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EATER E

One thing I've learned: go looking for fire eaters and you don't know what you'll find. After putting out the word that I was looking for fire eaters (I have a few, um, unique friends in San Diego), after Internet searches, after placing an ad in a newspaper, I found two fire eaters in San Diego and got several more leads on fire eaters in San Diego County and Tijuana.

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"The cops hate niggas from our neighborhood." See Blurt

We've Quoted Snippets

In contrast to the fellow who writes complaining that the series on Michael Page's musical (and otherwise) adventures are "self-serving" and "boring," I have been extremely entertained, as has my wife and have friends to whom we've quoted snippets.

That's what I like about the *Reader*. There's something for everyone. Not everyone will enjoy everything, but overall, there's always enough to keep me coming back.

Keep up the good work. And thanks for the series on Michael Page.

Nathaniel Winn

Loves Page Experiences

I met Michael Page a few years ago, after the David Bowie reunion show in L.A. at Dodger Stadium, and he mentioned that he'd played there. I met him at an outdoor flower stand. We were talking, and I had never recalled his name but he gave me an autograph, and seeing these installments, you know, there have been a few people who have written to the Reader and complained that it's boring, that it's self-serving. This is his life. He was lucky enough to be able to do these things, and he was talented enough, and I think it's great reading, and I've enjoyed it. I found out a lot of things about him that I didn't know. I found out that he went to the same high school as me. He was a year behind me, and I didn't know that either. I remember him playing tennis at Kearny High — I remember the name — but I never thought much of it. I just want to say, Michael, whatever people say in the letters to the editor, it's really great to hear about someone who lived in my area and went to my high school and had the kind of experiences that anybody would

love to have, as far as meeting these people.

Dan Ely Carlsbad

Busy Rice

I am writing to strongly disagree with Naomi's recent review on Rice at the Hotel W ("Rice, Not Riko," May 29). As a regular customer there, I was very disappointed in her opinions and mistakes! I have disagreed with her before, and I think that you should get other people to do your restaurant reviews. Rice is always so busy, and I don't think it is just because of the ambiance and the hot hostesses!! The food ROCKS!!!

Moe

Funny Boorishness

I am glad I saw A Mighty Wind before I read Mr. Shepherd's review in the May 29 issue of the Reader. I enjoyed A Mighty Wind because it made me laugh: especially when Ed Begley, playing the part of a Swede with blond hair, spoke Yiddish. To me, the show was a satire poking fun at boorishness, much like Ring Lardner did in his essays.

Certainly Mr. Shepherd's criticism is valid, but I feel that the purpose of the film was to entertain, and I'm almost sad to say that was the funniest movie I have seen in two years. I wish I could say that I had seen funnier. But that's Hollywood.

I like Mr. Shepherd's work and look forward to reading his reviews every Thursday.

> Charles Edmonds Downtown

Stressed Out

Your reporter, Don McCullough, in quoting Tommy Flanagan, in particular, gave an accurate picture of the situation of the teacher in the SDUSD ("The Secret Life of Teachers," May 22). I noticed that some of the teachers interviewed so feared administration reprisals (and justly so) that they would not freely express their true feelings about their teaching conditions.

I retired last year after a 33-year teaching career, 25 of them in the SDUSD. I had been considered by most to be an excellent teacher. I didn't let the administration run me off, but the last years of my teaching experience in the SDUSD were stressful and unpleasant for me.

I was and am extremely concerned for the children in

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On a Roel The controversial police chief of Milwaukee is on a short list to become head of



Arthur Jone

San Diego cops, though he may yet end up running for mayor of his hometown, reports the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*. **Arthur Jones**, who was criticized by Milwaukee County sheriff **David A. Clarke Jr.** after a record 14 people were shot in the city over the Memorial

Day weekend, wraps up a seven-year term as chief in November, and recruiters for San Diego have been sounding him out about the top cop job here. "How much bloodshed do we need? Personally, I've had enough," Clarke told a radio talk-show host. "What has David Clarke done other than criticize?" Jones fired back. Supporters of the chief argue that racism has played a big role in his difficulties. Last month the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ruled that Jones — who has accused Milwaukee mayor John Norquist and other members of city government of harassing him because he is black — has grounds to claim retaliation in a possible lawsuit against the city. If Jones does decide to come west, he would become the most prominent black staffer at city hall since the 1986 departure of city manager Sylvester Murray, forced out after being quoted in the Los Angeles Times as saying he got "an orgasm" every time he contemplated his influence over the city's cops. It's lately been a national sellers' market for police chiefs, with Milwaukee, Sacramento, and Eugene, Oregon, currently looking, along with San Diego ... There's something about Las Vegas and Encinitas contractor Steve Roel. Builder of such local landmarksto-be as the new downtown baseball stadium, the high-rolling Roel sued the Vegas Hilton and the Mandalay Bay Resort in January 2000 for allegedly taking advantage after he went on a wild drinking binge and dropped more than \$1 million at the tables. The case was settled for an undisclosed sum six months later. This March 31, according to records, Roel, now said to be a recovering alcoholic, contributed \$1000 to the reelection campaign of Vegas mayor Oscar Goodman. Other donors to Goodman, the ex-attorney to the mob, include Alex Spanos's AGS, Inc. (\$1000) and Peter Luster, San Diego manager for the Déjà Vu strip-club chain (\$500) ... The Legal Intelligencer lists the San Diego law firm of Bernstein, Litowitz Berger & Grossman on its list of the 25 biggest winners in the Fen-Phen litigation derby, with total fees of \$1,195,363.72.

Blackballing Nuffer, Smith, Tucker—the local PR outfit that's been helping San Diego city retirement-board chairman **Fred Pierce IV** damp down anxieties about the financial health of the city's besieged pension fund—is being well rewarded for its efforts. Board records show that the firm is being paid \$175 an hour, with a total of \$100,000 budgeted for the next fiscal year ... The case of

that nude dancer from Atlanta who won a \$900,000 slander award against strip-club owner Jack Galardi — who allegedly blackballed her after she refused to let him slurp whipped cream off her bare breasts at a golf tournament — isn't over quite yet. Galardi, father of Cheetahs owner Mike Galardi, appealed the verdict, and the Georgia Court of Appeals has agreed to reconsider the matter, as soon as a lower court unearths some old videotapes, reports the Fulton County Daily Report ... Keen observers of the local media scene might beg to differ, but the Consumer Federation of America says San Diego is tenth on the list of cities in America most "eligible for cross-ownership mergers." The study, released prior to the FCC ruling earlier this week allowing newspapers and TV stations in a given market to be gobbled up by the same corporate owner, concludes that, in San Diego, ownership of TV stations is "not highly concentrated." That may be good news for the giant Chicago-based Tribune Co., owner



Helen and David Copley

of Channel 69 here, which has long been said to be interested in buying the *Union-Tribune* from owner **Helen Copley**, whose son **David** is current publisher. Leading the "mergers OK" list are New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, and San Francisco.

Oh, Jerusalem A Jewish student group at UCSD has come under fire from traditionalists for giving away condoms and T-shirts bearing the phrase "Israel — It's still safe to come." Other handouts included a card favorably comparing sexual freedoms and women's rights in Israel to those of its Muslim neighbors, reports the Jewish Bulletin. When word of the campaign made it into the San Diego Jewish Heritage, the campus Hillel was flooded with angry calls from unhappy elders ... The New York Times, still struggling with the Jayson Blair scandal, got it wrong again last week when it reported that Anthony Wagner, a figure in the Cheetahs investigation, worked for San Diego city councilman Ralph Inzunza before quitting two weeks ago. Wagner was actually employed by councilman Michael Zucchet ... Ex-D.A. **Paul Pfingst** has turned up as a courthouse commentator for MSNBC in the Laci **Peterson** murder case

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Death Pays Off for Patient Brokers

By Don Bauder

en Franklin said that time is money. Fast-talking stockbrokers and other investment peddlers say it a different way:

The elderly are a ticket to quick riches.

If an old person suffers an unjust monetary loss and goes into arbitration or court, the brokerage house, knowing the old folks have little time left, often go into a stall. And in any case, arbitration is stacked in favor of the brokerage house, points out San Diego attorney A. Kendall Wood.

Older people are more vulnerable to a fast-buck pitch because they come from a more trusting generation. And they're lonely. But there's another reason: Most don't use the Internet. Regulatory bodies such as the Securities and Exchange Commission and National Association of Securities Dealers warn of sleazy investments on their websites, but old folks often don't tap in.

Consider, for example, promissory notes that are peddled to unsuspecting investors. The SEC warns that promissory notes (issued by corporations to raise money) are seldom sold broadly to individual investors. Such

notes "often turn out to be scams" aimed at the elderly, warns the SEC. Salesmen make commissions of 20 or perhaps 30 percent.

In 1993, Lewis Simon was 84 years old and his wife Bessie was 87. They gave their only child, Ruth Parton, power of attorney over their estate, according to an arbitration filed by attorney Ron Marron. In 1997, with her father blind and terminally ill, Parton went to the San Diego offices of Spelman & Co.

According to the complaint, broker Randy Howell convinced Parton to sell a risk-free U.S. Treasury note and buy a \$210,000 promissory note with an annual yield of a seductive 11 percent, representing 43 percent of the elderly couple's liquid assets. But Howell never told Parton that the note was secured by a bunch of used-car installment contracts in Texas.

The issuer went into bankruptcy and the family lost a bundle, but Howell and Spelman raked in \$17,500, according to the complaint.

The attorney defending the claim refuses to comment.

Then there are James and Christine Demshok, both in their 70s. James has been diagnosed with cancer. James Reyes of San Diego's Allen James Financial, representing himself as a financial planner, recommended that the Demshoks invest in a promissory note of McGarn's Allstate Financial. It was said to be a conservative investment paying 9 percent.

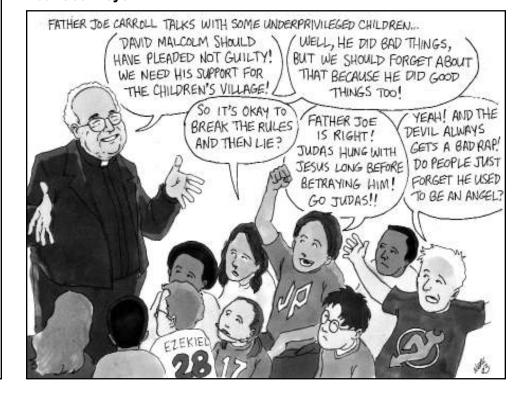
Almost as soon as the Demshoks invested, Mc-Garn's filed bankruptcy in Tampa. It turned out that Pennsylvania had issued cease-and-desist orders against McGarn's. Nevada later did the same. Arizona had issued a cease-and-desist order against so-called estate planners selling McGarn's promissory notes. McGarn's had been ordered to pay \$1.8 million in restitution to investors. The lawyer handling the defendants' case refuses to comment.

"What I find egregious about the Demshok and other McGarn's cases is that the investment product is being represented to the client under the guise of estate planning," says Jeffrey P. Lendrum, the attorney handling the Demshok complaint.

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Many Sad Cases

By Joe Deegan

fog of paranoia surrounds the U.S. Department of Justice's Immigration Court in San Diego. The mentality suffuses

not only the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (the former INS) in its constant watch for terrorists and smugglers but also the minds of immigrants the bureau hauls into court — and the lawyers who defend them. Immigration attorneys often speak furtively about cases in which officials are abusing their clients. Yet they rarely discuss details or encourage the clients to talk, for fear that the publicity will cause the government to retaliate. And that's when they're polite. Inquiries to Guy Grande, Esq., in the law firm of Aguirre and Cotman, resulted in someone in his office slamming the phone down twice without response or explanation.

"You certainly can understand the fears of immigrants," says immigration attorney Douglas Nelson. "They are based on the



Douglas Nelson

types of government and press they have in the countries they come from." But the reputation for aggressiveness by U.S. government agents in the aftermath of September 11, 2001, has contributed as well.

Lilia Velasquez, an immigration attorney who also teaches at California Western School of Law, says, "The aggressiveness problem with my counterparts at [immigration enforcement] is that they have no autonomy compared to us. They are bound by government policies." And decisionmakers in the agency often use discretion in the application of policy. That results in what Velasquez calls "selective enforcement." An example was Immigration Enforcement's recent decision to immediately detain any newly arriving immigrants from Iraq and a number of other Arab countries. Many people thought that the government had passed a new law requiring the detentions on national security grounds. But, according to



Passport photos, immigration office

Velasquez, immigration law permits the government to detain any incoming aliens. It chooses to do so only selectively.

The former INS also used selective enforcement during 1996, says Velasquez, to restrict aliens' right to work in the U.S. This was a time when then-California governor Pete Wilson and others were making immigration reform a political

The bureau's behavior has resulted in what Robert Schneider calls "many sad cases" of harm done to good people and their families. Five months ago Schneider, who is now 62, began practicing as an attorney before San Diego's Immigration Court, whose judges he calls "the only thing we have to protect our clients against the aggressiveness of the [bureau]."

Like Velasquez, Schneider acknowledges, "The government counsel has to do its job honorably. They have to vigorously prosecute their cases." But according

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The Loose Cannon Rolls Again

By Jim Morris

he best book so far about Special Forces in Afghanistan is Robin Moore's Hunt for Bin Laden. It will probably stand for a long

time as the definitive book on that campaign.

But the guy on the cover isn't an active-duty Green Beret, nor is he National Guard. He's a "former" Special Forces operator, who goes by the nom de guerre "Jack." On the cover he's striding across the desert, flanked by two mujahideen, the jacket of his desert uniform open, to catch the breeze, checked kafiyah knotted around his neck, AK-47 swinging loosely in his hand. He stares at the camera through the darkest shades. He is one bad motor scooter, and he is one of my dearest friends.

Perhaps I should pause and explain that the expression "former" Green Beret is essentially meaningless. They

don't take out your brain, and they don't take out your heart when they let you out of the Army. If you travel this world, looking in all the wrong places, everywhere you go you'll find guys maybe toting guns, maybe wielding scalpels, maybe getting it all down on a laptop - who have an old, faded, dirty, worn, rat-bites-on-thesweatband green beret in their suitcase, or maybe at home atop a bust of Beethoven on the mantel. They're doing pretty much the same work they always did, without the encumbrance of a military chain of command or the advantage of U.S. supply lines, medevac, air support; they're proud owners of their very own foreign policy.

It would be easy to do a book about the exploits of "ex" Green Berets, most good, some not so good.

But, even in this rarified atmosphere, my man "Jack" stands out. The list of people who hate his guts is long and scary. It includes some other Green Berets, both former and active. It includes the FBI, the CIA, the Department of Justice, Russian intelligence agents, and ab-

solutely everybody, anywhere, who ever tried to cross him.

He's all over Moore's book. No active-duty SF guy gets the number of mentions "Jack" does, primarily because SF works in teams, and Jack was on his own. There he is, mortaring the Taliban, single-handedly breaking up a mob scene (Afghans storming the quarters of international-aid

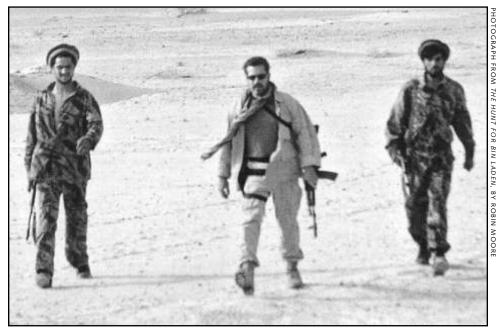
workers), debriding (cutting away traumatized flesh) and stitching gunshot wounds, breaking up a traffic jam in a tunnel through a mountain in the Hindu Kush, which saved about 200 people from freezing to death when night fell.

He swears he was once within hours of encircling Bin Laden, when a CIA drone fired its Hellfire missile at OBL's meeting. That broke up the meeting and Osama got away.

Remember the tapes of Osama's terror school, the tapes Dan Rather broke on CBS? Jack captured them. They showed the usual Arabs going through the confidence course. They also showed a rehearsal for an assassination of "world leaders" on a golf course. It was actually kind of funny, this bogus golf course set up in the middle of the desert, and guys in camouflage Arab dress playing "golf" with sticks, when suddenly their caddies rip AKs out of the golf bags and hose their customers down, then jump in the getaway jalopy, which steams up by prearranged signal and whisks them away.

Not so amusing if they use these skills to break up your game.

On these tapes Osama said flat-out that he was the prime mover in 9/11. Rather interviewed "Jack" and alluded to his "murky" past. "Murky" is a euphemism for four years in the federal pen, framed like a Picasso by the



"Jack" (center)

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Patient brokers

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Both the SEC and NASD warn on their websites about variable annuities. These are insurance contracts with a

death benefit and deferred benefit payments. But annuities are sold, not bought. Salespeople get a juicy upfront commission. There can be front-end and back-end sales loads, administrative and mortality-risk charges

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and fees, warns the NASD.

Of critical importance are the securities that go into the variable annuity. During the raucous 1990s, salespeople sold annuities that were loaded with high-risk mutual funds. San Diegan Garner

Stroud, 86, and his wife Inez were sold a variable annuity by their estate planner, Jeffrey E. Reed, according to an arbitration filed by Marron. Reed told Garner Stroud that he could make 10 percent a year through a variable annuity with portfolio investments of only moderate risk. But according to the complaint, the underlying securities in the annuity were 100 percent in risky equities. The annuities plunged by 50 per-

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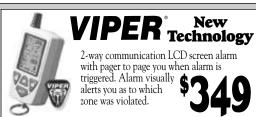
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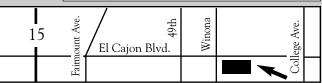
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cent in a year and a half.

The attorney representing Reed and other defendants did not respond to a request

for comment.

Irene T. Schmitt, 88, investing through Wall Street's Salomon Smith Barney, lost \$200,000, partly by putting money in variable annuities chock-full of speculative stocks, according to an arbi-

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tration filed by Wood.

But she lost in the more traditional ways, too - particularly churning, by which brokers rake in commissions through rapid buying and selling of customers' stocks. During the first six months

of one year, the annual turnover rate of stocks in her portfolio was a staggering 300 percent, according to the complaint. Smith Barney claims that Schmitt had requested more aggressive investing.

Importantly, elderly customers of modest means should not be put in speculative stocks. Chester F. Hinrichsen, 83, of San Marcos was put into gamy equities, although he stated he wanted to take only moderate risks,

according to an arbitration filed by Marron. One mutual fund was billed as "balanced." But 10 percent of the money could go into extremely low quality junk bonds and 15 percent into illiquid securities. A full 25 percent could be shorted — a bet that stocks will go down. That's gambling.

Also, the broker, Thomas E. Westlake, and his employer would share in a 10 percent kickback on a less-than-liquid real estate investment trust, according to the complaint. The defendants' attorney did not answer queries.

While still in their novitiates, brokers learn about suitability. The customer's risk tolerance and assets are key. That's particularly true with elderly people who may not live long enough to see highly volatile stocks swing back up from periodic funks.

In 1999, Judith A. Biggs became co-trustee of the estate of her very elderly parents. It was invested in lowrisk mutual funds, fixed- income securities (such as bonds), and cash, according to a Superior Court suit filed by Del Mar's Timothy C. Karen. In early 2000, broker Philip Gair of La Jolla's First Wall Street convinced Biggs and her father, 88, that the account should be shifted to stocks that could grow at 10 to 12 percent a year with limited downside risk.

But then Gair stuffed the account with mutual funds that were heavy in volatile tech and telecommunications stock, according to the complaint. Over the next two years, Gair (who is no longer with the firm) bought and sold similar speculative mutual funds - mostly paying fat commissions — as losses mounted, Gair and First Wall Street amassed \$61,000 in fees and commissions in a little over two years, according to the complaint. Meanwhile, the account had plummeted from a value of \$878,000 to \$357,000. Biggs's mother has died, but her daughter suffers insomnia, depression, nausea, and migraine headaches as a result of the stress, according to court records.

"The case is completely meritless," says attorney Brandon S. Reif, representing the defendants.



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"There is a lot more stalling" in cases involving the elderly, says attorney Mark Brewer. "We ask for documents, and they never come." In court cases, there is a penalty for not producing documents — but not in arbitrations, he says. That's one reason why brokerages try to steer cases to arbitration, while customers' lawyers try to get them into

Attorney Vincent Slavens has a churning and suitabil-

ity case on behalf of several elderly persons who would have had to make 20 percent on their investment just to cover commissions raked in by the brokerage house. In the arbitration, the brokerage's strategy was to stall. "First their counsel was inhouse," says Slavens. "Then a second one in-house. Then they went out-house."

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Finally, the brokerage fulfilled an objective: One of the claimants died.

That's one reason why many arbitrations and court cases on behalf of fleeced older people charge the brokerage with elder abuse. ■

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to Schneider, they seem to be "trying to sweep as many people as they can into deportation proceedings and move them out." And Schneider thinks the public supports it. "It's a mindset," he says. "There is a feeling in the public now that, 'Gee, we've got these aliens out there, and they may be terrorists.' A group of bad people has smeared over everybody who is an immigrant, even Hispanics."

Schneider himself worked nearly 30 years for the U.S. Department of Justice, the

last 7 of them as an administrative law judge. In that capacity he heard employment discrimination and sanctions cases for the Executive Office for Immigration Review, an agency that also oversees the work of Immigration Court. Since his retirement in 1995, he has taught constitutional and immigration law for Los Angeles School of Law, Ventura School of Law, and Thomas Jefferson School of Law. Currently he teaches for Western Sierra School of Law in San Diego.

In his brief service to immigrants so far, Schneider has seen "people who have been here most of their lives and suddenly find themselves with a one-way ticket to Colombia or Guatemala, where they've never been before. And their families get torn apart."

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For 20 of his years in the justice department, Schneider worked as a federal district prosecutor in Missouri, where he also did a 2-year stint as a state prosecutor. "In that work," he says, "you're a mean person. I put some very bad people in prison — organized criminals, drug dealers, murderers, rapists. And there is a satisfaction in getting those people off the street. It's in the late afternoon, the verdicts come back, and those people are off the street. They're no longer going to hurt people, and you feel, if you fought for weeks, that finally you did something good.

"But I find the immigration work, in some ways, more rewarding to me than anything I've ever done," Schneider continues. "Because when you help somebody who's been in jail for a long time but is not a criminal, and you bring

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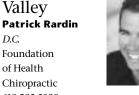


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Schneider admits that

evil as well as good people turn up as respondents in Immigration Court. A visitor on December 10 of last year might have claimed to see one of each in Judge Joseph Ragusa's courtroom in the basement of the Federal Building downtown. A bailiff led them both into court in their orange prison uniforms.

Lilia Antonia Hernandez Cortez, from El Salvador, looked frightened as she sat waiting her turn before the

judge. A man closer to the bench kept turning to look at her strikingly pretty face. Members of Cortez's family had tried to get approved for her a Form I-130, which can permit an alien to remain in the U.S. on the basis of connection to relatives who already have legal status here. But something in her case — information that could not be discerned from the back of the courtroom — made Judge Ragusa declare her a "deportable or inadmissible alien." After he questioned whether she had any fear about returning to El Salvador, Cortez agreed to "voluntary departure" following a short time longer in custody. "This is no black mark against you for the future," said Ragusa. "But entrance into the United States is a privilege, not a right."

Mohdar Mohamed Abdullah followed Cortez to the respondent's table. On October 3, Abdullah made national news when federal court in San Diego sentenced him to six months in jail for helping the 9/11 terrorists get drivers' licenses. The court then turned him over to the INS for removal from the U.S.

On this day Abdullah was in Immigration Court to contest charges of staying too long on his B1 visa for "nonimmigrant visitors." The government asserted the former SDSU student to be a Yemeni, but Randall Hamud, his attorney, told the court that Abdullah is a Somali citizen who was born in Italy of Yemeni parents. Hamud and Judge Ragusa made references to additional details in the file that were hard for a visitor to follow, such as charges against the respondent of moral turpitude and fraud. The judge asked Hamud to complete some paperwork and come back with his client on January 28 to set a trial date. Abdullah, who denies he ever knowingly assisted terrorists, was still hoping to obtain relief from removal.

Whether Lilia Cortez is entirely innocent or Mohdar Abdullah is an evildoer is not an easy judgment for untrained outside observers. Although Immigration Court in San Diego prides itself on making the hearings on its master calendar open to the public, a great deal of information about its cases remains hidden. Much of what goes on in the courtroom is mysterious discussion between the judge and both government and respondent attorneys, often involving forms identified by number only. If transcripts are sought later, one is told that they are not kept in San Diego but sent to the court's headquarters

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continued from page 14 in Falls Church, Virginia. To see them requires submission of a federal Freedom of Information request. Even then, the federal Privacy Act might prevent their release. Officials on the East Coast decide which of these legal tools has priority.

Even immigration attorneys have difficulty getting information they need to defend their clients. That is largely because Immigration Court is not a criminal- but administrative-law venue. "There is no discovery in these cases," says Robert Schneider. He is referring to what is called the "Brady rule," which re-

quires prosecutors in criminal courts to open their files so the defense can't claim concealment or excupatory evidence.

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"But lawyers who represent immigrants have to file Freedom of Information requests for the documents they want. A lot of this work is documentation — trying to prove who they are, who their family is, and whether they're citizens or not. You may not get everything you'd like to get, yet the government won't open its file to you. Meanwhile, your client's in jail, and you can't really plead to the allegations or give advice to your client until you know everything. Sometimes you're

told they've been convicted of things they haven't been convicted of.

"That happened to me two days ago," continues Schneider. "The government said my client had been convicted of a drug offense, and the judge was about ready to use that as a basis for denying me some relief. Fortunately I had a copy of the sentence, and what had happened is that my client was charged with that, but it was dismissed, and he pleaded to a misdemeanor. Well, you see, if you don't have that document in front of you, you can't represent your client. So for me and for the court — the court is trying to protect due pro-

cess — there is frustration in getting the records. And it can take weeks and weeks and weeks.

"They say this is a civil procedure, but we've got people in jail, in a maximum-security prison. It is hard to believe how people they call 'detainees' are treated. They're in handcuffs, they're in colored uniforms, and they're marshaled in and out. I mean, that is not a country club down there [the Correctional Corporation of America in Otay Mesa].

Schneider worries that the government's behavior jeopardizes "liberty," a crucial concept in the 5th and 14th Amendments of the

Constitution. "Even aliens are protected in the 5th Amendment for due process of law. But their liberty is being taken away from them. And that's why bond and judicial fairness are so important," says Scheider. **But Immigration Court** judges have jurisdiction over bonding only when aliens are caught in the U.S. If they are caught "entering," then the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement sets the bond. Sometimes no bond is set at all, or it is set so high that the aliens can't afford it. If either happens, they may spend as much as six months in jail waiting for the resolution of their cases.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation, for a crime he did not commit, and which they knew he did not commit. The FBI agents who helped frame him were KGB moles Earl Edwin Pitts and Robert Philip Hanssen.

I first heard of "Jack" in 1986, when I was editing an adventure mag in New York, a Soldier of Fortune clone called Eagle. Jack was running a school for SWAT and commando tactics. Most of his clients were U.S. government agencies, police agencies, or foreign-government

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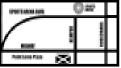
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agencies who had been referred to him by the Department of Defense. But he also took private clients and

needed publicity. He sent me great color photos of a livefire reaction course in a swamp, stuff that I could use to illustrate a lot of stories. All he wanted was a credit for his company. Whatta guy!

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We didn't actually meet

until 1993, when I went to Fayetteville, North Carolina, to produce a television documentary on Special Forces. When I met him he had a beer in his hand and a tracking device on his ankle. He was out on bail.

In 1991 Jack had gone to Lithuania to train their federal police commandos. He has never admitted working for the Department of Defense, but they were aware of the operation and approved it at the highest level. He won

the heart of the Lithuanian cops by outshooting their national champion after a formal dinner, which is to say a lot of vodka with some food on the side.

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was neck and neck until Jack suggested they fire the last order in total darkness. In that environment he creamed the

They liked and trusted him so much that they let him in on their best case. They had busted some former KGB and GRU (Soviet military intelligence) types smuggling enough fissionable material to make six "suitcase" nukes. That they caught them was the good news. The bad news was that this was the third shipment. Nobody knew where prior shipments had gone, but the leading contenders were Iran, Iraq, and North Korea.

With Lithuanian help he also went to Moscow to talk to friendly elements within what was now the former KGB, the FSK. They confirmed what the Lithuanians had told him. They did this at the risk of their lives, because those complicit in the smuggling went high in the FSK.

Jack brought this information back to the States, and the Department of Defense hosted an interagency meeting to discuss the matter. Jack had brought with him from Lithuania Major General Jouzas Rimkevicius, head of the federal police commandos.

CIA counterintelligence, under the traitor Aldrich Ames, was the first U.S. action agency. Naturally enough, in hindsight, they almost got Jack's agents killed. The case was tossed to the

Jack's agents asked for his promise not to reveal their names. They told him that CIA and FBI counterintelligence were penetrated by the former KGB. This was true, but nobody in the American government believed it.

The FBI insisted that Jack tell them the names of his agents, and he refused. So, to make a very long story short, they framed him for wire fraud, and he went to prison for four years.

And about once a week he was told, "Give us the names and you're outta here."

I can't prove his innocence, but I can tell you why I believe in it. I wrote a threepart story about him for Soldier of Fortune. When I turned it in, I said, "You bet-

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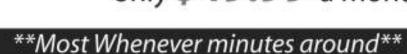
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ter have your lawyer check this out. It's potentially libelous, and the people libeled would be FBI agents, if this isn't true."

They failed to have the lawyer check it out. In those stories I accused FBI agents of perjury, by name. I accused the FBI crime lab of falsifying evidence. If I hadn't been right, I could have been ruined. We never even got a phone call.

At the same time, Jack's cause was championed by Gary Scurka, a television producer who had worked for every major magazine show on the air, had 10 Emmys and 70 other major awards to show for it. The guy was big-time. He invested over a quarter of a million dollars of his own money into three trips to Lithuania and Russia, tracking the story.

He says he knew for sure it was true when Fawn — Jack's first wife — stuck with him through almost all of it. She was convicted as an accomplice and got 17 months in women's prison. She lost custody of her son from a previous marriage. She was stand-up until she got out.

Fawn likes guys. She found one, a young sergeant in the 82nd Airborne Division.

After it all shook out, Jack and Fawn were not friends. But when Gary asked her outright, she said, "He's a son of a bitch, but he wasn't lying about that. He's not guilty." She'd served her sentence. She had nothing to gain, and she really wanted to hurt him. But she wouldn't lie.

One night in prison, Jack refused to leave the TV room until he saw the news. He knew it was coming. He saw Earl Edwin Pitts, the man who had orchestrated his persecution, led away in handcuffs. Jack did a little dance on the table in the TV room.

But the FBI has never admitted the mistake nor apologized.

Nonetheless, when President Bush called on all Americans to do everything they could in the fight against terror, Jack bought a ticket to Tajikistan, skipped over the border, and became senior military advisor to the Northern Alliance.

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ne item randomly retrieved from Sat-Uurday's infoflow: Carlsbad resident Jed Dickerson, 30, caught a 21.7-pound largemouth bass in Lake Dixon. Dixon Lake (a paltry 70 acres of water surface) is part of Escondido's Public Works Department and lies 4.4 miles from that municipality's city

Urban fishing. Pack the DVD player.

Mr. Dickerson's aquatic vertebrate, according to official records, is the fourthheaviest largemouth bass ever caught. In fact, his fish is a mere half-pound light of the trophy landed by largemouth-bass fisherman legend George Perry, who, as I'm sure every single person reading this knows, set the heaviest largemouth bass record in the great state of Georgia in 1932, well before refrigerators became carefree household appliances.

There's more. Last month, a 19-pound, 7-ounce largemouth bass was taken from Lake Dixon. That fish ranks as 13th heaviest in the world. And, a couple years ago, Dixon lake relinquished a 20.75 pounder, which ranks as the ninth heaviest gill creature ever enshrined in the Largemouth Bass Hall of

We are happy for Lake Dixon. We are proud of Lake Dixon fisherpersonhoods. And yet, we wonder, what in the hell is going on?

On the phone is Tony Smock, 49, superintendent of Escondido's Public Works/Lakes and Open Spaces department. "So," I ask, "what is it about Lake Dixon?"

"We have a very active trout-stocking program here." Smock has a low, serious-sounding voice. "We feed the bass very well, and Dixon Lake is a very clear lake. The water and climate conditions are ideal for bass."

For me, the term "public works" has always meant garbage pickup. I mention this and go on to say that when I think about fishing, "I have pictures in my mind of pristine, clear lakes and camping high up in the Sierra Nevadas, far away from cities.

Smock says, "Dixon Lake is very clear because it's part of the California Aqueduct system. The water is piped in from Northern California. By the time it gets this far south, it's already settled into numerous lakes, so the water is pretty clear when it enters Dixon Lake. You can see 15, 20 feet down, so fishermen are able to see bass nesting. They can pick and choose which one to

Yet, I do not see pristine, clear lakes and snowy mountains in this. "You said you had a very active trout-stocking program?'

Bass eat trout." Smock chuckles. "We stock from the first week of November and go all the way to the end of May. We stock an average of 1000 pounds a week. Trout aren't cheap. Oftentimes you can buy them in the store, all dressed out, for what it costs us to buy them live." Smock chuckles again. "They [bass] grow quite well."

"It seems unfair. You truck in captive fish

Smock says, "We don't stock trout just to provide big bass. The trout don't survive summer; the water is too warm in summer. There are no holdovers from year to year. So, to have trout in the lake, you have to stock. A lot of the lakes in Southern California are called put-and-take lakes. If you don't put them in, you can't take them out. The bass were stocked when the lake was first built. We haven't stocked bass since then.'

I see. Trout are transported into an environment where they can't survive in order to make their death a pleasurable experience for others. There's a damn fine fish thing to do. I feel uplifted and ask, "It seems like it's only a matter of time. Every X number of months somebody is going to catch a huge bass at Lake Dixon.

Smock agrees, "There'll be bigger and bigger bass caught. The world record hasn't been broke since 1932.'

"The regulars must be excited, knowing that maybe, 'Today will be the day I'll break the record!"

"Oh, yeah. That's what makes a lot of

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the regulars regulars. We've had newspapers and ESPN and people from all over contacting us about the fish that was caught. That was the fourth-largest bass ever caught in the world.'

Do you have a feeling when the record will be broken?" He does.

"It's hard to say." Smock says. "Jed's bass we released back into the lake, so, who knows? In another year or two, she might put on enough weight so she'll be the world record. We had a 20-pound,12-ounce bass caught a year and a half ago and that was released. The 19-pounder that was caught last week was also released. Most of the bass fishermen here release all the fish they catch."

Which leads us to the question of the day. How long would you live if, after pulling a 25-pound largemouth bass out Lake Dixon, you turned to all the fisher guys and gals standing by the old fish scales and announced, 'I'm taking this sucker home to eat?'

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"People painted swastikas on our churches. There were quite a few incidents of that. Up until World War II, most of our churches did their liturgy in German. There was this belief among some people in America that the German language equaled Nazi."

Last Sunday I went to Carlsbad to visit Beautiful Saviour Evangelical Lutheran Church. Senior

Pastor Silas Krueger, tall, deep-voiced, talked with me about his denomination, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, the least known and most conservative of what Lutherans refer to as the "Big Three" Lutheran denominations.

I visited Reverend Krueger's church because liberal Lutherans had been in the headlines. On May 2, 53-year-old Daniel Bondeson, a resident of New Sweden, Maine, shot himself. Police discovered that he'd laced the coffee pot at Gustaf Adolf Lutheran Church with arsenic. Sixteen people were hospitalized. One died. This story hadn't quite expired before the presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America announced that in late May he would wing his way to the Middle East to meet with Arafat. I wanted to see what the most conservative Lutherans were up to.

Last Sunday, it turned out, was Confirmation Sunday at Beautiful Saviour. In the narthex, eight adolescents fidgeted. Six boys. Two girls. The boys tugged at their ties and lapels. The girls, in pretty summer Sunday dresses, projected more self-confidence. In the nave, around 120 people wedged themselves into pews for the big event. The Order of Worship began with everyone singing "How Great Thou Art."

Because they're well-grounded in their theology, Lutherans, liberal or conservative, are interesting. (I asked Reverend Krueger what the Wisconsin Synod held as necessary for salvation: "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.") The Wisconsin Synod has, however, cherished its particularisms, like reserving Communion only for its own members and for other Protestants who share the Synod's precise beliefs. Last Sunday at Beautiful Saviour, I felt I could still get a good glimpse of the Reformation's radical earnestness.

During the Children's Message, Reverend

Krueger held up a black paper heart.

This is what your heart looks like when other kids are mean to you, when they tease you or make fun of you," he said.

His tiny tow-headed listeners stared bugeyed at the black heart. They nodded.

'That's *not* how God wants your heart to look," Reverend Krueger said. He jiggled the black heart. "God wants you to forgive and love those kids.'

Elsewhere during the liturgy, everyone stood and said aloud, "I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, cattle, and all I own, and all that I need to keep my body and life....'

Land. Cattle. Such a brass-tacks liturgy doesn't skimp when it comes to Confirmation, but before the congregation could celebrate that rite, Reverend Krueger laid out some hard facts in his sermon entitled "Pray for Our Confirmands!"

"Recent studies have shown that of all Lutheran confirmands, 55 percent drift away from

the faith within five years after their confirmation. Why is that? It's one thing to pray for these young people while they're here before us today, but how many of you will continue to pray for them afterward? What do you do to help keep them strong in their faith, to show them that their continued presence is wanted and appreciated? How many of you take the time to approach young people in this church, shake their hand, give them a hug, and say, 'I'm glad you're here. Your being here means a lot to us'?'

A few moments later, Reverend Krueger placed his hand atop each confirmand's head, intoning for each child a different Bible verse. The Lord's Supper followed and then in the social hall, a Wisconsinsize lunch buffet of cold cuts, chili, pasta and fruit salads, and several enormous sheet cakes.

I pulled Reverend Krueger aside and asked if he worried about

retaining the young people in his church.

'The Wisconsin Synod's statistics are a little better than those for Lutherans in general. I think about 40 to 45 percent of our young people drift away after Confirmation. I'm a realist. I know that when they get to high school, my influence over them is greatly diminished. They're among their peers. Part of that's normal. I can do only so much. I also know that of that 45 percent who drift away, about half will come back later in adulthood."

I asked if he felt any sort of parental anxiety about his confirmands.

"I've driven across the state of Wisconsin to check on kids once they've gotten to college. Of course I'm anxious during Confirmation. I worry about them. I'm their pastor. I worry that I haven't done enough. I worry that I might have done better. So, given my responsibility as pastor, do I have anxiety about the kids I confirm? Of course I have anxiety.'

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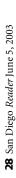
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My husband's sister, who is quite elderly, recently sold the house she had lived in for decades. As she is getting on in years, she wanted to move into a retirement community near the beach, and she got on a waiting list for the one she likes. She was not up to looking after her house — cooking and cleaning and so on — anymore. Her house sold very quickly, and she is still not quite at the top of the waiting list for the retirement community. So my husband invited her to stay with us till her number comes up. My husband works full-time, and I am a housewife. We don't have any children, but now I have to take care of "Alice," his sister. She never goes anywhere, so I give her breakfast, lunch, and dinner. She's been with us three weeks, and I am getting weary of having a houseguest. She's perfectly nice, but she's quite old and a bit deaf and not too independent. Alice made a big bundle on the sale of her house, and she could easily afford to stay in a hotel till a place opens up where she intends to move. My husband says he won't hear of it. She has no other relatives in town or friends she could stay with. Why is this entirely up to him and I have nothing to say about it?

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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My boyfriend of seven years has asked me to marry him. In planning the wedding, the subject of best man came up. His choice for best man is his boyhood best friend. My intended and this friend of his have a love/hate relationship. They get into arguments frequently. I'm not crazy about this best man. I love to waterski, but when these two invite me I make excuses because I don't want to be around their bickering. I suggested my boyfriend choose someone else for best man, but he says it is his decision, his alone, and no one is going to change his mind. I want the wedding day to be lovely, unmarred by arguments. What do vou advise?

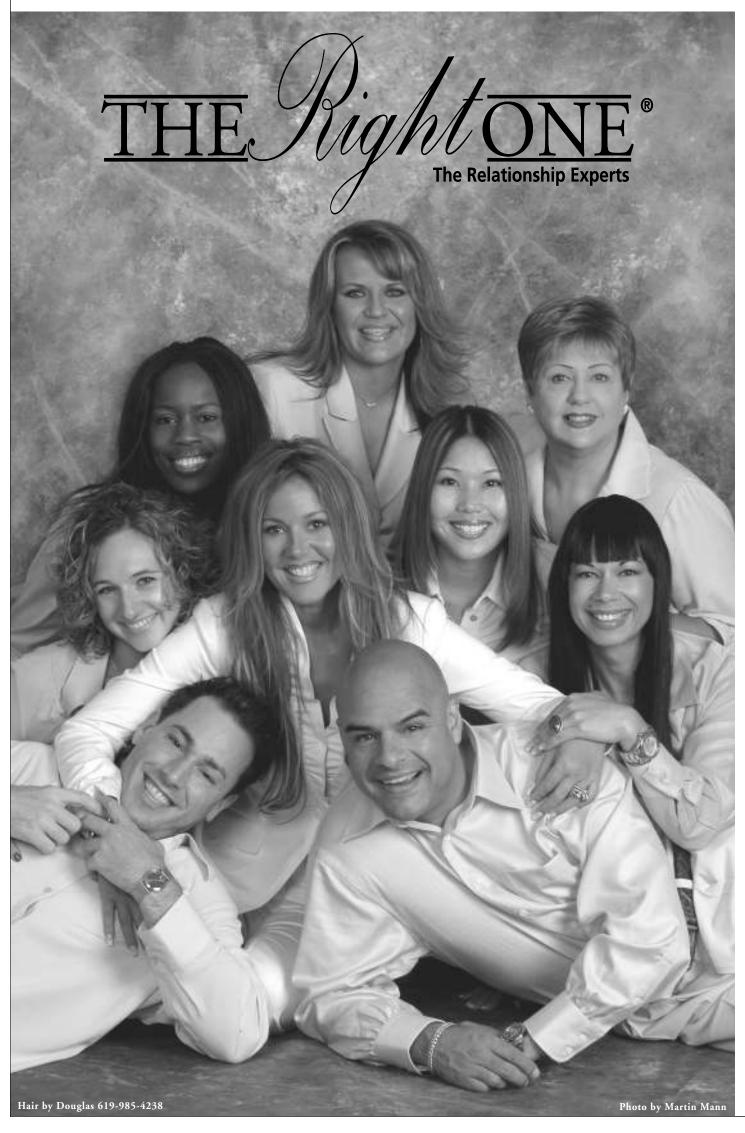
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Dear Going to the Chapel,

I'm no wedding-etiquette authority, but I think the choice of best man is really the groom's decision. I'd suggest you tell your husband-to-be that you respect his wishes in this matter, even if you aren't thrilled with who he picked to stand by him as the vows are exchanged. Then tell him nicely and lovingly that you want the wedding day and its events to go smoothly and provide all assembled with only happy memories. With that in mind, ask your boyfriend to make an effort to keep his pal on good behavior. Let him know you're counting on him not to get into any tiffs with the best man and not to allow the guy to act up in any way during the festivities. As a kind of footnote to this issue, you may want to ask yourself whether your boyfriend is able to compromise when you two have a difference of opinion. I hope so. And I also hope that it's just this one friend of his you so vehemently object to and that his entire gang of buddies doesn't rub you the wrong way.

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At the end of every day, my sunroom looks as if a hurricane of kid-craft debris just blew through. Crayons, stencils, scissors, and sheets of construction paper lay scattered around the table and floor. I accept this mess as a necessary result of my little van Goghs' creativity and keep a constant supply of art products at their table. It's a little sacrifice I make to

little sacrifice I make to encourage art. My friend Bernice takes the same approach with her kids. Recently construction paper has been a hot topic between us. "The construction paper that I buy from the \$.99 Only Store

[Pacific International, \$.99 for 36 sheets of 12" by 9"] fades so quickly," she complained. "For most projects I don't mind, but some of my kids' drawings I would like to save." I had also noticed my children's artwork fading within weeks and so I took up the paper hunt.

"Construction paper is probably the cheapest of the cheap paper," explained Joseph Porteous, salesperson at Warwick's. "It is used for real crafty-type work. A lot of the construction paper is not acid-free, so the color is going to deteriorate, fading over time from contact to light."

Are there other differences between construction paper and other heavyweight paper?

"Other heavyweight paper is really smooth on the outside," continued Porteous. "A lot of the colored construction paper is not real smooth. Cardstock [another thick paper] is not considered construction paper. It is a heavier paper and a lot better quality paper."

"Construction paper is a staple; everybody buys it," said Steve Hermsen, regional sales manager at Pacon Corporation, a paper company. "Here at Pacon, we carry a sulfite construction paper and a groundwood construction paper. The difference between the two is the process used to make the sheet. For the sulfite construction paper, you bleach the pulp white before adding the color or the dyes

to it. On a groundwood sheet, you crush it down to a smaller-sized pulp, adding the dyes and water to it and it is absorbed in. So it is a natural tone versus bleaching first.

"Most of the sulfite papers now are acidfree," Pacon continued. "Our
groundwood paper is not acid-free because
pulp is naturally slightly acidic. If you cut
down a tree, it would be slightly acidic,
and the mill that we use for our groundwood paper does not add chemicals to neutralize that."

What do people use acid-free construction paper for?

"People want the acid-free paper for their memory books, for mounting pictures. They also want lignin-free. Lignin is the binder in the tree that holds the wood "A lot of the construction paper is not acid-free, so the color is going to deteriorate."

together. Most papers in the school industry are not lignin-free because of the cost of removing it. But craft stores will carry lignin-free paper. If it is not lignin-free, with time it will discolor a photo."

So when would you recommend the groundwood paper, when the sulfite paper?

"For a preschool daycare that is looking for paper for a project that they are making and taking home today, they would want to use groundwood construction paper. For junior high and high school students who are making projects that should last a period of time, you should use a sulfite sheet, which is a stronger sheet."

What type of sheet would you find at Wal-Mart?

"Mostly what you get at a Wal-Mart is the groundwood construction paper. You also will find a difference in the weight of the paper, the thickness of the sheet. That can range anywhere from about 74 pounds down to about 45 pounds per 500 sheets of size 24" by 36".

I headed off to Wal-Mart to see for myself what was offered in the line of con-

struction papers. They carry RoseArt Construction paper, (\$1.97 for 88 sheets of 9" by 12" plus 16 stencils) and acid-free Heavyweight Construction Paper Pad by Riverside (\$1.87 for 48 sheets of 9" by 12" paper). In the craft section, I found MPR's Paperbilities Starter Paper Pack

(\$3.97 for 50 sheets of 8" by 11"). It was acid-free and lignin-free but not actually construction paper so I left it behind.

Crayola

Michaels sells acid-free Crayola Reversible Construction Paper (\$3.99 for 50 sheets of 9" by 12"), which has solid color on one side of the paper and multicolored marbled design on the opposite side. They also carry CDS Construction Paper, including a ten-brush set and an eight-watercolor set (\$3.99 for 40 sheets of 9" by 12").

Lakeshore Learning Store in Hazard Center sells the Pacon Groundwood Construction Paper (\$.99 for a 50-count of 9" by 12") and the Pacon Peacock Colorburst 100 Percent Sulfite Construction Paper (\$1.49 for 50 sheets of 9" by 12").

In Little Italy, The Art Store has on its shelves My Jumbo Art Pad by Alex, which had 32 sheets of construction paper plus 80 sheets of white doodle paper (\$10.99 for the 12" by 18" pad). A smaller 4-in-1 Activity Pad by Lefranc & Bourgeois contains construction paper, scribble paper, tracing paper, and drawing paper (\$3.75 for 63 sheets of 9" by 12"). The Art Store also offers the Pacon Construction Paper (\$3.98 for 200 sheets of 9" by 12").

The deal of the day came at Costco. They sell acid-free Class Pack Heavyweight Construction Paper by Riverside Paper Company in a whopping 660-sheet pack (\$8.99 for 9" by 12").

- 1. Paper from Costco
- 2. Crayola reversible paper
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The monkey was fed LSD by previous owners and therefore was a little jumpy.

ctually, I found one fire eater in San Diego, and she was willing not only to demonstrate her craft to me but also to teach someone else, to initiate another into the society of fire eaters. Therein lies a good deal of

this tale.

Let me tell you something about the initiate first. JunkBoy is his name, and I'll hereafter refer to him as JB. It doesn't say "JunkBoy" on his birth certificate. It's his stage name, his *nom de plume*, his alter ego. He's a born-and-bred San Diegan, about five feet ten inches, has medium-length sandy hair, wears one of those tiny beards just below the middle of his lower lip, and looks younger than his 38 years — and this is a man whose body, as you will see, has taken more than the usual wear and tear.

One of the first things JB said when we met was "I strap large amounts of explosives to my body and blow myself up." Trying to act nonchalant, I scanned the room for the nearest exit. Given what's going on in the world, this did not strike me as a good act for your average cabaret. I want to make it clear: he hasn't done this publicly since 9/11. JB may be a little crazy (judge for yourself), but he's not dumb. A machinist by trade, he's made himself a steel chest protector. Very importantly, JB has access to professional pyrotechnic materials supplied to him by a man known as PyroBoy (natch). You could never get PyroBoy's real name from JB, even if you used grisly torture. (Whereas, you could get from me JB's real name if you worked me over with a rubber hose made of whipped cream.) As you will see, he is almost impervious to pain.

This is what he does: he hot-glues four or five rows of brick firecrackers to a black powder tape called quickmatch, which he then glues to the breastplate. Then he adds several "gerbs" — devices that shoot out sparks. Then some percussion devices ("Not so much an explosion as noisemakers"). Next, he attaches all this to a nine-volt igniter box ("with a safety switch"). He puts a sheet of Mylar over the explosives and puts a shirt on over it all. He says it's a little bulky, but if he wears a coat it's hardly noticeable. He plans a route to and from the place of his "performance," always the kind

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GANGSTER IDIOTS RUIN SCHOOL

"A FRIEND OF MINE ATE **TOO MANY STUFFED JALAPEÑOS** AND HAD AN ACCIDENT. I **FELT SORRY** FOR HIM, BUT IT HAPPENS."

ea Raymundo was born in Olongopo City, Philippines, and is a 17-year-old senior at Morse High School. Her plans for graduation night? "I plan to go to a few graduation parties. Then, since I'll be 18, the clubs. After that, I'll be packing for my road trip to Canada."

What will you be doing after you graduate?

"Most likely college and a part-time job."

Do you believe high school has prepared you for college?

"No, because I still don't know what to expect. Though I've been to the career center, talked to my counselor, and been enrolled in

college-prep programs sponsored by the school."

Do you know what your GPA will be upon graduation?

"Yes, 2.3."

Do you think your high school could have prepared you better for

"Yes, I think that if there was an offered class specifically designed to explain the process of enrolling in college, requirements for graduating high school, etc., it would help everyone."



Who was your favorite teacher in high school, and what did they do that was so special?

"I don't have a favorite teacher."

What do you think is the most valuable thing you learned in high

"High school confirmed my theory that things are assigned to us based on the fact that we need to do something and keep ourselves occupied to stay out of [trouble]."

What is the worst aspect about high school? "I believe that high school in general is the worst thing. It's a government conspiracy. The government requires minors to remain in school for 12 years while they spoon-feed information to those pupils while their ability to learn is at its

Are you glad to be leaving high school behind forever?

"Yes, just the high school environment. No, because I'll miss the people." Are you worried or excited about life after high school?

"Yes, because I don't know what to expect. I'm afraid that I'm going to fail at all of these new opportunities."

In what ways do you think you'll change after high school?

peak."

"I think I won't be in as much trouble at home after high school, but aside from that, I think I'll only change in the social part of my life."

How many high school friends will you keep in touch with?

"Most likely five to ten, if any at all."

What did you do for the first time during your senior year?

"Skip class on a regular basis." What did you decide not to do during your

senior vear? "Illegal narcotics; take AP [advanced placement] courses, when I could have

been in a few." What's the best thing that happened during your senior year?

"I got my own car and was able to drive myself anywhere I want."

What's the worst thing that happened this year?

"Realizing that my success is buried under the restrictions of my age and school."

What's the best thing that happened to a friend during your senior year?

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"Promoted at work, and I think that's

about it."

What's the worst thing that happened to a friend this year?

"One died, another raped, and the other one moved."

What song will always remind you of high school?

" 'Graduation,' by Vitamin C."

What movie will always make you think about high school?

"The Breakfast Club."

ichelle Bruan, an 18-year-old Morse senior, was born in Seattle, Washington, Is she glad to be leaving high school forever? "Yes and no. Yes, because now I have a

chance to make decisions on my own, and it's my chance to start over. No, because I know now that if I fall, no one is going to give me a hand to hold. I have to learn how to pick myself up and keep trying."

What will you be doing after you graduate? "Working and attending

college."

Michelle Bruan

Do you believe high school has prepared you for college?

"Both educationally and socially, yes, I think it has."

Do you think high school could have better prepared you for college?

"To an extent, I think they should've offered classes that are more challenging."

Who was your favorite teacher in high school, and what did they do that was so special?

"For my male teachers, they would be Mr. Giardina and Mr. Scott. Mr. Giardina was my AP U.S. history teacher, and his lectures were eloquently presented to the class. I could learn more in one day in that class than I could in some other classes. The other teacher would be Mr. Scott, my advanced American literature and advanced English literature teacher.



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As for my female teachers, I would say Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Graham. Mrs. Brown is super patient, and no matter how many times I raised my hand for help in math, she would always explain it to me in a way that wouldn't make me feel stupid. Mrs. Graham was a character. She always had funny stories to tell the class and always put in extra time on the weekends to make sure that you really understood what you were learning and to help you get ahead."

What do you think is the most valuable thing you learned in high school? "That things change; things aren't always going to be the way they were back in elementary and junior high."

What is the worst aspect

about high school?
"How people can change in an instant. One day you're friends, and one day you're not. Also, the fact that there are always rumors going around about somebody."

Are you worried or excited about life after high school?
"The in 11"

"Excited, because you don't know what's going to head your way." In what ways do you think you'll change after high school?

"I hope that I won't change. I want to be the same Michelle that people remember from high school."

How many high school friends will you keep in touch with?

"I don't know the exact number. Although, in the end, the ones that keep in touch are the true friends."

Tell me what your plans are for graduation night. "Go home, have a big sigh, and say, 'I did it!' and then...PARTY!" What did you do for the first time during your senior year?

"Drive a stick-shift car; I finally learned how to drive one this year." What did you decide not to do during your senior year?

"I decided that I would not get senioritis. I wouldn't let myself slack off."

What's the best thing that happened during your senior year?

"Meeting new and interesting people, since I think I'm outgoing." What's the worst thing that happened this year? "The start of the war in Iraq and knowing that I have several friends who have been sent there to fight."

What's the best thing that happened to a friend during your senior year? "When my friend came back from the Army and got to spend time with his family and his friends. It makes me happy to know that my friends are happy."

What's the worst thing that happened to a friend this year?

"When I found out my friend had cancer."

What song will always remind you of high school? "Only the obvious one: 'Graduation,' by Vitamin C."
What movie will always make you think about

high school?
"Zoolander, because I
watched that movie at
Mission Valley mall, and
Mission Valley is where I
used to go with friends to
chill and to shop."

eventeen-year-old Morse senior Vince Largoza was born in San Diego, at Balboa Naval Hospital. Is he glad



Vince Largoz

to be leaving high school? "I like knowing I'll never see these disciplinary-problem students again,

but I'll miss my friends."
What will you be doing
after you graduate?
"I'll be going to college."
Do you believe high school
has prepared you for
college?

"Yes; it made me realize how hard I must work to succeed."

Do you know what your GPA will be upon graduation?
"About 3.53" year protest.

"About 3.53...yes, pretty low."

Do you think your high school could have prepared you better for college? "Yes; some teachers could have been a bit tougher and not so prissy." Who was your favorite teacher in high school, and what did they do that was so special?

so special?

"Mr. Giardina. He showed me that just knowing the facts is not enough, understanding it and knowing how it applies to something is what makes you smart."

What do you think is the most valuable thing you learned in high school?

"That not all the gangster idiots will ever make it, and the fact that hard

work will prevail."
What is the worst aspect about high school?
"Knowing you'll encounter those gangster idiots that make a big deal over everything and ruin high school."
Are you worried or excited about life after high school?

"Excited, because I don't know what's in store." In what ways do you think you'll change after high school?

"I feel I'll work harder than ever because life is not easy."

How many high school friends will you keep in touch with?

"I hope a lot; I know a friend I could visit in San Francisco."

Tell me what your plans are for graduation night. "Dance, skip, party, and then say, 'I did it! I graduated!' "

What did you do for the first time during your senior year?

"I went to a senior advisor meeting; they don't let you do that when you're an underclassman."



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What did you decide not to do during your senior vear?

"Ditch, then get suspended, which probably would have made me lose all my privileges as a senior." What's the best thing that happened during your senior year?

"I met my girlfriend, and she is the best thing ever." What's the worst thing that happened this year? "The worst thing is my AP government class and the teacher that's so condescending and no one realizes it, and, plus, he is not funny."

What's the worst thing that happened to a friend this year?

"The worst thing that happened to a friend is he almost lost his toe." What's the best thing that happened to a friend during your senior year?

"The best thing that happened was that the friend referred to in the previous question got to keep the toe."

What song will always remind you of high school? " 'Waiting,' by Green Day. I've been waiting for graduation for so long." What movie will always make you think about high school? "American Pie. It's all

true; everything in that movie depicts high school life perfectly."

erald Briones, 17, also a Morse student, was born in San Diego. What did he do for the first time during his senior year? "I decided to start paying for my own lunch instead of scabbing off my friends. I think they were starting to get irritated when I'd always ask them for food."

What will you be doing after you graduate? "After high school, hopefully, I'll be going to college at Mesa College." Do you believe high school has prepared you for college?

"I believe high school has not prepared me for college, but it has taught me to be a responsible adult." Do you know what your GPA will be upon graduation?

"My GPA will be in the low 3.00s." Do you think your high

school could have prepared you better for college? "No, because of my laziness, and I procrastinated a lot. I feel that high school could not have prepared me any more." Who was your favorite teacher in high school, and what did they do that was

"My favorite teacher is my journalism teacher, Mr. Meyer. Although he is always paranoid, he has taught me a lot about how life can be tough at times."

so special?

What do you think is the most valuable thing you learned in high school? "From high school, I have learned that 'senior portfolios/exhibitions' are a waste of my time. Instead of using my time to research for scholarships, I had to use that time for the 'senior portfolios.' " What is the worst aspect about high school? "It's been too stressful



Gerald Briones

because of all the expectations [of] the administration of Morse and the San Diego school board." Are you glad to be leaving high school behind forever?

"I'm actually not glad about leaving high school; I don't want to get older. I don't think anvone does. I want to stay a kid forever."

Are you worried or excited about life after high school?

"I'm worried about life after high school. I have no direction in life, and I feel that I'm not going to reach my full potential." In what ways do you think you'll change after high school?

"I believe I will be less quiet after high school, since I feel like I'm one of the most talkative people in school."

How many high school friends will you keep in touch with?

"I definitely know I will keep in touch with three or four of them, because I'm related to them." Tell me what your plans are for graduation night. "I plan on celebrating my graduation with my family and friends; probably go out to dinner that night."

What did you decide not to do during your senior year?

"I decided not to procrastinate as much, but I think procrastination is inevitable."

What's the best thing that happened during your senior year?

"The best thing that happened was getting into most of the classes I requested, like AP English, AP physics, and other classes."

What's the worst thing that happened this year? "Rejection from a particular college, even though a lot of seniors were rejected by some of the colleges they really wanted to go to."

What's the best thing that happened to a friend during your senior year? "They got into the col-

leges they wanted." What's the worst thing that happened to a friend this year?

"A friend of mine ate too many stuffed jalapeños and had an accident. I felt sorry for him, but it happens."

What song will always remind you of high school? "Saved by the Bell theme song."

What movie will always make you think about high school?

"Lord of the Rings, since almost everyone watched that movie when it first came out."

illary De La Cruz is an 18-year-old Morse student who was born in Jacksonville, Florida.



Hillary De La Cruz

What did she think was the worst aspect pertaining to high school? "Being surrounded by people who have no moral values, who did the stupid things they did because they thought it was fun."

What will you be doing after you graduate?
"I will be attending college and working."
Do you believe high school has prepared you for college?

"For the most part, I feel prepared, but I also feel that there will definitely be things I am not ready for."

Do you know what your GPA will be upon graduation?
"It will be 3.1."
Do you think your high school could have prepared you better for college?
"Yes, because there are some experiences that I know I will not be prepared for."

Who was your favorite teacher in high school, and what did they do that was so special?

"My favorite teacher was my algebra teacher in 11th grade, Mr. Long. I never thought I was any good at math, but he motivated me as well as other students to try harder."

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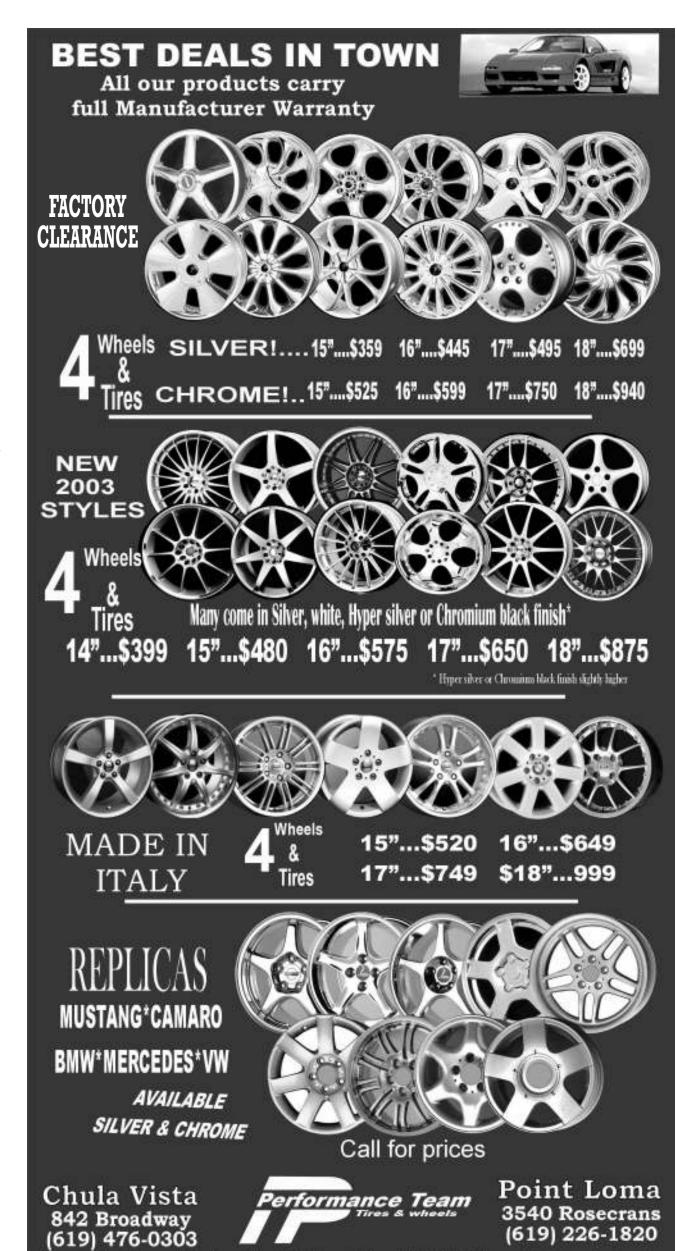
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What's the worst thing that happened to a friend this year?

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Father Serra and Gaspar de Portola came to San Diego in 1769. To imagine what they saw, erase almost all of today: jets soaring over skyscrapers, of course, but also palm, pepper, and orchard trees, which the friars planted, and, believe it or not, every tall, stately eucalyptus. Walk through Balboa Park, Rancho Santa Fe, or National City, and you'd swear the eucalyptus must be indigenous. It isn't. It's an import, the majority begun as a get-rich-quick scheme.

Opinions vary about who planted the first in California, and when. Many nominate William Taylor, missionary from Australia, who brought seeds to San Francisco in 1863. Others say William C.

Jeff Smith

Walker's Golden Gate Nursery, if not the first to plant, spread the word about "blue gum seedlings" in 1856. In Southern Cal-

ifornia, William Wolfskill of Rancho Santa Anita gets most credit for planting south of the Tehachapis. A "Mr. McCray" of Spring Valley grew San Diego's first, around 1878.

An early motive for eucalypti may have been aesthetic. Robert LeRoy Santos: Australians "packed their belongings and boarded ships mostly constructed from blue gum timber. When they embarked from Sydney or Hobart Town, they brought with them a mental picture of their homeland's landscape. In California they saw barren hills and valleys. They could visualize how their lofty and majestic eucalyptus could change such a bleak picture."

By August 11, 1872, the Daily World boasted that the tree grows vigorously in San Diego, "but few realize how vigorously. Three years ago, Mr. E.W. Morse planted a eucalyptus seed in his garden, and from that seed has sprung up a tree that is now more than 18 inches in circumference and not less than 25 feet high!"

In the first year a eucalyptus can grow 12 to 15 feet, and 5 to 8 feet annually after that. There are now an estimated 800 varieties, but 80 percent of California's are "blue gums," which people first planted as an ornament. Soon, however, its uses grew. In 1885, when the citrus industry began in Southern California, hot Santa Ana winds ruined orchards, so growers made windbreaks out of "wind-firm" blue gums. Many believed that a eucalyptus forest could change local weather, while others claimed eucalyptus oil was a wonder drug, and tea made from it could cure every ailment, including malaria.

"California had malarial problems in the 19th Century," writes Santos -San Diego in particular. The eucalyptus could arrest malaria, but scientists didn't know why. Many assumed the tree's distinctive aroma "disinfected the air." As proof the eucalyptus was a "fever tree," they pointed to a grove in Bakersfield that cured the disease in 1869. The trees did the job, but not their aroma. Their roots drank up so much water they drained ponds where the Anopheles mosquito the real cause of malaria — bred in abundance.

San Diego needed "usable" trees, and people saw money in the Australian intruder. Between 1875 and 1885, Frank and Warren Kimball planted tens of thousands around the National City area. The "indestructible" tree, they felt, could fulfill an ongoing need for firewood and piles for wharves. Leland G. Stanford: "Most of the homes in California had wood stoves for cooking and open fireplaces for warmth. Even great hotels like Horton House and Hotel Del Coronado had fireplaces in nearly every room. San Diego City directories of and before 1900 pictured ads only of wood stoves. They listed as many wood dealers as saloons and livery stables."

Because it grows fast and has "watergreedy shallow roots," by 1889 detractors called the eucalyptus a "weed tree." When civic planners wanted eucalyptus groves for Prospect Park and Coronado, facing Glorietta Bay, the San Diego Union worried that "If half is true which is told of them, we fear the view of the Pacific Ocean will be shut off from San Diego."

The eucalyptus always had enemies. In his novel Old Calabria, Norman Douglas calls it a "dirty tree" and complains: "No plant on earth rustles with such a horrible metallic fashion...like the sibilant chant of ghosts. Its oil is called 'medicine' only because it happens to smell rather nasty; it is worthless timber, objectionable in form and hue — objectionable above all things, in its perverse, inhuman habits."

In spite of some opposition, the eucalyptus enjoyed such a "blue gum mania" boom, between 1905 and 1912, it became an industry. Santos: "Large eucalyptus plantations were created with the hope of reaping sizeable profits." Government experts, the media, University of California specialists, and "enthusiasts who gave



Blue gum eucalyptus

lectures and published essays" - all sang the tree's praises.

In 1907, the U.S. Forest Service announced that the supply of hardwood from Appalachia was waning. The problem — "timber exhaustion" — infected the nation like a virus. F.D. Cornell: "History shows that following in the wake of timber exhaustion, invariably will be found decaying civilization, race, disintegration, and national corruption." The eucalyptus became the solution.

Plantations grew. Del Whiting of El Toro planted 1000 acres of gray, red, and sugar gum eucalypti. Novelist Jack London, investing in wood for furniture,

SELECTED QUOTATIONS:

1. McClatchie: "Without the eucalyptus, California would be a very different state. Were some agency to destroy all the eucalyptus, the price of real estate would fall at once."

2. Kenneth Thompson, The Argonaut: "There is a craze about the Australian blue gum tree. Its leaves cure asthma. Its bark improves that of a dog. This absurd vegetable embitters every breeze with suggestions of an old woman's medicine chest. Let's have no more of it."

 ${\bf 3. Santos: ``POET (Preserve Our \, Eucalyptus \, Trees) \, is a \, group \, that \, opposes \, the \, removal \, of \, eucalypti.}$ When their opposition refers to the eucalyptus as a 'giant weed' or an 'immigrant,' they call this attitude 'plant racism' or 'specism' and want it stopped before it spreads."

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planted 100,000 on his Northern California ranch. In 1909, George Peavy wrote a series of articles for California Weekly; in one he announced there were "fully 100 companies engaged either in planting eucalyptus seedlings, contracting to plant acreage, or selling

In San Diego groves began at what is now UCSD, sugar and blue gums at Balboa Park — which, before the planting, was just a bald hilltop — on acreage in El Cajon, and north of Scripps Ranch.

In 1906, the Rancho Santa Fe Railroad bought the 10,000-acre Rancho San

Dieguito. The company needed wood for railroad ties — they used three million a year — posts, and woodwork inside the cars. They chopped down the sage and sumac and planted 8800 acres: trees on the hillsides, alfalfa flowers in the valleys. They figured they'd have an inexhaustible supply of ties in 15 years.

The company paid no mind to a similar experiment by the Central Pacific Railroad in 1877. In a twoyear program, CP planted an estimated one million seedlings in the San Joaquin Valley. Santos: "The program was a bust, though. Soon it was discovered that

eucalyptus ties would crack and check if not seasoned properly. These ties could not hold a spike in place securely." Also, eucalyptus wood rotted easily.

The Santa Fe Railroad didn't know, or didn't heed, the Central Pacific experiment — and got the same results. Around this time railroads discovered that Oregon fir, when dipped in creosote, made a much stronger tie. To cut its losses, the railroad sold the property for a residential development: Rancho Santa Fe, one of the first in California planned around a single architectural theme: Spanish Colonial. After

World War II, a local ordinance warned, "Removal of eucalypti is prohibited."

The eucalyptus boom hit the Escondido Valley hard. The tree sprouted in back yards, parks, schools, and roadways. The Pratt Eucalyptus Company planned a "miniature Australia" — California's first theme park, some say north of town. In April 1909, they planted a "blue gum forest" on 700 acres. When the trees matured, they would import koalas, wallabies, and kangaroos to frolic amid the "leathery dark green

In 1917, the Landreth Hardwood Mill took over the

"forest." Their goal: to make eucalyptus woodwork for houses and hope chests. They believed that the wood "naturally moth-proofed" all it came near. Two years later, as discouraged as the original owners, they sold the property to the Pacific Toy Company.

Santos: "Eucalypti are among the world's most flammable trees. They burst into flames when fire reaches a certain temperature because rapid vaporization of oils causes rapid ignition." The tree's explosive nature produces a "very intense fire that 'crowns' --leaps from treetop to treetop." (Many accuse eucalypti as the major contributor to the Berkeley-Oakland fire of 1991, which killed 24 people and destroyed 3000 homes.)

In 1919, fire broke out at the Pacific Toy Company. The oil, bark, and litters of dry leaves became a combustion inferno that fueled the blaze. Flames crowned from tree to tree with fury. In a short time, one of the fiercest holocausts in San Diego history turned Escondido's blue-gum bonanza into a forest of blackened

By 1912, the eucalyptus boom was over. Gas and electricity usurped its domain. Planters, eager to







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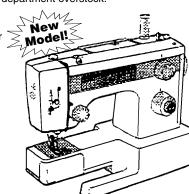


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charge \$5 per tree, couldn't wait the 10 to 15 years for them to mature. Mills closed. Scientists questioned the tree's vaunted healing properties. Plus, the eucalyptus became a residential nuisance. Santos: "It grows too big, is messy, tears up sidewalks, and invades sewer systems. It is more suitable for a windbreak or biomass fuel."

Santos points to a difference between Californian and Australian eucalypti. The latter grew in virgin forests hundreds of years old. The blue-gum wood that built Australia's ships didn't split or crack and was of far greater quality than the young eucalpyti harvested here. "This misunderstanding meant economic ruin for some in California. It also gave the eucalyptus a bad reputation which still exists today."

Kevin Starr, California state librarian: "Newcomers built their California dream, landscaping barren neighborhoods with eucalyptus and Monterey pines, trees never intended to grow in such an arid place, and planted shrubs near their homes — all fine fuel for fires. They built a natural environment that was not all natural. It was as beautiful as it was artificial, fragile, and dangerous. We are constantly reminded what an artificially engineered construct...and consequently how fragile."■

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Born in San Diego in 1950, Michael Page was playing bass in local bands when a friend from New York City told him about Greenwich Village and the Bowery. The New York Dolls played at Max's Kansas City, the Ramones at CBGB. Rock and roll was changing, and New York was the heart of the change. Page moved cross-country, met Sylvain Sylvain, and hung out with the Dolls until the band broke up. Sylvain and Page played in a group called the Criminals; then Page auditioned with Chubby Checker. When Page got the gig, it was a dream come true. He toured the world, shook James Brown's hand, and played the Chicago Fest with Little Richard, Chuck Berry, and Bo Diddley. But the endless travel took its toll and Page finally said no más. Ready for a rest, he heard that Iggy Pop was auditioning bass players, and when Page walked into the audition, he was told, "You've got the gig." Four days later he was on tour:

playing soccer stadiums in Europe, hanging out with groupies, drinking grappa with Iggy Pop and David Bowie in a Berlin nightclub. The next year, he played bass on Iggy Pop's Party album. Michael Page was a part of rock and roll history. His story continues below.

 $oldsymbol{W}$ hen Iggy and I were in San Diego for our short vacation, something happened that I still hear about. In fact, I heard about it the other day.

What happened was that Iggy and I went down to Windansea. We were bodysurfing, enjoying the sun, and drinking a bit. A homecoming was happening at La Jolla High School, and my little buddy Markey McCoy showed up. Markey I knew from San Diego. One time I visited San Diego, and when I returned to New York, I brought Markey with me. We drove his car from San

Diego to New Orleans, and then on to New York City.

Markey started getting a little career going in rock and roll. But he eventually ended up back in San Diego, and he was playing in a band at this homecoming. When he saw us down at the beach, he asked if Iggy would like to come and play a song with his band, and Iggy said yes. So we walked up from Windansea. By then, we'd been drinking a little bit and had been in the sun all day.

We made it to the football field, where the big event was, and it was all La Jolla alumni with their family and friends. Everyone was out on the football field having a big picnic. It was a family-oriented thing, and there were a lot of people there. Markey's band was playing, and I think at that time he was into a Christian band, or whatever. So we sat and watched the band play.

Then Markey announced that he had a special guest that was going to play a song. I don't think that he announced that it was Iggy Pop. And that was a cool thing to do, because we didn't want that to happen. We just wanted to make it a casual jam.

Now, the only song Iggy knows to play with guys he hasn't played with before is "Louie Louie." So Iggy went up onstage in front of all these families, the kids and the whole thing, and sang this quadruple, double X-rated ver-



Iggy Pop and Michael Page work on Repo Man soundtrack

sion of "Louie Louie," using unadulterated pornographic lyrics in front of all these families. And it was his way of saying, "Sure, I'll come and jam with you, but you've got to take what you're going to get."

I remember being in the audience and watching it happen. I looked at the reaction of the people, and it was, like, oh, my God! Iggy was doing every vulgar swearword that you could do. He just made up his own swearwords to "Louie Louie." And he did it as a mockery, because the original lyrics to "Louie Louie" are not filthy like everybody thought. When we were kids and "Louie Louie" came out, everybody invented their own words for the song that had nothing to do with the song. "Louie Louie" was about a banana plantation and was a Jamaican song. But the song was immortalized, even though nobody knew the words.

So Iggy used "Louie Louie" as his banner, his example of what rock and roll was all about. The words to "Louie Louie" were never bad, but people somehow had made them bad. And guess what? If you're under the assumption that the words are bad, I'll show you what bad is all about, and I'll give you my version!!

Well, his version was absolutely disgusting. With all the families that were there, it was the biggest insult that you could do. Half the people were, like, "Oh, my God," and they're putting their hands over their kids' ears. The other half were just dying of laughter. They couldn't

believe it. Well, they pulled the plug on him halfway through and told him to get out, and Iggy was banned from La Jolla forever.

But I still hear about it to this day. I heard about it last week, and I heard about it yesterday when I went to Guitar Center to pick up an amp simulator. A guy at Guitar Center asked me my name so that I could get a discount, or whatever. When I told him I'm Mike Page, he said, "Oh, you're that guy. You're that guy who played with Iggy. I'll never forget it for the rest of my life. I graduated from La Jolla High, and I was there at the football field when Iggy Pop sang 'Louie Louie.'

And he said, "That was the wildest thing that ever happened to me. I couldn't



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believe it. My parents were there, and they died and freaked out, and me and my friends all freaked out. It was the coolest thing I'd ever seen happen." So here you go again. Half the people think Iggy's the coolest thing they ever saw, and the other half were ready to have him arrested and sent to jail.

Markey McCoy had a really interesting thing happen. He pursued his musical thing and got hooked up with my friend Steve Jones from the Sex Pistols, the same Steve Jones who ended up doing a bunch of things with Iggy Pop. Then Mark signed a deal with MCA Records with another buddy of mine, Tommie, but MCA shelved them. So he moved to Los Angeles, and I went and visited him at that point.

Mark had just married Doreen, who was a close friend of mine from way back when we were kids. His album got shelved, but Mark stayed in L.A. and did really good with rock and roll. He got hooked up with Belinda Carlisle, the singer from the Go-Go's, and he toured with them for a while and then did a couple of other

But then Mark got into recovery and became a minister. And he was a legendary guy in La Jolla as the surfing rock and roll minister. He'd come out with a gown on and start his gospel thing, but he had a Stratocaster strapped on his back. And after he did his little thing for a while, he'd work up into a tempo just like gospel music, and then his band would kick in and they're praising Jesus. He had a lot of good vibes with that, and he had an antidrug message.

I've got a clipping next to my bed that talks about Markey passing away, and I look at it every single day. He went to South Africa with his wife and newborn baby. They were finally successful at having a baby after several miscarriages, and he got a little miracle child named Connor. When Markey went to work as a missionary in South Africa, I couldn't wait for him to get back so we could talk about



A-Bing A-Bang A-Boom (Michael Page, left)

mamba snakes and so on, because he spent time in a place that I'd spent a lot of time in.

But before he came back, I'd heard out of nowhere that he'd gotten ill and had been diagnosed with cancer. So he came back. I loved him to death,

and it was kind of hard. But when I saw him, I saw a look in his eyes that said his time was up. But he was really centered and focused. He was a minister, see, so he understood all this stuff, the way that things work and all.

Mark McCoy was right

at the pinnacle of everything that was happening. He was doing successful Christian music, and he was one of those guys that just spread the good word. I think about him every

One of my favorite memories of Markey was

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when I took him to New York and introduced him to Sylvain. Sylvain told Mark that he had to dress differently now that he was in New York. So he put him in a sharkskin suit. He put grease in his hair to get his hair to stand up. He put motorcycle boots on top of the suit and taught Mark how to stand in front of a mirror just so. He's got a little scarf thing in his pocket. Now we could go out.

So we went out and all of the girls said later, "Wow, you've got to bring back more boys like this from San Diego." He's a little surf guy with the white hair and all, and the girls just loved him.

Mark McCoy was 39 when he died, and a part of me went with him.

Whenever the Iggy tour came to San Diego, it was a nightmare. I always looked forward to playing here, because then I could see my friends and they could see me play these shows. But then the hounding would begin. First of all,



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we'd show up tired because we'd played someplace a day or so before. And as soon as we got here, I'd have a list of 50 different calls. All well-wishers. I'd really want to spend time with everybody, but it ain't going to happen.

I'd finally get a little sleep and the phone would ring and it would be a guy saying, "My name is Soand-So, and I sat next to you in social studies at Kearny. And I'm not into what it is you're doing, but my sister and her three friends want to see you play. If you could get eight tickets for that show, that would be great." And it didn't mean shit to me. But that would happen, and I would never get any

One time we were scheduled at the California Theater, and they sold out. They were having problems with the fire department or whatever, and we ended up playing the Bacchanal for three days, instead of one show at the California Theater. And there were way too many people jammed into that place. I had a big argument with my dad about then. My dad, of course, wanted to come and see me play, but he was pushed all the way to the back and had to stand on a chair. And when the show was over, he hadn't gotten carte blanche.

And it's, like, "Dad, you know, you're my dad and everything, and I love you, but look what's going on here. It's just chaos. There's a hundred wellwishers, all trying to say hello at the same time, and we have this little tiny dressing room." Whatever. My dad got mad at me for that and said, "Well, I'm your father. You should spend more time with me." And



Michael Page and his daughter Nina

it was, like, "Dad, cut me some slack."

Another time we stayed at the Catamaran, and we did about three or four shows here in San Diego. The first one was probably the most fun. It was at the Roxy movie theater out in P.B., on Cass Street. My friends tried to talk to the owners of the theater, because they'd put Iggy Pop on the marquee and my friends wanted the marquee to also say, "San Diego welcomes homeboy Mike Page." They wanted to do that without asking Iggy if it was okay. And it was just a problem. That theater was fun to play at because he's Iggy Pop, and he puts on the wildest show I've ever seen. You get every nickel's worth of entertainment packed into that

deal, and it's the real deal you're seeing.

Well, I saw my friends in front, and they're all smiling, with the peace signs, saying, "Yeah, Mikey." And then I'd watch them just get torn into the crowd and pushed back and a new group of faces would appear. It was so much fun. Every place we played was sold out to Iggy's fans, and they were just all different types of people.

I remember we played at the Adams Avenue Theater once, and it was an interesting venue. There were a little too many people at that one too. Steve Jones from the Sex Pistols came down, and Clem from Blondie. And a couple of other interesting people. Tim Mays and Bob, the Paladins. Everyone!

It's really hard to say what Iggy's best venue was,











because you know what? He blew them away wherever he'd play. Most people found that he lived up to his reputation, and I never saw him do a lackluster show. I've never seen anybody do what Iggy does in one show, with total abandonment. Just throwing his body around the way he does. Obviously, a lot of his energy was fueled by drugs and alcohol. And that took a toll. It took a toll on one of the tours we

Our least supportive venue was opening for the Rolling Stones at Pontiac, Michigan. That is something I'll never forget for the rest of my life. We had Clem from Blondie on drums and Carlos Alomar — two of the hottest musicians on the planet. We were playing the Pontiac Silverdome, which is where they played the Super Bowl that year. There were more people at that show than there were at the Super Bowl because they got to use the actual playing field

for the audience.

It was just insanity, and I'd never seen anything like it. First of all, it was an indoor stadium. And when we came out to play, all we saw were lighters, so we had no idea of depth perception or how far back we were looking. I'd never been in an enclosed thing where it was that hot. And it was snowing. The kids had slept in the snow to see the Rolling Stones. You know, those were the last days when you bought a ticket to get in. They'd open the doors, and the first people that were in the front got in. And people died from that.

from that.

The whole Rolling Stones thing was nuts, and it wasn't anything like I thought it would be. First of all, the Stones were a band that I'd looked up to all my life. They came to our shows in New York, and that's how we got the gig playing with them. I think it was the *Tattoo You* tour or something. They

came because Iggy Pop was the real deal. There's a couple of real deals. Mick Jagger is a real deal. Keith Richards is a real deal. There are only a few talents like that.

And I shared their

The Pontiac stadium show was the best show that we were ever going to do, because we're playing with the Stones. Kids slept in the snow to see that show, and by the time they came in after sleeping all

AND WHEN WE CAME

out to play, all you'd see were lighters, so we had no idea of depth perception, or how far back we were looking.

acknowledgment of what Iggy does with a lot of other guys, people, artists. I saw William Burroughs come and hang on Iggy's every word. I've seen world heavies come and hang. They're interested in what Iggy's got to say. I don't know if Iggy's a visionary. It's hard to put your finger on it. But he has the art of communicating with people. And at the same time, he does not bait a hook.

night in the snow, they wanted to see the Rolling Stones, goddamn it. We opened, Santana opened after us, and then the Stones, and it was too much of a wait. It was too much pressure for these kids to wait to see the Stones.

Each of us had our own private limousine.

Wrong. I didn't want that. I wanted to be around my guys, and I was scared. This is the biggest thing we'd ever done. Give me a band to talk to so I won't be so scared. But they sent us people with their own limousines, and right off the bat, it didn't start out right. Well, we got to the venue, but then we didn't have any sound check. We were the sound check. And that was the first time I'd played a venue of that size, except for playing with Chubby at the Chicago Fest. But with Chubby, it was a big sea of friendly, smiling faces, all doing the twist, with crowds of people as far as you can see, waving their hands in the air and smiling.

But here, the natives weren't friendly. They were there to see the Stones. Iggy came out in a miniskirt, garters, a military helmet, and a leather jacket. He'd just hit the

stage, and I figured it was close enough to Detroit that we'd be okay, because Iggy was from Michigan. That particular tour, a couple of people didn't do well. Prince did really badly and got booed and bottled. And we got booed and bottled. Those kids weren't there for Prince. They went for Huey Lewis and the News, and J. Geils did really well too. Bands like that that were not threatening.

Now, Keith Richards is a hard-core Iggy fan. Keith asked Iggy to be on his New Barbarians tour. He had Stanley Clarke on bass, and he asked Iggy to sing on that. Keith dug Iggy as much as he dug Mick Jagger, or more, because Iggy didn't have all the pretension and stuff. Keith and Iggy are inseparable. When they get together, it's for days. So we were opening for the Stones and getting



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into our first song. I look at Carlos, and we start making our way down to the front crowds to see what's happening, playing "Lust for Life." And then the bottles started coming. Carlos wasn't used to it. He'd played with James Brown and John Lennon, and he was on Mick Jagger's solo album. Carlos was one of the musicians that was way up there in the world, but he wasn't used to the bottles and stuff.

And they kept coming, and they were flying. I looked over at Clem, and a bottle had just smashed on Clem's drums and split into little miniature grenades. The glass was just like shrapnel. I saw that Clem had all these little cuts, and then, pow, it happened. I got hit right between the eyes with a

Jack Daniel's bottle. KO'd. All I can remember was blood, a lot of blood. But I'd been playing with Iggy for a long time by then, and I was just used to that kind of stuff.

I don't know how long I was out, but when I came to, I don't think anybody else knew except Carlos. And he couldn't stop playing. He saw me go out, and when I came to, there was just blood everywhere, and that's all that I can remember. And I just picked up where we left off and started playing again, because what am I going to do? Call timeout, or say, hey, is this some kind of a joke, people? You hit me, and that could be dangerous. There was nothing I could say and nothing I could do. And Iggy was oblivious. He was out there doing his Iggy Pop thing.



Frank Infante and Michael Page

And Iggy gets oblivious. I've seen him fall off huge things where normal people would have their legs broken. So I got up to play again, and kaboom. Within the next five minutes, another bottle was

thrown, and it knocked my front teeth out. Somehow I got finished doing the show, and we went right from the stage to the infirmary. They had doctors there that were treating the crowds for heat exhaustion. Whatever. But it was not what I thought it was going to be, like, playing with the Rolling Stones.

It was a big drag. And we had to do it again the next night. I went up there with a bandaged-up nose, no teeth, and makeup. This was toward the end of my time touring with Iggy.

One of our last tours was called the Breaking Point tour. And we thought somebody was going to die on that tour, because the drug and alcohol use had gone to record proportions, and it was just out of control. But basically, who's going to tell you no when you're the one calling the shots?

Well, about this time, I started thinking about retiring. It was just, like, you know, I'd done pretty much everything that I could do in the rock and roll thing. And right now, I'm tired. How much more can you do, really? How much more

coke can you do? How much more can you drink? How many more girls can you meet, or whatever was happening? And I started getting a time clock that

See, right towards the end I met a girl in San Diego. Now, I've met girls from all over, but this one I got serious about. She was a homegirl, and she knew what was going on with me, being a rock and roll guy from San Diego. Circumstances led to our meeting, and we hit it off right away. And it just so happened that I had a little bit of time off, a matter of days or whatever, and we developed a relationship. Then when I came back again and had a little bit more time off, our relationship got heavy. And I asked Charlene to marry

Actually, I asked her if she'd like to come to Paris, because I was going on another Iggy tour. And I got my great-grandmother's platinum wedding ring, and whatever. And she's, like, "Yeah, go figure. Yes, of course, dummy. I'll marry you." So she came to Europe with us. And I'm still honorable with Iggy, and I'm not going to drag her around with me. He'd hired me as a musician and didn't want me to bring an entourage with me. We found it difficult to get married in Paris, but I cemented my relationship with her. And my buddy, Frankie Infante from Blondie - one of the most talented musicians I'd ever met — we bonded on that tour. Charlene and Frankie and I went to the Louvre in Paris, and we did all the stuff that tourists did. Paris, London, like it would never

And I warned Char-

was ticking.

like a family member to me. So we do Japan. And I introduced Iggy to this girl, Suchi, who we'd met in Tokyo, and he brought her to Australia with him. I'd gotten married by then, and after I got married, things were a little bit different with me and Iggy. That's just what happens when guys get married. We used to clown around about it, and Iggy used to ask me, "Mikey, do you think maybe one of these days I'll be like you, be a lucky guy, meet the right girl, and settle down?" We'd think about it for a little bit, and then say, "Nah. It ain't going to happen." And we'd laugh about it. But he'd finally met the girl. He'd finally met Suchi and brought her back. And on the way back from Japan, I believe it was, we had a talk, and he was half drunk and stuff. But he said, "You know, she's concerned. She thinks I drink too much. Do you think I drink too much?" And I went, "Of

lene about Iggy, that he

didn't really think anything

about running around

naked, so just get used to

it. Whatever crazy, wild

thing that could happen

probably would happen.

So just kind of stand behind

me, take it all in, and relax.

The next thing you know,

there was a tap on the win-

dow, and it was Iggy. We

were up eight floors from

a boulevard in Paris, and

somehow, he'd gotten outside. He was naked and

banging on my window,

saying, "Mikey, do you have

toothpaste? We're out of

toothpaste." So there he

was. And I said, "Well,

honey...Char...this is

Iggy...Jim. And Jim, this is

up doing a couple of tours.

We did the Australia and

Japan tour and went to

Hawaii for two weeks to

rehearse for it. Charlene

flew to Hawaii to be with

me, so we rented cars and

spent the day tooling

around the island. And it

was like it couldn't have

been better. Frankie became

Frankie and I ended

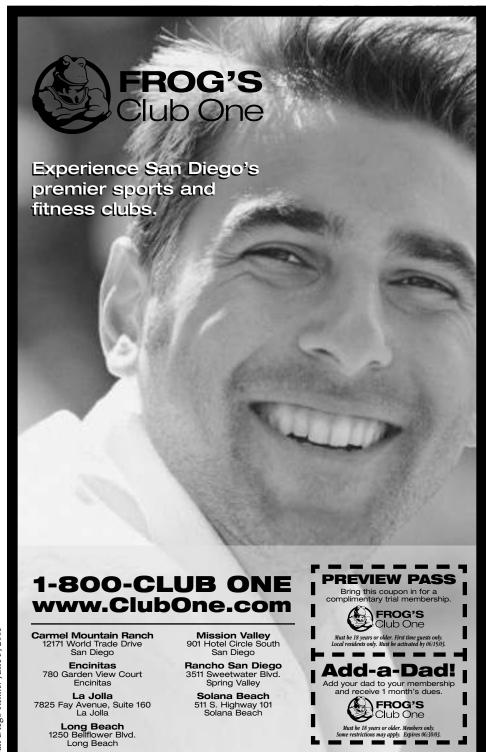
Char."

Then he told me that he was going to take a break. He was thinking about getting into acting, and he wanted to try his

course not. You taught me

everything I know about

drinking.





hand at a couple of other things. And he said, "You know, it's kind of hard for me to tell you this, and I don't know how to say it, but I kind of don't want to be your main boss anymore, for now." And it's, like, cool. At that time, I was burned out. I was ready to call it quits while I was still alive.

So we came back, and I think Frankie came with me. Iggy started doing a couple of movies and stuff, and I kind of got out of touch with him. He was living in Los Angeles for a while, and everything was new to him. He got married, and I didn't know about it, and we hadn't set any next tour kind of thing. I had just figured I would

be with him for good, you know. But I wanted to do some stuff. I had money. We'd just finished a couple of successful albums, and I'd done my share of world touring. Now it was time to settle down for a change.

Charlene and I ended up staying with my dad in Mendocino County for a little while, because my dad had secured a ranch up there. But we got married here in San Diego. We rented the Catamaran and the Bahia Belle and spent the day tooling around there. All of my friends from New York City showed up, and it just blew my mind. Markey and

Andy and Vinnie and Rocca. It was just all the guys. And half of them brought their mothers. We had a wonderful, wonborn in Willits, a little logging town, and it was just the perfect environment. Somehow my dad had secured this 16-bedroom

THE LAST WORDS MY

father spoke to me were, "You're helpless and you're hopeless and you disgust me." He passed away a few weeks later.

derful wedding and ended up planning to have a family.

We had my daughter, Nina, up in the mountains of Mendocino. She was

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racehorse ranch up there, with a full racetrack and stables for 30 horses. He'd gotten the job of caretaking this place. But it was a white elephant. He was on salary and sitting with European antiques in the middle of nowhere. Our nearest neighbor was 20 miles away. We had horses to ride, a stocked fishing pond, bear, pig, deer, and a 5000-acre ranch. And it was, like, well, here we are. This is it. And we had a baby on that ranch, the best thing that's happened to me in my life.

Who did I think of as a star? I have a problem with that word. Sting. That friggin' creep! I don't know, you know. I guess I know a lot of them, but I don't see them that way. And I think about that sometimes. It's interesting. A star is someone who's at

least had some media attention.

As a kid growing up in San Diego, I bought magazines like Rock Scene, and I'd read about these people. I'm here in San Diego, and all this rock stuff is going on in New York. The guys in the magazines became rock stars to me. Then I went to New York, and the next thing you knew, I was there with them. And they didn't consider themselves rock stars. But to some kid in Oklahoma with nothing else to do, looking through the magazines and seeing them on TV and stuff, they were stars — to them, anyway. I wouldn't know. They were the results of the media thing, and most of them

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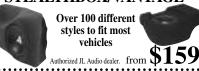
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were pretty fucked up in the head.

But they all had something, and they were unique. They definitely had something going, but it's hard to put your finger on it. I'm not like a motion picture mogul who could look at someone and say, "That guy has star quality." There's a lot of people that I think have star quality that don't end up doing much, and those are the people that I usually gravitate toward. I'm into the bohemian, unheard-of stuff. It doesn't happen very often, because usually, if they're good at what they do, you're going to hear about them. It's like military intelligence. It doesn't happen that often.

There are some obvious stars, and those are the people I usually had prob-

lems with — the ones that think that they are stars. Because everyone poops and does all that kind of stuff. And for somebody that gets all these perks to do that... But I've seen it. I know a lot of them. And I'm not friendly with them.

I was notified that I'd gotten into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame by a kid in France who I didn't know who e-mailed me about three years ago. Yep, I'd won the "Legends of Bass" award with about 50 other guys. It was mainly guys like Paul McCartney and Stanley Clarke, so I definitely thought that it was some kind of misprint. There are real guys on that list, like Jaco Pastorius, Les Claypool. There were all the given guys that are in the big bands and stuff. Then there are a couple on the list who skated in on the skin of their teeth. There's the girl from Smashing Pumpkins — and I don't even know what her name is — who got in. But there's some real big names, too — Entwistle from the Who, and so on.

Chubby Checker, people would ask me for autographs, and I always had a problem with it. Instead, I spent time explaining to people that I would get them Chubby's autograph, if that's what they really wanted.

IT DOESN'T MATTER

to San Diego that someone from Michael Jackson's band lives in Coronado.

Seeing my name on the list, I thought they'd definitely made a mistake somehow. But they'd done it through a census thing. Now, being a bass player, I was always behind the scenes of what was happening. When I played with

But Chubby had a talk with me about this, and he said, "You know, I'd prefer that you didn't do that. This is how it is. We're playing at the Nashville State Fair, or whatever, and we're doing it with Chuck Berry and Little Richard. And these kids come from a long distance away. They've got you built up in their minds as some kind of whatever it is.

"They don't even know you, but you're somebody else, and they go to great lengths to come to see you." Chubby's explanation was, you know, that you never knew when you might go solo. And if you think that those kids that you signed an autograph for aren't going to buy your records, then you're way off. But to me, it was like, well, that's your way of projecting record sales. I don't think like that. I'm a bass guy from San Diego, and this stuff makes me really uncomfortable. I got to work with some really, really heavy guys, and I don't consider myself a heavy guy at all. Maybe a little heavy around the belly these days, but that's about

I didn't realize how far I'd come from San Diego when I got that nomination because I was here in San Diego when it happened. I got the feeling that it probably didn't mean anything to anybody in San Diego, though. Somehow San Diego is like that. We've got some pretty cool groups that come out of here. Eric Clapton's bass player lives in San Diego, but you never hear about that guy. The band P.O.D. is way up there, but you never hear San Diegans say, "Wow, P.O.D.'s from San Diego." San Diegans don't do that. It doesn't really matter to San Diego that someone from Michael Jackson's band lives in Coronado. That's just how it is here in Avocadoland. and it suits me just fine.

But I retired from music, basically, when I went to Mendocino. It was a choice that Iggy and I talked about, and it was a natural chain of events that happened. It was time for me to be a dad. And that is probably one of the coolest things that I've ever done. I'm proud as hell of my daughter. She's a teenager now, and she's a knockout.

What advice would I give to musicians today? Number one, keep your day job. That's what I always tell them. You know what, I'll tell you the truth. I don't really have any advice to give. Jeez, if I had listened to the advice that was given me, I never would have gone to New York. Except for the advice that came from Mrs. Fleet.

Don't ever lose your sense of humor. That's a big one. You know, the odds are stacked incredibly against you. I mean, it's a really competitive industry, and basically, you probably aren't going to make it. The odds of an

individual turning into Iggy Two are nearly impossible. Not too many people go out there with a preconceived idea that they're going to be really successful in rock and roll, except for Madonna or Britney or Pink. I'll take the Dragons at the Casbah any day over that shit.

I don't really have a clue about the state of rock and roll these days. But I heard David Bowie talking about it one time. I introduced my daughter and Charlene to David when he was playing here with a band, and I overheard David talking to an interviewer. David was telling him that he'd just had a confrontation with his son and yelled at him, saying, "You call that music? Turn that damn thing down." He was doing the same thing that his parents had done.

I'm getting older, and I do that with my daughter. One time, she had some rap music on her answering machine, and it was, like, "Honey, come on. You're my baby. Dad's got history. You can't do this to me. You can't play rap music." I'm basically clueless about all the forms of music and the new stuff that's happening today hip-hop, rap, and so on. But it's here to stay. These are legitimate musical forms. All I can say is, I just don't understand them. Which cracks me up, because I'm about as openminded as you can possibly get. And it's, like, those darn kids.

Obviously, I don't think anybody's into the prepackaged Britney stuff that we're supposed to accept as legitimate music these days. But probably one of the cool things that's happening now is that any kid with a computer can get out there, do their band, and then make their own CDs. It's a far cry from when I was younger and we were doing it. We tried to start our own independent record label in New York, Sing Sing Records, when I was with the Criminals. And I had to learn the process of how records were stamped, how you made sleeves, and how you put the whole thing together. Vinyl. I have a record player here, but I don't play my

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records very often.

I don't even have half the records that I'm on, and I definitely would never listen to any of them if I did. There's no point in listening to the stuff that you are already on. But everything has changed so radically. I don't think it really matters what advice I'd give, because this was all a shot-in-the-dark, lucky thing for me. For me, it was a matter of being in the right place at the right time and having the guts to pick up and leave a comfortable situation, of having the courage to move to lands unknown, with absolutely no guarantee that anything was going to happen. With just a couple hundred bucks. It's,

like, go figure!

I still keep in touch with some of the guys that I've worked with. My buddy, Frank Infante — the Blondie guy who did some tours with me — he ended up working doing some other stuff. But Frankie has tagged along with me for over 20 years, and I don't see any end in sight.

And my friend Carlos Alomar. When he hooked up with us, he was David Bowie's musical director. Carlos wrote "Fame" with John Lennon and David Bowie. I'd hear people talk about how the song "Fame" was a James Brown rip-off, and I have to chuckle about that,

because Carlos, when he was 14 years old, played with James Brown. He was the youngest guy ever to play the Apollo Theater, besides Stevie Wonder. Carlos is my soul mate, and he's stayed with his wife Robin for 30 years. Carlos has been with me for a good 20 years, and we've watched our children grow up together. And he remains one of my heavy, heavy soul mates.

I've seen Carlos's résumé and the groups that he's played with. I was on the phone one time with Carlos back in New York, just touching base to see what was happening. He had to put me on hold because he had call waiting, and it was Mick Jagger calling, asking Carlos to do his solo album. You look at Carlos's roster, and it's just mind-boggling how many people he's played with. It's easier to make a list of the people that he hasn't played with than the people that he has. He's one of the most respected people in the whole industry.

I had a very scary situation with Carlos on September 11. My partner Joe and I were going to have lunch with Carlos that day in Los Angeles. Carlos became tired of touring, and he'd picked up a position with Sony Records.

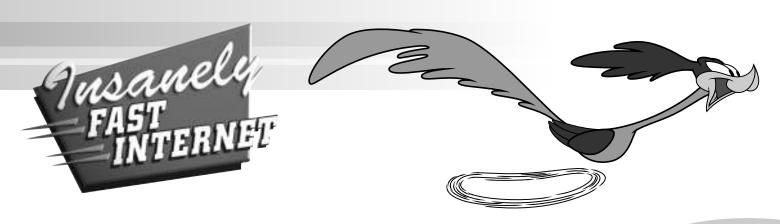
I wanted to get a record deal with them for a band I'd formed with Joe, Eddie, and Diana called A-Bing A-Bang A-Boom. I'd sent him a concept of what we were doing, and it kind of went back to the Dolls thing a little bit. We had big pompadour wigs and makeup and stuff. And with all my musical experience, we had some pretty hard-core music, and it was a theater-production trip. We were negotiating with Carlos when he was working for Sony. But then he got a gig working with Disney and worked there for a short time. Then he got the job he'd always wanted, being cochairman of the Grammys! It took him three years to land that gig.

Well, on September 11, Carlos was flying out to Los Angeles to do the Latin Grammys, and Joe and I were supposed to meet him in L.A. for lunch. Then Joe called me in the morning, asking if I'd seen the news about the World Trade Center. And that was like — holy moly, was that really going on? I was more focused on getting my ride arrangements to L.A. than on what was happening on the news, because that didn't seem like reality.

But it was a real scary situation. I couldn't get Carlos on his cell phone or through the Grammys or his wife. All the phones in New York City were shut down, and as far as I know, he was on one of those planes. I tried to trace what flight he was on, but I couldn't get ahold of the air-

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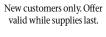
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lines. All of the airlines were basically closed down, and all telephone systems were down in New York

I wanted to find out about a buddy. It turned out that my old drummer, Tony Machine, was in the World Trade Center when it happened, but Tony escaped all right. And my friends that are back there now — the guys that live in that neighborhood — they all say that, wow, things are really, really different.

Carlos didn't call me for three days, so I assumed that he was on one of the planes. I lost sleep for days. But he finally called me back three days later, apologized like crazy, and said, "You can't imagine the chaos. It's not only that here I am for the first time. I've been working all these years to get the Grammys together, and I'm doing the Latin Grammys. And if there were 28 hours in the day, I wouldn't have enough time to do what I'm doing. Then I get on the plane, and an hour later, when we are in midair, the event happens. When we landed in Los Angeles, not only security but the whole thing was just chaos."

The Grammys were canceled, and everything was canceled. Nothing was more important than what was happening with the World Trade Center. But he apologized for not getting in touch with me and scaring me like he did. So anyway, he went back to New York, the Grammys happened later, and he had his first successful thing.

But I'm in touch with some of the guys. Frankie will be down here tomorrow. He comes down here all the time. He loves San Diego, and he's looking for a house here. Clem Burke — the drummer from Blondie that did my tours with me and stuff he's always playing somewhere. The last time he was playing with the Romantics, he opened at the House of Blues in Chicago. He's played with the Eurythmics, and he's booked all the time. He's one of those working musicians, and that doesn't happen all the time, again, like military intelligence.

But a lot of them right now have admiration for

my situation in getting into film scoring, because I don't need to do all the grueling tour work. I can be creative, do music, and work right here out of my own studio. I started from scratch and didn't even know how you get involved with some of this stuff. I've been doing some films with students from State, and I'm sifting through to pick out the kids that are more serious. I've done a good five or ten films already, and I'm going to another independent film festival next week in hopes of picking up some more clients.

So that's what I'm doing. And my rock and roll buddies are saying, "Wow, what a perfect thing for you to get involved with. You're still doing music. You can watch visual things and do soundtracks for films." My friend Mike Andrews is up in Los Angeles right now. He's done the same thing, and he's really encouraging. He's

definitely took a really heavy toll on my personal life and habits. I'd never let any of this stuff go to my head. I mean, it wasn't me doing the Johnny Carson show. I did it because I was playing there with Chubby. I didn't do the Letterman show because the Mike Page nation wanted to see me. I was there because they wanted to see Iggy Pop; I just happened to be a guy behind the scenes on all this stuff. So I had all that stuff straight in my head. I'm a Dago bassman is all.

But something happened along the way, and I don't remember what day it was or when it came about. But at some point, I'd crossed the line in my social drinking and developed into a hard-core alcoholic. Alcoholism is a progressive disease, and it used to be a bad thing to be an alcoholic. Now it's, like, basically, if you're looking for a record deal these days,

I ENDED UP HAVING

six alcohol-withdrawal seizures, which shows what a hard-core alcoholic I'd become.

just gotten to do Drew Barrymore's film, and one of the movie companies moved him to Los Angeles. The last I heard was that he was at the Cannes Film Festival, and he went to Sundance.

Mike's very shy about talking about what he's doing. But usually he's doing a lot better than he lets on. I think he's hooked up with some Disney things, and if that happens he's over the top. He just sent me a letter the other day saying, "You know what? You're on to something really cool. Maybe we should think about letting the young kids take up the rock and roll flag. Maybe you should settle down a little bit and do this other stuff." That's good advice.

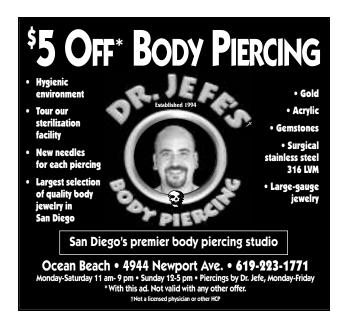
One thing that I haven't talked about was the toll that the rock and roll lifestyle takes. This lifestyle

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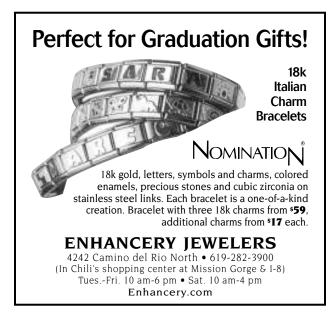
your best chance of getting one is to go to a 12-step meeting up in L.A.

A 12-step program saved my life, because at some point, drinking became a natural part of what I was doing. It didn't matter what city I was in, I'd wake up in the morning and I'd be disoriented. I didn't know who I was with, and we only had a certain amount of time to get up, pack up, split, and go to the next city that we were performing in. There was a good chance that those beers lying around were going to help me start my day off, because it didn't matter. I wasn't driving, and I wasn't responsible for anything. I'd jump in the shower, and I'd have clean clothes on when I'd meet the guys. We'd usually meet in a bar in the morning and have a bloody mary and then drink throughout the day and into the evening.

When I got off the









road, I found that these habits were continuing, and after a while, I developed shaking in the morning. And it progressed and got worse and worse. And the big deal now was it was different from when I was playing rock and roll. Now I was being domesticated, and alcoholism didn't fit into domesticated life. I mean, financially, I didn't need to work. So I had some spare time. And now I was killing spare time. And at some point — and I don't know when or where — my alcoholism got out of control.

At first I didn't really have a desire to get sober, because I thought I was doing okay. I picked up a job working for several guitar stores in San Diego for a while, and somewhere, at some point, the alcohol thing would rear its head. I'd get things under control. Then they'd get out of control, back under control, and out of control again. And it basically stopped being fun. I wasn't drinking for the same reasons that I was drinking before. I was just drinking out of habit, to feel better. The whole thing about drinking to feel happy I'd drink and I'd feel sad. I'd drink for courage, but that didn't happen. Yeah, it just stopped working. I drank to erase problems and saw them multiply.

I found myself physically addicted, and I really wasn't aware this happened. I tried to stop drinking on my own once, and about the third day, I had an alcohol-withdrawal seizure on the street. I had no clue about what was happening. I went down, knocked my head, and the next thing I knew, I was inside an ambulance. I knew I didn't have epilepsy, but I still hadn't come to terms with it being alcohol. See, I'd drank successfully for a long time.

People were concerned about me, but when you're in that state of alcoholism, you don't really think about that kind of thing. And you don't think about harming people that you end up harming and doing the things that you end up doing. I'm not copping an easy way out by saying it wasn't my fault. It's just something that alcoholics

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go through. And they don't realize the destruction and devastation that they're leaving in their paths. Even after my wife finally couldn't take it anymore and left with my daughter, I somehow turned that into *her* problem and not mine. The last words my father spoke to me were, "You're helpless and you're hopeless and you disgust me." He passed away a few weeks later.

Then I had another

alcohol-withdrawal seizure. And another. And another. It just blew my mind, because you can die from just one, which I wasn't aware of. Well, I ended up having a total of six alcohol-withdrawal seizures, which shows what a hardcore alcoholic I'd become. I wasn't in a treatment program at that time, because I didn't think I needed treatment. I could quit any time I wanted. So I quit 20 or 30 times.

At one point, I must have seen the light and saw that I was hooked. It was just like being that junkie on heroin. You know, it doesn't work for you anymore. You want to quit, then you don't want to quit, and you end up doing it. And no matter what's going to happen, you're going to end up fighting it. I figured that since alcohol was legal, it wasn't going to be like that. And I had no clue anything like this was

ever going to happen to me. Up until then, I was jolly old good-time Mikey, the life of the party.

Finally, I was at a big estate in the Muirlands in La Jolla. Things weren't working out at all, and I was asked to leave. And I think, at that time, I walked away with \$100. From the Muirlands, I walked down to Windansea with a pint of vodka. I watched the sun set, drank the pint, and bought another pint.

Then I jumped on a bus, went to my little brother's house in El Cajon, and showed up out there. My little brother said to me, "You need help." People had been telling me that for a while, but it was like it hadn't sunk in.

And he said, "You need help right now. You can stay here tonight, but we're going to have to get you into some kind of treatment, because everything is falling apart." So he called up a guy who was involved in this 12-step program. And the guy talked to me for a minute and asked me if I thought I was done, and I told him, "I think I am. I think I'm done. Finally." And he said, "Well, we're going to get you into a treatment center tomorrow. I'm going to get you a backstage pass. I've got a backstage pass to the tenday program at detox." Well, he was talking my language, and it was a language that I could understand.

He said he knew a guy that knew a guy who could pull some weight. And that's it. He was connected. So this guy Steve, you know, who I'd never met before in my life, drove the next day from Imperial Beach all the way to El Cajon. He saw that I was shaking really bad and saw what state I was in. He took me to the hospital, which is one of the prerequisites of the ten-day detox program, and got me a prescription for Librium. I was required to take that because of my history of seizures, or they wouldn't let me in. Steve paid for the prescription

himself. And later, when I walked in the doors of detox, I'll never forget what he told me. He said, "You know, all the stuff you're going through now, everything that's happening to you, when you walk through these doors, leave all that stuff behind you. You just need to listen to what they're saying in here." And he gave me a couple of bucks, a couple packs of cigarettes, and his phone number and said that I could call him whenever

I needed to. Go figure. He said that I was going to do a five-day detox and then the ten-day program where I would learn about the disease I suffered from. And I went through the five-day thing and didn't have any seizures. Of course, now I'm being monitored, and I don't have a choice about drinking. But I'm scared. I'm downtown with what I took to be skid-row burns. I'd been on the mattresses at 1111 Island three times in one month after being taken off the street. But I'm taken down there only until I sober up enough

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so they can let me go. One time, I found myself drinking a beer in Balboa Park, and it was, like, how did this happen? How did it get like this? I contemplated suicide but didn't have the balls.

I listened, and halfway through the ten-day program something happened. They said something about the fact that it wasn't going to work until you put the sword down and stopped fighting; you realize that you have a disease that's going to kill you, it's more powerful than you are, and there is no cure for it. So

there's only one place to go. You need to ask God for help. My first reaction was, maybe *these* bums need help, but not me! But the seed was planted.

For me, that was a pretty weird thing to do. But I figured that I'd tried everything else, and nothing else worked. Here I am, Mr. Big Shot Rock and Roller, asking for help. So I went to bed that night and thought, I've tried everything. And that night, when I went to bed, I kind of put my hands together in whatever way I could. See, I don't know any prayers

except "Now I lay me down to sleep." But I guess for the first time I found myself asking for help. And halfway through, it was, now without a drink or a drug. I'm still blown away!

And everything is different. All the things that were important to me

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of men that will always owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Pathfinders.

like, oh, my God, I'm really doing this. I realized that I was no longer faking myself out, that I couldn't trick myself anymore, and that I needed to look at what was happening. And I actually asked God for help in whatever way that I could.

The next day I woke up, and it's one of those things — I didn't know what was up, but something was different. I felt it. Something was different. If I look back on it now, it sounds crazy, and it is, but the obsession was lifted. But I guess that that was all I needed to do. I asked for help, and I got it, because I'm getting on five years

before came back — stuff that I had lost back in my life. I've never been closer with my daughter than now, and I've started a whole new career at my age. It still involves music and writing film scores, which is something I've always wanted to do, without the need for a drink.

Being in the ten-day program gave me time for the clarity. I got my health together a little bit, and I was able to listen to some of the suggestions that were being offered. But when I got out of there, I thought, it's cool that I've learned what I've learned, but I'm still only a couple of weeks sober. And if I go back out

on the streets, am I really going to be strong enough to survive? I'd learned that alcohol is cunning, baffling, and powerful.

I'd heard about recov-

ery homes while I was in detox, and probably for the first time ever, I started thinking that I probably wouldn't have a lot to lose thinking about something like that. And it was funny, because they offered me a place at a ranch in Descanso. Of course, I tried to sweet-talk the guys, saying, "Yeah, I'd be really useful at your ranch, because I lived on a ranch in Mendocino. I can shoe horses. I can fix barbed-wire fence." But it wasn't that kind of a ranch. I heard it was a place where convicts come out of the joint, and it was in the middle of nowhere.

But I went to talk with the guy, and he said, "Well, we're going to let you in." And I said, "Well, I've changed my mind. I have a daughter here in San Diego. I can't leave for long periods of time without knowing what's going on with her." And they said, "Well, then we've changed our mind too, because you told us you were willing to do anything. And now you're *almost* willing to do anything. We don't want you, and good luck. Do you know what your odds are? The odds of a hard-core alcoholic recovering are against you. With hard-core, it's only 20 percent that recover," or something like that. "So, good luck, buddy. You ain't going to make it."

Steve from Imperial Beach came to pick me up the day I got out. He's my buddy and I owe him. For a stranger to do something like that is unreal. He picked me up and took me to this place called Pathfinders. I'd heard of Pathfinders when I was in detox and that it was the oldest recovery home in California. And I'd heard that they had a pretty good success rate. I'd heard that it was in Golden Hill, but I didn't know anything about that. And I said to myself, just check it out and see what's happening there. Maybe, just maybe...

So Steve picked me up and took me to Pathfind-

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ers, which is a beautiful old place at 30th and Cedar. And I went in there pretty scared. I did an interview, and they asked me if I was qualified. And it was, like, "I'm qualified." "Well, how much did you drink?" "Well, too much." And they were, like, "So what, are you a wiseass? How much is too much?""Okay. A half gallon of vodka from the bottle each day." See, they were checking me out and testing me to see if I was

real. And I said, "Trust me, I'm a real alcoholic."

So I did the interview at Pathfinders. And they said, "Okay, we need you to come back tomorrow. Do you have a place to stay tonight?" And I said, "No, actually I don't." And Steve stepped up and said, "Yes, he does. He can stay with me." And I was, like, "Well, wait. You're married, you've got a kid, and you don't even know me."

But he ended up tak-

ing me to his house and introducing me to his wife and his couch. Of course, I wanted to sleep in his little converted garage downstairs, but his wife insisted that I stay on the couch in the living room. I wasn't used to somebody doing such nice things without an ulterior motive, like backstage passes or whatever. But these people were doing something where I couldn't see the payoff. And they had a beautiful little kid,

Zack, who was all over me. He was just a cool little kid. The entire family went overboard with making me feel comfortable.

I told him that I'd rather stay down in the garage. But I think he thought that if I was in the garage, I'd go to the store that was just around the corner. And he wasn't going to let me take off.

The next morning, we had breakfast, and he took me back to Pathfinders.

We arrived about 9 o'clock in the morning, and I did my interview. They told me to wait on the porch with six other guys who were also waiting out there. It was 10 o'clock. And the next thing, it was 11 o'clock, and then 12 o'clock. By 11 o'clock, a couple of the guys had split, and by 12 o'clock, a couple more had split. They said, "I don't need this stuff. I'm not going to wait around here all day."

By four o'clock in the afternoon, I was still sitting on the porch, and it was time for them to have dinner. I'd been there since nine o'clock in the morning. A guy came out and said, "Excuse me, sir. Can I help you? You've been out here all day." And I said, "Well, they told me to wait out here." He said, "Come on. What do you mean? They said for you to wait out here at ten o'clock. It's four o'clock, dude. What

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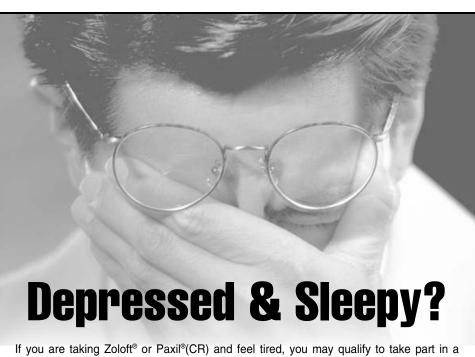
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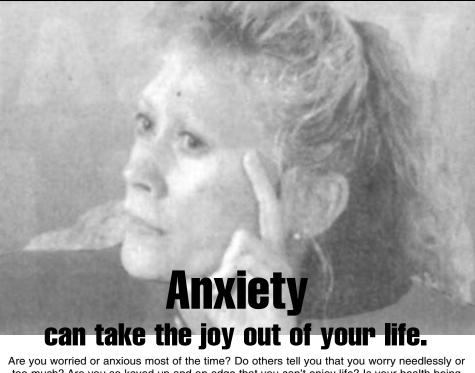
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are you doing?" And I said, "Well, I'm just doing what I was told to do. I was told to wait out here." And he said, "Well, look, man..." I don't know what kind of response he gave me, but it was something like this was the most insane thing that he'd ever heard — that I was told to wait out here for a minute and now it was four o'clock in the afternoon.

But then he said, "What happened to the other guys?" I think he was expecting some kind of explanation from me. But I said, "I don't know what happened to them." And he goes, "Let me get this straight. You're still here." "Yeah, I'm still here." "Did you bring anything with you?" "No." And he said, "Then come on in. You're in."

I went inside, and I

kept thinking Candid Camera was on. All these guys came up and were hugging me and telling me, "Welcome home." I found out that there were 50 men living in three different houses at Pathfinders. One house you stayed in for the first couple months, but we're talking about a ninemonth program here. Nine months is a lot of time to give out of your life. But when I looked back and looked at all the time that I'd wasted in my life, I realized that I needed a whole overhaul of my way of thinking. And I needed the time to do it.

So I told them, "You know, I have a daughter and stuff." And they told me, "Well, you're not going to be any good to your daughter or anybody until you take care of yourself. You need to start all over

and build a new foundation, and we're giving you the chance to do that here. You'll have a room, shelter, and meals. Rent is minimal, and we'll even help you pay your rent, if need be." I kept wondering what the angle was. There's got to be an angle here. And gradually I learned what it was. It was basically that that's the only way alcoholism can be treated — one alcoholic helping another alcoholic. Even the directors and bosses here were just plain simple alcoholics helping one another.

So I stayed the whole nine months at Pathfinders and ended up working on staff at the place. And it was real difficult for me to leave, because getting sober was not an easy thing to do. It's a daily thing, and I had to be force fed. I've heard it called a milliondollar program, shoved up your ass a nickel at a time. And that's the way I had to do it, with the supervision of going to meetings and doing all the stuff that was required. I learned how to make my bed and how to do other stuff, you know. And I'll tell you what. I'm one of thousands of men that will always owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Pathfinders. It changed my life radically. I have a life, I mean, and more will be revealed!

We had a guy come in maybe a month after I was in there. Of course, I'd been sober a month, so I was being a big-shot professional about it now. I was the housemom there, and this new guy comes in. He was brought in from the ten-day program with a little note attached to him, saying, "Hey, Mikey, this

is Tom. He's one of us. Take him under your wing and show him the ropes." And it was, like, "Yeah, come on in, buddy! I know what the hell is going on here now. Welcome home! Don't worry about a thing. More will be revealed."

I looked at him, and he was scared, shaking, underweight, and just beat. He came in, and now he's the director. There's another guy at Pathfinders named Stan who's been there forever. They have a meeting every Sunday that I go to where there are a couple of hundred men, and there's no horseshit. These guys tell it like it is. These guys are grateful to be alive, because they really shouldn't be. They've beaten the odds, at least for that day. Their attitude is contagious. There are guys there with 40 years of sobriety, and there are guys with just one day.

You know, I used to gravitate toward that element in rock and roll that I couldn't put my finger on. It was all that energy and whatever else that was happening. And these days, I gravitate towards the energy of gratitude — that I can see the people who have been there, done that, and have lived through it. It takes a lot of courage, and the odds are stacked against you. But they are my people, and I share something in common with them. We've been to hell and looked the devil in the face, and we've lived to tell about it. And it's an awesome thing that's so radically changed my life that there are no words to even describe it. And it's just, that's it. *Rock on!* ■

— Barbara Palmer

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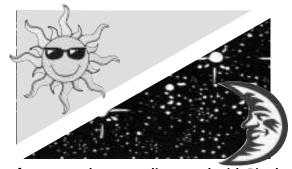
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EAT FIRE

continued from page 35 of club where edgy acts take place, climbs on the stage unannounced, behaves boorishly until he starts getting heckled, and then he hits the switch. The explosion is designed to take place right on his chest, with very little outward or upward thrust. He makes sure he's several feet from the first row. Sometimes, he says, paper from the crackers, and even a loose cracker or two, reaches the audience, but nobody, including himself, has ever been hurt. Though, he says, "My shirt usually catches fire." He runs out and disappears a few seconds after the explosion.

I am one of those people, employed by a university English department, who still believe language is not

the Betrayer, that, though not perfect, it is still by far the best way we have of communicating with each other. So I asked him what he called what he did. "Gosh, performance art, shock art, hit-andrun art." I thought to call it Rubber Neck Art: like looking at a car crash — we may not want to, but we must. I remembered the performance artist who covered her body with slices of bologna — a euphemism for her talent? Most performance art I've seen over the years struck me as banal and pretentious, and usually with a PC point as subtle as a sharp stick in the eyeball. It always whiffed of narcissism, an excuse to climb onstage, preferably alone. It always seemed to me to lack discipline, a true passion to make some-



Karen Shelby

thing. Why study dance or singing or even writing when you can jump on a stage, act self-

indulgently, and call it art?

But there was something very differ-

ent about JB and his motives. Namely, he doesn't seem to have any, at least not consciously. After blowing up, he doesn't hang around waiting for applause. And, as you will see, there is nothing self-flattering about any of the other feats he performs. He is aware of the extreme commercial limitations in what he does. Indeed, he is much more at risk of being fined than of getting paid for his work. "I do it [remember, he is referring to not only exploding but also other feats as yet unspecified] for the reaction; that's what I kind of get off on."

He loved horror movies as a child and dressed up as characters to scare the other kids, unconfined by Halloween. He became obsessed with Houdini and read voraciously about him. One thing he never forgot about Houdini: much of his early career was spent hanging around with freaks and other sideshow people. JB knows the movie *Freaks* almost frame by frame. He taught himself many escape acts. He loved magic and was good at sleight of hand but "always too fast."

Lest you're wondering about his childhood: pretty normal. His parents were divorced when he was a young teenager, but he's close to both of them and a brother, and he visits his grammy regularly. He had a monkey for 27 years, recently deceased, whom he mourns. The monkey was fed LSD by previous owners and therefore was a little jumpy. She (her name was

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Normal Sleeper?

- Do you typically sleep well at home?
- Have you ever tossed and turned in a strange bed?
- Before a big deadline/exam?
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866-857-SKIN (7546) WWW.CALSKIN.COM Onion) had a lifelong fear of brooms and gloves. One can only shudder thinking of what those heinous hippies did to bum out the poor monkey in such a way. JB had some bad-boy years and his share of runins with booze and drugs, but he's been clean and sober for some time now and in a stable relationship.

Okay, what else does JB do? When he is not exploding, of what does his act consist? He inhales condoms through his nose and pulls them out his mouth. This was the first feat of his career, and it began on a bet from a former girlfriend: "Twenty bucks

says you can't inhale that condom." He did it first try. What kind does he use? "Ribbed, for my pleasure," he says, and, "unlubricated because the spermicide tastes lousy." He eats king worms and crickets. Sometimes he'll chew a mouthful of crickets and, feeling a few still alive in one cheek, will then open his mouth and let the living cricket or two crawl over their dead and half-masticated comrades to his lips and onto his chin and freedom. These he later releases into the wild. Ours is not to reason why. But I asked, "What's up with the worm and bug eating?" JB, nonchalantly, "I'm a

big fan of protein; there's a lot of protein in bugs and worms." I assumed crickets were pretty crunchy. "Yeah, they're a little crunchy, and they've got a strange, bitter taste. So do king worms really bitter. Must be a on maggot eating (as if maggot eating wasn't twisted enough): "Everybody has this thing about maggots looking like rice. I'd bring 'em in a Chinese food carton and just start spooning them up." I guess he is one of

They met and fell in love over fire eating.

defense mechanism, like ants — when you crush them, they smell funny." Uh-huh. He's searching for maggots but can't find any commercially, and it's too difficult to gather enough from the festering wounds of roadkill. He'd put this little twist

those people, like me, who are clumsy with chopsticks. He talks about eating maggots in the same way other people talk about going out to the front porch to pick up the newspaper.

What else? He puts a four-inch electrical

drill up his nose and turns it on, or inserts it while it's turned on. He pounds a spike into his nose with a hammer and then pulls it out with the claw end. He swallows butane gas, swallows several puffs of cigarette smoke, waits until he feels a burp coming up, dips his hand in dishwashing liquid, makes an O with his thumb and forefinger, burps a bubble of butane gas and smoke into this O, and, while the bubble is still stuck to his hand, lights it: boom! It "makes a little mushroom cloud of smoke, just like an atomic blast." I asked him if he ever consulted his internist

effects of swallowing butane gas, and he said, "I figure if I'm burping it right up, it can't do me any harm." This guy is crackers. I love this guy.

He does many other things, some of which wouldn't get by the editors of a family newspaper. JB wanted desperately to learn how to eat fire. He also wanted to learn to sword swallow but was procrastinating: "People can get killed doing that." But he wanted to learn to eat fire, and I could help him.

In fact, I had the perfect teacher for him, an experienced fire eater with a pedagogical bent. Her name is Karen Shelby; she's 32

RESEARCH STUDIES

Do you have a nagging cough due to smoking?



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years old, a visiting scholar at UCSD. Her field is political science, with a special interest in women in politics. She's writing her dissertation on Simone de Beauvoir and on women and the Algerian War. Beauvoir was a French novelist, philosopher, and protofeminist who wrote the groundbreaking book The Second Sex. She was a lover of, among others, the French existentialist Jean-Paul Sartre. Brilliant, immensely gifted, independent, Beauvoir

always reminded me of Lou Andreas-Salomé, a woman about a generation younger and a lover of both Rilke (the poet) and Nietzsche (the philosopher) and a protégé of Freud (the shrink). She told Rilke to eat rocks (he was a whiner) and found Nietzsche breathtakingly neurasthenic and needing a whip. What I love most about her, though, is that when she was old and knew she was dying, she was pissed off. Not afraid, sad, etc. Pissed off. She had too much more to

Shelby will be a professor in a few years and is married to a young professor of linguistics at UCSD. She

Louisville dean. Carter asked (it was at an outdoor gathering) if anyone wanted to learn to eat fire — not your usual invitation at a

I told my wife I'd like a picture of myself with my tongue on fire.

did her undergraduate work at the University of Louisville in Kentucky and learned to eat fire from a woman named Liz Carter, the wife of a University of

student/faculty picnic. Shelby and a few others stepped forward. The others backed off when the reality of putting a flaming torch in their mouths and closing

their lips and teeth around it sunk in. Shelby's an attractive brunette, very articulate, and one of the most naturally and continuously ebullient people I have ever met. Ten minutes around her could pull the darkest person out of the deepest funk.

I met Shelby and talked to her before she gave me a demonstration. I was struck by her normalcy, particularly in comparison with JB. (Notes to principals: Shelby, By normalcy, I don't mean

bland! JB, Am I right? — the last thing you want is to be thought normal.)

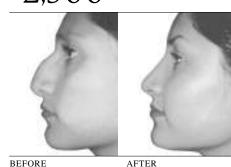
I asked Shelby if she was an eccentric child. "No, I was a smart kid, got good grades...but I did follow my own mind." She has no ambitions to further her fire-eating career — she does it only a handful of times per year, usually at a party or picnic. Her father and mother (divorced since she, too, was a young teenager, and, respectively, a mortgage

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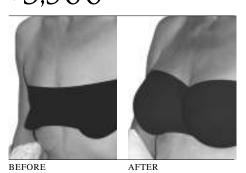
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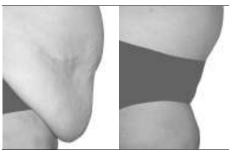
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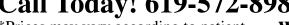
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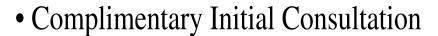


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banker and a sales manager) are blasé about it, but her husband, Eric Bakovic, loves it. In fact, they met and fell in love over fire eating. They were both at a baby shower while graduate students at Rutgers University when Bakovic first saw her. She was beaming. He approached her and asked what she was smiling so broadly about. Not a bad opening line — it's simple, plausible, original enough, and made it clear he was attracted first to an element of Shelby's personality rather than just to her looks. Shelby responded, "I just ate fire." Even better answer. He was fascinated, impressed, and BAM, just like that, he was a goner. I asked her if he still liked that she ate fire. She said, "Oh, he's very excited when I'm going to eat fire!"

I got a close-up demonstration of fire eating in the kitchen of my rented condo in Coronado. I was a little nervous about this. The woman next door had, obviously, been elected (by a landslide!) to the office of Village Scold and took her responsibilities seriously. There's a note from her on the refrigerator of my condo that says "No laughing or dish washing after 10 o'clock." She'd left a note once saying I opened and closed my door too often. I pulled the shades. "The kitchen floor is tiled and the ceiling's high," Shelby said, and, "I like the proximity to water."

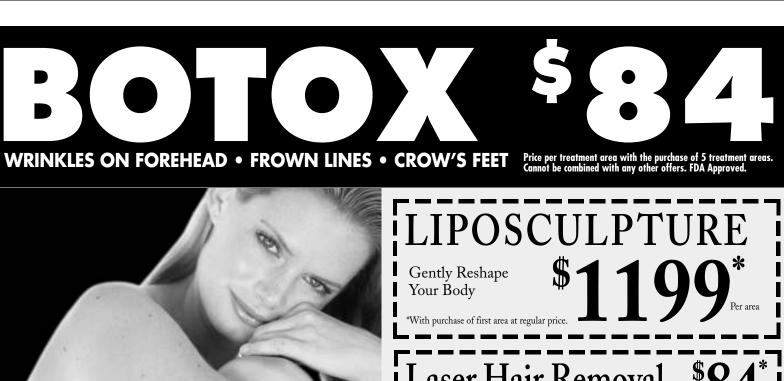
There is one basic spoken but unwritten rule about fire eating: you don't reveal its secrets unless you pass them along, teaching another to eat fire. You can explain technique, but the real secret to eating fire is not technique — that can be

pretty much figured out by close observation. The secret is in the sauce, the flammable liquid that the torches are dipped into and that's then lit. Shelby calls it, appropriately, "secret sauce" and never revealed to me what it was. I had considered trying to learn to eat fire myself, but after I met JB and

learned (1) he's nuts and (2) he very much wanted to learn, I decided: Better him than me.

First, Shelby showed me her tools, including a jar of the secret sauce. It's a light blue-green, somewhat viscous, and smells a little like airplane glue. Its most important properties? It burns at a lower temperature than most flammable liquids and is extinguished more quickly than most flammable liquids when deprived of oxygen. She had a few

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She showed me her three torches, which she made herself. She takes a 16- to 18-inch dowel, about the circumference of a fat pencil, and paints it black. Then she wraps lantern wicking three or four times around the top of the dowel and nails it in place with thin, tiny nails. It's

very important to drive the nails deeply into the wicking (but not so deeply they go through the first layer) and into the dowel: you don't want the nails to get hot when you light the torch. The torch head was about the size of, say, a golf ball. She put a small candle on a plate, laid down another plate on which to put the torches, and

that's all she needed. She dipped a torch into the secret sauce. You want it "squishy" but

it: for a few seconds a blue, wavering fire (maybe ten times the size of a candle flame)

DragonBoy used diesel fuel to blow his fire.

not dripping excess sauce. She lit it from the candle, held out her right hand palm up, and tapped the torch to

rose from her palm. She snuffed it (after four or five seconds? — I never counted) by closing her hand. Gotta tell you: very cool to see this, particularly for the first time.

She demonstrated several feats, my favorite of which was lighting her tongue on fire. I wondered how she timed how long she let a flame burn on her hand or tongue. Did she count seconds? No, "but you need to remember that when the secret sauce is

burned up, the fire will commence to burn something else, i.e., your skin." I kept thinking what a great picture it would be in the dark: a woman's face lit by a fire on her out-thrust tongue. Or a man. I'm not investing this with metaphorical implications. Just a wild picture. I told my wife I'd like a picture of myself with my tongue

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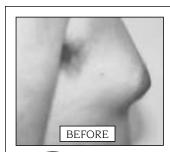
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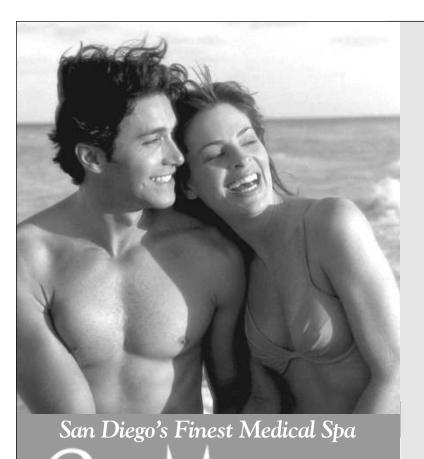


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on fire. She said nowadays one could create the same effect on a computer; it would look just the same. I said I thought that might defeat the point. She then, smart woman, said something flattering about my tongue, and before I knew it I'd promised not to set it on fire. I'll detail the fire eating further when Shelby initiates JB by revealing to him the secret sauce and teaching him to eat

First, I had to go to Tijuana for a day. I'd heard there were fire eaters there, and I was, in particular, interested in finding a 12-year-old boy who breathed fire by night and often did a juggling act in parks during the day. He was called DragonBoy. DragonBoy used diesel fuel to blow his fire. I had learned earlier this important distinction: the people who fill their mouths with a flammable liquid and then spew it out and over a flame to create a dramatic fireball are not fire eaters. They are called fire breathers. I'm sure some people both breathe and eat fire, but fire breathers don't put burning torches into their mouths. I'm sure those who both eat and breathe fire take special care to wash out their mouths thoroughly after breathing fire and before eating fire! In fact, flames (should) never come near a fire breather's mouth, but they might if he sprays the liquid too slowly or it lacks the proper mistiness. Fire breathing is considered the easier skill. JB could already do that standing on his head: he wanted to eat it.

I wanted to find DragonBoy. My Spanish is poor, and I don't know Tijuana very well. So I decided to invite IB to come

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along. I'd get to talk to him more, and his Spanish was better than mine. Which meant we had about 12 badly mispronounced words between us instead of my 4.

So off we went. We knew we were unlikely to see anyone breathing fire in daylight, but we got to TJ about 3:00 p.m. to check some parks and to try to find DragonBoy juggling. When fire breathers do their business in TJ, they must be quick about it. Sometimes they work the border's waiting lines, but mostly they set up at an intersection, and when the light is red, they run out, blow fire, try to get tips from drivers, then scurry off of the street when the light turns green. They can't work a light, or anywhere, very long: the cops chase them

away. We checked out a few parks where we'd heard the kid might be. No kid, no juggler, no fire. We walked and walked, often asking people with sign language and a few words. We knew *fuego* meant fire. I found out later that the correct Spanish word is tragafuego. Literally: to swallow fire.

Most people seemed to know what we were talking about and would say, Yes, yes, on this corner, on that, Oh, yes, the boy who juggles and spits fire. We walked and walked. Turns out JB didn't know TJ that well either, but we didn't care; we were on a quest; we were chattering away with each other. Near the end of a run-down street we saw a few guys sitting on the curb shooting drugs. A few yards later, at a corner, a Tijuana

police van with three cops screeched to a stop and braced us. They figured out pretty quickly we'd wandered into a wrong neighborhood. When we explained what we were looking for (their English was strong), one laughed, one rolled her eyes, and the third looked as if he wanted to run us in for being dumb. They, too, gave us directions to where we might find DragonBoy.

It was getting dark; we felt our luck was bound to change when we saw two jugglers/acrobats in clownface working an intersection. While the light was red, one stood on the other's shoulders and both juggled, singly and with each other. They had about 45 seconds to work and another 15 to cop some change. We talked to

them. Neither was DragonBoy, but they seemed to know exactly whom we were looking for and where he was. We followed their directions: nada. We asked taxi drivers. After a lengthy example of miscommunication we figured out one taxi driver thought we were looking for an arsonist. He was more than willing to take us to one. Another cabbie thought we were looking for a place where a woman set her nipples on fire. He knew of a place like that. No, gracias. We walked; we wandered; we ate a few meals; waiters would tell us, Sí, sí, you will find them here or there. Everybody had seen fire breathers, and several seemed to know DragonBoy. We walked miles and miles, the only people in TJ searching for what we

were searching for.

Let me tell you some other things about JB: he's a fun walking companion and raconteur. He's chipper. He's indefatigable. And regarding his imperviousness to pain, the day before our excursion, he had, while cutting a piece of thick plastic with a power saw at his machinist's job, shot a three-inch shard into his upper right groin. About the size and shape of "a small knife blade." He didn't notice he was impaled until its protruding end caught on the corner of a workbench. He pulled it out and debated whether to stitch it up himself or go to the doctor's. Once he learned his insurance would cover the visit, he went and contented himself with supervising the physician. On

the trolley home from Tijuana, he was happy to show me the nasty little stitched-up

You've guessed by now we never found DragonBoy. If we hadn't been looking for him we would have found him easily. As we were walking up the ramp to the border, still on the Mexican side, I saw a quick, large gust of flame a few hundred yards away in the lines of cars jerking forward. A few seconds later: again. I could barely make out the silhouette of the person blowing the fire. DragonBoy? We never knew. We kept walking across. JB had bought a few Day of the Dead figurines as a birthday gift for his girlfriend. When asked what was in the bag, he said just that and was waved through. We were probably in the

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minority, crossing late on a Friday night: stone sober, carrying no mood-altering or other pharmacological substances, and utterly chaste. When the customs officer asked me if I was bringing anything back, I said, "Only a headache and a sense of failure: I could not find an eater of fire." Without a blink, she waved me through.

I was a little disconsolate on the way back to San Diego but heartened by a promise JB made to me: he'd blow himself up tomorrow.

The next day he took me to a large indoor space, a small warehouse-like structure in an area I was asked not to disclose. When we went inside, JB excused himself and said he'd be right back. I assumed he'd gone to the can. He came back into the room in a few minutes. I was looking at some pictures on the wall and turned to see him walking toward me, maybe 15 feet away. He's changed his shirt, I thought. In midstride: KABOOM! I jumped about a foot in the air and about two feet back. I had to smack myself on top of the head a few times to get my heart back out of my throat and down to where it belonged. Smoke was everywhere, my ears rang, paper from the crackers was floating to the floor. JB grinned. I'd grown rather fond of the lad and thought it was time to pass on a little avuncular advice: "YOU **CRAZY MOTHER-**FUCKER, DON'T EVER DO THAT AGAIN!" I calmed down a bit: "Or don't do it without some kind of advance warning — maybe ask each audience member to bring a doctor's note and not without good insurance and a good

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have a heart attack! Somebody will be strapped and shoot you five times in the head!" JB looked at his left sleeve, which was burning at the cuff. He tapped it out as if he were mock-slapping the wrist of a naughty child. "Want to see me skewer my arm through with a meat hook and then hang by it?" A perfectly reasonable question, given the circumstances. I said, "Not today, thanks." He was just kidding, though. He does skewer himself with different implements, but "Hang by my arm from a meat hook? That would hurt," he said.

After we made plans for his fire-eating lesson the next day, I went home and called my cardiologist.

Shelby had invited JB and me to her house

on a brilliant Sunday afternoon for JB's initiation into the brother/sisterhood of fire eaters. There we met her husband, Eric Bakovic, also 31. Bakovic's about six feet tall, lean, fit, and Bolivian-born. Their house, in North Park, is compact, neat, airy. We chatted for a while: an old professor (me), a young professor (Bakovic), a soon-to-be

professor (Shelby), and JB, who was there to learn but had a few things of his own to teach us.

Bakovic, who clearly adores his wife, not only loves to watch her eat fire but also loves to watch other people who are seeing her eat fire for the first time. Bakovic does know the secret of the secret sauce. Shelby didn't tell him for a long time and then let it slip by accident. Bakovic's response to my inquiry about this was "But I've developed amnesia."

At one point in our getting-to-know-you conversation, IB described his butane/smoke/bubble feat. Shelby said to JB, "It's not for me, like it is for you, an exercise in the imagination — 'What if I tried to do this, or that?" "The "this or that" is the part of JB's psyche that pushes him to do things most of us would need mushrooms to imagine or antinausea pills to watch. (On a videotape of JB's club act, different people yell out, several times, "YOU SICK

FUCK!") I loved the contrast: sweet, learned, gracious Shelby chatting with and about to teach JB — a sweet nutcake and autodidact — to eat the fire. Another contrast was very evident when I transcribed the tape of this conversation: the refinement and good taste of women versus the goofy crudeness of men. Here's a snatch of conversation (verbatim but for a few stage directions indicating tone). Me, to Shelby: "JB does some really weird things." Shelby:

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Giggles, nervously. Me: "He puts an electric drill up his nose." Shelby: "Gosh," politely. Me: "He also pounds a spike up his nose." Bakovic: "Yeah!" Shelby: "Wow." (Just

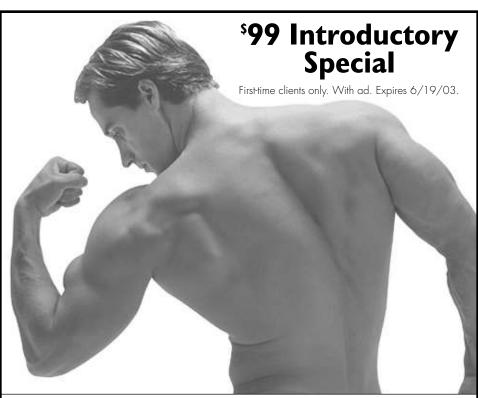
about any woman reading the above will know the tone of this "Wow.") Bakovic: "Isn't that called 'blockhead'?" (the technical name for this kind of sideshow act). Shelby:

"Wow." Bakovic: "Spike and hammer!" JB: "Rocks and stuff too." Shelby: "Wow." Bakovic: "I totally have to see this!" Shelby: "Would anyone like some water or juice?"

JB mentioned his self-skewering feats and, while showing Shelby scars from them, Bakovic suddenly remembered something: as a child he'd occasionally taken a needle and thread and carefully sewed little patterns under the skin of his fingertip. He was surprised to remember this so suddenly, and he'd, of course, never told

Shelby. Can JB and what he does bring up from his and others' unconscious something primordial, atavistic? Do the heebie-jeebies open up the back door to the monkey brain?

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We decided to have the initiation/lesson in the garage, because the back patio was too bright. While Shelby was showing JB how she sets up the sauce, the candle, and the plate for the torches, she leaned toward him and whispered in his ear the secret of the sauce. JB, who has more than a layman's knowledge of incendi-

aries and flammables, looked a little surprised, and then the "Oh, yeah, why didn't I think of that?" look came over his face.

She talked him through some of the basics. Rhythm and timing are important — dip torch, light torch (never let it touch wax of candle), tap lit torch on palm, let burn for a few seconds, close hand. How to stand when actually eating fire: one foot forward, head tilted back so the torch head goes almost straight down the throat (with the flame away from it). NEVER inhale: that takes the flame down your throat and sucks in oxygen with it, making it burn even hotter. The technique is simple but hard to do. The

basic human instinct about fire is: don't put it in your mouth! But vou must enclose vour lips and teeth completely around the burning torch head and the dowel. You don't want to let the torch burn too long before you eat the fire: the dowel will get too hot. I kept wondering why no one seemed concerned with how hot the fire was. A regular torch fire would burn at about 2000 degrees Fahrenheit. Sure, the secret sauce burns cooler, but

it's still burning at sev-

eral hundred degrees.

around the torch head,

you exhale "from your

diaphragm" and blow a

Fire eaters learn how to

do this almost inaudi-

bly. They don't want to

give the impression the

flame is blown out. It's

not. That helps a little,

but mostly the flame is

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extinguished by lack of oxygen. Remember, too, upon exhalation, there is less oxygen: your body just used it to feed your blood.

JB is a natural. First of all, he's fearless. Two: as he said, "I've put a lot worse things in my mouth." He ate fire on the first try, but not flawlessly. His exhalation was too loud, and he couldn't yet close his whole mouth around the torch. He did, more or less, blow it out. But in a few more tries, he nailed it. Shelby taught him the tongue-on-fire trick. She said to JB: when you tap your tongue with the torch, you kind of skwoosh it on. This took him three times to nail: he could light his tongue easily enough, but he couldn't withdraw his burning tongue back into his mouth (could you?), so he'd give a kind of Bronx cheer and blow/spray it out.

Fourth try he got it. JB was excited: he had some new material for his act, and I could tell he was already beginning to work out extensions, variations, twists, nutty perversions on his new skill.

After he'd eaten one torch, I said I'd heard a little ssssst sound. He said he'd shave closer next time, trim his nose hair, maybe even lose the world's smallest beard, all of which got singed slightly. I brought up the sauce again. I wanted more information. Long-term effects? Shelby said, "I still have all my taste buds." JB said, "You couldn't beat it out of me." Which I didn't doubt for a moment. I imagined JB in another century brought up on blasphemy charges before Inquisitors and suggesting to them more efficient ways to torture him, if only for his

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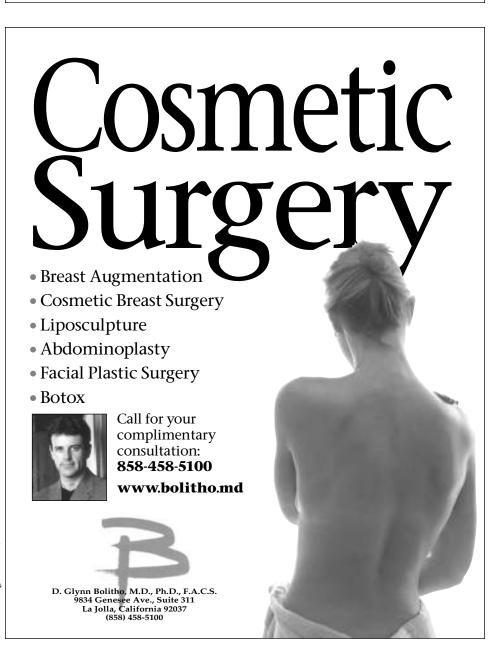
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amusement and to save time and stress on the torturers. Then Shelby added, "It is a carcinogenic substance." JB, I assume, considered this a plus.

Shelby was a terrific teacher — patient, thorough, firm on the fundamentals, not cheap with praise. JB learned very quickly but was impatient. I'd understood what he'd meant when he told me earlier he could do sleight-of-hand tricks well but "too fast." They have to be fast, I thought. But too fast can screw up the trick just as easily as too slow. I loved this dichotomy in IB: a recklessness combined with sweetness and sense of wonder. He does exhibit a childlike sense of wonder — but what he wonders makes vou wonder.

The lesson over, it was time for JB to show us some of his feats. We had set up chairs in the open garage, our backs to the street. JB doesn't warm up much: he plugs in the drill, turns it on, and up his nose it goes. As he worked it in — for only six to eight seconds — he wriggled his nose a bit and made a face similar to the face one makes when suddenly overwhelmed by a bad smell. On the tape, Bakovic and I are hooting and laughing, and Shelby says, "Wow." Again, every woman knows the tone. Then he pounded the spike (he made it himself, stainless steel) into his nose. Then he pulled it out with the claw end of the hammer. What surprised both Bakovic and me about these feats was that the drill and the spike were angled so they went almost horizontally into his face, rather than upwards as we expected. What Bakovic and I saw as a pleasant surprise (the angle of

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the drill, the spike) and which we felt increased the impressiveness of the act made Shelby uncomfortable. The one word from the professors over and over, usually with exuberance, sometimes a qualifier, and always with an exclamation point was "Cool!" Shelby is not heard on the tape for quite a while — I think she

excused herself. Then JB did his condomsniffing act, and Bakovic and I (remember: we provide higher education for your children!) went nuts, laughing our asses off while JB snorted a condom in one quick inhalation, held on to one end hanging out of his nose, and worked the other end out his mouth, then proceeded

to pull it back and forth, in an action similar to someone buffing a shoe. He could blow the condom up while it was in his nasal passages, so a huge bubble grew from his mouth or nose. He blew large condom bubbles out of both nostrils at one point. How he did that I don't know. Bakovic and I were beside ourselves with laughter

and whooping. Shelby said, "Wow." Either she was there all along or she'd gone and come back; I'm not sure. Then, she did excuse herself, graciously.

Bakovic (remember, he's a professor of linguistics) asked JB what it felt like, passing the condom through his nose and out his mouth. JB said only one part felt weird -

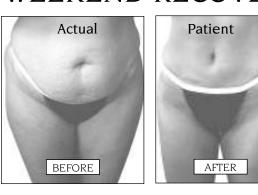
where he could feel it pressing against something that caused discomfort. JB had never studied what was going on up there in his nasal passages, but Bakovic did know: "There's a hard part — the palate — at the top of your mouth, and you can feel, with your tongue, behind it, it gets more soft and fleshy. That's actually a

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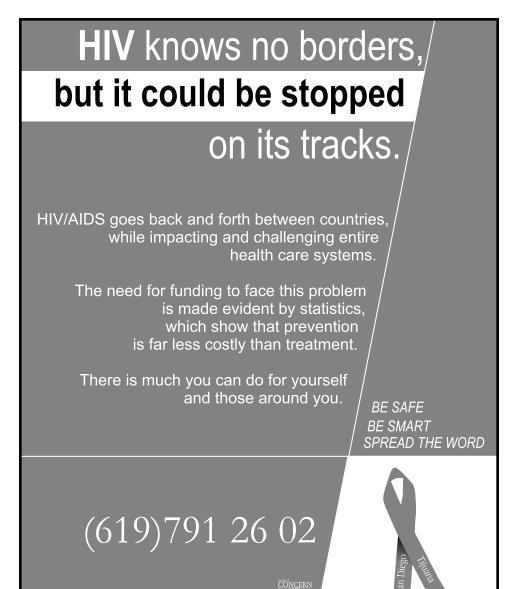
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some nerves there that aren't used to being touched by anything but air." JB said, "Cool." Bakovic said, "That's cool, even though I know what's going on, that's very cool." He then suggested JB look at something called a midsagittal section diagram. It's essentially a picture of a head cut in half (not a real head!) so one can see all the passages and connections. JB clearly liked the idea of a picture of a head cut in half.

Several minutes of the tape consist almost entirely of Bakovic and me howling with laughter. And, a little farther back from the recorder (when he doesn't have something up his nose), JB is yelping too. The boys were having a ball! Laughter begets laughter; it's good medicine, I believe, so I listen to this part of the tape if I'm feeling too serious. There we were, on a beautiful Sunday afternoon: the professors — Bakovic and me — and JB (for whom a title must be invented by someone with an imagination better than mine), and we were three happy guys, one of us in love with a woman who eats fire (also happy but, at the moment, absent), another delighted he's learned a new skill to which he can add his own demented variations, and me feeling grateful, glad to be walking up and down on the planet. "Lucky life. Oh lucky life," wrote the great American poet Gerald Stern. "Oh lucky lucky life. Lucky life." ■

— Thomas Lux

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Nailed By Bersin

I am a teacher of 34 years with San Diego city schools, and I'd just like to say that in your article "The Secret Life of Teachers" (May 22), Tommy Flanagan, the teacher from MacDowell Elementary, he is exactly correct on our district. I commend him for being so bold. Everything he says is true. I am so grateful that the Reader has written this article, as is every other teacher I know. We've all been on the phone saying, "Finally, more information is coming out." The

Reader seems to be the only resource that tells it like it is, that we are all getting nailed, shall we say, by Alan Bersin.

Name Withheld

Administrators On

I am a school site adminis-

trator with the San Diego city schools. I read Donald McCullough's article "The Secret Life of Teachers" (May 22) and would like to offer clarification on two points made by teacher and SDEA representative Tommy Flanagan: that as administrators we are trained to "get teachers," and, second, that we have a book written for corporate executives that directs us to fire two or three people per year.

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As administrators in the San Diego city schools, we have received many texts on leadership. Schools are complex organizations that demand that their leaders have or develop the necessary qualities to effectively bring about much-needed change. I dare say that in general, schools have not kept up with the dramatic changes that have taken place in the world. The text that Mr. Flanagan refers to in his interview with Mr. Mc-Cullough is a book titled *The* Leadership Engine, and yes, chapter eight of the ten chapters in the book is titled "Edge: The Courage to See Reality and Act On It." Essentially, this chapter encourages (school) leaders to "face the hard facts and make the tough calls" when necessary.

As educators, we are all under tremendous pressure to perform. The stakes for our students have never been higher. Research shows that excellent instruction is the single most important factor in raising student achievement. I believe that the leadership in San Diego city schools would agree that teachers are our most valuable asset; they are at the heart of the work that we do in schools. I try to celebrate teachers' accomplishments at every opportunity I have. But as an administrator I feel it is my moral obligation to address the difficulties a teacher may be experiencing in the classroom, both to support that teacher, but more importantly, because our students deserve the very best instruction we can afford them.

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by your article. We have enrolled our children at a public school here in San Diego, and we are very happy with this school. On the other hand, we were told about certain problems, but now we are badly scared about the reality.

Some of our friends in Switzerland are teachers and they told us about their problems too. We intend to forward your article to them.

Franz (Paco) Boehm

Bersin's Hostile Schools

Thank you for publishing such a truthful article on "The Secret Life of Teachers" (May 22). These interviews, done mostly with San Diego city schools teachers, show the common feeling of despair that the vast majority of SDCS teachers feel. The reason is that under Alan Bersin's administration, teachers feel very abused. It reminds me of a third world country where a ruthless dictatorship has been installed. How are teachers to be effective when their creativity and spirits have been crushed?

The administrators are required to be negative on a daily basis, to target large numbers of teachers for no better reason than to make the others afraid and, perhaps, to save money. Their power to cause misery has been honed by teams of attorneys that show how to be "on the edge" of the law. Harassment

is allowed at work under many circumstances, contrary to what the public realizes. The older teachers (40 and up) seem to be special favorites of this approach, but enough younger teachers are harassed to cause question about this illegal activity based on age discrimination.

Basically, the environment at virtually all of the schools is openly hostile, and this is recent, only under Bersin. Teachers who have dedicated their lives and resources to children are being mowed down emotionally and physically by these deliberate and finely honed tactics. Many are now ill emotionally and physically from this highly negative environment, and some have even died as a result of enduring the extreme, unrelenting stress.

The board of education majority (Ottinger, Lopez, and Nakamura) supports this abusive status quo by keeping Alan Bersin in power and not questioning his tactics. In fact, they knowingly approved it by paying for the teams of lawyers the district uses to set up the attacks on teachers. The public finds it hard to believe that this can happen in America. It does and is happening.

Perhaps your truthful article will help build up our local public schools. Right now, Alan Bersin and the board majority are tearing down the very employees that the students and parents have so loved. This must be stopped. I ask for the public to object and to understand what the teachers need in order to do a good job. Number one is respect and to be valued, by providing a positive work environment. We need people on the board of education who support this attitude and hire administrators who understand this. In addition, I warn the public that the *Union-Tribune* articles seem

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to be orchestrated with the school district's activities to undermine the teachers and to blame them for the failure of Mr. Bersin's Blueprint. Thus, the *Union-Tribune* is trying to influence the public to feel negatively about the teachers, and this contributes to the third world atmosphere, where propaganda is spread to cover the atrocities that are hidden.

An SDCS Teacher

Blacks Fear Bersin

I just finished this magnifi-

cent article ("The Secret

Life of Teachers," May 22), and all I can say is thank you, thank you, thank you to the Reader and those brave teachers who told it like it is. I am currently a 30-year veteran of the classroom, having taught in nine different schools, five districts, and three states, and I have never seen such anger, disarray, profound sadness, and bitterness on the part of so many excellent and dedicated teachers. Mr. Bersin not only is trying to scare brilliant, hardworking veteran teachers out of the classroom, but as an African-American educator, I am in dread as I view teachers of color running to other fields — I have been told by talents honored, as opposed to this district where economically disadvantaged and students of color (who are in the majority in this

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state) are being lost in increasing numbers. Dr. Bertha Pendleton is looking really good right now. Our union had contractual difficulties with her, but the woman treated us like intelligent professionals — with respect and honor. I can now add "teacher" to the list of disrespected minorities I am a member of.

Peggy Maria Spates-Johnson Spring Valley

Please Don't Give Up

Re: "The Secret Life of Teachers" (May 22). Thanks to Donald McCullough and the Reader for shedding a little light on a subject that should be headline news every day in every paper in this town. Thank you to the teachers who were brave enough to talk about your experiences and share a personal glimpse into what it's been like from your perspective. However, there was nothing surprising to be found in the interviews. As a parent with three children in San Diego city schools, I know firsthand the failure of the overreaching, unrealistic Blueprint. I am now home-schooling my two youngest children as a form of social protest against this "experiment" that has been undertaken at their expense.

Before it was implemented, it was easy for a majority of parents and teachers in opposition to the plan to conclude that its cost would be way too high, in terms of finances, humanity, and the educational experiences of our children, and that its projected results were questionable. Who can now be surprised that the reality of this situation has come home to roost? We tried to intervene before these policies took place, and Bersin and Alvarado mocked us with their "town meetings" where they both stood tightlipped, with their arms folded across their chests, demonstrating for all the world that they never truly intended to listen or consider the feelings of the parents or the teachers. And despite what some critics might have us believe, it isn't a failure of the teachers opposing the changes.

Any attentive parent with a child in public schools has to be aware of the low morale of teachers and how this is affecting our children's daily lives in government-mandated public schools. We know personally and









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only too well how the despot who was appointed by a complicit majority of school board members has blatantly refused to listen to any of the real stakeholders: the teachers, the parents, and the students, despite the overwhelming evidence that his approach does not work. Phasing out the seasoned veterans and replacing them with fresh-faced Blueprintindoctrinated teachers is not going to solve the problem, as some of your interviews confirm. If the elected officials on the school board care at all about the students and their parents (read: constituents the voting public that they swore to serve), they would make immediately removing Bersin from office and addressing the crisis that is getting worse every day their top priority. They would acknowledge the new problems they have contributed greatly to in our schools by attempting to heal what is left of the morale and humanity of the true experts: the teachers. At the very least, they would welcome input from parents instead of locking them out of their so-called public meetings. Failing that, all we can hope for is that Bersin's obvious if covert political aspirations for higher public office come to fruition sooner rather than later.

A message to teachers: please don't give up. We need you now more than ever. Not everyone fails to recognize the role you play in the lives of our children. Not everyone fails to value and appreciate you as the true partners of parents and realize that it is you with whom we entrust our children on a daily basis, not administrators, school board members, lawyers, and politicians. I personally cannot thank you enough. But believe it or not, a lot of parents do realize the many, many hours you put in every day of every week, without pay, and the time you spend creating weekly lesson plans at home, on your "off time." We know the personal expense you absorb to provide adequate supplies in your classrooms, not to mention the "extras" that help keep the process of learning a joyful experience for our kids, despite what you're told to do (and not do). We know how you go home in tears, with headaches and burning stomachs, from the added stress and emotional



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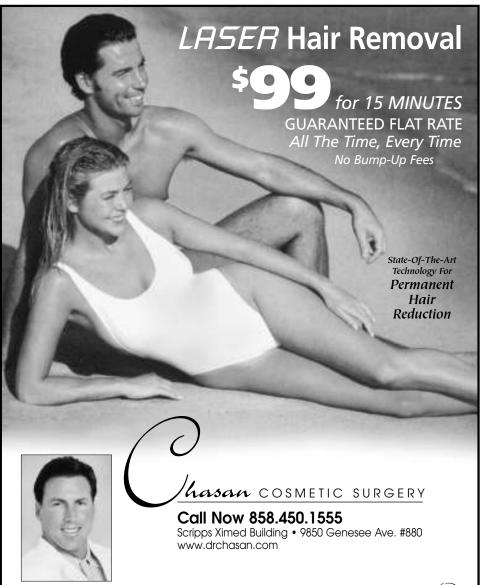
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strain you should never have had to endure. We know that the majority of you are dedicated to "the little people," our kids who almost make it all worthwhile. We appreciate the risks you take to continue to teach them in ways that your education and experience has shown works, even while you have to hide your methods and materials, because to reveal this would mean dire repercussions. And we know that some of you are leaving your life's work because you feel that what you are being forced to do constitutes child abuse.

What's happening in San

Diego city schools is a microcosm of the democratic process in our country, and it's past time the citizenry takes back what is rightfully ours. Our government no longer serves to represent "we the people" but instead, lacking popular control, reflects a corporate agenda that values profit above all else. These educational reforms and the money that backs them are not a simple local issue. I urge those who care to get informed and get involved. Over 2000 school employees, including more than 200 teachers and 30 principals, have opted out of continuing in this unbearable environment by taking advantage of the early retirement incentive the district offered. This doesn't even take into account the over 1500 teachers who have resigned since Bersin took office. Doesn't this bear looking at by the voting public concerned with education, at least as much as the test scores? If you truly care about what's happening in our schools, support board members like John de Beck and Frances Zimmerman, work to oust the likes of Ron Ottinger and Ed Lopez (whose terms expire in December 2004), and keep a close eye on the newest board member, Katherine Nakamura, and see if her actions reflect the wholesome apple pie and mom persona set forth in her campaign. Pay attention to what the SDEA has to say and whom they endorse for these vacant seats. Ask questions, demand answers, and get involved at your children's schools, and thank a teacher. Please.

> Lori Sherer Clairemont









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White Art

Baja California's Beautiful Brides

he brides of Yvonne Venegas go beyond beautiful. Yordana, in white, is stressed, standing at the top of a stairway that seems like a precipice. Another bride, her wedding day long passed, looks frazzled at her baby shower. And then there's the "bride" in black — hairdresser's cape, that is — waiting for her tint to take.

Born in 1970 in Long Beach, Venegas moved with her family to Tijuana as a child. She was taught by nuns at Colegio La Paz, then went to Southwestern College in Chula Vista. Her father, José Luis Venegas, was a wedding photographer to the upper middle class that is now the subject of

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his daughter's art. By phone from Tijuana, Venegas, who has returned there after

some years in New York, answered questions about her current exhibition.

How did she get permission from friends and others to make art out of their lives, especially at formal occasions, like weddings? "Only a few people understand it as art," she said. 'And actually the word 'art,' to a lot of them, sounds a little glamorous, so they're flattered. Some joke, 'Oh, my God, am I going to be in the Guggenheim?' Besides, events like weddings are really the easiest place to photograph." Because those settings are already theatrical? "Exactly. Of course, I can't tell if they fully understand my intentions. But I think that many times they're just happy with being part of a project about Tijuana. Also, they're very trusting with me. When you're kids, you're just 'you,' no? There's not all this masquerade. But so many people, when I see them again, reconnect with me and that childhood we shared.

And none of them mind being shown in less-than-flattering lights? "No. Many times I have been asked, 'Is this a critique of their lives?' And there are a few images that I probably won't ever exhibit in Tijuana, because it's possible they would be misunderstood there. I find San Diego a safe distance. But I don't think it's unflattering; what I'm trying to convey is their humanity. When we look at a wedding album, we're so used to seeing ourselves as these stiff, pretty people. I'm trying to show people that this is not necessary. What's interesting is that, in the last year, the group I have been photographing a lot have actually bought pictures from me. For one couple, I took pictures of the parents'



Wedding-day photo of Yordana

meeting, when the groom asked for the bride's hand. And when the mother of the bride saw them, she bought a ridiculous number."

Even though she hasn't paired her father's photos with hers, it's easy to imagine what his look like. What has he made of her work? "My father is fatherly. He keeps telling me to make a living out of what I'm doing. That's his main concern. But he does take time to sit and look, and he tries to understand. He says, 'Okay, I get it. So there's all this other stuff going on.' Or, 'Oh, my God, I would never do something like that.' Or, 'Oh, that's so original!'

As a kid, did she go with him when he was working? "Yes, at his photo studio, after school, my twin sister and I would sometimes have to wait till he took us home. A couple of times he had to take us to weddings, and it was awkward. Once, when we were about seven, we were there till one or two in the morning, falling asleep. It was a different world, going into a place where nobody knew us and we weren't supposed to be, and there were all these dressed-up people, and we were in overalls."

Has she herself ever done any straight wedding photography? "Very little. Yordana asked me to photograph her wedding, but it was a nightmare. Reality hit; the mother was, like, 'Oh, come on, we have to do the tables.' She hired me because she wanted it to be different, but when she saw the pictures, she kept choosing ones that were very traditional, very easy, although she did choose that one of

Venegas said she hasn't entirely escaped the life she has portrayed, nor does she want to. (Briefly married once, she was photographed, traditionally, by her father's friend.) But she does try to keep it in perspective. "Considering my dad's job, we were really the employees. It was a different experience altogether.

We were a total of five siblings. My dad worked hard to put us in expensive schools and buy a house in the right neighborhood. He worked three times as hard as other parents. He was making such an effort to have us be part of that class, it made the point that it wasn't normal. Now I understand I was an observer the whole time."

At the opening, Venegas will be available to answer other questions. There will also be a DJ, wedding cake, and more.

Jeanne Schinto

"The Most Beautiful Brides of Baja California" Thursday, June 5, 7:00 p.m. Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego 1001 Kettner Boulevard, **Downtown** Free (\$3 donation welcome) Info: 619-234-1001 or www.mcasd.org

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BAJA

Mainly Mozart Festival 2003, this

year's musical extravaganza continues through June 22 at venues around the county and Tijuana.

Festival orchestra performs selections by Mozart, Debussy, Bach, Handel, and Grieg, Thursday, June 5, 8 p.m., at Catedral de Guadalupe (at Calle Segunda and Niños Héroes). \$20 U.S. Reservations: 619-239-0100. (TIJUANA)

"Danzarias," classical music performed by tenor José Medina, pianist Elena Getman, soprano Gisel Rodríguez, and dancer Norma Herrera, Thursday, June 5, 8 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Tickets: \$20 U.S. 011-52-664-681-7084. (TIJUANA)

Book Fair, the event continues with new books, book signings, and authors on Avenida Revolución. Author Evodio Escalante signs books Thursday, June 5,7:30 p.m. Hernán Lara Zavala appears Saturday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m.; and Anabel Ochoa signs books Sunday, June 8, 7 p.m. 011-52-664-683-5922. (IUJANA)

A Tribute to Federico García Lorca is underway at venues around Tijuana. Paintings, sculpture, and photographs are on view Thursday, June 5, 7:30 p.m., at Casa de la Cultura (Avenida París #5, Colonia Altamira). At 9 p.m. on the same day, "Juerga Flamenca," with

belly dancing, guitar music, and song. Both events are free.

The Esplandián Guitar Ensemble performs Friday, June 6, 7:30 p.m., Casa Lorca, Calle Brasil #8630, Colonia Cacho. Tickets: \$20 U.S. Reservations: 011-52-664-634-0366.

"Guitars, Poems, and Songs" on tap Friday, June 6, 7:30 p.m., at Antigua Bodega de Papel (at 11th Street and Avenida Revolución). Free.

"Lorca Under the Moonlight" begins at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, June 7, El Lugar del Nopal (Callejón 5 de Mayo #1328). For information on any of these events, call 011-52-664-683-5922. (TIJUANA)

Music of the Californias is being performed by Westwind Brass, Friday, June 6. Program pays tribute to music from cathedrals of Baja to Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass, as well as music from the Gold Rush era. Concert starts at 8 p.m. at Tijuana Cultural Center (CECUT, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río; 011-52-664-687-9600). \$15 U.S. 619-696-1966. (TIJUANA)

"From Baroque to Danzon," the Tijuana Symphonic Youth Orchestra performs Saturday, June 7, 8 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). \$5 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)



Six Million Years of Hominid Evolution in Ethiopia at San Diego Museum of Man, June 7 (see

Run, Children, Run, this 3k fun run for kids is Sunday, June 8, starting at 8 a.m. at Riviera Hotel. 011-52-646-176-4445. (ENSENADA)

"Invisible Astronomy" is topic for lecture by René Murillo, Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m., in Omnimax at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). \$2 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

"The Mission Frontier and Peveril Meigs's 100th Anniversary" — Lucila León Velasco, Jorge Martínez, and Mario Alberto Magaña, Wednesday, June 11, 7 p.m., Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street). 011-52-664-687-9600, Free. (TIJUANA)

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

Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure screens at the CECUT Omnimax Monday through Friday at 3, 5, 7, and 9 p.m., and at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Also screening at various times: The Ocean Oasis and Mystery of the Mayas.

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OUTDOORS

Ocean Water Temperatures are ris-

ing into the mid-60s this month, perhaps to reach the low 70s in August. The usual early-summer cool weather along San Diego's coastline, disappointing to many tourists, is mostly caused by the sluggish warming of the ocean water. The payoff will come later: as the ocean gives up heat absorbed during the sunny

summer months, we'll enjoy warm days and evenings well into autumn.

"June Gloom," the cool and intermittently overcast conditions likely to dominate the beach and coastal areas through the remainder of this month, mocks the already sizzling temperatures inland. If it weren't for the ocean's enormous resistance to changes in temperature, the hottest weather along the coast would occur soon after the summer solstice — Saturday, June 21. Our warmest beach weather will probably not arrive until August or September, just about the time the ocean water temperatures are peaking.

Agaves (a.k.a. century plants) are blooming in many summer gardens this month. After a decade or more (not a century) of growth, the larger kinds of agave send up a tall, yellow-blossomed flower stalk from a base of fleshy, succulent, thorn-tipped leaves. The stalk and basal leaves die, but suckers make new plants and begin the cycle anew.

Buckwheat, a late-bloomer among native plants in our area, is showing off its small, inconspicuous clusters of cream-colored flowers this month. Several kinds of buckwheat, found in dry, sunny locations throughout San Diego County, are the source of the "wild buckwheat" honey sold locally. Near the coast look for flat-top buckwheat, com-

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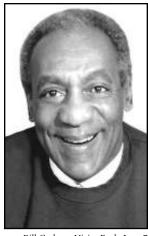
mon on south-facing slopes. Here it shares space with other low-growing shrubs of the sage-scrub plant community like black sage and California sagebrush.

Western Azalea, a native rhododendron, is blooming this month and next in scattered locations throughout the county's higher mountains. Fond of semi-shade, it's often found growing along creeks and canyon bottoms. Like its ornamental cousins, western azalea's fragrant white (sometimes pink or yellow tinted) flowers are borne in ornate clusters. Good places to look are along the Azalea Glen Trail in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and between Doane Valley and Chimney Flats in Palomar Mountain State Park.

Camp With the Stars, an all-day, all-night, all-weekend star party is planned June 6 and 7 p.m. at . William Heise County Park (4945 Heise Park Road). San Diego Astronomers Association hosts star viewing in meadow on Friday night; sun storm viewing until sundown on Saturday, followed by 7 p.m. slide show and stargazing with interpretation.

Telescopes provided; you're encouraged to bring telescopes and binoculars. Dav-use fee: \$2. 858-694-3049. (JULIAN)

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Bill Cosby at Viejas Park, June 7

tent stream, and chaparral of Wright's Field (Mesa del Arroyo Preserve) with Audubon Society birders, Saturday, June 7, 8 a.m. Look for grasshopper sparrows, Western kingbird, Western meadowlark, and other birds.

To reach trailhead from San Diego, take I-8 east to Alpine, exit at Tavern Road. Turn right (south), drive about one mile to Joan MacQueen Middle School, park in front of school, meet in lower parking lot adjacent to Tavern Road. Bring drinking water for the moderately strenuous outing. 619-692-3246, Free, (ALPINE)

Where Are El Salto Falls? Naturalist-guided tour of Buena Vista Creek Valley and the falls on Saturday, June 7, 9 a.m. Participants will learn about local natural history, endangered plants and animals. Free. Meet in front of Marron Adobe (2500 Haymar). Directions: 760-434-5033. (CARLSBAD)

Explore Carlsbad's (Remaining) Open Space when the Environmental Trust leads a hike at Calavera Mountain Nature Preserve, Saturday, June 7, 8 a.m. to noon. Hike, repair trails, see spring wildflowers. Wear hiking shoes. To reach the spot, take Tamarack Avenue east, turn left on Strata Drive; walk across Tamarack and down hill to west side of Lake Calavera. 619-461-8333, (CARLSBAD)

See Lovely Wildflowers when naturalist James Dillane uses four miles of Ranch House and Boulder Loop trails for exploration of Daley Ranch, Saturday, June 7. Hike starts at 8:30 a.m. in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. Free. No pets. (ESCONDIDO)

History Walk, Offshoot Tours offers hour-long history walk, blending Balboa Park history with its wealth of architectural and botanical treasures, Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m., visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

Boots and Paws, ranger-led interpretive walk for humans and canine pals in Mission Trails Regional Park, Saturday, June 7, 8:30 a.m. Bring water for yourself and your pooch, along with a bag to pick up after your pet. Join the group in the Kumeyaay Campground parking lot, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Explore the Native Plant World around Mission Trails Regional Park's visitors' center with a ranger, Saturday, June 7, 1 p.m. Meet at the visitors' center (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Star Party, check out the heavens when George Varga sets up a telescope for stargazing in Kumeyaay Campground, Mission Trails Regional Park (Two Father Junípero Serra Trail), Saturday, June 7, 8 to 10 p.m. 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Guided Nature Walk, Saturday, June 7, 9:30 a.m., Marian Bear Memorial Park. Trail guide Don Wetzel leads nature lovers through the oak and sycamore trees and chaparral. Take Regents Road exit off Highway 52, look for parking lot and restroom on west side of Regents Road. 858-525-8219. Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. (CLAIREMONT)

Kumeyaay Oral Traditions and history on offer when Heather leads four-mile hike, Saturday, June 7, 9:30 a.m., for San Dieguito River Park. Free. Required reservations: 858-6474-2275 x31. (ESCONDIDO)

On the Right Track, docent Dave Kiser leads tracking hike, Saturday, June 7, 8:30 a.m., at Sycamore Canvon/Goodan Ranch Open Space Preserve. Participants will look for tracks and animals.

Park at staging area found at end of Sycamore Canyon Road (off Garden Road). Walk a mile down to ranger station found in grove of trees. Information: 858-513-4737 (Tuesday and Friday) or 858-668-1850 (Saturday and Sunday). Free. (POWAY)

Where's the Best Pomegranate **Soup in Town?** Find out when Patty Fares leads an Urban Safari walking adventure through University Heights, Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. \$10. Reservations and directions: 619-944-9255. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Walk with the Best View in San **Diego,** head out with Walkabout perambulators, Saturday, June 7, for fitness walk about five miles long up Mount Soledad. Adventure starts at 9 a.m. at Kate Sessions Park (on Lamont Street). Free, 619-231-7463, (PACIFIC BEACH)

Rescuing Wild Animals in Trou**ble** is the job of Wildlife Assist volunteers. Two orientations, Saturday, June 7, 2 p.m. Get the information at San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy

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The Monthly Beach Cleanup hosted by San Diego BayKeeper and Surfrider is Saturday, June 7. Meet on south side of Oceanside Pier at 9 a.m. 619-758-7743. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Operation Clean Sweep, volunteers will clean debris along the Coronado shoreline at Tidelands Park, while Navy and civilian divers remove submerged debris along the South Bay, Saturday, June 7, 9 a.m. Activities headquartered at Pepper Park (I-5 south to Bay Marina

Drive west; left at Tidelands Avenue, which dead ends at park). Free, 619-226-6546, (NATIONAL CITY)

National Trails Day is Saturday. June 7. Many San Diego City and County Parks are hosting hikes and projects in celebration. 858-694-3970. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

Afternoon Nature Stroll, docentled nature walk along Batiquitos Lagoon, Sunday, June 8, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Outing begins at Aviara Cove parking lot, on Batiquitos Drive, west of Aviara Golf Course. Free. 760-943-7583. (LA COSTA)

Kitchen Creek Falls, join the Canvoneers for a 4.5-mile roundtrip hike to waterfall in Laguna Mountains via the Pacific Crest Trail, Sunday, June 8, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring lunch to eat at falls.

To reach trailhead from San Diego, take I-8 east to Buckman Springs Road. Turn right (south) at first stop sign and turn left (east) at second stop sign. Proceed for two miles (just past Boulder Oaks Store) to Forest Service campground (Pacific Crest Trail parking). National Forest Adventure Pass required. 619-232-3821 x203. Free. (CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST)

Native Plants and Their Uses highlighted when naturalist Linda King leads nature walk in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, Sunday, June 8. Adventure starts at 9 a.m. in upper level of Mercy Road parking-staging area, at junction of Mercy and Black Mountain Roads. 858-484-3219. Free. (MIRA MESA)

DANCE

Celtic Dance Mania, Michael Flatlev's Lord of the Dance — a classic tale of good versus evil based on old Irish folklore — continues through June 8, San Diego Civic Theatre (Third Avenue and B Street).

Performances: Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; Friday at 8 p.m.; Saturday, 2 and 8 p.m.; Sunday, 1 and 6 p.m. Tickets: \$24 to \$65, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Magicanna at MiraCosta College Theatre and North Coast Repertory Theatre, June 7 and 11 (see In

Soiree Orientale, Cedar Cafe convenes — with featured dancer and student showcases - Friday, June 6, 8 p.m., Art/Dance Academy (1401 El Camino Real, at Oceanside Boulevard), \$5, 760-757-4470.

Martha Wild Calls and Lime in the Harp makes music for contradancing, Friday, June 6, Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Dancing begins at 8 p.m., following beginners' instruction at 7:45 p.m. Admission: Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

"Bellydancing Fusion," Urban Tribal Dance Company performs

Saturday, June 7, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m., at Gargoyle Gallery (1845 India Street). Cover: \$5. 619-234-1344. (LITTLE ITALY)

Swing and Jitterbug Dance Party, Pattie Wells' Dancetime Center hosts dancing, Sunday, June 8, for singles and couples of all ages. The DI plays music for dancing from 7 to 9:30 p.m.; dance lessons at 8 p.m. Find the center at 1255 West Morena Boulevard. 619-275-3533. Admission: \$5; free for first-timers. (BAY PARK)

"All Things Swing Workshop" taught by Jim and Margie, Tuesday, June 10, 7:30 to 9 p.m. (\$15 at the door, \$12 in advance). Also on tap: beginners East Coast swing lessons (6:30 to 7:30 p.m.; \$3 for first-time students). Saint Agnes Church activity hall, 1145 Evergreen. 619-291-3775. (POINT LOMA)

West Coast Swing and New York Hustle dancing, Wednesdays, 7 to 11 p.m., Characters Bar and Grill (Marriott Hotel, 4240 La Jolla Village Drive). Dance class by Melanie Dawson: 7:30 p.m. \$6. 619-596-9777. (LA JOLLA)

FILM

"Ecoparque," this 33-minute documentary exploring creation and impact of a Tijuana park on a formerly barren hillside screens Thursday, June 5, 9 p.m., Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). Discussion follows with filmmaker Michael Bedar. \$3. 619-226-1116. (NORTH PARK)

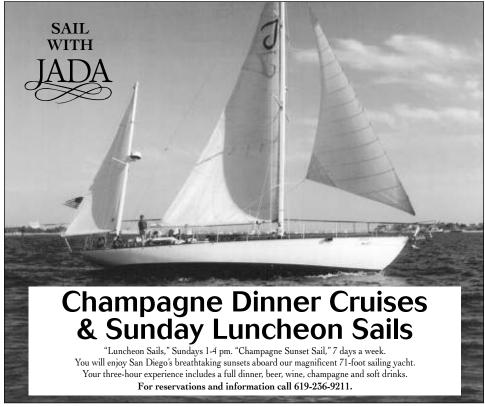
"La Leggenda di Al, John, e Jack," a gangster parody movie, screens for the Italian film series Thursday, June 5, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). \$2. 619-237-0601. In Italian with English subtitles. (LITTLE ITALY)

Films of Jenn Reeves including Fear of Blushing, Darling International, The Sons of Bitches Turned Out the Lights Again, and He Walked Away screen Thursday, June 5, in UCSD's Visual Arts Performance Space (on Russel Lane). Reception: 7:30 p.m., screening: $8\ p.m.\ Free.\ 619\text{-}291\text{-}1015.\ (LA\ JOLLA)$

"Der Yiddisher Cowboy— A Film in English," a feature-length Super 8 film shot entirely in San Diego County in 1979, combines a look at the early silent Westerns shot here with the serious socialistrealist Westerns of A. Raboy, an early 20th-Century Yiddish novelist. Film screens Friday, June 6, 8 p.m., at La Casa (4862 Voltaire Street). Filmmaker Ronald Robboy will participate in discussion. Donation, 619-284-4438, (OCEAN BEACH)

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day, June 9, 6:30 p.m., San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. In Spanish with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

Sci-Fi Classic Logan's Run screens for Carlsbad Library film series, Wednesday, June 11, 6 p.m., Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free, 760-602-2026, (LA COSTA)

Kurosawa Films offered in conjunction with "The Living Line: Paintings, Prints and Drawings by Hokusai," at San Diego Museum of Art. Kurosawa's 30th and final film, Madadayo, screens Wednesday, June 11, 7 p.m. \$7, 619-232-7931, (BALBOA PARK)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. currently screening in the IMAX theater: Kilimanjaro: To the Roof of Africa, and Coral Reef Adventure (through summer).

"Fridays at the Fleet" features \$5 admission to IMAX films, music, food, admission to exhibits, on Fridays through July 4. See To the Limit (6 p.m.), Wild California (7 p.m.), Coral Reef Adventure (8:30 p.m.), Kilimanjaro (9:30 p.m.) on June 6.

Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

"A Visitor's Guide to an Alien Planet: Washington D.C." is topic when John Fund, "opinion editorialist" for the Wall Street Journal, speaks for Adam Smith Society, Friday, June 6, 7:30 a.m., at Doubletree Hotel (7450 Hazard Center Drive. Required reservations: 619-462-1776. (MISSION VALLEY)

Feed Your Head (and Body), Parisi Gallery and Sculpture Garden's Chefs + Art Series concludes



San Diego Cricket Club at UCSD's Warren Field, June 7 (see Sports)

Friday, June 6, noon. Architect and designer Ken Ronchetti addresses "The Future of Architecture in America." Lunch by Pamplemousse Grill chef Jeffrey Strauss. \$45. Parisi, 2002 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. Reservations: 858-259-0490 x150. (DEL MAR)

Using the Internet to Research Ancestral Records in Central and Eastern Europe discussed by genealogist John Kracha, Saturday, June 7, 9 a.m. to noon, Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Free. 619-420-4557. (HILLCREST)

Use Materials Such as Gold Leaves, colored powder, glitter, and oil-based paint during Paintex class led by Masako Bailey, Saturday, June 7, 10:30 a.m., Japanese Friendship Garden. \$22. Reservations: 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Gourmet Patio Party, Personal Chefs International of San Diego present cooking demonstrations Saturday, June 7, 1 to 2 p.m., Macy's School of Cooking, Mission Valley shopping center, 1555 Camino de la Reina. Free. Reservations: call 619-299-9811 x4231. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Revealing Six Million Years of Hominid Evolution in Ethiopia' discussed by anthropologist Tim

White at San Diego Museum of Man, Saturday, June 7, 2 p.m. White's team discovered the 4.4million-year-old Ardipithecus ramidus and the 2.5-million-yearold Australopithecus garhi, which filled gaps in human lineage. \$20.

White returns for "Meet the Scientist" family program at 5 p.m. (same day). \$6 general, \$5 students, free for those under six. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Family Tree Maker genealogy computer program discussed for "Historic San Diego Movie Theaters" discussed by Welton Jones (former arts critic for San Diego Union-Tribune) and photograph curator Greg Williams, Saturday, June 7, 1 p.m., in Thornton Theatre at San Diego Historical Society Museum. Included in regular admission. Reservations: 619-232-6203 x112. (BALBOA PARK)

North San Diego County Ge-

nealogical Society, Saturday, June 7,

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Carlsbad City

Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad

Village Drive). \$17.50. Reserva-

tions: 760-630-5720. (CARLSBAD)

"Scam Jam" Fraud Seminar, Saturday, June 7, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., at San Diego Concourse (202 C Street). Provides information on avoiding scams and fraud, from credit card theft to identity theft and beyond. Guest speakers and Consumer Expo. Free. Reservations: 888-257-7106. (DOWNTOWN)

Tesla Technology for "free energy for planet Earth" demonstrated

during open house Saturday, June 7, 1:30 p.m., at Unarius Academy of Science (145 South Magnolia Avenue). Free. 800-475-7062. (EL CAJON)

Use the Wrong Soap and you may ruin a fine finish. Boatyard Basics #4 focuses on "How to Clean Your Boat," Sunday, June 8, 3 p.m., at Koehler Kraft (2302 Shelter Island Drive). 619-222-9051. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Wander the Lavender Fields to harvest materials and then create a fresh lavender wreath with Nadine Spier, Sunday, June 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Lavender Fields (12460 Kevs Creek Road). \$60 fee includes materials. Registration: 760-944-9369. (VALLEY CENTER)

Wood 'n' Clay, Carol E. Lang instructs participants on creation of pine needle basket attached to ceramic base, Sunday, June 8, noon to 5 p.m., at Oceanside Museum of Art, School of Art (219 North Coast Highway). \$65. Registration: 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

"News That Didn't Make the News - Censored Stories of 2003" — Venessa Richter of Project Censored speaks for "Matters of Controversy" dialogue series, Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m., First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street, across from the UCSD Medical Cen $ter).\ 858-459-4650.\ Free.\ (HILLCREST)$

"Web Page Design," Olga Workman speaks for Computer Genealogy Group of the North San Diego

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County Genealogical Society Tuesday, June 10, 1 p.m., Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-744-7530. Free. (CARLSBAD)

"A View to the Past," marquetry craftsman and antique furniture restoration specialist Patrick Edwards presents series of talks continuing Thursday, June 12, 1:30 p.m., for "Art in the Afternoon" series at Timken Museum of Art. Free. 619-531-9636. (BALBOA PARK)

Explore How We Learn to See and experience art and how art museums develop and build collections during community dialogue planned in conjunction with "Look. React. Engage: The Art of Collecting at Two San Diego Museums" at California Center for the Arts Museum. Second dialogue is Thursday, June 12, 6:30 p.m. Find the center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard. Free. 619-839-4175. (ESCONDIDO)

IN PERSON

"Farewell, Quincy Troupe, So Long, Esmeralda," a night of "poetry, wine, and weeping" promised, Thursday, June 5, 7 p.m., at SoLo (309 South Cedros Avenue). Troupe will read from his work. Free. 858-794-9016. (SOLANA BEACH)

Thursday Night Thing (TNT), program at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, continues with appearance by

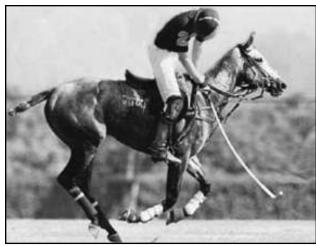
"Cerca" series artist Yvonne Venegas, who will be on hand to answer questions, June 5. Adrian Arancibia presents spoken-word performance. Events begin at 7 p.m. at 1001 Kettner Boulevard. Donation: \$3. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

"Travelogue," this "gay, on-theroad" monologue is based on a seven-week, no-itinerary, random drive around the country Chris Burnside took in 1997. Topics range from cuisine and homophobia to "neurotic terror run rampant." Performances offered Thursday through Saturday, June 5-7, 8 p.m., at Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue). \$15. 619-235-8468. (DOWNTOWN)

"22 Mountains," new CD by Danielle Lo Presti and the Masses, presented "full-concert style," Friday, June 6, 8 p.m., Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue). Evening includes performances by Eveoke Dance Theatre, choreography by Gina Angelique and Erica Moore, lots of live and DJ'ed music. \$15 general. 619-235-8468. (DOWNTOWN)

Inner Peace, Stress Relief, Wholeness, time for concert by Elivia Melodey and the Crystal Vibrations Ensemble, Friday, June 6, 8 p.m., at Blisswoman (4839 Newport Avenue). Guests may lie down to "fully absorb this sacred crystal healing music"; bring a mat if you have one. Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$25 at door. 619-523-5543. (OCEAN BEACH)

Friday Late Nights at the Colony, Kashi performs "all-original dreamscape folk music, Josiah presents "mystical roots vibrations," and North County vocalist Ashley Rose appears, Friday, June 6, 10 p.m., 101 Artists' Colony (25



Opening Day at San Diego Polo Club, June 8 (see Sports)

East E Street). Donation: \$8. 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS)

"The Music, the Magic, and the Memories" presented by the NOTEables June 6 and 7, at San Carlos United Methodist Church (6554 Cowles Mountain Boulevard). Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, 4 p.m. on Saturday. 619-668-9233. \$8. (SAN CARLOS)

Intergenerational Performing Arts Recital, from toddlers to seniors, participants in recreation classes perform Friday, June 6, 6 p.m., at Encinitas Community and Senior Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive). Free. 760-943-2260. (ENCINITAS)

Salute to the Beach Boys planned by the Cool Rays for Concerts on the Green, Friday, June 6, 5:30 p.m., Prescott Promenade (on Main Street). Free. 619-401-8858. (EL CAJON)

Laugh It Up, Late Bloomers — Comedy Codependents present audience-interactive comedy Fri-

day, June 6, 8 p.m. Admission: \$5. New York-based troupe Possible Side Effects performs Saturday, June 7, 8 p.m. All at North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shop, 2031 El Cajon Boulevard. 619-220-8663. (SAN DIEGO)

"Growing Up Filipino: Stories for Young Adults" discussed by author and editor Cecilia Manguerra Brainard, Saturday, June 7, 1 p.m., Oceanside Public Library community rooms (330 North Coast Highway). Free. 760-435-5580. (OCEANSIDE)

Mother-Daughter Story of Migration, reconciliation, and identity told in *The Book of Dead Birds*, by Gayle Brandeis, which she'll read from, Saturday, June 7, 1 p.m., Borders Books and Music (668 Sixth Avenue, 619-702-7420). Free. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

He Started Out as a Child, comedian Bill Cosby presents all-age shows, Saturday, June 7, at 7 and 9:30 p.m., outdoors at Viejas Park

(5005 Willows Road). Tickets are \$60, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (ALPINE)

A "Humorous Novel of Sexual Factoids" offered in *Particulars of the Promiscuous*, which author Kip W. Ives signs Saturday, June 7, 4 to 7 p.m., at Dancers Gentlemen's Club (7094 Miramar Road). 858-578-1216. (MIRAMAR)

Magicanna, Joel Ward and Kristi Toguchi perform Saturday, June 7, 7 p.m., at MiraCosta College Theater (One Barnard Drive). Tickets: \$15, 760-795-6820. (OCEANSIDE)

The duo also performs Wednesday, June 11, 6:30 p.m. at North Coast Repertory Theatre (987-D Lomas Santa Fe). Tickets: \$20, which include wine and hors d'oeuvres. Reservations: 760-944-7894. (SOLANA BEACH)

Author Nick Newmont signs *Newmerology* Saturday, June 7, 2 p.m., Barnes and Noble, Grossmont Center, 5500 Grossmont Center Drive. Free. 619-667-2870.

"On Broadway" presented by the Gay Men's Chorus of San Diego and guest Sam Harris, Saturday, June 7, 7:30 p.m., Spreckels Theater (121 Broadway). Tickets are \$15, \$25, \$35, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS).

"Flores de Bach" discussed — *en español* — by Pilar Ocampo Pizano, Saturday, June 7, 7 p.m., Casa del Libro (1735 University Avenue; 619-299-9331). Free. (HILLCREST)

Author Dave Porter signs and discusses *The San Diego Padres Encyclopedia*, Saturday, June 7, 2 p.m., Barnes and Noble Bookstore (7610

Hazard Center Drive). 619-220-0175. Free. (MISSION VALLEY)

Semi-Spontaneous Shakespeare Society convenes for third season with public reading of *The Comedy of Errors*, Saturday, June 7, 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., on lawn in front of Botanical Building. All parts are open to public; no rehearsals or memorization. 619-846-5585. (BALBOA PARK)

Radio Host and Author Dirk Sutro signs and discusses San Diego Architecture: From Missions to Modern, Saturday, June 7, 1 p.m., Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

Local Author Joel Vorensky signs *I Dare to Heal With Compassionate Love*, Saturday, June 7, 10:30 a.m., at Open Door Books (4761 Cass Street). Free. 858-270-8642. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Jazz in the Park, Inside Moves performs Saturday, June 7, 5 p.m., at Ramona Oaks Park (25341 Pappas Road). Free. 760-789-8290 x4024. (RAMONA)

Spring Jazz, series hosted by Carlsbad City Library features When Pigs Fly, Sunday, June 8, 2 p.m., Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

Scholarship Concert, Martin Luther King Jr. Community Choir performs Sunday, June 8, 6:30 p.m., at Scott Memorial Church (2716 Madison Avenue). Five local high school seniors will be honored. 619-697-6246. (SAN DIEGO)

Award-Winning Writer William Patrick Patterson is author of five books on self-transformation and creator of documentary *Gurdjieff's Legacy*. Patterson discusses his





work Sunday, June 8, 4 p.m., Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

Sundays at Six, summer concert by San Diego Concert Band, June 8, 6 p.m., at Harry Griffen Park Amphitheatre (9550 Milden Street). Free, 619-667-1300, (LA MESA)

"Encore 2003 — Plays from the San Diego Actors Fest" presented by Carlsbad Playreaders, Monday, June 9, 7:30 p.m., Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). \$5. 760-729-3383. (LA COSTA)

"Dating the Greek Gods: Empower Spiritual Messages from Mt. Olympus" is signed by author Brad Gooch, Monday, June 9, 7:30 p.m., Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). Free. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

Money Can't Buy the Secrets of Success, according to Michael Lewis, author of Moneyball: The Art of Winning an Unfair Game, which he'll sign and discuss Monday, June 9, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Share Your Poetry or pieces written by someone else during events Monday, June 9, in Green Room at Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard, at Madison). Signups at 7:45 p.m., open readings 8:10 to 9:30 p.m. Free. 619-296-0616. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

"Dirty Word Tour," R.L. Buss, author of Life between Cigarettes, starts his tour with a reading of selections "from his entire catalog," Tuesday, June 10, 9 p.m., Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard, at Madison). \$1.99. 619-296-0616. (NORTH PARK)

Local Writer Marta A. Lomeli visits Casa del Libro (1735 University Avenue) to read and sign Cuentos from de House on West Connecticut Avenue, Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m. Free. 619-299-9331. (HILLCREST)

The Latest Young Adult Title by John H. Ritter is The Boy Who Saved Baseball. Meet Ritter when he signs and discusses books on Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Roam-O-Rama

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

In the lush, shady recesses of Big Santa Anita Canvon, just north of the San Gabriel Valley community of Arcadia, you can easily lose all sight and sense of the mega-millions of people living in the L.A. Basin. At Sturtevant Falls, the waters of Big Santa Anita Canyon — rejuvenated this season after a several-year drought — are leaping over a 50-foot precipice into a shallow, rockbound pool. June is a perfect time to visit, this year at least.

Popular for more than a century among local tourists, the falls and canyon



were completely off-limits to the public late last year and early this year. This was because of wildfires in the lower canyon and the subsequent damaging effects of winter runoff on the upper canvon's only access, the road to Chantry Flat. As of April 16 that road reopened, but further repairs scheduled through summer could close it at any time. Any visit here should be preceded by a phone call to Angeles National Forest (626-574-5200).

From Interstate 210 in Arcadia, follow Santa Anita Avenue north. Continue to the edge of the city, pass a sturdy gate (closed at night), and ascend along a curling and precipitous ribbon of asphalt to your destination at the end of the road: Chantry Flat trailhead. There you will find abundant, if often inadequate, parking space. You must post a National Forest Adventure Pass on your car for the privilege of parking. Adventure passes purchased for Cleveland National Forest in San Diego County are also valid here.

At Chantry Flat you'll find a ranger station (adventure passes on sale there), a picnic ground, a mom-and-pop refreshment stand, and an old-fashioned freight business — the last pack station operating year round in California. Most every day, horses, mules, and burros carry supplies and building materials from the station down into canyon bottom, where an anachronistic cabin community has survived since the early 1900s.

From the south edge of the lower parking lot at Chantry Flat, hike the first paved 0.6-mile segment of the Gabrielino Trail down to the confluence of Winter Creek and Big Santa Anita Canyon. Pavement ends at a metal bridge spanning Winter Creek. Pass the



Stream in Big Santa Anita Canyon

restrooms and continue up alder-lined Big Santa Anita Canyon on a wide road bed following the left bank. Edging alongside a number of small cabins, the deteriorating road soon assumes the proportions of a foot trail.

At 1.4 miles into your hike, amidst a beautiful oak woodland, you come to a fourway junction of trails. Take the right fork and continue upstream, boulder-hopping over the clear-flowing stream part of the way (and perhaps getting your feet wet for the first time), to the foot of the falls. Don't be tempted to climb the sidewalls; the two trails going left back at the four-way junction can take you safely past the falls if you want to press on farther up the canyon.

MIT-Trained Chemist and author Raymond Francis signs and discusses Never Be Sick Again: Health Is a Choice, Learn How to Choose It, Wednesday, June 11, 7:30 p.m., Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). Free. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

Magee Park Poets present poetry reading, Wednesday, June 11, 7 p.m., community room at Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-434-2881. Free. (CARLSBAD)

"Good Faith," Jane Smiley visits Warwick's Bookstore to sign and discuss her funny and moving new novel, Wednesday, June 11, 7:30 p.m. Smiley is Pulitzer Prizewinning author of A Thousand Acres, Horse Heaven, and Moo. Find the shop at 7812 Girard Avenue. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

"A Fiddler's Travels: Yizke Labushnik" receives world premiere reading with music by filmmaker, musician, writer, composer Yale Strom, Thursday, June 12. 7:30 p.m., Lyceum Space at Horton Plaza. \$8. 619-544-1000. (DOWNTOWN)

Filipino Independence Celebrations with performances by Anthony Castelo, Julius Obregon, After Image Band, Sissie Davis, Cherr Ong, Thursday, June 12, 8 p.m., at Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way), \$20, 619-445-6002 x1139. (EL CAJON)

SPORTS

Take Me Out With the Crowd, San Diego Padres host the Detroit Tigers in Qualcomm Stadium, Thursday, June 5, 2:05 p.m. The Minnesota Twins arrive for more inter-league play, June 6-8, at 7:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday.

The next road trip finds the Padres in Cleveland for games against the Indians, Tuesday through Thursday, June 10-12, 4:05 p.m. each day.

Games June 6-8 and June 10 and 11 broadcast on Channel 4. Listen to games 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)

Queen of Surf, competition hosted by SG: Surf Snow Skate Girl magazine is Saturday, June 7, 7 a.m., at Pacific Beach Pier (at

Felspar Street). Professional and amateur competition, surf instruction. Free for spectators. 323-782-2546. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Larry Mahr Memorial Ride, this bicyclist was killed around two years ago while riding his bike. Knickerbikers bicyclists remember the man during 30-mile ride for intermediates, Saturday, June 7. Gather at World Savings Bank (Baltimore and Lake Murray Drive). Free. 619-464-3457. (LA MESA)

The San Diego Spirit, one of the teams of the Women's United Soccer Association, hosts Philadelphia Charge, Saturday, June 7, 6 p.m., in Torero Stadium at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Tickets range from \$15 to \$35, available by calling 877-476-2237. (LINDA VISTA)

San Diego Cricket Club/UCSD Cricket Club second team hosts the Cal Bel Cricket Club, Saturday, June 7. Games begin at 10:30 a.m. and last until about 5 p.m. (bring lunch) at UCSD's Warren Field. Free. 619-518-1596. (LA JOLLA)

Gromorama Surf Contest, Saturday, June 7, 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at south jetty at Oceanside Harbor. Spectating is free. Call 760-929-0029 x102. (OCEANSIDE)

Bomber Stocks, pony and street stocks, late-model sportsmen, train races, and Legacy competition promised, Saturday, June 7, 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 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)

Run or Walk, Fifty-Plus Fitness Association hosts a run/walk, Saturday, June 7. Four-mile outing starts 8:30 a.m. at 15th Street and Ocean Avenue, lasts one hour along the beach. Wear good running or walking shoes; all levels of ability welcome. 619-742-4151 or . 858-454-5433. (DEL MAR)

Hoops at the Beach, more than 30 courts set up at Crown Point Shores for the 15th annual Jack in the Box 3-on-3 Tournament, Saturday and Sunday, June 7 and 8.

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READING

Everglades



Randy Wayne White

G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2003; 333 pages;

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Doc Ford returns to his stilt house on Florida's Dinkin's Bay to find an old friend and onetime lover waiting for him. Her real estate developer husband has disappeared and been pronounced dead, and she's sure there's worse to follow - and she's right. Following the trail, Ford ends up deep in the Everglades, at the gates of a community presided over by a man named Bhagwan Shiva (formerly Jerry

Singh). Shiva is big business, but that business has been a little shaky lately, so he's come up with a scheme to enhance both his cash and his power. Of course, there's the possibility that some people could get hurt and the Everglades itself damaged, but Shiva smells a killing. And if that should turn out to be literally, as well as figuratively, true...well, that's just too damned bad.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Publishers Weekly: This 10th novel in the series featuring ex-CIA spook turned marine biologist Doc Ford finds Doc wallowing deep in his own doldrums — out of shape, overweight, depressed, and drinking heavily to escape from his turbulent past.... Accompanied by his hippie Zen master pal, Sighurdhr Tomlinson...Doc battles his own demons when he's not battling a real live bull shark.

Freedom from Domestic Violence is goal for Liberty Run/Walk, A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Randy Wayne White, son of a state patrolman, was born in 1950 in Ohio. "Lived," he said, on the day that we talked, "on a farm near a small town in the northwestern corner called Pioneer. Little tiny, tiny little place.'

Mr. White spent many years of his adult life as a fishing guide (Paul Theroux described White as "a fishing guide of genius"). I asked, "Did you fish, as a boy?"

"I did. I spent every summer where my family lives, which is North Carolina. On the South Carolina and North Carolina border. All my uncles and aunts and my mom were fishermen. Fishing was just a way of life there, along with chewing tobacco and drinking iced tea and all that stuff."

When did you get interested in books?"

"On the farm we didn't have a TV, I don't think, until I was around 12. I have a TV now because the person I date is in that business, but I don't watch it much. But where I grew up, there was this tiny little library, one-room library, and I'd go in there, and the way the smell of the books and all was, I just felt that kind of density, and the privacy, the intimacy of it. Just loved it. But I was such a terrible student that it never crossed my mind that I would ever be able to write a book, even though that was always my dream. I was, without exaggeration, just an abysmal student and barely made it out of high school, and so going to college was never a consideration. I was very quiet and wasn't a troublemaker. Just, things didn't register. I don't know why.

'I grew up, though, just adoring books but always hearing this small voice that told me I wasn't smart enough or gifted enough. Perhaps it's a voice that many of us hear. So one of the great revelations was that that private voice that we trust so deeply and dearly sometimes lies to us, maybe often lies to us.

I had read that Mr. White's writing career began in 1971 when he was 21 and found himself sitting on a telephone pole in Ohio during a snowstorm.

"I was a telephone installer, and I thought, 'Well, if I want to write, maybe I should work for a newspaper.' I think the statute of limitations is up on this, so I can say that what I did was plug into a line with my tester and make long-distance phone calls. I started calling newspapers in the South. I started in North Carolina, because that's where I wanted to be, that's where all my family is.

Mr. White telephoned one newspaper after another. "For good reason," he told me, "everyone said 'No.' They said, 'You have no experience, you didn't go to college, of course we're not going to hire you.' I called the Fort Myers News-Press, and the nice lady who answered said, 'If you didn't go to college and you have no experience, I don't think you're going to get a job in a newspaper, but Gannett just hired us, so you've got a real shot.' I moved to Fort Myers in 1972 and went to work at the News-Press. It was just one of the great experiences. I worked my tail off. I always knew that I had no control over my intellect or my talent, but I certainly had control over my work ethic, and I've been a hard worker."

The News-Press put Mr. White to work as a six-day-a-week columnist. "Were you thrilled when you first started seeing that

Oh, I was, I was. To write a sentence that was good was a great thrill. And it still is. I have not lost that thrill.'

In 1978 Mr. White left the newspaper business and began freelancing. He soon was selling stories to national magazines. With a wife and two sons to support, he needed a bit more cash than writing provided. He acquired a captain's license and set up business as a light tackle fishing guide based in Tarpon Bay Marina on Sanibel Island. He wrote at night and took fishermen and women out in his charter boat during the day. At this same time, Mr. White also wrote thrillers, under an assumed name, a name that he doesn't reveal. In 1989, after some 3000 trips, he gave up charter work. "I don't fish anymore," he told me. "I've interrupted the life histories of enough fish.'

Mr. White's first novel under his own name, Sanibel Flats, was published in 1990. The novel was critically acclaimed and commercially successful. Mr. White now has long been enrolled in that list of Florida writers that includes the late John D. Mac-Donald, Carl Hiaasen, Tim Dorsey, Laurence Shames, Edna Buchanan, James W. Hall, Les Standiford, and Charles Willeford. Tim Dorsey, like Randy Wayne White a longtime Florida resident, describes his friend Randy Wayne as "the Macho Camacho of Florida letters. A tight fist of a man, White, if one is pressed to describe him, would be the gene-splice of Ernest Hemingway and Jesse Ventura.'

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MicroSkills Slam Dunk Contests, three-point shootout, free-throw challenge. Entry fee: \$100 for adult teams, \$85 for high school teams,

\$75 for youth and military teams. 619-283-5808. (MISSION BEACH)

a collaborative effort benefiting seven area domestic violence shelters. The four-mile run and walk start at 8:05 p.m. in Gaslamp Quarter, Sunday, June 8. Route heads over Coronado Bridge and concludes in Tidelands Park. Registration: 6:30 a.m. 760-434-6301.

San Diego Polo Club Opening Day is Sunday, June 8. Preliminary matches begin at 1:30 p.m., featured polo match starts at 3 p.m. General admission is \$5, as is parking. The

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SPECIAL

Fiesta del Sol, 24th annual install-

at Fletcher Cove (found at the west

end of Lomas Santa Fe). Live mu-

sical entertainment in a wide vari-

etv of styles (noon to 7:45 p.m.

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Carlsbad Company Stores (5600

Paseo del Norte). Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$15 at door; \$5 for kids

Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Youth talent show (10 a.m.), traditional costume show, performances by Tony Salamat performing arts group (noon), more, at Civic Center Plaza. Admission is free. 760-207-8589 or 760-630-1232. (OCEANSIDE)

"Medea" by Euripides, discussed by Great Books Reading and Discussion Group, Saturday, June 7, 2 p.m., in third-floor conference room, San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 858-755-8978. Free; newcomers welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

Monthly Psychic Fair hosted by Harmony Grove Spiritualist Association, Saturday and Sunday, June 7 and 8 p.m., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Spiritual readers and healers of "the highest caliber" offer their services; 15-minute readings are \$20. Find the grove at 2975 Washington Circle (at

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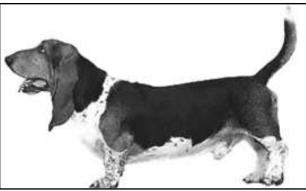
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Basset Hound Picnic at Morley Field, June 7 (see Special)

the south end of Country Club Lane). 760-745-9176. (ESCONDIDO)

June-Fest, fundraiser for school garden, Saturday, June 7, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Pacific Rim Elementary School (1100 Camino de las Ondas). Live music, Argentine tango show by members of El Mundo del Tango, arts and crafts, vendors, games, food. Admission is free. 760-445-4700. (LA COSTA)

Woofstock 2003, this dog party benefiting rescued greyhounds with costume contests, musical games for dogs and their people, bobbing for biscuits, dog trivia is Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Canine Sports Center (4821 Dehesa Road). \$10 fee includes lunch. 877-478-8364. (DEHESA)

Arch(aeology) in the Park, San Diego County Archaeological Society hosts educational fun Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve ranch house. Mock-excavations for kids, activities, tours of the adobe (11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.), exhibits. Free. 858-538-0935. (MIRA MESA)

Gallons of Slobber, Hundreds of Hounds, 12th annual basset hound rescue picnic, Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Morley Field (west of tennis courts), with competition in the longest ears, best howl, and basset-to-owner racing categories. Free. 619-286-8638. (BALBOA PARK)

Book Sales Near and Far, there are book sales on Saturday, June 7, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at Mission Hills Library (925 West Washington; 619-692-4910) and at San Carlos branch library (7265 Jackson Drive; 619-442-1860). (MISSION HILLS, SAN CARLOS)

Used book sale benefiting Astor Judaica Library, Sunday, June 8, 10 a.m., in Gotthelf Art Gallery at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive. All manner of books offered. 858-362-1174. (LA JOLLA)

San Diego Cactus and Succulent Show, with a large exhibit of cactus and succulent specimens from around the world, June 7 and 8 in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Show hours: 12:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Free. 619-462-1805 or 858-270-5544. (BALBOA PARK)

Classic Car Show, Saturday, June 7, noon to 4 p.m., in Tamarack Beach parking lot. Organizers expect 70 classic cars; voting for "people's choice" winner. Free for spectators. 760-602-7526. (CARLSBAD)

Day of Mindfulness — with meditation, readings, chanting, vegetarian lunch — Saturday, June 7, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at Hsi Fang Buddhist Temple (4536 Park Boulevard). \$10. Reservations: 619-298-2800. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Grecian Formula for Fun, the 34th annual Greek festival hosted by St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church, June 7 and 8, replete with

authentic Greek food and pastries, live music, dancing, and imports.

Donation: \$2 for adults, free for those under 12. Find St. Spyridon's at 3655 Park Boulevard (free parking is available at Roosevelt Junior High, with shuttles to church). 619-297-4165. (NORTH PARK)

City Heights International Village Celebration, with four stages of live entertainment, food and merchandise, kids' fun zone, set for Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on University Avenue at Fairmount. Free. 619-584-1535 x111. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Celebrate the "Multimedia Mosaic" with a party, Saturday, June 7, 4 to 6 p.m., at Del Mar Library (1309 Camino del Mar). Pam Slater will speak; artists Pat Welsh and Betsy Kopshina Schulz will be on hand. 858-794-9405. (DEL MAR)

House of Philippine Islands hosts lawn program at International Cottages, Sunday, June 8, 2 p.m. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

"Dancing Our Blocks" is theme for "Spirit Jump through Collective Participation" led by Sarah Jaffe and Charlene Penner, Sunday, June 8, 6:30 p.m., San Diego Center for the Moving Arts (3255 Fifth Avenue). Events include workshop (12:30 to 4:30 p.m., \$25 to \$40) and "community participatory event" (6:30 to 9:30 p.m., \$5 to \$15 sliding scale). All ages. 619-298-2687. (HILLCREST)

Books en Plein Air, 15th annual Open-Air Book Fair, Sunday, June 8, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Fifth Avenue (between Robinson and University). Over 50 booths with used and antiquarian books, new books, appraisals (noon to 2 p.m., three-book limit).

Authors signing include T. Jefferson Parker (Cold Pursuit), Reader contributor Abe Opincar (Fried Butter), Diane Leslie (Fleur de Leigh in Exile), Mary Yukari Waters (Laws of Evening), Randy Wayne White (Everglades). Free. 619-296-1424. (HILLCREST)

An Authentic Tea Ceremony demonstration is planned by the Uresenke group, Sunday, June 8, 1 p.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. Ayako Stott presents traditional tea ceremony demonstrations at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10. Events included in regular museum admission. 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Conversation Café, gather to explore "What Is Our Place As Individuals in the Bigger Scheme of Things," Wednesday, June 11, 7 p.m., at Pasta Pronto Café (117 West Plaza). Cost: a cup o' joe. 858-350-3431. (SOLANA BEACH)

FOR KIDS

"Comical, Magical Ventriloquism" performed by Lynn Trimble through Sunday, June 8, at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. The Phobeke Puppets take the stage June 11-15. 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 12.619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

Hogwarts Refresher Course, discuss *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* and do a craft, Saturday, June 7, 3 p.m., Barnes and Noble Bookstore (7610 Hazard Center Drive). Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Arts and Activities, kids three and older are invited to crafts and activity program, Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m., at shade structure at Kumeyaay Lake Campground (Two Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

Family Activity Day at Museum of Making Music, Saturday, June 7, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children (three to eight years old) and parents "Make and Play Your Own Instrument" in workshop led by Anne Fennell of the Vista Academy of Visual and Performing Arts, 11 a.m.

Rhino/Cargo recording artist Cindy Lee Berryhill leads songwriting workshop, noon. *Crawdaddy!* magazine founder Paul Williams conducts workshop focusing on "communicating the experience of music through written expression," 1 p.m. Both workshops are for those ten years old and older.

Drumming clinic and workshop for all ages, 2 to 3:30 p.m., led by studio drummer Ed Roscetti.

Find the museum at 5790 Armada Drive. Reservations: 760-438-5996 x219. (CARLSBAD)

Heart-to-Heart Carnival, proceeds from the event help in purchase of automated external defribrillators for Carlsbad School District. Organizers promise principal dunk, antique fire engine rides, balloons and magic show (11 a.m.), antique ladder truck display, live music, activity and concession booths; autographs by Tony Hawk (skateboarder), Taylor Knox (surfer), and David Swearingen (body builder), 10 a.m.

Carnival runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, June 7, in Holiday Park. 760-720-1643. (CARLSBAD)

Take a Ride on the 1914 *Pilot* boat when the Maritime Museum hosts family day activities Sunday, June 8, noon to 5 p.m. Children 12 and under will be admitted free, with activities including mini-boat races, *Star of India* picture coloring, sea chantey sing-alongs, more.

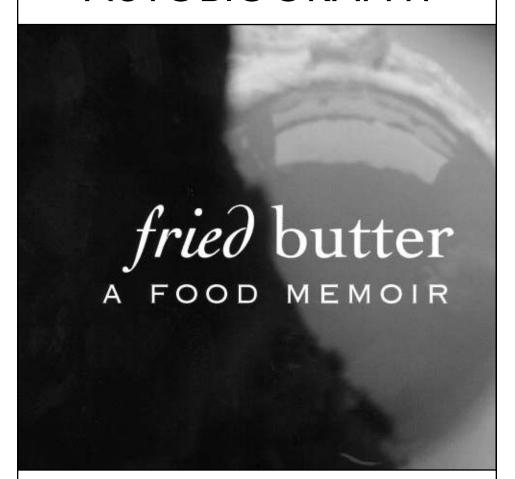
Children must be accompanied by an adult to enter for free. Find the museum at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero. 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

MUSEUMS

(Art museums are listed in the Reader's Guide to Art.)

Bancroft Ranch House Museum houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area, run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; 619-469-1480. (SPRING VALLEY)

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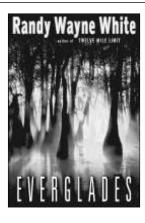
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Outside magazine sent Mr. White all over the world, where he gathered material for his "Out There" column. Three nonfiction books by Mr. White — The Sharks of Lake Nicaragua, Last Flight Out, and Batfishing in the Rainforest — collect some of this material. His columns have appeared regularly in Outside and Men's Journal

Mr. White lives on Pine Island, 15 miles west of Cape Coral, on Florida's west coast. A photograph of this house can be seen on Mr.

White's website — www.DocFord.com. The house where he lives, he said, "is an old house, old for Florida, built in 1920. It's a tinroof Cracker house..."

I interrupted to ask why a "Cracker" house.

"Well, they called old-time Floridians 'Crackers' — they crack he whip."

(After our conversation I searched out the origins of "Cracker." The best I came up with was this, from "Cracking Up Cracker Myths," by Rick Tonyan, printed in *Halifax Magazine*. "The name comes from the sound of whips used to drive cattle and oxen. Florida cattlemen cracked whips to flush their stock out of the palmetto scrub while settlers used whips to spur on oxen that pulled their carts and wagons. Cracker has been used in this sense since the early 1800s.")

Cracker houses, Mr. White told me, were simply those houses built by Florida Crackers. His Cracker house, he said, "is built on short stilts, up on a Calusa Indian mound, on an acre of old tropical growth overlooking the bay. I can look out over an unobstructed view of the bay across that water and see Captiva and Sanibel, the islands where I was a fishing guide.

"On the surface you find pottery everywhere you look that dates back 1500 to 3000 years. It's just been my life. I've been fascinated by all the intricate interconnectedness. A man throws a leaf

from a mangrove tree in the Everglades, the leaf falls in the water, it rots, a small mullet eats that rot, a snook, a slightly larger fish, eats that small mullet, an osprey — a fish hawk — comes down and eats that snook, and that osprey flies off to its nest in a casuarinas pine to feed and then poops out what it has ingested over an oyster bar, which also happens to contain a mangrove seed. And so on. That cyclic chain I find fascinating."

Everglades, I said, "moves along very, very quickly. I was entirely engrossed in the characters and their situation." I particularly liked Doc Ford and Tomlinson, both of whom are central to Mr. White's ten novels. I am always curious about how authors feel about characters that appear again and again in a series of novels, and I asked Mr. White how he felt about his guys, Ford and Tomlinson

"I love it. They've come to life. For me, they have. And this sounds funny, I know, but they've changed over the years. They've changed in my mind. For whatever reason, when I wrote the first book, *Sanibel Flats*, I wrote a very long bio for four different characters. So I knew before writing the first book that these two characters, Ford and Tomlinson, had long and more than slightly dark interwoven pasts. Why I did that, I don't know, because there was no guarantee that the first book would have been published, let alone any one after that, but I did. And I'm glad I did.

"I like the characters. I think we're all made up cerebrally, at least I am, of two main components: one is spiritual and emotional and sentimental, and the other is intellectual and analytical. I like the idea of having one character who is purely one and another character who is purely the other, because those two qualities are often at odds in me. I thought by having those two characters, very starkly different, that I could say essentially anything I wanted and get away with it. Plus they would play well off one another."

"They do. Have they changed much over the years?"

"They have, yes. Doc Ford has become increasingly spiritual. And flawed. He was flawed to begin with. Tomlinson was terribly flawed to begin with and continues to be flawed. But now, in *Everglades*, his flaws have catapulted him to a kind of fame which he never anticipated nor wanted."

A character like Doc Ford or Tomlinson, I said, about whom an author writes for many years, also becomes a reflection of the

way the author of that character has changed. Had that happened to Mr. White with his characters?

"I think you could not be more right. The characters become a mirror to a degree of one's own way of looking, not just at the world, but in to one's interior — one's own fears and failures. My interests have changed over the years. And one of my new great interests is windsurfing. I just love it. And there's a scene in *Everglades* where Doc Ford takes off at night and windsurfs.

"This incident is based on something real. I do go off at night windsurfing, which is not probably a wise thing to do. But I love it so. A friend, six or seven months ago, was out windsurfing here and she came zooming back in, and she said, 'Oh my God, this shark followed me out and it would not leave. It just kept right after me.'

"I needed some way for Ford to come face to face with this depression and this just almost kind of maudlin, sickening, wallowing in his own self-pity, so I had him go out windsurfing at night and come upon a shark."

Mr. White's novels sometimes are described as "eco-adventure" mysteries. Nature with a capital "N," I said, in Mr. White's novels is more than "setting." Nature becomes a powerful and interesting character.

"It is indeed," said Mr. White. "If you write about two people in Florida, you are dealing with three distinct characters. In fact, Florida may well be the most powerful character in the scene. It's an extraordinary state with a variety of ecological and sociological settings."

After Doc Ford has his run-in with the shark, he says to himself that "to live fearlessly, one must first invite death." I said to Mr. White that in Robert Stone's recent novel, *Bay of Souls*, Stone's protagonist makes a similar observation, saying that "without physical courage there is no moral courage." Did Mr. White agree with this statement?

Mr. White took a while to answer. "Yes, I think that's probably accurate. I think to live an overly careful life is as predacious as slow cancer. I generally believe that. Yes."

— Judith Moore

Mr. White will appear on Sunday, June 8, at the Open Book Fair in Hillcrest; he will be at the Warwick's booth at 11:00 a.m.

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, surf-

boards, 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 John-

son, and Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876.

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern Cali-

fornia 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)

Computer Museum of America,

'Secrets, Lies, and Teletypes: A History of Cryptology" explores the development of cryptology and code breaking from ancient times to the present, focusing on the role of machines and computers. The National Cryptologic Museum has loaned the German Air Force Enigma Machine; the three-rotor Enigma was used by the Nazis in World War II to secure messaging. Also on view, the M-209, a U.S. Army Signal Corps machine used by American troops to send and receive encrypted messages. Learn about the use of semaphore, punch card equipment, teletypes, and other machines.

Ongoing exhibits include vintage video games like Pong and Space Invaders, punch cards, a rare "millionaire calculator," and a Hectotron, described as "a 1970s vacuum-tube, sound-responsive electronic kaleidoscope." Find the museum at 640 C Street (at Seventh Avenue). 619-235-8222.

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 Marine 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

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ONE DAY AT A FLORIDA KEY

Here we are at Whitehorse Key. It is early morning. The tide is out. Hints of "earlier and other creation" And the sea, having slept all night, seems heated, immobile, uncenturied, robust, abundant, lowvoiced. On a dead tree just offshore, fourteen pelicans are drying their wings and encouraging their stomach linings. Now they can look down and see the helpless shining fish once more.

The day has gone by; it is early dusk. The sun is setting down through a neighboring island. We see dark ragged lines of trees, braced behind shiny, coppery water, given a momentary further darkness by a leaping fish, given broad strokes of murder by a pelican lumbering shoreward, then diving with a splash like a car wreck, rising cradling a fish in his bill, and so emerging triumphant.

Just before dark, the rosy band left by the setting sun begins to evaporate. The sun disk is gone, leaving behind the solitary, funereal, obscure, Jesuitical, cloud-reflecting, cloud-worshipping, altar-mad boat-strewn Florida waters.

- Robert Blv



Robert Bly was born in Minnesota in 1926. His first book was Silence in the Snowy Fields (1962), and his most recent book is The Night Abraham Called to the Stars (2001).

One Day at a Florida Key" appears in Great American Prose Poems: From Poe to the Present; edited by David Lehman; Scribner, 2003; 346 pages; \$30

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)

Heritage Walk Museum, the museum includes the restored Victorian House, the city's original Santa Fe Train Depot, a railroad car with model train, working blacksmith shop, and a barn. Find Heritage Walk in Grape Day Park, at 321 North Broadway; 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of

Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. Indian artifacts from the Kingery family on exhibit. The museum is located at 2116 Tavern Road; 619-659-8740. (ALPINE)

Museum of History and Art, ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

Museum of Making Music, 'Wood Vibrations," opening Saturday, June 7, features an exhibit of the Martin Guitar Company's handcrafted instruments. Prototype and concept guitars, Martin family history, factory photographs, guitar parts illustrating the construction process. Through Sunday, August 24.

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 themselves flying bomber escort and ground attack missions during World War II.

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including a replica of Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, flight deck of the USS *York*town, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane - 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from Montgolfier hot-air-balloon era to 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 County Sheriff's Mu**seum,** the 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive tov 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, "Glow: Living Lights" explores the phenomenon of bioluminescence — an organism's ability to produce its own light. The exhibit explains what bioluminescence is, how it happens, and the reasons organisms produce their own light. Closes Sunday, September 7.

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," on exhibit through Tuesday, September 2. "Rare Places in a Rare Light: The Wildlands Photography of Robert Turner" is on exhibit through Monday, September 1. Also on view: "Natural Treasures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giantscreen films" include Wolves and Ocean Oasis, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baia 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)



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Identifying the Mysterious X

They played some loud music, and then they played some soft music.

REVI

JONATHAN SAVILLE

he La Jolla Music Society (as we must now call it) ended its season with a Sunday afternoon performance by Antares, a quartet composed of violin (Vesselin Gellev), cello (Rebecca Patterson), piano (Eric Huebner), and

clarinet (Garrick Zoeter). The group was formed in 1996 in New Haven, Connecticut, under the name "Elm Street Ensemble." Why and when they changed the

name, and what significance they attribute to "Antares," the program notes did not tell us. Antares is a first-magnitude star in the constellation Scorpio. Does the name mean that the musicians consider themselves stars? (I would agree.) Or scorpions? (Who knows?)

In fact, the program notes told us very little of what we might want to know. The program began with Ravel's Piano Trio (the clarinetist sat it out), a work everyone is familiar with; and for this, the printed program provided two full columns of notes (actually, quite interesting ones). The rest of the afternoon was devoted to living composers, of whom — it's to be supposed — virtually no one in the audience had ever heard before: Nicolas Bacri, James Matheson, Volker David Kirchner, David Schiff, and the Mysterious X.

About these, the program notes ranged from skimpy to nonexistent. James Matheson was declared to be "one of the most striking voices among composers of his generation," but which generation that might be was something you had to guess (no birth dates were provided for any of the composers). The tiny Matheson note said nothing at all about the piece Antares performed, Buzz. (The clarinetist introduced it from the stage with two sentences. He quoted from the com-"Buzz, because it does" — and added the insight that the piece was "like The Flight of the Bumblebee on steroids.") The note on Kirchner said nothing about the composer, but at least quoted three paragraphs of his own comments on his work, Exil. The note on David Schiff's Divertimento from Gimpel the Fool was cursory, but it

touched on the fundamental topics: where the composer studied, what his opera Gimpel the Fool is about, and — very briefly — how the Divertimento is related to it. Im Volkston by Nicolas Bacri had no program note at all (though the vi-

olinist did opine that the work was looking toward the past and the future, whatever that meant). And the Mysterious X is the name one might give to the composer

of the substantial encore, which Antares played without a hint as to what it was or who wrote it.

I'm griping about this for two reasons. The first is that when an audience is being introduced to unfamiliar pieces, by unknown composers, and in a contemporary style they may not have previously encountered, they deserve a little friendly help. The second is that, since a respectable review cannot simply say, "They played some loud music, and then they played some soft music," I myself have had to work inordinately hard to acquire the information the program booklet should have supplied. (Although, as things turned out, that work was not without its benefits.)

But first a few words about the musicians. They were altogether terrific, singly and as a group. Their command of their instruments was awesome, and their playing was filled to overflowing with youthful vibrance. Their zest was irresistible. On the other hand, in the one work about which I dare make comparative judgments, the Ravel Trio, the fast movements (the second and fourth) came across more convincingly than the slow or moderately paced movements (the first and the third), which I found too fast and with insufficient rubato, to the detriment of their poetry.

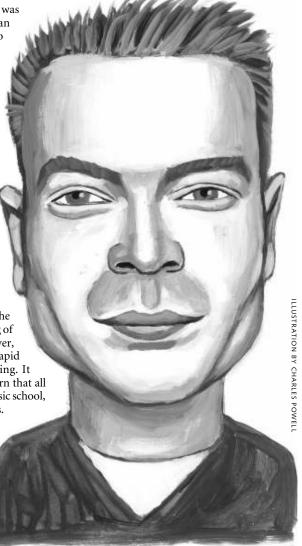
For the other pieces, I had to accept Antares' interpretations, having nothing to compare their performances with. Judging simply by my own immediate reaction to music I didn't know, I would say that the Antares performances were exciting, expressive, nuanced, and captivating. They made a powerfully persuasive case for each

of the contemporary compositions. It was not their fault that everything other than the Ravel tended, on first hearing, to sound very much the same, so that one had to make an effort to discern the individual voices of the various composers.

Part of this impression had to do with the instrumentation, which for four of the contemporary pieces was identical (the Bacri work dispensed with the piano, but the others employed all the members of the ensemble). The universally present clarinet was scarcely ever in the warm, vocal mode of - for example - Mozart's "Kegelstatt" Trio, or the mode of pure, cool, impersonal energy called for by the single major work scored for these four instruments, Messiaen's Quartet for the End of Time. Here was a clarinet with a new voice. At times it had the quality of a jazz clarinet; at times it called to mind the lamenting slides and agitated squealing of the clarinet in a Klezmer band. Moreover, in all the works there were extended rapid passages suggestive of frenzied dancing. It would not have been surprising to learn that all the composers came from the same music school, and were contemporaries and buddies.

Actually, that is far from being true: further reflection, and the investigations I was driven to by the deficient program notes, revealed that each of the composers possesses a distinct musical personality. Nicolas Bacri is a prolific (6 symphonies, 4 string quartets, 15 concertos) French composer, born in Paris in 1961, formerly an atonal serialist but no longer. His Im Volkston, composed in 1994, is a lighthearted, ironic, sweet-and-sour, and quintessentially French treatment of several traditional musical forms (waltz, march, toccata, cradle-song, tarantella). Its language is reminiscent of Darius Milhaud

(on steroids, if you will), and there are inescapable reminders of Stravinsky's L'Histoire du soldat as well, particularly in the clarinet part. David Schiff was born in the Bronx in 1945, and much of his music deals with Jewish subjects in an Eastern European idiom, although a work



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Ravel, Piano Trio: Bacri, Divertimento No. 2, Opus 43 "Im Volkston": Matheson, Buzz; Kirchner, Exil; Schiff, Divertimento from Gimpel the Fool; Mackey, Breakdown Tango.

> such as his terrific Scenes from Adolescence exploits the idioms of bop, jazz, and rock. Volker David Kirchner, a German, is the oldest of these composers, born in Mainz in 1942 (five years after the death of Ravel, it may be noted, and in a very different world). He writes in a late-Ro-



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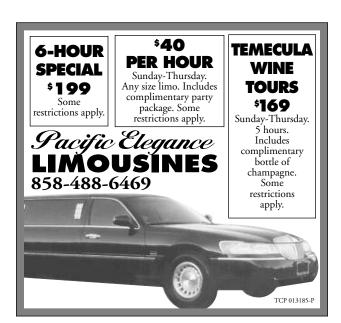
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mantic style much stretched at the seams by post-Mahlerian Expressionism and by the Bartók quartets; his works notably his operas, but also the purely instrumental Exil—are often about "alienation, violence, the decline of values, the abuse of power, and death' (Grove's Dictionary).

There were two young

Americans on the program,

and this sample of their music gave an encouraging insight into what American composers "of their generation" are doing. The music of James Matheson, born in 1970 and living in New York, is happily free of the heavy academic orthodoxy that stifled serious music during the long decades when Webernian serialism was the key to respectability (although not, of course, to popularity). For Matheson, tonality is always a possibility; but it is a matter of feeling, not of architecture, and it can be used or not used, depending on the momentary expressive needs of the music. Dissonance is not dictated by any abstract principle, but is employed for emotional expression, as is with equal freedom — consonance. Form is guided by intuition, not by any externally imposed system; nevertheless, the composer's focus on a central motivic or textural idea, imaginatively yet lucidly varied, insures that the listener can sense the work's unity. Matheson loves the play of instrumental timbres, but they are always in the service of a human reality that the music is giving voice to.

Thus, in the six and a half minutes of *Buzz*, the obsessive flutterings and scurryings over brooding, slow-moving harmonies evoked in a phantasmagoric way the immediate energies and underlying sadness of life, the "buzz" of activity struggling to overcome the inexorable laws of existence, but unable to silence them. (Both the idea and the form the composer gives it may show the influence of Ives's *The Unanswered Question.*)

The same kinds of serious concerns, and the same inventiveness in finding musical means to embody them, dominate other Matheson works. His stunning River, River, River, commissioned by the Chicago Symphony, magically communicates the essence of an exquisite little symbolist poem by T.S. Eliot about a Virginia river on a hot summer day, the scarcely perceptible movement of the water suggesting the flow of time suspended in a moment of timeless consciousness. The piano trio Falling is a set of variations on a descending sequence, with once again a variously agitated and somber emotional atmosphere: the fevered assertiveness of activity (including the scurrying gestures that permeate Buzz) pitted against inevitable decline and degeneration.

The hypnotic power of this music arises from a moment-

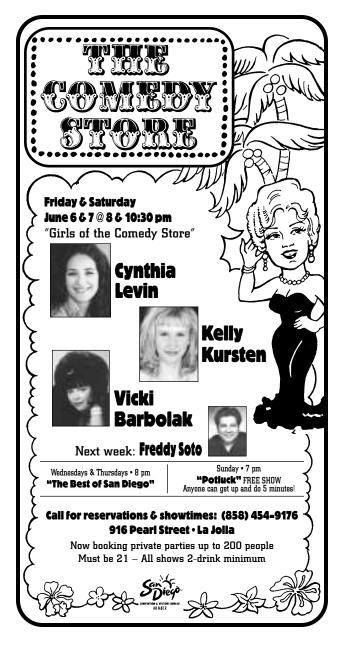
to-moment drama that fascinates the mind and creates its own unpredictable structure. This is what one experiences in Matheson's incredibly beautiful Gliss, an orchestral work, with its gradual evolution of basic melodic shapes within gorgeous clouds of shifting timbres; in Sleep, a concerto for violin and chamber orchestra. with its rich harmonies and textures and its profound expressiveness; and in Spin, a compact string quartet in which texture and gesture are the generative elements, but where there is still a pervasive sense of singing melody and evocative harmony. These works, and others, are available for listening — along with the composer's extensive and eloquent program notes — on Matheson's website (www.bofamusic.com). I urge you to take advantage of it, if you want to become acquainted with a truly impressive contemporary composer.

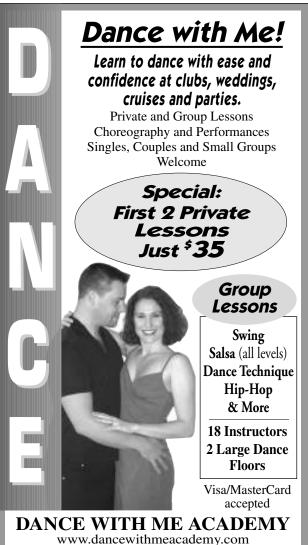
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author of the encore, he is John Mackey (not the same as Steven Mackey, whose works were played at SummerFest in 2001), a New York composer who studied with John Corigliano and Donald Erb. From his picture and his manner, I would guess Mackey to be about the same age as Matheson. His works have a sassy, freewheeling attitude toward composition, and an irrepressibly playful imagination, that I find exhilarating. Rhythmic drive, of a very American (and very urban) sort, is central to the exuberant spirit of this music. Piquant clashes of color contribute to the sense of flamboyant vitality (it's no wonder that Mackey enjoys the clarinet so much). In a sense, anything goes, in any direction, at any length, with any kind of sounds, jumping from mood to mood, like the life of an uninhibited, jazzed-up young man in the Big Apple: it's music that Frank O'Hara would have loved. And of course nothing could be further from the self-conscious radicalism of that Vatican of the European avant-garde, Darmstadt.

He is a kick, this composer — as one could readily hear in the zany Mackey piece played by Antares. Dedicated three years ago to the Antares clarinetist, Garrick Zoeter, it's called Breakdown Tango, or, alternatively, Dementia, or, alternatively alternatively, Family Portrait. The titles tell a lot about what the music sounds like. Two wildly energetic sections form the beginning and end, and strangely surfacing between them is a sleazy tango, somewhat in the Piazzolla vein (Piazzolla on steroids). There is also a virtuosic violin cadenza quoting from the Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto and Scheherazade.

Why? Don't ask. The only thing that could have intensified the sensation of inspired whimsy would have been to see the modern dance this piece of





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music was designed to accompany (a great deal of Mackey's music has been written for dance companies — in this case, choreographer David Parsons' New York-based Parsons Dance Company). The composer remarks, "The choreography is really, really odd." I'm sure he means this as a compliment. (Mackey, too, has a website from which you can download several of his works: www.ostimusic.com.)

Kirchner's Exil is a very different kettle of pharmaceuticals. Steroids are definitely not an issue in this dark exploration of "inward and outward emigration," "withdrawal into oneself," and "life in isolation." Prozac or lithium would be more in order. But depressing (Kirchner's own word) as the music is, it makes - like all Kirchner's works I have managed to listen to - a devastatingly powerful statement, which seems to rise less from the composer's own anguished soul than from the relentless mutilation of the human spirit on that slaughterbench of history, the 20th Century. In Exil's second movement, the clarinet — played with profound expressiveness in this performance - takes on the role of

Miles Davis's trumpet, in an imitation of one of those slow, desolate reveries that Davis's playing sometimes evoked in the '50s (before he immersed his imagination in bitches' brews and the like). Without contradiction (since for Kirchner the Jews of the Diaspora and blacks in America are in a similar state of exile), the clarinet also makes references to the cantillation of the synagogue, with the lamenting motif of the falling minor third identical with what we were to hear in the poignant "Jester's Song" of Schiff's Gimpel the Fool Divertimento, and played by the same instrument.

There was one device Exil could have done without. In the 70s, a number of composers desperate for some new shtik experimented with "theatricalization of the performance situation," which meant forcing musicians with no histrionic talent to do various awkward things on stage, moving around, gesturing, and interacting with each other or with their instruments or with the audience. This failed experiment still surfaces occasionally, and unfortunately it does so in Kirchner's Exil (1995).

The problem was not only that the Antares musicians, brilliant in their own profession, looked like klutzes when attempting to *act* depression. The real downer was that the choreography (the clarinetist disappearing into the wings,

the violinist and cellist moving to dark corners of the stage and playing in isolation) provided such a pathetically crude embodiment of the psychological themes that were expressed with so much greater subtlety and variety in the music. Did the composer believe that the heartbreaking forlornness of his writing for the instruments was insufficient, and that it needed to be reinforced by a childish pantomime?

This was not only the last concert of the La Iolla Music Society's 2002-2003 season. and the last concert of the season's "Discovery Series," but also the last "Discovery Series" concert altogether. These exciting concerts featuring new artists, which have offered so much enlightenment and pleasure over the years, have now been eliminated as an independent series. I deeply regret this decision on the part of the Society's new management. But at least Neale Perl's admirable idea was retired with a concert that fully lived up to the series' name, for Antares is definitely a discovery, and for me, and (I hope) for much of the audience — Bacri, Matheson, Kirchner, Schiff, and Mackey were terrific discoveries as well. ■

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Music of the Romantic Era by Dvořák, Brahms, and Mendelssohn performed by Trio Lyrique for Escondido Library's First Thursday series, June 5, 7 p.m., Turrentine Room of library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

Mainly Mozart Festival 2003, this year's musical extravaganza continues through June 22 at venues around the county and Tijuana. Festival orchestra performs selections by Mozart, Debussy, Bach, Handel, and Grieg, June 5-7. Performances take place Thursday at Catedral de Guadalupe (at Calle Segunda and Niños Héroes); on Friday at Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue); and on Saturday at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive).

Martin Chalifour (violin), Sarah Cleveland (cello), and James David Christie (harpsichord) perform works by Mozart, Bach, Rameau, Vivaldi, Bach, and Vitali on Sunday, June 8, 2 p.m., in Pavilion Room at U.S. Grant Hotel (326 Broadway).

The Festival Ensemble performs selections by Mozart, Wagner, and Beethoven on Wednesday, June 11, at the Neurosciences Institute. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. (except where noted). Tickets range from \$18 to \$48, depending upon the venue. Reservations: 619-239-0100.

Tchaikovsky's "Violin Concerto" will be performed by 13-year-old violinist and La Jolla resident Eugene Ugorski, when he plays with Tifereth Israel Community Orchestra, Thursday, June 5, 7:30 p.m., East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street).

Program includes Offenbach's overture "The Beautiful Helen," "Intermezzo" by Nicolas Flagell, and world premiere of song cycle for soprano, baritone, and orchestra by Micah Levy. Tickets: \$14 adults, \$7 for those 17 and under. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Music of the Californias is being performed by Westwind Brass, June 5 and 6. Performances pay tribute to music from cathedrals of Baja to Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass, as well as music from the Gold Rush era.

Performances start at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 5, in Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street; 619-337-2848). The group also presents concert Friday, June 6, at Tijuana Cultural Center (CECUT, Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río; 011-52-664-687-9600). 619-696-1966. (LA JOLLA, TIJUANA)

Works by Cacavas, Desormes, Holst, Grainger, Mennin, Nellybel, Persichetti, Press, and Rachmaninoff on tap when UCSD's Wind Ensemble performs Thursday, June 5, 8 p.m., in UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium. \$5. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

San Diego County Recorder Society convenes for instruction and playing, Friday, June 6. Potluck dinner, 6:30 p.m.; guest conductor Ulla Sinz leads the group from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 1120 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (two miles east of I-15). 760-726-8699. First visit free (IJERRASANTA)

The Del Gesu Quartet — featuring Thi Nguyen, David Shearen, Arthur Howansky, Alan Mautner (with Debra Nguyen) — present "Quartet No. 12 in F Major" by Dvořák, Haydn's "String Quartet No. 15 in D Major," and a piece by Mozart. Concert starts at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 7, at Carlsbad Community Cultural Arts Center (3557 Monroe Street). Tickets: \$5, \$8, \$10. Reservations: 760-729-3407. (CARLSBAD)

Keyboard Kaleidoscope, organist Dennis James and civic organist Carol Williams perform on the new 46-rank pipe organ, Saturday, June 7, 7:30 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church for spring concert series. Find church at 4190 Front Street; 619-298-4580. Donation: \$10.(HILLCREST)

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game," the season concludes for La Jolla Symphony and Chorus with performances, June 7 and 8. Four "short American orchestral snapshots" by Ives, Justice, and Crawford-Seeger are on program, along with excerpts from Casey at the Bat by William Schuman.

Concerts at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 3 p.m. on Sunday, in UCSD's Mandeville Center. Preconcert lectures begin one hour prior to each performance. Tickets: \$12 to \$22. Reservations: 858-534-4637.

UCSD Voice Students of Carol Plantamura present recital, Saturday, June 7, 4 p.m., in Erickson Hall (B-210) at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

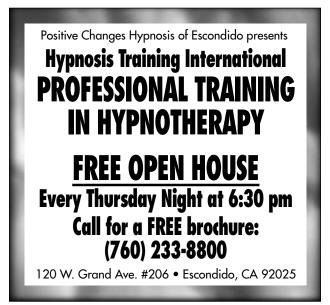
"The Creation" by Franz Joseph Haydn may be heard when the La Jolla Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir performs Sunday, June 8, 7 p.m. Find the church at 7715 Draper Avenue; 858-729-5531. Offering. (LA JOLLA)

South Bay Community Chorale presents concert Sunday, June 8, 3 p.m., at Community Congregational Church (276 F Street). Tickets: \$5 general, \$3 for seniors and those under 10. 619-690-3302. (CHULA VISTA)

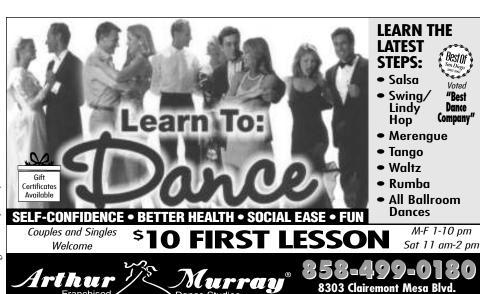
Here Comes the Bride? Civic organist Carol Williams performs famous wedding music by Mendelssohn and Bach in Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, June 8, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

"A Celebration of Rumi: The Music of Sufism" performed by Mohammad Reza Lotfi on Friday, June 13, 8 p.m., in Smith Recital Hall at San Diego State University. Born in northern Iran, Lotfi is considered a leading interpreter of traditional Persian music, master of the tar and setar (long-necked lutes). He'll perform extended improvisations from the classical Persian repertoire. Tickets: \$30 general, \$10 students. 619-688-0688.

Mozart Festival, the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library offers four-concert series by pianist Gustavo Romero, Sundays, July 6-27, at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Series fee: \$100; single tickets \$27 and \$29. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)







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GALLERIES

"Paintings of the Antique" by GD Durrant go on exhibit with reception on Friday, June 6, 6:30 p.m., in Boehm Gallery at Palomar College (1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2304). See show through Saturday, June 28. (SAN MARCOS)

"Outdoors Eclectic," a collection of watercolors by Walter Bruning, is on exhibit along with "Selections" of oils by Melva Riley, beginning with reception Friday, June 6, 6 p.m., at Artists Gallery (7420 Girard Avenue). 858-459-5844. Show closes Saturday, July 5. (LA JOLLA)

"Fugue," an exhibit of work by Lissa Rankin, opens with reception on Friday, June 6, 6 p.m., at Basile Gallery (519 Island Avenue). Show closes Friday, August 8. 619-234-1117. (GASLAMP OUARTER)

"Barefoot in the Park," San Diego Watercolor Society's June juried show includes reception, Friday, June 6, 5 p.m., at Showcase Gallery (Studio Building, 2400 Kettner Boulevard). 619-338-0502. The show closes Saturday, June 28. (DOWNTOWN)

"Half Things," a "conceptual series of new oil paintings on glass' by Maravillas Carrión, opens with reception, Saturday, June 7, 6:30 p.m., at Burton Gallery (307 South Cedros Avenue). Show concludes Monday, July 21. 858-794-7204. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Hula Girls and Holidays," this exhibit of new oil paintings plein air Hawaiian landscapes by Daryl Millard and classic "Hawaiiana" figurative paintings by Michael Cassidy — opens with reception, Saturday, June 7, 5 to p.m., at Daryl Millard Gallery (342 South Cedros Avenue; 858-847-9030). Show closes Saturday, June 21. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Re:Past," an exhibit of freestanding and wall-mounted sculpture by Neal Bociek and assemblage pieces by Joel Daavid, opens with reception, Saturday, June 7, 7 to 11 p.m., at Limbo's (1432 University Avenue). Show closes Sunday, June 29. 619-295-5393.

No Abstracts or Nudes were welcome in the second annual juried show hosted by the Southwestern Artists Association, on view through Sunday, June 15, in Gallery 23, Spanish Village. Juror was wildlife artist Joe Garcia. Awards reception: Saturday, June 7, 4 p.m. Free. 619-232-3522. (BALBOA PARK)

Marine Life Artist Wyland joins nine artists for "reunions" at local Wyland Galleries, June 7 and 8. Meet the group 6 to 10 p.m. on Saturday at Wyland Gallery (1025 Prospect Street; 858-459-8229). The artists will be on hand from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday at Wyland Gallery in Seaport Village (855 West Harbor Drive; 619-544-9995). Free. (LA JOLLA, SEAPORT VILLAGE)

Recent Work by six local artists is showcased at La Iolla Art Association Gallery through Sunday, June 15. Reception is set for Sunday, June 8, 4 to 7 p.m. Find gallery at 7917 Girard Avenue; 858-459-3001. (LA JOLLA)

Recent Encaustic Abstract Paintings by Fran Watson are on view through June at Rancho Buena Vista Adobe Gallery (651 East Vista Way). Reception: Sunday, June 8, 1 to 3 p.m. 760-639-6164.

ART MUSEUMS

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, "From the Kilns of Denmark — Contemporary Danish Ceramics," on view through Sunday, July 20, includes studio pottery by 30 contemporary artistcraftsmen, the latest examples in the country's 6000-year pottery tradition. Each featured craftsman demonstrates respect for historical context, pragmatic philosophy, and an analytical mindset.

"Heirlooms of the Future Art of Contemporary American Designer Craftsmen," opening on Tuesday, June 10, includes furniture, textiles, glass, and pottery by renowned artists including Sam Maloof, Wendy Maruyama, Jack Lenor Larsen, Dale Chihuly, Italo Scanga, Beatrice Woods, and others. Show continues until October.

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. Visitors see 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 continuing "Cerca" series, see selections from Yvonne Venegas's ongoing series "The Most Beautiful Brides of Baja California" through Sunday, July 6. Venegas explores how notions of gender and class are constructed in Tijuana's culture.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot, adjacent to the America Plaza trolley transfer station. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, "Andy Goldsworthy: Three Cairns" is on view through Tuesday, 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 includes works of Eastern and Western native materials.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541.

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 photograms 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)

San Diego Museum of Art, "The Living Line: Paintings, Prints, and Drawings by Hokusai" demonstrates the Japanese master's genius. Exhibition offers a selection of original drawings and paintings from the museum and collection of the Pacific Asia Museum in Pasadena. through Sunday, August 3.

Performance artist Regina Frank combines fruits and vegetables with "the latest technology in a multimedia piece" inspired by Quince, Cabbage, Melon, and Cucumber by Juan Sánchez Cotán. Her installation — on exhibit through Sunday, June 29 - incorporates food, a big white dress, video, text, and a computer kiosk.

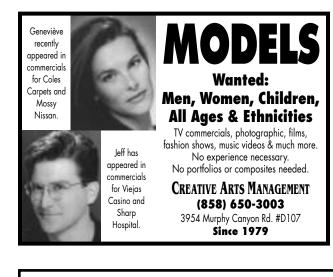
"Paris: A Century as Europe's Art Capital" features painting and sculpture from the museum's European collection. Pieces by Courbet, Monet, Degas, Dufy, Matisse, and Magritte are included in the show, on view through spring.

Paintings, sculptures, prints, videos, and photographs from inspired by elements in nature are gathered in "Of Earth and Sky: Elements in Abstraction," closing Sunday, December 14. "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).

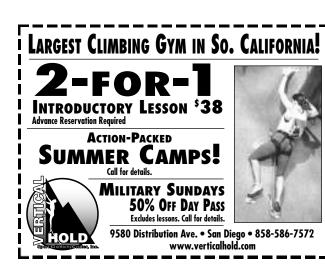
For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, "American Viewpoints: Painting and Sculpture from the Hood Museum of Art" charts key developments in history of American art and compares perspectives of artists from different time periods and artistic persuasions. Among the 22 paintings and sculptures on view, see works by artists including Thomas Sully, Lilly Martin Spencer, James McNeill Whistler, Maxfield Parrish, and others. Closes Sunday, August 31.

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Excellent Babel

"We are the sum of all the people who invaded us."

n *Arcadia*, Tom Stoppard alleges that George Gordon, Lord Byron, stole his world-famous persona, and poetic style, from eccentric school chum Septimus Hodge. In *Pentecost*, currently at the Old Globe, David

Edgar pulls a similar rug from under the "fountainhead of Western art," Giotto di Bondone (1266–1337).

one (1266–1337). On the wall of an abandoned

On the wall of an abandoned church, in the war zone of an "unnamed southeast European country," Gabriella Pecs, state curator, may have discovered the "Big Bang" of paintings. It looks like Giotto's famous Lamentation over Jesus (1305), which ushered in Renaissance art. It must be Giotto's, in fact, since he was the first painter to depict three-dimensional, individualized emotions on faces and use one-point perspective and foreshortening. But what's it doing in a church the art world would consider across the gloam from nowhere?

Gabriella suspects the unthinkable: the fresco was the work of an earlier painter, almost 100 years before Giotto. Legend told of an artist who escaped imprisonment by painting on the wall. Could he (or she?) have done the work and then Giotto saw a sketch and stole the techniques?

Two questions focus world attention on the run-down church: (1) Is the painting genuine? (2) What should be done about it? For the latter, everyone has an exploitive agenda, including a Noah's Ark of refugees who storm the building, take art experts captive, and threaten to "fry the painting off the wall" if demands aren't met.

Pentecost is something San Diegans rarely see: an XXL-sized play, brimming with ideas

and controversies, that refuses to pander to its audience. Like fellow British playwrights Peter Barnes, Edward Bond, and Howard Brenton, David Edgar

doesn't just present a major theme, he hungers

Act One is a latticework of those ideas. Edgar feels compelled to account for all sides of complex questions — not just about the painting, but also "turnaround" in the wartorn country and the authentication of both. In Act One, we watch an important piece.

Act Two almost feels like a separate drama. Edgar eschews theorizing. We follow the detailed unfolding of a human tragedy. The refugees come from hybrid pasts (the Bosnians may be Polish Gypsies; the German may be from the Ukraine). They speak a Babel of languages. As they pass the night waiting for the government's reply, they use the arts of dance, music, comedy, and narrative to tell their individual stories. As Giotto (or the unnamed original) did for painting, Edgar gives his grime-clothed refugees three-dimensional faces and perspective.

First produced in 1994, *Pentecost* concludes with a horrific, preemptive "let God sort it out" finale you'd swear was written today.



Markika Daciuk, Guy Ale, Anna Katarina, Lauren Campedelli, Mustafa Shakir, Calli Sarkesh in Pentecost

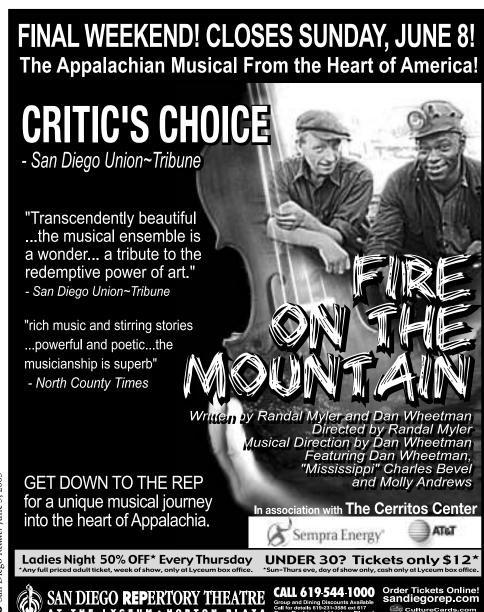
Pentecost, by David Edgar

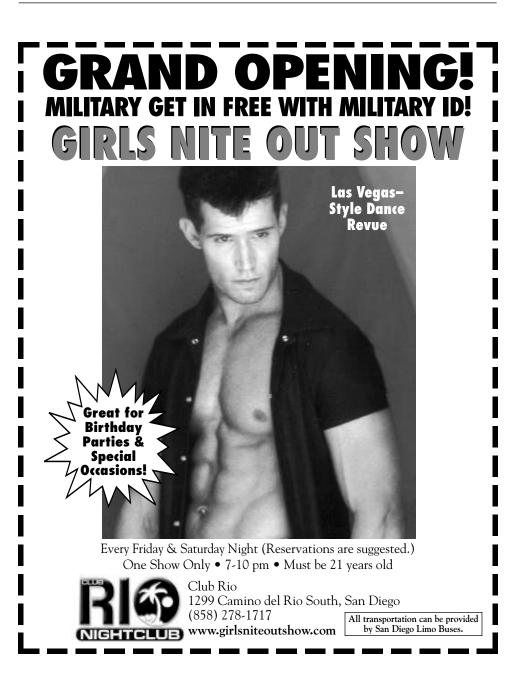
Old Globe Theatre, Simon Edison Centre for the Performing Arts, Balboa Park

Directed by Mark Lamos; cast, Jolly Abraham, Elijah Alexander, Lauren Campedelli, Guy Ale, Rod Brogan, Markika Daciuk, Yevgeniy Dekhtyar, Mariana P. Dimitrova, Deborah Annette Heinig, Anna Katarina, Kahan James, Misha Kuznetsov, Michael Santo, Mustafa Shakir, Calli Sarkesh, Charles Daniel Sandoval, Charles Stransky, Karen Zippler, Nanka Sturgis; scenic design, Michael Yeargan; costumes, Merrily Murray-Walsh; lighting, York Kennedy; sound, Paul Peterson; fight director, Steve Rankin

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Make Love, by Karen Finley
Sushi Performance and Visual Art
Cast: Finley, Chris Tanner, Lance Cruce (pianist)
Run concluded.







Caren Finl

One could quibble about the script's need for a trim, or acting choices that bleed menace into caricature e.g., the brute with the wobbly limp — and for exposition given in an almost incomprehensible accent. There's also the CNN Effect (so many Iraqis or Afghans interviewed speak fluent English you'd think it the official language of the country): that most of the refugees know English defies all odds. Overall, however, the Old Globe merits praise for the attempt and the achievement.

"Babel" is Edgar's operative word, and the 20-person cast speaks maybe ten different languages convincingly. Even Merrily Murray Walsh's costumes "Babel"; refugees trade clothing with the experts, so that almost everyone wears a Brueghelesque hodgepodge of mismatched apparel. Walsh visually illustrates the line "We are the sum of all the people who invaded us."

Director Mark Lamos has done an excellent job of honoring the size and the particularity of what in lesser hands could become a monster. His work in Act Two is most noteworthy. When the refugees tell their tales, Lamos turns what could become a tacky mini-production into a fluid, spontaneous event.

There are playwrights' productions, and directors', and actors'. Pentecost is a designer's. Lit by York Kennedy (everything from medieval murky to Giotto clarity), Michael Yeargan's design forgive the expression, but it's the only one that applies — is awesome. The tall, stately interior of a Romanesque church becomes the site of creation and destruction. The ways Yeargan shows the metamorphoses on the rear wall — from workers' propaganda to the original painting and the changes it undergoes — constitute, in themselves, a masterpiece.

Karen Finley brought her "lounge act," *Make Love,* to Sushi last week. She, pianist Lance Cruce, and vocalist Chris Tanner dressed like Liza Minnelli: thick eyelashes,

slinky lamé glitz, volleyballsized fountains of black hair. The Liza trinity performed torch songs, cabaret-style, punctuated by Finley's Tourrete's syndrome—ish outbursts. Finley warned everyone that the stage was a "red-alert area." True to her word, she terrorized sacred cows.

Make Love — baby boomers can hear an implicit "Not War" in the title — is Finley's response to 9/11 and events since. Silver bags, the kind liquor stores wrap around expensive scotch, became the World Trade Center. To illustrate the change, Tanner sang "On a Clear Day" and "I like New York in June; how about you?" Memories of crumbling towers, and expanding clouds of rising dust, gave these songs a prelapsarian innocence.

"It was such a beautiful day, for a tragedy," she intoned, "such tragedy for such a beautiful day." The event made New Yorkers act nice to each other overnight ("awful for our image"). It gave many the freedom to express childhood terrors "in the guise of national mourning." It also instilled a sense of finality in people. Could a conversation with a taxi driver, on the way to the airport, be the "last meaningful one" you'll have?

It was a good time to establish boundaries ("I'm not going to be your mother complex today") — or to "get off the Program." Or, as Finley uttered in a compelling fear soliloquy, "to smell the taste of gone-bad love."

As if wary of public compassion, Finley would launch heartfelt remarks, then return to the surface. She'd readjust her wig and red feather boa and let out a shallow, loungeish laugh — giggle/inhale, giggle/inhale — which served as a sorbet from sensitivity. Then she'd dive back in, at



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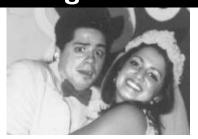
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one point screaming in four-alarm decibels, "THIS IS NOT AGGRESSIVE!"

A subtext ran through the evening: oppressive fathers. Finley was quick to point out that the "Fathers" - i.e., the Padres and Petco Park would soon demolish Sushi's home at the Carnation Building. Punk rock, she added, came out of "someone hating someone's father."

Finley then psychoanalyzed the President. He's "just a stupid little Bush," a "C-minus Bush" who was "told that his mother was the father of the country - and that he was never good enough." That's why "he only feels potent when he's on the brink of killing." To alleviate the condition, Finley prescribed a Monica Lewinsky surrogate. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

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

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

Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. Beehive celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin' " back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. What are those big black round thingies all records. The ones with big holes in

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Broadway*San Diego presents a touring production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's feline musical. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, TUESDAY, JUNE 10, THROUGH JUNE 15; TUESDAY AND THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 6:00 P.M. MATINEE SATUR-DAY AT 2:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 1:00 P M

Chalk It Up to Murder

In H.I.T. Productions' dinner-theater mystery, a terrible fire scorched the Cactus Gulch schoolhouse 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.

Charley's Aunt

North Coast Repertory Theatre opens its 22nd anniversary season with Brandon Thomas's comedy about two Oxford undergrads' scheme. David Ellenstein directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE SUNDAY, JUNE 8, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI NEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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The Drawer Boy

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents Michael Healey's drama about an actor doing research on a farm in Ontario. He digs deeper than expected. Martin Benson di-

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Eleemosynary

La Jolla Stage Company presents Lee Blessing's comedy-drama about the relationships of three "remarkable" women: a young girl, her mother, and her grandmother. Kris Clark directed. THE STAGE AT THE LA JOLLA STAGE COMPANY, THROUGH JUNE 15: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE

Falsettos

Diversionary Theatre stages the William Finn and James Lapine musical about a "typical family: son, mother, divorced father, father's gay lover, and the family psychiatrist who makes house calls and marries mom." Tim Irving di-

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE SLINDAY JUNE 8, THROUGH AUGUST 2; THURS-DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Since his mother died, 1147 days ago, Fentor shut himself down. He prefers an inner world — where furniture talks, pain's absent, and his mother's spirit can appear — to the one outside. When he strays, Fentor gets so lost his family parades with pots and pans to find him. Fentor isn't the only griever. His father, brother, and sister become torn between their own hurt and their younger brother's disturbing isolation. And to playwright Jason Fong's credit, acceptance of loss doesn't come easily in the hour-long drama (in fact, at various stages, odds argue against it). Fentor unfolds like improv sketches, short bits, and blackouts. And though the Asian American Repertory Theatre's spare production could use tightening (minimalism works best in both space and time), the piece has a quiet charm. It's also a kick when the furniture starts to talk. Thomas Villegas plays the Beanbag as a sprawling Buddha, William Henry's stiff-backed Chair scolds like a schoolmarm. And Michelle Wong's Table teaches them how to walk. Then all three teach young Fentor, symbolically, how to get back on his feet.

Worth a try.

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Fire on the Mountain

Though some early songs are interchangeable, Randall Myler's tribute to Appalachian people captures the mountain spirit. Pounding boots on rustic planks, five musicians and famed "traditional" singer Molly Andrews fiddle, pick, and strum guitars, violins, banjos, and a mandolin. Bows zigzagging, every-body nodding and bobbing, virtuosity often results: as when "Missis





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sippi" Charles Bevel sings "Been in This Storm So Long" like a dirge on a rainy day. Andrews is a sturdy fire in song after song. And musical director Dan Wheetman gives his tunes a much-needed vocal edge. Unlike Myler's other efforts (Ain't Nothin' but the Blues; Love, Janis; and Lost Highway), Fire is more a concert than a narration. The music inspires, but the authors need to rethink how the piece gets told. Fire describes black lung, worker exploitation, stereotyping of mountain people, and the ecological rape of strip mining. It could be a call to arms. Instead, it points to abject conditions as if displays in a museum, in effect sealing them off, along with our anger. This is explosive material tempered by a commercial rinse. You want to ask Myler, as the old union song goes, "Which side are you on?" Worth a try.

SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH JUNE 8: THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Forbidden

Theatre of the Insane presents, says the press release, a play "for those with a thirst for a danger that was permissible in the '60s and '70s but stifled by today's canned, politically correct sterility," written and directed by Tom Papitto. 6TH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH JUNE 10: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 10:00 P M

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Community Actors Theatre opens its 2003-04 season with Ntozake Shange's collection of monologues and poems expressing "what it truly means to be a woman of color in our society." Charles W. Patmon directed.

COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, FRIDAY, JUNE 6. THROUGH JUNE 29: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE

Forever Plaid

The Welk Resort Theatre presents the popular musical about the Plaids, an a cappella singing group given one last chance to star. Larry Raben directed.

WELK RESORT THEATRE, THROUGH JUNE 7; THURSDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE THURSDAY AND SATURDAY AT 1:45 P.M.

Grassroots Greeks

6th @ Penn's former "Seven Weeks of Greeks" has become so popular it's a regular series. And what a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek drama, Linda Castro and David Cohen offer staged readings. The approach is refreshing. There is no attempt at polished work or choices set in granite. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal, the threshold of exploration. They read in a semicircle. There's some movement, a suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek drama, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free — though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates donations. Also: since space is limited, the theater recommends reservations in advance. Next reading: Aeschylus, The Persians, Monday, June 30, at

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Back by popular demand for the second time, the California Center for the Arts hosts Vicki Quade and Maripat Donovan's "interactive adult catechism class," taught by a sister from the old spare-not-therod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister's substituting for the regular teacher (it's his poker night, don't tell a soul). She used to have the job but was deemed too strict for contemporary students. And the class is just that, part of a course on Catholic doctrine. But the sister's authoritarianism takes it to unforeseen places (you can hear cries of recognition from audience members who studied under similar circumstances). The results, the two times I've seen the show: a.) an almost nonstop evening of comedy; and b.) a thought-provoking look at education, religion, and much, much more. Iane Morris and Nonie Newton Breen play the sister in alternate

Worth a try.

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Lord of the Dance

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Moon Over Buffalo

The Coronado Playhouse stages Len Ludwig's farce about repertory actors in 1953 Buffalo. Frank Capra's coming to a matinee, and they're missing cast members. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, FRIDAY, JUNE 6, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

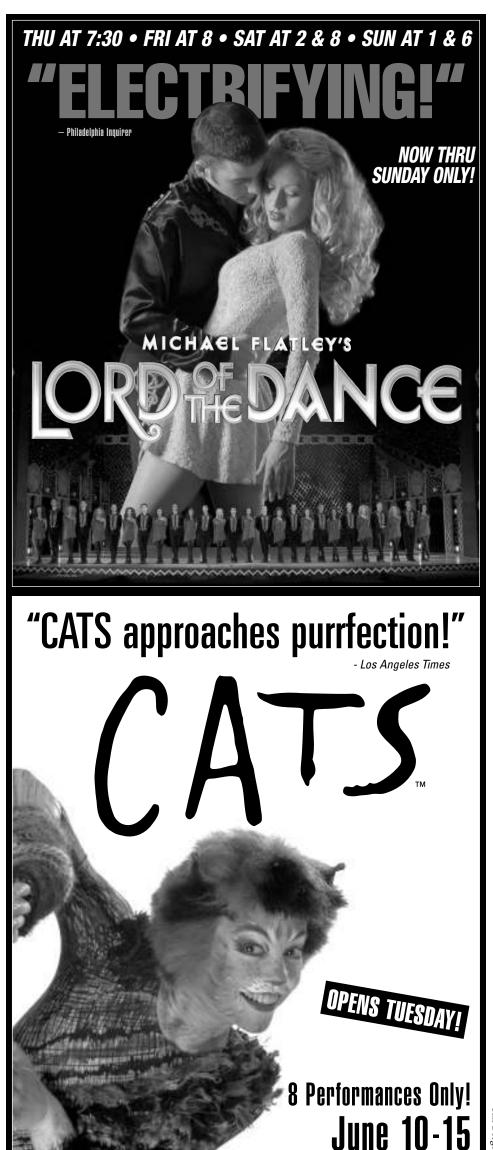
National Comedy Theatre

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 Comedv Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try.

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Black Rabbit Theatre Company presents Craig Lucas's romantic comedy, which asks, "What if you woke up the day after your wedding, and the person next to you was not who you thought they were?" Jayscott Crosley directed. BEN POLAK FINE ARTS CENTER, 8053 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LA MESA, THROUGH JUNE 8; FRIDAY AND SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-294-5771.

Rounding Third

The Old Globe Theatre stages Richard Dresser's "little league comedy" about mismatched coaches. David Petrarca directed. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, SATURDAY, JUNE 7, THROUGH JULY 13: TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SAT-URDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 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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dinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from Forever Plaid. There's also the Forever Plaid problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been re-

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Due to popular demand, 6th @ Penn Theatre has extended the



Boomie helped gay friends all his life. Now, at a memorial in his honor, he will aid them once again, this time to accept their status as "trolls," i.e., gay men over 40. They meet at Terry's Hollywood bungalow, which is, at once, a shrine to Judy Garland and to Boomie. During 90 intermissionless minutes, the six guests - plus an unwanted one and Boomie's ghost — testify to what he meant to them, with songs and dances. They begin to shed the grasp of America's biggest addiction: its obsession with youth and staying young. The musical is also a testimonial: lyricist Bill Dyer dedicates it to "Alan Boomie DeWitt." Trolls is a modest 11-song show given life and charm by a game, strongvoiced cast, Ole Kittleson's sharp direction, and lines like "Growing old isn't for sissies" and "I stopped believing everything when Diana Ross started playing rodeos." Since everyone energizes the small 6th @ Penn space, it's unfair to single people out. though Rick Stevens, Ralph Johnson, Ed Hollingsworth, and especially Scotch-swilling Leigh Scarritt merit mention. They're having a whole lot of fun, and communicate it freely.

run of Trolls. Recently deceased

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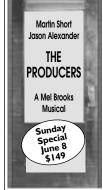
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The Fox Network reaired The Simpsons' 300th episode last month. The show featured Carlsbad skateboarder Tony Hawk and \$29.95. According to a company press release, "The environment comes with four exclusive figures as seen in the 300th episode. Housed in an attractive 'Try Me' window box package, [the toy] operates on three AA

Contacted by phone, a Playmates sales rep said, "The

batteries."

the inside track

Poway rockers blink-182. In the episode, entitled "Barting Over," Bart is emancipated by Judge Constance Harm and gets his own loft in a run-down building where Hawk and blink live upstairs and run a continuous party.

Playmates, a toy company known for its Simpsons figures, has announced a special diorama playset themed around the "Barting Over" episode, scheduled for release in August and retailing for



YOU TOO CAN PLAY "WHERE'S BLINK?"

main figures will be regular Simpsons characters, but blink-182 does appear in the environment. I can't give more details yet, but a lot of fans of the band and Tony Hawk have been asking about

She said customers will have to wait until the set ships in August to play "Where's blink?" and find the boys somewhere in the diorama illustrations or 3-D cutaways. — Jay Allen Sanford

"It's an all-girl's radio **station.** That's all they play — girl music."

That's what Howard Stern had to say about the newest New York City radio station — which coincidentally happens to be named after San Diego's most successful band.

"Blink 102.7" is a mix of celebrity news tidbits scattered amongst pop hits. In April, WNEW-FM dropped talk and switched to the Blink radio format — the first of its kind in the U.S. It is presumed the Blink handle comes from the station's fast-paced delivery and its appeal to those with a short attention span. What does blink-182 think about their name being used to promote a station built on Madonna music and J-Lo

"This is the first we heard

about it," said blink-182 management assistant Chris Georggin.
If the Blink format takes

off in New York, radio insiders have speculated a copycat Blink station could pop up elsewhere. Which leads one to wonder if a Blink radio franchise could happen in blink-182's hometown. If there was a local station named Blink, would other stations not play blink-182 because it would give a free plug to the competition?

That would never happen," said Jeremy Pritchard, program director of 92/1. "That's like someone not playing P.O.D. because there is a K-POD."

FM-94.9 DJ Mike Halloran says calling a radio station Blink is a bad idea. "I would never name a station 'Flash' or 'Blink.' It seems like the station is destined for shortness.'

Meanwhile, 92/1's Pritchard says Hollywood madam Heidi Fleiss will start her nightly sex talk show on his station "possibly in late June." He said the May 19 launch was scrapped because of her European book-signing

— Ken Leighton

"I'm the only guy that's pushing San Diego to the next level.

Mitchy Slick, possibly San Diego's best-known hip-hop artist, has a hard time mixing humility with his bravado. He is featured in the June issue of Source magazine, the bible for the hip-hop nation. And he appeared onstage at 50 Cent's



SLICK NEEDS SDPD PERMISSION

sold-out RIMAC show on May 17.

"I wasn't supposed to perform [at RIMAC]. I had to sneak backstage."

Once backstage, he talked concert opener Xzibit into letting him share the stage during his set. "He's my boy," Slick said about the Columbia recording artist. "He knew Mitchy has a family in San Diego.

Mitchy Slick, born Sean Mitchell, records for Las Vegas-based Presidential Records. He says he runs his own label, Wrong Kind Records, to help SD artists like Cricket, Lil C.S., and Damu. He says he still has deep roots in his East San Diego neighborhood Lincoln Park.

"The cops hate niggas from our neighborhood so they slapped a gang injunction on us," he told the Source. 'Because I'm so high profile, they [the police] put my name at the top of that list."

I ask Slick if his magazine quotes are accurate.

"They slapped a gang ordinance on my neighborhood in '98." He said 25 Lincoln Park Bloods were named in the injunction. "I am still named. It is a real unconstitutional law. We're just suffering through it until we can get all the legal support and knowledge to fight it. It's killing us. We can't go to high school events without permission from the principal. We can't flag somebody down on the side of the street."

But what's this about the "top of the list," I ask.



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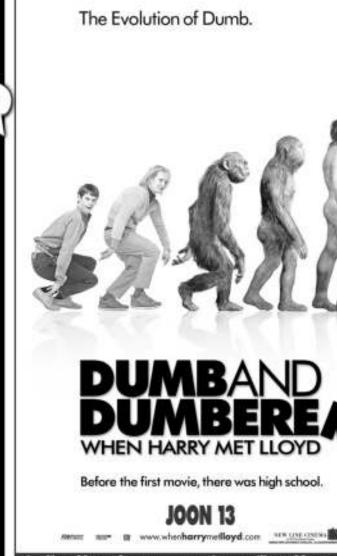
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"I didn't really say that. The guy [Source writer Rob Baker] just reworked some of the stuff I said."

A call was placed to Source's New York
City editorial
offices asking for comment, and a response was not received by press

– Ken Leighton

91X's 20th anniversary X-Fest June 15 at

Coors
Amphitheater has sold 1500 tickets as of last week (out of 20,000), according to a concert insider. The show features Staind, the Transplants, Blur, the Used, Pete Yorn, Agent 51, and Slightly Stoopid.

In 1983, former NFL player-turned-radio station owner John Lynch was trying to figure out a way to bring attention to his new "Rock of the '80s" station. Until January of 1983, 91X was playing an album rock format (Foreigner and Journey), but then Lynch

pulled the plug and launched 91X's new modern rock format based on this strange-sounding music by the Clash and Devo.

"We were the second modern rock station in the country," said Lynch. The Arbitron rating showed 91X surged into a tie with KGB to become San Diego's second most popular station.

But Lynch wanted a bigger-than-life promotion to show that his station was more than just weird music for the



LYNCH HAS 91X-FEST DEJA VU

safety-pin crowd. That summer he rented out Jack Murphy Stadium and hired Tom Petty, the Stray Cats, the Ramones, Modern English, Bow Wow Wow, and others for the first X-Fest.

"We thought we'd pack the place." But the 50,000-seat stadium was only about half full. "I pretty much lost my ass," said Lynch.

The question is, will that

happen to 91X again?

The KROQ multiband Weenie Roast June 14 at the Verizon Amphitheater in Irvine sold

out all 15,000 tickets in less than an hour. It might be due to KROQ's high-octane lineup (White Stripes, Foo Fighters,

(White Stripes, Foo Fighters, Deftones, and Godsmack), but it surely is not the ticket price. Tickets for the X-Fest are \$41 to \$67 with Ticketmaster charges. Weenie Roast tickets are more expensive, \$50 to

\$65.
Bryan Shock, program director of 91X, said the difference in ticket response between the KROQ and 91X shows is directly connected to greater L.A.'s population.
"It all has to do with how many people live in this town."

So why not put the X-Fest in the smaller Cox Arena? "I did not pick the venue." Shock, who admits that less than 1500 tickets have been sold, remains optimistic. "A lot of these [radio-sponsored shows] sell out in the last week." And in response to the question about why KROQ gets so many good bands? "They get treated by kings [by

the record industry]."
Lynch now runs all-sports
XPRS (1090 AM).

— Ken Leighton



THE NEW JAVA JOE'S?

Is Java Joe's headed inland?

Joe Flammini, founder and namesake of Java Joe's, is telling friends he will reopen his now-closed Ocean Beach coffeehouse to a beer-and-wine establishment on El Cajon Boulevard.

Java Joe's is credited with giving exposure to Jason Mraz and Jewel. The longtime coffeehouse has also been a regular haunt for singer/songwriters like Steve Poltz, Gregory Page, and Lisa Sanders.

Kelly's Pub owner Lou Messina said he is working on transferring his pub over to Flammini. He said he will ask the ABC (California Alcoholic Beverage Control) on June 17 for permission to transfer ownership of Kelly's Pub to Flammini.

"There is an offer on the table," said Lou Messina. He says the transfer is all based on what the ABC says. "I don't see any problems [with the approval]," he said.

Messina said Kelly's Pub currently has a stage that can hold one or two performers at a time and that his pub has a legal capacity of 142.

Java Joe's was located in two different locations in Ocean Beach, and before that, in Poway. The last venue on Bacon Street closed in October.

Original plans to move Java Joe's downtown last



HOFFEE RECALLS A KNEE JOB

November did not materialize.

— Ken Leighton

"I fell through the floor once," said Chris Hoffee about a memorable gig at Kelly's Pub in 1986. Hoffee, formerly of the bands Five Crown and Blacksmith Union, currently fronts Atom Orr. He was 18 in 1986 when he played in a band called 13th Floor at Kelly's Pub.

"They had a small stage built of plywood. We were jumping up and down, and I went straight through the plywood. They were pissed at me, and I was pissed because I had to go to the emergency room. I had to get stitches for my knee. The stage was only eight inches off the ground, but when my foot got caught, I fell on a nail that was sticking up off the floor that my knee landed on."

Was there a lawsuit?
"No. I broke their stage;
they broke my knee. We called

it even.

Hoffee recalled that Kelly's Pub and Winter's [another bar on El Cajon Boulevard, this one now a funeral facility] were both "drink-till-you-puke places" that hosted several SDSU fraternity and sorority parties in the 1980s.

Hoffee appears with Patrick Dennis 8 p.m. June 27 at Dizzy's.

— Ken Leighton

It's the smell of the dorms that lets you know you're there. At 7:46 one spring evening, the place to be



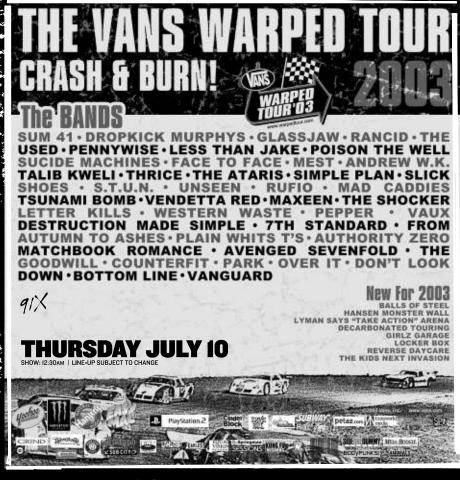
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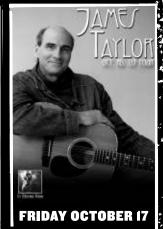












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was the fourth floor overlooking the "mirror quad." One student, whose nickname I later find out is "Lunchbox," passes my group as he is going up the stairs, trying to fool us into thinking he has friends up there.

8:32 p.m. - By now thetwo kegs of Heineken have arrived and are already half empty. The smell of herb is

present but distant compared to the odor of 30 sweaty students in a single SDSU dorm room.

9:28 - It is obvious that this party will go sour soon. The kegs are dry; the same

Dr. Dre song has been on repeat for the last 40 minutes. We, my two close friends and I, opt to leave while the leaving's good.

9:30 - Back in my friends' Suburban, we endure the onehour ride north to the casino capital of SoCal.

10:51 - As we drop down into Rincon Valley, it is easy to follow the string of taillights and know where the party is.

10:59 – The front door is hanging open. To my right is an older man in some altered state drawing hundreds of circles on a small piece of paper. I approach him and ask what he is drawing. He mutters, "Drawing pebbles," without as much as a glance upwards. I didn't know what he had taken, but I didn't want any of it. On the walls "Gwen Stefani is hot" was written countless times, clearly in the same handwriting.

11:11 – We make it to the back porch without talking to anyone else and see a half-



DORM PARTY CAUGHT ON TAPE

empty pool and a steaming spa. Upon closer look, I see that there is one drunken teen in the spa and that a trampoline is lying on its side, half-submerged in the pool. As I walk on, a girl rushes to my side and stops me from going



further. "We leave Spew alone when he's over there.'

11:54 – By this time most people have decided how they are spending their night. Some have disappeared into various bedrooms, some seek refuge in their passenger seats, but the majority is passed out on the lawn near the pool.

3:37 – A large crash followed by expletives rings through the night. A local known as CamShaft leaves the party, but his truck gets stuck on a steep dirt hill below the house. He gets out to push it loose, and it rolls directly into an abandoned trailer at the bottom of the property.

4:50 - Casualties of the party are enumerated. We don't know whose house it is, but we can tell it's time to leave. The doghouse is

missing; the entire house is tagged with "pebbles," my left shoe is gone and I never find it (and then there's that trailer...), but there are no fatalities. And that's what

— Wesley Switzer

The following online auctions of San Diego concert memorabilia took place on eBay between May 15 and May 30.

A Toronto, Canada, fan auctioned her collection of 26 blink collectibles, including CD singles ("Adam's Song"), CD-ROMs (Tribe 2002), DVDs (*Probed*), videos (Urethra Chronicles, VHS), the rare "I Won't Be Home for Christmas" maxi-single, patches, and postcards. Eleven bidders racked the selling price up to \$150 for the complete

Richie Sambora, playing the Spreckels Theater November 16, 1991, was recorded just a few weeks after the September 1991 release of the first solo album from the Bon Jovi guitarist, Stranger in This Town. "This is a very rare pressing only available in Thailand...not a CD-R, writes the seller in Bangkok, Thailand. The auction opened at \$9.99 and closed 12 bids later at \$41.02.

Sheena Easton, captured on CD during her San Diego, December 12, 2001, performance at the Civic Center, was described by the item's seller in Singapore as "a super hot and power packed singer." The CD sold for \$9.99.

Two Phish tickets (section

204) were offered for their upcoming July 8 show at the Coors Amphitheatre and closed at \$50, but the seller rejected this bid, having set an unspecified "reserve price' that wasn't met. The tickets are being re-auctioned and, as of this writing, the pair hasn't received any new bids yet. Perhaps the problem lies in the seller's description -"Please include \$15 shipping charges, and tickets will be mailed three (3) weeks before the show.'

Who does he think he is? Ticketmaster?

— Jay Allen Sanford

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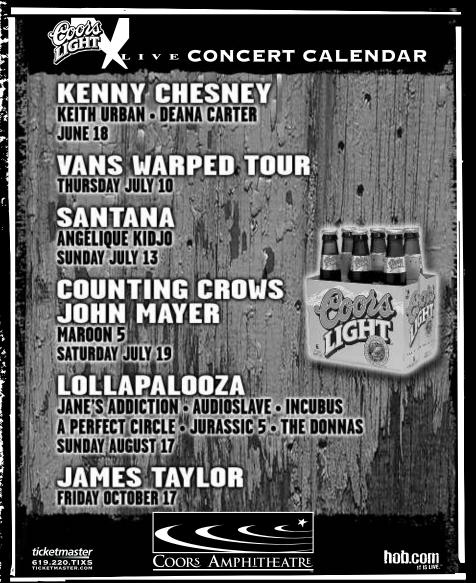




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FRENCH RAP

DANIEL RIDGE

rowded into a small Parisian apartment with a bunch of musicians, I'm not quite sure how seriously I'm supposed to be taking my new friend Eddy Motherfuckin'D. I mean, white French rap?

According to my friend Eddy, France is the second-largest producer of rap outside of the U.S., and though this may be true, I'm trying to figure out exactly what

this means. Eddy has just released his first fulllength English language rap album on a small French label called Panic Productions, a label that also produces funk and reggae. Eddy has a small in-home recording studio where he records several local rap artists who rap mostly in French, though some in English. Over a homegrown dubbie he explains, "French music is commercial for French people. It doesn't sell outside of France. In English, if you sell a record, the whole world is going to buy it because DJs in Australia or China or anywhere, they are listening to what is going on in London or Los Angeles. They don't care what is going on in Paris.'

By rapping in English, Eddy hopes to change all that.

In the mid-1980s, rap music hit France in a major way, particularly the suburbs of Paris and the port city of Marseille. Though most of the fans couldn't understand what rappers were saying, the music itself, as well as the image portrayed by the performers, spoke directly to them. Most of the major French rappers are firstor second-generation immigrants from west and north Africa (coming from countries that were under French colonial rule), as well as other parts of Europe, who, through rap, are able to assert a strong cultural identity in France. From the beginning these youths have used rap to voice strong political and social activism in the same way that most early American rap groups used it to reveal their inner-city plight. The song "Independenza" by the group Iam, one of France's most recognized and acclaimed rap groups, be-

gins, "My history of France began with genocide. These sullen thoughts romanticize an impossible revenge."

Though French rappers took initial cues from their American counterparts, it's from their personal and familial roots in Africa that they draw directly. Many argue that contemporary hip-hop gestures can be traced directly to the Peuls in Senegal and that their oral traditions reflect the rate, rhythm, and scansion of their oral traditions. After the U.S. and France, Dakar, the capital of Senegal, is the third-largest producer of rap music in the world, and this is where many contemporary French artists derive their inspiration. Akhenaton, the major voice of Iam, told a French magazine in 1992, "Rather than faking, like most of the Parisians, the heroes of the Yankees, each member of our band link our names out of our fascination for Egyptology, Africa, and the East.' For most Afro-French rappers, their music isn't a matter of aping American artists, but going directly to the source: Africa.

This is one aspect of French rap; Eddie Motherfuckin'D is another. Perhaps he's a little more like the Eminem of French rap. He has invited me over to his apartment, along with his director, dancer, and a few friends, for a private screening of his first video off the new album. Though he speaks with a thick French accent, I'm surprised by how much American slang he throws out in normal speech. When I ask him about it, he explains, "I think rap, it's not even English, it's American; it's slang, West Coast

slang, New York slang, and this is what we use, and this is how we talk."

Eddy learned English by going to junior high in England and reading underground American comics. He speaks and raps in the African-American idiom, which he learned mostly from musical influences -Ice Cube, NWA, Cypress Hill, and Snoop Dogg are a few of his favorite American artists, and his album is an attempt to follow in their tradition, though he admits, "I'm not a black rapper born in Los Angeles."

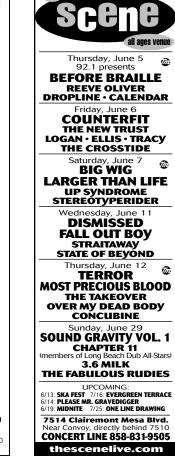
As I'm talking to Eddy, now in his studio, he asks one of his "bitches," a dancer from the video, to turn down the stereo. She gives him a dirty look but bats her eyelashes. A few moments later, he refers to her as his "pussy." Though Eddy tells me he is

very socially progressive, even a feminist he says, his music is often misogynistic, racist (against whites), and homophobic. However, he seems to have no problem with the contradictions. He explains, "Black rappers sing about the white man, women, and homosexuals. All that is a commercial language. If the people are stupid enough to buy it, we'll keep making it." He is trying to reach a world market, and he feels he can do this only if he records in English using an African-American idiom.



Hip-hop and rap, both American and French, is one of the most popular genres of music sold in France and aired on Parisian radio. L'Energie and Skyrock are two of Paris's top rap and hiphop stations that give more than half of their air time to American artists. Perhaps they would offer more if the French government didn't require them by law to air at least 40 percent of their music in the French language. This quota extends to all forms of media in the name of "cultural protection" — I heard this phrase twice





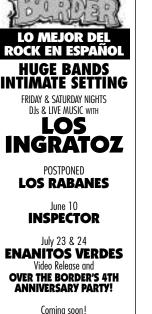
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while I was there — which, in the age of globalism, is an attempt to preserve cultural identity.

Skyrock's programming includes the latest music from Jennifer Lopez, Busta Rhymes, Snoop Dogg, and Eminem. However, peppered throughout the station's weekly top ten are a good number of French artists such as Sniper, Leslie Feat Sweety, and Magic System, with the top spot going to France's hottest current rap group — 113.

Nicholas Sidi, a French funk, jazz, and rock musician who performs in Paris and Berlin, explains, "Young people, like, our age [25], don't listen to the radio too much.... Music like the Strokes or the Hives or the Yeah Yeah Yeahs aren't on the radio." However, in Fnac and Virgin Records, the

two largest music chain stores in France, both have large independent music sections where one can get a hold of most U.S. independent labels. The Faint and Spiritualized currently have small displays in Fnac Paris, while other bands like Flaming Lips, Godspeed You Black Emperor, and the Black Heart Procession can also be found all over the country. But Sidi, who has lived in California and has traveled in the U.S. extensively, explains further, "In Europe there isn't such a separation between musics.... The genres aren't so specific. People don't dress like a certain music like in the U.S., where you have things like the 'indie' look or the 'raver' or 'goth' look. Of course it's here, but small and not specifically. In general, music in Europe is freer."



The nightclubs in Paris also reflect this freeness. Very few music halls or bars have a reputation for a certain genre of music. The same club might offer an R&B night followed

by a punk night, which might include live bands or just a DJ. As for punk in Paris — there is virtually none.

"Paris has not a very musical scene," says Eddy Motherfuckin'D. "The police stopped most of the places playing underground music for making too much noise, and so these places would have to invest a lot of money so the sound wouldn't bother the neighbors. Only the rich places have survived, and they play salsa or iazz. Others have dance music that attract a lot of people. The larger nightclubs, like Queens on the Champs Élysée, can be quite expensive, anywhere from 10 to 25 dollars for entrance.

Just after leaving Eddy's pad, after watching his new video (which included scantilv dressed women in a barrage

of different outfits), I stopped in on another friend of mine, Eric Mounguengui, an African immigrant to France and music producer for Parisian runway shows. I wanted to get his take on Eddy. He explains to me, "He has to sing in English if he wants to get all of France. To be taken seriously in the industry, any industry, it must be English or the audience will be very small."

All of the runway music Eric records and produces is sung, if there are lyrics, in English as well. Like Eddy, he too draws his inspiration from America. "When I started music, my English wasn't so good," he winces as he tells me. "I used to buy American porn magazines and use the captions for my songs." He shrugs, "I thought it was sexv." ■



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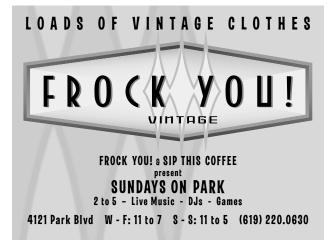


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Jew Town

"Phil Chess, unlike everyone else's uncle, is not in the clothing business."

eonard and Phil Chess arrived in Chicago from Poland in 1937 with their mother, joining their father Joe (né Yasef Ozyz). Leonard was 11 and Phil was 7. The two boys spoke Yiddish and Polish, no English, and knew bubkes about the blues. Peter Guralnick, one of America's best writers about

popular music, visited Phil Chess and Chess Records about 45 years later and describes Phil Chess thus:

Phil Chess is like everyone's favorite Uncle Phil, sharp, aggressive, faintly disreputable, a success. "You a Yiddel. too?" he asked, when he finally caught my name. A sly smile of recognition crossed his face. "You don't cut your hair like a nice Jewish boy.'

He reminded me of a dozen other Uncle Phils, all small-time entrepreneurs. Somebody's uncle in the clothing business. Loan sharks

Self-proclaimed shyster lawyers. He had about him that air of the blatant huckster. But Phil Chess, unlike everyone else's uncle, is not in the clothing business, he doesn't sell on easy credit terms, and he never went to law school. Together with his late brother, Leonard, he made records for 25 years for an almost exclusively Negro audience, and he remains vice president of one of the largest independent-styled

record companies in America today. 'We owned a club," he says.

"Yeah, the Macomba Lounge. We heard some of the music and we started recording it."

When Joe Chess arrived in Chicago, most of the new Iewish immigrants lived in a small area around the intersection of Halsted and Maxwell Streets, two miles west of Lake Michigan and three miles west of the center of the city. By 1911, there were 100,000 or so Jews, most of them from Eastern Europe, clustered in this neighborhood that would, over time,

be referred to as "Jew Town," celebrated for its openair street markets, especially along Maxwell Street. Long after most of the Jews had moved into neighborhoods to the west and south, Maxwell Street and "Jew Town" remained a thriving market area and, later on, would become the great informal show-

case for blues talent.

The black population by 1948had reached nearly 500,000, made up primarily of cotton workers from the South, Mississippi in particular. Also by 1948, black radio was becoming a strong presence on the airwaves and among commercial sponsors. There were at that point in time only 16 African-Americans among the approximately 3000 radio announcers nationwide. Most of the black announcers of the day tried to sound white and "tended to be conservative in their program-

ming choices, leaning as heavily on Count Basie and Sarah Vaughan as on their vowels," a contemporary commentator observed.

Chicago, "gem of the prairies," is a kind of anti-San Francisco. No one goes there because it's pretty or charming. The city is

Leonard Chess

REVIEW

AUGUST KLEINZAHLER

not self-admiring. It's about business: things get done there. It's stuck out there on the map "resembling a cancer on the lung that is

Lake Michigan." It has always existed as a marketplace and crossroads, first as a railroad center connecting the Midwest to the rest of the continent, and then as a port via Lake Michigan and the St. Lawrence

Seaway. Its early wealth was based on the cattle drives of the 1870s that culminated in the stockyards, slaughterhouses, and packing plants.

When Prohibition was enacted in 1919, Chicago would also become a center for gangsters along with their dance halls and speakeasies, which favored jazz as the background music of choice, precipitating an influx of talent, especially from New Orleans, the cradle of jazz. We're talking about people like King Oliver, Johnny and Baby Dodds, and Louis Armstrong, among lesser lights.

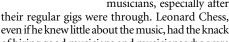
During the '30s many blacks arrived in Chicago from the South looking for work in its factories, hoping to beat the terrible cycle of tenant farming. The new arrivals clustered in places like Mecca Flats, wretched, crowded places, and what cheap entertainment could be had was usually found on Maxwell Street, the musically active marketplace in "Jew Town," and along what came to be called the "black highway" of the South Side's State Street.

Audiences at the white speakeasies cared nothing for the blues: jazz, yes, but not the blues. But blacks yearned for the country

music from back home, the down-home music, and set up their own clubs and bars as well as what were called rent parties. A rent party took place at a private residence where a bar and buffet would be set up and an entrance fee charged. There was customarily music, usually a solo performer, and more often than not a pianist, who would be playing stride or boogie-woogie.

Phil and Leonard Chess went into the liquor

business as young adults and over time set up a chain of stores and taverns, with the most successful outlets in the black part of town. These places had jukeboxes and, occasionally, light entertainment. The most successful of their places was the Macomba Lounge, which developed the reputation as one of the best after-hours spots on the South Side and became a magnet for black musicians, especially after



well liked and had a following. Chess was canny about turning a buck. Good musicians meant good

The music and instrumentation at the Macomba circa 1946 were chiefly jazz, bebop-flavored treatments of current standards or versions of bebop anthems like Charlie Parker's "Now's the Time" or

"Billie's Bounce." There would have been a horn player or two in the mix, along with piano and drums. Bass was added only in 1947. Although only a small neighborhood bar, the Macomba garnered the reputation as a top Chicago jazz house.

Leonard Chess, the more ambitious of the two brothers and not a delicate flower by any standard, regarded the bar business as

what he called a "rough fuck," one of his favorite expressions. Brother Phil, no delicate flower either, often worked as the bouncer at the Macomba. The Macomba was not a fern bar. This was a rough South Side joint with its fair share of savagery, including guns and knives. Leonard packed a .44 revolver and wore it on his waist for everyone to see.

Muddy Waters

With the black music scene in Chicago picking up steam and local DJ Al Benson, "the Swingmaster," at WGES winning a large black listening audience by sounding distinctly not white and playing a rougher, more down-home style of music, the Chess brothers figured that maybe music, not booze, was the way to go.

Enter Muddy Waters, stage left. It was inevitable that Leonard Chess and Muddy Waters would hook up, personally as well as professionally. They were two very determined cats, and it turned out they were able to do a great deal for each other, forming one of popular music's more memorable partnerships in the process. But it all began on a wrong note. ■

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FRIDAY

The Rugburns [263], Anya Marina [118], and A.M. Vibe [137]: The Casbah, Friday, June 6, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Good Charlotte, New Found Glory [304], MXPX [199], and the Movielife: Cox Arena, Friday, June 6, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Lucybell: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, June 6, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

"The Lost Songs of Lennon and McCartney" featuring Graham Parker, Kate Pierson, and Bill Janowitz: 4th & B, Friday, June 6, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

SATURDAY

"San Diego Blues Festival" featuring Otis Rush, the Radiators [244], Lil' Ed & the Blues Imperials, Janiva Magness, the Shane Dwight Blues Band, the Fremonts, Mighty Mo Rodgers [922], Big Daddy & the Money Shakers, the Backwater Blues Band, and the Bill Magee Blues Band [947]: Embarcadero Marina Park South, Saturday, June 7, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., downtown San Diego waterfront. 619-283-9576.

"The 11th Annual City Heights International Village Celebration" featuring Ricardo Lemvo and Makina Loka, Orquesta Binacional de Mambo, Len Rainey & the Midnight Players [921], Los Alacranes [568], Billy Midnight [414], Los Principes del Merengue, Latanya Lockett, Tribe of Judah, Funkenstein, Paradise, Libbie Schrader [413], Everyday People, Acteal, Julian Briano y Sus Hermanos, Hot Monkey Love, the Cypher (hip-hop DJs), Areito Borincano, City Heights Ballet Folklorico, the Khmer Cultural Performers, the Fairmount Youth Baptist Choir, Bertha Barrientos, and Zero 2 None & the Hung Vuong Lion Dancers: Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., University Avenue at Fairmount, City Heights. 619-584-1535 x111.

"The 24th Annual Fiesta del Sol" featuring Steve Poltz & the Rugburns [263], the Young Dubliners [438], Wild Child, Sticky Fingers, Bad Credit, Skanic [743], Earl Thomas [946], the Bayou Brothers [948], Buckfast Superbee [119], the Hatchet Brothers, the Mar Dels, Eve Selis [410], Tim Flannery [828], and more: Fletcher Cove at Lomas Santa Fe, Saturday, June 7, and Sunday, June 8, Solana Beach.

The New Pornographers and Cinerama: The Casbah, Saturday, June 7, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

SUNDAY

America [520] and Firefall: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

TUESDAY

David Lee Roth [409]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, June 10, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Alkaline Trio [345], One Man Army, the Start, and Paris Texas: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, June 10, 7:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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Jets to Brazil [194] and John Vanderslice: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, June 11, 7:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.



BY DAVE GOOD

Indirectly, Otis Rush has probably made more money for other guitarists than for himself. You may have never heard Rush play, but you've certainly heard Carlos Santana, Billy Gibbons, Eric Clapton, Mike Bloomfield, Duane Allman, or Johnny Winter. They (and many like them) mastered Rush's method of bending a guitar string until it made the note he wanted to hear. In the day, his lean solos coiled tight as a garter snake, and he had a startling habit of using falsetto to make a point. Most anything good that was to come in rock and roll's future had its roots in Otis Rush's guitar and voice. Stevie Ray Vaughan, for example, named his band after an Otis Rush song called "Double Trouble."

Rush was raised on a farm in Mississippi. He taught himself to play harmonica

around age eight; there is evidence that he played guitar and sang in the church as well. By 1949 he was driving a horse-drawn coal wagon in Chicago during the day and hanging in the clubs at night. He saw Muddy Waters live and says he decided on the spot to make music his life's work. What followed were several months of woodshedding, after which Rush emerged as a solo act. By the late '50s, he was a guitar king, alongside Luther Allison and Buddy Guy.

Rush knocked the ball out of the park with his first single, a recording of

Willie Dixon's "I Can't Quit You, Baby" (Led Zeppelin would also cover it). But the luck didn't hold for long, and Rush got stung repeatedly by decisions at the record label and by his idiosyncrasies and temperament. More than once, his career has been a doover. Grammy gold finally found Rush in 1998, but I think they were four years late —



I liked 1994's Ain't Enough Comin' In better. Plenty of good, straight-ahead blues-guy advice on that album.

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

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The Cramps, Quintron & Miss Pussycat, and the Millionaires [416]: 4th & B, Thursday, June 12, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

John Kay & Steppenwolf with Foghat (503): Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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Mannheim Steamroller: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 15, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010

"X-Fest 2003" featuring Staind, the Transplants, Blur, the Used, Slightly Stoopid [352], Agent 51, Special Goodness, and more: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, June 15, 4 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Los Tucanes de Tijuana: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 15, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 17, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Kenny Chesney [768], Keith Urban, and Deana Carter: Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, June 18, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Barrington Levy [*733*] and **Big Mountain:** 4th & B, Wednesday, June 18, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Vince Gill [788]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 18, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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The Gin Blossoms [608] and 34 **Below** [437]: 4th & B, Thursday, June 19, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Richard Jeni, Dustin Diamond, and Adam Leslie: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, June 19, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002.

The Fall and **Kill Me Tomorrow** [152]: The Casbah,
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"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with the Brian Lynch-Rob Schneiderman Quartet: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, June 19, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla.

Chris LeDoux [774]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 20, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

The David Grisman Quintet: California Center for the Arts, Friday, June 20, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253.

"An Evening of Guitars and Saxes" featuring Jeff Golub, Steve Cole, Richard Elliot, and Peter White: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, June 20, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Steel Pulse, Eek-A-Mouse [734], and Don Carlos [751]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, June 21, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Cecilio & Kapono and Tim Flannery [828]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 22, 8:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Ramon Ayala: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 22, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with Anthony Davis, Lisle Ellis [525], Gerry Hemingway, and Wadada Leo Smith: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Sunday, June 22, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872. **Tracy Chapman** [840] and eastmountainsouth: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June 23, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Al Green [941] and the Average White Band [523]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, June 24, 7:30 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Beck [154], Dashboard Confessional, and the Black Keys: Open Air Theatre, Tuesday, June 24, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Tracy Byrd [779]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 24, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

The Supersuckers [367], Throw Rag, and the Bronx: The Casbah, Tuesday, June 24, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Lou Reed: 4th & B, Wednesday, June 25, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

James Brown (610): Del Mar Fairgrounds, Wednesday, June 25, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Dionne Warwick [498]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, June 26, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002.

David Cassidy: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Thursday, June 26, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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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.

Los Van Van: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, June 28, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Kirk Franklin: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, June 28, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Polo Urias & Angeles de Charly: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 29, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Dan Fogelberg [565] and Deirdre **Flint:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 1, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Rockin' Road House Tour" with Mark Chesnutt, Joe Diffie, and Tracy Lawrence: Del Mar Fairgrounds. Tuesday, July 1, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Train [581]: 4th & B, Tuesday, July 1, 7:30 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

"Aloha Live" starring Amy Hanaiali'i **& Willie K:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 2, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Mario, Marques Houston, and Nick **Cannon:** Del Mar Fairgrounds, Wednesday, July 2, 7 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

"Ozzfest" featuring Korn [189], Marilyn Manson [191], Disturbed, Chevelle, and many more: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, July 3, 9:30 a.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Bo Diddley: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Thursday, July 3, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

K.C. & the Sunshine Band [612]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, July 4, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Juanes: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, July 6, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497

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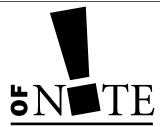
Phish [566]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, July 8, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

"Vans Warped Tour '03" with Sum 41 [188], the Dropkick Murphys [481], Glassjaw, Rancid [163], the Used, Pennysses [159], Less Than Jake [132], Poison the Well, Taking Back Sunday, the Suicide Machines Face to Face, Mest, Andrew W.K., Talib Kweli, Thrice [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 [771]: 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.

David Clayton-Thomas & Blood, Sweat, & Tears: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, July 10, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002.

"Iazz at the Athenaeum" with Road Work Ahead featuring Bill Mays, Peter Sprague [643], Bob Magnusson, and Jim Plank: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, July 10, 7:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Corndog and I were driving down 101, listening to Mass Romantic, the debut album from the $\textbf{New Pornographers}, \ \text{when I shouted},$ "What is wrong with people that this wasn't the biggest hit record of the year?" I think I actually punched the dashboard in frustration. Corndog, bless her heart, was able to simultaneously agree with me, laugh at me, and keep one hand ready to grab the wheel in case I freaked out any further.

I tell you this story just to illustrate that I can't give you a balanced critical perspective when I'm writing about the New Pornographers. If the band's mix of power pop hooks, new wave energy, and classic harmony isn't your thing, I can only pity you. If you don't like the new follow-up album, Electric Version, as much as Mass Romantic, I can only suggest that you need to listen to it a couple more times.

So, how long can the New Pornographers keep it going? The band began in 1997 as a side project for a bunch of Vancouver indie types, fronted by Zumpano's Carl Newman Destroyer's Dan Bejar, and alt-country singer Neko Case. Zumpano has since split up, but Beiar's duties

keep him from touring with the New Pornographers. And Case has become a star in her own right over the past couple of years. Longterm prospects don't look good for this part-time band. But I guess that's to be expected. I may punch the dashboard, but I know Mass Romantic is just one of those happy accidents from a band that wasn't built

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for the long haul, from a kind of music that's designed to be pop and not necessarily popular. *Electric Version* is lightning striking twice. Cinerama opens

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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.

Joan Osborne [405] and the Afro Celts: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 11, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Peter Frampton [530]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 13, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010

Santana [582] and Angelique Kidjo: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, July 13, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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Solomon Burke and Michelle **Shocked** [411]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 18, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

John Mayer and **Counting Crows** [586]: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, July 19, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Fleetwood Mac: San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Poco [561]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 20, 6 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Dion and the Shangri-Las: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 22, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Dixie Chicks [782] and Michelle Branch: Cox Arena, Wednesday, July 23, 7:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Seventies Soul Jam featuring the Stylistics [625], the Manhattans [987], the Chi-Lites [993], the Intruders, and Ted **Wizard Mills:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 23, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Billy Preston: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, July 24, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002.

"Fiend Fest" with the Misfits [496], the Damned, and Agnostic Front: 4th & B, Thursday, July 24, 7 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay Thursday, July 24, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Queensrÿche [431] and Dream Theater: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 25, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Robert Walter's 20th **Congress** [665]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, July 25, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Norah Jones: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, July 27, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

The Doobie Brothers [532]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 27, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Kenny Loggins [587] and the **Crosby Loggins Band:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, July 29, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Dave Matthews Band [117]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, July 29, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Heart: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, July 29, and Wednesday, July 30, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Ted Nugent: 4th & B, Wednesday, July 30, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Suzanne Vega [502]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, July 31, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Jackson Browne [541], Steve Earle & the Dukes, and Keb' Mo' [937]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, July 31, 7:30 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Michael McDonald [588]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, July 31, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002.

Gato Barbieri [677] and Mariza: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 31, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Tori Amos [424] and Ben Folds: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, August 2, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

"Old School Summer Jam": San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, August 2, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

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Smokey Robinson [603]:

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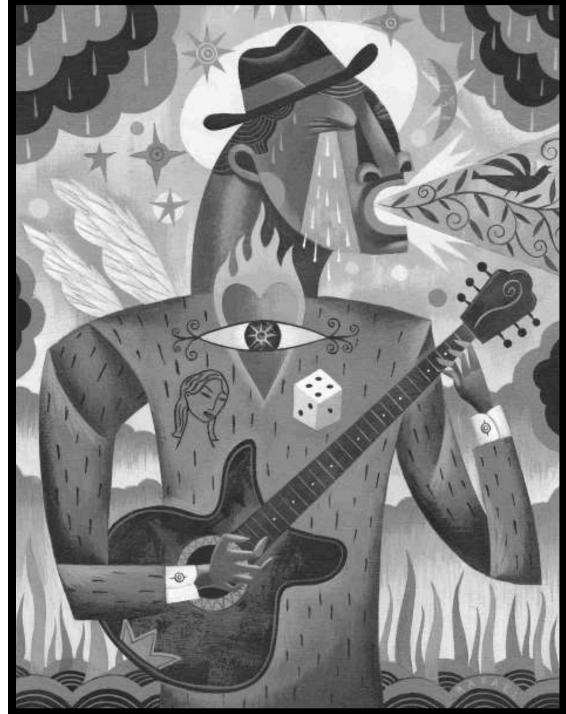
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David Gray [614] and **Turin Brakes:** Open Air Theatre, Friday, August 8, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Pato Banton [732]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, August 9, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

The Go-Go's [555]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 10, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Ben Harper & the Innocent Criminals [923] and Jack Johnson: RIMAC Arena, Sunday, August 10, 6:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Olivia Newton-John: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, August 11, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Boz Scaggs [559]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, August 12, and Wednesday, August 13, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Randy Travis [786]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, August 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Manhattan Transfer [563]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, August 14, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

David Sanborn [656]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, August 15, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

"Lollapalooza" featuring Jane's Addiction [104], Audioslave, Incubus [146], A Perfect Circle, Jurassic 5 [176], and the Donnas: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, August 17, noon, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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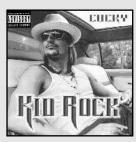
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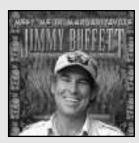
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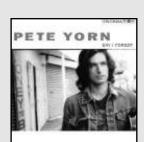
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The Righteous Brothers:

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Tony Bennett *[600]*: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 2, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Hiroshima [572] and Strunz & Farah [654]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 4, 7 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.

Lucinda Williams [854]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 9, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Huey Lewis [504]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, September 12, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Wynonna [787]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 12, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

George Benson [623]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 14, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Julio Iglesias [615]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, September 17, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Kenny G [664]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, September 18, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra [857]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 21, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Chicago [617]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, September 23, and Wednesday, September 24, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Craig Chaquico [673] and Keiko Matsui [674]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 25, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Rick Springfield [515]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, September 26, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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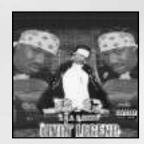
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Considering that a lot of alternative radio rock sounds like an afterthought with some token guitar strumming to give the lyrics momentum, there are some definite signs that Rochelle, Rochelle may be the real deal, at

beginning to end, the guitar work on the EP is a noteworthy exception to the altrock rule of less is less. Van Brocklin's guitar riffs break free from the mold, giving the rhythm some extra slack here and there. Even when the gui-

least on this album. From

tars lapse into simple power chords chasing the melody, it doesn't feel haphazard but integrated. The vocals are catchy but not overdone.

Frontman Erik Berg gives an edgy vocal performance that has a certain familiarity. "The subtlety is up, we know..." The message posted on Rochelle, Rochelle's website by lead guitarist Gaylord Van Brocklin reads: "Keep those calls coming into 91X.... The more feedback they get, the more the song will be played on the air. Then you can tell all your friends, 'I used to like that band before they sold out." Subtlety personified.

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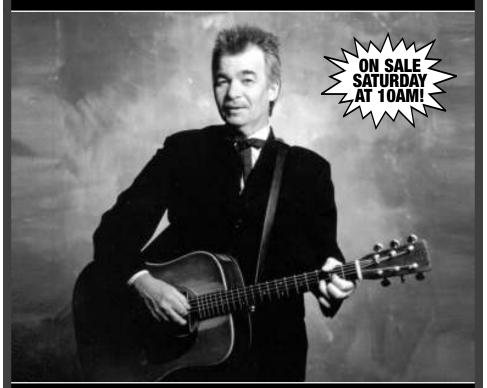
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EXTENSION 4002

ALTERNATIVE

Doug Sanchez: The Casbah The Scars of Tomorrow: Epicentre

Sevenfold: Soma

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Sin Sin 77: The Casbah

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Swindle: Soma

The Swirlies: The Casbah

Thicker Than Thieves [200]: Blind

Tore Back: The Playhouse

Toria: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

The Travel Agents: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

Trophy Wife: Tiki House

24 Hour Man: Kelly's Pub

Twilight of the Idols: Belly Up

Underfall: Dream Street

Underminded [272]: Soma

Until the End: Epicentre

Up Syndrome: The Scene Valentine Fist: Dream Street

Vex Tripp: Dream Street

WNP: The Playhouse

Word!Perfect: The Playhouse XDeathStarX: Epicentre

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

America [520]: Humphrey's

Baywolf [460]: McP's Irish Pub and

Cathleen Beeks & Texarkana: Tiki

Big Head Todd & the Monsters

[533]: Humphrey's

Blind Luck: Second Wind (San

C24C: Moondoggies

COI: Surf N'Saddle

Concord: Belly Up Tavern

Creeping Death: 'Canes

Crossfire: Fat Katz

Crown 10: 'Canes

Cubensis: Blind Melons

The Cubes: Boar Cross'n

DJ Beer: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

DJ Bob One: Neimans Bar and Grill

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DJ Frances: Martini Ranch

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NightSpotting

MUSIC ➤ rock, garage, reggae, calypso, soul, ska, exotica, and mento: live bands on Friday and Saturday; DJs during the week

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ none

CLIENTELE ➤ average age, late 20s: 90% Caucasian. 10% African-American; 60% male

COVER ➤ "It depends on the band, since they keep the door," the bartender told me; it was \$3 one Saturday night to see four local bands (and you don't have to pay the cover if you go into the section where band isn't playing)

HOURS ➤ 10 a.m.-2 a.m. every day **DRINKS** ➤ Bud, Bass, Sam Adams, Harp, Sierra Nevada, Coors Light,

Newcastle Guinness and Third Batter all on tap; no happy hour; Bud drafts are \$2.25 and well drinks **FOOD** ➤ none, but lots of restaurants on Adams Avenue

ACCESS ➤ located just west of Kensington Drive; you've got to park on the street, and it's sometimes hard to find a spot

DRESS ➤ casual; jeans, T-shirts (Moose McGillycuddy's, Coors beer), work clothes (one from Cox Cable, and another with a red windbreaker that read "Skate Guard")

DANCE FLOOR ➤ none

FIRE EXITS ➤ four; two in front and two in back

BATHROOMS ➤ outside bathrooms was a yellow street sign that said "Sobriety Check Point"; men's had only one toilet (with no walls, and the door doesn't lock), no paper towels, condom machine that was painted all black, a sticker on

the toilet said "Officer Down Syndrome"; women's had one toilet, paper towels, and no graffiti **CAPACITY** ➤ 351 (split into two

SPECIAL AREAS ➤ two pool tables in the back, with Golden Tee video golf game

FURNISHINGS ➤ four big booths in pool area, 25 seats at the bar (and ten feet behind them 25) other bar stools directly parallel); the bar area was narrow with no tables; the area the bands play is separated by a wall, but inside there are eight booths and a few chairs, and a spacious area to watch the band; pay phone inside; two TVs over the bar, one by pool table (that wasn't turned on); video poker game at bar; CD iukebox

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ 109 during a song by the Stereotypes (normal conversation is between 60 and 65 dBs); 118 last week at Rhythm

WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN LAST MONTH ➤ S'Cool Girls **QUOTABLE** ➤ "What are you writing down? Are you the fire marshal or something?"

I had a big debate with a friend about what exactly a dive bar is, since so many bars now seem to relish that title. With the bands that play here (like Deadbolt), the chunk of wall missing near the storage-room floor, the 20 empty Jack Daniel's boxes stacked around the second pool table, and 5 stacked near the men's bathroom, this place qualifies. One lady told me, "I don't care about whether a place is a dive bar, or has fancy crap everywhere, and a big neon sign [there is a nice neon sign out front]. I just want beer that's cheap so I can get drunk. And since I walk here, this is the perfect place. I'm not looking for some rich yuppie shithead who would rather hang out at the Bitter End."

–Josh Board

DJ T: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

DJ Tony A: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)

Down with Leo: Fat Katz

John Eddie: Belly Up Tavern

Ellis [525]: 'Canes Cantina

Faze: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub Full Effect: Island Sports & Spirits

Full Xposure: Dirk's Niteclub

Green Eggs & Sam: Tiki House HM75: Dick's Last Resort

Hangar 18: 'Canes

Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last Resort

Hot Rod Lincoln [547]: Tio Leo's

ir: Blind Melons

Bill Ianovitz: 4th & B

Jumpstart: Island Sports & Spirits

Kelly Keeling & the Bastards of Glory: Cannibal Bar

Kemosabe: IP's Pub

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Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last

Reign of Kings: Second Wind

David Lee Roth [409]: Viejas Casino The Scavengers: On The Rocks

Search Project: Blind Melons

Eve Selis [410]: Humphrey's

Snake Oil Revival [540]: 'Canes

Sneaker King: Fannie's

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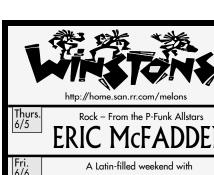
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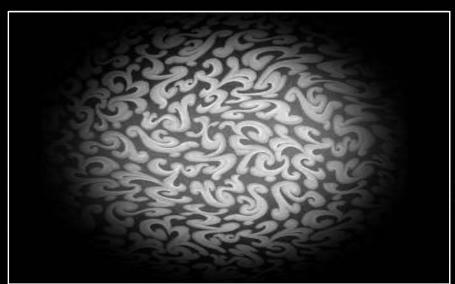
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POP / TOP 40

DJ Ghost: 5ifth Qtr.

DI Lenny: The Plum Loco Saloon

Da Jam Band: Viejas Casino

Jesse Davis: Buon Giorno Restaurant

The 80z All Stars: Rock Bottom

John Garcia: Martini's

Karen Giorgio: The Inn at the Park

Leslie Gold: The Westgate Hotel

Paul Greg: Martini's

Patrick Hill: Martini's

Jungle Boogie: Rock Bottom

Leviticus: La Valencia Hotel

Danny Lopez: The Butcher Shop Lounge Night: Zip & Zack's Filling

The Love Rangers: The Alley, Dick's

Rick Lyon: The Imperial House

The New Breed Band: The Alley

The Orbitz: Buon Giorno Restaurant Jack Pollack: Elario's Bistro & Sky

Peter Robberecht/Pianoman [622]:

The Westgate Hotel, Dakota Grill and

Roz & the Wrecking Crew: Viejas

Iohn Scott: The Calvoso Cafe

Super Funk Fantasy: Jimmy Love's

Sylvia Lorraine: Martini's

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

The Alex Acuna Band: Victor's

Agua Dulce [711]: Winstons

The Archtones: Croce's Jazz Bar

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The

Blue Largo [636]: The Book Lounge, Patrick's II

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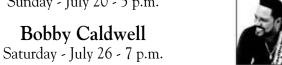




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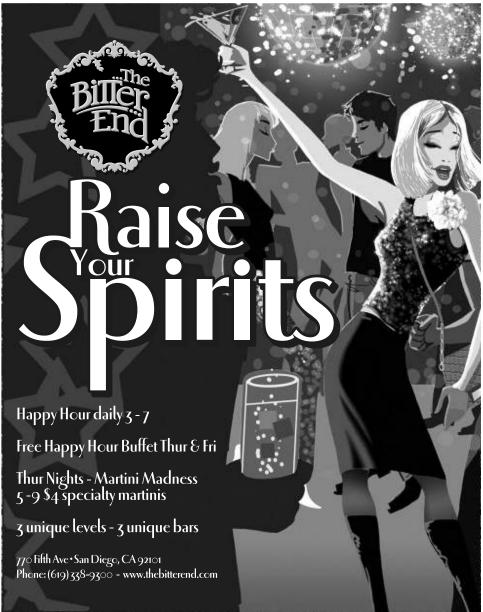


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EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

Jo Dark: The German-American Societies

The David Patrone Quartet: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

Eve Evans & Company: Dizzy's

Donnie Finnell & Co. East: Bistro 221

The Bobby Gordon Trio: Dizzy's

The Cynthia Hammond Trio: La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge

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The Jazz Allstars: Jimmy Love's

The Jazz Project Big Band: Dizzy's The Ron Jerman Big Band: Viejas

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Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado, Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Bob Magnusson: Dizzy's

Joe Marillo [645]: Elario's Bistro &

Masterpiece: Jimmy Love's

Jerry Melnick: Rancho Bernardo Inn

The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]:

Duncan Moore: Dizzy's

Mystique: Jimmy Love's

The Flip Oakes Quartet: Dizzy's

Primo: Sevilla, Croce's Jazz Bar **The Mike Rielly Band:** Croce's Top

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Stellita: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

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Jaime Valle [640]: Dizzy's

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Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

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EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

American Made: Second Wind (Escondido)

The Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash [761]: Belly Up Tavern

Calico Ridge: Don's Cocktail Lounge

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / **FOLK**

Berkley Hart [880]: Humphrey's

Nic Braa: Lestat's Coffeehous

Steve Brewer: Blarnev Stone Pub

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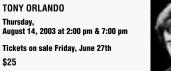






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North Bar Sports & Spirits, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 pm, *Mike Gardner*, acoustic.

Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizcocho Restaurant: Friday, 6 pm to 11 pm, and Monday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

Second Wind (Escondido), 1320 East Valley Parkway, Escondido. 760-746-7408. Friday and Saturday, *American Made*, 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, Simply Complex, alternative. Saturday, COI, rock.

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La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, Sunday and Sunday, 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, *C24C*, rock.

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, alternative. Saturday, Green Eggs & Sam, rock. Wednesday, Cathleen Beeks & Texarkana.

Victor's Restaurant & Bar, 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Thursday, 9 pm, Lotus. Friday, the Alex Acuna Band, Latin jazz. Saturday, 9 pm, Travel Agents and Spirit of Rush, alternative.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Eric McFadden*, funk. Friday, *Agua Dulee*, Latin jazz. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *the Ballad Mongers*, alternative.

SAN DIEGO

Albie's Beef Inn, 1201 Hotel Circle South, San Diego. 619-291-1103. Saturday through Tuesday, *David Timothy Smith*.

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, *Tony Cummins*, Irish folk. Sunday, open mike. Tuesday, Irish jam session.

The Blue Agave, 6608 Mission Gorge Road, San Diego. 619-521-3194. Music is alternative/rock. Sunday, *Kulturwar*, *Tim Raido*, and *Murmur*.

Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 pm, *Maya Marin*, folk.

Bourbon Street, 4612 Park Boulevard, Hillcrest. 619-291-0173. Saturday, 9 pm to midnight, *Blue Velvet*, lounge music.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, Rad, Code: Adam, and the Minds of Rose. Friday, Dragon Lounge. Saturday, call club for information. Tuesday, Nerve Center. Wednesday, Immolation, Grave. Goat Whore. and December.

The Caliph, 3100 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-9495. Friday, 9 pm, *Kevin Cavanaugh*, lounge piano.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Music is alternative. Friday, Critical Me, Problem Solved, Student Driver, and A WeekUs Change.Saturday, Until the End, Scars of Tomorrow, Sinai Beach, Concubine, and XDeathStarX.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers*, swingin' blues.

Hot Monkey Love Cafe, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-582-5908. Thursday, blues and jazz jam. Friday, swing. Saturday, live rock/alternative band. Sunday, salsa, rumba, meregue. Monday, Beatle cover band. Tuesday, the Cypher, hiphop. Wednesday, open mike.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 8:30 pm to 10 pm, *Berkley Hart*, acoustic, 10 pm, *Patrice Pike*, original rock. Friday, 6 pm to 8 pm, *Skelpin*, Celtic folk, 9:30 pm, *Eve Selis*, roadhouse rock.

Concerts by the Bay: Sunday, 7 pm, America, classic rock. Wednesday, 8 pm, Big Head Todd & the Monsters, 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 Truly Lover Trio*, rockabilly.

The Inn Suites, 2223 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 pm to 10 pm,

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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 Giogio*, piano, vocals, open mike.

JP's Pub, 10436 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Tierrasanta. 858-576-2509. Friday, 9 pm, *Kemosabe*, classic rock.

Kelly's Pub, 6344 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area. 619-286-0400. Saturday, Brag Doll and 24-Hour Man, alternative. Wednesday, Tommy Price, acoustic.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Music is alternative. Friday, Rochelle Rochelle, Driven, and All Your Bass. Saturday, Earthless.

Lestat's Coffeehouse, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Thursday, 9 pm to 11 pm, the Bitty Bums, alternative. Friday, 9 pm to 11 pm, Carlos Olmeda, acoustic pop. Saturday, 9 pm to 11 pm, Nick Braa, acoustic. Wednesday, 9 pm to 11 pm, *the Mean Nothings*, alternative, and *Angela Patua*, folk.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, Nite Life, blues. Saturday, Fish & the Seaweeds, funk, blues

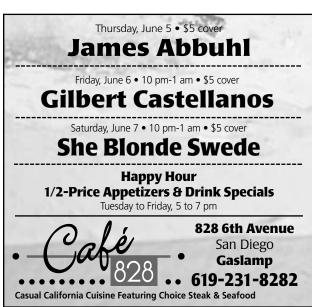
The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Frank Lee Drennen*, acoustic. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *the Hatchet Brothers*, folk.

The Playhouse, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-284-8802. Thursday, Word!Perfect, hip-hop. Friday, Noise God, Tore Back, and WNP. Saturday, Damnation, Epicedium, and Sacrificial Slaughter.

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.

Rosie O'Grady's, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-







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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. Thursday, Before Braille, Reeve Oliver, Dropline, and Calendar. Friday, Counterfit, the New Trust, Logan Ellis Tracy, and the Crosstide. Saturday, Big Wig, Larger Than Life, Up Syndrome, and Stereotyperider. Wednesday, Dismissed, Fall Out Boy, and Straitaway.

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, *Innocent*, and *Stolen*.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, 7:30 pm, Happy Hour, the Mutes, Blackletter Days, the Apples, Roulette and the Legend of... Saturday, 7:30 pm, Avenged, Sevenfold, Underminded, Swindle, the Dekoys, Mantis, and Center of Five.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, 34 *Below*, rock. Saturday, *Blue Largo*, blues, jazz.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 pm to 9 pm, the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Ouartet.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Thursday, 8:30 pm, Zoe, the Bishop Wells Band, and Angela Correa. Friday, 8:30 pm, Tony Lasley, jazz, and the Father Jane, alternative. Saturday, 8:30 pm, Billy Midnight, Toria, Saba, and the Will Edwards Band, rock, folk, acoustic. Sunday, 4 pm, the Celtic Ensemble. Wednesday, 6:30 pm, open mike.

Wabash Hall, 3855 Wabash Avenue, San Diego. 619-696-9268.

DOWNTOWN

The Bayou Bar & Grill, 329 Market Street, downtown. 619-696-8747. All music is jazz. Thursday, 9 pm, and Friday, 5 pm, Lady Dottie & the Sliders. Saturday, 9 pm, and Sunday, 5:30 pm, Fred Heath & the Slidewinders.

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*. acoustic.

Cafe 828, 828 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-231-8282. Thursday, live cabaret. Friday and Saturday, live jazz.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, the Datsuns, the 45s, and Star Spangles. Friday, the Rugburns, Anya Marina, and A.M. Vibe. Saturday, the New Pornographers, Cinerama, and the Organ. Sunday, the Deere Johns, Battling Maxo, Doug Sanchez, and Pikia. Monday, Lilys, Swirlies, and Explosions in the Sky. Tuesday, the Dictators, Sin Sin 77, and Tori Cobras. Wednesday, the Gourds and That Mad Ahah.

Chuey's Numero Uno, 1894 Main Street, downtown. 619-234-6937. Friday, *Party Hard Sounds*, 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, the 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, the Shelltown Horns, blues. Saturday, the Mike Reilly Band, jazz.

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, Friday, and Wednesday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll. Saturday, *HM75*. Sunday, *Hera's Olive*, rock. Tuesday, *the Love Rangers*, rock.

Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Thursday, 7 pm to 10:30 pm, Sven-Erik Seaholm, folk. Friday, 8:30 pm, Jaime Valle, Bob Magnusson, and Duncan Moore, jazz. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, the Bobby Gordon Trio, the Flip Oakes Quartet, and Eve Evans & Company, jazz. Sunday, 7 pm and 9 pm, Mose Allison, blues. Monday, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm, the Jazz Project Big Band.

Dublin Square, 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-5818. Thursday, 9 pm, 34 Below, acoustic rock. Friday, Raggle Taggle, traditional Irish folk. Monday, Nodlaig, Celtic harpist. 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, *Jamaica House*, reggae

4th & B, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343. Friday, 8 pm, *Graham Parker, Kate Pierson*, and *Bill Janovitz*, Beatle music.

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday, 9:45 pm, Powerhouse, rock. Friday and Saturday, 9:45 pm, Super Funk Fantasy, pop. 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

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.

On Broadway, 615 Broadway Avenue downtown. 619-231-0011. Friday, *DJ Christopher Lawrence*.

Patrick's II, 428 F Street, downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues. Thursday, Willie Jaye Blues. Friday, 5 pm to 8:30 pm, Willie Jaye Blues, 9 pm, the Shane Dwight Band. Saturday, the Swingin' Kings. Sunday, Blue Largo. Monday, Chris James & the Blue IV. Tuesday, Aunt Kizzy'z Boyz. Wednesday, the Bill Magee Blues Band.

Rock Bottom, 401 G Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-7000. Friday, *the 80z All-Stars*, pop. Saturday, *Jungle Boogie*, pop.

Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-5979. Music is Latin. Thursday, *Grupo Sabroso Son*. Tuesday, *Primo*. Wednesday, *Orquesta*

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.

Coronado Island Marriott (formerly Le Meridian), 2000 Second Street, Coronado. 619-435-3000. Friday, 6 pm to 9 pm, the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet.

Di-mond Jim's Nightclub, 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Thursday, *DJ T* and *DJ Beer*, rock. Friday and Saturday, *Faze*, classic rock.

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

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*.

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Island Sports & Spirits, 104 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-3456. Thursday, 8 pm, open blues jam. Friday, *Jumpstart*, classic rock. Saturday, *Full Effect*, rock.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Thursday, Big City Shaman, blues. Friday, Baywolf, classic rock. Saturday, Coupe de Ville, blues. Sunday, 4 pm to 7 pm, Joey Harris, acoustic rock, 8 pm, Gene Warren, Irish folk. Monday, Tommy Price, acoustic. Tuesday, Laguna, classic rock. Wednesday, 4-Way Street, acoustic.

Over the Border, 3008 Main Street, Chula Vista. 619-427-5889. Tuesday, *Inspector*, alternative.

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, *Maya Marin*, folk

Dirk's Niteclub, 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove. 619-469-6344. Friday and Saturday, *Full Xposure*, classic rock.

Don's Cocktail Lounge, 13321 Business Highway 8, El Cajon. 619-443-2444. Friday and Saturday, *Calico Ridge*, country.

Fannie's, 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley. 619-698-2204. Friday, *Sneaker King*, rock.

The German-American Societies, 1017 South Mollison Avenue, El Cajon. 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 pm, *the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band*

Mr. Joey's Cantina, 9570 Murray Drive, La Mesa. 619-466-2912.

featuring Jo Dark.

Saturday, Los Reyes del Ritmo, Latin. On the Rocks, 518 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-579-3537. Friday, the Scavengers, rock, blues. Saturday, classic rock.

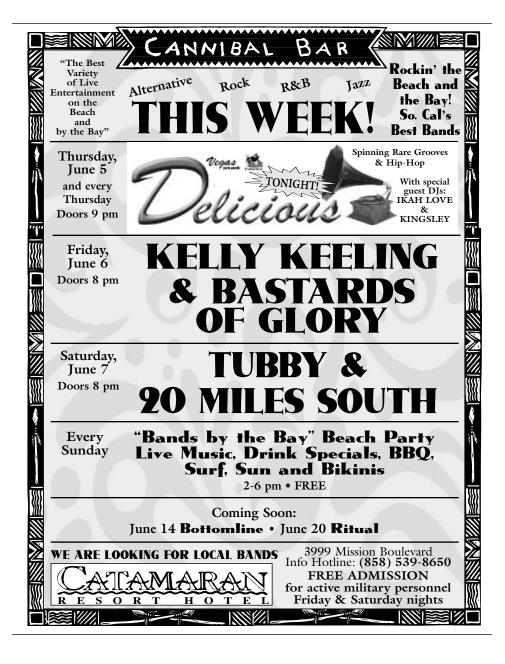
Scatterbeans Coffee Company, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-659-8940. Sunday, *Tracy Lee Nelson*, blues.

Second Wind, 8528 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-596-8350. Friday and Saturday, *Reign of Kings*, classic rock.

Shirley's Kitchen, 7868 El Cajon Boulevard, La Mesa. 619-466-9295. Wednesday, 6 pm to 7 pm, *Celia Lawley*, acoustic.

Viejas Casino, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine (off Interstate 8). 619-445-5400. Friday, 9 pm, Roz & the Wrecking Crew, pop rock. Saturday, 9 pm, Da Jam Band, pop. Sunday, 4 pm to 8 pm, the Ron Jerman Big Band, swing.

Concerts in the Park: Tuesday, 8:30 pm, *David Lee Roth*, rock.





We Tore Lobster with Our Hands

"I need a break." That was my dear wife Grace, midway through our kitchen remodel. A carpenter friend from Wisconsin had come west for a wedding and agreed to stay on and help demolish (and hopefully rebuild) our kitchen/dining room. The Monday after the wedding, we descended into our self-inflicted nightmare. The cabinets disgorged astonishing quantities of stuff — "Have we ever used this silver chafing dish?" — the pantry got spread out around the living room, and the kitchen proper moved to the top of the Ping-Pong table. For two weeks, Grace had been feeding us, our kids, and our hungry carpenter from an electric frying pan, a hot plate, a toaster oven, and a microwave. Now it was Saturday night, and it was time to go out. Someplace nearby, someplace homey, someplace good enough to make us forget the evisceration of our home.

We hit upon Antica Trattoria, an Italian restaurant tucked into a strip mall built in the days when people believed in strip malls. The ceiling was high, the exposed beams were wooden, and the warm yellow space was expansive enough to showcase the murals painted on the walls, as well as some copper kitchen implements and a few baby pictures. We were glad for the ceilings; the vaulted space helped swallow up some of the roar of happy talk that poured from the packed tables. We saw big plates of food making their way to folks who looked to be serious, even deeply committed eaters. Happy anticipation began to rouse our weary selves.

"What translates to spaghetti and meatballs?" asked a man at the next table over as he gazed at the Italian-named (but English-described) selections on the menu. We chuckled and then turned to our own decisions. Spaghetti was nowhere to be found, but there was still plenty of pasta, along with other dishes hailing from all over Italy. We saw items labeled "Fiorentina," "Romana," "Piemontese," and "Toscana," and more.

It can be tempting, when reading restaurant menus, to poke fun at the proliferation of adjectives designed to impress: "oven-roasted," "hand-plucked," even "truffled." But however extraneous some adjectives may be, there is at least one association I think always worth mentioning: that of "homemade" and "pasta." At



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AMBROSE MARTIN

Antica, it appeared three times: with the ravioli, the fettuccine, and the gnocchi. (I know gnocchi are dumplings, but it's still worth mentioning.) We were eager to try all three, opting for a special of broad, razor-thin pappardelle as a variation on the fettuccine.

But first, the antipasti, and before that, the bread — house-baked and very light, with

whispers of rosemary inside and a flurry of flour clinging to the crust. The accompanying olive oil was similarly light; we dipped and nibbled until the arrival of

our trio of appetizers, starting with the fine *carpaccio esotico*. The delicate slices of beef filet formed a deep-red magic carpet that alighted on our tongues and displayed an array of treasures: fat capers, pale hearts of palm, dainty wedges of lemon, and sturdy triangles of Parmesan cheese, all surrounded by a gleam of truffle oil. The oil amplified the Parmesan's faint nuttiness and swathed everything in almost-too-much richness. Balance came from

the fine acidity of the lemon, the tangy pucker of the capers, and the watery, rooty texture of the hearts of palm.

After that somewhat exotic opening — we don't eat a lot of raw beef shavings at home — we eased into the *polenta con salsiccia*. (Not that Grace makes a lot of grilled polenta at home either — all that stirring, inserting the wood

to soak out excess moisture — but she could.) The dish started its work before it even landed on the table, thanks to a big sprig of fragrant rosemary laid atop

the thin square of polenta at the center of things. Under the initial blast of rosemary came a wave of mushroomy aromas, made sweet by the Madeira in the burnished-brown sauce. We spotted crimini, oyster, and shiitake amid the surrounding mounds of crumbled sausage (from Pete's Quality Meats in Little Italy). Mixed greens lay under everything, sopping up liquid and wilting from the heat, while across the top, a bright ridge of gorgonzola was just beginning

Antica Trattoria

★★ (very good)

5654 Lake Murray Boulevard (at Baltimore Drive), La Mesa, Lake Murray Village; 619-463-9919; www.anticatrattoria.com

HOURS: Lunch, Tuesday–Friday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.; dinner, Monday–Sunday, 4:30 p.m. –10:00 p.m.

p.m. **PRICES:** Moderate. Appetizers, \$5.95–\$11.95; pastas, \$11.95–\$16.95; entrées, \$12.95–\$20.95. **CUISINE & BEVERAGES:** Far-flung Italian, with dishes hailing from all over. Some interesting Italian wines on the list; ask your server for suggestions.

NEED TO KNOW: Menu changes a bit twice a year. Some lighter dishes for summer; heartier fare for winter. Homemade pastas are generally excellent.

Ratings reflect the reviewer's reaction to food, ambiance, and service with price taken into consideration. Menu listings and prices are subject to change.

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to soften. We dug in.

The polenta was perfect, something like the best piece of toast you ever put stuff on and ate with a knife and fork. The flavor was not huge, but the texture was a dream: warm and grainy on the inside, with a crust that held its distinct chewy-crisp character even after soaking in sauce. Combined with the sausage, mushrooms, cheese, and greens, it made every bite a joy. It also made our third appetizer — the *portobello* ripieno, a lobster-sauced mushroom stuffed with crabmeat, Parmesan cheese, and bread crumbs (and spinach, we discovered) — pale by comparison. The mushroom was firm, the crab was discernible, but the Parmesan and spinach came on strong and left things feeling ordinary.





That feeling disappeared with the arrival of our entrées. The pappardelle special featured a spicy tomato sauce and a Pacific lobster — a rich man's shrimp fra diavolo. The pepper in the sauce glowed in our mouths like dying coals, softening us up to swoon over the double-wide fettuccine. How something could be so tender while still remaining firmly al dente was a mystery to me, though when I asked the chef about it, he replied, "There's no secret. It's a pain. Sometimes, I say, 'Why do I do this?' The next second, I say, 'I love this job, because it's the only thing I know. I love it.' " The lobster was another mystery we didn't receive any implements of dissection — but we reached in and tore it apart by hand.

The ravioli montecarlo boasted similar tenderness and delicacy, which may be why we ended up picking on it. Perhaps we were looking for the pea under all those mattresses, the imperfection that only gets noticed amid overall excellence. Lovely discs of pasta stuffed with lovely, dense ricotta cheese and drizzled with a very mild tomato-cream

sauce made lovely by fresh basil and chunks of zippy, cooked tomato. Our trouble resided at the seam, where the pasta was crimped together to make a cheesy pillow. The resultant double-thick rim, nearly half an inch wide, struck us as doughy.

Two bites into my gnocchi al Porcini, I realized I probably should have ordered the gnocchi Caprese, which gussied up its potato dumplings with tomatoes, basil, buffalomilk mozzarella, and tomato cream sauce. The gnocchi themselves were splendid; it was a pleasure to sink my teeth through their even puffiness. But the echoes of Madeira and mushroom from the polenta starter were too much for me. Here, the Madeira-tinted sauce brought in an element of cream, and the porcini mushrooms were both richer and sharper than their predecessors, but still, my palate began to feel weary. Mea culpa — no fault of the kitchen.

We closed with two of the housemade desserts: tiramisu and crème brûlée. An overabundance of cocoa powder marred the tiramisu, which was otherwise coffee-rich and custardy and served parfaitstyle in a cactus-motif margarita glass. And the crème brûlée was, to paraphrase Monty Python's cheese-shop sketch, "a bit runnier than I like it." But we were too comforted to mind and concentrated instead on the outstanding coffee.

Two weeks later, all that remained of our kitchen makeover were the hundredodd finishing touches that accompany the end of any project. We decided to hit Antica again, this time in celebration. We ordered a bottle of 1996 Gattinara — decent age, decent price, interesting wine. Then we skipped the antipasti and started off with a couple of starches before moving on to the protein-rich secondi we had saved for our second visit. Grace's risotto bosco mare cooked in a saffron stock and laced with smoked salmon, shrimp, and asparagus — was tip-top. The risotto hovered the firm side of the spectrum but did not lack for yummysticky moistness. And the salmon's flavor, boosted by smoking, stood up to the measured force of the saffron.

The penne alla montanara lacked such proportion. Pasta,

mushrooms, goat cheese, and bits of filet mignon and veal all suffered beneath a Madeiratomato sauce of overpowering sweetness. It seemed an odd misstep, given the balance that had prevailed elsewhere, but saucy interference struck again on the pollo all'aretina. There, a beautifully golden-crusted stuffed chicken breast drowned in the salty sea of a Chardonnay-and-sun-dried-tomato-cre am sauce. When my almondcrusted sea bass alle mandorle arrived mushy and flavor-light, I was ready to go back to the gnocchi. But we pressed on with the meat and were rewarded. Involtini imperiale, thin rounds of veal wrapped around lengths of asparagus and red pepper, brought in shrimp for a play on surf-andturf, to happy effect. And the maiale alla Piemontese gave a glimpse of the sort of dish we hoped to one day produce in our own reassembled kitchen: oven-roasted pork loin, crusted with pepper and herbs, and served with caramelized apples. The Barolo wine reduction clung to the meat in juicy globules, like gravy. "The flavors have been given time to get to

know each other," said our

carpenter as he speared a bite of crisp-crusted pork and just-sweet apple. "It's comforting but it's not dull."

ABOUT THE CHEF

Francesco Basile started life in Sicily, "in a little fishing village near Palermo." He attended the state culinary school in Palermo and learned a lesson or two from his elders besides. "I learned that when you boil the potato for gnocchi, the potato won't take on too much water if you don't touch it too much. And the faster you do the gnocchi, the less flour you have to put in. You've got to be really fast; that's the lightness of the gnocchi." After culinary school, he began working as a jour-neyman chef. "In the summertime, I was at a beach place; in the wintertime, in the mountains.'

Why did he come here? "It's a good question. In the beginning, I came to try California, and I ended up liking it. I created my family here, and after 13 years, it's practically my new home. Seven years ago, I got a beautiful little daughter. I own my little dream here." He started out in

Orange County, then spent two and a half years as an executive chef at Osteria Panevino in the Gaslamp's Italian row. "After two and a half years, I needed stimulation. That's why I left. It was a gorgeous place to work, but that's the craziness of being a chef. You're always looking for new experiences, new stimulation." He headed back to Orange County for a year, then started searching San Diego for a place of his own.

Basile suspected that he could develop a loyal customer base in East County — "La Mesa, San Carlos, and especially Mount Helix." But the strip mall in which he settled was no Gaslamp; the only other restaurants were a bagel shop and an Outback Steakhouse. "My partner and I came here on a Thursday night before we bought the place. It was dark. We looked each other in the face and asked, 'Are you sure you want to do this?' " They did it, and their gamble paid off. Now, three years later, "We know practically all of our customers by name. They appreciate it. We make a good living, thank God. We don't complain." ■









Night Tendon

"Seaweed, dude. You'll love it. You want to hold that as your dessert."

ositively the best deal in town, dude," says Hank, "if you don't mind a bit of tripe, tendon, flank, that kind of stuff."
"Irish place, right?"

"Wrong."

He swings us in off Mira Mesa Boulevard to

a woody brown strip mall under a bunch of trees. It's right about sunset.

He whips through a pair of swing doors into this clean, white-tile-looking eatery.

"Ta-da!" He says. "Vietnamese." He points beyond rows of black and red chairs to a big sign

slung up against the wall mirror. "Special: Beef Noodle Soup. Buy One, Get One Free. Dine-In Only." "Okay, soup. But what about the meal, dude?"

"Oh, come on, dude, in Vietnamese food, the soup is the meal."

We sit down next to a Vietnamese family with soups and salads and rice and meat dishes splayed out in front of them. Place has a black-and-whitetile pattern racing round the walls.

An older man comes up with menus. They lay everything out in English — and in Vietnamese, Chinese, and Lao. The deal applies to numbers 1 through 17. All *phos*. And all seem to be different combos of flank, tendon, and tripe. Like, number 1, Dac Biet Xe Lua (\$4.75), is an "extralarge bowl" of rare steak slices and well-done brisket, flank, tendon, and tripe, all in a soup,

with mint and bean sprouts.

Oh, man. I can't help checking the rest of the menu. Things like French bread with "beef juicy cube" (\$5.50), broken rice with barbecue pork chop (\$5.00). Broken rice with shredded pork, steamed egg, and pork chop (\$5.50). Or number

40, rice vermicelli with charbroiled shrimp and char-pork ball (\$5.50).

"I mean, dude, appreciate it and all, but I'm thinking of moving beyond the stomach-lining soup concept. Any objections if I..."

"Dude, dude. I guarantee you won't go away hungry, all right?"

Waiter with water comes over. Minh. I ask if he's from Saigon. He corrects me. "Ho Chi Minh City," he says.

I order number 1, and Hank goes for number 17, Pho Bo Vien. Beef balls and rice noodles (\$4.75). "Oh, and Café Sua Nong."

I find it on the back page. "Espresso coffee with condensed milk," \$1.95. Then halfway down I spot Rau Ma, squeezed juice of "fresh pennywort leaves." Huh. And Xam Bo Luong, a combo of loganberry, black dates, and lotus seeds in syrup. Each \$1.95.

"I'll have Xam Bo Luong," I say. "Number 18." Outside, through the plate-glass windows, it's dusk. The boulevard out there looks kinda dreamy

with its taillight procession under a big pearl sky.

"Ah," says Hank, a moment later. "This is my favorite moment." But he's talking food, not sun-

sets. Minh has laid out our way-big bowls of soup, and the old guy has arrived with a plate of bean sprouts, sliced raw jalapeños, and mint leaves.

Hank grabs one of the mint branches. He tweaks off the leaves and breaks them up in his fingers. "Oh, man," he says. "Really get off on this. Smell it?"

I do. The fresh mint aroma blasts your nostrils. I grab some. Mine has a purple flower thing at the end. "This too?" I ask.

"Best part of it," says Hank. "Drop it in, buddy." Now he's grabbing mittfulls of bean sprouts and dunking them into his soup.

And pretty soon I'm grabbing chopsticks from the tabletop supply and getting into all sorts of stringy, gristly-but-tender white meaty stuff and the actual slices of rare beef, and slurping the soup with the china spoon in my left hand. A splot or two of hot sauce helps too. The flavor's light beef, the textures are — well, don't analyze too much, I tell myself. Just enjoy.

The old guy brings our drinks.

Now I wish I'd copied Hank. He's got this really cool French coffee set with coffee dripping into a cup right here, plus a stainless-steel urn of hot water. Then again, my number 18 is a shake glass filled with dewy liquid and the bottom half

clogged with what looks like black and white pebbles, bits of plant matter, and green stringy stuff. "Seaweed, dude," says Hank. "You'll love it. You want to hold that as your dessert."

We get talking with the Vietnamese guy eating next to us. Kevin. Turns out he's part of the Phan family who owns this place. "Hoa and Hiep Phan are brothers. That's how we got the name Hoa Hiep." He says this two-for-one idea has been really good for business.

I ask him about the pennywort drink. "It's a green plant. Green drink. Great for cleaning your system," he says. "But not many people ask for it, so we don't have it right now."

He says if we come in for breakfast, we should order number 22, French bread with stew meat and carrots and other vegetables in soup (\$5.50). "That's a morning dish."

We can't resist ordering one French bread (\$1.00) just to split and dip in the soups, and it arrives hot, crisp, and tender. Plus I'm chewing through the last of my lotus seeds and black dates (watch it! they have little pits in them) from my drink. Dee-lish.

Hank pays up. The man looks so-o smug. As we walk out into the dark, he's singing. "Tendon is the night..." ■

The Place: Pho Hoa Hiep, 9910 Mira Mesa Boulevard #A, Mira Mesa (858-578-1468); also at 6947 Linda Vista Road, Linda Vista (858-268-8406)

Type of Food: Vietnamese

Prices: Dac Biet Xe Lua (soup with rare steak slices, well-done brisket, flank, tendon, and tripe), \$4.75; French bread with beef juicy cube, soup, \$5.50; broken rice with barbecue pork chop, \$5.00; broken rice with shredded pork, steamed egg, and pork chop, \$5.50; broken rice with barbecue chicken, \$5.00; young bamboo and duck-meat soup with rice vermicelli, \$5.00

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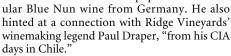


Zin Spook

"Zinfandel styles have swung wildly from moderate claret-like table wines to lurid alcoholic essences to pink soda-pop-like aperitifs."

everal years ago, while spending a lovely afternoon in Baja wine country swilling Mexican Zinfandel, munching paella and tossing bocce balls with less-than-deadly accuracy, I was introduced to a man named Rea

Smith. Smith struck me as a World Traveler, full of experience and anecdote, the sort of person who knows where all the bodies are buried and may have helped with some of the digging. He told me that he had been part of the group that came up with the name and label for the once-pop-



"I beg your pardon?"

World Traveler assured me he would tell me all about it and handed me his card — a card that bore only his name and a phone number. I don't know how many times I called him over the next few months, but suffice it to say he was never available. I have yet to see him again.

Sometime later, a friend told me I could get a good account of Draper's Chilean days from a book entitled Angels' Visits: An Inquiry into the Mystery of Zinfandel by David Darlington. (The title was taken from George Husmann's 1888 work, Grape Culture and Wine-Making in California, in which he compared the "best samples" of Zinfandel to angels' visits, "few and far between.") The only trick was finding a copy. Despite critical acclaim, it had faded out of print soon after its 1991 publication — angel's visits, indeed — and used editions were fetching around \$80 a copy on Internet websites. I kept an eye out in used bookstores but figured it to be another Rea Smith — a rumored wellspring of information destined to go untapped.

Imagine my delight, then, when I stumbled upon Zin: The History and Mystery of Zinfandel by one David Darlington at my local Borders. Darlington... Could it be? There on the back cover, I found it: "Zin was originally

published under the title Angels' Visits." Zin had come out two years ago, no less.

Why hadn't anybody told me?

"That was my fear about the new title," says David Darlington. "It had sort of a cult follow-

ing — there were people who wished it was back in print, and the new title wouldn't be helping them at all. The change was suggested by the publisher. I think they considered Angels' Visits too obscure. And I guess they wanted something more directly applicable to the subject matter in today's

era of Web searches. It wasn't an idea that I liked, particularly. One writer wrote that I just published my second book about Zinfandel, and on Amazon.com a reader attacked me for trying to pass off an old book as a new book.'

That reader, Charles Falk, also wrote that "Darlington's unbalanced 'history' of Zinfandel has not aged well. It skims quickly from a New England nursery in 1830 to 1976 when Joel Peterson started Ravenswood Winery." But such a conclusion is as sloppy as concluding that Paul Draper worked for the CIA in Chile. According to Zin, Draper worked for a New York company that published a newsletter in developing countries "promoting 'a democratic alternative to the Marxist viewpoint.'" Draper grants that the publication was "undoubtedly" at least partially funded by the CIA, but he wasn't a secret agent man. And by the time he got to Chile and started a winery operation, he had formed a nonprofit corporation with two friends called Pacific Development International — he was out on his

Zin is stuffed with such careful attention to detail and, with the help of wine historian Charles Sullivan, does about as good a job as possible of delving into at least two of the mysteries of Zinfandel: its place of origin and arrival in California. (UC Davis professor Carole Meredith had not yet made her discovery that Zinfandel had a . Croatian heritage.) Darlington keeps an open mind and even devotes space to the possibility

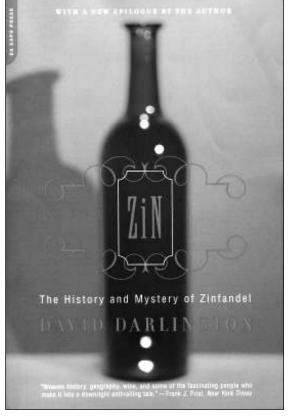
that Agoston Haraszthy, the much-maligned "father of California viticulture," did in fact introduce Zinfandel to California, a claim Sullivan "exhaustively discredits."

Falk's criticism would have more weight if the book were simply the "history" he describes it as being. The former subtitle — *An Inquiry into the Mystery* of Zinfandel — served the book better: the history was subsumed, only one mystery among many. Others included how it came to be taken seriously as a varietal by great winemakers, how Zinfandel wine developed stylistically in different times and places, how it almost wiped itself out, and, perhaps most importantly, what sort of wine it ought to produce. As Darlington notes, "over the decades, Zinfandel styles have swung wildly from moderate claret-like table wines to lurid alcoholic essences to pink soda-pop-like aperitifs." Darlington attempts to solve this last question once and for all by gathering a number of great Zinfandel producers for a tasting involving a number of "the most historic Zinfandels from the past half-century.

The results are intriguing, but not so intriguing as Darlington's profiles of the men who made the wines. His in-

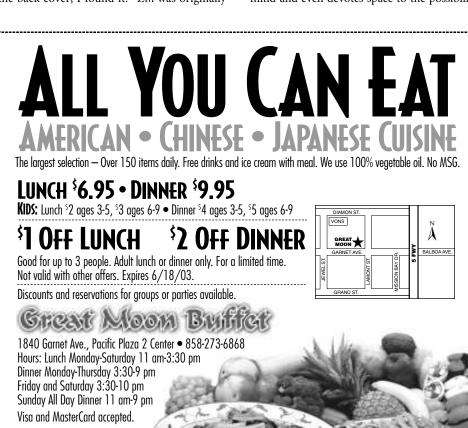
terest in Zinfandel sprang from a stint as a cellar rat for Ravenswood Winery back in the latter '80s, when it was a part-time operation producing a mere 5000 cases. He got to watch Ravenswood winemaker Joel Peterson make the wines that helped make his reputation, and he got to pick Peterson's brain every step of the way. Near the end, he is present for a worshipful visit from wine critic Robert Parker. But while the Peterson bits read like a memoir of a friend's brilliant career in winemaking, Darlington's treatment of Paul Draper and Ridge Vineyards, "the leading Zin-producing winery at the time, going back to the '60s," is positively

Draper pops up throughout the book, now at the Sorbonne, now in Chile, now in California; now touting his wine to Japanese sommeliers, now assessing the competition, now taking over the operations at Ridge Vineyards from original winemaker/president Dave Bennion. The treatment concludes with a gentle hoisting of Draper on his own (admittedly) Jungian petar. Draper, Darlington tells us, was a Midwestern farm kid



of northern European descent who fell deeply in love with the more exuberant spirit of the Mediterranean, A cerebral man, he devoted himself to creating wonderful intoxicating beverages. Darlington assesses and critiques Draper's attempt to marry the spirits of Apollo and Dionysus within himself (and even his wine), and the result is delightfully heady stuff.

Draper, ever the gentleman in Darlington's estimation, took the hoisting well. Since Angels' Visits was published, Darlington has been the guest of honor at an annual dinner that gathered the winemakers from the Ridge, Ravenswood, and Rosenblum wineries together with their previous year's barrel samples. As this year's event wore on, "I overheard Paul talking to somebody about the book, and he was saying that I wrote this whole chapter on Apollo and Dionysus, and I didn't know anything about it. That I hadn't studied Jung at all, and I didn't know what I was talking about." Zin is still a fine appreciation of the grape, its history, and the industry that has made it famous.





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NORTH COASTAL

BUBBY'S GELATO 937 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet), but does them exceedingly well. The "gourmet sandwiches" really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediterranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled eggplant, gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that's your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Häagen-Dazs, and feature an everchanging array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewater and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

JUANITA'S TACO SHOP ESTILO TEPATITLAN 290 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-943-9612; also in Vista at 248 Main, 760-758-4531. Enticing aromas of fresh tortillas and fragrant frijoles greet you as you enter this busy little taqueria, where the food's cooked in the style of Tepatitlan, a small city near Guadalajara. Its local specialty is carnitas - which Juanita's does up (by the plate or by the pound) as tender, non-greasy shreds, served with fresh, cilantro-laden mild tomato salsita. Standard wraps are fine, too,

and the beans taste as good as they smell. Try a "Flying Saucer" — it really takes off, with shredded meat, onions, mild chiles, beans, sour cream, shred-ded orange cheese, and puréed guacamole riding high on an airy crisped flour tortilla. Quick and good, open daily, three meals until 2 a.m. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/01)

KEALANI'S 137 West D Street, Encinitas, 760-94-ALOHA. Tucked between a 7-Eleven and a pizzeria, with an exterior sign that says "Saimin" (for Hawaii's version of Top Ramen), this island of the Islands prescribes "Living Da Aloha Spirit." A ukulele player sometimes serenades the noonday crowd at the side-walk tables, and at any hour the food is "plate lunch" — two scoops of shortgrain rice, mild house-made macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the outstanding kalua pig, zesty, smoky shreds of *imu*-style roast pork, resembling a moister version of Southern "pulled pork." The menu covers the whole panoply of island standards, from malasadas (Portuguese donuts) to musubi (Spam sushi), with a Saturday special of a luau's worth of "local food." While you're waiting, check out the droll Hawaiian vocabulary lessons under the glass tops of the tables. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

LA BONNE BOUFFE 471 Encinitas Boulevard, Town and Country Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3081 Boeuf Bourguignon, rack of lamb, frog's legs (when available), duck in peppercorn sauce, and Dover sole in lemon-butter non-butter sauce are the staples of this French provincial restaurant. Dinners are à la carte. Charming room and sensitive wine list. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Reservations for weekend dinners advised. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

NEIMANS 300 Carlsbad Village Drive (at Carlsbad Boulevard), Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. Set in a Victorian gingerbread mansion overlooking Highway 101, this hotel-restaurant's best deal is the Sunday all-vou-can-eat-anddrink champagne brunch, featuring made-to-order omelets, seafood creations, mimosas, etc., moderately priced for a day's worth of protein, calories, and buzz. No brunch reservations, so expect a wait. (Holiday brunch prices are much higher, but then they do take reservations.) After dark, the site is basically a nightclub, with a younger crowd scarfing up traditional American fare, priced high, until mid-night or later. Open daily, lunch and dinner. — E.W.

ST. GERMAIN'S CAFE 1010 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-5411. Despite the Parisian name, the food here is all-American. Omelets are the café's best-known dish - 14 variations of three-eggers (or Eggbeaters by request) served with toast or a muffin, plus tasty herbstrewn "café potatoes" or fresh fruit salad. But don't overlook the Belgian waffles, scrambles, pancakes, Louisiana sausages, or the three versions of ex-pertly poached eggs Benedict with genuine hollandaise. Sandwiches run to hearty American classics (including some veg choices), and along with beef burgers, turkey burgers, and veggie burgers, there are no fewer than six twists on lean charbroiled chicken breast on a burger bun. The sheltered patio is always crowded, but there's a large interior dining room with a separate smoothies-and-ice-cream bar. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. In-

ST. TROPEZ 947 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103D, Encinitas, 760-633-0084. If you love continental breakfast, this bright café with indoor-outdoor seating offers scores of house-baked pastries (among them the rare, elusive brioche) and four styles of coffee, in-cluding an excellent French roast. Parisian-style brunch/lunch choices embrace croque monsieur and croque madame (grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, topped with either light cream sauce or an egg), crepes, quiche, onion soup gratinée, or a chicken-filled volau-vent puff-pastry shell. Omelets are rather weighty. Some of the sandwiches offer Mediterranean flavors - try a pan bagnat (salade niçoise on a baguette) or one of the grilled panini. Desserts range from cookies on up to elaborate cakes. Open daily, breakfast to very early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

expensive. — N.W. (10/01)

WHEN IN ROME 1108 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-1771. This elegant restaurant offers three dining areas and a menu with outstanding appetizers and pasta dishes. There are many unusual preparations. Gorgeous presentation; warm, friendly service. A winner, Dressy-casual crowd, Open for dinner nightly. Expensive. — $\vec{E}.W.$

NORTH INLAND

CHIEU-ANH VIETNAMESE CUI-Rancho Bernardo, 10, 858-485-1231. Gourmet Vietnamese food is available here from a lengthy menu, including many items showing

French influence. Good bets are chicken crepe, fresh fish with lemon grass, tangy-and-sour soup, egg rolls, and filet mignon beef. Chiêu-Anh enhances the selection of fine dining rooms in Rancho Bernardo, Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive. -E.W.

EL BIZCOCHO Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8550. You get what you pay for at one of San Diego County's premiere dining destinations — stunning new French cuisine in a lovely, civilized room. The left side of the menu lists traditional golf-and-ten-nis-folk favorites (lobster bisque, filet mignon), but the right side is a daily changing array of creative dishes by chef Patrick Ponsaty, including a five-course tasting menu. These dishes are not merely luxurious, they're thrilling, with flavor combinations that are intense and balanced, audacious and refined. The wine list is awesome and pricey, with numerous half-bottles. Dress rules aside, the atmosphere is anything but stuffy: A charming room captain puts you at ease and servers are pleasantly attentive. It's ideal for a special night out — and the Sunday brunches are lavish, too. Jacket required, ties usual, women's attire chic or prosperously dowdy. Reservations essential. Dinner Monday through Saturday, brunch Sunday. Very expensive. — N.W. (2/01)

EL TAQUITO MARISCOS 500 North Escondido Boulevard (Felix Plaza, next to Pool King), Escondido, 760-739-8204. Also 503 North Grande Avenue (Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-735-5819. At this sparkling, airy taqueria, a semi-open kitchen wafts out the alluring aroma of fresh corn tortillas. You can get breakfast right through lunch hour, fill up on huge combo plates, or create your own assortment of Baja-style mini-tacos (of asado, cabeza, pastor, carnitas, etc.) for pennies. The refried beans are as good as they get. But seafood is the focus, oc-cupying a whole menu page offering gargantuan cocktails, soups, salads, antojitos, and hot and cold platters fea turing shrimp, langostinos, tilapia, snapper, crab, etc. They're beautifully seasoned, if a tad overcooked. Try the lively levanta muerta ("raise the dead") seafood soup and rise again. Open daily, breakfast until late. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (5/01)

GOLDEN EGG OMELET HOUSE 316 West Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-489-6420. This morning treasurehouse is large but Swiss-style cute, its brick walls festooned with knicknacks

(for sale), and silent wind chimes hang ing from every wooden rafter. This is the place on Sunday mornings, when three generations bond over great, generous breakfasts. Omelets are perfect — light, thin crepe-like eggs wrapped around tall mounds of elaborate fillings. Thick waf-fles can be topped with fresh seasonal fruit. And then there are eggs, hash, crepes, huge burgers and sandwiches, and a dozen-odd potato casseroles Whatever you choose will carry you de-liciously through until dinner. No reservations, so expect a wait on weekends. Open daily, breakfast-lunch (until 2 p.m.). Moderate. — *N.W.* (5/01)

LUNGREN BROTHER'S PIZZA AND KARAOKE 29,000 Lilac Road, Vall Escondido Center Road, 760-749-2346. It's all so cozy here that you don't care that this restaurant was once the cooler room of a turkey farm. The combo of spaghetti with eggplant parmigiana (around \$6) is excellent, generous, and includes garlic bread and soup or salad. Wash it down with the house's gutsy red wine. Other specialties include meatball sandwiches, lasagna with spaghetti, and mini pizzas. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

MADRAS CAFE 9484 Black Mountain Road, Mira Mesa, 858-695-6229. In the same strip mall as Ashoka the Great, this family-friendly café features the sa vory vegetarian cuisine of South India It's distinctly different from the stan-dard North Indian menus, centering on numerous varieties of stuffed pancakes — from thin, crisp (and irresistible) crêpe-like *dosais* stuffed with vegetable curry to lacy rice-flour *aa-pams* drenched in coconut milk to hefty, frittata-like *uttapams*. (Try the latter with the delicious, not-too-spicy chile-onion stuffing.) Puffy poori bread and tamarind rice are spectacular. Order your dishes in the sequence you hope to eat them — that's usually how they come out of the kitchen. And don't expect hovering "Raj" - style service — it's just not the Tamil way. Seasoning is generally mild, to accommodate kiddies; spicy sauces are on the table. No alcohol. Open Tuesday through Sunday with buffet lunches and à la carte dinners. Inexpensive. — N.W. (1/03)

GOLD COAST

BESTA WAN PIZZA HOUSE 148 Aberdeen Drive, Cardiff-By-The-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family opera-tion all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally

Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/01)

PAMPLEMOUSSE GRILLE 514 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-792-9090. The locals' favorite French provincial restaurant offers exquisite, creative cooking. Favorites from an often changing menu include fresh crab salad with avocado and tomato coulis, white fish served any style, mushroom cap-pucini soup, and tarte Tatin. Serene atmosphere with excellent service. Dinner reservations urged. Dinner nightly, lunch Wednesday through Friday. Dinners expensive. — E.W.

WILD NOTE CAFE 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-259-7310. Located in the Cedros Design District next to the Belly Up Tavern, this uniquely decorated room offers excellent salads, pasta, fresh fish, grilled meats, and burgers in a casual atmosphere. Friendly, attentive service. Live music at dinner, Sunday jazz brunches, Wednesday wine tastings. Lunch and dinner six days, lunch only on Mondays. Moderate. — E.W.

LA JOLLA

DONOVAN'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, Golden Triangle, 858-450-6666, At this excellent traditional steakhouse, the menu includes a variety of appetizers, among them a cocktail of giant shrimp with a spicy, tomatoey sauce and a large, lightly sautéed crab cake with housemade tartar sauce. The wet-aged prime beefsteaks are seasoned with sea salt and pepper and cooked on a gas grill pre-cisely to your order. Bleu cheese, béarnaise and peppercorn sauces are available at extra charge. Non-beef entrées include fish, seafood, veal chop, pork chop, or a delicate Australian rack of lamb. Unlike many steakhouses where your money buys only the meat, entrées are served with vegetables and potato. Additional à la carte sides include creamed spinach and sautéed mush-rooms. Among the house-made desserts the highlights are a light, creamy cheesecake with fresh strawberry sauce and a traditional creme brûlée. The service is attentive, friendly, and knowledgeable, in a masculine setting with dark wood-paneling, dim lighting, and only a moderate noise level. Cigar room off the bar. Open Mondays through Saturdays. Very expensive. — N.W. (9/02)

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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 um-brella 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)

SHABU SHABU JIN SANG 7614 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-4545. Shabu shabu is a style of Japanese cuisine in which the ingredients are cooked in boiling water and then dipped into sauces. The liquid becomes a soup, which you drink last. This gorgeous restaurant offers an excellent selection of shabu shabu entrées, electric cookers, patient servers, and an exotic appetizer list. Food is low calorie, low fat. Portions small, but aesthetic. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — $\hat{E.W.}$

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

IKEA RESTAURANT & CAFE 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley, 619-283-6166, ext.1200. Central shrine for San Diego's 10,000 Swedes, so they say. They come to taste open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, and meat-balls again. This restaurant inside Sweden's wildly successful "home interiors" chain is a great intro to Swedish tastes. The food's more sensible than exciting, of course. But healthy - beef and pork for the meatballs are guaranteed hormone-free. You eat the meatballs with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Fish is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon), are always on. And if you want to be disgustingly healthy, chew on their fresh vegetable plate (raw carrot sticks, cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms). All for a song. The only health hazard: hordes of babies and kids romping in the restaurant's mother-friendly play area. Inexpensive. - E.B. (5/02)

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TROPICAL STAR 6163 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Very modest surroundings; good authentic inexpensive food. Same menu all day Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* (8/99)

THE BEACHES

THE AUSTRALIAN PUB 1014 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9921. A great place to take your kids after a morning at the beach. This relaxing pub, owned by a true-blue Aussie, offers heaps of good Aussie food. Try the Road Kill (grilled chicken breast with pico de gallo sauce and cheese "run over" between 2 pieces of sourdough) or the Aussie Burger (1/2-pound patty, with a fried egg, cheese, bacon, grilled onions, beets, pineapple, and a side of steak fries). And for an "outback experience," order up Vegemite (a beefy kinda paste) and four slices of bread — it's the Aussie national food, mate. Open Mondays through Thursdays, lunch and dinner until midnight; weekends breakfast through dinner until 1 a.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

COSTA BRAVA 1653 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-1218. Cordial owner-host Javier Gonzalez opened this charming restaurant so that local Spaniards would have a place to gather with an authentic atmosphere of home, and indeed, the "Euro" atmosphere and late hours give a truly Iberian feel. The lively garlic-rich dishes here include a wide array of tasty tapas and, among the entrées, a paella that's made to order (sized to serve two or four; call ahead for larger groups). Patio seating in good weather. Parking lot and wheelchair access via the alley behind the restaurant. Open daily 11 a.m. to midnight, with bargain prices at Sunday brunch. Reservations advised for weekend evenings. Moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

FRENCH GOURMET 960 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-1725. This pleasant, airy dining room serves French food with California influences. It's light, good-tasting, and easy on your purse. Breakfast items and lunch are served simultaneously. Ravishing desserts and bakery at one end of the restaurant. Open daily. Moderate. —

GRINGO'S 4474 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-490-2877. With better cooking

than you'd guess from its name, this ambitious spin-off of the local Moondoggies chain serves the sort of Mexican cuisine you might find at a seaside resort in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta—skillfully prepared with good, fresh ingredients, just a bit dumbed-down in the flavors. The chile verde, say, is beautifully seasoned if barely picante, and the luscious camarones borrachos are big white shrimp cooked just till done and not a moment more. Given the surefire location at the hub of PB partytown, the food is actually better than it needs to be. A vast list of tequilas, interesting margaritas, and a sensible wine list emphasizing affordable, foodfriendly Chilean bottlings add to the draw for a lively young crowd that revs the decibels to a roar on weekends. Open daily. Moderate.— N.W. (6/02)

SASKA'S 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Venerable, local steak-and-seafood joint that tries harder, from the broth-thin homemade teriyaki sauce (sweet up front, fading to bitter ginger) for the well-cooked (if mild-flavored) fish to the cut-on-the-premises aged beef. The interior's low wood-slat ceilings, drift-wood beams, dim light, and red-leather booths combine with the stay-up-late kitchen to make the space feel like a

cozy haven, a respite from the brighter buzz of Mission Beach. The wine list runs the gamut from Cook's sparkling wine to Cristal champagne, stopping along the way at an interesting (if expensive) collection of reserves. Next door is the restaurant's serviceable sushi bar (858-488-7255) and two-story patio dining. Open seven days; lunch weekends; dinner until 1 a.m. weeknights, 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Sushi bar open nightly, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Moderate. — A.M. (8/02)

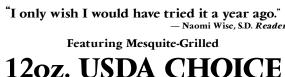
UMI SUSHI 2806 Shelter Island Drive (at Shafter, off Scott), Point Loma, 619-226-1135. An instant neighborhood success, this large, cheerful sushi bar and dinner house also offers Japanese and Korean entrées, including teppanyaki (cooked in the kitchen, not at the table), Korean ribs, and excellent beef teriyaki of gently grilled prime 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)

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

ANTIQUE ROW CAFE 3002 Adams Avenue (at 30th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-9750. Antique-land's favorite eatery is a serious exhibit in its own right, especially if you're into sports memorabilia. Look for signed photos of Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio (all googlyeyed with Marilyn) on the walls. The word for the food: generous. All-day breakfast dishes include "The Works" omelet, stuffed with bacon, sausage, ham, bell peppers, onions, tomatoes, and cheese bulging over a big oval plate along with skins-on breakfast potatoes. "Philly Steak Heaven" (you choose: steak, ham, or turkey) is one of the more popular lunchtime dishes. Night choice: baked stuffed salmon. Three als weekdays, breakfast and lunch weedends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

CHICKEN PIE SHOP OF SAN DIEGO 2633 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-295-0156. How much do people love this place? Count the chickens lining the walls — ceramic, wood, beaded, painted, even feathered.

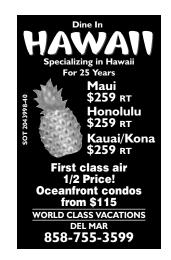




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KENSINGTON GRILL 4055 Adams Avenue, Kensington, 619-281-4014. This spiffy spot in an old, staid neighborhood proves change can be good, delivering intelligent, inventive cuisine. Preparations follow the convention of contrasts in sophisticated cuisine sweet vs. salty, soft vs. crunchy, hot vs. cold. From the complexity of grilled salmon over pea greens, baby lettuces, sticky rice, and jicama slaw, to the tradition of lamb loin, Kensington Grill proves a talented, hardworking kitchen. Open for dinner nightly. Moderate. – *M.N.* (8/99)

OLD MILL CAFE 3949 Ohio Street (at University Avenue), North Park, 619-294-3804. The best-kept secret in North Park looks like a Swiss chalet inside, but serves 1950s American eats in big platefuls. Breakfast buffs should check out the pork chops with two eggs, potatoes, and toast, or biscuits and gravy, or the famous pigs in a blanket (three sausage links rolled in hot cakes with powdered sugar). The lunch and dinner menu is also good and cheap— for instance, golden fried chicken with vegetables and rice or baked potato. They feature nightly prix fixe specials ("Meatloaf Mondays," etc.) just like Mom did in the 1950s. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

PEKIN RESTAURANT 2877 University Avenue (near 30th Street), North Park, 619-295-2610. This old-time Chinese eatery was founded in 1931 by an immigrant from Canton; his grandchildren now run it and it's hardly changed in 70 years. You'll find red-tasseled hanging lanterns with translucent pictures of songbirds, mother-of-pearl wall decorations, and big cushioned booths. The food is Gold Rush-era Cantonese-American: chop suey, chow mein, barbecued pork, bean cake with shrimp and rice — all for a song. Lunch and dinner weekdays, dinner Saturdays. Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

RED SEA RESTAURANT 4717 University Avenue (at Euclid Avenue), City Heights, 619-285-9722. You'll find richly seasoned (and potentially very spicy) Ethiopian cuisine, served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which looks like an edible dish towel and serves as both an edible spoon and an edible tablecloth. (Use pieces of it to scoop up morsels in your right hand.) The meat combina-tion platter here isn't nearly as exciting as several of the specialties. The *kitfo* (spicy beef tartare) is very good, the *gored-gored* (meat cubes in spicy butter) is excellent; both are cooked (or not cooked) to your order, and seanot cooked) to your order, and seasoned to your specifications (if you say "hot," expect fire). Vegetables are fine, too; the yellow split peas, especially, sing with flavor. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Vegetarian-friendly. Can be noisy on weekend evenings. Open daily. Very inexpensive. — N.W. (12/00)

RIB MASTERS EXPRESS 4297 Market Street (at 43rd Street), Chollas View, 619-262-7993. They split Her-mie's Market to create this Chicagostyle BBQ, New Orleans-style South-ern food joint. It started off short on facilities (like no tables), but long on great food. This is the baby of Tony Seales, the San Diego pro heavyweight boxer. Tony's originally from Chicago. He knows ribs, and he invented his own BBQ sauce recipe; even his employees don't know the formula. But try it on cheap deals like the BBQ chicken sandwich. Add other great deals like collard greens, red beans and rice, jambalaya, spicy spaghetti, sweet potato pie, macaroni and cheese, and that oh-so-delicious peach cobbler. Then, of course, there's the ribs themselves. Everything available "to go." Lunch to early dinner, seven days. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.B. (10/02)

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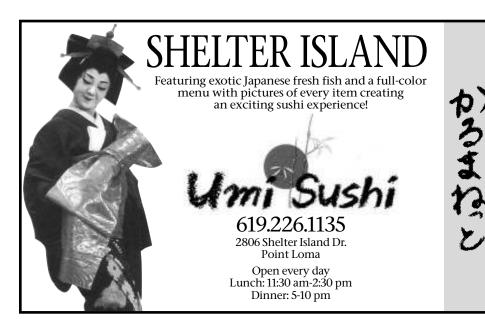
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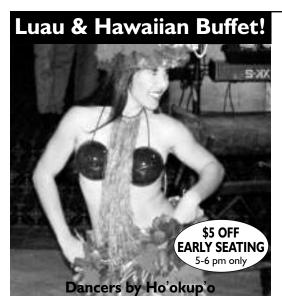
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SALA THAI 6161 El Cajon Boulevard, Campus Plaza, College Area, 619-229-9050. You will find this Thai restaurant as charming as its owner. The menu is extensive, the service attentive. Try the spicy seafood combination or the Chinese specialties. A delightful, gastronomically satisfying experience. Open Monday through Saturday for lunch and dinner; Sunday dinner only. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

SHAM ROCKS SHACK BAR & GRILL 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (at 70th Street), La Mesa, 619-463-2263. It has the feel of a pub: nice solid-wood furniture, pool tables, dart boards, big open kitchen in back. Most of all, people know each other. As for the food — yes, there's a little bit of Ireland, like

the corned beef sandwiches, but mostly it's all-American pre-health-craze cholesterol city. Denver egg omelets with home fries, Philly cheese steaks, spaghetti and garlic bread, hamburgers, jalepeño poppers, steak and eggs, and of course fish and chips. Presentation's old-fashioned, too: heavy white dinner china plates and sturdy cutlery, as long as you agree to "please don't steal the forks." But Irish? Well, think James Joyce on a surfboard. Food from noon to 8 p.m., Sunday special brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kitchen is closed on Mondays; the bar is open. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

TOSHI SUSHI 5943 El Caion Boule vard, College Area, 619-287-3536 Don't ask what's in the "dynamite" sauce (besides the obvious mayo and smelt roe) — it's a house secret, one the restaurant dangles before you in numerous contexts. Try it baked onto the rich, everything-goes Garbage Roll, where deep-fried shrimp, freshwater eel, and tuna add flavor to the creamycrunchy interplay of sauce and vegetables. Rolls, both plain and elaborate, abound here. While some can be heavy on the rice and light on the fish, others are triumphs. The Toshi Tempura Spe cial Roll takes battered whitefish and wraps it around the seaweed casing, which is then filled with just-cooked whitefish and a host of garnishes - an exotic-yet-homey fried-fish alternative. The Johnny Roll shows octopus at its most tender, but watch out for spot-light-hogging sweet cream cheese. The simpler sushi can vary — a brilliant, translucent slice of tuna offset by a blander, duller salmon. Japanese en-trées are also available. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

VILLAGE GARDEN RESTAURANT AND BAKERY 8384 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-462-9100. The Garden is part of what makes La Mesa Village great. Its vine-covered garden patio is wonderful on warm evenings. The decor inside is kind of grandma-ish, lots of green and white, with flower-shaped lamps sprouting out of overhead fans and brass rails with momsy curtains between the booths. It's bright and cheery. And so are the prices. This is traditional fare: creamed chipped

beef on toast, sandwiches, a dozen different omelets, salads, and eight "signature" "big game" burgers. Maybe the best thing is their bread. Big, tender, and baked right there. Two must-haves: the Country Boy Sampler (a mix of Virginia baked ham, chicken, and dumplings), and a take-home loaf of their apple-nut bread. One sniff and you're gone. Evenings, catch the early bird special. Great deal on the three-course meal plus drink. Open breakfast through early dinner Thursday through Sunday, breakfast and lunch Monday to Wednesday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

FAR EAST

BERNARD'S The Mall (way in back), 503 Palm Canyon Drive, Borrego Springs, 760-767-5666. Owner Bernard Hess must be from Alsace, on the French-German border — who else would offer both frog's legs in garlic sauce and a tasty, credible *choucroute garni* (sauerkraut and smoked meat casserole, including house-smoked pork chops)? At this local favorite, the space divided between a convivial bar and a dining room with lunch-counter and booth seating, the menu includes German, French, and truck-stop U.S. classics — *schnitzel* side by side with chicken-fried steak. The waitresses know most patrons by name, and the patrons walk in already knowing what they're going to order — mainly the Alsatian specialties. Wine list runs to third-rate Californian, but there's an affordable Trimbach Riesling (and beer works with this food, too). Open daily, brunch to dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/03)

KOUNTRY KITCHEN 826 Main Street, Ramona, 760-789-3200. Thank goodness the Kountry Kitchen's still around. They still open at 5 a.m. for the farmers and anyone else who's up then. They still make their own sausages, and grind their own burger meat, too. The Italian Sausage Breakfast is truly delicious: a fat pale-brown sausage with a rich, sharp, livery flavor, along with eggs and hash browns. Up

there, too, is the Cowpoke Country Special, a buttermilk short stack with eggs and sausages or bacon. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

PAIPA'S OASIS Sycuan Casino, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa, 619-445-6002. Forget gambling — gambol through the slots till you pass under two huge elephant tusks. The "Joe and the Volcano"-style place with a fountain tower gurgling in the center is Paipa's. Pay the woman. Now decide: a lot of a little, or a little of a lot. The huge salad bar is surrounded by a groaning U-shaped table laden with everything from peel 'n' eat shrimp to baked cod to Certified Black Angus prime rib. Keep coming back. Save them from throwing away this stuff. End with, say, strawberry cheesecake and coffee. Unlike the other suckers, you've gotten a return on your money. Moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

THE ABBEY CAFE 127 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-692-0311. Based on the chi-chi West Hollywood original. Look for the wooden cross tiet to the giant cactus. By all means go during the day and sit out on the patio. But the must-visit time is after sunset, when they light the patio wall with thousands of candles (okay, 250 of them). Inside the 1910 house you eat in dark-wood rooms with (working) fireplace, church pews, metal chalices, black iron sconces, and stone cherubim. Pick from the all-day breakfasts (try the chicken breast, eggs, and fruit dish) or sandwiches if you're feeling cheap — or the Ahi Tuna New Orleans style (half a pound of fish) if you're more loaded. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (12/01)

BERTRAND AT MISTER A'S 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel Street), 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377. Bertrand Hug's airy, open renovation of this formerly "ancient regime" eatery offers a fabled panoramic city view with a casual-chic, highly romantic ambience. Chef Fabrice Poigin's modern French cuisine is a fine fit for the set-

ting, including bistro classics and fresh inventions, emphasizing top-grade seasonal ingredients. A huge, intelligent wine list covers a full range of prices, ages and origins, including "ripe" first-growth Bordeaux. Smoking and fairweather dining on wraparound terrace/observation deck. Note: parking entrance on Fourth Avenue; wheelchair access via ramp to left of reception desk. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Expensive, but not bank-breaking. — N.W. (12/01)

CALIFORNIA CUISINE 1027 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-543-0790. This Hillcrest restaurant has been around forever and has a durable reputation and an established clientele. Perhaps the flawless waitstaff working their sleek, calm dining room is the reason why. The menu is sensible, but the preparations uneven. The appetizers are interesting, but don't live up to their promise. It is California Cuisine's classic entrées that endure despite their menu's excessive range. I recommend the New York steak or lamb loin, accompanied by one of their clever salads. If you appreciate life's finer things, California Cuisine is a place for a good meal. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (5/99)

CHEZ ODETTE 3614 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-299-1000. The nearest thing to a drop-in French bistro in town, even if Odette (yes, she's real) comes from Belgium. Her place is small, slick, and smells of fresh French bread. She and her husband are usually slaving away in the kitchen preparing for the constant banquets they seem to cater. She has cooked for Julie Andrews, Governor Jerry Brown, and Linda Ronstadt. For you, she'll cook great breakfast omelets (the *Provençal*, with peppers, mush-rooms, tomatoes, and onions, or the smoked salmon are two good ones) They come with sautéed potatoes with the perfect tang of garlic. Lunchtime, the salade nicoise (with tuna, anchovies olives, and potatoes on lettuce) is the real thing, and so is the quiche Lorraine. But be like the French: have your main meal in the middle of the day. Weekdays, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001. The desserts here do live up to the name, whether you gobble them on the spot on the patio of this charming café or buy them to take home. Owner Karen Krasne's pastries are created with strict French techniques with flavors inspired by the global reach of her travels, from the rice fields of Bali to the souks of Morocco. The white cakes are true food for angels — ethereal and not excessively sweet, vibrant with flavors of fresh ripe fruits — and some of the chocolate cakes (e.g., the "Caribe") follow suit, while others are rich and dense. Not your piece of cake? There are also tarts, cookies, chocolates, ice cream dishes, puddings, breakfast pastries, and fine teas and coffees, along with Krasne's own lines of honeys, jams, chutneys, syrups, and popcorn — plus a truly lovely assortment of international craft objects. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend brunch until late, closing at 11 p.m. Sunday through

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THE GATHERING 902 Washington Street (at Goldfinch Street), Mission Hills, 619-260-0400. Be prepared for surprises: the owner-bartender is a professional magician who occasionally enjoys entertaining his diners and hosts shows with aspiring amateurs during Happy Hours Thursday through Sunday. This neighborhood favorite is comfortable with a *Cheers* atmosphere at the bar. Live jazz on Friday nights. Open daily, three meals, including Sunday brunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

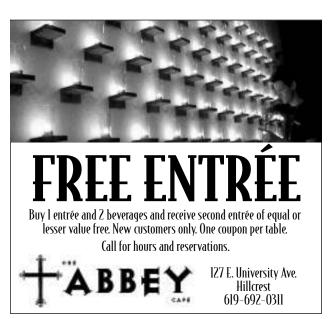
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ends. — N.W. (5/02)

HOB NOB HILL 2271 First Avenue (at Juniper Street), Banker's Hill, 619-239-8176. It opened in 1944 as 14-stool lunch counter, but it's been under new management since the turn of the century. Now, you sweep in under the maroon canopy to shiny red booth seats, deep blue carpet, blond wood, paintings, and a half-wall of wine. You're thinking "business class," but don't be fooled. We're talking coffee-shop prices, especially with the all-day breakfasts and sandwiches, not to mention the burgers with a salad tossed in. It's across the street from a retire-









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ment condo complex and at dinner, says the owner, "We cater to seniors." While there are à la carte choices, affordable three-course prix fixe dinners (with a regular entrée for each day of the week, Mom-style) are the order of the day — e.g., tasty barbecued pork on Saturdays, roast lamb or turkey Sundays. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — E.B. (10/01)

MIXX RESTAURANT 3671 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-299-6499. A meal here resembles an informal dinner party at the home of a good, well-traveled cook. Fitly, the dining room resembles a bohemian living room on steroids, with moody decor, rump-sprung Naugahyde banquettes, and witty paintings on the walls. The menu is an international hodge-podge of whatever chef-owner Deborah Helm and/or chef de cuisine Zhee Zhee Aguirre fancies cooking: touristic Fisherman's Wharf crab-and-artichoke fondu in hollowed sourdough may cohabit with haute-Mex cremini mushroom quesadillas, "Indonesian" battered shrimp, or duck ragout with pasta sheets. Desserts (by Danielle Helm) carry through the "loving hands at home" theme — the most popular is a gooey peanut butter pie. A mainly California wine list is easy on both palate and wallet, with ample selections by the glass. Moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

PARALLEL 33 741 Washington Street, Mission Hills, 619-260-0033. Southern China, Pakistan, Algeria, Morocco, et cetera—are all on the 33rd parallel. This ethno-blend restaurant in Mission Hills is a hit for shrewd, thoughtful creativity. It's not just "fusion food." Try the suberb mango and ahi appetizer. Entrées like grilled salmon atop lobster tabbouleh or sea bass sauced with sake lees show that chef Amiko Gubbins, of Café Japengo fame, knows what she's doing. Dinner

Monday through Saturday. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (10/99)

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, 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 POSITANO 142 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-6995. This younger sister to its namesake restaurant in Cardiff-by the Sea is sure to be one of your favorite restaurants, not only for hearty but refined Italian food, but also for the warm atmosphere. Try sea bass, salmon, or any of the pasta dishes. A treat. Lunch and dinner daily. Upper moderate. — *E.W.* (5/99)

DOWNTOWN

BAYOU BAR AND GRILL 329 Market Street (at Third Avenue), Gaslamp, 619-696-8747. Bayou has the most expansive (and expensive) Louisianastyle menu in the Gaslamp. Their best dishes are terrific — for instance, their red beans and rice (the washday treat) is the area's sole authentic version, meaty and with a rich, deep heat. Egg-

plant dishes shine, too, as do seafood pastas and a huge pork chop with dressing. Alas, though, too many dishes are faux-Paul Prudhomme, with incoherent spicing and, at times, too much cayenne added too late in the cooking to cozy up to other flavors. Desserts are frankly, fabulously revisionist, including pecan pie and bread pudding half as heavy and twice and good as their Creole models. Reservations advisable. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (3/01)

BROADWAY PIZZA 1008 Broadway (at 10th Street), downtown, 619-232-6264. This restaurant, near the downtown Senior Center and City College, offers good, no-nonsense Italian-American food. And they're not skimpy: from a pizza slice to barbecue beef sandwiches, portions are generous and filling. The sausage link sub (Louisiana-style hot sausage link, marinara sauce, and melted cheese) is great grub, but if you like a full dinner, try the whole slab of beef ribs, with veggies, garlic bread and salad. But the main thing is while the rest of downtown snores, they're still open, from 10 a.m. to to 3 a.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

CAFE 828 828 Sixth Avenue (at F Street), Gaslamp, 619-231-8282. Jay Greenfield (long-time chef at the celebrated Bernard'O in Rancho Bernardo) presides at this "find," a small, civilized bistro serving almost homey Mediterranean dishes with some California touches. Everything's carefully cooked from scratch and presented without pretension. Don't miss the home-style fried calamari or the scallop on lobster risotto. Desserts alone are worth the trip here: the classic warm apple tarte Tatin on a crackly-thin crust ... a pecan "cannoli" filled with a dense, satin-soft white chocolate mousse.... Full bar; below-average corkage for BYO wines.

"Sunset special" three-course dinner is a bargain. Dinner nightly, until 11:30 p.m. on weekends. Moderate. — *N.W.* (6/02)

DOBSON'S 956 Broadway Circle, downtown, 619-231-6771. This reputable downtown restaurant offers class and comfort, geared for people who enjoy eating well. The food is good, often very good, as with chicken liver mousse pâté, Mediterranean blue mussels, culotte steak, and, when available, the crude but virtuous soft-shell crab. Their sweets, such as brownies and bananas Foster strudel, are hefty, louche, and cheap. Bring a date to the upstairs dining room. Dobson's is suave, its confidence infectious. Moderate to expensive. — *M.N.* (10/98)

FEEDING THE HOMELESS Parking lot at 13th and Broadway, downtown. (Founders, St. Stephens Church of God in Christ, 5825 Imperial Avenue, 619-262-2671.) You may have to swallow your pride, but the food that St. Stephens and other churches hand out — which members cook in their own homes and pay for from their own pockets — is easy to swallow. Companionship's good too. Usually 200 or more people arrive weeknights, especially towards the end of the month, so lines are long, but street-side sermons keep you thinking, spontaneous outbursts of song may even get you clapping your hands, and the food is usually great. Chicken, stuffing, veggies, bagels, macaroni, fruit salad, cookies, bread, no questions asked. Weekdays 7 p.m.; weekends 3 p.m. Location may be shifting. Check with St. Stephens. Free. — E.B. (10/02)

GEN LAI SEN HAKKA SEAFOOD RESTAURANT 1065 12th Avenue (at C Street), downtown, 619-239-5478 or 619-239-5479. Across the street from

City College, you'll encounter a split peronality. The good twin provides superb Hakka dishes, a style developed by a nomadic people originally from northwest China, now residents of mainly the south China coast. The bad twin dishes out gluey cornstarch-ridden stir-fries for starving students. But it's easy to tell which twin is which: The "chef recommend sizzle plates," the hot pots that taste like home cooking (best ordered by four or more), the greaseless fried rice, the noodles (especially "house special rice noodles"), and the whole steamed fish-of-the-day are palpable hits. And if you really want to know what the fuss about Hakka is all about, try the sizzle plate stuffed tofu — these deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in each tender center resemble meat-flavored roasted marshmallows, and may just change your mind about bean curd. Open brunch through dinner

daily. Pleasant service, very casual, mainly inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

LA CASITA 1247 C Street (at 13th Street), downtown, 619-531-0044. Don't be fooled by the li'l old blue-and-white clapboard house at the bottom of City College's hill. Princes and politicians come to this full-service restaurant to hammer out deals, mix with the Latino (or Anglo) community, and eat some of the best chorizo con huevos (spicy pork sausage with eggs) in town. Fair-weather eaters flock to the spacious garden patio to chow down among the songbirds. In the cozy Mexican-style interior, the pictures on the walls tell you who-all comes here for the good tacos and enchiladas or the delicious pork burritos. Most delicious of all is watching Anglo City-Hallers trying valiantly to learn to love the house-made menudo (tripe soup). Delivery anywhere downtown. Open weekdays, breakfast through early din-

ner; Saturday breakfast and lunch. —

LILO'S NEW AMERICAN CUISINE

1125 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-231-1969. Swank little Art Deco retro-café with a menu that's homey in a sexy way. Something about the dark varnished wood, cream walls, sconces, mirrors, giant French posters and a mezzanine gallery makes you feel ritzy. The menu tries hard to be interesting. How about gingerbread pancakes (with molasses and candied ginger) or pear and walnut salad with bleu cheese and sherry walnut dressing? Or chomp into the Belport chicken with sautéed onions, peppers, cheese, and mustard on a bun, or salmon fillet with caper-anchovy butter, rice pilaf and a French baguette. Lunchtimes are speedy — secretaries and their bosses; evenings, it's theatergoers. Breakfast and lunch weekdays; dinner Thursday through Saturday only. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (6/02)

NAPA VALLEY GRILLE 502 Horton Plaza, Gaslamp, 619-238-5440. This restaurant at the top of Horton Plaza is staffed by professionals and the food is very, very good, including the excellent calamari plate, and the moist, rotisserie-roasted chicken or pork. Their monkfish is a deeply satisfying Southern delight. Try the airy, sweet goat cheese cheesecake for dessert. There is an elegant homeyness to Napa Valley Grille, a comforting, satisfying dining experience. Moderate to expensive. — M.N. (3/00)

OSTERIA PANEVINO 722 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-595-7959. At this Tuscany-style Italian restaurant, the appetizers and pastas are as close to heaven as you can get, particularly the spinach ravioli and potato gnocchi in a four-cheese sauce. The stuffed focaccias are simply in-

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SAFFRON NOODLES AND SATE 3737 India Street, Little Italy, 619-574-7737. Noted cookbook author Su-Mei Yu prepares casual Thai food — noodle dishes, soups, *saté* (grilled chicken, beef, pork) — to eat in or take out. There's gorgeous artwork to look at as you wait or chew. Open seven days, continuous service lunch and dinner. In expensive. — E.W.

SIXTH AVENUE BISTRO 1165 Sixth Avenue (at B Street), downtown, 619-239-4194. This charming, airy café offers some very credible New Orleansstyle cooking at affordable prices. Among the sandwiches are an outstanding oyster po' boy (with big juicy oysters and good light batter) and a fine, fully-packed approximation of a muffaletta, albeit with a kaiser roll standing in for Central Grocery's big, round Italian bread. The mix-it-yourself jambalaya is tasty, too, even if kielbasa proves a lame substitute for *chau-rice* or andouille. Wine and beer. No reservations, breakfast to early dinner (closes 8 p.m.). Inexpensive. -N.W. (3/01)

STAR OF THE SEA 1360 North Harbor Drive (at Ash Street), downtown, 619-232-7408. This is not your father's Star of the Sea. In a chic setting with a romantic view, the seafood is fresh off the boat, and so are chef Brian Johnson's superb flavor combinations. Menus change seasonally, but one constant is an always-ravishing chef's tast-ing menu and its optional matching wine flight. Å la carte dishes are equally alluring, and wines are interesting, mainly affordable, and poured generously into good, large goblets that show off their noses. Service is very considerate. Is this perfection? Quite possibly so. Somewhat dressy; reservations urged. Dinner nightly. Expensive to very expensive. — *N.W.* (2/01)

STRIP CLUB 340 Fifth Avenue (at J Street), Gaslamp, 619-231-3140. This grill-your-own steak joint is a homage to Golden Hill's Turf Supper Club but if Turf is a low-budget indie cult film, Strip Club is the Gaslamp's big, brassy, high-budget Hollywood remake (even though prices, like those of movie tickets, are roughly the same). It's loud and handsome, and if the USDA Choice steaks (available in numerous cuts) are not quite as flavorful as Turf's, they're still good enough for the price — and you can take them up a notch with numerous spice blends and sauces on hand at each gas grill. Other choices include burgers, chicken breast, ahi tuna steak, and meat or seafood kabobs (the shrimp is particularly good, with peppers, onions, and meaty hunks of Portobello mushroom). Entrées come with salad and puffy, cookit-yourself garlic bread, resembling hamburger buns with gigantiasis. Six veg and starch side dishes (including two types of gluey mashed potatoes) are available at extra cost; desserts are commercial ice cream novelties. Casual, no reservations, street-patio dining available. Over 21 only, no minors even with adult accompaniment. Dinners Tuesday through Sunday nights, open late on weekends. Inexpensive to

VIDA CART Corner of Fifth Avenue and Island Avenue, downtown. (No phone.) This is the kind of street scene you would find in New York or San Francisco. Daniela, an artist from Bulgaria, started this evening-to-late-night food cart right under the historic Chinese Callan hotel. The idea was: extra cash between paintings. It has evolved into a late-night meeting spot for artists, students, chefs, and new downtowners looking for street-life. Friends and strangers sit around until 2 or 3 in the morning arguing about art, politics, and life in a town that's not used to staying up. Her staples are coffee, so-das, jumbo hot dogs, hot links, corn dogs, pretzels, and nachos. But her seven-inch pizza is as good as a meal, and the clincher is she has a fenced-off seating area where you can talk and watch the scene. And at Fifth and Island there's always a scene. Open Wednesday to Sunday 6 p.m. until 3 a.m. or so. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

moderate. - N.W. (11/02)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

BAY BEACH CAFE Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619- 435-4900. The dinner menu here has California's typical dumbeddown world-appetizer array, plus sal-ads, pastas, grilled meats, a few sautée items and children's plates. The restaurant is very family-friendly (full o' kids, actually), with a menu that appeals to the young in mouth: The chef seems to have a sweet tooth, since almost every dish involves honey or sugar - from the table butter that's intriguingly flavored with a honey-basil mixture to the "teriyaki" ribs in a glutinous Karo-like sauce. Your server will tell you about the day's fresh-fish selections, which

are more attuned to adult palates with fresh, fine-quality seafood done simply and well. Ultra-noisy inside when crowded; reserve for the lovely terrace with a view of the beach. Open daily, lunch and dinner, with weekend breakfast. Moderate to slightly expensive. – N.W. (8/01)

ISLAND PASTA 1202 Orange Avenue Coronado, 619-435-4545. This unassuming, spill-out-on-the-street restaurant has somehow got it right. Simple tables on the sidewalk, daily made-onthe-premises semolina pasta, most dishes costing in the single digits. A simple fettuccine Alfredo is a pleasure al fresco with a glass of wine, sparkling against the fresh flowers on the table, watching Coronado's world go by. The spaghetti pesto sauce is rich, too, with basil, pine nuts, and cheese, but all the standard Italian pasta and pizza dishes are reliable. One good — and vegetarian — special to ask for is the *verdure* pasta, a combo of artichoke hearts. spinach, capers, mushrooms, onions and olives over spaghettini. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

L'ESCALE Coronado Marriott Island Resort, 2000 Second Street, Coronado 619-435-3000. Probably the pink flamingos and bay views bring you here first. But L'Escale ("Port of Call" in French) delivers to the taste buds too. For "Northern Mediterranean cuisine with California flair," read lots of pasta, fish, salads, sandwiches. Try the grilled salmon nicoise salad with its richly sauced fish, crunchy green beans, red potatoes, strong olives, and rosemaryflavored bun. Entrées like grilled chicken and mushrooms in parmesan cream with penne pasta are safe enough. Or bone-in filet mignon with black pepper zinfandel sauce. But for sheer architecture, check out the tuna salad sandwich wrapped in lavosh: three vertical Armenian bread tubes, angle-sliced to reveal interiors of tuna and greenery. Eat on the pool and baysurrounded patio if you can, Breakfast, lunch, dinner. Moderate to expensive. — E.B. (2/03)

SOUTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER

CAFETERIA 500 Third Avenue (at C Street), Chula Vista, 619-691-4599. Hey, this is a courthouse. You expect the cafeteria in its basement to be brown and anonymous. You know you'll be munching with worried groups of litigants and moms with custody-dispute kids. But here, it's all worth it. This cafeteria is one of best-kept county secrets. For years, concession-holder Ben Riddell has kept his prices stable and his portions big. Lunches like roast pork or meat loaf or roast turkey or chicken pot pie or lemon chicken are the comfort food that folks coming here need. Breakfast and lunch only, Monday to Friday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

SPIRO'S GYROS Ferry Landing, 1201 First Street #4, Coronado, 619-435-1225. The food, the music, the view — are we outside Athens? Is this the Aegean? This inside-outside Greek café is located at the water's edge, and the heated patio has a spectacular view of San Diego, the bay, and the boat traffic. At sunset, sipping their excellent Greek wine (cheaper than their California), watch the sun set the city ablaze in gold. The prices keep Spiro's popular with the locals as well as tourists. Try the moussaka (eggplant casserole) or the souvlakia chicken, marinated in *tzatziki* sauce, served with tomatoes, onions, and pita bread. Open seven days until 8 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

TANGO GRILLE ARGENTINE STEAK HOUSE 635 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-420-0384. Play gaucho and enjoy the most authentic Argentine parrillada (mixed grill) in town at this charming, warmly decorated bistro about two minutes from the Chula Vista Shopping Center. Fine, smoky wood-grilled Colorado beef appears in several unusual cuts (including succulent steak-cut short-ribs). You can choose from two different mixed grills (sized for one or two), the first with conventional meats, the other — the more adventurous — includes organ meats and blood sausage. For starters, there are brilliantly seasoned mini-em-panadas of amazing lightness, as well as several interesting salads. Those not in a grilled-meat mood can opt for nu-merous pastas (including a big, meaty lasagna) or the ubiquitous *milanesa* (breaded beef or chicken patties) of the pampas. Portions are more than generous, and so are the flavors. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/02)

TIN FISH Imperial Beach Pier, 910 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pigeons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by the sea air. The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sand-wiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages. (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The oyster shooters, for instance, boast a sauce made from fresh diced tomatoes topped with horseradish. The spicy fish tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy. Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. Live music on weekends good vibes all the time. "Tin Fish Shuttle" (50 cents) runs from parking lot to the restaurant. Open daily, breakfast (to 10:30 a.m.) through early dinner. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, open daily lunch and early dinner, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (7/01)

YE OLDE PLANK INN 24 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-423-5976. The last true beach pub on the coast? It's a great mix: biker jackets, ZZ-Top beards, shaved heads, Navy vets, Air America jocks, surfers, and sometimes half of Hollywood seems to turn up. Food's pretty much always available, but the must-eat is their unbelievable weekend brunch. You get a 6- or 8-ounce steak (your choice, or substitute six sausages or ham or a pork loin), plus a one- to ten-egg scramble (or any style), home fries, and a pick-me-up drink (like a Bloody Mary, Screwdriver, Salty Dog, Bud, or Coke) from the bar, all at a standard coffee shop breakfast price. No wonder the place has stayed open since 1886. Inexpensive. Ė.B. (10/01)

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Postcards from Juan

Am I witnessing true cinephilia or mindless mediamania?

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

ay One. Cannes! — the Croisette, the croissants, the carpets *rouge*, the Nouveau Palais, the festival! Nothing *nouveau* about me being a late arrival — it is technically Day Three — as I likewise was when I at-

tended twenty-two and twenty-three years ago, too late to avail myself of the free press shuttle from the Nice airport,

discontinued on Day Two. In any case I am not staying in Cannes, because when I tried to reserve a room over the Internet, the hotels were either "fully booked" or wanted me to buy a "package" at inflated prices for the full run of the festival. (Three thousand Euros here, four thousand Euros there.) So I am staying instead with the ghost of F. Scott Fitzgerald and the echo of Sidney Bechet's soprano sax in Juanles-Pins, ten minutes down the train track, a quicker commute than Greenwich Village to Times Square, or for that matter La Jolla to Hillcrest. It seems a sensible plan until the stop-and-go bus lets me off who-knows-where on a street with the decibel level of the

Indy 500, and I drag my bag aimlessly through sixty of the waning minutes of the afternoon.

Day One (cont.). A bad moment when I drag myself, *sans* bag, up to the doors of the accreditation office at the

Gare Maritime (Harbor Station) and find it *fermé* at 17:30. I can't keep up with the furious French spoken by others having

a similar bad moment, but I understand the guards at the door when they explain with Gallic shrugs, "Personne ici" (persons not here), a pronouncement belied by the persons plainly visible through the glass door. At first I imagine the entire accreditation office has shut down operations on Day Two along with the shuttle bus, on some principle of no one admitted after the performance has begun. Once I ascertain in English that the office will again be ouvert at 9:30 the next morning, I can relax and waste a little energy feeling futile and resigned and, for the moment, blissfully off the hook. But then someone sails past the guards with the magic word of "presse." I say, "Mais je

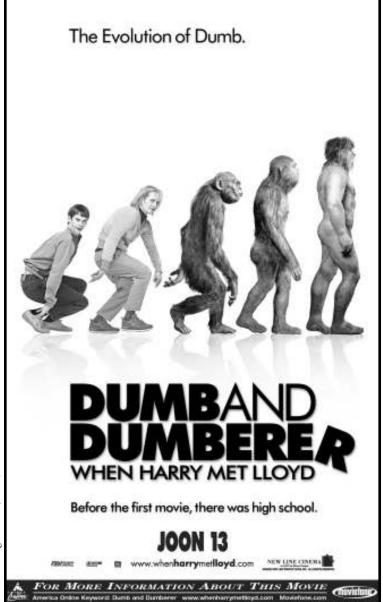


suis presse aussi," and am waved through in the sailer's wake. I don't know who that other riffraff was. I collect my identification badge and my official, malodorous Cannes Film Festival canvas satchel containing my screening schedules, my program catalogs, and my worldwide unabridged Air France

timetable, and see that I've already missed the Raul Ruiz and the André Téchiné (crocodile sniffles) and the Wim Wenders (semi-sincere whimper), and that I still have time today to get to a Turkish film by someone named Nuri Bilge Ceylan. The middle name alone is enough to send me back down the

track to my secluded hotel, there to gather my forces, recover my wits, plot my strategy.

Day Two. Having wended my way to the Riviera via Vienna, Salzburg, Munich, and the castles on the Rhine, I head to my first movie in three weeks. Vacation officially over. The train I



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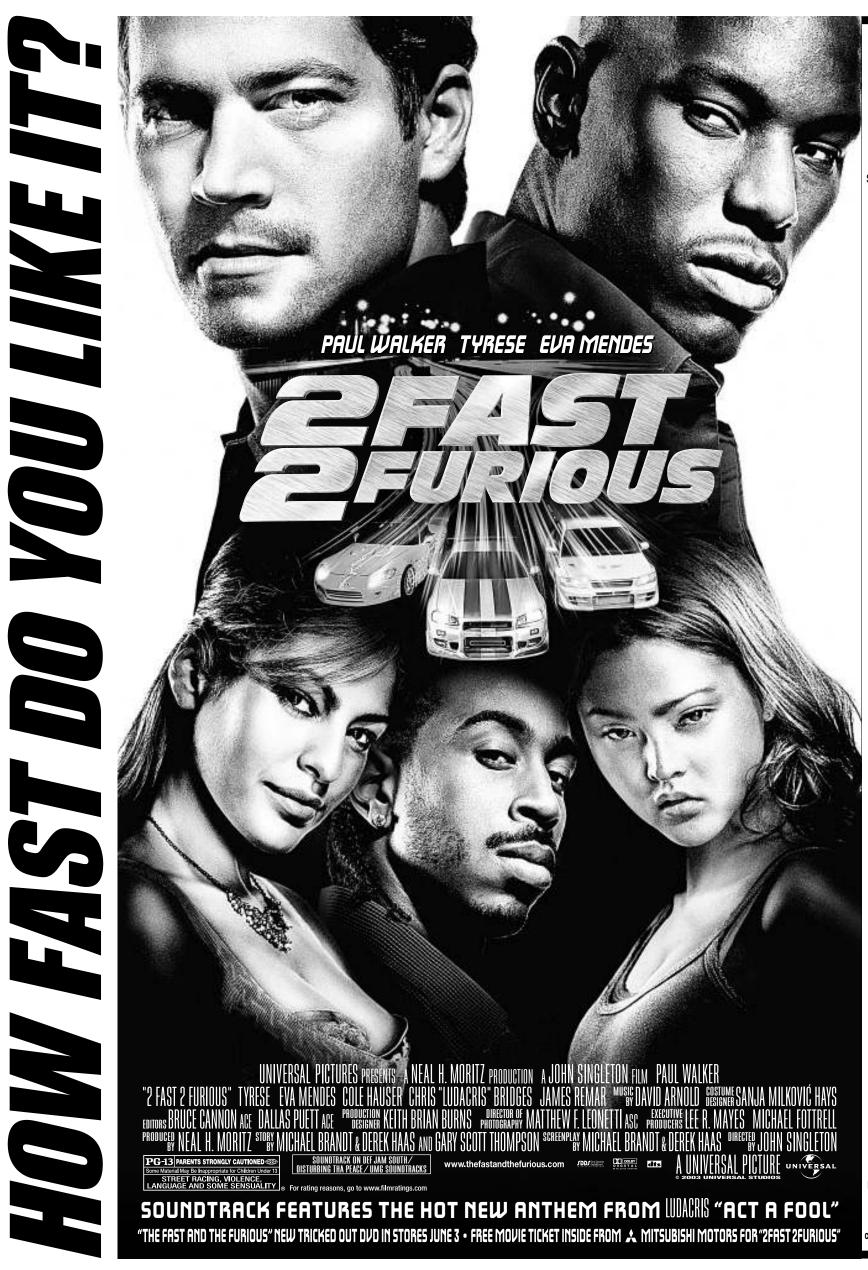
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must catch to make the 8:30 screening (I have a hard time making the 10:30 screenings at home) pulls out too early for the breakfast buffet at my hotel, but luckily the patisserie I had scouted out on the walk to and from the station is open for business. A routine begins to form in my mind. "Je reviendrai," I tell Madame, hoping I know what I'm saying. In Cannes, I fall in with the enormous mob funneling into the Grand Théâtre Lumière, as if for the wedding of Charles and Diana, past the riffraff panhandling for invitations. I am denied access to the orchestra seats on the grounds that my identity badge is blue instead of pink. Apparently I am a species of riffraff myself. I must remember to ask the significance of the badge's orange neckband. The theater, from the nosebleed seats, looks roomier than the Roman Coliseum, and I move to a new seat when the left edge of the screen proves to be obstructed by the speakers of the *nouveau* sound system. The film — with subsubtitles below the screen in English, under the French titles at the bottom of the screen — is a "bittersweet" Italian confection, obvious and overstated, by Pupi Avati, about an introverted Classics professor enamored of a beautiful, pre-Raphaelite-haired blind girl. I brace myself for a demonstration of the legendary boos and catcalls of Cannes, and am taken aback by the round of warm applause. Over a salade niçoise, I am cheered to learn from the International Herald Tribune that the Lakers have been eliminated from the playoffs.

Day Two (part two). In light of the size of the throng for a Pupi Avati at

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8:30, I figure it would be prudent to show up early for the Gus Van Sant at 17:30, at a different venue, the (not Grand) Théâtre Claude Debussy. For twenty minutes I stand around in the hot sun in a line four or five people wide (people in these parts have little concept of a line), of indeterminate length, snaking from the blue-carpeted stairs with such unfollowable convolution that I have no idea how near I am to the snake's head. Ten minutes before the scheduled start, the head begins slowly to advance, and two minutes after the scheduled start, my particular vertebra inches forward. It looks hopeless. It is. A figure of authority looms up on the stairs and pantomimes the umpire's signal for safe. Game over. The riffraffy feeling returns. (So this is how it's going to be!) My only satisfaction is in seeing that the wily old coot who joined the line after me, and who, impervious to my evil eye, kept worming his way ahead of me, did not get in either. It's puzzling, and not a little disturbing, to think that so many people want so eagerly to see a film by the maker of Finding Forrester and the Psycho remake. (How early did those who slid in under the tag have to show up?) Am I witnessing true cinephilia or mindless mediamania? To fill up the time on my hands, and rather than re-read of the Lakers' demise, I set out to find the purported computers in the Press Room on Level 1 of the Palais to weed out two weeks' worth of E-mail. I find myself instead in the Marché (the buyers-and-sellers market), staring at a poster promoting something by good old Sidney Furie (The Ipcress File, Lady Sings the Blues, The Entity, et al.) called Direct Action, starring Dolph Lundgren. Now I am really depressed. I inquire at two different information desks on Level 1 where to

find the computers, and they each tell me, in plain English, that I must go to Level 1, pointing upwards. It develops, after a trek worthy of a Kafka novel, that Level 1 of the Marché is on another level from Level 1 of the Press. But of course. To bring my first full day to the perfect close, I catch a train that bypasses my stop.

Day Three. A dark premonition settles upon me when I see on the 8:04 train what I did not see the day before: assorted colored badges and neckbands sported by my travelling companions. (I know I'm supposed to wear the badge even in the shower, but whether out of modesty or shame I cannot bring myself to show my colors till I hit the security checkpoint and the metaldetector wands at the portal to a screening.) Sure enough, the new François Ozon opus is crammed to the rafters, but me included. Swimming Pool, partly in English and partly in French, and thus subtitled partly at the bottom of the screen and partly beneath it, emerges as a slick commercial venture with a strong sense of place, weather, character, clothes, as well as a strong sense of humor, several cheesy plot turns, and several square vards of female flesh. It concerns a dried-up British mystery novelist (Charlotte Rampling, from Ozon's Under the Sand) and a lusty young coquette (Ludivine Sagnier, from Ozon's Water Drops on Burning Rocks and 8 Women), alone together in a French country house, getting in each other's way, getting into each other's things. Polite applause follows. To broaden my experience, or to multiply my rejections, I attempt to find the Salle de Conférence for the ensuing Meet-the-Press, but the Salle de Conférence that I find is for the Marché, different from the Salle de Conférence for the Press. But of course. By the time I find the correct Salle de Conférence, I discover outside it that I have a mailbox, stuffed with approximately eight pounds of mail (i.e., promotional material), which I sort while waiting in the encouragingly short line. A stern notice informs me that if my mail has gone uncollected for two days, no more will

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be added to it thereafter. Well, it was great while it lasted. I come within four or five people of gaining entrance to the Salle, but that's all right, as it enables me to try to get in to today's Gus Van Sant screening and, when I learn that today's is an invitation-only, formal-dress affair, immediately add to my total of rejections.

Day Three (l'après-midi). Deter-

mined to see more than one film in a day, and because the title suits my mood, I opt for an Austrian film outside the main prize competition, Struggle, which revolves around a single mother and illegal-immigrant day laborer, and then revolves around an apparently unrelated paunchy middleaged pervert. Then the orbits intersect. Despite the average multiplex-sized space of the Salle Bazin, there is no waiting in line and plenty of room for me ten minutes ahead of the 15:00 start, but the seats fill up alarmingly at the last minute, sealing off my avenues of escape, always a consideration at these things. The cinephiles on either side of me soon fall asleep. But the film





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is only an hour and a quarter in length, and the image is bright and sharp, and the documentation of the jobs — berry picking, meat grinding, pool scrubbing, and so forth — is unflinching. Okay, maybe I don't have it so tough. I promise myself: no more complaining until the next complaint. However, one look at the "line" for the "non-priority" press (as they so diplomatically call me) outside the Théâtre Debussy at the 19:00 screening of the Brazilian Carandiru, and I self-reject before anyone else has the chance. Somehow I am unwilling to hustle and jostle like a paparazzo — unwilling to camp out like an Eminem concertgoer — to see two and a half hours of Hector Babenco. When I undertook the accreditation process three months in advance, I likened it privately to applying to Harvard (samples of work, copy of paper, letter from the editor), and although to my surprise I got accepted, I now find that the professors with whom I had hoped to study (Hou Hsiao-hsien, Jane Campion, the Coens) are on sabbatical, and the alternative classes are full. What am I doing here?

Day Four. The widely anticipated Dogville of Lars von Trier at 8:30 in the Grand Théâtre. I have no idea what to expect, apart from bad camerawork and a three-hour running time. A pedantic or facetious moral tale, it takes place, as long as I lasted, in Depression-period costume on a sparse and stylized stage set, which from overhead looks like a near life-sized blueprint of a tiny town in the Rockies. Nicole Kidman bursts upon the scene, seeking refuge from a faceless mob boss doing a vocal impression of Orson Welles. There are antiquated title cards ("Chapter One, in Which Tom Hears Gunfire and Meets Grace"), a supercilious narrator (John Hurt), and snatches of Baroque music. Not even for Chloë Sevigny, unusually but understandably awkward, can I sit still for three hours of this before noon. I quit sitting still at an hour. By now, a question that had begun nibbling at the back of my mind on Day Three has burrowed its way to the front: how many of these movies, if and when the need arises, would I be willing to watch again at home in a month, six months, a year? I next try Tiresia in the Salle Buñuel at 13:00, a pretentious, slow, myth-based French thing to do with a transplanted Brazilian transsexual who, abducted à la The Collector and deprived of his/her medication, turns back into a man. At least I think that's where it was headed. I almost walked out after four or five seconds, as soon as I recognized the slow movement of Beethoven's Seventh (slightly trailing, at last count, Pachelbel's Canon and Handel's Hallelujah Chorus as the most overused classical piece in movies), but I give it a chance proportionate to *Dogville*'s: forty minutes of its two hours.

Day Four (more). At 17:00 I return to the Salle Buñuel for a "restoration" of the Director's Cut of the bowdlerized I Dolce Inganni (a/k/a Tendres Illusions a/k/a Les Adolescentes), dated 1960. Alberto Lattuada, with roots back to Neo-Realism, is a director known to me, though this film is unknown. Blackand-white and beautiful, it is my most pleasurable experience so far, in spite of the handicap of French subtitles only. The opening sequence of the nubile Catherine Spaak waking up from an erotic dream in a diaphanous nightie, to the accompaniment of an oddball combo of organ and guitar, needs no translation: a sexual awakening indeed. Part of the pleasure, too, is that there are no more than a few dozen people present. (One of whom erupts into

applause at the conclusion of that opening sequence.) A twenty-minutelate start and a long-winded introduction, however, have hurt my chances, if any, for the Kivoshi Kurosawa in the elusive Théâtre Debussy at 19:00. Either I can breeze in at the last minute or I can't. Astonishingly, I can. (Maybe my fellow riffraff have given up on the Théâtre Debussy.) But I am stuck in the balcony at a hundred-and-thirtyfive-degree obtuse angle to the screen, and the film is already underway, and it looks, from that angle, to be shot on digital video. I can't take it. Sociological sidebar: women hereabouts seem to feel entitled to barge into the men's room in search of facilities whenever their own are occupied. Vive la différence.

Days Five and Six. The quiet hotel room, the patisserie, the train, a film, the train, the quiet room, the train, a film, a film, a bistro or a brasserie, a rejection one day and a film the next at the Théâtre Debussy, the train, the room. Never mind what films. Just films. (The rejection, then again, is worth noting: Chloë Sevigny evidently gives a bona fide blow job to director-star Vincent Gallo in The Brown Bunny, and I missed it!) Maybe, on reflection, it was not such a good idea to come here direct from the castles on the Rhine and the Edvard Munch retrospective in Vienna. Maybe it would have been better to come here direct from X2: X-Men United. Cannes suffers, as they say, from comparison. There is, or was, something appealing about the plan of catching a film so far upstream, before the media and the ad men have gone to work on it, before it is slotted into the arthouse, the shopping center, or oblivion, before we all know what we're supposed to think of it. On the other hand, there is a feeling of tampering with time, taking things out of their natural order, going where no man has any right to go. (I don't mean the ladies' room.) I have had my punishment. Cannes is not remotely a pure-in-heart celebration of the art of cinema. This is the fountainhead, the ninety-four-proof distillation, the toxic dose, the exact microcosm of the media maw: the stalking, the crouching, the pouncing, the ripping, the shredding, the gnawing, a ghastly sight to see. I have never seen it so close up. And I swear it was not like this twenty-odd years ago. Yes, E.T. was then exhibited as The Matrix Reloaded is exhibited now, but still. Cannes has changed as the cinema has changed. And, in a couple of general senses, it has come to seem little distinguishable from the Academy Awards: (1) a snowballing promotional event which (2) no self-respecting journalist ought to agree to play along with. (One specific sense as well: Roger Ebert as self-abasing gadfly.) I have not yet mentioned (i.e., complained about) the TV cameras, the DV cameras, the home-video cameras, the Brownie snapshot cameras, etc., whose constant crossfire, in the battle zone outside the screening rooms, you cannot hope to escape. Nor have I mentioned the cell phones whose "humorous" musical motifs routinely punctuate every screening, in defiance of explicit entreaties. One hears of this sort of thing at Sundance — America's own movie marketplace — and one would be wrong to have expected higher-mindedness at Cannes. Nor have I mentioned the way people negotiate the streets: the race-walking, the skipping, the darting, the broken-field running. I feel like Billy Bob Thornton in The Man Who Wasn't There.

Day Seven. I look forward to Claude



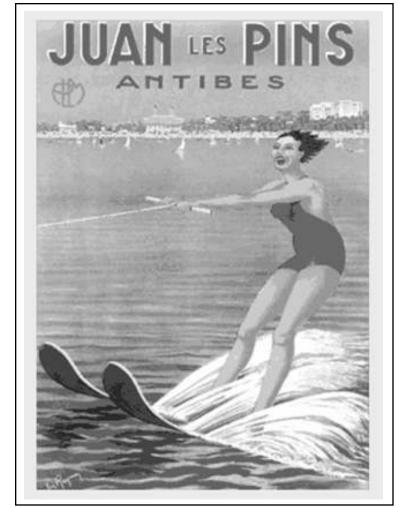
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Miller's La Petite Lili at 8:30, although I realize I look forward to it based on his work of twenty-odd years ago. The free adaptation of Chekhov's The Seagull turns out to be a mild bore. Ludivine Sagnier (again) takes off her clothes before the end of the opening credits (much sooner than last time), but that gives little clue as to what lies ahead, a typically French menu of urbane conversation, much of it to do with the cinema, and food, drink, cigarettes. Arvo Pärt's Alina album, among others, is plundered for more (or rather, more of the same) background music (as in Heaven, Swept Away, Gerry). There's an absurd and facile last act of art imitating art imitating life (or something), plus a joky cameo by Michel Piccoli as "himself." A rumble of boos can be heard through the patter of applause. I check my mailbox — opened by a swipe of my bar-coded identity badge — and see that they were bluffing about cutting off my mail. Another eight pounds to be sorted, a nice word for thrown away. At 19:15 in the Théâtre Debussy I face the strangest and perhaps cruelest consequence of my tamper with time: the new film by Alexander Sokurov, whose last film,

Russian Ark, was the last film I wrote about before leaving home three weeks ago. Father and Son, a severe bore, is the second installment of a trilogy begun with Mother and Son (still to come: Two Brothers and a Sister), no less abstract than its predecessor, but more abstruse in the bargain, less emotionally direct. It makes minimal use of the distorting lenses of Mother and Son, and maximal use of the murmuring dialogue of Russian Ark. The more or less monochromatic images range on the color spectrum from Cream of Wheat to Quaker Oats. The cinephile next to me is making notes with one of those glow-pens (green) that I believe ought to be banned from theater auditoriums along with cell phones. I take to holding up my International Herald Tribune between us as a blinder, and, whether or not in response to my unsubtlety, he stops making notes. Out of deference to the stature of the artist, and in full awareness that the film runs just an hour and twenty mintues, I stick

Day Eight. Cannes seems a long way to go for a Clint Eastwood movie (directed by, not starring), but at this point I'll take a movie wherever I can find one. And *Mystic River*, in the Grand Théâtre at 8:30, is a real movie, a somber contemplation of damaged lives and tragic consequences, loosely framed in the form of a murder mystery, with the "liberal" casting of Sean



Penn and Tim Robbins (the star and director of *Dead Man Walking*, together again!), doing some very un-Eastwoody masculine acting: both of them cry. No need to say more about it now. I'll have my chance soon enough. And this is one I would watch again. Enthusiastic applause, even whistles, at the end (ravenous gratitude, I interpret it as). More applause at Sean Penn's name. More at Eastwood's credit for musical score: a supplicating, sepulchral, organy sound, sparingly employed. I barely have time afterwards (Eastwood clocks in at his usual, leisurely two

hours plus) to get to the Peter Greenaway in the Salle Bazin at 11:00, and I am honestly happy to find out they don't have room for me, allowing me time to savor the fading classicism of Clint Eastwood. I didn't know how happy I was to be rejected from the Greenaway till I peruse the five-page Director's Statement in the press book. And I quote: "The project of *The Tulse Luper Suitcases* is an ambitious work. In response to the excitements of the new visual languages and all they represent, it is intended to make the project over five media — cinema, television, nu-

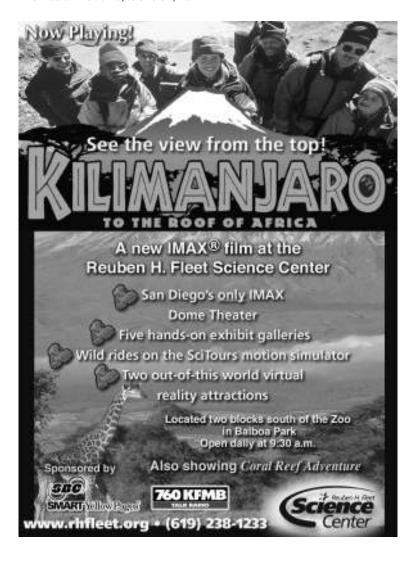
merous DVDs, the Internet and a shelf full of books; a combination of the old and the new, the traditional and the modern, and to argue in effect that 'Cinema is dead, long live cinema'.... It is envisaged that at least three feature-length films are to be made with an accompanying DVD, that a television series of some sixteen 40-minute programmes be manufactured, that each of the 92 suitcases presented in the film be accompanied by a DVD, and that an agenda be organised for the making of a prime website running alongside the project for at least three years, with the possibility of attendant websites It is hoped to make a work for the start of a new century that could truly be considered Joycean, and anticipate a great many of the possibilities of the new languages we know are going to radically change our thinking, and our ideas of narrative, representation, illusionism, real and virtual reality, and are going to determine and inform the future of a new cinema." I can wait.

Day Eight (later). Back to the Salle Buñuel (my preferred venue) at 17:00 for a TV documentary on Fellini, to whom the festival is dedicated on the tenth anniversary of his death. But I am not at La Double Vue: La Dolce Vita et le Néo-Réalisme for Fellini. I am there for the director of the documentary, the recently deceased André Delvaux, a masterly maker of fiction films himself, with moderate Surrealist leanings. Shot in 16mm in the aftermath of the "scandal" of Dolce Vita, it has no English subtitles, and French titles solely for Fellini, who alone insists on speaking Italian. As it is mostly made up of interviews (Mastroianni, Moravia, Zavattini), it has little to offer me as a viewing experience. But by what other avenue may I pay my respects to Delvaux? The documentary at 19:30 in the Salle Buñuel is a different matter, N.T. Binh's Claude Sautet ou la Magie Invisible, a connoisseur's appreciation of the career of the late French filmmaker, featuring an audio interview with the dying Sautet, and on-camera interviews with





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behind-the-scenes figures (his now late widow, his frequent composer Philippe Sarde, writer José Giovanni, fellow director Bertrand Tavernier, and only one actor, Jean-Pierre Marielle), fully subtitled in English. My scalp tingles at clips of films seen long ago, and, in a few cases, unseen. This seems a fittingly nostalgic-elegiac note to end on. I decide to quit while I'm catching up, and depart a day sooner than intended. Depart, to be blunt about it, this place to which I should never have returned and will never return again. There are more films I want to see in Paris than in Cannes, and presumably they won't care about the blueness of my badge, and I will no longer undergo the daily degradation of having total strangers drop their gaze to my chest to take in the color of my badge while my face, I imagine, turns a shade of their better badges — pink. I forgot to ask the significance of the orange neckband.

Day After. I notice in the International Herald Tribune that the Palme d'Or goes to the Gus Van Sant film, *Elephant.* I can have no opinion.

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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



parts, bodily functions, in short the toilet. The strong supporting cast is a sign of either Sandler's growing courage or his growing selfdelusion: 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.

● (GASLAMP 15)

L'Auberge Espagnole — French comedy with Romain Duris, Judith Godrèche, and Audrey Tatou, written and directed by Cedric (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 6/6)

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.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS: LA JOLLA 12)

Blade Runner — Two of the more socially conscious of cinematic genres - science fiction and the detective story — have been mated to produce a future-generation Los Angeles (A.D. 2019) that looks like Tokyo or Hong Kong gone to seed. The detective work is somewhat scamped, except for a good scene (echoing Antonioni's Blow-Up) involving a computerized photo scanner and enlarger. And several nostalgic throwbacks to Bogart's heyday simply misfire: the hard-boiled, first-person narration (eliminated in the re-released "director's cut"); the Venetian-blind shadows; the Joan Crawford hairdo and fashions on the female lead. The scifi elements are more fully elaborated, but aren't always sure-fire either: the topography of the cityscapes often seems as flat and jumbled as a Cubist painting, and even the tightest of shots is apt to be busied up with reflections, moving lights, colored mist. With Harrison Ford, Rutger Hauer, and Sean Young; directed by Ridley Scott. 1982.

★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 6/6, 2:50 AND 7 P.M., AND 6/7, 8:50 P.M.)

Bruce Almighty — Tom Shadyac's comedyfantasy of an ordinary guy given godly powers;

with Jim Carrey, Jennifer Aniston, Morgan Freeman.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13 MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN

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, dungeony 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 agair land a role as anything other than a prison

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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.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15)

Daddy Day Care — Eddie Murphy as a stayat-home dad who finds employment by opening his own day-care center; directed by Steve Carr. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: SWEETWATER 9: TOWN SOUARE 14)

The Dancer Upstairs — Paceless, listless political thriller about a terrorist insurrection in an unnamed Latin American country that seems as though it must be Argentina. (Note the Calle Peron street sign.) Javier Bardem gives it some backbone as the honest-cop hero, humble, grave, apprehensive, all too human. With Laura Morante: directed by John Malkovich, 2003.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

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Down with Love — Homage to the Rock Hudson and Doris Day romantic comedies of the Sixties, with Renée Zellweger and Ewan McGregor, directed by Peyton Reed. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: FASHION VALLEY 18: FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA JOLLA 12; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Finding Nemo — Underwater animated adventure with the voices of Albert Brooks, Willem Dafoe, Ellen DeGeneres, and Geoffrey Rush, directed by Andrew Stanton. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HARBOR DRIVE IN; LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not -

Audrey Tatou, the jug-eared gamine of Amélie, the new Geneviève Bujold, appears to have here a role to bring out all of her demented pertness: an over-the-moon loon patiently waiting for her adored cardiologist to dump his pregnant wife and give his heart to her alone. We soon begin to see that there is much more going on in her mind than in reality, and she seems to be

heading round the bend too early in the movie: the pace seems rushed. (Where can we go from here?) But then we see why: the course is only about half as long as we thought it was. And when the heroine turns on the gas and lies down on the kitchen floor after just threequarters of an hour, the movie goes abruptly into high-speed rewind all the way back to the beginning, and proceeds to cover the same ground again from the point of view of the cardiologist (Samuel Le Bihan). It is at that point that things really get interesting: we did not know, quite precisely, the half of it. But a movie — the first feature of Laetitia Colombani — that waits till the halfway point to become interesting is only half a movie. The fault is not in the structure; it's in the embellishment. Then again, half a movie is more of a movie than most. 2002. ★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Holes — Severely strained kiddie film adapted from a much-decorated novel by Louis Sachar. Three plotlines — the origins of a hundredfifty-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. With Shia LaBeouf, Khleo Thomas,

Jon Voight, Tim Blake Nelson, Sigourney

Andrew Davis. 2003.

Weaver, and Patricia Arquette; directed by

● (HARBOR DRIVE IN: HORTON PLAZA 14: 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, Rav Liotta, Clea DuVall, Rebecca DeMornay, Alfred Molina, and Pruitt Taylor Vince; directed by James Mangold. 2003.

(FASHION VALLEY 18: PALM PROMENADE 24)

The In-Laws — Andrew Bergman's remake of the 1979 comedy (which he wrote), starring Michael Douglas and Albert Brooks. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16: SWEETWATER 9: TOWN SOUARE 14)

The Italian Job — Remake of the late-Sixties crime caper, with Mark Wahlberg, Edward Norton, and Charlize Theron, directed by F. Gary Gray.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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-thebreeze 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 mechanics, 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 Awardwinner'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; LA PALOMA)

The Lord of the Rings: The Two

Towers — Another three hours on the journey of a thousand miles, with pretty much the entire

third hour given over to a single indecisive battle. (And now: "The battle for Middle-earth is about to begin.") The viewer who did not scrounge up the video of Part One for a refresher, or who has not committed the Tolkien books to memory, might have some difficulty getting his bearings. More simply, the storytelling is terrible. (Yeah, sure, the technology is terrific.) Every now and then someone, usually Viggo Mortensen or Orlando Bloom, will give a decent impression of being a legendary hero in a timeless landscape, but the point and purpose remain vague generalities. And the subhead of Part Two notwithstanding, it will be futile to search for 9/11 prophecy beyond (once again) the vaguest generality: "So much death! What can men do against such reckless hate?" With Elijah Wood, Sean Astin, Ian McKellen, Bernard Hill; written and directed by Peter Jackson. 2002. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

Man on the Train — French psychological drama with Jean Rochefort and Johnny Hallyday, directed by Patrice Leconte. (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Matrix Reloaded — Andy and Larry Wachowski's science-fiction sequel starring Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, and Carrie-Anne Moss.

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DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) **Anger Management** (PG-13) Fri. (1:05) 5:45, 10:50; Sat. (12:40) 5:25, 10:50; Sun. (12:40) 5:25, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:05) 7:05; Better Luck Tomorrow (R) Fri.-Thu. (3:40) 7:55; Chicago (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:25) 4:25, 7:40, 10:25; Sun. (1:25) 4:25, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 4:25) 7:15, 9:45; **Down with Love** (PG-13) Fri. (2:20) 5:00, 7:50, 10:30; Sat. (12:05, 2:20) 5:00, 7:50, 10:30; Sun. (12:05, 2:20) 5:00, 7:20, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 5:00) 7:20, 9:40; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:45) 4:20, 5:05, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15, 10:45; Sat. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30) 4:20, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15, 10:45; Sun. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30) 4:20, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30,

8:00, 9:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:30, 4:20, 5:05) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:00, 9:30; **House of 1000 Corpses** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:35) 5:50, 10:20; Sun. (1:35) 5:50, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 5:50) 10:05; **The In-**Laws (PG-13) Fri. (2:40) 5:15, 5:30, 8:05, 8:35, 10:35, 10:55; Sat. (12:35, 2:40) 5:15, 5:30, 8:05, 8:35, 10:35, 10:55; Sun. (12:35, 2:40) 5:15, 5:30, 7:40, 7:45, 9:50, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:15, 5:30) 7:40, 7:45, 9:50, 9:55; **It Runs in the Family** (PG-13) Fri. (3:20) 8:30; Sat. (3:05) 7:45; Sun. (3:20) 9:35; Sat. (3:20) 9:20; The Lizzie McGuire Movie (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:05, 3:15); The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:10) 4:45, 8:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:45) 8:25; A Mighty Wind (PG-13) Fri. (1:15, 3:35) 8:20, 10:40; Sat (12:10, 2:35) 5:05, 8:20, 10:40; Sun. (12:10, 2:35) 5:05, 7:25, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:35) 7:25, 9:35; **The Pianist** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 5:10, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 5:10) 8:10; Wrong Turn (R) Fri. (2:50) 5:35, 8:15, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (12:15, 2:50) 5:35, 8:15, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:50, 5:35) 8:15, 10:10

Horton Plaza 14

457 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:00, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:10, 10:50, 12:10, 12:40, 1:20, 2:40, 3:10, 3:50, 5:10, 5:40) 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:10, 8:50, 9:20, 10:10, 10:35; **Daddy Day** Care (PG) Fri. (10:20, 12:35, 2:50, 5:05) 7:25. 9:50; Sat. (10:20, 12:35, 2:50, 5:05) 10:00; Sun.-Tue. (10:20, 12:35, 2:50, 5:05) 7:25, 9:50; Holes (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:40, 1:25, 4:10) Hollywood Homicide (PG-13) Sneak Preview Sat. 7:30; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Tue (11:10, 11:40, 1:40, 2:20, 4:25, 5:05) 7:10, 7:45, 9:45, 10:20; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:20, 12:20, 1:20, 3:30, 4:20) 6:40 7:20, 9:40, 10:25; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:15, 1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) 2 Fast 2 Furious; Finding Nemo; The Italian Job; The In-Laws; Bruce Almighty; Bend It Like Beckham; The Matrix Reloaded; Down with Love: X2: X-Men United

La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831) Man on the Train (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:15, 7:00, 9:25; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 1:50, 4:15, 7:00, 9:25; Mon.-Wed. (1:50) 4:15, 7:00, 9:25; Thu. (1:50) 4:15, 9:25; **A Mighty Wind** (PG-13) Fri. (4:45) 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 4:45, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (4:45) 9:45; **Nowhere in Africa** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:00) 5:05, 8:05; Sat.-Sun (11:00) 2:00, 5:05, 8:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 5:05, 8:05; Rivers and Tides (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. (2:20) 7:20: Sweet Sixteen (R) Fri. (2:10) 4:25, 7:10, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10,

4:25, 7:10, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:25, 7:10,

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)
2 Fast 2 Furious; The Matrix Reloaded;
Chicago; Daddy Day Care; X2: X-Men
United; Finding Nemo; Identity; The Italian
Job; Bruce Almighty; The In-Laws; Down with Love; Wrong Turn

Hazard Center 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-299-4500) The Dancer Upstairs (R) Fri.-Wed. 1:05, 4:05, 7:10, 9:45; **Down with Love** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. 1:25, 3:20, 5:20, 7:20, 9:30; **He Loves Me, He Loves Me Not** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. 3:10, 5:10, 7:25, 9:25; **The In-Laws** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. 1:10; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Wed. 1:30, 4:10, 7:15, 9:40; **The** Matrix Reloaded (R) Fri.-Wed. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; A Mighty Wind (PG-13) Fri.-Wed 1:15, 3:15, 5:25, 7:30, 9:35; **Seven and a Match** (Not Rated) Fri.-Wed. 1:00, 5:15, 9:30; Side Streets (Not Rated) Fri.-Wed. 3:00, 7:15

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) 2 Fast 2 Furious; The Italian Job; Wrong Turn; Finding Nemo; Bruce Almighty; The Matrix Reloaded; Daddy Day Care; X2: X-

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990) 2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 3:10) 5:40, 8:10, 10:35; Sun. (12:40, 3:10) 5:40, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:55, 5:30) 8:10; **Bruce** Almighty (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 3:50) 6:00, 8:15, 10:25; Sat. (11:10, 1:20, 3:50) 6:00, 8:15, 10:25; Sun. (11:10, 1:20, 3:50) 6:00, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:35) 7:45; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri. (1:35, 3:55) 7:15, 9:40; Sat. (11:15, 1:35, 3:55) 7:15, 9:40; Sun. (11:15, 1:35, 3:55) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:15) 7:20; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (1:30) 4:30, 7:05, 9:30; Sat. (11:30, 2:00) 4:30, 7:05, 9:30; Sun. (11:30, 2:00) 4:30, 7:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:50, 5:00) 7:15; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:45) 7:25, 10:15; Sun. (12:30, 3:45) 7:25; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:25) 8:05; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13) Fri. (1:45) 4:35, 7:20, 10:20; Sat. (11:05, 1:45) 4:35, 7:20, 10:20; Sun. (11:05, 1:45) 4:35, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:30) 8:15

4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909) **Spellbound** (G) Fri. 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 5:00, 7:15,

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100) Bend It Like Beckham (PG-13) Fri. (1:40) 4:30, 7:10, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:40, 4:30, 7:10, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:30, 7:10, 10:00; **L'Auberge Espagnole** (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 1:50, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55: Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Laurel **Canyon** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:50, 7:30, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:00, 4:50, 7:30, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:50, 7:30, 10:05; **Together** (PG) Fri. (1:30) 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30) 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; **Winged Migration** (G) Fri. (2:10) 5:00, 7:40, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:40) 2:10, 5:00, 7:40, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 5:00,

Museum of Photographic Arts

1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559) Blade Runner, Friday, 2:50 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Saturday, 8:50 p.m.; War of the Worlds, 1 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) Adventures in Wild California (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00; Coral Reef Adventure (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 4:00, 8:30; Sat. 12:00, 4:00; Sun. 12:00, 2:00, 5:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 4:00; **Dol**phins (Not Rated) Fri. 2:00, 5:00; Sat. 2:00. 6:00; Sun. 11:00, 3:00; Mon. 2:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:00, 5:00; **Kilimanjaro: To The Roof of Africa** (Not Rated) Fri. 1:00, 3:00, 9:30; Sat. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sun. 1:00, 4:00, 6:00; Mon. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00; Tue. 1:00, 3:00; Wed. 1:00, 3:00, 6:00; Thu. 1:00, 3:00; **Space Station** (Not Rated) Sat. 10:30; **To the Limit** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00

EAST COUNTY

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Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05) $\begin{array}{l} 10:35,\,11:05,\,1:15,\,2:00,\,4:00,\,4:45,\,12:45,\,5:25) \\ 7:00,\,7:30,\,8:00,\,9:35,\,10:05,\,10:35; \textbf{Bruce} \\ \textbf{Almighty} \; (PG-13)\; Fri.-Thu. \; (10:10,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:40,\,10:4$ 11:45, 12:35, 1:10, 2:10, 3:00, 4:05, 4:35, 5:30) 6:55, 7:25, 7:55, 9:20, 9:55, 10:25; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:40, 5:25) 7:55, 7:15, 9:45; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:45, 11:30, 1:30, 2:15, 4:15, 5:00, 12:45, 3:30) 7:00, 7:15, 7:30, 9:35, 9:50, 10:05; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:25, 4:15); **The** In-Laws (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (5:30) 7:50, 10:10; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 11:15, 1:00, 2:00, 3:45, 4:45) 6:55, 7:35, 9:30, 10:20; **The Lizzie McGuire Movie** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:25, 2:50); **The Matrix** Reloaded (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:00, 1:00 3:15, 4:00) 6:25, 7:05, 9:30, 10:05; **Wrong Turn** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 12:40, 2:50, 5:00) 7:10, 9:25; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 3:50) 7:05, 10:00

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2 Fais 2 Fullous (FG-15) FH. Sun. (11.53, 12:30, 2:30, 3:20) 5:10, 7:30, 8:00, 10:05, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 2:15, 3:55, 4:50) 7:30, 8:00, 10:05, 10:35; Bruce Almighty (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:40, 12:50, 2:30, 3:15) 5:00, 5:35, 7:40, 7:55, 10:15, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 2:05, 4:15, 4:35) 7:25, 8:10, 9:50, 10:40; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 12:15, 2:00, 2:50) 4:30, 5:30, 7:20, 8:05, 10:00, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:00, 4:05, 4:30) 7:00, 7:50, 9:35, 10:10; **The In-Laws** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20) 4:55, 7:25, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:25) 7:20, 9:45; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:40) 5:15, 7:50, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 5:00) 7:45, 10:15; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:45) 7:10, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:10) 7:10, 10:10; Wrong **Turn** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:35) 4:45, 7:45, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:45) 7:05, 9:40

Grossmont Trolley8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:40, 1:15) 4:05, 6:45, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (11:40, 2:00, 4:25) 6:45, 9:00; Bend It Like Beckham (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 12:35, 3:00) 5:25, 7:45, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (11:55, 2:20, 5:00) 8:00; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:35, 1:00, 3:30) 6:10, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:05, 4:15) 6:25, 8:40; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri. (11:15, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:50, 9:40; Sat. (11:15, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 10:10; Sun. (11:15, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:50, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (11:50, 2:00, 4:10) 6:15, 8:20; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 11:00, 1:10, 1:45, 3:50) 4:20, 6:30, 7:05, 9:10, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:30, 3:10, 4:20) 6:30, 7:05, 9:00; **Hollywood Homicide** (PG-13) Sneak Preview Sat. 7:50; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 1:05, 3:55) 6:45, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:50, 5:40) 8:25; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:25, 1:10, 3:50) 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:45,

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15 2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 11:25, 11:50, 1:40, 2:05, 2:30, 4:20, 4:45, 5:10) 7:00, 7:25, 7:50, 9:40, 10:05, 10:30; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:25, 4:50) 7:15, 9:40; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 11:45, 1:50, 2:20, 4:25, 4:55) 7:00, 7:30, 9:35, 10:05; Holes (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:50, 4:40); The In-Laws (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:55, 5:25) 7:55; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 11:40,

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 bitterly divorced Ian and Sylvialike 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 present 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 $\dot{\rm by}$ 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. Bob Balaban, Fred Willard, Parker Posey. 2003

★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; 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.

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

Naziism 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 upperstory "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 commitment he brings to the subject is plain to see. One respectfully wants to suggest, however, that it is only through our cultural puritanism that this will be seen as a finer job of filmmaking than The Ninth Gate (to name the director's most recent), and that his inerasable early experiences have no doubt informed all of Polanski's best work, albeit less literally. Or in other words, more artfully. With Thomas Kretschmann, Emilia Fox, Frank Finlay. 2002. ★★ (GASLAMP 15)

Rivers and Tides — Cinematic monograph on the environmental sculptor Andy Goldsworthy: privileged access to the artist at work (and, briefly, at his home in Penpont, Scotland), as well as to his thoughts on the matter. German filmmaker Thomas Riedelsheimer's crisp image is duly appreciative of the art — oftentimes transient works of natural materials in natural settings. And the artist himself is engaging, to say the least;

inspiring, to say a little more. 2002. ★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Seven and a Match — A get-together of twenty-something college friends, written and directed by Derek Simonds. (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Side Streets — Five interwoven stories set in New York City, with Rosario Dawson, Valeria Golino, Shashi Kapoor, directed by Tony Gerber (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Spellbound — Documentary by Jeffrey Blitz on the intense competition of the National Spelling Bee.

(KEN. 6/6 THROUGH 12)

Sweet Sixteen — Ken Loach's character study of a working-class Scottish teenager, played by nonprofessional Martin Compston (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 6/6)

Together — Chinese director Chen Kaige (Farewell, My Concubine) examines the relationship of a musical prodigy and his father. (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 6/6)

2 Fast 2 Furious — Paul Walker returns for a sequel to *The Fast and the Furious*, minus Vin Diesel and director Rob Cohen; John Singleton directs instead.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8: GALAXY 6: GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13;

MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SOUARE 14: FROM 6/6)

War of the Worlds — The H.G. Wells story transformed into special-effects pyrotechnics and, aside from that technical expertise, an allover sense of innocence. Starring Gene Barry; directed by Byron Haskin. 1953.

★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 6/6, 1 AND 9:30 P.M., AND 6/7, 7 P.M.)

Winged Migration — Avian documentary directed by Jacques Cluzaud and Michel Debats, produced and narrated by Jacques Perrin. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

X2: X-Men United — The strife between humans and mutants edges up to the brink; a bombastic, apocalyptic yet tensionless liveaction Marvel comic, thanks (for the tensionlessness) to the anything-goes capabilities of the motley heroes. (A bullet in the brain will heal up in a jiffy.) Rebecca Romijn-Stamos rather upstages and outshines the others, with her shape-shifting capacity to duplicate any living being, not to mention her lizard-skin body stocking. Hugh Jackman, Patrick Stewart, Halle Berry, Famke Janssen, Anna Paquin, Alan Cumming, Ian McKellen, Brian Cox; directed by Bryan Singer. 2003.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY;

HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPI ACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Matrix Reloaded (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00, 10:25; **Wrong Turn** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:30, 9:40; X2: X-Men United (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Call theater for program information

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 12:00, 1:45, 2:45, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15, 10:00, 10:45; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Finding Nemo (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:30; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:30; **Wrong Turn** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:45

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262) 2 Fast 2 Furious; The Italian Job; Wrong Turn; Finding Nemo; Bruce Almighty; The In-Laws: The Matrix Reloaded; Daddy Day Care; X2: X-Men United; The Lizzie McGuire Movie; Identity

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)

2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 10:35, 10:50, 1:05, 1:25, 1:55, 3:50, 4:15, 4:45) 6:40, 7:00, 7:20, 9:35, 10:00, 10:20; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 10:20, 1:00, 3:40, 12:40, 3:20) 6:50, 7:10, 7:30, 9:30, 9:50, 10:10; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:25, 3:55) 7:35, 10:05; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 1:15, 1:45, 4:10, 4:40, 12:55, 3:45) 7:05, 7:20, 7:35, 9:45, 10:10, 10:25; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:20, 4:30); **The In-Laws** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 4:15) 10:15; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 12:30, 1:50, 3:30, 4:45) 6:30, 7:40, 9:55, 10:30; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 12:45) 7:00, 7:15, 10:00; **Wrong Turn** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 12:50, 4:05) 7:10, 9:50; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 1:40, 4:55) 8:00

Vogue

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436) Holes (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:00; Malibu's Most Wanted (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:15, 8:15; What a Girl Wants (PG) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 9:45

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392) Call theater for program information

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri. (11:00, 12:15, 1:20, 2:45, 3:45) 5:25, 6:30, 8:00, 9:25, 10:35, 11:50; Sat. (10:30, 12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:55) 5:25, 6:35, 8:00, 9:15, 10:35, 11:50; Sun. (10:30, 12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:55) 5:25, 6:35, 8:00, 9:15; 12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:35) 3:25, 0:35, 8:00, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (11:10, 12:15, 1:45, 2:45, 4:20, 5:25) 7:00, 8:00; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri. (11:00, 12:55, 1:15, 3:15, 3:50) 5:40, 6:30, 8:00, 8:45, 10:25, 11:10; Sat. (10:35, 11:30, 12:55, 1:55, 3:15) 4:15, 5:30, 6:30, 7:45, 9:00, 10:00, 11:20; Sun. (10:35, 11:30, 12:55, 1:55, 3:15) 4:15, 5:30, 6:30, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 12:55, 2:25, 3:15, 4:55, 5:40) 7:15, 8:00; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri. (12:30, 2:55) 5:10, 7:25, 9:40; Sat. (10:45, 1:15, 3:40) 6:10, 8:35, 11:05; Sun. (10:45, 1:15, 3:40) 6:10, 8:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:55, 5:10) 7:30; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (11:50, 12:55, 2:10, 3:15) 4:40, 5:40, 7:05, 8:05, 9:25, 10:30; Sat. (10:30, 11:50, 1:00, 2:10, 3:30) 4:40, 6:00, 7:05, 8:30, 9:25, 11:00; Sun. (10:30, 11:50, 1:00, 2:10, 3:30) 4:40, 6:00, 7:05, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:50, 12:55, 2:10, 3:15, 4:40, 5:40) 7:05, 8:05; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri. (12:50, 3:10) 5:25, 7:45, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (10:50, 1:20, 3:50) 6:25, 8:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:10, 5:25) 7:45; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri. (11:05, 2:20) 5:10, 7:50, 10:30; Sat. (10:40, 1:30) 4:20, 7:15, 10:10; Sun. (10:40, 1:30) 4:20, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 2:00, 4:40) 7:25

NORTH INLAND

BONSALL

Galaxy 6

v 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; 8at. 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. 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Bruce** Almighty (PG-13) Fri. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:30; Sat. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00; Mon.-Thu, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 1:00, 2:45, 3:30) 5:10, 5:55, 7:40, 8:25, 10:10, 10:45; Sun. (12:15, 1:00, 2:45, 3:30) 5:10, 5:55,

7:40, 8:25, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 2:45, 3:35, 5:10, 5:55) 7:40, 8:25, 10:00; Bruce Almightv (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:20, 3:00) 4:45, 5:25, 7:10, 7:50, 9:30, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 2:20, 3:40. 4:45, 5:50) 7:10, 8:10, 9:30; Daddy Day Care (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:20, 3:35) 5:50, 8:05, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:30, 5:45) 8:00, 10:10; Down with Love (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:00) 4:15, 7:00, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:15) 7:00, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:15) 7:00, 9:10; Finding Nemo (G) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 12:40, 2:30, 3:10) 4:55, 5:35, 7:20, 8:00, 9:40, 10:25; Sun. (12:00, 12:40, 2:30, 3:10) 4:55, 5:35, 7:20, 7:55, 9:35, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 2:30, 3:35, 4:55, 5:55) 7:20, 8:15, 9:35; **The In-Laws** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:05, 9:20; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:20) 5:45, 8:15, 10:40; Sun. (12:45, 3:15) 5:40, 8:00, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:55) 7:10, 9:45; **The Lizzie** McGuire Movie (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 2:50) 5:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:25, 5:00); The Matrix Reloaded (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:20; Sun. (2:35) 5:30, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 5:30) 8:30; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:35) 4:25, 7:15, 10:05; Sun. (1:35) 4:25, 7:15, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:35) 8:20

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:15, 12:00, 1:45, 2:45, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15, 10:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:15, 12:00, 1:45, 2:45, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:00, 8:00; Daddy Day Care (PG) Fri. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00; **Hollywood Homicide** (PG-13) Sneak Preview Sat. 7:45; **The In-Laws** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30; The Matrix Reloaded (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:30

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)

2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 11:00, 11:45, 1:10, 1:40, 2:25, 3:50, 4:20, 5:05) 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 9:10, 9:40, 10:25; Bruce Almighty (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:35, 5:00) 5:30, 7:05, 7:40, 8:00, 9:35, 10:05, 10:30; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05) 7:30, 9:55; Sat. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05) 7:30, 9:55; Sat. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05) 7:30, 9:55; Down with Love (PG-13) Fri.-Thu.

7:10, 9:30; Finding Nemo (G) Fri.-Sat. (10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00; Sun. (11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00) 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00, 12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00; **Holes** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:45, 4:25); **Hollywood Homicide** (PG-13) Sneak Preview Sat. 7:30; The In-Laws (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:25, 2:50, 5:10) 7:35, 10:00; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 11:10, 1:05, 1:50, 3:45, 4:35) 6:30, 7:20, 9:10, 10:05; **The Lizzie McGuire Movie** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30); The Matrix Reloaded (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:25, 3:05, 3:30) 6:15, 6:35, 9:15, 9:40, 10:30; Wrong Turn (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 1:45, 3:55) 6:05, 8:15, 10:25; X2; X-Men United (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:30, 4:30) 7:35, 10:35

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Cinemas 4 2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)

2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:25. 12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:45, 10:00; Sun. 10:25, 12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:45, 3:05, 5:30, 8:00; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:35, 12:45, 2:55, 4:50, 7:10, 9:20; Sun. 10:35, 12:45, 2:55, 4:50, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. 12:30, 2:20, 4:20, 6:30, 8:30; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:25, 2:35, 4:40, 6:50, 8:55; Sun. 10:15, 12:25, 2:35, 4:40, 6:50; Mon.-Thu, 12:00, 2:10, 4:15, 6:20, 8:25; The Matrix Reloaded (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:25, 1:15, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30; Sun. 10:25, 1:15, 4:00, 6:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:15, 3:00, 6:00, 8:45

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420) **2 Fast 2 Furious** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 11:45, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 5:00, 6:00, 7:30, 8:30, 10:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu, 10:00, 11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 5:00, 6:00, 7:30, 8:30; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00; Hollywood Homicide (PG-13) Sneak Preview Sat. 7:45; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425) 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; **Down with Love** (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 In-Laws** (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; **The Italian Job** (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

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) 2 Fast 2 Furious; The Italian Job; Finding Nemo; Bruce Almighty; The In-Laws; The Matrix Reloaded; Daddy Day Care; The

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101

(760-436-SHOW) Gravity Flow Fri. 7:00, 9:00; Laurel Canyon (R) Sat.-Sun. 4:00, 6:40, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. 6:40, 9:00; The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Fri. 12:00

LA COSTA

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)

2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15; Bruce Almighty (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; Finding Nemo (G) 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; **The In-Laws** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30; The Italian Job (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; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13 College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)

2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 10:30, 1:00, 1:30, 4:00, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 10:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 1:00, 1:30, 4:00, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 10:00, 10:30; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 11:15, 1:30, 2:00, 4:15, 4:45, 7:15, 7:45, 9:50, 10:20; **Daddy Day Care** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:20, 5:10, 8:00, 10:20; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 1:00, 1:20, 2:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 6:50, 7:30, 8:00, 9:40, 10:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 11:00, 1:00, 1:20, 2:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 6:50, 7:30, 8:00, 9:40, 10:15, 10:45; **The Italian** Job (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:40, 1:40, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Thu.

Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733)
2 Fast 2 Furious; Finding Nemo; The Matrix
Reloaded; Wrong Turn; The Italian Job;
Bruce Almighty; The In-Laws; Daddy Day Care; X2: X-Men United

Wrong Turn (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:50, 2:30, 5:10, 7:50, 10:20; **X2: X-Men United** (PG-13)

Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 4:00, 7:15, 10:30

11:30, 12:00, 3:00, 3:30, 6:30, 7:00, 9:45, 10:15; , 2003

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Kris Kruse

Retail

San Diego

The weirdest food that I've ever eaten and that I'll never eat again in my life is my grandma's stuffed bell peppers. I wasn't allowed to leave the table until I was done, and I was, like, "no way." I did taste it, though, and it made me want to throw up. It was seriously the grossest thing I think I've ever tasted.



Rocky Balboa

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t was an octopus sucker. It tasted It was an octopus successivery spongy; when you bit into it, your teeth just went, "ur," like, back up, you know? It was very rubbery; it reminded me of shrimp, just because they have a weird texture too. I ate it in Mexico; it was in a soup that had a whole bunch of other seafoods. It wasn't very good for being expensive.



Brad Willson

Wildlife Biology

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had rat. About two years ago, back at school. It didn't really taste very strongly because it was fried with a bunch of other meats. The texture was kind of like squirrel meat, chewy like chicken, sort of a deep-red meat though, not very flavorful. There's no way I would ever eat it again.

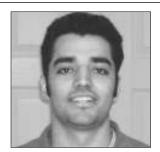


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NAS NI, Coronado

had raw octopus at a sushi restaurant here in San Diego about two weeks ago. It didn't taste like anything: it was smooth and had a fishy, squishy texture. It was served raw in a sushi roll. I imagine it was expensive, but I didn't pay for it.



Felipe Hernandez

Student, Notre Dame

National City

'd have to say venison. At first I thought it was beefsteak, but after a few bites my mom told me it was deer. It tasted pretty normal to me up to then. When I heard that it was deer, I was pretty upset; I stopped eating it. I've never tried it since.

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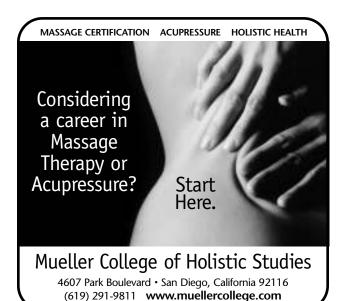
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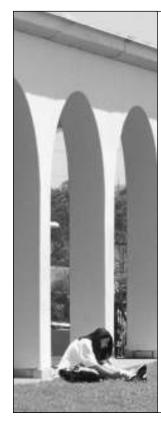
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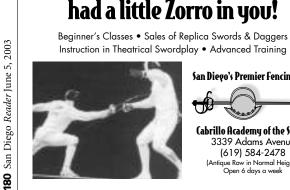
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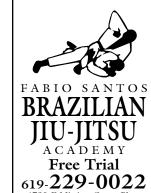
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healthy lifestyle, professional, 40s. Lover of music and the outdoors. Spiritual, nonsmoker. I'm 45, energetic, earthy, creative, healthy. (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70324

ative, healthy. (6/11) \$\overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\Overline{\O

CUTE, PETITE, ATHLETIC, health minded blonde, needs to be rescued by kind, North County coastal, 60+, stable, intelli-gent, single, available man. Lets talk. (6/18) \$\frac{1}{28}70370\$

SHORT TRUE BLONDE, 41, looking for love and commitment from a tall, honest, construction-type dude, 35-50. No games, just reality. (6/18) \$\tilde{\pi}\$70354

COME HOME HONEY, times a'wastin. Neat lady, 58, domestic, educated, Neat lady, 58, domestic, educated, healthy, sane, attractive, professional, golfer, traveler. You're 60ish, loving, secure, fit, happy, family man. (6/11)

SENSUAL, ATTRACTIVE, loving, youthful lady, 5'6", trim, athletic, enjoy outdoors. Seeking tall, healthy male, 55-65, wanting to blend our many nice qualities for lasting relationship. (6/11) \$\mathbf{T}\$70312

head-to-10e Gorgeous, naughty but nice, seeking witty, spiritual, tall, very attractive muscular counterpart for weather chasing, cozy times, rustic or 5-star locations. (6/18) 270358

THIRTY-SOMETHING IN LOOKS, wise el der in spirit and insight, heart of a child. Cute, smart, pixie brunette seeks kind, sincere gentleman for whatever's possi-

HEALTH CONSCIENCE, YOUNG at heart woman looking for an attractive, honest sincere man. I like movies, dining, beach walks, camping, traveling, cooking You're positive/happy, (6/18) \$7/0345

SEXY, OLDER, BLACK FEMALE, 5'4" 130lbs., 41, cutie seeks younger cutie, under 40, 5'8"+, fit, social, adventurous, active, confident, affectionate, talkative, sensual, eclectic. Me: same. (6/11)

CUTIE DESIRES SWEET GUY. You: Caucasian, good looking, 5'10"+, 22-38. Me: Cute, tall, medium physique, fun, ener-getic. Love travel, music, firemen. Give e-mail, phone number. (6/18) \$\mathbf{T}\$70365

BROWN-EYED BEAUTY, 40's, petite, fun attractive. Fniovs outdoors, spor fun, attractive. Enjoys outdoors, sports, music, dancing, dining, music, concerts, the arts, travel. North County. You: compatible interests, 40's-50's. (6/11)

SWEET, PETITE, pretty brunette, 5'8", 122lbs. Seeking handsome. fit. financially 122lbs. Seeking handsome, fit, financially secure man for laughling, loving and committed relationship. Are you that special someone? (6/11) \$\infty\$70317

LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus size brunette. Very loving, affectionate

LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus size brunette. Very loving, affectionate and sincere. Nonsmoker. Seeking long-term relationship. Let's go for it, big boy! (6/18) \$\tilde{\tau}\$70353\$
VIVACIOUS, CUTE, financially secure musician seeking lasting relationship with healthy, drug-free nonsmoker, 25-50. Enjoy traveling, concerts, cooking, dancing, movies, walking, reading, candlelit bubble baths. (6/11) \$\tilde{\tau}\$70305

JUST ONE SPECIAL gentleman wanted. I like simple pleasures. Lady, 70 young, be young together. Let's make our dreams come true. I'm adventurous, witty, honest. (6/18) \$\overline{a}\$70344

STRENGTH TO WIELD A SWORD, likes confident, tattooed, alternative girls who are not trim or conservative, but artistic and passionate, looking for a dark warrior. (6/18) \$\frac{1}{27}\$70351

rior. (6/18) \$\frac{70351}\$

SINGLE, BLACK MOM, 37, seeks won-minded man, honest, fit derful, open minded man, honest, fit, sense of humor, 39-48, Romantic, kind hearted, down-to-earth, handsome. Only serious reply. (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70341

VERY FAT CHICKS RULE! And I am the queen. Long brown hair, brown eyes, white, full lips, 36, lots of curves all around. Call me! (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70314

125lbs., divorced, white, nonsmoker, nondrinker, enjoys adventure, travel, boating, culture, home life, projects, socializing, affection, intimacy, fun, best friend/lover. (6/18) \$\mathbf{7}70349\$

SPIRITUAL, NEW AGE, OUTGOING, firm, beautiful blonde, 33, prosperous, stable, nonsmoker, never wants kids. Would enjoy dating same type, 28-36, great Latio looking, muscular body. (6/11) \$\overline{27}\$70326

looking, muscular oddy. (6/11) \$\frac{\pi}{\pi}\$7/0326

A LITILE BIIT COUNTRY! Trim, active, health conscious. Love outdoors, dancing, cooking. Seeking male counterpart to share life's simple pleasures. 55+, nonsmoker. (6/18) \$\frac{\pi}{\pi}\$70361

CUTE, BLACK, PIERCED, 27, little left of center, single mom. Seeking white male, tattooed, pierced, 25-35, nonsmoker, funny, financially, okay for friendship and more. (6/11) \$\mathbf{2}\pi 70337

MATCHES

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

WHITE/ASIAN, FULL TIME student, 27, 6'1", 175lbs., brown hair/eyes, sexy, adventurous, romantic, aviation, music, traveling, dancing. Please have no baggage. (6/18) 🗖 70843

baggage. (6/18) \$\Pi\$70843\$ **BROAD SHOULDERS.** Tall, athletic, Jewish professional, 49, seeks stable, intelligent and fit nonsmoker (32-50) of any race or religion for quality times. (6/11) \$\Pi\$70782\$

WOULD LIKE TO MEET a nice Asian lady who is fun, nice, honest, and likes sports. I'm 31, teacher, loves sports, beach and kids. (6/11) \$\alpha\$70805

BROTHERS LOVE BLONDES

BALANCED. UNENCUMBERED. educated, professional, athletic, 53, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social, Midwest values. Seeks compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (6/11) \$\alpha\$70779

SUCCESSFUL, PROFESSIONAL, gentleman. Athletic, 40s, 6', 180lbs., healthy, nonsmoker, seeks life partner, 30-40, to share conversations, outdoors, restaurants, beach, nights at home. Call me! (6/11) \$\overline{\text{TCP}}\$70783

me! (6/11) \$\mathref{\Pi}\$70783

LET'S DO IT! I'm educated, attractive, athletic, fun, 36, 5'11", 170lbs. All I need now is a great woman to see concerts, movies, learn salsa. (6/18) \$\mathref{\Pi}\$70862

EAST COUNTY. Seeking petite or somewhat slender, medium to tall caucasian, single woman, age 40-60, who enjoy all the usual activities. (6/18) ☎70841

SINCERE, UNENCUMBERED, San Diego businessman, seeks permanent relationship with a single mother and serve as father role model to assist with raising her unborn child. (6/11) \$\mathbf{T}\$70789

JAZZ MUSICIAN, teacher/performer, 6'1" 51, 170lbs., red/blue, road bicyclist JAZZ MUSICIAN, teacher/performer, or, 51, 170lbs., red/blue, road bicyclist, swing dancer, handsome, nonsmoker/drinker/drugs. Childless. Seeking someone who could complement my life! (6/18) \$\frac{1}{27}0860\$

TIME. 6', 190lbs., seeking female, time for nature, waterfalls, hot springs, mountains, Maybe tomboy or country girl. Music lover, dance, fun, good communication, comedy, imagination. (6/11) \$\frac{1}{27}0802\$

HAVE YOU GIVEN UP ON LOVE? Don't. Are you seeking fun? I'm 6', blue/brown good looking, honest. You: sexy, honest reliable, funny. Me too. (6/18) 7870853

masculine, 50s, 5'10", passionate, honsest, homeowner, enjoy beach, boating, cooking, movies, dining. Seeks intelligent, slender lady, 35-45. Race open. committed, sincere relationship. (6/11) **OUTDOORSMAN CAUCASIAN officer**

BLACK PROFESSIONAL, 35, looking for a special lady to share life's adventul Let's explore the possibilities and what happens. 27-39, race open. (6,

NOT READY FOR TV SHOW Blind Date but ready to have a drink. White male, 38, enjoys beach, sports, travel, hiking. Are you game? (6/11) \$\alpha\$70809

WIFE WANTED. Good looking, athletic, entrepreneur, desires professional, attractive, shapely, natural, conversational, cosmopolitan lady, 30-40, for marriage, family, fun, good life! No previous children please. (6/18) 270845

39, PROFESSIONAL, 5'10", tall, hazel eyés, like running, fun, friendly and secure. Let's meet and have fun. You: 25-35. Call me. (6/11) \$\infty\$70798

35. Call me. (6/11) ☎70798

34, BLACK MALE, 5'11", 165lbs., light brown skin/eyes, long hair, spontaneous, open minded, stable, sincere, seeks fenale, 21-40, for movies, walks, companionship, fun times. (6/11) ☎70772

SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN, long haired, bearded, softspoken. Seeking intelligent, vivacious, cute, childless, creative, unique lady, 30-45. Loves music, concerts, animals, photography, sushi, traveling, exploring, and movies. (6/18)

COLORFUL GREEN-BLUE EYES, affec tionate, attractive, single, unencumbered, professional, 39, 6'1", 215lbs., Germanlrish Catholic, clean cut, conservative appearance, seeks very attractive, single female, 22-32, unencumbered, possessing inner and outer beauty. (6/18) \$\overline{a}\)70846

HANDSOME, DOWN-TO-EARTH male, 51 honest, playful, spiritual, affectionate, romantic, fit, poetic, intelligent, great personality, seeking counterpart. You are Asian, Hispanic female. Call me. (6/18) \$\pi\$70850

DON'T DANCE ALONE if you'd rather not.
Active, affable, 73 year old gentleman seeking an energetic, special woman to share the spice of life with. (6/18)

WANT TO SHARE MOVIES, POOL, sporting events, concerts, Tool, Megadeth, basketball cards, sunsets, dinner, beers and laughs. I'm 34, honest, silly, sincere and in military. (6/18) \$\alpha\$70855

GREAT CATCH! Down-to-earth Jewish male, 33, enjoys movies, hiking, cats, '80s music. Seeking honest, sincere woman

BLACK LADY WANTED. Handsome guy fit, slim, 5'8", outgoing, nice personality. Seeking pretty, black lady, 19-29, sweet. (6/18) \$\infty\$70873

for friendship and possible relationship. (6/18) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70832

HANDSOME, CHARMING, romantic, suc cessful executive, 59, centered, spiritual, jeans to tux, 5'8", eclectic. Seeks classy, sophisticated, stylish, centered, sensual, passionate, well-educated, fit, professional lady, 35-58. (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\infty}\$70784

Music Of The Heart

Attractive film composer, 5'11", fit, youthful 58, financially secure, Hillcrest, easy smile, quick wit, enjoys music, dancing, films, nature, stimulating conversation, seeks smart slender woman for friendship, laughter, love. (06/18) \$\mathbf{\textit{T}}\circ{\textit{T}}{2000}\$

rove. (u6/18) \$\infty\$70871

CUTE CHICK, 709-80s, sought by lonely old geezer, 80s, for companionship, romantic relationship, travel, dinners, shows. Please be retired, unencumbered, available for trips, cruises. (6/11) \$\infty\$70826

FUN LOVING, AFFECTIONATE educated, 5'8", athletic gentleman seeking non-smoker/nondrinker, slim, medium build, passionate, 50s, caucasian female for conversation, outings, beaches, music, movies, home. Love? (6/18) ☎70863

AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE, 47, sincere, honest, healthy, attractive, reliable, 5'10", 170lbs. Enjoys, music, beach, dining, cofeehouses. Seeking attractive, marriageminded, blonde, 33-41. Take your shot! (6/18) \$\overline{\text{T}}70861\$

Architect

Self-employed, tall, athletic build, attractive, ageless, liberal and contemporary. Lives near the beach in San Clemente. Seeking sensual, visual, feminine female. North County preferred. For relationship. Race open. (6/18)

AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monoga mous, biracial, African-American/white, 64, 64, 64, 210lbs. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home, dancing, travel, more. (6/18) \$\mathbf{x}\)70875

ROMANCE AND THE OUTDOORS, or in side. Hikes, bikes, love to pamper, back rubs, touching. 61, widower, starting all over. You: 45-60, affectionate, financially/emotionally secure. (6/11) \$\infty\$77790

TROPICAL FRUIT LOVER wanted to share in garden fun at 10-acre ranch in Bonita. in garden fun at 10-acre ranch in Bonita. Liberal, artist, animals, guavas, earthy, loves life, happy, peaceful, free. (6/11) \$\tilde{\tau}\$70803

CASUAL, 50's, RETIRED law enforcement, La Jollan, nonsmoker, handsome, trim, swimmer. Seeking slender female. Beaches, dining, movies, spectator sports, sunsets. Let's enjoy honesty, San Diego. (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\texts}\cap{70822}\$

NEVER MARRIED, SINGLE father, attractive, 37, white, 6'1", 190lbs., brown hair, enjoys sailing, excellent job. Seeking petite, great shape, 20-35 for lasting relationship. (6/11) \$\infty\$70771

LATINO MALE, FIT, slim, 5'8", 40s, educated, never married, homeowner. Seeks childless woman, slim, cheerful easygoing, race open. (6/11) \$\infty\$70774

Ing, race open. (e/11) \$\frac{\chi}{2}\tau{70774}\$

WORKING MAN'S HANDS, rugged construction-type guy, 6'1", 1901bs., 42, green eyes, extremely handy, fun, adventurous, ski, sail, ride, seeks slim, cool woman for relationship. (6/11) \$\frac{\chi}{2}\tau{70806}\$

34, 6'5", FINANCIAL ADVISOR, JD, fun loving, romantic, communicative, passionate. Enjoys outdoors, tennis, running, acting, theater, travel. Seeking attractive, active, fit, college graduate. Photo online! (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\textit{T}}70812

LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL exchange partners desired. I'm 33, caucasian, fit, love to travel and learn about other cultures. Asian backgrounds appreciated and all ethnicities welcome. (6/18)

HEALTHY, WEALTHY, WISE, frugal, fit, numorous, successful, professional. Loves travel, exercise, beach walks, hiking, camping, biking. Seeking similar female, under 40. Nonsmoker/excessive drinker. (6/11) \$\mathbf{\alpha}\$70814

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. (6/11) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$70808

EMPTY HOME NEEDS LOVE, laughter Single, 53, secure homeowner, healthy seeks someone to share my life, children

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OK, let's meet and share good times. (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70813

SEEKING HONEY FOR MIRTH and mis-chief this summer and beyond. You: 54chief this summer and beyond. You: 54-61, single female, sports minded, arts, romance. Me: 60, 6'2", solvent, available. Let's play! (6/18) ☎70848

tractive, fall, slim, blue eyes, humorous, quiet, creative, Jewish, plays three instruments, busy, health oriented. Seeking smart, thoughtful, loyal female. (6/18)

GOOD LOOKING, SMART, stable, suc r, 35-43, for balanced, long-term renip. (6/11) \$\overline{\alpha}\$70775

INTELLECTUAL CHEMISTRY as important

SINGLE FATHER, 48, white, professional.
Have 6-year-old son. Seeking single re 6-year-old son. Seeking single her for dating. Be fit, attractive, em-red, stable. Let's have fun! Call (6/11) \$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}70796

me. (6/11) ☎70796

ATHLETIC MALE, 43, 6', red hair, green eyes, very fit, no kids, nonsmoker, easy-going, open minded, honest, intelligent, considerate, faithful. Seeking life partner. (6/18) \$\infty\$70839

ASIAN FEMALE DESIRED. Attractive white male, 46, professional, well built, athletic, seeks very attractive female, 35-45, into fitness, outdoors, jazz, for quality relationship. North County. (6/11)

JESUS GIRL WANTED. 25-40ish, charismatic worshiper, healthy, fit or working to-wards it, kids, cats, country living? What does God have in store? (6/11) \$\frac{1}{10}\$70823

ON SUMMER BREAK! Mature graduate publicans please. (6/11) \$\overline{\sigma}\$70786

Nice, Mormon Girl?

You are: 26-30, never married, clean-cut, non-Californian, small, blondish, under 5'5". Please call. Must be refined. P.S. I'm Jewish. (6/11) \$\overline{C}\$70829

HANDSOME. FINANCIALLY secure, white male, 40s, massage specialist, seeks open-minded lady, needing intimacy and sensual affection, enjoys massage, yet values her privacy and independence. (6/11) \$\overline{\alpha}\$70769

dence. (6/11) ☎70769

UNIQUE, ENERGETIC, independent, progressive, creative, youthful teacher. Passion for theatre, holistic health, sincere communications. Seeking 40's, fit, intelligent, cultured friend. Motto: The Examined Life. (6/11) ☎70825

OUTDOORS, THE SIXTIES, new adven-

DOESN'T OWN COMPUTER or cell phone. 40, great shape physically and financially. Tired of games, looking for true intimacy. I'm open minded and for real! (6/11) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70793

STILL SINGLE, SEEKING SEXY, sensu ous, simple, small, smart, sweet, significant, slender, sugar lady, sharing our lives as one. Call, let's talk. (6/18) \$\frac{1}{27}70847\$

BLACK FEMALE! Sean Connery look BLACK FEMALE! Sean Connery look-alike, tall, athletic, sexy, passionate, com-municative, 59. Seeking attractive, down-to-earth, personable, equal, fun lady for good times together. (6/11) \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$70801 BLACK GENTLEMAN, 51, handsome, 53", artist, like dinners, partying, biking, good Karma. Like to shampoo your hair, massages. Earthy ladies, mature, spiri-tual, sense humor, fun. (6/18) \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$70831 EX-NAVY MAN. Christian Scientist 37.

EX-NAVY MAN, Christian Scientist, 37, seeking attractive military woman, Christian Scientist, slender, musician/song-writer/artist, like me. Seeking long-term ful. (6/18) **7**70864

AUSTRALIAN, 37, well muscled, 5'8" 175lbs., likes everything. Intelligent, interesting, offbeat humor. Seeking honesty and sincerity in an active lady, 30-40? (6/18) \$\frac{1}{2}70835\$

OZZEFST. Slim, fit, 44-year-old male seeking fun woman that enjoys heavy metal. No drugs, fun date. 7/3 at Coors. (6/11) 270800

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE, North County, professional, 41, 6'1", slim, athletic build, loves to travel and play. Seeking athletic lady for biking, tennis. Thick legs a plus! (6/18) \$\overline{\text{T}} 70868

185lbs., hardworking, Latin, spiritual and funny. I enjoy conversation, outdoor activities, dancing, walking, coffee and quiet romantic times at home. (6/11) \$\frac{1}{27}70791\$

HANDSOME, TALL, BLACK gentleman, educated, bright, financially secure, physically fit, in search of a attractive, independent, fit, open-minded, educated blonde, grounded, sensual, sexy. (6/11) \$\infty\$77799

sexy. (6/11) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$70799

FUN, PASSIONATE, Italian-American, 58, 5'11", 195lbs., nice looking, professional, homeowner, 35 roses, symphony, hiking, travel. Seeking slender, confident woman, 47+, for love and laughter. (6/18) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$70865

CAN I STEAL A KISS, kind male, 39, seeks lady, 30 to 50 to take walks around the bay, dining out, good conversation and romance. (6/11) TALL. DARK. HANDSOME. 6'3". white.

athletic, outgoing guy seeks slim, attractive, happy lady for dining, Padres, Chargers, zoo, beach, mountains, travel, clubs, theater, concerts. (6/18)

36, HANDSUME, 1917.

Green, Family oriented, loyal, good sense of humor. Seeking 26-37, with similar qualities. Enjoy movies, working out, dancing and sports. (6/11) 27 70797

LIFE IS MORE THAN 9 to 5, and growing old. Nice looking, stable, fun, 30s. Seeking grounded yet spontaneous, reasonable, fit woman over 35. Call. (6/11)

EBONY LADY SOUGHT! Attractive, white professional, nonsmoker, love music, working out, healthy lifestyle, seeks bony lady, 30-43, nonsmoker, fun, cute, sincere. Let's enjoy summer together. (6/18) \$\frac{1}{27}\$70838

TALENTED MUSICIAN, ROMANTIC gentleman, positive, witty, humorous, hontleman, positive, witty, humorous, hon-est, green/brown, business owner, seeks slender woman for ongoing rela-tionship, 40-50. Glass half full a must! (6/18) \$\infty\$70858

a real man. I'm loving, caring, honest, successful businessman who loves to have fun. Let's enjoy life. (6/11)

HANDSOME, TALL, affectionate, fun loving, warm, friendly, humorous, hardworking man. Seeking people-oriented, fun-loving woman, adventure, romance. Share good times with "Mr. Enthusiasm," me! (6/18) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70844

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INTELLIGENT, CURVY, preferred by handsome, tall, blond, doctor, 46, 195lbs., fit, tan, classy. Seeks relationship with educated, professional, healthy, Caucasian with no kids, likes travel. (6/11) 🕿 70780

ucated, simple yet complex, 51, 5 10", 170lbs., brown/blue, North Coastal. Seeking feminine, approximately proportionate lass. (6/18) \$\mathbf{T}\$70859

cere, generous, loving heart. Creative, energetic, single, nonsmoker, attractive. Seeking communication, humor, chemistry, consciousness, adventure panioneshis in the control of the cont nship with 40ish female. (6/11)

WHERE ARE YOU? Do you like music?
Do you like kids and family life? Well Do you like kids and family life? Well then, I'm waiting to hear from you! (6/11)

EUROPEAN MAN seeks ladv. 32-65. for romantic walks along the beach, concerts, movies, shopping, cuddling, travel, fun, relationship. (6/18) \$\mathbf{T}\$ 70833

HELP ME FEED THE DUCKS at the lake across the street. Sensitive Lakeside homeowner, 60, 5'11", 150lbs., needs your caring, affectionate companion-

Enjoy movies, music. (6/11)

PART CHANDLER, PART JOEY, 38. hand holder, door opener, good cuddler, bad cook. Seeking attractive, sweet, fun, voluptuous partner; romance, laughs, road trips, cooking lessons. (6/11) \$\alpha\$70785

BOYISH GOOD LOOKS. 6'2", blue eyes, slim, athletic, college educated, professional, enjoys surfing, sailing, travel, conversation, family, friends, music, kids. Seeking slim, 35+, friends first. (6/11) \$\overline{\text{College}} 70824\$

good natured, affectionate, light broblue, 5'9", nice appearance, trim a youthful at 55. Relationship minded nancially secure, childless, No County homeowner. (6/18) \$\mathbf{T}\$70852

ACTIVE, SPORTS MINDED, CARING Jewish man, 50'S, desiring considerate, affectionate, Jewish female, 35-50, no children, who cares about people, for meaningful, long-term relationship. (6/11) 27 70811

I AM A MAN who has a sense of humor, intelligent, fit, nonsmoker seeks for a woman, 5'5"-5'9" who find short men sexy. (6/18) \$\overline{\textit{T}} 70836

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. (6/18) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$70867

KNOCK KNOCK. WHO'S THERE? No one! That's the problem...get it? Tall, passionate, pleasing, cute, communicative professional, 47, seeks playful sweetheart, 30-50, for excellent times! (6/18) 70854

CARING, FUN-LOVING senior gentleman, not rich but a fantastic companion. Looking for a woman as a soul mate and enjoy the golden years together. (6/11)

SOUTHEAST ASIAN GIRLFRIEND sought by respectful, kind, generous white professional. Let's share laughter, romance, fun, cross-cultural experiences. Myself: handsome, slender, successful. Petite sweetheart only! (6/18) OPEN-MINDED BOHEMIAN, spiritual path, sincere, 52, 5'8", 170lbs., gray/blue, enjoys coffeehouses, zen philosophy, nature, rock music, books, movies, psychology, shops. Seeking friendship/relationship. (6/18) \$\frac{\pi}{\pi}70851\$

Black Female For CEO

Classy, mature, healthy and fit male, used to the good life, seeks an attractive, open minded, youthful, black female for pleasurable and rewarding times. (6/18) \$\alpha\$70876

HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 59, trim, 5'10", blonde/green eyes, clean, carring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+ for travel, fun, happy, exciting, committed relationship. (6/11) \$\frac{1}{2}\$70770

PROVE MY FRIENDS WRONG. Do quality, good looking women read these ads? Me: I look like shot out Mel Gibson. (6/18) **2** 70869

son. (6/18) \$\mathbb{T}\$70869

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- 1. "Nothing beats _____" (beer slogan)
- 5. Antlered animal
- 8. Jacket parts 13. Start with bar or car
- 14. Prideful one, astrologically
- 15. Club name since 1892
- 16. Like a bogey
- 18. Fill with love
- 19. What "dwellers in the dust" are told to do in Isaiah 26:19
- 21. Two halves of Congress
- 24. Abbr. after some church names
- 25. Head of France?
- 26. Bank statement amt.
- 27. CD follower
- 29. Writer's helper: Abbr.
- 31. Brillo pad competitor
- 32. Remarked
- 34. How some coffee is served
- 37. She's no supporting actress
- 41. Aviator Earhart
 42. Actor Green of "Buffy the
- Vampire Slayer"
- 45. The shortest of 12: Abbr.
- 48. Planet, poetically 49. British sports cars
- 52. Is for two?
- 53. Stein fillers
- 55. Walkman batteries
- 57. Flexible person's choice
- 59. Achievement for Nomar Garciaparra in 1999 and 2000 62. Preparing potatoes, in a way
- 63. Social climbers (or an apt title
- for this puzzle) 67. Trapped person's cry
- 68. Duff Beer server on "The Simpsons"
- 69. Lightly burn 70. Discontinue
- 71. L.A. clock setting
- 72. ____ Benedict

Down

- 1. Org. with a widely read journal
- 2. Baby's tie-on
- 3. One, to Juan
- 4. Famously temperamental singers
 5. Sun Bowl venue
- 6. Unofficial news source 7. "M*A*S*H" setting
- 8. Discovery
- 9. Fewest
- 10. Adversaries in "Risk"
- 11. P.D.Q.

12. Barracks bosses

- 15. Dakar's land
- 17. Water pitcher
- 20. Combination
- 21. Half of a matching set 22. "Put ____ Happy Face"
- 23. Electricity or water: Abbr.
- 28. Letter carrier
- 30. Actress Carrere 35. Verse starter?
- 33. Bust specialists, for short
- 36. Cowboys make them: Abbr.
- 38. Latin lover's word
- 39. Drive crazy
- 40. Part of a Beatles refrain
- 43. Amount past due?
- 44. Billy Joel's "Tell ____ About It"
- 45. Silk or satin
- 46. "Seinfeld" gal 47. "You ____!" ("Yessiree") 50. Words before "Go!"
- 51. River deposit
- 54. Filthy places56. Ask an unanswerable question
- 58. Lolita, e.g. 60. Concerning
- 61. New issuances, for short
- 64. Avg. size
- 65. What "it" plays
- 66. College interviewees: Abbr.

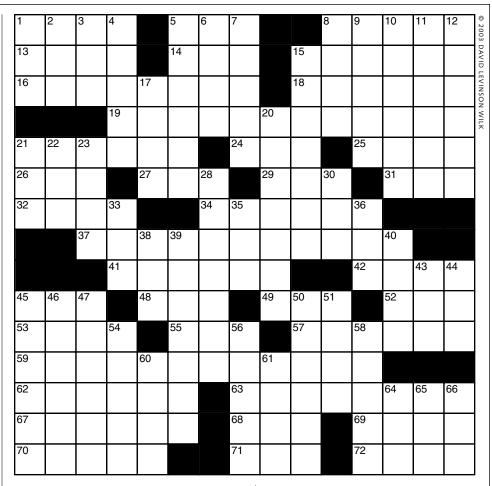
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- 1. The prize for solving the Reader
- Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.

 2. 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.

 3. All entries must be accompanied by
- your name and address.
 4. Employees of the *Reader* and their
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 5. In the event of disputes or ties,
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- 6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- 7. One entry per person.





Solution to and winners of the

Of the 121 entrants, 117 were correct.

by David Levinson Wilk

- 1. Martin Reeder, San Diego 2. John Stauffer, San Diego
- 3. Pamela Swain, San Diego
- 4. Karen Lee, Chula Vista 5. Bill Cherom, San Diego

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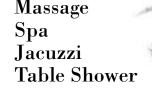
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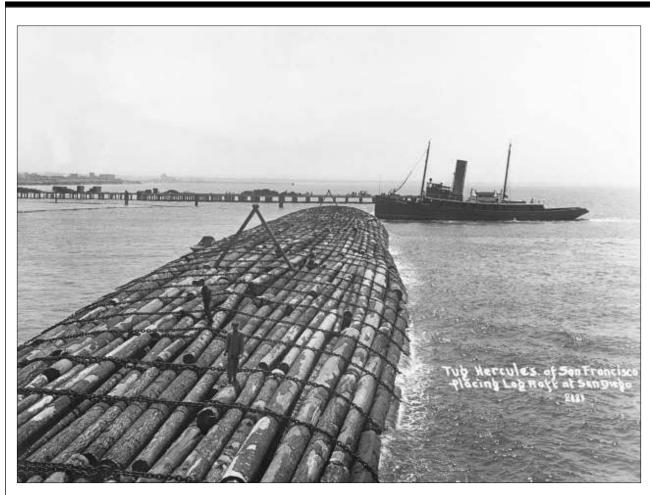
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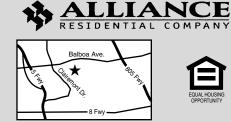
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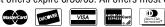
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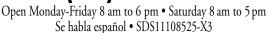
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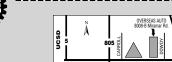


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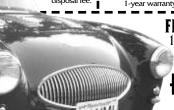
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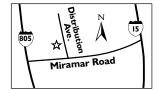
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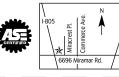
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· An obscure California law makes it shockingly easy for anyone to anonymously force a motorist into a formal hearing over his driving skills, according to a May story in the OC Weekly. The Department of Motor Vehicles said the so-farunderused law was designed to allow relatives of diminished-skill elderly drivers to ease them off the road, but that the legislation places no limits on who can use it. Any complaint — even a bogus one with no proof — leads to a formal hearing at the DMV with license suspension a possible outcome, and the DMV says it must enforce the law unless the legislature changes it.

 May marked the debut of Minnesota's guncarry law, whose critics complained that it is much easier on handgun-possession than even Texas' law. Licensees may carry guns openly in any parking lot in the state (except federal facilities), including school parking lots (although possession of a knife in a school parking lot is still a felony). Guns are still prohibited on other school property, but the law reduces licensees penalty for that from a felony to a misdemeanor. Private establishments can prohibit guns, but only with a state-dictated sign at each entrance, and then the "penalty" for violation is to be told to leave.

The Entrepreneurial Spirit

- New Product Launches: "Purring Kitty" software that makes Nokia cell phones vibrate continuously to create a "discreet massager" (according to the British firm, Vibrelet) ... A healing stone that, when heated, is a smell-remover, a sterilizer, and a treatment for heart disease (according to the developer, the government of North Korea) ... A fashionable but electrically charged woman's anti-assault coat with rubber lining and vinyl outer layer sandwiching nine-volt circuitry that, when armed, delivers a finger-in-awall-socket-type jolt to anyone who touches it (from Advanced Research Apparel) ... And the four-year-old, but recently trendy, half-inch, gold-enameled good-luck charm in the shape of curled feces (from Ryukodo of Kyoto, Japan).

"We figured that [every small business] obvi-

ously worth doing is already being done by 50 other guys in Miami, so we had to do some thinking first," said "Anton" to the Miami New Times in April. That thinking resulted in Anton's belief that "thousands" of people would pay a dollar each to view his (and his partner's) display of exactly 1 million toothpicks. After hundreds of hours of counting and banding the picks, the two men were at last word ready to look at venues and marketing proposals.

 While the average chief executive officer of a \$2.7 million not-for-profit organization is paid just over \$100,000, the swimming coach who is the head of the De Anza Cupertino Aquatics program in California's Silicon Valley last year earned over \$350,000, according to an April report in the San Iose Mercury News. The CEO/coach, Pete Raykovich, took over the program (training swimmers, from toddlers through internationally competitive athletes) when it was small and gets 10 percent of revenues plus a salary of \$85,000, and the board of directors appears to have no regrets about Raykovich's pay.

— Lawrence Omansky was arrested in April in New York City and charged with kidnapping business partner Lawrence Schlosser, who had criticized Omansky's property-management work at a meeting in Omansky's office in the TriBeCa section of Manhattan. Allegedly, during the meeting, Omansky bound Schlosser and forced him into a three-foot-high crawl space under the second floor, where Schlosser remained for 28 hours before untaping himself and escaping. Said Omansky's lawyer, "The case will ultimately be viewed as a business dispute."

Weird Science

- Doctors at Chimkent (Kazakhstan) Children's Hospital told the BBC in April that they had removed a fetus from a seven-year-old boy; it was thought at first to be a cyst but when removed had hair and bones and is now believed to have been the boy's Siamese twin that grew in the wrong place. ... In May, Groote Schnuur Hospital (Cape Town, South Africa) reported only the 15th documented case of a fetus developing in the mother's liver (and the fourth to survive).

- Curator Mark Norman of Australia's Melbourne Museum revealed in January that he had captured and photographed the male of the world's most sexually unequal species. When the blanket octopus male (two cm long) mates with the female (six feet long), it uses a special extension arm to transfer sperm from its penis (after which the male dies). Females, which may weigh 10,000 times as much as the males, are typically found with several such extension arms lodged inside them.

People Different From Us

 The world did not end on May 15, contrary to warnings by Japan's 1200-member Pana Wave Laboratory cult, whose public activities (covering themselves and their property in white sheets for protection against electromagnetic waves beamed by "communists") had drawn media attention just before "doomsday." The Pana Wavers are believed not to be dangerous, although one member said that if the group's guru, Ms. Yuko Chino, soon succumbs to her (supposedly) microwave-induced cancer, the cult will, in revenge, exterminate "all humankind."

Least Competent Criminals

- At the May court hearing in Nashville, Tenn., for Denza D. McGee, 19 (accused of fatally shooting a man), McGee's buddy, Gerald Cunningham, 23, showed up to give moral support. However, the witness who was in court to identify McGee said she also recognized Cunningham as McGee's partner in the home invasion and shooting, and Cunningham was pulled out of the gallery and arrested.

- As reported in "News of the Weird" in March 2002, the 37-year-old female inmate who died at the Pine Grove Correctional Centre in Saskatchewan, Canada, succumbed from a toxic reaction to methadone that she had consumed by drinking the vomit of a fellow inmate who was on a methadone maintenance program. A coroner's inquest in March 2003 heard witness after witness describe inmates' practice of trading their methadone-laced vomit for various

inmate favors, and the two inmates who admitted vomiting for the victim have since been additionally sentenced for drug trafficking.

Things You Thought Didn't Happen

- British circus trainer Roger Perkins stole the show at the Royal Easter Circus in April with his prize sow, Miss Piggy, who climbs a ramp to a diving tower and then free-falls into a swimming pool. ... And Pete Ondrus and his wife, Barb Lambert, told the Greenville, Mich., Daily News in May that they were looking forward to a summer of ballparks and fairs in which they would stage races between their favorite cow, Dusty Roads, and two other trained race cows.

Readers' Choice

 Lvnda Taylor, 38, was arrested in Stuart, Fla. in May and charged with aggravated assault specifically, for wearing perfume, spraying Lysol and lighting scented candles. She and her husband, David, have been having marital trouble, and David, who suffers from extreme chemical sensitivity, says Lynda is purposely trying to kill him to get his recent worker's compensation settlement check.

Also, in the Past Month ...

- After protests, organizers of a children's beauty pageant changed their minds and decided that their original plan to have "swimsuit" and "sexy body" categories was not a good idea (Bangkok, Thailand). ... A motorist drove his car into a selfservice car wash hoping to drench a small fire in his engine, but by the time he realized he didn't have any coins, the fire had spread, eventually destroying four of the car wash's eight bays (West Seneca, N.Y.). ... A 38-year-old man attempted to dispose of gunpowder by tossing it into his lighted fireplace, resulting in burns to his head and arms (Pike Creek Valley, Del.).

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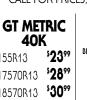
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I had left him in charge of our childhood city, and up until then he'd been doing a good job.

By John Brizzolara

He would have been 50 years old July 9, 2003, but he didn't make it. My brother, Paul, died on May 6 of this year at the age of 49, the same age our father was when he died in 1968. One of the last few times I spoke with Paul on the phone at his home in Arlington, Texas, almost a year ago, he kept repeating that number, 49, and said, "Dad, Holy shit." I tried to reassure him there was no voodoo around that number, that I made it past there more or less all right. But I think he was insisting. "I don't know," he said, "I don't know...49." Maybe he felt it might have been bad taste to outlive Dad, or maybe he looked at the number as an escape clause. I often think Robert Brizzolara was bolting for an escape hatch just about then. For a long time, when people asked what killed my father, I would tell them "1968," and they would unnecessarily repeat the question. What killed my brother was, they tell us, a particularly ravenous type of bone cancer, so fast moving and so pervasive that even an autopsy would not have revealed its point of origin. It got to his brain and liver. He went fast.

Very fast.

With three years between us, he was a huge part of my childhood. He played a large role in my adult life, on occasion, as well, but we were best friends as kids. More than once in the past few years he would call me, announcing himself as "your brother, Paul. You may remember me from such incidents as 'Red Ants in River Forest: 1959.' He'd be referring to one of our many knock-down fights. During one, while

rolling around on the so-called lawn in front of our home in River Forest, Illinois, we both became covered in the biting little reddish bastards. They were stinging us in such volume that our fistfight became a mutual bitch-slap, each of us trying to swat to death dozens of insects inside each other's shirts. That's a pretty early memory, but I have an earlier one.

It was maybe only two years earlier, this time in a town called Bensenville in Illinois. I was six or seven; he was four or five. We shared a room as we did for most of our childhood, though not all of it. In this room we had bunk beds. As the older brother, I claimed the top bunk because it was cool, or neat, as we would have said then. One night, Paul had a bad dream or got scared or was somehow unhappy in that abysmal way only children can be miserable. We both slept on the top bunk that summer night, shirtless, my arm around him; and I remember that his skin was brown and warm from the sun and smoother than the leather on my new infielder's glove. Across from us was a mural my mother had stenciled of cowboys and cacti and horses. It was blanched of its bright colors in the moonlight, and I remember listening to crickets, being happy, and knowing it. It was the first time I recall being consciously aware of the fact that I loved him.

Cut to 1961, maybe. I forged a note from one of our parents, and we bought a pack of Newports and smoked them in the closed train station of River Forest. We smoked ourselves literally to intoxication and began climbing the ivy of the outer walls. Paul climbed higher than I did and could not figure a way down. Eventually a village cop in a squad car advised him over a loud hailer, "Okay, Tarzan. One foot at a time." He climbed down, scared but laughing.

He was extraordinarily funny, but it was the kind of situational funny for which you mostly "had to be there." We were bad, but not terribly bad. Maddeningly mischievous might be letting us off easy, but not far from the truth. Paul tended to get caught more than I did, but we would most often be punished together — probably just more economical timewise for parents with, before they were done in '68, eight children. We ditched school to see movies once in a while, but mostly we were ditching family. Not siblings so much as parents and relatives. We both far preferred our maternal grandmother to the Italian side of the family because she was kind, clearly loved us, indulged us, and there was only one of her (Will Arburn having passed on before our births), and therefore much quieter.

On a ladder, we would pick cherries from a neighbor's tree that draped generously over the property line, and we gorged ourselves sleepy on Jenny Arburn's roof. In our teens, in the mid-1960s, we would smoke hash and, one time, opium up there, and I would read to him from The Time Machine or The War of the Worlds on overlong breaks from mowing the lawn, weeding, or raking leaves. It was always summer or early autumn at Jenny's house in Berkeley, Illinois, and her rooftop bridged an irrecoverable childhood and an implacable adulthood we were too eager for.

And adulthood came blundering violently into our adolescence like a malevolent drunk. I had a little more time to see it coming, to know enough to duck, keep my head below the parapets. Î was 17 and Paul was 14, in 1968, when our lives, our family, the streets of Chicago, and the world shattered into smoldering pieces.

Paul stayed in Chicago, not me. Paul was Chicago. "Mr. Chicago" I called him when he moved to Texas, following a

doomed love. "You don't belong in Texas," I said. Actually I didn't know if he did or didn't, but in my mind, I had left him in charge of our childhood city, and up until then he'd been doing a good job.

He was the vice president of an audiovisual firm and was asked to compile a slide show for the city of Chicago at the landmark Watertower. Visitors from all over the world saw that show with its I-don't-know-how-many-thousands of slides, many of them shot by Paul himself. In the '80s Paul and I hit the bars in Chicago together, both of us nursing incipient alcoholism. We even got kicked out of one place on Lincoln, or Halstead, together, and we found it to be a gratifying bonding experience instead of a wake-up call. We would end up at, say, the Billy Goat Tavern but would often start out at a bar near his office, an Italian restaurant where scenes from Mad Dog and Glory were shot. The scene in which Robert De Niro lip-syncs to Louis Prima's "Just a Gigolo" while he conducts a forensic examination of a murder victim was shot right there where my brother and I used to lean over the jukebox. I don't think I could watch that scene anymore when De Niro sings, "I ain't got no body!"

Paul would no doubt think it funny, and when he comes to me in dreams, as I expect him to, as he did the night before he died — it will be to make me laugh, I'm sure.

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Unless people come to visit, I never get around to the really deep cleaning. For the past few months, I have known that my husband Jack's parents were coming to visit at the end of May. Jack's parents live in Ohio. They planned to come and stay with us for a week to coincide with my second daughter Angela's first Holy Communion.

For the past few months, every time I walked up the stairs in my house, I would see the thin film of grime on the walls left by four years' worth of grubby hands. I took note of the sticky red drops near the landing, probably left when Benjamin went upstairs with an unauthorized cherry Popsicle. "I should really wash these walls," I thought to myself. The task seemed so daunting. "I'll wait until Jack's parents come," I rationalized. "If I do it now, the walls will just be dirty again by the time they arrive."

Soon the impending visit became the reason to defer almost any household task. "Are we going to plant flowers in the front yard?" I asked Jack one Saturday in March.

"We'll do it before my parents come," he answered. "We've got plenty of time."

When Jack noticed the black spots proliferating on our beige carpet, he said, "I should really get the carpet cleaner out and take care of those juice spills."

"Wait until your parents come," I told him. "Otherwise, you'll have to do it again in May."

May arrived. The early part of the month evaporated in softball games and social and school obligations. Jack went out of town for a weekend. In mid-May, I threw my back out. Suddenly, the visit loomed a little over a week away. The Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, Iack and I sat at the breakfast table and plotted out our chores.

"Can we go to the pool?" Rebecca asked hopefully.

"No, Sweetie. I'm sorry," I told her. "Daddy and I have a lot of work to do to get ready for Pa and MoMo's visit. You can help.

Rebecca rolled her eyes and walked from

"I'm serious," I called after her. "On Monday, you girls are going to clean your room. Really clean it. I mean crawl under the bed and get all the junk that's under there."

Angela and Lucy, who had been listening in, groaned.

"We'll work together. It'll be fun." More groans.

Jack worked like a dog all weekend. He made two trips to the dump and three trips to Home Depot. He mowed and edged and swept the front and back yards. He pulled out the weeds that filled the little plot in front of our living room window and installed some wooden edging. After a trip to the nursery with all five kids, he came home with two flats of flowers and some planting mix. Early Monday morning, Jack and the girls planted the flowers. By 10:00, everyone was covered with dark, black earth. The girls posed by our beautiful new flower bed, and Jack took their picture. I admired their

"Now, time to clean your room," I told the girls as they came back in from planting. "And wipe off your feet. They're dirty."

I stretched my back to try to ease the kink on the lower left side. I had spent long periods of the previous two days on my knees scrubbing walls. I had cleaned the black grime and the cherry Popsicle off the stairwell. I had scrubbed doorjambs and doors and doorknobs.

"Mo-o-o-m," Rebecca called from the girls' room. "Angela and Lucy aren't helping."

I walked up the stairs and into the chaos that was the girls' bedroom. Toys and clothes and paper and markers and doll clothes littered the floor. Books sat piled on the desk and the bedside table. A tea set was splayed in disarray atop the dresser. None of the beds was made. Rebecca angrily threw dress-up clothes into a large plastic crate. "You need to help, you guys," she complained to her sisters. "Why am I the only one who ever does anything around here?"

"Mom, Rebecca's being bossy," Angela complained.

Lucy sat on her bed and sucked her fingers. 'Rebecca, stop being so bossy," I said. "Angela, put your dirty clothes in the hamper and make your bed. Lucy, get off your bed and straighten up the desk."

'But it's too hard," Lucy moaned. She stood up slowly and started cleaning off the desktop.

The girls' room got cleaned. Jack and I kept working. By Tuesday night, the house was almost ready. When I went to bed at midnight, Jack was sitting on the living room floor scrubbing black spots with carpet cleaner.

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