carol Adams presents a slide-illustrated lecture of images showing "how animal exploitation leads to violence and discrimination against people." Friday, April 25, 5:30 p.m., San Diego County Bar, 1333 Seventh Avenue. Tickets: \$20 general. Required reservations: 619-232-9260. (DOWNTOWN)

Image of the Shaman, How does the shaman image appear in the analytic work of individuals? Jungian analyst Suzanne Wagner will answer at an event sponsored by the Friends of Jung, Friday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., Alliant University, 6160 Cornerstone Court East. \$10 members; \$12 students and seniors; \$15 general.

On Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the same location, *Remembering Jung: A video interview with Maud Oakes* is shown, with a workshop to follow. Oakes lived with both the Navajo and Mam Indians of Guatemala and studied healing ceremonies. Bring a sack lunch. \$40 members, \$45 general. 858-587-4651. (SORRENTO MESA)

Back-Yard Composting, a workshop by San Diego Master Composters is set for Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m., San Diego Zoo. Free. Call 760-436-7986 for reservations and directions to the meeting place. (BALBOA PARK)

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International Artist Andy Goldsworthy discusses his "Three Cairns" project in conjunction with an exhibition of his work at the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego. The talk is set for Saturday, April 26, 7 p.m., with a few tickets available to the public at \$5. Call for availability: 858-454-3541. 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

Native Plants, which will do best in your garden? Find out from the Buena Vista Native Plant Club, Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m., Audubon Nature Center, 2202 South Coast Highway. Free. 760-439-2473. (CARLSBAD)

"The Politics of Identity: Palestinian Citizens in the Jewish State." This lecture, part of a three-day symposium, features speakers from SDSU, the Open University of Israel, and Ben Gurion University, Sunday, April 27, 2 to 4 p.m., Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard. Free. Hosted by UCSD's program in Judaic Studies and the Lipinsky Institute. 800-422-8386. (MISSION BEACH)

Gallery Talk, "Late 19th- to early 20th-Century European Art," the docent lecture covers a new presentation of the museum's European collection, Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m. Free with museum admission. San Diego Museum of Art. 619-696-1946 Free with museum admission. (BALBOA PARK)

Treatment of Autism, "voodoo science versus clinical methods," the subject for Gina Green, research director of San Diego Institute for Effective Education, Sunday, April 27, 7 p.m., at a meeting of the San Diego Association for Rational Inquiry, Joyce Beers Center, Vermont Street, at Cleveland, Uptown Shopping District. \$5. 619-421-5844. (HILLCREST)

"Music, Medicine, and the Magic of the Harp," musician/physician Amy Lynn Kanner is the presenter, Monday, April 28, 1 to 3 p.m., at a meeting of the National League of American Pen Women. La Jolla Lutheran Church, 7111 La Jolla Boulevard. Free. 858-456-7242. (LA JOLLA)

"Propagating Native Plants," Mitch Beauchamp, author of *Flora*

of San Diego County, speaks at the Lake Hodges Native Plant Club, Monday, April 28, 2 p.m., Rancho Bernardo Library, upstairs seminar room, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive. Free. 760-741-0829. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

"Literature of El Salvador: From Conflict to Hope." Salvadoran scholar Rafael Lara-Martinez of New Mexico Tech; Ricardo Aguilar, Fundación la Casa de Salarrué; and Janet Gold are among the symposium presenters, experts on the work of Salvadoran author Salarrué. English-language presentation (free): Monday, April 28, 4 to 7 p.m., Room 2203, SDSU Library. *En español:* Tuesday, April 29, 3 to 6 p.m., UCSD's deCerteau Room, 3155 Literature Building. 619-594-6736. (COLLEGE AREA, LA JOLLA)

"Is Israel a Jewish State?" Derek Penslar, professor of history, director of the Jewish studies program at the University of Toronto, answers this provocative question, Monday, April 28, 7:30 p.m., Solis



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Hall, room 104, UCSD. Free. 858-534-4551. (LA JOLLA)

“Precarious Life,” feminist philosopher and author Judith Butler discusses the subjects of power, gender, sexuality and identity. The Elliott Memorial Lecture is set for Tuesday, April 29, 8 p.m., room 115, Center Hall, UCSD. Free. 858-534-4618. (LA JOLLA)

Holocaust Survivor Livia Kraneberg, from Romania, survived Auschwitz and the Death March. She reflects on her experiences Tuesday, April 29, 10 a.m., room 111, Arts Building, Cal State San Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. Free. 760-750-4152. (SAN MARCOS)

“Tune Up Your Life,” a workshop by Sujantra McKeever to help you fine-tune your mind, body, and spirit, Tuesday, April 29, 7 to 9 p.m., at Pilgrimage of the Heart, 3301 Adams Avenue. Free. Call to register: 619-640-4438. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

The Internet en español, basic Internet instruction in Spanish will be offered in English on Tuesday, April 29, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., in the computer lab at the San Diego Public Library. Classes will be held the last Tuesday of each month through December. Class size limited; some basic computer knowledge recommended. Register: 619-238-6621. 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

Tiffany and Cartier, the classic jewelry designers, are the subjects of the final lecture in Tim Adams’s series, “All That Glitters,” Tuesday, April 29, 7:30 p.m., Athenaeum Library of Art and Music, 1008 Wall Street. \$12, \$15. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

“Mars Needs Women! and Men,” Gerry Williams of the Mars Society explores how we can send people to live and work on the Red Planet, Wednesday, April 30, 7 p.m., Reuben Fleet Science Center. Free with paid admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Minority Student Underperformance at selected universities in the U.S. is the subject of a discus-



Say It Like Shakespeare, Upstart Crow, April 26 (see In Person)

sion by Camiolle Charles, sociology department, University of Pennsylvania, and also the title of her book. She will speak Wednesday, April 30, 7 p.m., room 3155, Literature Building, UCSD. Free. 858-534-9689. (LA JOLLA)

Menopause Help, a workshop by Pathway to Health addresses natural remedies, Wednesday, April 30, 7:30 p.m., Encinitas Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive. Free. Reservations: 760-942-2764. (ENCINITAS)

Authentically American, essayist and author Richard Rodriguez — *Brown: The Last Discovery of America*; *Hunger for Memory* — speaks for Revell Forum, Wednesday, April 30, 5:30 p.m., Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Tickets: \$35. 858-534-3400. (LA JOLLA)

“Walls of Resistance: Reclaiming La Frontera, Breaking Down Barriers” is the final event in the month-long César Chávez Celebration, Wednesday, April 30, 7 p.m. in the UCSD Cross-Cultural Center. The arts are the focus: Berenice Bedillo of Michoacán, muralist; Carmen Linares Kahlo of Tijuana, multidisciplinary; Carmela Castrejon Diego of Tijuana, photography,

sculpture, painting; and the Chicano Park muralists. Free. 858-534-9689. (LA JOLLA)

Astrology and Healing, On Wednesday, April 30, at 7 p.m., author-counselor Terry Lamb will be speaking at the San Carlos Library, 7265 Jackson Drive. Free. 619-527-3430. (SAN CARLOS)

eBay Classes for Seniors, before you log on and buy, attend this class that will warn you about the buying traps and help you write ads that sell, Thursday, May 1 (repeating May 8), Oceanside Senior Center, 455 Country Club Lane. \$25. Class size limited; register: 760-435-5250. (OCEANSIDE)

Quito, Ecuador “architects, assassins, Inca idols, and churches” of the city discussed by Susan Webster of the University of St. Thomas, presented by the Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies, UCSD. Thursday, May 1, 3 to 5 p.m., Deutz Room, Copley Conference Center, UCSD. Free. 858-534-6050. (LA JOLLA)

Sculptor Alexis Smith offers a lecture on her art Thursday, May 1, 5 p.m., room 412, art department, SDSU. Sponsored by the Univer-

sity School of Art, Design, and Art History. (COLLEGE AREA)

IN PERSON

Artists on the Cutting Edge XI, the “Cross Fertilizations” literary and music series at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla continues Thursday, April 24, with drummer, singer, songwriter Vinx; poet/storyteller (and SDSU grad) Diana Garcia (*When Living Was a Labor Camp*); and novelist Robert Stone (*Dog Soldiers*), Vietnam journalist and ex-Kesey Merry Prankster. The series concludes Thursday, May 1, with poet/playwright Elizabeth Alexander, Canadian writer Michael Ondaatje, and sax man Bill Saxton.

Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. \$15. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street; 858-454-3541 x444. (LA JOLLA)

It’s Not Barbra, but you’d hardly know it. Illusionist Jim Bailey performs as diva Streisand (with live orchestra), Thursday through Saturday, April 24 through 26, 8 p.m., Garfield Arts Theatre, Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center. Ticket information: 858-362-1348 or 858-362-1365. (LA JOLLA)

“Birds of a Feather,” this tribute to jazz giant Charlie Parker features drummer Roy Haynes, with Kenny Garret, Nicholas Payton, Christian McBride, and Dave Kikoski, Thursday, April 24, 8 p.m., California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. \$35. 600-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

Poetry Unlimited, Jackleen Holton is the featured poet, with pianist Ken Kopelson, followed by an open reading, Friday, April 25, 6:30 p.m., La Jolla Recreation Center, 615 Prospect Street. Free. 858-552-1658. (LA JOLLA)

“Naipaul’s Strangers,” Dagmar Barnouw, author of this biographical analysis, discusses her book and Nobel-winner V.S. Naipaul on Friday, April 25, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books, 7461 Girard Avenue. Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

On Wednesday, April 30, at 7 p.m., a second chance to meet with the author, at Book Works,

Flower Hill Center, Via de la Valle at I-5. Free. 858-755-3735. (DEL MAR)

“As the World Goes Round,” a Kander and Ebb revue, concludes the musical theater season for Coronado School of the Arts, Friday, April 25, through May 3, at 7 p.m., 650 D Street. Tickets \$12 reserved, \$6 kids. For information call 619-522-8969. (CORONADO)

“Five Women Wearing the Same Dress,” in this comedy, five bridesmaids dish the bride and her guests. Alan Ball is the playwright. It’s offered by the Palomar College Performing Arts Department, Friday, April 25, through May 4; 8 p.m. April 25 and 26, and May 1 through 3; 2 p.m. April 27 and May 4. Brubeck Theatre is on the campus at 1140 West Mission Road; \$10 general; \$8 staff and seniors 55 and up; \$6 students. 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

Squirrel Reunion, get a preview of this weekend’s Roots Fest when the reunited Scottsville Squirrel Barkers perform: Chris Hillman, Bernie Leadon, Ed Douglas, Larry Murray, and Kenny Wertz. Derek Duplessie and the Desert Poets will open. Friday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., Carlsbad Village Theater, 2822 State Street; \$15 in advance or \$18 at the door. 760-729-0089. (CARLSBAD)

Mystery/Sci-Fi Author Greg Bear discusses his latest, *Lost in a Good Book*, a Thursday Next novel, Friday, April 25, 7 p.m., Mysterious Galaxy, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, suite 202. 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT MESA)

Jazz and Poetry for Peace and Love by artists from San Diego and Tijuana: Turiya Mareya, Hollis Gentry, Dave Millard, Ayana Hobson, Skip Howlett, Lynn Copelan, Daniel Jackson, Gerardo Navarro, and Jorge Osuna, Friday, April 25, 8:30 p.m., Dizzy’s 344 Seventh Avenue. Suggested donation \$7. (DOWNTOWN)

Emotional, Social, and philosophical effects of poverty on the human spirit are examined in *Downsized*, by the Microcosm Project. Local poet and musician Makana Muanga directs the piece, in which four San Diego poets present original works and works of other local poets. Dj Clearchannel and “New World African Drummer” Teeki

Taylor accompany the show.

The final performance begins at 11 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the 6th@Penn Theatre (3704 Sixth Avenue). Tickets are \$15. Reservations: 619-819-6441. (HILLCREST)

Local Poet Harry Griswold and members of his spring poetry workshop will read from their work on Saturday, April 26, 5 to 8 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito, 1036 Solana Drive. Free. 858-569-1248. (SOLANA BEACH)

Happy Birthday, Bill! Thomas Leech’s book *Say It Like Shakespeare* offers tips from the world’s greatest communicator. Celebrate with the Bard and the author at a discussion on Saturday, April 26, 2 p.m., Upstart Crow bookstore, Seaport Village, 835C West Harbor Drive. Free 619-232-4855. (DOWNTOWN)

“San Diego Architecture: From Missions to Modern” is the book by author/radio host Dirk Sutro. He’ll be signing copies and discussing the subject on Saturday, April 26, 7 p.m., Barnes and Noble, 9938 Mission Gorge Road. 619-562-1755. Free. (SANTEE)

Authors, Authors, Authors, best-seller writers Linda Howard, Jill Marie Landis, Jill Limber, Crystal Green, Fiona Carr, Twist Phelan, and Christie Ridgway sign their latest books, Saturday, April 26, 6 p.m., Old Town Courtyard Marriott, 2436 Jefferson Street. 619-464-6340. (OLD TOWN)

“The Fantasticks,” it ran for 35 years off-Broadway, but in case you missed it, enjoy this musical production from Saturday, April 26, through May 11 at Sumner & Dene performance space, 2807 University Avenue. Bob Korbett directs. Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.; Sundays 7 p.m. Tickets \$15 to \$18. A “pay what you can” performance is set for Monday, May 5, at 7 p.m. 619-291-6353. (NORTH PARK)

Yee-Haw! the fifth annual Song Fest at Rancho Corrido RV Resort and Campground (in conjunction with the San Diego Bluegrass Society and the North County Bluegrass and Folk Club) is set for Saturday, April 26, 1 to 9 p.m., 14715 Highway 76 (10 miles east from I-

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Jazz at Seagate, Seagate Concerts presents the Lori Bell Jazz Trio, Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m., Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. \$15 general; \$10 senior/military; \$5 kids/students; free under age five. Information: 760-436-8744. (LA JOLLA)

The Little Big Top, the Fern Street Circus shows off its aerialists, acrobats, jugglers, and clowns, Sunday, April 27, City Heights Performance Annex, 3795 Fairmount Avenue. Free 619-641-6123. (CITY HEIGHTS)

"The Red Thread," Elizabeth McKim performs work from her fifth book of poetry. Her poems are based on the traditions of chant, song, and story. Sunday, April 27, 4 to 6 p.m., Expressive Arts Institute, 3817 Ray Street. Free, but seating is limited. 619-239-1713. (NORTH PARK)

Multicultural Earth Day Celebration, the WorldBeat Center offers live reggae and international music by Stranger, Paul Hana, the Fabulous Rudies, the Windsor Hill Steppers, Organix, the Red Warriors, Lupe Dancing Bear, and WorldBeat's West African Drum and Dance Ensemble, Sunday, April 27, 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. 2100 Park Boulevards. Free. 619-230-1190. (BALBOA PARK)

"A Cup of Comfort for Mothers and Daughters" is Sheri McGregor's collection of stories. She'll read "From a Mother" when she appears at Barnes and Noble, 10775 Westview Parkway, Sunday,

April 27, 1 p.m. Free. 858-831-0446. (MIRA MESA) On May 3 at 1 p.m., she'll read at Carlsbad Book Company, 5630 Paseo del Norte. Free. 760-804-0467. (CARLSBAD)

Bluesiana, zydeco, Cajun, and Mardi Gras music influences the tunes of the Bayou Brothers, who will perform on Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m., Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. Seating limited. Free 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

Choruses, Bands, and Orchestras perform in the Minnie Swanson Music Festival, hosted by the Cedar Center Chorus. Adult students strut their musical stuff, Sunday, April 27, Casa del Prado pavilion. Free. 619-582-4349. (BALBOA PARK)

"Cerulean Sins," steamy vampire hunter Anita Blake is once again the central figure in Laurell K. Hamilton's latest book. The author makes an appearance at Mysterious Galaxy book store, Sunday, April 27, 2:30 p.m., 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. 858-268-4747. Ticket required; signing ticket available with book purchase. Call for additional restrictions. (CLAIREMONT MESA)

"Rails Across Time: The Impossible Railroad," members of the San Diego Model Railroad Museum reenact vignettes from events that shaped San Diego's railroad history, Sunday, April 27, 11 a.m. and 4 p.m., at the museum. Museum admission \$4. 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

Jazz Concert by the Gary LeFebvre Quartet, sponsored by the Jazz Artists Guild benefits their Music in Schools program, is set for Sunday, April 27, 1:30 p.m., with a jam

at 4 p.m., San Diego Musicians Hall, 1717 West Morena Boulevard. \$5 members or first-timers, \$8 for nonmembers. 619-561-1518. (MORENA)

Open Poetry Reading, Monday, April 28, 7:45 p.m. sign-up; reading 8:10 to 9:30 p.m., Twiggs Tea and Coffee, in the Green Room, 4590 Park Boulevard. Free. 619-296-0616. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

"Brown Bag Concert Series: Blues and Salsa Fest" at Cal State San Marcos, on the dome stage at noon each day, see Gilbert Castellanos's Latin Trumpet Summit, salsa and Latin jazz (Monday, April 28); Slapjazz and Spoons, body percussion and spoons (Tuesday, April 29); Binational Mambo Orchestra, merengue and Latin jazz (Wednesday, April 30); and Native Blues, a Luiseno plays the blues (Thursday, May 1). Free 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

"Maternal Spirits," the Carlsbad Playreaders offer this reading of James Caputo's prize-winning comedy, Monday, April 28, in Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library, 1775 Dove Lane. \$5 donation requested. 760-729-3383. (CARLSBAD)

"Nader: Crusader, Spoiler, Icon" author and journalist Justin Martin will sign and discuss his book, a biography of the controversial Ralph Nader, Monday, April 28, 7 p.m., Current Affairs Bookstore, 2536 University Avenue. Free. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

"Man in the Middle," Ken Morris is a former vice president of Morgan Stanley investment firm. His book is a financial thriller that examines the world of high-stakes investing. He'll discuss his work on Tuesday, April 29, 7 p.m., in the auditorium of the San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. Free. 619-236-5870. (DOWNTOWN)

Historical Fantasy Author Jacqueline Carey signs and discusses her book *Kushiel's Avatar*, Tuesday, April 29, 7 p.m., Mysterious Galaxy bookstore, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, suite 302, Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT MESA)

Q&A with L&E, *A Way with Words* hosts Richard Lederer and Charles Elster sign books and talk about words, Tuesday, April 29, 7 p.m., Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino del Rio North. Free 619-295-2201. (MISSION VALLEY)

TV and Film Star Paul Rodriguez will make you laugh, Wednesday and Thursday, April 30 and May 1, Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way. \$30. 619-445-6002 x1139. (EL CAJON)

"Latina Realities: Essays on Healing, Migration, and Sexuality" and *Women Crossing Boundaries: A Psychology of Immigration and Transformations of Sexuality* are books by Oliva Espin, professor emerita of SDSU's women's studies department, who will speak on her work on Wednesday, April 30, 7 to 9 p.m., Open Door Books, 4761 Cass Street. Free. 858-270-8642. (PACIFIC BEACH)

A Feast of Arts, Brazilian drumming and dancing, spoken work, improvisational performances, art installations, video projections, and other arts, presented by Cal State San Marcos Visualand performing arts department majors, Wednesday, April 30, 4 to 9 p.m., on campus at 333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road. Free. 760-743-6859. (SAN MARCOS)

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Polit-Trio the People’s Republic of Jazz and special guest, trumpeter J.P. Reed, perform the music of Coltrane, Davis, Parker, Gillespie, and other greats, Thursday, May 1, 7 to 10 p.m., \$5 at the door, Mission Bay Golf Course, DeAnza Cove, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive. 858-490-3380. (MISSION BAY)

Meditations on Race and Family, poet Elizabeth Alexander (*The Venus Hottentot*) reads from her newest work, *Antebellum Dream Book*, joined by jazzman Bill Saxton and novelist Mark Salzman (*The Laughing Sutra*), Thursday, May 1, 7:30 p.m., Museum of Contemporary Art, 700 Prospect Street. 619-234-1001. \$15 general, \$10 seniors and students. (LA JOLLA)

SPORTS

Del Mar National Horse Show, the 58th annual three-week show of competitions, instruction, and displays continues with dressage events. Derived from a French word meaning “to train,” dressage is generally regarded as the most intricate form of partnership in equine competition. Dressage events, April 24-27. Hunter

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Take Me Out to the (Old) Ballpark, San Diego Padres are in Chicago to play the Cubs, Thursday, April 24, 11:20 a.m. Road trip continues with play in Cincinnati, Friday through Sunday, April 25-27, at 4:10 p.m. on Friday, and 10:15 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. They’re back in town against Pittsburgh, Tuesday through Thursday, April 29 through May 1, at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, 2:05 p.m. Thursday. Games (except on the 24th) are broadcast on Channel 4. Games are broadcast in English on KOGO 600 AM and in Spanish on XEMO 860 AM. Tickets: \$6 to \$32, available by calling 877-374-2784. (MISSION VALLEY)

Grand American Modifieds, late-model sportsman, bomber stock, and factory stocks scheduled for Saturday, April 26, at Cajon Speedway. First race: 6:45 p.m., following qualifying runs 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



Spring Bonsai Show in Casa del Prado, April 26 and 27 (see Special)

exit. Drive left for two blocks to Wing Street, then right one block to the track entrance. Adult admission: \$9 (west side) and \$10 (east side); \$3 for those 6 to 12; free for kids under 6 with an adult. 619-448-8900. (EL CAJON)

Outrigger Challenge, co-ed, double-elimination event, Saturday, April 26, Bahia Point. Teams of five people (at least two female), with a steersperson and experienced paddler provided. Ability to swim required. Participants must be 18 or older. Registration:

7:30 a.m., racing: 8 a.m. Registration: 619-283-5808. (MISSION BAY)

NSSA Surfing Contest, Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Oceanside South Jetty. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Pro Watercraft Tour, Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Oceanside Pier North. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

“**Strides for Mental Health**” walk and resource fair, benefiting NAMI, an educational and advocacy organization for the mentally ill, is

scheduled for Saturday, April 26. Registration: 8:30 a.m., walk at 9 a.m., Sixth Avenue and Laurel Street. 619-543-1434. (BALBOA PARK)

World Beach Frisbee Championship, some of the world’s best freestylers will appear Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., on the beach, by the roller coaster. Free. (MISSION BEACH)

Rolling through the Ranch, join Knickerbiker bicyclists for a 28-mile ride on shady roads, through orange groves, Sunday, April 27, beginning at 9 a.m. on San Andreas Drive, east of I-5 on Via de la Valle, just past Del Mar Center; turn right onto San Andreas Drive. Bring money for a lunch stop. Free. 858-456-3862. (DEL MAR)

All Uphill? This hilly bicycle ride covers a 40-mile loop through the backcountry, Sunday, April 27, beginning at 9 a.m. near Starbucks in the Rancho San Diego Town and Country shopping center, Jamacha Road and Willow Glen. Bring: two or three bottles of water and money for a mid-ride snack in Lyons Valley and a light lunch later. Rain cancels. Free. Sierra Club Bicycle Section. 858-483-5877. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Sportfishing Festival, this year’s Day at the Docks features food, entertainment, and boat rides, Sunday, April 27, Sportfishing Landing, Harbor Drive and Scott Street. Free. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Bicycle Hill Climb, the Cyclo-Vets sponsor, Sunday, April 27, 8:30 a.m. on Scripps Poway Parkway (start point is on Parnell, off Kirkham Road). It’s a five-mile course with an 810-foot vertical climb. Registration begins at 6 a.m. Fee: \$10. 858-679-3043. (POWAY)

La Jolla Half Marathon (with 5K and stride) will be held Sunday, April 27, with day-of-race registration 6 to 7 a.m., racing at 7:30 a.m. Marathon start: main gate, Del Mar Fairgrounds; finish: La Jolla Cove. 858-454-0777. (LA JOLLA)

Evening Bike Ride, meet at the Mission Bay visitors’ center north parking lot, Tuesday, April 29, 5:15 p.m. for a peppy turn around the bay. Sierra Club Bicycle Section. Free. 858-974-4871. (MISSING BAY)

SPECIAL

Samurai Artifacts are the featured display at the Japanese Friendship Garden through June 1. 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

“**A Brief Shining Moment:** John F. Kennedy at SDSU” is an

exhibit of Kennedy-related items commemorating the president’s commencement address in June of 1963. See the exhibit in the special collections section, fourth floor, Centennial Hall. Mondays 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Tuesdays through Fridays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free. 619-594-6791. (COLLEGE AREA)

Fifty Acres of Giant Ranunculus flowers bloom at the Flower Fields, open for touring through Sunday, May 11, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Theme gardens, antique tractor wagon rides, All-American Rose Selection Garden.

Admission: \$7 general, \$6 seniors, \$4 children 3 to 10, and free for those five and younger. Find the fields by taking the Palomar Airport Road exit from I-5, head east for two blocks, turn left on Paseo del Norte Road. 760-431-0352. (CARLSBAD)

Q: What Are Book Arts? Answer: They’re works of art involving structure, graphics, and/or text in a limited edition. Members of San Diego Book Arts exhibit through Monday, April 28, at the San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

“**True to Type: A Selection of Fine Printing from Special Collections**” on view through Sunday, May 4, in donor corridor of SDSU’s Love Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Many of the articles were donated by former printer/publisher Richard B. (Dick) Dale. Exhibit — emphasizing California materials — includes rare books on printing process and life histories of its artisans. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

“**Colored: Black ‘n’ White**” is an exhibit of images of Filipinos in American popular media from 1896 to 1907. See the show through May 31 at the Springfield College Community Art Gallery, 5348 University Avenue, suite 119. Presented by the Filipino-American National Historical Society. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Lakeside Western Days and Rodeo, a weekend of Western events and seven major rodeo events takes place from Friday through Sunday, April 25 to 27 (the parade’s at 9:30 a.m. Saturday), Lakeside Rodeo Grounds, Highway 67 and Maplevue Street. 619-561-4331. (LAKESIDE)

Madrigal Dinner, music, skits, and dinner in the Nicholson Commons Dining Room at Point Loma Nazarene University, Friday and Saturday, April 25 and 26, 7:30 p.m. \$25 first-tier seating, \$19 second tier. 3900 Lomaland Drive. 619-849-2325. (POINT LOMA)

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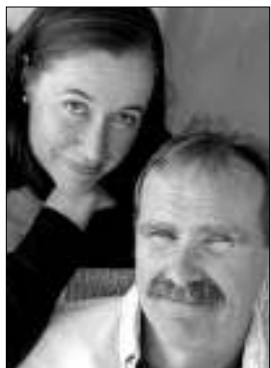
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READING

Zipped



Laura and Tom McNeal

Alfred A. Knopf, 2003; 281 pages; \$15.95

I write novels with my husband, but I can't grill chicken with him. It comes down to his basic suspicion of meat thermometers and a fear of pink meat. But the less volatile collaborations, those that involve writing, began after our wedding in 1993, when I moved to Tom's house near Lake Arrowhead, California. For the first time in 18 years, I had neither classes to take nor teach. I had always wanted to write fiction, and since I had earned a master's degree in fiction writing prior to becoming an English teacher, this was a great opportunity, the postponed moment of truth.

My days in the loft of the little house where we lived, though, felt expectantly quiet. It was like finding myself at the edge of a lake after three years of guiding a boat through white-water rapids, dodging boulders left and right. Teaching had an urgency that writing didn't have. What should I write? For whom? Who cared? It was not unlike the way I felt when I was 13 and my father was transferred to a new town, where I knew nobody, and it was summer, and the days stretched before me in a stultifyingly undefined way.

So one day I wrote a chapter about a 13-year-old girl named Clara, whose day stretched before her in a stultifyingly undefined way. I really had no idea what Clara was doing, beyond looking for a way to earn money for horse camp. When I finished the chapter, Tom,

who was working on his own novel, read it and had an idea. What if he wrote the next chapter? "Yes, do!" I said. This sounded like a good way to get off the hook, frankly. For a while, writing would be more like a game and less like a terrifying test of Authorial Fitness.

In chapter two, Tom introduced a boy named Amos. I had a job and Clara had a crush. No more swimming in place. No more sitting on the shore. We passed the chapters back and forth, writing and rewriting, and then four years later, with the fresh eyes of an agent and an editor, they became the young adult novel, *Crooked*.

Crooked was published by Knopf in 2000, and although I had been writing for the *Reader* with some regularity for six years, and we had one child and another on the way, we were more or less addicted to writing together and we had started another book. What follows is an interview about the writing of that book, called *Zipped*, which was published by Knopf last month. We interviewed each other in much the same way we write together: we sat in adjoining rooms and wrote the questions on our computers, then handed the disk off on the way to pick up children, make lunch, or do dishes.

Zipped, by way of introduction, is the story of 15-year-old Mick Nichols, who, while searching the family computer for a draft of his history paper, finds lustful e-mails between his stepmother and a man who calls himself Alexander Selkirk. Unsure whether to confront his stepmother or tell his father, Mick tries to distract himself with the complications of his own life: a new Saturday job, his feelings for a Mormon girl named Lisa Doyle, and his friendship with a college girl who seems to have her own secrets.

The Interspousal Interview

Laura: I know that you didn't read young adult novels yourself when growing up. Why do you enjoy writing them?

Tom: I had a pretty idyllic childhood, which came to a clanking halt in junior high. I think that's when a sudden, incomprehensible metamorphosis takes place. You become an awkward version of those mythological half-and-halves, like the satyrs and centaurs: half child, half adult. Adolescence is the most horrible, painful, uncertain, and vulnerable time — or was for me, anyhow — which

makes it fertile ground for fiction. Even if I can't recall all its little details, I find it easy to access its general atmosphere and tone, and I find that, now, from a good safe distance, I like turning things this way and that for closer examination. It's a lot more fun writing about it than going through it.

Laura: With which character in *Zipped* do you most identify, and why?

Tom: Mick Nichols, the kid who discovers the e-mails incriminating his stepmother. I never turned up anything incriminating about a parent or step-parent, but my father did die during my junior high years, so I could empathize with Mick's feeling as if the rug had been pulled out from under him. And I think Mick's slow, somewhat inept, but also unrelenting way of addressing his situation is from my own school of problem-solving.

Laura: Both *Crooked* and *Zipped* feature a secondary male character — a supporting actor of sorts — who is ironic, quick-witted, and, at first, a bit crass where females are concerned. What's the psychological or biographical source of these characters?

Tom: Well, I had some quick-witted male friends from that period, guys who really lightened the daily load, so that's one source, but these characters also derive from a kind of wishful thinking on my part. They represent the kind of kid I often wished during those days I could be — someone smarter, funnier, and less perturbable than I ever was.

Which leads me to ask about Lisa Doyle, the female protagonist in *Zipped*. She's a semi-devout Mormon with wayward thoughts about a Mormon elder. Anything I should know there? And what are the difficulties in writing about a religion of which you were once, but are no longer, a part?

Laura: Lisa Doyle isn't supposed to seem semi-devout. In my mind, she is what I was at that age: fully devout. Her infatuation with a Mormon missionary is not strictly biographical, but I was interested in writing about the attraction that virtuous young men,

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Japanese Flower Festival, "Hanamatsuri" will be celebrated with Taiko drummers, entertainers, costumes, martial arts, food, and more, at the North County

Japanese Cultural Center and Buddhist Temple, Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, noon to 6 p.m., 150 Cedar Road. Admission free. 760-941-8800. (VISTA)

Psychic Fair, sponsored by the Phoenix Dragon Bookstore features "animal intuitive" Anupo Kirsten Joy, is set for Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. She speaks "with family pets and their people. In consideration of the animals, please make reservations": 760-436-7740. \$45 per half hour,

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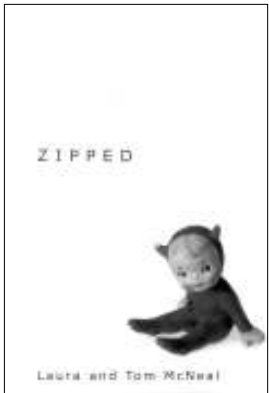
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including missionaries, have for young Mormon girls. When I was 15, I fell for a member of my ward (that's the Mormon term for parish) who was about to go on a mission, and I did what was known as "waiting" for him. I wrote to him and he wrote to me. Two or three times during those two years, he called me by telephone, which was forbidden. Such infractions of the rules, while minor by most standards, were both thrilling and guilt-inducing.

As for your second question, it only became possible for me to write about a Mormon character after I ceased to be one. It's like writing about one's family in that it can be viewed as a disloyal act, a breach of a previously sacred privacy. There's a fine line between honesty and heresy, and although I don't think Lisa Doyle is a bad Mormon, there are events in the book that will probably make faithful members uncomfortable. I feel bad about that, but not ashamed.

Tom: Any particular responsibilities you feel in writing for young adults?

Laura: I want the books to be funny and moving and true. I think it can be cathartic, at any age, to read about characters who are in a moral quandary that you recognize, perhaps from personal experience. What I crave is a narrator or character who gets through it with more humor, insight, and aplomb than I personally can manage. That's what my own favorite writers can do: give you a world that's recognizable but also improved, sometimes by the depth of understanding, sometimes by the beauty of the language, sometimes by the outcome. I especially like works of art that make you see something other than what you expected — that take a villain, for example, and make you pity him. Pity is an essential capacity to develop in adolescence; if more teenagers possessed it, high school

would be less cruel.

Tom: *Zipped* is dedicated to our second son, Hank, who is three. It'll be ten years or more before he reads the book. What is it you hope he'll find there?

Laura: That the discovery of weakness in a parent doesn't always destroy you, or your ability to go on as a family. There's a line in the story that comes from a Broadway musical: "I want you to see me...the face behind the face behind the face." It's terrible, sometimes, to see the face behind the face of someone you love, and worse still to fear showing your own true face. In *Zipped*, each character and the most important relationships ultimately survive that unmasking, and I'd like Hank to believe that is possible.

Tom: How do you feel about "young adult" as a separate genre?

Laura: I have mixed feelings. Some of the best books about adolescents are those that were written simply as coming-of-age novels: *A Separate Peace*, *Great Expectations*, *Catcher in the Rye*, and Edith Wharton's *Summer*. I can still relish those novels at 35. When I was in junior high and early high school, I spent lots of time reading "young adult" novels by Judy Blume, Lois Duncan, Paula Danziger, and Robert Cormier. Would I read those books now? No. But were they useful in expanding my powers of empathy, my love of books, my sense of the world? Absolutely. I would also add that the best young adult books gave me a more complex and realistic sense of life than the sitcoms, movies, and popular novels I experienced at the same time. I'd rather that my own children read Blume's *Deenie* at 13 than *Rich Man*, *Poor Man*.

Laura: Why did you introduce a gay character in this novel?

Tom: It just evolved. When I was teaching at the college level, I remember a girl who became the object of her roommate's obsessive infatuation. It was an unhappy story beginning to end, with the obsessive girl finally being hospitalized. After we'd introduced this character whose behavior was mysterious, I was reminded of those girls. I rewrote their story a bit, and it turned into a natural subplot. So while it wasn't my stated intention to present a gay char-

acter with whom the reader could empathize, I do think of that as a happy byproduct.

Laura: Do you think the dialogue in the book sounds anything like the dialogue between actual teenagers? Should it?

Tom: We write realistic fiction, so at its core the dialogue of our characters has to seem probable, while — we're talking best-case here — both advancing the plot and deepening the reader's understanding of the characters. But I think it's a mistake to try to replicate teenage idiom. For one thing, that idiom is almost seasonal in nature, and for another thing, we'd look foolish. The good teenage reader is like any good reader — he (or, more likely, she) can spot a fraud a mile away.

Laura: When you see teenagers in town or at sporting events, do they inspire you — do they say or do things that you think you'd like to put in the book? If so, could you give an example?

Tom: I have to admit, I feel more empathy for a teenager when I'm talking to him or her individually than when I see them traveling in packs. Alone, though, or in pairs, I'm often struck by the perseverance and — I can't think of a better word — dignity they bring to circumstances that could be overwhelming. I think it's the unrelieved, day-to-day toughness of these circumstances, by the way, that helps explain why humor is such an important escape mechanism for them. I remember a boy telling me about a buddy who'd gotten a job in the cafeteria and was having a lot of fun with the deep-fat fryer. He was deep-fat frying everything — whole hamburgers, tuna sandwiches, Red Delicious apples — and swearing to their enhanced flavor. This was of course untrue, but the boy may have recognized a larger truth, which was that his fat-frying behavior was needed by his friends for diversion. Anyhow, I've already dropped a fictional version of the fat-frying boy into the next book.

We've been married nearly ten years, during which time I've noticed you don't mind having the last word. What would it be here?

Laura: A meat thermometer really is the best way to determine when the chicken is done.

Orange Avenue at 6th. Free. 619-435-1922. (CORONADO)

Coronado Flower Show, under the tent at Spreckels Park on Orange Avenue, Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, with floral demonstrations, home tours, book sale, and car show. 619-437-8788. (CORONADO)

National Law Week, Theme: "Creating a Better Society." Among the activities are free public outreach events by the San Diego County Bar Association: "Free Law at Kobey's," bilingual legal assistance, Saturday, April 26, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the swap meet, Sports Arena Boulevard (SPORTS ARENA) "KNSD 7/39 Ask-a-Lawyer" call-in, Monday, April 28, 5 to 8 a.m.

Elder law seminars with public Q&A: Monday, April 28, 1 to 4 p.m., Chula Vista Library, 365 F Street (CHULA VISTA); Wednesday, April 30, 1 to 4 p.m., Rancho Bernardo Library, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive (RANCHO BERNARDO); Friday, May 2, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., La Mesa Senior Center, 8450 La Mesa Boulevard (LA MESA). Entertainment law consultations: Saturday, May 3, noon to 4 p.m., Guitar Center, 8825 Murray Drive (LA MESA) Kids' books (for Kennedy Elementary School, K-6) in English or Spanish can be donated on Thursday, May 1, from 7:30 a.m. to 9, and Friday, May 2, from noon to 1:30 p.m., at the SD-CCBA Bar Center, 1333 Seventh Avenue (DOWNTOWN). Free.

Bagels 'n' Books, a bake and book sale (6000 volumes) benefits the Encinitas library, Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 540 Cornish Drive. 760-753-7376. (ENCINITAS)

Celebrate Wildlife, foxes, owls, and hawks, plus volunteers from Project Wildlife will be in attendance at Mangelsen's Images of Nature Gallery, Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. They'll answer questions and talk about local wildlife. Free. 8400 Magnolia Avenue, suite K. 619-449-4319. (SANTEE)

"American Indian Celebration," their second annual, is hosted by the University of San Diego, Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Features an open-air market with the work of

60 artists and crafters, singers, dancers, Luiseño storytellers, archaeological information, plus kids' events. Guests include Albert Smith, a Navajo code talker in WWII. It's on the campus at 5998 Alcalá Park (off Linda Vista Road). 619-260-4698. Free. (LINDA VISTA).

Street Art Festival, the 11th annual "Days of Art" showcases the all-media work of 100 Southern California artists, including North County digital artists Phil and Nancy Trimmer, with computer art demonstrations and hands-on opportunities. Saturday, April 26 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.), and Sunday, April 27 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.), Oceanside City Hall, 300 North coast Highway. Free. 760-433-3632. (OCEANSIDE)

The 38th Annual Spring Bonsai Show, displays and demos by the San Diego Bonsai Club of these artful trees can be seen Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (demos at 11 a.m., 2 p.m. each day), room 101, Casa del Prado. Free. 619-699-8776. (BALBOA PARK)

All Aboard! Another train trip from Campo to Tecate, sponsored by the San Diego Railroad Museum and Carrizo Gorge Railway, will be held

on Saturday, April 26, leaving Campo at 10 a.m., departing Tecate at 2:30 p.m. In Tecate, have lunch, tour the brewery, or visit other sights. Arrival time back in Campo is 3:45 p.m. \$40 adults; \$20 children 2 to 12. First-class seats \$100. Space limited. Reservations: 619-938-1943. (CAMPO)

Home Design Showcase, this year's interior design transformation, sponsored by the San Diego Historical Society, features the 1913 Foursquare-style Hay-Burke Home, transformed by local decorators. Saturday, April 26, through June 1, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Sundays (Thursday hours extended to 7 p.m. with designers in attendance after 5). \$20 at the door. No children under 8; no wheelchair access; flat shoes only. Location: 4405 Trias Street. 619-533-7355. (MISSION HILLS)

The Diverse Neighborhood of Linda Vista holds its multicultural street fair on Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 6900 Linda Vista Road, between Comstock and Ulric Streets. It's family fare — music, food, arts, music, and dance celebrating Africa, Australia, China, Philippines, Latin America, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East. Mayor Murphy is parade

grand marshal. Free. 858-560-0871. (LINDA VISTA)

Point Loma Garden Walk benefits Children's Hospital. Self tours of local gardens set for Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Advance tickets (at nurseries) \$15; event day \$17 at Plumosa Park, Chatsworth and Plumosa Drives. 619-225-8647. (POINT LOMA)

Earp Walk, prowl Wyatt's old downtown haunts with Urban Safari's Patty Fares, Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. Fee: \$10. Call for reservations and the meeting place: 619-944-9255. (GASLAMP DISTRICT)

The 30th Annual Roots Festival, a San Diego classic, this year with 44 roots-music acts on 7 stages and 200 booths of arts, crafts, food, and big fun. Featured acts: Mike Seeger, the Stairwell Sisters, and the Scottsville Squirrel Barkers (former Eagle Ernie Leadon and Byrds band man Chris Hillman). Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sunday; Adams Avenue between 34th and 35th Streets. Free. 619-282-7329. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

"Beauty Basics for Brides, a septet of bridal, fashion, and beauty consultants give tips and demonstrations to whip you into shape for the big day. Their big day is Saturday, April 26, noon to 2 p.m., La Jolla Spa MD, 7630 Fay Avenue. Reservations: 858-459-6868. (LA JOLLA)

ArtWalk, this year's extravaganza again features refrigerator art (with online auction of the working cool boxes through May 2). The work of dozens of artists can be seen Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, noon to 6 p.m., India Street. It's a kid-friendly event. Free. 619-615-1090. (LITTLE ITALY)

Roses! Roses! Roses! The San Diego Rose Society's 76th annual show is set for Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27 (1 to 5 p.m.

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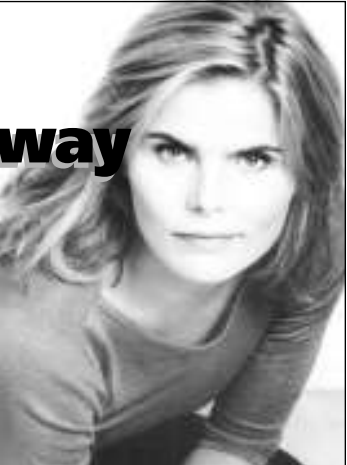
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Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Balboa Park Club (near Presidents Way). Rosarians and horticulturists will educate: Saturday, “Basic Rose Care” at 2 p.m.; “Drying and Arranging Dried Roses” at 3:30 p.m.; Sunday, “Companion Plants for Your Rose Garden” at 11 a.m., “Growing Roses in Containers” at 12:30 p.m. The best-smelling event in town this weekend. Admission \$2.50; children 12 and under free with an adult. (BALBOA PARK)

“**One Child at a Time:** A Celebration to End Child Hunger in Baja California.” Salsa dancing, drinks, hearty hors d’oeuvres, and a silent auction benefit Corazón de Vida Foundation, Saturday, April 26, 7:30 to 10 p.m., On Broadway, 615 Broadway. Tickets: \$62.50, the cost to feed one child for a month. 619-583-5241 or 619-265-5233. (GASLAMP DISTRICT)

Say Cheese! The next camera show and sale — buy-sell-trade, vintage to modern, amateurs and pros — is set for Sunday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Al Bahr Shrine Auditorium, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road. \$4 general, \$3 students and seniors. (KEARNY MESA)

EarthFair, celebrate Earth Day at an event organized by San Diego EarthWorks, Sunday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Two parades, five stages, 200 exhibitors, hands-on and kid-oriented activities, all showcasing public and private environmental organizations. Free. 858-496-6666. (BALBOA PARK)

Rootin’-Tootin’ Chili Cookoff, with other street-fair events, will be held on Sunday, April 27, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bonita Village Shopping Center, 4180 Bonita

APRIL, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Outside their door, a tiny narcissus had come up through the leaf-mold. In the living room, the old butterscotch collie let me get my hand into the folds of the mammal, and knead it. Inside their room Don said, *This is it — this is where we lived and died.* To the center of the dark painted headboard — sleigh of beauty, sleight of night — there was an angel affixed as if bound to it, with her wings open. The bed spoke, as if to itself, it sang. The whole room sang, and the house, and the curve of the hill, like the curve between a throat and a shoulder, sang, in praising grief, and the ground, almost, rang, hollowed-out bell waiting for this tongue to be lowered in. At the grave site, next to the huge, smoothed, beveled, felled, oak home, like the bole

for Jane Kenyon and Donald Hall

of a Druid *duir* — inside it what comes not close to being like who she was — he stood, beside, in a long silence, minutes, like the seething harness — creaking when the water of a full watering is feeding down into the ground, and he looked at us, at each one, and he seemed not just a person seeing people, he looked almost another species, an eagle gazing at eagles, fierce, intent,



wordless, eyelidless, seeing each one, seeing deep into each — miles, years — he seemed to be Jane, looking at us for the last time on earth.

— Sharon Olds

From *The Unswept Room*, Alfred A. Knopf, 2002.

Road. \$5 adults, \$2 kids. 619-472-8520. (BONITA)

Pepper Tree Day celebrates California’s oldest pepper tree — now 173 years old — Sunday, April 27, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Mission San Luis Rey (4050 Mission Avenue). Activities, exhibits, entertainment, vendors. Free. 760-757-3651. (OCEANSIDE)

Dog and Cat Adoption, Friends of County Animal Shelters offers furry friends for your home, Sunday, April 27, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., PetSmart, 865 Jackman Street, off Fletcher Parkway. Admission free; there is an adoption fee. 619-685-3536. (EL CAJON)

The House of England, our pals across the pond, host this week’s

lawn program at the International Cottages. Brit-themed food and music, Sunday, April 27, 2 to 3 p.m. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

Get in Line! Scoops of ice cream for free at participating Baskin-Robbins ice cream stores Wednesday, April 30, 6 to 10 p.m. Baskin-Robbins donates money for every scoop served to First Book, which distributes free books to kids in low-income areas. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

FOR KIDS

“**Rumplestiltskin**” by Weaver’s Tales through Sunday, April 27, at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. *Rapunzel* performed by Phoebeke

Puppets April 30 to May 4.

Performances: 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday; 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. Saturday, April 26, is National Day of Puppetry. Join the puppet-making workshop following each performance that day. 619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

“**Flat Stanley,**” join in the storytelling during pajamarama interactive story time (kids 2 to 8) with Jeff Brown’s book, Friday, April 25, Barnes and Noble, 1066 West Valley Parkway, (Escondido)

Free New Books, the 18th annual new-book giveaway for kids K-12

also features entertainment and refreshments. It is set for Saturday, April 26, from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 p.m., at the Organ Pavilion. 619-266-4118. (BALBOA PARK)

“**Where the Sidewalk Ends,**” read selections from Shel Silverstein’s book of poetry, then play rhyming games and create poems, Saturday, April 26, 11:30 a.m., for kids 4 to 10, Barnes and Noble, 10775 Westview Parkway. Free. 858-831-0446. (MIRA MESA)

Teen Poets, a poetry-writing workshop at the Chula Vista Civic Center Branch Library, 365 F Street, is scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 2 to 4 p.m. Space is limited; please registration recommended: 619-691-5163. Susan Luzarro, poet and instructor at Southwestern

College and *Reader* contributor, will facilitate. (CHULA VISTA)

“**Snow White,**” “Gertrude McFuzz,” poetry and songs are scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 11 a.m., at the next kids’ event at L’Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater, 1540 Camino Del Mar. \$4 admission. 858-268-4494. (DEL MAR)

Books and Entertainment, free books, mariachis, and ballet folklorico performed by kids at *Dia de los niños/Dia de los Libros*, Saturday, April 26, 11 to 1 p.m., East Valley Branch of the Escondido Public Library, 2245 East Valley Parkway. Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

Bilingual Storyteller Linda Whiteside and musicians from Mexico help celebrate *Dia de los niños/Dia de los Libros*. Hear folk tales and folk music. All ages. Wednesday, April 30, 10:30 a.m., Children’s Room, San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. Free. 619-236-5838. (DOWNTOWN)

Kaleidoscope, “traveling creative art center” created and funded by Hallmark, open to public Thursday through Sunday, April 17-20, and Wednesday, April 30 (noon to 2 p.m.); Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27 (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Art projects for kids. Inspiration Point, on east corner of Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. Free. 619-233-8792. (BALBOA PARK)

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LOCAL EVENTS

in Casa del Prado Theater. May 3 performance is American sign language interpreted. Tickets are \$7 to \$10 adults, \$5 to \$8 seniors and children 13 and under. Reservations: 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

MUSEUMS

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

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

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



Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. Pet sharks and rays, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

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

Roam-O-Rama

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



Drive up a short mile from the speedway known as Sunset Boulevard in West Los Angeles toward Will Rogers State Historic Park, and you'll instantly leave the rat race behind. This secluded spot on the rim of the city is perfect for getting some exercise and taking advantage of fantastic views of Santa Monica, Century City, the Wilshire corridor — and all the way to downtown L.A. if atmospheric clarity allows it. Will Rogers Park is open daily, except certain holidays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. A parking fee is charged.

Newspaperman, radio commentator, movie star, and pop-philosopher Will Rogers purchased this 182-acre property in 1922 and lived with his family here from 1928 until his death in 1935. Historic only by Southern California standards, his 31-room mansion is nevertheless interesting to tour.

The main goal for the exercise-minded, though, is to reach Inspiration Point, a flat-topped bump on a ridge overlooking the entire Will Rogers spread. Follow the main, wide riding-and-hiking trail that makes a two-mile loop, starting at the north end of the big lawn adjoining the Rogers home. Or use any of several shorter, more direct paths. You may want to obtain a copy of a detailed hikers' map, available at the gift shop in a wing of the home.

Printed on the map is one of Will's memorable aphorisms: "...If your time is worth anything, travel by air. If not, you might just as well walk."

Relaxing on the benches at the top on a clear day, you can admire true-as-advertised, inspiring vistas stretching east to the front range of the San Gabriel Mountains and southeast to the Santa Ana Mountains. South past the swelling Palos Verdes peninsula you can sometimes spot Santa Catalina Island, rising in ethereal majesty from the shining surface of the sea.

Polo grounds, Will Rogers State Historic Park

rine Corps Air Station Miramar. 858-693-1723. (MIRAMAR)

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

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

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

life. See a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 B.C. to A.D. 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). Ongoing.

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. The museum also features wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art. Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

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

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe

home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

Find it all at 645 Main Street. 760-789-7644. (RAMONA)

San Diego Aerospace Museum, the technological advancements made in aircraft propulsion over the last century are showcased in "100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the *Spitfire* and P-51 *Mustang* fighters; and a rare German Junkers *Jumo 004*, one of the world's first operational jet engines.

Concurrently, see "P-51 *Mustang*," celebrating the legendary Air Force fighter used during both World War II and Korea. The museum's *Mustang* is painted in the red-tail livery of the Tuskegee Airmen, who distinguished them-

selves flying bomber escort and ground attack missions during World War II.

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

The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading.

The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Natural History Museum, follow the trail of how dogs and humans have related and how their roles have changed over time, in "Dogs: Wolf, Myth, Hero, and

Friend." Visitors explore the evolution, behavior, diversity, and cultural significance of dogs, both wild and domesticated. The show closes on Tuesday, September 2.

"Rare Places in a Rare Light: The Wildlands Photography of Robert Turner" is on exhibit through Sunday, June 1. Also on view: "Fore! The Planet," described as actual indoor, 18-hole miniature golf course designed to teach about the nature of life on Earth and how human actions affect the environment (through Sunday, May 4); and "Natural Treasures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giant-screen films" include *Wolves* and *Ocean Oasis*, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Desert. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

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

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

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

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

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

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The San Diego Harpsichord Society presented its last concert of a rich 2002–03 season: a recital by Susanne Pumphösl of music by Froberger, Poglietti, Fux, Hauer, and Haydn, at the La Jolla Congregational Church.

The title of the program, “The Viennese Harpsichord,” announced Pumphösl’s organizing principle. Johann Jakob Froberger (d. 1667), Alessandro Poglietti (d. 1683), and Johann Joseph Fux (d. 1741) were all closely associated with the Imperial court in Vienna, under the Emperors (respectively) Ferdinand III, Leopold I, and Charles VI. Franz Joseph Haydn (d. 1809) was outside the Imperial circle: in his naughty boyhood, the Empress Maria Theresa referred to him as a blockhead, but otherwise he spent much of his career on the princely domain of the Esterházy family in Hungary. Nevertheless, the context of his musical life was totally Viennese. Joseph Matthias Hauer (1883–1959) was an innovative Austrian composer who lived in Vienna from 1915 to the end of his life.

The program thus encompassed three centuries of Viennese keyboard writing, from the early Baroque to high modernism. And Pumphösl belongs to this tradition herself: Viennese-born, a teacher at the Vienna Conservatory, and possessing a delicious Viennese accent (her pronunciation of the word *Geige* — “violin” — was unmistakably redolent of the Prater, the Kärntnerstrasse, and Demels).

The most revelatory part of the concert was its second half. First of all, there was the music of Fux, represented here by his D Major *Ciaccona* and his A Minor *Partie* (“Suite”). A highly prolific composer, Fux is known today — among aficionados of the Baroque — chiefly for his orchestral and liturgical works, as well as his numerous oratorios and operas (although only a few of these have actually been performed in modern times). His extant keyboard works are small in number, and have received little attention by performers, either in concert or on recording. Such neglect is unaccountable, as vividly shown by Pumphösl’s performance here (and reinforced by her recent CD of several of

the composer’s chief harpsichord compositions).

This was sensational playing. With brilliance and zest, Pumphösl brought out Fux’s magisterial command of a keyboard style that is at once French (in its elegantly embellished dance movements) and Italian (in its learned contrapuntal structures). Even on a first hearing, the *Ciaccona* immediately proclaimed itself one of the great examples of this much-favored Baroque form, an impression that repeated auditions of the recording confirmed. The *Partie* is worthy of the finest of Baroque composers of French keyboard suites. The CD adds some remarkable fugues, and a G Minor *Capriccio* with much of the concinnity and imagination of a Couperin. It’s no wonder J.S. Bach so admired Fux.

Equally ear-opening was Pumphösl’s performance of Haydn’s Sonata in F, Hob. XVI:23. No one is sure what instrument Haydn composed his keyboard music for. A generally accepted notion is that the early sonatas are well suited to the harpsichord, while the expressive range of the late ones seems to imply the dynamic shadings made feasible only by the *fortepiano*. But what do you do with middle-period sonatas such as this one, which dates from 1773? I have four recordings of it, one on *fortepiano* (Ronald Brautigam) and three (István Lantos, Walter Klien, and John McCabe) on modern piano. All four — McCabe most impressively — make you feel that this witty, subtle, and (in the slow *siciliano* movement) exquisitely lyrical score absolutely demands the variations of loud and soft that a hammered keyboard instrument can supply (a clavichord would also do) but that a plucked one cannot.

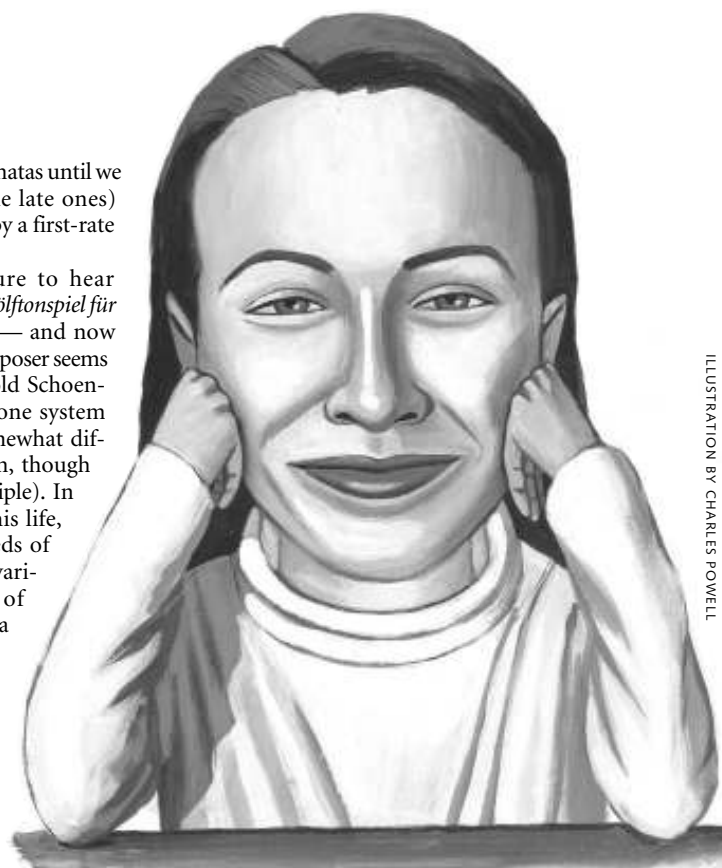
Yet Pumphösl, playing the excellent David Sutherland instrument owned by the Harpsichord Society’s president, Jim Sherman, quite surprisingly demonstrated that a work like this can sound utterly idiomatic on a big, resonant harpsichord. In some respects (and this included the slow movement), her playing made a more persuasive case for the F Major Sonata’s beauty and intensity than the piano performances have done. It may well be that we will not have fully experienced the quality

of the Haydn keyboard sonatas until we hear them (including the late ones) played on a harpsichord by a first-rate musician like Pumphösl.

It was also a pleasure to hear Hauer’s amusing little *Zwölfstonspiel für Cembalo*. This eccentric — and now virtually unknown — composer seems to have anticipated Arnold Schoenberg in inventing a 12-tone system (the two systems are somewhat different in their application, though equally pedantic in principle). In the last two decades of his life, Hauer produced hundreds of brief 12-tone pieces for various combinations of instruments (including a few for harpsichord), in order to illustrate what his system could do. Like the one Pumphösl played with an almost cabaret jauntiness, they are melodious, entertaining, emotionally shallow, rather mechanical, but attractively piquant. The harpsichord piece came to a close, in the (unintentionally?) humorous fashion often characteristic of Hauer, with an arpeggiated major diatonic chord ending on its leading note. No wonder Pumphösl could not keep a broad smile off her lovely oval Viennese face. (Actually, all Hauer’s pieces end with this same harmony, although variously voiced. If you are a fan of the major seventh chord, he’s your MAN!)

I found the first half of the recital considerably less engaging. One of the standard forms in Baroque keyboard music (and in the lute literature as well, from which the keyboard composers derived it) is the slow, rhythmically free *allemande*, contrasting radically with the vigorous, metrically regular dance pieces that follow in the standard French suite. To play these “improvisatory” compositions effectively requires a special finesse that seems to have been hard to come by even in the 17th and 18th Centuries. Composers of the period repeatedly tried to explain the style of playing, which means it needed to be explained; some of them decried the failure of performers to understand it.

On Pumphösl’s program, two of the pieces by Froberger fell into this category (the opening *alle-*



Susanne Pumphösl

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Music by Froberger, Poglietti, Fux, Haydn, and Hauer

mand of the Suite FbWV 612, and the famous *Lamento* for Emperor Ferdinand III). She seemed to me to be more or less at sea in performing them, and she left the listener in the same bemused state.

In the *Lamento*, for example, the music moves ahead in its searching, reflective, inwardly directed, inconclusive fashion, with constant false cadences that in fact lead into disconcerting changes of harmony, and every chord and melodic phrase encrusted with obscuring ornamentation. The performer must somehow — specifically, through the artful shaping of pace, rhythm, rubato, and pauses — give us a feeling of structure amidst all this apparent meandering, as well as a sense of forward motion to a goal. Pumphösl did not do so, instead conveying a peculiar sensation of hasty plodding, with insufficient space around the phrases, and insufficient underlining of the structural joints.

Even her execution of the final three notes

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struck me as muddled. These three high, unaccompanied Fs (perhaps, in typical Baroque symbolism, signifying Ferdinand III, and at the same time suggesting three knocks of his spirit on the gates of heaven) are sometimes played fast and with imperious insistence, sometimes slowly and with pleading deliberation, depending (I guess) on what the performer supposes the Emperor's attitude to be toward his chances of getting in. Pumphösl took a compromise position: two notes played rapidly, and then, after a pause, the third. What could she have intended this to mean? "LET ME IN!...please..."?

There were problems of a different kind with her performance of Poglietti's *Aria Allemania con alcuni Variazioni sopra Età della Maestà Vostra* ("German air with variations on the age of Your Majesty"). This comes from a large and splendid keyboard work called *Il Rossignolo* ("The Nightingale"), composed in 1677 in honor of the wedding of Emperor Leopold to his third wife, Eleanora of Pfalz-Neuburg. It consists of an introductory toccata; a full-fledged French suite (with second versions of several of the movements); the German air and its variations; and five concluding movements focusing on the nightingale, starting with a sober contrapuntal ricercar, and proceeding to a

bravura imitation of the bird's incredibly varied repertoire, with fantastic coloristic effects. The entire work, which takes about an hour in a full performance, is held together by the nightingale's song, fragments of which (notably a fluttery tremolo and a rat-tat-tat of rapidly repeated notes) appear intermittently throughout the 36 movements.

To isolate the *Aria Allemania* section, while it may have practical justification for a varied program such as Pumphösl's, sinks this unifying principle and leaves confusion in its wake. What in the world are all those unmotivated and extraneous tremolos doing there, suddenly appearing without rhyme or reason in the middle of one or another variation on the German air? The sound is amusing and intriguing, but it makes no sense, especially when so often repeated.

Nevertheless, if Pumphösl had played the entire *Aria Allemania* section, one would have been able to grasp at least its own unifying principle: the increasingly elaborate and inventive series of variations on the initial theme (which, of course, is one of the commonest genres of Baroque keyboard music). There are 19 variations, in tribute to the age of the young Empress, and they form a coherent and musically powerful sequence. A full performance would take less than 20 minutes. What, then, can have prompted Pumphösl to play only 10 of the variations, focusing exclusively on those that imitate the instruments or musical styles or colorful cus-

tombs of various European nations (but not even including all of these)? She did add the theme, both at the beginning and (gratuitously) at the end of her selection, presumably on the model of the Goldberg Variations; but the cumulative effect of Poglietti's structure was greatly weakened.

Moreover, she truncated each variation by omitting the repeats, ignoring the fact that the musical effect of an *ab* form is very different from that of an *aabb* form, especially in a theme-and-variations structure. A two-section variation that flits by in only 25 seconds doesn't have a chance to make its point. Why was Pumphösl in such a hurry? The audience of the San Diego Harpsichord Society is not afflicted by impatience in regard to harpsichord music — they want to hear *more* of it!

Actually, they may not have wanted to hear more of the Poglietti, because — I hesitate to say this about such a superb artist — Pumphösl really didn't play the variations very well. There was not enough humor, not enough emphasis, exaggeration, or contrast, not enough of the representational and programmatic quality the composer was aiming at in his depictions of Bohemian bagpipes, Bavarian *shawms*, Polish swordplay, French hand-kissing, and an acrobat dancing on a tightrope. Under Pumphösl's strangely stolid hands, Poglietti's hilarious and musically audacious picture of a procession of wailing old women (an unheard-of chromatic meltdown) fell so flat that

one scarcely noticed it.

Still, half a great concert is better than nothing; and since the great half was the concluding half, the audience could leave the hall with a feeling of uplift, and sincere gratitude to this accomplished musician for having occasioned it. ■

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"Guitars in the Galleries," Adam and Laila del Monte offer an evening of flamenco music and dance, Thursday, April 24, 7 p.m., Hibben Gallery, San Diego Museum of Art. \$18 general admission. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

South African Pianist Anton Nel performs in recital Thursday, Thursday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. The program includes G.F. Handel's Air and Variations from Suite No. 5; Debussy's Preludes from Book I; Chopin's Barcarolle in F-sharp major; Mozart's Sonata in C ma-

jor; and Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10. Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad Library 1775 Dove Lane. \$18; \$15 students and seniors. For information, call the Mainly Mozart offices at 619-239-0100 or the Arts Info line at 760-434-2904. (CARLSBAD)

Orchestral Concert, Thursday, April 24, 7:30 p.m., Crill Performance Hall, Point Loma Nazarene University, 3900 Lomaland Drive. Free. 619-849-2325. (POINT LOMA)

Concert Hour, Palomar College's recital series resumes with a brass duo program by Sean Reusch (trombone) and Frank Glasson (trumpet), Thursday, April 24, 12:30 p.m., in the Performance Lab (room D-19) on campus at 1140 West Mission Road. Free. 760-744-1150 x2317. (SAN MARCOS)

Hail to the Chief, in honor of retiring USD president Alice Hayes, the USD Symphony directed by Angela Yeung performs works by Mozart, Chopin, and Vaughn Williams, Thursday, April 24, 7 p.m.; Friday, April 25, 8 p.m.; and Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m., Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall, on campus at 5998 Alcalá Park (off Linda Vista Road). \$8 general; \$6 students and seniors (free to USD students with ID). 619-260-2280. (LINDA VISTA)

The Pinnacle for Tenors? Enjoy Giuseppe Verdi's *Otello* presented by the San Diego Opera, with singing by Russian tenor Sergei Larin, Russian soprano Marina Mescheriakova, and Romanian baritone Alexandru Agache, among others. In Italian with English translations projected above the stage. Conducted by Edoardo Müller, directed by Sonja Frisell.

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7 p.m. Tickets range from \$20 to \$140. See the opera at San Diego Civic Theatre, 202 C Street. Reservations: 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

Spotlight Series, the Mainly Mozart Horn Trio performs Mozart's "Piano Sonata in C Major," as well as selections by Marais, Saint-Saëns, and Brahms.

Concerts slated for Friday, April 25, 8 p.m., Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive), \$35. Also, Saturday, April 26, 7 p.m., at Rancho Santa Fe Community Center (5970 La Sendita), \$25 and \$45. 760-436-3944.

Finally, the group presents a family concert Sunday, April 27, 5 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Tickets: \$7.50 U.S. Reservations: 619-239-0100. (LA JOLLA, RANCHO SANTA FE, TIJUANA)

Festival of New Music, UCSD graduate students in composition, computer music, experimental, and performance will appear in free recitals at Warren Music Studio A, UCSD, unless noted. (LA JOLLA)

Friday, April 25, 7 p.m.: "Six Japanese Gardens," by Kaija Saariaho; "Quattro Canzoni Popolari," by Berio; and others. Warren Music Studio A, UCSD.

Sunday, April 27, 7 p.m., Great Hall, St. Paul's Cathedral, 2728 Sixth Avenue: Damien Ricketson's "Seven Relics"; "ego" by Derek Keller; "An Inherent Desire to Attain Balance" by Cristyn Magnus and Hilary Rowan, featuring Head on/off Dance; and others. (DOWNTOWN)

Friday, May 2, 7 p.m.: "t.R.,m.f.a.c.-c." [CQ everything] by Kerry Hagan; "Braided Color" by Yumiko Morita; "stasis/resistance" by Linda Kernohan; and others. (LA JOLLA)

Sunday, May 4, 6:30 p.m., improvisational works on the Ocean Beach pier, at the foot of Newport Street. (OCEAN BEACH)

Friday, May 9, 7 p.m.: "Picture of a Bird" by Kueju Lin, "Composition 98a" by Anthony Braxton, and "Players" by George Lewis.

Sing-Along and birthday celebration for PACHEM. Conductors David Chase, Martin Green, Stephen Sturk, and Martin Wright, with chorus and organists offer selections from Brahms's Requiem, Mozart's Vespers, Bach's B-minor Mass, Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass, and more. Dress is casual; singers and listeners are welcome, Friday, April 25, 8 p.m., St. Paul's Cathedral, 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Nutmeg). 619-298-7261 Free. (MIDTOWN)

East Meets West, Iraqi-born oud player Saadoun Al-Bayati joins the Hutchins Consort, a string octet, for an evening of Middle Eastern-flavored music, Friday, April 25, 8 p.m., St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 890 Balour Drive. The oud is an ancient ancestor to lute. The featured selection is the world premiere of Fred Charlton's Oud Concerto, written for the consort and Al-Bayati. Tickets \$20 (\$10 students) at the door or call 760-632-0554. (ENCINITAS)

Pipe Organ concert, Lea Schmidt-Rogers, organist at La Mesa First United Methodist Church, with Jonathon Ingber, trumpet, perform Friday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., First Church of Christ, Scientist, Palm and Allison Avenues. Free. 619-442-8201. (LA MESA)

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Quartets by Beethoven (D major), Shostakovich (No. 1), and Dohnanyi (No. 2) performed by the Fine Arts Quartet, Saturday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium, UCSD. \$25 general; \$25 seniors; \$10 students. 858-534-6467. (LA JOLLA)

Horn Trio, the Mainly Mozart Horn Trio offers a benefit performance for the San Elijo Ecological Reserve, Saturday, April 26, 7 p.m., Rancho Santa Fe Community Center, 5970 La Sendita, at

Avenida Acacias. \$45 adults; \$25 full-time students. For tickets call the SELC office at 760-436-3944. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Romantic Piano Music performed by Karen Follingstad includes the complete cycle of Chopin's Preludes; Liszt's "Years of Pilgrimage, Switzerland"; Schubert's Fantasy "The Wanderer," First Unitarian Universalist Church, 4190 Front Street. Saturday, April 26, 7:30 p.m. Suggested donation \$10. (HILLCREST)

"The Mikado," Opera a la Carte, a touring Gilbert and Sullivan company, offers this popular operetta, Saturday, April 26, 8 p.m., California Center for the Arts Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. \$19 to \$49. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

Cellist Alban Gerhardt, with pianist Rina Dokshinsky, offers a program of Piazzolla, Kodaly, Ligeti, and Rachmaninov, Sunday, April 27, 7:30 p.m., Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. Call for ticket information; the concert may be sold out. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Organ Recital, this week's free organ recital at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion features Jared Jacobsen, the city's former civic organist, Sunday, April 27, 2 p.m. Free 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Harp Student Recital, the local chapter of the American Harp Society holds its annual free student recital, Sunday, April 27, 3 p.m., Light and Life Church, 120 North Ash Street, (ESCONDIDO) and again Sunday, May 4, 1:30 p.m., Neurosciences In-

stitute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. 858-578-3093. (LA JOLLA)

String Quartet, the New Hollywood String Quartet performs chamber works by Mozart and Brahms, and Kerber's Fantasy on Themes by Bernard Hermann from *North by Northwest*. Presented by the Lake San Marcos Chamber Music Society, Sunday, April 27, 2:30, San Diego United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena. \$20 general, \$10 students with ID. 760-945-3446 or 760-630-4360. (ENCINITAS)

Suites for Voice and Instruments, works by Telemann, Villalobos, Froberger, and others performed by Mary Barranger, harpsichord; Susan Barrett, oboe; Edmund Stein, David Buckley, Michael Wais, Dorothy Zeavin, strings; Beth Ross-Buckley, flute;

and Ann Chase, soprano, Sunday, April 27, 6 p.m., the Art Center, 710 13th Street, studio 315. \$25 general, \$15 students and seniors. 619-231-3702. (DOWNTOWN)

Annual Musicale and membership meeting of the Musical Merit Foundation of Greater San Diego features former award-winner violinist Cheryl Norman, accompanied by pianist Bryan Verhoye, Sunday, April 27, 3 p.m., Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3902 Kenwood Drive. Free. 619-442-8201. (SPRING VALLEY)

Guitar and Double Bass, Poway Center for the Performing Arts is the location of the next musical supper event, Sunday, April 27, 7 p.m. Youngstrom-Young Classical Guitar and Double Bass Duo offer duets, Ravel, Alec Wilder,

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Young Artists Competition Winners, the La Jolla Symphony and Chorus presents pianist Dan Yu, soprano Laura Mitchell, and harpist Tasha Lynette Smith, Monday, April 28, noon to 1 p.m., Lyceum Theater, Horton Plaza. Free admission; free parking with validation. 619-236-1980. (DOWNTOWN)

Contrabass Recital, honors student Christopher Williams performs Tuesday, April 29, 8 p.m., a program that includes works by Robert Erickson, Schubert, and world premieres by Williams and Benjamin Carson, in Mandeville Recital Hall, UCSD. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

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"Breathing Underwater," featured artists through May 3: Javier Aguilar, Neal Bociek, Leigh Cotnoir, Eric Guerrero, and Matt Offenbacher. Opening reception Friday, April 25, 7 to 11 p.m. at the Farm art space, 1946 Broadway. Gallery hours Monday through Friday, 3 to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 619-595-0677. (DOWNTOWN)

"Publishing Granaries Books: A Conversation in the Margins" is an exhibition of books and archival materials associated with the Granary Press, publisher of artists' books and poetry. The exhibit runs through June 27, opening with a reception on Saturday, April 26, 4 to 6 p.m., Mandeville Department of Special Collections, Seuss Room, Geisel Library, UCSD. 858-534-2533. (UCSD)

Abstraction and Figuration, whimsical and emblematic works by Gary Komarin go on view with an artist's reception, Saturday, April 26, 6 to 8 p.m., Burton Gallery, 307 South Cedros Avenue. Show runs through May 24; hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 11 to 5 Friday. 858-794-7204. (SOLANA BEACH)

Seven Southern California Artists, work in various media by Kathryn Chandler, Anna Felitti Elisa Gittings, Noory Masliya, Valli Thayer McDougle, Pat Mudge, and Susan Naimir can be viewed through May 4 at the La Jolla Art Association, 7917 Girard Avenue. Opening reception Sunday, April 27, 3 to 7 p.m. Hours noon to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 1- a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday. 858-459-3001. (LA JOLLA)

Juried Student Show, meet the artists at a reception Tuesday, April 29, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Kruglak Gallery in the student center at MiraCosta College. Two hundred works in all media, including ceramics and digital art, can be viewed through May 13. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and Tuesday and Wednesday 6 to 7:30 p.m. 760-795-6657. One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

Impressionistic Landscapes by Rita Shulak and surrealism by Abbas Derissi can be seen in the

Washington Mutual Art Gallery through Wednesday, April 30. Meet the artists on the closing day from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, 2770 Via de la Valle. 619-840-6380. (DEL MAR)

ART MUSEUMS

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, in the silver-producing city of Taxco, William Spratling trained silversmiths in the 1930s. The changes in Mexican silver design are traced in "Maestros de Plata — William Spratling and the Mexican Silver Renaissance," continuing through Sunday, May 11. Works by Spratling are included in the exhibition, along with pieces by designers such as Héctor Aguilar, Valentín Vidaurreta, Margo de Taxco, Ana Brilanti, Antonio Pineda, Salvador Terán, Matilde Poulat, Hubert Harmon, Agnes Seebass, Tane, and the Castillo family. Beginning Sunday, April 27, view studio pottery by 30 contemporary Danish artist craftsmen. "From the Kilns of Denmark" remains through July 20.

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

Museum of Contemporary Art, Downtown, during the 18th Century, Europeans and Americans developed an interest in the art and culture of the Far East. The desire for "all things Chinese" sent the great clipper ships across the world's oceans with cargoes of exported Chinese art. "Mariners and Mandarins — Seafaring and the Arts of the China Trade" highlights both the traders and the sought-after goods that drew them around the world. View "The Celestial

Cargo, Treasures from the China Trade," featuring examples of Chinese export art, through Sunday, September 14. More than 100 works of art — some of it dating as far back as the late 17th Century. Pieces include a rare soapstone carving of Peter the Great, examples of Chinese porcelain, elaborately decorated traditional Chinese fans, jewelry and other artifacts in silver and gold, and paintings on paper, canvas, and silk.

For the ongoing "Cerca" series, French musician Céleste Boursier-Mougenot's untitled sound sculpture is on exhibit through Sunday, April 27. The piece is composed of three large inflatable plastic pools filled with floating porcelain bowls of varying size and dimension. Boursier-Mougenot "tunes" the room conditions to exaggerate the cacophonous and harmonious sounds created by the gently colliding dishes.

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 San Diego, a major exhibition of the work of British artist Andy Goldsworthy opens on Sunday, April 27, and remains on view through August 26. The show includes photographs, drawings, sculpture, and temporary site-specific work, including a version of his cairns in front of the museum. The artist has constructed these stone pyramids in various locations across the U.S. Large-scale photographs of some of his cairns are the thematic backbone of the show, which will include works of Eastern and Western native materials.

MoCA San Diego is located at 700 Prospect Street. Regular viewing hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursdays until 9 p.m., and weekends 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed

Wednesdays. Admission: \$6 adults; \$2 students, seniors, military; children under 12 free. Free admission the first Sunday and third Tuesday of each month. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Photographic Arts, over 150 rare original photographic prints and negatives are on offer in "First Photographs: William Henry Fox Talbot and the Birth of Photography." This exhibition of works highlight Fox Talbot's innovations as a pioneer of photography, boasting the first photographs ever made using a negative-to-positive process, now basic to photography. The show includes artifacts from Talbot's estate, the Lacock Abbey in Wiltshire, England, and it's the first time they've been to the United States.

Concurrently, see "In Talbot's Time: The First 25 Years of Photography," a collection of 42 photographs taken by men and several women "who used Fox Talbot's new invention and improved upon it." The rare images were borrowed from the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center at the University of Texas, Austin.

Also on view: daguerreotypes, tintypes, albumen prints, and photographs by ten artists currently working with these early photographic processes. "Secret Victorians: Contemporary Photographers Working in 19th-Century Processes" features work by "some of the most celebrated practitioners working today."

All exhibits close on Sunday, June 15. Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, life "By the Sea" is explored in the museum's first photography exhibition, featuring work by Joel Meyerowitz, Lee Peterson, and images from the permanent collection of the Museum of Photographic

Arts, through Sunday, June 1. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, "The Grandeur of Viceroyal Mexico: Treasures of the Museo Franz Mayer" presents approximately 130 works of decorative and fine art from the renowned museum in Mexico City. The collection reveals the confluence of cultures from Europe, Asia, and Mesoamerica. The collection includes Talavera earthenware, portraiture, furniture, and religious objects. The show closes on Sunday, May 18.

"Paris: A Century as Europe's Art Capital" features painting and sculpture from the museum's European collection. Pieces by Courbet, Monet, Degas, Dufy, Matisse, and Magritte are included in the show, on view through spring.

An array of paintings, sculptures, prints, videos, and photographs from the museum's collection and outside lenders inspired by elements in nature are gathered in "Of Earth and Sky: Elements in Abstraction," opening Saturday, April 19. Show closes Sunday, December 14.

A selection of 60 contemporary prints executed during the first few years of the pioneering Tamarind Lithography Workshop in Los Angeles is offered in "The Magician and the Mechanic: Tamarind Lithography Workshop, the Early Years" (through Sunday, May 4). Jean-Honoré Fragonard's masterwork *A Young Girl Reading* (circa 1776) serves as the focal point of "Painting Women: From Fragonard to Bouguereau," an installation of paintings (through Sunday, May 4). "The Great Mughals: Power and Patronage" focuses on works produced for the early rulers of the Mughal dynasty in India during the 16th and 17th Centuries (closing Sunday, August 3).

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Spiritual Chuckles

Barbie dumped Ken for the author of Das Kapital?

It takes cheek to call your play *A Divine Comedy*: (a) because Dante got there first; (b) it's never smart to put built-in reviews in titles. And Dennis Hassell's comedy, in its American premiere at Lamb's, is so far from "divine" it feels like a failed pilot for a sitcom.

Bob Shephard's fresh from seminary. A creepy elder, Dr. Arthur Lobo, gives him six months to save St. Hilaria's, a crumbling church, from the developer's tractor. If Shephard can increase membership to 100 by June 1, all will be well. But Shephard must deal with a church staff, if not from hell, then at least from la-la land.

Everybody notice the cutsie names? Shephard (of the flock), Lobo (i.e., the wolf at the door), St. Hilaria's (and you bet they'll pronounce it "hilarious"). There's more where they came from. The staff, who pray to St. Euthanasia, includes Helen Dalmation, Studley Mudd, John Ripley (also known as "John the Baptist," he's a mute Phantom of the Parish who steals doughnuts and knocks on walls to communicate). There's also Karl Marx and wife Barbie. (She dumped Ken for the author of *Das Kapital*? Why didn't the *National Enquirer* inform us?) He's impotent and she alludes to his condition, and the world in general, with mangled malapropisms.

And everyone puns, or speaks advertising rhetoric ("let's put the fun back in funeral") or makes allusions ("he is Ripley, believe it or not"). *A Divine Comedy* is almost exclusively predictable verbal tricks that make one long for groaners. It's allegedly a satire, though the sting's painless.

Maybe, like Dante, Hassell's written some sort of fourfold mystical allegory — but for who? Hyperactive five-year-olds?

The form is formulaic: rise/fall/rise. You can be sure the church will grow, hit hard times, then — in a second act that loses its way often — phoenix anew. You can even predict that the characters, at first misplaced, will find their true callings and jibe

like synchronized seals. Given that this is a Lamb's Players Theatre production, however, you can also assume that a talented group of designers and actors will give this piffle 110 percent effort.

Scenic designer Mike Buckley creates a parish interior of rich reds, polished wood, and stained-glass windows so authentic it disoriented arriving patrons. They wondered if they had come to the wrong place. During intermission, as a fire strikes the church, Buckley demolishes the set, leaving burnt-out shards of cooling embers.

One of Lamb's hallmarks is strong ensemble acting. But this also includes designers, who blend seamlessly. For Act One, to enhance the church's reality, Nathan Peirson's lighting includes a gorgeous rose window — on the floor. For Act Two, red, blue, and yellow police lights, spinning like pinwheels, portray a site of havoc.

Onto the somber set, Jeanne Reith injects a color wheel's worth of ersatz costumes. Each actor dresses like a cartoon come to life, with the capper being Doren Elias's Karl Marx — not for his horrific collection of polyester leisurewear, but for blue suede shoes, verging on aqua. Maybe

here's where the allegory lies: it's impossible to conceive of someone in those puppies demanding redistribution of the wealth or a worker's paradise. Elias also delivers his lines in a *Rocky and Bullwinkle* "moose and squirrel" Russian accent, which adds to the ironies and makes the show at times fun to watch, if not to follow.

And there's the all-the-king's-horses rub. The cast — including Nick Cordileone as the harried young minister, Kathi Gibbs, Tom Stephenson, Brenda Burke, and Jennifer Austin, all in strong support — and deft, interwoven design work, plus Robert Smyth's imaginative direction can't salvage Hassell's fractured script.

David Mamet's *Oleanna* is one of the most disturbing dramas of the 1990s. That it is calculated to do so also disturbs. Mamet wrote the play in 1992, during the Clarence Thomas/Anita Hill debate/TV series, which raised the question: Where is the line that sexual harassment crosses?

John is a college teacher



Brenda Burke, Nick Cordileone in *A Divine Comedy*

A Divine Comedy, by Dennis Hassell

Lamb's Players Theatre, 1142 Orange Avenue, Coronado

Directed by Robert Smyth; cast: Nick Cordileone, Jonathan Dunn-Rankin, Jennifer Austin, Kathi Gibbs, Tom Stephenson, Doren Elias, Brenda Burke, Paul Eggington; scenic design, Mike Buckley; costumes, Jeanne Reith; lighting, Nathan Peirson; sound, Deborah Gilmour Smyth

Playing through May 18; Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. For information call 619-239-2255.

Oleanna, by David Mamet

Asian American Repertory Theatre and the Fritz Theatre, Lyceum Space, 79 Horton Plaza, downtown

Directed by George Ye; cast: Anne Tran, Denton Davis; scenic design, Nicolas Fouch; lighting, Kurt Doemelt; sound, George Ye

Playing through May 10; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 3:00 p.m. For information call 619-544-1000. (Note: *Oleanna* is part of *Sex and Power: A Mamet Duet*; the other play is *Bobby Gould in Hell*.)

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up for tenure. In an act of hubris worthy of the Greeks, he’s so convinced he’ll get it, he’s buying a house. John teaches a course about — apparently, anyway; he speaks in pompous fragments — the evils of academia. He’s even written a book on the subject. In student conferences with Carol, John becomes the thing he decries, including a gesture that may, or may not, have been sexual harassment.

When we first see her, Carol is a lost soul. She hasn’t a clue about John’s course or much else, it seems. In fact, *Oleanna* raises two initial questions: How did Carol qualify for college? And how could someone as stupid as John get this close to tenure?

Art thrives on conflict. Some of the best art puts us in conflict with our heroes. Given the subject, and the times when it was written, you might expect *Oleanna* to favor Carol’s position, if only a smidge. But Mamet chooses what looks like a more balanced treatment. Carol becomes suspect. Just how much was she playing a passive role in the first act? Did she actually entrap John? Has she manipulated him all along? He’s a closet fascist — outed during the play — but so, it turns out, is Carol. She makes demands, wants to banish books, and in

the end sounds like an alumnus of the Hitler Youth. Mamet’s “balance” raises an external question: who does he hate more, academics or women?

It also leaves the disturbing impression that, allegedly stirring up important controversy, Mamet’s actually preaching to choirs on both sides of the issue and will only confirm already- held beliefs.

The Fritz Theater and Asian American Repertory Theatre have co-produced Mamet’s co-nundrum. Except for gratuitous sexual byplay during scene changes, which blur the harassment line the play is trying to draw, the production is as solid as the play is slippery. Casting Anne Tran, an Asian American, as Carol is doubly smart. She does a fine job (with what are, in effect, three different Carols), and her presence adds a racial rinse to the spouting of Denton Davis’s appropriately harried John. Directed by George Ye, the staging’s best feature is the subtle body language each actor expresses. A power freak, Mamet says *Oleanna* is a competition for “the leverage.” And you can follow their fluctuations of status without hearing a word. ■

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LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith. Information is accurate according to material given

us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.

Act 2: HOMICIDE

In H.I.T. Productions’ newest interactive mystery, everyone says Aunt Zelda electrocuted poor Uncle Vern while playing “Feelings” on the accordion. Don’t be so sure. SHIRLEY’S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, SATURDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

All in the Timing

Cal State San Marcos theater students perform five short pieces from David Ives’s collection of comic one-acts at CSSM’s new 150-seat performance hall. ARTS BUILDING 111, CAL STATE SAN MARCOS, THURSDAY, APRIL 24, THROUGH MAY 3; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

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



Departing Divas

as the ’60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros’s costumes are a history lesson (the times weren’t the only thing “a-changin’ ” back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant’s four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid’s set may require an explanation. What are those big black round things all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the ’60s, they were minted currency.

Worth a try.

THE THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT

7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M.

Buried Child

North Coast Repertory Theatre presents Sam Shepard’s Pulitzer Prize-winning drama about a family that gives new meaning to the word “dysfunction.” Joe Powers directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, SUNDAY, APRIL 27, THROUGH MAY 25; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Catskills Conspiracy

Mystery Cafe’s interactive dinner theater show takes place at Camp Skills in 1962, where some of New York’s finest gather, and die. MYSTERY CAFE, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Chalk It Up to Murder

In H.I.T. Productions’ dinner-theater mystery, a terrible fire scorched the Cactus Gulch school-house eight years ago. The culprit just broke out of jail. THE OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY, 275 FIFTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 P.M.; SHIRLEY’S KITCHEN, 7868 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, LA MESA, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-561-8673.

Departing the Divas

Guillermo Reyes is a sharp, funny, provocative playwright who sends cultural diversity and difficult social questions through a Firesign Theatre warp. *Divas* takes place on the US/Mexico border, and inside the internal boundaries of his characters, many of whom have plural identities. And it’s a scream.

Michael is a Latino-American INS officer who takes night classes at San Diego City to learn Spanish. Though married with children, lately he questions his sexual preference and has acquired a taste for early Barbra Streisand. In dreams, he is also sergeant, a Philip Marlowe champion of truth, justice, and Carmen Miranda-like divas threatened with deportation. As with the old Firesign Theatre comedy group, scenes interfuse. Michael’s *la migra* boss, Dean, wants to run for mayor of San Diego. His opponent, a socialite closet-fascist named Marge warns her enemies to back off, shouting, “I’ve got files.” The two can’t confront each other in the play, however, since one actor, Jason Waller, plays both, wonderfully. Directed by Kirsten Brandt, *Diversionsary’s* opening-night performance had loose ends but enough depth-charge laughter that one could overlook them. Four actors, double- and triple-cast, appear in uniform, in drag, in visions (including the hilarious “Miss Fresno Flash-back”). After a while, the characters begin to blur, which may be one of Reyes’ points about artificial boundaries.

Worth a try.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, THROUGH MAY 10; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Diamond Bessie’s Revenge

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ember/May, May/December scenarios get played and replayed, things will turn out nice, sweet, and wonderful for all concerned. Although the best comedies court the possibility, *Loves* assures everyone from the get-go that evil will not prevail tonight. But since the outcome's never in doubt, even savvy director Jack O'Brien can't infuse the incessant talk and explanations with dramatic energy. *Loves and Hours* is funny. Metcalfe gets Neil Simon-sized laughs. But you might get more insights from tell-all TV shows, since *Hours* dabbles with predictable suspects, including the male-oriented "comfort vs. thrills" dichotomy. And one should expect more from Metcalfe, author of the compelling *Strange Snow*. In *Hours* he exploits rather than explores a topic others, like Beth Henley in *Impossible Marriage*, probe in depth. Monique Fowler and Amanda Naughton do fine comic turns, and Brian Kerwin plays the engaging Daniel who, in his late forties, thinks dating a 24-year-old will help him express "the warrior within." Makes you wonder which is the real 24-year-old.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH MAY 3; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Mr. Shaw Goes to Hollywood
The Laguna Playhouse offers the world premiere of Mark Salzman's comedy about George Bernard Shaw's 1933 trip to Hollywood, where he met Louis B. Mayer, William Randolph Hearst, Marion Davies, Clark Gable, Charlie Chaplin, John Barrymore, and others. Daniel Henning directed.
LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH MAY 4; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

National Comedy Theatre
ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on Ac-



State of the Art

troTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try.
MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-295-4999.

Perfect Wedding
Scripps Ranch Theater stages Robin Hawdon's "wild comedy" about Bill and the woman in his bed, on the morning of his wedding, who is not his wife. Barry Bosworth directed.
SCRIPPS RANCH THEATER, FRIDAY, APRIL 25, THROUGH MAY 17; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Post Mortem
Lamplighters Community Theatre stages Ken Ludwig's suspense mystery about William Gillette, the famous 19th-Century actor-manager, and weekend guests at his medieval castle, one of whom, Gillette suspects, wants him dead. Arden Lee Winokur directed.
LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, THROUGH MAY 4; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY (AND THURSDAY, APRIL 24) AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

The Red Lamp
Community Actors Theatre presents Hilliard Booth's comedy about a lamp that signals people. But who? And how many? And

who tonight? Jennie Hamilton directed.
COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, THROUGH MAY 18; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M.

San Diego 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 used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. 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" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). 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 makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (*Improv*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."
Worth a try.
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"I won two Mercedes. One in '99 and one in 2000."

Usually it's the DJ who gives away prizes, but in the case of Star 100.7's Jen

across the country predict which songs listed on the AIR Competition will be hits. The contestant who picks the most hits gets a new car.

"The song that really helped me win the first year was 'Smooth' by Santana. A lot of people thought it was too Latin...too non-mainstream. I loved the

was a bartender at Islands and a cocktail waitress at Bennigan's. I started at Star as a nonpaid intern."



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MERCEDES-WINNING JEN

Sewell's boss at Star, general manger Tracy Johnson, also won a new car from AIR. I wondered why Star would win three cars while other local stations have won none.

Sewell suggests it's because music directors at Clear Channel (the company that controls 14 stations locally) don't get to pick much of their own music.

Jim Richards, Clear Channel's vice president of programming for San Diego, said he's not impressed by Sewell's winnings.

"If you want to spend all of your day talking to heads of labels to ascertain the level of commitment for a particular song, you will probably do well with AIR." Richards is suggesting that Sewell could figure out what songs were going to be hits by determining which songs were going to be heavily promoted by the labels.

"I would rather spend that energy making my station sound better," said Richards. "I don't need to see my name in print or my picture in a trade magazine to know I'm a good program director.... [91X music director Chris] Muckley and Bryan [Shock, 91X program director] are the ones who broke Jack Johnson. They didn't get that programming tip from AIR or any Clear Channel boss."

— Ken Leighton

Until last Thursday, the famous Rolling Stones mouth and tongue emblem was seen on the 101/KGB billboards scattered around

the county. KGB's owners, Clear Channel Communication, did not get approval to use the emblem, according to a source close to the local campaign.

"I just spoke with the guy who oversees their logo, and I promised him the last one was taken down today," said



KGB LIFTS LIPS LOGO

Jim Richards, Clear Channel vice president of radio programming for San Diego.

"Clearly they did not have the authority," said an employee of Foreman Entertainment, the Rolling Stones' management company, who said that Clear Channel radio agreed to immediately take down the billboards. The employee said there would be no legal

action against KGB and Clear Channel.

I note that the Rolling Stones are famous for suing parties who use their music or their emblems without permission.

"That's true. But we are also in business with Clear Channel. The Rolling Stones are on tour, and Clear Channel is [promoting] that tour. This was a slap on the wrist and 'take them down....'"

A former KGB employee recalls that this is not the first time the classic rock station has appropriated the lips-and-tongue emblem without approval. "At the Rolling Stones tour four or five years ago at Jack Murphy Stadium, [then-program director] Todd Little gave us each a T-shirt with that logo and the station's logo on it," recalled the former employee. "He told us not to let security see it because they may confiscate the shirts."

— Ken Leighton

"We had a friend of a friend who worked at Sycuan in marketing, and we got him a tape, and he liked the song," says 34Below guitarist/keyboardist Chris James about the band's song

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Sewell, it's the DJ who scored the booty.

"I'm on a payment plan with the IRS," she said about her tax status after selling both new cars. "I was able to buy two properties."

Sewell is half of Star's afternoon *Greg & Jen Show*. She's also Star's music director. She won the cars because of her ability to predict which songs would become hits on a contest called the AIR (Active Industry Research) Competition. Radio execs

song."

Sewell said she also heard a hit with Sting's "Brand New Day" and Macy Gray's "I Try."

"In the second round I picked 'South Side' by Gwen Stefani and Moby."

Who does she like now?

"I think Jason Mraz is awesome. I love the new [songs by] Jewel and Train."

I ask what Sewell did before coming to Star that might have prepared her to be a music director.

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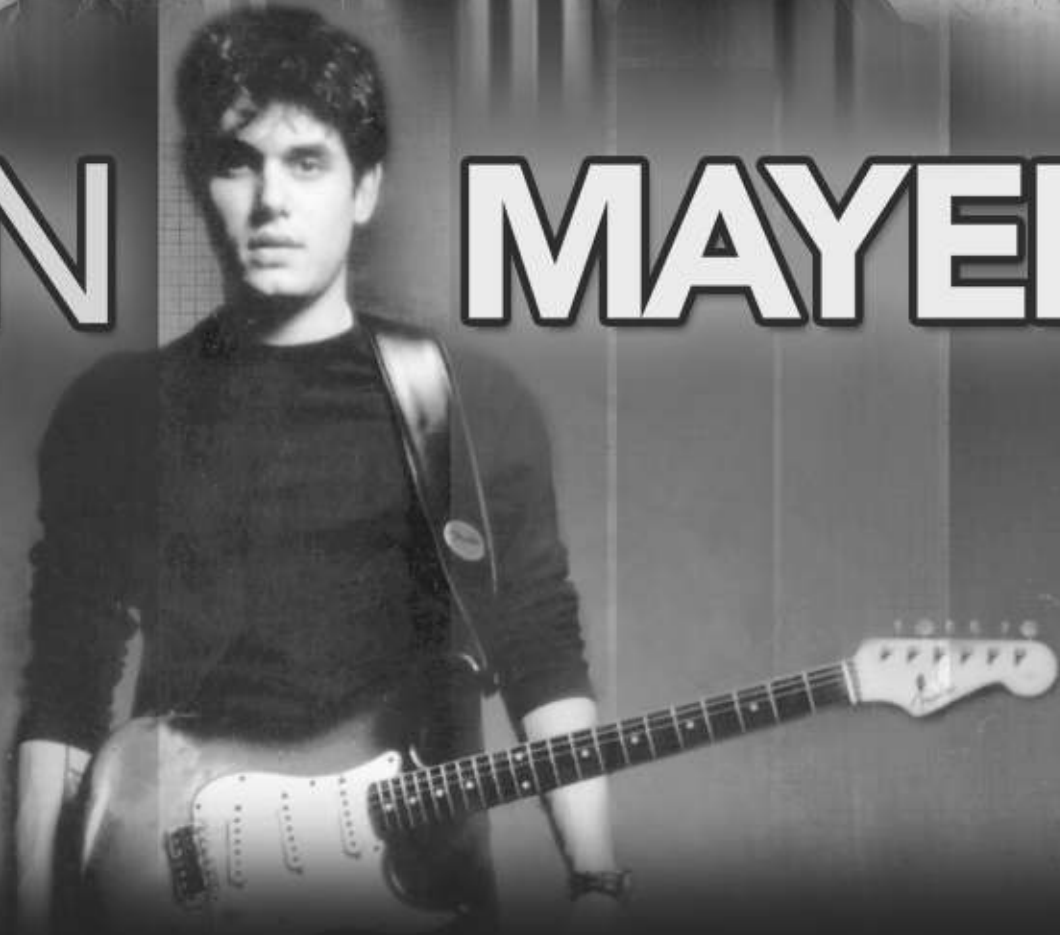
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"It's All Right Here," which is in a local commercial for Sycuan Casino.

I asked him how much

two years ago, they did a search that showed that a record company in New York had trademarked the name.

Besides changing their name, they're also changing their wheels. James tells me, "We're selling our tour bus for \$25,000. We spent twice that decking it out. It's 40 feet, has a surround-sound system, bunks, and a king-size bed in the back that sleeps eight comfortably."

When asked if it ever

buyer, we'll give them \$500."

I ask Steve Ybarra, vocalist, how they will get around. He laughs and says, "A van. It's cheaper."

If you want a bus, you can reach the band at 34below.com. If you just want good rock, check them out every Thursday in April and May at Dublin Square downtown.

— Josh Board

"I talked Dave Hodges

[current owner of the Belly Up] into doing a New Year's Eve bash. He didn't want to do it." That was in 1975, recalls singer/songwriter Jerry McCann about how he put together the Belly Up Tavern's first major show. The low-key beach bar had just opened a year earlier. "We had 600 people through the door that night."

McCann's band anchored the Belly Up's music lineup during its first eight years as a music venue and is credited with bringing reggae to the Belly Up. "I was the one who said they should put the stage where it is now."

McCann gives guitar lessons and still fronts his own band. He says he

introduced Hodges to sound man Mac Falk, who became the Belly Up's visionary talent buyer from 1981 until he died in 1995 at age 43 of a heart attack. Falk was widely credited with establishing the Belly Up as a nationally recognized showcase for major names like the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Squeeze, Sheryl Crow, the Fugees, Brian Setzer, Lindsey Buckingham, and Chris Isaak. Under Falk's direction the Belly Up became known as the local stopover for blues legends (Big Joe Turner, Robert Cray, Big Mama Thornton, Albert Collins, Buddy Guy, John Lee Hooker, Taj Mahal) and for reggae/world-beat icons (Jimmy Cliff, O.J. Ekemode, Desmond Dekker, Toots and the Maytals).

Hodges just sold the Belly Up to restaurant owner Steve Goldberg.

McCann and others are now openly evaluating the status of the Belly Up under Diana Martinez, who took over after Falk and has exclusively handled booking for eight years.

"It doesn't have the panache it once had," said one longtime talent-buying professional. "As a business



PHOTOGRAPH BY DEREK PLANK

BU PIONEER McCANN NOT ASKED FOR ENCORE

model, I am sure it's successful. It just doesn't have the cutting-edge music it once had. Perhaps its [current] mainstream appeal is what makes it successful now," said the talent buyer. "It has a built-in clientele. Keep in mind, it is in a very affluent area."

"Every show we have done with them has sold

out," said KPRI promotions director Keith Miller. He said he knows that Belly Up shows by Elliot Smith, Tommy Castro, Joan Osborne, Etta James, the Neville Brothers, and Robben Ford are always sold out.

McCann's complaint with Martinez is not over the national headliners she brings to Solana Beach, but her disinclination to hire local bands.

"I remember her saying one time [about a band], 'They are a good band, but they are local,' as if local bands aren't viable. She is famous for not supporting local bands." McCann said Falk's discovery of unsigned local bands like the Cardiff Reefers, Common Sense, and Goldfish is what made the Belly Up a music gold mine. "Their success made it possible to bring in the national acts. Local bands built that place.... None of us [longtime locals] gets to play there anymore."

A request for comment from Martinez was not answered. Goldberg said he would be happy to comment once escrow closes in June.

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— Ken Leighton

Shongo plays drums for the Shitgiveits. He didn't want to talk much about why his band has been 86'd from Scolari's Office this year.

"We played there before it was popular," said Ted Trendy, who sings with the other band that was banned — Mother Russia. "It's now the new hip place in San Diego. Now everyone wants to play there."

Trendy notes that along with Scolari's recent popularity comes big crowds. And the bigger the crowds, the higher the brawl

potential.

"We had a show there in January. A little scuffle started and we took it outside.... It involved me and a friend and friends of another band." Trendy claims it was over a disagreement about musical styles. "People complain that you aren't fast enough or too poppy."

Mother Russia was surprised to find they were now *persona non grata* at Scolari's.

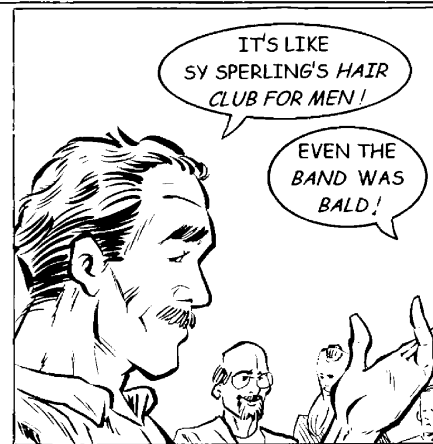
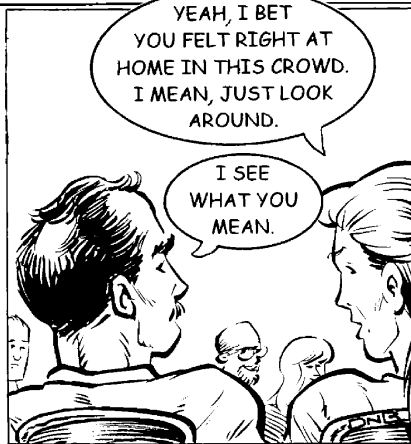
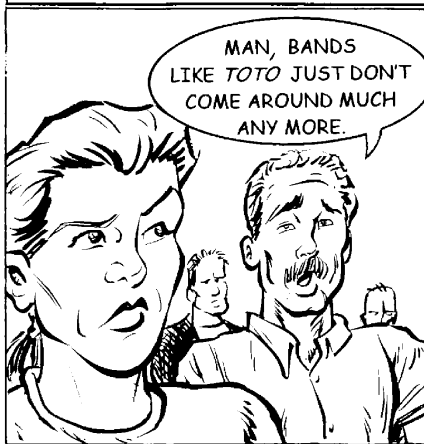
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show in February. When we get there, we are told that we're not supposed to play there anymore. The guy told us we were banned. It was because of the fight. But since

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we were there, they let us play."

Trendy said there were no fights during the February show. He admitted, "We bring out a little bit of a rowdy crowd.... A lot of shows at Scolari's get that kind of crowd. Nothing got broken.... The Shitgiveits had a fight at their show too. Since we are fast punk bands, we get blamed for it."

A call to Scolari's owner-to-be seemed to trigger a change of heart over the band blacklist. Longtime owner George Scolari is selling the bar to his niece Sandy Scolari. "I will be the owner by the end of the year," she said. "I am somewhat aware of what happened, but I would like to set up a meeting with myself, Freddy [Pohr, the bar manager], and

these two bands." She said that a Scolari's blacklist exists, but "I am not sure if these bands should be on the list or not. I want to meet with them. I want to try and be as fair as possible."

Mother Russia (www.motherrussia.cc) appears Sunday at the Vista Entertainment Center (all ages) with Death to W, Suburban Terror, and Career Soldiers, 5 p.m., \$5. They also appear at Chaser's Lounge in North Park, May 9, with Life Crisis, Sk8 or Die, and Scardycat (21 and up, free admission).

— Ken Leighton

Epiphany is the bass player for an industrial/electronica band named Call Me Alice.

"We like darker things.

Music sounds so much better when it's in minor keys."

If most San Diego bands seem awash in backwards baseball caps and beach gear, the five members of Alice say they are inspired by spectacle.

"It's hard to get gigs," said Epiphany. "We're not a plug-in-and-play band. We have a hell of a lot of equipment, and we need a sound person who really knows what he's doing. We have a light show. We've created such a production, it limits where we can play."

The other members of Call Me Alice are Crosby, Aughustine, Jude, and the Thrawn. All five perform with makeup, costumes, and their own stage persona.

I note that their struggle to bring theater back to live rock isn't helped since Trent

Reznor and Nine Inch Nails don't seem to be active and Marilyn Manson has been trivialized as a novelty act.

"We can't react to people telling us that we're not going to be successful because we don't fit in with current trends," said Epiphany.

"We are risking everything for this," said Crosby. "Financially, emotionally, and spiritually."

Call Me Alice appears Friday at Brick by Brick with Crank Wrench Audio, Secuencia Luminal, Earnest Rapture, and M. Mehdi.

— Ken Leighton

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“He found all the Crawdaddys still living at their parents’ homes in Point Loma.”

When he left England for Southern California in 1980, 18-year-old Mike Stax knew little about San Diego other than how to find it on a map.

“I came here to join the Crawdaddys. I’d been trying to form a band to play that kind of music, and I wrote them a letter to tell them I was really knocked out by their album [*Crawdaddy Express*, 1979 Vox Records].

It sounded like a British record from 1964, so I wrote to them... ‘I wish I could put together a band like that.’ They wrote me back, ‘Well, why don’t you come to America and be our bass player?’”

Stax says the band never even asked to hear a demo tape. “They did ask me to send a photo!”

To his surprise, he found all the Crawdaddys still living at their parents’ homes in Point Loma.

“I lived with the families of various bandmates until Ron Silva [the lead singer] and I got our own place, a small apartment on Fifth Avenue.”

Stax played with the Crawdaddys through 1983, performing on about half the tracks on the Crawdaddys’ second album *Here ’Tis* (released by Vox in 1987, three years after the group split). “Basically, I got kicked out of the band. It was one of those ‘musical differences’ things.”

The goal behind his next band in 1983, the Tell-Tale Hearts, was to attain a rougher, more garagey approach. The Tell-Tale Hearts recorded their first album in 1984 for Los Angeles-based label Vox/Bomp Records. Within a year or two, they were opening for the Cramps. Stax remembers, “The gig was at the Adams Avenue Theater in 1985 or ’86. The Cramps were headlining; we went on first, and the Chili Peppers were in the middle. They still had the original guitar player who OD’d sometime later. I remember thinking how incongruous they were on the bill playing this heavy funk stuff in between our garage-punk sound and the Cramps’ rockabilly garage hoodoo thing. The place was packed with mostly punk-rock types, but we did pretty well. During the Cramps’ set, they were doing ‘She Said,’ and there’s

a long spoken part in the middle, and during this Lux [Interior] went into a big rap about going to the Adams Avenue Theater and seeing a band called the Tell-Tale Hearts.... A big cheer went up from the crowd.... That was really a proud and exhilarating moment for us — getting that very loud and public endorsement.”

As far as the Chili Peppers go, Stax says, “I don’t remember any interaction with the Chili Peppers other than them standing and watching us as we sound-checked.”

Sometimes, the band would find themselves on the same bill with hardcore punk acts. “Manifest Destiny was one of them, at Adams Avenue Theater. It was brutal. Their crowd was very physically dominant, and we’re standing there onstage with long hair, in paisley shirts, playing a Vox organ. They were throwing stuff at us.”

Nearly 20 years later, all of the Tell-Tale Hearts albums are still available through Bomp Records. “We recorded with all-vintage equipment, in old three-track tube studios with equipment dating from the early ’60s, so our records sounded a lot more authentic and punchier — and in fact more hi-fi — than all those bands working on cheesy ’80s electronic transistor equipment.”

There’s a Yahoo group dedicated to the garage bands of the 1980s, and the Tell-Tale Hearts’ photo is on the title page: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/highsinthemid80s>.

Though the Tell-Tale Hearts dissolved in 1987, Stax’s rock ’n’ roll credentials earned him citizenship to the U.S.

“I’d been here illegally the whole time; there was always that threat of deportation. Then they announced an amnesty program where, if you could prove you’d been here working as an illegal alien since before 1982, they’d give you your green card. That was easy enough for me! I went in there with a big, thick scrapbook full of newspaper articles, all these different bands, pictures of my face circled in the *Daily Aztec* or the *Reader*.”

INTERVIEW

JAY ALLEN SANFORD



The Loons (Mike Stax, left)

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While playing with the Hoods from 1989 through 1994, Stax recorded for Midnight Records and the band served a residency at Bodie’s downtown. Then Stax teamed up with original Tell-Tale Hearts guitarist Eric Bacher in 1995 and formed the Loons.

“[Bacher] had left the Hearts in 1987, and he hadn’t been playing guitar at all except at home; he was just sick of the business. He wanted to be in a band again.”

In 1998, with only a couple of singles released, the band was invited to do a ten-day tour of Germany. “We got to play everywhere from a big ’60s festival in Munich to a tiny little town in Bavaria, in the village hall in Kunzelsau, in front of about 20 people. It was like *The Sound of Music*.”

Stax says there’s a difference in the way musicians are treated in Europe.

“In America...they treat you like the help —

come in through the back door, you can’t lean against that wall, you can’t leave your equipment there, here’s two drink tickets — you know. [In other countries,] they treat the bands like you’re really special. They’ll put you up for the night, feed you, really go out of their way to show they appreciate the fact that you’re the band!”

Recorded in 1998, the Loons’ *Love’s Dead Leaves* (Get Hip Records, 1999) featured Stax on vocals and harmonica, Eric Bacher on guitar, drummer John Chilson (from the Hoods), and bassist Gary Strickland.

“We had this producer named Ebbot Lundberg come out from Sweden, a great big bear of a man.... He’s the singer for this Swedish band called the Soundtrack of Our Lives. He came out to San Diego and we recorded in Santee. It was like being the neighborhood garage band and having Brian Wilson produce your record...he looks like

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Brian Wilson, in fact, in his fat, bearded phase."

During the 1998 German tour, Stax met Anja Diabolik, a bass player in the girl garage band the Diaboliks.

"Anja is from Germany but was living in London at the time we first met — around '96.... In spring of 1998, the Loons toured Germany and we played in Bremen with the Diaboliks, who were touring there at the same time. That night was when we realized there was something there deeper than a friendship. We began a long-distance romance, and she came to visit me in San Diego that summer, and we fell in love. At the end of the year she moved to San Diego permanently. At the same time, she became the Loons' bass player. She played her first gig with the Loons on New Year's Eve 1998/99 in Las Vegas. We married on August 6, 2000, in Julian — and repeated the ceremony in Dudweiler, her hometown in Germany, two months later."

Anja replaced Gary Strickland as the Loons' bass player. Marc Schroeder is the current guitarist, Chris Marsteller has been added as a second guitarist, with Ian Andrew on drums.

The Loons have almost completed work on a second album, with John Reis of Rocket from the Crypt producing as his time permits. When considering Stax's longevity in local bands, the lyrics to the Loons song "Never Enough" seems like a confession.

*I've been around for too long
But I'm not feelin' tired
And though I look pretty lost
My circuit's wired
'Cause there's still so many
fuses that I gotta blow
And I can take you over the
wall, if you wanna go
But it's never enough*

In December the Loons played a festival in Spain called the Purple Weekend, which is held in the town of León, a few hundred miles north of Madrid. The Loons were the only band from the United States. "There were well over 1500 people there when we played, the biggest crowd any of us have ever faced. The venue was completely sold out and way beyond capacity — the fire marshals would have shut it down in five seconds flat in California...people were just going nuts. Most of the songs were new originals, as yet unrecorded, but they didn't seem to mind and even appeared to be singing along sometimes. We received an encore, after which Chris discovered the neck of his Gibson was completely broken. How this happened is a mystery."

In the meantime, Stax and Anja run a bimonthly '60s-themed club called Hipsters, held at the Kensington Club, which they've done since 1999.

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Indecorous Yank

He's 6'4" and wears that slightly crazed, distracted look that is commonplace among poets.

Okay, then! Take out your wallets, remortgage your cat, rent out the in-laws. We're at Tower Records in London's Piccadilly Circus and things can get really, really ugly in a hurry here for any serious music lover. And one knows that this is lover territory because of the presence of a very large statue of Eros in the middle of this grand square and concourse, which is the junction where five major thoroughfares meet, thus "Circus": not in the sense of menagerie but "an open space in a town on which streets converge."

The place got its name in the early 17th Century when a tailor on the Strand named Robert Baker sold lots and lots of picadills — a collar ruff then fashionable in courtly circles — and built himself a house with his profits. Jealous wags dubbed this arriviste's new abode Piccadilly Hall, and the name stuck.

Actually, the Eros statue is not the Greek god of erotic love but the angel of Christian charity, commissioned as a memorial to the Earl of Shaftsbury in 1893. The sculptor, Alfred Gilbert, called the statue (made in the then-new medium of aluminum) his "missile of kindness." *Ahem, ahem*, we best move along...

I am, this seasonably gray and dribbly afternoon, in the company of my good friend, the New Zealand poet, art writer, music aficionado, and Renaissance *kiwi* Mr. Gregory O'Brien of Waipapa Road, Wellington, and far from home. I leave Greg in the world music section of this vast Tower store and head off to the classical section. I have no concerns about losing my mate: he's 6'4" and wears that slightly crazed, distracted look that is commonplace among poets.

I follow my usual track: to Bach and his keyboard works, especially any new harpsichord recordings of his 48 (*Well-Tempered Clavier*) or his *Inventions* and *Sinfonias*. Then on to Bartók, where I search in vain for an Andor Foldes (b. 1913, Hungary) recording of Bartók's piano music, a CD I once owned but no longer — a lost treasure. It is

in the Bartók section that I am accosted by another wild-eyed friend. It is the Polish-Canadian poet, scholar, and antiquarian bookseller Marius Kociejowsky, who picks out a recording of Bartók's *Sonatas* for violin by Isabella Faust. "You won't be disappointed," he tells me and vanishes. Can you imagine the cheek of someone accosting you like that in the Bartók section of a foreign Tower? Poets do things like that. But I know where to find him later — at his shop just across from the British Museum.

Hmmm, the Dutch harpsichordist Bob van Asperen has a recent recording of the 48. Perhaps I'll wait till I'm back in the States, since I have an excellent 1989 digital recording of him doing the 48 on EMI, playing an overtone-rich authentic Christian Bell harpsichord made in Hamburg in 1728. I check out the Couperin keyboard

recordings and then on to Froberger, that most undervalued of Baroque geniuses, and see that Asperen has recorded two CDs' worth of Froberger's *Suites*, one on an original Ruckers made in 1640, the other on an original

Couchet, later extended (*ravalement*) first by Blanchet, then Taskin, two of the great French harpsichord makers.

Then I head along to Handel, looking in vain, as ever, for his *Keyboard Suites, Volume 1*, recorded for Erato (0630-14886-2) in 1995 by Olivier Baumont. I consult a gravely serious chap at the information desk about my dilemma, who dutifully sets to tracking down my elusive Handel with the quiet intensity of a Scotland Yard senior constable looking through mug shots for a serial killer. He's stumped: it's in the catalogue but unobtainable. A mystery. Hmmm. This one's not used to being caught up short, especially by an indecorous Yank.

Oh, well, disappointed yet again, I make a cursory pass of the 20th-century avant-garde/experimental section, see if they have anything

new by Arne Nordheim. Nothing doing. So I head into the jazz room, confident that I shall eventually link up with my man O'Brien in this sanctum of syncopation. Now, what I'm looking for in a big, first-rate jazz section in a European store is, well, jazz on European labels, and there are some pips: Soul Note, HatHut, Timeless, Storyville, Criss Cross, among others. On the marvelous Dutch Criss Cross label I find Warne Marsh's *Star Highs*, another desert-island disc I foolishly unloaded years ago and had failed to find since. *BINGO*. The 1982 recording has Hank Jones on piano, George Mraz on bass, and Mel Lewis on drums. Marsh and Jones together: HEAVEN. And lookee here, you never see this one. It's Jimmy Knepper's Bethlehem date recorded in that swingin'-gest year of our Lord, 1957, and reissued by the Japanese under the title *A Swinging Introduction to Jimmy Knepper*. Oh me, oh my, they'll be drooling back on the farm when I drag this 'un home.

Ah, here comes O'Brien, all six and a half wiggy feet of him. Seems he wants to check out Ray's Jazz, a famous old jazz record shop at 180 Shaftsbury Avenue in the Soho. Well, now, isn't that convenient: Soho begins only a block away. Let's go. Soho is the sporting quarter of London's West End and apparently got its name (unlike its New York counterpart) from the shouts of "So-ho"

cried out by Royal Huntsmen in the Whitehall Palace parklands way back when. For a long time the Soho was a lowlife center, prostitution and the rest, but nowadays it's quite smart, lots of good restaurants, pubs, and such. It's always been a catch-basin for artists of every stripe: painters, poets, novelists, musicians. Ronnie Scott's, probably the most

celebrated jazz venue in Britain, is in the Soho, on Frith Street. In fact, I stagger in there late one night with another poet friend, Charles Boyle, author of the splendid book *The Age of Cardboard and String*, but it was really very late, and after a rather protracted book launch, then dinner, oh dear... I do remember the music stank, though.

Now, what a little shop like Ray's might have that a megastore like Tower doesn't shouldn't seem very promising. Well, it does have the odd release

of this or that, maybe a Stan Tracey piano trio disc on the Cadillac label, like that. But what Ray's does have is atmosphere. You know you're in a special room that all sorts of interesting people have passed through, a sort of jazz shrine. It's a place place. It's got character. It's been there a long time. They've been playing good music in here for a long time,

while middle-aged guys (mostly) nose around for great finds. These sorts of places are disappearing every day, and I think someone told me that Ray's was headed in that direction.

Greg is trying to interest me in the Polish trumpeter and free jazz adept Tomasz Stanko. This is going to be a hard sell because (1) I can't stand European free jazz and (2) I hate any jazz issued on the ECM label. Is this rational? Is this fair? Bollocks!

ECM was founded in Cologne, Germany, in 1969 by Manfred Eicher and has been recording first-rate classical music performances and rotten jazz ever since. ECM delivers superb sound, which is the hallmark of its classical music issues. Its jazz artists tend to be "free" players. I have nothing against free jazz; quite the contrary. But the ECM stable is packed with jazzmen who bore me to tears: Keith Jarrett, Jan Garbarek, Chick Corea, Egberto Gismonti, Ralph Towner, Eberhard Weber, and, of course, the late Mr. Stanko. ECM has also encouraged a most unappetizing alliance between free jazz and rock, with freely played, usually aimless improvisations, over the *ker-thunk, ker-thunk* of simple, rock-oriented bass and drum ostinatos. I humor my friend and check out Stanko's much-vaunted *Leosia* recording (ECM 1603) from 1996, only to find it as boring and pretentious as every other ECM jazz disc I've ever heard. (But don't tell O'Brien; he's the sensitive sort.)

Time to find my way back to Piccadilly and figure out the best way to get to Battersea and find out what sort of wax my pal Helen Wilks has been spinning of late. ■



Tomasz Stanko



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! NOTE BY DAVE GOOD Charlie Parker shot an arrow into the heart of jazz with both his living and his dying. I once heard a tape recording of Parker's voice, one of only a few that exist, and I was puzzled by the thoughtful, intelligent maturity of such fast company. "I kept thinking there's bound to be something else," he said. "I could hear it, but I couldn't play it." Parker's life was a lethal counterpoint to his gifted playing. He lived hard, married four times, produced five children, got hooked on junk and alcohol, and died of heart failure, cirrhosis, and pneumonia in March of 1955 in a friend's apartment in New York. Charlie Christopher "Yardbird" Parker Jr. was 34. In his time, Charlie Parker's craftsmanship lay at the extreme end of what a player could do with a saxophone, and his experi-



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Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497. "The 30th Annual Adams Avenue Roots Festival" featuring the Scottsville Squirrel Barkers, the 7th Day Buskers [812], Jon Adams, Connie Allen & Bill Dempsey, the American Folk Singers, Bayou Seco with Ken Keppler and Jennie McLerie, Curt Bouterse, the Budapest Brothers, Roy Ruiz Clayton, Kenny Hall, Robin Henkel [914], Merritt Herring, Stu & Gloria Jamison, Frannie Leopold, Los Californios, the New Lost Melody Boys, the New Smoky Mountain Boys with Clark Powell and Wayne Brandon, W.B. Reid, Tanya Rose, Mark Spoelstra, Chris

Timo Mass, Mars Volta, Johnny Marr & the Healers, G. Love & Special Sauce, Rooney, Ben Folds, Tortoise, the Soundtrack of Our Lives, Polyphonic Spree, Mouse on Mars, the Black Eyed Peas [459], the Von Bondies, Whirlwind Heat, and the Kinison: Sunday, April 27, noon, Empire Polo Field, Indio, CA. 619-220-8497. Alan Jackson [777], Phil Vassar, and Joe Nichols: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, April 27, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497. "The Divas of Soul" featuring the Emotions, Brenda Holloway, and Jean Terrell: 4th & B, Sunday, April

27, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497. MONDAY Tomahawk, the Melvins [305], and Skeleton Key: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, April 28, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497. WEDNESDAY The White Stripes [359] and Whirlwind Heat: SOMA, Wednesday, April 30, 8 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

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Yanni *[998]*: Cox Arena, Friday, May 2, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Manic Hispanic, Red Eye Gravy *[423]*, and **Knucklebuster**: The Casbah, Friday, May 2, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Digital Underground *[146]* and the **Icons**: Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, May 3, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Jeff Dunham: 4th & B, Saturday, May 3, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Kenny Loggins *[405]*: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, May 4, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Jaguares *[154]*: 4th & B, Sunday, May 4, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Little Joe y la Familia *[993]*: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Monday, May 5, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002.

Red Holloway: San Diego Museum of Art, Wednesday, May 7, Balboa Park. 619-696-1966.

The Afro-Cuban All-Stars *[858]* and **Agua Dulce** *[711]*: 4th & B, Friday, May 9, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

“Athenaeum Jazz at the Neurosciences Institute” featuring the **Hank Jones Trio**: Friday, May 9, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

“The 28th Annual Pacific Beach Block Party” featuring **Convoy, Slightly Stoopid** *[352]*, **Lee Rocker, Jaime Valle & Equinox** *[706]*, **Fastball** *[436]*, **Steve Poltz** *[815]*, **Earl Thomas** *[946]*, **Hot Rod Lincoln** *[547]*, **Jackpot** *[158]*, **Dishwalla, Royal Crown Revue**, and many more: Saturday, May 10, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Garnet Avenue (from Mission Boulevard to Ingraham Street), Pacific Beach. 619-641-5823.

Journey *[541]*, **REO Speedwagon**, and **Styx** *[559]*: Cox Arena, Sunday, May 11, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Loretta Lynn *[771]*: California Center for the Arts, Sunday, May 11, 4 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

Cracker *[563]* and **Camper Van Beethoven**: 4th & B, Tuesday, May 13, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Gillian Welch *[477]*: Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, May 13, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Tim McGraw & the Dancehall Doctors *[778]*: Cox Arena, Wednesday, May 14, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

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Richard Thompson *[830]*: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 14, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Want to make music that's perfect for America's more pretentious college students? Follow this checklist: 1. Get a retro look and sound. (You're old enough to remember another time, smart enough to rise above fashions of the moment.) 2. Get women in the band. (You're not bound to traditional stereotypes.) 3. Use foreign accents. (You know there's a world beyond the American suburbs.) 4. Affect a lack of emotion, especially with regard to sex. (You're bound neither by the base urges of the lower class nor by bourgeois standards of morality.) 5. Look great. (Extra points for matching outfits.)

If these were the standards of great-

ness, **Ladytron** would be one of the greatest bands of all time. Going down the list: 1. Gary Numan, Kraftwerk. 2. Two women, two men. 3. The men are from Liverpool, the women from Scotland and Bulgaria. 4. They sound like they've never broken a sweat in their lives. 5. They look fantastic in their androgynous haircuts and uniforms.

I don't mean to mock the band: I was a pretentious college student myself once — this stuff makes me feel like I'm getting back in touch with my roots. In fact, these are good times for pretentious college students, at least in terms of music. After a few years where it seemed the clove-cigarette crowd had abandoned rock for the abstraction of electronica, there is suddenly a whole movement of electronic-flavored, song-oriented bands that fit the checklist. People call it electroclash. Never



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Social Distortion *[424]*: SOMA, Friday, May 16, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

LeAnn Rimes *[768]*: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, May 16, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Lisa Marie Presley: 4th & B, Friday, May 16, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Paladins *[962]*: The Casbah, Friday, May 16, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-4355.

“Your Show 4” featuring **LL Cool J, Tyrese** *[621]*, **Daniel Bedingfield, Nappy Roots** *[267]*, **Jennifer Love Hewitt, Stacie Orrico**, and **Frankie J.**: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, May 16, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

50 Cent and **Xzibit**: RIMAC Arena, Saturday, May 17, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Ziggy Marley *[732]*: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, May 17, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Jason Mraz *[819]*: RIMAC Arena, Sunday, May 18, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

John Mayall & the Bluesbreakers *[933]* and **Jimmie Vaughn** *[935]*: 4th & B, Sunday, May 18, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Pedro the Lion *[156]*, **Stratford 4**, and **Ester Drang**: The Casbah, Monday, May 19, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Jonny Lang *[938]*: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, May 20, and Wednesday, May 21, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Kool & the Gang *[923]*: Rincon Casino, Friday, May 23, Valley Center Road, Escondido. 760-751-3100 or 877-777-2457 (toll free).

King's X, Fishbone *[177]*, and the **Brothers from Another Planet** *[397]*: 4th & B, Sunday, May 25, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Pete Yorn, Granddaddy *[160]*, and **Year of the Rabbit**: 4th & B, Tuesday,

May 27, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Fu Manchu *[170]*: The Casbah, Tuesday, May 27, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Hootie & the Blowfish *[502]*: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, May 27, and Wednesday, May 28, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Dragons *[115]* and the **Riverboat Gamblers**: The Casbah, Friday, May 30, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

The Flaming Lips *[184]*, **Liz Phair** *[506]*, and the **Starlight Mints** *[206]*: 4th & B, Friday, May 30, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Mike Watt *[140]*: The Casbah, Saturday, May 31, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

JUNE

Crosby, Stills, & Nash *[507]*: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday,

June 1, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Chris Isaak *[521]*: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, June 1, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Moody Blues *[539]*: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 1, and Monday, June 2, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Coldplay *[557]* and **Mosseicly**: Cox Arena, Tuesday, June 3, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Lucinda Williams *[854]*: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 4, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Buzzcocks: 4th & B, Wednesday, June 4, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Pearl Jam *[239]* and **Idlewild** *[401]*: San Diego Sports Arena, Thursday, June 5, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

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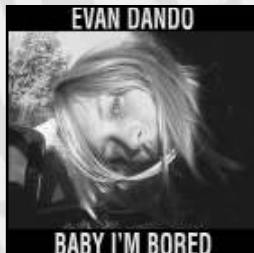
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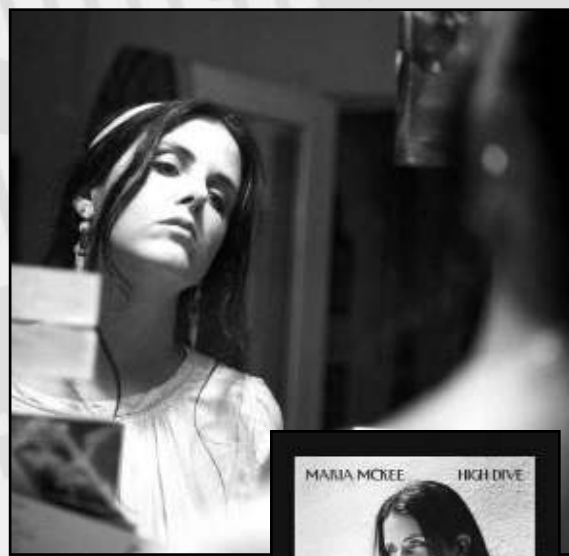


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the Bay, Friday, June 27, 7:30 p.m.,
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Island. 619-220-8497 or
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Steve Winwood [564]: Humphrey's
Concerts by the Bay, Saturday, June
28, and Sunday, June 29, 8 p.m., 2241
Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.
619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Taj Mahal & the Hula Band [944/
and **Sam Moore**: Humphrey's
Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June
30, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive,
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Dan Fogelberg [565] and **Deidre
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"Rockin' Road House Tour" with
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Lawrence**: Del Mar Fairgrounds,
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"Aloha Live" starring **Amy Hanaiali'i
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"Ozzfest" featuring **Korn** [189],
Marilyn Manson [191], **Disturbed**,
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Amphitheatre, Thursday, July 3,
9:30 a.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle,
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Bo Diddley: Del Mar Fairgrounds,
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K.C. & the Sunshine Band [612]: Del
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Sunday, August 3 • 7:30

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Tues. & Wed., August 5 & 6 • 8:00

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Tuesday, September 2 • 8:00

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Phish [566]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, July 8, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

"Vans Warped Tour '03" with Sum 41 [188], the Dropkick Murphys [481], Glassjaw, Rancid [163], the Used, Pennywise [159], Less Than Jake [132], Poison the Well, Taking Back Sunday, the Suicide Machines, Face to Face, Mest, Andrew W.K., Tablib Kweli, Thrive [491], the Ataris [474], Simple Plan, Slick Shoes [415], S.T.U.N., Unseen, Rufio, the Mad Caddies, Tsunami Bomb, Vendetta Red, and more: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, July 10, 12:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Lyle Lovett & His Large Band: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 10, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dwight Yoakam [785]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, July 11, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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AUGUST

The Bacon Brothers: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, August 2, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Smokey Robinson [603]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 3, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Anita Baker: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 5, and Wednesday, August 6, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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The Beach Boys [576]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, September 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Bobby Caldwell: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 3, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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- The Bitty Bums:** Lestat's Coffeehouse
- Blackletter Days:** Soma
- Bleeding Through:** Epicentre

- Bottles & Scrolls:** The Kensington Club
- Bound in Blood:** Epicentre
- Boy Sets Fire:** Epicentre
- Gus Buck & Johnny Society:** Belly Up Tavern
- Buford:** The Casbah
- The Burns:** Epicentre
- Call Me Alice [149]:** Brick By Brick
- Cell Block 5:** Blue Agave
- Cheap Sex:** Wabash Hall
- Cheeky Monkey:** Winstons
- Tori Cobras:** The Kensington Club, Brick By Brick
- Conformacide:** Wabash Hall
- Crank Wrench Audio:** Brick By Brick
- The Crashing:** Dream Street
- Critical Me:** Winstons
- The Cypher:** Hot Monkey Love Cafe
- Dama:** Blind Melons
- Death on Wednesday:** Epicentre
- The Defects:** Wabash Hall
- d.fRost [389]:** Cannibal Bar
- Disown:** Wabash Hall
- Divided By Zero:** Soma
- Downpour:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
- Driven:** Epicentre
- The Dwarves:** The Casbah
- El Nada:** Wabash Hall
- The Experts:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
- Fillibuster:** Blind Melons
- The Furious IV [107]:** The Casbah
- Fuzz Huzzi:** 'Canes Bar and Grill
- Grimby:** Soma
- Happy Hour:** Epicentre
- Honey Bucket [986]:** Cannibal Bar
- The Hope Conspiracy:** Epicentre
- Incredible Moses Leroy [102]:** The Casbah
- The Infants:** The Casbah



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BY MARY MONTGOMERY

Album Name: *Harem-Scarem Suite* (2003)
Artist: T. Storm Hunter
Label: Tetrapod Spools
Songs: 1) Eva: The Bat 2) Kitchy: The Lady from Nod 3) Agnes: Seldom Siren of Delusion 4) Sandy: Since Night You Loved Me; Since Night You Left Me 5) Cotton: Disappearing Candy 6) Shelley: Once Beneath the Bridge 7) Sally: Holdin' Sally in the Alley 8) Ellen: Someone to Love Me 9) Daisy: Laundry Dog 10) Daphne: The Laurel Tree of Apollo
Price/Where Available: *cdbaby.com* or 1-800-BUY-MY-CD for \$12.99
Band Members: T. Storm Hunter (solo piano)
Extra Info: T. Storm Hunter was half of the partnership that founded Encinitas-based record label Tetrapod Spools in 1970, from which he released tapes, vinyl records, and CDs from 1971 to 1999.
Website: *iuma.com*

The artistry of solo pianist T. Storm Hunter shines in a series of ten improvised piano portraits of women that he has known on his

latest album, *Harem-Scarem Suite*.

Each piece, composed spontaneously as it was recorded, lies between mod-

- ir:** Dream Street
- Jake & the Crew:** Dream Street
- The Krumbums:** Wabash Hall
- Lance's Hero:** Epicentre
- Latigo:** The Casbah
- The Leeches:** Brick By Brick
- Left4Dead:** Belly Up Tavern
- Legend Of...:** Dream Street
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- The Lovelight Shine:** Brick By Brick
- David Lovering:** Belly Up Tavern
- The Make-Out Boys:** Brick By Brick
- Man Minus Label:** Dream Street
- The Mansions:** Brick By Brick
- M. Mehdi:** Brick By Brick
- The Melvins [305]:** 'Canes Bar and Grill

ern classical and jazz music. At some points it is obvious that heavy improvisation is being employed; however, the songs always retain a melodic quality. The entire album was recorded in one pass, with no overdubs or edits. There is a rhythmic addition of what seems to be the unintended contribution of a metronome in "Ellen: Someone to Love Me." This suspected metronome can also be detected sporadically throughout some of the other pieces, but it does not interfere with melodies too much.

This album was apparently recorded before the Nails' song "88 Lines About 44 Women," but Hunter's notion of dedicating musical phrases to different women is comparable; however, Hunter's product is suited for a different musical palate.

In tracks "Agnes: Seldom Siren of Delusion" and "Cot-



T. Storm Hunter

ton: Disappearing Candy," each under one minute, it seems as though Hunter ran out of things to say about these women. One hopes the relationships lasted longer, but at least the experiences weren't wasted.

—Mary Montgomery

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Tomahawk: 'Canes Bar and Grill
Torn In Two: Soma
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Underminded [272]: Epicentre
Vaux: Epicentre
Via Satellite: The Casbah
The Vital Few: Dream Street
Vocoder: Dream Street, Winstons
Wanted Dead: Blue Agave
The White Stripes [359]: Soma
Chris Whitley: Belly Up Tavern
Whole Hog: Brick By Brick
Y&T: 'Canes Bar and Grill
The Ziggens [165]: Blind Melons

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

A Vital Few: Soma
Matty A.: Cannibal Bar
Absinthe: Bayou Bar & Grill
The Abuse [441]: Dream Street
All American Rejects: The Scene
Arson for Profit: Moondoggies
At the Park: The Scene
Benchmark: The Golden Goose
The Big Reward: Blind Melons
Big Rig Deluxe: California Club
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The Blessed Devils: In Cahoots
Blind Luck: Second Wind (San Carlos)
Boneyard: Coyote Bar and Grill
Bordertown: Coyote Bar and Grill
Coastal Eddie: Cannibal Bar, Blind Melons
Compton Foster: Winstons
Jimmy Connors: Bub's Whiskey Dive
The Deere Johns: The Casbah
Detroit Underground: Viejas Casino
Earnest Rapture: Brick By Brick
18 Bonez: Moondoggies
The Electric Waste Band: Winstons
Extremo: Sevilla
The Scott Fisher Trio: Winstons
The Flat Out Liars: The Kraken
Floater: Brick By Brick
Four Easy Pieces: The Kraken
Frank Black & the Catholics [554]: Belly Up Tavern
Free Earth Day: Fifth Qtr.
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- Hera's Olive** /461/: Dick's Last Resort
- Hot Boogie Chillon:** Tio Leo's Lounge
- Hot Like A Robot:** Soma
- Hot Rod Lincoln** /547/: Tio Leo's Lounge
- Ikah Love:** Cannibal Bar
- Irradio** /464/: Brick By Brick
- The Jackson 3:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, Carvers
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- Ben Lee** /425/: The Casbah
- Local Tourist:** Boar Cross'n
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- Power Play:** Chuey's Numero Uno
- Private Domain** /489/: Dick's Last Resort
- The Rad Bones:** Blind Melons
- Reaganomics:** Tio Leo's Lounge
- The Rhythm Method:** Coyote Bar and Grill
- Riot House:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill
- Roulette:** Soma
- Roxx** /444/: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub
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- Scottie Leo:** Blind Melons
- Eve Selis** /410/: Humphrey's
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- The Siers Brothers:** Dick's Last Resort
- Sirens Wail** /535/: 'Canes Bar and Grill
- 66 OHM:** California Club
- Smokey:** Cannibal Bar
- Synopsis:** Dream Street
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- They Might Be Giants** /411/: 4th & B
- 34 Below** /437/: Dublin Square
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- 3 Against 1** /456/: Blind Melons
- T'n'T:** Dirk's Niteclub
- Tomaura:** Fireside Lounge, The Flying Bridge
- Tragic Ritual:** Brick By Brick
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SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ none

CLIENTELE ➤ all ages, but mostly late teens (a few late 20s); 70% male; 85% Caucasian, 15% Filipino

COVER ➤ varies from \$5 to \$10 depending on the band (Trainwreck, a side project of Tenacious D, cost \$10)

HOURS ➤ from 2 to 7 p.m., it's a teen center; doors open at 7:30 p.m. for concerts; all concerts end by 11 p.m.; if there's no show, the venue isn't open at night

DRINKS ➤ no alcohol; sodas are \$2; water and Hanson's, \$1

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EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

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FIRE EXITS ➤ three: the main entrance, one behind the stage, and one by the concession stand. I saw a fire extinguisher right by the bathrooms and one at the other end of the stage.

BATHROOMS ➤ men's had two toilets, two urinals, two sinks, liquid soap, but paper-towel machine that didn't work (a kid in there told me it hasn't worked in weeks); women's had three stalls, soap, and paper

towels; both were clean

CAPACITY ➤ 525

SPECIAL AREAS ➤ during the day, they've got a studio, computers, and lots of activities for teens to work on; the concert venue has an area with couches and a video game (the old-school Asteroids); there's also an area that sells snacks; I asked a manager if there was a smoking area; he looked shocked and said, "This is a teen center. We don't promote smoking."

FURNISHINGS ➤ four couches lined up in the back, so you can actually see the band; five other couches off to the side; pay phone; the club is very dark, and I couldn't even read the calendar of events posted on the bulletin board

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ 103 during a funny version of "Footloose" by Trainwreck; last week, 108 at Blind Melons

WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN LAST MONTH ➤ Leftover Crack

QUOTABLE ➤ "Dude, I just went to the car. You left the damn

sunroof open. It's been raining all day; why the hell would you leave the sunroof open?"

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—Josh Board

- Leviticus:** La Valencia Hotel
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- The Love Rangers:** The Alley
- Rick Lyon:** The Imperial House
- Cristie Martel:** Claire de Lune Coffee Lounge
- NRG:** Dick's Last Resort
- The New Breed Band:** The Alley, Blind Melons

- Northstar:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill
- The Orbitz:** Carvers, Buon Giorni Restaurant
- Jack Pollack:** Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge
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The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies

David Beldock: Coyote Bar and Grill

Bossa Nossa: Humphrey’s

Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado

The B-Side Players [649]: Winstons

John Cain [703]: Hotel del Coronado

The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce’s Jazz Bar

The Cradit Union: Neimans Bar and Grill

Jo Dark: The German-American Societies

The David Patrone Quartet: Croce’s Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

Dijah Marie: The Calypso Cafe

Ken Dow: Dizzy’s

The Duotones: The Calypso Cafe

Jahsun Edmonds: Dizzy’s

Robin Edmonds: Dizzy’s

Fattburger: Humphrey’s

Larry Fogel: Moray’s Lounge

The Frank Gambale Trio: Victor’s Restaurant & Bar

Hollis Gentry [644]: Humphrey’s, Coyote Bar and Grill

The Grossmont College Faculty Jazz Quintet: Dizzy’s

The Cynthia Hammond Trio: La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge

Inner Voyage: Bayou Bar & Grill

Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del Coronado

The Jazz Allstars: Jimmy Love’s

Lady Dottie: Bayou Bar & Grill

Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado

Philippe LeJeune: The Calypso Cafe, Dizzy’s

Coral MacFarland Thuet: Dizzy’s

David Maldonado: Borders Books & Music (Carmel Mountain)

Tureya Mareya: Dizzy’s

Joe Marillo [645]: Elario’s Bistro & Sky Lounge

Masterpiece: Jimmy Love’s

Carolanne Matteson: The Metaphor Coffeehouse

The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce’s Jazz Bar

Jose Molina Serrano: Humphrey’s

Duncan Moore: Dizzy’s

Mystique: Jimmy Love’s

Sue Palmer [641]: The Calypso Cafe

Leonard Patton: Dizzy’s

Ben Powell: Tomiko Bar & Grill

Primo: Sevilla, Croce’s Jazz Bar

Quiet Storm [682]: Humphrey’s

Rick Ross: Moray’s Lounge, Elario’s Bistro & Sky Lounge

The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn Suites

Dave Scott: Croce’s Jazz Bar

Small Town Heroes: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)

Tony Soraci: Danato’s Ristorante

Peter Sprague [643]: Dizzy’s

Tripp Sprague: Dizzy’s

Stellita: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

Joe Tarrantino: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

Chris Torres Band: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)

The Jaime Valle Bossa/Jazz Duo: Anthony’s Star of the Sea

The Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet: Tutto Mare

The Vanguard Players: Bayou Bar & Grill

The Wings of Victory Orchestra: Viejas Casino

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EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

Bredren: The Scene

Everyday People: Fifth Qtr.

Gumboyaya: Coyote Bar and Grill

Iniversal Saints: The Scene

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The Skatalites: Winstons

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Vegitation: The Scene, Winstons

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

Hill Country: Second Wind (Escondido)

The Honky Tonk Kings: Don’s Cocktail Lounge

The Hank Williams Sr. Tribute [765]: The Cask and Cleaver Restaurant

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

Ashley: Hennessey’s Tavern (Gaslamp)

Berkley Hart [880]: Croce’s Top Hat Bar and Grille, Belly Up Tavern

Tim Bluhm: Belly Up Tavern

Steve Brewer: Blarney Stone Pub

J.D. Brouchard: Princess Pub & Grille

Brent Byrd: Hennessey’s Tavern (Gaslamp)

Joe Byrnes: Blarney Stone Pub

The Celtic Ensemble: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Jim Earp: Borders Books & Music (El Cajon)

John Foltz: La Costa Coffee Roasting Co.

4-Way Street: McP’s Irish Pub and Grill

Tom Griesgraber: Borders Books & Music (Gaslamp)

The Chris Kelly Group: Tiki House

Brian Koehler: Tomiko Bar & Grill

Jenn Lindsay: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Greg Loicono: Belly Up Tavern

Jesse Malin: The Casbah

Nodlaig: Dublin Square

Tristan Prettyman: Belly Up Tavern

Raggle Taggle: Dublin Square

Gary Rich: McP’s Irish Pub and Grill

Ron’s Garage: Hennessey’s Tavern (Carlsbad), Dick’s Last Resort

Skelpin: Dublin Square

EXTENSION 4009

BLUES / SOUL

The Bayou Brothers [948]: Patrick’s II

The Blues Brokers: The Kraken, Tio Leo’s Lounge

The Boogiemen: The Gordon Biersch Brewery

Tommy Budd & Windy City [957]: Island Sports & Spirits

The Calypso Maniacs: The Calypso Cafe

Tommy Castro [917]: Belly Up Tavern

Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters [932]: Shooters Bar and Grill, Chateau Orleans

The Daily Blues Band: Flinn Springs Inn

Family Style: Patrick’s II

Fuzzy & the Bluesmen [912]: Croce’s Top Hat Bar and Grille

The Int’l Silver Strings Submarine Band: The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe

Cee Cee James & the Midnight Riders: Triple Crown Pub

Candye Kane [939]: The Calypso Cafe

Red Lane: Zip & Zack’s Filling Station, Patrick’s II

The Bill Magee Blues Band [947]: Patrick’s II

Kymberlee Maxine: Elario’s Bistro & Sky Lounge

Jeff Moore [910]: The Calypso Cafe

The Nude Blues: Bahia Belle Cruise

Oozie Blues: Fifth Qtr.

The Scavengers: Island Sports & Spirits

Billy Seward: Patrick’s II

Dean Smith: The Calypso Cafe

Sonny & the Rumble Tones: La Costa Coffee Roasting Co.

The Soul Revue: Jimmy Love’s

The Swingin’ Kings [916]: Patrick’s II

Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors [946]: Winstons

Billy Watson: The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Dublin Square

EXTENSION 4010

EVERYTHING ELSE

Shirley Allen: Red Fox Steakhouse

Burnett Anderson: Cafe LaMaze

Bere e Banda Brazeiro: Sevilla

Cal-Son: The Calypso Cafe

Sammy Dale Canonidado: Cafe LaMaze

Sandy Chappel: Cafe LaMaze

Cirro: Buon Giorno Restaurant

Julio de la Huerta: The Westgate Hotel

Vicki Eriqat: Edelweiss Restaurant

Jim Guerlin: Red Fox Steakhouse

Joe Guevara: Bayou Bar & Grill

Kjell Holmes [994]: Edelweiss Restaurant

Inthevisualz: Blind Melons

Daniel Jackson: Hotel del Coronado

Gordon Kohl [983]: Edelweiss Restaurant

Barry Levich: La Valencia Hotel

Los Reyes del Ritmo: Mr. Joey’s Cantina

Fran Loskota: The Westgate Hotel

The Rich Martin Singing Show: Danato’s Ristorante

Rico Tumbao: Sevilla

Carl Robinson [995]: Mocha Market Place

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BK Lounge: Fridays, hip-hop, dancehall, reggae, and R&B. 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Beneath 5th Qtr. (formerly Buffalo Joe's), corner of Fifth and Market, Gaslamp, 619-236-1616. Information, 619-998-4336.

Brown Sugar: Fridays, good vibes and urban music with DJ Myxzplix. The Brass Rail, 3796 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-2233.

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Club '80s: Thursdays, DJs Bryan P, Muckley, and Adam Z spin '80s music, new wave, synthpop, and new romantic at Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744. First Friday of every month at the Hollywood Star, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-232-2102. 21 and up. Information, 619-465-5827.

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Club Tropics: Thursdays, DJ Sticky spins Latin, freestyle, house, and hip-hop. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos, 760-737-9402.

Darkwave Garden: Every second, fourth, and fifth Saturday, gothic, ethereal, electro, fetish, and dance; 21 and up. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown, 619-296-6789. Information, 619-465-5827.

Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club: Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop, R&B, and Latin house; DJ Battle spins trance, progressive house, and jungle on the patio. High school and college students admitted. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido, 760-741-9393.

The Pompeii Room: Thursdays, DJ Sticky spins Latin, freestyle, house, and hip-hop. Fridays, hip-hop and old skool with Boy Toy Jesse. Saturdays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, house, disco, and reggae. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos, 760-737-5040.

The Psy-Bar Lounge: Sundays, DJs David J, Tom King, and Eric Talbot spin IDM, trip hop, electro, downtempo, and techno. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Club Pure, 8125 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-538-7873.

The Red Room: Fridays, hip-hop, R&B, and Top 40 with DJs D-Skwiz and Enigma. No cover. Moondoggies, 909 Prospect Street, Suite 290 (upstairs), La Jolla, 858-454-9664.

The Room: Thursdays, DJ Maze. Fridays, DJ Daimon, deep funky house. Saturdays, DJ Maze, global dance grooves. 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. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego, 619-574-0744. Information, 619-743-1623.

Saturday Night Mix: Saturdays, hip-hop and R&B with DJs Enigma, Nick, and Big Dude. No cover. Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-6550.

Soul Cellar: Saturdays, hip-hop, dancehall, reggae, and R&B. 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Beneath 5th Qtr. (formerly Buffalo Joe's), corner of Fifth and Market, Gaslamp, 619-236-1616. Information, 619-998-4336.

Sunset Sundays: Sundays, 4/13 through 5/4, DJs Real, Jon Sautter, and Matt Levine spin hip-hop, downtempo, and progressive. 'Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780.

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NORTH COUNTY

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *the Love Rangers*, Top 40/pop. Wednesday, *the New Breed Band*, pop.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 9 pm, *Frank Black & the Catholics* and *David Lovering*, alternative. Friday, 9:15 pm, *Tim Bluhm*, *Greg Loicono*, *Berkley Hart*, and *Tristan Prettyman*, alternative folk. Saturday, 9:15 pm, *Tommy Castro* and *Left4Dead*, blues/rock. Sunday, 7:30 pm, *Primo*, Latin jazz. Wednesday, 9 pm, *Chris Whitley* with *Gus Buck & Johnny Society*.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Local Tourist*, classic rock.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, *the Ini'l Silver Strings Submarine Band* featuring *Billy Watson*, blues.

Borders Books and Music, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Saturday, 8 pm, *David Maldonado*, Flamenco.

Bub's Whiskey Dive, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *Jimmy Connors*, rock. Saturday, *Synergy*, rock. Sunday, 4 pm to midnight, open mike.

The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, *Sue Palmer* and *Candye Kane*, blues. Friday, *Cal-Son*, Latin. Saturday, *Jeff Moore* and *Dean Smith*, blues. Sunday, *the Duotones*, jazz. Tuesday, *Phillip Lejeune* and *Dijah Marie*, jazz. Wednesday, *the Calypso Maniacs*.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *the Orbitz*, pop. Saturday, *the Jackson 3*, rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Rhythm Method*, rock. Friday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Bordertown*, rock, blues, folk. Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, *David Beldock*, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Gumboyaya*, funk, blues. Sunday, 2 pm to 5:30 pm, *the Ventilators*, rock, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Hollis Gentry*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Boneyard*, rock.

Danato's Ristorante, 1280 East Vista Way, Vista. 760-724-7242. Thursday, *Tony Soraci*. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, *the Rich Martin Singing Show*.

The Del Dios Country Store, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733. Friday, *Nitro Express*, country.

Fireside Lounge, 439 West Washington Avenue, Escondido. 760-745-1931. Friday, house Latin. Saturday and Sunday, Latin, salsa, and cumbia. Wednesday, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *Tomaura*, rock.

The Flying Bridge, 1105 North Coast Highway, Oceanside. 760-722-1151. Monday, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *Tomaura*, rock.

Fogerty's Pub, 1260 West Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-0833. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Liquid Blue*, pop rock.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *Ron's Garage*, acoustic. Saturday, *the Kyle Frost Band*, rock.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, *Four Easy Pieces*, rock. Friday, *the Flat Out Liars*, classic rock. Saturday, *the Blues Brokers*.

La Costa Coffee Roasting Co., 6965 El Camino Real, Suite 208, La Costa. 760-438-8160. Music hours are from 7 pm to 10 pm. Friday, *John Foltz*,

folk. Saturday, *Sonny & the Rumble Tones*, blues.

La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge, La Costa Resort and Spa, Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad. 760-438-9111. Friday and Saturday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *the Cynthia Hammond Trio*, jazz.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *Chris Torres Band*. Sunday, *Small Town Heroes*.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Call club for information.

The Metaphor Coffeehouse, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, Dixieland jazz. Tuesday, 7 pm to 9 pm, *Carolanne Matteson*, jazz. Wednesday, open mike.

Mocha Marketplace, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-2112. Friday, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Carl Robinson*, soft rock.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, 6:15 pm to 9:15 pm, *the Credit Union*, swing, 10 pm, hip-hop. Friday, 9 pm, *DJ Bob One*, disco, hip-hop. Sunday, 9:30 pm, live salsa. Monday, live swing band.

Rio Rico Restaurant & Cantina, 5256 South Mission Road, Bonsall. 760-945-1250. Friday, 7 pm to 9 pm, *Frank Alves*, contemporary jazz.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Village Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, *Hill Country*, country.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, 9 pm, open mike. Friday, *Lighter*, alternative. Saturday, *Green Eggs & Sam*, rock.

Tomiko Bar & Grill, 87 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-633-3587. Friday, 8 pm to 10 pm, *Ben Powell*, blues/jazz. Saturday, 8 pm to 10 pm, *Brian Koehler*, acoustic.

Zip & Zack's Filling Station & Pickup Joint, 1020 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-591-9393. Saturday, 8 pm, *Red Lane*, blues, rock.

BEACHES

Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach. 858-488-0551. Tangier Bar: Friday and Saturday, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *James Bianchi*, contemporary piano/vocals.

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *the Ziggens* and *Spoken Gun*, roots rock. Friday, *3 Against 1*, *Dama*, and *Samara*, alternative. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *the Big Reward*, 8:30 pm, *the Rad Bones*, guests. Sunday, 3 pm to 7 pm, *the New Breed Band*. Wednesday, *Inthevisualz*.

'Canes Bar and Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the Experts*, *Siphon*, *Downpour*, *Sisera Sell*, and *Fuzz Huzzi*. Friday, *Primal Scream*. Saturday, *Y&T*, *AC/DSHE*, and *Sirens Wail*. Monday, *Tomahawk*, *the Melvins*, and *Skeleton Key*.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Friday, 8 pm, *d/Rost*, *Honey Bucket*, and special guests, alternative. Saturday, 9 pm, *Y3K*, classic rock. Sunday, call club for information.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, *the Vital Few*, *Search Project*, *Legend of...*, and *Jake & the Crew*. Friday, *Spoken Gun*, *ir*, *Vocoder*, and *the Crashing*. Saturday, *the Abuse*, *Stretcher*, *Thought Experiment*, *Afterblack*, and *Man Minus Label*. Wednesday, *Middle Finger*, *Murderous Red Glare*, and *Synopsis*.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Music is blues/jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Joe Marillo*. Friday, *Jack Pollack*, piano and vocals. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, also, Tuesday and Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Friday, *Mysterious Ways*, rock.

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*, pop, jazz.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, *the Mitch Bud Band*. Monday, *18 Bonez* and *Arson for Profit*.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, 8:30 pm, and Friday, 9 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz, piano, saxophone, and vocals. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday through Tuesday, *Larry Fogel*, singer, pianist.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Call club for information.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Friday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *the Chris Kelly Group*, acoustic. Friday, *Trophy Wife*, rock. Saturday, *Triple X*, rock. Sunday, Chris Kelly's Open mike night.

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Albie's Beef Inn, 1201 Hotel Circle South, San Diego. 619-291-1103. Saturday through Tuesday, *David Timothy Smith*.

Anthony's Star of the Sea, 1360 North Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-232-7408. Thursday, 6 pm to 9 pm, *the Jaime Valle Bossa/Jazz Duo*, Brazilian-Latin jazz.

The Bahia Belle Cruise, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 pm. Friday, *B Natural*, pop. Saturday, *the Nude Blues*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Joe Byrnes*, folk. Sunday, open mike. Tuesday, Irish jam session.

The Blue Agave, 6608 Mission Gorge Road, San Diego. 619-521-3194. Sunday, *Wanted Dead and Cell Block 5*, alternative.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, *You & What Army*, *Leroi*, *Allotic*, and *Problem Solved*. Friday, *M. Mehdi*, *Crank Wrench Audio*, *Call Me Alice*, *Earnest Rapture*, and *Sequencia Luminai*. Saturday, *Accident Experiment*, *the Lovelight Shine*, and *Irradio*. Tuesday, *Tori Cobras*, *the Make-Out Boys*, *the Leeches*, and *Whole Hog*. Wednesday, *Friction Switch*, *Floater*, *Triad*, and *Tragic Ritual*.

California Club, 5522 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Friday, *Pocket Size Planet*, alternative. Saturday, 66 OHM and *Maple Tongue*, rock. Wednesday, *Big Rig Deluxe*, rock.

The Cask and Cleaver Restaurant, 3757 South Mission Road, Fallbrook. 760-728-2818. Sunday, 6 pm, *the Hank Williams Sr. Tribute* featuring *Jack Johnson*, country.

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The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *the Boogiemen*, R&B.

Hot Monkey Love Cafe, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-582-5908. Thursday, jazz jam. Friday, swing. Saturday, live rock/alternative band. Sunday, Latin Night. Monday, call club for information. Tuesday, *the Cypher*, hip-hop. Wednesday, open mike.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9 pm, *Quiet Storm*, jazz. Friday, 6 pm to 8 pm, *Hollis Gentry*, jazz, 9:30 pm, *Eve Selis*, roadhouse rock. Saturday, 6 pm to 8 pm, *Bossa Nossa*, 9:30 pm, *Rising Star*, pop. Sunday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Jose Molina Serrano*, jazz. Monday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Island Breeze*, pop. Tuesday, 8:30 pm, *Fattburger*, jazz. Wednesday, 8:30 pm, *the Eve Selis Band*, roadhouse rock.

The Imperial House, 505 Kalmia Street, San Diego. 619-234-3525. Friday and Saturday, *Rick Lyon*, contemporary keyboard.

In Cahoots, 5373 Mission Center Road, Mission Valley. 619-291-8635. Thursday, *the Blessed Devils*, rock.

The Inn Suites, 2223 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 pm to 10 pm, workshop/concert with *the San Diego Concert Jazz Band*.

The Inn at the Park, 623 Spruce Street, San Diego. 619-291-0999. Thursday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Karen Giorgio*, piano, vocals, open mike.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Music is alternative. Friday, *Tori Cobras* and *Bottles & Scrolls*.

Lestat's Coffeehouse, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Thursday, 9 pm to 11 pm, *the Bitty Bums*, alternative.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *the Jackson 3*, rock. Saturday, *Roxx*, rock.

Red Fox Steakhouse, 2228 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-297-1313. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, *Shirley Allen*, piano. Sunday through Tuesday, *Jim Guerlin*, piano.

San Diego Sports Club, 1271 University Avenue, San Diego. 619-299-7372. Call club for information.

The Scene, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Music is alternative. Friday, *Bredren*, *Vegetation*, *Iniversal Saints*, *Roots Covenant*, and *Tribe of Kings*, reggae. Wednesday, *All American Rejects*, *Motion City Soundtrack*, and *At the Park*.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday and Saturday, *Blind Luck*, classic rock.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Saturday, *Bleed Street*.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Friday, *One Track Mind*, *A Vital Few*, *Offset*, *Hot Like A Robot*, *Roulette*, and *This Holiday Life*. Saturday, *Lodus*, *Divided By Zero*, *Grimby*, *Blackletter Days*, *Torn in Two*, and *A Farewell to Freedom*. Wednesday, *the White Stripes*.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Boogie Chillon* and *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, *Blues Brokers*. Saturday, *Reaganomics* and *Rubiks Groove*, rock.

Triple Crown Pub, 3221 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-281-0263. Saturday, 9 pm, *Cee Cee James & the Midnight Riders*, blues.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 pm, *the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet*.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Sunday, 4 pm to 6 pm, *the Celtic Ensemble*, folk. Friday and Saturday, *Jenn Lindsay*, folk. Wednesday, open mike hosted by *Jefferson Jay*.

Wabash Hall, 3855 Wasbash Avenue, North Park. 619-696-9268. Thursday, 7 pm, *Slaughter & the Dogs*, *the Riffs*, *the Strap Onz*, *the Krumbums*, *Cheap Sex*, and *Rat City Riot*, punk. Sunday, 2 pm, *Smogtown*, *El Nada*, *the Loads*, *S.O.S.*, *the Defects*, *Conformacide*, and *Disown*, punk.

DOWNTOWN

The Bayou Bar & Grill, 329 Market Street, downtown. 619-696-8747. All music is jazz. Thursday, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, *Joe Guevara*, piano, 9 pm, *the Vanguard Players* with *Lady Dottie*, R&B. Friday, and Sunday through Wednesday, 9 pm, *Absinthe*. Saturday, 9 pm, *Inner Voyage*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

Borders Books & Music (Gaslamp), 668 Sixth Avenue, San Diego. 619-702-4200. Friday, 9 pm, *Tom Griesgraber*, folk. Sunday, 5:30 pm, *Songwriter's Showcase*.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Stereo Total*, *Incredible Moses Leroy*, and *Via*

Satellite. Friday, *Ben Lee*, *Jesse Malin*, and *the Deere Johns*. Saturday, *the Dwarves*, *Kut U Up*, and *the Furious IV*. Sunday, *Party of Helicopters*, *the North Atlantic*, *the Science of Yabra*, and *Prizefight*. Tuesday, *Buford*, *Latigo*, and *the Infants*.

Chuey's Numero Uno, 1894 Main Street, downtown. 619-234-6937. Friday, *Power Play*, rock.

Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, Balboa Park. 619-418-8858. Call club for information.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the David Patrone Jazz Quartet*. Friday, *Yavaz*. Saturday, *Primo*. Sunday, *Archtones*. Monday, *Dave Scott*. Tuesday, *the Shep Meyers Quartet*. Wednesday, *the Jorge Camberos Quintet*.

Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. Friday, *Berkley Hart*, acoustic. Saturday, *Fuzzy & the Bluesmen*, blues.

Dakota Grill and Spirits, 901 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5554. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Peter Robberecht/Pianoman*, pop/Top 40.

Dick's Last Resort, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Thursday, *Ron's Garage*, acoustic. Friday, *NRG*, high-energy dance. Saturday, *the Siers Brothers*, classic rock. Sunday, *Hera's Olive*, rock. Tuesday and Wednesday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll.

Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Thursday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *the Grossmont College Faculty Jazz Quintet*. Friday, 8:30 pm, *Tureya Mareya*, and friends, jazz. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *Peter Sprague*, *Tripp Sprague*, *Duncan Moore*, *Ken Dow*, *Tommy Aros*, *Leonard Patton*, and *Coral MacFarland Thuet*. Sunday, 6 pm, *Jahsun Edmonds* and *Robin Edmonds*, jazz. Wednesday, 8 pm, *Philippe LeJeune*, jazz.

Dublin Square, 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-5818. Thursday, 34 Below, rock. Friday, *Raggle Taggle*, traditional Irish folk. Monday, *Nodlaig*, Celtic harpist. Tuesday, *Billy Watson*, blues. Wednesday, 8:30 pm, *Skelpin*, Irish folk.

5ifth Qtr. (formerly Buffalo Joe's), 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-236-1616. Saturday, *the Disco Pimps*. Sunday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Free Earth Day* and *Oozie Blues*. Wednesday, *Everyday People*.

4th & B, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343. Friday, *They Might Be Giants* and *Amy Miles*, alternative. Saturday, *the Thievery Corporation*.

Hajji Baba, 1065 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-595-7887. Thursday, 7:30 pm, salsa. Friday and Saturday, live Middle Eastern music.

Hennessey's Tavern, 708 Fourth Avenue (corner of Fourth and G), Gaslamp. 619-239-9991. Thursday and Wednesday, *Ashley*, folk. Saturday, 9 pm, *Brent Byrd*, acoustic.

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, 6:30 pm to 11 pm, *Masterpiece*, jazz, funk, R&B. Monday, 6:30 pm to 11 pm, *the Jazz Allstars*. Tuesday, *Mystique*, jazz, funk, R&B. Wednesday, 7:30 pm, *the Soul Revue*.

Martini Ranch, 528 F Street, downtown. 619-235-6100. Wednesday, *the David Patrone Quartet*, jazz.

Martini's, 3940 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-293-0232. Music is contemporary/variety. Thursday, *Linda Roth*. Friday, *Carol Curtis*. Saturday, *Patrick Hill*. Sunday, *John Garcia*. Tuesday, *Paul Greg*. Wednesday, *Sylvia Lorraine*.

Patrick's II, 428 F Street, downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues. Thursday, *the Texas Twisters*. Friday, *the Swingin' Kings*. Saturday, *Family Style*. Sunday, *Billy Seward*. Monday, *Red Lane*. Tuesday, *the Bayou Brothers*. Wednesday, *the Bill Magee Blues Band*.

Princess Pub & Grille, 1665 India Street, Little Italy/downtown. 619-702-3021. Saturday, *J.D. Brouhard*.

Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-5979. Music is Latin. Thursday, *Salsumba*. Sunday, *bere e banda brasileiro*. Monday, *Extremo*. Tuesday, *Primo*. Wednesday, *Rico Tumbao*.

The Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown. 619-238-1818. The Plaza Bar: Friday and Saturday, 8 pm, *Fran Loskota*, piano and vocals. Monday, 8 pm, *Julio de la Huerta*, guitar and vocals. Sunday, *Julio & Fran*.

Fontainebleau Restaurant: Friday and Monday, *Peter Robberecht/Pianoman*.

The Wyndham Emerald Plaza, 400 West Broadway, downtown. 619-239-4500. The Sidebar Lounge: Thursday and Wednesday, 5 pm to 7:30 pm, *Joe Tarrantino*, jazz piano, solo. Friday, 5 pm to 9 pm, *Stellita* and *Joe Tarrantino*, pop.

SOUTH BAY/ CORONADO

Buon Giorno Restaurant, 4110 Bonita Road, Bonita. 619-475-2660. Thursday, *Cirro*, Latin. Friday, 8:30 pm, *Jesse Davis*, variety. Saturday, *the Orbitz*, '60s and '70s music.

The Butcher Shop, 556 Broadway, Chula Vista. 619-420-9440. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 pm to midnight, *Danny Lopez*, contemporary.

Cafe LaMaze, 1441 Highland Avenue, National City. 619-474-3222. Friday and Saturday, piano bar, featuring *Sandy Chappel*, *Sammy Canonizado*, and *Burnett Anderson*.

Di-mond Jim's Nightclub, 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Mike & Valerie*.

Edelweiss Restaurant, 230 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-426-5172. Friday and Saturday, 6 pm, *Gordon Kohl*, *Kjell Holmes*, or *Vicki Eriqat*, European and ethnic accordion.

Hotel del Coronado, 1550 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-6611. Babcock & Story: Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Tony Lasley*, Latin jazz. Friday and Saturday, 8:30 pm, *Barbara Jamerson*, jazz. Palm Court: Thursday through Sunday, 5:30 pm, *Ray Briz*. Also, Sunday, noon to 4 pm, *Joey West*. Monday through Wednesday, 5:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *John Cain*. Prince of Wales: Thursday and Wednesday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *the Shep Meyers Quartet*. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 6:30 pm to 10 pm, *Daniel Jackson*, jazz.

Island Sports & Spirits, 104 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-3456. Thursday, 8 pm, open-blues jam. Friday, *the Scavengers*, blues. Saturday, *Tommy Budd & Windy City*, blues.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Thursday, *Northstar*, pop. Friday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 4-Way Street, acoustic. Saturday, *Riot House*, rock. Tuesday, *Gary Rich*, acoustic folk.

The Plum Loco Saloon, 2511 Sweetwater Road, National City. 619-475-7313. Thursday, *DJ Rassie* and *DJ Winston*, reggae. Friday, *DJ Lenny*, old skool. Saturday, *DJ Cisco*, hip-hop, R&B.

EAST COUNTY

Borders Books & Music, 159 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon. 619-593-5119. Saturday, 7 pm, *Jim Earp*, acoustic.

Dirk's Niteclub, 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove. 619-469-6344. Friday and Saturday, *T'n'T*, classic rock.

Don's Cocktail Lounge, 13321 Business Highway 8, El Cajon. 619-443-2444. Friday and Saturday, *the Honky Tonk Kings*, country.

Flinn Springs Inn, 15505 Highway 80, El Cajon. 619-561-3015. Sunday, 1:30 pm to 5 pm, *the Daily Blues Band*.

The German-American Societies, 1017 South Mollison Avenue, El Cajon. 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 pm, *the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band* featuring *Jo Dark*.

The Golden Goose Coffeehouse, 10001 Maine Avenue, Lakeside. 619-390-1990. Saturday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Benchmark*, classic rock.

Mr. Joey's Cantina, 9570 Murray Drive, La Mesa. 619-466-2912. Saturday, *Los Reyes del Ritmo*, Latin.

Second Wind, 8528 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-596-8350. Friday and Saturday, *Serious Guise*, classic rock.

Viejas Casino, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine (off Interstate 8). 619-445-5400. Friday, 9 pm, *the Fabulous Pelicans*. Saturday, 9 pm, *Detroit Underground*, rock, soul. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, *the Wings of Victory Orchestra*, big-band jazz.

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Quail with rose petals! Quail with — *rose petals*? This combination was the ultimate aphrodisiac in the book and the movie, *Like Water for Chocolate* — so weird that I just had to try cooking it a few years ago. Using organic backyard roses and a brace of Convoy Street fowl, my results were foul beyond my worst imaginings. The flowers tasted like soap, and I couldn't get hold of the requisite exotic fruit, something called a *pitaya*. (I can't remember what fruit I substituted. Whatever it was, it didn't work.)

So when I saw the dish on the menu of El Cid, I was in like Flynn. And their rendition was just as sexy as it's supposed to be — sweet and tart, creamy and fruity, with a faint trace of anise. It definitely includes real *pitaya* (the tiny black seeds are a give-away). If the crisp-skinned quail was a trifle overcooked, who would notice in the face of that outrageous sauce, as sublime in real life as in fiction?

But I'm getting ahead of myself. El Cid is a major restaurant at the heart of Ensenada's tourist area, but its cooking is considerably better than coach class. The interior resembles a Spanish hacienda, with red brick pillars, Moorish archways, and tiled ceilings. My favorite spot, of course, is the airy sidewalk patio, with its low iron fence separating it from the street action, like the dining patios of the Gaslamp. The bilingual waiters are dressed more formally than the patrons (*¿como no?*) and handle their tasks considerably more professionally than the average San Diego ("I'd rather be surfin'") server. They dispense the victuals with a subtle flourish — until dessert. Then, depending on what you order, the flourish may come right out front.

The menu is so long, I needed sustenance just to read through it. A margarita hit the spot — not too sour, not too sweet, with a natural flavor that hinted at fresh-squeezed limes rather than a bar mix. Entrées are divided into "Combinations," "Specialties," and listings by species. For instance, if you're feeling carnivorous, there are no fewer than nine beefsteak choices, one naked but the others sporting eight varieties of lavish garnishes. (I was set on the quail but was seriously tempted by the steak with chipotle sauce gratinéed atop a nopal cactus pad.)

Amidst the encyclopedic entrée choices, the appetizer list is pretty short — mainly standard stuff but for one exciting "ringer": Stuffed *chilitos* (little chiles) consist of small, pale-green, fire-peeled *guero*



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peppers with a nice little kick (watch out for the seeds!). They're filled with deeply smoked local tuna, of the sort sold at the Mercado de Mariscos on the town waterfront. The combination of salt, smoke, and spice is invigorating, and the little packets sit atop a dark sauce of oil and soy that picks up the chile burn. If you want to taste it "straight" — believe me, sip, don't slurp.

Dinners include a soup or a salad. A sparkling-fresh array of greens from the nearby farms of Maneadero is garnished with crisp croutons made from the tasty, house-baked baguettes, and our choice of a cilantro dressing proved to be a bright, balanced vinaigrette with some engaging subtle undertones, tasting more French than Mexican. Of the three soup choices, don't miss the unique *crema de nopal*, a fascinating essence of cactus-pad flavor in a smooth, creamy purée. We actually mourned when we reached the bottom of the bowl. (The other soups are French onion, done in normal style, and "du jour.")

The menu's "Comida Mexicana Especial" section of house specialties is where you'll find the best

dishes, created from Mexico's most sophisticated recipes. For instance, the Chile en Nogada, a dish from the state of Puebla, features a huge, dark-green chile poblano of inimitable fresh flavor, stuffed with lean, greaseless ground meat and dried fruit. It's swathed lightly with a white sauce made with ground almonds and walnuts, dotted with pomegranate seeds, and streaked with sweet pomegranate syrup. This is always an enjoyable dish, but (thanks to the superb beef) I think that El Cid's rendition is the most refined rendition that I've tasted. All entrées come with good rice cooked in chicken stock and a boiled veggie medley.

The fish of the day was "blanco" — "white fish," whatever species that may be. Looking to the specialties list again, we chose to have it cooked as "Filete de Pescado Coronado," gratinéed with cheese and bathed in cream with shrimp, crab, and clams. The shrimp pieces were chunks, the clams were slivered, and the crab was invisible, probably just lending flavor to the sauce. The fish was tenderly cooked, and its sauce was, as they say, "*muy rico*!" (In Spanish, that's an idiom for "deli-

El Cid

★★½ (very, very good)

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NEED TO KNOW: Bilingual staff, English menus available. "Specialties" section of menu has the best dishes. Sidewalk patio dining available. Often crowded on weekends during tourist peaks. Border crossing: Officially, the Department of Homeland Security now requires that to return to the U.S., you must show your passport or birth certificate. (As of this writing, the new policy is not consistently enforced.)

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REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

cious," but it literally means "very rich." Both definitions apply here.)

Most restaurants in Ensenada offer just one dessert, *flan*. The more ambitious El Cid presents several choices, including *flan de naranja* — orange flan, an intense, velvety rectangle of custard, with a subtle orange-essence flavor. In the contest of orange versus flan, the flan won, but just by a nose.

But the big production number is a dish of crêpes with a sauce of *cajeta* (caramel). Our waiter arrived at our table with two assistants, like a magician about to perform his most elaborate trick. The assistants wheeled over a small table topped

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with a burner, cooking implements, several little bottles of mystery liquids, two silvery bowls (containing sugar and butter), and a plateful of crêpes from the kitchen. First, the waiter poured a splash of liqueur into a tiny skillet set over the flame. An assistant handed him a long lighter and, with an “abracadabra” gesture, the waiter set the liquid afire. The other assistant handed him one of the silver bowls, from which the waiter spooned sugar into the skillet and started it melting, followed immediately by big lumps of butter from the other container. Stirring constantly, the waiter added another splash of liqueur (it looked and smelled like the local Presidente brandy),

followed by Carnation evaporated milk, more energetic stirring, more sugar. The sauce turned thick and dark, glossy brown. The waiter-cook-magician plopped the crêpe into the boiling mixture, flipped it once, and — ta-da! — using two spoons, folded it neatly into quarters. He transferred his masterpiece to a plate, spooned on the remaining sauce, and set the dessert on the table. “Enjoy!” he said. We did, we did!

CAFE BEIRUT DELI & GRILL, 346 Calle Segunda, between Ruiz and Obregón, Ensenada, Baja (646-178-1011); Monday-Saturday, 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; Sunday 12:30-5:00 p.m. If you spend enough time in

Ensenada (say, a week) you may find yourself yearning for a change from mariscos, tacos, and steaks. Cafe Beirut is a charming spot for a light meal of a wholly different flavor.

Lebanese cooking pervades modern Mexico. For instance, last time I was in Mérida, the capital of Yucatán, the main square held more Lebanese restaurants than Mayan ones. In Ensenada, a small Lebanese community goes back 50 years, consisting of four extended families, including one that moved here from Mérida. Feiga, the bubbly, California-educated hostess of Cafe Beirut, told us that the local Lebanese community kept urging her to open a little cafe because she cooked so well.

“This business is just three ladies having fun in the kitchen,” she laughed.

The menu is typically Lebanese with a few popular Greek items — a gyros platter, sandwiches, a Mediterranean pizza with fresh tomato, red onion, feta, and olives. Whatever you order, Feiga starts you off with a platter of three free *mezzes*: good Greek black olives, hummus, and a spectacular baba ganoush of eggplant mashed with tahini (sesame purée), lemon, and olive oil.

Unless you have your mouth set on one flavor, I recommend exploring the ten-dollar combination platter, which gives you an overview of the whole menu. In San Diego, most

Mediterranean restaurants stuff their grape leaves with rice and/or boring old beef. At Beirut, the dolmas are filled with lamb and rice, accompanied by a lavish whole-milk yogurt sauce (*labn*). The same yummy yogurt (and this comes from a yogurt hater) is the secret of the *kibbe*, ovals of ground lamb and pine nuts rolled in soft, lightly spiced ground whole wheat, which resembles a grainy pan-fried batter. On a hot day, the lively tabouleh is heaven — a salad of bulgur wheat with fresh, ripe tomatoes, parsley, scallions, and mint leaves in a lemony dressing. A spinach “empanada” resembles an Indian samosa, with a creamy green filling, and a mound of excellent rice pilaf

completes the array.

The deli cases include all of the above and more, including extra-virgin olive oil, balsamic vinegar, smoked salmon, and pastries baked in-house — baklava, pistachio *kanafe*, *burma*, and some whose names I don’t know. The *kanafe* is outrageously good, crisp on top with a soft filling perfumed with rosewater. The baklava is light and a little dry. “We don’t sell it by weight, so we don’t load it down with heavy syrup,” says Feiga. There’s no alcohol, but to go with the pastries you can choose regular or Arab coffee. If you’re a late riser, Cafe Beirut may serve just the exotic breakfast or brunch that you’ve been craving. ■



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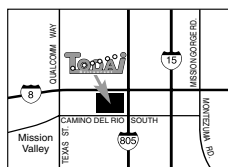
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The Squishy Thing

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‘Rice Jones?’ I ask. I flap through the door. “We’re all Rice Jones,” says one of two beautiful Vietnamese women standing behind the scarlet-and-yellow counter. Two male Vietnamese cooks behind them nod. They wear black chef’s caps.

Aah. Now I get it. I see the sign. “Rice Jones.” It’s a place, not a person.

“This is your first time, right?” says the younger woman, Nicole. “First time,” I say.

“Do you know what you want?” “Well, just want to fill the belly without emptying the pockets.”

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“What’s so special?” I ask.

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Soon Nicole’s pointing with her pencil at different dishes on a well-abused menu. She gets a fresh one. “Lemongrass chicken [\$5.95] is maybe the most popular. Chicken sautéed with lemongrass, green onions, and hot peppers, but it is on steamed rice, unless you ask for Jones rice.”

Then she says the ginger chicken (also \$5.95) is maybe *the* most popular. And curry chicken (\$5.95, with vegetables in a red curry sauce, on steamed rice) runs a close second.

“Oh, and the soups,” she says. Her pencil flicks to the top of the page. *Pho Ga*, Vietnamese

chicken noodle soup, with slices of chicken tossed in the broth and onions and cilantro and lime floating on top.

“Enough for a meal,” she says. “And no MSG, ever, here.”

‘Course I have to take a token glance at the gringo stuff. California Bruschetta looks interesting. “Sautéed mushrooms, fresh tomatoes and herbs served on crispy toast,” \$4.50. And Asian Summer Salad — oh, man. ‘Scuse me while I waft off on that image — with cabbage, carrots, red peppers, onions, and herbs in a “Vietnamese-style vinaigrette,” with chicken (\$5.75) or shrimp (\$6.75). A grilled-beef sandwich, with “marinated beef, cucumbers, pickled carrot and radish sticks on a French baguette,” costs \$4.75. They even have a turkey burger (\$4.75).

“First you must decide,” says the other woman, Anh Long, the owner. “Vietnamese or Californian?”

“Okay. Vietnamese, I guess.”

“Then beef, chicken, or pork,” she says. “Or vegetarian.”

“Uh, chicken,” I say. Not sure what I’m committing to here.

She points to the curry chicken and the lemongrass chicken, when — stop the movie! — I see, right above it, what I’ve gotta have. “Grilled Eggplant with Jones Rice, \$5.95.” Oh yes. Eggplant, *mon amour!* I’ve always loved the squishy thing. Long as people prepare it right.

“I’ll have that.”

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“Very good,” she says. “Vegetarian.”

Hey, being good without even trying, here.

And boy, when the eggplant does come, on a big, fat white china plate, the big, oozing, purple slouching beast is beautiful. Like a fat-tentacled squid. You’ve got to pause and just look at the whole plate: The brown rice with its ’shrooms popping out everywhere on one side, the purple eggplant splaying its innards across the other, a slather of grilled onions, red peppers and zucchini between, and in the middle, a circle of brilliant green chopped onions sautéed in oil.

“In Vietnam, actually, this is a kind of peasant dish,” says Anh. “It would be a side dish. But I like to eat vegetarian when I can, and so I made this into a full plate.”

Anh started this place three years ago. She had never run a restaurant before. Learned by watching her mother in Saigon.

“Most of the Vietnamese food on this menu is from the north,” says Anh. “Southern Vietnamese food is sweeter. We’re originally from North Vietnam. Our family came down in 1954, when they split the country. But our tastes have stayed northern. We like it a little more savory.”

She recommends a reddish brown hot sauce for the eggplant. “It has onion, garlic, lemongrass, and crushed red pepper,” she says, “if you like things spicy.”

The Place: *Rice Jones, 6618 Mission Gorge Road, Grantville (619-528-8301)*

Type of Food: *Vietnamese, Californian*

Prices: *Grilled beef “finger food,” slices of beef with lemongrass, sesame, herbs, spices, skewered and grilled, \$4.75; Asian Summer Salad (cabbage, carrots, peppers, onions, chicken), \$5.75; turkey burger, \$4.75; spicy beef noodle soup-as-a-meal (Bun Bo Hue), beef, rice noodles, lemongrass soup, \$5.75; lemongrass chicken with steamed rice, \$5.95; ginger chicken, \$5.95; shrimp wrap on a cane (shrimp patty wrapped over sugarcane stick, with rice noodles), \$9.95; coconut cream flan, \$2.25*

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"In Sonoma, people have this animosity towards outsiders, but they're dependent on visitors."

In his recently published book *A Tale of Two Valleys: Wine, Wealth, and the Battle for the Good Life in Napa and Sonoma*, author Alan Deutschman calls Napa Valley "an adult Disneyland for the affluent." He makes a fine case for the region's status as fantasyland: the tourist-lugging Wine Train that functions like a monorail at a theme park, the astonishing concentration of fine restaurants, the transformation of what once were small-town shops into boutiques offering the very finest in food and clothing. Home prices in the "rural village" of St. Helena averaged around \$500,000, and that was three years ago. And above it all, monumental dream houses overlooking the valley.

Elsewhere in the book, Deutschman refers to a study conducted by San Jose State University that examined the beliefs and aspirations of Silicon Valley professionals. "It found that their common fantasy was that once they had made their killings they would move to the wine country, perhaps to own a vineyard or a charming country inn." Napa "was becoming the new ideal of the moneyed class." The Napa life looked ideal — all the comforts and amenities of a wealthy city, all the beauty and tranquility of country life, none of the drawbacks of either.

Well, almost, says Deutschman. "One of my favorite scenes in the book is when the vintners are talking about the newcomers who built the trophy houses and how they're shocked to see that there are actually Mexicans out in the fields in front of their houses. Then there are propellers turning in the middle of the night to prevent frost in the vineyards, and they say, 'Damn, they're actually farming here. I thought it was just a beautiful stage set for me to pretend to be a feudal aristocrat!'"

Of course, a fair number of those vintners, those salt-of-the-earth farmers who oversaw the Napa wine revolution in the '70s, were once city-folk themselves. Deutschman mentions, among others, Screaming Eagle's Jean Phillips, who arrived in Napa as a dressmaker and sold real estate before starting to make America's number-one cult wine, and Charlie Sawyer, a propane magnate who bought land from Phillips near Robert Mondavi's winery. But they had long since been converted to the land and could therefore distance

themselves from the *arrivistes* with their stunning quantities of new money. During his stay in wine country, Deutschman discovered that "there are all these social gradations based on when people got in. It's really only been over the course of a generation, but there's still this club-biness — people erecting barriers to prevent newcomers from becoming part of their clubs."

In Napa, those barriers can be social: Can you get a table at the French Laundry? Were you invited to Gil Nickels's party at Far Niente during the Napa Valley Wine Auction? No? Then go hang out with the wealthy tourists. But over the Mayacamas Mountains in Sonoma, where Deutschman spent the bulk of his visit, matters were different. He went to wine country, he says, to live like a hedonist as a houseguest in the fabulous weekend homes of some very wealthy friends. That was fine in Napa. But once he arrived in Sonoma, he discovered another sort of fantasyland, this one a bohemian dream of the good life on the cheap in small-town Northern California. "The only economic reason that Napa and Sonoma are agricultural and not suburban subdivisions is the thriving wine business. People coming to visit the wineries are really the main basis for their economic survival. Napa embraces

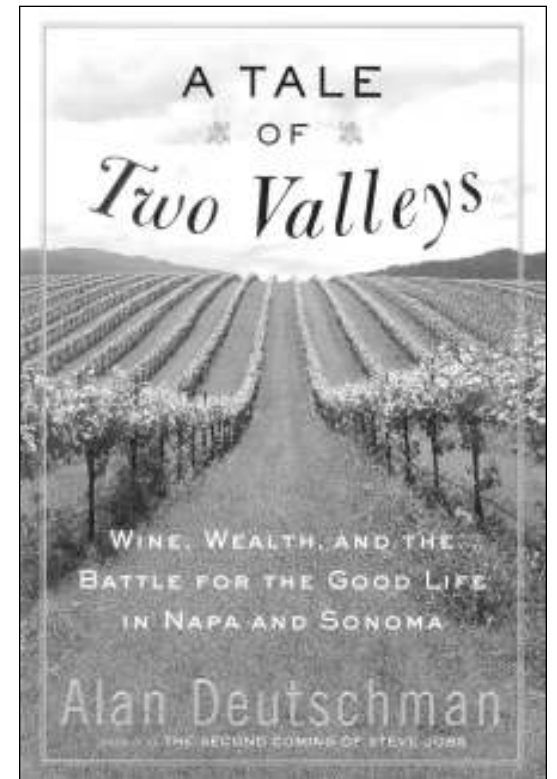
it. In Sonoma, people have this animosity towards outsiders, but they're dependent on outside visitors for so much of their economy."

As in Napa, a lot of those "insiders" who wanted to keep the outsiders at bay were fairly recent arrivals, refugees from the urban world and its values. "A number of the people who had been in Sonoma before the wine business became glamorous — sort of small-town rural people — were all for economic opportunity" in the form of luxury resorts and other Napa-style attractions. "People who grew up here were saying, 'Good, now I can get a better job than working in the fields at four in the morning.'" But the new arrivals wanted to keep things small; they wanted to keep the nostalgic charm of Sonoma intact. They didn't have much money, but they had political fervor, and that fervor proved attractive to Deutschman. Their efforts to keep Sonoma from turning into Napa form the narrative thread of his book.

Along the way, he paints fine pictures of life as he experienced it in the two valleys, documenting the extravagance of Napa and the charm of Sonoma with loving detail. While Napa wineries set about blasting out enormous wine caves, Sonoma locals argue about the chickens in the town square.

While winemaker Lance Cutler ruminates on encroaching wealth during a nine-bottle lunch on his modest covered porch, Deutschman's friend frets in his San Francisco office about how best to renovate his 5500-square-foot trophy house overlooking Napa. Deutschman also notes the similarities between the two valleys — a newly arrived professional couple in the city of Napa frustrated by the locals' backward opposition to progress, a centimillionaire in Sonoma who wants to buy the surrounding properties so that she doesn't have to look at the rural folks' front-yard junk piles.

And even within his Sonoma paradise, he frets out a surprising number of conflicts: the east side vs. the west, the native vs. the new arrival, the bohemian vs. the business-minded, the town vs. the wineries. The specter of the glassy-winged



sharpshooter and the vine-killing disease it carries looms large over the region and brings the question of pesticide-spraying to the fore. "I have mixed feelings about the controversy between the environmentalists and the wineries," admits Deutschman. "On the one hand, it's more beautiful and better for the environment for that land to be planted in grapes than to have it be concrete subdivisions and shopping malls. On the other hand, there's nothing really natural about farming; farming is imposed by the hand of man. People fetishizing this rural environment and wanting to live there is just going to put more and more people into contact with the reality of farming, which is chemicals. You can idealize nature when you don't live that close to it." Kind of like those Napa newbies being kept up by the sound of propellers. ■

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NORTH COASTAL

BISTRO SOLEIL 641 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-9549. 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 instead of dairy. Dinner, Mondays through Saturdays. Upper moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

CALYPSO CAFE 576 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-632-8252. This "Calypso" has nothing to do with Caribbean music (or food), despite its tropical tiki-hut decor. The cuisine is French, ranging from old warhorses

like onion soup and *coq au vin* to new-fangled Gallo-Cal-Italian-Pacific Rim hyphenates such as *ahi pissaladière* (seared tuna pizza). The traditional dishes are generally the most successful. Mussels are the house specialty, and their rapid turnover here ensures freshness. Although there's nothing revolutionary coming from this kitchen, the cooking is generally agreeable. Dinner nightly, reservations advised. Upper moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

I TRULLI TRATTORIA 830 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-943-6800. An instant hit in Encinitas (where there's no shortage of Italian restaurants), I Trulli serves modern Italian food with fashionable new ingredients. The menu, subtitled "Nouvelle Italian Cuisine," resembles the somewhat ambitious, generically "northern Italian" bills of fare that you encounter all over Hillcrest and the Gaslamp. (It is, in fact, a sister restaurant to Hillcrest's Arriverderci.) The signifiers of seriousness are the pink peppercorns, goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, and light cream sauces that co-exist with the more traditional mozzarella-tomato sauce arrays. Best bets are the daily specials, which offer the greatest chance for fresh ingredients and some modicum of creativity. Busy, cramped, painfully loud inside. Street patio next to highway is also noisy. Reserve for dinner or expect an hour's wait on any night of the week. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (11/01)

PAUL'S PLACE 3671 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-0124. This restaurant looks like a McDonald's or Wendy's (the building used to be a franchise) and the food comes fast, but it's no chain. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek half-chicken, the spiced grilled chicken sliced up on a salad with pita bread, and the gyros (all at earthy prices) mix with all-American three-egg breakfast specials with home fries. Lunch offers include meaty hamburgers, gyros with fries, or a sur-

What the Chef Eats

DUTCH BABY AND SALMON SCRAMBLE BREAKFAST
BY MAX ELFMAN
Executive chef, Dobson's, downtown

Most working chefs I know, like me, don't have time to cook at home. We usually eat at the restaurant over a trashcan in between orders. When there is time, I most prefer to eat out at friends' restaurants — their interpretation of cuisine is always a welcome change from my own. Even classic dishes can taste different because of personal influences. I also enjoy dining at friends' (non-chefs) homes. They generally seem intimidated because of my position, but I'll tell you what I tell them: if you pour your heart into your task because you truly enjoy cooking and are looking forward to the meal, it is

going to come out great; don't bite off more than you can chew (pardon the pun); and don't be afraid to ask for help — I, for one, am always happy to put on an apron. As a matter of fact, my most memorable meals have been eaten, at least partially, in the kitchen with friends and family. The creation of community through fare is an event that should be engaged in at every opportunity. When I do cook at home, it is because I have an opportunity to include friends and family. Be it duck foie gras on brioche sandwiches with raspberry demi-glace, which I prepared for chef Josh

McGinnis's son Aiden's 2nd birthday, or six-hour braised lamb shanks for a last-minute Thanksgiving dinner, or a friendly get-together with friends for breakfast on a sunny Saturday, as was the case this past weekend. I simply mixed a couple of favorites together with my girl Margaret to give our friends Sara, Tony, Danae, and Jaqueline a hot, delicious, and not-so-ordinary breakfast that would leave the feeling of a good, home-cooked meal. Our menu included Brown Sugar Apple Dutch Babies (a kind of soufflé pancake); Scottish Smoked Salmon Scramble with cream cheese, capers, and red onions; Squaw Bread



Toast with whipped butter; Hash Brown Cakes from Trader Joe's (they are perfect); and, to drink, Mimosas and a bottomless pot of coffee with turbinado sugar and whipping cream. This breakfast preparation was simple, quick, and guaranteed good fun for Margaret and me — every good chef has a great sous chef.

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F. Whisk milk, eggs, sugar, vanilla, salt, and cinnamon in large bowl until well blended. Add flour and whisk until batter is smooth. Place butter in 13-by 9-inch glass baking dish. Place dish in oven until butter melts (about 5 minutes). Remove dish from oven. Place apple slices in overlapping rows atop melted butter in baking dish. Return to oven and bake until apples begin to soften slightly and butter is bubbling and beginning to brown around edges of dish (about 10 minutes).
Pour batter over apples in dish and sprinkle with brown sugar. Bake pancake until puffed and brown (about 20 minutes).

Sprinkle with powdered sugar, if desired. Serve warm.
Scottish Smoked Salmon Scramble: Heat a large skillet — I used an 18-inch sauteuse. Pour in olive oil and butter. The oil will allow the butter to get hotter than normal before browning. When melted, add onions and sauté briefly to translucence. Add capers and smoked salmon and warm through. Leave partially uncooked to retain that wonderful cured delicateness to the dish. When you are satisfied that the salmon is warm but not overcooked, add the eggs and move them around patiently. If you get nervous, turn down the heat. If you get impatient,

well, that’s tough. A necessary ingredient in the culinary arts, my friends, is time. It will get there. When eggs are halfway there, add cream cheese cubes and continue moving eggs, but now with even greater patience, as we want to retain the cubed texture of the cheese. Little bites of solid melty cheese, if you will. Now eat it, drink mimosas, and tell everybody you made the hash brown cakes too.
I N G R E D I E N T S
Brown Sugar Apple Dutch Baby:
1 cup whole milk
4 large eggs
3 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
½ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
⅔ cup all purpose flour
4 tablespoons (½ stick) unsalted butter
12 ounces Golden Delicious apples (about 2), peeled, cored, and thinly sliced
3 tablespoons (packed) golden brown sugar
Powdered sugar to sprinkle over top just before serving
Scottish Smoked Salmon Scramble:
Enough fruity olive oil and butter to cook, in approximately equal parts
½ red onion, diced
1 ounce capers, drained
8 ounces Scottish cold-smoked salmon slices, cut into manageable pieces
15 eggs whipped into a frenzy
4 ounces cream style cheese, cut into cubes

prisingly tasty turkeyburger. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)
TERIYAKI 101 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-8813. This surfer hangout has a secret: Behind a gate just south of the restaurant there’s a sheltered outdoor dining patio decorated by a tropical mural of island life above and below the water. “Eat Healthy, Feel Good” is the motto on the menu, and teriyaki is the dish that dominates it. But this is Hawaiian teriyaki, with lighter, cleaner flavors than the Japanese version. The dark-meat “Maui chicken” skewer and the moist ono (pink snapper) kebab are especially succulent; you can also opt for pork, veggies, numerous combos, and charbroiled burgers (of beef, fowl, or veggies). Everything comes with rice (white or brown), pleasingly touched with teriyaki sauce. Open Tuesday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)
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. Generous portions abound. Weekends after 4 p.m., he roasts his famous prime rib dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

THE VILLAGE GRILL 2833 State Street (at Carlsbad Village Drive), Carlsbad, 760-729-3601. This little café is famous for two things: its vintage Coca-Cola decorations and its delicious Tommyburgers, named after the guy who opened this place back in 1976. Tommy believed in fresh ingredients, says son Dale, now in charge, who orders only “extra lean” meat from the local butcher for his burgers. For breakfast, check out the eggs and sausage-patty special with fried-skin potatoes and hot-buttered toast. And if you surf, bring your board — the beach is just across the tracks. Breakfast and lunch Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

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DELICIAS 6106 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-8000. The room is smashing and the menu offers excellent pastas, fresh fish, first-rate meat



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THE FRENCH MARKET GRILLE 15717 Bernardo Heights Parkway at Pomerado Road, Ralphs Shopping Center, Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-8055. Don't miss this small but chic French restaurant. The chef/co-owner, originally from Brittany, produces superb nouvelle cuisine, with a menu of fresh dishes changing seasonally. Reservations strongly advised. Breakfast served Sunday; lunch and dinner served daily. Expensive. — E.W.

MIIKI JAPANESE RESTAURANT AND SUSHI BAR 9823 Carroll Canyon Road, Eucalyptus Square, Scripps Ranch, 858-566-0206. You'll find a first-rate sushi bar tucked away in this tiny shopping center. The fresh yellowtail, scallops in spicy sauce (*hotategai*), or the special order of baked salmon roll are all wonderful. Fifty-three items appear on the sushi list, all prepared by a master chef. The cooked combination plates are also fine. If you sit at the sushi bar, you may be disappointed because chairs, not stools, are

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GOLD COAST

EPAZOTE SOUTHWEST RESTAURANT 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar Plaza, Del Mar, 858-259-9966. Patrons frequently call this establishment the New York Stock Exchange because of its high energy, young crowd, and exciting atmosphere. Good dishes include southwestern-style tapas and spit-roasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte. This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

NOBU JAPANESE RESTAURANT 315 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-0113. The menu at this gourmet Japanese restaurant offers 100 sushi items, 20 stunning and unique appetizers, and a long list of entrées. Two dining rooms are available; the livelier is at the sushi bar. Especially on the weekends, arrive early to avoid waiting for a table. Reservations advised for dining room, not accepted for sushi bar. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

PACIFIC COAST GRILL 437 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-794-4632. Many dishes here are under \$10. Best bets: baby back ribs,

fresh fish, and a variety of burgers served with salad and fries presented in a paper bag. Warm, casual atmosphere. Open daily, lunch and dinner, Sunday brunch 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W.

TONY'S JACAL 621 Valley Avenue (between Genevieve Street and Juanita Street), Eden Gardens, Solana Beach, 858-755-2274. Come here at night, when the mysterious low mud-brick arches with the stained glass windows make you think Old Mexico, when the Del Mar racing bar makes you think 1930s Hollywood, and the dining patio, under the 100-year-old chinaberry tree, looks straight out of Guadalajara. Back in 1946, Tony Gonzales's wife Catalina started preparing food for fellow Mexican workers. Since then, everybody from Liz Taylor to J. Edgar Hoover has passed through these portals. Try the "La Colonia" combination of just about anything with rice and beans. Turkey meat is big here, and the (real) crab quesadilla in a corn tortilla is delicious too. Cheapest: probably chicken strips with French fries. And "Jacal"? It means "shack." Open seven days, but with a gap between lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

LA JOLLA

CAFE JAPENGO 8960 University Center Lane, Aventure complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. The decor is smashing and the Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California — is beautiful to behold. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best. Please make

note of the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Open daily. Expensive. — E.W.

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, Monterey Jack, Cheddar, Swiss, Muenster, Danish Havarti or Norwegian Jarlsberg. But today this small, busy café is more famous for its "overstuffed" meat sandwiches. The leg of lamb, top round beef, and roast pork loin are all spit-roasted 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, 619-232-2303. — E.B. (10/01)

FRENCH PASTRY SHOP 5550 La Jolla Boulevard (at Forward Street), La Jolla, 858-454-9094. 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 à l'orange, with "early bird" bargains. Open daily for breakfast through early dinner. — N.W. (5/02)

GEORGE'S AT THE COVE 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-4244. The always-excellent George's, with its first-rate fish and meat menu, boasts three dining levels on its ocean-view site. The first level is the fine dining room, with full menu and gourmet lunch and dinners. Above is the Café, and on top is the Terrace, which is romantic on balmy nights. The Café and Terrace offer identical menus: light

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made Indian breads. Fried appetizers, however, tend to be greasy, and chicken in all preparations is overcooked dry breast meat. For dessert, don't miss the fresh, fruity house-made mango *kulfi* (Indian ice milk). Service is competent and cordial. Reserve for weekends. Open daily. Bargain-price buffet lunch (à la carte also available). Dinners inexpensive to low moderate, with a price-leap for tandoori meats. — N.W. (6/01)

ROY'S 8670 Genesee Avenue, Costa Verde Center (across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi's ever-expanding chain has elements of both "top chef" and "chain" about it. Decoding Roy's Rules of Ordering can make the difference between a mediocre dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters — the same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu ahi poke) by asking for it; 3. Don't waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks when the wine list is brilliant. The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are pot stickers, *lumpia*, "Kahana" *shutome* (swordfish), or chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the raucous bar. Open nightly. Very expensive. — N.W. (4/01)

SANTE RISTORANTE 7811 Herschel Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-1315. The name is Italian for "saint," and the Northern Italian/regional cooking shines here, especially the fish and seafood dishes. Fresh seafood specials are available every night, in addition to those on the menu. Excellent chopped salad, pasta with mushrooms, ravioli with quail, and lamb chops. Separate room for bar; separate private dining room. Lunch weekdays; dinner nightly. Enclosed patio for lunch. Not to be missed. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — E.W. (4/99)

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MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

ADAM'S STEAK N' EGGS 1201 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley, 619-291-1103. Morning munchers take heart! Adam's has served nothing but breakfasts since 1966. The menu runs from healthy — hot oatmeal with raisins, dates, sunflower seeds, almonds, pineapple and coconut — to corn fritters to a Southern brunch of spicy sausage patties, biscuits, gravy, grits, and eggs, to spiced apple crepes with whipped cream and pecans. But the signature dish is steak and eggs. The steak's a high-walled chunk of meat almost as thick as it is round. Comes with two eggs, potatoes or grits, and toast or tortillas. You won't need lunch. This brick, dark wood, clubby, business-convention-tourist kind of place has ver-ry faithful customers. But if you want to walk there, be ready for lack of sidewalks, one-way bus access, and wild morning traffic. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

ALADDIN'S CAFE 5420 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 858-573-0000; Uptown Shopping Center, 1220 Cleveland Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-574-1111. These cafés offer a bright, clean atmosphere for bright and clean, if rather generic, Middle Eastern favorites (hummus, tabbouleh, kebabs, *shaw-erma*, etc.), plus imaginative Levantine-flavored pizzas and salads. There are ample choices for vegetarians. The Hillcrest location offers beer and wine. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.* (11/00)

THE GOOD EGG 7947 Balboa Avenue (off Convoy Street), Kearny Mesa, 858-565-4244. The menu offers omelets, gourmet pancakes, waffles, and several different kinds of frittatas. Freshly squeezed fruit juices are available, and for lunch there are burgers, salads, and a long list of sandwiches. Breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

NEW SHANGHAI 4681 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-569-4833. New Shanghai is busy, friendly, and draws a mostly Chinese clientele because their Chinese food isn't “Americanized.” Whatever your gastronomic politics, try the generous plateful of dry braised shrimp, the “de-fatted pork shoulder,” the hot tripe, and the ingenious red bean pancake dessert. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N.* (4/99)

SHOGUN KOBE 5451 Kearny Villa Road, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-7399. This restaurant specializes in well-seasoned Japanese-style steaks, either by themselves or in combination with lobster, shrimp, or scallops. All entrées arrive with soup, salad, rice, and Japanese-style vegetables. Seating is communal at the *teppan* tables. There's also an attractive, well-stocked sushi bar. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

THE BEACHES

CHATEAU ORLEANS 926 Turquoise Street (at Mission Boulevard), Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. Just like eating in the French Quarter — at one of Bourbon Street's best tourist traps, complete with live music and party atmosphere. The lovely multiroom premises have a real Crescent City “let the bon temps rouler” feel to it, but the

simpler Southern dishes — honest crabcakes, fried catfish — seem better bets than the kitchen's attempts at more demanding Acadian fare. Reservations strongly advised. A little dressy on weekends. Full bar. Wheelchair users may need help with rest room doors. Dinner Monday through Saturday. High moderate. — *N.W.* (2/02)

FAIROUZ CAFE AND GALLERY 3166 Midway Drive, Loma Portal, 619-225-0308. Seek out this family-owned-and-operated restaurant for wonderful Lebanese and Greek food. The owner, a noted artist, displays his paintings on the dining room walls. The extensive menu offers excellent lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and a wide selection of exotic vegetarian meals. Copious all-you-can-eat buffet available at lunch or dinner in addition to the regular menu. Given 24 hours, this café will prepare an astonishing Lebanese feast at low cost. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

JARED'S 880 East Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-291-1028. The house specialty is steak, offered in a room directly on the harbor. Presentation, in the manner, of Morton's, is to show you the entrées raw. Price of entrée includes nothing else; vegetables, potatoes à la carte. Excellent appetizers, especially five-onion tart. First-rate bread and bread pudding. Dinner only, Tuesday through Sunday; closed Monday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

KARINYA THAI & VEGETARIAN CUISINE 825 Garnet Street (SeaCoast Square), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. Think of the movie *The Beach*, with a bunch of Leo DiCaprio look-alikes getting off on the coconut curries like *gang ped*, *panang*, and *kang kari*. Or noodle dishes like the famous *pad thai*. But they're in the right place: Karinya remains true to its Thai origins. The *tom yum kung* (hot and sour shrimp soup) is a meal in itself. Steaming away with its fierce little charcoal fire at your table, the hot pot holds plenty of shrimp, and you can taste the essential mushrooms, lemon grass, ginger, lime juice, cilantro, and of course *nam pla*, Thai fish sauce. A nice counterpart to the hots of the soup are the Fresh Spring Rolls, filled with tofu and vegetables and mint. Another sizzler: *pad talay*, a sauté pan full of mussels, shrimp, squid, and other seafood in a great spicy sauce. The recipe's from Koh Samed, an island like the one featured in *The Beach*. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (2/03)

SPORTSMEN'S SEAFOODS 1617 Quivira Road, Mission Beach, 619-224-3551. Fifty years ago this restaurant-fish market was a tuna cannery, part of San Diego's late-lamented fishing industry. The same Sicilian family still owns it, and still knows everything about fish and how to cook it. The menu is devoted to the “fruits of the sea” and includes a wonderful seafood platter (shrimp, squid, clams, fish, fries, and salad). And, of course, a crispy-crunchy fish-and-chips platter. Eat outside on deck, contemplating the small ships on the bay. They buy seasonal catch from local fishboats and also sell it at their attached retail market. They're famous for smoking fish for the fishermen. Open daily, lunch/early dinner. Retail market closed Mondays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

THE THIRD CORNER 2265 Bacon Street (at West Point Loma), Ocean Beach, 619-223-2700. Chef Derek Ridgeway (collaborating with owner Ed Moore, also of Thee Bungalow across the street) focuses here on Mediterranean-style seasonal seafood, with some meat and poultry entrées for dedicated carnivores. The fare is highly creative but rational — try the ethereal (not an oxymoron) cabbage-wrapped seafood “chartreuse” with sauce Nantua, the wild mushroom strudel, the potato-crust salmon, or the lake whitefish in any preparation. A huge wine list offers food-friendly bottlings chosen to complement the cuisine at below-normal markups. To request a specific wine from Thee Bungalow's larger cellar, call ahead. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (4/03)

UMI SUSHI 2806 Shelter Island Drive (at Shafter, off Scott), Point Loma, 619-226-1135. An instant neighborhood success, this large, cheerful sushi bar and dinner house also offers Japanese and Korean entrées, including *teppanyaki* (cooked in the kitchen, not at the table), Korean ribs, and excellent beef teriyaki of gently grilled prime

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beef. Sushi highlights include lemony *ama ebi*, rich garlic tuna, and a “Crazy Boy” roll spicy enough to divert your palate from the presence of imitation crabmeat. Free parking lot (often full). Special kids’ menu available. Lunch and dinner daily. Sushi prices lower than most; entrées inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (4/03)*

WORLD FAMOUS 711 Pacific Beach Drive, Pacific Beach, 858-272-3100. Located directly on the boardwalk with an unobstructed view, this casual restaurant offers patio or indoor dining. Food preparation is straightforward — nothing fancy, but fresh, wholesome, and offering large portions. Thirty appetizers available in the bar. Combination dinners with steak and seafood are expensive. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday to 3 p.m.; breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

CENTRAL
SAN DIEGO

BIG KITCHEN 3003 Grape Street (between 30th Street and Fern Street), South Park, 619-234-5789. This isn’t just a restaurant, it’s the social center of the universe — and Judy “The Beauty” Forman is its queen. Blame her for the Fern Street Circus, for driving the Miss California beauty pageant out of town, and for disgustingly healthy dishes like Judy’s Favorite (spinach, mushrooms, sherry, and eggs). Our favorite: the avocado, cream cheese, and chives omelet. Vegans’ fave may be the “veggie option”: sautéed spinach, mushrooms, onions, cilantro, brown rice, tofu, and roasted garlic. Her cooks make pretty much everything on the spot, including muffins, waffles, and pancakes. While you’re waiting, they always have this “out there” eclectic crowd, plus walls filled with pictures and *bon mots* like “Will Be President For Food.” Breakfast and lunch only; closes at 2 p.m. most days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

LA CAMPANA MEXICAN RESTAURANT 2479-A Broadway (at 25th Steet), Golden Hill, 619-232-8756. Don’t be fooled by the strip mall location. *Jefe* Arturo’s wonderful specialties include *cochinita pibil*, roast suckling pig in sauce; a nice, thick *pozole*, pork and hominy soup; and tacos filled with various odd parts of the steer, including the sweet meat of the cheeks. Decor includes *campanas* (traditional bells) and old photos of Arturo’s hometown, Tepic, the riverport capital of Nayarit. Lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday; closes early Mondays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

MAILLO’S CAFE 4095 30th Street, North Park, 619-528-1602. OK, so Maillo’s is a Greek café and Maillo and Blanca aren’t Greek, they’re Mexican-American. On the other hand, Maillo 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. Maillo’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 flat-bread). 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)*

VESUVIO GOURMET 3025 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-282-7040. Wonderful Southern and regional Italian food is served here. The interior is gorgeous, the service swift, and the servings huge and tempting. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W.*

EAST COUNTY &
STATE COLLEGE

ANTONIO’S HACIENDA 700 North Johnson Avenue, El Cajon, 619-442-9827. If the décor hasn’t been updated from its original 1960s-fabulous Old California Spanish, it’s because there’s been no need. The enormous dark-wood chandeliers, the padded-leather wooden chairs, the chainsaw-weathered wood beams — all top-shelf and aging well. Families abound, reveling in the guitar trio and the exposed kitchen station — such atmosphere! And the flavors are user-friendly, sweetness muting the spice in the salsa and the Ranchero sauce. The Camarones Tequila is a little more exciting; the sweetness of its bacon-wrapped shrimp gets a fine counter from the bitter liquor in the marinade. Excellent Enchiladas Suizas: pale, mush-tender shredded chicken wrapped in tortillas and doused with good, tangy green sauce. Lunch and dinner daily. Champagne brunch on Sundays, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; all-day buffet Sunday through Thursday. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *A.M. (4/03)*

ASWAN 7404 University Avenue (at Lowell Street), La Mesa, 619-697-0361. Louisiana and East Africa share the menu at this spacious restaurant “where the Mississippi meets the Nile.” Most dishes are made to order, so don’t expect to eat and run. Start with a sampling of Maryam Suliman’s Somalian *sambussas* (of chicken, beef, spinach, potato, lentils, shrimp, cheese, fruit) — each savory filling is differently seasoned. Then dive into a bowl of co-owner Vernon Sukumu’s exemplary seafood gumbo. You can taste the Big Easy in every bite of NOLA-born chef Patrick Kavanaugh’s Louisiana dishes, including an unbeatable jambalaya, or you can opt for African specialties such as *tibsi*, *zigni*, Somalian spaghetti, or a vegetarian sampler. “All you can eat” weekend brunches offer items from both cuisines, including fried turkey. No alcohol, no pork, all meats *hallal* (Muslim-butchered). Lunch/dinner Tuesday through Friday, brunch/dinner weekends. Low moderate. — *N.W. (2/02)*

JOHNNY B’S 4738 Fourth Street (at La Mesa Boulevard), La Mesa, 619-464-2465. This “Burgers and Brew” bar is a real 1950s place, with burgers to die for and good bar snacks, including a zesty jalapeño dip. Play pool, watch TV, hide from your ex on the smokers’ patio out back. On Sundays (1 p.m. to 7 p.m. only), their 10-oz. New York steak, fries, beans, and salad is a must-eat at a rock-bottom price. Open daily; lunch and dinners Monday through Thursday; three meals (until midnight) Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

TYLER’S TASTE OF TEXAS 576 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-444-9297. Unfussy home cooking. Some dishes outshine others. The slab of smoky ham steak that comes with the first-rate breakfast is in itself enough to rouse the sleepiest appetite. Expertly sautéed onions and mushrooms lend flavor to fried potatoes and omelets, respectively, while pebbly-smooth hash and gingery sweet potato pancakes give the lineup character. For lunch and dinner, the Texas menu features Texas-style barbecue (chicken, beef, pork, and sausage) that’s sufficiently smoky, but a little uneven in texture. BBQ beef is reliable and the sweetish sauce shows well on the chicken. Pleasant surprises: a substantial, peppery cornmeal crust on the tender catfish and the fried green tomatoes, and the rich stock in the vegetable soup. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *A.M. (2/02)*

FAR EAST

BADLANDS MARKET/CAFE The Mall, 561 Palm Canyon Drive (south side of the street), Borrego Springs, 760-767-4058. This is an epicure’s oasis in the desert, a combination of gourmet deli and serious café where you can find a lively breakfast, scrumptious picnic lunch, or (on weekends) a light, savory dinner from an imaginative, daily changing menu. Great cheeses, pâtés, extra-virgin oils, artisan breads, delicate pastries and full-bodied French Roast coffee are among the delights that make this the Garden of Eatin’ in a town where both grocery stores are pretty dire. Open Sunday to Thursday for breakfast to late lunch; Friday and Saturday until 7 p.m. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (4/03)*

OLD OAK INN 1367 Dewey Place, Campo, 619-478-9924. Don’t blink, or you might miss this hub of the way-out-there downtown Cameron Corners, near the Campo steam train depot. The family who runs it has been homesteading this patch of country since 1868. The food is good, solid traditional American fare, from ham, eggs, and hash brown potatoes to barbecued beef “piled high” on a toasted bun with French fries and salad, to the three-piece chicken basket dinner. The great pleasure is to fill up, go outside, and then just listen to the silence. Open daily, lunch and dinner; kitchen closed from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

RAMON’S SMOKEHOUSE BBQ 1730 Alpine Boulevard, Suite 110, Alpine, 619-445-1008. The smell of mesquite wood burning under fresh-cut beef rib is beyond resistance. The secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, especially, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire, disappearing into the clouds of fragrant smoke to flip the racks of beef and pork ribs. In good weather you can eat out back next to an authentic chuck wagon. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

UPTOWN &
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ANTICO TOSCANO 1288 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-2768. Home-style cooking from Tuscany, unpretentious, filling, inexpensive. Good soups, salads, pastas. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (2/00)*

BOMBAY EXOTIC CUISINE OF INDIA 3975 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-3155. We’re talking northern India here, right? That means lots of lamb, potatoes, creamy sauces, tandoor-baked breads, chicken, and less of the south’s mouth-scalding heat. At least in their daily buffet, Bombay’s a lot less spicy (though their *sag paneer* — creamy, cheesy spinach — delivered a surprising punch). The buffet includes tandoori chicken, assorted *pakoras* (lentil-batter fritters), mock duck, chicken *tikka*, and if you hit the right day, an additive mango soup. If you want meat or spicy food, best to order from the menu — say, a creamy *tikka masala* with lamb, or long kebabs of minced lamb (kebab curry), or the rich Bombay Coconut Malai. Tell them whether you want it mild, spicy or, for leathermouths, “*tikhi*.” For a cheap, light meal, try a couple of lamb *samosas*. And be sure they bring the chutneys, India’s real unexplored treasure. Open lunch and dinner; buffet at lunch and Monday evenings. Moderate. — *E.B. (4/03)*

CALIFORNIA CUISINE 1027 University Avenue (between 10th and Vermont), Hillcrest, 619-543-0790. This 20-year-old neighborhood favorite underwent an exciting total remake in February, 2003. The hard-edged, mirrored decor’s the same, but a new chef, Justin Hoehn (coming from Laurel), has replaced the lengthy grazing menu with fewer but better-honed choices that the small kitchen can execute without a hitch. And the guy has a flawless palate. Most appetizers are simple but devilishly clever, literally living up to their name, while entrées exhibit fresh, sophisticated combinations of exquisitely balanced, global flavors, with garnishes smartly chosen to complement the primary ingredient. But save

room for a sweet: Dessert Chef Laurel Huffnagle produces the bold, thrilling endings that these meals deserve. The restaurant is very noisy when busy. Private garden-patio dining available in good weather. Well-chosen wine list. Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (4/03)*

CELADON ROYALTY THAI RESTAURANT 540 University Avenue (near Sixth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-297-8424. The chef has cooked for the Siamese royal family, but more importantly, she hasn’t made too many compromises in the cuisine on this side of the Pacific. Some dishes taste luxurious, and all the dishes taste authentic — and very carefully prepared. The regular entrées offer a choice of sauces (red curry, green curry, etc.) with your choice of protein, but go straight to the “Chef’s Specialty” items on the menu to find the best and rarest dishes. Stuffed chicken wings are extraordinary, seafood soup *talay* is fabulous, and among the entrées, don’t miss *choo chee* duck or the Queen of Thailand’s favorite, Pineapple Fried Rice. — *N.W. (5/02)*

CITY DELICATESSEN 535 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2747. Jewish specialties available here include brisket of beef, chicken-in-the-pot, chopped liver, and a wide variety of sandwiches and vegetarian items. Breakfast specials weekdays; early bird dinner for \$9.95. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner, to midnight during the week and to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

COTTAGE CAFE & GARDEN GRILL 2321 Fifth Avenue (at Juniper Street), Banker’s Hill, 619-696-0071. The Polish feel of this midtown café is palpable. The owners vacation in Poland yearly to update the family recipes. But you can eat American if you want, with smidgeons of Russian, Italian, and Greek, too. The “Farmer’s Breakfast” is a roundup of chopped ham or sausage, onions scrambled with two eggs, home fries, and toast. Or go Polish with a grilled Polish sausage sandwich stuffed with peppers, onions, and sauerkraut on rye. A full range of Polish specialties shows up on the weekend all-you-can-eat buffet, with stuffed cabbage, beef stroganoff, sausages and cabbage, and chicken paprika. Try the Polish beer, “Okocim, 1845,” but be careful — it’s 8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open daily, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

EL FANDANGO 2734 Calhoun Street (next to Bazaar Del Mundo in the Plaza), Old Town Historic Park, 619-298-2860. This indoor-outdoor café sits right on the tourist-packed plaza. But come early, like 8 a.m., and you’ll be practically alone. You’re suddenly in a Mexican town, say 1840. Order up a chorizo (Mexican pork sausage) scrambled with eggs and rice and refried beans, or scrambled eggs mixed with *nopalitos* — cactus pads — and chile verde and frijoles, and maybe add breakfast champagne. Soon you’ll be conjuring up all the fandangos — dances — that happened here. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (12/01)*

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)*

GULF COAST GRILL 4130 Park Boulevard (between University and El Cajon), Hillcrest, 619-295-2244. The Gulf’s faux-rustic, woody dining rooms and patio are great hangouts if you like a restaurant with a noisy party atmosphere. The menu focuses on the cuisine of the South and Southwest, with an emphasis on Louisiana and a heavy hand on the salt shaker. The kitchen does best with the straight Southern dishes, turning out divine

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ICHIBAN 1449 University Avenue (at Normal), Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick *udon* noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "*ichi-ban*" means. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

KEMO SABE 3958 Fifth Avenue (off University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-220-6802. 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 *chipotle* 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)

LOTUS THAI 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegan-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *satay*, beef salad), featuring a very tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties, try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish, accompanied by jammy garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they're spicy), since the kitchen shuns Thailand's fish-based "secret sauce," *nam pla*. It doesn't help that the flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/01)

PRADO House of Hospitality, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. Despite the mixed ethnicities, the food brings few surprises, but is generally flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes, a refreshing eggplant "napoleon," and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana Tres Leches cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum-crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Dinner reservations vital. Interior is vast and prone to loudness, but heated, umbrella-topped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — *N.W.* (12/00)

SHAKESPEARE PUB & GRILLE 3701 India Street, uptown, 619-299-0230. Probably the most convincing English pub in town. The Bard's brew-house boasts bare-board floors, diamond lead-glass windows, and authentic Brits sitting around the bar quaffing ale from their own pewter mugs. Pub grub is bluff and plain-spoken. Shepherd's pie,

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bangers and mash, ploughman’s plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branston pickle make it the real thing) — all are great with a pint of rich English beer, say a Boddington’s Pub Ale. Sunday’s roast beef dinner is worth dragging yourself out of bed for, too. The pub includes a shop that sells British goods. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

TRATTORIA MAMMA ANNA AND RISTORANTE 228 Washington Street (at Albatross Street), Mission Hills, 619-220-7070. The food is Sicilian and the ambience is “neighborhood.” “Mamma Anna” herself appears on and off at the eponymic restaurant, a popular Gaslamp spot before she retired and then, months later, revived the restaurant two miles north. The cooking, too, is somewhat on-and-off, but the best dishes can be marvelous. Look for dishes with the fresh, clean marinara sauce and the homemade sausages, and save room for cheesecake. Dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/02)*

DOWNTOWN

BANDAR FINE PERSIAN CUISINE 825 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 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. — *E.W.*

BAY CAFE 1050 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-595-1083. If you’re hungry at the city ferry landing, you can eat in the bare-bones interior or take your tray upstairs to a handsome bayview 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. — *N.W. (8/01)*

CHIVE 558 Fourth Avenue (near Island Street), Gaslamp, 619-232-4483. Eating’s an adventure at this coolly minimalist urban bistro where chef A.J. Voytko does his magic with a seasonally changing menu of inventive “modern cuisine.” Dishes alternate between high-risk global fusion and stringently simple combinations that place outstanding ingredients (including free-range chicken and veal) at center stage, accompanied by a revelatory repertory of exotic vegetables. The worldwide wine list offers over 50 choices by the glass. Reserve for weekend dinners, when a chic young crowd pours in. Full bar. No cell phone use inside. Dinner nightly, with weekend service to 11:30 p.m. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/02)*

DECO’S 731 Fifth Avenue (between G and F), Gaslamp, 619-696-3326. Don’t let Deco’s’ part-time job as a glitzy disco put you off. That’s only at the witching hour on weekends. But foodies come in on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, because when it’s not rockin’ and rollin’, Deco’s is a fine, fulfilling dinner-house, offering sensuous “fusion” food in a spectacular setting. You step out of the elevator into a dream of a more light-hearted, gracious age — the gala nightclubs of the Depression Era. But Chef Jonathan Plum’s fare is as forward as Deco’s decor is retro, and definitely good enough to stand on its own — modern, lightly adventurous California cuisine with Asian and Mediterranean touches featuring plenty of fine seafood (including sushi). Full bar, excellent wine list. On Thursdays through Saturdays, restaurant goes DJ at 9 p.m. with dress rules (no sneaks, shorts, tees). Nightclub free for patrons who order dinner first. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Expensive to exorbitant. — *N.W. (4/03)*

DEMEDICI 815 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-7228. This lovely, cream-and-sepia dining room evokes an Italian Renaissance villa, while its sidewalk patio offers a prime pageant of Gaslamp follies. Either way, you’ll enjoy exceptional service — attentive but

utterly unobtrusive — and a menu centered on succulent pastas and refined seafood dishes. The nightly specials and the waiter’s recommendations for the freshest catch will lead you to the evening’s best entrées. Fish dishes are exquisite, and anything with calamari (fresh local catch) is worth ordering: Atlantic shellfish, though, tend to be a tad overcooked. Reserve, and dress on the spiffier side — some Hollywood celebs hang their Borsalinos here, upping the clothing curve. Dinner nightly. Moderate-priced valet parking available. Moderate (simpler pastas) to very expensive. — *N.W. (8/01)*

DOWNTOWN FISH JOINT 407 C Street (at Fourth Avenue), downtown, 619-239-3506. Surprise: If you grab a shrimp taco at the Fish Joint and come sit outside at their sidewalk tables, you’ve found one of downtown’s least-appreciated weekday lunch locations. With red trolleys, shady green trees, the old California Theater, and lunchtime foot traffic, the place feels positively swank. Most ask for fish and chips. But if “8 ounces of North Atlantic cod, 5-6 pieces” is too much, ask for the children’s half-order. For a splurge, order the 8-ounce grilled salmon or the grilled seafood plate. Open weekdays, lunch Monday through Thursday, plus early dinner Friday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

FIO’S 801 Fifth Avenue (at F Street), Gaslamp, 619-234-3467. This handsome Gaslamp old-timer serves rich, comforting, serious North Italian cuisine in a civilized atmosphere, with the bar glassed off from the dining rooms, keeping the sound level low. High-quality ingredients (fine fresh fish, free-range chicken, genuinely ripe tomatoes, great Gorgonzola) are employed in well-executed dishes that are creative without going off the deep end. Great small details include fine bread with rosemary butter and an impressive wine list. There’s plenty of life in this old girl yet. Full bar, heated patio. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (6/01)*

GARGOYLE GALLERY & CAFE 1845 India Street (at Fir Street), Littly Italy, 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 mod-

est *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 aioli. The breakfast menu includes two-egg *panini* with grilled zucchini, marinated peppers, feta cheese, and orange slices. A must-have: French pressed coffee, a two-cup glass pot with a steel plunger. Open daily for breakfast and lunch. Belly dancing, first Saturday of the month. — *E.B. (5/02)*

GRAND CENTRAL CAFE YMCA, 500 West Broadway (at India Street), 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)*

GYROSCOPE GREEK CAFE 926 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp, 619-235-4635. You want cheap and interesting food in the Gaslamp? Gyro-scope’s one of the few that make that list. They grind their own meats fresh daily, with beef and lamb on alternate days. (They’re among the few to offer lamb *dolmades*.) The menu features the usual medium-priced kabobs, mous-saka, *spanakopita*, tiger shrimps, and steak. But you can also get amply filling “sandwich” size plates for just a few bucks: beef kabob, lamb, chicken breast, and of course the gyro (marinated lamb and beef slices in pita bread). Get one of these, a glass of burgundy, and a table with a view of the passing parade, and you’ll be feeling like a king. Even cheaper at lunchtime. Open daily, lunch and dinner, early dinner on Sundays. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*

MORTON’S OF CHICAGO 285 J Street, Gaslamp, 619-696-3369. This famous Chicago steakhouse is swanky, in a manly way: dark, clubby, luxurious, and louche. You go to Morton’s for great steak. Their Nebraska beef is aged and meticulously grilled to your specifications. You can get a one-and-a-half or three-pound porterhouse, which will be juicy, marbled with flavorful fat. You can also get good fish at Morton’s. The big, golden salmon fillet flakes to the fork and is moist, sweet, buttery. The pricey à la carte sides are either bad or mediocre. The Godiva Hot Chocolate Cake is exceptional. But go for the steak. Expensive. — *M.N. (9/99)*

RAINWATER’S 1202 Kettner Boulevard, downtown, 619-233-5757. Though this attractive restaurant is noted for its fine steaks and chops, the live Maine lobster and fresh fish (especially the salmon in parchment) are outstanding here. For a low-cost meal, try meat loaf and creamy mashed potatoes. Open for lunch Monday through Friday; dinner seven nights a week. Expensive. — *E.W.*

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 Ortega 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)*

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

CATHIE’S PLACE CAFE Sharp Coronado Hospital, 250 Prospect Place, Coronado, 619-522-3634. Cathie’s may look like a hospital cafeteria. It certainly serves patients, doctors, employees, the retirement home across the road, and the visiting public. But this place is run by a Marriott spin-off. And what meals! Beef burgundy with stuffed potatoes and seasonal vegetables, plantation pork loin with fruit and nut chutney, baked fish with lemon sauce.... Breakfasts are forgettable — lunch and dinner are where it’s at. The menu changes daily, but you can call ahead or ask Cathie (she’s real and she’s Scottish) to fax you the weekly “take-out dinner” menu. Weekdays only, breakfast to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/00)*

DA KINE’S PLATE LUNCHES 1635 Sweetwater Road, National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of Hawaiians do, every day. You’ll find Hawaiian license plates and surfboards on the walls, “Aloha Maid” Guava Nectar, and island food. Although the kalua pig here isn’t cooked in an *imu* — a hole in the ground — it sure tastes like the real thing and comes with cabbage, rice, macaroni salad, and kimchee. But beware of the *haupia* cake — it may cause serious addiction. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

LYDIA’S CAFE AND NIGHTCLUB 1628 Palm Avenue, Nestor, 619-429-3603. This easygoing dancing/eatery has a faithful following that goes back to 1957. But before you dance, eat! Check out the *birria en su jugo* (goat in its juices) with beans, rice, and tortillas, or enjoy filling snacks like *taquitos*, *cucaracha* (a corn tortilla stuffed with ham, cheese, and sour cream), or the snack Lydia says she invented: *botanas* (beans, pork, and melted cheese over corn chips). Open early to very late, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

PRIMAVERA 932 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-0454. This stand-out 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. Primavera’s accomplished staff takes unpretentious pride in their kitchen, the

food and wine they serve, and right-fully so. Open daily. Expensive. — *M.N. (11/98)*

STRETCH’S CAFE 943 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-8886. Stretch got his name in World War II when he was 6’1” and 135 pounds. Now he wants to get back to that — and he wants you that way, too, so he serves strictly nuts and twigs. His menu includes veggie salad, chicken breast and beans over brown rice, or a plate frankly named “Steamed Veggies,” featuring carrots, zucchini, broccoli, mushrooms, and melted cheese on brown rice. You’ll come out feeling so proud that you resisted the greasy Slamburger at Danny’s bar next door. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

SUSHI SUSHI 600 Palm Avenue, Suite 300, Seacoast Plaza, Imperial Beach, 619-429-4373. Imperial Beach’s only sushi bar really tries hard. With its pine sushi bar with roto-polished steel back-board, its white paper lanterns and paper and wood screens, its water-rooted bamboo growing out in weird shape — it feels like you’ve been teleported to the Ginza. Even the dishes are little pieces of art. Cheap but delish choices include *katsudon* (breaded pork, onions and egg over rice) or *nabeyaki udon* (thick noodle soup with carrots, egg, chicken, fish cake and a side dish of deep-fried battered shrimp). Or tackle a combo *bento* tray (rice, soup, salad, plus two items from a list that includes squid teriyaki, *gyoza*, *sashimi*, and *panko* fried oysters). Or just go the “tapa” way, ordering sushi dishes one at a time. Your local honor-dish: the “I.B. Roll,” filled with salmon egg, smelt egg, cream cheese, and avocado wrapped in salmon. Daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (5/02)*

TOMATOES PLUS: A CALIFORNIA BISTRO 4346 Bonita Road, Bonita, 619-479-8494. If you blink between the Baskin-Robbins and the market in the Bonita Center, you could miss this place. A mistake. Tomatoes charms you with an atmosphere somewhere between mumsy and whimsy. And it bulges with dishes that are healthy but not preachy. This is not thinly disguised rabbit food — not with dishes like chicken and eggplant salad, which comes with delicious roast eggplant and chicken strips bathed in tingling chipotle (mesquite-smoked jalepeño) vinaigrette. Or chicken Florentine (breaded chicken breast with tomatoes — of course — plus spinach, cheese, and sautéed mushrooms. To use up more tomatoes, they have lotsa pasta dishes too. And if you’re feeling broke, the chili or clam chowder in an edible bread bowl will definitely fill you. Sunday champagne brunch usually has a surprise or two, and the everyday apple sausage omelet breakfast is a sweet-savory treat. Breakfast through dinner daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (4/02)*

BAJA

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BIG BOY RESTAURANT 9892 Agua Caliente Boulevard (across the street from the old bullring), Tijuana, 686-3788. Besides having excellent Mexican-American food, this Big Boy knock-off draws some of the most interesting people in Tijuana — journalists, lawyers, cattle ranchers, politicians, Baja’s heavy hitters. Day or night, Big Boy is always busy. Gringo food’s no problem. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, sausage, chorizo or ham, plus hash browns or frijoles, toast, juice, and endless coffee. Nobody will object if you sit sipping the free refills till the moon comes up. But you won’t — you’ll crack and order more when you smell the popular, macho “royal” hamburger, with two beef patties, smoked ham, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, and salad. Or the chicken breast marinated in tequila with cilantro, guacamole, and beans. Open 24/7. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

CAFE LA ESPECIAL 718 Avenida Revolución (down the market steps), Tijuana, 685-6654. Café la Especial was once a great favorite of American aficionados of Tijuana’s bullfights at the old downtown Plaza de Toros. Summer Sundays, fans would crowd into the café to chow down before the fights or rush back afterwards for a few drinks and a hearty meal. Inside, little has changed, not even the 50-50 locals-to-gringos ratio. Food is standard Mexican/American border fare, from tacos and tamales to *carne asada* and *bistek ranchero*, from cactus and eggs to steak and eggs. But the atmosphere is the real draw: the low ceiling, varnished wood, black furniture with flowers painted up and down the legs and portraits on the backs, and lots of murals of Mexico on the walls. Owner Humberto Brambila’s aunt Justina started it all, he says, in 1948, with the steamed taco stand upstairs. That’s still going too. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (5/02)*

CIEN ANOS Calle Jose Maria Velazco #1407, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-3039 or 634-7262, altacocina@cien-a.com. This lovely, comfortable, dressy-casual “destination restaurant” serves extraordinary Mexican haute cuisine, graced with a brilliant variety of sauces based on elaborations of Mexican ingredients, including tropical fruits, nuts, and above all a vast variety of chile peppers, each with its own distinctive flavor (not all of them spicy). You could eat here a dozen times and not begin to exhaust the possibilities. Just a few of the treats are mushrooms steeped in beef marrow, alligator meat mini-tacos, *pozole* with crab meat, and an irresistible beef and shrimp stew. (Food critic Ruth Reichl consumed a meal of exotic Aztec delicacies, including ant roe and mezcals, and you can try them too when they’re in season.) The wine list is devoted wholly to ambitious Baja wineries; you’re also welcome to BYO. Bar choices include damiana and hibiscus liqueurs. Menu and staff are bilingual. Reservations (phone or e-mail) are strongly advised; ask for directions. Low-moderate. — *N.W. (7/01)*

LA ESPADANA 10813 Avenida Sanchez Taboada, Zona Rio, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. Beautifully prepared meals that include appetizer, soup or salad, and entrée are available in this structure whose name means bell tower and whose exterior resembles a mission. Best bets here are filet steak on a skewer (*brocheta de filete*), baby back ribs (*costillar de puerco*), and leg of lamb (*pierna de borrego*). The portions are mammoth and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service, delightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

LA FONDA Km. 59, Baja Highway 1 (Alisio exit from toll-road, about halfway between Rosarito and Ensenada), 661-628-7352. It’s hard to imagine a better start to the day, in any sweeter ambience, than at La Fonda (“The Inn”), which offers Mexican and

American breakfast dishes and a lavish Sunday brunch buffet with both. Arrive early for patio seating under a straw umbrella with a full-out ocean view. The bilingual menu is written on chalkboards and dinner choices change nightly, featuring American and Mexican seafood entrées and deluxe meats aged in-house. Most staffers speak some English. Full bar, including Baja-grown wines. Open daily, three meals, starting about 9 a.m. Inexpensive to moderate; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

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). 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)*

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(campy nautical paraphernalia on down to souvenir gimme caps), but the food’s not bad. One tasty starter is “crabioli,” fried wonton stuffed with crab and melted cream cheese (“crab Rangoon” by another name, but smoother). You can choose buckets of steamed, barbecued, or garlic crab (of various subspecies), or go for fried or grilled seafood or steaks, or salads. Grownups may prefer the patio to the rockin’, raucous interior. Full bar, not much wine. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

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A Drumming of Fingers

Guest is not about to change his nasty habit of poking fun at the weak and defenseless.

Too many movies. And yet too few. Here we are at the end of the fourth month, and the number of new releases in 2003 that I can regard as something special (outside of revivals or latecomers from last year) is stuck at one. *Gods and Generals*. And I have the faint suspicion that the main reason that one did not look even better to me has to do with the principle of an ebbing tide lowering all boats. But maybe (scary thought) the applicable principle has to do instead with an ebbing tide making the dock stand taller. How different the world would look to me if I could think of things like *Laurel Canyon* and *Till Human Voices Wake Us*, to say nothing of things like *The Core* and *Bringing Down the House*, as really good movies. Meantime, impatience grows.

Divine Intervention, a misanthropic comedy from Palestine about hostilities and conflicts both intramural and across the Israeli border, permits us

if nothing else to acquaint ourselves with the pleasures of composition, perspective, camera angle, the film-making basics. A tetchier Tati, director Elia Suleiman (who also appears as the,

or a, central character) achieves a marvelous and rejuvenating variety in his coverage of an event or locale, coming

at it from several angles of attack, each as scrupulously planned as the last. (The terraced backyard divided by cinder-block walls and fronted by a chain-link fence appears to have been photographed from the ideal vantage point when we first see it — squared up to the plane of the screen, a perfect fit — but the higher angle the second time pumps new life, new air, into it.) The largely static camera, especially in the first half before the elaborate choreography at a military checkpoint, exudes a satisfaction with every set-up, and with good reason. The gags, or pokes in the ribs, or whacks on the funny bone (the implied violence is



A Mighty Wind

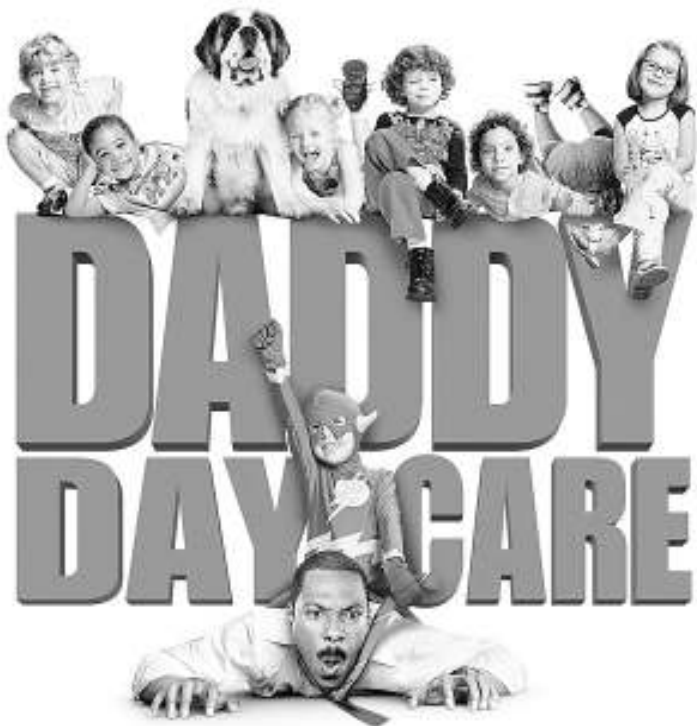
intended), are unforced and unhurried, oftentimes reliant on tactics of delay and repetition: the daily ritual of pitching a sack of garbage over a neighbor's wall, or the obligation of defending one's property from nightly firebombs or errant soccer balls. Nevertheless, the fragmented narrative has a hard time holding the attention past the

first half-hour or so, and the increasing obscurity, absurdity, whimsy, and fantasy have a limited, a specialized, appeal. To me, next to none.

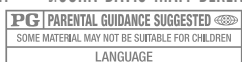
In *A Mighty Wind*, Christopher Guest and his repertory group turn their "mockumentary" style — a style of expedience at best — to a reunion of Sixties folkies for a live concert on

public television. There's a peppy New Christy Minstrels-like nonet known as the Main Street Singers (led by the well-scrubbed faces of John Michael Higgins and the dimply Jane Lynch), a Limelighters-like trio called the Folksmen (Harry Shearer on bass, Michael McKean on guitar, Guest on banjo), and an intensely romantic but

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bitterly divorced Ian and Sylvia-like twosome (Eugene Levy, looking frighteningly like Alan Rickman, and Catherine O'Hara). There's a total absence of Lefty politics among them, an absence that can certainly be found, when you look for it, in the mainstream folk movement of the day, but an absence of a potentially rich vein of humor all the same. Guest is not about to change his nasty habit of poking fun at the weak and defenseless: an aging, marginal, over-the-hill metal band in Rob Reiner's *This Is Spinal Tap*, a small-town community theater in his own *Waiting for Guffman*, monomaniacal dog people in *Best in Show*. The gradual decline continues, a little less gradually, as the "mockumentary" premise goes well over the verge of mannerism and shtick. This latest mutation seems as high concept, if not as high budget and high profile, as any Adam Sandler comedy, and likewise more of a "pitch" or a "package" than a finished and polished film. By the law of averages, albeit far below past averages, there are some funny moments (a snatch of a calypso number

by the Folksmen in rehearsal, a scrap of rhyming lyric to do with a "smelly old blanket that some Navajo wove"), and Catherine O'Hara merits the best-in-show ribbon for staying always in character and never pushing too hard for a laugh.

Confidence might have been better called *Cockiness*, even if it meant that the convoluted scam at the center of it had to be called, with altogether appropriate machismo, a cock game: the poker-faced Edward Burns, in a cropped haircut that makes him into a poor man's Ben Affleck, dances rings around Dustin Hoffman's underworld behemoth. The latter, in a weird composite of his Ratzo Rizzo in *Midnight Cowboy*, his Devil's Island inmate in *Papillon*, and his Dutch Schultz in *Billy Bathgate*, works hard, regardless, to steal the movie away from the star. He can have it. Director James Foley, who brought David Mamet's *Glengarry Glen Ross* to the screen, now seems to want to horn in on some of Mamet's caper action. But it's Mamet Meets Tarantino or Ritchie (in fractured structure and smarty-pants tone) Meets Scorsese or Lynch (in Expressionistic color). And where does that leave James Foley? Who's he?

Holes, Andrew Davis's illustrations for a much-decorated novel by Louis Sachar, is a severely strained kiddie film

wherein three plotlines — the origins of a hundred-fifty-year-old family curse in Latvia; interracial love, bigotry, and revenge in the Wild West; a juvenile hard-labor camp in present-day Texas — keep interrupting one another and impeding momentum. The third one comes to dominate, then waits for the others to tie in. Kids might like it; kids who like their characters to have nicknames along the lines of Barfbag, Armpit, X-Ray, Zero, and Caveman; kids who like to flip back and forth between channels in mid-show.

Bulletproof Monk, ineptly directed by music-video and ad man Paul Hunter, requires Hong Kong action hero Chow Yun-Fat to share honors and screen time with the crinkled brow and lopsided smirk of Seann William Scott (*American Pie*), as a New York pick-pocket who learned his martial artistry by projecting and mimicking kung-fu movies in a Chinatown grindhouse. ("The most undisciplined youth I have ever laid eyes on," says the gravity-defying Tibetan of the gravity-deficient American, little knowing what a but-tery compliment he is dishing out.) Just the ticket for the martial-arts fan who felt that these ass-kicking fantasies were not juvenile enough already.

Justin Lin's *Better Luck Tomorrow*, although the title sounds like a Hong Kong shoot'em-up by John Woo, deals instead with straight-A suburban Asian-American teens, who use excla-

mations like "Sweet" and "Whatever," listen to rap music, get wasted, and escalate from classroom cheating to petty crime to big-time. It's nice to know, in case you hadn't noticed, that amorality doesn't discriminate. Neither does triteness. Slick, flashy, jaded, a jangly grab-bag of stylistic devices; in short, an MTV Film. Jerry ("The Beav") Mathers makes an appearance as a Biology teacher, further refuting rumors of his demise in Vietnam.

Madstone's Hazard Center, this next week, launches a series headed "Film Forward," subheaded "Six Weeks of Unreleased, Oddball, and Original Films." I have so far seen two of them, *Tattoo*, a *Love Story*, an Idahoan odd-couple romance between a neat-freak third-grade teacher and a slobby Harley-riding heavily tattooed tattoo artist (picture Sandra Bullock and John Goodman, but then meet Megan Edwards and Virgil Mignanelli), and *Soft for Digging*, a nearly nonverbal chiller (apart from archaic title cards such as "Chapter V: Being Old, Lonely, and Misbelieved; Ruminations Thereon") shot on a very short shoestring at a cabin in *Blair Witch* country. To judge by these two, the series will take you as close as you can come in Mission Valley to the experience, should you want it, of being at the Sundance Film Festival, or even further, being on its selection committee. Watching them, you are able to feel not so much like

an ordinary moviegoer as like a potential investor. As if they were not just after your *eight* dollars but after your eight *thousand* or eight *hundred* thousand. As if, to push the point a little harder, the focus were not really on the present movie but on the prospective one. The next one.

When all's said and done, I'm not sure that a taste of Sundance at Hazard Center will prove to be a bigger deal than the theater's posted Public Notice of Application to Sell Alcoholic Beverages. A sip of the Continent.

An independent film with a good deal of local interest, the illegal-immigrant drama *The Gatekeeper*, shot entirely in and around San Diego by the Tijuana-born director and star John Carlos Frey, debuts this Friday at UA Horton Plaza. I haven't seen it. I'm only pointing it out.

Had I known that Alexander Sokurov's *Russian Ark* would be picked up by Hazard Center after its week at the Ken, I might have made more haste to say something about it. It's difficult to imagine that the term "popular demand" could be uttered within 10,000 miles of that film. I'll try to have some thoughts on it next week.

My thanks, in return, to the postcard writer with the illegible surname who thanked me for putting him on to *Tension at Table Rock*. (I had noticed it was back on TCM one recent morning.) I could not have expected my excitement to remain in anyone else's mind for the entire eight months since I wrote about it. But nor, for that matter, could I have expected it to remain, as it does, in my own. When movies were movies. ■

MOVIE LISTINGS

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Anger Management — More disappointing than most Adam Sandler comedies because the subject was more promising: temper control. You would hardly know that that's the subject from the way the humor runs to sex, private parts, bodily functions, in short the toilet. The strong supporting cast is a sign of either Sandler's growing courage or his growing self-delusion: Jack Nicholson (as the unorthodox therapist: "Temper is the one thing you can't get rid of by losing it"), John Turturro (stealing scenes as in Sandler's *Mr. Deeds*, as a "half-Irish, half-Italian, half-Mexican" hothead), Marisa Tomei (the infinitely patient, supportive, undemanding girlfriend), Luis Guzmán, bit parts for the late Lynne Thigpen, John C. Reilly, Heather Graham, Woody Harrelson, and cameos for Harry Dean Stanton, Bobby Knight, John McEnroe, Derek Jeter, Roger Clemens, Robert Merrill, Rudy Giuliani. Directed by Peter Segal. 2003.

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Assassination Tango — Robert Duvall, directing and writing in addition to starring, indulges here his personal passion for contract killing. No, wait. That's not what the publicity said. It's his personal passion for tango dancing that he indulges. And what better, what more personal, way to express that passion than to have the protagonist be a contract killer who shares it? Well:

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one answer to that question would be to have the passionate protagonist be a *director* as in Carlos Saura's incomparable *Tango* (or as in Sally Potter's *The Tango Lesson*, less forbiddingly), but that may yet be too distant a point of identification for Duvall. The latter's offering, as dilettantish about murder-for-hire as about the tango, compares very badly, although the filmmaker at any rate puts his personal stamp on it in alphabetizing it under the letter "A" — his other two directorial efforts have been called *Angelo, My Love* and *The Apostle* — as well as in its Cassavetes-like inertia and improvised-sounding dialogue. (One hopes, at least, that it was improvised, that it was not the result of a line-by-line Flaubertian quest for *le mot juste*.) The hired-killer strand of the narrative sends a pony-tailed New York mobster to Argentina for a political hit — not your everyday assignment in the New York underworld — on the understanding that he will be back in three days for the birthday of the doted-on daughter of his current girlfriend: this is a hit man with his priorities straight. In consequence, when his target goes into the hospital for two to three weeks after a horsing accident, the killer channels his tremendous frustration and his sudden free time into a study of the tango and a flirta-

tion with an elegant *tanguista* (the slyly deadpan Luciana Pedraza, Duvall's off-camera innamorata, in her first acting job). No better integrated than that, the terpsichorean element is just a decorative ribbon wound around the central strand of a tepid, torpid thriller: an indulgence indeed. 2003. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Basic — Something went terribly wrong on military training maneuvers in the Panamanian jungle, but what? A coy and annoying mystery of conflicting flashbacks. The torrential rainfall may or may not be an homage to *Rashomon*, but definitely not a worthy one. With John Travolta, Connie Nielsen, Giovanni Ribisi, Brian Van Holt, Taye Diggs, and Samuel L. Jackson; directed by John McTiernan. 2003. ● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

Bend It Like Beckham — Feminist pep fest, or pap fest, about an Indian girl in West London who must weave her way through the obstacles set by her cookie-cutter traditionalist family — is there any other kind from India? — in order to pursue her bliss as a soccer player. (Glossary note for the non-sports fan, or the merely parochial sports fan: the title alludes to

David Beckham, glamour boy of English football as well as husband of "Posh" Spice, and it alludes also to another type of English and not to any private depravities of his.) Filmmaker Gurinder Chadha, of *Bhaji on the Beach*, gets a bright, cheery image, a balmy atmosphere, and winning performances (against weak opposition) from Parminder Nagra and sixteen-year-old Keira Knightley as the resolute heroine and her reedy blond teammate. With Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Anupam Kher, Archie Panjabi, Juliet Stevenson. 2003. ★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS;

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Better Luck Tomorrow — Reviewed this issue. With Perry Shen, Jason Tobin, Sung Kang, and Karin Anne Cheung; directed by Justin Lin. ● (GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Bowling for Columbine — Michael Moore's engaging and enraging documentary on gun culture in America, and by extension violence, homicide, and the climate

of fear in America. Dishevelled as ever in his baggy clothes and collection of ballcaps (one of them emblazoned with "Writer"), usually unshaven, a definitive schlump, he is still his own protagonist, no matter how antagonistic a one. Here he is, selecting a free rifle as a bonus "gift" for opening a CD account at a heartland bank *cum* licensed firearms dealer. Here he is, testing the theory that Torontonians don't bother to lock their homes, by going right up to some front doors and opening them. (Canada comes off very well in the film, not just for the low murder rate among a well-armed

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populace, but for the bedrock of social beneficence.) And here he is, escorting two crippled survivors of the Columbine school shooting to Kmart headquarters, to “return” the bullets to their place of purchase. Surprisingly — you can see it plainly on his face — Kmart capitulates to the cease-and-desist demand, a tiny victory on Moore’s quixotic quest to change the world. His search far and wide for connections and causalities, for an explanatory nexus, can at times resemble mental meandering. And he is not averse to the cheap shot and the heavy hand: a montage of U.S. foreign-affairs follies will be accompanied by Louis Armstrong’s “What a Wonderful World.” (Joey Ramone’s sneeringly ironic cover version of the song will be heard in the closing credits.) Yet his sincerity, for all his showmanship and all his sarcasm, never seems in doubt. His lack of slickness may or may not say something about his level of expertise as a filmmaker. The film is not so much *un-slick* as strategically and pragmatically *anti-slick*. The film mirrors the filmmaker. With Marilyn Manson, Dick Clark, Charlton Heston. 2002.

★★★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Bringing Down the House — Steve Martin as a divorced tax lawyer seeking companionship in an Internet chatroom, finding the ample, the abundant Queen Latifah, fresh out of prison: the uptight white and the up-front black. Predictable but not disagreeable. The two stars could play this in their sleep, yet they give every appearance of full alertness. With Eugene Levy, Jean Smart, and Joan Plowright; directed by Adam Shankman. 2003.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)



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Bulletproof Monk — Reviewed this issue. With Chow Yun-Fat, Seann William Scott, and Jaime King; directed by Paul Hunter.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Le Cercle Rouge — Yet another of Jean-Pierre Melville’s *hommages* to the American gangster genre. There is, as always, an ever-present element of playacting about it — these European actors in their I-Am-a-Hoodlum uniforms — but the “play” maintains a childlike seriousness and unselfconsciousness and freedom from irony. And if the modern-day moviegoer should find it too long and too slow, it will simply be a measure of Melville’s greater faith in the form. This is the slowness of ceremony,

the longness of time-honored tradition. The most noteworthy innovation this time — the most sizable contribution to the lore — comes in the characterization of Yves Montand, a sullied ex-cop. When we first see him, sweaty and unshaven, he’s in the throes of a severe case of the d.t.’s (one step beyond Ray Milland), his room aswarm with phantom snakes, lizards, spiders, rats. The phone rings, and he is invited to a meeting to discuss a possible job in which his legendary skills as a sharp-

shooter are required. When next we see him, he turns up at the meeting freshly shaven in a snappy suit and tie, declines the offer of a whisky (“I never touch it”), and throughout the entire enterprise, taking target practice, lighting a cigarette, brewing up a special batch of soft lead for bullets, there’s never a tremor, never a mention, never a hint. Upon completion of his assignment, he removes a flask from his pocket, takes one whiff, puts it away. Not very realistic, you say? Certainly not. It’s sublime — a glorious salute to criminal professionalism or to professionalism in general. Melville’s own professionalism, on the other hand, has elsewhere been more secure. The opening, admittedly, is nicely structured, cross-cutting between the converging paths of a paroled convict and an escaped convict who, after their paths come together in the parking lot of a roadside diner, will team up on a big jewel heist (“classic, easy, no risk”). And the cold, monochromatic, colorless color brings to mind the palette of *Le Samourai* (same cameraman, Henri Decae), without quite equalling it. And some of the images possess an elegant geometry. But partially negating all of that is the profusion of lazy zoom shots — so much easier than a tracking shot or two separate camera set-ups, so much flimsier — which date the movie with great accuracy at 1970, and which date it rather badly. Not that they were much more palatable at the time. The last thing we ever want from Jean-Pierre Melville is that he be in vogue. Alain Delon, Gian Maria Volonte, André Bourvil.

★★★ (KEN, THROUGH 4/24)

Chasing Papi — Eduardo Verástegui as a ladies’ man juggling three women, directed by Linda Mendoza.

(CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Chicago — How quaint: a Broadway musical transferred to the screen! (Directed and choreographed by Rob Marshall.) Apologetically self-conscious and campy, despite the present-day “relevance” of the courtroom antics and media manipulation in a sensational murder trial of the Jazz Age. (Commemorated already in William Wellman’s rambunctious *Roxie Hart*.) There’s a good deal of frenetic cutting and hyperkinetic camerawork, as if in mortal terror of being taken for a stage play. And the dingy, dungeon image hardly recalls the genre’s Technicolor glory days. Renée Zellweger and Catherine Zeta-Jones (it must be without precedent for the two top-billed stars of a movie to be so close to the end of the alphabet) do indeed sing and dance as advertised, and in Zellweger’s case, even act. Lest she never again land a role as anything other than a prison matron, she also amply demonstrates that the pounds she put on for Bridget Jones are all gone now. Yet her new figure — thin as a rail, though knotted and gnarled with muscle — cannot be counted an asset to the re-creation of the period. With Richard Gere, John C. Reilly, Queen Latifah. 2002.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; VOGUE)

Confidence — Reviewed this issue. With Edward Burns, Dustin Hoffman, Rachel Weisz, and Andy Garcia; directed by James Foley.

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The Core — Jon Amiel’s doomsday thriller in the tradition of *The Day the Earth Caught Fire* (1962) and *Crack in the World* (1965) stays serious long enough for a couple of catchy introductory scenes: thirty-two civilians simultaneously dropping dead

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within a few-block radius in Boston (the common thread appears to be their pace-makers: “Since it’s not an act of war,” concludes the anti-terrorist watchdog, “I think we can all breathe a little easier”) and the pigeons of Trafalgar Square going spectacularly haywire. The mood — the tone — changes, however, with the landing of the off-course space shuttle in the drains of the Los Angeles River. “God!” as somebody aptly says of something else later on: “This all just seems too big, doesn’t it?” The problem — the barrier to a good time — is not the Jules Vernean preposterousness of the plot (tunneling to the center of the earth and setting off a corrective nuclear blast: “You’re talking about jump-starting the planet!”), nor the assembly of stereotyped characters (hunky university professor, haughty scientist, crackpot inventor, callow computer nerd, military dullard, kick-ass aviatrix), nor the comic-book lameness of the dialogue (“We’ve got a job to do. Let’s do it”). All of these are comfortably within the tradition. The problem, rather, is what’s new and now: the overlubricated velocity that transforms everything — heroism, sacrifice, intellectual lightning bolt, the shattering of the Roman Coliseum, the melting of the Golden Gate Bridge — into an undifferentiated and unappreciated blur. The grade-B (through grade-Z) science fiction of the Golden Age might often have been naive, clunky, transparently phony, but the slippery slickness of today’s is an altogether different kind of ineptitude, and a much more insidious kind. Aaron Eckhart, Hilary Swank, Stanley Tucci, Delroy Lindo, Richard Jenkins, Bruce Greenwood, Tcheky Karyo, Alfre Woodard. 2003. ★ (GASLAMP 15; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Divine Intervention — Reviewed this issue. With Elia Suleiman, Manal Khader, and Nayef Fahoum Daher; written and directed by Suleiman. ★★ (KEN, 4/25 THROUGH 5/1)

Dreamcatcher — In light of the fact that it was made by a director of at least moderate stature — Lawrence Kasdan of *Body Heat*, *The Accidental Tourist*, *Mumford*, etc. — this might have raised higher anticipation than most Stephen King adaptations, till you remind yourself of Stanley Kubrick’s *The Shining*. Like the Kubrick, only more so, the Kasdan is a mishmash of ingredients: mental telepathy, alien invasion, body snatching, Native American mysticism, *Stand by Me* male camaraderie, goldie-olgies, *Apocalypse Now* (the Col. Kurtz of E.T.-hunters), and Apocalypse Forever (“One worm kills the world”). With a lightweight cast but for Morgan Freeman — Thomas Jane, Damian Lewis, Timothy Olyphant, Jason Lee, Tom Sizemore — the whole thing plays almost like a parody, just this side of *Men in Black*, and not at all this side of it in such particulars as the puerile fascination with flatulence, the “shit weasels” (tube-shaped creatures using the alimentary tract as a birth canal), the gentlemanly British accent of the body snatcher, and the literal depiction of a limited-capacity Memory Warehouse as something out of a Roz Chast cartoon (if you recall the one where the romantic alliances of Hollywood stars have displaced Renaissance Art). Kasdan’s credentials as a filmmaker would seem, if anything, to have inhibited his commitment to the material. And nothing is surer to drag a filmmaker down than his feeling, rightly or wrongly, that the material is beneath him. 2003. ● (FASHION VALLEY 18; PALM PROMENADE 24)

The Gatekeeper — Independent film centered around an undercover Border Patrol agent, starring and directed by John Carlos Frey. (CHULA VISTA 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; FROM 4/25)

Ghosts of the Abyss — James Cameron returns to the site of the sunken Titanic, for an hour-long documentary in 3-D. (HORTON PLAZA 14; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Giant — Almost four hours long and as wide as a yawn, George Stevens’s version of



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Edna Ferber’s Texas epic is excessive in every way. By the finish, gray has dusted the black-shoe-polish hair of Rock Hudson, a limp empire-builder, and his little boy has grown up to be Dennis Hopper. James Dean lolls around in blue denims, smugly figuring his big innings will come sooner or later, and they do come, in the guise of snobby sunglasses and a trim mustache. All the while, Elizabeth Taylor behaves like the stout-hearted, unflinching Ferber-esque female ideal. Too much of the movie trudges along under the assumption that the grad-

ual pileup of events, time, characters, and color will outweigh the vacuity of each individual moment. 1956. ● (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 4/27, 1 P.M.)

The Good Thief — Loose remake of Jean-Pierre Melville’s *Bob le Flambeur*, loose as ashes (to steal a line from Bing Crosby). The hero looks to be the brainchild of an intellectually precocious adolescent, one who has immersed himself in Raymond Chandler — although these days it might

be Robert Parker or Lawrence Block — and who at some point has moved up to Camus and Céline and down to Burroughs and Bukowski. A reformed thief if not a reformed gambler or heroin addict, our man is tempted to come in on a Monte Carlo casino heist when his luck finally “bottoms

out.” Not a heist of the eighty million in the safe, but — something to appeal to the aesthete in him — a heist of the Cézannes, Gauguins, Modiglianis, Picassos, etc., owned by the Japanese proprietors. Nick Nolte, with a jumbo frog in his throat, reverberant undertones of mockery and put-on in his delivery, and a studied air of nonchalance, does nothing to dispel the impression of someone who took his boyhood reading a little too much to heart. And writer-director Neil Jordan (*The Crying Game*, *Mona Lisa*, *The End of the Affair*), filling out the soundtrack with the likes of Leonard Cohen and Serge Gainsbourg as well as a cover version of Sinatra, and jazzing up the image with gear-grinding changes of speed and stop-on-a-dime freeze-frames, is clearly a co-conspirator, more probably the mastermind and omnipotent puppeteer. The movie is so preoccupied with demeanor (little pearls of wisdom: “You know the first thing to learn about gambling? Clothes!” and “It’s not about winning, it’s about attitude”) that it can’t be bothered to clarify the details of the caper, which pass before our eyes like the pea in a shell game, facilitated with James Bond-ian gadgetry (a cigarette-lighter-camera as well as a pen-camera, not to be confused with the *caméra-stylo* of French cinematic theory), a dazzling array of computer graphics, and a torrent of techno-babble in foreign accents. Nutsa Kukhianidze, Tcheky Karyo, Emir Kusturica, Ralph Fiennes. 2003. ★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 4/25; HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 4/24; LA JOLLA 12)

Head of State — Chris Rock herewith puts himself in the category, if not the league, of Chaplin, Keaton, Jerry Lewis, Woody Allen: the comic-hyphen-director,

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if not the comic-hyphen-*auteur*. A Capraesque Little Man comedy, a *Rocky* of the political arena, it casts Rock as a piddling D.C. alderman who, on the strength of a cat-saving act of bravery, is handpicked by a party pooh-bah to replace a deceased Presidential candidate mere weeks before the election — and of course handpicked to lose, for strategic reasons, to the uncatchable front-runner (“God bless America and no place else”), invariably described as “a Vice President for eight years, a war hero, and Sharon Stone’s cousin.” Of course, too, once the underdog, or sacrificial lamb, stops reading his standard-issue speeches and starts ad-libbing stand-up routines, he puts on a better show than expected. This and subsequent developments will certainly, in the age of CNN, test the credulity and the fidelity of the comedian’s following. But otherwise the movie is utterly untesting, totally untaxing, passably well polished, and occasionally, broadly, impertinently “pertinent.” The darts at campaign ads are especially on target. When properly placed in a league of *SNL* alums, instead of the Chaplin-Keaton league, Rock could be seen near the top of the standings. A very *minor* league, let’s be clear. With Bernie Mac, Tamala Jones, Lynn Whitfield, Dylan Baker, James Rebhorn. 2003.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Holes — Reviewed this issue. With Shia LaBeouf, Khleo Thomas, Jon Voight, Tim Blake Nelson, Sigourney Weaver, and Patricia Arquette; directed by Andrew Davis.

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House of 1000 Corpses — Rob Zombie’s long-on-the-shelf horror spoof with Karen Black and Sid Haig.

(GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Identity — Hokey thriller about a *Ten Little Indians*-type annihilation of the guests at a remote Nevada motel in a pelting rain. The hokeyness has a rationale, but the rationale is hokey, too. With John Cusack, Amanda Peet, Ray Liotta, Clea DuVall, Rebecca DeMornay, Alfred Molina, and Pruitt Taylor Vince; directed by James Mangold. 2003.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CINERAMA 6; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 4/25)

It Runs in the Family — Kirk Douglas and Michael Douglas play father and son in this domestic drama directed by Fred Schepisi.

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Laurel Canyon — A psychiatric intern brings his upper-crusty East Coast fiancée (at work on her dissertation on the reproductive activities of the fruit fly) to stay in his mother’s house in the Hollywood Hills. But his mother, a free-as-the-breeze record producer, hasn’t yet vacated the premises as agreed, along with the British rock band whose much younger lead singer is her current lover. (“She’s really weird,” the son draws upon his analytical training. “Probably a developmental disorder.”) Plot me-

chanics, character chemistry, and lighten-up philosophy — “It’s okay to leave the Ivory Tower and live a little” — are easy to imagine as a mainstream comedy, after appropriate casting changes, budget augmentations, and four or five re-writes to reduce the intervals between laugh lines and heighten the volume of the laughs. In fact, if it were a foreign film instead of a mere “indie” (from *High Art*’s Lisa Cholodenko), it would be ripe for a remake, possibly retailored for Meg Ryan and Jon Bon Jovi, and directed by Garry or Penny Marshall. As it is, we can be thankful there was a part in it for the inimitable Frances McDormand. (Not only a part, but a nude scene — or maybe not exactly a nude scene, but a nude frame or two — a Meryl Streepian Academy Award-winner’s dramatically justifiable nipple flash.) And Kate Beckinsale always has more to offer than just her good looks and flawless American accent. Meretriciousness nevertheless runs

rampant. Christian Bale, Natascha McElhone, Alessandro Nivola. 2003.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Levity — Billy Bob Thornton as a paroled murderer in search of redemption; with Holly Hunter and Morgan Freeman; written and directed by Ed Solomon.

(LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 4/25)

Malibu’s Most Wanted — Comedy starring Jamie Kennedy as white rapper, directed by John Whitesell.

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Tate, Jacqueline Obradors. 2003.
● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

A Mighty Wind — Reviewed this issue. With Christopher Guest, Michael McKean, Harry Shearer, Eugene Levy, and Catherine O’Hara; directed by Guest.
★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Nowhere in Africa — Family of German Jews — father, mother, and a daughter portrayed by two dissimilar actresses within the span of the Second World War — emigrates to Kenya to escape the Nazis. (Grandfather stays behind with the mandatory line: “This will all be over in one or two years.”) Their experiences are individual and fitfully interesting, but the diffident and diffuse presentation is a little short of basic showmanship. The sad-eyed Juliane Köhler dominates the film as the luxury-loving mother who makes a very slow adjustment to the hardships of exile. With Merab Ninidze and Matthias Habich; written and directed by Caroline Link. 2002.
★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Old School — A post-collegiate fraternity, complete with hazing, beer-chugging, streaking, KY wrestling, etc. In short, a “guy” comedy. Or anyway a young-guy comedy. Or anyway a dumb-young-guy comedy. And for the girls: a fellatio class

taught by a male homosexual with carrots and cucumbers for props. Luke Wilson, Will Ferrell, Vince Vaughn, Ellen Pompeo, Jeremy Piven; directed by Todd Phillips. 2003.
● (FASHION VALLEY 18)

Phone Booth — The fundamental idea — a thriller tethered for almost its total running time to a public telephone, squarely in the telescopic sights of a taunting sniper — had reportedly been around long enough for scriptwriter Larry Cohen (subsequently the writer-director of such disreputable entertainments as *It’s Alive* and *The Private Files of J. Edgar Hoover*) to have dangled it in front of Alfred Hitchcock, a plausible temptation for a director who once confined a thriller to a lifeboat. The seeming omniscience of the shooter, the loftiness of his perch, the sinfulness of

his chosen victims, and above all the preternatural clarity, resonance, and amplification of his voice over the wire (he comes across more like HAL in 2001 than like your average phone caller) lend him a god-like quality that is not altogether tarnished in the unsatisfactory conclusion. But that’s getting ahead of ourselves. The immediate question of how the situation can be sustained for an entire movie is quieted in the early stages by such diversions as the streetwalkers who want their turn at the phone and the sidewalk vendor with his battery-operated toy robots — as well as by our recollection of such telephone-tethered thrillers of the past as *Sorry, Wrong Number* and *The Slender Thread*. We know it can be done. And the longer-range answer to how the situation can be sustained for feature-length is simply that the length of the feature (minus those interminable closing

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credits) is barely an hour and a quarter. In truth, it would have made more sense had Larry Cohen dangled the idea in front of Alfred Hitchcock for use on his weekly TV series. Half an hour, certainly an hour (minus commercials), would have been plenty for this little gimmick. What makes it seem

much longer than its meager hour and a quarter is that the script was not fortunate enough to land in the hands of a mechanical genius like Hitchcock, but instead in the stone hands of Joel Schumacher, who takes the gimmickiness of the premise as his license for gimmickry of all kinds: CG imagery, *Koyaanisqatsi*-style pixilation and slow-motion, blue and blanched deep-freezer color, fish-eye lenses, split-screen insets in various positions within the frame. That sort of thing provides the strongest circumstantial evidence that the director

might identify himself with the sniper, one god to another: they both apparently believe that someone else's bad behavior licenses their own worse behavior. Colin Farrell, Forest Whitaker, Katie Holmes, Radha Mitchell, Kiefer Sutherland. 2003.

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The Pianist — The true survival tale of Wladyslaw Szpilman is the most basic, most elemental, most elementary Holocaust film since *Schindler's List*, right down to a recitation of the “If you prick us” speech from *The Merchant of Venice*. Episodic, anecdotal, rich in detail as well as in brutality, absurdity, degradation, and horror, it covers the arrival of Nazism in Poland, the establishment of the Warsaw ghetto, the embarkation of the trains to the

camps, the uprising and its quelling, and the eventual collapse into chaos, all from the point of view of the Jewish protagonist (Adrien Brody), who, after the roundup of his family and his retreat into hiding, enjoys a ringside seat on some of these events from an upper-story “safe house,” before he is rooted out in a frighteningly staged assault on the apartment building. It has been well chronicled how the Polish-born director, Roman Polanski, was himself cut off from his family under similar circumstances in his boyhood; and the commit-

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Chasing Papi (PG) Fri. (1:05, 3:05) 5:10, 7:10,
 9:15; Sat.-Sun. (1:10, 3:15) 5:15, 7:15, 9:15;
 Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:05, 5:10) 7:10, 9:15; **Confi-
 dence** (R) Fri. (2:25) 5:20, 8:00, 10:20;
 Sat.-Sun. (12:35, 2:55) 5:20, 8:00, 10:20;
 Mon.-Thu. (2:25, 5:20) 8:00, 10:20; **Holes**
 (PG) Fri. (1:35, 2:15) 4:15, 4:55, 7:00, 7:35,
 9:40, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (12:30, 1:05, 3:10) 4:15,
 5:50, 7:30, 8:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 2:15,
 4:15, 4:55) 7:00, 7:35, 9:40, 10:10; **Identity** (R)
 Fri. (1:00, 3:10) 5:45, 8:15, 10:25; Sat.-Sun.
 (1:30, 3:45) 5:55, 8:10, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:00,
 3:10, 5:45) 8:15, 10:25; **It Runs In the Family**
 (PG-13) Fri. (1:45) 4:30, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun.
 (1:45) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:30)
 7:20, 9:55; **Malibu's Most Wanted** (PG-13)
 Fri. (1:30, 3:30) 5:30, 7:55, 9:55; Sat.-Sun.
 (1:15, 3:20) 5:30, 7:55, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:30,
 3:30, 5:30) 7:55, 9:55; **Phone Booth** (R) Fri.
 (1:10, 3:15) 5:20, 7:25, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (12:55,
 3:00) 5:05, 7:20, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:15,
 5:20) 7:25, 9:30; **Piglet's Big Movie** (G) Fri.
 (1:15, 3:20); Sat.-Sun. (12:50, 2:45);
 Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:20); **The Real Cancun** (R)
 Fri. (1:50) 4:20, 7:30, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (1:50)
 4:20, 7:00, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:20) 7:30,
 9:45; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri. (1:25)
 4:45, 7:15, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (1:25) 4:45, 7:25,
 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 4:45) 7:15, 9:50

DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400)
Adaptation (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:30, 10:40;
 Sun.-Thu. (1:00) 7:00; **Agent Cody Banks**
 (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 3:30); **Anger Manage-**
ment (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40, 2:25) 4:50, 5:20,
 7:30, 8:00, 9:55, 10:25; Sun. (1:40, 2:25) 4:50,
 5:20, 7:30, 8:00, 9:55, 10:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 2:25,
 4:50, 5:20) 7:30, 8:00, 9:55; **Better Luck To-**
orrow (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:50) 5:30, 8:05, 10:20;
 Sun. (1:50) 5:30, 7:40, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:50,
 5:30) 7:40, 9:50; **The Core** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat.
 (1:25) 4:35, 7:45, 10:35; Sun. (1:25) 4:35, 7:20,
 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 4:35) 7:20, 10:05;
Gangs of New York (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00) 7:10;
 Sun.-Thu. (3:35) 9:30; **Head of State** (PG-13)
 Fri.-Sat. (1:35) 4:25, 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (1:35)
 4:25, 7:40, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:25) 7:40,
 10:05; **House of 1000 Corpses** (R) Fri.-Sat.
 (1:15, 3:45) 5:55, 8:15, 10:30; Sun. (1:15, 3:45)
 5:55, 7:55, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:45, 5:55)
 7:55, 9:55; **The Hunted** (R) Fri.-Sun. 5:10,
 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (5:10) 9:50; **It Runs In the**
Family (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:45) 5:45, 8:20,
 10:45; Sun. (1:45) 5:25, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu.
 (1:45, 5:25) 7:45, 10:00; **The Lord of the**
Rings: The Two Towers (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.
 (1:05) 4:40, 8:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 4:40) 8:25;
Malibu's Most Wanted (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.
 (2:00) 4:45, 7:00, 7:35, 9:25, 9:35; Mon.-Thu.
 (2:00, 4:45) 7:00, 7:35, 9:25, 9:35; **A Man**
Apart (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:20, 7:25, 10:15;
 Sun. (1:30) 4:20, 7:25, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30,
 4:20) 7:25, 9:45; **The Pianist** (R) Fri.-Sun.
 (1:20) 4:30, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:30) 8:10;
Tears of the Sun (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:40) 7:20

Horton Plaza 14

457 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)

Fri.-Tue. 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 5:10, 7:05, 7:35,
9:25, 9:55; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Tue.
(12:00, 2:30)

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)
**Identity (R); Confidence (R); It Runs in the
 Family; The Real Cancun (R); Better Luck
 Tomorrow (R); Bulletproof Monk (PG-13);
 Malibu's Most Wanted (PG-13); Holes
 (PG); Chicago (PG-13); Anger Management
 (PG-13); The Good Thief (R); Phone Booth
 (R)**

La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831)
Bend It Like Beckham (PG-13) Fri. (1:35)
 4:20, 7:25, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (10:50) 1:35, 4:20,
 7:25, 9:55; Mon.-Tue. (1:35) 4:20, 7:25, 9:55;
 Wed. (1:35) 4:20, 9:55; Thu. (1:35) 4:20, 7:25,
 9:55; **Levity** (R) Fri. (1:55) 5:05, 7:35, 10:05;
 Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:55, 5:05, 7:35, 10:05;
 Mon.-Thu. (1:55) 5:05, 7:35, 10:05; **A Mighty**
Wind (PG-13) Fri. (2:05) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45;
 Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 2:05, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45;
 Mon.-Thu. (2:05) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; **Nowhere**
in Africa (Not Rated) Fri. (1:45) 4:55, 8:05;
 Sat.-Sun. (10:40) 1:45, 4:55, 8:05; Mon.-Thu.
 (1:45) 4:55, 8:05

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)
Identity (R); Confidence (R); It Runs in the Family; The Real Cancun (R); Chasing Papi (PG); Bulletproof Monk (PG-13); Malibu's Most Wanted (PG-13); Holes (PG); Anger Management (PG-13); Phone Booth (R); What a Girl Wants (PG); A Man Apart (R); Basic (R); Head of State (PG-13); Dreamcatcher; Bringing Down the House (PG-13); Old School; Chicago (PG-13)

Hazard Center 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-299-4500)
 Wed. 8:30; Thu. 1:00, 5:00, 9:00; Thu. 3:00,
 7:00; **Better Luck Tomorrow** (R) Fri.-Tue.
 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:45,
 10:00; Wed. 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 7:30,
 10:00; Thu. 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:45,
 7:30, 8:45, 10:00; **Bowling for Columbine** (R)
 Fri.-Tue. 3:00, 7:40; Wed. 3:00; **Confidence**
 (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:10, 3:20, 5:30, 7:35, 9:40; **The**
Good Thief (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:05, 3:15, 5:20,
 7:25, 9:35; **The Pianist** (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:00,
 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; **Smokers Only** (R) Fri.-Thu.
 1:15, 3:10, 5:15, 7:10, 9:30; **There's Some-**
thing about Mary (R) Fri.-Tue. 1:00, 5:30,
 10:00; Wed. 1:00, 5:30

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
Identity (R); Confidence (R); It Runs in the Family; The Real Cancun (R); Better Luck Tomorrow (R); Bulletproof Monk (PG-13); Malibu's Most Wanted (PG-13); Holes (PG-13); Chasing Papi (PG); Anger Management (PG-13); House of 1000 Corpses (R); Phone Booth (R); A Man Apart (R); Bringing Down the House (PG-13); Chicago (PG-13)

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 3:45)
 6:00, 8:15, 10:25; Sat. (11:05, 1:20, 3:45) 6:00,
 8:15, 10:25; Sun. (11:05, 1:20, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15;
 Mon.-Thu. (3:45) 6:00, 8:15; **Bulletproof**
Monk (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 3:35) 5:50, 8:05,
 10:20; Sat. (11:05, 1:20, 3:35) 5:50, 8:05, 10:20;
 Sun. (11:05, 1:20, 3:35) 5:50, 8:05; Mon.-Thu.
 (3:35, 5:50) 8:05; **Holes** (PG) Fri. (1:25, 3:55)
 7:00, 9:35; Sat. (11:00, 1:25, 3:55) 7:00, 9:35;
 Sun. (11:00, 1:25, 3:55) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:55)
 7:00; **Identity** (R) Fri. (1:15, 3:15) 5:15, 7:15,
 9:45; Sat. (11:15, 1:15, 3:15) 5:15, 7:15, 9:45;
 Sun. (11:15, 1:15, 3:15) 5:15, 7:15; Mon.-Thu.
 (3:15, 5:15) 7:15; **Malibu's Most Wanted**
 (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 3:05) 5:25, 7:30, 9:50; Sat.
 (11:10, 1:00, 3:05) 5:25, 7:30, 9:50; Sun. (11:10,
 1:00, 3:05) 5:25, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 4:55)
 6:45, 8:30; **The Real Cancun** (R) Fri. (1:45,
 3:45) 5:45, 7:45, 10:00; Sat. (11:45, 1:45, 3:45)
 5:45, 7:45, 10:00; Sun. (11:45, 1:45, 3:45) 5:45,
 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (3:45, 5:45) 7:45

Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909)
Divine Intervention (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

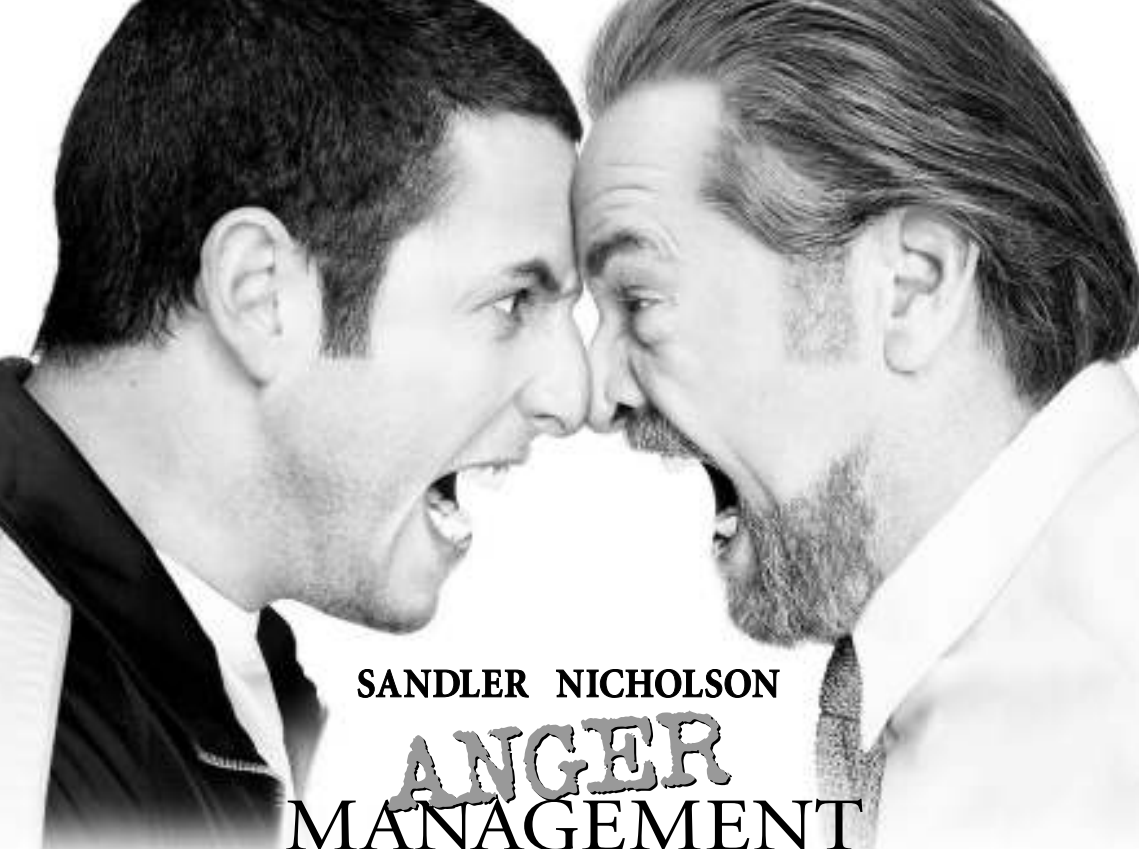
Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Assassination Tango (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:50,
 7:30, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (10:55) 2:00, 4:50, 7:30,
 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:50, 7:30, 10:05;
Bend It Like Beckham (PG-13) Fri. (1:30)
 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:05) 1:30, 4:20,
 7:00, 9:45; Mon. (1:30) 4:20, 9:45; Tue.-Thu.
 (1:30) 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; **Laurel Canyon** (R) Fri.
 (1:50) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:25) 1:50,
 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:40, 7:20,
 9:55; **A Mighty Wind** (PG-13) Fri. 1:20, 2:10,
 4:10, 5:00, 7:05, 7:45, 9:40, 10:20; Sat.-Sun.

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MOVIES

with his real father, mother, others.) The shopping excursion of the peasant father to purchase a Beatles tape is amusing (the old man has never heard of them and is unclear on their name), as is the recitation from the album’s lyric sheet, with the original English translated into Chinese and then back into English subtitles (“Let It Be” comes through as “Take It Naturally”). But the story on the whole, though tastefully done, is as tiresome as most drug stories. Directed by Zhang Yang, who was directing the actor in a stage production of *Kiss of the Spider Woman* when his drug troubles began. 2001.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 4/27, 2 P.M.)

The Real Cancun — Spring break in Mexico, a “reality” movie directed by Rick de Oliveira.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 4/25)

Smokers Only — The going-nowhere relationship of a suicidal girl rocker and a roller-blading male street hustler. Gritty, grainy, youthy, “edgy” Argentinian film, featuring a lot of herky-jerky slow-motion and other optical tricks, a smolderingly attractive leading lady (Cecilia Bengolea), and a chillingly narcissistic leading man (Leonardo Brezicki). Tongue and coloring aside, the action might just as well have taken place in Boston, Berlin, or Bangkok as in Buenos Aires. That could be a truer saying it’s universal, but it would be truer



Identity

to say undistinctive. Directed by Veronica Chen. 2002.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 4/25)

There’s Something about Mary — The fraternal filmmaking team of Peter and Bobby Farrelly (*Dumb and Dumber*, *Kingpin*) step up their efforts to push bad taste past the threshold of bravery. The sticking point in this undertaking is that there is

nothing pushing back. The dam broke a long time ago, and the Farrellys are simply paddling as fast as they can to catch up with the crest of the wave. (Major stride forward: the glutinous glob of semen dangling from the earlobe of the romantic-comedy hero when he answers the door to his dream date.) Much of the humor, or what passes for it, revolves around physical imperfections: Mongolism, sagging breasts, a hot-

chocolate suntan, zits, hives, teeth braces, leg braces (the gifted British comic, Lee Evans, balancing on a couple of metal crutches like Everett Sloan in *Lady from Shanghai*, makes the most of these), though it should be said in a hurry that Cameron Diaz, less an actress than a smile-on-a-stick, is unblemished by any such chinks. Her role, after all, is nothing less than the male ideal of the Perfect Girl — all the way down

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6
Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri. 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:15, 4:45, 7:15; **Chasing Papi** (PG) Fri. 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **Holes** (PG) Fri. 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Sat. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Sun. 11:00, 2:00, 5:00, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 2:00, 5:00, 7:45; **It Runs in the Family** (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:15, 7:30

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain
11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:30) 5:50, 8:10, 10:30; Sun. (1:10, 3:30) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 4:50) 7:15, 9:30; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:00) 7:30, 9:45; **Chicago** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:25) 4:15, 7:00, 9:30; Sun. (1:25) 4:15, 7:00, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:15) 7:00, 9:25; **Confidence** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:05; Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:35, 5:40) 7:45, 9:50; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:40) 4:20, 7:05, 9:45; Sun. (1:40) 4:20, 7:05, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:05, 9:35; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:30, 3:40) 5:45, 8:00, 10:10; Sun. (1:30, 3:40) 5:45, 7:55, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 3:40, 5:45) 7:55, 9:55; **It Runs in the Family** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:10) 4:40, 7:15, 9:40; Sun. (2:10) 4:40, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:40) 7:15, 9:30; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:05, 3:10) 5:10, 7:10, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 4:55) 7:10, 9:15; **Phone Booth** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:55, 3:50) 5:55, 7:50, 9:50; Sun. (1:55, 3:50) 5:55, 7:50, 9:40;

Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 3:50, 5:55) 7:50, 9:40; **The Pianist** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:00) 5:15, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 5:15) 8:30; **The Real Cancun** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:50, 3:55) 5:55, 8:20, 10:25; Sun. (1:50, 3:55) 5:55, 8:05, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 3:55, 5:55) 8:05, 10:05; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (2:20) 4:45, 7:20, 9:35; Sun. (2:20) 4:45, 7:20, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 4:45) 7:20, 9:30

POWAY

Poway 10
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15; **Bringing Down the House** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:30, 5:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 12:30, 5:30; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) 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; **Confidence** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; **It Runs in the Family** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:30; **Phone Booth** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **The Real Cancun** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:15; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 3:00, 8:00

RAMONA

Ramona Twin
626 Main Street (760-789-3422)
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SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18
West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30) 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30; **Better Luck Tomorrow** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:10) 7:45, 10:20; **Bringing Down the House** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:20, 4:10) 10:05; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:05, 4:40) 7:15, 9:50; **Chasing Papi** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:45,

12:55, 3:05, 5:15) 7:45, 9:55; **Chicago** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 3:00) 5:40, 8:15, 10:50; **Confidence** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 5:00) 7:25, 10:00; **The Core** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00) 7:05; **Ghosts of the Abyss** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:30, 2:15, 4:00) 5:45, 7:30, 9:30; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:15, 4:05) 6:55, 9:40; **House of 1000 Corpses** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 4:45) 9:20; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:25, 2:50, 5:15) 7:50, 10:10; **It Runs in the Family** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:10; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 2:45, 4:55) 7:05, 9:15; **A Mighty Wind** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:15, 2:25, 2:45, 5:10) 7:00, 7:35, 10:00; **Phone Booth** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:15, 3:30) 5:40, 8:00, 10:15; **The Real Cancun** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 4:55) 7:25, 10:05

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Cinemas 4
2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:55, 1:00, 3:05) 5:10, 7:15, 9:20; Sun. (10:55, 1:00, 3:05) 5:10, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 3:30) 5:35, 7:40; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:30, 12:35, 2:40, 4:45) 6:55, 9:05; Sun. (10:30, 12:35, 2:40, 4:45) 6:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 3:50) 5:55, 7:55; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 12:50, 2:45, 4:40) 6:45, 8:45; Sun. (11:00, 12:50, 2:45, 4:40) 6:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:20) 5:15, 7:20; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:40, 12:25, 2:05, 3:45) 5:20, 7:00, 8:40; Sun. (10:40, 12:25, 2:05, 3:45) 5:20, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:00, 4:40) 6:20, 8:00

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8
El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)
Anger Management (PG-13) 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; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:00, 4:45, 7:15, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 2:00, 4:45, 7:15; **Chicago** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 4:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 4:30; **Confidence** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:15,

1:15, 4:15, 7:00; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30; **It Runs in the Family** (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; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 1:45, 7:15

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)
Anger Management (PG-13) 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; **Bend It Like Beckham** (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; **A Mighty Wind** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30; **The Quiet American** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8
220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 2:50, 5:20) 7:45, 10:20; Sun. (12:20, 2:50, 5:20) 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:15) 7:45; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:30) 8:25; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:15, 4:15) 7:10, 9:55; Sun. (1:15, 4:15) 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 5:25) 8:20; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:25, 2:55, 5:10) 7:35, 9:50; Sun. (12:25, 2:55, 5:10) 7:35; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:10) 7:50; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:10, 5:40) 8:00, 10:30; Sun. (12:50, 3:10, 5:40) 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:40) 8:00; **Phone Booth** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:20, 5:25) 7:30, 9:45; Sun. (1:10, 3:20, 5:25) 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:20) 7:40; **The Real Cancun** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15, 5:35) 7:50, 10:10; Sun. (1:00, 3:15, 5:35) 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:00) 7:30; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:00, 5:30) 7:55, 10:25; Sun. (12:30, 3:00, 5:30) 7:55; Mon.-Thu. (3:05, 5:35) 8:10

La Paloma

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LA COSTA

La Costa 6
6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga)

to her ravenous appetite for sports. (It looks, however, as if she had not been paying attention during her five minutes of coaching on her golf swing.) The rough treatment of a tiny terrier is much more run-of-the-mill comic material, as yellowed as the proverbial banana peel. Matt Dillon has some good moments as a sleazy private eye, using state-of-the-art surveillance equipment to school himself on the soft spots of the heroine, while doing nothing for his own rough spots: “I work with re-tards,” he says to impress her. “Those goofy bastards are just about the best thing I’ve got going in this crazy world.” And Ben Stiller, our lovesick hero, displays at times an appalling openness of feeling. The Farrellys, however, can never be seen as bona fide filmmakers, much less brave ones, until they notice and do something about their film’s pasty face. 1998.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, 4/25 THROUGH 5/1)

What a Girl Wants — Single mom and teen daughter have a very special relationship (Mom: “I love you a million Swedish fish.” Daughter: “I love you a million red M&M’s”), but the daughter still hankers to meet the British father — Lord Dashwood — who doesn’t even know she exists: “I feel like half of me is missing.” Vincente Minnelli’s *The Reluctant Debutante* updated for a post-debutante world: an entitlement fairy tale for the monstrously overconfident Amanda Bynes, symbol of American Youth. With Colin Firth, Kelly Preston, Jonathan Pryce, and Eileen Atkins; directed by Dennie Gordon. 2003.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

(760-599-8221)
Anger Management (PG-13) 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; **Bringing Down the House** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:15, 5:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 12:15, 5:15; **Confidence** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00; **It Runs in the Family** (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, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 2:45, 7:45

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13
College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)
Anger Management (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:05, 1:15, 1:55, 4:10, 4:45, 7:00, 7:30, 9:50, 10:20; **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:10, 2:00, 4:50, 7:35, 10:30; **Chasing Papi** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:25, 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Confidence** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10; **Head of State** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 9:45; **Identity** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:10, 4:50, 7:45, 10:30; **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 2:40, 5:15, 7:45, 10:40; **A Man Apart** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 2:10, 5:00, 7:50, 10:45; **Phone Booth** (R) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15; **The Real Cancun** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:15, 5:10, 7:50, 10:40; **What a Girl Wants** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:50, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00

Oceanside 16
401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733)
Identity (R); **Confidence** (R); **It Runs in the Family**; **The Real Cancun** (R); **What a Girl Wants** (PG); **Agent Cody Banks** (PG); **Chasing Papi** (PG); **Bulletproof Monk** (PG-13); **Malibu’s Most Wanted** (PG-13); **Holes** (PG); **Phone Booth** (R); **The Core** (PG-13); **Head of State** (PG-13); **Anger Management** (PG-13); **Bringing Down the House** (PG-13); **A Man Apart** (R); **House of 1000 Corpses**

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Across

- Drives away
- Depression-era program: Abbr.
- Write quickly
- Peru neighbor
- Verdi's "_____tu"
- A star may have a big one
- Saddened by the news
- ____-la-la
- Overrun
- Played the stock market
- Lightheaded
- "The Verdict" actor
- Blvds. and rds.
- Boot camp exercises, e.g.
- ____ flash
- Yoga instructor's comment
- Most bohemian
- Old inits. in telecommunications
- The "I" in a Robert Graves classic
- Ex-head of Iran
- Terra cotta or taupe
- Repeated Stallone film role
- "The list goes on"
- Actress Marceau of "Braveheart"
- Madhouse, so to speak
- Look closely — this appears in four different areas in this puzzle
- VCR button, for short
- Sheik's guest, maybe
- El toro's opponent
- Madison Avenue products
- Senator Kennedy
- Washington address

Down

- He played Ricky on TV
- Computer or movie screen symbol
- Catch a wave
- Cut back
- Breyers rival
- Frist's predecessor as Senate majority leader
- Sold-out inits.
- Twerp
- Newspaper starting in 1912
- Went public with
- "I Love Rock 'N Roll" singer Joan
- Brute
- Tailless leaper
- Euphoric states
- Damascus' land: Abbr.
- Jollity

- Marvin Gaye's "Can _____ Witness?"
- Hawaii's Mauna _____
- Food scrap
- "I'm impressed!"
- Sic a lawyer on
- Marketing ploy
- Come next
- Exams to score 1600 on
- Piazza deliveries?: Abbr.
- Supermodel Carol
- "Yay team!"
- King in a Steve Martin song
- Swear words?
- Sound from a 13-Down
- Historic realm of Europe: Abbr.
- Surface
- Place to study
- Hitting opportunity
- University founder Cornell
- ____ the line (obeyed)
- Cud chewers
- Go postal
- "____be young again ..."
- Any Alp
- "Mary _____ little lamb"
- Steel ingredient
- To be, at the Sorbonne
- 911 respondent, briefly

RULES OF THE GAME

- The prize for solving the *Reader* Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.
- All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* (addressed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803) by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, six days following the issue date.
- All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.
- In the event of disputes or ties, decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a lottery.
- All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- One entry per person.

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Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 4/17/03.

Of the 76 entrants, 72 were correct. The winners are:

- Lilian Zia, *La Jolla*
- Thelma Strickland Hicks, *Del Mar*
- Thomas Diehl, *Escondido*
- Steve Ballard, *San Diego*
- Karen Baumgart, *Valley Center*

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ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE, 48, seeks white male for romantic companionship. Must be emotionally and financially stable, have a good sense of humor, love nature. (4/30) ☎70107

HIGH ON LIFE, are you? I'm black, so you be white, 5'8" +, under 40, self aware, seeking love, passionate about us. Me: 5'4", 120 lbs. (4/30) ☎70128

STILL LOOKING FOR MY SOUL MATE, who is passionate about life, loves to cook, kiss, hold hands, slow dance, laugh, playful, surprises, adventures, creative, muscular. (5/7) ☎70154

ECCENTRIC FRENCH ARTIST, teacher, peacemaker, 44, needing much time alone, yet wishing for intimate companionship with exceptional man to love, learn, create, be free together. (4/30) ☎70130

ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, 46, desires gentleman with high morals, emotionally/financially secure, for dating and long-term relationship. North County area preferred. (4/30) ☎70140

PEACE LOVER seeks soul mate. Me: affectionate, interesting, liberal, spiritual, fun to be with, 62, 5'4", 134lbs. And you? (4/30) ☎70126

THE REAL THING. Sincerity and honesty are just two of my values. 39, Christian, nonsmoker, no children, zest for life. Let's have fun without games! (4/30) ☎70118

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YOU HAVEN'T FOUND ME YET. Attractive, dark brown hair, blue eyes, 56 years young. Want loving, caring man, 56-70 years old to share life with. (4/30) ☎70129

SLENDER, CHEERFUL, TALL, white female, 65, seeks healthy, good-natured, positive, 6+ gentleman interested in increasing companionship and fun in life. Nonsmoker, please. (4/30) ☎70106

LET'S BE FRIENDS FIRST. Attractive, Hispanic lady, 5', 135lbs, seeking someone who is caring, sincere, romantic, funny, honest, likes dancing, 48-55, 5'6"-5'9", single, secure, attractive. (5/7) ☎70147

UPBEAT, CARLSBAD WIDOW, 56, seeks nonsmoker, to age 63. Like outdoors, animals, music, movies, good food and travel. Looking for fun and new adventures. (5/7) ☎70173

NICE, RUSSIAN, BLONDE, slender, kind, 51, 5'3", 145lbs., Spanish speaking, chorus conductor, in music academy. Seeking professional gentleman, good character, healthy lifestyle, for family life. (4/30) ☎70122

HAPPY BLONDE, 50, seeks positive, healthy, secure, unencumbered, affectionate nonsmoker, 49-56. Enjoy art, music, desert, sailing, travel, dancing, cooking, gardening, Disneyland, camping, family, friends, romance. (5/7) ☎70155

MATCHES

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

CLASSICAL MUSICIAN, Jewish, funny, fit, handsome, postgrad, 61, 5'8", 150lbs., nonsmoker. Seeking petite, mischievous counterpart, for music and much mirth. (4/30) ☎69825

SINGLE BLACK MALE, 36, seeks older woman, 45+, not interested in kids, likes to have fun. Race open. (5/7) ☎69861

ITALIAN/AMERICAN, 48, 6", 182lbs., athletic, professional, biking, tennis, hiking, dancing, jazz, films, metaphysics. Seeking Filipina, 34-52, attractive, athletic, for long-term relationship. (4/30) ☎69783

YOU: FEMALE, 40-56, avid cyclist, happy, positive. Over time, would like to see the world from a bicycle. Me: Male, 54, 5'9", everything else same. (5/7) ☎69867

SINGLE, TALL MAN, open minded, caring, has feelings. Yes, I work. Seeking walks on beach to wake-up breakfast. Fun, slow or need to hold. (4/30) ☎69788

OFFICER AND GENTLEMAN. Looks like Hemingway. Visiting scholar, international playboy, seeks beautiful playmate; likes music, dancing, dining, travel, nature, passion, fireplace, candlelight. Play with me! (5/7) ☎69847

VERY ATTRACTIVE, 6'3", brown hair, fit, 33 (look younger), artistic interests, non-mainstream music, film, art. Fun, happy, thoughtful, educated, successful. You: 21-35, similar qualities. (5/7) ☎69881

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GREAT CATCH! Down-to-earth Jewish male, 33, enjoys movies, hiking, cats, '80s music and more. Seeking honest, sincere woman for friendship, possible relationship. (4/30) ☎69793

PURR...BIG CAT with Cheshire smile and Mufassa style purrs for sweet kitty, playful, cuddly, passionate, adventurous, 30-45. Let's strut some alleys together. Meow baby! (4/30) ☎69823

TOMBOY/HIPPY CHICK wanted: 28-40, fit, attractive, likes Harleys, boats, Mexico, Hawaii. For: fit, attractive white male, 40, willing to settle down but won't "settle." (4/30) ☎69819

EYEBALLING AND smooching is sexy. Making me crave and rave for more is sexier. Peep and see. (5/7) ☎69877

CAUCASIAN MALE, 65 years old, 5'11". Seeking 50-70 year old female, for intimate companionship, for love and to be free together. (5/7) ☎69893

HANDSOME, QUALITY, HEALTHY, 6'1", 195lbs., retired, successful, businessman, widower, homeowner, financially secure. Seeking attractive, vivacious, voluptuous, pretty lady, 50-65. Dates, trips,

laughs, possible long term. (4/30) ☎69827

SCUBA GIRL WANTED. Me: 39, 175lbs., long hair, liberal, witty, father, professional. (5/7) ☎69863

HIGH ENERGY, MARRIAGE MINDED, San Diego business owner, lives North County, 50's, working out. Seeking a proportionate, lovely, educated lady, 30-45, nonsmoker. Dinner, laughing, tender times and future. (4/30) ☎69803

LET'S MEET FOR A BURRITO and a pina colada. Single white male, 40, 6', 195lbs., blond hair, hazel eyes seeks fun, intelligent female. (5/7) ☎69880

LONELY MD, 44, 6'1", 200lbs., with small child, seeks upbeat, professional woman, 29-39, for happy times and. ? Operators are standing by. (4/30) ☎69824

ITALIAN FROM THE BRONX, 58, honest, handsome. Want good looks, small frame. Looks a must. Trust. From the Bronx, we live by honesty and handshakes. (5/7) ☎69852

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BOYISH NEXT DOOR, 38, seeks lady, 45-65 for fun, friendship, dating, romance and walks by the bay and for good food and conversation. (5/7) ☎69868

CHRISTIAN RECOVERING alcoholic, 44, gentle kindhearted, affectionate, open, trustworthy, reflective, not shallow, like reading, personal growth, scripture, health cooking, nature. Seeking Christian woman, similar interests. (5/7) ☎69876

HANDSOME, SMART, stable, confident, unencumbered, successful Del Martian, approximately 6', 180lbs., 45, seeks slender, refined, educated, nurturing Venusian, 35-42, healthy, balanced, long-term relationship and ? (4/30) ☎69798

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HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 59, trim, 5'10", blonde, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic, seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting, romantic relationship. (5/7) ☎69848

DIVORCED, WHITE MALE, 50, 6'2", seeking down to earth, understanding, attractive woman. Enjoy movies, concerts, dining out, quiet times. Looking to share life's experiences together. (4/30) ☎69839

WELL ADJUSTED, never married. Athletic 40, Encinitas, 5'10", 182lbs., dark hair, entrepreneur. Travel, cultural events, great food, nice looking. Please be counterpart. No previous children. (5/7) ☎69875

LOOKING TO DATE A WOMAN, that is not from this planet earth, but is living among us. I'm into UFO's and outer space. Contact me. (4/30) ☎69801

SEEKING MEANINGFUL relationship. Healthy, slim, 53, happy, financially secure, seeks petite or average woman who wants a relationship that will last a lifetime of happiness. (4/30) ☎69820

ATTRACTIVE, YOUNGER, affectionate female desired by secure, professional, white male, 59. Share fun, activities, dating, possible relationship. Sincerity, good heart important. Age, race, size open. (4/30) ☎69844

ITALIAN MAN, 40, 6'1", honest, sincere, enjoy movies, walks on beach, easygoing, home oriented. Seeking slender, attractive woman for meaningful relationship. No drugs, smoking, games. (4/30) ☎69802

LEAVING SAN DIEGO- too expensive! Unless a miracle happens-how about you? White male, 60, 5'11", 150lbs., Lakeside homeowner has lots of music, movies. (5/7) ☎69885

YOU'RE AT LEAST 45 and 5'8". Then, I hope you're intelligent, educated, professional, health conscious, slim, attractive and you like art, music, nature and hiking. (5/7) ☎69869

30, ATTRACTIVE, PROFESSIONAL, fit, sense of humor. Enjoy evenings out, dining, dancing, wine tastings and being outdoors. Looking for 26-34, outgoing, witty and fun. (4/30) ☎69787

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LONGHAIREG GENTLEMAN, computer hippie, seeks college educated, sweet, petite, childless, vivacious, creative, unique lady, 30-45. Loves animals, music, concerts, sushi, photography, traveling, exploring and movies. (4/30) ☎69785

HANDSOME, TALL, FIT, confident, personable, passionate, caring, 44, 6'2", 200lbs. Working smart, having responsible fun. Looking for my soul mate. Pretty, slim, healthy, intelligent. Nonsmokers. (4/30) ☎69805

AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monogamous, biracial African American/white, 64, 6'4", 210lbs., financially secure. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home, dancing, travel, fun, more. (5/7) ☎69899

TALL, GOOD LOOKING, surfer type, 40s, ready to settle down. Kind, fun, honest, homeowner. Seeking pretty white female for committed relationship, possible family. (5/7) ☎69849

NORTH COUNTY SURFER, looking for attractive, athletic, mellow girl for dating, possible long-term relationship. Between

ages 35-45 years old, I'm 38. (4/30) ☎69792

KING LOOKING FOR A QUEEN. Black male, 6'2", seeks blonde white female, tall, shapely, over 300lbs., nice, sweet, stable for a very good relationship plus. (5/7) ☎69853

REGULAR, HONEST GUY, 45, acts 25. 5'8", 165lbs. Seeking attractive, monogamous, nonsmoking female who likes dining out, the outdoors, quiet times, sharing life. No games. (5/7) ☎69892

GOT SURFI 36, 5'11", fit, surfs, blades, bikes, guitarist, restaurants, theater, movies, North County coastal. You: outdoor activities, quiet evenings at home, time to date. (4/30) ☎69804

INCREDIBLE SHRINKING MAN isn't me, but you're reading! Thoughtful, athletic, white guy, 48, 6', solid 220lbs., likes refined chocolate. Seeking basis for something serious. (5/7) ☎69864

CHARMING EURASIAN, full time student, 27, tall, brown hair/eyes, sexy adventurous, romantic, loves blues/jazz, traveling, dancing. Weight must be in proportion to height. (5/7) ☎69898

ALPHA MALE, model, 38, attorney, seeks down to earth, romantic woman who is not only interested in my looks, for serious relationship. (5/7) ☎69891

SENSITIVE, DOCTOR, Jewish, 39, very attractive, tall, fit, loves music, plays piano/electric guitar, loyal, very creative, published book author. Seeking thoughtful, compassionate, intelligent female. (5/7) ☎69897

JAZZ MUSICIAN, HANDSOME, 6'1", 51, 175lbs., red/blue, teacher/performer, road bicyclist, swing dancer, nonsmoker/

drinker/drugs, childless. Seeking someone who could compliment my life! (4/30) ☎69843

MALE, 46, 5'11", honest, clean, nonsmoker, nondrinker, physically minded, financially secure. Seeking good sense of humor in a 35-42-year-old female nonsmoker. (4/30) ☎69842

JEWISH MAN, 58, looking for Jewish beauty, 22-35, for long term relationship. No children, only serious inquiries apply. (4/30) ☎69841

DATED ALL RACES, love all cultures. I desire an attractive, loving, romantic lady, 30-45, who desires a simple yet fun, tall, attractive, 40 white male. (4/30) ☎69815

HANDSOME, WHITE MALE, physically fit, intelligent, lots to offer. Seeking Asian beauty, 22-35, not long in U.S.A., wants honest, sharing, caring relationship. (5/7) ☎69870

WHY NOT? Tall, slim, blond male, 40s, seeks left-leaning, only slightly irresponsible ally, part wallflower, part rebel, kind heart and inquisitive mind. Race unimportant. (5/7) ☎69873

50-YEAR-OLD, 5'10", slim, creative type. Likes nature, quiet, making music, singing, dogs, motorcycles, warmth. Seeking woman with similar interests. Let's see this work! (4/30) ☎69832

LOOKING FOR YOU. Are you looking for me? Friendly, outgoing, attractive, 6', 180lbs., nonsmoker, guitar player. Seeking happy, available female for dating. (4/30) ☎69821

AFRICAN AMERICAN, 47, sincere, honest, healthy, attractive, reliable, 5'10", 170lbs. Enjoys music, beach, dining, coffeehouses. Seeking marriage-minded blonde female, 33-41, attractive. Take a chance! (5/7) ☎69894

NO BEER GUT, no tattoos, no smoking, no kids. Yes: hair, humor, hugs, intelligence, fit, fun 50's, solvent. You're younger,

curvy, fit, bright, passionate, happy. (4/30) ☎69829

LAUGH A LOT and always be honest with me. I promise to do the same. We can't lose. Handsome, successful, amazing, brilliant, simple man. (4/30) ☎69822

HANDSOME, TALL, 51, adventurous, fun, fit, nonsmoker, well grounded, generous. Seeking tall, healthy, proportionate, 40ish, emotionally stable. Movies, dining travel, skiing, friends, companionship, soul mates. (4/30) ☎69840

LATINO MALE, FIT, SLIM, 5'8", 40s, educated, never married, homeowner. Seeks childless woman, slim, cheerful, easygoing. Race open. (4/30) ☎69796

LET'S LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH! Young 57, La Costa professional, 5'9", sensitive, honest, successful, great sense of humor, sensual, passionate, enjoys travel, sunsets, appreciation of life. (4/30) ☎69807

INSTANT GRATIFICATION, attention, affection, Swayze/Hasselhof type, 37, 5'11", toned, new here. Seeking youthful, slender woman to entertain and inspire. Lust for life, try this. (4/30) ☎69828

WIFE WANTED: Good looking, athletic, entrepreneur, homeowner. Desires professional, attractive, shapely, natural, conversational lady (30-40), for marriage, family, fun, good life! No previous children please. (5/7) ☎69895

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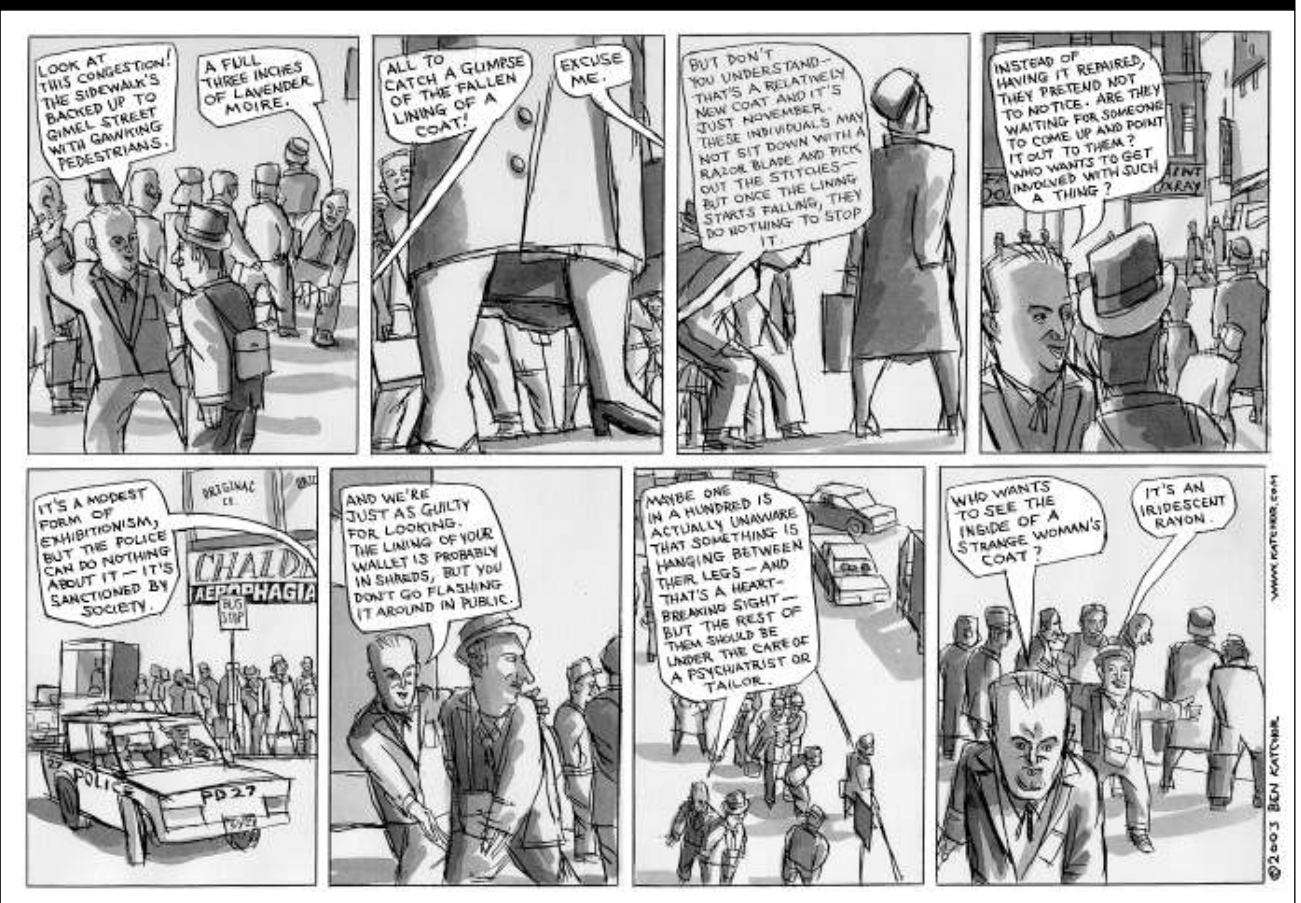
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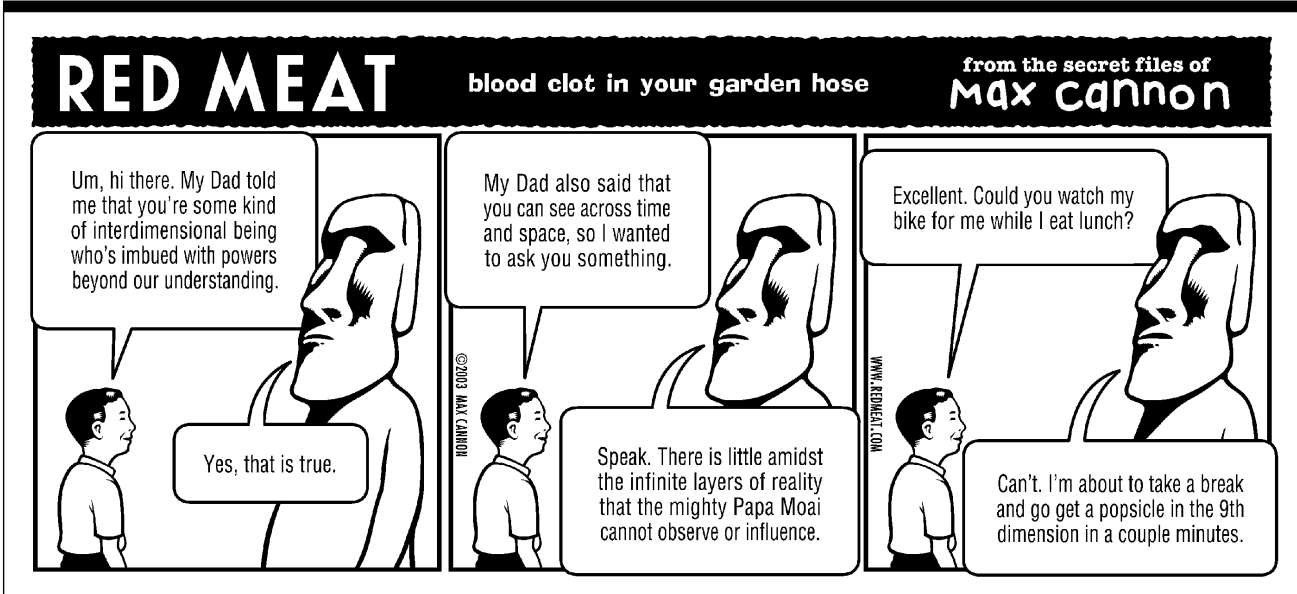
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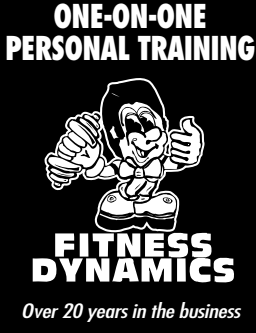


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COLLEGE AREA. From \$795. Ask for Reader Special! Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Qualified credit required. Quiet, gated garden community. Includes parking. Intercom entry. Water paid. Pool. 2 laundry rooms. Near college, shopping, restaurants, bus. 6/12-month lease. No pets. Corinthian Apartments, 4981 Catocotin Drive. 619-286-0441. www.sdreader.com/rent/2019.

COLLEGE AREA. \$995+. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. 2-car parking in garage. Gated. Near golf course/park. Side by side washer/dryer hookups. Dishwasher. Refrigerator. Central air conditioning. Near all. No smoking. 619-285-3822.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1800. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1450 square foot condo, fireplace, air conditioning, pool, 2 garages. 619-295-3904.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1000 and up. Huge, bright 2 and 3 bedroom apartments. Very large. Appliances, newly refurbished. Laundry facilities. Off street parking. Near all. 858-455-5956.

COLLEGE AREA. \$750. 1 bedroom duplex, front unit. Yard. View. New carpet, washer/dryer hookups. Water included. No pets. Available now. 619-229-1570.

COLLEGE AREA. \$550. Share condo. 130 square foot bedroom, walk-in closet, private bathroom. Parking, pool, laundry. No pets. 619-454-0811.

COLLEGE AREA. 1 bedrooms from \$750. Air conditioning, heating, pool. Gated access. Assigned parking. Two laundry rooms. Close to bus, stores, freeway, and more! Aztec Pacific Apartments, 6663 Montezuma Rd. Please call 619-286-2611. Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. www.pacificliving.com. Photos and floor plans, visit website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1042.

COLLEGE AREA. \$925-\$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath and 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartments near campus. Off-street parking. 5865-5869 El Cajon Boulevard. Agent, 619-286-1503, x121.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. Renovated 1 bedroom, 1 bath and 1-1/2 bath starting \$815, 2 bedroom, 1 bath starting \$875. Large kitchen. New appliances! Ceiling fan. Courtyard. Cable ready. New carpet! Laundry. Gated community. Pool. Controlled access. Cats OK. Pacific Pines Village, 4355 46th Street. 619-282-1191. www.pacificliving.com. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/2001.

COLLEGE AREA. Alvarado Hospital. \$1150. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Third floor, view, elevator. Available now. 619-300-7100 or 858-273-4445.

COLLEGE AREA. \$805 move-in special! \$200 deposit! Spacious 1 bedroom. Parking. Secured entry. Free business center. Fitness center. Spa. Sauna. Pool. 3 laundry rooms. Air conditioning. Refrigerator. Ceiling fan. Storage. Range. Near buses, stores, restaurants and freeway. Model open! Tuscany Place, 4860 Rolando Court. Call friendly. Everyday, 10am-5pm. 619-286-7080. www.sdreader.com/rent/2055

COLLEGE AREA. \$675. 1 bedroom duplex. 4834 70th Street. Tyco, 619-425-1017.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1400. 3 bedroom house. New paint, fenced yard, gardener paid. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

COLLEGE AREA. \$695. 1 bedroom, furnished apartment, air conditioning, new carpet, appliances, quiet, gated, parking, laundry. No pets. 4474 Winona. Don't miss out! 858-481-7549.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 16x17' master bedroom, washer/dryer, fireplace, pool, deck, covered parking. Near transportation. Available May 1. 760-745-3696 or 619-287-2056.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1500. Nice 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Large yard, garage, remodeled kitchen, fireplace. Cat OK. No Section 8. 6810 Saranac Street. Agent 619-469-7790.

COLLEGE AREA. Winona Street. \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with storage unit. Newly painted, both interior and exterior. Laundry facility on site. Call Trident Pacific at 619-435-9442.

COLLEGE AREA. \$760. Large 1 bedroom, pantry, on site laundry room, pool, close to all. No pets. 6295 Stanley Avenue. Diana, 619-501-5622.

COLLEGE AREA. Open house. Friday, April 25, 10am-12pm. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Available today! Quiet area. Off street parking. New carpet. Downstairs unit. Close to all. Agent, 619-286-1503, x121.

COLLEGE AREA. \$99 deposit upon approved credit! Studios, 1, 2 bedrooms from \$725. Central air conditioning/heat. Patio/balcony. Dishwasher. Cable hookup. Laundry on site. Reserved covered parking. Elevator. Courtyards. 2 pools/saunas. Basketball/tennis courts. New fitness center. Barbecues. Villa Del Sol, 5474 Reservoir Drive. 1-888-862-2284. www.sdreader.com/rent/2048.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$725. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet and vinyl, off-street parking, onsite laundry. Quiet complex. 619-287-2282.

COLLEGE AREA. Exquisite top, 4th floor end unit, 2 bedroom, 2 bath very quiet condo. Vaulted ceilings, wood floors. New washer/dryer. Patio. Secure building, intercom, underground parking, elevator, central air/heating. Available 4/1. \$1400. 760-586-6841.

COLLEGE AREA/ROLANDO. \$1400. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, bright house. Garage, hardwood floors. Near bus/market. No smoking/pets. 4541 Toledo. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

COLLEGE AREA. \$740 and up. 1 bedroom. Utilities included. Air conditioning, carport, on-site laundry. Walk to shopping, bus route. Section 8 OK. No pets. EOH, 619-299-8746.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$1050 and up. 2 bedroom apartments. Completely remodeled, ceramic tile, appliances, custom paint, fireplaces, carpet, vaulted ceilings, beautiful. Laundry. Parking on site. Gated. Garages, \$25, one with direct access. Call 619-531-0826. Open house,

April 26, 11-3pm. 4520 51st Street. www.floitt.com.

COLLEGE AREA/ROLANDO. \$1075. 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex with garage. Washer/dryer. Small pet OK. Available now. 619-291-3537.

COLLEGE AREA/LA MESA. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse, 1-car garage, nice courtyard, private patio, quiet area. Available now. 4844 71st, Unit-C. 858-467-1090.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Wood floors, stove, refrigerator. Water, landscape paid. No pets/smoking. Available now. 4518 52th Street. 858-538-0392.

COLLEGE AREA. \$725, large 1 bedroom apartment. Security gated, quiet, clean. Laundry. Parking. Ceiling fan. New carpet and paint, 4420 Estrella Avenue. 619-253-2290; 619-281-2063.

COLLEGE AREA. \$750. 1 bedroom. New carpet and paint, low \$300 deposit, near shops. 6769 El Cajon Boulevard. Apartments in rear courtyard. 619-464-0901.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1725. 3 bedroom house. No bills. Big kitchen and backyard. Washer. Landscaped. No bills! Beautiful house. 619-300-2723.

COLLEGE AREA. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo. Gated community, 1-car garage and 1 parking space, new carpet/paint. No smoking. Laundry hookup. \$1200. 619-429-6928.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1400. 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex, two decks, lots of parking, quiet. Leave message for Danny at 619-463-4330.

COLLEGE AREA. Move-in special, please call 619-977-0096. \$775, remodeled huge 1 bedroom. Dishwasher, air conditioning, walk-in closet, ceiling fan, sun-deck. Gated. Covered parking. Laundry. Bus stop. 4501 Collwood Boulevard.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with 2-car garage. Big backyard. 5196 Judson Way. 619-640-7530.

COLLEGE AREA. \$900. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, off-street parking, washer/dryer hookups. 7114 Mohawk Street. 619-640-7530.

COLLEGE AREA/SDSU. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, balcony, private backyard, new carpet, new bathroom, upgrades. Walk to shops. No pets. Available now. 619-795-0162, 619-370-7468.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1780. Large and clean 3 bedroom, 2 bath plus den. Fireplace, backyard, hardwood floors, garage. All appliances. 6748 Mohawk Street. 619-461-3406.

COLLEGE AREA. \$995. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Fireplace, air conditioning, on-site laundry, off-street parking. Close to freeways/public transportation. 5866 Streamview Drive. 619-804-9313.

COLLEGE AREA. \$880. Very large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Fireplace, on-site laundry, close to freeways and public transportation. Section 8 OK. 5866 Streamview Drive. 858-442-8888.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Extra room. Fenced yard. Garage. Laundry hookups. Quiet neighborhood. Pet OK. 5148 Rincon. Uptown Property Management, 619-297-7368.

COLLEGE AREA. From \$690. 1 bedroom apartments. Pool, on-site laundry, off-street parking. Close to freeways and shopping. No pets. 4333 College Avenue. 619-287-8380.

COLLEGE. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, gorgeous park like setting, terracotta tile, crown molding, appliances, fireplace, gated, patio, near all. 4775 Seminole Drive. 619-698-6911.

COLLEGE. \$2995. 5 bedroom, 3 bath large beautiful home. Large patio, laundry, 2 car garage. RV parking, pet negotiable. 6460 Montezuma Road. 619-698-6911.

COLLEGE/ROLANDO. \$775-\$950. 1 and 2 bedrooms, currently being renovated. Not just a drive-by. Must see interiors. Call for more information, manager, 619-741-5621.

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CROWN POINT. \$1365. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, upstairs, lots of windows. Fireplace, dishwasher, laundry, parking. 4073 Kendall Street. Open, Saturday, 8am-noon. 858-337-7559.

CROWN POINT/PACIFIC BEACH. \$1300. 2 bedroom, just remodeled! 1 block to bay. On-site laundry. Small, quiet com-

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DEL MAR, WEST. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 1/2 mile from ocean. Gated entry. Electricity, gas, water included. Pets accepted. Pool and laundry. 619-523-1062.

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DEL MAR. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. West of I-5. Hardwood floor, recently upgraded. Very clean. Pool, jacuzzi, Agent, 858-755-1135. www.scuba-rentals.com.

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DOWNTOWN. \$375. In the heart of the Gaslamp, single rooms with shared bathroom and kitchen. No smoking/pets. Includes utilities and cable TV. 843 4th Avenue, Windsor Hotel. 619-234-4165.

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DOWNTOWN. Residential. Single rooms from \$150/week plus deposit. Clean, quiet, secure, kitchenettes, shared bath. Near City College. Utilities/cable paid. Hotel Mediterranean. 619-231-8656. www.hotelmed-sd.com

DOWNTOWN. 1 bedroom knotty pine cottage. Hardwood floors, good storage. Total restoration just completed. Laundry on site. Fenced yard, pets on approval. Very charming and secluded, reasonably priced. Stephanie, 619-234-9882.

DOWNTOWN. \$1675. Crown Bay. Brand new top floor unit, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, custom paint, views, gated, sports club, parking. 350 K Street. Susane, 858-361-9988.

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DOWNTOWN. \$2950. Marina District. City Front. Luxury resort living. Customized 2+ bedroom. End unit! 1477 feet. Fitness, pool. Valet plus 2 spaces. Agent, Anne, 619-624-7898.

DOWNTOWN. \$1700. Upgraded 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 24 hour security, concierge, pool, spa, stone throw from Marina and Fifth Avenue, music and theater. 619-540-3366.

DOWNTOWN. \$1600. 1200 square foot, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, large living room, available 5/15. Call 619-255-0526.

DOWNTOWN. Renaissance, 1 bedroom, 1 bath upgraded, balcony with spectacular views, parking included, pool, 24-hour security, gym. Move-in special. Call 619-795-1108.

DOWNTOWN. Luxury residence, 17th floor with city lights/Balboa Park views, fireplace, granite counters, stainless steel appliances, refrigerator, washer/dryer, fitness, pool, spa. \$1600. Call 619-885-8003.

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DOWNTOWN. \$1600. Park Row. Available now. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. All appliances. Washer/dryer. Fireplace. 2 large patios. Secured building. No pets. Call Dianna at 619-718-6564x27 or 619-742-7378.

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DOWNTOWN. Treo. \$1595. Great views, 23rd floor, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, granite kitchen countertops. Monthly housekeeper included. Pool, recreation room, weight room. Available now. 858-699-4253.

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DOWNTOWN. Treo complex. 2 brand-new 1 bedroom units available. Must see! Pool, spa, gym. \$1300-\$1500. 619-437-8322; 619-787-1105.

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DOWNTOWN. Move-in special, 2 bedrooms \$995 moves you in! 1 bedrooms from \$795. Spa. Fitness center. Spectacular apartments with view. Gated parking.

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EL CAJON. \$1825. Near Lakeside. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, family room. fireplace. Available 5/1. Pool. Patio, deck. Air conditioning. Double garage. 13602 Paseo del Mar. 619-449-8818.

EL CAJON. \$735-\$850. Security deposit \$350. Spacious 1 bedroom/1 bath, 2 bedroom/1 bath and 2 bedroom/2 bath. Carpet, new paint, vertical blinds, dishwasher, ceiling fan, garbage disposal, extra linen/towel closet, built-in book shelf, patio balcony. Air conditioning. Extra storage closet in front patio. Spacious kitchen. Lots of cupboards and 2 double closets in bedroom. Also on-site is our laundry room access, jacuzzi, pool, barbecue grill. Assigned parking and a well-gated small community. No pets. Available first week of May. Call now for further details. 619-444-5799.

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EL CAJON. Central. 1 bedroom. Only \$690. Upper. Central air/heat. Ceiling fan, microwave, dishwasher, vertical blinds. Barbecue area. Laundry. 275 Ballantyne. Manager, 619-442-5618. Owner, 619-448-9062.

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EL CAJON. Move-in special! \$200 off first month's rent! \$845. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Off-street parking. Gas stove, refrigerator.

463 North First Street. www.sunriseliving.com, call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

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HILLCREST. \$2195. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Large! 1900 square feet, washer/dryer, fireplace, parking, 3333 Fifth Avenue. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

HILLCREST. Most desired unit in Uptown District. \$1900. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome, 1100 square feet, patio, all appliances, no pets, nonsmoking. Pool, exercise room, underground parking. 1280 Cleveland Avenue #1. Agent, 619-685-3960.

HILLCREST. Cute, cozy studios \$750, 1 bedroom \$850, 2 bedroom, \$1175 in the heart of Hillcrest with canyon views, pool, laundry rooms, assigned parking, community barbecue. Near Mercy Hospital and bus. No dogs. Sleepy Hollow Apartments. 4201 Sixth Avenue. Centre City

Property Management. Call manager, 619-298-1059.

HILLCREST. \$775. 1 bedroom, move in special. Senior. Completely refurbished. Gated, elevator, recreation room. On-site laundry. 1220 Robinson Avenue. Manager, 619-291-7284 or 619-846-6615.

HILLCREST. \$695, large, furnished studio, utilities paid, 109 University Avenue. \$695, large, 1 bedroom, unfurnished, 3154 30th Street. Both newly decorated, no pets. 619-286-8487, 858-254-8487.

HILLCREST. \$1030. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath, open view. All amenities, underground parking. 3775 Georgia Street. Agent, 619-528-4200.

HILLCREST. \$845. Private, sunny 1 bedroom with patio in quiet yard setting. Features new gas stove, bedroom ceiling fan, and large bedroom closet. Small residential property with laundry facilities. Indiana Street location. Call 619-298-1961.

HILLCREST. \$995. 1 bedroom, newly remodeled. New appliances, beautiful hardwood floors. Coin laundry, shared patio area. 3730 First. Del Sol Property Management, 858-270-2071; www.delsolpm.com.

HILLCREST. \$875. Sunny 1 bedroom. Classic Art-deco duplex. Hardwood floors. Near hospitals. Garage available. 4054 Front. Xilarent.com; 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST. \$1675. First Month Free. Brand new luxury studio condominium loft. Huge patio, granite, hardwood. Pets OK. Great location, 3211 5th. http://www.liveinhillcrest.com. 619-295-0469.

HILLCREST. \$945. Sunny upper loft. Beautiful hardwood floors. Tropical patio. Central Mission Hills. 3983 Falcon. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST. \$799. Special, \$500 off first month's rent! 1 bedroom. Hardwood floors, tile, new paint and appliances, laundry. Cat OK. Nonsmoking. 4170 Park Boulevard #2. 619-741-7011.

HILLCREST. \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with parking, laundry on site, air conditioning. Secured complex. No pets. #3 available approximately 5/9. #12 available approximately 5/19. 1033 Robinson Avenue. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600. Please call resident manager for showing times: Amy, 619-295-1210.

HILLCREST. \$895. Must see 1 bedroom, quiet neighborhood. Available immediately. Clean, new carpet, paint. Balcony, dishwasher, garbage disposal, garage parking, laundry. Easy walk to restaurants. 619-299-5330.

HILLCREST. 2 bedroom. Steps to Balboa Park and restaurants, upstairs. Small, quiet property, on-site laundry and off-street parking. Sorry, no pets. 619-296-2787.

HILLCREST. \$2175. Remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath Craftsman house. 1500+ square feet. Hardwood floors. Washer, dryer, 1-car garage. Must see! Pet OK. 619-295-9206.

HILLCREST. \$1025/up. Beautifully appointed 1 and 2 bedroom, 2 baths. Split master suites. Microwave, dishwasher, compactor, central air, balcony with storage, 7 laundry rooms! Telephone entry, elevator, underground parking. Basic cable, water/sewer included. Montecito Point, 4179 31st Avenue. 619-291-4803.

HILLCREST. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 spacious bathroom, apartment. Balcony. Freshly painted, ceiling fan. Dishwasher, microwave, refrigerator. Laundry. No pets. Nonsmoking. Garage parking. Available now. 619-299-5330.

HILLCREST. \$775. Large 1 bedroom apartment. Parking. Laundry. Dishwasher. City lights view from balcony deck! 4025 Georgia Street #4. Sunset Pacific Realty. Agent, 619-222-4836, x14.

HIILCREST. \$1295. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Upstairs, in gated building. Tile kitchen and bath, dining area, dishwasher, air conditioning, garage. laundry. Cats OK. Agent. 619-234-9553.

HILLCREST. \$1200. 1920s cottage, 1 bedroom, 1 bath (remodeled), wood floors, washer/dryer, storage space, garden. Small pet ok, pet deposit \$250. Available 6/01. 3624 Georgia Street. Robert, 619-865-4326.

HILLCREST. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large and well maintained. Extra closets. Walk to all. Parking, front unit. Must see! 3613 3rd Avenue. 858-483-3534. www.Cal-Prop.com.

HILLCREST. \$925. Unique 1 bedroom, 1 bath with private patio. Large bedroom, arched doorways. Walk to shops. Quiet. Sorry, no pets. 3835 31st Avenue. 858-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

HILLCREST. \$750. Spacious studio. Arched doorways, barbecue area, hardwood floors, laundry, 3663 Georgia. 85-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

HILLCREST. \$625. Studio available. Best location. Hardwood floors, laundry, free utilities, parking. Charge. 858-279-9774.

HILLCREST. \$875. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom with dining room (or office). 2-car garage available for \$100. New carpet. No pets. 3831 First Avenue #6 or #2. Agent, 619-299-8515.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. Charming and peaceful, vintage one bedroom semi-detached cottage with quaint hardwood floors and high ceilings. \$825. Please call 619-501-5109.

HILLCREST. \$750/\$650. 1 bedroom and studio apartment in the heart of Hillcrest. Upper unit, just 1/2 block to Balboa Park. Laundry on-site, street parking only. 3533 Sixth Avenue #4, #10. www.cethron.com. Agent, 619-295-1100.

HILLCREST. \$995. Top floor, huge, deluxe 2 bedroom, 2 bath, dishwasher, new carpet, large closets, extra storage, common laundry, parking. 4469 North Avenue/Meade. 619-982-0385.

HILLCREST. \$750. Large studio. Available now. Great location! Near Balboa Park and many activities. Quiet. Cat OK. 1662 Brookes Avenue (corner of Park Boulevard). 619-291-5660.

HILLCREST. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment situated in clean, gated complex. Laundry room onsite. Walk to San Diego Zoo and Balboa Park. \$200 off first month's rent with approved credit. 3634 Park Blvd. #3640-1/2. www.cethron.com. Agent, 619-295-1100.

HILLCREST. \$895. Deposit \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, refrigerator, dishwasher, patio, underground parking. Condo building. 4155 Georgia Ave. 619-297-7662.

HILLCREST. \$750, deposit \$750. Studio. Stove, refrigerator, on site laundry. No pets. 528 Anderson. 619-297-0213.

HILLCREST. Corner of 4th and University. Large sunny studio. Separate eat-in kitchen. Lots of windows. Storage. Controlled entrance. Laundry. Available 5/15 or sooner! \$675 plus \$55 utilities/month plus one month deposit. Call Linda, 760-436-4206.

HILLCREST. \$1175. Huge 2 bedroom 1 bath apartment, new carpet. Also 2 bedroom, \$1095. Parking space. Laundry. No pets. Available now. 3828 3rd Avenue. 619-295-7113.

HILLCREST. \$825. 3588 First Avenue #7. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Private setting. Parking. Laundry in complex. Clean, well maintained. Cassidy, broker, 619-275-LIST.

HILLCREST. \$1100. Spacious 1 bedroom home. Close to shopping/restaurants! Large yard, parking, storage, washer/dryer. New carpet, paint, blinds and ceiling fan. 858-598-1111. www.utopiamanagement.com.

HILLCREST. \$1095. Charming, Spanish 2 bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, gated entry, no pets. 3515 4th Avenue. Agent, 619-295-6005.

HILLCREST. \$825. Clean 1 bedroom, parking, laundry, close to all, no pets. 3744 7th Avenue. Agent, 619-295-6005.

HILLCREST. \$650. Large Studio. Pool, laundry, gated. No pets. 1810 Cypress. Agent, 619-295-6005.

HILLCREST. \$1450, includes utilities. 2 bedroom, 1 bath charming cottage. Washer/dryer, own fenced rear yard. Will consider pets. 1931 Cypress. 619-725-4465.

HILLCREST. 2+ bedroom, 1 bath upper, hardwood floors. Walk to zoo, park. Quiet, laundry. \$1090/month. 3608 Indiana Street. 619-297-0692.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. \$775. Nice top floor 1 bedroom apartment at "The Tropical Terrace." 3815 Vermont. A gated building with communal patios, laundry. Shown by appointment only. 619-298-2802.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1600/month. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo near UCSD Medical Center/Mercy Hospital. Fireplace, air conditioning, security garage. 4082 Albatross. 619-295-3904.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$1700. Spanish Canyon cottage, 2 bedroom, hardwood floors, arches, breakfast nook. Laundry room, patio, garage, big yard, pets. Available 4/1. References. 619-236-1836.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. Studio/\$740. Large 1 bedroom, \$850. Small gated courtyard complex. Laundry. Resident manager. Cat OK. 4009 Georgia. Open Sunday 5/4, 1-3pm. 619-255-5614.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. 2 bedroom special, \$1200/up. 1/2 off deposit. Great location. Elevator. Pool. Laundry room. Other amenities and off-street parking. No pets. 619-295-9673.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK border. \$795/month. Utilities paid. 2 bedroom apartment. Spacious, carpeted, nonsmoking unit, quiet, gated, garden, 2-story complex. Laundry. Available 5/15. 619-298-8383.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$675/month. Small 1 bedroom cottage. Cat OK. Yard, quiet, laundry, nonsmoking. 4504 North Avenue. 619-269-4314.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. \$1100. Deluxe 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment with attached garage. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Fireplace. Gated. Intercom. Laundry on site. 4025 Florida Street. 619-291-6427. 858-755-3255.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Dishwasher, new carpet, vaulted ceilings, laundry, storage, fenced yard. No pets. Available 6/01. L Doyle. 949-857-2863.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, bay view, high ceilings, SOHO award winning Craftsman. On-site laundry. No section 8. Available 5/07. 619-222-4071.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 2-year-old 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse, all appliances, hardwood, fireplace, washer/dryer, balcony, 2-car garage. No smoking/pets. \$1750 plus security, 1-year lease. Available 6/07. 2215 Howard. Agent, 619-291-3115.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS cottage. Stunning one bedroom vintage, Spanish Revival cottage with hardwood floors, fireplace and dining nook. Come see our 1920s bungalow court, which is beautifully landscaped with a courtyard fountain. A garage is included. \$925. Please call 619-501-5109.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. Sunny, charming and spacious two bedroom, one bath apartment with new carpet, high ceilings and dining nook all on the second floor of our beautiful vintage building. \$945. Please call 619-501-5109.

HILLCREST/BALBOA PARK. Two immaculate units in classic building near Zoo/Hillcrest. 1 bedroom, 1 bath at 3620 Park Blvd. \$995/month. First 2 weeks free/reduced security deposit. OAC. Call 619-299-6681.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$765. Cozy 1 bedroom cottage. 1 off-street parking space. Bright, freshly painted. View! Cat OK. 4126 Florida Street. 619-291-5660.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$975. Large 1-1/2 bedroom, 1 bath in secure, gated home. High ceilings, patio. Laundry. Storage. Quiet neighborhood. 2036A Mission. 619-992-6372.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1000. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, patio, laundry. 2 story, off-street parking. 740 Calla. Lease. Broker. 619-435-0145.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, small complex, carport, laundry on site, upper end unit, no pets. 1433 Hemlock Avenue. Manager, 619-429-9886 or 619-461-1564.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1475. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, plus Arizona room, garage, remodeled house. Large yard. Great bay/ocean view. First \$20 of utilities paid. Excellent location! 619-424-9832. 619-948-4118.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo,

LA COSTA, MEADOWRIDGE. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, laundry, garage, pools, tennis. Available now. No pets or smoking. Call Bruce weekdays after 3pm, 858-484-0153.

LA COSTA. Small studio. Private entry/own bathroom. Refrigerator, microwave, sink, phone/TV. Washer/dryer (no stove). No pets. Nonsmoking. \$500 plus \$50 utilities. 760-944-1160.

LA COSTA. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Fireplace, landscaped, fenced yard, 2-car garage. Includes gardener. Great neighborhood/school. 858-509-0593, 760-845-4544.

LA COSTA. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1-story, 2-car garage, Cul-de-sac. Fire-place, security. Gardener. No pets. Open house, 4/27, 12PM-3PM. 2745 Abejorro. 760-942-8040.

LA JOLLA COLONY. \$1395. Redecorated 2 bedrooms, 1-1/4 bathrooms, fireplace. Upper end unit condo. Large 2 car garage. Swimming pool, spa. Near everything. 619-726-6959.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. Ask how to save up to \$4600 off lease! 1 bedrooms from \$1325, 2 bedrooms from \$1540. Reduced deposits! Cybernet Cafe. Fitness club. Business center. Pools, spas. Washer/dryer. All new interior in planned community. Pets welcome. La Cima, 7503 Chardmant Drive. 1-888-521-6916. www.sdreader.com/rent/1054.

LA JOLLA COVE. \$1250. Furnished studio oceanfront top-floor condo. 220 Coast. On the ocean, beach out your backdoor. Elevator. Call quick. Available 5/1. 858-566-4300.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. Studio. Living room, bath, kitchen-appliances. Walk-in closet, dresser drawers/shelves, laundry. Walk to beach, bus, restaurants. \$1095-\$1375, includes utilities. 619-645-8082

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$2500. 3 bedroom, family room, 2-1/2 bath house. Garage, sunny deck, fireplace. Fruit trees. Private yard. Gardener. Quiet street. Near Windansea. Open Saturday, 12:30-3pm. No pets. 427 Palomar. Agent, Rich, 858-459-2793.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$900-\$1250. Large studios, unfurnished and furnished. Pool, laundry. Walk to La Jolla Cove and business district. No pets. 858-459-8254.

LA JOLLA. 4 bedroom, 3 bath house, large lot. Unfurnished. Short term 3-6 months. Washer/dryer, refrigerator. Pets OK. Near UCSD on La Jolla Scenic North. \$2450. Call Eric, 858-518-8006.

LA JOLLA. 1 and 2 bedrooms starting at \$910 and \$1080. Pool. Spa. Laundry room. Sauna. Fitness center. Barbecue area. Covered parking. 3 blocks to UTC. Open 9am-5pm, Monday-Saturday, Sunday, 11am-4pm. La Jolla Canyon Apartments. 9515 Genesee. 858-452-3620. See our webpage at: www.sdreader.com/rent/2006.

LA JOLLA. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. 1 block to beach, street parking. No pets or smoking. 1-year lease. \$2375. 858-454-3140.

LA JOLLA. \$1050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, in the heart of La Jolla. Can be used as office or residence. Stove, refrigerator, newly refurbished. 760-613-1350.

LA JOLLA. \$2400. Luxury 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath furnished townhouse. 1575 square feet. Art work, wood/carpeted floor. Patio. Fireplace, plants, 2 car, pools, park. refinch@mccomic.com. Owner, 619-666-7378.

LA JOLLA. Lotto tickets for 2 bedroom tours! Up to 1 month free rent! 1/2 off deposit! \$1050-\$1120, 1 bedroom, \$1300-\$1385, 2 bedroom. Dishwasher, disposal, microwave. Balconies/patios. Pool, spa, sauna, barbecue. Garages or covered parking with storage. La Jolla Park West. 5165 Luigi Terrace. 1-866-218-5191. www.sdreader.com/rent/2063.

LA JOLLA. \$1550, 2 bedroom, 2 bath spacious condo. 3 blocks beach. Large living room, all appliances. Pool, jacuzzi, laundry, parking. La Jolla Boulevard. 858-456-3164.

LA JOLLA. \$999 and up. Studio, 1 and 2 bedrooms. 1/2 block from beach. Think summer! Nice layouts! Pool, laundry. Call 858-536-1900.

LA JOLLA. Villas Mallorca, Villa La Jolla. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2-car garage, fire-place, washer/dryer, jacuzzi, pool, tennis. Cat OK. \$1600. 714-742-2510.

LA JOLLA. \$900 plus utilities. Studio apartment. First floor. Private patio and cottage courtyard setting. Blocks to beach. Available 5/1. 619-298-1666.

LA JOLLA. \$2300. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Small backyard. 2 car garage. Washer/dryer. Complex has tennis, pool. 8964 Caminito Verano. West-bourne Realtors. 858-488-4800.

LA JOLLA. \$1350. 1/2 off first month's rent! Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large private balcony. Garden window. Walk to UCSD, shops and park. Fun, cosmopolitan location. No pets. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive. Ask manager for details, 858-457-4509.

LA JOLLA. 1 bedrooms from \$1100. Studio with ocean view \$895. Pool. Steps to beach. Laundry. Security parking. No pets. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-395-9942 or 858-442-9940.

LA JOLLA. \$1550/month. Unfurnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Lease. Patio, fireplace. Parking. Laundry. Block to Windansea. No pets. 858-459-8943.

LA JOLLA. \$1975. 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. La Jolla shores. Fully furnished, 2 fireplaces, carport plus space, 2 blocks to beach available now. 8031 El Paseo Grande. Lease. Boone Properties, 858-274-0307.

LA JOLLA. \$2950. Luxury 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condominium/house in gated community. All appliances, 2-car garage. 2550 square feet. Community pool. "Ventana." Boone Properties, 858-274-0307.

LA JOLLA. \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Cat OK, garage. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Cat OK, refrigerator, stove. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$2000. Deposit \$2050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cute cottage. Partial ocean view. Steps to La Jolla Cove. Can be furnished or unfurnished. Street parking. No pets. Available now. 8007 Ocean Lane. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

LA JOLLA. \$850, downstairs studio. Large kitchen. Apartments in the village. Laundry. Verticals. 7555 Herschel Avenue. 858-459-1102.

LA JOLLA. \$2800. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 1 level. Nice, super clean, spacious. In park-like setting. Extra large double garage. Fireplace. Tennis, pools, spas. Available June 1. Nonsmoking. Pets? 858-488-8412.

LA JOLLA. \$1500. Fully furnished 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 2-story condo. Near UCSD. Pool, tennis courts. 8880 Villa La Jolla. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. \$950. Upper, private studio. New carpet, floors, blinds. Near Windansea, bus. Street parking, laundry room. 439 Mesa Way. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. \$1050-\$1175. Adorable, luxury studio/cottages near beach. New appliances, washer/dryer, jacuzzi tub, skylights, loft, many upgrades. Quiet, yard/deck, parking. Pet? 858-488-5554.

LA JOLLA. \$1895. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Ocean view, excellent condition. Near Windansea beach. No dogs. 6627 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-488-0695.

LA JOLLA. \$975. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Parking. Walk to Windansea beach. No pets. 6668 La Jolla Boulevard. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

LA JOLLA. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment. 1 off-street parking space. Laundry onsite, quiet area, no pets. 6057 La Jolla Hermosa available approximately 4/28. 6037 Available approximately 5/23. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath from \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2 bath penthouse. \$2100. Beautiful pool area. Call 619-980-9500.

LA JOLLA. \$1700. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, bright end unit-Villa La Jolla, Windansea. Patio, parking, pool/spa, gym. No pets. Furnished/unfurnished. 858-361-3374.

LA JOLLA. \$1650. 3 bedrooms. End-unit townhome. Living and dining room. Fire-place. Private patio. Community amenities include pool, spa. Priced nicely! Hurry! Parking. Charge. 858-279-9774.

LA JOLLA. \$1650. Charming, private 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Near beach. Private patio, parking, washer/dryer. 858-459-4946 or 858-784-3016.

LA JOLLA. \$1100. 1 bedroom condo. Excellent location. Washer/dryer. Near UCSD. Pool, jacuzzi, barbecue, parking, banquet room. In the Villa La Jolla Condominiums. 909-699-1825.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1400. Bright, garden setting, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, tandem garage with lockable storage area. Pools, coin laundry. No pets. 619-992-1271.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$1850. 1/2 off 12th month's rent on 1 year lease. \$900 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, security, jacuzzi, laundry in unit, patio, new appliances, parking, 2 block to ocean. Steve Richards Realty, 858-483-2844.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1150. 1 bedroom. Steps to beach. Available 6/1. Pool, spa, gym. New kitchen appliances. Near Downtown La Jolla. No pets, nonsmoking. 858-459-6747.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Ask about moderate income housing available! 1 bedrooms at \$994. 2 bedrooms at \$1242. Restrictions! Washer/dryer. Patios/balconies. Broad-band Internet access. Pools, spas. Fitness center. Walk to shops, dining, and entertainment. Near 5 and 805 freeways.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Stylish Italian sophistication! Courtyards with fountains. 4 resort style pools with spas, sun decks. High tech fitness center. Full time activities director. Studios, 1, 2 and 2 bedrooms plus der. Full size washer/dryer. The Villas of Renaissance, 5280 Fiore Terrace. 888-218-0377. rental-living.com, visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/1051.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Huge 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Avanti. End unit, bright, air, security, garage, pool/spa walk to shops. \$2700. Weiler Property Management, 619-275-2880.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1950. Playmor Town-home. Fireplace, patio, balcony, sunny and bright with open view, large green belt in complex, refrigerator, dishwasher. Available 4/1. 858-481-9192.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1-1/4 bath, upper end unit. Beautiful canyon/ Mount Soledad view! Close to UCSD, shopping, park. 858-232-7537; evenings, 858-558-0116.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Avanti 3 bedroom, 3 bath, family room plus garage. Largest townhouse floorplan. Feels like a house! Washer/dryer. Very light and bright. 619-296-2787.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1850. Split level 2 bedrooms, plus office, 2.5 baths, 2 fireplaces, hardwood floors/carpet. 2-car. Pool, tennis, patio. All appliances. Available 5/1. 619-339-8832.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1400. Clean, top floor, 2 bedroom, 2 baths, skylights, 4 underground parking spaces, swimming pools, jacuzzis, racquetball, laundry. No pets. 619-589-9404. kerlick@cox.net.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1395. Incredible 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 bathroom townhouse, huge end unit, all amenities, private garage, washer/dryer in unit, everything new, granite, glass block, shutters, stainless steel, tile, more! 6171 Caminito Baeza. 818-487-7076.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1445. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. University Woods. Private patio. Carport. Laundry hookups. Excellent condition. Call for appointment. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1545. 2 master bedrooms, 2 baths, ground floor condo, 2 carports, sunny, fenced patio, view, pool/ jacuzzi, washer/dryer. 858-452-7770 (day), 858-792-9446 (evening).

LA JOLLA/UTC. 3, 4, and 5 bedroom condos and houses available starting June. Near UCSD and bus line. Find your place early. 858-578-3392.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. 1 block to beach! Luxury condo 2 bedroom, 2 bath, parking, all amenities, very secure, storage. \$1650. 858-485-8121.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1190. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. One block to beach. Fire-place. Garden setting. 336 Rosemont. Open house, Saturday 4/26, 10-11am. TPPM, 858-454-4209.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. Duplex. 50 yards to beach. \$2900, upstairs, panoramic ocean view; \$2500, downstairs, ocean view. Both 2 bedroom, 2 bath with laundry and garage. 619-247-3691.

LA MESA, NORTH. \$1800. Beautiful, newly remodeled end unit townhouse. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2-car garage, Pergo floors, air, pools, jacuzzi. Great neighborhood. 619-246-1103.

LA MESA. \$805-\$875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, clean, upgrades, parking, coin laundry, great location, walk to shops/transporta-

tion. Tom, 619-892-2368, or David, 619-644-0009.

LA MESA. \$950, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$995, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 balconies. Spacious. Air conditioning. Amenities. Parking. Gated. No pets. 4332 Parks. 619-303-4969.

LA MESA. \$900 plus move-in special! Spacious 1 bedroom. Newly renovated community. Air conditioning. Patio/balcony. New appliances. Large closets. Berber carpet. Wood flooring. Fitness center. Pool. Spa. Saunas. Laundry. Near trolley, Grossmont Mall, SDSU, 32nd Street, Miramar. Cat friendly. Model Open! Villas at La Mesa, 8515 Chloe Avenue. 619-460-7955. www.sdreader.com/rent/2054

LA MESA. \$1450. 3 bedroom house. New paint and carpet, fenced yard. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

LA MESA. \$1150. Duplex. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Recently redone. Country setting. Close to shopping. Pets OK. 3904 Quarry Road. 619-264-1085.

LA MESA. \$99 Move-in special on approved credit. Studio, \$730, deposit \$350. 1 bedroom, \$850, deposit \$450. Includes carport space and storage. Laundry. Pool. Gated community. No pets. 5365 Marengo Avenue. 619-698-7926.

LA MESA. \$750. Condo. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry on site. Pool, jacuzzi, reserved parking, close to shops, trolley and freeways. No pets. Call 619-463-3685.

LA MESA. \$1325. Remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Garage, deck, heat/air, laundry hookups, all appliances, new carpet/tile. Pet OK. 5025 Comanche. 619-459-3593.

LA MESA. \$1050. Deposit \$500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry room on site. Parking on site. Close to shops and freeways. 4515 Third Street. Available now. Glenna, 619-469-5010.

LA MESA. \$1300 includes electricity/gas. 2-bedroom, 2-bath house. French doors to fenced yard, laundry, off-street parking. Available immediately. 4825 71st. 858-259-1217.

LA MESA. \$750. Ready to go, sharp and renovated. Large 1 bedroom, covered parking, pool/jacuzzi, laundry on location. No pets. Ask for Peg, 619-448-5592.

LA MESA. \$925. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome, newly renovated. Off-street parking, laundry facility, new carpet, new paint. 7425 Waite Drive. 619-460-7149, 619-698-7520.

LA MESA. \$695. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Courtyard apartment. Top-notch condition, great location. Laundry, parking, no pets. 3717 69th Street. TPPM, 619-337-2369.

LA MESA. \$795. Beautiful 1 bedroom. Sparkling pool and spa, air conditioning, patio, laundry, parking. Quiet, well maintained complex. No pets, please. 4850 Williamsburg. 619-698-3274.

LA MESA. 1 and 2 bedrooms starting at \$695. \$300 off first month. Parking, private patio, newly remodeled, air conditioning, pool, laundry. No pets. 619-303-5828.

LA MESA. 1 and 2 bedroom, luxury apartments, fireplace, laundry hookups, patio/ balcony, pool, spa, gated/covered parking. 5519 Lake Murray Boulevard. For pricing, 619-698-7600.

LA MESA. 1 bedroom, 1 bath from \$895. 2 bedroom, 2 bath from \$1195. Call 619-884-7900.

LA MESA. 2 bedroom, 1 bath with 1 car garage, \$1025. Air conditioning, dish-washer. Walk to Lake Murray. Agent, 619-300-1020, 619-528-4200.

LA MESA. Available now! Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath from \$950. 2 bedroom 1-1/2 bath from \$1120. 2 bedroom, 2 bath from \$1210. Pool, spa, sauna, microwave, fully equipped kitchen. Call 619-980-8400. www.thejohncollinscompany.com.

LA MESA. Darling (1930's vintage) 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Approximately 1000 square feet. Wood floors. Laundry room. Big lot. 2+ detached garage! Wonderful neighborhood. Newly painted. Patio, garden area. Includes gardener. \$1560. 4639 Daurer Avenue. Call Jackie, agent, 619-409-8511.

LA MESA. From \$780-\$940. Small quiet complex in great location. 1 and 2 bedrooms. Air conditioning, on-site laundry, off-street parking, patio/balcony, garages available. 619-460-9571.

LA MESA. New construction-Loft style townhouse. Tri-level, \$1800/month. La Mesa Village, 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1300 square feet, private. Double garage, cus-

tom kitchen/bath, all amenities, fireplace. Immediate occupancy. Warner at 860-984-7725. whthree@aol.com.

LA MESA. Newly redone 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$850/month. Swimming pool, on-site laundry/parking. 4365 Rosebud. Day: Tom, 619-892-2368; Evening: Ray, 619-337-0275.

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LA MESA. Studio. Refrigerator only, yard, carport, cable and utilities included. \$650/month plus \$300 deposit. Available 4/24. 619-315-5604.

LA MESA. Starting \$1050. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated complex, parking. Elevator. View of beautifully landscaped courtyard. Laundry room. Spa. Cat OK. 619-464-5592.

LA MESA/GROSSMONT. \$795. Lovely hilltop/best area. 1 bedroom. Pool, spa. \$100 off first month's rent. Patio. Parking. Rimrock. 8420 Buckland. No pets. 619-462-8420.

LA MESA/MT. HELIX. Charming New Orleans-style 1, 2, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths from \$835. Completely gated community. Flower gardens. Parking. Small pet OK. 619-462-1212.

LA MESA/MT. HELIX. \$1950. Spacious 3 bedroom, Madrigal Acre Retreat. Pool, spa, fireplace, views. Pet possible. For photos, contact earcardi@aol.com; Ellen, 619-316-5437; 619-462-0429.

LA MESA/SAN DIEGO. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. \$1050. New carpet/vinyl, gated complex, parking, laundry, air conditioning. 7594 Park Ridge Boulevard. Michelle, 619-990-0047.

LA MESA LAKE MURRAY. \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. 1000+ square feet. Air conditioning. Parking. Private lawn area. 5432 Lake Murray Boulevard. Agent, 619-825-5135; 619-260-1368.

LAKESIDE. 2 bedroom, 1 bath from \$925. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Washer/ dryer hook-ups. Yard. Balcony. Assigned covered parking. Quiet gated community. Pet policy. 619-561-7086.

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LEMON GROVE. \$725/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled, new paint, carpet, linoleum, blinds. Appliances. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 619-280-2658.

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LEUCADIA. \$1150. Move-in special! 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Walk to beach. Refurbished. Laundry on site. Off-street parking. No pets. Security deposit. Call now for an appointment. 131 Diana Street. 760-632-1900.

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LEUCADIA. \$1800. Triplex. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. 2-car. Fireplace. West of I-5. Pet with approval. Small yard. 1900 square feet. Agent, 858-755-1139; www.scuba-rentals.com.

LEUCADIA. By the sea! Special opportunity. \$1200/month. Live in this beautiful home while on the market for sale with your fine furniture. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. No pets. www.showhomes.com. 858-486-0588.

LEUCADIA. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. Coin laundry, 1 car garage,

close to beach. 1405 North Vulcan. TPPM, 858-454-4200.

LEUCADIA. \$1450. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. West of I-5. Yard, laundry hookups, garage. Quiet street. First and deposit. 858-794-7682.

LINDA VISTA. \$650, studio, utilities included. \$1100, 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Laundry, gated parking. No pets. 2285 Ulric Street. Call Monday-Friday for appointment. 858-277-4213.

LINDA VISTA. \$845-\$945/month. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Convenient location, fenced backyards, assigned parking. No pets. Office at 2451 Ulric Street. Please call for appointment at 858-278-3610.

LINDA VISTA. \$850 includes all utilities. 2 bedroom. Off-street parking. Top half of duplex. Stove/refrigerator. Near all. 858-541-7852.

LINDA VISTA. 3 bedroom. 2 bath. \$1250. Townhouse for rent. Excellent condition! Section 8 OK. Very nice. A&J Property Management, 888-792-5094.

LOGAN HEIGHTS. \$795. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Private yard. 3674 Beta Street. Call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970. www.sunriseliving.com.

LOGAN HEIGHTS. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments available. Off street parking. 3119 Valle Avenue. 619-640-7530.

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MIRA MESA. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath. New paint, pool, spa. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready

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MISSION BEACH. \$725. Nice, clean studio, 1 block from beach. Parking. No Pets. 3239 Mission Boulevard. 619-286-1777.

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MISSION BEACH. \$1695. Sunny, bright 2 bed, upstairs charmer. All redone. Hardwood floors. Steps to sand. All appliances. Laundry. Parking. 712B Santa Rita. 858-272-9547.

MISSION BEACH. \$1295. Sunny 1 bedroom cottage/duplex. 2 private patios. Parking, appliances, laundry. Super location. Steps to beach. 735 Wavcrest. 858-272-9547.

MISSION BEACH. \$1075. Sunny 1 bedroom apartment. Steps to sandy beach. Appliances, laundry, parking, super location. 748 Santa Rita Place. (Across from Catamaran Hotel). 858-272-9547.

MISSION BEACH. \$1800. Cute 2 bedroom, 2 bath, newly remodeled, garage. No pets. Year-round. Available 5/10. Call 858-488-2006.

MISSION BEACH. \$1150. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment. Recently remodeled. 1 off-street parking space. 1 block to the beach and bay. 807 Venice Court. Available now. K & R Properties. 858-490-1600.

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MISSION BEACH. \$1795. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Steps to bay. Parking, fireplace, small yard. Lease. No smoking/pets. Available 5/1. 858-245-2622.

MISSION BEACH. \$2395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Roof deck with spa and views. 2 fireplaces, garage, built-in laundry. No smoking/pets. Lease. Available 5/1. 858-245-2622.

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MISSION BEACH. \$875. 1 bedroom. Parking. Great area near Bay. 845 Jamaica Court. Available 5/15. Call for appointment. Shore Management. 858-274-3500.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. Deposit \$800. Move-in special!! 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 4751 Mission Blvd. 619-843-7827.

MISSION BEACH. \$1850. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Upper deck. 2 garages. 827 San Jose Place. Phillips Realty. 619-291-6886.

MISSION BEACH. \$2000. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, on the ocean side of the Boulevard. Call Coldwell Banker Property Management. 858-488-2228.

MISSION BEACH. \$850. Deposit \$900. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cute unit on ground floor, steps to beach and bay, off-street parking. Small complex. 1 parking space.

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MISSION HILLS. \$1100. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Quiet complex, 1 car garage, walk in closet, laundry facilities. 3280 Reynard Way. For appointment, 619-286-9568.

MISSION HILLS. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath with washer and dryer. Reserved parking! 4042 Front Street. Call Joe Carta Realty. 619-280-1800.

MISSION HILLS. \$1395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Security building. Fireplace. Washer/dryer. New carpet/paint. Covered parking. Balcony. 917 Torrance. ceceliakn@aol.com 619-287-4334; Skip, 619-992-9927.

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MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$850. 1 bedroom. Cozy. Sunny. Clean. Quiet. Nice area. Available now. No pets. 3330 Reynard Way. 619-295-7570.

MISSION HILLS. \$675. Cute studio with view, full kitchen, upper unit, very clean, small complex. Includes utilities, laundry on premises, great location. Available 5/1. 619-269-4596.

MISSION HILLS/NORTH. \$2000. Craftsman design 2 bedroom home with den and sun room. Hardwood floors and fireplace. Modern kitchen, 1-3/4 baths, 2-car garage. 619-298-2367.

MISSION HILLS. Hidden hideaway! 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath condo. Totally remodeled, many upgrades, bay views. Minutes from downtown, airport and more. Available now. \$1650. 619-322-2376.

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MISSION HILLS. \$950. 1 bedroom, 2 story. Pool, laundry room, parking. Near bus and market. No pets, please. 4039 Brant. Centre City Property Management. Manager, 619-269-6411.

MISSION HILLS. \$750. Very cute, quiet, cozy studio. Street parking. Available mid-May. No pets. 2722 Reynard Way. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

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MISSION HILLS. \$775-\$950. 1 & 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Top floor, parking, pool. Spectacular view. Very bright. No pets. 1767 Torrance. 858-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

MISSION HILLS. \$1225. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, small complex, view, yard, garage, laundry. Quiet street. No pets. No smoking. Cell, 619-518-4116.

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MISSION VALLEY. \$995. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1000 square feet, very nice, upstairs corner unit, air conditioning, pool, amenities, no pets, close to all. 619-265-1645.

MISSION VALLEY. Bright 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo. Fireplace, high ceilings, fans, private yard, patio, attached 2-car garage, gated, pool. No smoking/pets. \$1975. 530-887-1266.

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MISSION VALLEY. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Great location. Near stadium. 2 parking spaces. Storage. Tennis. Pool. Jacuzzi. Volleyball. 858-571-6111; 858-583-2332.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1950. Deluxe, 3 bedroom townhouse. Fireplace, patio, skylights, sundeck, pool/spa, washer/dryer, reserved parking, large kitchen, storage. 5/1. Photos/information: sathornroad@yahoo.com. 858-232-8647.

MISSION VALLEY. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Huge 1800 square feet. Excellent neighborhood, fireplace, appliances, patio, 2-car garage, immediate occupancy. \$1950/month. Ron, 310-279-7595.

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MISSION VALLEY. River Run. Very desirable upper-end unit. Upgraded newer appliances/carpet. Recently painted. Patio, washer/dryer, pool, workout room. No pets. \$1350. 619-224-0797.

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MISSION VALLEY, WEST. \$1145. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. Covered parking. Hilltop location with view, laundry. Clean and attractive. No pets. 858-349-8125; 858-459-6640.

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MISSION VALLEY. \$950. Park Villas. Large 1 bedroom plus den in tranquil, park-like setting. Cable included! Off-street, covered parking. Pool, spa. On-site laundry. 619-422-8183.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1475. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Gated. Washer/dryer, fireplace, plantation shutters, pool, spa, gym, conference room. Walk to restaurants, malls, trolley. 619-417-6003.

MISSION VALLEY. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, top floor, end unit. View, 2 parking spaces, 2 balconies. View. Good location/condition. Pool, tennis, etc. \$1250/month. Rancho Mission Road. 858-273-7183.

MISSION VALLEY. \$840. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. No pets. Quiet. Carpet, appliances, 1 parking, balcony, pool. 1605 Hotel Circle, South #B204. Agents, 858-453-6115.

MISSION VALLEY, WEST. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 2 bath front house. 1-car garage, dining area, washer/dryer. Close to all. 5559 Lauretta. 858-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

MISSION VALLEY. \$795. 1 bedroom condo. Dining area, new carpet, ablcony, storage, laundry, pool, tennis, parking, next to stadium/trolley. Agent, 619-296-3189.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1145. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Brand-new everything! Off-street parking, pool, laundry, newly remodeled. Minutes to freeway, SDSU, hospital, shopping. Move-in special, free rent! 4550 Vandever. Manager, 619-282-8000.

MISSION VALLEY. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Split masters. 1216 square feet. 2-car parking, fireplace, balcony, laundry, walk-in closets, pool, spa, security. 619-997-8614.

MISSION VALLEY. \$895/month. Newly renovated condo. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Bright, spacious corner unit. Many amenities. Near trolley and 24-Hour Fitness. Victor, 619-743-5141.

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NATIONAL CITY. Remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Section 8 OK. Gated, parking, laundry, pool. 900-910 Manchester. Ray, 619-563-7845; 619-243-4000 x0.

NATIONAL CITY. From \$950. 2 bedroom apartments and townhomes. Beautiful and quiet complex. Convenient location. Great amenities. 1 bedroom for \$725 also available in Chula Vista. To view photos and to check out more vacancies in San Diego area, check out www.SanDiegoApartments.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. 1 bedroom apartment. Neat, clean, quiet. Ceiling fan, air, stove, refrigerator, gated courtyard with barbecue, off-street parking. 4577 Bancroft. 619-276-1009.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$950. Like-new 2 bedroom. 1000 square feet, quiet, new appliances, carpet, paint. Gated, covered parking, laundry room, convenient location. 619-925-7657 or 619-283-7643.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$795. 1 bedroom. New carpet. New vinyl. New blinds. Laundry room. Large patio. Section 8 OK. Pets on approval. Available now. 619-283-0770.

NORMAL HEIGHTS \$850. Large, deluxe 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, controlled entry, air conditioning, dishwasher, refrigerator. Parking. Near bus and shops. 619-521-1901 or 619-697-3993.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 4375 Felton Street #5. Garage, laundry in complex. Deborah, 619-733-7652.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. Most beautiful and gorgeous, 700 square feet, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Remodeled, tile kitchen/bath, paint. No pets. Nonsmoking. Clean. Must see! 619-861-9717.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$890. 2 bedroom, 2 full bath, upstairs apartment in intercom access building. Balcony, dishwasher, on site laundry. No pets. 4455 Cherokee Avenue. 619-229-9060.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with patio. Intercom access building. Dishwasher, ceiling fan, 2

reserved parking spaces. Garage available. 4465 Cherokee. 619-265-8680.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750/month. 1 bedroom, bright, clean, new appliances, off-street parking. No pets. Viewing appointments, evenings after 5pm and weekends. Call 619-282-6910.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. Large 1 bedroom. Downstairs. New carpet. Air. Garden setting. Gated. Parking. Laundry. \$300 deposit. No pets. Available now. 4730 32nd Street. 619-584-7790.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$635. Small 1 bedroom duplex. Parking. Laundry. Air. Gas stove. Large patio. \$300 deposit. No pets. Behind house. 4718 32nd Street. 619-584-7790.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$950. 2 bedroom 1 bath townhouse. 1 bedroom apartment, lower unit, \$695. Covered parking. Coin operated laundry. Nonsmoking. No pets. 4727 Felton. 619-280-3520.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$780. Nice 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Upstairs, 1-car garage, new carpet, gas stove, refrigerator. No pets. 4642 30th Street. Agent 619-469-7790.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750 and up. Spacious 1 and 2 bedrooms. Upstairs. Laundry. Intercom entry. Pool. Easy freeway access. Off-street assigned parking. Cat OK. 619-298-7724.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$550. Studio with utilities included. Near Antique Row and Adams Avenue. Walk to bus and shopping. No pets. Available now. Agent, 619-298-7724.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1100-\$1200. Pride of Normal Heights! Totally remodeled, extremely large 2 bed, 2 bath, with 3 closets (one walk-in) plus linen closet, storage closet and pantry. Private fenced patio. New paint, new carpet and new ceramic tile flooring. Refrigerator, dishwasher and new stove. Huge pool and jacuzzi. Off-street parking. Laundry rooms. 1 block below Adams on Madison Avenue with easy access to I-805 and I-15. 858-695-1663.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$800. Pride of Normal Heights! Extremely large and clean 1 bedroom, with 3 closets (one walk-in) plus linen closet and storage closet. Private fenced patio. New paint, refrigerator and new stove. Huge pool and jacuzzi. Off-street parking. Laundry rooms. 1 block below Adams on Madison Avenue with easy access to I-805 and I-15. 858-695-1663.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. Extremely clean, very large, 1 bedroom. Refrigerator, stove, fenced patio, wood paneling and built-in bookshelf. Off-street parking. Laundry room. 1 block below Adams on Monroe, with easy access to I-805. 858-695-1663.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. House. \$1300. 2 bedroom, 1 bath home. Large kitchen, new carpet, private yard, garage with laundry. 619-284-4286 or 619-987-4286.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Move-in special! \$780. Large 1 bedrooms. Lovely gated building with underground parking, elevator, laundry facility, air, dishwasher, microwave. One bayview window. No pets. 4526 Illinois Street. 619-280-3867.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Spacious 1 bedroom, \$690. Laundry, parking. No pets. Available now. 4639 Bancroft Street. Call 858-483-5111.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$725. Nice, lower, large 1 bedroom with garage. Near bus and freeway. Laundry room. No pets, please. 4524 40th Street. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$700. 1 bedroom cottage apartment. No pets. Very clean. 619-286-7801.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. Private 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove. Refrigerator. Dishwasher. Laundry hookups. Storage. Fenced yard. Cat OK. Available 5/1. 3823 Edna Place, side house. 619-275-2854.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. Sunny upper 2 bedroom, near Adams. Natural wood cabinets. Patio, laundry, parking. Well-maintained. 4748-1/2 Mansfield. Xlar-ent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$715. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. No pets. 1 parking, new carpet/painting, walk-in closet. Nice, quiet. 4549 Bancroft Street #6. Agents, 858-453-6115.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$900-\$925. Newly upgraded 2 bedrooms, dishwasher, air conditioning, laundry. No pets. Move-in special. Available now. 4561 Hawley Boulevard. Call 858-483-5111.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1400, \$1000 deposit. Large 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Like new. Washer/dryer hookups. No pets. 4426 33rd Street. 619-504-1476; 619-286-7077.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Senior housing Section 8 OK. New paint/ carpet. Laundry, parking, gated, buses, walk to shopping. Quiet community. 4443 Idaho Street. Contact Ray Murphy. 619-563-7845.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage, all new. Laundry on site. 4653 33rd Street. 619-640-7530.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Small, quiet complex. Laundry facility onsite. Parking available. 4657 32nd Street #3. Uptown Property Management, 619-297-7368.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$745. Spacious 1 bedroom with fresh paint, new carpet! Laundry on site. Off-street parking, very quiet complex. 3458 Monroe. Cogan Properties. 619-283-2144.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. 2 bedroom. Spacious, quiet, gated community. No dogs. 4530 40th Street. 619-284-8575.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, garage, fenced yard, new paint, hardwood, appliances. 38th/Madison. Walk to Kensington. Available 5/15. Lauri, 619-234-5488.

NORTH PARK. Large upstairs apartment, 2 bedroom, \$925, 4025 Alabama. 1 bedroom, \$650, 4130 35th. Laundry, big closets, views, balcony, no dogs, quiet courtyard. 619-294-8737.

NORTH PARK HILLCREST. \$1250. Darling 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex in residential area. Polished oak floors, privacy, view to garden, covered patio with fireplace, huge storage area. Off street parking. No pets. 3710 Villa Terrace. R.A. Properties. 858-483-3989.

NORTH PARK. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, recently remodeled. Tiled living room, kitchen, bathroom. Elevator, on-site laundry, security building. 619-280-2658.

NORTH PARK. \$1125. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. 4541 Texas Street, #1. Available now. Call agent, 619-286-1503, x121

ately. 3236 Bancroft at Thorn. 619-281-6789.

NORTH PARK. Newly renovated 2 bedroom apartments, \$850 plus 1 month security deposit. On-site laundry and manager. Parking space. \$200 off first month. 4170 34th Street. 619-203-4119.

NORTH PARK. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Unique and charming, circa 1925 brick building, hardwood floors, large deck. Near North Park Theater on University Avenue. Call 619-293-3118 x5; 619-298-1493.

NORTH PARK. New condo, 1 bedroom, includes refrigerator, views! Will go fast! \$1000/month. Hedy, agent, 858-756-2334.

NORTH PARK. One month free rent! \$995, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Available now. Pool. Parking. Controlled-access building. Clean and quiet. Dishwasher. Ceiling fan. Laundry rooms. Centrally located. Small pets OK. Good credit required! 4133 Kansas Street. Viewing by appointment only. Call between 8am-6pm, 619-640-0112.

NORTH PARK. \$895. Newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Off-street parking. Laundry. No pets. Available now. 4158 Alabama Street. Monica, 619-255-4841.

NORTH PARK. \$790. 1 bedroom, gated, pool, sauna, laundry, off-street parking. 760 square feet. No pets. Available now. Section 8 welcome. 3929 Kansas. 619-543-0730.

NORTH PARK: \$825. Completely remodeled 1 bedroom house, set in tropical oasis. Wood blinds, new carpet, laundry, optional garage, gated entrance, small pet negotiable. 4345 Illinois Street. 619-726-6305.

NORTH PARK. \$995. Adorable, quaint 2 bedroom, 1 bath dollhouse. New wood floors, eat-in kitchen. Front porch. Private fenced yard. No dogs. 4556 36th Street. 619-607-0810.

NORTH PARK. Move in special! \$500 off with year lease. 1 bedroom, \$775. Quiet complex, pool, laundry, upstairs, gated entry. 619-295-4583.

NORTH PARK. \$1700. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Master bedroom has cedar closet with full length mirrors. Fireplace, stained glass windows, air conditioning, washer/dryer, fans, fenced driveway, 1 bedroom and dining room have hardwood floors. 619-298-0195.

NORTH PARK. \$725. 1 bedroom, laundry, newly refurbished. No pets. Available now. Viewing 9am-5pm. 4070 Mississippi #6. Call 858-483-5111.

NORTH PARK. \$700. Deposit \$750. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath ground floor unit in quiet complex. Laundry on site. Off-street parking. 2 patios. 4046 Florida Street #2. Available 5/5. 1 parking space. No pets. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

NORTH PARK. \$695. Large 1 bedroom apartment. Laundry, no pets. 3766 Swift. McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

NORTH PARK. \$1050. Deposit \$500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Large spacious apartments. Washers and dryers inside units. Close to all. 3939 Illinois Street #2E. Available now. Red, 619-624-0775.

NORTH PARK. \$695. Large 1 bedroom apartment, secured entry, upstairs bright unit. No pets. 2860 Lincoln. McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

NORTH PARK. \$995. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Garage, laundry room, dishwasher, cat OK. 4353 Felton. McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

NORTH PARK. \$695. Studio apartment. Wood floors, murphy bed, great location. 3785 Park Blvd. McKee Asset Management, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD. \$850. Spectacular 1 bedroom apartment in North Park's best location. Large private enclosed patio. All new appliances, carpet and ceramic tile floors. Air conditioned. Bedroom has mirrored closet doors and ceiling fan. Secure building with intercom. On-site laundry and off-street parking. 3745 Pershing Ave. Call Scott, 619-725-3648; 619-846-6615.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Move-in special! \$200 off first month's rent. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Washer/dryer hookup. Off-street parking. Close to shop and library. 3766 31st Street. www.sunriseslving.com. Call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

NORTH PARK. \$920, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 bedroom, \$700. Pool, new paint/carpet/

vinyl. On-site laundry. No pets. Gated community. 3980 Texas. 619-297-6226.

NORTH PARK. \$705. Upper 1 bedroom. Laundry room, street parking. No pets please. Near bus/market. 4170 Texas. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

NORTH PARK. \$900. Upper, bright 2 bedroom. New carpet, blinds, refrigerator, floors. Laundry room. Near all. No pets. 4124 Texas. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

NORTH PARK. \$1325. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Available 5/1. Fenced yard. Wood floors. 1-car garage. All appliances including washer/dryer. Dogs and cats welcome! 2943 Kalmia. Contact Christina at 619-300-6379.

NORTH PARK. \$1275/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, all new appliances, washer/dryer, private back yard. Call after 6pm, 619-296-4793.

NORTH PARK. \$795. Sunny 1 bedroom with private patio, walk-in closet. Laundry. Off-street parking. 3927 Mississippi #3. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$795. Attractive upper 1 bedroom. Landscaped courtyard. Nice area. Garage available. 4120 Iowa. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Bright, airy, roomy kitchen, large master, hardwood floors. Laundry on site. 4351 Florida Street. 858-454-5030.

NORTH PARK. \$795. Attractive 1 bedroom duplex near Morely Field. Hardwood floors. Courtyard with palms. Laundry. Cat OK. 3686 Villa Terrace. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$895. Spacious upper 1 bedroom. Private balcony. Patio. Picture windows. Hardwood floors. Pet OK. 3771 Texas. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, plus den. Quiet complex. All appliances included. Secured parking. 3761 Florida Street. No pets. 619-886-3446.

NORTH PARK. \$650, utilities included. Clean and cozy studio. Off-street parking. Laundry. Easy freeway access. 3853 Cherokee. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$950. Upstairs, clean 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath apartment. 3236 Herman #6. Pet OK with deposit. Call Karen, 619-574-6909.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Large 1 bedroom apartment. Gated. Laundry. Parking. Quiet. No pets. Near all. 4261 Swift Avenue. Manager #15. Section 8 OK. 619-255-0695; 619-257-0038.

NORTH PARK. \$750. Large, airy 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Security gated, quiet. Laundry. Off-street parking. 4121 Iowa Street. Manager #4. No pets. 619-501-5133.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Brand new studio, never lived in, picture window with view of garden setting with stream, waterfall, fish, orchard, covered patio, complete kitchen, walk-in closet, full size bath with tub, ceiling fan, laundry, private parking, friendly, small complex. 619-822-4788.

NORTH PARK. \$1250. Nice, large 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment in small gated complex. 3747 32nd Street #5. Available now. 619-206-4725.

NORTH PARK. \$925. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath in small gated complex, off-street parking, laundry. 3754 32nd Street #7. Available now. Small pet OK. 619-206-4725.

NORTH PARK. \$1200. 2 bedroom cottage. Fenced yard, laundry, new appliances. Small pet OK. 3377 Orange Avenue. 619-253-4824.

NORTH PARK. \$1050. Sunny 2 bedroom, upstairs apartment in quiet part of North Park. Laundry, off-street parking. Cat OK. 3067 Polk. 619-253-4824.

NORTH PARK. \$1425. Open 10am-2pm, Saturday. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house, formal dining room, breakfast room, fireplace, washer/dryer, water/gardener paid. 3569 Grim Avenue. 619-300-5773.

NORTH PARK. \$695. 1 bedroom downstairs, in 8-unit gated building. Tiled kitchen and bath. Dishwasher, patio, garage. laundry. Cats OK. Agent. 619-234-9553.

NORTH PARK. Senior 55+ condo. 1 bedroom, \$560. Excellent condition. Available now. 3796 Alabama Street #226. Near all! Must see. A&J Property Management, 619-279-6579.

NORTH PARK. \$795. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Gated community, pool, on-site laundry, off-street parking. 4841 West Mountain

View. For more info call 619-282-6440. www.sunriseslving.com.

NORTH PARK. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet complex, easy freeway access. Dinette area, laundry, 3970 Bancroft. 858-483-3534. www.Cal-Prop.com.

NORTH PARK. \$565. Very private, quiet, 2 unit complex. Garden setting. Large separate kitchen. New carpet, vinyl. Off-street parking. No pets. 4174 Cherokee (behind 4172). TPPM, 619-296-8802.

NORTH PARK. Large, newly remodeled, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$695/\$695, \$25 credit check. Hardwood floors. Gated 10-unit complex, on-site laundry. 1-year lease. Carl, 619-296-8876.

NORTH PARK. \$850-\$1095. 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Ceiling fans. Ceramic tiles. Near all. Available now. No dogs. 3812 Mississippi. 619-574-6730; 858-484-2763.

NORTH PARK/MORELY FIELD. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Garage. Immaculate upstairs apartment. Fireplace, dishwasher, new carpet. Coin laundry. Quiet, small complex. Attractive, quiet area. No pets. Controlled access. 3736 Arnold. TPPM, 619-296-8802.

NORTH PARK. \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$795, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Upper and lower, gated, balcony, parking, laundry, cat OK. 4077 Utah Street. 619-698-6911.

NORTH PARK. \$1195. Charming 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment with hardwood floors and on-site laundry. 3666 Louisiana Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

NORTH PARK. \$650-\$850. 1 and 2 bedrooms, centrally located on large lots. These cottage-style units offer comfort and privacy. Parking. Charge. 858-279-9774.

NORTH PARK. \$795. 1 bedroom. Top 3rd floor unit, fireplace, tiled entry, dishwasher, balcony, walk in closet, washer/dryer hookups, parking. Agent, 619-296-3189.

NORTH PARK. \$750. Deposit \$700. Move-in special. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry. 4036 Oregon. 619-298-4036.

NORTH PARK. \$950. Deposit \$800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 4152 Alabama #9. 619-843-7827.

NORTH PARK. \$1050. Deposit \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath in condo building with refrigerator, dishwasher, patio, underground parking. 4155 Georgia. 619-297-7662.

NORTH PARK. \$850 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper apartment. Off-street parking spot, laundry room, no pets, at 4541 Hamilton Street #2. 619-299-8515.

NORTH PARK. \$845/small 2 bedroom, 1 bath, storage area, enclosed front yard. \$1050/2 bedroom cottage, big backyard, 2 storage sheds. Off-street parking. No dogs. Current credit report required/references. 619-743-1996; 619-543-0532.

NORTH PARK. \$1295. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath Spanish house with hardwood floors, driveway, built-in cabinetry, no pets, at 3638 Bancroft Street. 619-299-8515.

NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1295 rent. \$600 deposit. Newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath house with garage. Laundry hookups, cat OK with extra deposit. Open daily 10am-6pm at 4654 Boundary Street (at Adams). 619-299-4034.

NORTH PARK. \$825. Deposit \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, patio, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 4550 Louisiana. 619-291-2505.

NORTH PARK. \$675. 1 bedroom courtyard apartment. No pets, at 4343 Arizona Street. 619-299-8515.

NORTH PARK. \$650. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Ground level. Senior complex. 3776 Alabama Street #C-115. 619-640-7530.

NORTH PARK. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, upstairs, new paint, hardwood floors. Laundry on site. 4034-1/2 Iowa Street. 619-640-7530.

NORTH PARK. \$700. 1 bedroom. Large, clean, quiet. No pets. Laundry on-site. Garage available for \$100. \$350 deposit. 3951 Louisiana Street. 619-697-6942.

NORTH PARK. \$850. Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, upstairs, carpet. Available 5/1. Parking, laundry on-site. 4165 Mississippi Street. www.cethron.com. Agent, 619-295-1100.

NORTH PARK. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, laundry, new paint. Clean and

quiet. Downstairs. 4382 Utah Street. www.cethron.com. Agent, 619-295-1100.

NORTH PARK. \$775. deposit \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 4452 Louisiana Street #3. 619-843-7827.

NORTH PARK. \$795. Spacious 1 bedroom with 2-car garage! Pool, laundry. Very quiet complex. No pets. Upper corner unit. 2140 Howard. Cogan Properties. 619-283-2144.

NORTH PARK. \$875. Deposit \$800. Upstairs 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove. Refrigerator. No pets. Off-street parking. On-site laundry. 4360 Hamilton #7. 619-843-7827.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Deposit \$675. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove. Refrigerator. Off-street parking. Laundry on site. 4165 Alabama #3, #7. 619-843-7827.

NORTH PARK. \$850-\$895. Deposit \$800. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Stove. Refrigerator. Off-street parking. Laundry on site. 4165 Alabama #1, #4. 619-843-7827.

NORTH PARK. 1 bedroom, \$795. 2 bedroom, \$910. Quiet complex on great street. Off-street parking. Laundry facilities. 4153 Hamilton. Chuck, 619-298-0143.

NORTH PARK. \$850. Charming cottage with 1 bedroom and 1 bath, plus dining room. Near Morley Field. Beautiful hardwood floors. Fresh paint, like new blinds and appliances. Wrapped in a lovely 1930s style fenced courtyard. Perfect for you and your cat. Located at 3366-1/2 Grim Avenue. Please call 619-298-4256.

NORTH PARK. \$750. Refurbished 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$350 deposit. New carpet. Quiet complex. No pets. Available now. 4152 32nd Street. David, 619-584-4956; 619-243-4000 x0.

NORTH PARK. \$850. Deposit \$900. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Very cute unit in small complex. Garage. Small, private patio. Available 6/1. 4510 Idaho Street. No pets. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

NORTH PARK. \$1000. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, upstairs. New berber carpet. New appliances. 3112 30th Street #19. 619-640-7530.

NORTH PARK. \$1030. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Pool, sauna, laundry, off-street parking, gated access. Section 8 welcome. 3929 Kansas. For appointment, call 619-543-0730.

NORTH PARK. \$511. 1 bedroom. Seniors building. 4033 33rd Street. Elevator, laundry, gated entry. Call Rubi for eligibility criteria: 619-640-3650. Fair Housing Opportunity.

NORTH PARK. \$850. 1 bedroom duplex with hardwood floors and private backyard. Garage. Laundry on site. 4141 34th Street. Drive by only; call for appointment. Agent, 619-548-4599.

NORTH PARK. \$1445. Beautiful house, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Light, bright. Great location. Formal dining room. Built-ins. Remodeled. Spacious. Hardwood floors. Fireplace. Yard. Patio. Laundry. New stove, landscaping. Paid gas, water, trash. No pets. 3335 Nile. 619-269-7856.

OCEAN BEACH. Beautiful beachfront ocean view, spacious 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Serene security garden building. Hardwood floors, ceramic tile, laundry. Garages available. Furnished or unfurnished. 5085 Saratoga. \$950-\$1500. 619-224-1748; 619-501-5553.

OCEAN BEACH/POINT LOMA. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse, \$1900. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse, \$2250. Beautiful granite kitchens. Laundry hookups. Properties available 6/1. 619-987-5323, 619-523-5242.

OCEAN BEACH/POINT LOMA. \$1295. Luxurious, remodeled townhouse, 2 bedroom, 1.75 bath, gated, ocean/city/fireworks view. Hardwood/tile, new appliances, pool. Pet OK, 2-car parking, nonsmoking. 858-627-9377.

OCEAN BEACH. \$985. 1 bedroom, unfurnished apartment. Pool, verticals, block to beach. No smoking/pets. 5025 Cape May Avenue. 619-280-4693.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$3500. On beach! Home with pool! Very contemporary and unique 3 bedroom, 3 bath house. 2-car parking, 2900 square feet. Available now. Call Gail, 619-994-4245.

OCEAN BEACH. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet, paint, and appliances. 1-1/2 blocks to beach. 6 month lease, available

now. No pets. \$900, includes utilities. Call Gail, 619-994-4245.

OCEAN BEACH. \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet, paint, and appliances. 1-1/2 blocks to beach. 6 month lease, available now. No pets. Call Gail, 619-994-4245.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100 plus deposit plus 15-month lease. Available 6/1. 1 bedroom duplex, garage, fenced yard. Pets negotiable. Open house Sunday, 5057 Lotus Street. 619-417-3281.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1400. Clean 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, ocean bay views, fireplace, washer/dryer, secure parking. No yard. Available now. 4452 Mentone Street. 619-787-4723.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1875. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Washer/dryer, fireplace, patio, parking. No pets please. 4845 Santa Cruz. 619-501-6782.

OCEAN BEACH. \$825. Large 1 bedroom apartment. 1 block to the beach! Near all. Quiet. Newer carpet, paint. Available 5/1. 2178 Abbott Street #6. 619-222-9308.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse on Del Mar Avenue. 2 story with very large bedrooms. Only 1-1/2 blocks to ocean. Parking. Water paid. Agent, 619-223-2524.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1645. 3 bedroom house, pet considered, fenced yard/covered patio. Water and gardener paid. Washer/dryer hookups. 1-1/2 blocks to ocean. Agent, 619-223-2524.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875. 1 bedroom, upstairs, very clean, quiet. Laundry, parking. Large closet, no pets. Shown by appointment. 4945 Del Monte. Available mid -May. 619-224-4552.

OCEAN BEACH/SUNSET CLIFFS. \$1900 plus utilities. 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Excellent neighborhood. Luxury remodel. Ocean view, 2 blocks to beach, laundry, parking. No pets/smoking. 4811 Santa Cruz. 619-223-5092.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875. Large 1 bedroom apartment. Near beach. Patio. Laundry. No dogs or cats. 5045 Lotus. 858-292-6046.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875. 1 bedroom. Upstairs. Fireplace. Small quiet complex near Sunset Cliffs. No pets. Available 5/15. 4825 Coronado Avenue. 619-733-4743.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. Washer/dryer, near beach, no pets. Available 5/5. 5017 Long Branch. 619-226-2167 to view; 619-233-1818 x215 to rent.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. Ask about manager's special! 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Newly remodeled. Second floor, balcony, parking, laundry on site. 2209 Poinsettia Drive. 858-274-0307.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cat OK. 2 blocks to beach, refrigerator, stove. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. 2 bedroom (1 bathroom, remodeled) apartment. Off-street parking. No pets. 2729 Camulos Street (Near Nimitz/West Point Loma Boulevard). 619-222-6427.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1695. Oceanfront 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Fireplace, appliances, parking, pool, sauna. 619-602-9902.

OCEAN BEACH. \$825. Rear, cozy 1 bedroom cottage. Parking. Near bus/market. No pets please. 6-month lease. 4676 Voltaire. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1150. 2 story, 1 bedroom, 2 bath. Across from ocean. Great view. Parking. Small pet OK. 5176 Longbranch. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

OCEAN BEACH. \$695. Studio. 2 blocks to beach. Clean, quiet complex. Gas, water, sewage paid. No pets. Deposit \$400. 5081 Lotus. 858-695-3759.

OCEAN BEACH. Charming two bedroom, one bath, vintage home with hardwood floors, fireplace, spacious kitchen, washer/dryer hook-up, and enclosed, beautifully landscaped yard. Gardener included. We will consider welcoming a pampered pet. \$1750. Please call 619-501-5109.

OCEAN BEACH. Huge 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living rooms, washer/dryer hookups, storage, off-street parking. \$2000. Call 858-627-9109.

OCEAN BEACH/POINT LOMA. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage. Ocean views, fireplace, new appliances/bathrooms etc. Nonsmoking. Pet considered. 4387 Montalvo Street. Must see inside. 619-847-7969.

OCEAN BEACH. \$800/month. Remodeled studio house in small complex. Block to beach. Parking, laundry onsite. No smoking/pets. 619-224-9639.

OCEAN BEACH. \$775. Studio. 1 block to beach. laundry on site. Downstairs. Tile flooring. No pets. Basic utilities are included with rent. 2128 Abbott Street #2. Available approximately 5/9. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Cathedral ceilings. 1-1/2 blocks to ocean. New carpet and paint. No pets. 4953 West Point Loma. 619-223-2347.

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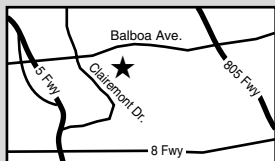
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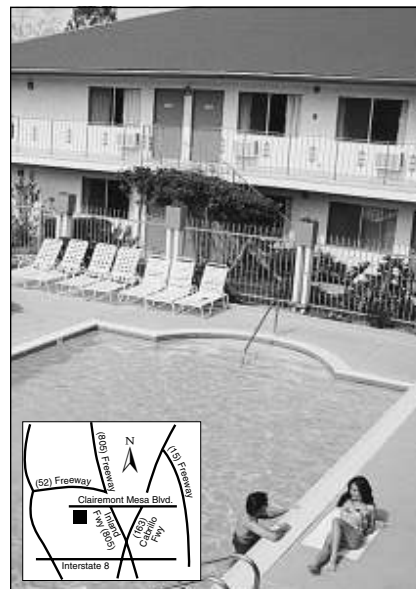
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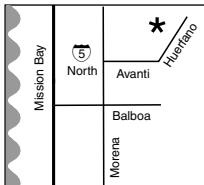
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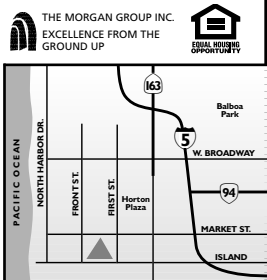
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CARLSBAD. Moving sale. 9am-2pm, Saturday/Sunday, 4/26-4/27. Furniture, household items. All must go. 3279 Madison Street (south of Carlsbad Village Drive).

CARMEL VALLEY, multi-family garage sale. Saturday, 4/26, 7am-12pm. Baskets, desks, lamps, office supplies, men/women's clothes, tools, dinette set, albums, books, miscellaneous. 5513 Havenridge.

CHULA VISTA. Garage sale. 6:30am-12:30pm, Saturday/Sunday, 4/26-4/27. Electronics, antiques, furniture, garden. Call to stop by before or after Saturday. 872 Misty Meadow Court. 619-985-9909.

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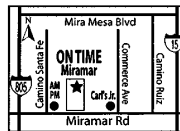
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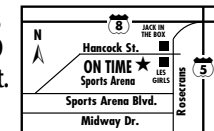
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CLAIREMONT. Book sale. 9:30am-1:30pm, Saturday, 4/26. Many, many books. Friends of the Library, 2920 Burchener Boulevard.

CLAIREMONT, annual "Foxrun" community garage sale! Over 400 homes! This Saturday, April 26, from 8am-12pm. Follow signs from Genesee at Boyd.

COLLEGE AREA, garage sale. Saturday 4/26, 7am-12pm. Maternity, men and women's clothes, baby items, household items, Game Boy, Game Boy games. 4795 62nd Street.

COLLEGE AREA. Multifamily yard sale. 8am-1pm, Saturday, 4/26. Furniture, clothing, appliances, office equipment, household items, collectibles. 5183 Boscaw Place.

EL CAJON, estate sale, large house. Saturday/Sunday, 10am-3pm. Beautiful furniture, accessories, household items, clothes and more! 1490 S. Orange Avenue, #136. Villa Novia Mobile Homes, at end of cul-de-sac.

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LA JOLLA. Garage sale. 8am-3pm, Saturday, 4/26. What can I say, lots and lots of good things. 5479 Bahia Lane.

LA MESA, garage sale. Saturday/Sunday, 4/26-4/27, 7am-12pm. Desks, pictures, books, clothes, miscellaneous household items. 7982 Lemon Circle, near La Mesa Blvd. and Normal.

LA MESA. Garage sale. 8am-2pm, 4/26. Furniture, kitchenware, golf bag, lamps, and more. 4579 Palm Avenue (back alley).

LA MESA. Yard sale, 3 families. 8am-3pm, Sunday, 4/27. Lots of stuff to buy! Come out and see for yourself. 10884 Calle Verde.

MISSION HILLS. Huge parking lot sale. 5-8pm, 5/2 and 8am-noon, 5/3. Big variety at low prices. 4070 Jackdaw Street.

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NORTH PARK, moving sale. Saturday 4/26, 7am-1pm. Everything must go. Furniture, books, movies, even the car! Come find us at, 2587 Landis Street, 92104.

OCEAN BEACH. Alley sale. 7am-4pm, Saturday/Sunday, 4/26-4/27. Boat, hair dryer chairs, tools, exercise equipment and miscellaneous. 4618 Greene Street.

OLD TOWN. Garage sale. Saturday, 4/26, 8am. Newer furniture, designer clothes,

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PACIFIC BEACH. Moving sale. 7am-2pm, Saturday/Sunday, 4/26-4/27. Lots of furniture, miscellaneous household items. 4914 Pacifica Drive.

PACIFIC BEACH. Moving sale. 8am-noon, Saturday, 4/26. Everything must go. TVs, tables, chairs, VCRs, DVD player, bikes, camping gear, surfboards, kitchen appliances. 4014 Promontory Street.

PACIFIC BEACH. Garage sale. 8-11am, Saturday, 4/26. Miscellaneous household. 2415 Amity Street (cross street Pacifica).

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POWAY. Garage sale. 7am, Saturday, 4/26. Many families, large items. 14187 Palisades Drive.

SAN CARLOS. Garage sale. 8am, Saturday, 4/26. Full block sale on Lake Baca Drive.

SAN DIEGO. Huge rummage sale. 8am-noon, Friday/Saturday, 4/25-4/26. Really huge! The Cliffs Mobile Home Park, 4950 Old Cliffs Road (in the clubhouse).

SAN DIEGO. Craft sale. 8am-12:30pm, Saturday, 4/26. San Diego Creative Stitchery Guild Fiber Arts and Crafts Sale. Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road.

SOLANA BEACH. Estate sale. 8am-noon, Saturday/Sunday, 5/3-5/4. Moving to Europe. Household goods, electronics, office equipment, furniture. 458 Palmitas Street, 92075.

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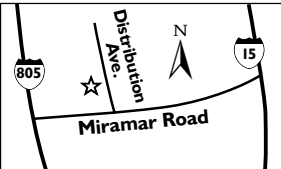
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— At the height of the war in Iraq, Army chaplain Lt. Josh Llano, 32, a Southern Baptist, commandeered 500 gallons of water to fill his baptismal pool at Camp Bushmaster near Najaf and offered exhausted, grimy soldiers a chance for a refreshing dip, provided they agreed to formal baptisms following a 90-minute sermon. Llano told a *Miami Herald* reporter: “It’s simple. They want water. I have it, as long as they agree to get baptized.” (The Army’s chief of chaplains said he would investigate.)

Recent Alarming Headlines

— (1) “Indian Testicle Attack ‘Is Murder” (a January BBC News report of the Supreme Court of India ruling that a fatal kick to the testicles in an assault should not be regarded as mere manslaughter); (2) “Doctor’s 32 Percent Error Rate ‘Not Unusual,’ Says Inquiry” (a February *London Independent* story interviewing medical experts who defended an accused physician by pointing out that epilepsy diagnoses are easy to get wrong); (3) “Mayor Denies Claims She Masturbated Businessmen” (a February Brisbane, Australia, *Courier-Mail* story on the mayor of Maroochy, Queensland, who was a masseuse before being elected to office and who some people suspect had “known” some of the town’s influential businessmen).

Hyperactive Seniors with Guns

— Wilma Bennett, 79, carrying a .22-caliber revolver and increasingly agitated at having to wait in line at a grocery store, was arrested after brawling with a 31-year-old security guard who tried to calm her down (Akron, Ohio, January). Gertrude Raines, 84, was charged with shooting her son-in-law dead at 200 yards in the midst of a long-standing family feud (Murfreesboro, Ark., January). Deer hunter Clinton Hurlbut, 89, pleaded guilty to reckless use of a gun after accidentally

shooting the horse that a 12-year-old girl was riding (Browns Valley, Minn., November). On the bright side, J.C. Adams, 74, owner of a Pac A Sac convenience store that was being robbed, propped himself up on his walker and fired his shotgun at the three perps, killing one, wounding another and causing the third to flee (Decatur, Ga., January).

The Litigious Society

— Widow Maggie Smith and her two adult children won \$1.2 million late in 2002 (reduced from an August jury award of \$3.5 million) in their wrongful-death lawsuit against Dr. Franklin Price, having convinced a jury that Price did not do enough to help the late Lawrence Smith avoid his fatal heart attack. Mr. Smith, of University Heights, Ohio, was 54, reportedly overweight, a longtime smoker who had a poor diet, got little exercise, had diabetes and high cholesterol, and admitted to being stressed at work; Dr. Price said he gave Smith repeated admonitions about his bad habits.

— In Riverhead, N.Y., in December, Oscar Novick, 69, filed a \$5.5 million lawsuit against the New York Dinner Theater of Manhasset for injuries he suffered when a dancer from the show (being performed on location at an Office Depot employee holiday party) slipped and fell on top of him during an audience-participation number. The large dancer had convinced Novick to step out onto the floor, where she twirled him around to a fast number, “bounced [my head] back and forth into her breasts,” and “lowered me down into a dip,” but then lost control, with both falling to the floor (Novick with a fractured ankle).

— Expensive Boo-Boos: Ann Laerzio filed a lawsuit against the Octavia Hair Design in Clinton Township, Mich., in February, claiming a shop technician nicked her finger with cuticle scissors (allegedly causing the loss of a nail); she’s asking for \$500,000. In March, Ms. Robin Laybutt won her lawsuit against her former employer, the Australian doughnut maker Balfours, because of a cut on her finger (which she now says makes her unable to use her arm for any gainful employment) caused by the alleged malfunction of a doughnut machine; she was awarded about \$240,000.

Courtroom Antics

— In a January ruling on the federal Tariff Code, the U.S. Court of International Trade declared the Marvel Comics X-Men characters to be “non-human creatures,” thus enraging the characters’ fans. However, it was a Marvel Comics affiliate that called them nonhuman to begin with; the company was importing X-Men figurines, and at the time that the dispute with U.S. Customs arose, imports of “human” re-creations (called “dolls”) were taxed at 12 percent while imports of nonhuman re-creations (called “toys”) were taxed at 6.8 percent.

— In March, a jury failed to convict Dr. Raul Ixtlahuac, 41, of sexually assaulting patients at his practice in Gilroy, Calif. (acquittal on one count, a hung jury on the other five). Ixtlahuac’s lawyer believes the key evidence for his client was testimony by another doctor, who had measured Ixtlahuac’s erect penis at 5 1/2 inches, which the lawyer argued made it impossible, due to the doctor’s height and that of the examining table, for him to have committed the assaults in the manner that the victims described (unless, said the lawyer, he was an “acrobat”).

People Different From Us

— In Lufkin, Texas, in January, Cody Carver, 19, was sentenced to eight years in prison for impregnating a 13-year-old girl but continued to insist that he and the girl could raise their child “if the world would only back off.” The girl’s mother knew the pair were sleeping together, according to a Child Protective Services report, but since she herself had had a baby at age 14, and her mother had had a baby at 14, and her grandmother had had a baby at 14, she thought there was nothing unusual. In a polygraph test, Carver admitted that his sexual partners had included two other underage girls, as well as a dog.

Least Competent People

— In Hamlin, W.Va., in January, a 19-year-old driver survived having her car hit by trains on two separate tracks (being knocked off one track onto another and then hit while on that track). She was in that predicament only because she had followed safe-driver guidelines by pulling off the road to make a cell-phone call, but the place she pulled off onto was a railroad track.

Our Civilization in Decline

— At a recent oral argument at the Missouri Supreme Court (reported in the *New York Times* in February), in response to a hypothetical question as to whether a death-row inmate who had a thoroughly proper trial should nonetheless be executed even if there were new (but inadmissible) evidence of his innocence, the state’s assistant attorney general answered, “That’s correct, your honor.” And an Associated Press report on convicted Nebraska murderer Carolyn Joy is the latest case to frame the debate over who deserves organ transplants; Joy was conditionally approved in February to join the 117,300 people nationwide waiting for a liver, raising again the possibility that a more socially productive or well-behaved person will not get one in time if Joy is medically judged more needy.

Readers’ Choice

— In Penn Hills, Pa., in March, a 42-year-old man was attempting to tighten screws on his granddaughter’s crib using a knife, despite his wife’s admonition that he use the more appropriate Allen wrench. The next thing his wife knew, according to a report in the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, he was running to her, bleeding at the throat and screaming, “Call the paramedics! I fell on the knife!” The man died of his wound at a hospital shortly afterward. The wife (who had assembled the crib and asked her husband only to tighten the screws) later said she could not even imagine how he could have fallen on the knife.

Also, in the Past Month ...

— Hong Kong Tourism Board ads promising that the city would “Take Your Breath Away” debuted in several British magazines just as the SARS epidemic broke. And the Utah Supreme Court upheld the right of an atheist to pray aloud at a city council meeting (prayer of choice: to be delivered from “weak and stupid politicians”), since the council always opens with a public prayer (Murray, Utah). And four city council members in Mount Sterling, Iowa, proposed an ordinance to forbid its townspeople to tell lies.

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“Okay, but... ‘Stairway to Heaven’ just one more time.”

By John Brizzolara

I hadn't heard of the Museum of Making Music, though it has been in Carlsbad for a few years. If you are one of those people for whom just contemplating a musical instrument is an exercise in transcendence, you'll probably love this place. The rooms are full of devices that have produced much of the soundtrack to our national pop-culture experience.

The current exhibit is called *String Fever: A Century of Guitar Fascination*. If you're lucky enough to have curator Dan Del Fiorentino as a tour guide, you will get more than your dollar's worth of delicious factoids. Of course, you might have to listen to an enthusiastic spiel about John Philip Sousa being the first American pop musicsmith and all. Still, it is an occasion to be grateful that crap like "And the Band Played On" never caught on quite like jazz or rock and roll.

"It's an opportunity," as Del Fiorentino sees the museum, "to pay tribute to those instruments that weren't latest and greatest, like the player piano. If you think about it, it was the first time you could have live music in your home without being a musician. It was a great encourager of music-makers because it would play the notes for you, right? So after you were done with a roll, you could remember, 'Oh, yeah, it did this and this.' An awful lot of peo-

ple became players by ear after having a player piano.

"Now in all of our galleries for our *String Fever* program, we pay tribute to an unsung hero. In this case," Del Fiorentino gestures to an exhibit with an antique photograph, "it is George Durkee, who patented the first bridge that was made to support steel strings on an acoustic guitar, in 1882."

From somewhere, Al Jolson's voice croons about Mammy or Alabammy or whatever it is. He's another of those well-loved musical characters I could live without. But, hey, they have his old piano here behind glass — the one he gave his wife, Ruby Keeler, should you care. But I'm eager to see guitars.

In September the museum will host the electric-guitar portion of the *String Fever* exhibit, a descendant of the Smithsonian's 1996 show *From the Frying Pan to the Flying V*. The Frying Pan refers to the first true electric guitar, made by Rickenbacker in 1930, "so named because its long neck and small round body resemble the cooking utensil." The Frying Pan was the invention of vaudeville musician George Beauchamp, and his idea was pretty much in the service of Hawaiian music. So many have suffered so much for so long to arrive at the sounds we enjoy today.

But until that show arrives, you can ogle several beauties they always have lying around the museum. Here are Gibson L5s, Fender Strats, Teles, Broadcasters (or Blankcasters/Nocasters — ask Dan about that), Ventures Mosrites (including the charmingly clunky prototype), left-handed guitboxes, double-necked Bigsby's, a Kay Kraft guitar, and Fender Precision basses, as well as historic acoustics: National square-neck metal resonator, the Washburn parlor guitar "New Model" circa 1896, and one of the Taylor guitars made from the wood of the country's last living Liberty Tree. You can even check out Leo Fender's very own hand tools or Raymond Lubow's Morley effects pedals.

This is the first chance I've ever had to see a Mellotron organ up close. Karen Carpenter owned this one. The Mellotron is a keyboard sound typified by the Beatles' "Strawberry Fields" background track. You hit, say, a C on the keyboard, and that triggers a tape loop of a violin, a viola, whatever you want, playing a C. I saw the Moody Blues with one of these at the Electric Theater in Chicago in 1968, though I didn't know they even had one or what a Mellotron was. All I knew was that I heard strings, actual strings, and there weren't any onstage. At the time I decided I was simply way too high, or maybe what I was hearing,



Dan Del Fiorentino

just offstage, was a handful of string players from the Chicago musicians' local. In those days, the band or the theater had to pay union violinists and cellists to do nothing in order to use the Mellotron that displaced them. That was the Chicago local all over in those days.

Hundreds of anecdotes are sparked off of these instruments, tools, gizmos, parts, and recorded sound bites of everyone from Jolson to Robert Johnson. Marvel at evocative photos, like the giant black-and-white of the Beatles rehearsing before *The Ed Sullivan Show*. Hey, what happened to the band's logo on the bass drum? There's a story in that picture, too. Sit down like I did with a plugged-in purple 1994 Stratocaster and get down with your own bad self until the curator taps his watch and reminds you, "We close at 5 p.m."

"Okay, but... 'Stairway to Heaven' just one more time."

(The Museum of Making Music, 5790 Armada Drive, Carlsbad. Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$5 adult admission. 760-438-5996. www.museumofmakingmusic.org)

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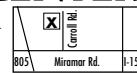
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Community Helpers

Lucy lives in her own world. My six-year-old daughter has the air of a fairy about her. She is thin — what my grandmother would have called “a little slip of a thing.” She has pale blue eyes, nearly robin’s egg blue. Her hair, which falls about her shoulders in waves, is the color of a newly minted copper penny. In the sunlight, Lucy’s hair shines with golden highlights. Her face is a long porcelain oval sprinkled with tiny freckles.

Which is why Lucy surprises me. She looks as though she couldn’t do much more than flit from flower to flower and sip nectar in a children’s fairy-tale garden. At home, I most often find Lucy coloring a picture or sitting on the round papa san chair in front of the living room window

gazing off into space. You’d never guess Lucy was a slugger.

In February, my three girls started playing softball. Rebecca, who is ten, plays Division One. Angela, eight, plays Division One-A. Lucy plays Pee-Wee. For the first half of the season, the girls on Lucy’s team hit the ball off a tee. Still, some of them couldn’t make contact. At practices and games, my husband Jack and I would watch tiny girls in teal-and-black uniforms swing wildly at the ball. Some knocked over the tee without touching the ball. Some moved the air above the ball. Lucy made contact.

At first Jack and I thought Lucy’s T-ball success was a fluke. Then the second half of the season arrived. The Pee-Wees stopped hitting off the tee and started trying to hit pitches. At last week’s game, Lucy batted first. She stood at home plate with the bat over her shoulder. When her coach lobbed a slow, fat pitch right over the plate, Lucy swung the bat with her skinny white arms. The ball sailed past the coach and landed somewhere beyond second base. The other team, tiny girls in red-and-black uniforms, scrambled for the ball. Lucy loped to first base. Jack and I hollered. “Good job, Lucy!”

Lucy smiled an elvin smile and kicked the dirt around the base. She went three for three. She missed a few pitches. But each time Lucy connected, the ball flew hard and fast.

On the drive home after the game, Jack and I congratulated Lucy on how well she played. “I am the best batter on the team,” she told us matter-of-factly.

Lucy surprised me again this week. She

came home last Friday with an assignment from her kindergarten class. “We have been studying Community Helpers in class,” the assignment sheet read. “Some parents have come into the class and talked about their jobs and how they help the community.”

“Who came into your class?” I asked Lucy who sat at the dining room table smearing cream cheese onto graham crackers.

“Mr. Barnett came in. He’s a sheriff,” Lucy explained. “Mrs. Llorente told us about being a college professor. Mrs. Kowalski’s a nurse.”

I turned back to the assignment while Lucy bit into her first graham cracker. “Your child will choose a Community Helper and write a report. The report will tell us who the Community Helper is, what the Community Helper wears, and how the Community Helper helps the community. Written reports are due Monday. Tuesday at 9:30, the children will present oral reports about their Community Helpers. They are encouraged to dress like their Community Helpers. Parents are invited to come to class to watch the presentations.”

“What Community Helper are you going to be?” I asked. I envisioned Lucy dressed in white like a little nurse or wearing a skirt and sweater like a teacher.

Lucy swallowed her graham cracker and took a drink of milk. “A detective,” she said.

“That sounds interesting,” I said.

“I’m going to do a play where the class solves a mystery,” she continued.

“Great. Let me know how I can help.”

Sunday we wrote Lucy’s report. “Who is your Community Helper?” I read from the

assignment worksheet.

In her slightly crooked printing, Lucy wrote, “detective.”

“What does your Community Helper wear?”

“Black clothes.”

“How does your Community Helper help the community?”

“By solving mysteries and helping catch bad guys.”

Lucy explained her play. Jack and I made suggestions for some of her props. Monday, Lucy turned in her report. Tuesday morning, she set off for school with a black duffle bag stuffed with the props and her costume.

Benjamin, our youngest, was sick Tuesday, so Jack went to Lucy’s presentation. He called me later from work. “Lucy did great,” he said. “About half the kids didn’t wear costumes and had to be prompted through their speeches. Some of them had their speeches memorized. Lucy went last. She stood up in front of the class dressed in her black outfit and said, ‘Good morning. I’m Lucy Albright. I’m going to do a play. I’ll need five volunteers from the audience.’ ”

“Did the volunteers cooperate?”

“Pretty well. She had to tell them what to say. Kaspar was the bad guy, and Ethan was the policeman who helped her solve the mystery. When it was time for Ethan to catch Kaspar, Kaspar ran around the room and wouldn’t let Ethan get him.”

Later in the day, I asked Lucy how the play went.

“Great,” she said.

I guess I wasn’t really surprised.

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