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TO OBLIVION

"I had the idea of an average San Diego guy, with a baseball cap, you know, and flannel shirt and Levi's and burritos. He watches the Padres, and he's a bouncer at a topless bar." John Brizzolara was telling me about Nathaniel York, the central character

in his novels *Wirecutter* and *Thunder Moon*. "He's a kind of marginal slob. He's smart, fast, burned out. He was in the Vietnam War. Very cynical. He really doesn't give a damn about anybody or anything, except — here's where you find him — he's got a streak of sentiment, a streak of humanity, a streak of 'this is not right, this is wrong, and I've got to do something about it.' He's the kind of guy that wants to get through life with the least amount of trouble, yet gravitates toward trouble."

Nathaniel York would probably expect to end his days in a room like John Brizzolara's. It's in a clean, attractive residential hotel around the corner from the Little Italy sign. But walking down the hallway of the

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THUNDER MOON



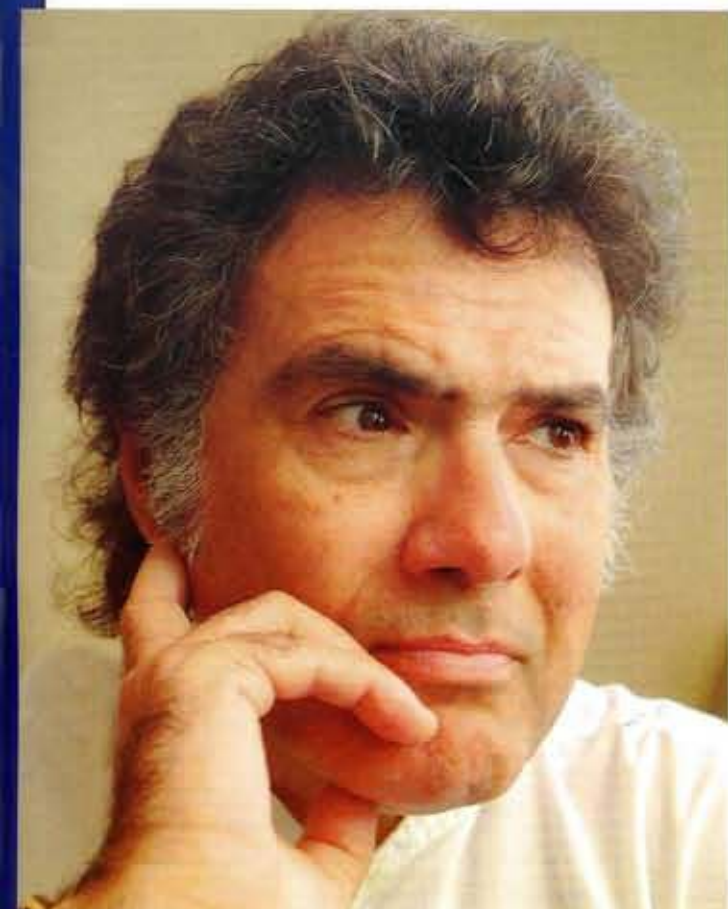
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If one man wants another man dead badly enough, he'll find a way to kill him. If he happens to be wealthy and psychotic, then this poses less problems than it would for most people. Someone like that wanted me dead. I could run, I could even hide, but then that would be running and hiding. There are some things worse than getting killed, and for me, making a career of being a rabbit in a 6', 190-pound body is one of them. Besides, I wanted him dead too. From the first time I saw him.

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I set my bottle of Corona up on the railing to watch the sun burn through the glass in shades of amber and wink back at a thousand refractions of itself on the surface of the water. The ocean was layered with a float of burnished molten coins as far as the horizon. I was thinking about the beauty of it and how much I really wanted to live while Pescado went on about the construction job he was working at the Chula Vista Marina. When he got up to go, Pescado asked me, "Avion, you wanna catch some sets? The tide's almost in. It's gonna get good, I know." He called me Avion because of the way I surfed, with my arms out to my sides like an airplane.

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John Brizzolara

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Family business The wife of embattled San Diego data-processing chief **Roger Talamantez**, under an ethics cloud for his campaign-fundraising work on behalf of city councilman **Jim Madaffer**, who has in turn tended Talamantez's job-related interests, is the head of UCSD's conflict-of-interest office. **Delia Talamantez**, who also serves on the city's Civil Service commission, appointed by Mayor **Dick Murphy**, co-hosted the Madaffer wingding ... An effort to rename a major thoroughfare in Hillcrest for a prominent gay activist is running into resistance from neighbors there. "Following the successful naming of Cesar Chavez Way, it's time for an outstanding member of San Diego's gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender community to be recognized and honored in the same fashion," says a recent letter signed by **Nicole Murray-Ramirez**. "City council member **Toni Atkins** has indicated her willingness to rededicate a street in Hillcrest in honor of a prominent GLBT community member. We believe that **Jess Jessop** should receive this highest honor. Centre Street in Hillcrest has been identified as the best option for this prestigious honor. It is the home address of the Center, the organization with which Jess is most closely associated." Jessop, the letter notes, was founder of the gay center for social services, now officially called the San Diego LGBT Community Center. The name of Atkins aide **Jeff Gattas** also appears on the letter supporting the move. But backers haven't yet convinced **Barbara Brietigan**, who lives in a condo on the street and is working to stop the change. "I don't think they need to rename the whole street and make us change all of our records. They could change the name of the center. Blaine Street is a short street that goes right into the center, and changing the name of that would affect a whole lot fewer people. There are 21 units in our complex, and no one I've talked to yet is in favor of it."



Jess Jessop

School daze Some of those big-cheese school-district executives who were all set to take early retirement have agreed to wait a bit. Ex-Marine colonel **Terry Smith** will be receiving an emergency contract, district sources say, to stay on as chief of staff through December, while district superintendent **Alan Bersin** continues to search for Smith's replacement. **Rick Knott**, widely regarded as the brains behind the school's finances and one who knows where the budgetary bodies are buried, is also set to remain for another six months. He was briefly kicked upstairs earlier this year by ex-Navy admiral **Veronica "Ronne" Froman**, who abruptly walked away from a lucrative gig as the district's business and operations chief in April to take over the local Red Cross ... Termed-out San Diego state senator **Dede Alpert** is on the list of Democrats rumored to be interested in running for governor if the

Gray Davis recall effort succeeds, reports **Mark Gladstone**, the former San Diego-based *L.A. Times* writer who now runs the Sacramento bureau of the *San Jose Mercury News*. Another remote possibility: Clint Eastwood, whose Carmel mayoral campaign was run by John Kern, now top aide to Mayor Dick Murphy. Meanwhile, state treasurer Phil Angelides just collected a \$6000 campaign contribution for his 2006 reelection fund from San Diego's Newland Communities



Altered photo from North County Times

... That front-page apology published last Tuesday by the *North County Times* for electronically editing a photograph to remove a *Union-Tribune* logo from the T-shirt of a ten-year-old softball player was picked up this week by *Washington Post* media critic **Howard Kurtz**. **Gary Hyvonen** and **Ed Early**, the editors responsible for the gaffe, authored a *NC Times* sports section mea culpa: "We believed that it would not be in our paper's best interest to provide a 'front-page plug' in our own paper for our competitors. The decision, clearly, was a wrong one."

Undertow The widow of a Clifton, New Jersey, surfer is suing Oceanside's Stay Covered Surf Accessories, U.S.A., alleging that his surfboard leash, made by the company, was responsible for his drowning last year. Accountant **Daniel Fraunhofer**, 29, was surfing in March 2002 off the Atlantic resort town of Spring Lake on the Jersey Shore south of New York when the leash allegedly snapped. "As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the surf leash and losing his surfboard, with nothing to float onto, Daniel Fraunhofer succumbed to the surf and drowned," according to the lawsuit, as reported by the *Asbury Park Press*. "Like any other athlete, surfers also have a right to expect their equipment will not fail, especially when it is most needed," **Gerald Clark**, an attorney for Fraunhofer's wife **Denise**, said in a prepared statement. "In this case, the leash snapped under ordinary usage because it was defective. Had it not, Danny would be with us today." **Jamie Gregory**, manager for Stay Covered, said the firm would have no comment on the case. Meanwhile, **Dave Gebroe**, the victim's brother-in-law, was spurned by local officials when he sought to shoot scenes of a movie about Fraunhofer's death on a Manasquan beach because it would have disrupted tourists during the busy summer season ... A 27-year veteran of San Diego County's probation department is stepping into the controversial shoes of Alameda County's chief probation officer, **Sylvia Johnson**. **Donald Blevins**, 51, director of adult field services here, will be paid \$125,000.

— Matt Potter

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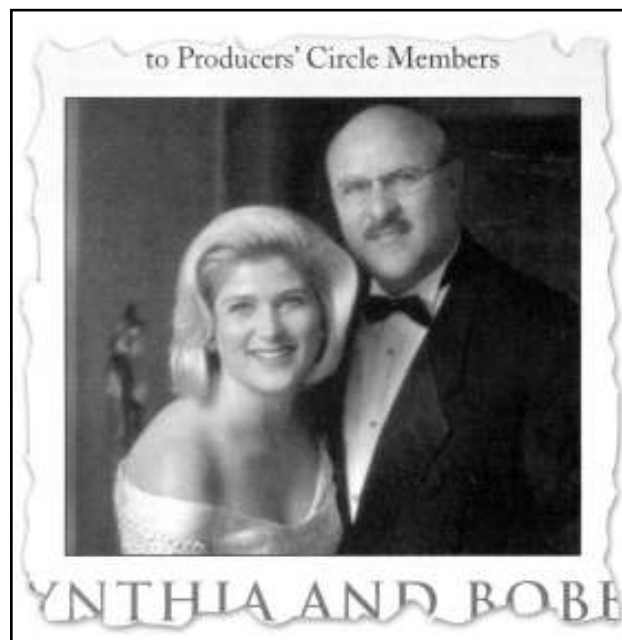
By Don Bauder

In late 1983, U.S. troops invaded and quickly routed the tiny Caribbean island of Grenada on fears that it would become another Cuba.

Today, Grenada is known as home of the most malodorous offshore banks in the Caribbean, and such notoriety is ill fame indeed, since virtually all the secrecy-

ing San Diego's way.

A local company, Presto Telecommunications, and its chief executive, former Texan Alfred Louis "Bobby" Vassallo, are under formal investigation by the U.S. Securities and



Cynthia and Bobby Vassallo, from a San Diego Opera newsletter

shrouded banks in that area emit some foul odor.

Now, Grenada may be exacting a small measure of revenge for the U.S. invasion. Its foul banking odors are waft-

Exchange Commission. The SEC believes that Presto, which hopes to provide telecom service to Mexico, may have been selling its stock deceitfully and illegally. After

Vassallo stalled, the commission finally pinned him down for a sit-down session last week.

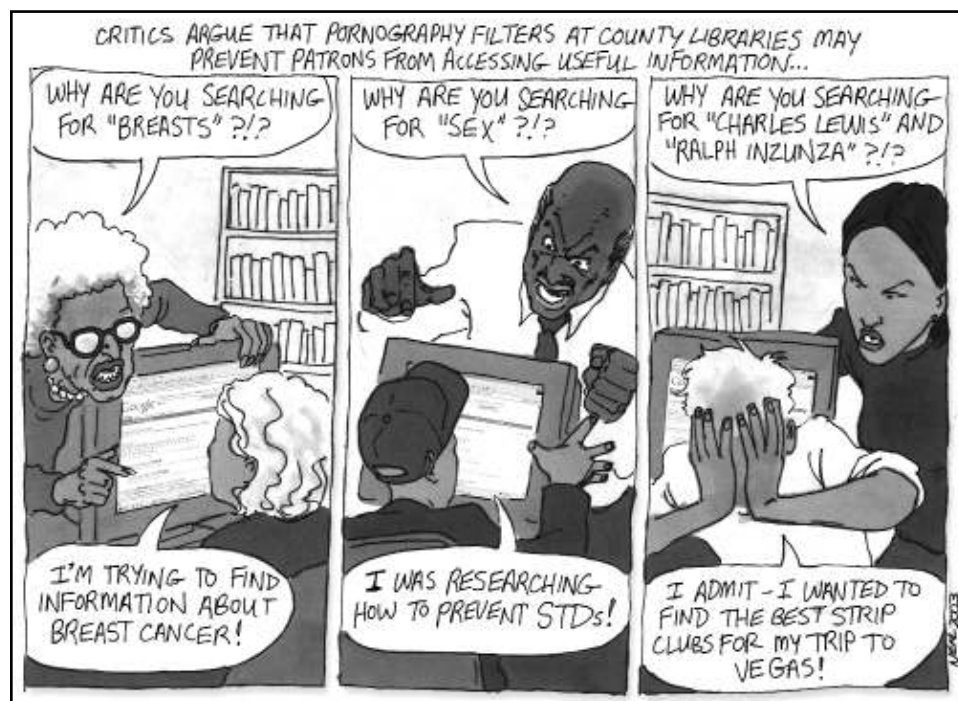
A major question — which the commission refuses to answer — is whether this investigation is tied to a Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal probe of the now-liquidated First International Bank of Grenada, Ltd. The collapse three years ago of that bank — if you can call it that — was the most spectacular in Caribbean banking history and one of the most bizarre in all banking history.

In his final report of June 2, 2002, the court-appointed liquidator of the bank said that it "was a sham from its inception. Funds received by [the bank] were, in the vernacular, proceeds of crime, and are therefore tainted monies." He said he continues to provide information to the FBI. Several years ago, it would have been unthinkable for a small country making money on its offshore banks to cooperate with a foreign investigative agency. But there has been so much heat over worldwide money laundering — particularly by characters such as Osama bin Laden — that some countries are reluctantly cooperating.

The bank was offering returns of up to 250 percent a year to investors and plucked about \$125 million from the pockets of mainly U.S. suckers. The bank claimed deposits were backed by an in-

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They Hit My Windshield with a Baseball Bat

By Ernie Grimm

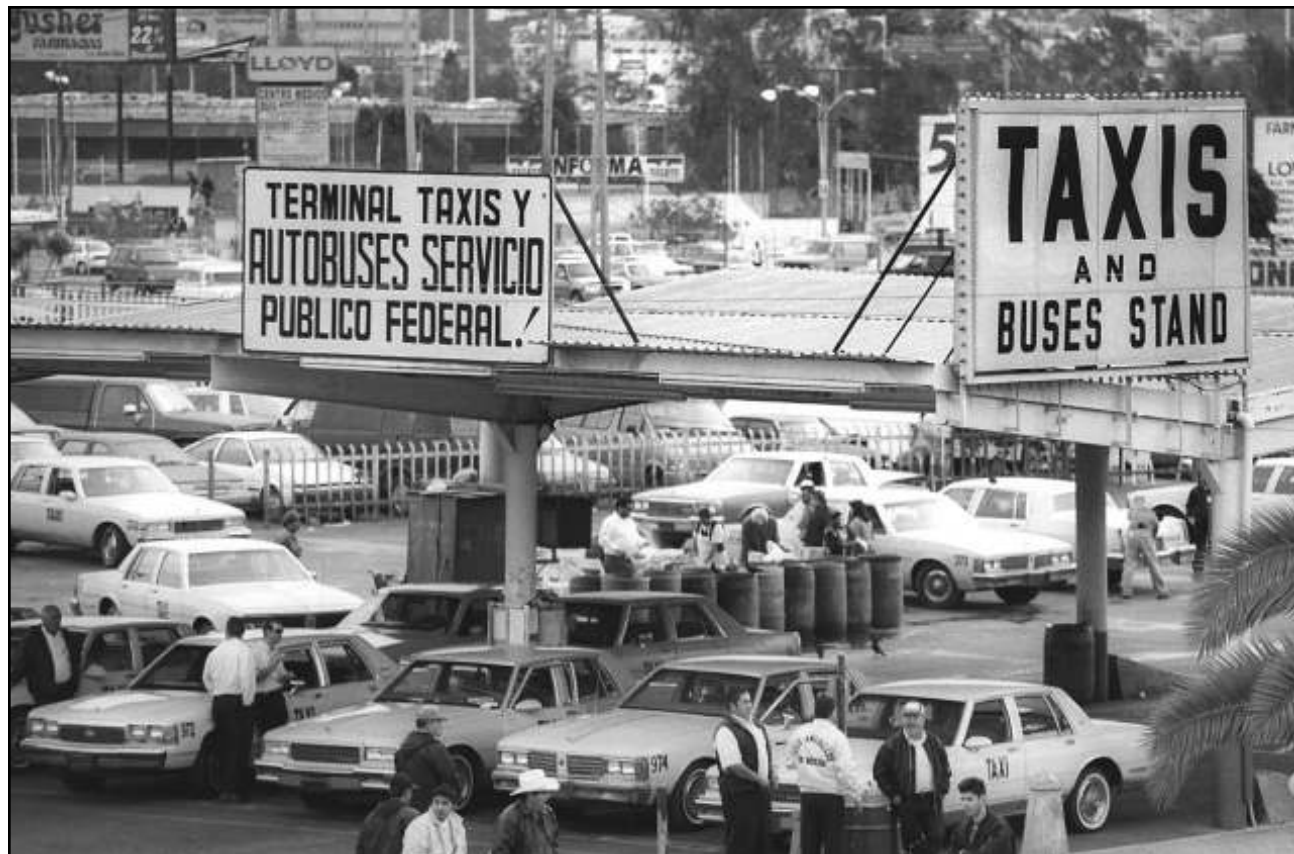
Something about me must say “gringo” to the dozen taxi drivers awaiting as I emerge from the clanking turnstiles that lead in to Tijuana. Though I’m surrounded by others crossing on foot at about 5:45 p.m., the heart of the south-bound rush hour, all of the *taxistas* seem to be looking at me and asking, “Taxi, amigo?”

I nod to the nearest, a tall mustached man in his early 40s. He leads me to a yellow late-1980s Chevy Caprice parked a few yards away amid a sea of identical yellow cabs. Though the brown fabric bench seat is clean, soft, and springy, the speed with which my driver takes off toward Ninth Street and Constitución Avenue prevents all comfort. I ask his name, and he either doesn’t hear me or doesn’t want to answer. So I ask why there were only yellow cabs at the border gate. “Because that is our *sitio*,” he answers. “The yellow taxi union owns that lot. Other taxi unions own lots in other parts of the city. But they can’t

driver, “are new. They go all over the city. They have no *sitio*.” As we pull alongside the other taxi, I notice the words “Taxi Libre” (free taxi) painted between the orange stripes.

“How do you and the other yellow taxi drivers feel about the *taxis libres* operating near your site?” I ask. But instead of answering, he turns on a radio broadcast of the Padres game and turns it way up. And he doesn’t speak again until we reach the corner of Ninth and Constitución. “Six dollars,” he says.

Seems high, but there’s no meter in the taxi, so what can I do but be grateful he didn’t say 12? I give him the 6 plus a dollar tip and walk a couple of blocks south down Constitución to the Mexicoach bus terminal. Mexicoach runs the red buses that carry tourists back and forth over the border. In the small café



Taxi stand at border

says. “It’s a need that a modern city like ours needs. These vehicles are all new taxis, they are comfortable, and it has an honest amount being charged to you. You have a meter, which tells you honestly or exactly how much you need to pay.”

The taxi libre system started in 2002 as a project of the mayor’s office. Before that, there were two types of taxis in Tijuana. One was the

boulevards and avenues picking up fares much as a city bus would. They are usually station wagons, built in the 1980s, which their drivers fill with as many people as possible. “The collective taxis are very uncomfortable,” Miller says, “because they overload them.”

Miller believes that the route taxis are a good part of the transportation system because they offer affordable and timely transportation to the populace. But he thinks there are too many of them working in the city. “The majority of the cities in Mexico don’t have the amount of collective taxis that Tijuana has proportionately,” he says. “And instead of being these station wagons, they should be larger vehicles that move big quantities of people more comfortably.”

Miller feels that the *sitio* taxis are a good idea as well, though he admits they have a bad reputation “because of the way that they sometimes overcharge. There are a lot of good taxi drivers, but there are also the bad ones that kind of abuse the system and overcharge. And that is the stigma that they have.”

All the more reason, he believes, to introduce the *taxis libres*, which are metered. “We have never had metered taxis in Tijuana, until these new taxis were established.

But there is opposition to them because the interests of other drivers are being affected.”

The opposition hasn’t been in word only. About 300 taxi drivers disrupted an April 11 city council meeting and broke some windows at the municipal government building in the Zona Rio. On April 21, a group of yellow taxi drivers surrounded a taxi libre driver, punched him in the face, and made the two women he was driving get out of the car. In early May, Molotov cocktails were thrown through the window of the municipal Department of Highways and Transportation. And on May 11, taxi drivers blocked streets in the Zona Rio in protest of the new *taxis libres*.

“The taxi unions are very strong,” Miller says. “They are trying to protect their rights, and I believe that their rights should be protected. A lot of families depend on the established taxi system. It’s their livelihood. But all of the major cities in Mexico have *taxis libres*, and I think the mayor and the city government were right to decide that Tijuana should have them too.”

To get back to the border, I flagged down a taxi libre, a Nissan Sentra, on the corner of Ninth and Constitución. “Juan Carlos Lemus,” the driver answers when I ask his

name. Before we start rolling toward the border, he resets the meter lodged in the dashboard. It shows 5 pesos, about



Olegario Miller

50 cents. “It’s 5 pesos plus 3.72 pesos per kilometer,” he explains.

Lemos tells me he has driven this taxi libre since the system was started in December of last year. Before that he drove a route taxi, “A big station wagon,” he says. I ask which he likes better; in the rearview mirror, I can see him grin. “This one. In the route taxi I made about the same amount of money as I do now, but I drove the same streets over and over again. In the libre, I can go all over the city, wherever I want. The hours pass very quickly. And the gas mileage is a lot better.”

“Have you had any problems from route and *sitio* drivers?” I ask as we cruise

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come into our *sitio*, and we can’t go into theirs.”

“Then who is that guy?” I ask, pointing at a late-model Toyota Corolla painted white with two horizontal orange stripes painted down the sides.

“Those guys,” answers my

inside the terminal I meet Olegario Miller, the general manager of Mexicoach and a 30-year veteran of the Tijuana transportation industry. He’s a heavyset man, well-dressed, with bright eyes behind thick glasses. “I think the *taxis libres* are a good program,” he

sitio taxis, such as the yellow cabs, that operate from a central site. They pick up fares at the *sitio* and bring them from there to any place in the city. The other type of Tijuana taxi was route taxis, also known as collective taxis, which drive back and forth on the major

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insurance operation that turned out to be a total sham. Mortified, Grenada closed down 17 other banks be-

lieved to be associated with First International.

With the money it took in, the bank made a handful of investments. Lo and behold, when it collapsed, the bank had 351,459 shares of Presto. The liquidator had a gloomy

assessment of Presto's future: "Presto could forfeit its rights to its main asset, as it had no cash flow to develop the license it held," he said.

The liquidator, Marcus A. Wide of the Grenada office of the accounting firm Pricewa-

terhouseCoopers, did get some modest money for the Presto shares. But he gave the San Diego company no vote of confidence by reporting that the bank "had no coherent investment strategy." The bank invested in "pet pro-

jects" of senior management, said Wide.

And what a senior management! Investigative reporters who cover Caribbean banks have had a field day with First International Bank

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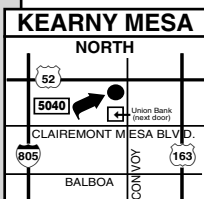
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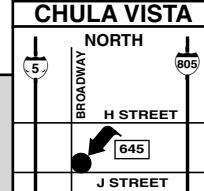
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of Grenada. In 1994, a mortgage banker and purported minister named Gilbert Allen Ziegler went into bankruptcy

and departed for Oregon. In 1997, he established the Grenada Bank.

He got into Grenada with a passport from a country named Melchizedek. Problem: it doesn't exist, except in cyberspace. Ziegler claimed that

Melchizedek's boundaries were the entire planet Earth. Then he capitalized the bank with a letter of appraisal on a ruby said to be worth \$20 million. Problem: neither Ziegler nor the bank owned the ruby. Then, spewing religious

rhetoric, he launched the investment program promising fantastic returns. Money flowed in, but little flowed out. The bank collapsed.

While riding high, Ziegler had changed his name to Van A. Brink — a name, he said,

that had spiritual meaning. The bank plunked \$4.5 million into investments in Uganda. After the bank collapsed, Van Brink (a.k.a. Ziegler) disappeared to Uganda, but he kept the bank's Uganda assets.

While Ziegler and the bank were fleecing unsuspecting investors, Vassallo and Presto were hornswoggling their investors, the Securities and Exchange Commission has reason to believe. Since at least 1998, Presto, Vassallo, and their salespersons may have used fraudulent devices to peddle Presto stock, says the commission, noting Presto is not registered with the commission and neither are its securities.

On April 23, the commission served a subpoena to Vassallo, requiring him to testify beginning May 8. On May 8, Vassallo said he had changed attorneys and couldn't make it. Then Vassallo got two additional extensions and wanted a third. Finally he agreed to huddle with commission investigators on July 9 and 10.

The government appears to doubt Vassallo's excuses. On June 19, David S. Brown, staff attorney of the commission, wrote to Irving M. Einhorn of Los Angeles, one of Presto's two attorneys on the matter. "You assured us that Mr. Vassallo would appear for testimony," said Brown's letter. But, he noted, Vassallo first begged off on the grounds that he was meeting with President Bush and President Vicente Fox of Mexico in San Francisco to receive an award. "You never did provide us with any evidence of Mr. Vassallo's invitation to attend any such event."

Later, Vassallo wanted off the hook because he supposedly was meeting with the American ambassador to Mexico. Again, there was no evidence, said Brown's letter testily.

"Now they want evidence. They didn't ask for evidence," insists Einhorn.

The key questions remain: how did Presto's stock wind up in the Grenada bank's portfolio? Did Vassallo or another Presto official know Ziegler and/or his associates? Did a Presto investor plunk Presto stock, rather than cash, into the bank's scam? Did Presto have banking relationships with First International?

Neither Einhorn nor Thomas G. Kimble of Salt Lake City, Presto's second securities lawyer, knew about the Grenada adventure. Kimble promised to find out and call me back in two days. He

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didn't.

Einhorn says he is not giving the official version, but, "We didn't know the stock was there, don't know how it got there," says Einhorn. Presto told the liquidator that it wouldn't buy back the shares. However, "some of the larger shareholders might have bought it when they were told they could buy it cheap."

Daryl E. Sands of Price-waterhouseCoopers in Grenada confirms that Presto refused to buy the stock, and it was sold to a Presto shareholder. He says the bank originally invested in a company named Automated Telecommunications, which, he believes, was later purchased by Presto. But according to Presto's website, Automated was an earlier name for Presto. So the mysteries remain. Sands, who dealt with Vassallo on the matter, confirms that Presto wouldn't buy back the stock, but a shareholder did.

For several months, I have been getting sketchy reports of unhappy Presto investors. They had been told that the company would go public, but now, as Kimble admits, the company has no revenue, "so it has to rely on private equity capital." That's another way of saying the company is selling its stock instead of its services. It's a road to financial perdition. Kimble insists Presto is close to a business launch. But investors have heard that story for years.

There are many questions about Vassallo. He showed up in San Diego in 1994 and tried to worm into a moribund La Jolla telecom company that later failed. Vassallo noted correctly that the company's head was a disbarred attorney. The company's chief financial officer, in turn, called Vassallo "a hustler and tax-shelter promoter." In the mid-1980s, Vassallo lived in Los Angeles, managing the TV acting career of his wife, Rebecca Holden. Vassallo claimed then, as now, that he had made a fortune in oil heading a company named Texploration. I can't find anything about the company, but that doesn't mean it doesn't exist or has never existed.

Vassallo and Holden got

divorced, and he showed up in San Diego with a new wife, Cynthia. Bobby Vassallo talked big and spent big bucks. The two got on the board of the San Diego Opera. They got their pictures in programs and newsletters

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But, says Ian Campbell, general director of the opera, "The Vassallos pledged \$100,000 to our January 2002 production of Verdi's *Rigoletto* but left the board before paying the full amount." ■

Hit my windshield

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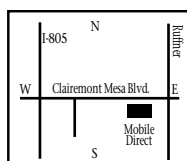
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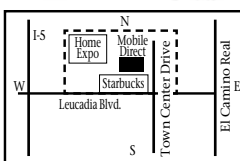
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE



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Matt:

Where did the term "hog heaven" come from? I have heard that it has to do with breeding pigs, that when the hog reaches sexual bliss, it lasts for several minutes. Can you clarify? My brother and sister-in-law don't believe me.

— Looking for Hog Heaven in Poway

And well they might. But I'm sure they didn't offer an alternative explanation. Once again the great thinkers in wordville let us down. There's no official explanation for the origin of the term. The Merriam Webster folks say it's American and that the first print reference dates to 1945. But in 1871 the founders of the town that would become Moscow, Idaho, named their patch of land Hog Heaven, Idaho. So the concept of porcine euphoria is older than '45. It's likely just another of those rhyming or repeat-letter phrases that we like so well (the bee's knees, frinstance).

We also need to rid you of the bad animal-husbandry facts that make your explanation doubly doubtful. There isn't any extraordinary sexual bliss in the pigpen. Not even pigpens in Poway. That kind of stuff seems to be reserved for humans and our close relatives. The bogus story might come from the unusual design of pigs' equipment and the necessity of getting both sets of said equipment working in synch. The boar's penis is shaped something like a corkscrew. So's the sow's vagina. All the twirly parts have to match up before they can make little pigs. This can take a little longer than usual with some other animals. So it's the early innings that might be prolonged, not the ninth. But if you imagine some hayseed watching pigs do it, I suppose the phrase "hog heaven" might occur to him. But that's what's called a folk etymology. And the world is full of folk who'll believe it.

Dear Ma:

I recently took an online traffic-school course. Is it true that newer vehicles must have their lights on in the daytime? And our local recycling guy objects to my bare feet. He said it's illegal to drive without shoes. True?

— Barefoot in Lakeside

So, Bare, does the recycling guy say what kind of shoes the state makes us wear? Can we get away with some 99-cent-store flip-flops? Anything in the law about socks? No, no. It's called the vehicle code, not the dress code. Recycling guy is just worried about litigation. You step on some stray recyclables and sue him, he'll be shoeless, shirtless, pantsless, and in eternal debt to his lawyer. It's not illegal to drive barefoot. But before I got out of my car and walked around a business that deals mainly in broken glass and scrap metal, I might consider putting on foot protection of some kind. We gotta give the recycling guy that one.

As for that online driving school, you're now officially a less-informed driver than you were before you signed up. Only new cars have to turn on their lights? How new is new? And do we have this law because a '72 Buick is so hard to see? One feature of many newish cars is driving lights that come on automatically when you fire up the engine. It is a safety feature, but not one required by law.

Matt:

Some ladies I work with have been discussing which bra straps give the best support. Some say regular, some say racerback. Can you help? I know which I prefer...

— A Guy in the Office

Wish we could hand this one off to Grandma, but as she's fond of telling us, she has a closet full of aprons but hasn't worn underwear since Woodstock. Luckily, we found a research elf who could say "bra straps" without snickering, and Grandma agreed to go along as a consultant, so we were in business.

A lot of good it did us. Couldn't get agreement about much of anything from the bra barons. But manufacturers we talked to, including one outfit that made specialty bras for post-surgery patients, all say support is more than a strap issue. It's a whole engineering thing, kind of like an architect designing a cantilevered deck. A big mathematical tangle of stresses and counterstresses. Since an individual breast can weigh ten pounds or more in the larger sizes (JJ was the biggest we found), and breast tissue is supported by skin, not muscle, a bra has its work cut out for it.

Bra builders do agree that in terms of support, cup construction and proper fit are more important than what kind of straps you have. Breast bulk is not suspended from the straps like Italian cheeses hanging in a deli. Stitching or underwires under the cup help transmit boob weight to the chest band, which in turn transmits the stress to the straps. Racerbacks spread the stress across the back; they're potentially more comfortable but not necessarily more uplifting. And if your office pals are typical of women in several industry surveys, half of them wear the wrong size bra anyway, so uplift is just a theory.

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



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SportingBox

By Patrick Daugherty

Back In Business

News Flash. Chicago. Lacking a star player to contribute, the San Diego Padres sent their team mascot to baseball’s 74th All-Star Game. The fat little friar went 3 for 5 and had 4 RBIs. Well, not really, but almost.

The Padres did send one human being player to the All-Star Game, but only because every team has to have at least one representative at every All-Star Game. Hey, it’s the rules. And who better to represent the legacy, character, and grit of the San Diego Padres than longtime (since March 18, 2003) Padres’ hitting sensation (.275 batting average), household name, who, at the age of 31, still has a lot of game left in him, the pride of San Diego, the best we have, introducing, in the blue corner, Rondell White. Let’s put our hands together!

Now, this is not really about Rondell White. Mr. White is being used to make another point. Ordinarily, I would feel bad about that, but when I consider that Mr. White is making \$5,500,000 this year, I quickly come to the heartfelt conclusion that he can take a joke.

Three weeks back, the Box offered good-faith advice to the Padres, suggesting that they hire the Canseco brothers and Rickey Henderson for their late-season charge. Said charge being a full-court press to win more games than Detroit and thus claim the second-worst record in baseball. The suggestion was part joke and part nonjoke, Rickey Henderson being the nonjoke part.

Since spring training, any major-league team could have picked up Henderson on any day for minimum wage. Even at the age of 44, Henderson would not be the worst, second to the worst, or, third-, fourth-, fifth-, sixth-, seventh-worst player on the Padres’ roster. The Pads could have hired him for chump change, saved money, improved the team while giving a lot of fans a reason to slog out to Qual-comm. I did not think that was a controversial point of view. It’s not as if any of those “Is-the-ballpark-built-yet?” greedheads roosting in the Padres executive offices were committed to signing Rickey to a \$200 million, ten-year contract. We’re talking 63 days until the Padres’ last game of 2003.

Henderson has played baseball in the major leagues for 24 years. His career batting average is .279 — sorry, Mr. White — and, more importantly, his on-base percentage (OBP) is .402. OBP measures how often a player reaches base by way of a hit, a walk, or being hit by a pitch. After 134,321 games, Henderson has gotten on base 4 times out of every 10 times he went to the plate. That’s what you want a leadoff hitter to do. Get on base. That’s why he’s batting first in the line-up.

If somebody does that well for 24 years, 167 days, odds are he will do it well for 24 years, 168 days. But this year, Rickey couldn’t get a job in the major leagues. No team invited him to spring training. Henderson was so lightly regarded, he wasn’t offered a spot with any Triple AAA ball team. Or any major league-affiliated Double AA or Single A team. Nothing. Zip. Nada. So, Henderson signed with the Atlantic League, an independent baseball league not affiliated with Major League Baseball. He played for the Newark Bears, said league and team considered to be on the Double AA level.

So, what did he do? Regard, a July 14

press release issued by the Newark Bears: “With Newark, Henderson batted .339 with 8 home runs and 33 runs-batted-in. At the time of his departure from the Bears, Henderson was the second-leading hitter in the Atlantic League, was tied for the league lead in runs scored (52), led the league in on-base percentage (.493), and was second in slugging percentage (.591). He also had nine stolen bases and led off three games with homeruns.” Oh, and Rickey was voted MVP of the Atlantic League All-Star Game. He hit a double for an RBI and walked, leading his team to a 3-to-2 win.

On Monday the Dodgers acquired Henderson for a reported \$300,000, which is, for the mathematically inclined, \$2,200,000 under the major-league average and \$5,200,000 less than Mr. White’s current salary. To put it another way, the Dodgers spend \$105 million on payroll. Henderson is room service. There has been sniveling about Henderson “padding

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his stats” by continuing to play baseball. After all, he’s already a first-round Hall of Famer and is number one on the following all-time lists: runs scored (2288), walks (2179), and stolen bases (1403). Throw in 3040 hits, a dozen other records, and now he wants more. Well, sure he does. So what? Who cares what Henderson wants? It’s not about padding his stats, it’s not about giving him anything, it’s about what he can do for us. There are few things more obvious than the fact that Henderson can still play baseball. Worse, he won’t stop and he’ll play for a contemptible \$300,000. It’s Baaack.

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Singles program: yes

Diversity: Hispanic

Dress: dressy

Services: Sunday worship, 1:30 p.m., Wednesday worship, 7:00 p.m.

"Let me tell you a story about a boy who liked to play basketball. One day he was on his way home from playing a game when he was hit by a drunk driver. He was hit so hard that he was 90 percent decapitated. Only his voice box functioned.

"When he got to the hospital, the doctors didn't know what to do. This was the first time in *human history* that there was an operation to reconnect a human head! The doctors knew they had to operate, but they weren't sure if the young man would survive the operation. When they told him that they had to operate, he said, 'Wait! No one touches me until I speak with my pastor!'"

Reverend Ricardo Arroyo, sitting in his motorized wheelchair, screamed so loudly that his face turned scarlet. Veins bulged on his forehead and neck.

"That's what I call *true faith!* If you ever run into anyone with a disconnected head, just say, 'I believe with a complete faith that *God will reconnect his head!*'"

Last Wednesday evening I visited Praise Tabernacle in Sherman Heights. If I were to rank religions on a loudness scale, I'd place Quakers and Zen Buddhists and Roman Catholics at the bottom. At the very top, Mexican Pentecostals. No one else comes close. Not even white or African-American Pentecostals.

"In Mexico, you're surrounded by Roman Catholicism. Its symbols, art, music, customs, traditions," Praise Tabernacle's senior pastor, Jaime Santos, told me early last week. "To be Mexican means being Roman Catholic by culture, but not necessarily by faith. Only within the past ten years have Mexicans started to understand that a religious person isn't necessarily a Roman Catholic."

Praise Tabernacle sits atop a hill with a broad view of the Coronado bridge. The church is so simple that you'd never guess that since it was founded in 1950, it's generated 40 other Asamblea Apostolica congregations around the county, the largest of which, according to Reverend Santos, is in National City with 600 members.

Asamblea Apostolica has its roots in the Azusa Street Revival of 1906. Like other non-Trinitarian Pentecostal denominations, the Asamblea embraced a number of particularisms. Women cover their hair during worship and are forbidden to wear jewelry or make-up. The Asamblea holds that Speaking in Tongues is crucial for salvation. Alcohol is forbidden.

Praise Tabernacle's men favor tailored sports jackets and bright ties; the women, long-sleeved blouses and knee-length skirts. The many kids are particularly well turned out. The dress code gave an agreeably retro-grade feel to last Wednesday night's service. As did Reverend Arroyo's feverish sermon. He kicked off the evening by playing several solos on his trumpet, including a jazz rendition of the old hymn "He Keeps Me Singing."

You don't encounter that old-fashioned showmanship in many churches nowadays.

Most churches are hell-bent on being *cool*. But Reverend Arroyo, a "national evangelist" for the Asamblea Apostolica, belongs to another era. He screamed for an hour. By the end of the evening, he had dozens of men and women on their knees, pounding the carpet, weeping and crying out to God.

While folks were weeping and wailing, I spoke with 43-year-old Reverend Jaime Santos. He told me he was born in Tijuana, in Colonia Libertad. As an adolescent, he crossed the border to find work. He was one of 13 children. His family needed money.

"I came to San Diego without documents. I needed a job. Like most immigrants who came to this country, I had my share of emotional problems, family problems. I started coming to this church three times a week. I felt something different here. Eventually, the church realized I was serious. They ended up sending me to school and, later, to seminary. I would have never had the opportunity to study if I'd stayed in Mexico."

I asked if he'd noticed any trends in his denomination.

"An interesting thing about Mexican Pentecostalism is that we're starting to get a lot of people who were involved in the charismatic movement within the Roman Catholic Church. They've had a charismatic experience, and they want *more*. They want an experience that's less structured.

"What I think many Americans don't understand is that Mexican Pentecostalism isn't brand new. The only thing that's new is that there are now many more Mexicans in the United States, so we're getting more attention. Mexican Pentecostalism started shortly after the Azusa Street Revival. We've been around for almost one hundred years. A century. Incredible, isn't it?"

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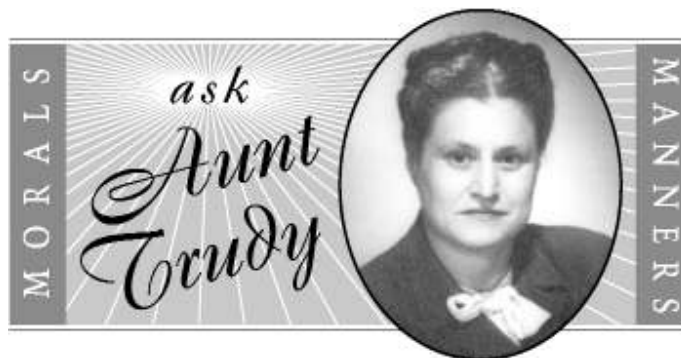


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Dear Readers,

Here's a response to a response to a letter that has generated quite a bit of mail. As regular readers may recall, the original missive from "Disappointed Brother" described a situation in which his sister's family was being visited by members of the La Mesa Police Department on a regular basis because a neighbor felt their music and conversations were too loud. "E.E." responded to "Disappointed Brother's" letter by observing that noise pollution is an urban problem, which he felt was exacerbated by people living too close together in areas like La Mesa, due to the puny size of many housing lots.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I was outraged at E.E. in Downtown SD's response to "Disappointed Brother's" concern for his family. I live and have grown up in and around La Mesa. Contrary to E.E.'s view, we don't have "postage-stamp-sized lots." I believe strongly that this person missed the point of the original letter. No family or person, whether they be black, white, blue, or red, deserves to have the police show up at their house continually just because a neighbor thinks that the new family on the block is too loud. If the other neighbors have no issues and it's only one person that does, then there is an issue other than the loudness. Families also have the same right to come home and relax after a stressful day at work or school without "unwelcome intrusion," something I feel E.E. may be confused about. I feel that if these people truly have an issue with the noise, then there are more mature ways to handle the issue rather than calling the police every week. I shared your article with several coworkers, and we all had the same opinion that the family should contact the police to see what options they have with the harassment that this neighbor is inflicting on them.

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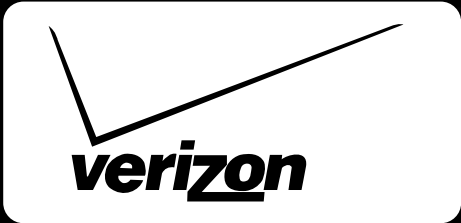
Dear Aunt Trudy,

My friend Avery is a smart and decent guy. We work in the same field. Lately Avery has become a big complainer about his career. He has lots of beefs about not getting ahead and about the politics of our business. There are things that Avery is doing and not doing in his work life that are clearly impeding his professional progress. These things are hard for him to see because he gets so emotional about success and advancement issues, and easy for me to identify because I can be more objective. I feel affectionate and brotherly toward Avery, so after hearing the same work-related complaints for several months, I offered some ideas about how he could increase his productivity and so on, which would lead to the kinds of improvements in his professional life he says he is after. But every time I offer any such advice or feedback (after listening to hours of carping), Avery gets really mad at me and acts like I've insulted his mother. He says that I'm being macho, or I don't understand what's involved, or that it's easy for me to say because I've got it made. What am I supposed to do when my friend goes on and on about being miserable in work situations he could easily do something about, but when I point out possible courses of action he could take to improve things, he bites my head off?

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Dear Given the Business,

You seem to be asking your dissatisfied friend, as Horace asked in one of his *Odes*, "Why do you exhaust me with your complaints?" I've got a hunch that Avery may be whining not because he wants help or advice, but because he is a connoisseur of the fine art of complaining. Sometimes a person who's moaning and groaning about their life — especially if they do it on a regular basis and get hostile when people try to help — doesn't want solutions offered by a bright-eyed friend and colleague, much as it may sound as if he or she is begging for aid. He may just want to let off steam and in doing so find a little sympathetic commiseration. That's my guess about your friend. If that's the case, and if you can stomach it, try responding to Avery's grouching with only supportive utterances and sympathy. That's the placating response. Or you could take the bull by the horns and admit, "I don't know what to say when you complain like this. I'm so fond of you my instinct is to try to offer practical suggestions to address these problems, but every time I do, it seriously irritates you. How can I be helpful here? I hate to see you so upset." Beware, though. This latter response entails a risk: making the truly committed complainer even more furious.



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Nellie came into our lives at Christmas. Santa brought the gray and white miniature Schnauzer all the way from New Mexico where she was born. Immediately she became a family member, beloved by our children. For our first few weekend trips, she came along, sleeping in her crate in the car. This arrangement, however, has become difficult as our trips are more frequent and some of our destinations not animal-friendly. So I went on the hunt for a suitable pet hotel. With my Irish luck, I found one less than a mile from home.

"Mr. Rowe and I have owned this kennel since 1961," explained Jackie Rowe, owner of Rowe's La Mesa Pet Hotel. "Between us we have 100 years experience in the kenneling business. We worked for a large kennel in St. Louis and apprenticed there. My husband is a retired professional handler, I am a retired AKC judge, and we have traveled all over the world showing dogs, judging dogs, and giving seminars."

The Rows don't board only dogs. "We take care of dogs and cats and small animals like rabbits, hamsters, mice, birds — anything but snakes. I don't know anything about snakes," laughed Rowe.

What are the accommodations for the animals?

"The dogs have a compartment inside that is temperature-controlled where they eat and sleep. They have an outside play yard that is 5-by-15 feet long, which is covered and shaded and has rubber matting over the concrete so that they don't lay on the concrete. When it is nice weather, they are outside almost all day long. Everybody comes in at night and they are fed and they go night-night. The cats are kept inside in a cattery in a separate part of the building from the dogs. They have kitty condos with two balconies in a temperature-controlled room."

Do you ever have a problem with a dog being too aggressive?

"It is truly an exception to have a problem with an animal. I can't even remember when that has happened. If you take the time and the patience to sit down and make up with the dogs and make them secure...because usually the reason why the animal will get aggressive and out of control is because they are insecure. So they need the security; sometimes it takes a little TLC. Our goal is to make the dogs happy and comfortable while they are away from home."

Is there a certain limit to the length of boarding for the animals?

"No, we have had animals left with us for five years. If the family is moving overseas and can't bear to give the animal away, we will board them."

Is it difficult on the animal to be left often with someone else?

"Actually, it is better for them; just like kids going to the babysitter. They become very used to us, and they know the routine. They don't have the insecurity of not knowing what is going on. When you board animals, your attitude has a lot to do with how your animal is going to react. You need to come into it with a positive attitude. You have to trust who you have left your dog with,



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"They have kitty condos with two balconies in a temperature-controlled room."

feel secure with them. Reassure your dog that it is a good thing; that he is not being abandoned, he is just going to camp. Most dogs are social and they do like the other dogs, and they enjoy the activity that goes on here."

When is pet-sitting a better option than pet-boarding?

"I personally think pet-sitting is stupid unless you are going to have somebody come and stay at your house. But if you are just going to have somebody come in once a day and feed the dogs, well, that is scary. That is like leaving a two-year-old child alone. The house could burn down, a burglar could come in, and these things have happened. I have had people call me panicked; a couple of instances where the people's houses burned down and their pets died. Dogs have to be in a safe and secure place. So I personally am not in favor of pet-sitting unless there is somebody staying at the house."

Do you ever have people not pick up their pets?

"All the time," chuckled Rowe. "I just figured up a bill — this gal owes us **\$3000**. She brought in two dogs, two rats, and a bird and dumped them on us. By law we have to try to contact them, and they have to be given a certain amount of time to respond. If we don't hear from them, then the animals become legally ours and we always try to find homes for them. I have some cats out here that I couldn't find homes for so we have a space in the cattery for them and they live there."

What should people be looking out for when choosing a pet hotel?

"The place should look neat and clean and smell good and the people that you are dealing with look presentable. But I know just about every kennel in San Diego, and I couldn't say anything against any of them. First of all, it is a practical thing. Kennel property is expensive; it is prime. It is difficult to get a kennel license, expensive to get the property, and expensive to set up a kennel. So people have a big investment, and they are not going to put that kind of money into a business and then not take care of it."

Rowe's La Mesa Pet Hotel charges **\$10** a day for cats, and **\$11** to **\$18** a day for dogs, depending on the size of the dog. They also offer grooming services: baths run **\$18-\$50** and trims **\$26** and up. All services include nails, ears, and anals.

The pet hotel requires the cats to have the FVRCP shots and the dogs to have proof of the DHLPPC, bordatella, and rabies shots. Some other prices around town on pet hotels (a miniature schnauzer dog as the example): Mission Valley Kennels charges **\$14** a night for dogs, **\$7** a night for cats.

Fon-Jon Pet Care Center, in the Mission Bay area, charges **\$22** a day for dogs and **\$13** a day for cats.

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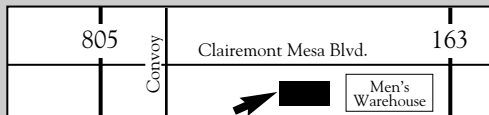
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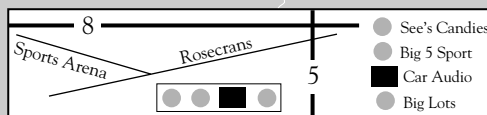
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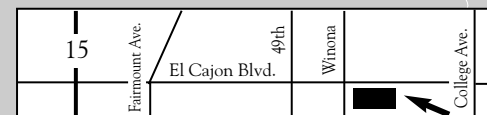
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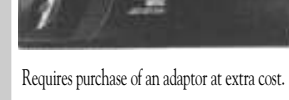
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by Daniel Ridge

from the outside of the Auditorio de Tijuana, one would think a circus was going on inside. Or a freak show. The banner above the entrance is a mural of brightly colored masks and grotesque monsters, one looking like the Creature from the Black Lagoon. I didn't know Mexican wrestlers were supposed to be scary like that, or comical. On the sidewalk vendors are selling wrestling masks and figurines to excited children and families. One of my friends bought a silver mask with hearts over the eyes and an American flag on each cheek. They've also got Spiderman and the Hulk, though I doubt we'll be seeing them in the arena tonight.

Walking into the auditorium is like entering a Rocky movie. Theme music like *Chariots of Fire* blares over the loudspeakers as the wrestlers make their entrance at the far side under a spray of disco lights and fog. The audience is mostly families, children, teenagers, Mexican cowboys. This is a local event for Mexican families and wrestling fans far from the Revolución tourist strip. It seems our group is the only mixed crowd of Americans at the match tonight, but there's no problem in that. Everyone is in high spirits, cheering and screaming, then booing at the villains. Our \$15



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tickets put us ten rows back from the wrestling mat, elevated a little so we're just about parallel with the fighting. I wouldn't want to be any closer for fear of being sprayed with sweat and blood. It reminds me a little bit of the blue seats at a Shamu show: the first four rows will get wet.

The first couple of matches are to get the audience warmed up for the celebrity wrestlers. My friend



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and there's so much work to do — the training and all that — that no one talks about it that way. It's just what it is, you know?" It seems the wrestlers take their gem-studded costumes just as seriously as they take their double backflips and pile drivers.

As we take our seats, the next group of wrestlers comes running out. This match is a tag team of three overweight men in black versus three thin, musclebound acrobats in red, white, and blue. Immediately the audience knows which side it's supposed to be on. The fight is all role play. It's the good guys versus the bad guys, and the audience is prompted to boo and cheer

as the announcer introduces us to the wrestlers. Though all the announcements are in Spanish, and I have no idea what is being said, the gestures and costumes make up for any misunderstanding.

The match is all acrobatics. The fat wrestlers dance around the mat like the elephants in *Fantasia*. It starts off lighthearted, with a lot of teasing and name calling, but then the acrobats get down to business and start hammering their opponents. Of course, the fight is well planned — all the maneuvers are choreographed — but when one of the *Fantasia* elephants takes a spill from the corner of the ropes, it looks as if he's seriously hurt his arm. But the show goes on. The normal tag-team rules don't apply. Teams can have a few members on the floor at once, and they can use chairs or sticks to pummel their opponents. At the end of the match, the acrobats pin down one of the bad guys and pull his mask back. Another takes an electric razor and shaves the loser's head. Blood, hair, and sweat are all that is left on the mat as the wrestlers make their exit.

After several dollar-fifty beers, our group is just as rowdy as the kids up front. Through the whole first match, a bunch of eight-year-olds taunt the "bad" wrestlers, then once they turn around give them the middle finger. We are

It seems the wrestlers take their gem-studded costumes just as seriously as they take their double backflips and pile drivers.

Ubaldo Salvador tells me he tried out for the wrestling team. Every Monday and Thursday the gymnasium next to the auditorium is open for wrestling lessons. It costs

cult-following make their way up to featured spots. It's obvious the wrestling matches are staged, and when I ask Ubaldo what the wrestlers say about it, he replies, "It's so hard

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Next comes what we've been waiting for, what we've been talking about all night: the midget wrestlers. Again it's a tag team of three "bad" guys versus three "good" guys, but this time the costumes are more elaborate. Our midget hero is dressed as Chucky from the *Child's Play* horror films, and one of his full-sized partners is wearing a green ghoul mask with stringy red hair. When the good guys come out dressed as neon Creatures from the Black Lagoon, one of the bad guys takes an aerosol can and puts a flame to it to chase them off. I'm thinking: Man, that's dangerous. This match is much more comical than the others, as the midgets (could they actually be children?) are tossed over heads and under legs by their teammates. The characters dance around each other, and as they do, I notice my photographer, Lisa, has made her way to the foot of the mat for photos. One of the bad guys jumps off and corners her, doing a booty dance into her thigh as the crowd cheers.

One more match is worth mentioning: the Latin Lovers. Eight girls are called up onto the stage to judge six oiled-up muscle men in red spandex. The girls sit down in folding chairs as the wrestlers strut their stuff in front of them. Just as one goes into a sort of grinding dance, a wrestler comes from behind and smashes a chair over his head with a loud bang. The Latin Lover falls over the girl and all hell breaks loose. By their reaction, it's obvious the girls didn't know that was going to happen. They all spread out as the wrestlers go into messy acrobatics and clotheslines. Next to me, my friend shakes her head, saying, "Only in Mexico." ■

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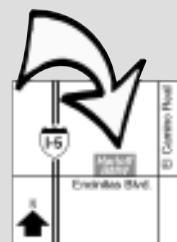


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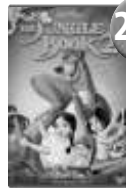


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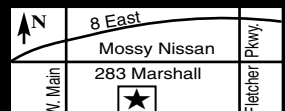
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“The past few months I’ve had bypass surgery, and then I got the flu, and, you know, I’m an alcoholic.”

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Villa Caterina doesn’t prepare you for what’s inside: the decor is one Smirnoff bottle away from Contemporary American Skid Row. The bed — a bare mattress with a couple of disheveled blankets — commands most of the space; a laptop computer and TV contend for space against the rubble of a small desk; piles of clothes and papers and empty food cartons obscure the rug, which may be a mercy. Paperback novels, an exception to the disorder, sit tidily on their shelves, a kind of protest against the surrounding chaos.

Brizzolara cleaned off a chair and motioned for me to sit on it. As he reclined on the bed he said, “You be the psychiatrist, I’ll be the patient.” He had had plenty of experience as a patient, judging from the array of medications on the nightstand. On the floor, within easy reach from the bed, were a giant bottle of Beck’s and a tumbler of clear liquid. I hoped it was water. It was 11 o’clock in the morning.

He is a large man, with long black hair and a beard so handsome it made me wonder if I should grow one. Khaki shorts exposed a long scar on his leg, the site where surgeons had extracted a vein for his heart. Dirty white socks covered most of his toes, allowing only two to roam free in open air.

On the bed next to him was a manuscript of *Thunder Moon*. He started talking about it before I had time to turn on my tape recorder. I had planned to begin with questions about his

background — family, hometown, education, literary influences, the usual stuff of interviews — but what mattered to him was the work, the story, the Thing Itself: “Not bad, you know. Better than I thought it was. The pacing, the action, the dialogue. But it is, fundamentally, pulp writing. I’m puzzled by reading this — like, like why was I screwed out of this?”

In *Wirecutter*, published by Doubleday in 1987, Nathaniel York falls for a topless dancer, a beautiful young woman from Mexico. York’s “streak of sentiment” sends him to Tijuana in search of her missing brother. While there, he stumbles upon a scheme for smuggling migrants across the border, some to become laborers and some to become prey for well-to-do hunters on a North County estate. York manages to destroy this nefarious business, but its chief, Eugene Walters, escapes into an unknown future.

That ending left the door open for a sequel, but Brizzolara’s next project was a comic novel about Italian-Americans. His editors at Doubleday weren’t interested in it. They wanted him to write, instead, another story about Nathaniel York. Brizzolara said, “So I thought, ‘Okay. I’m a novelist. I can do this.’”

He was living in Mexico at the time. In 1980, after playing rock music for 15 years — 10 in New York — Brizzolara and his wife and young son had moved to San Diego. They found a fixer-upper in Mission Hills. “Got it cheap,” he said. “Now it’s a nice house, but we refurbished it, redid everything. We called it ‘the edifice complex.’” Almost as soon as it was done, they divorced. He had just finished *Wirecutter* and had had an affair with a woman who accompanied him to Mexico for two weeks. “I was balancing, you know, my wife, my son, the woman I loved — or was enamored with — and I made a choice. I left my marriage. To this day, I don’t know which would have been the better choice or decision. It’s one of those deals, like, no matter what you do, you’re going to regret it. But we’re still good friends.”

To begin his new life, he’d moved to Mexico. He had not only gone through a divorce but, after many months of chemotherapy and radia-

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OBLIVION

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John Brizzolara

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THUNDER MOON



“I don’t think so. Not tonight.”

“Okay.” He belched and cupped his hands over his mouth as he turned to the trailer park where Sufi and Tonto were watching the waves from the old fence at the lip of the cliff. “Hey, Sufi, Avion’s not goin’ in the water. Maybe he let you use the wetsuit.”

I turned to Emilio. “It’s not mine. It’s Emilio’s kid’s, Javier’s. But it’s okay with me. Ask Emilio.”

I remember this conversation. Every word. Like I remember the feel of the sun on my face and chest, Pescado bellowing in silhouette. The bottle up on the porch railing. Emilio shrugging. Everything that led up to what happened still goes through my mind in exact, full detail like a series of tinted photographs with some inevitable historic quality to them you can only see in retrospect.

“Pelon don’t surf in jail,” Emilio said, calling his son by his nickname and drunk from his fifth beer. He shook his head from side to side. “Jesus. The little fucker. Too much of me in him. Not enough of his mother.”

“Tell Sufi he can use it,” I said. “I left it draped over the garden wall to dry out.”

Pescado nodded and flipped a little salute with his left hand on his way down the porch stairs.

“What I’m gonna do...” Paz set his bottle down on the weathered lawn table between us. “...is get you a babysitter. A big babysitter. You’ll like this guy. Used to be a torpedo type in Vegas. Chauffeur, bodyguard. I don’t know if he actually torpedoed anybody, but he might have. I never asked him. He used to work for me as a driver delivering pool tables and condom machines in Santee and El Cajon when I was doing that...before the restaurants. A good guy. Not a rocket scientist, but...you know.” He made a fist. “Like a rock. Loyal like a rock. And tough.”

“I don’t want a bodyguard, Emilio. Forget it.”

“You don’t want any goddamn help from

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Unforgettable

L O N G - A G O S A N D I E G O

IMPERIAL VALLEY FLOODS, 1905-'07:
THE COLORADO RIVER WAR.

One cubic foot of water equals 7.48 gallons. On August 9, 1906, 300 million cubic feet of water passed through a ruptured irrigation intake, into the Imperial Valley, every hour. The Colorado River changed its course a year before. From a point just inside the Mexican border, it ran through a half-mile-wide crevasse, flooding towns and farms and creating the Salton Sea. Five attempts to close the intake — known as “Rockwood’s Gate” — had failed.

“The situation was so new,” writes Margaret Romer, “that engineers had nothing upon which to base their opinions. They all disagreed. About the only point they agreed on was that something had to be done at once.”

How do you lay siege to a river? That charge fell to Harry Thomas Cory. He’s the star of two novels — Harold Bell Wright’s *Winning of Barbara Worth* and *The River* by Ednah Aiken — and Ronald Coleman plays him in the movie *Barbara Worth*. Yet his credentials don’t suggest heroics. A former professor of civil engineering, Cory served as advisor to E.H. Harriman, railroad magnate, and as assistant to Epes Randolph of the beleaguered California Development Company. Cory was modest, bookish,

precise (his *Imperial Valley and Salton Sink* ranks among the most thorough books ever written). Nothing in his past indicated he could lead like a general and save Imperial Valley from inundation. Though Cory was an elegantly dressed, soft-spoken Midwesterner, a valley local said Cory “savvys the country like a burro does the cook shack.”

In the summer of 1906, Cory made two decisions. First, he rejected previous methods of dam building: pilings, sandbags, silt levees. The river bullied them away. Plus, the soil was so soft, when a dredge ran aground on a sand bar it sank.

To prevent rock from sinking or tumbling downstream, Cory ordered vast amounts dropped on the crevasse day and night. “The ability to get rock in large quantities and rapidly seemed so essential,” he wrote, “and it was obvious that better transportation facilities were required.”

In previous attempts to close the intake, crews floated materials on barges. Cory’s second decision: he ordered a branch of the Southern Pacific railroad to run from the mainline, seven miles west of Yuma, to the break. Trains would haul materials to within a few hundred yards at first, then on a trestle across the river. Construction began July 1. On August 15 the first train reached the site.

“The shape of the channel at this point,” writes David O. Woodbury, “was

like a great foot, with its toes to the west. Just beyond the bend of the ankle, sand bars had constricted the passage to an instep 600 feet wide. Beyond, the river flared out again onto the delta. It was at this narrowest point that Cory planned to build his dam.”

Cory inherited an arsenal of onsite equipment: two clam-shell dredges, two barges, pile drivers, the 91-foot steamer *Searchlight*, and the 75-foot *St. Valliers*. Using funds from the Southern Pacific, he added worktrains, plows, Fresno scrapers, and steel side-dump railroad cars. Also known as “battleships,” the dump-cars weighed 20 tons and carried 100,000 pounds. They “were frequently loaded to 125,000 lb., as the trip between the Andrade quarry and the break did not exceed 4 miles.” In August, Cory conscripted 80 battleships. By January of 1907, he had almost 300.

Hired hands posed another problem. The San Francisco earthquake — April, 18, 1906 — drew thousands of usually reliable “hobo laborers” north. The Imperial Valley climate that, writes Aiken, “dulls vanity and wilts collars,” also took a toll.

With government aid, Cory hired 400 Indians from the “Pimas, Papagoes, Maricopas, and Yumas from Arizona, and Cocopahs and Diegueños from Mexico.” They and their families lived in a tent camp on the Arizona side of the old channel. A worker earned 20 cents an hour. Every group of nine received an extra day’s pay for a squaw to cook meals. Their first task: construct a 13,000-foot, double-strength, woven brush mattress as a foundation for the rock fill. For 20 days, they worked 11-hour shifts,



Harry Thomas Cory

around the clock, producing 80 feet of matting per shift.

Brush-cutting, chopping into gnarly mesquite and arrow weed, makes even severe conceptions of hell look patty-cake. The temperature is 110 to 125, with no wisp of wind. Sunlight blinds. Mosquitoes swarm. The mind plays tricks. On more than one occasion, a cutter stared down at the thick stalks assembled at the bottom of a cliff, imagined they were water, and dove to his death.

Cory also hired “floating labor,” people drawn to projects receiving national attention. Few stayed for long. “A work train ran into Yuma every night for provisions and supplies, returning early in the morning, and it always carried a considerable number of cheerful capitalists out and sadder and wiser men in.”

The site was a Babel of shouted

QUOTATIONS:

1. H.T. Cory: “It does not seem to have been realized at the time, or indeed by anyone until the diversion into the Salton Sea was actually accomplished fact in 1905, that there was any really appreciable danger to the Imperial Valley by flood-waters from the Colorado.”
2. Kevin Starr (*Material Dreams*): “Without the resources of the Colorado River, there would

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orders, whistles, and curses, though workers heeded one cry most of all: "The RIVER!" This meant a new surge of reddish water — three, five, even six feet above the surface — rushed their way. The worst wasn't the water but the snarls of debris (called "drift") it carried. Most threatened areas: the pile driver hammering 90-foot posts into the crevasse; and a barge, moored to a pile, where crewmen wove the brush mattress around thick steel cables.

Because no one could see what was coming, the cry became most fearsome at night. So Cory suspended large acetylene lamps across the channel and created a city's worth of illumination in the midst of nowhere.

Contrary to many engineers, who claimed it would sink in the quicksand-like river bottom, the brush mattress held fast. Then workers manned pile drivers and built a ten-foot-wide railroad trestle across the break. The first battleship dumped its load. A single-file armada followed, hauling a mountain's worth of rock, gravel, and clay.

Two weeks later, the massive wall became visible on the surface. But workers had no time for elation. Drift, from pebbles to tree trunks, gathered near the headgate and began to scour and sidecut the banks. Barges dropped rock fill, but not fast enough. The river rolled it away. On October 5, Cory ordered a second pile/trestle constructed a few yards from the gate. On October 11, at 11:00 a.m., the first train edged onto freshly laid tracks. But, writes Woodbury, "the hastily built trestle could not stand the strain. It buckled in the middle and half the train fell in. Heavy timbers snapped off and charged down upon the gate."

At 2:30 that afternoon, battered by drift and sheer hydraulic force, the giant headgate rose from its foundation, made a splintering screech, and cracked, the top two-thirds tumbling downriver, toward the original trestle.

A dump train stood at the south end, its battleships still loaded with

rock. The engineer, seeing the wooden headgate rush toward him like a wounded whale, gunned the throttle. The train lurched across creaking tracks, reaching the north side just before pilings gave out, a large section of the dam caved in, and the river carved a new channel to the desert.

Looking back on his decisions, Cory wrote in 1915: "As in many irrigation and other projects in the west, the garment had to be cut according to the cloth. The sum total of events resulted in carrying out the project along lines which were far from ideal." Cory's next move, as he and Epes Randolph inspected the damage, was a leap of faith. "Let's quit fooling with gates," he's quoted as shouting, "what this feller needs is rock, and more rock, and more rock" — and not even a brush mattress beneath them.

To force the Colorado back to its original channel, Cory repaired the original trestle dam and ordered a second barrier-dam trestle built beside it, from both shores at once. Trains loaded with stone came from as far as 400 miles. They had right-of-way even over passenger locomotives. At the site, they waited for their turn on side-spurs. By late October, trains on both trestles dumped into the gap between them, around the clock. On October 29, 90 percent of the water flowed down the old Colorado channel to the Gulf of Mexico. The end was near. After battleships continued their barrage for the next six days, a majority of the workers packed up, elated, and went home.

Then came a cry: "The RIVER!"

On December 5, a flood flashed down the Gila and fused with the Colorado in a reddish-brown maelstrom. The river rose from 9000-second feet to 45,000 and slammed into Cory's trestles and nearby levees.

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and beached the *Searchlight*. The men walked back up the channel, to their camp, on dry land.

Remi Nadeau: "This time the breakthrough proved to most observers that the Colorado had, in the course of centuries, reached the stage of leaving the gulf once more and swinging north into the dead sea its delta had created. The inevitable process had merely been hastened by Rockwood's original Mexican cut. For the first time the engineers realized the full magnitude of the geological forces they had been fighting."

Cory had another problem: his crews, around 1100 men and their equipment, had gone. Also, efforts thus far cost \$1.5 million, and the work would require at least that much more. And the townspeople of Calxico and other settlements were storming mad. They'd been promised a steady supply of water, not the biblical Flood.

In what became the "battle of the telegrams," E.H. Harriman, president of Southern Pacific Railroad and funder of earlier efforts, and President Theodore Roosevelt haggled about who should finance the operation. Roosevelt called Harriman "an undesirable citizen" because he wouldn't continue support. More telegrams. When Roosevelt eventually promised congressional action, Harriman shouted at his staff, "Turn the river at all costs!"

During the days it took the two men to agree, Cory ordered trains, battleships, and flatcars awaiting his signal at every major quarry in the Western United States. Each train would have only a "five-minute headway" before the next would begin. When he got the word, on December 20, 1906, Cory wired, "Go!"

They had two months until flood season, no time for planning. Woodberry: "Corners were cut everywhere; this was no construction project but a rescue in which 1500 men were to work night and day." To fill a crevasse 1100 feet wide and 40 feet deep, the trains came in hordes. They used battleships, but Cory preferred flatcars, since they could haul much

larger rocks. To unload them, workers split boulders with "pop-shots" of dynamite.

Four times they built trestles across the crevasse. But each time, when near completion, a freshet pushing tons of drift demolished their efforts. On January 27 at 5:00 p.m., the first trestle reached the southern shore. That night, 145 cars dumped rock into the crevasse. Workers began a second trestle. Many said the roar of the river, train whistles, shouts, fountains of spray when boulders broke the surface were so loud, one barely heard the dynamite.

On February 2, a flash flood hit the first trestle, taking out three pilings. Drift ruptured the second. The river leapt into the gap. But most of the second trestle held — a minor victory. Encouraged, for the next 192 hours, an army of exhausted workers battled through warm desert days and cold winter nights. They rebuilt the trestles, closed the crevasse, and rerouted the river. On the morning of February 11, 1907, they won.

Nadeau: "The mighty Colorado was bent on revisiting the Salton Sink and filling it to its brim — a process it had repeated at intervals through past ages. Undoubtedly the greatest geological change in the world's recorded history had been frustrated here by the hand of man." ■

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tion, had survived Hodgkin's disease. He felt liberated: "I was free! I was cured! I had a multiple-book contract! I had this big house, right on the cliffs overlooking the sea — seals and pelicans, you know, dolphins — a really nice Mexican hacienda. I got it pretty cheap. It was surrounded by trailers and surfers — Mexicans, Americans, Australians, New

Zealanders. People from all over the world came because that was a particularly cool surf spot. I knew nothing about this world. I grew up in Chicago, and it's, like, 'Surf, what?' But I got to know some of these guys, and they were fascinating. What we'd do is build a fire at night. They tried to teach me how to surf. I wasn't very good." As he told me this, he rubbed his shoulders and groaned, "Oh, like Ben-Gay."

He drew on what

he learned for his novel. He had originally titled it *K-38-1/2*,

exactly 38 1/2 kilometers from the border. But Doubleday didn't like

"I have an older sister who is a Jehovah's Witness who considers me a prime candidate for hell."

the exquisitely unimaginative name of the town he was living in,

the title, thought it sounded like a pistol. "So I came up with a

really pulpy title, which I like a lot — *Thunder Moon*. You know it's not literature, not Faulkner."

It may not be literature, but it's a fast-paced adventure. At the risk of sounding like an old British military officer, it's a cracking good yarn. It has more twists and turns than a mountain road, and a climax that would please James Bond. Nathaniel York knows Eugene Walters wants to kill him, so he decides to get Walters

first. It's about being chased and chasing, and that's why Brizzolara said, "Not to pat myself on the shoulder — but I think it's like *Moby-Dick*. The white whale in this story would be the big, bad white guy."

"Really?" I asked. "I thought you were going to say the white whale is death."

"That's interesting that you say that. Really, really interesting. There's a scene I love in here. It came from out of nowhere. I

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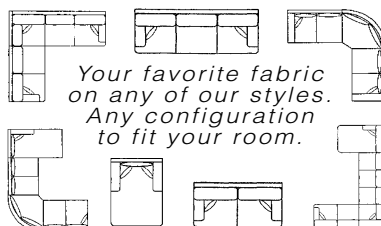
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don't know where it came from. Nathaniel York and a guy named Sufi..."

Before he finished his sentence I said, "I know: they're talking about death."

Brizzolara bolted up from the bed and grabbed my leg and said, "It's a fucking thrill to have somebody read this story!"

"Well, I did read it,

and when I got to that part I wondered if it wasn't what the whole book was about."

"Yeah, you got it. You nailed it. It's about death."

In the scene we were referring to, Nathaniel York is surfing with a character named Sufi. The waves are flat, and they're just lying on their boards, talking.

[Sufi] waved at a low-flying detachment of the primal-looking birds scooping the shoreline. "So you gotta let go of that. Rather, you've got to be ready to let go."

"You talking about pelicans or death?"

"Yeah," he

answered. Very Sufi-like. And then, "You see, I know something dead men know." He turned and looked at me levelly. He didn't seem any crazier than he had a minute ago.

"What's that?"

"Some soldiers know it and some cops, old people, sick people, fire-

men, and doctors...a few other people know it."

"I give up."

He whispered, "You ready?"

I nodded, smiling, ready for the big revelation.

Still whispering, he said, "It's better to be alive than it is to be dead." We stared at each other for a

moment, smiling questioningly at each other, and then he laughed and tumbled off his board into the water.

He climbed back up and splashed some water at me. "Once you know that, there's only one kind of passion you really got to look out for. Know what it is?"

"Death," I answered.

"You got it. Perverse, isn't it?" He started to paddle farther out with strong, even strokes.

That's the image Brizzolara and I had in our minds. I said, "Running from death. Running to it."

"And how we each do it. This poor schmuck, you know, has these bad circumstances. I mean, you know, I've got heart disease, cancer, all this stuff. We're all running from it. You're right, it's death. The white whale."

"Nathaniel York is running from it. But in another way, he's also running toward it. Like in *Moby-Dick*."

"Yeah, like Ishmael. In this sense, it's paradoxical. He's trying to embrace life on the one hand. On the other, it's, like, 'Take me out of here! Give me the worst that can happen!'"

Brizzolara looked down at the floor, or

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maybe the tumbler. I waited until he said, "Ask me some questions."

"All right. To what extent is Nathaniel York really John Brizzolara?"

"I'm not the tough guy Nathaniel York is, but the thing is, I'm the wise guy. You know, you wake up in the morning and you're pissed off at your boss and you're telling him off in the mirror. All the things you wish you could say. York gets to say these things. I don't, because I live in the real world."

He paused at this point, as though mentioning the real world had suddenly made him too aware of the one he was living in and the one that was living in him. He reached down for the now-empty tumbler on the floor, hauled himself off the mattress, and took three steps to a little cupboard. He filled the tumbler with vodka, leaving just enough room for a tiny splash of orange juice, the closest thing to nourishment he would get all day.

"This is really a bad time for me," he said. "The past few months I've had bypass surgery, and then I got the flu, and, you know, I'm an alcoholic. The alcohol has really screwed up the medications."

I had pushed too hard. Nathaniel York is John Brizzolara, and we both knew it. But I had wanted him to say it, to admit it, to make the point for my nice little article. I had opened a not-so-nice wound of self-awareness that he now wanted to medicate with his drug of choice.

I had to pull back, find safer ground. It seemed a good time to bring up his background. "You were raised in Chicago?" I said.

"Yeah. Big Italian family. Eight kids."

"Where were you in the lineup?"

"Second born. I have an older sister who is a Jehovah's Witness who considers me a prime candidate for

hell. I took off to California and became a rock musician, ending up in New York. Not a very literary background. I always just wanted to eat life, to devour it. And I thought I could do

anything, anything. I'm 52 years old right now, and I realize now [he chuckled], 'You're an idiot!' But the thing is, I'm proud of some of the stuff I've done. These things you see on the walls? These are

illustrations for stories I've done."

"Why did you start writing?"

"My father was a writer. He did some fiction, but mostly he was a writer for Catholic magazines. I'd watch

my father smoking his pipe, sitting at his Remington, and he'd pull the page out, and I'd look and I'd read it and I wouldn't understand a word of it, but I knew it was magic. It

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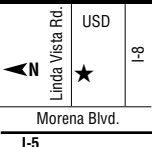
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When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?

“No comment.”

Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?

“No, because the general population will always turn to drugs. People are always looking for fun, an altered perception, or a few hours of release from their lives, so they turn to substances. Many just choose alcohol, but some want to branch out and try other means. The War on Drugs has not been effective because people like drugs, plain and simple. I don’t think any amount of jail time and no amount of money can deter people from using illicit substances. People never believe they will get caught, and so they take the risk.”

Name any benefits America has realized because of the War on Drugs.

“America has not reaped any benefits from the War on Drugs; let’s face it, there are still crackheads in the streets, cocaine is back... who knows, maybe America is really ignorant and they think they are winning. I see no benefits.”

Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?

“I think more money should go into recovery programs. We should treat drug use as a medical condition and not as a criminal offense. It defies logical explanation that an adult who chooses to put something into his/her body can be imprisoned for hurting themselves. Are our leaders high? The money that we are spending putting drug users in jail would be freed up if we helped people



Patrick

recover. Putting someone into jail is only going to make them angry at the system, and, chances are, they can still get their drugs in jail anyway.”

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?

“Marijuana should be legalized right off, and it would free up billions of dollars. I am also inclined to say that prescription drugs should be legalized too, but those are extremely addictive, so I am mixed on that. Hallucinogens should carry a light fine, like a ticket, but should maybe be legalized too. Cocaine, heroin, and extreme narcotics and methamphetamine should warrant immediate enrollment in a recovery program and not prison sentences.”

Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?

“It is more fun but is a lot more dangerous, overall, than most illegal drugs. After all, more people die because of alcohol each year than all illegal drugs combined. People abuse alcohol and they can because it is legal. I think that they justify this simply because it is legal... the mindset is that, ‘Hey! If it’s legal, it can’t be all that bad.’ Many don’t even see it as a drug, which it is — the last legal one.”

Is the “medical marijuana” law in the state of California acceptable?

“Yes — for God’s sake, get the stick out of your ass, John Ashcroft, and learn to feel compassion for someone other than yourself. I hope he is stricken with testicular cancer someday and is refused ‘medical marijuana,’ which will be the only way to ease his pain (in my fantasy), because he bullied California around.”

Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?

“No, I do not. I won’t disclose my own use; I’ll just say that I never regretted a minute of it or would take back my previous use. While I think it is unhealthy to use drugs regularly, I believe that use of some kind

of substance every now and then will not kill you. As with all things in life, a little moderation and thought must go into using mind-altering drugs. That is all ye shall know, and all ye need to know.”

Virginia, 20, Miramar College

When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?

“Last night, when I was at a party. They were using marijuana.”

Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?

“No. Almost everybody that I had DARE [Drug Abuse Resistance Education, which began in 1983] with in middle school was either using or selling drugs by sophomore year in high school.”

Name any benefits America has realized because of the

War on Drugs.

“I don’t think there are any benefits. I think that we’re going the wrong way with it.”

Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?

“People are going to do drugs, no matter what. They know how bad [drugs] are for them, but when they realize how fucked up it is, they should be able to get help.”

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?

“No. There should be lighter penalties for marijuana. Right now it’s a small fine and people can go back to buying more drugs, so why even bother with penalties?”

Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?

“Less dangerous. It’s harder to kill yourself on one night of drinking than of drugs. By the way, I don’t even consider alcohol a drug.”

Is the “medical marijuana” law in the state of California acceptable or unacceptable?

“I think it’s stupid that people are unable to obtain marijuana for medicinal use. Let these people be free.”

Do you have a friend or family member who



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uses recreational drugs regularly?
 "Yes, marijuana.... They have driven while high, and the marijuana was easy to get."

Charlie, 18, Mt. Carmel High School

When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?

"I saw some kids smoking on the hill by our school a month ago."

Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?

"No. Children seem to have easy access to many illegal substances; their actions run unheeded. More than 50 percent of the people in high school have tried something, and it's ridiculous. I saw this one kid after fifth



Charlie

period just smoking on a planter in school. I smelled a cigarette once in the bathroom, and another time I smelled something else, and it was weed."

Name any benefits America has realized because of the War on Drugs.

"General drug use has declined over the decade, according to statistics."

Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?

"Yes. Law enforcement needs to take greater action on illegal drug activity."

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?

"How hard could it be not to carry around illegal drugs? I think all illegal drugs should carry very serious penalties."

Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?

"Alcohol, like any drug, is as dangerous as one makes it. It doesn't have to incur consequences, so it all depends on the user."

Is the "medical marijuana" law in the state of California

acceptable or unacceptable?
 "Some people who need the drug should have access to it."

Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?

"No, none of my friends or family use drugs."

Emily, 17, Mt. Carmel High School

When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?

"When I visited Swarthmore [College] last year. They were using everything — rather indiscreetly, too."

Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?

"Not at all."

Name any benefits America has realized because of the



Emily

War on Drugs.

"Hmmm..."

Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?

"No, I do not think so. People will experiment if they want to experiment, so it's kind of pointless to try to stop this. Recovery programs, maybe, but the person has to want to recover."

Do you think less money should go into fighting the War on Drugs?

"No, not less. People are at least informed right now."

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?

"I don't think the penalties should be based on what kind of drug [someone is caught with], as all are injurious. Instead, they should be based on history...if the person has been caught before, the penalty should be more severe."

Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?

"Less dangerous, since most people know their limits." Is the "medical marijuana" law in the state of California

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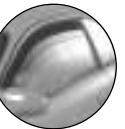
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acceptable or unacceptable?
“Acceptable.”
Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?
“No good friends.”

Ryan, 18, Mesa College
When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?
“No comment.”

Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?
“No. They put all the money into it, but there’s still drugs. You can bust everybody there is, but if you bust them, somebody else is going to do it.”
Name any benefits America has realized because of the War on Drugs.

“I’m sure [law enforcement intercepts] some drugs, but I don’t think they’re creating an impact on the culture of our society.”
Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?
“As long as people do it, people are going to supply it. They should worry more about prevention at home [rather] than trying [to] stop people [from] smuggling it. Even the amount



Ryan

they do stop is so little that it doesn’t make a difference. As long as people here do it, people are going to smuggle it. But if people here don’t do it, they aren’t going to smuggle it. Money going into prevention centers, education centers for teens, something like that would be more help.”
Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?
“I think there should be no penalties for the possession of marijuana and mushrooms. For things like drunk driving, there should be enforcement on that. I know people who get away with it, nothing happens, and they go to a couple of classes. Also, drugs like cocaine, crack, and PCP...so many

people die from that.”
Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?
“I would think it was more dangerous, but I don’t know. [Compared to] something like crack cocaine or heroin, it’s probably less dangerous. People won’t go out and rob people or kill people, steal from them, to get alcohol. They might go steal from a store, but a crack addict or heroin addict will do anything they can; they will kill their own mother to have it. And when they don’t have it, they’re dangerous people to society.”
Is the “medical marijuana” law in the state of California acceptable or unacceptable?
“It’s acceptable.”
Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?
“Yeah, friends. They use alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, and speed.... They’re easy to get, and some of them drive while high.”

Francesca, 23, Art Institute of California-San Diego
When was the last time you

saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?
“When I was a senior in high school. I saw a couple of kids with joints in their backpacks, and in the bathroom. In college, I have only seen classmates with red eyes or dazed looks, but I haven’t seen them with the actual drugs.”
Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?
“Yes, I think...we see less and less kids on drugs. These days, kids have more activities to do and are doing stuff with friends instead of doing drugs.”
Name any benefits America has realized because of the War on Drugs.
“Well, it helps build a better society. But it would be even more effective if the parents were involved.”
Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?
“It depends. I think less money should be spent on high school, because if the kids had good examples at home, they wouldn’t need these programs. Rehabilitation programs for people like the homeless, well, sure.”



Francesca

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?
“Depends on the amount and type. Drugs like cocaine and heroin should have heavier penalties, but I think [the penalties] should be based on the amount. I don’t think there should be any drugs that carry no penalties.”
Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?
“Again, it depends on the amount you take. [Alcohol] could be dangerous if somebody is drunk, but if you’re socializing, it shouldn’t be as bad. Often, someone highly under the influence of any drug and someone who is drunk are

the same.”
Is the “medical marijuana” law in the state of California acceptable or unacceptable?
“I have heard of people with terminal illnesses who have taken marijuana, and I think that people should be able to do that because sometimes it’s their only option. If somehow marijuana is administered properly and not taken advantage of, it’s fine.”
Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?
“No, just drinking. My dad smokes cigarettes. I have a friend that got a DUI from alcohol.... Obtaining alcohol has not been a problem because my friends are of age.”

Josh, 18
When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?
“Today, at work. They were using marijuana.”
Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?
“No. I would say 90 percent of the kids [I know] at bare minimum do marijuana. At my workplace, even 25- to 30-year-old guys

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are doing drugs every day.”
Name any benefits America has realized because of the War on Drugs.

“There are not really any benefits. The War on Drugs has only reduced a small percentage of drug use. People don’t listen to the media as much as [they do to] their friends.”

Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs? “I think that whatever [the government is] doing now, they should keep it that way. If they are going to spend more money, I would choose recovery programs. People are going to break the law, and outreach programs offer free help to people who need it...and stop people who are doing it.”



Josh

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?

“If it’s illegal, then yeah. Drugs are drugs. The abuse of one drug leads to another [drug], so I think they should all be treated the same.”

Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational

drugs?

“I think it’s more dangerous than marijuana. People who are stoned are a lot more calm than those who are drunk; people who have been drinking are all violent.”

Is the “medical marijuana” law in the state of California acceptable or unacceptable?

“It’s just an excuse for people to use it. I don’t really care either way. It’s really a pain to get [marijuana] either way.”

Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?

“Yes, all my friends. They use marijuana, cocaine, and mushrooms.... They drive while high. It’s no effort to get marijuana or cocaine at all; mushrooms is harder.”

Crystal, 19, Mesa College

When was the last time you saw someone using illegal recreational drugs?

“People were using marijuana and cocaine, some were drinking underage. This was at a party.”

Do you think the War on Drugs has been effective?

“No, I don’t think so. There’s always someone else willing to take the chance to [smuggle and] make the money to do it.”

Name any benefits America has realized because of the War on Drugs.

“Um, people are going to keep doing it anyways.”

Do you think more money and resources should go into fighting the War on Drugs?

“I don’t think they should put more money into it



Crystal

because it’s kind of a waste of time, and [the distribution of drugs] is going to keep going.”

Do you think the possession of all drugs should carry serious penalties?

“It affects so many people—even drinking—no matter how old they are, people are killing people on the roads. [T]here should

be full penalties for all of them.”

Do you consider alcohol less dangerous or more dangerous than other recreational drugs?

“It’s more dangerous than marijuana, but there are other drugs that are way more dangerous than that, like cocaine. People under the influence of alcohol aren’t usually, like, willing to commit crimes to get their substances.”

Is the “medical marijuana” law in the state of California acceptable or unacceptable?

“I think it’s acceptable.”

Do you have a friend or family member who uses recreational drugs regularly?

“No comment.” ■

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was just, like, 'Wow! This is wonderful! Where does he get all these words?' Apparently some Freudian thing, you know. That's what I wanted to do. And my father would always buy me books. Sherlock Holmes, Robert Benchley. I'd love every one of them. And this stuff" — he pointed to his manuscript on the bed — "is a direct descendent of my dad in the drugstore, pulling a book off the

rack. 'Here, read this, read this.' I admired this guy so tremendously."

"When you write a novel, do you begin with a scene and see where the story takes you? Or do you begin with the end and find a way to get there?"

"I had no idea where *Thunder Moon* was going."

"Earlier in our conversation you said you were screwed out of it by Doubleday. What did you mean?"

"They paid me \$10,000 for the book, then decided not to publish it. They had

been purchased by Bertelsmann, a big merger, and my editor left and they let a lot of writers go."

"Did you try to find another publisher?"

"This is when I found out about the nature of publishing. I went to half the other publishers, and the refrain was, 'What we're looking for right now is women who are investigating crimes, who have cats, who have psychic powers.' It was a women's market. But here's my ax to grind: women like to read books by male

authors!"

Brizzolara took a long swig of vodka. I wanted him to continue what he was saying, but he only stared at his glass. The silence grew, became a kind of third presence in the room, substantial, and demanding its share of the time. So we honored it. Neither of us said anything, not for a long time.

Then Brizzolara looked up and said, "Why go on? Why continue to put words to paper? Nobody cares, nobody likes it, nobody gives a shit." These

questions were not rhetorical; they came from the wound I had opened.

Several responses attempted to get out of my mouth, but I bit my tongue until they retreated. I wanted to hear Brizzolara's answer, not mine.

Brizzolara seemed willing to let silence take over completely. I was afraid he was going somewhere I couldn't follow, so I tried to pull him back. "What's the answer?" I asked. "Why go on?"

"Well, because you have to." He said this so

loudly, so intensely, I thought he might be mad. "I mean, you have to! It's like a friend of mine — a local writer — says: you either sit in front of that machine [he pointed to the computer] or you go out and do something crazy."

"It's all about the great white whale, isn't it? You're either running from him or going after him."

"The great whale. Death. That's what it is. You leave stories behind. We need stories. If we don't have

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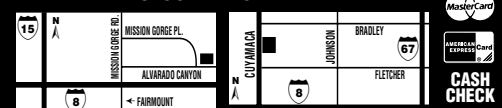
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“We’re in trouble. We go out of our minds. We invent stories.”

“Why?”

“Because our lives are what they are! I’ve got spaghetti in my carpet, and I feel like a schmuck, and my hair is all...I’m uncomfortable. I’m really not...”

His head slumped down and he said quietly, almost in a whisper, “I need stories. Why that is, I have no good answer, but I know it’s necessary. It really is necessary.”

Brizzolara’s speech was slurred and he couldn’t have walked across the room without stumbling, but he was speaking from an inner place of lucidity that vodka hadn’t yet reached.

I asked, “Are stories — any form of art, really — our way of coping with the white whale?”

“Yes. A song, well rendered, or a grandiose painting — these are little hedges against death, the mess, the white whale. John Irving, in *The World According to Garp*, ends with the line, ‘We’re all terminal cases.’ That’s true. None of us live forever. What do we do with it? What do we fucking do with it? You and I choose to write. I don’t really know why, but somehow I sense it’s a noble pursuit.”

“Are you writing anything now?”

“Yes. It’s about a guy who’s looking for the transcendental in his life, but he doesn’t notice that it’s everywhere.”

After talking for a while about his new story, Brizzolara pointed to my tape recorder and said, “Maybe you should turn that off now.” I didn’t move. “Oh, all right. You get the sense of God, you know, that God does not expect everything to be perfect. He sets these things in motion. But God is as uncertain and nervous and worried as most human beings are. But He has the power to set all this stuff in motion, and He’s responsible, and He knows it.” After another long silence, Brizzolara continued, “He’s going to feel far worse, far worse than any of us when finally His —” he made a motion of everything coming apart.

“John, I’d like to make an observation and get your response to it. Beneath all the adventures in *Wirecutter* and *Thunder Moon*, something else seems to be going on. The books seem to be about oblivion — the attraction to it and flight from it. Nathaniel York drowns in alcohol, and he almost courts death by throwing himself into dangerous situations; yet, he also fights heroically to live and save others, and he runs from Walters, the great symbol of death. And now I see John Brizzolara, who seems attracted to oblivion, who embraces it with alcohol and asks, ‘Why go on?’; yet, he also runs from it, fighting against cancer and writing his stories. Do you ever wonder how your story will end?”

“Oh, God,” he said, and I don’t think it was

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profanity; it came from a place too deep for that. It sounded like primitive prayer.

"I mean, Nathaniel York runs away from Walters — death — and yet at the same time goes straight for him, attempts to chase down the threat, wants to get close enough to kill death itself. Do you think that is what you're doing?"

"That is so right." Brizzolara spoke very slowly, as though wanting to apply every bit of lucidity he had left to each word. "Exactamente. I have this, you

know, conflict. You have to be creative to write, and that's my life-affirmation. But on the other hand, I'm running straight toward death. It fascinates me. I want to know what the worst is. What's the worst it can do to me? And yet, poetry and literature and art and beauty — these things are so important to me. But they seem to be threatened by the Big Nada. It pisses me off. So it encourages me."

"To do what?"
"To write books." ■
— Donald McCullough

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anybody. You know why? It's not because you're so goddamned tough. It's because you're afraid of being obligated to friends. You just don't wanna be connected with anybody, do you? The Lone Ranger."

"Emilio, I'm already obligated to you. I appreciate it. More than I can say. I don't know what I'd be doing right now if it wasn't for you and this place down here. The thing is, you get like a cartoon Italian when

you get drunk. You wanna stick some cotton in your cheeks and tell me about how one day I will be called upon to perform a service for you and all that? Fine. That's understood. Okay?"

"Fuck you, York."
"Fernando. My name is Fernando now, remember?"

He laughed. I didn't. "Right. Fuck you, Fernando."

"I appreciate the thought, but think again. You want to help me? Don't tell anybody — anybody about me or where I

am. You wanna get me killed? Tell somebody like some pool table delivery driver with wiseguy connections about how this very rich psycho wants me dead and I bet this 'rock' puts it together all by himself that whoever it is will pay some major pesos to see me in a plastic bag."

"You don't know this guy." Paz sounded petulant.

"No. I don't. That's the thing."

"It's not easy being your friend, York."

"I suppose not. I'd

settle for you remembering my name here is Fernando. That would be great, Emilio."

"Shit, there's nobody here."

"Just you and us chickens."

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Pescado and Tonto were out about 100 yards, in their sleek black wetsuits with the short sleeves and legs. Tonto weaved his way through two good waves kicking the board out from under him 50 feet or so from shore. He paddled back out, flipping the

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finger and shouting threats to some gringo kids on body boards who weren't really in his way. Pescado waited for a tube to match his stature and caught a *grande*. Watching Pescado surf was an experience; a demonstration of locally suspended laws of buoyancy, water displacement, symmetry, motion, and probability. He looked like a kind of were-walrus, crouching, standing, hair streaking out behind him, leaving a wake like a tugboat but somehow creating the impression he was being propelled by some unguessed force of nature that had nothing to do with the momentum of the wave. Sufihad on the T&C wetsuit I normally used with the yin yang symbol over the heart. His long blond hair and the Day-Glo orange and green markings on the sleeves and legs of the suit seemed to shine in the water like the iridescent tracings of some psychedelic marine mammal. He paddled out beyond the point where the waves broke and straddled his board with his back to Mexico, staring into the falling sun.

"I gotta get back." Paz stood and patted his stomach, which should have been the size of a case of beer but was as flat as a tabletop. "I got a restaurant to run. You think about what I said. This guy was heavyweight golden gloves in '79 in TJ. I see him at the pistol range in Clairemont once in a while, and he's good that way too. I think he's working the door at some punk club now on Morena Boulevard, but he owes me big-time from the old days."

"Emilio. Thanks. But forget it, please."

"Just think about it. I'll be in touch. Take care of yourself. You want me to get somebody else to work security at the condos for a couple days?"
"I'll be there tomorrow morning."

Barring...an act of God."
"You're a stand-up guy."
"Like a rock."
He left his Cary Grant smile behind him like the Cheshire cat. He also left half a

case of Corona on the deck, which I eyed for a while. I told myself it was warm now anyway and just used it to prop up my feet.
I brought all the dishes from our fish and frijoles dinner into

the kitchen and washed them. When I came back outside with a Havana cigar, the sun was sitting on the horizon. The sky was studded with nimbus clouds and mare's tails like brush strokes

of orange and pink. The gringo kids had come ashore, and no one was left in the water except Sufi and Pescado. I lit the cigar and hummed "Sittin' on the Dock of the Bay" to myself.

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Out on the cliff, in the parking lot, the old *caballista*, the horse-man, was sitting on his horse, motionlessly silhouetted against the sunset in his pancho and wide-brimmed hat. Clint Eastwood on the nod. He seemed to be ignoring the campers and their kids. I wondered where his other horses were. Maybe he was drunk again and had slipped their tether. Maybe he was asleep sitting there. I had seen him pass out before and stay mounted. Lee Marvin in *Cat Ballou*.

When I looked back out to sea and my eyes adjusted to the fading sunlight on the water, I couldn't see Pescado anymore. He was probably on the shoreline beneath the cliff, making his way back up the rocks to start a fire and open a bottle of Hornitos tequila.

Sufi was alone now, stretched out on

his board, his head resting on his folded hands, his hair tied back or tucked into the collar of his wetsuit. With the dedication of the true fanatic, he was going to catch the last wave it was possible to catch without it being pitch dark. When a set of waves came in slowly and majestically, Sufi chose the third one. When his board was almost 45 degrees to the base of the wave, he pushed himself up with his arms, scooted his knees under his chest, and slid his feet forward, keeping the nose of the board angled into the water.

I heard what I thought were firecrackers going off on the cliff. Fireworks are legal in Mexico, and it was a sound I was so used to hearing I didn't think about it. One, two, three little pops. I was still watching Sufi, who was in a standing crouch, poised for a moment

in perfect balance, his arms out to his sides at a slight angle, knees bent just enough, the sun sinking into the ocean behind him.

That moment is etched in my memory: the water and the sky, a man doing with grace and skill what he loves. In the next moment Sufi was thrown backward from his board as if he had been tugged with great force from behind. Sufi hadn't lost his balance; the wave was solid and perfectly formed and his footing was secure. It was exactly as if Sufi had been attached to a huge, invisible rubber band that had reached its maximum elasticity, snapped back, and yanked him over the crest of the wave he had been riding and into the trough. He disappeared for a moment and his board nosed skyward like some outraged, phosphorescent creature breaching from the

depths. The board was attached to a leash around Sufi's ankle, and it whipped back downward, slapping the water hard. The board yawed left and right, bobbing in the backwash, and I could see Sufi, face up, arms flung to his sides, legs just beneath the surface in a dead man's float. His hair swayed lazily around his head, a dirty, sluggish halo.

I was on my feet, though I don't remember standing. The cigar, still smoking, lay in the gravel a few yards away where I had thrown it. Movement from the parking lot at the edge of the cliff caught my eye, and I turned to take in several things at once. People were running, gathering children, ducking and taking cover behind cars. The horseman was sitting upright on his horse at the very lip of the point where Pescado should be emerging any moment. He was

sighting through a scope mounted on what looked like an assault rifle with a collapsible stock. The gun was aimed out to sea.

As I ran toward the edge of the cliff, I saw the rifleman put the gun away beneath his poncho, wheel on his horse, and dig his boots into its flanks. The horse took off in a rain of gravel leaving small blossoms of dust where its hooves struck the dirt. The gunman was already to the old road by the time I made the edge of the trailer encampment. I stopped, knowing there was no way to catch him. He flew across the asphalt, and an oncoming flatbed truck swerved to avoid him, scattering crates of lettuce onto the road. The horseman continued up the embankment and made it across the toll road, steeple-jumped the low fence and was lost to sight as he dropped onto the dirt trail running through the inland valley that was used as a local garbage dump.

In five minutes he could be lost in any number of winding tracks that led through the mountains and valleys.

Turning to the ocean again, I could see Pescado swimming out in powerful, even strokes toward Sufi. I scrambled down the cliff, scraping my hands and knees, pulled off my shoes at the shoreline and ran into the surf. It seemed to take a long time to fight past the breakers and reach Pescado. When I did, the big Mexican already had Sufi pulled onto his surfboard, still face up. I swam alongside, and in the gathering darkness I could see a cluster of three holes the size of nickels on the wetsuit. All of them were in the yin yang symbol directly over Sufi's heart.

CHAPTER I

Less than three weeks before Sufi had been shot I was working behind the stick at a place on Fifth Avenue called the Balboa Bar. A block from the park,

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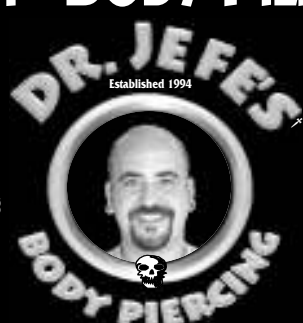
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it wasn't quite downtown San Diego and it wasn't quite Hillcrest. I don't know what you'd call it except overpriced, dark, and very busy. If King Carlos III had commissioned a gin mill for conquistadors and got Walt Disney to decorate it, you'd have something close. The money was just fine, and the owner was a friend of mine: Emilio Paz.

Emilio had been an F.O. or forward observer with the Marines in Vietnam in 1967 and '68, a full year and a half before I had gotten there. We got to talking about the war the night I met him at the Balboa. We didn't stop talking about it until the sun came up and the Mexican help came in to sweep up the lounge. Emilio went on about the rock bands in Saigon and the whores. I talked about the surreal R&R atmosphere at Cam Ranh Bay and how the sun came up and went down so goddamned fast back there. Emilio talked about weapons and demolition techniques; he seemed to know a lot about them.

Eventually, when the bottle of Sauza

Conmemorativo had lost a lot of weight, we got around to some of the things that happened to us in the war — the things you don't expect anyone to understand, because you don't either. The clean-up guy found us both drunk and Emilio crying with his head on the bar. He had been with a five-man patrol party from Khe Sanh when they were ambushed in a bamboo grove on a hill called #861. Emilio was the only one in his party to walk out of that bamboo. That was in April of '67. It was an experience I could relate to very well, but we never talked about it again. All the nights we sat and drank together since then, it just didn't come up. It was there, though, and it made for a certain economy of language between Emilio Paz and me.

Emilio hired me for the day shift. I had been there about six months when the story hit the San Diego *Reader* about slavery, mass murder, and me, Nathaniel York.

It was Emilio who brought in the *Reader* that Thursday morning. Emilio was in his

mid-40s. He was rich, funny, generous, and nearly berserk with charm. He looked like a cross between Cary Grant and Cheech Marin and always let me pay for every other round when we were drinking — an important bit of business, especially because he was rich.

It was almost a year after the events in the article. I was setting up the bar for lunch when Paz came striding past the tables in his Miami Vice baggies and pastel blue T-shirt. He was smiling and looking as if he'd spent a week at Club Med instead of a night on the floor of my apartment holding a bottle of San Matias tequila.

"You're famous, *cabrón*," he said, tossing the paper on a cocktail tray at the service end of the bar. "But then, so is Shamu the Whale."

"Otis Redding, too," I pointed out, trying to focus my eyes, subdue the throbbing in my temples, and slow my heart rate, which had nothing to do with being hung over. I was afraid this might be coming ever since I

called David McGraw, the reporter, but after all this time I had allowed myself to believe that McGraw would resist the temptation to run the story. "Donald Duck," Paz said.

"Albert Schweitzer," I added. Front page. The headline read, "MONEY, MADNESS, AND MURDER IN THE MOUNTAINS," with David's byline.

"Then there's Bugs Bunny." He went on in that vein. I could feel Emilio studying me for my reaction. The first

paragraph was a description of me with phrases like, "...stark, weathered features," "deep-set eyes," and "taciturn manner." At least he didn't use my name. In the story I became Jonah Kent, though I didn't think that would help me much. Shamu by any other name...McGraw wasn't much of a writer, but, like a dancing bear, the point was that he did it at all.

"The Big Bopper," I parried.

Scanning the article, I saw that it covered just about every-

thing except the name of the woman I did it all for in the first place. He was probably afraid of a lawsuit; Jane Villa was big box office now. Anyway, I didn't really do it for her. In the end I did it for me.

Emilio leaned across the bar and said, "All those characters I mentioned don't actually exist, except Shamu, of course. People you just mentioned are famous, but they're dead."

Looking up, I met his eyes and didn't say anything. If I had, it would have been,

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Lunch patrons started piling through the door. I had to put the *Reader* down and start cutting lime wheels for margaritas and things like that. McGraw had a pretty good memory. Emilio had been sitting at the bar, a pile of liquor and laundry bills in front of him. He was writing checks in a large book, tearing them out, and stuffing them into envelopes. When I put the paper down, he looked up at me.

“How bad is it?” he asked.

“I just read the first couple of pages, but so far it’s bad enough. He’s got several things wrong, but not enough of them. Style’s a little lurid

“I like his guest editorials in the *Union*. Always crying in his beer about the poor beaners.” Paz looked off into the middle distance of the restaurant and squinted. He smiled as he remembered something. “Back in, what? ’80? ’81? Two guys in ski masks waving a .38 and a sawed off come out of a 7-Eleven on El Cajon Boulevard with \$200 in singles and about 70 bucks in rolled coins. Woman cop pulls right in the lot eating Twinkies in her squad car. Name of Marita Neruda, something like that.

“The engine’s running, she hits the lights, the sirens, blasts them with the loud hailer screaming, ‘Freeze, *pendejos!*’ or

The Low Down is a topless joint near the airport. I had been working the door at

this place about a year ago when one of the most beautiful women I'd ever seen came to dance there.

too.”

Emilio, who knew all about it, thanks to an episode of Smirnoff-mouth on my part a while back, said, “The whole thing’s a little lurid, wouldn’t you say? Besides, McGraw always writes like that.”

“You read him a lot?” I was thinking about how many people I had told about the business last summer. Paz, McGraw, a border cop, and another guy, a friend of mine named Dick. None of them had the whole story, just different pieces of it. Still, that was four people too many just now. With the *Reader* story, that made it about 150,004, Jonah Kent or not.

Emilio shrugged.

some shit. They draw down on her, she hits the gas. Drives both of them back through the window. One guy has two broken legs, the other guy’s fucked up too. She gets out of the car still holding nothing but the Twinkie. Turns out they’re Chicano. About 16. Department says justified force, easy. McGraw spends three months writing about police racism and brutality with their own kind. I don’t think anybody takes him too seriously, you know? I mean, there’s 20, 30 witnesses see this woman bring these guys down with nothing but a Twinkie in her hand.”

Paz got up and started greeting and seating his customers.

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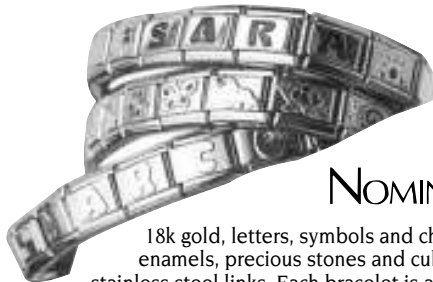
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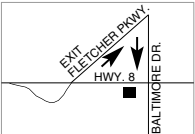
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I made drinks at the service end and took orders at the bar for burgers and burritos. The local businessmen and doctors from “Pill Hill” regaled me with jokes, but I don’t remember any of them. I was a little distracted wondering about airfare to Tasmania or Tierra del Fuego.

About 2:30 I sat back down at the bar with the paper, and by the light of the restaurant’s overhead stained-glass windows, I started reading again. The fog had burned off outside, and the morning clouds that blanket San Diego every June had broken up, at least inland here. The cone of dust-moted, jaundiced light I sat in reminded me of old religious movies, *Song of Bernadette*, *Joan of Arc*, or *Going My Way*. It gave me a chilly half laugh as I imagined I heard the strains of “Nearer My God to Thee.”

I quickly scanned ahead. It was a long article and McGraw got descriptive and windy. He went on a major digression about California’s embarrassing heritage of mass murders, including the persecution of Chinese railroad workers, even reaching back to the Spanish, Anglo, and Mexican posses hunting down Indians for slave labor and sport. He wound up that soap box speech on the note “California: Whose Golden State? Whose killing fields?” and then found his way back to the story I had told him over the course of a week last summer.

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ago when one of the most beautiful women I'd ever seen came to dance there. She was Mexican, maybe 21 and illegal, didn't speak English, and seemed very unhappy about something. I'd gotten her to talk to me over the course of a few nights at dinner. She trusted me, she said. She also said I spoke Spanish as well as King Carlos. Her name was Juana Villez, but now it's Jane Villa, the one smoldering her way into a theater

near you. She said she had been sending her tip money to her brother in Mexico so that he could be safely smuggled across the border by a *pollero* named Kaliman Morelos. The smuggler's name had been provided by our boss, Eugene Walters, who owned several joints like the Low Down in Southern California. Walters and his partner, an aging society beauty from North County named Rachel Cole, had "dis-

covered" Juana working as a maid in one of their hotels in Ensenada. They promised her everything: fame, fortune, bright lights, big city. Juana sent the money but lost touch with her brother, Herman Villez. I told her I

would go down to TJ, check the Border Patrol detention centers, discreetly ask around. A lot of people were sensitive about the name Kaliman Morelos, and one bartender who might have

talked to me had his head caved in on my hotel-room floor before he could say anything. This annoyed one Detective Lieutenant Bevilaqua of the Judiciales, who threatened to throw me in jail until the Beatles got back together if I ever showed my face in Tijuana again. Before I ever got a chance to turn up anything for Juana, she was whisked off in one of Walters' limos, and I found myself suddenly

out of a job. I decided it was time I met Eugene Walters. When I confronted him on his estate in Rancho Santa Palma, he more or less threatened to kill me unless I took up a hobby other than Juana. He had big plans for her, and I didn't figure in. Trying to find Juana was a bust. I'm no detective, but that year I was pretty handy with a gram of cocaine and a bottle of Jim Beam. I went on a binge even as I took a

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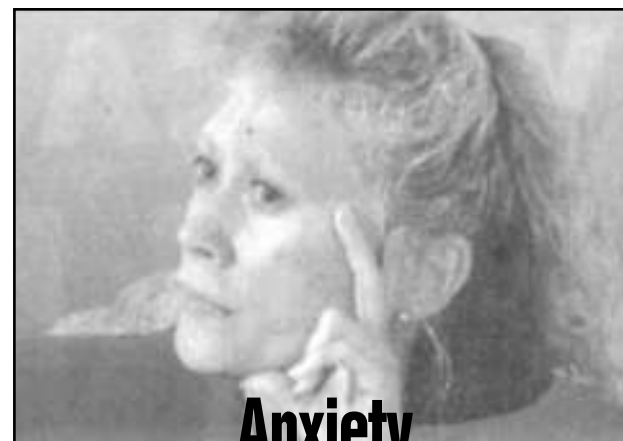
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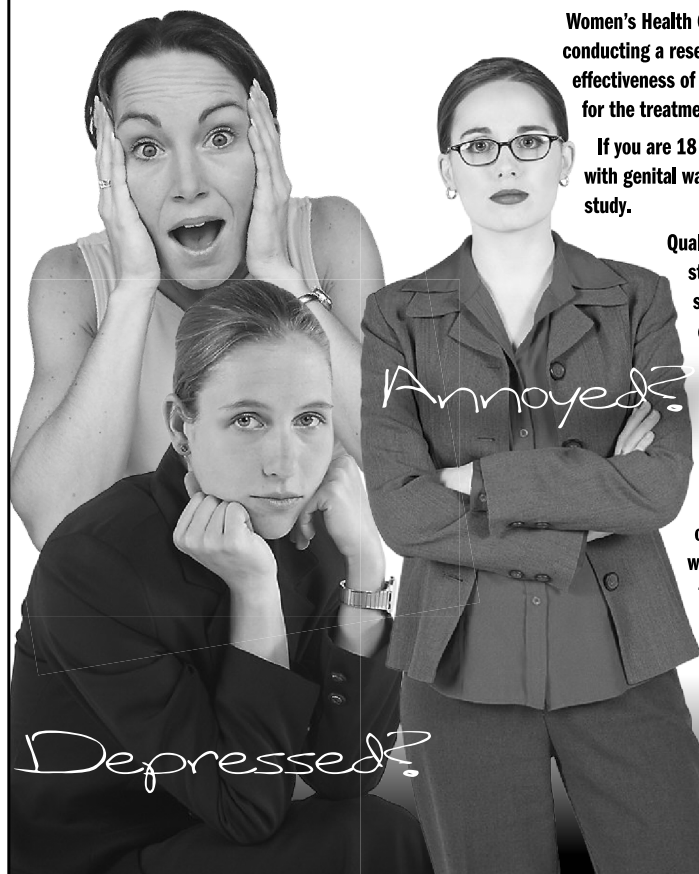
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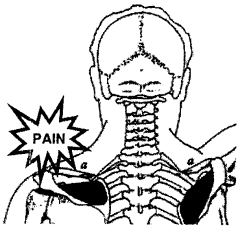
Vaginal Yeast Infection

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job tending bar at a South Bay yacht club. It was there that I met Rachel Cole, though her name meant nothing to me. Juana never got the name of the "cold-looking" woman who hired her along with Walters. Cole stepped off an 80-foot Hatteras at the yacht club surrounded by pretty boys and an aura of sexual hunger she trained in my direction. I got friendly with Cole, at least below the waist, and I spent a lot of time doing the bad bop with her on her estate that seemed to be guarded by a not-so-small army of gun nuts.

When I nosed around the grounds, found evidence of alien smuggling on a large scale, I was thrown out, and then a couple of her staff tried to run me off a mountain road that night. They succeeded, but I walked away. I went down to Mexico posed as an *alambrista*, or "wirecutter," and paid to be smuggled north. It was a personal thing by then. I was brought to Cole's estate, where I discovered Walters and Cole were, in effect, in the slave trade.

They were also in the business of offering human blood sport to those who could afford it: the hunting and killing of live game; untraceable Mexican migrants, males between the ages of 18 and 35.

I had some luck and threw a wrench into Walters' fun by getting ahold of some weapons and distributing them to the Mexicans. This resulted in the death of Rachel Cole. The estate went up in flames, but Walters got away in a helicopter. There was some bullshit investigation by the FBI, the

INS, and state cops, and Walters is officially wanted for questioning but was assumed dead. No one wanted to dig too deep. There was a congressman and more than a few other heavies involved in the game that day.

Finishing McGraw's article, the image came back to me of Walters taking off in the Wolf Security Systems' chopper while I stood about 30

yards away pulling the trigger on an empty Colt Python.

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Paz came over with a plate of carnitas. "Here, try some of these. I'm thinking of putting them out at happy hour." I tried one, chewed it without tasting it. I nodded. "Hey," he caught the taciturn expression on my stark, weathered features and deep-set eyes. "You figured this

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would come out sooner or later, right? I mean, if not McGraw, somebody."

"McGraw told me he wouldn't do it. Gave me his word. I shouldn't have told him anything."

"Maybe not, but this isn't *Time* or *Newsweek*," he said, stabbing the *Reader* with a tortilla full of pork. "And it's McGraw, for Chris-sakes. Next week the cover story will be about some homeless wino with a Ph.D. living in a dumpster behind Horton Plaza, and everybody will forget about it."

"Maybe."

"Here, let me see this." Emilio took the pages I had already read and began the article. I went back and continued reading.

Here McGraw gleefully recounted the gunplay I told him about as if it were a favorite war story of his uncle's. I didn't see what it had to do with anything other than, yeah, that's what it was like. People got shot that summer for no better reason than they were trying to cross the San Diego border and get a job that neither me nor McGraw nor most people I know would do. I didn't get shot, which to me was more to the point, but I found myself reading the paragraph anyway, just to see if I did. McGraw had gotten enough wrong so far.

The problem with Dave McGraw is that he smoked so much grass that everything seemed to him to relate to something else. The article was full of parenthetical, tangential rantings. The problem with me telling him about all of this was that I was drunk when I decided to do it. All in all it was



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an unfortunate marriage, you might say: a matter of me cutting off my nose to spite my face. At the time I had felt impotent, angry, and desperate to tell somebody, thinking that maybe a little media leverage could make a difference, help pry Eugene Walters out from whatever rock he was currently residing under. When I

sobered up, I realized the only person that I'd seriously inconvenienced with this information was myself, anyone near me, and, of course, McGraw. I asked him, with all the sincerity I could muster, to forget about it. But with him, and I should have seen it back then, it was a question of making

some last-ditch effort at investigative journalistic greatness, and it tied in with his oeuvre of reportage on how fucked Mexican illegals or "wirecutters" are. In his mind it tied in with all sorts of other things too, God knows. Our only hope was that, as Emilio optimistically pointed out, nobody cared what David McGraw

wrote about. I found what I was looking for on the third page. The article mentioned my eyewitness sighting of Walters taking off in the company helicopter that day last August; smoke from a burning mansion, the surrounding brush and cordite in my nostrils, the rabbit-white Walters wriggling on the nub sight of my pistol. That was the clincher. Maybe nobody else in the world would believe any of this or would want to, but if Walters saw the *Reader*, he'd figure the only eyewitness to his escape was a nuisance. With me dead everyone could go back to assuming

that ol' Gene had died in the blaze and confusion that afternoon — just as they had all along. My account, as told to McGraw, distributed among some 150,000-plus readers in San Diego County

E. Walters and his psychotic but predictable employees where I could be reached. McGraw ended the article with a suggestion that local, state, and federal agencies reopen an investiga-

It was a miracle that Emilio still had the house, but at high noon I bet you could make out the dim shapes of lawyers doing lazy circles overhead.

would throw that into question. It would remain in question as long as I was above ground — even if I couldn't prove it. McGraw would sure as shit be pressed, and pressed hard, to tell

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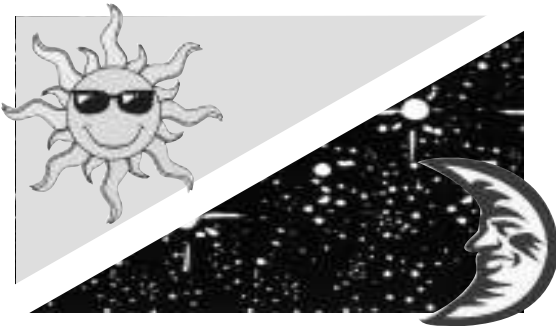
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Nothing of the kind would ever come to pass, of course, certainly not as a result of Nathaniel York, David McGraw, and the San Diego Reader — and I think McGraw knew that — but he had hoped to stir things up again, and if that resulted in controversy, a “dialogue” in the letters-to-the-editor page, well then, shitfire, it would only be a matter of time before the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times* were wooing his Woodward and Bern-

stein-like prowess. I had the distinct impression during my conversations with McGraw that he would absolutely love a bullet hole in his car, too, just to show off in the parking lot at Dobson’s Bar. The fact that that hole might not be in his car but closer to home didn’t seem to bother him. He had a bad case of immortality. I’d seen it before, had a touch of it myself from time to time. Probably too often.

Emilio had the



I wouldn’t miss the Pontiac: the front end was out of alignment, the master cylinder was shot, it drank gas, and handled like the African Queen.

night bartender, Steve, come in half an hour early. “Come on, tough guy,” Paz said to

me. “You don’t want to spend any more time in here, I don’t think.” He turned to

Steve, who always looked a little bookish and inscrutable behind his aviator frame glasses. “York won’t be coming back. You can have his shifts if you want ’em.”

“Sure. You want ’em back, let me know.” Steve was okay. “We ever gonna play golf, York?”

“I ever get that bored, shoot me.”

“You got it.” He clicked a thumb and forefinger together, pointed to me, squinted and said, “Ka-blam!”

CHAPTER 2

Emilio Paz lived on Soto Street between Point Loma and Ocean Beach. His house was a two-story mock-Tudor job that looked a little self-conscious framed by Queen Palms. The grass needed cutting, and a neglected Hobie Cat sat padlocked to a pine tree and covered with a fine silt of brown needles. Emilio let us in with his keys and said, “Ignore the mess.” I’d been there a couple of times before, but I had arrived very late and left early to go

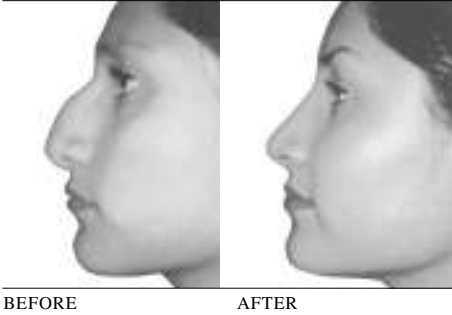
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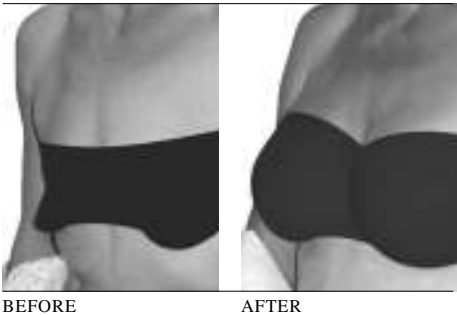
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to work. This time I took the opportunity to look around. There was no mess to ignore, but the place had all the earmarks of divorce: the Levelor blinds had been taken, along with most of the furniture. The Peruvian throw rugs I remembered had been replaced by Mexican blankets, and fade marks on the walls indicated where Roberta Paz's O'Keeffe prints had hung. It was a miracle that Emilio still had the house, but at high noon I bet you could make out the dim shapes of lawyers doing lazy circles overhead.

"Make yourself at home, have a drink." Emilio waved around the living room and kitchen. "Whatever. I've gotta change and get back to the restaurant for dinner."

"Thanks." I strolled through the dining room that had nothing in it except a pile of camping gear, some colorful Hawaiian shirts, OP shorts, and a wetsuit with green and orange markings on grey. The stuff must have belonged to Javier, Emilio's 22-year-old son. The kid was being held at County Correctional on charges of dealing or possessing a shitload of coke. I didn't know much about it, and there didn't seem to be any good way to ask. Emilio was optimistic about springing him after the weekend. Twenty-five thousand dollars bail. Must be nice.

The kitchen had been cleaned by the maid. All the copper pots winked like cymbals in the fading sunlight from the un-Leveled windows. The refrigerator held a case of Corona, some moldy tortillas, and some congealed fast-

food french fries. I managed to resist all of it.

I sat down on a barstool at the breakfast counter, smoked a cigarette, and traced

patterns on the mushroom-motif tiles. I noticed my hand wasn't shaking. What a man. I chuckle at death.

When Paz came

downstairs he was dressed in a beige suit with a light blue shirt open at the throat. He had a good chain around his neck with a small black-and-white

Tai Chi or yin yang symbol fixed to it. His hair was wet from the shower and it looked pomaded. For a minute I could see the kid that he was 25

years ago, the *pachuco* on the streets of Logan Heights. If I squinted, I might have seen a hairnet, and as a kid in another era, he might have worn a zoot suit.

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"Yeah, but my hands aren't shaking."

"You figure this guy Walters will definitely do a number on you? I mean, maybe he figures it's best to let it

go. He's hiding. As far as anyone really knows, he died in the fire at that estate — only you can say different, but, no offense, *cabrón*, who the fuck are you? Some bartender with a wild hair up his ass and a crazy story. You got an obscure local hack to champion your cause, but I don't think much will come of it.

Besides, who's going to put you together with some guy named Clark Kent?"

"Jonah Kent."

"Whatever. If I was Walters, I'd let it ride. Any attempt he makes to take you out would only give your story that much more credibility. I'd say it's even money he doesn't make a move."

"You're wrong." I

watched him drain half his beer. The guy was almost ten years older than me, and he could drink like he was 25. I hated that about him. "To Walters, it's personal. He won't do the smart, considered thing. He'll do the rabid thing."

"So he's gonna find you." Emilio stated the obvious. "He could have by now.

Ever think of that?"

"Yeah, I haven't been hard to locate. But this is the first noise anyone's made. This is a red flag. McGraw yelling, 'Come on, mother-fucker!' You gotta know the guy. He won't let it go."

Paz got up and paced the dining room. He kicked his son's sleeping bag.

"Okay," he said. "I was gonna get Pelon out on Monday." He was referring to his son of the shoulder-length hair. *Pelon* meant bald or "baldy." "But the lawyers got my money tied up. I can't get my hands on the bail. What I was gonna do was put him in the house down in Mexico in case things went sour with his case." He

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picked up the wetsuit, dropped it, and ran his fingers through his drying hair. "There's nothing I can do until the divorce is settled." He turned and pointed at me with the near-empty beer bottle. "You take the place instead. I can get you a job down there too. Papers, a different name. No problem."

"Your place is — what? Just south of Rosarito, isn't it? That's not exactly deep cover...not that I don't appreciate it, Emilio."

"You turn into a Mexican again. Like you did when you were screwing up Walters' alien racket. I'll hire you as a security cop at the condo complex I got there. That way you can legally carry a gun too. A nice quiet job, nobody there but a dozen retired Americans. And, hey, it would be doing me a favor, you living in my house. Unless you got some better idea...."

"Well, a year or two in New Zealand might be nice. You got any retirement condominiums need security guards there?" I put out my cigarette and thought, *these things are killing me.*

"I know how you feel, amigo. But you know, there isn't any place far enough when you're running scared. This way you can keep tabs on things while maintaining low visibility. Unless you tell somebody, there's no way anyone would connect you with my house down there or the Costa Del Oro Retirement Village."

"Or unless you tell somebody," I pointed out.

"That's right." Paz got up off his stool and tossed his empty bottle into a wastebasket next to the refrigerator. It clanked against a few others. "Look, I gotta

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get back to the Balboa. We got Steve to cover your shifts. I don't think you should show up there anymore, you know? Don't go back to your apartment either; I'll get somebody to load up all your stuff in a U-Haul or something." He ran his hands through his drying hair and belched, distinctly un-Cary Grant, but very Cheech Marin. "Make yourself at home, York. If you call McGraw, for chrissakes, don't tell him

how to reach you."

I nodded. Paz was right. It was strange, I knew, that old Gene hadn't already tried to take me out. I figured it meant he had other things on his mind, that he was in no position to indulge in revenge. Yet. Maybe Paz was right again about Walters letting it all slide so as not to draw attention to his continued existence — at least until he could be sure what the official reaction to the article would be. He

might bide his time, but he wouldn't wait *that* long. Walters was not a man of any patience that you'd

My first impression was that my apartment had been tossed, but then I remembered that it always looked that way.

notice.

Emilio waved and locked the door after him when he left. I paced in a triangle

around his living room, thinking. I walked from the front door to the bar to the telephone table next to

the stairs. I kept pausing at the telephone and the bar. My schizophrenia about pouring myself a drink

and calling McGraw reminded me of that night last year, getting drunk at the Hillcrest and screwing up the courage to spit the story out to somebody. This time when I picked up the phone with shaking hands, it wasn't because of liquor.

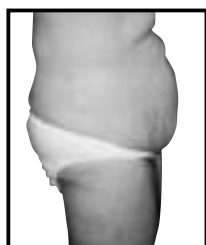
Walking off the distance between Emilio Paz's hall telephone and his tiled kitchen counter where I kept a Marlboro burning, I wondered if I had any right to feel

outraged, betrayed. I did give McGraw the story, after all, and he did get it *mostly* right, and he didn't use my name — for whatever good that would do me.

A girl answered at the *Reader's* offices. She asked who was calling, and I said, Luis Aparicio. She told me to hold. Out the picture window, I watched the sun sink into a bank of clouds just beyond the pier at the foot of Newport Avenue. I turned on a

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lamp next to the phone, and suddenly I could see my reflection in the window. I needed a haircut and my beard trimmed. I was maybe five pounds overweight from too much beer and Mexican food at the Balboa so that my Hawaiian shirt bulged slightly in front. I seemed kind of pale too. Maybe it was the lighting. All in all, I looked like easy prey to myself: fat, slow, dumb, and scared.

"McGraw here. This the world's greatest shortstop calling?" His voice was cheery and boyish. We had argued once about shortstops. I knew he'd remember.

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"I think we're both overdue for a long vacation in Nova Scotia. You got a lot of it wrong, by the way," I said, just to let him hear the anger in my voice.

"Like what?" He sounded indignant.

"Never mind. You got enough of it right to get both of us killed. The obvious question is, anyone asking around for me yet?"

"Yeah, everybody. My editor didn't want to run the story without you signing some forms and shit. I told them you were nowhere to be found, but I pretended to track you down. I signed the stuff myself. It's just waivers, releasing the *Reader* from lawsuit liability and all that."

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"I had to with him, but no one else. I never wrote it down anywhere except for some notes I had back before I talked to you. I destroyed them. I signed the waiver as Jonah Kent. It's a worthless formality. You can sue if you want."

"Who else has been asking about me?"

"A call today from

somebody. Wouldn't give his name. I told him zip. Sounded Mexican."

"It's starting then."

"Yeah." McGraw sounded pleased. This probably reminded him of his good old days with the *Freep*, as he called it; the *L.A. Free Press*. "You gonna move? Lay low for a while?"

"Yeah, McGraw. A little notice would

have been nice. I can't believe this shit."

"Hey, I told you. It came down fast. I had to fight to run the thing, and this was my chance. You wanted the story out, remember? I thought about it, and it isn't reasonable of you to give me this and then tie my hands. You getting weak knees?"

"Worry about your own knees and just

about every other part of your anatomy."

"I got a .45 Colt semi-automatic, an antisocial Doberman, and a few friends at the department."

"I hope they do you some good."

"Don't worry so much. Hey, how do I get ahold of you?"

"You don't. I'll be in touch." I hung up the phone. This time I paced in a straight line from the bar back to the front door. On my third trip, I went out and locked the door behind me with a key Emilio had given me.

* * *

Behind the wheel of my Pontiac it occurred to me that I had better get rid of the car soon too. It was a gift from a friend of mine, a guy named Dick Holster who had helped me out last summer with a place to live and a .32 automatic. Dick knew most of the story already. I wouldn't miss the car: the front end was way out of alignment, the master cylinder was shot, and I had to pump the brakes maybe 30 times at every stop sign. It drank gas and handled

like the *African Queen*. I drove 8 east to 5 south and got off at Pershing Drive. I drove past the Naval hospital and the golf course to my apartment on Redwood and parked a block away. It was getting dark, and I walked past the cracker-box little structure on the other side of the street, looking for any sign of intruders. Everything was dark and quiet, and there weren't any cars on the street I didn't recognize as belonging to neighbors. I checked the screens, and they all

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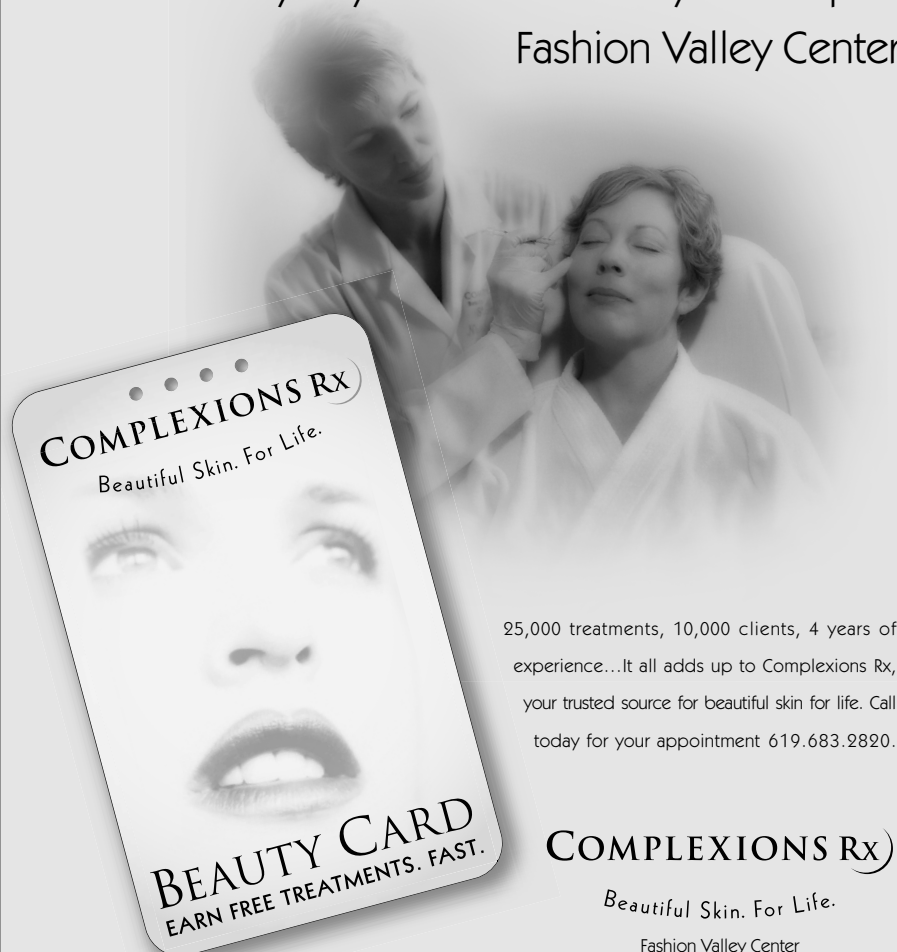
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looked untampered with. I let myself in.

My first impression was that my apartment had been tossed, but then I remembered that it always looked that way. The place struck me as pathetic, and I realized that somewhere along the line I had accepted a kind of shabby emptiness as a "lifestyle." No pictures on the wall, just a Budweiser schedule of Padre games, cinderblock bookshelves with paperbacks, a futon on the floor, a clock radio, dirty laundry, a black-and-white 12" TV set, a desk and chair I used to pile up junk mail and bills, old newspapers, and a telephone in the middle of the floor. Anybody could have lived here, any one of a million marginal slob.

I took a suitcase down from the closet shelf and threw some clothes in it. I put my Epiphone guitar into its case and set it by the door next to my ghetto blaster. My mouth was suddenly dry, the room impossibly quiet. I walked to the kitchen sink and noticed that I was moving on the balls of my feet. I filled a glass full of water and drank it down. I went to refill it and a car backfired down the block. I dropped the glass and it shattered. I hit the linoleum with my hands over my head and stayed there for a half minute shaking and muttering over and over again, "Godammit...Godammit ...Godammit."

After a while I threw the stuff in the Pontiac, locked up the place, and drove off without looking back. There was nothing to see anyway. ■

— John Brizzolara

Next week: Security by day, surfing by night

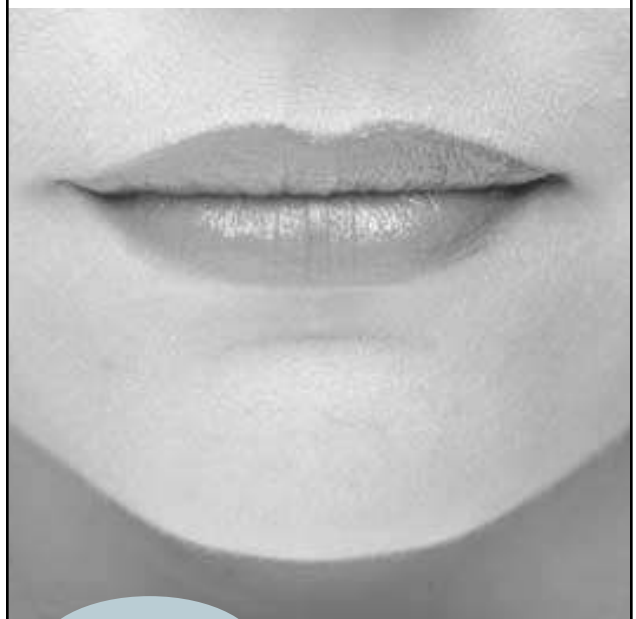
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LETTERS

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As a remedy to this situation, I propose a new solution: Draft these violent brainwashed young Republican "patriots" into the military, send them to the Arab

countries, and let them go to work decimating the Arab world, which appears to be the only "ultimate solution" possible. I guarantee we will not miss any of these cretins as I expect they'll fall victim to Arab guerrilla warfare. Also, by starting the draft immediately we will most

certainly ditch our bush-league "president" and "Dugout Dick" Cheney. I suggest you show some journalistic guts and publish this letter.

Thomas Mittie
Downtown

Immature Locals

Having surfed in the San Diego, North County, area for 35 years, I have some experience with many of the different breaks in the area, and Windansea is easily the most hostile to visiting surfers. That's why I had somewhat of a problem with

the story about the alleged "biker-surfer" in your recent article on surfing and localism ("We Don't Want Anyone to Surf Here," "City Lights," July 10). I'm sure there was some truth in the tale, but when a Windansea local tells the story about this visiting surfer, without any seeming provocation, beginning to yell and curse at the younger Windansea locals, my BS meter started to go up. Then the story finishes with another local attempting to shoot his board at the visitor's head, the guy trying to get away, and four locals

chasing him down and beating him bloody. First, shooting a surfboard at somebody's head is not funny. We're talking about possibly killing someone here. In fact, very possibly even assault with a deadly weapon. Second, four guys beating up on one guy is typical of the rat-pack mentality that pervades Windansea.

Then there's another story in the article about some young Windansea surfers going to an Ocean Beach break and themselves being yelled at and hassled by locals there. "That was pretty bad," says one young Windansea surfer. What do Windansea locals expect? They're surprised when they don't get respect from locals at other spots?

Mark DePhillippis says that "a lot of good things come out of localism" — surf contests for the kids, beach cleanups. This is a type

of circular logic because, unfortunately, if an atmosphere of terrorism is created that keeps outsiders away, these kinds of "good things" help out only the locals. So localism's "good things" really only benefit the locals.

So whenever I read about or hear a plea from Windansea locals to please help out by keeping their break clear for some kind of locals-only contest or something, because of the "proud Windansea tradition," I have to laugh and think about all the great favors they've done for the rest of the surfing world.

As far as localism in general goes, as a longtime area surfer I have seen localism from both sides. But that kind of immature crap was something we did as kids — this 43-year-old Mark DePhillippis really needs to grow up.

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more a real problem with surfing and overcrowding, and there are a lot of reasons for that, but that would be a whole other letter. My fear is that someday some type of legislated control of surfing crowds may become necessary. I hope not, because surfing by its very nature is an independent, free experience. The archaic actions of Windansea locals certainly do not help this situation.

Bruce Johnson
Encinitas

No Contest

The July 10 issue, page 97, had an ad for a Blue Man contest at www.sdreader.com/blueman. I tried it on July 12 and got a blank page???

James Fauset

The URL is case sensitive: www.sdreader.com/BLUEMAN — Editor

Editor's Taste

I'm calling regarding "The City" by Derf (July 10). It just shows that the editor's taste is all in his mouth. There's no way that I can consider that you would think that would really be funny to any of your readers.

Daniel

Attempts Spin

In response to your May 29 article "Hear That Whistle Blow."

I was extremely insulted by the lack of research and follow-up performed on this article. While I am sure the intent of this article was to tell a one-sided story for public interest, you have allowed a person not wearing the Navy uniform, not even remotely familiar with the hydraulic/electrical operational controls of Jet Blast Deflectors, or even half knowledgeable of the official investigation, to use this incident for her own personal gain. This is an insult, and I can personally tell you as one who is familiar with these incidents, still wearing the uniform with over 20 years of experience on this system and personally familiar with these investigations, that her comments are wrong.

If you wanted to pursue the truth of these incidents, the Freedom of Information Act is available, and I am sure you will clearly see that there is nothing related to welding or NDI in these incidents, and the statements made in reference to

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these incidents are clearly untrue.

As for remaining statements made by Mrs. Shott, that is her side of the story, and as you are probably aware, there are many more. As we continue in the Navy to rectify issues related to welding standards, there has not been one failed weld or incident that risked the life of one pilot or one sailor onboard any West Coast carrier performed by the VRT or any repair activity on ALRE. However, the processes and administrative documentation issues will be rectified, not because of Mrs. Shott, but because in Naval Aviation we pursue every avenue to improve quality control.

I hope that in the future your paper will refrain from discussing issues that have caused the loss of life or limb of any member of the military without an exhaustive investigation to ensure the facts are the "FACTS," not falsified statements for a less than honorable purpose.

Name Withheld
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Matt Potter replies: As documented in the story, the U.S. Office of Special Counsel investigated Shott's allegations and found them to be substantially accurate. The Navy agreed and subsequently changed its procedures to reflect Shott's criticism.

Knifed Page

I enjoyed the series on Michael Page (May 1 through June 5) so much, I actually cut the whole series out with an X-Acto knife and stapled it together for my friends who missed it. I feel it's a vital part of rock history as seen from the eyes of a sympathetic insider which should be available to all music fans out there.

Richard J. Perez

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Well, this may be too late since this has to travel 8053 miles! I'd like to get my word in on this letter/reply situation. I'm an infantryman in the U.S. Army. I'm in Iraq, have been since the war started. When I read "Cry Me a River, John" (Letters, April 3), several things came to mind.

(1) I think it's wonderful the people of America can protest. Free speech is a beautiful thing. Freedom is a beautiful thing, but for all of the people protesting, think of this: you are protesting a war that's going to allow millions of people the right to protest, a right that they could only have dreamed of in the past. A right that "Name Withheld" has apparently taken for granted.

(2) This war is being fought by people that chose to sacrifice their lives for someone they don't even know, so that the children of Iraq may have a future. And by all of the loved ones who wait behind supporting their husband, brother, sister, wife, etc., while we are over here. It's not just minorities and the poor. How could you be so ignorant! All of us over here signed the dotted line so we could have a chance to partake in such a worthy cause, and I know no one who does not feel a great sense of pride after seeing smiling faces and cries of "Good USA" everywhere we turn. So don't dare bring us into your protests!

You talk about "poor and minority groups." You don't know about "poor and minority" until you've seen these people firsthand. Let's take a moment to compare the U.S. to Iraq in this aspect. Let's say if you weren't part of a given political group, you would be poor and discriminated against and you would be killed if you spoke out against this political group. Our problems back home don't sound so bad

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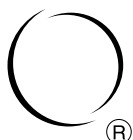
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compared to that, do they?

As for this "killing spree" going on over here, I'm sure the only information that you could use to back up this allegation is the evil media, which you so vehemently speak out against. How about some firsthand info from the front lines? All of the civilians that I have seen killed have been killed by rogue terror groups that come to Iraq to try to kill Americans. They have no compassion for these people; they hide behind them and fire at us. They set off explosions near civilians. They fire rocket-propelled grenades indiscriminately. They are cowards. They don't care where their munitions land as long as there are Americans nearby.

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crying under control, dry your eyes, read some world history, and try to imagine what the world would be like if we just sat back and “spoke out” in the past, and try to do something more constructive instead of crying about stuff through the *Reader* and walking around yelling about how unjust this war was, because it's not too late to stop being ignorant and uninformed...yet.

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Muck Addict

This is my “John Deere” letter of sorts for severing my relationship, and more importantly, my obsession with the *Reader*. It just can't go on anymore. The last several years have found me compelled to race to the nearest 7-Eleven early Thursday mornings so as to try and satiate my macabre need for more “scoop” on the amoral and conscience-deprived “movers and shakers” of San Diego life. I'm through, though, damn it. The notion that you think you can write about what really happens out there totally escapes me. I want to live in a vacuum, and you're keeping me from it. Now that I think about it, I smell a lawsuit for “infliction of emotional distress.” Note to self, call attorney. I'll tell you now, I'm renewing my *U-T* subscription for eternity because I know now I want my news sanitized, revitalized, and preshrunk. No more of this “give it to me straight” crap. Sheesh!

As a side note, I'm a bit jealous of y'all down there at *Reader* central command. I know you bastards laugh out loud when the next “Alan Bersin gets caught with sheep at board meeting” or “John Moores gets knighted by Queen Elizabeth, again” blurb comes across the teletype. Not because of the wonderful news itself but because we out here won't be able to read it till later that week. I just can't take it anymore. By the way, how does Matt Potter live with himself? Who does he think he is, trying to soil the name of those “pillars of the community” like Robert Dynes or Susan Golding or Alex Spanos with insignificant facts of malfeasance and greed? Gimme a break! Oh, and that Don Bauder.

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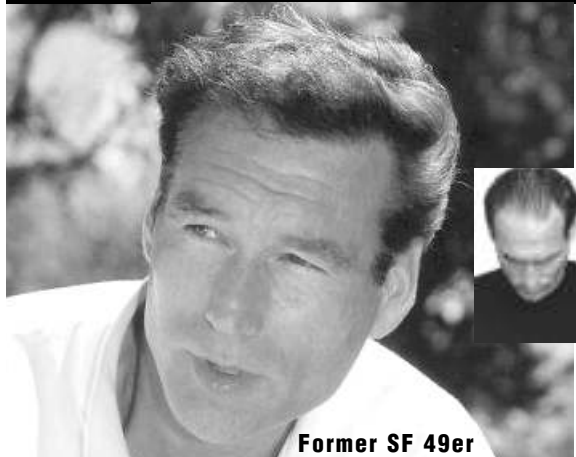
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Argentine Error

Shame on Duncan Shepherd! I don't expect a movie critic be a genius but at least have some universalistic and general education and knowledge. In his online review of *The Dancer Upstairs*, he places the action in Argentina, just because someone mentions Perón Street. Yes, Perón was an Argentinean dictator, but Shepherd ignores that (1) many Latin American cities have streets with his name; (2) in the first ten minutes, the name of Medellín is brought up (a Colombian city); (3) later the name of Miraflores is told, a beautiful suburb of Lima (capital of Peru).

I don't expect Mr. Shepherd to have been in Argentina, but if he ever saw pictures of Buenos Aires or any of Argentina's main cities, he would never mistake those cities for the places shown in the film.

Cinematography is a cultural vehicle and so is a movie critic, because he can influence the knowledge and culture of the people.

Please ask him to be more careful.

Omar Nieto

Substantial Bauder

Don Bauder's new column is a very substantial addition to the *Reader*, and you are to be congratulated on having him. He is experienced, knowledgeable, and sure knows his way around San Diego business and politics. Thanks for making his work available to us.

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You Can't Just Churn Them Out

Graphic Novels at Comic-Con

A really good cartoonist," said Chris Oliveros, "is one who inherently understands the possibilities of writing, drawing, and storytelling as well." The 37-year-old founding publisher of Drawn & Quarterly elaborated a bit, by phone from Montreal, where he is based. "So they know how to pace a story, when to use dialogue, when to use captions." They also know when to keep silent. "They know when the pictures can say something that words can't. It's a very fine knowledge and a very fine balance."

He was speaking shortly before leaving for Comic-Con International 2003 in San Diego, the largest annual gathering of comic-book publishers, creators, and fans in the world. (A

reported 63,000 attended last year.) In Drawn & Quarterly's booth at the convention, Oliveros said he would introduce the paperback edition of *Summer Blonde* by Adrian Tomine, a graphic novel given front-page coverage by the *New York Times Book Review* when it was released in hardcover last year. Populated by characters who wouldn't be out of place in *Ghost World* (the graphic novel by Daniel Clowes that was made into a movie), *Summer Blonde*, along with five other graphic novels in the group review, will be significant in the form's history if only because of that rare, distinguished, mainstream press attention.

Not all graphic novels are fiction, so the term is misleading. In fact, some of the best of these long illustrated narratives are nonfiction. For example, the grandly successful *Maus: A Survivor's*

Tale, the 1992 Pulitzer Prize winner by Art Spiegelman, is about the real-life experiences of the cartoonist's father in Nazi Germany. "And there's also Joe Sacco," said Oliveros, "who is what they call a 'cartoonist journalist.'" *The Fixer*, which Drawn & Quarterly will publish in November, documents Sacco's time in Bosnia. An earlier graphic novel by Sacco, *Palestine*, is about daily life in the occupied territories of the Middle East.

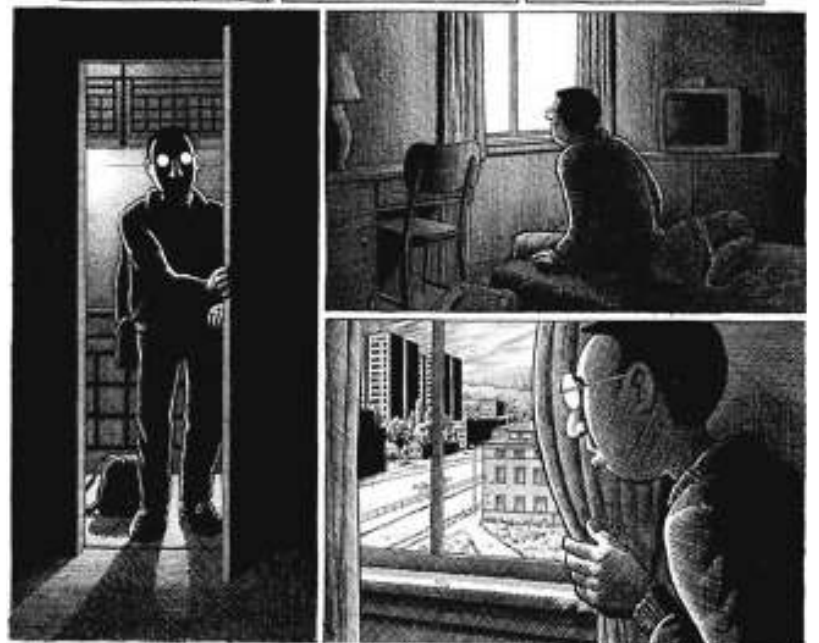
Chris Ware is "probably the biggest thing in graphic novels right now," Oliveros said. Ware's fictional *Jimmy Corrigan: The Smartest Kid on Earth* was published by Pantheon to wide acclaim in 2000. Fantagraphics is bringing out Ware's latest, *Quimby the Mouse*, the story of an angst-ridden rodent, and the publishing house will be promoting it in San Diego.

"Another one that I think will be among the biggest books of the year is *Blankets*," Oliveros speculated. "The cartoonist is Craig Thompson. There's a lot of buzz around that book. You see it being talked about on the message boards. It clocks in at almost 600 pages. It's going to be a hefty, hefty book. It may well be the longest graphic novel ever published. I've only seen the artwork, which is just absolutely beautiful, but I've heard that it's the autobiographical story of the author's childhood and teenage years. He apparently grew up in a fundamentalist household and rebelled."

Thompson's publisher, Chris Staros of Top Shelf Productions, based in Marietta, Georgia, confirmed that theme and said Thompson would be at Comic-Con to promote *Blankets*, due to be released officially on July 23.

Will Eisner, arguably the originator of the graphic novel, plans to be there, too, said Comic-Con's promoters. "The consensus is that the first graphic novel, published in 1978, was Eisner's *A Contract with God*," said Oliveros. "Until then, there were only comic books of the stapled pamphlet variety, featuring superheroes and so on." Then Eisner (b. 1917) came out with his semi-autobiographical story of Jews in the slums of New York during the 1930s.

Still, no avalanche of



From *The Fixer*, by Joe Sacco

graphic novels followed. That wouldn't come until after the first volume of *Maus* was published in 1986. "Spiegelman really is a pioneer," said Oliveros. "He was one of the original underground cartoonists, with R. Crumb, back in the '60s. By the early '80s he had started a comics anthology, *Raw*, that presented for the first time sophisticated subject matter. I think *Maus* inspired many cartoonists who are doing good work today. They look back on *Maus* and say, 'That was the book that changed my perception of what can be done with comics.'"

As the potential publisher of future classics, what is Oliveros looking for? "I suppose we're looking for unique stories," he said. "The cartoonists we publish are not interchangeable. It's the same in filmmaking or normal novel writing. There's only one Woody Allen and one Dave Eggers. You can't just churn them out. Ultimately we're looking for people who have a unique perspective on things."

Another (female) graphic novelist

who has generated considerable reader interest lately is Marjane Satrapi. Her debut volume, *Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood*, was published first in France, then in the United States by Pantheon in April. It's about her growing-up years in Tehran during the overthrow of the Shah, the Islamic fundamentalist rise to power, and Iran's war with Iraq.

The convention's official hours are noted below, but promoters expect many other activities to go on until 1:00 or 2:00 a.m.

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"Life Is Beautiful," screens for Cinemajardin, Friday, July 18, 8 p.m. at El Lugar del Nopal, Zona Centro. Free. 011-52-664-685-1264. (TIJUANA)

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OUTDOORS

Cumulonimbus Clouds, or thunderheads, are most likely to form over San Diego County's deserts and mountains during the latter part of the summer season, beginning about late July. The clouds appear by midafternoon — often the result of moist, tropical air entering the county from the south or southeast. If intense, these cloud buildups are accompanied by enough rain to flood the desert washes and mountain drainages. When the weather pattern allows the movement of moist air beyond the mountain barriers, even coastal San Diego County can experience the cool spatter of raindrops and spectacular evening lightning displays.

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haila, Mariah, Linda, and Shalimar; Middle-Earth Band accompanies, Saturday, July 19, at 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street), 5 p.m. \$5. 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS)

Fusion Dance presents "Prelude" in its California debut, Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m. at Sushi Performance and Visual Art, 320 11th Avenue. \$10; \$8 for members, students and seniors. 858-220-2814. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Swing, Nightclub, and Ballroom Dance Party begins with nightclub two-step lesson Saturday, July 19, 7 p.m., Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). \$10. 619-229-0141. (ENCINITAS)

Renaissance Through Regency English Country Dancing to haunting Baroque music occurs Sunday, July 20 (and every Sunday), from 6 to 9 p.m. in dance studio in Oak Knoll Plaza (12227 Poway Road). First time free, \$6 thereafter. 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

Dancin' With Pros, annual master teacher series hosted by City Ballet begins with master class led by esteemed ballerina Gelsey Kirkland, open to public for observation on Saturday, August 2, 2 p.m. Teacher and choreographer David Howard presents master class, Wednesday, August 6, 6:30 p.m. Gifted ballerina Susan Jaffe leads class, Wednesday, August 13, 6:30 p.m.

Find City Ballet Studios at 941 Garnet Avenue (entrance is on alley). \$25 per class. Required reservations: 858-274-6058. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Dance Argentine Tango every Wednesday night, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., at Center for the Moving Arts (3255 Fifth Avenue). \$5. Introductory dance lesson, 7:30 to 8:30 (\$5). 619-970-6620. (HILLCREST)

FILM

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

Summer Classic IMAX Film Festival runs through August 31 with film specials every night. See two different classics every week for \$6 per film. Thursday through



Joe Harper, president of Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, shares his experience with horse racing along with footage of Seabiscuit's famous 1938 Del Mar win, July 20 (see In Person)

Sunday, July 17-20: *Antartica and Ring of Fire*; Monday, July 21 through Sunday, July 27: *Yellowstone and Lewis and Clark*.

"Fridays at the Fleet" features \$6 admission to IMAX films, music, food, admission to exhibits.

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

Screen on the Green, outdoor film festival at San Diego Museum

of Art returns with *The Black Stallion* — starring Mickey Rooney, Teri Garr, Hoyt Axton — Thursday, July 17. Film screens at dusk on the museum's east lawn. Free. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

"L'Ora di Religione" (2002), a satire about Catholicism in contemporary Italy, screens for the Italian film series Friday, July 18, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Cen-

ter (1669 Columbia Street). \$2. 619-237-0601. In Italian with English subtitles. (LITTLE ITALY)

"The Long Cult Summer: The Adventure Continues," through September 26, at the Museum of Photographic Arts. This week's theme: "Passings." *Imitation of Life* (1934, John Stahl) screens at 1 and 7 p.m. on Friday, July 18, and 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 19. The 1959 Douglas Sirk version shows at 3:30 and 9:30 p.m. Friday and again at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets: \$5 general. Showtimes: 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

See a Flick on the Sea in "Movies before the Mast" nautical film series on the deck of the *Star of India*. Friday, July 18, date night with *Jaws*; Saturday, July 19, family night with *Atlantis the Lost Empire*. Gates open at 7 p.m., movie begins at dark. Films are projected onto a special sail aloft in the ship's rig.

Admission \$12 adults, \$7 children 12 and under. The *Star* is berthed at 1306 North Harbor Drive. Tickets: 619-234-9153 x106. (DOWNTOWN)

"Talk to Her," winner of a Golden Globe Award for Best Foreign Film, explores the parallel lives of four characters whose paths cross after a chance encounter. A "powerfully moving story of exceptional compassion, loneliness, and generosity," directed by Pedro Almodovar. The film screens for Sunday Matinee, July 20, 2 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-

5800. Free. In Spanish with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

An Odyssey of Self-Pity and Self-Realization in *Love Liza*, when a man tries to cope with the death of his wife. Stars Philip Seymour Hoffman and Kathy Bates. Shown for Film Forum, Monday, July 21, 6:30 p.m., San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Family Film Night, watch *Tarzan* when it screens for Carlsbad Library film series, Wednesday, July 23, 6 p.m., Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

Pale Male, this film documents life of a bold red-tailed hawk who lives and hunts amid skyscrapers of Manhattan — attracting curious onlookers and devoted fans. Tuesday, July 29, 3 p.m., San Diego Natural History Museum. \$10 fee includes dessert. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Movie Night at Spreckels Organ Pavilion, enjoy the Harold Lloyd silent flick *The Freshman*, with live music by organist Dennis James, Monday, August 4, 6 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

"The American Collection," D. Scott Atkinson, SDMA curator, leads art talk and tour of the SDMA American galleries, Thursday, July 17, and Sunday, July 20,

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at San Diego Museum of Art. Tours at 2 p.m. on Sunday, 6 p.m. on Thursday. Meet in rotunda. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

"Holistic Health Care for Pets," veterinarian speaks for class on Thursday, July 17, 6 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society (887 Sherman Street). \$10. Reservations: 619-299-7012 x251. (LINDA VISTA)

How to Divide and Repot Orchids, a demonstration for Palomar Orchid Society, Friday, July 18, 7:30 p.m., Women's Club of Carlsbad (3320 Monroe Street). Free. 760-735-8494 x104. (CARLSBAD)

"Mt. Kilimanjaro, Above and Beyond the Clouds," lecture and photographic images presented by Ed Culbertson, Ph.D., for Sierra Club, Friday, July 18, 7:30 p.m., in auditorium of San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of the zoo's main entrance). 619-299-1744 x1040. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

"Murals: Connecting Walls" addressed by Raul Espinoza for "Third Fridays at ACI," July 18, 6 p.m., Arts College International (840 G Street). Free. 619-231-3900. (EAST VILLAGE)

Pungent Tastes of Thai, chef David Abella of Roy's La Jolla along with chef Bernard Guillas of the Marine Room provide an inside look at the exotic, flavorful cuisine of Thailand, Saturday, July 19, 1 to



23rd Annual Beach Bocce Ball World Championship, July 19 (see Sports)

2:30 p.m., Macy's School of Cooking (Mission Valley shopping center, 1555 Camino de la Reina). \$10. Reservations: call 619-299-9811 x4231. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Science of Cultural Anthropology" — an interactive analysis

of human culture, featuring Dr. Tim Gross and Ken Hedges, at the San Diego Museum of Man, Saturday, July 19, at 5 p.m. for "Meet the Scientists" night. Dr. Gross will demonstrate techniques illustrating the history of humans trans-

forming stone and natural materials into tools while Mr. Hedges will examine the science of analyzing rock art. \$6 general, free for children under six. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Let It Rot, master composters lead composting workshop Saturday, July 19, 8 a.m., at the Escondido Community Garden. Instruction and demonstrations in building and maintenance of backyard compost piles and worm bins. Free. The garden is found just north of Highway 78 on Centre City Parkway; park in the park-and-ride lot. Free. 760-839-4818. (ESCONDIDO)

The Three Manifestos of Humanism, a round-table discussion, Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m., at Gen Lai Sen Chinese Restaurant (corner of 12th and C Streets). Free. 619-670-4159 or 619-544-0640. (DOWNTOWN)

Buena Vista Native Plant Club will address strategies for reducing fire risk in native landscapes Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m., Buena Vista Nature Center, 2202 South Coast Highway. 760-439-2473. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

"The Extraterrestrial Presence — All Will Be Revealed" discussed by Fred Gunn for Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), Sunday, July 20, 5 p.m., Sizzler (3755 Mur-



Palomar Gem and Mineral Club's Annual Show, July 19-20 (see Special)

phy Canyon Road). Free. 760-753-2456. (MISSION VILLAGE)

Write Brain? Writing workshop led by author and creativity coach Jill Badonsky, Tuesday, July 22, 7 p.m. at 101 Artists' Colony (25

East E Street). \$15. Registration: 760-414-1949. (ENCINITAS)

"Clearing Landmines: Rebuilding Communities" discussed when Nigel Robinson speaks for "Matters of Controversy" dialogue series, Tuesday,

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July 22, 7 p.m., First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street, across from the UCSD Medical Center). 858-459-4650. Free. (HILLCREST)

"A View to the Past," marquetry craftsman and antique furniture restoration specialist Patrick Edwards presents series of talks continuing Thursday, July 24, 1:30 p.m., for "Art in the Afternoon" series at Timken Museum of Art. Free. 619-531-9636. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Photographic Eye of the Painter," reveals how Degas used photography as a means of inspiration, presented by Carol McCusker and Vivian Kung Haga, Thursday, July 24, 6 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Included in museum admission. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

IN PERSON

Music in the Park, summer concert series features surfing music by Breez'n, Thursday, July 17, 5:30 p.m., Memorial Park. 619-585-5682. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

The Love Triangle between Nubian princess Aida, Egyptian princess Amneris, and soldier



Olympic bronze medalist Tonie Campbell at Barnes & Noble, July 19 (see In Person)

Radames is told in Elton John and Tim Rice's *Aida*. Performances run through July 20, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 7 p.m. on Wednesday, 8 p.m. on Friday, 2

and 8 p.m. Saturday, 1 and 6 p.m. Sunday. San Diego Civic Theatre, Third Avenue and B Street. Tickets: \$24 to \$70, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Where Are the Five Most Extreme Towns in America? Find

out when Jake Halpern signs and discusses *Braving Home: Dispatches from the Underwater Town, the Lava-Side In, and Other Extreme Locales*, Thursday, July 17, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria? Carlsbad Community Theatre presents *The Sound of Music*, July 17-27, at the Carlsbad Community Cultural Arts Center (3557 Monroe Street). Tickets: \$10 general. Reservations: 760-931-8709. (CARLSBAD)

Twilight in the Park Summer Concert Series, San Diego Banjo Band performs Thursday, July 17. The Finest City Jazz Band entertains on Tuesday, July 22; Art Deco and the New Era take the stage Wednesday, July 23, and Sun Harbor Chorus presents barbershop music on Thursday, July 24. Concerts run from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m., Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Summer in the Park, University Heights concert series presents Tami Thomas performing big-band swing and jive, Friday, July 18, at 6 p.m. at Trolley Barn Park (1900 block of Adams Avenue). Free. 619-297-3166. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

TGIF Jazz in the Parks, concert by Latin Trumpet Summit, featuring trumpeter Gilbert Castellanos, Friday, July 18, 6 p.m. in Stagecoach Park (3420 Camino de los Coches, at La Costa Avenue and Rancho Santa Fe Road). Shuttle service available. 760-434-2904. (LA COSTA)

Olympian in Oceanside, Tonie Campbell, 1988 Men's 110-Meter Hurdles bronze medalist, shares



Burn Run and Fire Expo, July 19 (see Special)

his thoughts and signs his book, *The Highest Stand*, at Barnes & Noble (2615 Vista Way), Saturday, July 19, 2 p.m. Free. 760-529-0270. (OCEANSIDE)

Bird Park Summer Concerts, Theo and the Zydeco Patrol perform Saturday, July 19, 6 p.m., at Bird Park (in northeast corner of Morley Field, at corner of 28th Street and Pershing Drive). 619-392-4130. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

"Saying Good-Bye to the Pet You Love," signed by author Dr. Lorri Greene, benefiting San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, Saturday, July 19, noon to 2 p.m. at Glorious Antiques (7616 Girard Avenue). Free. 619-299-7012. (LA JOLLA)

Late Bloomers Comedy Improv Troupe perform their audience-interactive show Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m., North Park Vaudeville Theater (2031 El Cajon Boulevard). \$5. Reservations: 619-647-4958. (NORTH PARK)

"Reggae by the Pier," all-age festival, Saturday, July 19, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., next to Oceanside Pier at community band shell. \$24 in advance, \$29 at door. 760-721-4434. (OCEANSIDE)

Anti-Social, Writers Monthly hosts this event, Sunday, July 20, at

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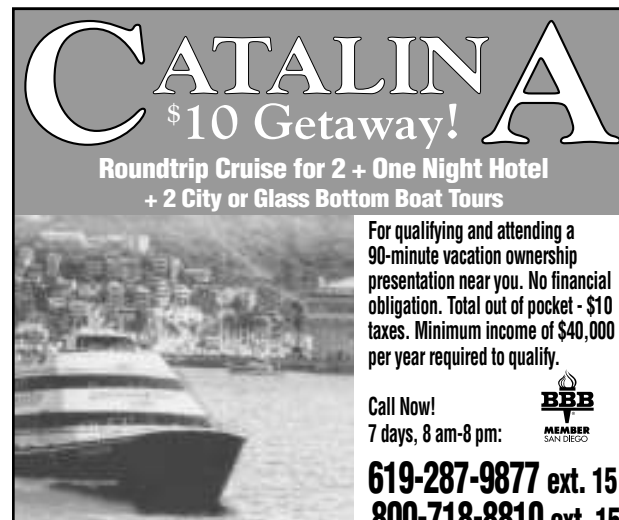


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Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). Patricia Santana will sign and discuss *Motorcycle Ride on the Sea of Tranquility*. Anti-social hour is 3 to 6 p.m. Free. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

"Travels With My Lovers," signed by the author, Erica Miner, Sunday, July 20, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Summer and Dene Creations in Art (2807 University Avenue). Free. 619-688-5969. (HILLCREST)

Jazz Party, the Chicago Four perform for Jazz Artists Guild, Sunday, July 20, at San Diego Musicians Hall (1717 West Morena Boulevard). Doors open at 1 p.m., jam session at 1:30 p.m., Chicago Four at 2:30 p.m. \$6 for members or first-timers, \$10 for nonmembers. 619-561-1518. (BAY PARK)

"Off to the Races," Joe Harper, president of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, shares his extensive experience with horse racing along with footage of Seabiscuit's famous win at Del Mar, Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m. Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

Pacific Coast Concert Band performs in Spreckels Park (601 Orange Avenue), Sunday, July 20, 6 p.m. Free. 760-390-2990. (CORONADO)

"The Pleasure of Your Company," the Pomerado Saxophone Quartet performs works ranging from Bach to Dixieland, Sunday, July 20, 2:30 p.m., Scripps Ranch

Public Library (10301 Scripps Lake Drive). Free. 858-538-8158. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Sundays at Six, Bow Willow folk concert, July 20, 6 p.m., at Harry Griffen Park Amphitheatre (9550 Mildren Street). Free. 619-667-1300. (LA MESA)

Traci Lords signs her book *Traci Lords: Underneath It All* at Current Affairs Bookstore (2356 University Avenue), Monday, July 21, at 7 p.m. Free. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

Two Songs Guaranteed, open mike, Tuesday, July 22 (and every Tuesday), 8 p.m. at the Celeste Center (861 Hornblend Street). All levels, ages and styles welcome. \$5. 858-274-8658. (PACIFIC BEACH)

"Let's Ask Michael," host of HGTV's *Designing for the Sexes*, Michael Payne, will sign and discuss his book, *Let's Ask Michael: 100 Practical Solutions for Interior Design Challenges*, at Warwick's (7812 Girard Avenue), Thursday, July 24, 7:30 p.m. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

First Tuesday Local Author Series continues with best-selling author T. Jefferson Parker (*Cold Pursuit, Black Water, Silent Joe*), Tuesday, August 5, 6:30 p.m., Turrentine Room at Escondido Public Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

Laugh It Up when Sinbad performs for Humphrey's Concerts on the Bay, Friday, August 8, 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$55 to \$102, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). Humphrey's, 2241 Shelter Island Drive. (SHELTER ISLAND)

COUNTRY FAIR

If you didn't see the six-legged dog,
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We did, and he mostly lay in the corner.
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One got used to them quickly
And thought of other things.
Like, what a cold, dark night
To be out at the fair.

Then the keeper threw a stick
And the dog went after it
On four legs, the other two flapping behind,
Which made one girl shriek with laughter.

She was drunk and so was the man
Who kept kissing her neck.
The dog got the stick and looked back at us.
And that was the whole show.

— Charles Simic

Born in Belgrade, Charles Simic now lives in New Hampshire, where he teaches American literature and creative writing at the University of New Hampshire. His 1990 collection, *The World Doesn't End: Prose Poems*, was awarded the Pulitzer Prize.



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SPORTS

Catch One at the Q! The San Diego Padres host the Arizona Diamondbacks, Thursday, July 17,

2:05 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, July 18 and 19, 7:05 p.m.; and Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m.

Still at home, the Padres welcome the St. Louis Cardinals July 21-23 with games at 7:05 p.m. Monday and Tuesday and an af-

ternoon game at 2:05 p.m. on Wednesday.

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Evening Sea Breezes Ride to Cabrillo Point and back with Sierra Club bicyclists and SD Wheelmen, Thursday, July 17. Meet at 5:15 p.m. at Olinda's Mexican Restaurant (2152 San Diego Avenue). Free. 619-557-6208. (OLD TOWN)

Watch Out for the Riptide! There's no fair catch and no punting allowed in arena football. San Diego Riptide hosts Hawaiian Islanders, Friday, July 18, 7:30 p.m., San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets range from \$8 to \$50, available by calling 858-404-0232. (SPORTS ARENA)

Beach Bocce Ball, 23rd Annual World Championship, Saturday, July 19, 7:30 a.m., at mouth of San Dieguito River. \$50 per team. Registration: 858-793-7345. (DEL MAR)

Bomber and Factory Stock promised among others at Cajon Speedway on Saturday, July 19. 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, take Bradley exit. Turn left, drive two blocks to Wing Street, then right one block to 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)

World's Largest Beach Party? Old Mission Beach Athletic Club's 50th annual Over-the-Line tour-

namment wraps up Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20. Irreverent team names and "uniforms" are just part of the fun. Tournament play runs from 7:30 a.m. to dusk on Fiesta Island. 619-688-0817. (MISSION BAY)

San Diego Cricket Club/UCSD Cricket Club first team hosts the United Cricket Club, Saturday, July 19. 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)

AARP Triumph Classic, national short-distance triathlon for those 50 and older, Sunday, July 20, 7:30 a.m., Morley Field (2229 Morley Field Drive). Participants, \$35; \$15 per relay member. 866-812-2277. (BALBOA PARK)

Surf Polo Cup Finals at San Diego Polo Club, Sunday, July 20. Preliminary matches begin at 1:30 p.m., featured match starts at 3 p.m. General admission is \$5, as is parking. The club meets at 14555 El Camino Real. 858-481-9217. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

And They're Off! The 2003 sea-side racing season begins Wednesday, July 23, hosted by the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, continuing through Wednesday, September 10. Races every day except Tuesday; post time 2 p.m. except Fridays, when racing begins at 4 p.m.

General admission is \$5 for adults, free for those 17 and under. Find Del Mar Racetrack at San Diego County fairgrounds, Jimmy Durante Boulevard and Via de la Valle. 858-755-1141. (DEL MAR)

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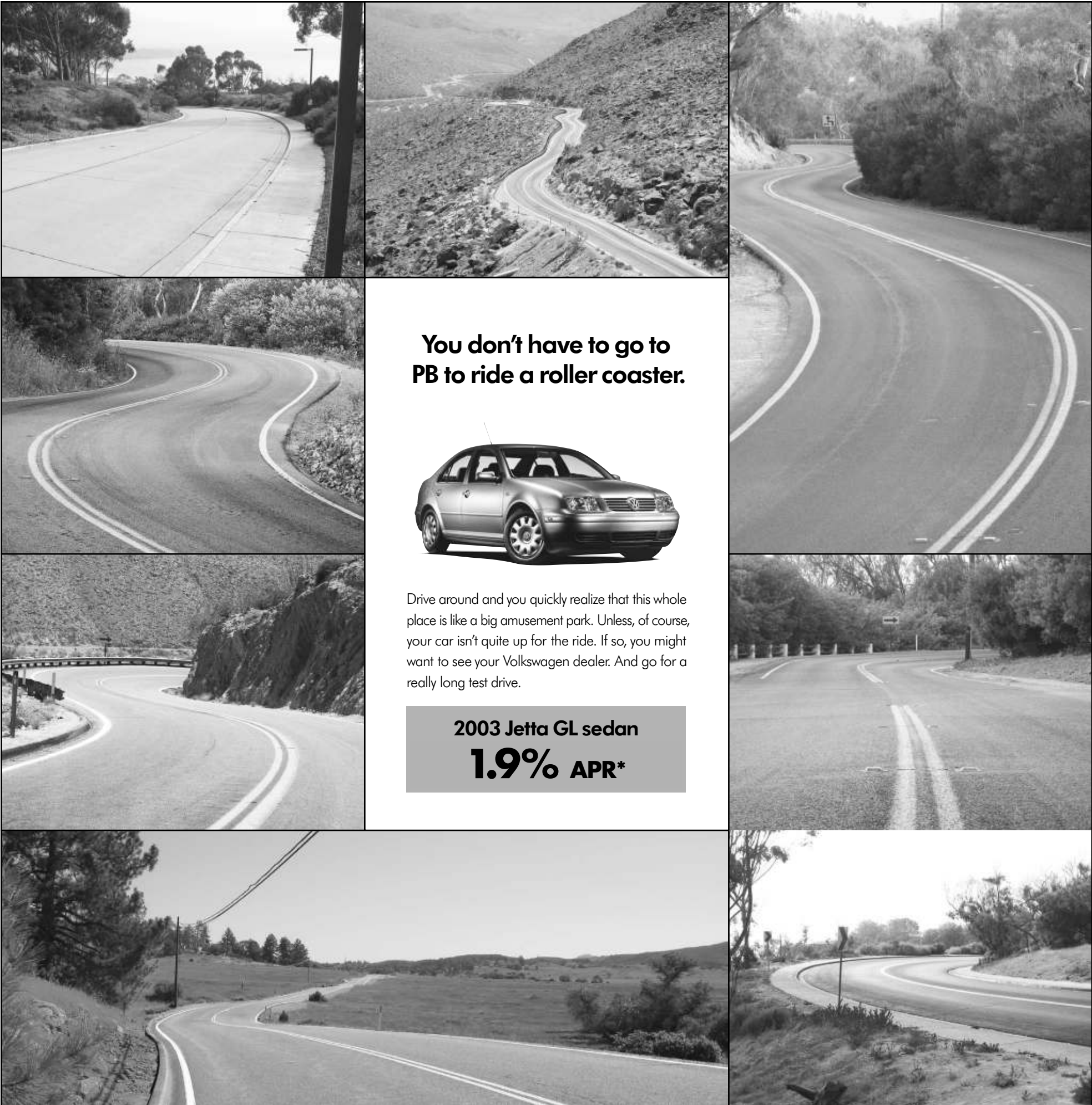
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LOCAL EVENTS

Soccer Association, hosts New York Power, Wednesday, July 23, 7 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)

SPECIAL

An Explosion of Pop Culture!

It's time for Comic-Con International — the 34th annual event takes place Thursday-Sunday, July 17-20, at San Diego Convention Center (111 West Harbor Drive). “Thousands of industry professionals” attend, and there are sneak previews, anime, awards, gaming, exhibits, lectures, vendors.

Exhibit hours: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets and information: 619-414-1020. (DOWNTOWN)

Tour d'Elegance, five homes ranging in size from 4761 to 8900 square feet are featured in this year's luxury home tour. Walking tours run through Sunday, August 10.

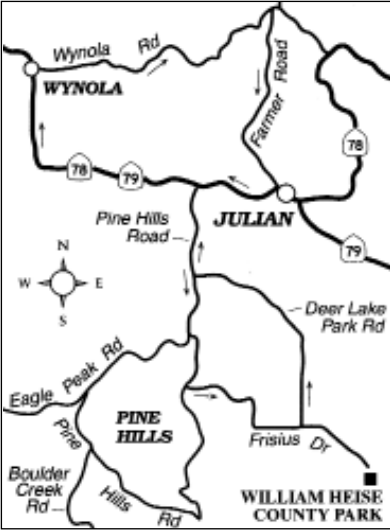
Find the homes by taking I-805 to Telegraph Canyon Road; head east to Chula Vista (turns into Otay Lakes Road). Travel about five miles to site, turn left on Woods Drive. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Tickets: \$12 general, \$10 seniors on Wednesdays, \$5 for those under 12 (free for tots under 2). 619-835-9003. (CHULA VISTA)

The Smallest Show on Earth, “Paper Theatre Festival” hosted by Arts Libraries at UCSD runs July 1-31. According to festival di-

Roam-O-Rama

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

Summer is settling in at last upon the hills and dales of Julian, bringing with it the toasty smell of sun-dried grass and the cool, vanilla-like fragrance of Jeffrey pines. Bicycling is a good way to appreciate the sensory feast of our local mountains — and summer isn't bad, especially if you take advantage of early sunrises or late sunsets. Sunday mornings and weekday evenings (say, from 6 to 8) are great times for avoiding the midday heat and much of the local and tourist traffic.



Several back roads around Julian offer superb cycling opportunities, provided you have a low set of gears to negotiate occasional steep grades. Arrowed on the accompanying map is a figure-8 pavement tour of about 18 miles, but you can certainly improvise with extensions or abbreviations.

Park off Highway 78/79 in the tiny community of Wynola and cycle east on Wynola Road. This excessively sinuous country road rises gradually through oak and pine forests, punctuated by all too many pine snags, the casualties of the recent string of drought years. The lay of the roadway recalls early road-building techniques that emphasized gentle grades and hardly any disturbance of the natural contours of the land.

After three miles, turn right on Farmer Road and begin struggling over a sharp summit toward Julian. When near the top, look back at the tidy rows of apple trees spread below the imposing wall of the Volcan Mountains. When you reach Julian, skirt the crowds by hanging a right at Highway 78/79. Coast a mile down to Pine Hills Road and turn left.

Now glide through some of the finer rural scenery in the county. As you pass Eagle Peak Road on the right, consider extending your tour by way of a circuitous



Exhibit in Julian's town hall

exploration of the Pine Hills community via paved and partly unpaved roads (it's best if you have a detailed street map of that area). Our main route, however, continues south to Frisius Drive, the gateway to the magnificent William Heise County Park. You can tank up on water there and tool around a bit through the park's shady camping areas.

Return to Highway 78/79 by way of Deer Lake Park Road. On the way, notice the fine specimens of red-barked manzanita. Manzanita berries (*manzanita* is Spanish for “little apple”) might be thought of as Julian's original apples. They're marginally edible when reddish ripe.

The final stretch down the highway to your starting point at Wynola is almost entirely downhill.

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

Dozens of paper theaters are

on display during July. Condensed plays and operas using the scale-model theaters presented at 1 p.m. on Saturdays, July 12, 19, and 26, in lower level of Geisel Library at UCSD. Music provided by Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

Burn Run and Fire Expo, 13th annual firefighting event winds through San Diego County starting at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 19,

with two Burn Run routes proceeding to Qualcomm Stadium, where Fire Expo begins at 1 p.m. Parade at 6:45 p.m. Free. 858-541-2277. (MISSION VALLEY)

Silent Book Auction, held by Friends of the Carlsbad Library, Saturday and Sunday, July 19-20, 1 to 3 p.m. in the Gowland Meeting Room of the Dove Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-434-2881. (CARLSBAD)

Take Advantage of Dark Skies with Cleveland National Forest's “Explore the Stars” program at Palomar Mountain's Observatory Campground, Saturday, July 19. Amphitheater presentation at dusk. Program free, although campground usage fees apply. 760-788-0250. (PALOMAR MOUNTAIN)

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tial Artists Tournament, Saturday, July 19, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Scottish Rite Center (1895 Camino del Rio South). \$5 donation supports domestic violence programs. 619-987-8828. (MISSION VALLEY)

Shakespeare's Tempest discussed by Great Books Reading and Discussion Group, Saturday, July 19, 2 p.m., in third-floor conference room, San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 858-755-8978. Free; newcomers welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

Sparkle and Shine at the Palomar Gem and Mineral Club's annual show, dealers and demonstrations abound, July 19 and 20, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 304 Park Avenue. \$2; seniors \$1; children under 12 free. 760-743-0809. (ESCONDIDO)

Spanish Village Art Center holds its annual open house on Saturday, July 19, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Located just south of the entrance to the San Diego Zoo. Free. 619-299-1870. (BALBOA PARK)

Decorating Paradise, the American Society of Interior Designers' Sixth Annual Clearance Sale takes place July 19-20; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Winfield Floor & Window Covering (7031 Carroll Road). \$3. 858-646-9896. (MIRAMAR)

Beatlemania Persists at BeatleFair, Sunday, July 20, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Scottish Rite Center (1895 Camino del Rio South). This year's theme: “A Tribute to Ringo.” Artwork, music, book signings, games. \$12 advance, \$15 door. Tickets: 619-687-3687 or through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (MISSION VALLEY)

Dachshunds, Dachshunds, Dachshunds! The 15th Annual Dachshund Picnic occurs Sunday, July 20, at noon in Balboa Park, corner of Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. Bring your doxie and a picnic lunch. Free. 858-755-9270. (BALBOA PARK)

Native Songs and Dances may be enjoyed when House of Colombia offers program on lawn of International Cottages, 2 p.m. Sunday, July 20. Free. Food will be for sale from noon to 4 p.m. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

Stamp-Collecting Show, Sunday, July 20, stamp and cover dealers offer wares from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Free. 619-469-0337. (KEARNY MESA)

Baja Bash, four-day music festival held for first time in U.S., Thursday-Sunday, July 24-27. Music, camping, nature hikes, fishing, water sports, go-cart racing, and more! La Jolla Indian Reservation (22000 Highway 76, foothills of Palomar

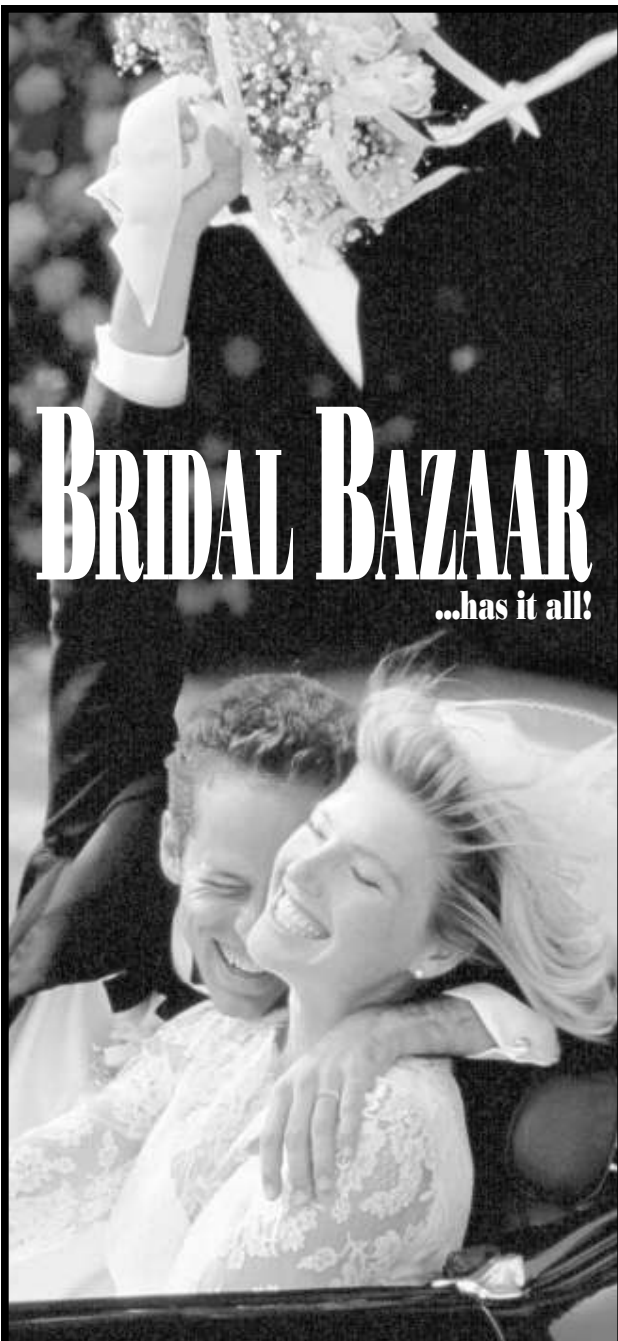
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Sacred Harp Singing, the Fa-SoLa Singers host seventh annual day of "shape-note singing," Saturday, July 26, in Porter House at Old Poway Park (14134 Midland Road). Singers from all over California will join to sing a cappella hymns from *The Sacred Harp* in four-part harmony from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Loaner books available. Free. 858-566-4040. (POWAY)

Oaxacan Culture Celebration, during fourth-annual Guelaguetza, Sunday, July 27, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., at CSU San Marcos on the lower field (corner of South Twin Oaks Valley Road and Craven Road). Parade, Oaxacan dance groups and musicians, traditional foods, arts and crafts. \$5 donation. 760-845-6860. (SAN MARCOS)

San Diego Renaissance Faire, festivities run August 2 and 3, on lawn of the War Memorial Building (at corner of Zoo Drive and Park Boulevard). Seven stages of continuous entertainment such as "knights battling with live steel," exotic gypsies, living chess game, storytelling, dance; children's activities, vendor booths.

Hours: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$12 general, \$6 for children (6-12). 619-589-5412. (BALBOA PARK)

The Greatest Show on Earth, Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus hits town for performances at the big top known as the San Diego Sports Arena. Program includes "daredevil hilarity" of Bello, "animal artistry" of Mark Oliver Gebel, five motorcycles and the Globe of Death, Bailey's Comet.

Shows begin at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, August 6 and 7; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Friday, August 8; 11 a.m., 3:30, and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 9; 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 10. Tickets range from \$11.50 to \$50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

Festival of the August Moon, this moon-viewing event — with fellowship, tradition, and entertainment — takes place on Saturday, August 9, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the Japanese Friendship Garden. 619-232-2780. (BALBOA PARK)

FOR KIDS

"James and the Giant Peach" is current production for San Diego Junior Theater. Adapted for stage by David Wood, based on classic tale by Roald Dahl in which sweet James Henry Trotter escapes the nasty Aunt Spiker and Aunt Sponge for adventures with magical insects and a fantastic piece of fruit.

Curtain rises at 7 p.m. on Friday, July 18, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20, in Casa del Prado Theater. July 19 performance is American Sign Language interpreted. Tickets are \$7 to \$10 adults, \$5 to \$8 seniors and children 13 and under. Reservations: 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

"Sleeping Beauty" performed by Weaver's Tales through Sunday, July 20, at Marie Hitchcock

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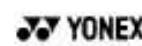


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FROM THE DUST JACKET: "Speaking that which isn't glorious is my contribution to the struggle. It won't be Jesse Jackson who gives full disclosure to the awful urgings that urge us all on. And it won't be those porters in the airport terminal who won't ever ride the plane. It won't be them that do the dishes, but never have the pleasure of dining in even a three-star grub joint. Nuh-uh. It's gonna be me, because I made it with the permission of no one who had authority, and my mama told me to speak my truth."

Donnell Alexander grew up in Ohio, the son of a devout mother and a dad named Delbert, a protean genius who jacked a thousand identities — from pimpin' them hoes to preaching the gospel — but skipped out on fatherhood when his son was in diapers. Donnell unwittingly replayed Delbert's tragedy as farce until he finally wrote himself his own story, becoming a

star of California's freewheeling alternative press, spreading the gospels of punk and hip-hop in print. After finding a career and starting a family of his own, Donnell was drawn to reconnect with the vanished Delbert, and when he did, things fell apart, as they tend to in the grip of ghetto celebrity. Told in multiple voices, freestyle raps, and a graphic interlude, this is the riotous story of one writer's mission to find truth in the margins and an engrossing tale about phantom fathers and the sons they leave behind.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Publishers Weekly: "I got paid for being dope," brags Alexander, a veteran hip-hop journalist who was tapped by *ESPN: The Magazine* to provide street cred in its coverage of African-American athletes, only to find his prose chipped at by uncomprehending white editors. He counts among his talents "consuming the stranger dimensions of popular culture and then talking about it" and "[getting] tore-down drunk and [writing] about the emotions I experienced at their most raw." Both are on display in this dizzying memoir, which shifts seamlessly from one literary style to the next, even turning briefly into a graphic novel in a scene depicting Alexander's first break-dancing lesson and subsequent concussion. From a whirlwind tour of Alexander's escape from Sandusky, Ohio, to start a career as a reporter, and of bouts of sex and drug use that repeatedly bring him to the brink of mental collapse, his father, Delbert, flits through the narrative. Although Alexander's mother called her son's wild temper "the Delbert in him," the memoir eventually identifies that quality as his unrelenting desire to reinvent himself, to hustle the system even when he hurts those closest to him and grinds himself down in the process. Few writers would possess the willingness to confront their disintegrating marriage with the brutal honesty shown here; fewer still would admit so readily to their own culpability. Alexander has given his inner demons a powerful voice, only to shout them

down and prove himself at the top of his game.

Library Journal Reviews: If this were simply the tale of a young black man coming to terms with his father, the biography of a father scuffling to survive the mean streets, or the autobiography of a quick-witted rising star making his home amid California's alternative press, it would still be a success. But there's more: Donnell's rhythmic, inventive, liquid prose flows freely over, pools atop, and roils around these three intertwined stories like clear water over a California streambed.

Booklist: The story...reads like an invigorating mix of Paul Beatty's *White Boy Shuffle* and Dave Egger's *Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius*.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Donnell Alexander was born in 1966 in Sandusky, Ohio, and lived there until he was 18. He was a member of the state champion 1982 Sandusky Blue Streak cross-country team. He attended Sacramento City College and Fresno State University and wrote for *Sacramento News and Review*, the *Bay Guardian*, and the *LA Weekly*. In 1998 Mr. Alexander was hired by *ESPN: The Magazine*. Writing for ESPN, Mr. Alexander says, was like "writing with a condom on. Career jail." Since 2001, Mr. Alexander and his wife and two sons have lived in Los Angeles.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: "Were you a bad boy as a kid?"

"Yeah," Mr. Alexander said. "You already read the book. So you know it was kind of bananas. I mean, it wasn't intentionally so. I don't think with anyone it's ever intentionally so. But I think that I was definitely introverted, and I certainly thought I was going to be an athlete when I grew up. But that didn't happen."

"When did you fall in love with books?"

"It wasn't really this process of falling in love. It was so much

Puppet Theater. Next up: *The Magic of Ventriloquism* presented by Lynn Trimble, comic ventriloquist, July 23-27.

Performances begin at 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. 619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

The L.A. Puppet Professionals perform "Tiger and Mousedeer: A Story from Indonesia" as part of the Rainforest Readers program, Saturday, July 19, in the Mission Branch Community Room (3861B Mission Avenue) at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. in the Civic Center Library Community Room (330 North Coast Highway). Free. Preregistration required: Mission Branch, 760-435-5640; Civic Center, 760-435-5590. (OCEANSIDE)

MUSEUMS

(Art museums are listed in the Reader's Guide to Art.)

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, the museum locates, collects, documents, and

preserves historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related to agriculture and the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil drilling, and construction industries. Blacksmith and wheelwright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. Find the museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, the museum highlights the history of the Sweetwater Valley from the mid-1800s, with historical photographs; artifacts, tools, and farming implements; the district's 1953 fire engine; and bound copies back to the 1930s of the *Chula Vista Star News*. Find the museum at 4035 Bonita Road. 619-267-5141 (BONITA)

Chinese Historical Society and Museum, "Warm Your Hands While Soothing Your Heart: An Exhibition of Chinese Handwarmers" continues through Tuesday, September 30. These ornately decorated containers were popular between the 16th and 19th Centuries in China, resembling

spoutless teapots, complete with lid and handle. They were filled with glowing pieces of charcoal to emit heat and light through openings in the lid. Handwarmers were associated with the literati and were considered prized pieces of artwork.

View artifacts from San Diego's Chinese and Chinese-American history, culture, and art. Current museum artifacts include a 1920s warlord's bed, exhibits on Chinese footbinding and Chinese-American veterans. The museum is in a building originally built in 1927 for the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the building is an Asian garden with koi pond and waterfall. Find the museum at 404 Third Avenue (at J Street); 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

Chula Vista Heritage Museum the museum features glimpses of Chula Vista's past; exhibits feature lemon packing crate labels, photographs of downtown Chula Vista, doors and adobe blocks from the original *Star* newspaper building, and relics from the Otay Watch Company. Find the museum at 360 Third Avenue. For further information, call 619-420-6916. (CHULA VISTA)

Creation Museum, a museum contrasting the evolution and creation world views is found at 10946 Woodside Avenue North. For more information, call 619-448-0900 x231. (SANTÉE)

George White and Anna Gunn Marston House, historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, emphasizing simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue; 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

House of Pacific Relations, International Cottages are open every Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. to present the history and traditions of 30 ethnic groups. Select cottages open on fourth Tuesday of the month, *Children Around the World* videos are shown in Hall of Nations, fourth Tuesday of every month. 619-538-4069. (BALBOA PARK)

J.A. Cooley Museum, an eclectic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an "Industrial Product Collection," with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with "some classics and a concept car."

Find the museum at 4233 Park Boulevard. 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum, housed in a historic building, the museum features five permanent galleries with artifacts, uniforms, vehicles, weapons, and photographs depicting Marine Corps history. The museum is located in Building 26 at MCRD, just inside Gate 4, off Pacific Highway. 619-524-6038. (MIDWAY)

Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove, contributions of local residents whose front-line combat, nursing corps bravery, assembly-line labor, and hometown victory gardens are honored in "Lemon Grove in World War II." Parachutes, flags, uniforms, medals, draft cards, censored letters, ration books, war bride wedding gowns, and much more are included in the exhibit, on display through Thursday, July 31.

Also on display is "Gorgeous Bounty: Fruit Labels of the Golden State," "The Story of Lemon Grove," "The Parson's Study." Find the museum at 3185 Olive Street; 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, retrospective exhibit "Reaching for the Stars: The Fleet's First 30 Years" documents the history of the Fleet. Each decade of the past 30 years is highlighted through graphics, photographs, and artifacts taking visitors on a visual journey of the center's accomplishments. Through summer.

Over 30 exhibits designed to demonstrate the fun side of science, math, and technology from the Exploratorium in San Francisco are on display in "ExploraZone 4," on exhibit through Monday, May 31, 2004. The exhibition's themes are forces and structures, light, and rotation.

Ongoing exhibitions include "Technovation," "About Faces," "Smoke and Mirrors," and "Skyscapes II." The permanent exhibitions present a variety of hands-on exhibits illustrating scientific principles. Explore the various methods of transmission and storage and retrieval of information, such as lasers, flashing lights, waveforms, and more. Journey "To Worlds Beyond" in the planetarium show. Films are shown daily in the IMAX theater.

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a part of my life because of the Jehovah’s Witness stuff my mother was into. I don’t know how much you know about that stuff, but you read constantly. They call the services the theocratic school and ministry service. And it really is like school. It’s a lot of reading and critical thinking. I don’t buy the whole religion, but that process of reading these magazines, *Watchtower* and *Awake*, you know, we had to read them and deconstruct them every week for service. There was just so much reading involved that it was a part of my life by the time I was in first grade. And because we were poor for a long time, we didn’t have a TV. Of course, in hindsight you realize you’re lucky. But books were always part of my life. I read mostly sports books. We read constantly. Books save your life. My sister, her life is still a wreck. Even though I’m sure she’s really glad she has books.

“But to answer your question, no, I wasn’t bad. Except in the sense that I was in the back of the classroom bored a lot and wisecracking because I was bored. My English teachers liked me a lot. I had good relationships with them, and a lot of the time the English classes were the only things that kept me in school.

“I always have this temptation to go back to the high school and see what’s going on with my old teachers and just say, ‘Look, I didn’t end up the way it looked like I was going to turn out.’ But you know, I think maybe I surprised them. I can’t say for sure.”

After graduation from Sandusky, Mr. Alexander joined his mother and sister in Sacramento. He enrolled in Sacramento City College. About that, he said, “Junior college was great for me. I’m not a big patriotic American by any stretch of the imagination, but I do think that the junior college system is one of the few things that give me a lot of pride about my origins. But I know in other countries there are options quite similar. California’s junior college system, back in the days when I went, was supercheap. In hindsight, I think if there’s any place I need to go back to and thank the teachers it would be junior college.”

Almost immediately, Mr. Alexander found the college newspaper office. “The whole scenario,” he said, “was really grubby. We had typewriters. It was just before the little Macintosh computers. But we had the typewriters, and there was a typesetter adjacent. The whole junior college scenario is so geared toward practical education. And we were right next to the office where the printing program was, and next to the printing program was auto shop. The whole vibe around there was ‘Get your hands dirty, do your work.’

“I was always like that about journalism. The magazine world where I eventually ended up was so coddled and so semi-glamorous. I really didn’t have much of a connection with it because in spite of all the hijinks I describe in the book, I was very serious about journalism. Like a welder. That was the running joke in junior college. ‘We’re like welders about this.’ So it was great, actually.”

From Sacramento, Mr. Alexander moved to Fresno, where he attended Fresno State. After Fresno State, Mr. Alexander hired on at the *Chico News & Review*. The paper, writes Mr. Alexander, “published stories under my byline about ‘The Malcolm X of Butte County’ and local grocers who sprayed Raid on produce.” From Chico, Mr. Alexander went to San Francisco, where he worked at the *Bay Guardian*.

“Again, this was really hard-core practical work. I had a lot of fun, I swear. I can’t deny I had fun in the alternative press. If the pay had been a little bit better, well...I don’t know if this is because of the junior college background, or my background in general, but I never wanted to leave any of those places. The work was hands-on. And the stuff I tended to write about kept me away from dealing with publicists, so you got your hands dirty, and that was as I wanted it. I came in to the *Bay Guardian* as a reporter and not a staff writer, so I came in at just about \$20,000 [a year].”

At the end of 1994, Mr. Alexander began at the *LA Weekly*. “I was there almost three years. That was the longest gig I ever had in my life. I did music, I did O.J. I did books. I did film. I

did a lot of black. I consciously did black because the alternative press tends to be real white.

“The *Weekly* just had been sold to the *Village Voice* and things were changing, but near the top, eight out of ten top editorial positions were held by women. And that was great for me because the *Bay Guardian* was definitely an old-boys’ club. So when I went to the *Weekly* it was an education like that. The *Weekly* was not fun. I mean, my stuff was fun. I don’t care what anybody says. I was definitely experimenting. But it wasn’t nearly as fun as the *Guardian* or *Chico*. It was good work.

“And, what I wrote at the *Weekly* got me the work in New York. The *Weekly* kept me in the mix. I wrote stuff that people in

New York were reading. It was not very much appreciated in-house at the *Weekly*. I do know that at the *Weekly* they were bringing me in to fire me when I quit to go to ESPN. But I wouldn’t trade any of those gigs. Those gigs were great for me.”

Mr. Alexander said that he’d recently gone to the library to look at new magazines. “I don’t read them very much, because they really are geared toward the subscribers in

Omaha. And they’re written and edited by the people in New York who come from Omaha. But they try to pretend they never had shit to do with Omaha. So the stuff is really uninteresting. But the great thing about being at the alternative papers is that they were community based, and you were aiming, one way or another, for the hood.”

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San Diego Automotive Museum, men, cars, and company showcased in “Legends of Ford,” on exhibit through Tuesday, July 29. Visitors learn about “the automaker that put the world on wheels.” Exhibit includes collection of vintage Ford advertising art, tools, and artifacts.

More than 80 automobiles and motorcycles from horseless carriages to future prototypes are included in the museum’s permanent collection. Find the museum near the Starlight Bowl; 619-231-2886. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Hall of Champions, the museum — dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement — is located at 2131 Pan American Plaza. Call 619-234-2544 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Historical Society Museum, “From Blueprints to Buildings,” an exhibit of San Diego architecture, traces this region’s architectural history from early Indian bark houses to modern and postmodern buildings. The exhibit showcases the most significant examples of various architectural

styles and types of structures. See the historical artifacts, photographs, and ephemera through Sunday, February 15, 2004.

Also on view: “Filming San Diego: Hollywood’s Backlot” (through Thursday, December 9, 2004); “Popcorn Venus: The Business of Hollywood Fashion” (through Sunday, August 31), and “Out of Our Vaults: San Diego Collects” (through Sunday, August 17).

The museum is located in the Casa de Balboa building; 619-232-6203. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Maritime Museum, 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 Race for Riches” onboard the *Star of India*, highlighting the historical, maritime, and sociological aspects of trade with the Far East. The ex-

hibit features rare early charts and navigation instruments used on the dangerous ocean voyages, examples of the cargoes, ship models, letters, photographs, and personal items of the sailors and merchants that participated in the enterprise. The show closes on Sunday, September 14.

The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego’s waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, including exhibits concerning the old San Diego-Coronado ferryboats, the tuna fishing industry, and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark *Star of India*, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat *Berkeley*, and the 1904 Scottish steam yacht *Medea*. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

San Diego Museum of Man, “The Turquoise Path/El Camino Turquesa: The Story of Turquoise in the Native American South-

west,” on display through April 2004, focuses on historical, social, cultural, and economic implications of the age-old stone. Turquoise jewelry-making techniques documented, and pieces from the museum’s extensive collections exhibited.

Ongoing exhibits: “Inquisition: Torture and Intolerance,” focusing on reality of torture in world today, including an interactive video and stories of modern-day torture survivors. Collection features dozens of macabre devices gathered from throughout Europe, some extremely rare, primarily used from 1400s up to early 1800s. Pieces on display are originals, including an iron maiden, a guillotine, chain flails, a knee splitter, and more. Permanent anthropology exhibit “Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution” features “more than a hundred touchable replicas of early humans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine).” 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Railroad Museum, over 80 pieces of vintage railroad equipment are collected here. Among the pieces: five antique steam locomotives, seven large

diesel electric locomotives, a number of small switchers, old freight cars and cabooses, a U.S. Army kitchen car used on troop trains during World War II and Korea, and a variety of passenger cars.

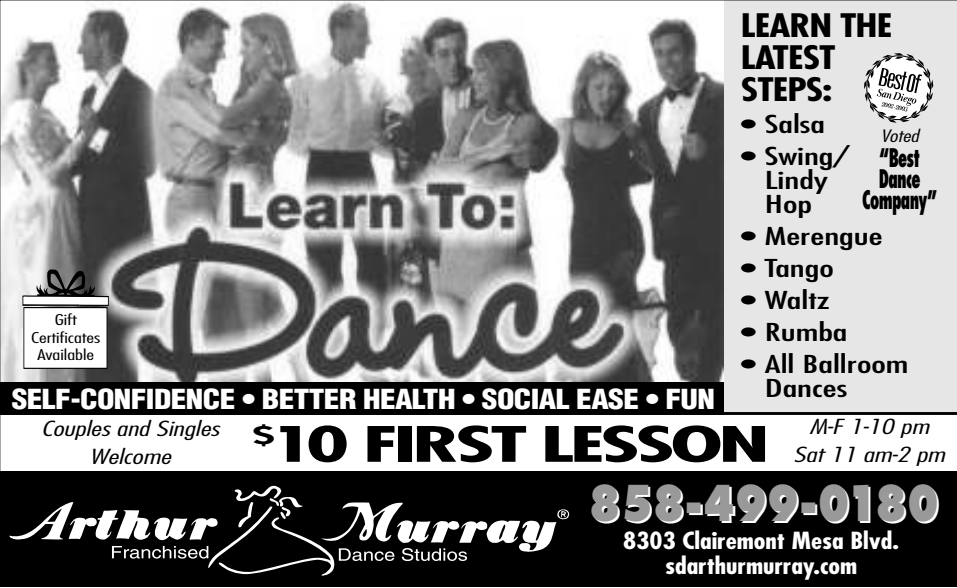
The museum also offers train adventures through San Diego’s backcountry. Miller Creek trains depart every Saturday and Sunday from the Campo Depot at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Find the Campo Depot off Highway 94 and Forrest Gate Road. 619-595-3030 or 619-478-9937. (CAMPO)

San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. Narrated slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. Self-guided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road. 760-737-2201. (ESCONDIDO)

Valley Center History Museum, the museum features an educational exhibition centered around a California grizzly bear, described as “the only one on view in San Diego.” Also on view: model of an 1862 settler’s cabin, collection of Indian baskets, and aerospace display. Find the museum at 29200 Cole Grade Road. 760-749-2993. (VALLEY CENTER)

Villa Montezuma, built in 1887 for internationally celebrated author and musician Jesse Shepard, serves as both a historical house museum and cultural center. Find the museum at 1925 K Street (at 20th Street). Call 619-239-2211 for more information. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

William Heath Davis House Museum, said to be the oldest surviving structure in the new town area of downtown San Diego, the house is a well-preserved example of a pre-framed lumber “salt box” family home shipped from the East Coast to California by boat around Cape Horn in 1850. Find the museum at 410 Island Avenue (at Fourth Avenue); 619-233-4692. (GASLAMP QUARTER)



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About life since New York and *ESPN: The Magazine*, Mr. Alexander said, “We have two kids now. And we got the kids out of New York. We moved out here to L.A., and it was hard times, definitely. I was working construction last summer. I did a whole bunch of things. Publishing wasn’t supporting me. I did some stuff for music magazines and some of the regional magazines like *Atlanta* and *Indianapolis*. I did some things for the *LA Times* last summer. But there’s just not enough work to sustain a lot of people.”

Ghetto Celebrity opens with this, titled “WARNING!”:

Constantly I got niggas tryna act like I ain’t ghetto — white muhfuckas as well as black ones — but that’s alright yo. It’s not like I’m proud of the shit. Rather, I’m on this topic strictly to score the comfort that’s derived from being recognized for who one is.

See, I got a ghetto name, so suckas don’t know how to play me. They act like I’m ahistorical, like I dropped from space. To complicate matters more, I’m from the hood in small-town Ohio. Niggas always accusing Buckeye niggas of acting white, but that’s a small-town thing. The little, out-of-the-way hoods are

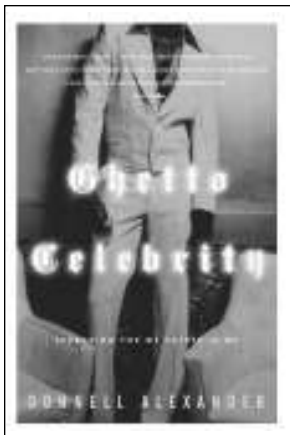
actually, like, extra-ghetto. In the sticks it ain’t like Brooklyn. There you must marinate, ’cuz if you’re in a burg and have it live life like underground, public transit ain’t tryin’ to come through and lift you up and out, on some *Fame* shit.

I asked Mr. Alexander about the opening.

“This book Crown is marketing toward the black audience first, but they wanted to cross over. I knew that that was going to happen. Because black people are reading now. And I think sometimes that the art that’s directed at black America isn’t very challenging. I really wanted to finesse it so that it could be this dense kind of complicated book, but people would stay on board for it.

“The beginning of the book, it’s off-putting, obviously. But I wanted there to be enough there for people to stay with it. And of course that’s why it’s there. I want people to work. My editor told me early on, he said if you make the beginning of the book good and the end of the book good, that’s all that counts. If you get them at the beginning, if you develop the characters, they’ll trust you to the middle. I did want people to work, but I didn’t want to pander. Because pandering is not the top of my list.”

How did Mr. Alexander feel about being assigned, by newspapers and magazines, to so much material that has to



do with black Americans?

“Well, I always did a little something on the side. Like I said, I write about film. But I always wrote about black stuff. Wrote about books, wrote about film, wrote about news. Politics. I felt like that diversity of form would make up for the fact that it was primarily black stuff. Don’t get me wrong. I wrote a lot about rock and roll and jazz and stuff that you couldn’t put a color on. But at the same time, I felt like it was my job, but this was my beat because nobody was really messing with it, and I treated it like a beat. It all goes back to that experience in junior college of just being basic work. I was going to be a hack — my biggest influences in terms of writing were hacks. These are guys — some of them aren’t even in the business anymore — and some of them work at places like the *Fresno Bee*, and they cover night cops.

“But they roll up their sleeves. They got the stereotypical journalism, you know, rolled-up sleeves and the loose tie and all that. And that’s how I got down. I felt like I was going to do that across the spectrum of artistic expression and writing about this stuff. But it was definitely coming from this black perspective. I didn’t write the same way all the time. Sometimes it was confrontational, sometimes it was really soothing, sometimes it was jocular. But I didn’t get tired of it. I didn’t.

“By the time I got to ESPN it was kind of canned. Maybe I would have liked it if I’d stayed in one city all the time. But Chico was so different from San Francisco and San Francisco was so different from L.A., that I was surprising myself. I was constantly learning about the range of black experience in America. It was very specifically California. But even when I went to ESPN it helped me out.

“At ESPN, I spent a lot of time in middle America. And being from there I knew it anyway. I was constantly surprised that, ‘Oh yeah, we’re this and we’re this and we’re this.’ That’s why TV is impossible these days. They hit these notes about the urban audience or they pander to the Latinos and put these stock characters in there. There isn’t exploration. If you’re really exploring, there’s no such thing as being limited by race, because it’s all about humanity ultimately. And in my life I didn’t just think about race.

At ESPN, it was the Disney version of black life, and that was a problem.

“But when I was out here at the *Weekly*, and I did O.J., there was just such diversity of opinion about O.J., and it was all textured differently. I came down here, and I didn’t know much about middle-class black life. I learned more about middle-class black life from my wife, who’s from Indianapolis [and is white].

“When I did O.J., I did a lot of stories simultaneously. I did a story on the class of ’65 in Watts. I kind of overlapped it to get people’s ideas about O.J. I saw that there were 12 different templates of living black middle-class in L.A. And I thought, ‘Man, I’m learning about my life when I’m trying to learn about these other people’s things.’ Even a subject as hackneyed as O.J. gave you this great insight. And if you really, really commit to exploring a culture, your ultimate discovery is what we have in common.”

Did Mr. Alexander like rap?

“I loved it to death. I still do, but it’s not the same. That period in the ’90s when I was living in San Francisco, there were amazing things going on in the East Bay. The East Bay was like the best thing in America. But it couldn’t get promoted because it wasn’t a cliché and it wasn’t street violence straight up. There was always an element of it, and it’s still there. But, I mean, there

were guys from Stanford doing rap. East Bay kids who went to Stanford. There was such a range. There were street kids who were incredible poets. And there was really nothing like it. Then, in the East Bay scene you could make a living selling 20,000 records. And so that’s all people did. They said, ‘I’m going to just stay here and sell all these records, primarily in the Bay Area. I’ll get them in a couple of mom and pops in Texas and Florida, because the sound was real Southern.’

About his own rapping abilities, Mr. Alexander said, “Well, I’ve been practicing my whole life, and being introverted I just never pulled it off. The funny thing is most of the rappers are really shy. And I never learned that until, I mean, until I got in the business.”

“Was Tupac shy?”

“Yeah, and I think it was his undoing. It’s sad just thinking about it. That’s why he resonates so well. There was a great humanity there, and then he’d get in the studio and make these compelling records. I didn’t love Tupac’s music because I felt like Tupac pandered. But he did amazing things. And again, every rapper I’ve ever met is shy. The extroverts suck. Jay-Z is profoundly shy. But there’s this thing that happens when you force yourself out of there, in the public arena that way, and it’s magical. It’s a kind of striving, verbally. It’s amazing.”

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Intimacy Is Not Weakness

Mozart did not use the piano sonata for the same purpose as Beethoven did.

Having given blockbuster Athenaeum series of the keyboard music of Bach, Chopin, and Beethoven, pianist Gustavo Romero has now turned his attention to Mozart. Mozart composed 18 sonatas for solo piano, and over the next two summers Romero will play them all, in Sunday-afternoon concerts at the Neurosciences Institute. They will be supplemented with some of the composer's piano concertos, and — inevitably — forays into the large number of variation sets, isolated sonata movements (allegros, minuets, rondos, adagios), and fantasies.

This is an understandable choice, but a chancy one. Romero's playing will need to establish that Mozart's solo piano music gains from being presented *en masse*. No one has any doubts about the value of hearing all the Beethoven Sonatas one after the other, since those works are so remarkably diverse, and since they document the composer's dramatic development throughout his career. Mozart's piano sonatas are less radically differentiated and less revealing of changes in manner and content. A Mozart sonata on a piano recital including other pieces in other styles is always welcome. Eighteen of them, even spread over several concerts, run the danger of lacking in contrast.

In fact, the Mozart piano sonatas have been subject to a lot of bad press. In discussing them, the fifth edition of *Grove's Dictionary* opined that

on the whole they do not represent the composer at his best, and they certainly give but an imperfect idea of his pianoforte technique.... The majority of them are comparatively early works and exhibit passing mannerisms of style which Mozart soon outgrew. Thus, while most sides of his genius — his wit, humor, melancholy, and passion — find expression in them, it is only to a limited extent.... The first six Sonatas (K. 279-284)...are on the whole the weakest....

This negative judgment is exaggerated, the result of an invidious comparison — sometimes con-

scious, sometimes unconscious — of Mozart's piano sonatas with those of Beethoven or with Mozart's own piano concertos. Mozart did not use the piano sonata for the same purposes as Beethoven did. He did not (with a few exceptions, late in his career) treat them as vehicles for the expression of dramatic struggle or spiritual transcendence. It is a profound mistake to think of Mozart's works in this genre as truly important only when — and insofar as — they anticipate Beethoven.

Moreover, Mozart tended to approach his solo piano music and his piano concertos rather differently. The latter undoubtedly constitute a body of some of his greatest music. But his generally more restricted ambitions in the solo keyboard works do not make them mere trivial salon entertainments. They are exquisitely crafted, full of beauty and inventiveness, and often quite moving. They are in no way lacking in art; but they certainly did not offer Mozart the broad medium for experimentation with forms and expressive devices that he found in the genres of piano concerto, string quintet, or opera. They generally (not always) are characterized by smallness of scope and intimacy of feeling, and they need to be listened to in that light.

As for the first six sonatas (three of which made up the bulk of Romero's first recital), to think of them as "on the whole the weakest" is to ignore their authentically Mozartian grace and elegance. Nevertheless, they resemble each other so closely that hearing several of them at once may create a suspicion of the routine or formulaic (although Romero, as was clear from his performances at the Neurosciences Institute, rejects any such attribution of weakness to these pieces). Mozart's first set of piano sonatas was composed in Munich in 1775, when the composer was 19 (he had behind him — or on the workbench — some ten operas, a large quantity of liturgical music [including the well-known *Exsultate, jubilate*], the Violin

Concertos, the first 13 String Quartets, the first String Quintet, and the 25th and 29th Symphonies). He already showed himself a master of the sonata-form movement (all three movements of both K. 280 and K. 283 on the Romero program are in this form, with a firm and lucid architecture). But only the last of the group, K. 284 (also on the Romero program) — a venturesome work half an hour long — deviates from the norm, notably in the brilliant set of variations that concludes it. Romero's performance of this famous D-major Sonata (dedicated to Baron Thaddäus von Dürnitz, and known by his name) was appropriately vigorous and (in the lovely andante) reflective, with the sound of the piano wonderfully warm and lucid in the acoustics of the hall.

The final sonata on this first program dates from eight years later (1783, at the time of Mozart's "Linz" Symphony, No. 36). K. 333, in B-flat, is a major work, of considerable length and depth, and in comparison with the earlier set (including K. 284) it asserts much more of an individual character. Its melodies are more memorable, its harmonic palette more nuanced, and its emotional range greater. The lengthy (12-minute) slow movement is one of Mozart's most touching, its effects achieved with an amazing sparseness of means (its texture frequently consists of nothing more than two lines, and sometimes of only one). Everything in the performance must be achieved by delicacy of touch and perfect balance — the sort of challenge a pianist like Romero revels in.

The third movement, in an innovation for Mozart's piano sonatas, emerges from the intimate atmosphere of the home or the salon and presents a more public aspect. At times we are still in the world of the earlier sonatas, but at times the larger structural concerns of Mozart's piano concertos make themselves felt (he had by that time composed some 13 of them, including several masterpieces). Without too much effort, one can imagine this music arranged for piano and orchestra (so that Romero's performance necessarily gave an inkling of what his final concert this month would be like).



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Gustavo Romero

Gustavo Romero, piano Neurosciences Institute (Athenaeum Mozart Festival)

Mozart, Sonatas in F, K. 280; in G, K. 283; in D, K. 284; in B-flat, K. 333

Toward the end of the movement, there is an unmistakable moment at which the "orchestra" falls silent and the piano presents an elaborate,

improvisatory cadenza, exactly like those Mozart composed for many of his concertos. This enlargement of the idea of the piano sonata (Mozart used the same device elsewhere) reminds us that, for the composer, the sharp line some critics observe between the sonatas and the concertos is a false one. There are differences in aims, but sometimes they are pleasingly blurred. And the technique of the piano writing can sometimes (as here) be identical.

The Athenaeum, which has provided San Diego with the various Romero single-composer explorations, as well as with regular series of classical music and jazz, is

currently engaged in a capital campaign to finance expansion and retrofitting of this unique organization's beautiful Wall Street building. That is where the extensive music and art library is located, and it is also the venue for valuable art exhibits and for many of the concerts. The project is an exceptionally worthy one, and deserves to be generously supported. ■

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"A Tribute to Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman," San Diego Symphony's Summer Pops concert series continues Friday and

Saturday, July 18 and 19. Conductor Matthew Garbutt, clarinetist Eddie Daniels, and vocalist Mirabai offer a "symphonic swing salute" performing such works as "Begin the Beguine," "Tenderly," and "Stardust." Fireworks conclude festivities.

Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. (gates open at 6) at Navy Pier (960 North Harbor Drive). Single tickets: \$15 to \$62, available by calling 619-235-0804 and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Mozart Festival, Athenaeum Music and Arts Library offers series by pianist Gustavo Romero at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). The program on Sunday, July 20, 4 p.m.: Sonatas No. 15 in C Major, No. 18 in F Major, No. 14 in C Minor,

and "Fantasia in C Minor." Richard Restak, M.D., lectures on "Genius and Superior Performance — Are We All Capable?" at 3:15 p.m.

Tickets: \$27 and \$29. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Civic Organist Carol Williams and soprano saxophonist Rick Ross in Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Summer Organ Festival, "Variations on America" by Charles Ives will be performed by Mary Preston on Monday, July 21, 7:30 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

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Volcano Moods

"None of the work done before my seventieth year is worth counting."

In my mid-20s I succeeded, more or less, in learning Italian on my own. Later on, involved in a collaborative translation of a play by Euripides, I considered studying ancient Greek, again on my own, until a classicist warned me that it was an entirely different game and that Greek, like Asian languages, requires a mediator. You need a teacher.

Many feel that way about certain kinds of art, that we need instruction to help us really see what's before our eyes, Asian art in particular, and not only casual museumgoers. Once in the Metropolitan I was with a critic-curator from whose conversation and writing I've learned a great deal about modern art. We were moving briskly from one of the Met's outer reaches to another and found ourselves breezing through rooms of Chinese art, without a sideways glance, whereupon she confessed, with some exasperation, that while she knows the art we were so swiftly bypassing had its grandeur and beauty, she had never learned much about it because she had no feeling for it.

And yet even those who feel uninformed or unenlightened about most Asian art respond immediately, I think, to that produced in Japan from the late 1600s through the early 19th Century called *ukiyo-e*, vivid pictures of theater (sometimes circus) scenes, of actors in famous roles, and of courtesans and bathhouse girls, referred to collectively as "pictures of the floating world." And we're easily drawn into the landscapes and genre depictions of everyday life represented in Japanese woodblock prints of the 18th and 19th Centuries. Utamaro was probably the greatest *ukiyo-e* painter, but the most familiar artist, largely because of several signature images — especially his views of Mount Fuji — is Katsushika Hokusai, currently the subject of a smallish exhibition at the San Diego Museum of Art.

Hokusai's most popular print — reproduced on greeting cards, comics, record albums, and ceramics, circulating in pop culture as do certain images by Toulouse-Lautrec — is *The Great Wave*, in which boats flattened low in the composition are about to be overcome by a

horribly gorgeous blue breaker, a huge maw with foaming ringlet tips that look like hooked teeth. Born in Edo (now Tokyo) in 1760, Hokusai was the best-known print designer of his time, and a long time it was, for he lived into his 80s

and was cranky enough to insist in his autobiography that "none of the work done before my 70th year is worth counting." Prescient, too, since he's now best known for work he did indeed produce in his 70s.

Hokusai, who throughout his life adopted and discarded various names, was a prodigy who began drawing at age six. By his 19th year, he was designing prints and taking his place in the rigid division of labor that governed the Japanese printmaking industry. A print designer produced only the design, usually rather broad and simplified, which was then worked out in detail by a copyist, who passed it on to highly skilled blockcutters, who in turn incised the actual block and made prints that were finished off by painters.

As designers were expected to do, Hokusai made images of actors and scenes from Kabuki theater and of pleasure women of Edo's Yoshiwara district. By the 1790s, however, he and other artists were expanding the subject range and techniques of printmaking. By then he was also making illustrations for poetry albums and broadsides called *surimono*, produced by affluent merchants for private distribution and, for the artist, potentially a good source of income. He made hundreds of *surimono*, more than any of his contemporaries, and one doesn't have to read Japanese to be pleased by the way text on these single sheets drizzles above or around or down from the image. This work freed Hokusai from his earlier broad, flat style, enabling him to experiment more with landscapes and marine views.

The time for innovation was ripe. By the 1790s Edo artists had been exposed to Western art, Dutch Baroque in particular, thanks to a lifting of the ban on imported books in the mid-17th Century, until which time Japan was closed to foreigners. Dutch realism and printmaking tech-

niques had an immediate effect. Japanese artists began producing copperplate etchings with finely crosshatched chiaroscuro effects imitative of Rembrandt, Ruisdael, Ferdinand Bol, and other painters of the Golden Age. Hokusai's designs began to exploit linear perspective and deploy the horizontal composition of sky and horizon line so fundamental to Western composition. By the time he came to create, in the 1820s, *Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji* — the first series of large-scale landscapes in the history of Japanese printmaking — he had a versatile, pliant technique and more inclusive range than ever before. He also had (you see it right away) Prussian blue, the pigment only then being imported from Europe. It was expensive and scarce, but it became an elemental part of Hokusai's color vocabulary — it streaks through his sea and waterfall pictures with racy intensity. Soon the foreign exchange tilted the other way, when Barbizon painters like Jean-François Millet and Théodore Rousseau studied Hokusai's work, and his prints turned up as interior decorations in paintings by Whistler and Manet.

The San Diego exhibition offers choice morsels. There are selections from his *Waterfalls* prints, *Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji*, and the ampler *One Hundred Views of Mount Fuji*, plus early drawings and silk paintings he did later in life. (One misses the erotic prints, which are wildly detailed.) The woodcutter was a familiar motif for artists in a land of trees, and Hokusai's treatment of a sleeping woodcutter shows him collapsed into the pleats and louvers of his poor man's robes, his ax leaning beside him as if it will waken into use whenever the sleeper awakes, which may not be anytime soon, given the happy depths to which he has sunk.

In some paintings, observing a convention of *ukiyo-e* art, Hokusai paired unlikely companions, usually a young female beauty with an aged,



Eagle in Snowstorm, Japan, 1848

The Living Line: Paintings, Prints, and Drawings by Hokusai

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Who Wants to Go Back?

*If Vatican Approves
More Use of Old Mass*

By Carl Horst

Recent reports from Rome indicate a return to the old Latin Mass may be on the horizon.



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Mt. Fuji above Lightning (*from the Thirty-Six Views of Mt. Fuji series*), 1831–'34



Shoki and Yama-uba, *Japan*, c. 1797–'99

trollish male. In *Shoki and Yama-Uba*, the Chinese destroyer of Demons (Shoki) is oafish, burly, and sloppily be-whiskered. *She* is all porcelain grace. (The male figure is evidently also meant to poke fun at the Japanese stereotype of Chinese men.) A different sort of pairing shows up in a drawing of sumo wrestlers joined at the hip in an arduous tango variation, rather narrow of upper body (by contemporary sumo standards) but with menacing folds of fat and muscle. The leg of one looks double-jointed, though it's actually an illustration of a particular phenomenon: Hokusai based the picture on a legendary 12th-century wrestling match when a famous athlete named Kawazu took down his opponent by locking his foot around his adversary's calf, then throwing him, thus inventing what has been known ever since as the Kawazu hold!

But it's in scenes of or about nature and its forces where Hokusai most excites. In his painting *Eagle in a Snowstorm*, wind and snow gust down and around an eagle perched on a cliff. The storm chips and lashes the rock. And the many prints from the two Fuji series show not only the mountain but also the quotidian activities of culture and society that go on in its vicinity. We see the volcano in various moods and weather, but we also see it as a setting for repetitive agrarian chores, as an aesthetic object framed in a window, and as a back-

drop for rice fields and snow. Look at enough of these and the Fuji series becomes not so much about the mountain as about the nature of work. The prints are busy with peasants coaxing stubborn beasts of burden, cultivating the soil, hauling merchandise, and practicing trades. Like other *ukiyo-e* printmakers, Hokusai was primarily a genre artist, but he used his supple gifts to compile such a comprehensive (and informative) lexicon of Japanese life that he makes us think twice before we use "genre" to describe an artist's limits. ■

Events that are underlined occur after July 24.

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GALLERIES

"The Inclusive Eye," a photographic retrospective of black-and-white images by Arthur Lavine. Reception Friday, July 18, 6:30 p.m., in Boehm Gallery at Palomar College (1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2304). Show runs through Friday, August 29. (SAN MARCOS)

"Original Comic Art," exhibition of pencil and ink art of 20 cartoonists including Daniel Clowes and Chris Ware. Reception Friday, July 18, 7 p.m., Buenaventura Gallery (320 G Street). See work through July 27. 619-233-7480. (DOWNTOWN)

"In Defense of Trees," reflects various interpretations of trees and nature through art by Tom Zephyrs, Charlie Jack, and Melinda Mae Hull, among others. Reception Friday, July 18, 5:30 to 7 p.m., FORUM Gallery (4072 Adams Avenue). Free. 619-641-5855. Show ends October 15. (KENSINGTON)

"As I Live and Breathe," art retrospective by Rita Shulak. Reception Saturday, July 19, 4 to 8 p.m., Cafe Artista Gallery (427 North Escondido Boulevard). Free.

760-745-5461. Show runs until Saturday, August 9. (ESCONDIDO)

Tango Passion Art Show, see paintings, jewelry, photographs and a dance demonstration. Reception Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m. at El Mundo Del Tango (6904 Miramar Road, suite 110). Show runs through Thursday, July 24. Free. 619-583-8178. (MIRAMAR)

"Wild Bogs and Leaping Frogs," oil canvas exhibition of rare amphibians and plants by local artist Julia C.R. Gray. Reception Saturday, July 19, 3 to 7 p.m., No-fufi (Highway 101 and Encinitas Boulevard at Moonlight Beach). Show closes Thursday, August 21. 760-635-0556. (ENCINITAS)

"Light and Rocks/Borrego," features expressionistic landscapes of painter Robert Christy at Santa Ysabel Art Gallery (30352 Highway 78, at junction of Highway 79). Reception Saturday, July 19, 4 to 8 p.m. Show closes Monday, August 25. Free. 760-765-1676. (SANTA YSABEL)

Children's Art Show, featuring work by students of French's Art Studio, aged 5 to 18. Reception Sunday, July 20, 2 to 4 p.m., at Foothills Art Association's Gallery (8051 University Avenue). 619-464-7167. Free. (LA MESA)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, "Look. React. Engage: The Art of Collecting at Two San Diego Museums" explores themes ranging from issues of connoisseurship, challenges of documentation and collections care, and the relationship collectors, curators, and viewers develop with particular artists and periods. The current installation includes woodblock prints by Utagawa Hiroshige (1797-1858) and a collection of contemporary artworks donated to the Center Museum since 1994. Show closes Sunday, July 20.

The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard. For information, call 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

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 artist-craftsmen, the latest examples in 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" 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.

"Mingei of Japan — The Legacy of Its Founders — Soetsu Yanagi, Shoji Hamada, and Kanjiro Kawai," an exhibition of objects from the museum's collection by known and unknown craftsmen from throughout Japan continues until January 25, 2004. Included: *tansu* (Japanese chests), pottery, calligraphy, woodblock prints, stencil work, kimono and other textiles, baskets, toys.

The Mingei is located on the square with the San Diego Museum

SCREEN ON THE GREEN



FREE Summer Film Series at SDMA

The San Diego Museum of Art is pleased to present a fourth summer of free cinema under the stars in beautiful Balboa Park. The 2003 film festival, "Screen on the Green," features a diverse selection of six films in conjunction with SDMA's summer blockbuster exhibition Degas in Bronze: The Complete Sculptures.

The films screen on the Museum's east lawn on Thursday evenings at dusk and attendees are encouraged to visit the Degas exhibition (open until 9:00 p.m.) prior to the film.

July 17—*The Black Stallion*

(1979, Carroll Ballard, PG) A young boy and a wild Arabian stallion are the only survivors of a shipwreck and develop a deep affection for one another. The film stars Mickey Rooney, Teri Garr, and Hoyt Axton.

July 24—*Etoiles: Dancers of the Paris Opera Ballet*

(2000, Nils Tavernier, NR) This documentary film presents an unusually articulate look at the competitive world of ballet and the very company that captured Degas's imagination in Paris. (French with English subtitles)

July 31—*Bite the Bullet*

(1975, Richard Brooks, PG) This unique western, with Gene Hackman and James Coburn, tells the story of a grueling 600-mile horse race where the participants reluctantly develop respect for one another.

August 7—*Strictly Ballroom*

(1992, Baz Luhrmann, PG) In this highly acclaimed film, a champion-caliber ballroom dancer and his awkward beginning partner attempt to win the Australian Pan Pacific by breaking all the rules.

August 14—*National Velvet*

(1944, Clarence Brown, G) In her first starring role, a twelve-year-old Elizabeth Taylor is determined to train a horse that she won in a raffle to compete in the famed Grand National race. This beautifully filmed classic also stars Mickey Rooney, Angela Lansbury, and Arthur Treacher.

August 21—*Flamenco*

(1997, Carlos Saura, NR) This soulful and sexy performance film features dazzling dance numbers performed by over 300 of Spain's leading flamenco artists. (Spanish with English subtitles)

The "Screen on the Green" film series is made possible by the generous support of Lyn and Phil Gildred.
Film still: *Etoiles: Dancers of the Paris Opera Ballet*, Nils Tavernier, 2000.

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of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 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 traders and 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 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.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot, adjacent to the America Plaza trolley transfer station. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, 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. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Photographic Arts, "Frida Kahlo: Portrait of an Icon" consists of 60 photographic portraits of the infamous artist. Some are snapshots, some are by Kahlo's father (a commercial portrait photographer in early 1900s), and others are by photographers including Manuel Alvarez Bravo and Imogen Cunningham. Show closes Sunday, September 7.

Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer Eddie Adams exhibits "Speak Truth to Power," celebrating the efforts of human rights defenders around the world, through Sunday, September 7. Images of subjects including the Dalai Lama and Bishop Desmond Tutu are combined with interviews con-

ducted by human rights activist Kerry Kennedy Cuomo.

Highlights of Peru's landscape offered in "Visions of Peru: Martin Chambi, Mario Algaze, and Javier Silva Meinel." Show focuses on emergence of ancestral monuments and the changing identity of Peru's landscape and people. Concludes Sunday, August 24.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, "Irving Gill in Oceanside" features original drawings and plans, furniture, photographs, artifacts from now-demolished structures. The building housing the museum itself was designed by Gill. Show continues through Sunday, August 17. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, all 73 bronze sculptures by the French

impressionist Edgar Degas, augmented by a selection of Degas drawings and prints, on offer in "Degas in Bronze: The Complete Sculptures." The collection of sculptures is one of only four complete sets of the artist's bronzes in existence, on loan from the Museu de Arte de São Paulo, Brazil. Show closes Sunday, September 28.

"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.

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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Bard Combat

*He'll jam a sword in Caesar's gut,
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A slave's hand caught fire and burned like 20 torches. A lion walked through Rome's capital oblivious to its surroundings. At the marketplace, the bird of night hooted and shrieked in the noonday sun. Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar* opens with signs and portents and Ides of March. Is there "civil strife in heaven"?

The philosophic Cicero, soon to become collateral damage, pinpoints the real problem: "It is a strange-disposed time," he says, when "men may construe things after their fashion, clean from the purpose of the things themselves." The danger of the age isn't omens, or even Caesar becoming king. In contemporary parlance, it's spin: who controls it, and who believes it.

Even Brutus — the "noblest Roman" etc. — distorts facts. He'll jam a sword in Caesar's gut, but as a "sacrificer," not a "butcher." He'll kill him "boldly" but not "wrathfully." Why the positive spin? So the "common eyes" — i.e., us — will deem the assassins "purgers, not murderers."

Caesar is no different. Even though he's infirm and epileptic, he wants the mob to think him godlike. And he must be omniscient enough to know *something's* afoot. Augurers couldn't find a heart in a sacrificed beast's entrails. They urge him to stay home. His wife Calpurnia dreamed that his statue bled from a hundred holes. But Decius, a conspirator, says no way: the statue's a

saint's relic beloved by all. Caesar opts for the deifying spin — and heads in haste toward his Grassy Knoll.

On the Old Globe Theatre's outdoor stage, director Dan Sullivan turns ancient Rome into "a kind of futuristic political nightmare" of the late 21st Century. "The American Empire has long since ended," says a program note, and civil wars infect the world. Only the powerful have electricity, and "he who can protect his life and his property has power." Sullivan sees Iraq "before the war," Chechnya, and Bosnia as models.

Ralph Funicello's set — gray, marble ruins, and a half-dead rectangle of lawn — envelops images of order with chaotic rubble. Rusty loudspeakers drone scratchy bagpipe marches. Soldiers carry assault rifles (Brutus and Cassius's men wear fatigues; Octavius and Antony's, SWAT armor). Depending on their social status, the "Romans" dress in plebian hand-me-downs or slacks, polo shirts, and Italian shoes. Only Caesar dons a tie.

The production's harsh look makes an unexpected connection. Shuffle some dates and *Caesar* could be a companion piece for the Old Globe's *Pentecost*. *Caesar* looks at a police state's internecine power tactics from the top down — *Pentecost's* bedraggled refugees and endangered art from the bottom up.

In recent years, the Old Globe led off summer

with productions of Shakespeare for people who can't stand him. We've seen Chewbacca, San Diego Padre cameos, and cute, lowest-common-denominator piffles. Sullivan's bleak take brings the Bard — and the Old Globe (other recent indicators say it's so) — into the 21st Century.

The battle scenes "Cry 'Havoc,' and let slip the dogs of war." Although no one shoots an Uzi or an AK-47 — which is odd, since maelstroms of bullets pelt the soldiers — the stage looks like a war zone on CNN, only you're holding the camera. The skies ignite and walls explode. Smoke curls in the wake of rocket-powered grenades and cannon fire. This is *Black Hawk Down* in Balboa Park.

Mimi Jordan Sherin's lighting, among the Old Globe's best ever, shapes these extraordinary visuals. And Dan Moses Schreier's sound design deserves special mention. When people see "sound design" in a program, they think realistic noises — thunder, dogs barking down the street. But a sound designer's first duty is the most basic: can you hear the actors clearly from all parts of the stage? Schreier's big effects are spectacular. But he's done such a great job that, when Brutus and Cassius plot in whispers, center stage left with their backs to the audience, we hear every word.

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Robin Gammell, Kandis Chappell in *Julius Caesar*

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who, in the passion of the moment, become eloquent. During the famous oration, Michael James Reed's Mark Antony tosses away a stand-up mike and talks trash like a high school bully. Though he often peaks too early in his sentences, Joel Polis makes Cassius a rabid avenger. There's little difference between Rome's wannabe leaders, on both sides, and the mob they long to control.

Amid the foment, Robert Foxworth's well-spoken Brutus comes across as the sanest — if only for a nagging conscience — Roman of them all (too sane, says Cassius, who faults Brutus for not wanting to slay Mark Antony along with Caesar). *Julius Caesar* is as much a pattern as a play. It unites conspirators, then tears them apart, showing that those who assassinate by the sword die by the sword. Some of the production's best moments come in the breakup scene between Brutus and Cassius: they vie like former lovers.

Not all the acting is of a piece. Robin Gammell's bluff and blustering Caesar lacks size. This guy never crossed the Rubicon. And Andrew McGinn's Octavius is a garden-variety Nazi. But the real Octavius — proclaimed a semi-divine "Augustus" in 23 BCE — was quite fragile. He had decayed teeth, rotten health (including ringworm), and he was so paranoid he invented the Praetorian Guard, mother of all elite bodyguard units.

Sullivan's concept, especially in Act Two, makes for eye-filling theatricality. But does it serve the play? Not always. To make contemporary points, Sullivan stuffs *Caesar* into a tiny receptacle — a blasted landscape instead of ancient Rome, that "idea in the mind of God" — and not all of the play fits. Along with a reduced scope, Sullivan's world is disillusioned. No need for pretense or spin. But Shakespeare's Rome is the world, even though it stands on an illusory precipice, patched together by flimsy myths of glory. This is why his characters obsess with their images, the way things will look, and how "ages hence, shall this our lofty scene be acted over in states unborn and accents yet unknown." ■

THEATER LISTINGS

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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 things all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency.

Worth a try.

THE THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M.

Before/After

Richard Warkgraf's "wacky comedy" needs more of both. It's an episodic play about how it got written. Act One shows us Alec's

senior year of high school (1962). Things are idealistic, pre-JFK. Act Two takes place in 1967. Alec's been to Vietnam and doesn't know how to write about how it changed his life. So he worries for almost an hour about comedies versus tragedies. The play has funny moments and witty lines, but nothing, save writer's block, propels it forward. But writer's block should happen at a desk, not on a stage. It eats energy like a black hole. Archibald MacLeish urged poets to write "not ideas about the thing, but the thing itself." The Muse Theatre's concerted efforts to make the play go help some. Under Katie Rodda's direction, John Garcia injects much-needed amounts of insanity as Mr. Cass. And Fred Harlow enhances every scene as Alec's father. Vocally David Stinnett's Alec is a mite too strident, pushing the audience back rather than bringing them in. That said, Stinnett should get a battlefield promotion for having to play a character who hasn't a clue about himself in a play with the same problem. MUSE THEATRE, THE ARK CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, 3554 KETTNER BOULEVARD, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH JULY 27; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-239-2894.

Beside Himself

6th @ Penn Theater presents Joe Pintauro's drama about a woman

who "hungers for self-definition." Bernard Balcan directed the piece. 6TH @ PENN THEATER, SUNDAY, JULY 20, THROUGH AUGUST 30; SUNDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P.M.

The Burning Deck

For its Page to Stage Project, the La Jolla Playhouse presents Sarah Schulman's work-in-progress, based on Balzac's *Cousin Bette*. Kirstin Brandt directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH AUGUST 3; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Charley's Aunt

Let there be *lite!* An administration's inaugural production signals intent. The North Coast Rep's new artistic director, David Ellenstein, opened his tenure with Brandon Thomas's funny but all-too-familiar 1892 comedy. The production proves, however, that

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even though it's been done often, *Charley's Aunt* isn't easily done. In fact, NCRT's is a battle between David and Goliath, the lanky Philistine winning by a bludgeoning. David is David McBean. Dressed like Whistler's Mother (or Tony Perkins's in *Psycho*) he draws laughs at will, especially when ad libbing by-play with the audience. That improv, however, is one of the few times the production — a stilted, by-the-numbers effort for three long acts — feels spontaneous. The cast performs with stiff Victorian upper lips and stiff everything else. They affect a style rather than inhabit it. There is no ease, no lightness. Marty Burnett's effective tri-locale set gets one of the worst lighting jobs in NCRT history: shadows on actors' faces *and* on the sky behind! Inaugural shows also can indicate need: in this case for a better sense of style and greater Quality Control. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

The Children of Heracles
6th @ Penn Theater presents Euripides' drama about refugees in a war-torn world. Delicia Turner Sonnenberg directed the new translation by Marianne McDonald. 6TH @ PENN THEATER, THURSDAY, JULY 17, THROUGH AUGUST 24; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Cotton Patch Gospel
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Falsettos
William Finn's musical about gay and Jewish characters — "the salt of the bourgeoisie" — was a Tony Award-winning hit. It could become a hit again this summer in San Diego. Diversionary's fine production recaptures the before and after of AIDS. Act One is an innocent game of musical chairs, as Marvin and Trina separate: he going to Whizzer, an African-American; she to Mendel, Marvin's therapist. When the music

stops, their son Jason's left standing. Judging from Act One's superficial antics, you couldn't predict how much the second will change key. Marvin notices a spot on Whizzer. "Something bad is happening," a doctor sings, as the first wave of AIDS crests and crashes down. Under director Tim Irving's witty guidance, and G. Scott Lacy's expert musical direction, a talented seven-member cast sees to it that the only thing stopping the show is show-stoppers. In particular, Melissa Supera-Fernandes's eloquent unraveling in "I'm Breaking Down" (because the only thing "breaking up is my family") and Whizzer's soliloquy, "You Gotta Die Sometime," which Warren G. Nolan Jr. belts over the fence.

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I want to plug this enterprise sight unseen. Every year the Fritz Theatre presents premieres of plays by California authors, who range in age from 18 to "well-seasoned seniors." This year, from 200 entries, the Fritz chose 10 (a pass to see all costs \$40). The scripts always vary in style, length, and genre, and some will be stronger than others. But that's part of the risk — and the excitement: theater works, seen and heard for the first time, staged by top local directors. The Fritz likes to remind theatergoers that it "is proud to be the only theater in San Diego to have produced Paula Vogel and Suzan-Lori Parks before they won their respective Pulitzer Prizes." For a list of specific plays and playing times, phone the Lyceum Theatre at 619-544-1000 or go online at www.fritztheatre.com.

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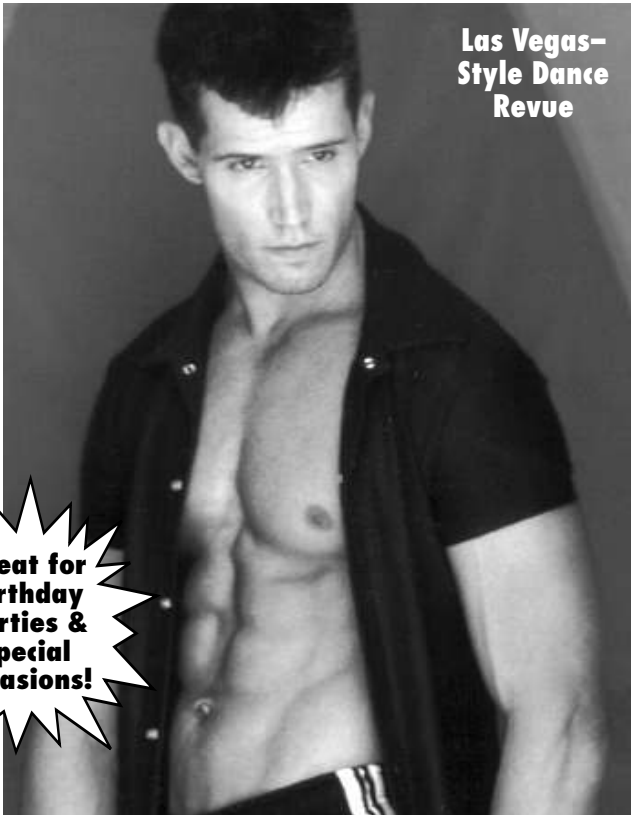
Late-Night Catechism
Every Monday night, during summer, the Laguna Playhouse stages the popular "interactive adult catechism class," taught by a sister from the old spare-not-the-rod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister is substituting for the regular teacher (it's his poker night, 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 the audience, especially when sister brings out a hard ruler and taps her palm). 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. The sister, it turns out, is not kidding. **Worth a try.**
LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, MONDAY, JULY 21, THROUGH AUGUST 25; MONDAY AT 7:30 P.M.

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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, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Much Ado About Nothing
As part of its Summer Shakespeare Festival, the Poor Players present the comedy of Beatrice and Benedict, lovers in spite of their objections. Richard Baird (one of the best young actors in San Diego County) directed. Since the show is performed outdoors, the players suggest audiences bring a low-back beach chair or blanket. HEARTH THEATER, 3 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, SAN MARCOS, THROUGH JULY 20; FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 760-744-9000.

National Comedy Theatre
ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like

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“rugby and American football”), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a “challenge match” against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played “Emotional Sympathy,” “Shakespeare,” “Blind Line,” and “Freeze Tag,” with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try.

MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-295-4999.

Nick and Zita’s Funny Fat Greek Wedding
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Ramshackle Inn
Patio Playhouse offers George Batson’s mystery farce about an elderly woman and the run-down hotel she buys to make life more interesting. Guess what... Cornell Ellison directed.

PATIO PLAYHOUSE, FRIDAY, JULY 18, THROUGH AUGUST 10; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE 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 scene-making, 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.

SWEDENBORGIAN THEATRE, 1531 TYLER AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-465-SHOW.

1776
Lamb’s Players reprises its fine production of Peter Stone and Sherman Edwards’ musical about the events behind the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Deborah Gilmour Smyth directed.

LYCEUM STAGE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH JULY 27;

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M.

[sic]
The title means “thus.” Scholars put it behind a word, in a quotation, that’s either misspelled or mistaken (you can also hear “what an idiot!” between the brackets). Melissa James Gibson’s *[sic]* isn’t about huge mistakes but isn’t as profound as she thinks either. Out of school fairly recently, Babette, Theo, and Frank live in adjacent, dinky, third-story studios and are on the ground floor in careers and love. Babette wants to be a writer, Theo a composer, and Frank an auctioneer. They err, in ways farcical and, in Ruff Yeager’s staging for Sledgehammer, sometimes too cutesy. As the trio tries to connect, amid doors opening and slamming shut, upstairs we watch a couple break up, from the knees down. When it doesn’t sound like outtakes from an affected writer’s journal, or like a *Rent* for the talent-challenged, *[sic]* taps into the perplexities of early adulthood, when expectations are a far cry from the actual. Yeager’s direction favors the symmetries of musical comedy, when more of an edge would have shaped Gibson’s speech better. A competent cast and top-flight design make Sledgehammer’s show worth seeing, if not always hearing.

Worth a try.

SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, THROUGH JULY 20; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Social Security
OnStage Playhouse presents Andrew (*Blazing Saddles*) Bergman’s comedy about “a cantankerous mother-in-law and her walker.” Bob Christiansen directed.

ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, THROUGH AUGUST 9; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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Touch and Go
Poway Performing Arts Company stages Derek Benfield’s farce about deceit and deception. When Brian goes jogging, he isn’t running around the park.

POWAY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY, THROUGH JULY 20; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy
Hugh Butternutt’s done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — “Grape,” “Scandinavian Blizzard,” or “Mokoko Cocoa Mocha” — Hugh plays ’70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh’s anniversary, got stuck in the ’70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They’re “losers,” they admit, but not “ordinary” ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There’s also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One’s a whiz at the piano. Another’s a first-rate mime, and the third’s a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish

they’d quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

Worth a try.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, SAN DIEGO, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR INFORMATION CALL 619-234-9583.

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Clear Channel must sell 4 of the 12 radio stations that it operates locally.

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by far the country's largest radio conglomerate. Since 1996 the FCC mandates that no single owner should own more than 8 stations in the largest markets in the U.S. But Clear Channel skirted the issue in San Diego by claiming that Mexican stations don't count. This is the only radio market in the

The five Mexican stations in Clear Channel's San Diego portfolio are not owned by Clear Channel but by two different Mexican companies. XHRM is owned by Binational Broadcasting, while 91-X, XTRA Sports, Z-90, and 99.3 are owned by XETRA Comunicaciones. Clear Channel runs those five stations as if it owned them through long-term lease arrangements with their Mexican owners.

The FCC said those lease arrangements need to be terminated where they constitute a violation of the eight-station limit.

Mike Glickenhau, vice president and market manager for Clear Channel San Diego, did not respond to a request for comment.

The FCC report said it specifically addressed the San Diego issue because of a formal complaint filed last year by Jefferson-Pilot Communications, the

Greensboro, North Carolina, company that owns KSON, KIFM, and FM 94/9.

"We're pleased with the FCC ruling in that they've closed the loopholes that made it possible to circumvent the ownership limitation rules," said Darrel Goodin, Jefferson-Pilot general manager. "It remains to be seen what the timetable



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will be for actual divestiture. We anticipate a great deal of public discussion."

To see the ruling, go to fcc.gov and click "FCC releases text of report and order setting limits on media concentration."

— Ken Leighton

"I wanna kick Santa Claus's ass."

Pro wrestler Bill Goldberg, 36, was joking with Jimmy Kimmel on Kimmel's late-night ABC-TV show about what it means to be a Jewish wrestler.

"Anybody with the *cajones* to call themselves 'Goldberg' and step in the ring has to be one bad dude," says the WWE wrestler. (The World Wrestling Federation became World Wrestling Entertainment because the World Wildlife Federation forced it to change its name.)

Kimmel and Goldberg went on to joke about how Hebrews are underrepresented in all sports. That topic inspired Goldberg and his brother Steve to cowrite a book called *I'm Next: The Strange Journey of America's Most Unlikely Superhero*.

"It made it to number 16 on the *New York Times* Best Seller list for nonfiction," said local restaurateur Steve Goldberg, 51, brother of the wrestler.

Goldberg the wrestler may play a role in San Diego nightlife. Yesterday escrow



WILL GOLDBERG HAVE WRESTLING AT THE BELLY UP?

was set to close on the Belly Up Tavern, allowing Steve Goldberg and partner Phil Berkovitz to officially take over ownership of the 29-year-old showcase and the adjoining Wild Note Café. The older Goldberg admits his brawny brother may have a role in the Belly Up.

"We've been going there for years. He loves the place. Billy may be involved in the operation."

Bill Goldberg spends his time between a home in North County and Atlanta. The older Goldberg

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Communications Commission published a 500-page report outlining future rule changes. Although released July 2, local broadcasters only discovered it last week.

According to the document, it would seem that Clear Channel would have to spin off 91X (XETRA-FM), XTRA Sports 690 (XETRA-AM), "Magic 92.5" (XHRM-FM), Z-90 (XHTZ-FM), and "Bob 99.3" (XHCR-FM).

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would not get specific on what his brother's role might be. Nor would he outline any other modifications he may have in mind for the Belly Up's staff or its live music programming, except that the Wild Note Café would remain a full-service restaurant but be redesigned with a classic lounge motif.

Goldberg and Berkovitz will continue to own and operate the Pacific Coast Grill in Solana Beach.

— Ken Leighton

"I don't even consider them my parents anymore."

Some children are estranged from their folks. Then there's Aspasia Burnworth, 35. She hasn't spoken to her parents in years. Relations deteriorated when Aspasia, then a 17-year-old named John, told them he was actually a she.

"I told them I was a girl, but they rejected it. I don't even know them anymore. I lost every single person in my life including my friends and my family." Aspasia said her

years at Helix High School were "a nightmare.... Being John was an act. My whole life has been super difficult until I became me."

Last year Aspasia jumped the sexual fence with her anatomy intact.

"Legally I'm a female. My driver's license says I'm a female."

But how can that be, I ask, with her male member still attached?

"Hopefully not for long. It's just a body part."



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ASPASIA'S BENEFIT FOR CORRECTION SURGERY

While Aspasia lost her old friends, she has made new ones, including many from the A-list of San Diego singer-songwriters. Next week many of those friends will band together for a two-day fundraiser/CD-release concert at Twigg's. All

proceeds from the sale of the \$10 tickets will help Aspasia get the sex-change operation that is not covered by most HMOs.

"Many consider it cosmetic surgery. It's not. It's correction surgery."

"I need \$20,000. I've already raised close to \$3000, but I spent half of that to produce the CD." That 16-song CD, *Aspasia Aid*, includes tracks from Jason Mraz and the Troys (both signed to Elektra), Steve Poltz, Gregory Page, Berkley Hart, Lisa Sanders, Bushwalla, and Carlos Olmeda.

Aspasia raised that first \$3000 at a fundraiser at Java Joe's last year. "When some of the [paying fans] found out what it was for, they wanted their money back," recalled Gregory Page, who helped organize that show. "Aspasia almost lost her job at a bank over this."

As Aspasia tells it, her coworkers at a Scripps Ranch collection department were not supportive. "One day I went to work, and my name was John. And then the next day it was Aspasia. My parent company was very professional. It was my own department that had issues. But it doesn't matter. My department is laying off all 30 of its staff in September. I'm going to cosmetology school. It's more me."

Aspasia said people tend

to get transfixed on the sexual part of transexuals.

"This has nothing to do with sex. It has to do with

who you are as a human being.

There is a 10 to 20 percent

chance that I'll never have an

orgasm again [after the operation]. Even

if I never have sex again, I

would be extremely happy

because I would be alive. I wasn't

alive before. I wasn't allowed to

exist before. People like me

should not be sensationalized. We're just

people. I'm just a human being.... I've been

tremendously blessed to go from losing every single

person in my life to having incredible love and support.

How many people can say they even know the people I

know? And then for them to do what they are doing for me is really incredible. Every

single day I count my blessings, and I feel like I'm the luckiest girl in the world."

— Ken Leighton

"We had a neighbor

growing up. He would shoot squirrels and rabbits. He would skin them and gut 'em and barbecue them in his back yard. I thought that was

pretty rock and roll. That was El Cajon."

Singer/guitarist Dustin Boyer and brother/drummer



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BACKCOUNTRY DESCANSO

Trevor played in the East County ska band Turkey Mallet from 1993-'96. "We played with all the big bands: the Toasters, Aquabats, Reel Big Fish."

Now based in L.A., Dustin accompanies Jennifer Love Hewitt onstage. "We played the Pro Bowl in Hawaii. We did the *Today* show, Leno, and *The View*." Trevor is a recording engineer. Along with bassist Casey Butler, the brothers have been touring and recording as the band Descanso for three years.

"Descanso' means rest or quiet time." It's also a backcountry town they knew from their El Cajon days.

"I remember being a young kid driving out to Jamul. We went to a place they called Satan Farms. It was pitch black. There were these canisters with fire in them. The people who took us there said that is where they sacrifice animals. They would play Judas Priest. It was pretty scary."

Descanso appears at 9:30 p.m. July 22 at the Casbah with Kramer's Rule and Helicopter Helicopter. No cover.

— Ken Leighton

"House of 1000

Corpses" took over three years (and three film studios — two of which found it "too gross" to release) to complete, but when released in April, it barely survived a week-long



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run at most theaters. On Friday afternoon, Rob Zombie, the movie's director (he also did the majority of the music), will

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be plugging its DVD release, as well as an upcoming *House of 1000 Corpses* comic book series, at downtown's Comic-Con International, where he'll be signing autographs alongside the film's stars, Bill Moseley (of *Texas Chainsaw Massacre 2* fame) and Sid Haig.

Also on Friday, a 25th-anniversary reunion of the cast and creators of *Attack of the Killer Tomatoes*, the 1978 no-budget camp classic that was filmed in and around the streets of San Diego. Featured will be *Tomato* director John DeBello, with writers J. Stephen "Rock" Peace (also known as Assemblyman Steve Peace) and Costa Dillon. George Clooney is not scheduled to attend, nor is Rick Rockwell, who appeared in both *Tomato* films.

Comic-Con International runs Thursday, July 17, through Sunday, July 20. Ticket information 619-491-2475, <http://www.comic-con.org>.

— Jay Allen Sanford

When I walked up to the ticket office at

Coors Amphitheatre for the Ozzfest, I saw a G-string on the ground that read "Fuck Me." It wouldn't be the worst thing I'd see on clothing that night. A bald guy, who was flipping off the band Chevelle after every song, had a shirt that read "Jesus is a Cunt." And, there were a number of people with no shirts at all. Mostly they were male, but some females just had their breasts painted different colors and were completely topless. A few others just had black tape across their nipples.

One guy said to his friend, "You know James Taylor is coming here." His friend said, "Who the fuck is James Taylor?" But nobody said the F-word as much as Ozzy himself. In the first two songs, he said, "Get your fucking hands in the air!" about ten times.

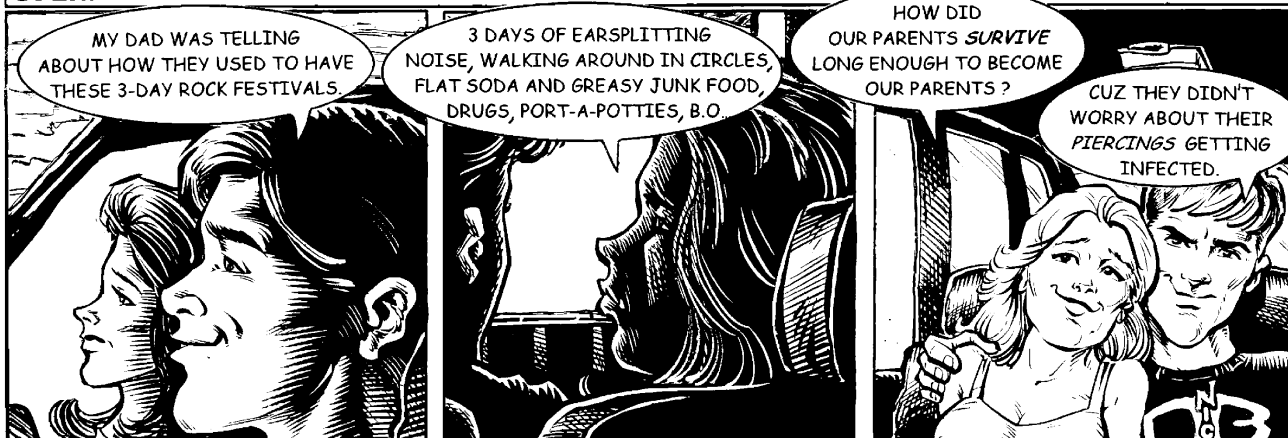
Backstage there were eight tables, a massage guy, and food and drinks. Ozzy came out with Sharon, waved at people eating, and then disappeared. A half hour later he came out with a jump rope. He jumped four or five times and then left.

One roadie was walking around with a pit bull on a leash, though later I saw the dog unattended and roaming.

When Marilyn Manson came on, he'd take a swig of water, spit it out, and then

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JAY ALLEN SANFORD



throw the bottle out to the crowd. Three girls ran to one bottle and fought over it.

When I was in the pit area, I saw a guy with a black cape who had his face painted like a skeleton. Two hours later, seven security guards were carrying him out on a stretcher. He didn't look good.

I thought it would be worse in the mosh pit, but when I got back to my seat, two guys next to me were throwing punches over beer that had spilled. When they finally calmed down — after others had separated them — one lit a joint and passed it to the other, who gladly accepted.

Osbourne started with the Black Sabbath song "War Pigs." The crowd went nuts. When he went into "Mr.

Crowley," he mooned the audience. The jumbo-tron screen behind him showed the close-up, and everyone laughed.

Watching Ozzy sing is like watching Ali during his last fights — both legends who are just shells of their former selves. During his third song, Ozzy's voice started to crack, and he was sounding like Redd Foxx. Right then, my friend and I felt something splashing our legs. It was one of the guys behind us, relieving himself.

Ozzy finished the song and said something about how he can't go on because of his "fucking voice," and he slammed the microphone down and walked off the stage. His band followed. The crowd chanted his name, and he came out five minutes

later saying he'd give it another try. He went into "I Don't Know," and my friend and I decided to call it a night.

Ozzy grabbed the hose and started spraying the first couple of rows (throwing buckets of water on people is his trademark). I thought about getting close enough to have him wash the urine off my legs.

— Josh Board

These concert tickets

were on sale at various ticket resale websites as of July 10:

Eagles, Coors Amphitheatre, August 8, orchestra section C, row E — \$845 each

(www.sandiegoticket.com).

Face price \$158.

Ringo Starr, Humphrey's, September 7, section A, row 5 — \$462 each

(www.advancetickets.com). Face price \$142.

Cher, San Diego Sports Arena, September 12, section B, row 3 — \$594 each

(www.advancetickets.com).

Face price \$90.25.

Aerosmith/Kiss, Coors Amphitheatre, October 16, center orchestra, row E (fifth row) — \$650 each

(www.sandiegoticket.com).

Face price \$115.

Fleetwood Mac, Sports Arena, July 19, set of three floor seats: section E, row 4, seats 4-6 — \$450 for all three

(<http://sandiego.craigslist.org>).

Face price \$150 each.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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"I didn't even realize she had pick-pocketed me until later."

Baja Bash North: July 24–27 at the La Jolla Indian Reservation — one can't help wondering why a four-day camp and music festival called Baja Bash is being held at the La Jolla Indian Reservation — over 100 miles north of the Baja peninsula.

"We normally throw the event in Salsipuedes, Mexico, near Ensenada," said Pat Murphy, the founder of Promised Land Productions, the company that has presented Baja Bash since 1995. "But for the past three years we have seen it get harder and harder to produce our event in Baja because of the Mexican police and government officials in Ensenada. Last year it got real bad, and we were forced to give them large amounts of money for 'permits and taxes,' even though we had *already* paid for the permits and taxes. ...In addition, they made us hire ten security guards from Ensenada. Only five of the ten that we hired actually showed up; which was a good thing [because] as soon as they got onsite, they started shaking down our attendees. They scared a lot of people, so we gave them a ton of money to leave the property. The next day, the *real* Mexican officials came back and told us that we wouldn't have to hire Mexican security or police anymore. They told us that our event was very peaceful and we had very nice attendees and that having our own security would be fine."

This year, when Murphy and his employees began planning the upcoming Baja Bash, they were reluctant to continue working with Mexico again.

"We budget for the payoffs," Murphy said, "but we just can't handle the crooked people onsite ruining the great vibe that this event is known for. But then we figured if we paid enough that it would keep the Mexican police and security away, which was our main concern. So we decided we were going to go for it and produce Baja Bash 13 in Salsipuedes, Mexico again."

"Everything was fine with regards to the Mexican government and their permits and taxes until about May 19, when we were informed that we would have to hire 50 Mexican police and two dozen Mexican security guards. Since five Mexican security guards were way too many last year, it did not seem feasible to deal with what they planned. We tried negotiating but to no avail."

Also disturbing to Murphy and his associates

was what happened at the Positive Vibrations Festival. In mid-May, a group of Ocean Beach residents had thrown a small music event in Salsipuedes called the Positive Vibrations Festival. There were Mexican police onsite there, and they shook down some Americans who were in attendance.

"I started getting e-mails on the Monday after the Positive Vibrations event from people who were 'hassled and robbed in broad daylight,' " explained Murphy. "They told me that the shakedown took place on Sunday morning before they left. The police told them that they had seen them doing illegal things the night before, like urinating in the bushes and smoking pot. Why these police did not bust them the night before is still under debate. Anyway, these attendees were given an ultimatum: 'Give us your money or you go to jail.' "

Rob Lewis, an attendee of that Positive Vibrations festival, confirmed the report.

"Some friends and I walked onto the cliffs to watch the full moon over the water, and some police came onto the cliffs. There were two cops, male and female, and the male cop talked to me and distracted me while the female cop snuck behind, stuck her hand in my pocket, and pulled out all my money. I thought she was searching for...drugs. I didn't even realize she had pick-pocketed me until later, when I realized my money was gone."

Murphy assured everyone on his e-mail list that this was not going to happen at Baja Bash — that he had assurances from the Mexican government that they would be left alone. But when he received the following e-mail, from a faithful Baja Bash attendee, he was forced to reconsider a venue change:

"Pat, my name is Nick Glassman, and I was one of the people [who] was illegally frisked, stolen from, threatened, whatever you want to call it.... We had nothing on us. No pot, no cigarettes, nothing, something which amazed us as much as anybody. All our cash was taken.... I quickly found out four other people had the same experience WHILE AT THEIR CAMPSITE. There were another ten that were frisked but managed to hide their money. I don't even know what would have happened if someone actually had done something illegal, like fight back."

"I am sorry, but I don't feel safe attending [Baja Bash]. There are ten of us who are not go-

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ing, and most of my friends plan on [telling] everyone about it. You have to understand, it really wasn't safe.... I am an active member of the mailing lists for three of the bands going, and I genuinely feel like I have to warn everyone about this. I don't want to cause you or your event any trouble by any means...but if my girlfriend were with us, and non-English-speaking, armed and corrupt people started frisking her with no one nearby to come to our aid, something very bad could have happened, and I don't want that on anyone's hands."

So much for positive vibes at the Positive Vibrations festival.

"After getting those letters," Murphy said, "I contacted the campground caretaker in Salsipuedes. And he told me, quite frantically, 'The days of no police at Baja Bash are over.' It's a shame. We never have problems at Baja Bash. No fights or thefts or anything like it. We usu-

ally have about 1300 people, and they are kinder than any people at any other event I have seen. Adding Mexican police to the mix would ruin things fast. So, we sucked it up and made a major decision to move it to La Jolla Indian Reservation."

Which explains why an event called Baja Bash will be presented in the foothills of Palomar Mountain in the old U.S. of A. Of course, this presents a problem of its own: Getting the word out.

"We have been very vague about why we moved venues," explained Murphy. "It's not in our best interest to badmouth Mexico on our website because we know they're checking in. They are also on our e-mail list, but we don't know where, so we have to be delicate with what we say in our e-mail announcements."

Murphy founded Baja Bash in 1995 with his then-business partner, Dave Hurley.

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"We just rented out a campground in San Felipe and had about 150 people and just one band, the Travel Agents. It wasn't meant to be an annual event, but we had such a great time, and people asked us if we were going to do it again, and six months later we were visiting Sal-sipuedes, and we thought, 'Wow, this place is great. It's on the cliffs with an amazing ocean view. It's close, and big, and beautiful — let's see if we can give it another shot.' So we moved Baja Bash to Sal-sipuedes and had about 500 people that second time, and we've been doing it there ever since."

This year there will be over 20 bands, many of which, as usual, are from San Diego; most of which are funk or jam bands: Robert Walters, Psy-decar, Pocket (formerly the Price of Dope), Crucial, Psychedelic Breakfast, and of course the Baja Bash originals, the Travel Agents. Visit Bajabash.com for the entire lineup.

"We're calling it Baja Bash North," said Murphy, "because it's too late to change the name. The advertisements are out, and the bands have promoted it as well. With the change of venue, we don't know how many people to expect. One thing is for sure, there will be plenty of space for them. The campground can handle about 6000 people. The La Jolla Indian Reservation may not have the ocean nearby, but it does have a river and plenty of space. It also has hot showers, beautiful shady campsites, a motocross track, go-cart track, water park, slot casino, sports bar.... We booked the entire campground, not just a small portion of it. This way the only people camping there that weekend will be people there for Baja Bash. The larger-size venue has given us the opportunity to add a second stage."

Will you continue to call the event Baja Bash, even if it never happens in Baja again? I asked.

"We've kicked around some ideas for a new name: Promised Land Music Festival or Palomar Mountain Music Festival; maybe we'll do a contest for someone to come up with a name. We still want to do events in Baja, but they will probably be smaller, word-of-mouth-type events."

Tickets to Baja Bash North are available at Cow Records (Ocean Beach), Lou's Records (Encinitas), the High Road Psychedelic shop (Pacific Beach and SDSU), or online at www.bajabash.com. Gates open Thursday, July 24, at 8 a.m., and the event goes through Sunday, July 27. No glass, no fireworks, dogs must be on a leash, no nitrous. ■



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Well, now it's time to say good-bye to Chicago and the electrified urban blues style that emerged there in the mid-1940s along with the massive influx of African-Americans from the Deep South, especially the Mississippi Delta region. In a relatively brief span of time, this new blues form took over as the most popular secular folk music in the black community.

I like this style of blues best in its transitional period, from around 1946 to 1953, when its primary exponents had recently plugged in but still had a bit of shit on their shoes from back home. Which is not to say that there are not in existence truly magnificent recordings by a large number of these important bluesmen who were born around the time of the First World War well into the '70s, even the early '80s. In fact, the careers of any number of these men and women blues artists were resuscitated by the folk and blues revivals initiated by young white enthusiasts in the 1960s, some of whom would become prominent record producers on small labels devoted primarily to blacks.

Once I properly sit down to a big dish of the blues it's hard for me to quit. Like a dog, I can feed till I explode. Regardless, I'm now staring at a big pile of the blues, and it's as tasty a pile of goodies that a body is likely to find. I'll share it with you.

You'd think the Chess label would provide the best compilations of urban blues artists from the huge vault of remarkable sides compiled during the '50s, and they do have a number of doozies, like the out-of-print *Drop Down Mama*, originally released in 1970 and including Floyd Jones, Johnny Shines (billed here as "Shoe Shine Johnny"), as well as Robert Nighthawk, among others, who recorded only a very few sides for Chess between 1949 and 1953. But the big surprise for me was a compilation on the Testament Records label called *Modern Chicago Blues*, which captures the Chicago sound performed in small clubs and at street markets between 1962 and 1966. Some of the artists on board enjoyed reasonably successful careers, like Nighthawk and Big Walter Horton, but most of this crowd hadn't been recorded at all. For the most part, these are bluesmen who came up playing the prewar

country blues then popular down home and, later, upon moving north to Chicago, had to learn the new style of electrified blues, a louder, more aggressive, less subtle style that stood up to the din and lifestyle of the modern metropolis.



Robert Nighthawk

Everyone on this disc is full of beans, but the discovery for me is a dude who went by the name of Maxwell Street Jimmy and who appears to be a throwback to country stylists like Tommy McClennnon, gravel-voiced Delta bluesmen. You won't find a disc of Maxwell Street Jimmy, but you'll find at least two exceptional recordings of McClennnon that he cut for Bluebird Records in the early '40s, presumably for Lester Melrose.

Actually, most anything you find on the Testament label is worth a listen. The label was started by Philadelphia native Pete Welding in Chicago in 1963. He apparently learned the business from Bob Koester of the Jazz Record Mart and Delmark Records, and he learned it well, at least the producing-good-records end of things. I doubt he ever got rich off it, but then neither did Koester, near as I can tell.

For them both it was a labor of love. And if you liked the *Modern Chicago Blues* collection, you'll also go for the *Testament Records Sampler*, another startlingly good compilation and one that includes country blues artists like the peerless Fred McDowell. And if you liked *that* collection, you'll also go for the *Down Home Slide* compilation, perhaps the best of the lot.

J.O.B. Records, which included among their artists at various times men such as Floyd Jones, Robert Jr. Lockwood, J.B. Lenoir, Sunnyland Slim, and Snooky Pryor, was formed in the summer of 1949 by a secretive, rather unreliable, probably unpleasant man named Joe Brown (b. Wagoner, Oklahoma, 1904). The label's first official release was by singer/guitarist/drummer Leroy "Babyface" Foster, who would later gain a certain renown for his live and recorded sessions with Muddy Waters.

This two-CD collection of J.O.B. recordings is now available and well worth grabbing. Most of the artists on board, like Jones, Shines, and

John Brim, among others, were forced to give up music. A few of them, like "Babyface" Foster, would simply die young, in his case at age 35 of alcoholism. But this J.O.B. collection of sides between 1951 and 1953 catch the Chicago blues scene and a number of its best players at a pivotal, vital, and thrilling point in the evolution of the modern sound.

And This Is Maxwell Street is the soundtrack to a film made in 1964 by freelance photographer Mike Shea about the music and attendant scene to be found around Maxwell Street, a big open market on Chicago's West Side. The film was called *And This Is Free*, documenting, over the course of several Sundays, the "gospel singers, blues, musicians, hustlers, sidewalk preachers, and curbside merchants who gave this exotic street its energy."

The star of the soundtrack, hands down, is Robert Nighthawk (b. Nov. 30, 1909, Helena, AR; d. Nov. 5, 1967, Helena, AR), one of the greatest slide guitarists and bluesmen and one who never really made a significant commercial success. But Nighthawk (born Robert McCollum) enjoyed playing Maxwell Street, and he tells us why in an extended interview with Mike Bloomfield, the prominent white blues guitarist, which makes up part of this three-CD set.

One can hear the cars and shouting as the musicians go through their sets. I'd love to get hold of this film. (It was a flop at the time.) But



Big Walter Horton

in lieu of watching the action, hearing it is pleasure enough. Also, the liner notes and story of the making of the film are intriguing.

That same year, 1964, a blues buff named Norman Drayton recorded a live performance of Nighthawk on Maxwell Street. It is considered by many (and with reason) to be one of the finest live sets ever recorded. Bear in mind,

this was the man who was invited to provide the musical entertainment at Muddy Waters's first wedding in 1932, a party that took place inside a two-room plantation shack in Stovall, Mississippi — a party during which the plank floor gave way, incidentally. This man can boogie, and his single-string electric slide had an enormous influence on the playing of Muddy Waters, Elmore James, and Earl Hooker. These live performances tell us why.

The Vanguard discs, among the most prized sessions ever recorded of the Chicago blues, were produced by Sam Charters in 1965. At the time, Vanguard was a popular folk label, and it was interested in targeting the fledgling audience for

the blues among young, middle-class whites given to such things.

Charters was the man for the job. He had been making the rounds of Chicago's black taverns and clubs, often in the company of white blues harpist Charlie Musselwhite, who, at the



Fred McDowell

time, was working for Bob Koester at the Jazz Record Mart on Wabash. Charters himself was a student of the blues and already hard at work on what would become his book *The Country Blues*. Charters had been making field recordings of the rural blues and traditional jazz since 1957 for Folkways, as well as producing three successful LPs of Charles

Ives' work for the same outfit. From 1963 to 1965, Charters worked as an A&R director at Prestige Records.

The bands recorded on these three discs are led by Junior Wells, J.B. Hutto, Otis Spann, Jimmy Cotton, Otis Rush, Homesick James, Johnny Young, Johnny Shines, and Big Walter Horton. Most of these names will be familiar to blues fans nowadays, but at the time they were hardly known at all outside black Chicago's club scene.

These Vanguard recordings proved to be a revelation to white audiences and generated a deluge of interest on the part of musical journalists, white (and black) musicians, and the more enlightened among the general listening public. Pretty soon these artists, along with a host of others — older forgotten country bluesmen and hot young Turks — were appearing at musical festivals all over the place, here and abroad. The cat, and "cat music," was out of the bag. ■

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"Jazz at the Athenaeum" with the **Oscar Castro-Neves Trio**: Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Thursday, July 17, 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., 1008 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

The Soledad Brothers, the **Immortal Lee County Killers**, **Bartender's Bible**, and the **Deere Johns**: The Casbah, Thursday, July 17, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

SATURDAY

John Mayer *[627]*, **Counting Crows** *[586]*, and **Maroon5**: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, July 19, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Fleetwood Mac *[621]*: San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

"Reggae by the Pier" featuring **Barrington Levy** *[733]*, the **Wailing Souls**, **Vegetation**, **Ras Michael**, the **Abyssians**, **Zema**, the **Fabulous Rudies**, **Shocks of Mighty**, **Isouljah**, **Clownfish**, and more: Oceanside Pier, Saturday, July 19, Oceanside. 760-721-4434 or 760-757-9411.

Spoon *[387]*, **Natural History**, and the **Stereotypes**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, July 19, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Vincente Fernandez: Cox Arena, Saturday, July 19, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

SUNDAY

Poco *[561]*, **Richie Furay**, and **Chris Hillman & Herb Pedersen**: 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.

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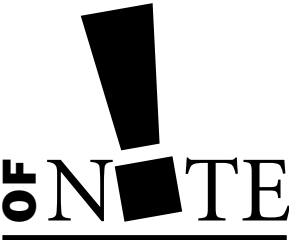
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WEDNESDAY

Whitesnake, **Warrant** *[503]*, **Kip Winger**, and **Slaughter** *[506]*: Open Air Theatre, Wednesday, July 23, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

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 Wizarad 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.



BY DAVE GOOD

I'd like to weigh in on what is a "music scene." Think *commerce*. Emerging bands need paying gigs, label exposure, and access to distribution — and a large fan base, meaning people to buy their CDs. Whether it be in Philly, Seattle, Austin, or Orange County, there's always a bigger picture: cash flow. It's all about New York at present, specifically Brooklyn's Star Time International label, and **Max Tepper** knows this better than most. He fronts **Natural History** with his brother **Julian Tepper** on bass and vocals and **Derek Vockins** on drums. Before Natural History fell in with other scene bands like the Strokes, the Walkmen, and Team USA, Tepper worked for Big Hassle Media, a New York music promotions firm. Tepper shilled

for acts like the French Kicks. This is how I know him. Tepper is now a *client* of Big Hassle.

My friend L. says this about the Natural History: "Not only do they not seem to give a damn about their apparent imperfections, but I get the impression that they hope to make them their trademark." I couldn't agree more. She says she can hardly understand the vocalist (critics have likened Tepper to a hard-smoking Elvis Costello). I find him a strong performer, but then I have little need for lyrics. The New York bands favor cruddy equipment and raw, intentionally discordant sounds. Call it what you like, but I think it's a stab at deconstructing the British Invasion. But whereas the Beatles were meticulous in their Carl Perkins rockabilly and the Stones were students of Buddy Guy, Natural History is the sum of ancient generations with more pop hooks than a half-



NATURAL HISTORY

day boat. Their songwriting has the scent of the UK all over it, minus the guitar solos. It's good rehashed stuff.

Spoon and the **Stereotypes** also perform.

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

JULY

Billy Preston: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, July 24, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

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.

Jesse Cook and **Willie & Lobo** *[676]*: 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.

The Jayhawks, the **Thorns**, and **Carla Werner**: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, July 25, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Jack Williams: Valley Music Store, Friday, July 25, 7:30 p.m., 530 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-444-3161.

The Black Keys: The Casbah, Saturday, July 26, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Guster and **Clem Snide**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, July 26, 6:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Norah Jones and **Richard Julian**: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, July 27, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

The Doobie Brothers *[532]* and **Berkley Hart** *[880]*: 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.

Ralph Stanley: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 28, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Anthrax *[523]*: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, July 29, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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.

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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.

Jerry Jeff Walker: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, July 30, 7 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Ted Nugent *[520]* and **Sirens Wail**: 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.

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The Eagles: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, August 8, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Blue Man Group, Tracy Bonham [145], and **Venus Hum [217]:** Cox Arena, Saturday, August 9, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

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The Rugburns [263], Rookie Card, and **Trophy Wife:** The Casbah, Saturday, August 9, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

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.

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Christopher HOFFE, former lead singer/guitarist of alternative rock band Fivecrown, has gone solo with current music project Atom Orr, releasing two albums simultaneously, *Wake* and

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the tracks on *Wake* "pock" — a personal word used to classify his version of pop rock. The 11 songs all have soaring guitar riffs and catchy melodies set to medium tempos. Every track retains standard alt-rock stability with a radio-friendly backdrop — strong vocals, heavy guitars, solid drumming, and some wicked melody lines holding it all together. Nothing stands out as unique or even slightly risky, and most of the tracks, although riddled with lyrical intricacies, could be easily dismissed as pabulum for any alternative rock radio station.

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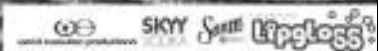
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by the Bay, Thursday, September 4,
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619-523-1010.

Air Supply [573] and **Christopher
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The Beach Boys [576]: Humphrey's
Concerts by the Bay, Monday,
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Lucinda Williams [854]:
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Cher [609]: San Diego Sports Arena,
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Huey Lewis [504]: Viejas Casino
Concerts in the Park, Friday,
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Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or
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Wynonna [787] and **Jimmy
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Bay, Friday, September 12, 8 p.m.,
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George Benson [623]: Humphrey's
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Lee Ritenour [669] and **Mindi
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The Neville Brothers [580] and
Marcia Ball [950]: Humphrey's
Concerts by the Bay, Friday,
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**Ottmar Liebert & Luna
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Chicago [617]: Viejas Casino
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The White Stripes [359], the **Yeah
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Brothers**: RIMAC Arena, Thursday,
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Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Craig Chaquico [673] and **Keiko
Matsui** [674]: Humphrey's Concerts
by the Bay, Thursday, September 25,
7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive,
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619-523-1010.

Rick Springfield [515]: Viejas
Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday,
September 26, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows
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Radiohead [183]: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 28, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Al Jarreau [562]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, September 28, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

John Hiatt & the Goners [830] and the **Robert Cray Band [951]**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, September 29, and Tuesday, September 30, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Cheap Trick [458]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, October 2, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Bobby Caldwell: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 3, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Acoustic Alchemy [864] and **Gerald Albright [678]**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, October 5, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Tom Jones [571]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, October 6, and Tuesday, October 7, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Jim Brickman [865]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, October 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Keali'i Reichel: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 10, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Aerosmith [591], Kiss, and Saliva: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, October 16, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

James Taylor [863]: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, October 17, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

John Prine [819]: Spreckels Theatre, Saturday, October 18, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

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Willie Nelson [768]: 4th & B, Saturday, November 1, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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- Heaving Grooves: Dream Street
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- Idiot Wind [130]: Dream Street
- The Immortal Lee County Killers: The Casbah
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- Murderous Red Glare: ' Canes
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- New Monsoon: Winstons
- No Motiv [341]: Epicentre
- Open Hand: Soma
- Other Natural Flavors [173]: Brick By Brick
- The Parker Theory: 'Canes
- The Perils of Being: 'Canes
- The Pseudo Heroes: Brick By Brick
- The Raveonettes: The Casbah
- The Residuals: California Club
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- Royal Krown: Tio Leo's Lounge
- The Rx Bandits: Epicentre
- Silence the Voice: Epicentre
- Sin Sin 77: The Casbah
- Sojourn: Tiki House
- The Soledad Brothers: The Casbah
- Spirit of Rush: Brick By Brick
- Spoon [387]: 'Canes
- A Static Lullabye: 'Canes
- The Stereotypes: 'Canes
- The Teeth: The Kensington Club
- Time in Malta: Soma
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MUSIC > hip-hop, Spanish pop songs, and dance music; DJs on weekends after 9:00 p.m., karaoke every night during the week at 8:00 p.m.; bands once a month SPECIAL NIGHTS > "on holidays" CLIENTELE > on weekends, mostly American tourists; during the week, half locals and half tourists; 18-and-up for alcohol, but it's a restaurant, so younger people are allowed in (even later at night) COVER > none HOURS > 11 a.m.-2 a.m. weekdays, 11 a.m.-4 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays DRINKS > bottles of Bohemia, Tecate, Corona, Dos Equis, Dos Equis Lager, and Sol are \$2; mixed drinks and tropical drinks are \$5 for two; margarita flavors include

Velvet Crumble: Claire de Lune Coffee Lounge Verb: Blind Melons Vocoder: Winstons The Wise Monkey Orchestra [101]: Winstons World Without Sundays: 'Canes Year of the Rabbit: The Casbah

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

Agee Cannibal & Smokin' Joe: Blind Melons The Bandits [451]: Tio Leo's Lounge

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strawberry, guava, mango, coconut, and papaya FOOD > appetizers average \$5 (shrimp cocktail \$7.75); seafood \$8, and kids' meal \$2.50 ACCESS > when you walk across the border, it's in the first marketplace on the right DRESS > casual; there were two locals in jeans and collar shirts; an American family in jeans and T-shirts DANCE FLOOR > 20' by 20' in front of a small stage by the entrance FIRE EXITS > two: the main entrance, and one at the back of the bar BATHROOMS > men's had a tiled trough that was only three feet long; two stalls; one sink with one bar of soap and no paper towels; women's had three stalls, no soap or towels,

and a sign that said, "Watch your stape" — this was good advice since the bathroom was just past a large cactus growing in a toilet (kind of a weird sight when you're eating) CAPACITY > 150 SPECIAL AREAS > one pool table free for customers FURNISHINGS > two TVs, 18 tables with four chairs each DECIBEL LEVEL > 89 during the music from the house speakers; 95 last week at Patrick's Irish Pub QUOTABLE > "I'm glad I didn't wear stilettos in here," said a customer, in reference to the occasional broken and missing tiles on the floor.

As I walked in on July 5, I noticed a big sign that said they wouldn't be serving alcohol because of the elections going on in Mexico. The waiter, Ulises (that's how it was written on his name tag), said, "Come in and have a margarita. It will be a virgin margarita, but so

what? You'll love it." I asked how often there are elections, and he said, "Every six years for the president, and every three years for the other stuff." Just my luck, I came today. The virgin strawberry margarita did taste delicious though. As you walk into this place, you go up a ramp that's filled with people selling stuff. One little girl had a sign that said she'd write your name on a piece of rice. If you sit at one of the tables along the railing, you look down on the big fountain in the center of all the stores. There are three pharmacies, and my date said to the waiter, "So, you can't sell alcohol because they want you to have a clear head during the voting. But I see the pharmacies are open, and you can still buy drugs there." He smiled and asked if we wanted him to pick up something for us, like Viagra. - Josh Board

Big Backyard: Dream Street The Blazers: Tio Leo's Lounge Blind Luck: Second Wind (Santee) Solomon Burke: Humphrey's Ryan Calhoun: 'Canes Cave Cat Sammy: Tio Leo's Lounge Cold Beer: On The Rocks The Corduroys: Island Sports & Spirits The Crazy Bald Heads: Winstons DJ Beer: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub DJ Dan: Neimans Bar and Grill DJ T: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub The Detroit Underground: Humphrey's The Electric Waste Band: Winstons Jay Farrar: Belly Up Tavern The Full Effect: 'Canes Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last Resort Hot Rod Lincoln [547]: Tio Leo's Lounge Idle Train [112]: On The Rocks Iroc & Desert Eagle: Blind Melons The Jackson 3: McP's Irish Pub and Grill, Surf N'Saddle Laguna: Carvers, McP's Irish Pub and Grill Michelle Shocked [411]: Humphrey's Midtown: 'Canes Mikey Beats: Blind Melons Night Shift: Boar Cross'n Joan Osborne [405]: Humphrey's

Poco [561]: Humphrey's Power Play: Chuey's Numero Uno Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last Resort Reign of Kings: Dirk's Niteclub Ricksha [450]: ' Canes Riot House: Tiki House Rochelle, Rochelle [570]: The Casbah Rock Fish: Blind Melons Rockola: Humphrey's The Eve Selis Band: Humphrey's Gone9: Second Wind (San Carlos) South Bound: Tio Leo's Lounge The Stepping Stones: Hennessy's Tavern (Carlsbad) The Stilettos: McP's Irish Pub and Grill, Henry's Pub

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ROCK

Streetheart: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

Synopsis: Fannie's

34 Below /437/: Dublin Square

TNT: Blind Melons

The Truly Lover Trio: In Cahoots

Viva Santana: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

B Natural: Bahia Belle Cruise

The Corvettes: Viejas Casino

Carol Curtis: Martini's

DJ Lenny: The Plum Loco Saloon

Jesse Davis: Buon Giorno Restaurant

The 80z Allstars: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)

John Garcia: Martini's

Karen Giorgio: The Inn at the Park

Leslie Gold: The Westgate Hotel

Good Times: Henry's Pub

Paul Greg: Martini's

Patrick Hill: Martini's

Jungle Boogie: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)

Leviticus: La Valencia Hotel

Danny Lopez: The Butcher Shop

The Love Rangers: The Alley

Rick Lyon: The Imperial House

Makai: Humphrey's

NRG: Dick's Last Resort

The New Breed Band: The Alley

North Star: Epicentre, Coyote Bar and Grill

The Orbitz: Buon Giorno Restaurant

Jack Pollack: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge

Risa: Princess Pub & Grille

Peter Robberecht/Pianoman /622/: Dakota Grill and Spirits

Linda Roth: Martini's

Starshak: Hennessy's Tavern (PB)

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The Archtones: Croce’s Jazz Bar

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies

Blue Largo [636]: Patrick’s II

Bossa Nossa: Humphrey’s

Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado

John Cain [703]: Hotel del Coronado

The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce’s Jazz Bar

Bruce Cameron: Coyote Bar and Grill

Mike Cea: The Beach House, La Costa Coffee Roasting Co.

The Credit Union: Neimans Bar and Grill

Jo Dark: The German-American Societies

The David Patrone Quartet: Croce’s Jazz Bar

Donnie Finnell & Co. East: Bistro 221

Larry Fogel: Moray’s Lounge

The Tim Gill Orchestra: Neimans Bar and Grill

The Cynthia Hammond Trio: La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge

Bill Harris: Hotel del Coronado

Fred Heath & the Slidewinders: Bayou Bar & Grill

Daniel Jackson: Hotel del Coronado

Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del Coronado

The Jazz Allstars: Jimmy Love’s

Lady Dottie & the Sliders: Bayou Bar & Grill

Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado

The Ledesma Brothers: The Latin Room

Joe Marillo [645]: Elario’s Bistro & Sky Lounge

Masterpiece: Jimmy Love’s

The Jared Mattson Trio: M3 Espresso Cafe

Sean McVicker: Elario’s Bistro & Sky Lounge

Jerry Melnick: Rancho Bernardo Inn

The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce’s Jazz Bar

Ted Wizard Mills: Humphrey’s

Mystique: Jimmy Love’s

Primo: Croce’s Top Hat Bar and Grille, Croce’s Jazz Bar

Quiet Storm [682]: Humphrey’s

Calvin Romance: Humphrey’s

Rick Ross: Moray’s Lounge, Elario’s Bistro & Sky Lounge

The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn Suites

Dave Scott: Croce’s Jazz Bar

Skybop: Mr. Joey’s Cantina

Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time: Humphrey’s

Stellita: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

The Stylistics [625]: Humphrey’s

Swingtime Orchestra: Viejas Casino

Joe Tarrantino: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

Trio du Jour: The Beach House

The Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet: Tutto Mare, Coronado Island Marriott

Jason Weber: Mille Fleurs

Yavaz: Croce’s Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

The Brombies [766]: Coyote Bar and Grill

The Kristoffer Carter Show: Winstons

DJ Cisco: The Plum Loco Saloon

DJ Rassie: The Plum Loco Saloon

DJ Winston: The Plum Loco Saloon

High Tide: Triple Crown Pub

Irie Dingo: Bub’s Whiskey Dive

Barrington Levy [733]: Neimans Bar and Grill

The Jerry McCann Band: Coyote Bar and Grill

NZ Rough: Hennessy’s Tavern (PB)

Psydecar [740]: ’Canes

Scholar’s World: Winstons

Semisi & Fulabula [747]: The Beach House

Vegitation: Winstons, Neimans Bar and Grill

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

Calico Ridge: Don’s Cocktail Lounge

Johnny Jams: Second Wind (Escondido)

The Hank Williams Sr. Tribute: The Cask and Cleaver Restaurant

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

Peter Bolland: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Steve Brewer: Blarney Stone Pub

J.D. Brouchard: Princess Pub & Grille

Rob Carona: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

The Celtic Ensemble: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Martin Christopher: M3 Espresso Cafe

Steve Collins: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Tony Cummins: Blarney Stone Pub

Tim Easton [834]: Belly Up Tavern

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- Joey Harris:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill
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- Holiday & the Adventure Pop Collective:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
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- The Justin Brothers:** The Beach House
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- Ron's Garage:** Hotel del Coronado
- Kevin Sandbloom:** Mocha Market Place
- Skelpin:** Dublin Square
- Tony & Rolsky:** Rafaela's Italian Restaurant
- The Troys:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
- Gene Warren:** The Ould Sod, McP's Irish Pub and Grill

EXTENSION 4009

BLUES / SOUL

- The Bayou Brothers** [948]: Patrick's II
- Elvin Bishop:** Blind Melons
- The Blues Brokers:** Patrick's II
- The Blues Invaders:** Island Sports & Spirits
- The Blues Pharaohs:** Coyote Bar and Grill
- The Boogiemmen:** The Gordon Biersch Brewery
- The Chi-Lites** [993]: Humphrey's
- Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters** [932]: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, Shooters Bar and Grill, Chateau Orleans, Bayou Bar & Grill
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Club '80s: Thursdays, DJs Bryan P, Muckley, and Adam Z spin '80s music, new wave, synthpop, and new romantic at Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744. First Friday of every month at the Hollywood Star, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102; 21 and up. Information, 619-465-5827.

Club Ice: Wednesdays, hop-hop and house music with DJ Skidone. 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Red Circle Cafe, 420 E Street, downtown. 619-234-9211.

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Darkwave Garden: Wednesdays, the best of ethereal-electro-gothic-darkwave. Free entry. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500. Information, 619-465-5827.

Deep: Thursdays, drum 'n' bass. 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Tom Foolery's, 3191 Sports Arena Boulevard, Sports Arena. 619-222-5233.

Dragon Lounge: First Friday of every month, breaks and drum 'n' bass. Brick By Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-5483.

Fashion: Every third Saturday of the month, '80s retro, nu wave, and electro with DJs Bryan Pollard, Adam Z, Black, and Tym. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown. 619-296-6789. Information, 619-465-5827.

Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club: Thursdays, *Wild On Thursday* featuring DJ Shakes. Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop and R&B; DJ Battle spins Latin and house on the patio. High school and college students admitted. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-9393.

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The Psy-Bar Lounge: Sundays, DJs David J, Tom King, and Eric Talbot spin IDM, trip hop, electro, downtempo, and techno. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Club Pure, 8125 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa. 858-538-7873.

The Red Room: Fridays, hip-hop, R&B, and Top 40 with DJs D-Skwiz and Enigma. No cover. Moondoggies, 909 Prospect Street, Suite 290 (upstairs), La Jolla. 858-454-9664.

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Saturday Night Mix: Saturdays, hip-hop and R&B with DJs Enigma, Nick, and Big Dude. No cover. Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550.

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The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Live blues and jazz nightly.

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Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *the Stepping Stones*, rock. Saturday, *the Small Town Heroes*, blues.

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M3 Espresso Cafe, 3910 Vista Way, Oceanside. 760-758-6363. Sunday, 3 pm to 5 pm, *Martin Christopher*, progressive piano. Wednesday, *the Jared Mattson Trio*, jazz.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Call club for information.

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the Yacht Lizards, blues, 9:30 pm, *DJ Bob One*, hip-hop, house, disco. Saturday, 5:30 pm, *Tres Palos*, Latin, 9:30 pm, *Barrington Levy* and *Vegetation*, reggae. Sunday, 9:30 pm, *rock en español*. Monday, 8:30, *the Tim Gill Orchestra*, swing.

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, *Johnny James*, 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, *Cold Shower*, alternative. Saturday, *the Jackson 3*, rock. Monday, open mike.

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Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Coma Structure*, *It Is*, and *Switch Griffins* rock. Friday, *Futyle*, *Man Minus Label*, *Mad Habbit*, and *Jake* alternative. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, *Rock Fish*, 8 pm, *Elvin Bishop*

and *Lafayette & the Leasebreakers*, blues. Sunday, 8 pm, *Verb*, *Scotty Leo* and *Freddie Fresh* hip-hop, house breaks. Monday, open mike. Wednesday, *Agee Cannibal & Smokin' Joe*, *Iroc & Desert Eagle*, and *TNT*, rock.

'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Compass*, *Devices*, *The Perils of Being*, and *Trailer Park Pam*. Friday, *Diego Roots*, *Tribe of Judah*, *Dialectx Crewand Bredren*, reggae. Saturday, *Spoon*, *the Natural History*, and *the Stereotypes*. Sunday, *dada*, *World Without Sundays*, and *Parker Theory*. Monday, *Moenia*. Tuesday, *The Full Effect*, *Midtown*, *A Static Lullabye*, and *Motion City Soundtrack*. Wednesday, *The Big Provider*, *Murderous Red Glare*, *Jack the Original*, *Ricksha*, and *Ryan Calhoun*.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Call club for information.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Coaster Saloon, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4437. Call club for information.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Friday, *Heaving Grooves*, *Big Backyard*, *Idiot Wind*, and *the Moles*. Saturday, *Arkitek*, *Bastards of Glory*, *Lojack*, and *AbigailUs Attic*.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Music is blues/jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Joe Marillo*. Friday, *Jack Pollack*, piano and vocals. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, and Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Tuesday, *Sean McVicker*, jazz.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Thursday, open mike. Friday, *Starshak*, pop rock. Wednesday, *the Henney Brothers*, Irish folk.

Il Forno Mediterranean Bistro, 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. The Room: Call club for information.

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, *La Vagancia*, alternative. Monday, *Hornswaggled*, alternative.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, 8:30 pm and Friday, 9 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz, piano, saxophone, and vocals. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday through Tuesday, *Larry Fogel*, singer, pianist.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Call club for information.

Rafaela's Italian Restaurant, 5119 Cass Street, Pacific Beach. 858-272-0466. Sunday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Tony & Rolsky*, acoustic.

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, *Riot House*, rock. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, *Sojourn*, alternative. Sunday, Chris Kelly's open acoustic night. Wednesday, live music.

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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.

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, *Rey, Buford, Other Natural Flavors*, and *Happy Endings*. Friday, *Down by Law, Pseudo Heroes, Money Shot, Rambis*, and *Mercy Road*. Saturday, *Spirit of Rush, Dee Ray*, and *Ghost Town Deputies*.

California Club, 5522 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Saturday, *the Buttons and the Residuals*, alternative.

The Caliph, 3100 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-9495. Friday, 9 pm, *Kevin Cavanaugh*, lounge piano.

The Cask and Cleaver Restaurant, 3757 South Mission Road, Fallbrook. 760-728-2818. Saturday, 7 pm, *the Hank Williams Sr. Tribute* featuring *Jack Johnson*, country.

Claire de Lune, 2905 University Avenue, North Park. 619-688-9845. Friday, 8:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Velvet Crumble*, alternative folk. Saturday, 8:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Jose Sinatra & the Troy Dante Inferno*, comedy. Sunday, 8 pm to 11 pm, *Mike Rofe*, folk.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Friday, *the Rx Bandits, No Motiv, Fair Weather*, and *Northstar*, alternative/pop. Saturday, *Against All Hope, Eat Your Neighbors*, and *Silence the Voice*, alternative.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *the Boogiemen*, R&B.

Henry’s Pub, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Friday, *Good Times*, pop rock. Saturday, groove. Tuesday, *the Stiletto*s, rockabilly. Wednesday, *Superfunk Fantasy*, pop.

Humphrey’s, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9:30 pm, *the Eve Selis Band*, roadhouse rock. Friday, 6 pm to 8 pm, *Bossa Nossa*, Latin jazz. 9:30 pm, *the Detroit Underground*, rock, soul. Saturday, 9:30 pm, *Makai*, pop, disco. Sunday, 8 pm to midnight, *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Monday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, *Calvin Romance*, jazz. Tuesday, 9 pm, *Rockola*, classic rock. Wednesday, 9:30 pm, *Quiet Storm*, jazz, blues. Concerts by the Bay: Thursday, 7:30 pm, *Joan Osborne*, rock. Friday, 7 pm, *Solomon Burke and Michelle Shocked*, rock. Sunday, 6 pm, *Poco*, rock. Wednesday, 7 pm, *the Stylistics, the Manhattans, the Chi-Lites, the Intruders*, and *Ted Wizard Mills*, soul/R&B.

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, 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.

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The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Gene Warren*, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *the Hatchet Brothers*, folk.

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, live blues, classic rock, and swing.

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. 619-284-7666. Friday and Saturday, live rock and blues.

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/rock. Sunday, *As I Lay Dying*, *Himsa*, *the Agony Scene*, *Please Mr. Gravedigger* and *Murder My Love*.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday and Saturday, *6one9*, classic rock.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of

70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Call club for information.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Friday, *Rise Against*, *Open Hand*, *Time in Malta*, *Arkham*, and *Mikey's Attic*, alternative/rock.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, *Cave Cat Sammy*, and *Bandits*, rockabilly. Friday, *Blazers*, rockabilly. Saturday, *Uncle Jesus*, *Royal Crown*, and *South Bound*, alternative. Monday, swing, tango. Tuesday, zydeco blues.

Triple Crown Pub, 3221 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-281-0263. Saturday, 9:30 pm, *High Tide*, reggae.

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 Quartet*.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Thursday, 8:30 pm, *the Troys*, acoustic. Friday, 8:30 pm, *Rob Carona*, *Holiday & the Adventure Pop Collective*, and *Steve Collins*, acoustic/folk. Saturday, 8:30 pm, *Peter Bolland*, *Dawn Jackson*, *Beth Preston*, and *Jack the Original*, acoustic/folk/alternative. Sunday, 4 pm, *the Celtic Ensemble*. Wednesday, 6:30 pm, open mike.

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*. Wednesday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*.

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, *Soledad Brothers*, *Immortal Lee County Killers*, *Bartender's Bible*, and *The Deere Johns*. Friday, *Year of the Rabbit*. Saturday, *Rochelle Rochelle*, *the Displaced*, *Lualta*, and *the Day After*. Sunday, *Carissa's Weird*, *Elefant*, and *Rob Crow*. Tuesday, *Helicopter Helicopter*. Wednesday, *the Raveonettes* and *Sin Sin 77*.

Chuey's Numero Uno, 1894 Main Street, downtown. 619-234-6937. Friday, *Power Play*, rock.

Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, Balboa Park. 619-418-8858. Call club for information.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the David Patrone Jazz Quartet*. Friday, *Primo*, and *yavaz*. Saturday, *Fuzzy and the Bluesmen*, and *Yavaz*. Sunday, *the Archtones*. Monday, *Dave Scott*. Tuesday, *the Shep Meyers Quartet*. Wednesday, *the Jorge Camberos Quintet*.

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The Latin Room, 560 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-237-7800. Thursday, 7 pm, *the Ledesma Brothers*, Latin jazz.

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Civilized Safari

Riddle me this: I went to a South African restaurant the other night and enjoyed not rhino ribs, lion loins, or hippoburgers, but Singapore-style satay, curried lamb kebabs, and Provençal-style mussels *mariniere*.

The new Kalahari Cafe in the Gaslamp gives us a glimpse of the savory secrets of Afrikaner cuisine. The flavors came together in the mid-17th Century, when the Dutch East India Company — prime movers in the spice trade with Southeast Asia — founded a colony of Dutch farmers near the Cape of Good Hope to provide their ships with fresh water, food, and medical care en route to Java. Soon, the colonists demanded that the company furnish them with slaves to help them farm. Their favorite slaves proved to be Indonesians and Malaysians. With cupboards filled with the spices of the Indies and kitchens staffed by skilled Asian cooks who knew how to use them, the Hollanders' heavy *hausfrau* cooking was radically transformed. Today, among the Afrikaner descendants of these colonists, the closest thing to a national dish is — curry.

Kalahari Cafe reflects this devotion to Eastern flavors in its chicken satay, which has the bona fide charm of its Asian cousins. The marinated breast meat, redolent of fruit and cumin seed, is cooked to a crisp surface with a reasonably moist interior. Its chunky peanut dipping sauce is thick, spicy, and sweet with tropical fruit, while as a grace note the plate holds three little balls of rice rolled in black and white sesame seeds.

South Africa's favorite barbecue dish, lamb kebabs (known in the homeland as *sosaties*), brings more skewers and exotic flavors. Here, the hot-sweet marinade, which includes curry powder, apricot purée, and mango chutney, penetrates all through the meat. It's the quintessential regional dish: Both Dutch and East Asian cooks share a traditional fondness for using tropical fruit flavors in their savory courses. Unfortunately, at the Kalahari Cafe, the meat is lamb shoulder (the ovine counterpart of chuck roast), which unless rigorously trimmed can be very chewy. That night, it was, making this one of Kalahari's few flawed dishes. But I loved the accompaniment, a chop suey medley of celery, scallions, and bean sprouts in a scintillating sesame-rice vinegar dressing, topped with lightly grilled Japanese eggplant slices.

An intriguing complement to this and several



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other entrées involves a chile unique to South Africa. The story is that one day, a small-town farmer wandering in his fields stumbled upon a singular plant, which bore bright-red, cherry-size peppers the likes of which he'd never seen before. Gathering up his courage, he popped an orb into his mouth. To his mounting exultation, its flavor was sweet, complex, and only slightly hot, its brief, light lash vanishing a few seconds after swallowing. He named the new variety "Peppadew," placed an international patent on it, and now sells the chiles only as processed, seedless halves in his own light brine. (Hence, nobody else can get seeds to start growing their own.) Peppadews show up to salutary effect all over Kalahari's menu, especially as a subtly exotic flavoring for the long-grain rice pilaf.

A different area of Africa comes to the fore in the spectacular Banana Leaf Snapper. Just off the coast of Tanzania, well north of South Africa, is Zanzibar, the original "Spice Island." Here flourish cloves, the island's prevailing aroma and most profitable export. When Kalahari's owner, William

Sussman, was a lad, his parents took him on a cruise up the East African coast, where his mother collected a fish recipe from a restaurant in Zanzibar. Sussman now features it at his own restaurant. He makes it with genuine red snapper from the South Pacific, a two-pound baby rubbed with "Zanzibar seasonings," topped with a couple of lime slices, swaddled in banana leaves, and perfectly grilled.

When you open the wrapper, you find a complete fish, face-to-tail, tasting fresh, firm, and "fishy" in the best way. To keep its under-

side from continuing to cook inside the warm wrapping, I suggest you gently lift the leaves off and discard them, or ask one of the accommodating servers to do it for you.

Kalahari's "peri-peri shrimp" and "peri-peri chicken" derive their heat from the tiny, powerful "peri-peri" chili (a.k.a. *piri-piri* or *pili-pili* in different African dialects). Similar to Mexico's *chile tepin*, it came from the New World in the pouches of the Portuguese, who had colonies in Mozambique and Angola. From there, chili-eating birds spread its seeds all over the continent. Dishes named for

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PICK HITS: "Kalahari Grilled Seafood Corn Husks," seared ahi, peri-peri shrimp, banana-leaf snapper

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odysseys and the imagination of local chef Abel Guitierrez. Among the appetizer choices is the fetching “Kalahari Grilled Seafood Corn Husks,” Guitierrez’s fantasy of a South African tamale. The husk of a fresh ear of corn (with about an inch of corn on the cob anchoring the bottom) is stuffed with tender rock shrimp and bay scallops mingled with corn kernels, red and yellow bell pepper dice, and minced Pep-padews. A separate heap of the succotash, minus seafood, comes on the side, along with a table-spoon. The seafood mixture is quite peppery; the veggie mixture is quite buttery. The spoon invites you to blend the two inside the husk to suit your own tastes.

A California cuisine cliché is turned on end with Guitierrez’s singular version of seared ahi: The smooth slab of high-grade yellowfin is marinated in a very delicate mixture of pineapple juice, rice vinegar, and a touch of soy sauce, until the flavor and moisture of the bright fruit permeates all the way through. It’s lightly seared and served alongside a heap of frisée with a dressing so tasty that, even though this rabbit-food species is far from my favorite, I gobbled it up. A similar dressing ennobles the Caesar salad, which gains additional verve from a flurry of nutty, well-aged, fresh-grated Parmesan. If you’re inclined toward a substantial appetizer, there’s a trio of grilled honey-sesame baby lamb chops cut from a rack of young New

Zealand lamb. Their glaze is sweet for a starter course but nonetheless irresistible.

The most popular entrée (which I didn’t try) is mahimahi baked in a macadamia-nut crust. Several more fish, chops, and steaks are also on hand, including the attention-getting “hot rock filet mignon.” Diners who order it get a raw hunk of meat, three sauces, and a small metal grill heated by a sizzling lava rock, resembling a flameless hibachi. (Unlike other cook-your-own-steak joints, here you don’t go to the grill; they bring the grill to you.) If you don’t know how to handle the cooking, your server will be more than happy to coach you.

At each visit, Kalahari’s kitchen performed with remarkable consistency and expertise — even on a holiday Saturday night, when a huge catered party occupied half the room and kept the chefs hopping. I decided, then, to subject the restaurant to the ultimate test: mussels on a Monday. The small blue mollusks arrived heaped in a large French *marmite* pot, with almost every shell open, every mollusk tasting fresh and clean. They were steamed in a Chardonnay and cream combination, following a recipe that Sussman’s father wangled from his favorite restaurant in Southern France, where he now lives. It’s not the most exciting treatment I’ve ever sampled, but the shellfish come with crisp, hot french fries made from truly tasty potatoes (very likely Idahos). Another Mediterranean-style

entrée, invented by Sussman’s wife, brings a medium-huge lamb shank braised in Merlot with complex seasonings including cumin, cardamom, curry, and cinnamon. The heavy meat would surely taste better on a freezing January night, but soaking up the rich gravy are tiny, salty, full-flavored couscous — not just the best couscous I’ve ever tasted, but the first couscous I’ve ever really liked.

The setting for these feasts, playing second fiddle to the compelling cooking, is handsome and commodious, with well-spaced wooden chairs and tables of a warm red stain. Huge, comfortable booths line the wall opposite the bar, and an open kitchen presides over the back of the dining room. It’s not romantic but it’s convivial. A patio in front has tiny tables, just large enough to hold one or two martinis in their huge, witty leopard-spotted glasses.

The whole-wheat bread is baked in-house (from purchased dough) and comes with curls of excellent butter. The coffee is an impeccable dark-roast French press. The desserts, alas, don’t match these standards. Your server brings them displayed en masse on a tray, and they look very good. But they are store-bought, from two different bakeries, and most are heavy as mud pies made from genuine mud. The sole pleasing choice is likely to be a fruit tart (one variety arrives per week) from Brothers Bakery in Irvine. No matter, really: you can enjoy

more of Kalahari’s own fine cooking knowing that you need not save room for a sweet.

ABOUT THE “BAAS”:

Kalahari Cafe is essentially a family business. The tall, bespectacled man greeting you in a charming, not-quite-British accent is owner William Sussman. Some evenings his wife takes over at the front rostrum, while their daughter (resembling a taller, darker version of actress/model Andie MacDowell) serves as sommelier and front-of-the-house manager.

While most whites in South Africa are of British or Dutch ancestry, Sussman is neither. “I’m three-quarters Russian, one-quarter Irish,” he says. “I wasn’t born in South Africa, I was born in the country just to the north of it that used to be called Rhodesia that is now Zimbabwe. But we went to live in South Africa when I was a kid, so I’ve spent most of my life there.

“I had friends there who had restaurants, and I used to hang around with them. I spent 25 years talking about opening a restaurant. Meanwhile, I was in the computer industry. I immigrated to the States with my family in ’93. When I came here, I thought I would take Southern California by storm with my computer expertise, only to discover that there were, uh, one or two other computer experts here.

“So I said, ‘This has been my dream for years and years. As a diner I know what I want from

a restaurant, so that is what I’m going to give my guests.’ I opened up a restaurant in Pacific Beach, Terrific Pacific Brewery, which I had for nearly seven years. When I sold that, like so many people in the restaurant industry, I swore that, while I could still draw breath, I would never do another restaurant. But that lasted only a couple of months. I always wanted to do something in the Gaslamp, and when I decided to get back into the industry, that’s what I did.”

South African food, he finds, tends to surprise local diners. “Although the Dutch and British were the main settlers,” says Sussman, “in the food of South Africa the first thing we had to do was totally discard any Dutch or British ‘food issues.’ Instead, there is a tremendous influence from the Portuguese and from the Malaysian population. A lot of Malaysians came over at the end of the 19th Century, and their influence is felt throughout Southern Africa. I’ve always had a fondness for that — the spiciness of the curries and so forth.

“Some of the recipes we use at Kalahari are traditional from Southern Africa, others are recipes I picked up from visiting different cities all over the world, and the rest are done by my chef, my wife, and a friend of mine who was in the restaurant industry for many years and helps out with ideas. We serve what I call ‘cosmopolitan cuisine.’ My wife contributed the lamb shanks and some of the salad dressings. My chef is


Abel Guitierrez, and his background is in the corporate world with some of the hotel chains. I’ve worked with him since a few months after I opened the last restaurant. When I sold the restaurant six years later, he was still with me. I’m very fortunate in that we have an incredible personal relationship. We understand each other, we can understand what each other wants just by looking at each other. We take good care of each other.

“When I found this spot, I decided that the best thing to do would be to find out what people want. So I spent many nights walking up and down Fourth and Fifth Avenue, and as diners were leaving restaurants, I asked, ‘What do you think, what do you want to see more of?’ And the first thing everybody said was, ‘Not another Italian restaurant!’ The majority of diners, about 75 percent, gave me the same message: ‘We want the food served hot. We want the food recognizable — if you serve a portobello mushroom, we don’t want it disguised by a balsamic vinaigrette; we want the main ingredient to taste like itself. We want to be comfortable. We want good service, but we don’t want to be made to feel inferior by the serving staff. Above all, we just want to see something new and different and fresh.’ And I thought to myself, ‘Well, why don’t I draw on where I’m from?’ And that was the genesis of the Kalahari Cafe.” ■

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Crispy Italy

“One boot, one country!” was his war cry. Kidding.

Well, lookee here: My main man. Garibaldi! I’m in this downtown eatery looking at a poster. It’s calling for “A meeting of survivors of the patriotic battles” to be held under the “honorary perpetual presidency of Giuseppe Garibaldi.”

It’s dated April 9, 1883. Garibaldi? He was only the guy who, like, single-handedly created Italy. Think Washington of the Old World. Okay. History 101: Rome collapsed, right? By the 1800s the whole Italian boot had become a morass of warring city-states. Then finally, Garibaldi came along. The guy was just a farmer who got really, really steamed at the day’s politicians. He raised an army of 1000 men, dressed them in red shirts, and rampaged up and down till he’d united Italy. “One boot, one country!” was his war cry. Kidding. But the kicker is, after he’d united Italy — a miracle in a country full of crazy Italians — he just went back to his farm. Power never poisoned him. Is that as rare as a tender stewing steak or what?

How do I know all this? Carla. Carla totally identifies with Garibaldi’s wife, Anita. See, Garibaldi had this strong-willed mom. This hero of Italy never did get the courage to tell her that he and Anita were married and had kids. *Mamma mia!* And I thought my mom was tough. “Down here!”

What...? I’ve been dreaming. Stopped in my tracks by this poster. Dave, the guy standing at the back end of this place, says he has to yell, (i) because customers always stop to grab a free piece of focaccia bread as they come in, and (ii) because they think the kitchen counter on the right is where you order. Wrong.

I’m here because of an unbelievable deal. “Assaggio pizza: fresh mozzarella cheese, tomato sauce, mushrooms, black olives, artichokes, and *prosciutto cotto*: \$2.95.”

Under three bucks? And that’s the expensive one! The Margherita (with mozzarella cheese and tomato sauce) is \$2.25.

Assaggio has half a dozen small tables on the sidewalk, under a mud-colored canopy. It’s bookended by two swank-looking Persian restaurants, Shiraz and Bandar, but has its own style, with woven-reed chairs and white linens laid over royal blue tablecloths. Not a place where you’d expect to find \$2.25 pizzas.

I also notice a specials board. “Vegetable lasagna, or broccoli gorgonzola *crepella* with a side salad, \$6.95.” Hmm. That’s nearly three times the pizza price, but...wazzit? — *crepella*? — sounds like some crisp-baked Barbie doll. So I traipse back past office workers, students, and a couple of *turistas* through this long, daunting, 1900s-looking room painted a buttery yellow on one side with the other naked brick, plus a high ceiling with a big skylight.

So now I’m down the back, looking at Dave’s menu. They have a bunch of deli sandwiches. The “Assaggio” (it means “the taste,” Dave says) is *ciabatta* (“slipper-shaped”) bread with turkey breast, Italian sauce, greens, and tomato (\$5.95). The Parma is basically prosciutto ham and goat cheese with arugula on Toscano bread (\$6.95). Then they have hot pasta, like spaghetti bolognese for \$7.95 (with Italian bread). But I’m thinking, how can I not take the pizza? No comparison, pricewise. They have a pepperoni for \$2.50 and a vegetable one with mozzarella, zucchini, and eggplant for \$2.75.

“Naah, try the *crepella*,” says Dave. “It’s got a really rich taste. Mozzarella, broccoli, in a crepe.”

Ah, so “*crepella*” means crepe. “Goes great with a glass of white wine,” says Dave.

Except we’re talking \$6.00 a glass. So I order the \$6.95 *crepella*, but with coffee (\$1.25, endless refills). I go sit by the window. Opposite me, Alexis, the guy in the big open kitchen, works away at my *crepella*, then slides it into a giant oven. I take a slurp from my Segafredo Zanetti coffee. Sure sounds better with that name. Hmm. Nice. A lanky street guy comes in

and calls out, “Okay if I take a piece of bread?” Dave and Alexis nod. He grabs a couple and disappears.

Alexis brings my *crepella*. Oh, wow. It has a salad with arugula and olives and three lip-shaped slices of Italian bread, and boy, that crepe is rich, with, it turns out, this great, strong, snorty gorgonzola-béchamel sauce. Just as well the bread’s there. Cries out for a glass of wine. Meanwhile, through the window on the sidewalk, two guys order pizzas with an extra of mushrooms on top. Alexis still only charges them \$2.50. Now I’m cursing myself. Their pizzas look great, and those guys’re paying a *thoid* of what I’m forking out.

But mine’s good, and filling, and I got salad and they didn’t, yadda yadda. I order an amaretto cookie (\$1.89) and take it outside with a fresh batch of coffee. Ooh, that’s a good dessert combo. Plus, you can see the world out here: people sitting under colored awnings all the way down Fourth. And, yes, the cookie has a hidden deposit of amaretto chocolate inside. With the coffee, and the sun, this is perfect. And boy, when Carla hears about her hero Garibaldi, it’ll take 1000 Redshirts to stop her from coming. ■

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"The further south you go, the more of a challenge it is to make good wine."

Wine consultant Enrique Ferro can't do anything about the hail in Texas. When it assumes appropriately Texan proportions — "the size of golf balls," he attests — it can lay waste to whole bunches of grapes. Ferro, now a Temecula resident by way of Mexico, Italy, and Texas, got to know the rigors of winemaking in the Lone Star State firsthand. The first thing you learn is that you can't change the latitude. "The further south you go, the more of a challenge it is to make good wines. You don't have the greatest opportunity to produce large amounts of colors or aromas or soft tannins. The grapes have a longer period of light during the day. And because they are closer to the equator, they receive more direct radiation. The further from the equator, the more diffuse light you get."

Longer and more direct sunlight ratchets up commercial maturation — that is, the concentration of sugar in the grapes, the result of photosynthesis in the grapevine. "For most reds, it's 24 percent or over." In some parts of Texas, those levels are reached in mid-July (compared to September and October for much of California), and the harvest is on. But while commercial maturation may be easy enough to achieve, phenolic maturation is another — and possibly more important — matter.

First, there is the matter of color. "Phenolic maturation is when the color is most readily available out of the skins of the grape. It can look dark black, but if the grape isn't at phenolic maturity, it won't release that color easily." The phenolic materials — which include the color components "anthocyanins" (orange-red to ruby red), "flavonols" (yellow and blue), "flavins" (brown), and "tannins" (yellow) — will stubbornly resist extraction into the juice that will eventually be-

come wine. Why does this matter? Why must red wine be red? "Color is very important, because associated with it are other substances that give flavor. If it's easy for a grape to release color pigments, it will be easy for it to release flavor components." When you admire a wine's color, you are delighting in its first promise of pleasure.

These color and flavor components "are primarily inside of the cells of the skins and seeds." Originally, the anthocyanins are attached to the inner sides of the cells. At phenolic maturation, enzymes within the grape begin to decompose the fruit. "They destroy the pectins that hold the cells together, the cellulose of the membranes, the tissue of the skins and the insides of the cells." This liberates the anthocyanins, which then "migrate to the center of the cell, so it's easier to extract them." When you squeeze a grape at phenolic maturation, "It will yield a little bit. Not hard like a table grape, but not like a raisin." You want things loosened up inside, but you don't want to wait too long. "When the enzymes go too far, the grape goes into a period of violent evaporation of water out of the skins." *Voila* — raisins.

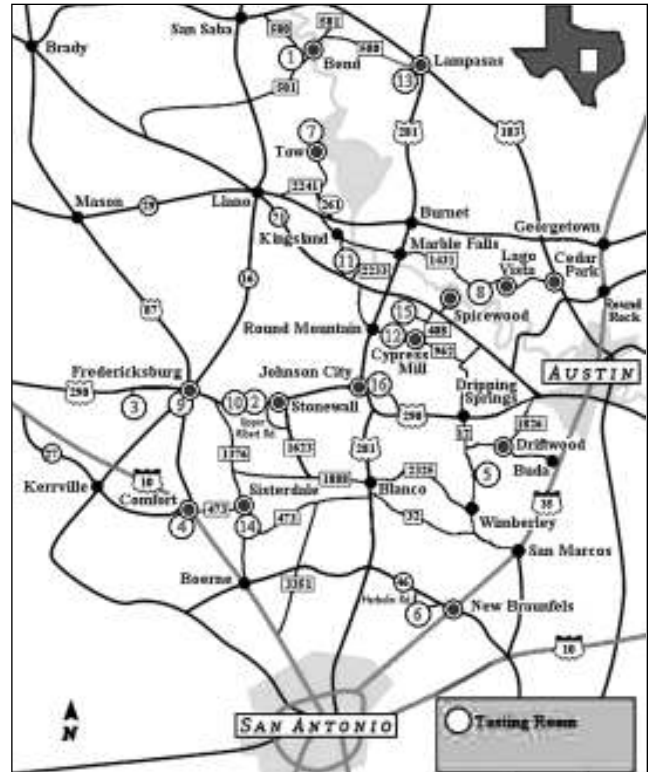
Taste is another helpful indicator of overall grape maturity, but it doesn't always tell the whole story. "Varieties like Cabernet Sauvignon get their flavors from substances already formed in the grapes. You can taste the flavors you're going to get in the wine by tasting the grape. But there are also varieties in which the berries are neutral. They have what are called precursors of aroma, very long-chain molecules that break down only after fermentation."

The most reliable test, says Ferro, involves taking a hundred berries selected at random from throughout a vineyard. "They take the skins and break them mechanically. Using high-perfor-

mance liquid chromatography, they are able to determine the potential anthocyanins compared to the real, extractable anthocyanins at that moment. Potential anthocyanins are determined by lowering the pH artificially, which extracts everything. You compare that with the extraction at the actual pH of the grapes. A one-to-one ratio will mean that everything has been extracted. At maturity, we can extract 80 to 90 percent of the color."

The test also allows Ferro to get a sense of another aspect of phenolic maturity, tannins. "The tannins will be softer, not as green. They have the time and opportunity to polymerize into two or three molecules. The more molecules polymerize, the fewer reactive sites will be on the molecules, because they saturate themselves. Those reactive sites are what give astringency," the tannic bite that can make red wines puckeric. Getting those tannin molecules to hook up is mostly a matter of time and opportunity, "longer hanging times."

Of course, time is at a premium when you're harvesting in July, and another factor — major variations in temperature between day and night — can also be hard to come by. "[Anthocyanins and tannins] derive from sugar. You need a cool night, because otherwise, no matter how much sugar a grapevine can produce through photosynthesis during daylight, most of it will be lost during respiration." Cool nights means slower respiration, which means more sugars available for the formation of anthocyanin and tannin. (It also means more malic acid, which is also involved in respiration. "In cooler climates, you can have a ratio of, say, 3 molecules of tartaric acid to 2 or 1.5 of malic. In warmer climates, it's 3 to 1 or .5.") That's why Southern California wines often have to be adjusted for acid.)



Map of Texas Hill Country wine region

What's to do about it? Canopy management helps a lot. If you clear leaves away from the clusters of grapes early on and let the sunlight in, "That's important to the development of anthocyanin and tannin." But don't wait too long to start trimming leaves — if grapes don't have time to adjust to the exposure, they can be sunburned. And as ever, there is the matter of location, location, location. "It is demonstrated that every 300 feet of elevation corresponds to one degree of latitude. In Texas, say we are at parallel 25 and the altitude is 1500 feet. It's like we're at parallel 30. The High Plains of Texas, which are more to the north of the hill country and are also higher, get a little bit better quality and a lot longer maturation. The grapes are harvested about a month later than in the hill country." ■

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NORTH COASTAL

The Brasserie La Costa Resort & Spa, Costa Del Mar Road off El Camino Real, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111, x4500. This hotel dining room offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner. All-you-can-eat Sunday buffet brunch with champagne is \$32.00. Seafood buffet Friday, from 5:30 p.m. Outstanding service. Reservations recommended. Pisces Delicacies of the Sea is also located in this complex. Expensive. — E.W.

D.B. Hackers Seafood Cafe And Grill 101 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3162. Parked next to the train tracks, this cute little café shakes, rattles, and really rocks. They've been serving superb British-style fish and chips here since the mid-1970s. The fish is New Zealand hoke, a cod-like species with fine flavor, carefully fried in an airy, greaseless batter.

(Sprinkle on some malt vinegar and sit back and think of England.) The "chips" are thin oval potato slices, a hybrid of French fries and potato chips. Classic New England clam chowder, fish tacos, seafood quesadillas, salads, pastas, and a handful of seafood platters are also worthy candidates. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

Firenze 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, West Village Center, Encinitas, 760-944-9000. This big, beautiful, gracious restaurant (located in the same mall as Harvest Ranch Market, just north of Rancho Santa Fe) offers both a handsome interior and a romantic fire-lit patio. The well-spaced tables are laden with huge portions of accomplished, multiregional Italian cuisine and reasonably priced Italian and California wines (with bargain wine prices Monday nights). Vegetarians will rejoice in the two dozen meatless selections. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, dinner-only on Sundays. High moderate. — N.W. (11/01)

Hill Street Coffee House 524 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-966-0985. Organic in Oceanside? Really! Look for the sign: "Organic Restaurant and Espresso Bar" in front of a restored yellow-and-white Victorian house from O'side's past. All their meats, poultry, fish, and veggies are organic and the menu is full of healthy dishes: tofu/spinach breakfast scramble, frittata *espinaca* ("Greek eggs"), and *pain perdu* (for us peasants that's French toast) with fresh fruit and syrups. Some vegan items. After 11 a.m., try their Cajun chicken. Open daily, breakfast to dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Johnny Manana's 308 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-9999. Local teachers hang out at this green-, white-, and red-tiled place because it's such good value. Most dishes are either Mexican or Costa Rican. There's a Caribbean chocolatey, black bean, paprika, curry-in-the-rice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted

What the Chef Eats

LOBSTER RAVIOLI WITH SEARED SEA SCALLOPS

BY JEFF STRAUSS

Chef, Pamplemousse Grille, Solana Beach

This dish was developed through synchronicity, bringing together my three favorite foods: pasta, Asian, and seafood, particularly Maine lobster. Lobster ravioli is a Pamplemousse specialty and has been a popular item on the restaurant's specials list for quite some time. I so enjoy this particular dish that my vehicle wears the license plate "LOB RAV."

HOW TO DO IT

Ravioli: Poach your lobster in rapidly boiling salted water for three minutes. Remove and let cool. Preheat a sauté pan and sauté all the leeks in 2

tablespoons of olive oil. Sweat leeks for one minute and then add shallots, ginger, and salt and pepper to taste. Continue to sauté until leeks are tender. Remove from heat and add chopped tarragon. Set aside and let cool. Remove all meat from lobster and dice into small pieces. Place in a colander to drain all water from lobster. Using a Cuisinart, purée shrimp and two scallops; add one egg and continue to purée until smooth. Fold in heavy cream. Gently mix together lobster, leeks, and purée. Adjust your seasonings and refrigerate.

Pasta: Put 9 ounces of all-purpose flour, ¼

teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon olive oil in a blender and process for a few seconds. Add two eggs and three extra egg yolks and process until the pasta begins to come together into a loose ball of dough. Knead the pasta dough well on a flat surface, until the mixture is smooth and even. Cut the dough into four equal pieces and roll them into balls. Wrap each ball in plastic and place in the refrigerator for 20 minutes.

Roll out one of the prepared pasta balls gently on a floured surface and then feed it through a pasta machine several times, until the pasta has the



thickness of an envelope. Using a pastry cutter, cut out four 4-inch circles and four 3¾-inch circles. Spoon a helping of the filling onto the center of each of the four 3¾-inch pasta circles. (Be careful to leave a clear edge around the filling to insure a good seal.) Brush the edges with a little water and top each with a 4-inch pasta circle. Gently press the edges together. Using scissors, trim away any irregular

chicken is delicious. The Big Breakfast Burrito Special (eggs, onions, beans, cheese, and potatoes, wrapped in a large flour tortilla) is *muy popular*, but then so is J.M.'s Great All-American

Cheeseburger. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

Kim's Restaurant 745 First Street, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103, Encinitas, 760-942-4816. Both Viet-

namese and Chinese dishes are offered in a calm atmosphere with quick, pleasant service. The menu lists 265 items, including 18 Vietnamese house specialties, 28 seafood dishes, and a whop-

ping 45 vegetarian/vegan dishes, many made with *seitan* (mock poultry). The seafood isn't necessarily fresh catch — some shellfish is evidently obtained frozen, scallops are phosphate-pre-

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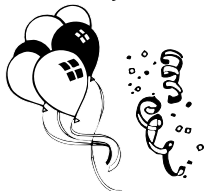
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edges of the ravioli, then gently pinch them all around to secure seal. Refrigerate until ready to use. Repeat process for remaining pasta balls.

Beurre Blanc: Place three shallots (roughly chopped), two cloves of garlic (crushed), six peppercorns, ¼ cup tarragon vinegar, and ¼ cup white wine into a saucepan and reduce over medium heat until the liquid in the pan has the consistency of syrup. Slowly whisk in one pound of diced (½-inch

cubes), chilled butter until all butter is emulsified with the glaze. Add 1 teaspoon soy sauce and 1 teaspoon teriyaki and pass through a fine sieve. Add 1 teaspoon ginger (finely chopped). Keep sauce warm. (It is important that the sauce does not get too cold or hot, as either would result in separation.)

Final preparation: Bring a half-gallon of salted water to a boil. Drop in raviolis. Cook for approximately 1½ minutes. While ravioli cook, place 1

tablespoon of sesame oil in a sauté pan. When pan starts to smoke, add remaining scallops, which should be halved lengthwise. Cook for a couple of seconds or until brown on each side. Remove scallops from pan and add tomatoes and asparagus. Cook only until vegetables are heated and slightly colored. Remove ravioli from water.

Place a little Ginger Soy Beurre Blanc sauce on the bottom of each serving bowl. Place four ravioli on

top and add more sauce to cover ravioli. Place seared scallops around ravioli to form a tripod. Place three of each asparagus and tomatoes over ravioli and serve immediately. This recipe serves four.

INGREDIENTS:

- Ravioli Filling
- 2 lb Maine lobster
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 leek, halved and cut into thin half moon pieces (wash and dry)
- 1 teaspoon shallots, chopped
- ½ teaspoon ginger, finely

- chopped
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 tablespoon tarragon, partially chopped
- 2 large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 8 large scallops, membranes removed (2 for filling, 6 for garnish)
- 1 medium egg
- ¼ cup heavy cream
- Pasta
- 9 ounces all-purpose flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt (for pasta preparation)
- ¼ teaspoon olive oil (for pasta preparation)
- 2 eggs (for pasta preparation)

- 3 egg yolks
- Beurre Blanc
- 3 shallots, roughly chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 6 peppercorns
- ¼ cup tarragon vinegar
- ¼ cup white wine
- 1 lb butter, diced into ½-inch cubes
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon teriyaki
- 1 teaspoon ginger, finely chopped
- Garnish
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil
- 12 pieces asparagus, medium size
- 12 yellow pear tomatoes
- 12 red pear tomatoes

served, and the reasonably priced abalone dishes involve slightly chewy, rehydrated dried abalone from Asia. On the other hand, portions are enormous, and the cooking is careful and tasty, although some flavors have evidently been adapted to American palates and ingredients. Open Tuesday through Sunday, continuous service

lunch and dinner; closed Monday. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/01)*
Knockout Pizza 2959 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-434-4468. It's New York pizza only here. "People back East are more traditional," says owner James, the ex-boxer. "We don't do California thick crust, we don't do pineapple, we don't do chicken. We

don't do 'personal size,' either. All our pies are 18-inch. But we *do* do slices." They make the pies with traditional thin, crisp crusts and flavors like pepperoni, meatball, garlic, and "White-stone" (mozzarella, Parmesan, ricotta, garlic, and spinach). Maybe their best is the "Bronx Special," an assortment of pepperoni, sausage, onions, olives,

mushrooms, pepper and garlic, said to fell New Yorkers quicker'n one of James's right uppercuts. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*
Pisces Delicacies Of The Sea La Costa Spa, 2100 Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad, 760-438-9111. This long-established and still-excellent restaurant is located at the spa itself, in a gorgeous

room one flight down from the lobby. The menu includes fresh Maine lobster, lobster thermidor, and Dover sole. Abalone and Maryland soft-shell crabs are seasonal. Please call for directions. Open nightly for dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*
Tomiko 87 Encinitas Boulevard (at Best Western, just west of I-5), Encini-

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NORTH INLAND

Abbey’s Real Texas BBQ 6904 Miramar Road (at Commerce Street, behind Denny’s), Miramar, 858-566-5235. Newer, smaller branch at 9353 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Ruffin Road), Kearny Mesa, 858-279-7427. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, turkey, and links that are repeatedly mopped with a marinade and cooked in a big cast-iron smoker (rather than grilled over a fire). Here they use mesquite to barbecue the poultry quickly and the brisket ve-r-ry slowly. In addition to the usual BBQ sides (potato salad, coleslaw, beans, etc.), they offer a Caesar salad. At the Miramar branch the room is large and unadorned but very clean. Wheelchair accessible. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily; continuous service for lunch and early dinner weekdays; normal dinner hours weekends. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

Ashoka The Great 9474 Black Mountain Road (off Miramar Road), Mira Mesa, 858-695-9749. Seek out this splendid Indian restaurant. The setting is lovely, the service excellent, and the food first-rate. Don’t overlook the tandoori dishes. Numerous selections are available for vegetarians. An all-you-can-eat lunch buffet is served daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

Athens Market Cafe 11640 Carmel Mountain Road (between Pacific Theatres and Sportmart in Carmel Mountain Plaza, close to Rancho Bernardo, off I-15), 858-675-2225. The same Greek recipes that you know and love at Athens Market downtown are even more carefully prepared here. All entrées with soup or salad. Excellent moussaka, baked chicken, lamb kebabs. Excellent value for tasty product. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

The Fireside 439 West Washington Avenue (at Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-745-1931. The Fireside bills itself as “North County’s Finest Steak House.” It also seems to be the area’s community center, a rambling building with a karaoke bar, nightclub, poolroom, and meeting rooms for many lodges. The dining room is large and lovely, plush and quiet, with soft lighting, a freestanding central fireplace, and seating in cushy booths. The menu is part steakhouse, part 1975 French-Continental — think duck à l’orange, tournedos Rossini, breaded rack of lamb — by now, these are American comfort foods. All steaks and prime rib are USDA Choice or better, dry-aged for maximum flavor, cooked to your preference. You can taste the difference. Sometimes an octogenarian pianist tinkles out old show tunes. Isn’t it romantic? It is. Dinners nightly,

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Hernandez’ Hide-Away Rancho and Lake Drives, Del Dios, Lake Hodges, 760-746-1444. The popular bargain-priced breakfast/brunch on Saturdays and Sundays offers steak and eggs, *chilaquiles*, sausage, beans, and omelets. At dinner, most tables sport pitchers of margaritas to wash down standard So-Cal gringo-Mex dishes. Reservations urged, especially for weekends (when non-reservers may have to wait over an hour for a table); ask for driving directions when you call. Weekend brunch; lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

The Wayside Cafe 507 South Main Avenue, Fallbrook, 760-723-9633. Locals love meeting and eating in this long low-porched building — partly because it all just feels small-town America. The place used to be Mahrs’ Service Station. You can even sit in the old Lube Bay to eat. Count on generous servings, especially the mountain-piles of red-skinned home-fries as a side at breakfast. Open for breakfast and lunch six days a week; closed Mondays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

Tony’s Giant Pizza 122 El Norte Parkway, Escondido, 760-738-9121. Tony’s claims to serve “New York pizza” and they’re not that far off — the crust is thin enough (if not quite crisp enough), but what’s special here is the honest, gooey mozzarella — it doesn’t get stringy when hot or rubbery when cool. You can get plain or pepperoni pizza by the humongous slice (it laps over the plate), and fancier (if still pretty basic) toppings on pies of up to 28 inches. There’s also a mean

meatball sandwich with small flavorful balls and an okay sauce swathed in that yummy cheese. There are video games for the kids and a neighborly atmosphere, although most orders are take-out or delivery. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (5/01)

GOLD COAST

Arterra Marriott Del Mar Hotel, 11966 El Camino Real (off Carmel Mountain Road), Torrey Pines/Del Mar, 858-369-6032 or 858-523-1700. Bradley Ogden and his minions — including Arterra’s Carl Shroeder — do the perfect cuisine for executive-oriented hotels like this Marriott, which is situated in an inhumanly corporate neighborhood. The fare is fine, classy, but not excessively demanding of attention. Ingredients are seasonal and top-quality, creations are pleasing but not radical. It’s a great place to take your boss to dinner. Breakfasts, though, are spectacular, e.g., the airy, bitter-sweet tangerine souffle pancakes may just be the ideal way to jump-start the morning. Open daily, three meals. Expensive. — *N.W.* (4/02)

Hide Away Cafe 150 South Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-755-3388. The Hide Away is the classic forties California beach café. You have to look carefully down the tiny tree-shaded street to spot their big blue-and-yellow sign. It’s a homey little place, with a corrugated iron roof, wooden porch, and a green mantle of gnarly old ivy. Flap through the swing doors. Inhale the good smells from the kitchen. Sit down at one of the intimate tables. Order the jalapeño and grilled red onion

omelet with avocado and Jack cheese. Or the delicious “Kaleidoscope”: scrambled eggs, cheese, bell peppers, onions, and home fries. Finish up with a slice of homemade pumpkin-nut bread. Breakfast and lunch only, open daily to 2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Pizza Port 135 North Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-481-7332. (Also in Carlsbad.) “Tasty Grub & Grog,” says the sign, and that’s just what it is. You come here for three things: the pizzas, the beer, and the scene. The place is cavernous, but the tables are communal, with long wooden benches. Rub shoulders with surfers, students, yuppies, and locals. Pizza Port brews their own beer (try Sharkbite Red) and flings their own pizzas, New York style. Filling combos can be great, like the pesto, mesquite-grilled chicken, sun-dried tomatoes, artichoke hearts, and feta (“Pizza Carlsbad”), or shrimp, clams, onions, olives, bell peppers, and mushrooms (“Pizza Solana”). Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Red Tracton’s 550 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-755-6600. Truly mammoth portions of prime rib, steak, chicken, and fish are served in lovely surroundings. Dinners come with corn on the cob (when in season) or baked potatoes or vegetables. Salads are à la carte, but are enough for two people. Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

Spices Thai Cafe 3810 Valley Centre Drive, Piazza Carmel Shopping Center, Del Mar (east of Carmel Valley turn-off), 858-259-0889. Superb Thai restaurant that’s not only elegant but whose food contains no MSG and very little fat. The seafood dishes rate highly. Among other delicacies are duck and frog legs. Put Spices Thai Café

at the top of your list. Also in La Jolla. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA JOLLA

Aesop’s Tables 8650 Genesee Avenue #106, Costa Verde Shopping Center, La Jolla, 858-455-1535. The chief attributes of this Greek and Mediterranean restaurant are fresh food, tasty preparation, and low cost. The salads are a good buy. Entrées are large enough for two. All items available for takeout. Lunch, Monday through Saturday; Sunday, dinner only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Barbarella 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. Don’t miss this lively bistro that offers sandwiches, soup, pizza, and entrées. Lively atmosphere. The Bibb salad and Max’s Pizza are outstanding. Arrive early or late to avoid wait for tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* (3/00)

Fleming’s Steak House And Wine Bar 8970 University Center Lane, Aventura Complex, La Jolla, 858-535-0078. Beautiful atmosphere, excellent service, very fine preparations. Very crowded weekends. Steaks and chops first rate. Vegetables à la carte. Open nightly for dinner only. Upper moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* (1/00)

Forever Fondue 1295 Prospect Street #201, La Jolla, 858-551-4509. Also at 6110 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-295-7792. If you stay with the cheese fondue, house salad, or shrimp with spicy cocktail sauce, you’ll have a good meal. Steel plates make the food cold. The prix fixe dinner for two is

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La Jolla Cantina 2161 Avenida de la Playa (at La Jolla Shores Drive), La Jolla, 858-459-5282. The surprise here is that this is one of those casual coast cantinas where you can relax, get a good meal, and not get gouged with La Jolla prices. *Huevos rancheros* (three eggs, corn tortillas, beans and rice) and *machaca* (*carne asada*, eggs, bell peppers, onions, rice, beans, tortillas) are great, but you can't beat their eggs Benedict (Black Forest ham and two poached eggs smothered in hollandaise sauce). The short-stack pancakes or French toast (made with egg bread, dipped in cinnamon-vanilla batter and dusted with powdered sugar) should give you your sugar fix too. Lunch is great out on the sidewalk (carnitas lunch torta, seared ahi with greens, or lamb in chili sauce are good bets), but the really cool time to come is early evening, when all La Jolla Shores is out on the prowl. Breakfast through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

The Marine Room 2000 Spindrift Drive (off Torrey Pines Road), La Jolla, 858-459-7222. High cuisine, high adventure, high seas — at only moderately high prices. With chef Bernard Guillas as top toque, the Marine Room has become the quintessential great San Diego restaurant. The exhilarating coastal view meets Cal-French-Pacific Rim cuisine that's as exuberantly out-front as the waves whacking the windows. Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with ultra-fresh, exotic ingredients makes every visit a voyage of discovery, and preparations are so elaborate that each listing on his precise menu reads like a whole tasting dinner. And the tasting dinners themselves (Monday through Wednesday evenings) are something of a bargain — a royal feast for the price of, say, a fill-up for your SUV. Reservations required; slightly dressy but not stuffy. Easiest route: Make a right from westbound Torrey Pines onto Roseland or Viking and go left on St. Louis, which runs into Spindrift. Wheelchair ramp to the left of front door. Noisy when crowded. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday, Sunday brunch, dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/02)*

Michele Coulon Pastries 7556-D Fay Avenue (across the street from Vons parking lot), La Jolla, 858-456-5098. The daughter of Don Coulon (retired chef/owner of The Belgian Lion restaurant) and her son preside in turn at this delightful little café/bakery. (Look for it behind the octagonal sandwich shop that fronts its mini-mall.) Every ingredient is fresh and of top quality. Cakes are light, moist, rich, and available as wholes, slices, and even "miniatures," plus you can choose tarts, chocolates, ice creams, and breakfast pastries. At lunch there are European-style salads, house-made paté, fresh vegetables, and two or three substantial entrées — often including the family's famed cassoulet and a seductive quiche Lorraine featuring a light, satiny cheese custard in a crumbly crust. Wine and Belgian ales available. Open daily, breakfast through late afternoon; during the summer, dinners available on Friday and Saturday nights until 11 p.m. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/02)*

P.F. Chang's China Bistro 4540 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-458-9007. The decor and ambiance carry the weight here. Chinese food is only average. This is a place to see and be seen. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Dinner menu available from opening to closing. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

Baci Ristorante 1955 W. Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-2094. If you have been eating low-fat, low-calorie food, consider this place a special treat. Be sure to order at least two pastas (parties of four or more can request a combination pasta plate) and fresh fish or chicken. Excellent fried squid and the best *zabaglione* (dessert) in the city. Salt may be more than usual. First-rate service. Open Monday through

Saturday; closed Sunday. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

King's Fish House 825 Camino de la Reina (west of Mission Center Drive), Mission Valley, 619-574-1230. To find King's in the megamall, go slightly west of Koo Koo Roo and follow the line of cars to the free valet parking. It's a chain, but it's a classy chain, offering fish and seafoods of a quality that's well above average, including crustaceans from a live-tank and a half-dozen varieties of pristine oysters. Generously-sized entrées come with soup or salad (including a Caesar that's above suspicion) and two hefty side dishes. The vast menu of American-style preparations changes daily to reflect the fresh catch, and includes some rotating regional specialties (e.g., New Orleans, Hawaii, New England). Don't miss the prawn potsticker appetizer, if available, and for dessert, the miraculously light bread pudding. The atmosphere is good-timey (with two patios and a barroom as well as a dining room), the service is enthusiastic, and the management will accommodate special requests if you call ahead. Kiddie menu available. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/02)*

Pho Tau Bay Restaurant 7604 Linda Vista Road (near Mesa College), Linda Vista, 858-268-3161. Full name: La Cai Mi Gia, va Pho Tau Bay. The building looks like a converted McDonald's, but the interior is oriental and swanky with large fish tanks, blue carpet, gold metallic wainscoting, silk roses, a golden three-foot-tall laughing Buddha, and a red altar with three black-bearded gods. For lunch and dinner you can choose such exotics as quail, boar, alligator, and "Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut Milk and Curry." Breakfast is cheap, filling, and very Vietnamese. Try *mi ga*, a gentle rice noodle soup with shredded chicken, or order *banh mi thit*, eight inches of French bread with traditional South Vietnamese beef stew. Puzzled? Ask for Mr. Le. Three meals, daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Sam Woo Bar-B-Q Restaurant 7330 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard #A103, Clairemont Mesa, 858-505-9888. Sam Woo is one of a bunch of restaurants inside the "99 Ranch" Asian supermarket. Great idea — you're never supposed to grocery shop while hungry. Next to the checkout counter you can savor some primo Hong Kong delicacies — without busting the bank. BBQ pork and roast duck rice or the BBQ "Two Delicacy" Combination will fill you nicely. *Tung kong* salty chicken or soy-braised pork intestine are interesting. Honey-glazed walnut shrimp is easy to love. But the quickest, healthiest choice is probably *jook*, Chinese rice porridge. You can get it garnished with pork organs, beef, seafood, sliced pork, preserved egg with duck... this is not your mama's oatmeal. Then there's House Tea With Pearl — iced tea with *boba* (caramelized tapioca balls) floating in it. You suck the *boba* up with the tea through the triple-wide straw and chew. Isn't this the way shopping should be? Daily, 9 a.m. to midnight. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

San Tong Palace 4690 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. This unassuming, strip-mall restaurant is easy to overlook, but once found, impossible to resist. San Tong's hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions' tastiest styles. The Rainbow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. The seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for westerners. At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (4/99)*

THE BEACHES

Cafe Athena Pacific Mall, 1846 Garnet Avenue (at Lamont Street), Pacific Beach, 858-274-1140. The food is uneven but basically pleasant at this popular Greek destination. Good soups and appetizers (but skip the *taramasalata*), outstanding moussaka, above-average gyros, and interesting desserts. Rather noisy when crowded. Reserve for dinner, especially weekends (or risk an hour-long wait). Open daily,



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Go Greek Cafe and Grill 4501 Mission Bay Drive (mall with 7-Eleven and Sushi Ota), Pacific Beach, 858-270-4487. Located in the same easy-to-miss mini-mall as Sushi Ota, across the street from Rubio's (look for the 7-Eleven sign), this informal Greek café is better than it looks. The *taramasalata* (codfish roe salad) may not be house-made, but the delicious spread is straight from Greece. Excellent house salad, stuffed grape leaves, lentil soup, *saganaki* for additional starters; fine homey moussaka and grilled fish are among the entrées (but gyros are ordinary), and the exotic rice pudding makes a light dessert. Vegetarian-friendly menu. Belly dancing Friday nights. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch and dinner; sporadically on Sunday. Low moderate. — *N.W.* (3/02)

Harbor Island Fuel Dock 2040 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-291-6443. (If dock gate is closed, go to Harbor Island West Marina office by ramp, 619-291-6440, for pass.) You want to flash back to old waterfront San Diego? Come where the real salts eat, at this dinky, little timber shack

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Jared's 880 East Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-291-1028. The house specialty is steak, offered in a room directly on the harbor. Presentation, in the manner, of Morton's, is to show you the entrées raw. Price of entrée includes nothing else; vegetables, potatoes à la carte. Excellent appetizers, especially five-onion tart. First-rate bread and bread pudding. Dinner only, Tuesday through Sunday; closed Monday. Expensive. — *E.W.*

Kaiserhof 2253 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-0606. Even on weeknights, crowds fill this restaurant and *biergarten*, chowing down on hefty, hearty German cooking in a festive atmosphere. Flavors are authentic, but can be monotonous due to kitchen's reliance on commercial products (especially a heavy-flavored beef base that makes all the sauces taste alike). Good schnitzels, potato pancakes. The excellent apple strudel is the only dessert made in-house. Reservations advised, especially for patio seating. Full bar. Lunch Friday through Sunday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — *N.W.* (6/02)

Reuben E. Lee 880 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-291-1880. This docked faux-riverboat replica serves seafood without a sea breeze — the windows are sealed and it can get stuffy when the weather's warm. The food can be inconsistent. Best bets are an appetizer of steamed clams and a surprisingly authentic, zesty bouillabaisse. Otherwise, the cooking style tends to be corporately cautious. No disability access, but you can order from this menu downstairs at sister-restaurant Jared's. Dinner Wednesday through Saturday. Bargain-priced buffet Friday evening includes all their best items. Otherwise, expensive. — *N.W.* (9/01)

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CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Awash Ethiopian Restaurant 4979 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights, 619-583-9225. Small eatery, but great place to sample some of Africa's best vittles. Come off El Cajon Boulevard into clean white walls, Ethiopian art, haunting music, maroon cloth-covered tables, and white napkins. Awash (named after an Ethiopian river) serves pretty much everything on *injera*, the giant soft crumpet you rip and wrap around foods arranged in beautiful piles on top. (Don't expect cutlery; the *injera* serves that function.) They have plenty of meat or vegetarian choices, among them *yebeg alicha* (lamb stew), *kitfo* (raw chopped beef with spices, red peppers, and Ethiopian cheese), or *yedoro wot* (spicy lamb cooked in red pepper *berbere* sauce and butter). For a late breakfast, try the *foul* (crushed beans, onions, tomato, and green peppers with French bread) or the *sambusa* (a pastry shell filled with lentils or beef). Ethiopian beers or the Awash's *tej* (honey wine, with or without alcohol) go well with this food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (6/02)

Bale's Cafe 3926 30th Street (at University Avenue), North Park, 619-293-0772. This bare-bones café offers some of the best Vietnamese-Chinese and American food prices in San Diego County. Owner Mr. Pham and his family are trying a formula that has worked in the Vietnamese community in Santa Ana, offering meals as low as \$1.99. Try the steak-and-egg breakfast with hash browns or toast. Or BBQ pork chop, egg, and shredded pork with rice. Mr. Pham knows what Americans like — before the fall of Saigon he supplied food to the U.S. military there, so you can trust his good, basic burgers. Also good: spicy lemon grass chicken, half a fried Cornish hen with fried rice, or *kung pao* shrimp, *pho tai* (rice noodle beef soup), curry chicken or *chow fun* (thick noodles, beef, shrimp, chicken, with black mushrooms). Decor is sparse, but at these prices, who's complaining? Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

El Morelense 317 Dewey Street, Logan Heights, 619-234-2750. Morelense-style cooking: more pungent than Cal-Mex or Tex-Mex. The Cecina (a kind of *carne asada*), served with rice, beans, and tortillas, is richly marinated and filling, as is the *carne de adobada* (pork dish), *caldo de res* (beef soup), *huevos rancheros*, and *menudo* or *pozole* soup

(weekends only) are worth trying. Owner Santos, a true Morelense, makes all dishes from scratch, including salsas and tortillas. This used to be a tough area, but the new central police station next door has helped change all that. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

Island Spice 2820 Market Street (at 28th Street), Grant Hill, 619-702-9309. Interesting Jamaican specialties are served indoors or on a sunny patio. Breakfast can include *run dung* (sautéed salt mackerel) and ackee with salt cod. At lunch and dinner there's fine jerk chicken (ask for dark meat, it's moister), but don't overlook lesser-known delicacies such as savory oxtail stew, *escovitch* (pickled) fish, curry goat, and fish or chicken in a tangy brown stew. Dinner hours and offerings vary, and many patrons get takeout. Call just before you go to learn what's available and place your order. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (2/01)

Sister Pee Wee's Soul Food 2971-1/2 Imperial Avenue, Grant Hill, 619-236-0470. One of the oldest, best soul food cafés in the county, but get there early (it closes at 8 p.m.). Sister Pee Wee says her daily lunch and dinner menu depends on what she feels like cooking that day — you might find big pork ribs with mashed red-skin potatoes, black-eyed peas, collard greens and two-inch-thick corn bread, or Southern-fried chicken, or seafood gumbo, or catfish fillet with all the trimmings. Sister's special is chitlins and catfish. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, ham, sausages, and hominy grits. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

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Cafe Zia 6686 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-337-3937. South Asia meets Mexico! Khaled Zia had the brilliant idea of combining tacos (or wraps or bagels) with chicken and South Asia's great gift to the world: chutney — mango chutney, papaya chutney, peach, apple, even a serrano chili pepper chutney. The combo works with them all. As soon as you smell the chicken strips hissing away on the grills, you're hooked. Then when they come smothered in peach or mango chutney, or cooling yogurt, along with sweet-sauced potatoes, what can you do? Do as half of San Diego State does: just say yes. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

Izzy's Cafe 1252 Broadway, El Cajon, 619-447-5067. Good-ol'-boy eatery in the middle of Box Town. You're looking for quantity? You've come to the right spot. Izzy's — named after co-owner Lorrie Sellers's middle name, Isabel — is all cream walls, country-scene pictures, little wooden hanging milk bottles. They have great breakfasts, two guaranteed to test your belt buckle: chicken-fried chicken in country gravy, with two eggs, potatoes, and bread; or "Izzy's Frittata Bar," an open-faced omelet with spuds and biscuits and gravy. You can add anything from sausage to zucchini — up to four ingredients — without paying extra. Or, oatmeal or a short stack will fill you just

fine and leave you with more walking-about money. Breakfast and lunch till 2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Mario's De La Mesa 8425 La Mesa Boulevard (at Grant), La Mesa, 619-461-9390. The man on the *burro* (seen on the restaurant's sign and menu) holds two flags, those of Mexico and the U.S.A. — very appropriate. Few dishes (except maybe the *menudo*) will push the paler palate too far in any direction, but gosh-all, everything is so darn tasty. Tamales are a house special: rich, pillowy clouds of cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins for a smidgeon of sweetness. Pork also gets loving treatment in the *carnitas rojas*, big chunks browned to the barest crisp, which falls away to melting tenderness. Great marinade (cumin?) on the *carne asada*; intense flavor and buttery richness on the "machaca sonora style" (dry-roasted shredded beef). Beans are so light as to seem whipped; rice is studded with peas and spicy carrots. Service is fast and friendly. Breakfast and lunch Sundays and Mondays; three meals Tuesday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *A.M.* (7/01)

Orchid Thai and Vegetarian Cuisine 762 North Johnson Avenue #106, El Cajon, 619-447-2819. There's nothing fancy or pretentious about this Thai restaurant, but their food is really, really good. Menu is a mixture of Thai, Lao, and Chinese. Best deal: the fifteen permanent lunch specials, from pepper steak (given a Thai twist) to chicken yellow curry to Orchid Noodle ("Thai egg noodle, chicken, broccoli celery, carrot, egg and scallions"). *Larb*, the Laotian ground chicken salad, is delicious and filling, as is the *masaman*, curry with potatoes, onion, carrots, and roasted peanuts mixed in sweet coconut milk. Other tasty dishes include *prik pow* beef, *som tum* (papaya salad), *panang curry*, and *mee ped* (roast duck) noodle soup. Because he replaced a Chinese eatery, the owner, Montry Sengsouriya, keeps dishes like chicken chow mein and a Japanese-style beef teriyaki bowl on the menu. Finish up with a tiny bottle of *Kratin Daeng*, Red Bull. It's a vitamin elixir the Thais and Lao love to plug for energy. Open for lunch and dinner; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (6/02)

Shmoozers Kosher Dairy Restaurant 6366 El Cajon Boulevard (at 63rd Street), College Area, 619-583-1636. Great for vegans! This Kosher eatery promises "all-rennetless cheese, vegetarian food, no meat, no animal fat, certified Kosher, 100% fresh ingredients." Everything is prepared under the supervision of the "Va'ad Harabbonim of San Diego" — meaning, the restaurant is inspected every few days by an Orthodox rabbi to make sure the food is prepared properly. The milk is also checked — Chalav Yisroel — from milking to bottling. Good eats include "Felafel, California Style," balls of seasoned ground chickpeas, tahini (sesame paste), and salad rolled in a flour tortilla; the 16-inch vegan pizza; and breaded whiting fillets with chips or salad. Closed Fridays. Open Saturdays from one hour after sunset until 11 p.m.; Sunday to Thursday, noon to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesdays are a take-out-only buf-

fet after 5:30 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

FAR EAST

The Hideout Steakhouse and Saloon 27413 Highway 76, Santa Ysabel, 760-782-3656. If you're a Harley-Davidson weekend warrior, this is for you: an old dark timbered roadhouse peeking out of the trees, with its own spring-fed water wheel, 3000 feet up the mountains. Back in the thirties, Hollywood celebs (Roy Rogers, Alfalfa, et al.) used to hang out here on huntin' and fishin' trips. Now, bike enthusiasts make it their weekend day-trip destination. It still has a 1920s fireplace roaring at one end, a big pot-belly stove at the other, a honky-tonk upright piano, and a forty-foot-long oakwood bar. Prime rib dinners are the default dish, smoked in hickory and oak, and served with a "Texas-sized baked potato," vegetables, salad, and squash bread. Other great eats include a delicious prime rib chili (chunks of smoked prime rib, red beans, cheese, onions) and a half-pound "Posse Burger" (with baked beans). Open Friday through Sunday only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (5/02)

The Mount Signal Cafe 1201 West Highway 98, Calexico, 760-357-1379. Out in Yuha desert, west of Calexico, this 40-year-old restaurant remains in the era when Mexicali and Tijuana were rivals for the best bullfighters and bulls north of Mexico City. The owner's mom, Maria de Jesus, was a *banderillera*, known to fans as "Manolita," a member of perhaps the only female bullfighting team ever. Surrounded by hundreds of bullfighting photos, you'll find traditional *casera* (homestyle) Mexican dishes. Keep an eye out for old matadors as you dig in. Open Wednesday through Sunday, lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Owl Cafe 674 Main Street, El Centro, 760-352-3951. This classic American café is over 50 years old and still serves good rib-sticking food morning, noon, or night. Try breakfast special #1: pancakes, two eggs, and two bacon strips. For lunch, the French dip sandwich. Full-plate dinners — and they are full — include roast beef, liver and onions, and chicken-fried steak. Open 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday (bar open until 2 a.m.), 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sundays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Alex's Brown Bag 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel Street), Suite 171, uptown, 619-231-2912. The reborn Alex's (now in the Mr. A's building) is rightly famous for its "Original Philadelphia cheese steak sandwich" (with fried bell peppers, onions, mushrooms, and mozzarella). Benito Guidagni says what makes his sandwiches so special is that he has the meat trucked in from cheese steak central, South Philly itself. Other Italian-American goodies include the



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Arrivederci 3845 Fourth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. The chef has cooked at major European hotels and the food is outstanding. You won't go wrong with any of the pastas, and you may order small portions in combination. The appetizers and salads are also excellent. Chicken and shrimp fare well here. Modest physical plant, but it delivers in flavor and light preparations. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Busalacchi's Ristorante 3683 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-298-0119. If you like old-fashioned Sicilian-style cooking — tons of tomato sauce, olive oil, and garlic — then try this converted cottage which serves it. Lots of pasta dishes, veal, chicken, and fish. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

Gelato Vero Caffè 3753 India Street, Mission Hills, 619-295-9269. A fine spot for Italian sorbetto and ice creams, pastries of all kinds, and coffees. Diners can read undisturbed indoors or, weather permitting, outside. Open daily. — *E.W.*

Harney Sushi 3694 Harney Street (off Congress), Old Town, 619-295-3272. This friendly little spot on a side street serves as a secret haven of pretty-good sushi just a few steps from Old Town's nonstop tacos and margaritas. You can also get sashimi, Japanese appetizers, and a few mixed-ethnicity entrées (noodles, pasta, teriyaki, tempura) made with seafood or chicken breast. No red meat is served, and numerous dishes are vegetarian. Good sake list. Sound system runs loud inside; patio dining available in warm weather. Reservations for sushi bar accepted but not necessarily

honored. Open weekdays for lunch; dinner nightly, with late hours and DJ on Friday and Saturday. Sushi prices lower than most; entrées inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (4/03)*

Jimmy Carter's Café 3172 Fifth Avenue (at Spruce Street), Hillcrest, 619-295-2070. This comfy, middle-class eatery has a surprise — great Indian breakfasts (until 11:30 a.m. weekdays, 3 p.m. weekends). Try their chicken curry or *pessaratu* (mung bean crêpe with onions, peppers, ginger, *dhal*, and chutneys). Or vegetarian *vindaloo*. Jimmy (no, not the ex-pres) does Chinese too — like the Mongolian beef (Chinese vegetables and beef in a hot chili sauce over rice or noodles), or good Mexican dishes such as chili verde (pork or chicken simmered in spicy tomatillo sauce). But center-stage is his all-American Jimmy Burger (1/3-pound patty with potato or carrot salad). One bonus: a fine tangential view of Balboa Park's lawns and trees. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

Lotus Thai 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegan-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *satay*, beef salad), featuring a very tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties, try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish, accompanied by jammy garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and the vegetarian slant turns too many dishes bland (even when they're spicy), since the kitchen shuns Thailand's fish-based "secret sauce," *nam pla*. It doesn't help that the flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

Mission Hills Café 808 Washington, Mission Hills, 619-296-8010. Here's a good bargain restaurant for dinner. There are two dining rooms with the atmosphere of a casual neighborhood restaurant — nothing fancy, but good value for the money. Open Tuesday through Sunday, breakfast, lunch, and dinner; closed Monday. Breakfast items available until 4 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W. (6/99)*

Old Town Mexican Café 2489 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-297-4330. This boisterous café is noted for its excellent breakfasts, served from opening to closing. Try also the rotisserie-roasted chicken, the carnitas, or the fajitas. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Speakers' Corner British Pub & Grill 2664 Fifth Avenue (near Nutmeg Street), Banker's Hill, 619-232-5456. Think British and most people will go straight to the Shakespeare or Princess Pub. But Speakers' Corner boasts a loyal following of Brits and Colonials — and lots of locals — who come not only to drink, play darts, and exchange job tips, but also to eat. Yes, the food's awfully British, but not that awful. The fish and chips are darned good, with the batter made daily. Curried chicken pizza is clearly a transfer from the Raj, Britain's "Inja" adventure. And, de rigueur to any red-blooded Englishman, steak and kidney pie, steak and mushroom pie, shepherd's pie, or bangers (sausages) and mash are always on the menu. Best deal: fish and chips at lunchtime. Lunch to late dinner, six days; kitchen closed Sundays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

Taste Of Szechuan 670 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1668. The Mandarin Szechuan menu offers standards with few surprises. But the three best features are the lovely room, the astonishing friendliness of the management, and the late hours. The Peking duck is excellent and so is the chopped chicken in lettuce cups. If you have favorite dishes, they will be prepared upon request in advance. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Zocalo Grill 2444 San Diego Avenue (a block north of Old Town Cemetery), Old Town. 619-298-9840. This casual, festive spinoff of the Brigantine chain features "Pacific coastal cuisine," an eclectic international hodgepodge with a faint Mexican accent and "something for everyone." And some of those somethings are delicious — a stacked salad of shrimp and avocados, or coconut-shrimp kebabs emerging from a pineapple, or a huge, beautifully grilled spiny lobster with avocado salsa. Appetizers are half price at happy hour, and you can make a whole dinner out of substantial "tapas" sized for sharing. The heated, semi-roofed outdoor terrace encourages al fresco dining year-round. Full bar with creative margaritas, eight draft beers, and California wines including Brigantine's own custom blends at good prices. Wheelchair lift in back, ramp at south side of terrace. Reservations strongly advised for weekends. Open daily, lunch through dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/02)*

DOWNTOWN

A La Carte On Sixth Avenue 921 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

Café 828 828 Sixth Avenue (at F Street), Gaslamp, 619-231-8282. Jay Greenfield (long-time chef at the cele-

brated 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)*

Downtown Johnny Brown's 1220 Third Avenue (in the Community Concourse at Third and B), downtown, 619-232-8414. Walk up through the Community Concourse past the ship fountain and bingo! — downtown's answer to a European sidewalk café. Place has a generous patio of chairs and umbrellas. All green and white. You get two types here: sport-minded types (a dozen TV screens, Chargers, Padres, Aztecs banners inside), and city government workers. Burgers are good, but try the breast of chicken burger with soup of the day. Chicken's grilled, edge-burnt, spicy. Soup's bobbing with fresh-cut vegetables. Also, salads: taco or Southwest Chicken. What's best: sitting outside and watching people — not traffic — bustle by. — *E.B. (4/03)*

Dublin Square 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-239-5818. The entire pub was hand-crafted in Waterford, shipped over, and installed (by Irish craftsmen) in the Gaslamp. The exterior indeed resembles a real (but very new) Dublin pub; the interior has au-

thetically dim lighting and spirited Irish music including live bands (acoustic but loud) during Happy Hours and some evenings. If you're looking for food, too, there's a shockingly fine corned beef and cabbage, resembling the corned beef of Katz's Deli on the Lower East Side — it's that wee touch o' the garlic that does the trick. Other choices include Guinness beef stew, shepherd's pie (made with ground beef), chicken pot pie, steaks, lamb chops, fish and chips, and grilled fish, plus standard pub grub. Lunch and dinner (including Irish breakfast any time) daily. Moderate. — *N.W. (3/02)*

Henry's BBQ 1300 Market Street, downtown, 619-239-3919. The outside's a little tatty, but inside — Aladdin's Cave! A dining room of gold-framed pictures, mirrored golden-wood booths, and cushions, tables, walls, and carpet all in blue. Pork ribs are the thing here, guaranteed slow-cooked overnight for ten hours. Also beef, turkey, lamb, and ham. Try them together in combo sandwiches. Full plates come with barbecue beans and macaroni, potato, or coleslaw salad. "We haven't changed the menu since 1953," says Lorens, grandson of the original Henry. Closes 6 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

Mama Gucci's Home-Style Italian Food 1157 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-338-0400. Mama Gucci did so well here she retired back to Italy; now her son-in-law, George, runs the restaurant. A pretty interior with blonde wood chairs, checkered tablecloths, yellow walls, red shutters, and window-box flowers brings in the downtown office crowd between noon and 1 p.m. — but join the in-crowd sitting out in the sun, drinking wine

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Momo 555 Market Street (at Sixth Avenue), Gaslamp, 619-231-9000. A 15,000-square-foot room done in American Provincial style boasts 150 feet of Asian-style seafood buffet. There are literally hundreds of buffet selections: salads, iced seafood, cooked seafood, meat and chicken dishes, fried Asian appetizers, *teppan-yaki*, a couple of soups, sushi and sashimi, and a host of desserts. Most of it is, alas, of pedestrian quality, and it gains no flavor by sitting there hoping somebody will eat it. Go early for the freshest food. Some sushi available made-to-order. Good sake list includes Momokawa Pearl. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/02)*

Old World Restaurant 452 Eighth Avenue (at J Street), downtown, 619-238-0568. This is a delight for anyone who loves Northern European food. Their “Great Grilled Grueren” — homemade corned beef on rye with Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, Thousand Island dressing, and mustard is, as they say, “gemütlich.” Also, try the sausage platter: grilled bratwurst, kielbasa, sauerkraut, potato salad, spicy mustard, and rye bread. Open for breakfast and lunch weekdays, brunch and lunch on Saturdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/01)*

Ruth's Chris Steak House 1355 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-233-1422. Six cuts of steak are available, all cooked in a special broiler at 1800 degrees. The U.S. prime steaks are aged and hand cut daily. They're fabulous, but nothing is on the plate except the piece of meat. Vegetables and eight styles of potatoes are à la carte. Lobster tail, fresh fish, chicken, and chops also available. Gorgeous view and service. Open nightly for dinner. Reservations recommended three to five days in advance on weekdays. Call a week in advance for weekends. Expensive. — *E.W.*

Sally's on the Water Manchester Grand Hyatt, One Market Square (Market and Harbor Drive, adjacent to Seaport Village), downtown, 619-687-6080. On an isolated “island” between the Hyatt and Seaport Village, in fair weather you'll catch great marina views from the terrace. The fare is California-French with a summery Provençal accent and an accent on seafood; the dishes are tossed off with ease and consummate assurance by Alsatian chef Stephane Voitzwinkler. Don't miss the exquisite crab cakes (fresh Maryland blue crab with minimal interference) or the tender salmon *en crouete*. Among the entrées, the porcini-crusted ahi and the classic bouillabaisse are worthy of attention. If you'd like to know what the chef can do when he isn't limited by the conservative tastes of hotel diners, you can book “The Chef's Table” inside the kitchen for six to twelve people with 48 hours notice, and collaborate with him on a custom menu. Sally's interior is hard-edged modern and can be noisy. Full bar, good mainly-California wine list. Validated parking in hotel garage. Call for wheelchair-access directions. Lunch

and dinner daily. Expensive. — *N.W. (12/02)*

Sevilla 555 Fourth Avenue (at Market Street), Gaslamp, 619-233-5979. (Also in Carlsbad.) This site has three faces: a crowded but civilized tapas bar for spontaneous snacking, a romantic dining room with serious Spanish entrées, and a basement nightclub dish-ing out assembly-line paella. The best food is upstairs. You can get tapas in the restaurant and entrées at the bar, and in either case the choices are varied, interesting, and highly cosmopolitan, executed with wonderful consistency. Be sure to look for something that includes potatoes; the humble spud gets Cinderella treatment here. No reservations (or wheelchairs) at tapas bar; reservations strongly recommended for dining room. Moderate. — *N.W. (2/01)*

The Snack Galley Greyhound Depot, 120 West Broadway, downtown, 619-234-4522. At 4:00 in the morning you don't expect Cordon Bleu, Pink, or any other color. The great thing about Snack Galley is that it's open at all. If you can get past the sleeping bodies, ask for the breakfast sandwich: bread stuffed with egg, cheese, and bacon, sausage, or ham. Sausage is best — it feels like you get more to munch. Order a large coffee to wake you up, or sober you up, whatever you need. Open 24/7. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Tamale Cart Outside Rancho Fresco, 1852 National Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-338-9140. If you've ever wondered what it would be like to eat as the Aztecs ate, come here and try some of the tamales — classic Aztec food — in all their flavors. Tamales are sort of steamed cornmeal dumplings wrapped in corn husks, served with sauce. The choice of goodies stuffed in the middle

can include strips of pork, beef, chicken, or cheese, as well as pineapple, strawberries, or coconut. While you're at it, try the traditional accompaniment, the *champurrado* drink: milk mixed with *masa* — ground corn meal — chocolate, and cinnamon. In this mainly Spanish-speaking market you can sit, watch, and pick up a few bargains too. Tamales make a great breakfast. Three should do you. These are made by the Restaurant Chia-paneco up at 25th and Market. Open breakfast through late lunch, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

Clayton's Mexican Take-Out 979 Orange Avenue (round corner on Tenth, at the back of Clayton's Coffee Shop), Coronado, 619-437-8811. It's a hole-in-the-wall, it's where Coronado High School and the military come for their Mexican fix, and it might just have one of the best *carne asada* burritos north of the line. Especially when Manuel's on. He gives you lots of meat. There are other good things, like rolled tacos, chicken tostadas, cheese enchiladas, and combination plates, but nearly everyone asks for the burrito. It has to weigh over a pound. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (4/03)*

Crown Room, Hotel Del Coronado 1500 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6611, ext. 7284. Open only for Sunday brunch and special events. The food is competent, but the room is outstanding, especially the crown-shaped ceiling. Expensive. — *E.W.*

The Family House of Pancakes 562 Broadway (across from Chula Vista Center), Chula Vista, 619-425-5133. This is a great place for three things: your family, your kids, and your appetite. The restaurant is famous for its “Grandma's” buckwheat pancakes, its banana-pecan pancake, and its rolled pancakes, oozing with berries and topped with cream and powdered sugar. Just try and survive their 8-12 egg omelet! Other good bets include a deluxe burger with French fries, tomatoes, and house sauce, and a grilled tuna sandwich with fries. Breakfast/lunch only, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Flamingo Cafe 396 Broadway (at G Street), Chula Vista. 619-691-1076. Generations have been coming to the Flamingo ever since its grand opening in July, 1925, when it was a lone building amidst the vegetable fields. Regulars on fixed incomes form the backbone of this institution, so the meal deals are real: hearty portions of chipped beef on toast, meatloaf sandwiches with fries, or lunch specials like half a sandwich and a cup of soup. One favorite: the beef stew special in a bread bowl. Evenings, there's always a “Sundowner” special. Open 24 hours, 7 days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

Grandma's Pantry Restaurant and Bakery 875 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-424-5800. Kids will appreciate Grandma's notice — pinned above a heap of cheesecakes, pies, and cakes — that says “Enjoy Life More: Eat Dessert First.” The menu ranges from Belgian breakfast waffles heaped with strawberries and cream to “Hot Juan” frittata (eggs, chorizo, onions, cheese, flour tortilla, salsa, and sour cream) to homemade meat loaf with mashed potatoes, veggies, a roll, and

chilled pudding. Friday and Saturday nights, try their “All-The-Fish-You-Can-Eat” special. Then go and have your second dessert. You can walk it off on IB's pier. Breakfast and early dinner six days, Sunday to 2 p.m. only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Karian Restaurant 2220 Plaza Boulevard, Suite B, Grove Plaza Center, National City, 619-470-7491. It looks like a grass hut and features about 16 different dishes at remarkably low prices. *Hamonado*, *binangoongan*, and *sinampalokan* turn out to be sweet-and-sour pork in pineapple sauce, pork with salted shrimp, and chicken in tamarind soup. Filipinos like to mix sweet and savory flavors, like *kare kare*, beef tripe and oxtail cooked in peanut butter sauce. And everybody loves *pancit*, Filipino chow mein. Open 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

La Bella Pizza Garden 373 Third Avenue (at F Street), Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. From the outside, La Bella looks like an Italian farmhouse, with geraniums, bright green shutters, and maroon canopies. A real extended family runs this business. Their secrets are: long hours (from breakfast until after midnight daily), big meals, and small prices. The menu includes standards like spaghetti with meatballs or lasagna, including sides of garlic bread, soup, or salad. The hit with kids is “Papa's Favorite,” an 8-inch pizza with mushrooms, pepperoni, and sausage. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

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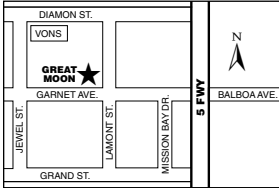
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La Diferencia Boulevard Sanchez Taboada, 10611-A, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-3346 or 634-7078. Mexican haute cuisine, with inventive combinations of traditional flavors. The creative menu reframes the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Secure, free valet parking next to exterior courtyard. Menu is in Spanish (in a hard-to-read font), but some staffers speak some English. The restaurant is often noisy, even louder when mariachis play. Smoking permitted. Wheelchair access marginal. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (1/02)*

La Escondida Santa Monica #1 (in Fraccionamiento Las Palmas), Tijuana, 681-4458. “The Hidden One,” located in a converted mansion, boasts two gardens and patio dining, and is especially beautiful at night. The roasted baby goat, roasted quail, and the Châteaubriand (for two) are all worthwhile. Very civilized experience, complete with live music on Fridays and Saturdays. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente. Proceed on Agua Caliente past the racetrack, approximately one-half mile. Turn right at Las Palmas. Two short blocks up, turn left at the “Pescadería Playas” sign. The entryway to La Escondida is straight ahead. Open Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

Lonchería Reyes 862 Callejón del Travieso (off 2nd Street), Tijuana, 685-3150. *Callejón del Travieso* translates as “Mischief Lane.” It’s packed with dentists, copy shops, a *granero* (granary), and a veterinary pharmacy alive with crowing roosters, cooing turtle-doves, rabbits, and yapping pups. You’ll smell their wonderful *casera* (home-style) corn tortillas before you get there. Big pots bubble on stoves under an iron hood. You usually have a choice of three meals, involving beef, chicken, or pork, which come with a nutritious soup filled with meat-on-the-bone, corn cobs, potatoes, and vegetables. Corn tortillas and a glass of tamarind juice are included. Maria and her husband Juventino cook it up be-

hind the counter where you sit, watching Tijuana television or chatting with the locals. Breakfast and lunch to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

Los Pelicanos 45 Calle de Cedro 115 (west of Juarez), Rosarito Beach, Baja, 661-612-0445 or 661-612-1737. This hotel dining room is El Nido’s little (and less gifted) sister, with a much shorter menu (no venison) and perhaps less careful cooking. It serves good steaks and surf-and-turf in a handsome room and, at lunch, on a pretty ocean-view terrace. To find it, look for large sign on west side of Juarez, north of the tourist hub, directing you to the site. One winding flight up to the restaurant, no elevator. Bilingual staff and menu. Full bar. Open daily, three meals. Moderate; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

Mercado Sobre Ruedas Behind Ejido Mazatlan strip mall (marked by large yellow sign), Juarez and Calle de Mayo, Rosarito. Don’t miss this huge flea market that materializes every Sunday (from morning until mid-afternoon) a couple of miles north of the tourist part of town. Its dozens of food-booths offer a vast variety of local treats, ranging from barbecued mutton (*borrego*) to savory Jalisco-style goat stew (*birria de chivo*) to all manner of tacos, made-to-order hotcakes with syrup, “Mexican hamburgers,” and Sno-Kones (don’t worry about the ice; by law, it has to be made with purified water). The food is totally authentic, cooked to Mexican tastes, and it’s a carnival for the mouth. Many vendors speak some English. Rock-bottom prices; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

Saverio’s Restaurant Mediterraneo Escuadrón 201, Zona Río, Tijuana, 686-6442 or 686-6443. This “in” restaurant attracts a young crowd. Pastas and pizzas are available, but the best bets are the fish and chicken dinners that arrive with soup or salad. Top price is \$14. Crowded and noisy weekends. Open daily, same menu noon to 11 p.m., Sunday to 10 p.m. Low to moderate. Take Revolución until it turns into Boulevard Agua Caliente. Continue until you see the Hotel Grand on your right. There, turn left onto the side street Avenida Carlos Robirosa. You’ll see Blockbuster Video. Saverio’s is across the street. — *E.W.*

UABC Cafeteria 246 Autonomous University of Baja California cafeteria, 2580 Tecnologico Avenue, Tijuana, 607-1047 (for Tortas y Burritos Tonka). This cafeteria on the new campus near Tijuana’s airport is always abuzz — the students set it alight. The difference from, say, SDSU? Everyone’s well-dressed, with lots of ties and careful make-up (not on the same person). Several concessions, including Tortas y Burritos Tonka, Armando’s, and Panadería Diego deliver cheap, standard Amero-Mexican. But come for the sound of 600 people like you, all chatting like crazy (in Spanish). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

The Fish Market 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There’s something fishy about these crowded, noisy, ever-multiplying restaurants — namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed, or panko-fried fin fish and shellfish, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consistent among locations. The chain’s facilities near San Francisco purchase, process, and truck the catch to its various branches. Hence, when the menu refers to a species as “local,” it doesn’t really mean nearby waters, but rather, the Pacific. At the small retail fish market in the downtown branch, products prove slightly fresher than most super-markets’, but less vibrant than at the top fish markets (e.g., Point Loma or 99 Ranch). Identical seafood is served in the dining room, the oyster bar, and at Top of the Market. But there’s better quality at the sushi bar, emphatically the top Fish Market venue. The sushi rice is well seasoned and just sticky enough, the seafood there is pristine and preparation is careful and sometimes creative. The “Ichiban Hamachi” (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding — and for a truly sexy

treat, share a pair of “Honeymoon Oysters” with your honey. No reservations, but the space is vast, so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del Mar; mini-branch near Fashion Valley. — *N.W. (9/01)*

Il Fornaio 1333 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4911. Also at Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-8876. Il Fornaio’s defensive architecture walls it off from the Great Unwashed — the tourists wandering around Coronado’s Old Ferry Landing — but it’s worth breaching if only

to get your teeth into their to-die-for bread. “*Il fornaio*” means “the baker,” after all. Beyond bread, we’re talking rustic-feeling, herbal, ultra-fresh salads, and everyday Italian dishes ranging from *sfilatino con bisteccina* (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquite-grilled 22-ounce *bistecca alla fiorentina*, with lots of vegetarian and pasta dishes in between. A simple *penne alla sorrentina* — pasta tubes with a tomato, mozzarella, and basil sauce — is charming. Pizza *puttanesca* is heaven too, if you’re into anchovies.

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Interesting regional menus from different provinces of Italy pop up during the first two weeks of each month. Most staffers seem mind-blowingly knowledgeable. Moderate. — *E.B. (1/02)*

Uno Chicago Bar and Grill The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago’s better-known exports. Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They come pretty much as is,

but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, steak’n cheese burgers) is the wicked “grilled honey-mustard salmon.” Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to stick to the staple: deep-dish pizzas and salads. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. 4465 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-483-4143; Fashion Valley Center, 619-298-1866; 5th and H, Chula Vista, 619-420-8660. — *E.B. (8/01)*

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The Curse of Foresight

It is good to see Juliette Binoche's relentless intensity turned against her for the purposes of comedy.

The first dividend of my attendance at the Cannes film festival did not come when I could stay in bed on the morning of the local press screening for *Swimming Pool*. It came before that. It came when I began to see the preview trailer for *Swimming Pool* and received confirmation of one of my stated rationales for attendance at the festival: to see some films before the promotional people had got their hands on them and before I could know anything about them. The trailer in question illuminates the problem. And I can feel freer to talk about it now that this particular film — which in retrospect looks a bit better to me since my return to a summer diet of cinematic Gummi Worms — has been out for a week. One of the tastier stretches in it — tastier than any of the subsequent revelations — is the period of uncertainty after the hunky café waiter, and moonlight skinny-dipper in the titular recreational facility, has gone

missing, and the P.D. Jamesian mystery novelist has gone searching for him, suspecting foul play, and we the viewers simply *do not know* what has become of him. We don't, that is, unless we've seen the body in the wheelbarrow in the preview trailer. That's the promo game for you. The goal is only to get the customer to buy a ticket, and never mind if the dangled enticements (ooh, a body in a wheelbarrow!) betray a willful misunderstanding of the thing they are promoting; never mind if they actively undermine the intentions of the thing; never mind if they ultimately diminish the customer's enjoyment of it. By then the ticket has been bought.

I wish, to revert now to my normal routine, that I had not seen the trailer for *Jet Lag* before seeing the film. Although the whole is too good to be terribly spoiled by the "highlight" reel — too *different* from it, in its essential nature — I still would have



Jet Lag

preferred not to be thirty seconds or so ahead of all those "enticing" gags. (Okay, here's the scene where the door is going to open and hit him in the head. And here's the scene where the egg yolks in the dish will be catapulted into her coiffure.) The beauty of the film is not — very decidedly not — in the brilliance of the gags, nor in the

dazzling array of them, but rather in the strength of the thread between them, their firm foundation in the characters, and the graceful dancelike pacing of the film throughout its effortless eighty minutes. Sure, it's a good gag — and better justice — when the heroine fumbles her mobile phone into the Ladies' Room toilet in mid-

conversation and mid-flush (as you will have seen in the trailer), but what's beautiful about it is how this leads to the meet-cute with the cell-phone-toting hero, and to the next thing and the next thing and the next thing. The trailer is just a string of gags; the film itself is a string, all right, along which the gags have been strategically and



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rhythmically spaced. And no, these two strangers are not forced, as the narrator of the trailer would have it, to share the last available hotel room in the city during an air-controllers' strike: they are no longer total *strangers* by then, and they are not *forced*, and it's not the *last* available room. What it is, however, is perfectly logical and plausible (founded, as it is, not only in the individual characters but in the French penchant for transportation stop-pages) in addition to amusing.

It is good to see Juliette Binoche's relentless intensity turned against her for the purposes of comedy — in the role of a high-strung beautician for whom her daily parafit of makeup is "like clothing" — and it is good to see Jean Reno for once being human and vulnerable — a bundle of ailments, allergies, and neuroses in the part of a gourmet chef on the verge of unveiling a line of frozen dinners — instead of being an implacable killing machine. And it is good, lastly, to watch these two dissimilar people passing continual judgment upon one another: there is patently so much to judge, in both cases, and yet so much to learn, too. The film starts out with the heroine's wish, in voice-over, for one day in her life that would be like an old Hollywood movie, and the wish really does come true, no thanks at all to the Sappy Ending, but many thanks to the solidness of construction and the smoothness of finish. Writer and director Danièle Thompson (daughter

of the featherweight French filmmaker Gérard Oury) was responsible as well for the underappreciated Christmas comedy, *La Bûche*. And like that one, this one marries the suavity of old Hollywood to the stickiness of real life.

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl and *The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen*, a couple of FX pyrotechnical displays, can have no complaint of misrepresentation in their respective trailers. But that's no compliment to either of them. Now that the "ride" — as in "wild ride," "thrill ride," "rollercoaster ride" — seems to be an accepted film category, if not quite a genre, it makes sense that a film would be modelled after, or at least named after, an actual amusement-park ride. But *Pirates* — not the first Disney movie to bring to the screen a Disneyland attraction, if you count *The Country Bears* — is more of a *long* ride than any other kind of ride, a two-and-a-quarter-hour kiddie film, loud and broad, about ratchet-voiced, pasteboard pirates who turn out, to the detriment of the sword-crossing scenes, to be really the *ghosts* of pirates. (Fighting these indestructible beings is as tedious a business as battling the multiplying Mr. Smiths in *The Matrix Reloaded*.) The visual effects of the pirates turning from flesh to bones as they pass in and out of moonlight are marvelous to behold (as you will already know from the trailer), as is the effect of their stealthy advance on foot across the ocean floor. But director Gore

Verbinski, fresh off the throat-clutching frights of *The Ring*, cannot hope with this one to scare a five-year-old. Orlando Bloom, on the team of humans, looks as stoutheartedly heroic as in the *Lord of the Rings* films; and Keira Knightley nimbly makes the leap from proletarian jock in *Bend It Like Beckham* to cosseted, corseted aristocrat: or in more practical terms, from little "indie" to high-stakes blockbuster. And Johnny Depp, with raccoonish rings of mascara around his eyes and a perpetual Dean Martin slur in his speech, lets you know in every way possible that he's not taking any of this seriously, other than his paycheck.

The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen, or *LXG* if you want to sound slothful, is yet another comic-book movie ("graphic-novel" movie, anyway), with no relation to the 1960 British caper comedy, *The League of Gentlemen*. The present gents, and one lady, are assuredly out of the ordinary, a Dream Team of Victorian fictional characters assembled to save the Empire from early termination: a senior-citizen Allan Quatermain, a kung-fu Captain Nemo, an adult Tom Sawyer, a Hulk-sized Mr. Hyde, a sun-proof Dracula convert, Mrs. Jonathan Harker, an unwitty Dorian Gray, and finally, not *the*, but *an*, Invisible Man. Collectively, the, or a, Magnificent Seven. (It should come as no surprise that the archfiend behind the threat will prove to be Prof. Moriarty, apparently having thrown Sherlock Holmes off the scent.) The

unpardonable sin of this sort of literary plunder, far worse even than plagiarism or vandalism, is its disrespect for boundaries. The world of the Great White Hunter is not that of the Mad Scientist, nor is Dr. Jekyll's that of vampires, nor is the All-American Boy's that of a Faustian fallen angel. How can this motley crew be expected to work together when they inhabit separate universes? Sean Connery (who really is too old for such rough-and-tumble) and a company of lesser lights,

least of all director Stephen Norrington, neither have nor give a clue.

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With sorrow, I note the passing, of heart failure at age fifty-one, of Ruth Baily, who from her post in the UCSD Events Office guided the San Diego International Film Festival through its entire nineteen-year history and its various changes of name and shape and venue. She *was* the festival. And when I worried in print this past April about the "health" of the festival, I had

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Alex and Emma — A novelist, needing to finish a book in thirty days to pay off a loan shark, dictates his prose to a stenographer-kibitzer, and both of them appear as characters in enactments of the text. (Dim echoes of *Paris When It Sizzles*, which had a better excuse for the enactments: they were working on a screenplay.) Lifeless, laughless romantic comedy, thoroughly routing the thrown-together team of Luke “Lockjaw” Wilson and Kate “Goldie’s Girl” Hudson. Directed by Rob Reiner. 2003.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14)

L’Auberge Espagnole — A French economics student goes to study for a year

in Barcelona, shares an apartment with six other nationalities (a “Euro Pudding”), has plenty of spare time for tourism and *amour*. Cedric Klapisch communicates something of the richness of the experience, no thanks to the manic gimmickry of his direction. Romain Duris, Judith Godrèche, Audrey Tatou, Cecile De France, Kelly Reilly, Kevin Bishop. 2002.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 7/17)

Bad Boys II — Will Smith and Martin Lawrence reunited as narcotics cops, directed by Michael Bay. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 7/18)

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



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alludes also to another type of English and not to any private depravities of his.) Filmmaker Gurinder Chadha, of *Bhaji on the Beach*, gets a bright, cheery image, a balmy atmosphere, and winning performances (against weak opposition) from Parminder Nagra and sixteen-year-old Keira Knightley as the resolute heroine and her reedy blond teammate. With Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Anupam Kher, Archie Panjabi, Juliet Stevenson. 2003.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7; LA PALOMA)

Bruce Almighty — A by-the-numbers divine comedy about a would-be TV anchorman, anchored instead to fluff pieces in the field, who curses God (Morgan Freeman) and is cursed in return with all of His powers on a temporary basis: see if *you* can do better. (Only two rules: “You can’t tell anybody you’re God, and you can’t mess with free will.”) Someone had tried earlier to tell him what he eventually will learn, “There’s nothing wrong with making people laugh,” a line that sounds a lot like a motto.

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All the same, there is something not entirely right about trying like the devil and *not* making people laugh. And no one tries harder with less to show for it than Jim Carrey, who for the moment has stopped chasing the Oscar (*The Truman Show*, *Man on the Moon*, *The Majestic*) and has gone back to being Silly Putty. Director Tom Shadyac, who worked with the actor in *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective* and *Liar Liar*, has not altogether abandoned his own tendencies toward *Patch Adams* and *Dragonfly*. A clip from Capra’s *It’s a Wonderful Life* sets the co-ordinates, and warns the viewer to watch out for low-flying schmalztz. One dependable chuckle, even on repetition, is the Latina newscaster (Catherine Bell) who puts maximum ethnic pride into the enunciation of the rolled “r” and pure-toned vowels of her name, “Susan Ortega.” With Jennifer Aniston. 2003.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Capturing the Friedmans — Andrew Jarecki’s documentary for HBO rehashes a late-Eighties criminal case that never came to trial, in which a Jewish upper-middle-class family man and teacher in Great Neck, Long Island, already caught red-handed in possession of child pornography (postmark Amsterdam), was brought up on charges, together with the youngest of his three college-age sons, of molesting grade-school boys in the extracurricular computer class in his basement. Both defendants, for different reasons, ultimately pled guilty, but outside the courtroom both maintained their innocence. Everyone will have his own opinion, and it is to the film’s credit that everyone will be moved to express it. The same, though, might be said about any round-table discussion of the crime du jour on *Larry King Live* — the same, that is, except that *Larry King Live* is not a film. (Are we crediting the film or the crime?) Like King, Jarecki religiously refrains from imposing his own views, preferring to leave it up to the viewer to decide: you, the jury. As a piece of filmmaking, the patchwork of present-day interviews and archival clips and stills adds up to no more than a meat-and-potatoes documentary technique. What makes the film remarkable — the gravy, as it were — is that the clips go well past the standard TV nightly news footage (of which there is plenty) and extend to a whole boatload of home videos and audio tapes recorded throughout the ordeal. These, while oftentimes painfully revealing, still do not tell us everything we want to know. And in the last analysis, the film focuses too little attention on the range of possibilities in between the “nothing happened” line of the defense and the virtual Black Sabbath envisioned by the prosecution. There is an awful lot of smoke for there to be not a flicker of flame somewhere in the thick of it. For Jarecki, the choices seem to come down to “nothing” or all. For someone else, the choices could include infinite increments in between. Or in a word, *something*. 2003.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Chaos — Feminist revenge fantasy about a mutually liberating alliance between a neglected French wife and a battered Algerian streetwalker. The sharp observations of modern life, and the blunt and bludgeoning ones alike, are coated in a debilitating DV image. With Catherine Frot, Rachida Brakni, Vincent Lindon; written and directed by Coline Serreau. 2001.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, 7/18 THROUGH 24)

Charlie’s Angels: Full Throttle — What would probably like to be thought of as a big goof, or alternatively a big boner, must instead be regarded as a big botch. The bigger-headedness that results from the big hit of 2000 is not an attractive feature, and in truth none of the three Angels — Drew Barrymore, Cameron Diaz, Lucy Liu — is even flatteringly photographed. (The one thing that worked in the earlier go-round — Diaz dancing — amazingly works again.) Really it’s more a video jukebox than a movie: if the Angels don disguise as nuns, we will get a selection from *The Sound of Music* in accompaniment; if they disguise themselves as welders, it will be *Flashdance*. Demi Moore, or an android double of Demi Moore, plays a former Angel turned demon,

and her former real-life hubby Bruce Willis appears in a cameo as one of her victims. With Bernie Mac (in the Bill Murray role), Crispin Glover, Justin Theroux, and Robert Patrick; directed by McG. 2003.

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The Eye — Feisty little chiller from the twin brothers Pang, Danny and Oxide, originally of Hong Kong. A blind girl undergoes a corneal transplant and starts seeing things. Well, yes, of course — but is she seeing things that aren't there? Things that no one else can see? The tricks of vision are nicely, variously, and copiously illustrated, though the plot grinds. With Lee Sin-ji and Lawrence Chou. 2002.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 7/18)

Finding Nemo — Computer-animated fish story from the Pixar people (Andrew Stanton, director), by way of Disney, about a neurotically fretful clown fish by the name of Marlin ("Clown fish are no funnier than any other fish"), whose only surviving offspring, a normally inquisitive fingerling named Nemo, gets captured by a scuba diver and imprisoned in an aquarium in a Sydney dentist's office. At the very outset, the tossed-off justification (or "character motivation") for the parent's anxieties will not make you forget the death of Bambi's mother or Simba's father, but it will, unluckily, make you think of those. Nemo's abduction, on the other hand, is acceptably harrowing, as is the treacherous passage, later, through a minefield of jellyfish. And, although a trifle didactic, the eternal child-rearing issues — how much protectiveness? how much permissiveness? — admit no easy answer. (Apart, anyway, from the all-conquering, all-correcting power of fatherlove.) Visually, the cloudy, shimmery, undulating strangeness of the subaqueous universe seems uniquely well suited to the capabilities and limitations of computer animation, and yet at the same time the shapes and colors of the fish are a little too akin to your standard bathtub Rubber Ducky. (Ideal, one would suppose, for the ancillary "merchandise" on the toy-store shelves.) But rather than squeak like Rubber Ducky, they — the two main ones — speak with the overfamiliar and overshadowing voices of Albert Brooks and, as his volunteer helper in his search for his son, Ellen DeGeneres. (The latter does, however, earn a laugh in her efforts to communicate with whales, running her plain old English through their warped-tape-recorder cadence and modulation.) In the end, the film succumbs to the common blockbuster ailment of piling climax upon climax and not knowing when or how to quit. 2003.

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The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly — Very, very, very long Sergio Leone spaghetti Western — long on carnage and bone-crunches, long on plot twists and yellow scenery, long on inarticulate grunts and hoarse dubbing. Clint Eastwood, Lee Van Cleef, and Eli Wallach loosely personify the respective qualities listed in the title. 1969.

★ (KEN, THROUGH 7/17)

Hollywood Homicide — Deplorable cop film from director Ron Shelton, doubly deplorable since it follows so close on the heels of his respectable cop film, *Dark Blue*. That one, of course, was accorded a delayed and a limited release and was attended by perhaps forty-two paying customers nationwide. This one, having learned its lesson, teams wizened hunk Harrison Ford with juicy hunk Josh Hartnett as plainclothes detectives investigating a quadruple murder at a hip-hop night spot, whenever they're not distracted by their respective sidelines: Ford a neophyte real-

estate broker and Hartnett a yoga instructor and would-be actor in rehearsal for the Stanley Kowalski part in a hole-in-the-wall production of *Streetcar*. The film mixes action and comedy in such proportions as to produce acmedy or coction or possibly accomtion or cactedy. Or in another word, twaddle. A special pat on the back (not for congratulations but sympathy) to the prop department that came up with the misspelled ribbon for a funeral wreath: "In Memorium." With Lena Olin, Bruce Greenwood, Martin Landau. 2003.

● (VOGUE)

How to Deal — Teen romance with Mandy Moore, Trent Ford, and Allison Janney, directed by Clare Kilner.
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Hulk — Any concerns over the involvement of director Ang Lee in a Marvel Comics project turn out to be not unwarranted. These concerns get immediately stirred up in the opening credits when you see, and hear, that the musical score has been ceded to Danny Elfman, who seems to have a virtual monopoly on such things (*Spider-Man*, *Batman*, *Darkman*, etc.), a textbook example of thinking *inside* the proverbial box. And they are further stirred in the first stages of the plot: the square-one biographical approach habitually taken in any comic-book superhero's screen debut: it will be fifteen minutes, and three child actors, before we reach the adult "Bruce Banner." Granted, there's more than normal justification for this traipsing through the hero's boyhood ("He's just so bottled up")

and adolescence ("There's something inside you so special"), inasmuch as the slant is far more heavily psychological than the norm (way beyond the "revenge" motive of Batman, let's say). Nor does the psychological heaviness ease up after the hero, in a lab accident, absorbs a deadly dose of gamma radiation which brings out the Mr. Hyde in him: "The gamma just unleashed what was already there." What was already there, of course, was a blatant appeal to the underage audience of comic books: to their sense of powerlessness, their sense of specialness or differentness, their resultant feelings of rage, their fantasies of transforming that rage into power. Ang Lee's film, never deviating from an Oedipal

orbit, is nothing if not self-conscious. The first appearance of the big green man, nearly an hour into the action, changes almost everything. It changes the film, for one thing, into a mix of live action and animation comparable to *Roger Rabbit* or *Space Jam*. To be sure, this is computer animation instead of hand-drawn, but CG imagery has always done better, for instance, with reptiles (*Jurassic Park*, *Godzilla*) than with flesh-and-blood figures, even if the flesh happens to be the color of a tree frog. This unjolly green giant never quite seems to occupy the same space, even the same realm, as everyone else. And once he begins to flit about the landscape like a flea, all that psychological heaviness comes to look more

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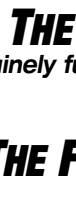
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and more pretentious, more and more incongruous. One thing that does not change, despite any change in our perception of it, is the overall heaviness. Far from a kinship with your average superhero, the Hulk establishes a bond with the tragic figures of such grade-Z science fiction of the Fifties as *The Amazing Colossal Man* and *Attack of the 50-Foot Woman*, all the way to their miraculously stretchable clothes. Where he parts company with them is in his inability to be at once a source of tragedy and a source of fun. Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly, Sam Elliott, Nick Nolte. 2003. ★ (CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9)

I Capture the Castle — Two wealthy American brothers take possession of the dilapidated castle occupied by two English sisters. Who will match up with whom? Literary la-di-da in period costume, from a Dodie Smith novel. With Romola Garai, Rose Byrne, Henry Thomas, Marc Blucas, Bill Nighy, and Tara Fitzgerald; directed by Tim Fywell. 2003. ● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 7/18)

Imitation of Life — Douglas Sirk’s unsettlingly slick and glossy treatment of race relations in America: the old Fannie

Hurst chestnut about a lifelong friendship between a white and a black woman. The cast is worse than usual (John Gavin worse than Rock Hudson, Lana Turner worse than practically anyone), and the passage of time makes hilariously (but intentionally?) little impact on the glamorous principals — excepting the ones we first meet in childhood. (Gavin’s rendering of the line, “And not little anymore,” with reference to all-grown-up Sandra Dee, is the biggest scream in the movie.) Splendid start and finish: a swooningly materialistic credits sequence and a climactic funeral parade at which Mahalia Jackson firmly silences all impulse to snicker. With Juanita Moore and Susan Kohner. 1959. ★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 7/18, 3:30 AND 9:30 P.M.; 7/19, 9:30 P.M.)

The Italian Job — High-tech tale of betrayal and revenge, lighthearted to the point of self-contradictory and callous (Charlize Theron does, at least, haul off and sock the man who murdered her father: *that* sure felt good), mechanically directed by F. Gary Gray. As remakes go, it has the advantage of coming from an unremembered source, Peter Collinson’s 1969 British heist thriller. By the same token, it has the disadvantage of coming from a source unremembered for good reason. Mark Wahlberg, the star, is perhaps at a little less disadvantage here than in the past year’s remake of the well-remembered *Charade* (new title: *The Truth about Charlie*), insofar as he’s a shade less pale a copy of Michael Caine than of Cary Grant. With Edward Norton, Jason Statham, Seth

Green, Mos Def, and Donald Sutherland. 2003. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Jet Lag — Reviewed this issue. With Juliette Binoche, Jean Reno, and Sergi Lopez; written and directed by Danièle Thompson. ★★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 7/18)

Johnny English — Superspy spoof with Rowan Atkinson, Natalie Imbruglia, and John Malkovich, directed by Peter Howitt. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 7/18)

Laurel Canyon — A psychiatric intern brings his upper-crusty East Coast fiancée (at work on her dissertation on the reproductive activities of the fruit fly) to stay in his mother’s house in the Hollywood Hills. But his mother, a free-as-the-breeze record producer, hasn’t yet vacated the premises as agreed, along with the British rock band whose much younger lead singer is her current lover. (“She’s really weird,” the son draws upon his analytical training. “Probably a developmental disorder.”) Plot 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 Award-winner’s dramatically justifiable nipple flash.) And Kate Beckinsale always has more to offer than just her good looks and flawless American accent. Meretriciousness nevertheless runs rampant. Christian Bale, Natasha McElhone, Alessandro Nivola. 2003. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 7/17)

The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen — Reviewed this issue. With Sean Connery, Shane West, Stuart Townsend, Peta Wilson, and Jason Flemyng; directed by Stephen Norrington. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Legally Blonde 2: Red, White, and

Blonde — The sequel follows our pretty-in-pink Harvard Law grad to our nation’s capital (or Capitol) as a legislative aide with a personal agenda: to outlaw animal testing in the cosmetics industry and simultaneously to free the mother of her pet Chihuahua, Bruiser, in time for her nuptials. (Wishful point of reference: a clip of Frank Capra’s *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington* on TV.) Our heroine is just going to continue to be herself no matter what, even if our leading lady, Reese Witherspoon, is going to appear to be a little less herself and a little more Lauren Holly, a little more Barbie Doll, a little more Gidget, a little more Everyblonde. But after all, why change, when the seas keep parting in front of her? Her string of successes takes all the awe out of her perseverance, and all the acid out of the caricature. The jokes, in any event, are so strained as to sour the mood long before she ever steps foot in D.C., and long before director Charles Herman-Wurmfeld (who, according to his bio in the press book, “currently resides in Los Angeles with his domestic partner, Jason Bushman,” a bit player in the film) can advance the political agenda of canine homosexuality. Sally Field, Regina King, Jennifer Coolidge, Bob Newhart, Luke Wilson. 2003. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; 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; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Legend of Suriyothai — Sixteenth-century Siamese epic, written and directed by a genuine prince in the Thai royal family, Chatri Chalerm Yukol, who appears to have taken Scorsese’s *Kundun* for his model. The camera keeps tracking, dollying, craning — trying to coax some life from the poseurs in costume, and give some emphasis to the drone of history. 2002. ● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 7/17)

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Armendariz, Jr., and Isela Vega; directed by Luis Estrada. 1999.
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Love and Diane — Perhaps you’ve been asking yourself why they don’t make more two-and-a-half-hour video documentaries about African-American rehabilitated crack addicts who recover their children from foster care after six years of separation and who then lose them again after their daughters give birth out of wedlock to HIV-positive babies. Or perhaps not. Here, if not an answer to a prayer, is at any rate an answer to the question. It is not a film for the faint of heart or the weak of resolve, although against the tallest of odds it manages to end on an upbeat. (Not a Happily Ever After; more of a Hold Your Breath.) A family-values nightmare — notwithstanding the T-shirts that read “I’m a Fool for Jesus” and “Jesus on My Side” — it concentrates on the guilt-laden relationship of the early-forties single mother and recovering junkie, Diane, and her second oldest daughter, Love, who has given birth to the HIV-positive bastard, Donyaeh, pronounced “don-YAY.” (There are three other daughters, Tameka, Trenise a/k/a Tootie, and Morean, and a son, Willie, in addition to a departed son, Charles, who killed himself in his mother’s absence.) After a knock-down-drag-out between Love and one of her sisters, Child Protective Services intervene to remove the younger children and the baby from Diane’s public-housing apartment in Brooklyn. And the ensuing attempts, in some fashion, to reassemble the family through the legal labyrinth — Love’s appointed attorney is a pillar of sanity and stability, however harried — provide both a storyline and an education. First-time filmmaker Jennifer Dworkin, who is white, found her way into the midst of all this through her volunteer work in a Harlem homeless shelter, where she met Diane’s nephew and two nieces in a photography class. Her friendliness with the family over a period of several years — and her inclusion of them in the filmmaking process, after the model of Robert Flaherty’s ethnographic films among Eskimos and Polynesians — has given her an entrée to heated arguments and unguarded moments that rival those in the home videos of *Capturing the Friedmans*. Nevertheless, even with interviews (disguised as “interior monologues”) to flesh out the present-tense *vérité* drama, there is often a sense of missing pieces and lost events. 2002.

★★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, THROUGH 7/17)

Love Liza — The grief-sticken widower of a carbon-monoxide suicide (he cannot bring himself to read her note) takes up the hobby of sniffing gasoline, and then the hobby of remote-control model airplanes (initially as a cover for the smell of gas around the



The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen

house). An emotionally unrestrained but nonetheless static little film, a barren stage for Philip Seymour Hoffman to show what he can do. With Kathy Bates, Sarah Koskoff, Jack Kehler; written by Gordy Hoffman (the star’s older brother); directed by Todd Louiso. 2002.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 7/21, 6:30 P.M.)

The Matrix Reloaded — Will Zion fall to the Sentinels? Is the Oracle to be believed? Can the Keymaker be found? And how many times will the Architect contrive to use the word “ergo” in a single scene? And, when faced with the Lady-or-Tiger dilemma of saving Carrie-Anne Moss or the entire human race, whom will Neo choose? And

finally, can anybody make heads or tails of any of this? Like so many sequels, this one seems to assume that the viewer will have purchased the video or DVD of the previous installment and committed it to memory, thereby absolving the filmmakers (the Wachowski brothers, Andy and Larry) from the drudgery of plot exposition. And like so many planned trilogies (the first *Star Wars* cycle, the second *Star Wars* cycle, *The Lord of the Rings*, etc.), as opposed to an unplanned trilogy like *The Godfather*, this middle installment feels like merely marking time and taking up space. And like so many FX movies, it looks and sounds a little disingenuous in its championing of humans over machines: “But we control these machines,” asserts Neo, whistling in the

dark. “They don’t control us.” (The humans, supposing Neo to be one, are not just engulfed in CG imagery but are occasionally and obviously transformed into it themselves.) And like so many movies of any stripe these days, the opaque and/or flimsy and/or Swiss-cheesy narrative of this one is no more than a pretext for surface spectacle, primarily in this case the fashion-modelling of sunglasses-and-raincoat ensembles. More simply, this movie is pretty much like a lot of movies. And the final installment could not come along soon enough to protect the second from forgettability. Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, Harold Perrineau, Hugo Weaving, Monica Bellucci. 2003.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14)

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.

★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 7/18)

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl — Reviewed this issue. With Johnny Depp, Orlando Bloom, Keira Knightley, and Geoffrey Rush;

directed by Gore Verinski.

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Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas — Animated *Arabian Nights* tale: the ancient mariner given a contempo makeover (“You catch that last move? Pretty cool, huh?”) and matched with an equal-opportunity kick-ass chick. What trace of the old Sinbad remains? His supposed noble sacrifice at the end, returning to Syracuse to face the music for the theft of *The Book of Peace*, of which he’s falsely accused, is undercut from two sides: first, his return in itself proves (with a reliable witness for corroboration) his innocence; and second, his return wins a bet with Eris, Goddess of Discord, who actually stole it and who now is obliged to give it back. Voices of Brad Pitt, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Michelle Pfeiffer, Joseph Fiennes, Dennis Haysbert; directed by Tim Johnson and Patrick Gilmore. 2003.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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Akira (R) Fri. (1:45) 10:20; **Bad Boys II** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 3:10, 3:40) 4:20, 4:50, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:10, 10:40, 11:10; Sun. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 3:10, 3:40) 4:20, 4:50, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:20, 4:50) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:10; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (12:20, 3:05) 5:40, 10:25; Sat. (12:20, 3:05) 5:40, 8:10, 10:25; Sun. (12:20, 3:05) 5:40, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 3:05, 5:40) 8:10; **Freaky Friday** (PG) Sneak Preview Fri. 8:10; **Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:10) 4:15, 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:15) 7:05, 9:55; **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 12:40, 1:20, 2:40, 3:15) 4:25, 5:35, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:45, 10:15, 10:45; Sun. (12:10, 12:40, 1:20, 2:40, 3:15) 4:25, 5:35, 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 12:40, 1:20, 2:40, 3:15, 4:25, 5:35) 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 9:45; **Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 4:45, 7:10, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:10, 9:40; **Onmyoji** (R) Fri. 4:10; **Sakura Wars the Movie** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05) 8:20; Sat.-Sun. (12:05, 1:45) 4:10, 6:25, 8:20, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 1:45, 4:10) 6:25, 8:20, 10:20; **Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 12:35, 2:35, 3:00) 5:00, 5:30, 7:35, 8:05, 10:05, 10:35; Sun. (12:05, 12:35, 2:35, 3:00) 5:00, 5:30, 7:35, 8:05, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 12:35, 2:00, 2:35, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30) 7:05, 7:35, 8:05, 9:35, 10:05; **WXIII: Patlabor the Movie 3** (R) Fri. 6:25

Horton Plaza 14
457 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)
2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:20, 2:05, 4:40) 7:20, 10:00; **28 Days Later** (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:40, 1:30, 4:10) 7:05, 9:45; **Alex and Emma** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 2:10,

Swimming Pool — Slick commercial venture, from François Ozon, with a strong sense of place, weather, character, clothes, as well as a strong sense of humor, several cheesy plot turns, and several square yards of female flesh. It concerns a dried-up British mystery novelist (Charlotte Rampling, whose square yards of flesh are now close to sixty years old) and a lusty young coquette (Ludivine Sagnier), alone together in a French country house, getting in each other's way, getting into each other's things. 2003.

★★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 7/18; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

4:35) 6:50, 9:10; Mon.-Tue. 7:25, 9:50; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:40, 3:05, 5:30) 7:55, 10:20; Mon.-Tue. (10:15, 3:40) 9:15; **Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle** (PG-13) Fri. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30); Sat.-Sun. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30) 7:05, 9:35; Mon. (11:30, 2:00); Tue. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30) 7:05, 9:35; **How to Deal** (PG-13) Fri. 10:00, 11:45, 12:25, 2:15, 2:50, 4:45, 5:15, 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:15; Sat.-Mon. (10:00, 11:45, 12:25, 2:15, 2:50, 4:45, 5:15) 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:15; Tue. 10:00, 11:45, 12:25, 2:15, 2:50, 4:45, 5:15, 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:15; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (11:40, 2:30, 5:10) 7:45, 10:25; Tue. (11:40, 2:30); **Johnny English** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:20, 12:30, 2:40, 4:50) 7:15, 9:20; **The Matrix Reloaded** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 3:35) 6:40, 9:50; Mon.-Tue. (12:40) 6:10; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (9:40, 10:10, 10:30, 1:15, 1:45, 4:20, 5:00, 12:45, 3:50) 7:00, 7:30, 8:10, 10:05, 10:35; **Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 12:50, 3:00, 5:20) 7:25, 9:30; Mon.-Tue. (10:45, 12:50, 3:00, 5:20)

LA JOLLA
La Jolla 12
8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)
Bad Boys II; How to Deal; Johnny English; The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines; Legally Blonde 2: Red, White, and Blonde; Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle; 28 Days Later; Finding Nemo; The Italian Job; Bruce Almighty

La Jolla Village
8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831)
I Capture the Castle (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; **Spellbound** (G) Fri. (2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (12:00) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; **Swimming Pool** (R) Fri. (2:20) 4:50, 7:20, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:50) 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:20) 4:50, 7:20, 9:45; **Whale Rider** (PG-13) Fri. (2:10) 4:40, 7:10, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:40) 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:40, 7:10, 9:35

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)
Bad Boys II; How to Deal; Johnny English; The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines; Legally Blonde 2: Red, White, and Blonde; Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas; Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle; 28 Days Later; Hulk; The Matrix Reloaded; Finding Nemo; The Italian Job; Bruce Almighty

Hazard Center 7
7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-299-4500)
Bend It Like Beckham (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:30; **Chaos** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:30; **The Eye** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 1:15, 3:20, 5:25, 7:20, 9:40; **Herod's Law** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40; **Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:10, 3:10, 5:15, 7:30, 9:35; **Nowhere in Africa** (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; **Together** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 1:25, 4:10, 7:05, 9:25

Mission Valley 20
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
Bad Boys II; How to Deal; Johnny English; The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines; Legally Blonde 2: Red, White, and Blonde; Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas; Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle; 28 Days

Talk to Her — Almodóvar in awe, all over again, of the opposite sex. (Michael Cunningham's novel, *The Hours*, can be spied at one point as bedside reading, and we might well speculate that Almodóvar would have *killed* to be the filmmaker who brought it to the screen.) The first half, delineating the central quartet of a male nurse, a bald journalist, a lady bullfighter, and a comatose dancer who embodies the Mystery of Woman, is played with such simplicity and sincerity as to raise the interest and hopes of the director's non-fans, and to sow uneasiness among the faithful. The second half restores order, in

Later; The Italian Job; Hulk; Finding Nemo; Bruce Almighty

STATE UNIVERSITY
Cinerama 6
5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
Bad Boys II (R) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. (10:25, 1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:20, 10:20; **Hulk** (PG-13) Fri. (1:35) 4:25, 7:20, 10:15; Sat.-Sun. (10:45, 1:35) 4:25, 7:20, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:25) 7:20, 10:15; **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen** (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 3:25) 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (10:40, 1:00, 3:25) 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:25, 5:30) 7:50, 10:10; **Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde** (PG-13) Fri. (1:10, 3:15) 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:00, 1:10, 3:15) 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:15, 5:20) 7:30, 9:40; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45) 4:30, 7:30, 10:25; Sat.-Sun. (10:35, 1:30) 4:30, 7:30, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:25; **Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (R) Fri. (1:20, 3:45) 7:10, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (10:50, 1:20, 3:45) 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:45) 7:10, 9:45

Ken
4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909)
The Trip (Not Rated) Fri. 5:30, 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. 2:45, 5:30, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 5:30, 7:15, 9:30

UPTOWN
Hillcrest Cinemas
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-299-2100)
Capturing the Friedmans (Not Rated) 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; **Jet Lag** (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; **Swimming Pool** (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; **Whale Rider** (PG-13) Fri. (1:30) 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Tue. (1:30) 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; Wed. (1:30) 4:20, 9:45; 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, 7:40, 9:50

Museum of Photographic Arts
1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)
Imitation of Life (1934), Friday, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m.; **Imitation of Life** (1959), Friday, 3:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., and Saturday, 9:30 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center
1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
Antarctica (Not Rated) Fri. 6:05; Sat.-Sun. 7:00; **Coral Reef Adventure** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 5:00, 8:30; Sat.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 5:00; **Dolphins** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 3:00; **Kilimanjaro: To The Roof of Africa** (Not Rated) Fri. 11:00, 1:00, 4:00, 9:30; Sat.-Thu. 11:00, 1:00, 4:00, 6:00; **Lewis and Clark** (Not Rated) Mon.-Thu. 8:00; **Ring of Fire** (IMAX) (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00; Sat.-Sun. 8:00; **Yellowstone** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 7:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (9:50, 12:30); **28 Days Later** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:40) 7:40, 10:20; **Bad Boys II** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:20, 12:15, 1:45, 3:05, 4:00, 5:30) 6:30, 7:20, 9:00, 9:50, 10:40; **Bruce Almighty** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:20, 4:05) 6:50, 9:20; **Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:45) 7:35, 10:15; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (10:45, 1:30, 4:15) 9:30; Sat. (10:45, 1:30, 4:15) 7:30, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. (10:45, 1:30, 4:15) 7:30; **Freaky Friday** (PG) Sneak

particular the ostensible silent-movie pastiche involving an incredibly shrinking man and a foam-rubber vagina. (An image ripped from the reels of another provocateur, Bertrand Blier, *Femmes Fatales*.) The color, in a warm palette weighted toward red, rust, orange, and yellow, can be appreciated by anyone. Javier Cámara, Dario Grandinetti, Leonor Watling, Rosario Flores, Geraldine Chaplin. 2002.

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Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines — One of those sequels that's

Preview Fri. 7:30; **How to Deal** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:10, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; **Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 1:15, 4:20) 7:25, 10:30; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 1:00, 3:45) 6:55, 9:35; **Johnny English** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:35, 12:50, 3:05, 5:20) 7:40, 10:10; **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 11:00, 1:35, 4:25, 12:45, 3:30) 6:15, 7:15, 9:00, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 12:45, 1:35, 3:30, 4:25, 6:15, 7:15, 9:00, 9:55; **Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 1:40, 4:30) 7:10, 9:40; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (9:45, 11:30, 1:00, 3:00, 4:15) 6:20, 7:30, 9:40, 10:40; **Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:20, 2:35, 4:50); **Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 12:40, 3:30) 7:05, 7:45, 9:45, 10:30

LA MESA
Grossmont Center
Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100)
28 Days Later (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 2:50) 5:20, 7:50, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:25, 2:50, 5:20) 7:50, 10:30; **Bad Boys II** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 12:30, 3:00) 4:30, 7:00, 8:05, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 3:00, 4:30) 7:00, 8:05, 10:00; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (11:45, 2:20) 4:45, 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (11:45, 2:20) 4:45, 7:45, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:40, 4:45) 7:45, 10:05; **Freaky Friday** (PG) Sneak Preview Fri. 7:20; **How to Deal** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:50) 4:05, 7:10, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (11:15, 1:50, 4:05) 7:10, 9:35; **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen** (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 2:10) 4:55, 7:45, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:50, 2:10) 4:55, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (11:50, 2:10, 4:55) 7:20, 9:50; **Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:35) 4:50, 7:40, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:35, 4:50) 7:40, 9:55; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:00, 2:00) 4:15, 5:00, 7:30, 8:15, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:00) 7:30, 8:15, 10:35; **Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:40) 5:10, 8:00, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:10) 8:00, 10:20

Grossmont Trolley
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:20, 3:45) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 1:20, 3:45, 5:30) 7:45, 10:00; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:30, 3:55) 6:30, 9:00; **Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:00, 9:45; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:25, 3:50) 6:40, 9:30; **Johnny English** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:50, 1:10, 3:25) 5:30, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (10:50, 1:10, 3:25, 5:30) 7:30, 9:45; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 3:15) 6:30, 9:45; **Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:05, 3:00) 5:05; Mon.-Thu. (10:45, 1:05, 3:00, 5:05); **Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:35, 1:15, 3:55) 6:40, 9:15; **Whale Rider** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:40, 1:00, 3:20) 5:40, 7:50, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (10:40, 1:00, 3:20, 5:40) 7:50, 10:05

RANCHO SAN DIEGO
Rancho San Diego 15
2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460)
28 Days Later (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:50, 4:35) 7:20, 10:05; **Bad Boys II** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 2:40, 3:50) 5:50, 7:10, 9:10, 10:20; **Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:15, 4:50) 7:25, 10:00; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri. (11:45, 2:20, 4:55) 9:55; Sat.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 4:55) 7:30, 9:55; **Freaky Friday** (PG) Fri. 7:30; **How to Deal** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:25, 5:05) 7:45, 10:20; **Hulk** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:40, 10:40; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:35, 5:15) 7:55, 10:35; **Johnny English** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:35, 4:55) 7:10, 9:20; **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 12:05, 2:15, 2:45, 4:55, 5:25) 7:35, 8:05, 10:15, 10:45; **Legally**

really more of a remake, *T3* tells pretty much the same story as *T2*, a time-travelling robot (correction: "cybernetic organism") reprogrammed to serve as protector rather than terminator of humanity's future savior, and a more advanced, shape-shifting, "anti-Terminator Terminator" hot on their trail. That the good cyborg is a somewhat thicker-set version of the one seen last (now that Arnold Schwarzenegger has moved into his mid-fifties), and the bad cyborg most often takes the shape of a petite curvaceous blonde (Kristanna Loken, a mannequin in motion), fits in perfectly with the rub-it-in-your-face jokiness of much of the film. Edward

Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:15, 4:40) 7:05, 9:30; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 1:00, 3:45, 4:15) 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:45; **Sinbad, Legend of the Seven Seas** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:10, 3:20, 5:30); **Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:10, 4:50) 7:30, 10:10

SANTEE
Santee Drive In
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)
Bad Boys II; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines; Finding Nemo

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10
Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)
Bad Boys II (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:15, 7:30, 8:30, 10:45; **Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:15, 3:45, 6:30, 9:00; **How to Deal** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; **Johnny English** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; **The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **P**

Furlong, even though the lull in the action corresponds exactly to the twelve years since the previous episode, was for some reason found to be unfit to resume the role of the savior (perhaps the star of *Pecker* lacks the requisite air of success), and was therefore replaced by the cuter and "hotter" Nick Stahl (*In the Bedroom*). Gone, too, is Linda Hamilton, laid to rest, or rather scattered to the winds, to make way for the crinkled-browed Claire Danes as the fated mate of our predestined savior: "You remind me of my mother," he sighs, after she takes a hand with a machine gun. The film comes as close as possible to the ideal of "nonstop action"

without passing into total monotony. And while it is inherently not possible to top the chase scenes of the immediate predecessor without also attaining idiocy, the film does indeed top them. (Jonathan Mostow, of *Breakdown* and *U-571*, occupies the director's chair vacated by James Cameron.) The ending, however, restores a healthy measure of gravity, which in essence returns us to the ending of the 1984 original. Which never required a sequel in the first place. 2003.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER

HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 44; PARKWAY PLAZA 18 POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Together — Sentimental tale, not too terribly soggy, of a thirteen-year-old violin prodigy, his peasant father, his glamorpuss neighbor in Beijing, and his two teachers, the antisocial first one and the well-connected second one (played by the film's director, Chen Kaige). The soundtrack is

studded with staples of the repertory, most surprisingly and affectingly Bruch's *Scottish Fantasia*. 2002.
★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 7/18)

28 Days Later — In the violent prologue, a ski-masked commando team of animal-rights activists storms the Cambridge Primate Research Center to liberate the experimental chimps, heedless of the attendant's warnings ("You've no idea!") that the chimps have been "infected" with rage. Sure enough, the chimps do not exactly embrace their liberators. Twenty-eight days later.... A stark-naked patient

(Cillian Murphy) awakens from a coma to find himself in a completely deserted hospital and a depopulated nation but for roving bands of blood-lusting zombies and isolated pockets of hunkered-down humans. Forget the superficial likeness to *Night of the Living Dead* and its sequels. The tradition of English literature here invoked encompasses the futurist survival tales of John Wyndham, John Christopher, and (more pretentiously, less eventually) J.G. Ballard. The prevailing standards of gratuitous gross-out, however, tend to obliterate the tone of civility that gave those tales much of their inner tension and conviction. Director

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Harbor Drive In
32nd and D (619-477-1392)
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Sweetwater 9
 1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571)
28 Days Later (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:05, 3:50) 7:15,
 9:40; **Bad Boys II** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 3:40)
 7:10, 10:25; **Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle**
 (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 3:15) 5:35, 8:00,
 10:20; **Mon.-Thu.** (12:40, 3:15, 5:35) 8:00,
 10:20; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Thu. (1:00,
 3:25) 6:00, 8:20; **How to Deal** (PG-13)
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 Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40, 5:00) 7:25, 9:45; **Hulk**
 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:35) 7:30, 10:30;
The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen
 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:55, 3:30) 7:20, 9:55; **Pi-
 rates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the
 Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 3:55)
 7:00, 10:15; **Terminator 3: Rise of the Ma-
 chines** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:45) 5:20, 7:55,
 10:35; **Mon.-Thu.** (12:05, 2:45, 5:20) 7:55,
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Carmel Mountain
 11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel
 Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770)
Bad Boys II (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 1:10, 3:30)
 4:15, 7:05, 7:45, 10:10, 10:45; Sun. (12:20, 1:10,
 3:30, 4:15, 7:05, 8:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:20,
 1:10, 3:30, 4:15) 7:05, 8:10, 10:10; **Charlie's**
Angels: Full Throttle (PG-13) Fri.-Sun.
 (12:00, 2:25) 4:55, 7:25, 9:45; Mon.-Thu.
 (12:00, 2:25, 4:55) 7:25, 9:45; **Finding Nemo**
 (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:50, 7:10, 9:25;
 Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50) 7:10, 9:25; **How**
to Deal (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:55) 5:15,
 7:30, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:25, 2:55, 5:15) 7:30,
 10:05; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat.
 (12:30, 3:05) 5:35, 8:05, 10:40; Sun. (12:30,
 3:05) 5:35, 8:05, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 3:05,
 5:35) 8:05, 10:35; **Johnny English** (PG)
 Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 2:40) 5:00, 7:15, 9:35;
 Mon.-Thu. (12:35, 2:40, 5:00) 7:15, 9:35; **The**
League of Extraordinary Gentlemen
 (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:20, 7:55,
 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:20) 7:55,
 10:30; **Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and**
Blonde (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:55, 3:00) 5:10,
 7:20, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:00, 5:10) 7:20,
 9:30; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of**
the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 1:30,
 3:55) 4:35, 7:00, 7:40, 10:00, 10:35; Sun. (12:50,
 1:30, 3:55) 4:35, 7:00, 8:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu.
 (12:50, 1:30, 3:55, 4:35) 7:00, 8:00, 10:00; **Ter-**
minator 3: Rise of the Machines (R)
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 Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:35, 5:05) 7:35, 9:55

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Poway 10
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
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Flower Hill 4

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MOVIES

Danny Boyle (*Shallow Grave*, *Trainspotting*, etc.) seems all too eager to surrender himself to the New World Order. Still, the last-man-on-earth images of a post-apocalyptic London (ankle-deep litter, overturned bus, an eerie absence of people alive or dead) are highly evocative, even if what they evoke is not so much a dread of the future as a nostalgia for the Golden Age of the genre. And the narrative incidents are grippingly plausible, at least up until the messy — in both logic and choreography — climax. It's all done on the cheap, which these days doesn't mean black-and-white photography, a location on a ranch outside Oxnard, and a lead actor of the caliber of a Richard Carlson or a John Agar. It means digital video. It means blurriness. It means fuzziness. It means (not in a sense that enhances the end-of-the-world theme) ruination. But that means there was something, in the first place, to ruin. With Naomie Harris, Brendan Gleeson, Christopher Eccleston. 2003.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9)

2 Fast 2 Furious — Is the title a score? — as in, the Fast and the Furious all knotted up at two. Or is it a head count, a poll? The ex-

cop from Los Angeles (Paul Walker, resuming his role from the unquantified *The Fast and the Furious* of two years earlier) is



Pirates of the Caribbean

undeniably fast, but his ex-con boyhood pal from Barstow (R&B singer Tyrese, attempting to fill the huge pecs and biceps of Vin Diesel) is not only fast but furious as well. But then, the Miami drug lord who is induced, in an FBI sting operation, to hire the two as drivers is pretty furious himself, in concert with his two knuckleheaded henchmen, none of whom is notably fast. The drug lord's undercover-agent mistress, meantime, is in no way fast (unless maybe the way of Ingrid Bergman in *Notorious*) nor in the least bit furious. Current count: 2 Fast, 4 Furious. But the street-racing fraternity who come to the aid of our heroes in the climactic car chase swell the ranks of the fast, and the boyhood pal cools off and quits being quite so furious. Better title: *More Fast Than Furious*. Better yet: *More Dull Than Either Fast or Furious*. Director John Singleton, who has been known to be

socially conscious (*Rosewood*) and even entertaining (*Shaft*), goes glazed-eyed and ga-ga over the hot cars, hot babes, hot prospects. With Eva Mendes, Cole Hauser, James Remar. 2003.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Whale Rider — Maori mysticism, from a novel by Witi Ihimaera, brought to the screen by writer-director Niki Caro in the bright rich color that seems to be indigenous to the New Zealand cinema. The storyline tells of a moribund modern-day tribe awaiting the arrival of a savior, and not recognizing the one right under their noses: a barrier-leaping, tradition-defying, taboo-breaking little girl. It's a wonder they didn't notice sooner, because the girl, eleven-year-old Keisha Castle-Hughes, could wrap pretty

much anybody round her little finger: the café-au-lait complexion, long straight nose, snaking eyebrows, and glistening eyes bring to mind a prepubescent Jennifer ("She's a Maniac") Beals — one of the most poignant faces of her generation, if one of the most wasted on screen. But though the girl may save her people and save the whales (a beached suicide squad of them), she cannot quite save the movie from its Disneyesque cheerleading. With Rawiri Paratene, Vicky Haughton, Cliff Curtis. 2003.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Winged Migration — PBS-y nature documentary, French-made, following avian flight routes and disabusing you, along the way, of all that free-as-a-bird baloney. Being a bird looks like killingly hard work. And getting picked out of the sky by duck hunters is an occupational hazard observed with a stoical no-comment. With its strict focus on migration, the film inevitably turns monotonous: it can switch from one species of bird to another, but it cannot build or develop; it can only spread. And it's as low on solid information as it is high on visual beauty. (And on otherworldly marvels: the Bar-Headed Goose getting out of the way of a snowy avalanche; the Clark's Grebe running on water; the Northern Gannet nosediving into the Arctic Ocean.) The nature documentary, as a genre, may prove to be the last bastion of top-grade cinematography, the final line of resistance to video, the one sanctuary where it still matters How Things Look. "No special effects," we're advised in a printed prologue, "were used in the filming of the birds." Which is remarkable in itself. But does it rule out any digital cutting-and-pasting to transplant the filmed birds from one backdrop to another? An irreversible drawback to the magic of computers is that something we would like to view with awe and wonder, we are obliged to view instead with doubt and suspicion. The wide eye of innocence has been forever narrowed. Directed by Jacques Perrin, Jacques Cluzaud, and Michel Debats. 2002.

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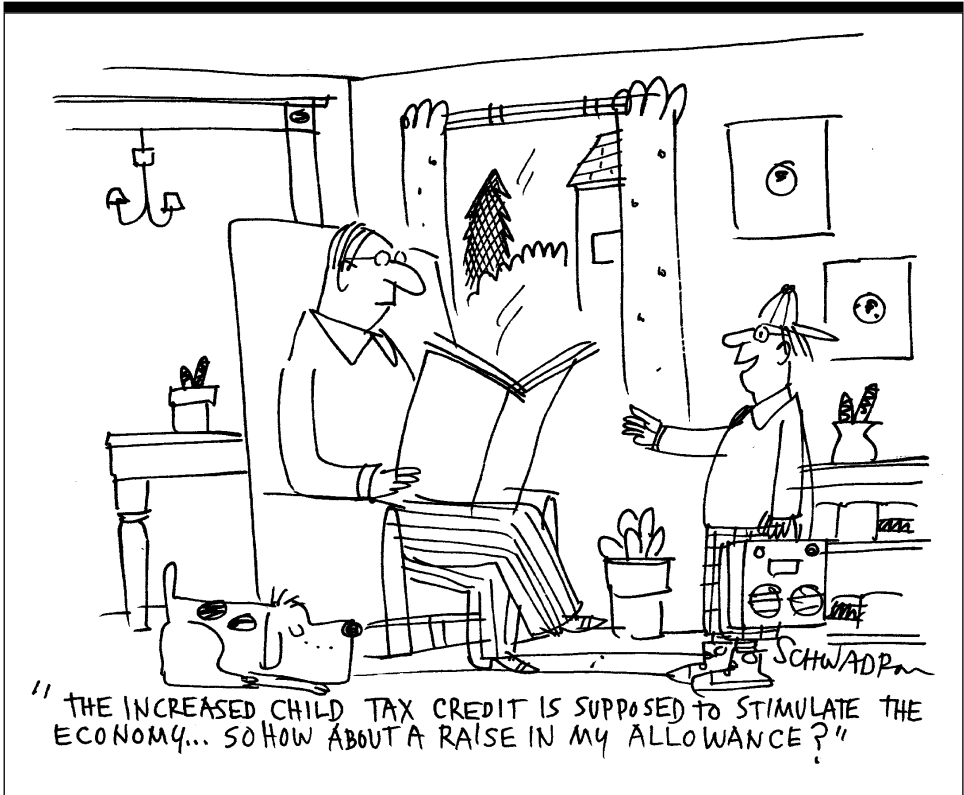
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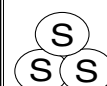
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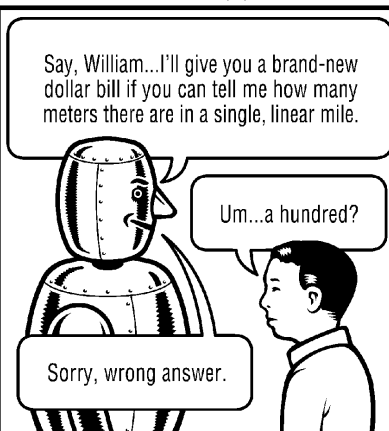
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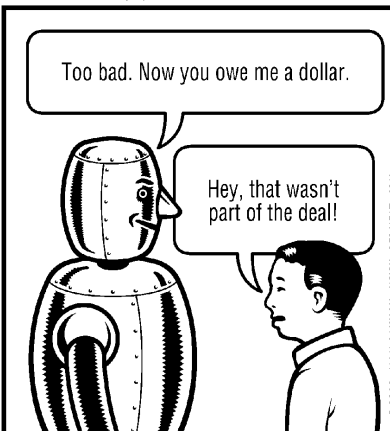
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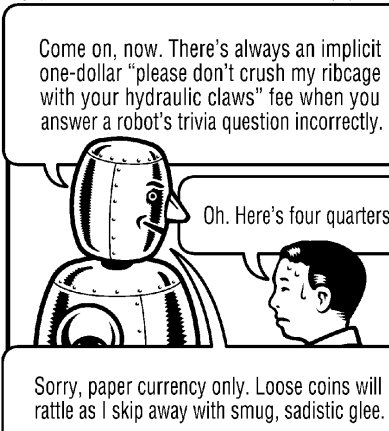
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Ted Peterson

Retired

Snohomish, Washington

Well, my favorite part of the Fourth of July this year was arriving in Rancho Bernardo, being able to see my daughter and grandchildren. We all just spent the day at home. It was a lot of fun. At night we saw the fireworks from our house. It was especially neat for me because it was the first time I'd been to San Diego.



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It was my son's birthday. We celebrated his birthday on the fourth all day. We had a big party — he turned 13, so we threw a big party...it was so much fun. We were also at Oceanside beach most of the day; that's where we watched the fireworks. But my son's party was my favorite part of the fourth.



Matt Montgomery

Student

Tierrasanta

The best part was all the fine women rolling around just in their bikinis down at Campland on the Bay. Also all the funny drunk people were pretty cool. Basically, the fun part was rollin' up to parties and drinking a lot.



Chad Mojtaheb

Student

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My favorite part of the Fourth of July was going to parties and getting drunk. I was just chillin' and hitting up the ladies. I was on Palm Avenue close to the border, just cruising. We had a barbecue at my friend's house. He lives there. It was fun.



Emily Mushovic

Historian

Bay Area

After a long day of celebrating, Amy friend was really trashed, and we tried to get on our bikes to get to where we could watch the fireworks, but he was so drunk he couldn't get on the bike. Finally, when he got on, we crashed into the same short wall three times. It was hilarious. He ended up walking his bike.

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CANNABIS PATIENTS ACT (Association Cannabis Therapeutics), nonprofit, seeks patients, strains, to grow in accordance with Proposition 215, local guidelines. Rosenthal, free talk, 7/17/03. Omblanghi, 619-819-6421.

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SECURE, TALL, ATTRACTIVE, slender, black female, sexy, romantic, fun. Love jazz, movies, dinner. Seeking tall, black male, in shape, working, passionate, 32-42 for a relationship. (7/30) ☎70537

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LOOKING FOR NICE, sincere guy who's missing friendship, companionship, humor with the right person. I'm 46, Pacific Beach. Enjoy reading, movies, meditation, swimming, new people. (7/30) ☎70545

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WHITE FEMALE, 59, look 57, 5'5", medium size, caustic wit, employed, independent. Seeking 50+ male for usual stuff. (7/30) ☎70540

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BLACK FEMALE WANTS white male who likes baseball, hot dogs and apple pie. (7/23) ☎70507

LIKE BEAUTIFUL SMILES? Full-figured, 42, 5'10", smart, funny and sexy. Looking for intelligent, attractive, loving guy, 35-47, for sharing a happy life together. (7/30) ☎70530

LET'S SEE WHERE IT GOES. I'm a 44-year-old Mulatta woman. Established. Looking for someone who knows what they want out of life. (7/23) ☎70496

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PRETTY, BROWN-EYED, Hispanic, sincere, honest, funny, love outdoors, music,

dining out. Seeking similar interests in male. Let's talk. (7/23) ☎70508

ONE MAN WOMAN seeking one woman man, 50's, for fun and frolic. Sensual, artistic, brunette, fit, happy, honest, non-smoker, into art and music, desiring relationship. (7/23) ☎70491

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AFFECTIONATE, VERY MUCH. Petite, blonde, 58, 5'4", 110lbs. Seeking special man for long-term relationship. Healthy body and mind. Playful, adventuresome, energetic, sweet, sensual. (7/23) ☎70506

SINCERE, COMMUNICATIVE, 60ish lady, petite and youthful, whose likes include yoga, Tai Chi, astrology and Oklahoma Sooners. Seeking a self-confident, spiritual, health-conscious, principled gent with quick wit, 50+., for lighthearted friendship. (7/30) ☎70519

SEEKING SUMMER ROMANCE. 49, 5'5", attractive, athletic, North County coastal professional. I have it all. I just need someone to share the good times. (7/23) ☎70505

BROWN-SKINNED, MONA LISA, beautiful eyes/smile. Seeking handsome, honest, healthy, easygoing, high-spirited man. Must be generous, have solid finances, love outdoors. (7/30) ☎70538

STILL A BABE! 60ish, fun, fit, Christian lady, 5'6", 135lbs., cuddly, loving, trustworthy, affectionate, intelligent, working, no drugs/smoking. Age not important, you are! (7/30) ☎70541

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EUROPEAN, PROFESSIONAL, attractive, caring, red/blue, honest, sensual, romantic, diverse. Seeking professional, secure emotionally/financially, confident, romantic, communicative, caring, travel, dining, conversation, outdoors, honesty, more. (7/30) ☎70517

LOVING, CARING, ATTRACTIVE, registered nurse, 49, looking for successful, tall, educated professional who wants a long lasting, meaningful relationship, happiness, fun, excitement, traveling, nonsmoker. (7/23) ☎70511

MATCHES

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

KONICHIWA. Blue eyes, 46, 5'10", adventurous, athletic, kind. Seeking outgoing, cute female for long relationship. Weekends, evenings, dancing. (7/23) ☎80120

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WITH AN EYE TO CHILDREN. Caucasian, professional, homeowner with pool, wants to have a family. Full, natural blond hair, green eyes, intelligent, handsome, trim, athletic. (7/23) ☎80122

GOT LOVE? Me too. Let's talk. Looking for relationship. No drugs/smoking/games. Call me. (7/23) ☎80144

GOOD LOOKING, SMART, stable, successful, unencumbered nice guy, approximately 6', 180lbs., 46. Seeks slender, single, highly educated nurturing beauty (35-43) for balanced, long-term relationship. (7/23) ☎80123

DARE YOU TO CALL. Tall single black male, 6'3", medium built, seek white female, who is slender to medium built, height/weight proportioned, between the age of 40-56. Movies, dancing, beach/picnics. Relocating to San Diego. (7/30) ☎80209

TALL, HANDSOME, 39, new to San Diego, professional. Seeking white female, attractive, childless, 30-35 for friendship/interests. Sailing, fitness, restaurants. Me: white male, brown/green. (7/23) ☎80146

I'M A TREASURE, just call you'll see. 49, tall, nonsmoker, good looking, successful executive, kind, spontaneous, funny, sexy, honest, spiritual, monogamous, very romantic. Likes dining, dancing, movies, walks, talks, fireplace, sunsets. You: 28-48, very attractive, personality, sweet, sensual, sassy in fashion, likes being pampered. Friends first, grow into long-term relationship. (7/23) ☎80132

OCEAN, ITALIAN MALE, 40, Christian, seeks female, 29-44 for friendship, surfing, beach, mountains, desert, possible long-term relationship. North County coastal. (7/23) ☎80116

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HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 59, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40's+ for travel, fun, happy, exciting, committed relationship. (7/30) **☎**80165

DO YOU LIKE ARTS WITH an edge? Indie/foreign films, alternative/underground music. Me: Young 33, attractive, tall, dark

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TIME IS NOW. Healthy, 53, sincere, home owner, really nice guy, responsible, fun, sense of humor, enjoys dinners, movies, walks, dancing. Let's enjoy life together. (7/23) **☎**80154

AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monogamous, biracial, African-American/white, 64, 6'4", 210lbs. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home, dancing, travel, more. (7/30) **☎**80185

LOSING HOPE. Wanted; 29-39, mom of one OK. Let's start our family. I'm more than ready. Able, confident homeowner. No games. Serious female only apply. (7/30) **☎**80198

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! (7/30) **☎**80207

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YOUNG CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST girlfriend wanted, 21-35, slender. Police officer, school teacher, journalist, homeowner, marriage-minded, weekends together, long-term relationship. No children. Christian Scientist, 37. (7/23) **☎**80124

NO CHRISTIAN CHICKS! 39, 5'10", 185lbs., long hair, professional, biologist, humorous, homeowner, dad, agnostic, liberal. You: 18-40, intelligent, medium/slender. (7/30) **☎**80182

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BLACK FEMALE WANTED. Good-natured guy, fit, slim, 5'8". Seeking black lady, cheerful, easygoing, 19-29. (7/23) **☎**80118

JAZZ MUSICIAN, teacher/performer, 6'1", 51, 170lbs., red/blue, road bicyclist, swing dancer, handsome, non-smoker/drinker/drugs, childless. Seeking someone who could complement my life! (7/30) **☎**80205

EAST INDIAN MAN, 5'6", 134lbs. Looking for an easygoing person. (7/30) **☎**80206

SCANDINAVIAN/ASIAN princess sought, 25-45+, by male. Tall, hand-

some knight, 40's. Developer, fit, tanned, 150lbs., upbeat, stable, into theater, art, dancing, travel, cars. All answered. (7/30) **☎**80203

HEART TO HEART. Caring communicator, 51, 6'4", well educated, open-minded entrepreneur, loves sailing, skiing, other adventures. Seeking heart-to-heart relationship with spiritual woman. (7/30) **☎**80201

POWAY. White, handsome gentleman, great qualities, 54, 5'10", 178lbs., clean shaven, blue eyes, full head of hair and well groomed. Looking for attractive, professional, 39-58. (7/30) **☎**80168

MR. RELIABLE. Feel safe with responsible, calm, nice looking home owner, male, tall, trim, 48. Seeking heels/hose wearing lady for talks, warmth, committed relationship. (7/23) **☎**80151

HISPANIC-ITALIAN, 33, 180lbs., 6', tattooed, bald by choice, with no kids, seeks decent figured, 25-40, for dining, movies. Single mothers call too! (7/23) **☎**80119

I LOVE FOOTBALL, American soccer, Pacific Beach, relaxing and doing my own thing. I would like to meet a nice Asian lady. (7/23) **☎**80145

I'M LOOKING FOR a kind, generous lady. You there? I'm 6', blue/brown, good looking, honest, reliable. You: sexy, honest, kissable. (7/23) **☎**80157

SUCCESSFUL, RETIRED businessman, widower, mid-60's, 6'1", healthy, active, handsome, financially secure, homeowner. Seeking beautiful, vivacious, slim, shapely, affectionate, caucasian lady, 50-65, fun, romance, dancing, trips. (7/30) **☎**80183

FUN, EASYGOING, AFFECTIONATE, 30's, professional. Seeking Caucasian female, 21-35, for romance, movies, walks, dinners and possible relationship. Let's have fun and share San Diego together. (7/23) **☎**80121

BLACK, WELL BUILT, 44, 5'9", 175lbs., handsome, shaved bald, full lips, very affectionate, passionate, love music., Desire white, full-figured woman, 34-54, long-term relationship. (7/30) **☎**80174

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Fun, outgoing, spontaneous, kind, romantic, single, white male, 40. Seeks single or divorced woman for moonlit walks, meaningful talks and possible summer fun and romance. (7/30) **☎**80184

TRAVELER, SINGLE, white, European, 5'9", nonsmoker, nondrinker, not poor or wealthy, healthy, thinker, hobbies galore. Seeking equal, unattached, well educated caucasian or Latina under 60. (7/23) **☎**80114

LOTS TO OFFER. Professional, balanced, unencumbered, athletic, solvent, attractive, romantic, 53, homeowner, spontaneous, midwest values, educated. Seeking compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (7/23) **☎**80117

INTERESTING, FUN, HEALTHY active, kind, considerate, financially secure and OK in the looks department. What else can I say? University professor seeks significant other. (7/30) **☎**80178

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HISPANIC, 5'8", 150LBS., good shape, attractive, respectful, easygoing, kind of shy. Seeking petite woman with same qualities for companionship, mutual interest and activities. (7/30) **☎**80181

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DOCTOR, SENSITIVE, 39, tall, fit, Jewish, attractive, Ph.D, play guitar/piano. Seeking sensitive, intelligent female. Must be intelligent, positive, growth-oriented, loyal and single. (7/30) **☎**80187

SEMI-RETIRED GENTLEMAN looking for pretty, compatible lady for adventures in San Diego and beyond. 60, 6'1", 230lbs., blond/blue, weight lifter. Take a chance. (7/23) **☎**80147

MIDWEST TRANSPLANT, employed, 5'10", 150lbs., somewhat shy, handsome. Enjoy music, BB King, Jayhawks, Holly Cole, movies, books, riding my Harley. Looking for someone 23-40, race open, pretty, slender, to hang out and have fun. (7/23) **☎**80148

EAST COUNTY, 52, 6', 190lbs., professional, homeowner, financially secure, enjoy movies, dining, romance, hand holder. You: honest, attractive female for laughter, good times, available, 40-55. (7/30) **☎**80166

ACTIVE, SENIOR, NONSMOKER, South Bay widower, seeks retired, unencumbered lady counterpart for companionship, travel, cruises, tours, dinners, theater, walks, long-term relationship, hugs, kisses. (7/30) **☎**80195

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BONITA. \$950-\$995. Excellent 2 bedroom, 1 deluxe bath with separate vanity area in attractive newer property. Central air conditioning, fireplace, covered parking, private storage. Pool, spa, laundry. No pets. 5151 Robinwood. Agent, 619-470-6693.

BONITA/RANCHO DEL REY. Luxury home 4 bedroom, 3 bath, beautiful 2-story, huge master, everything brand new, big yard, very private. \$2000. 619-267-2329.

BONITA/RANCHO DEL REY. Luxury home. 4 bedroom, 3 bath, beautiful 2-story, huge master, everything brand new, big yard, very private. \$1880. 619-267-2329.

CARDIFF. \$1050. Studio, close to beach, ocean and lagoon view. Utilities included. Available 8/15. 2580 Montgomery Avenue. Please call 760-436-4035.

CARDIFF. \$1100. Cozy remodeled 1 bedroom across from park. Utilities paid. Parking and laundry. No pets. Available 8/1. 2248 Manchester Avenue. 760-634-6932 or 760-479-0920.

CARDIFF. \$2000. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, single level, family room, fireplace, garage, fenced yard. Pets negotiable. 1567 Kings Cross Road. Leasing Unlimited. 760-436-7273.

CARDIFF. \$1900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Cute beach cottage, blocks to beach/Glenn Park. Large yard, washer/dryer, dishwasher. New bath/kitchen. Nonsmoking. 760-942-3235.

CARDIFF. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Large yard, walk to shopping, restaurants, park, beach. Available 8/1. 2342 Newcastle. \$2050. 858-583-1767.

CARDIFF. Gorgeous ocean/lagoon views! 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 1-car garage. Remodeled. Washer, dryer, refrigerator. Once-a-month maid service! Water paid. Pool, spa, clubhouse. \$1750. Darla Dressler, Prudential, 760-918-9989.

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CARLSBAD. Fantastic ocean view! Steps from the beach. Newly remodeled 1 and 2 bedroom apartment homes. 2303 Ocean Street. Cathy, 760-434-7721.

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CARLSBAD. \$1150. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 900-square-feet. Fireplace. Dishwasher. Refrigerator. Gas stove. On-site laundry. 3515 Roosevelt. 760-720-4693. www.sunriseliving.com, or call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

CARLSBAD/Rancho Carrillo. \$1875. Newer 4 bedroom, 3 bath townhome. Fireplace, washer/dryer, 2-car garage, pool/spa, balcony. Must see. Available 9/1. Call 858-829-7292.

CARLSBAD/VILLAGE. \$895. Luxury 1 bedroom, 1 bath near beach, coaster. Gated community. New carpet/paint, microwave, laundry on site. No pets. 760-720-0849, 619-302-2156.

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CARMEL VALLEY. \$1800. Townhouse condo. Bright, airy 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. 2-car garage, washer/dryer, walking distance to Carmel Center Library and park. 858-922-9829.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath end unit. 2-car, 1000-square-feet. Air conditioning, appliances. Pool. Tennis. Available 7/26. No pets/smoking. 619-206-7468.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$1150. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Pool, jacuzzi, tennis, gym, refrigerator, washer/dryer. Great location, must see! 3514 Caminito el Rincon #24. 858-650-3080.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$1900. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Townhome with 2-car garage. Possible cat. Drive by: 3615 Ruelle de Ville. Louise Abbott Real Estate. 858-755-8046.

CARMEL VALLEY, Cambria, 2-story, \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2-car garage, full-length driveway. All appliances, patio. 1 cat OK. No smoking. 858-792-5526.

CARMEL VALLEY. Charming 2 master bedroom, 2 bath. Private balcony, fireplace, pool, tennis, garage, new appliances including washer/dryer. Quiet end of Carmel Valley walking distance to shops. \$1600. 619-994-6532.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$2500. Luxury 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. 2-car garage. 2000-square-feet. Small pet OK. Gated community. Close to Torrey Pines State Park/UCSD. Agent, 858-755-1139, www.scuba-rentals.com.

CARLSBAD/OCEANSIDE, SOUTH. of Vista Way. \$1150. Walk to beach. Quiet. 1000 square feet. Bright, 2 bedroom, garden, patio, townhouse. No dogs/non-smoking. 699 Eaton. 760-967-8121.

CHULA VISTA. Two wooded apartment communities! Both offer excellent locations! Laundry, barbecues, off-street parking. The Forest: \$795. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Ceiling fans, dishwasher, swimming pool. The Park: \$785. All utilities paid. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Break-fast bar. Cat OK. 556-581 Arizona Street. www.sdreader.com/rent/2031. 619-691-9415.

CHULA VISTA/RANCHO DEL REY. \$1550. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse. Beautiful, quiet. New paint. Garage. Fenced yard. Large master bedroom. 781 Caminito Estrella. 619-244-6424.

CHULA VISTA. Starting at \$755. Spacious 1 bedrooms with free garage, park setting with pool and jacuzzi, laundry. 250 Kennedy Street. 619-425-0670.

CHULA VISTA. \$1250. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 1325 square feet, spacious townhouse in nice neighborhood. Washer/dryer hookups, backyard, pool, carport. Section 8 OK. Available 8/1. 619-474-2508.

CHULA VISTA. \$975. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment available. Pool, spa, garages, laundry room. Close to freeways. 321 Rancho Drive. www.sunriseliving.com. 619-427-2995.

CHULA VISTA. \$725. \$500 deposit. Large 1 bedroom. 1 block from shopping/downtown. On bus route. Near Navy Base. No pets. 184 F Street. 619-420-2205.

CHULA VISTA. \$675 and up. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, carpet, blinds, laundry on site, pool. 1 assigned parking. 400 square feet. No pets. Pepperwood

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Apartments. On-site maintenance, \$400 security deposit. 659 Sea Vale Street (cross street: Broadway, 1 block past C Street). Agent, 619-298-7724.

CHULA VISTA. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath luxury townhouse. 1420 square feet. 2-car garage. Washer/dryer, patio, pool. Great location. 619-887-6412.

CHULA VISTA. New studios, 1 bedroom apartments from \$550-\$750. 2 bedrooms, \$895-\$1250. 3 bedrooms, \$1250-\$1650. Pets OK. Quiet neighborhood. Fee. www.rentwave.com. Toll free. 1-888-575-3179.

CHULA VISTA. \$200 off first month's rent. \$950. Large 2 bedroom apartment. Beautiful. Clean. Off-street parking. Laundry. Quiet. Barbecue. Play area. Near freeway. 619-426-3699 or 619-427-0700.

CHULA VISTA. \$725/month. \$150 deposit. 1 bedroom, fully furnished, 2 blocks from Chula Vista Center. Off-street parking. Laundry room. Lots of trees, 521 Park Way. Office open daily (near Fifth and G). 619-420-5084.

CHULA VISTA/EASTLAKE. \$1350. 2-story, 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 2-car garage, pool, 1200 square feet. 2338 Cabo Bahia. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

CHULA VISTA. \$945. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Quiet, spacious, cheerful. All new upgrades. Mirrored closets galore. Gated parking, laundry. Near court house. 619-422-5855.

CHULA VISTA. \$675. 1 bedroom. Large closets, mirrored. Quiet park-like setting. Gated 32-unit complex. 24-hour laundry. Near all shops. 619-422-5855.

CHULA VISTA. 1 and 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Quiet complex, only minutes to Downtown San Diego. Appliances, patios. For more information or to check out other vacancies in San Diego and North County, check out www.SanDiegoApartments.com.

CHULA VISTA. \$845. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath in garden setting with gated parking. Central vacuum, air conditioning, laundry room. No pets. 144 Garrett Avenue. Agent, 619-585-1959.

CHULA VISTA. Move-in special! \$250 off first month's rent! Move-in before 7/31. \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Pine Vista Apartments, 330 K Street. www.sunriseliving.com, call 619-420-1244 or Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

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CHULA VISTA. \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 1-car garage, great central location, water and trash paid. No pets. 242 Madrona. Available now. Call Pacific Realty, 619-423-4004.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$925. Move-in special: \$200 off 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Near Village Shopping Center, 3626 44th Street. Deje su numero de telefono despacito. 619-255-1492.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$1600. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint, covered patio, fenced yard. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

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CITY HEIGHTS. Studio, \$600. 2 bedroom, \$800. Laundry and off-street parking. 4223 Winona. Cogan Properties, 619-279-2183.

CITY HEIGHTS. Move in bonus! \$925. 2 bedroom. Dishwasher, microwave, air, ceiling fans, mirrored closet doors, patio, pool, secured entry. No smoking/pets. 619-280-4693.

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CITY HEIGHTS. \$750. \$400 deposit. 1 bedroom duplex, remodeling just completed, all new appliances, fenced yard, off-street parking. No pets. 4249 Poplar Street. 858-279-3023.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$750, 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments; \$850, 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom. New carpet and paint. New appliances, laundry. 4264 42nd Street, #3, #4. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$650. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 675 square feet lower apartment. Parking, air conditioning, carpet. Available now. 4346 47th Street. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Nice gated complex, pool, laundry on site. 2525 Fairmount Avenue #28. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

CITY HEIGHTS. \$825. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Section 8 participant. Gated. Garden entry. Laundry facilities. Easy freeway access. 3866 41st Street. www.sunriseliving.com, call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

CITY HEIGHTS. Menlo Village. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Central air/heat, underground parking, bussing, newly remodeled in and out, laundry, gated, walk to shopping. 4222 Menlo. 619-243-4000 x0.

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CLAIREMONT. \$2100. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath house quiet neighborhood, walking distance Clairemont Square. Recently remodeled. Small pet OK. Available 7/15. 4530 Miami Way. Mitch, 619-665-9497.

CLAIREMONT, SOUTHWEST. \$2150/month. 3 bedroom, 2 bath plus office house. Pool, jacuzzi, dishwasher, garage, lovely garden, barbecue area. Quiet private area. 858-560-6016.

CLAIREMONT. \$1895. Clean 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. 2-car garage. Washer/dryer, refrigerator. Patio, fenced yard with gardener. Quiet neighborhood. Non-smoking. 858-273-0155.

CLAIREMONT. 1 bedroom condo. Unfurnished, spacious, sunny, cathedral ceiling, balcony, upgrades, parking, pool, tennis. Near Children's/Sharp Hospitals. No pets. \$895/month. Must see. 858-488-5423.

CLAIREMONT. \$1140. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. 1-car garage. No dogs. Laundry hookups. Available now. 3368 Apache Avenue. 858-273-5784.

CLAIREMONT/BAY PARK. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 2 story condo with balcony, dishwasher. Available now, 6 month lease. No dogs. \$1290/month. Call Gail, 619-994-4245.

CLAIREMONT/BAY PARK. \$1125. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. In triplex. Available 7/24. Full size washer/dryer. Refrigerator, dishwasher. Gardener. No pets. Extra storage. 858-270-3893.

CLAIREMONT/BAY PARK. \$895. Studio with fenced private yard and garage. Recently remodeled. Stove and refrigerator. Extra storage. Pet OK. Available 7/25. 858-270-3893.

CLAIREMONT. \$1950. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, laundry hookups. 2-car garage. Large fenced backyard, no pets. Gardener paid. 5051 Dubois. Del Sol Property Management, 858-270-2071; www.delsolpm.com.

CLAIREMONT. Condo. \$1600 per month. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Available now. Good location, easy access to shopping center and freeways. No pets. Call 805-797-6991.

CLAIREMONT. \$1110. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. 1-car garage, no pets. New carpet and appliance. Fenced yard and porch. 3825 Joplin Avenue. Agents 858-453-6115.

CLAIREMONT. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, minutes from beach, large yard. Pets considered. Great canyon view. Assigned parking. 858-571-1074.

CLAIREMONT. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse, 2-car garage. Washer/dryer. Large patio. Pool/spa. Quiet. No pets/nonsmoker. Nice! Available 8/15/03. 858-492-1068; jpetersen@ucsd.edu.

CLAIREMONT. \$1150 plus deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Pool, dishwasher, skylight. Near 163 and 805. Call 858-571-7118.

CLAIREMONT. Upstairs 1 bedroom in quiet gated property. Assigned parking, new carpet and paint. Pool. Great location with easy freeway access. 619-296-2787.

CLAIREMONT. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. 2-car garage. 3612 Atlas, drive by then call. \$1950/month. No section 8. Call John, 619-261-5646.

CLAIREMONT/MISSION BAY. \$1200. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with view of bay. Pool. Laundry. Off-street parking. Cat OK. 2920 Clairemont Drive. 619-276-5937.

CLAIREMONT. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 story home in private park, 2 car garage. Extremely quiet. 1597 square feet. Access to beautiful pool, tennis courts; 2 large duck pond, trails; fireplace. \$2000/month. 619-726-2733.

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CLAIREMONT. \$1200. Large 2 bedrooms, 1 bath apartment. Dishwasher, balcony, laundry, pool, jacuzzi, barbecue area, garage. Near buses, stores, restaurants, and freeway. Available now. 619-846-9149.

CLAIREMONT/BAY PARK. \$850-\$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Spacious units. Balcony, pool, laundry, new carpet, new appliances, new countertops, refinished cabinets. 2556 Chicago. 858-483-3534 or 619-275-0230; www.Cal-Prop.com.

COLLEGE AREA/ROLANDO. \$950. 2 bedrooms, currently being renovated. Not just a drive-by. Must see interiors. Free credit check. Call for information, manager, 619-741-5621; 619-461-1564.

COLLEGE AREA. \$675. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Near shopping and public transportation. 6165 Montezuma Rd. Agent, 619-574-4644.

COLLEGE AREA. Exquisite top, 4th floor end unit, 2 bedroom, 2 bath very quiet condo. Vaulted ceilings, wood floors. New washer/dryer. Patio. Secure building, intercom, underground parking, elevator, central air/heating. Available now. \$1400. 760-586-6841.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1395. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Hardwood floors. New windows. Interior/exterior, newly painted. Laundry facility on site. Call Trident Pacific at 619-435-9442.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated. Near golf course/park. Washer/dryer hook-ups. Dishwasher. Refrigerator. Central air conditioning. Near all. Pets OK. 619-285-3822.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. Renovation Discount! 2 bedroom apartments, 1 and 2 baths, 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhomes. Appliances! Ceiling fan. Courtyard. New carpet! Laundry. Gated community. Pool. Barbecues. Controlled access. Cats OK. New tropical landscaping. Pacific Pines Village, 4355 46th Street. Call for information. 619-282-1191. www.pacificliving.com. Visit: www.sdreader.com/rent/2001.

COLLEGE AREA. Summer special with 12 month lease! 1/2 off rent for July and August! 1 bedrooms from \$750. Pool. Gated access. Two laundry rooms. Close to bus, stores, freeway! Cat OK. Aztec Pacific Apartments, 6663 Montezuma Rd. 619-286-2611. Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. www.pacificliving.com. Photos, floor plans; www.sdreader.com/rent/1042.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1700. Nice, spacious 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Centrally located. 2 parking, all amenities. No pets or waterbeds. Available early August. Rick, 310-994-1198.

COLLEGE AREA. \$950-\$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath and 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartments near campus. Off-street parking. 5865-5869 El Cajon Boulevard. Agent, 619-583-3339.

COLLEGE AREA. \$2400. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house, appliances, washer/dryer, 6-car spaces. Walking distance to everything. 5371 East Fall View Drive. No smoking/pets. Available 8/1. Agent, 619-713-2405.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1000. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Hardwood floors. Private yard. Laundry. 4760 College Avenue. Agent, 619-260-1368.

COLLEGE AREA. Small pet OK. Super large garden condo. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 story on canyon, safe/secure, quiet with garden view. Parking, laundry, pool/spa, private balcony. New kitchen with granite. \$1100. Leave message, 619-298-9404.

COLLEGE AREA. \$805 move-in special! \$200 deposit! Spacious 1 bedroom. Parking. Secured entry. Free business center. Fitness center. Spa. Sauna. Pool. 3 laundry rooms. Air conditioning. Refrigerator.

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COLLEGE AREA. \$2200/\$2500. Beautifully remodeled. 4 bedroom, 2 bath houses. Near College/Adelaide; 44th/Monroe. Washer/dryer. Ample parking. Available 7/19/2003. Fireplace/canyon. 619-265-7425.

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COLLEGE AREA. From \$740. Spacious 1 bedrooms, extra closets, kitchen pantry, on-site laundry, off-street parking, close to all. 6295 Stanley Avenue. Manager #4. 619-501-5622.

COLLEGE AREA. \$1800. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath large townhouse. 2-story, near Alvarado Hospital. 1450 square feet. Amenities, parking. Available August. 619-287-7110.

COLLEGE AREA. \$2,500. Five bedroom, 2 bath house. Near 70th Street. Yard, recreation room, garage, parking. Quiet area, 1 year lease, Available August. Call 619-287-7110.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$1450; \$1000 deposit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. New carpet. Garage. No smoking, no pets. Available 8/1. 858-273-6033.

COLLEGE AREA. \$99 deposit upon approved credit! Studios, 1, 2 bedrooms from \$725. Central air conditioning/heat. Patio/balcony. Dishwasher. Cable hookup. Laundry on site. Reserved covered parking. Elevator. Courtyards. 2 pools/saunas. Basketball/tennis courts. New fitness center. Barbecues. Villa Del Sol, 5474 Reservoir Drive. 1-888-862-2284. www.sdreader.com/rent/2048.

COLLEGE AREA/TALMADGE. \$600. Studio, utilities included, clean, quiet, stove, refrigerator, near buses. 4518-1/2 52nd Street. 858-538-0392.

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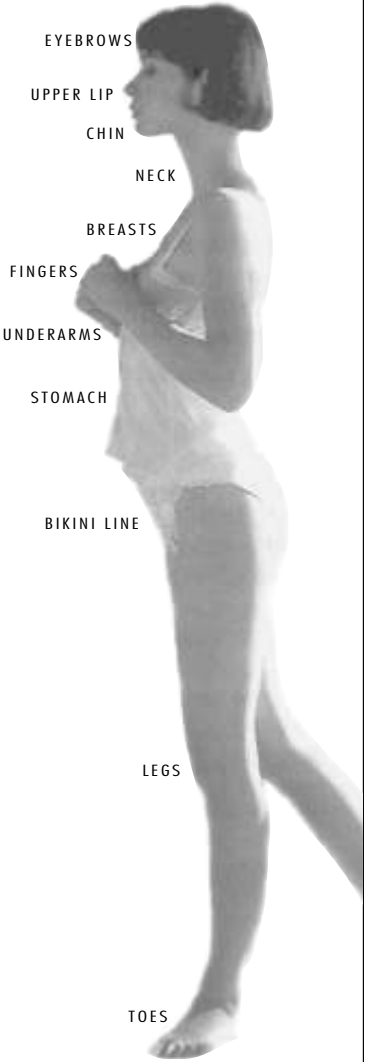
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Across

- Musical gourds
- Go over one's old notes
- 48th of 50
- Say another way
- Go-between
- Like Internet news sites
- Paying attention
- Italy's Villa d'_____
- Untilled tract
- One who plays for a living
- Like the rooftops of some Frank Gehry buildings
- One of every two hurricanes
- Carpet layer's calculation
- "_____ ride?"
- They may be major or minor
- "Count me in!"
- No later than
- 1930s dust bowler
- "Sprechen _____ Deutsch?"
- "As Good As It Gets" actor
- Transgression
- DX divided by V
- Like some bookstores
- Doomsayer's phrase (or a fact about each of this puzzle's themed answers)
- "On the Road" author
- Sun block
- Word used in some dessert commercials
- Tootsie toppers
- Gets cozy
- Weeping

Down

- "My Dinner With Andre" director Louis
- Sign of spring
- Laughing
- Nitrogen compound
- "_____ fan tutte"
- Mysterious byline, for short
- Participated in a choir
- Sultanate on the South China Sea
- Undo
- Initials in food certification
- Reviewer's unit
- Broadbrim, e.g.
- Sporty truck, for short
- Motorist's concern, in brief
- The "A" of Thomas A. Edison
- They might cause pressure
- Spoke more than once?
- Wax eloquent
- Make watertight

- Suffix with strict
- Hi-_____ monitor
- Surmise
- Keanu's character in "The Matrix"
- Garden pests
- Photographer Cartier-Bresson
- Moth or worm follower
- Booking
- Tina's ex
- Soccer standout Hamm
- Getting _____ years
- When the Great Lakes were formed
- They may appear on a tree
- Join forces
- Brown pigment
- Alleviator
- Slip cover?
- Promote
- NHL MVP of 1965
- Actress Mazar
- Trash can, perhaps
- 8:00-8:30, e.g., on a schedule
- They're all in the family
- Organic suffix
- Ways to go: Abbr.

RULES OF THE GAME

- The prize for solving the *Reader* Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.
- All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* (addressed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803) by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, six days following the issue date.
- All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.
- In the event of disputes or ties, decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a lottery.
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Solution to and winners of the *Reader* Puzzle for 7/10/03.

Of the 123 entrants, 119 were correct. The winners are:

- Joey May, *San Diego*
- Abram Pelayo, *San Diego*
- Martin Wright, *San Diego*
- Nic Wilson, *San Diego*
- Marcia Westinghouse, *Escondido*

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HILLCREST. \$895. Nice 1 bedroom, freshly decorated, spic 'n' span homelike interior, lovely patio, laundry. Attractive building. Near park, Uptown Center. Available now. 619-670-0624.

HILLCREST. \$1250. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom (plus extra room), 2 bath duplex. No pets. 3584 Curlew. 619-299-8515.

HILLCREST. \$745. \$200 off first month, 2 upstairs corner studios with different views! Newly remodeled, bright, hardwood floors, tile, new appliances, laundry. Cat OK, nonsmoking. 4170 Park Boulevard, #9, #10. 619-741-7011.

HILLCREST. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, canyon view, laundry, parking. Quiet complex of 4 units. Quiet street near Uptown Shopping Center. Robert, 858-273-3121.

HILLCREST. \$795. Spacious studio. Old, Spanish charm. Controlled entry building. Full kitchen. Newly remodeled. No pets. Walk to shopping and bus. 3824 4th Avenue. 619-297-6659.

HILLCREST. \$1300. Large 1 bedroom plus garage. Hardwood floors, dining room. Centrally located, walk to shops and bus. No pets. 3814 4th Avenue. 619-297-6659.

HILLCREST. 1 bedroom cottage with garage. \$850. New berber carpet, new refrigerator, tall beamed ceilings, faux fireplace, small dining room. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

HILLCREST. Cute, cozy studios and 1 bedrooms. \$750/up. In the heart of Hillcrest with canyon views, huge pool, laundry rooms, assigned parking, community barbecue. Near Mercy Hospital and bus. No dogs. Sleepy Hollow Apartments. 4201 Sixth Avenue. Centre City Property Management. Call manager, 619-298-1059.

HILLCREST. \$850. Cozy 2 bedroom. 2 story. Electric paid. Heart of Hillcrest, near shops/bus. Available August. 1010.5 Essex. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

HILLCREST. \$925. 1 bedroom, newly remodeled. New appliances, dishwasher. Coin laundry, shared patio area. 3730 First. Del Sol Property Management, 858-270-2071; www.delsolpm.com.

HILLCREST. \$1200. Large upstairs 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator, formal dining room, hardwood floors, garage, entry intercom. 1632 Upas. Del Sol Property Management, 858-270-2071; www.delsolpm.com.

HILLCREST. \$625. Studio available. Best location. Hardwood floors, laundry, free utilities, parking. Charge. 858-571-1074.

HILLCREST. \$1050. Lovely 2 bedroom, 1 bath with beautiful hardwood floors, close to downtown and shopping. Laundry. parking. Charge. 858-571-1074.

HILLCREST. \$850. Charming 1 bedroom duplex. Hardwood floors. Antique charm. Great neighborhood. 1728-1/2 Meade Avenue. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST. \$745. Attractive studio in classic building in the heart of Hillcrest. Hardwood floors. 3939 Seventh Avenue. Xilarent.com, 858-492-8747.

HILLCREST. \$945. Completely renovated 1 bedroom. Really cute! New carpet. New appliances. New paint. Very private. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST. \$1225. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint/tile. Fireplace. Full-size appliances. Gated building/parking. Quiet. Great location. No pets. 1756 Essex. 619-298-4256.

HILLCREST. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Newly remodeled. Master suite with own bath. Washer/dryer. Large living room, balcony. Underground parking. Uptown Property Management, 619-297-7368.

HILLCREST. Great move-in specials! Reduced rates. 1 bedrooms, \$950/up. 2 bedrooms, \$1300. Canyon/bay views! Clubhouse, gym, pool, sauna, air conditioning, dishwasher. Ceramic tile. Laundry. Microwave. Floor to ceiling windows. Covered parking. Locked bicycle storage. No pets. Park East Apartments. 111 West Pennsylvania. www.sdreader.com/rent/1006. 619-298-3225.

HILLCREST. \$745, studio. \$845, 1 bedroom. Enjoy your summer in our sparkling pool! Great location in quiet area. Off-street parking. Laundry. 4166 4th Avenue. 619-298-7868.

HILLCREST. \$750. 1 bedroom. Spanish style complex in heart of Hillcrest. Gated entry. Laundry. 3938 8th Avenue. 619-298-2069.

HILLCREST. Discounted rents, must qualify with Housing Commission. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1125-\$1350/month. New carpet, dishwasher, Jacuzzi, air conditioning, gym. Underground parking. Gated. Pets OK with approval. 619-295-2500.

HILLCREST. \$1025. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage in beautiful garden setting. Hardwood floors, new appliances/paint, on-site laundry. No smoking. Cat negotiable. Available now. 1728 Upas. 619-742-0488.

HILLCREST. \$1800/month. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer, refrigerator, underground parking, gated community. Available now. Sam, 619-300-8860.

HILLCREST. \$1900. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom house. Fireplace, washer/dryer. Near famous San Diego Zoo. Available now! 3712 Park Boulevard. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

HILLCREST. Victorian flat. High ceilings, wood floors, walk-in closet. Clawfoot tub. Remodeled kitchen with slate, wood floors. Private garden patio. Laundry. 1066 Robinson. \$899. 619-236-1186.

HILLCREST. \$825. Extremely large, immaculate studio with exquisite hardwood floors. Big kitchen. Choice location. Sorry no pets. 619-861-0789.

HILLCREST. \$750. Large studio. Available now. Great location! Close to Balboa Park and many activities. Quiet. Cat OK. 1658 Brookes Avenue (off Park Boulevard). 619-291-5660.

HILLCREST. \$850-\$1195. Spacious studio and 2 bedroom, 1 bath in gorgeous, Mediterranean-style community. Controlled access, laundry, barbecue and more! 3953 Centre Street. 619-299-4666.

HILLCREST. Move-in special. 1/2 off first month's rent! \$840. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Off-street parking. On-site laundry. Great location. 1 block to great restaurants, shopping, freeways, and more! 1233 Essex Street. www.sunriseliving.com, call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970, or 619-297-7038.

HILLCREST. \$975, 1 bedroom. \$1250, Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath. On-site laundry, off-street parking, dishwasher. Great shopping and dining only 1 block away! 4043 First Avenue. Call Sunrise Management, 858-571-1970.

HILLCREST. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Patio. Walk to shops. Quiet. Sorry, no pets. 3833 Third Avenue. 858-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

HILLCREST. San Francisco style, large 1 bedroom apartments, hardwood floors, \$875. Laundry room, controlled access, near all. The Historic Casa Grande at 1751 University Avenue. Cat accepted. Also, Banker's Hill find. Quinte one bedroom plus den on canyon, \$950, 3102 First Avenue, 619-299-7727. See website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1015.

HILLCREST. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Spacious, quiet. Laundry, parking, walk to shops. Charming unit. No pets. 3615 Third Avenue. 858-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

HILLCREST. \$1600. 3815 Georgia Street #101. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Secured parking. Pet on approval. Large patio. 619-640-7530.

HILLCREST. \$1145. 2 bedroom unit. \$400 move in bonus. 2 blocks north of Balboa Park, bay window overlooking Park Boulevard. 3620 Park Boulevard. 619-255-1290.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$900. 1 bedroom apartment, sunny unit, quiet, gated building, balcony, good for cat, parking for 2-door car, nonsmoking, laundry. 3775 3rd Avenue. 619-297-7929.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. 2 bedrooms, \$1250/up. Great move-in specials! Great location. Elevator. Pool. Laundry. Lovely courtyard. Gym. Sauna. Barbecue. Off-street parking. No pets. Hillcrest Towers. 1030 Robinson Avenue. www.sdreader.com/rent/2066. 619-295-9673.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. 1 bedrooms, \$830/up. 2 bedroom, \$1275. Beautiful location beside lush canyon, end of a "No Through Street." Controlled access, elevator, pool, covered and off-street parking, poolside barbecue, recreation room with television and laundry room. Sorry, no pets permitted. Park View Apartments, 3700 Tenth Avenue. 619-298-6768.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1295. Top floor 2 bedroom, 2 bath, apartment. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, covered parking, balcony. Centrally located. 3782 First. No dogs, please. 619-295-1007.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. \$750. Deluxe 1 bedroom apartment. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Fireplace. Skylight. Laundry on site. Gated. Intercom. Off-street parking. 4025 Florida Street. 619-291-6427.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$825. Immaculate 1 bedroom with peak ocean view. Garage included. Second-story unit has hardwood floors. Laundry. Will consider cat. Rent plus \$500 moves you in. Drive by 2453 Union Street (near Laurel) then call Ash, 858-337-7139.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. \$1450. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Washer/dryer, secure parking. Gym, pool, sauna. Close to shopping, freeway. No pets. Gabrielle, 619-255-5584.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$790. Quiet, Bright, studio, courtyard setting, hardwood floors, centrally located, full kitchen, laundry, Cat OK. Nonsmoking. 4619-A Campus Avenue. Must see! 619-741-7011.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. \$1100. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Huge private balcony

with view. End unit. Washer/dryer on site. Quiet. Brand new everything! 3630 Georgia. Cogan Properties. 619-279-2183.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. \$795-\$845. Large 1 bedroom units. Small complex. Private patio. Large garage plus parking. Walk-in closet. New carpet. Laundry. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$1595. Gorgeous views from this spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Balcony. Plantation shutters. 2 parking spaces. 2414 Front. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$825. Beautiful 1 bedroom in Victorian building. Hardwood floors. Laundry. 2066 Fourth Avenue. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL. \$695. Bright and airy studio in great building. Upstairs end unit. New Berber carpet. 433 Nutmeg Street. Xilarent.com, 858-492-8746.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK border. \$730. 1 bedroom apartment. Spacious, carpeted, nonsmoking unit quiet, garden, 2-story complex. Laundry. 619-298-8383.

HILLCREST/MIDDLETOWN. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Secure parking, new appliances, on-site laundry. 550 West Pennsylvania Avenue. Available 8/1. 619-318-4206.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$875-\$895. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath on third floor in attractive controlled access building near UCSD Medical Center. 4066 Albatross. Agent, call 619-692-1837.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$1595. Lovely 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, washer/dryer, central air, fireplace, microwave, clean, upstairs unit with balcony, garage. Cat OK. 619-265-2000.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 2-year-old 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse, all appliances, hardwood, fireplace, washer/dryer, balcony, 2-car garage. No smoking/pets. \$1495 plus security. 2215 Howard. 619-846-9857.

HILLCREST/UPTOWN. \$795. Nice top floor one bedroom apartment at "The Tropical Terrace." A gated building, with communal patios, laundry. Available July 21. 3815 Vermont St. 619-298-2802.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$675-\$925. Studio and 2 bedroom apartments in small complexes. Ceramic tile in kitchen and bath, generous closet space. 619-298-0982.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1495. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath, available 8/1. Hardwood floors, fireplace. On-site laundry, off-street parking. Pets welcome. 1-year lease preferred. 3976 Dove Street. 619-444-3092 x14. www.coastpm.com.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$950. Sunny 1 bedroom. Live at beach, steps to sand. Newly renovated, in small private complex. Laundry, parking. 1003 Ocean Lane. Agent, 619-423-9632.

IMPERIAL BEACH. 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex in quiet area. Property also includes 1-car garage. \$1550/month. Call 619-405-0096.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1600. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint, fenced yard. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$775. all utilities included. Clean, quiet, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet/tile. Best deal in town! 1135 Hollister. Call Jeff, 619-291-1044 x128.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1395. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome, gated, view, washer/dryer, 2 parking, fireplace, Pergo, pool, spa, quiet, 1200 square feet. 619-410-7917.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$975. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, gated, laundry hookups, parking. 1070 Georgia Street. 619-602-7936; 619-575-1146.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$825. 2 bedroom, 1 bath in well-maintained garden setting. Pool, parking, laundry. No pets. 1445 Grove Avenue. Agent, 619-575-0778.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Large backyard, close to all. Water paid. No pets. 11

KENSINGTON. Townhouse. \$1250. 2 master bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths. Attached 1-car garage plus parking, washer/dryer hookups. 4064-B Monroe Avenue. Available beginning of August. 619-286-3939.

KENSINGTON. \$1800. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home. This is the upstairs of large, beautiful Spanish canyon home. Downstairs tenants have separate entrance. New appliances. Very special property. Call Mike, 619-454-0620.

KENSINGTON. \$1350. Condo, luxury upper unit overlooking park. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, high ceilings, washer/dryer in unit, 1-car garage. Call 619-261-5251.

KENSINGTON. \$1250. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath corner suite, view, laundry. All amenities. Security building. 2-car garage. No pets. Best area! Call 619-563-6069.

KENSINGTON. \$1595. 2 bedroom, 1.25 bath, fireplace, wood floors, lush gated yard, large deck, quiet, appliances, skylights, Spanish bungalow with cove ceilings. Pets OK. 619-750-3990.

KENSINGTON. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Charming secluded upper unit, newly renovated, near all, cat OK. 4160 Monroe Avenue. 619-698-6911.

KENSINGTON. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Quiet, renovated. Pet on approval. Washer, dryer included. 4384 42nd Street. \$1095. 619-229-2540.

KENSINGTON. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Large, clean unit in great village location. Garage. Available now! 4101 Park Place #1. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

LA COSTA HILLS. Starting at \$1095. 1 or 2 bedrooms. \$500 off first month! Fireplace/garage and pool/spa/gym/tennis! Washer/dryer/refrigerator! www.twhmc.com, 858-675-0200.

LA COSTA MEADOWS. \$2700. 3 bedroom, 3 bath furnished home on 1 acre. Vaulted ceilings, 2 private balconies and patios, massive redwood deck with sunken hot tub, big screen TV. Pets OK. Utilities, gardener included. 760-221-9959.

LA COSTA Twin home \$1,700. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint, carpet, no pets. Includes gardener & water. 2643 Lucier-naga. Open House Saturday 7/19/1-4. 619-892-9833.

LA COSTA. \$1550. Aviara. Elegant 2 level townhome, 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath fenced yard, attached 2 car garage. Block to shopping center. Near golf. 619-992-1271.

LA COSTA. View! View! View! Enjoy coastal resort living. Elegant, ranch-style townhome, overlooking the famed La Costa Resort. 2 master, 2 bath, 2-car garage. Custom hardwood floors throughout. Private gated community. Pool and jacuzzi. Huge patio for sunset dining. Available 8/1/03. Pets negotiable. \$1875. 858-518-7217.

LA COSTA. \$1995. 4 bedroom, 3 bath. 2-car garage. Fireplace, fresh paint, like new carpet, blinds, ceramic tile entry. Formal living and dining. New light fixtures. Please call 760-942-1187.

LA COSTA. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath end unit. With patio, fireplace, new carpet. Very nice neighborhood. No dogs. 858-481-3182.

LA COSTA. \$1150-\$1300, up to 1/2 off 1st month (selected units). 2 and 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. In quiet community. Cats OK with deposit, no dogs. Assigned parking. Available mid June. Gunney, 760-943-7590.

LA COSTA/CARLSBAD. \$790/month. Furnished studio. New, nice view, quiet. Non-smoking, no pets preferred. Cable/utilities included. Available now. 760-591-3866; img@atboxtech.com.

LA JOLLA COLONY/UTC. Pay no rent until August !! Reduced deposits! Application fees waived. 1 bedrooms from \$1275, 2 bedrooms from \$1545. Cybernet Cafe. Fitness club. Business center. Pools, spas. Washer/dryer. All new interior in planned community. Pets welcome. La Cima, 7503 Charnant Drive. 1-888-521-6916. www.sdreader.com/rent/1054.

LA JOLLA COLONY Condo. \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, pool and jacuzzi. Near UTC/UCSD. Laundry in unit. 858-566-4648.

LA JOLLA SHORES. Summer rentals. \$975/week, 2 bedroom. \$1175/week, 3 bedroom. Completely furnished. 1 block beach. Close to zoo, Sea World. 25 minutes to racetrack. 858-456-7954.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. Studio. Living room, bath, kitchen-appliances. Walk-in closet, dresser drawers/shelves, laundry. Walk to beach, bus, restaurants. \$1095-\$1375, includes utilities. 619-645-8082.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. Peaceful Downtown 3 bedroom, 2 bath, near shops, restaurants. Top floor, ocean view, balcony. No smoking, no pets. One year lease. Free laundry, street parking. \$2250 plus utilities. Available August. 858-729-1979.

LA JOLLA. 2 blocks to beach/Prospect. Awesome 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome. Hardwood floors, Berber, fireplace, huge closet. \$2700. 7625 Draper. Details, meran@hotmail.com; 619-993-8983.

LA JOLLA. View, top location. 1-2 bedrooms, \$1550-\$2050 (add \$100 furnished). Near beach, tennis, pet walk. Truly "In Eden" 616 Prospect. By appointment. 858-729-0342.

LA JOLLA. \$1350. 1/2 off first month's rent! Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large private balcony. Garden window. Walk to UCSD, shops and park. Fur, cosmopolitan location. No pets. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive. Ask manager for details, 858-457-4509.

LA JOLLA. Starting at \$900 and \$1130. 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Pool. Spa. Laundry room. Sauna. Fitness center. Barbecue area. Covered parking. 3 blocks to UTC. Open 9am-5pm, Monday-Saturday, Sunday, 11am-4pm. La Jolla Canyon Apartments. 9515 Genesee. 858-452-3620. See our webpage at: www.sdreader.com/rent/2006.

LA JOLLA. Appealing and 1/2 block from ocean! Studios/1 bedrooms. \$1099/up.

Pool/laundry. 858-454-7509; 858-536-1900.

LA JOLLA. \$1800. Deposit \$1850. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Large spacious condo in gated community, near ocean. Laundry on site. Underground parking. Patio. Available 8/1. No pets. 5370 La Jolla Blvd #105-B. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

LA JOLLA. \$1150. 1 bedroom. \$850. Newly renovated studio, available mid-July. Pool. Steps to beach. Laundry. Parking. No pets. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-775-0386. 858-395-9942.

LA JOLLA. \$2100. Windemere split-level 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath furnished townhome. Pool, spa, 24-hour sentry gated, tennis, club house. 1-car garage. Pat, 858-274-3866 x209.

LA JOLLA. \$2000 or best offer. Heart of the village. 2 bedroom, 1 bath modest house with yard. Available July through September. 858-270-0496.

LA JOLLA. \$895. Studios. Upstairs and downstairs. Apartments in the village. Laundry. Verticals. 7555 Herschel Avenue. Agent, 858-459-1102.

LA JOLLA. Starting at \$1025. Call for move-in specials! Junior 1 and 2 bedrooms. Utilities paid. Pets welcome. Resort-style pool. Beautiful canyon views. Minutes from shopping, beach, golf and more. Excellent floor plans. Walk to UCSD. See us online at www.sdreader.com/rent/2065. Call 858-457-3020.

LA JOLLA. \$1165. 2 bedroom apartment, very large, carport. Stove, refrigerator. Coin laundry. In Windansea area. No pets. Agent, no fee. 619-223-2524.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedroom house. \$2200. Fireplace, large yard, spa, French doors to private patios, double garage, gardener included. Available 7/25. Agent, 619-296-3189.

LA JOLLA. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Bright, laundry room, parking, near bus. 2 blocks from Windansea Beach. No pets. 445 Mesa Way. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. \$900. Lower large studio. 1 block from Windansea Beach. Near bus/shops. Laundry room, parking, new carpet. 396 Kolmar. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. \$900-\$1245. 1 and 2 bedroom units. Minutes from UCSD and La Jolla Beaches. Great locations. Vaulted ceilings. Balconies. Parking. House also available. Charge. 858-571-1074.

LA JOLLA. \$1895. 3 bedroom house recently redecorated with new paint/car-pets. Cherrywood kitchen. 2-car garage with washer and dryer. Brick side patio, yard. Charge. 858-571-1074.

LA JOLLA. \$1700. Villa La Jolla Condos. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen has granite countertops, maple cabinets, tiles floors. New carpet and paint. Balcony. New appliances. Call 619-741-4378. 619-540-6526.

LA JOLLA. \$2100. Ocean front 2 bedroom, 1 bath, in Windansea area. Patio, fireplace, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, covered parking, laundry on site. Great view! 760-613-1350.

LA JOLLA. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Close to beach. Laundry on site, off-street parking. No pets. Available approximately 7/11. 6033 La Jolla Hermosa. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

LA JOLLA. \$2050. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Newly remodeled. Wood floors, pakring, private yard, storage, close to beach. No pets. Available now. 731 Arenas Street. K & R Properties, 858-490-1600.

LA JOLLA. \$1200. Spacious, bright, quiet, 1 bedroom condo. Walk to beach. Complex has pool, jacuzzi, weight room, assigned parking. Available now. 619-583-9466.

LA JOLLA. \$1595. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Wet bar. Balcony, pool, spa, air conditioning, on-site laundry, parking. 5730 La Jolla Boulevard #305. 858-598-1111, www.utopiamanagement.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1500 furnished. Charming studios. Pool, laundry, 3 blocks to Cove, business district. No pets. 858-459-8254, www.casalindaapartments.com.

LA JOLLA. \$2150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Security building. First floor. Large deck. Fireplace. All appliances. 2-parking spaces in garage. Near all. Available now. 7553 La Jolla Blvd. Boone Properties, 858-274-0307.

LA JOLLA. \$895. Studio. Steps to beach, refrigerator, stove. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1130. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Cat OK. Refrigerator, stove, carport. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrentals.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1195. Spacious 1 bedrooms in newly remodeled community. Features dressing areas, ample closet space, dishwashers, laundry and much more. Fully gated. 363 Playa Del Sur. 858-270-5500.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1,950 Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 1,400 square feet. Newer complex has pool, tennis court, spa and sauna. Covered parking. Arnold Property Management 858-552-0003.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse with an extra den area, garage, washer/dryer hookups, patio, clubhouse, pool and spa. 619-296-2787.

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LA JOLLA/UTC. Beautiful 1 bedroom apartments from \$1010; 2 bedroom apartments from \$1325. Washer/dryer in every unit, pools on site. Low security deposit. Ask about our great specials! Call 858-638-0105.

PICTURE STORY



Larry Dorton, catcher for the Hollywood Stars, has a word with umpire Al Mutart during the bottom of the ninth inning, May 6, 1954. No news report could be found that documented this Stars' game played against the San Diego Padres.

During the 1952 season, our local daily reported that the Padres had lost 21 of their previous 26 games played against the Stars. Because of geographic proximity, the two

Photograph from the San Diego Historical Society

Pacific Coast League teams were cast as rivals.

The Padres finished the season in sixth place in 1953. In '54, five former major league players signed with the Padres, and the team began to win. In August of 1954, with about a month left in the regular season, the Padres took the lead in the standings, eclipsing the Stars' record by a half game. The city threw a parade.

— by Robert Mizrachi

LA JOLLA/BIRDROCK. \$1170. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 block to ocean, gated, laundry on site, underground parking available. available now. Call 858-454-8857 x326.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1700. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, trilevel condo. 1 car garage, fireplace, 2 balconies. The Woodlands. 3330 Via Alicante. Agent, 619-233-4182.

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LA JOLLA/UTC. Pay no rent until August 1! 1 bedrooms at \$994. 2 bedrooms at \$1242. Income restrictions! Washer/dryer. Patios/balconies. Broad-band Internet access. Pools, spas. Fitness center. Walk to shops, dining, and entertainment. Near 5, 805 freeways. Nobel Court, 8895 Caminito Plaza Centro. 1-888-521-6922. www.sdreader.com/rent/1037.

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LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1400. Gorgeous top floor quiet 2 bedroom, 2 bath, balcony, skylights, new appliances, extra storage, pools, jacuzzi, sauna, racquetball court. Underground parking. 858-454-2042.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2000. Newer large 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse, view, 2-car garage, washer/dryer hookups, gran-

ite counters, carpet/marble, fireplace. 858-458-0640.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2000. Quiet and beautiful 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath with garage townhouse. Pool, spa, laundry, clubs everywhere. Available 8/1. 858-414-3867; e-mail, dpeev@hotmail.com.

LA JOLLA/UTC/UCSD. \$1395. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo, corner unit. Balcony, 2-car garage, pool, spa. Remodeled. 619-680-7926.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1495. Beautiful model 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, 2 underground garage. New tile floors. Available 8/1. 858-677-9813.

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LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1550. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, unfurnished apartment. Parking, laundry. No pets. 234 Playa del Norte Street. 858-454-2680.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. \$1325. 1 bedroom. Block to beach. 346 Rosemont Street. Open house Saturday 7/19, 10-11am. Agent, 858-454-4200 x105.

LA JOLLA UTC. \$1850. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Two level condo with fireplace,

laundry room, 2 parking spaces, pool. No pets. 619-884-4383; 858-452-1231, x212.

LA MESA. \$1125. Ask about manager special! 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. Ceiling fans. Quality apartments. Pool. Laundry facilities. No pets. Off street parking. 619-985-3500.

LA MESA. \$2500. Trilevel home in private community. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Air conditioning, washer/dryer, 2-car garage, gated yard. Pets OK. Cell, 619-895-5713; home, 619-303-4934.

LA MESA. \$900 plus move-in special! Spacious 1 bedroom. Newly renovated community. Air conditioning. Patio/balcony. New appliances. Large closets. Berber carpet. Wood flooring. Fitness center. Pool. Spa. Saunas. Laundry. Near trolley, Grossmont Mall, SDSU, 32nd Street, Miramar. Cat friendly. Model Open! Villas at La Mesa, 8515 Chloe Avenue. 619-460-7955. www.sdreader.com/rent/2054.

LA MESA. \$1750. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Spacious, quiet, fenced yard, gardener, appliances, hookups. No smoking. Available 7/20. 7361 La Mesita Place. 619-303-8983.

LA MESA. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Upstairs. Balcony. Dishwasher. Blinds. Intercom entry. Laundry. Pool. Garage included. 4311 Parks Avenue. 619-460-5406.

LA MESA. \$1495. 3 bedroom house. Den, fenced yard. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

LA MESA. \$1995, \$2395 with detached garage. Beautiful vintage home on huge view lot. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. 16' ceilings, French doors in formal dining room.

Fireplace, maple floors, washer/dryer, refrigerator, range, lawn service and water. No smoking/pets. Credit check. 619-697-0052.

LA MESA. \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$995. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Available now. Air conditioning. Balconies. Underground parking, gated. No pets. 4332 Parks. 619-303-4969.

LA MESA. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 800-square-feet, walk-in closet, air conditioning, balcony. Cul-de-sac. Pool. Lease. 8211 Vincetta Drive. No pets. 619-465-9849.

LA MESA. \$995. Deposit \$500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry on site, close to shops and freeways. Parking on site. 4853 Jessie Street. Available 8/6. Bob Cota Realty, 619-465-9934.

LA MESA. \$1390. Deposit \$900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Townhome. Washer and dryer hookups. 2-car garage. Pool. Close to shops and freeways. 4782 Garfield Street. Available 8/1. Bob Cota Realty, 619-465-9934.

LA MESA. \$895. Deposit \$500. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Pool. On-site parking. Close to shops and freeways. Laundry on site. 4515 Third Street. Available 8/15. Glenna, 619-469-5010.

LA MESA. \$1500. 2-bedroom, 3-bath townhouse available 7/25. Large, trilevel with all appliances including washer, dryer and microwave. 2-car garage with patio and spa. Walk to lake. No pets. 5571 Kiowa Drive. Off Lake Murray. Orion Property Group, 619-749-6545.

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LA MESA. \$725, 1 bedroom. Lovely, quiet complex. Barbecue/picnic area. Laundry. Air conditioning. No pets. 4325 Lowell Street. 619-461-7386.

LA MESA. \$925, 2 bedroom, 1 bath court-yard apartment. Top notch condition, great location. Laundry, parking. No pets. 3717 69th Street. Manager, 619-337-2369.

LA MESA. \$795, 1 bedroom apartment, air conditioning, swimming pool, great parking, fabulous location near Trolley square and Grossmont Center. Call 619-469-3735. www.flit.com.

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LA MESA. 1 bedroom, \$880/up. 2 bedroom, \$1080/up. Move-in special! Resort style living. Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Gym. Patio or balcony. Parking. Club-house, pool, spa, sauna. 8633 La Mesa Boulevard. www.sdreader.com/rent/1002. 619-462-1633.

LA MESA. 2 bedroom/1 bedroom. \$950/\$800. Spacious upper units in small quiet complex. Balcony. Controlled entry building. Newly remodeled. Near all. No pets. Walk to shops and trolley. Available now. 4513 Palm Avenue. 619-296-2200.

LA MESA. Beautiful landscape, Great move in specials! Low deposits! 1 bedrooms apartment homes available starting at \$750 and up. Enjoy our pools, barbecue area. Carport and storages available. Convenient laundry facilities. Gated community. The Palms of La Mesa, 7481-7487 Mohawk Street, Monday-Friday, 9-5:00pm. Appointment on Saturdays. For appointment, 619-466-6149.

LA MESA. From \$775. Move-in special! Charming 1 bedroom apartments. Downtown La Mesa. Clean. Really nice. On La Mesa Boulevard. No pets. Call 619-469-1168.

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LA MESA. Minutes from golf course, riding and recreation. 1 bedroom, 1 bath from \$950 and 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath from \$1150. Gorgeous landscaping. Beautiful pool, spa, sauna. 2950 Fletcher Parkway. 619-980-8400.

LA MESA. Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom, air-conditioned apartment homes. Close to lovely parks and shopping centers. Enjoy quality, comfort and convenience at a price you can afford at Vista Amaya. Call us now at 619-697-3285. For photo, floor plans, map and directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1035.

LA MESA. Studios, \$700, 1 bedrooms, \$800-\$870, 2 bedrooms, \$1050. Includes carport space and storage. Laundry. Pool. Gated community. No pets. 5365 Marengo Avenue. 619-698-7926.

LA MESA. Spacious studio and private 1 bedroom apartments. Some units feature: view, carport, balcony. Lush landscaping. Sparkling pool. Starting at \$660/month. Move in special includes free credit check and additional incentives with one year lease. Call for details. Cats welcome. Near SDSU and shopping center. Saranac Apartments. 619-469-4656

LA MESA. Starting \$1050. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Gated complex, parking. Elevator. View of beautifully landscaped courtyard. Laundry room. Spa. Cat OK. 619-464-5592.

LA MESA/LAKE MURRAY. \$1025, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. 1000+ square feet. Air conditioning. Parking. Private lawn area. 5440 Lake Murray Boulevard. Agent, 619-825-5135; 619-260-1368.

LA MESA/SDSU. \$740. Junior. \$840, 1 bedroom. Secluded hillside living, yet convenient to all. Air conditioning. Dishwashers. Disposals. Patios/barbecues. Exercise room. Laundry area. Clubhouse. Billiards. Gas barbecue. Heated pool. Spa. Sauna. Month-to-month lease available. Southridge Apartments. 7200 Saranac Street. www.sdreader.com/rent/1001. 619-462-1940.

LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA. Air conditioned, renovated 1 and 2 bedrooms, 1/2 off first month! Pool, parking, laundry. Cats OK. \$750-\$1075. 619-464-3086.

LA MESA/MT. HELIX. Charming New Orleans-style 1, 2, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths

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LA MESA/SAN CARLOS. \$1575, 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Huge master with walk in. Pool, spa, laundry, parking. Nonsmoking, drugs, pets. Available 8/1. 858-560-7114.

LA MESA/SPRING VALLEY. \$900 includes utilities. Newly remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry hookups. Spacious property with view, spa. Showing Sunday and Monday. 619-246-2142.

LEMON GROVE. \$725/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled, new paint, carpet, linoleum, blinds. Appliances. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 619-962-1887.

LEMON GROVE. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage, cul-de-sac. 2 years no increase. Available 8/1. Open Sunday, 3-6pm. 2275 Berry Street. 619-294-6605.

LEMON GROVE, SOUTHEAST. \$1800, deposit only \$1000. 4 bed, 1-1/2 bath. Beautiful, peaceful, private, spacious. Large backyard. Centrally located. Section 8/Pets OK. Available immediately. 619-795-1716.

LEMON GROVE. Move in bonus! \$995 and up. Huge 2 bedroom with 2 bath. Fresh paint, new carpet, remodeled kitchen, microwave, ceiling fan, mirrored closet doors, large patio and private yard. No smoking/pets. 7525 Pacific Avenue. 619-280-4693.

LEUCADIA. \$800. Private studio in great location, West of I-5. Nice front yard, off-street parking. 1105 North Vulcan. Cat ok. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

LEUCADIA. \$800. Studio, 1 bath in triplex. Off-street parking. No pets. 500-square-feet. 261-C Hillcrest. Agent, 858-755-1139. www.scuba-rentals.com

LEUCADIA. \$775. 1 block from beach! Move-in special! First month's rent moves you in! Furnished or unfurnished studios. Paid utilities and cable! Air conditioning, cats welcome! Call Barbara at 760-533-8715, or 760-943-7461, www.sunriseliving.com.

LEUCADIA. \$1000, 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, upstairs. Fireplace, stove, refrigerator, garage, quiet. No pets, no yard or washer/dryer hookups. 858-481-9490.

LINDA VISTA. Genesee Summit. Secluded, private. \$995, 2 bedroom. \$1295, 3 bedrooms apartments. Refrigerators, dishwasher, garbage disposal and gas stove. Garages available. Patio. Air conditioning. Laundry hookups. Central location, near all. No dogs. 2219 Judson Street. 858-576-0420. For photos, floor plans and map, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1043.

LINDA VISTA. \$650, studio, utilities included. Laundry, gated parking. No pets. 2285 Ulric Street. Call Monday-Friday for appointment. 858-277-4213.

LINDA VISTA. \$695-\$895. Studio and 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplexes near USD. Newly refurbished, paint, carpeting, blinds, appliances. Off-street parking. No pets. 619-296-9393.

LINDA VISTA. City Scene condominium. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, top floor, 2-car garage. Pool, jacuzzi. Close to Fashion Valley. Available mid-August. \$1450. 858-576-0448, dirkinds@aol.com.

LINDA VISTA. \$945/up. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. 1 bedroom, \$825. Convenient location, fenced backyards, assigned parking. No pets. Office at 2451 Ulric Street. Please call for appointment at 858-278-3610.

LINDA VISTA. \$975. Deposit \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Steps to USD. Large downstairs unit. Laundry on site. 1 parking space. Available 8/7. No pets! 5754 Laurretta Street. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-273-8345.

LINDA VISTA. \$1395, 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Garage, pool, spa. 3505 Angelucci. 619-220-8317.

LINDA VISTA. \$1395, 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Yard, parking, near bus/market, laundry, refrigerator. Available August. No pets. 2635 Comstock. Centre City Property Management. 619-296-6699.

LINDA VISTA. Now renting! Beautiful senior garden community! 62 and up! Starting at \$645. Ask manager about our super move-in special! \$445 first month's rent. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Patios.

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MIDDLETOWN/DOWNTOWN. 1 bedroom cottage, \$705. Newly remodeled. 2537 State Street. Call 619-303-9696 or 619-338-0126.

MIDDLETOWN. \$300 off first month! \$698. 1 bedroom. Walk to Little Italy and more! 519-1/2 Juniper. 619-297-0274, x100.

MIRA MESA. \$1330. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Central air & heat, fireplace, washer/dryer, refrigerator, microwave, water filter and more. Call 858-382-9347.

MIRA MESA. \$1250. Dual master, 2 bath. Refrigerator, microwave, washer/dryer hookups, gym/pool. No pets. Available now. Call 858-578-2591.

MIRA MESA. \$1595, 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. 2-car garage, fireplace, one-story. Patio, yard, community pool. Call Coldwell Banker Property Management, 858-488-2228.

MIRA MESA. \$1500. House on corner lot. 3 bedroom with family room, fireplace, washer/dryer, air conditioning, fenced backyard and garage. Charge. 858-571-1074.

MIRA MESA. \$1100. Condo. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Dishwasher, washer/dryer, microwave, fireplace, community pool, 2 parking. 9505 Caminito Toga. McKee, 619-435-2700, www.mckeecompany.com.

MIRA MESA. \$825. Deposit \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry, off-street parking. 8777 Mira Mesa Boulevard #8. 619-804-3325.

MIRA MESA. \$825. Deposit \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry, off-street parking. 8757 Mira Mesa #5. 619-804-3325.

MISSION BAY, EAST. \$775 rent. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom apartment. Cozy community close to I-5. Pueblo Village Apartments. 1450 Morena Boulevard. 619-276-8816.

MISSION BAY/BAY HO. \$950. Newly designed studio. Furnished with queen-size Murphy bed, kitchenette. Utilities included. Washer/dryer, microwave, refrigerator, high-speed Internet, cable TV, monthly cleaning service. No pets/smoking. Available 8/25. 619-459-7440.

MISSION BAY. \$2795. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath Penthouse, views, patio, custom kitchen, pool/barbecue areas. No pets. Nonsmoking. Lease. Penny Realty, Inc. 858-272-3900 x102.

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MISSION BEACH. Steps to beach and bay. Two apartments available (\$1500 and \$1200) from early August through May 2004. Parking, laundry, appliances. 858-748-2809.

MISSION BEACH/NORTH. \$1100. 1 bedroom apartment. Steps to beach. Clean, 2 parking spaces, walk-in storage unit, private patio/garden. 760 Santa Rita Place. 619-379-3337.

MISSION BEACH. \$2900. Modern 3 bedroom, 3 bath house. Beautiful, modern, spacious, fireplace, patio. 2-car garage. Block to beach. No pets. 813 Isthmus Court. 858-459-7391.

MISSION BEACH. \$2800. Block to beach. Modern 3 bedroom, 3 bath house. Beautiful, modern, spacious, fireplace, patio. 2-car garage. No pets. 815 Isthmus Court. 858-459-7391.

MISSION BEACH, NORTH. \$1150. Charming 1 bedroom beach cottage. Available soon. Steps to the bay. Hardwood floors. Redondo Court. Faydra, 858-488-4800.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$2800 and \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2 bath penthouse and 2 bedroom, 2 bath luxury condo. \$2000 security deposit. Available 8/1. 821 Balboa Court. Howard, 760-230-1202.

MISSION BEACH. \$1800. 2 Bedroom, 2 bath condo. New carpet, tile, marble fireplace. Steps to beach, shopping, restaurants. Reserved parking. Some utilities included. Available 8/1. Year lease. Nonsmoking/pets. 711 Island Court. 619-922-6034.

MISSION BEACH. \$975. Nice cozy 1 bedroom apartment with newer carpet, floor tile and refrigerator. Large ocean view balcony. Steps to the beach. Year-round. 721 Queenstown Court #D. 858-689-0602.

MISSION BEACH. \$2800. Large 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 2-car garage, large deck, fireplace. Nonsmokers. No pets. 12 month lease. Available September. 858-488-2944. jfranklin10@juno.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$795. Comfortable, private studio. Steps to sandy beach. Parking and laundry. Utilities included. Super location, across from the Catamaran Hotel. 760 Wavcrest. 858-272-9547.

MISSION BEACH. \$1850. Bright, sunny 2 bedroom. All redone interior. Hardwood floors, appliances, laundry and garage. Steps to sand and oceanfront. 712-C Santa Rita. 858-272-9547.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$1375. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Second story. Coronado Court. Steps to beach. Recently renovated. Garage parking. Laundry. No pets. 858-551-6049.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. 3 bedroom, 1 bath/room. Clean. 1/2 block to beach. Large patio. Available now. \$2500/\$600. 619-291-9833. 619-293-3800.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. Beautiful penthouse. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, balcony, covered parking. Ocean, bay, Soledad views. Security, laundry. Available August. \$2200/month, partial utilities. 858-488-8278.

MISSION BEACH. Fall rental, September through May. \$3200/month. Oceanfront view, 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Oceanfront view. Fireplace, 2 parking spaces, laundry. 2735 Oceanfront Walk. 858-273-4820.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. 1 bedroom apartment. Steps to Bay. Parking space. Very clean. Stove and refrigerator. 847 Jamaica Court. Available 8/3. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

MISSION BEACH. \$675 Studio. Near Bay. Includes utilities, stove, refrigerator. Very clean. 3266 Bayside Lane. Available 8/5. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$795. Studio apartment. No pets. One building from beach. Appliance, carpet. 1 parking. 719-1/2 San Fernando Place. Agent, 858-453-6115.

MISSION BEACH. \$750. Cute clean studio cottage, fully equipped kitchen, new carpet, steps to beach and laundromat, 6 month lease. Available 8/1. No pets. 619-222-3570.

MISSION BEACH. \$725. Immaculate studio, steps to sand. Assigned off-street parking, laundry. Cat OK. Available 7/20. 3600 Mission Boulevard, #1. Call Julie, 858-488-8850.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$1350. Bayfront 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Garage. Carpet. Skylight. On-site laundry. Yard. No pets. 2932 Bayside Walk. Available 8/1. www.caixm.com, 858-490-1450.

MISSION BEACH. \$800-\$1200. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Steps to sand, with jacuzzi and gas barbecue. New carpet and paint. Pet considered. Call 858-353-5555.

MISSION BEACH. \$1875. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 1 parking. Patio. Immaculate. 1-year lease. No pets. Steps to bay. 619-589-1177. 858-488-3150.

MISSION BEACH. \$915. Deposit \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. Looking for on-site manager. 4651 Mission Blvd. 619-804-3324.

MISSION BEACH. \$925. 1 bedroom apartment. Steps to beach or bay, centrally located, laundry. No pets. Parking. 3586 Mission Blvd. 858-483-3534, www.Cal-Prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1825. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, garage, overlooking the ocean, shared boardwalk/patio. No pets. 3229 Oceanfront Walk. 858-483-3534. www.Cal-Prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$825. Studio. Full kitchen and bath, private patio, steps to beach. 732 Brighton Court. 858-483-3534. www.Cal-Prop.com.

MISSION HILLS. \$1100, 2 bedroom apartment. \$1800, 2 bedroom, 2 bath house, fenced patio. Quiet, near shopping/bus lines. Canyon view. Garage. No pets. 619-298-6436.

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MISSION HILLS. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage house. 835 Sutter Street. One small pet OK. Available now. 619-295-7570.

MISSION HILLS. Hidden hideaway! 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath condo. Totally remodeled, many upgrades, bay views. Minutes from Downtown, airport and

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MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$1495/month. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 1-car garage. Ceramic tile kitchen/bath. Washer/dryer included. 1-year lease. 3784 Dove Street. Matt, 619-725-3642 or 619-846-6615.

MISSION HILLS. \$1795. Spacious Condo, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace. Spectacular view of city, bay! Great location. Large storage. Available 7/15. 2 car parking. 619-298-9709.

MISSION HILLS. \$1675. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, carpet, appliances, washer/dryer, fireplace, balcony, view, air conditioning, subterranean parking. 619-886-3146.

MISSION HILLS. \$1050. Charming 2 bedroom. Quiet neighborhood, nice area. Garage, laundry facilities, nice yard. 619-234-7572.

MISSION HILLS. 1829 W. Montecito Way \$1,895/month. Adorable house in beautiful neighborhood. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, sun room, hardwood, double garage, large, fenced yard, all appliances. Available August 1st. 619-574-0929

MISSION HILLS, NORTH. \$750. Large studio, quiet backyard unit with deck, view of bay and downtown, newer kitchen and carpet, no pets, nonsmoking. Garage \$75 extra. 1775 Linwood Street. Call 760-943-8852.

MISSION HILLS, NORTH. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, view of bay/downtown. Fireplace, hardwood floors. New carpet/bath/kitchen. Private deck. Must see to appreciate. Nonsmoking. Garage \$75 extra. 1775 Linwood Street. 760-943-8852.

MISSION HILLS. Big bay and city views. Brand new 1 bed, 1 bath, \$950. 2 studios include utilities, \$700. 3353 Union Street. 619-246-1435.

MISSION HILLS. Canyon view. Doll house! \$1150/month. Live in this beautiful home while on the market for sale with your fine furniture. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. No pets. View www.showhomes.com. 858-486-0588.

MISSION HILLS, NORTH. Top floor location near park, shopping, bus. Retro-style 2 bedroom, 1 bath, (home or business), \$1290/month, 4015 Ibis. 619-299-0431 x16.

MISSION HILLS. \$996/security. 1 bedroom house with small yard, laundry. Some dog breeds OK. 1643 Guy Street. 760-943-9686.

MISSION HILLS. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage house. 835 Sutter Street. One small pet OK. Available now. 619-295-7570.

MISSION HILLS. \$1950. Fantastic harbor view. Large 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath top floor of triplex, 2-car garage. No pets. 619-291-8777.

MISSION HILLS. Fabulous panoramic views from 4 decks! 2 plus bedrooms, 3 baths. Huge granite kitchen. Secure parking. Pool, jacuzzi. Walk to Old Town. \$2600/month. Lease. 619-296-6890. on2thenextevent@hotmail.com.

MISSION HILLS. Upper 1 bedroom house, 360 degree views, hardwood floors, deluxe kitchen and bath, fresh paint, garage. \$1295/month. 1032 West Redwood. 619-291-1377.

MISSION HILLS. Home, \$1900. 2 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath, sun room, stove, refrigerator, wood floors, double garage with opener, laundry hookups, patio. Available August 1. Drive by 704 West Pennsylvania Avenue. For appointment to see, call 619-574-1536.

MISSION HILLS. \$2500. Extraordinary, 3 story, architects condo. 2 bedroom, 3-1/2 bath, large office, dance studio, 2-car garage, fireplace, spa, washer/dryer, 2 decks, patio, security system. Contemporary, bright and sunny. Ocean/downtown views. No pets. 619-299-8730.

MISSION HILLS. \$1025. Large 1 bedroom house. New carpet, extra room, laundry hookups, parking. No pets. Near bus/market. 909 West University. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MISSION HILLS. \$950. 2-story, large 1 bedroom, Pool, laundry room, parking, near bus/market. No pets. 4039 Brant. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MISSION HILLS. \$995. Upper, bright 1 bedroom. Great panoramic view, 1-car garage. No pets. Off Pringle, 1835 Puterbaugh. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MISSION HILLS. \$975. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Controlled access building. Laundry in unit. Open house Saturday 7/19 (12-3pm). No pets. 3549 Reynard Way. 619-464-1652.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$1300. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, second story condo, with view. Washer/dryer, appliances, air

conditioning, jacuzzi, gated, parking space. Cleveland Avenue. 619-286-6511.

MISSION HILLS. \$1300/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Balcony overlooking ocean. Redecorated. Free laundry. Park under building. Super bay view! No pets. 619-299-4606.

MISSION HILLS. \$1975. Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath triplex. Beautiful Spanish style. Great views, laundry, 2-car garage. Fantastic neighborhood. No pets or smokers. 619-222-5729.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$850. 1 bedroom. Quiet, pool, recreation room and barbecue. Dishwasher, on-site laundry, covered parking. No pets. EOH. 619-299-8746.

MISSION HILLS. Quaint and charming studio in vintage building. Clawfoot tub, freshly painted, street parking. No pets. 619-296-2787.

MISSION HILLS. \$300 off first month! \$1200. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Spacious, covered parking, walk to town. Shadow Glen Apartments. 808 Fort Stockton. 619-295-2624.

MISSION HILLS. Move in special! 1 and 2 bedrooms from \$800-\$1150. Pool. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. Close to downtown and shopping. 3505 Reynard. www.sunriseliving.com, 619-683-9239.

MISSION HILLS. \$1595. Cute 2 bedroom, 1 bath house with view. Close to all, hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen. Available 8/1. Pet OK on approval. 619-269-4596.

MISSION HILLS. \$1100. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with balcony. All new carpet, flooring, paint and refrigerator. Looks great. On-site laundry and carport. No pets. 3677 Keating Street. Agent, 619-255-0537.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$1085. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, washer/dryer, covered parking, large deck. On the canyon. Walk to village. 3671 Brant Street. 619-222-1234.

MISSION HILLS/LITTLE ITALY. \$1075. Deposit \$800. \$200 off 1st month's rent. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, patio, off-street parking, on-site laundry. Pets ok. 2545 Columbia Street #5. 619-804-3324.

MISSION HILLS. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. \$1575. Vaulted ceilings, balcony, view, washer/dryer, air conditioning, pool, underground parking. No smoking. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

MISSION HILLS. \$995-1075. 2 bedroom, 1/2 bath, and 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments. Top floor, parking, pool. Spectacular view. Very bright. No pets. 858-483-3534. www.Cal-Prop.com.

MISSION HILLS. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Just renovated. New windows, appliances. Washer/dryer. Fireplace. Hardwood floors. Private Yard. Gardener included. No pets. \$2500. 858-874-0138.

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MISSION VALLEY. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Jacuzzi, pool, sauna, recreation room, courtyard view, located next to Qualcomm, walk to trolley. 619-516-0177.

MISSION VALLEY. From \$875. 1 and 2 bedrooms, 2 bath apartments. Centrally located. Spacious units, gated community. For more information or to check out other vacancies in San Diego and North County, check out www.SanDiegoApartments.com.

MISSION VALLEY. \$800, Junior. \$910/up, 1 bedroom. Walking distance to Cowles Mountain & Mission Trails Park. Large kitchen. Pool. Spa. Gym/recreation room. Patio or balcony. Air conditioning. Extra storage available. Villa De Flores Apartments. 7707 Mission Gorge Road. www.sdreader.com/rent/1008. 619-583-0821.

MISSION VALLEY. \$850. 1 bedroom. New paint/carpet. Near stadium. Downstairs unit. Parking. Pool. Jacuzzi. Laundry. Cat with additional \$300 deposit. Up-town Property Management, 619-297-7368.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. Stacked washer/dryer. All amenities. Includes tennis courts, pool, spa. 6295 Rancho Mission Road. 619-640-7530.

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NATIONAL CITY. \$950. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment. Big victorian house. All bedrooms have walk in closet. Front porch. Pantry. 619-517-1868.

NATIONAL CITY. \$695/month. 1 bedroom fully furnished. Low \$150 deposit. No SDG&E deposit or hookup required. 624 East 24th Street. Office open daily. 619-474-3787.

NATIONAL CITY. \$645. Spacious 1 bedroom. Very nice. 1227 Coolidge. Cogan Properties, 619-283-2144.

NATIONAL CITY. \$750. Remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Section 8 OK. Gated, parking, laundry, pool. 900-910 Manchester. 619-243-4000 x0.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Duplex setting. Light and airy. Upstairs unit. Newly remodeled. Laundry. \$675 plus deposit. Call 619-588-4373.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$2600. Duplex. 3 bedroom, 3 bath house. 2 kitchens. Garage. 2 patios. Overlooking Mission Valley. Spectacular view! Garage. New appliances. Washer/dryer. 619-584-0112.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1150. House, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Small yard, gardener. Laundry hookups. All utilities paid by tenant. 4573 Bancroft. Nonsmoking. No pets. 619-280-3520.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$925. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Mountain view. Off-street parking. Amenities and some utilities included. Visit www.homesforrent.com Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1,395. 2 Story Townhouse. 2 Bedrooms, 2.5 bath. 1 car garage. Newer washer/dryer, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, fireplace. No pets. 4572 33rd Street #4, Available August 1st. 619-251-9213.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$500 off! 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$980. Lovely gated building with underground parking, elevator, laundry facility, air, dishwasher, microwave. Bayview window. No pets. 4526 Illinois Street. 619-280-3867.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. Heart of Antique Row. Large artist loft, 10' ceilings, new, bright architect design. No dogs. 619-325-3700.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry and off-street parking.

Available 8/8. 4840 West Mountain View Drive. 619-255-2308.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$775. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Patio. Dishwasher. Washer/dryer hookups. Fireplace in quiet gated complex. No pets. 4638 Ohio Street. www.jessellproperties.com. 619-282-3583 or evenings and weekends. 619-255-8389.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, single garage, gated, washer/dryer hookups, upper, balcony, fireplace, water/trash paid. No pets. 4512 Oregon #5. 619-697-0603.

NORMAL HEIGHTS/KENSINGTON. \$695. 1 bedroom, upstairs apartment in quiet building. Reserved parking, brand new paint, window coverings and carpeting. No pets. 4319 Copeland. 619-582-3596.

NORMAL HEIGHTS/KENSINGTON. \$860. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, downstairs, in quiet gated building. Brand new carpeting. Garage available. No pets. 4319 Copeland. 619-229-9060.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$720. One bedroom upstairs apartment. Walk-in closet, air conditioning, tile, dishwasher, gated, on-site laundry, reserved parking. 4343 Cherokee. 619-265-8680.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Nicel \$745, \$450 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upper. Clean, quiet garden style apartment with patio, barbecue, laundry, storage. Off-street parking. No pets. Patti, 619-283-7447.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$995. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Parking, fireplace, washer/dryer hookups, very quiet, downstairs. \$800 deposit. 4375 37th Street. 619-284-2608.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$900. Very large 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Parking, fireplace, washer/dryer hookups, very quiet, cats OK. \$800 deposit. 4375 37th Street. 619-284-2608.

NORMAL HEIGHTS New studios \$450 plus, 1 bedroom apartments from \$550-\$750. 2 bedrooms, \$895-\$1250. 3 bedrooms, \$1250-\$1650. Pets OK, Section 8. Quiet neighborhood. Fee. www.rentwave.com. 1-888-575-3179.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, new paint, carpet, laundry, very quiet setting and close to transportation. No pets, nonsmoking. 3030 Monroe avenue. Agnet, 619-685-3960.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1000 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom apartment near Kensington. No pets, at 4742 East Mountain View Drive, #9. Near Adams. 619-299-8515.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$995. Darling 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Newly remodeled. Lovely hardwood floors, large eat-in kitchen. Small pet OK. Overlooks garden. Quiet neighborhood. 619-522-0656.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. 1 bedrooms. \$695. Large units in small complexes, convenient locations, off-street parking, and some with laundry. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$945. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Washer/dryer inside unit, dishwasher, underground parking. No pets. North of Adams. 4737 Felton. Cogan Properties, 619-283-2144.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. 1 bedroom cottage. \$725. New carpet, new appliances, remodeled bathroom. Faux fireplace, small dining room. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$800/up. Upper, refurbished, large 1 and 2 bedrooms. Parking, laundry room. No pets. Near

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1200. Cute Craftsman. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1-1/2 blocks south of Adams. Open Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 4571 Wilson Avenue. Available now. Pets OK. Call 619-307-1636.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$625. 1 bedroom, downstairs apartment. Parking. New vinyl. No pet! 4669 36th Street #1. www.sunsetpacificrealty.com, 619-222-4836 x14.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1050. Condo. 2 bedroom. Garage, laundry room, air conditioning. 2875 Monroe. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$975. Newly renovated 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Mint condition! Laundry onsite, gated complex. Close to shops. No pets. 4761 Mansfield Street. Available approximately 6/27/03. K&R Properties, 858-490-1600.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with built-in bookcases. Quiet, well-managed, controlled access complex. Garden courtyard, laundry. No pets. Near trendy Adams Avenue. 4626 Bancroft. Agent, 619-280-6050.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment. Gated complex. Laundry on site. New carpet, paint, ceramic tile in kitchen and bathroom. Near park, easy access to freeways. 4580 39th Street #4590-1/2. Available now. www.cephron.com; 619-295-1100 or 619-733-9033.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Unique 1 bedrooms. Rich, beautiful designer colors and features, laundry. Small pet considered. Central location. 619-269-0333.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Gated, laundry. Easy access to freeway. Available 7/20. 4330 43rd Street #7. www.cephron.com; 619-295-1100.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1195. Upstairs, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Beautiful! Recently remodeled, new carpet, paint and tile. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 4440 32nd Street #5. Pets welcome. 1-year lease preferred. 619-444-3092 x14. www.coastpm.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1295. Downstairs, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Recently remodeled, new carpet, paint and tile. Private, enclosed yard. Washer/dryer included in unit. Off-street parking. 4440 32nd Street #1. Pets welcome. 1-year lease preferred. 619-444-3092 x14. www.coastpm.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$725. Large 1 bedroom. No pets. Available now. 4621 32nd Street #6. Call 858-483-5111.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs spacious unit, quiet, near all. 4511 34th Street. 858-483-3534. www.Cal-Prop.com.

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NORTH PARK. \$950. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Huge upstairs unit. Laundry. Nice quiet neighborhood. Close to all. 4464 Oregon Street. Agent, 619-260-1368.

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NORTH PARK. \$2050. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Remodeled kitchen iwth built-ins. Hardwood floors/large yard. 2 car garage. Visit www.homesforrent.com Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

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NORTH PARK. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Very nice neighborhood. Laundry. Close to shops/restaurants. 4065 Kansas. Agent, 619-260-1368.

NORTH PARK. \$1325. 2 bedroom, 2 bath completely remodeled condo, granite kitchen, stainless steel appliances, including dishwasher. Private underground parking. No smoking/pets. 4180 Louisiana Street. 858-705-4050.

NORTH PARK. \$650-\$900. 1 and 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Newly painted. Appliances. Landscape maintenance. Storage space. Laundry facility on site. Visit www.homesforrent.com Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

NORTH PARK. \$750. 1 bedroom cottage. New paint, hardwood floors, security gate, large courtyard. Spanish architecture, quiet, clean. No pets. 3919 Arizona. Available 7/25. 858-550-2811.

NORTH PARK/HILLCREST. \$1150-\$1350. Spacious 2 bedroom, new appliances, verticals, balcony, split level courtyard, subterranean parking, on site laundry, access entry. 619-886-3147.

NORTH PARK. \$675. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. Gated, view, new paint/refrigerator, laundry on site, 1 parking. Near all. No pets. Available now. 858-705-4535.

NORTH PARK. \$825. Charming 1 bedroom, handcrafted cottage-style duplex. Lush "secret garden" with fountain and artistic touches. Gated. Laundry. Squeaky clean! No pets/smoking. Available 8/9. 4148 Utah. 858-270-7594.

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NORTH PARK. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, lots of windows, lots of cupboards and closets. No dogs. Assigned parking. On-site laundry. www.floot.com. Call Patty, 619-280-5461.

NORTH PARK. \$500 off! Extra large 1 bedroom, \$775. Quiet complex, pool, laundry, storage, upstairs, gated entry, parking. 619-295-4583.

NORTH PARK. \$635. Studio in clean security building with private parking, laundry facilities, courtyard setting. Drive by 4567 Texas Street then call 619-447-6556.

NORTH PARK. \$1450. Modern 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. New appliances, carpet, washer/dryer, air conditioning, patio, garage, security, gated. Nonsmoking. Available 8/1. 619-516-3342; 858-684-3342.

NORTH PARK. Large front house. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, den, hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen. 3540 Georgia Street. Walk to Balboa Park. \$2095 plus deposit. 760-781-3410.

NORTH PARK. \$1295. Large duplex, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, bonus room. Hardwood floors, tile, large kitchen, living room. Front/back doors. Laundry. 3136 Meade. 858-481-5127.

NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD. \$1695. 2 bedroom classic Spanish house, fireplace, large sun deck, fruit trees, 2-car garage. Beautiful house/area. 3441 Cooper. 619-583-4049.

NORTH PARK. \$800. Deposit \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Very large unit in small complex. Off-street parking (1 space). Laundry in unit. No pets! Available now. 4361 Idaho Street #5. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

NORTH PARK. One month free rent on a large 2 bedroom, 2 bath for \$975. Complex has a pool, parking, controlled access and 3 laundry rooms on site. Clean and quiet. Units have dishwashers and ceiling fans. Pets OK. 4133 Kansas Street. Viewing by appointment. Call 619-640-0112 between 8am and 6pm.

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NORTH PARK/CITY HEIGHTS. \$1100. 2 bedroom rear-house. Between 805 and 15, quiet neighborhood. Pets negotiable. Deck and yard. No smoking. 3635 Cherokee. 619-282-7858.

NORTH PARK. \$1100. 2 bedroom, pool, sauna, laundry. Gated access. No pets. Available July 21. Denise, 619-543-0730.

NORTH PARK/CITY HEIGHTS. \$1195. Great 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. New hardwood, stove, dishwasher, disposal, tile, carpet. Laundry hookups, parking. Available 8/1. Pets? 619-203-5468.

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NORTH PARK. \$1400. Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Hardwood floors, fireplace, washer/dryer, newer appliances, gardener, garage. Cat OK. Must see. 2862 Howard. 858-549-8335.

NORTH PARK. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Downstairs in gated building, includes garage. Tiled kitchen and bath. Mirrored closet doors. Patio. Laundry on site. Agent, 619-234-9553.

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NORTH PARK. \$750. 1 bedroom cottage on shared lot. Hardwood floors. Washer/dryer hookup. Lots of windows. Off-street parking. Storage available. Cats OK. Agent, 619-234-9553.

NORTH PARK. \$695. Upstairs 1 bedroom with walk-in closet in gated 12-unit building. New carpet. Dining area. Cat OK. Off-street parking, laundry. Agent, 619-234-9553.

NORTH PARK, SOUTH. \$1485. 3 bedroom house. Garage, yard. Pet OK. Very large with hardwood floors and large formal dining room. Agent, no fee. 619-223-2524.

NORTH PARK/HILLCREST. \$875. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Gated garden complex, pool, laundry facilities, off-street parking. No pets. Close to all. 3722 Alabama. 619-299-1699.

NORTH PARK. \$650. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Intercom entry. Patio. Off-street parking. Laundry on site. Available now. 3753 Cherokee Avenue. Agent, 619-298-7724.

NORTH PARK. \$100 move-in bonus! \$925. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New carpet, blinds, and refrigerator. Gated assigned parking, laundry on-site. Available now. 619-584-0679.

NORTH PARK/SOUTH PARK. \$1450. Spectacular newly renovated 3 bedroom Victorian era apartment. New carpet, paint. New ceramic tile. Pet OK. Fenced yard. Balcony. Off-street parking. 619-426-3699, 619-427-0700.

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NORTH PARK. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Assigned parking, laundry hookups, water paid. Tile throughout. \$1000 deposit. Near Morley Field. No smoking. 858-442-2760.

NORTH PARK. \$750. Adorable 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage in gated courtyard. Recently remodeled. Laundry. No pets. Nonsmoking. 3361-A and 3363 30th Street. agent, 619-685-3960.

NORTH PARK. \$825/month, \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom triplex with garage. Pri-

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NORTH PARK. \$700 rent, \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom. No pets. 4222 Alabama #14. 619-299-0951.

NORTH PARK. \$1275. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house. Appliances, dining room, laundry hookups, 1-car garage, fenced yard, pets negotiable. 3559 36th Street. 619-698-6911.

NORTH PARK. Starting at \$750. 1 and 2 bedrooms. All appliances, fireplace, laundry, 1-car garage, lower units, secured complex. 4065 Louisiana Street. 619-698-6911.

NORTH PARK. \$825. 1 bedroom house. Must see! Everything being replaced! Laundry hookups. No pets. 4373 33rd. Cogan Properties, 619-283-2144.

NORTH PARK. \$795. Cute 1 bedroom cottage. Wood floors, private fenced patio/yard, laundry on site. Quiet. 3210 30th Street. Cogan Properties, 619-279-2183.

NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS. 2 bedrooms \$795-\$895. Upper and lower units, some have laundry and off-street parking. Available now. Agent, 619-296-3189.

NORTH PARK. \$705. Upper, bright, large 1 bedroom. Parking, laundry room. Near bus/market. No pets. 4342 Idaho. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

NORTH PARK. \$695. 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator, air conditioning. Coin laundry. Parking. 4152 Utah. Del Sol Property Management, 858-270-2071; www.delsolpm.com.

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NORTH PARK. \$895. Charming cottage with 1 bedroom and 1 bath, plus dining room. Near Morley Field. Beautiful hardwood floors. Fresh paint, like new blinds and appliances. Wrapped in a lovely 1930s style fenced courtyard. Perfect for you and your cat. Located at 3366 Grim Avenue. Please call 619-298-4256.

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NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD. Quiet 2 bedroom, 2 bath house with small yard. Hardwood floors. Laundry hookups. Small pet OK. \$1275. 3115 Upas Street. 619-920-4516.

NORTH PARK. \$1500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 1,200 square feet. Washer/dryer in unit. 2-car parking. Fireplace. Quiet neighborhood. 619-670-7046.

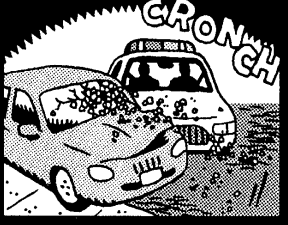
NORTH PARK. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 1 bath plus office, sunny apartment. Lots of charm, hardwood floors, washer/dryer. Morley Field 2 blocks. Recently remodeled. 619-725-4445.

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WE GET OUT, UNHARMED. SHE OPENS THE DOOR OF THE PARKED CAR AND A BUNCH OF TUPPERWARE FALLS OUT.



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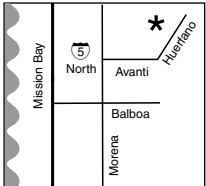
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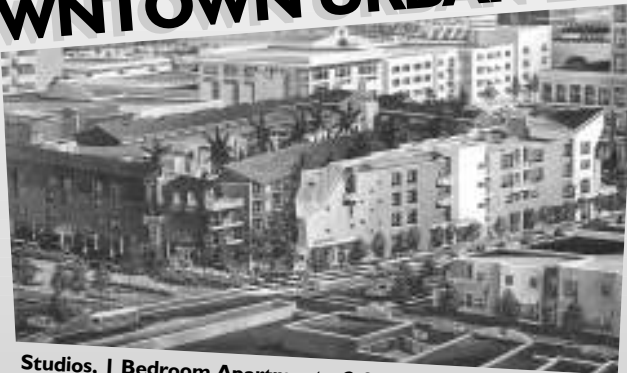


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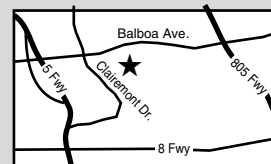


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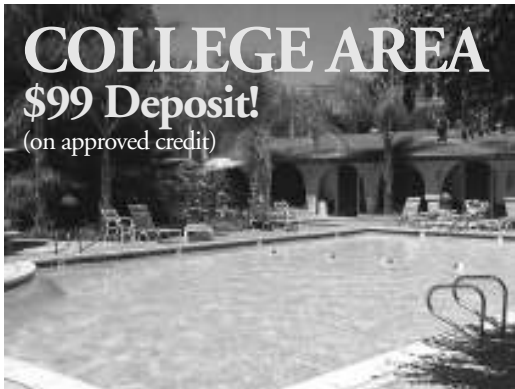


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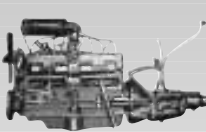
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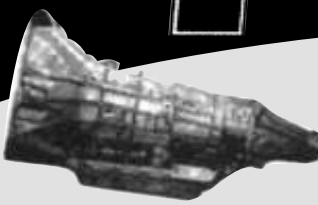
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CARMEL VALLEY. Estate/garage sale. 9am, Saturday, 7/19. Wood office desk, couch, armoire, several paintings, clothes, jewelry, kitchen items, more. 4705 Tarantella, off Carmel Knolls.

CARMEL VALLEY. Moving sale. 7am-5pm, Sunday, 7/20. Furniture, accessories, cookware, and more. 4511 Calle Mar De Armonia, San Diego (92130).

CHULA VISTA. Sale. Friday and Saturday. Household, yard, computer furniture, electric dryer, '50s table, chairs, clothing. Collectible baseball cards and more. 468 Emerson Street. 619-585-3949.

CLAIREMONT. Garage sale. 8am-3pm, Saturday, 7/19. Built-in electric oven (27-3/4"Wx21-3/8"Dx27"H), Graco playpen, golf clubs, miscellaneous. 2111 Cowley Way. 619-275-0094.

CLAIREMONT. Community yard sale. 8am-1pm, 7/19. Pacific Racquet Club Townhomes, 139 homes. 3505-3615 Monair Drive, 3705-3745 Balboa Terrace, more information, 858-483-9797.

CLAIREMONT. Multifamily sale. 7:30am-2pm, 7/19. Furniture and miscellaneous. No early birds. 3621 Mt. Aladin Avenue.

CLAIREMONT. Massage garage sale to benefit Leukemia Society and cancer research. 7am, Sunday. Items collected from over 20 families. Furniture, houseware, clothes. 2624 Luna Avenue.

ESCONDIDO. Garage sale. 8am, Saturday, 7/19. Many silver items, cheap. 1254 Aristotle Glen, 92026. Questions, gna72@yahoo.com.

GOLDEN HILL/SOUTH PARK. Saturday 7/19, 9am. Yard art, decorating items, bookcase, antiques, ladies clothes, pictures, TV's, dishes. 1414 Grove, cross Ash.

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HILLCREST. garage sale. Sunday 7/20, 8am-2pm. Multi-household. 3909 Centre Street, near University Avenue.

HILLCREST. Moving sale. 9am-1pm, Saturday, 7/19. No early birds. Big multifamily sale. Furniture, housewares, linens, glassware, lots more! 3622 Herbert Street.

HILLCREST. Moving sale. 8am-2pm, Saturday/Sunday. Contemporary furniture, couches, sofa set, waterbed, entertainment center, bookshelves, cabinets, dressers, carpets, clothes, etc. 1453 Essex #4. 619-251-8214.

HILLCREST. Moving sale. 7am-noon, Saturday, 7/19. Home decor, bedding, mattress/box spring, women's clothing, fabric. 3776 10th Avenue.

HILLCREST. Huge moving sale. 8am-4pm, Saturday/Sunday, 7/19-7/20. Desk, TV, beds, couch, futon, videos, kitchenware, clothes, etc. 3576 6th Avenue. 619-688-9630.

KENSINGTON. Garage sale. 7am-noon, Saturday, 7/19. 7 families. Lots of great stuff! 4300 Middlesex Drive (cul-de-sac).

KENSINGTON. Gigantic moving sale. 7am-noon, Saturday/Sunday, 7/19-7/20. Furniture, TVs, VCR, CD/cassette players, CDs, books, rugs, pictures, lamps, housewares. 5050 Marlborough Drive.

LA JOLLA. Moving sale. 8am-noon, Saturday, 7/19. Furniture, 10-speed bike, oak computer desk, animated train set, Amstey China, plants, massage table. 922 Skylark Drive.

LA MESA. huge garage sale! Saturday, July 19, 10am. Lots of good stuff, furniture, clothing, electronics, appliances, etc. Cheap! 4260 Francis Way.

LA MESA. Garage sale. 7am-1pm, 7/20. Large entertainment center, other large furniture, clothes, electronics, kitchen table/chairs. Corner of Dallas/Lubbock, near Fletcher Parkway/Dallas.

LA MESA. Garage sale. 6:30am-?, Sunday, 7/20. Nice oak entertainment center, \$75. Other large furniture. 6195 Lubbock Avenue.

LINDA VISTA. Huge sale. 7am-3pm, Saturday, 7/19. Computer, auto, sports, electronic equipment, furniture, appliances, tools, books, clothes, toys, bathtub, more! 7734 Peacock Drive.

MISSION HILLS. Garage sale. Saturday/Sunday, 7/19-7/20, 8-11:30am. Furniture, TV, electronics, clothes, nick knacks, plants, fountains. Corner of San Diego Avenue and Bandini (follow signs).

MISSION VALLEY. Neighborhood garage sale. 8am-noon, 7/19. 50+ families. Don't miss this big one! Linda Vista Road at Via Las Cumbres.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Garage sale. 9am, Saturday, 7/19. Furniture, kitchenware, clothing, and more! 3487 Arthur Avenue.

NORTH PARK. Big fun yard sale. 8am, Sunday, 7/20. Lots of kitchen, dishes, glasses and more! 3685 Mississippi Street.

NORTH PARK. Large yard sale. 7am-1pm, Sunday only, 7/20. Furniture, good clothes, baby items, miscellaneous items, lots and lots. 3521 30th Street.

NORTH PARK. Garage sale. 7am, Saturday, 7/26. Multifamily sale. 4076 Oregon Street, #7.

NORTH PARK. Garage sale to benefit Leukemia/Lymphoma. 7am-noon, Sunday, 7/20. Furniture, mirror closet doors, closet system, clothes. 3417 30th, cross Upas.

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SPRING VALLEY. Estate sale. 10am-4pm, Sunday, 7/20. Oak shelves, sofa, office desk, dressers, mirrors, chairs, lamps, clothing, more. 10036 Sunnyside Lane.

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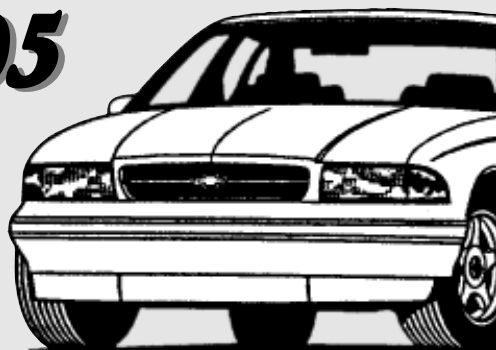
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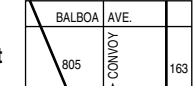
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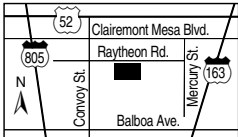
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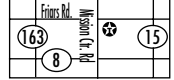

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Cort made a game of golf with Michael Todd sound riveting and hilarious.

By John Brizzolara

A new bookstore in town with the hot-button name Current Affairs not only encourages exercise of the First Amendment, but also accommodates it. In fact, it furnishes the cardiorespiratory challenge of the free exchange of ideas with a backroom tent, folding chairs, and sound system. No surprise then that part of the territory is a little sweaty, red-faced, even obnoxious. One audience member — reeking of booze at Robert Cort’s reading from his first novel, *Action!* — sneeringly refers to the guest speaker (producer of *Three Men and a Baby*, *Outrageous Fortune*, *Bill & Ted’s Excellent Adventure*, *Runaway Bride*, and *Cocktail*) as “Mr. Hollywood.”

The audience member, referred to by my date as Drunky Brewster, was making the point that the movie industry has a responsibility it was not accepting in portraying the United States to the world more...er, responsibly, I guess. I thought the gaudy, wasteful, moronic, and violent depictions we’ve exported have been, on the whole, pretty much on the money. But Mr. Cort answered Mr. Brewster with more patience, accu-

racy, and courtesy than I would have mustered in his place when he said, and I’m paraphrasing, Hollywood doesn’t give a shit.

Cort was there to promote his book, read from it, and field questions. It was the collective good karma of the crowd (I don’t know how many, 30?) that Cort is a good storyteller, a good writer, and a great reader. These things are not a given at these deals. When I say he’s a good writer and storyteller and not great, I’m just allowing for those — say, James Joyce and Herman Melville — who were profoundly better at these tasks. But I don’t think I’ve ever heard a better reader. Cort must have been on the receiving end of hundreds of pitch sessions from the best scenarists in the world, and apparently he picked up on what works. I’ll sling sentences toe-to-toe with Cort, but if I had to pitch to him, I think it would be better for my ego to shake my 52-year-old booty on Amateur Tuesday at Ladies’ Night Out.

Cort made a game of golf with Michael Todd sound riveting and hilarious, and in my book, golf is a subject ranked up there on the fascination scale with the molting cycles of the red-throated thistle thrush. He also read a passage, mostly a true story, where Steve McQueen shoots a chair out from under a long-suffering director. He recounted tales out of school, of McQueen on location shooting *The Sand Pebbles*, having his wife prepare cinnamon toast, which he would sell to the film crew for 50 cents each.

Cort has a real likability and a painful honesty. He tells stories on himself. One of them had to do with a poem he had written and included in the script for *Cocktail*, a poem Tom Cruise delivers, apparently, deadpan. Cort describes reading Vincent Canby’s review in the *New York Times* with trembling fingers, in his underwear, in his driveway in L.A. on a Sunday morning. He was sure that he was about to be canonized as a writer, if not deified, only to read that he was responsible for one of the most embarrassing moments in motion picture history. What he might have expected from Canby, writing on *Cocktail*, gives one pause; and what Cort was thinking at his involvement with half the titles on his

credit list is dubious. But like I said, he can write. He can tell a story.

One man in the audience asked if it is possible to remain sane and honorable in the movie business, in Hollywood. Cort answered by saying that was the question he set out to deal with in his novel. From where I sat, he seemed sane and honest.

Buying his book on the way out, I thanked him for the laughs, and my date had an opportunity to give him one in return. She introduced herself and said she was in the bar business. Her boss at Jose’s Courtroom, Doc Wussler, known as the Toots Shor of La Jolla, commented after seeing *Cocktail* that “The only realistic part of the movie was, those guys [Cruise and Brian Brown] never went near the cash register.” Cort thought this was riotously funny.

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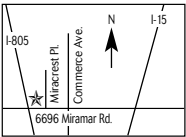
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The Thursday before Fourth of July passed too slowly, like a dream or a bad movie where time refuses to move forward. A little after 10:00 a.m., I loaded my kids into the van and headed east from our home in San Marcos.

“Where are we going?” Angela asked from the back-seat.

“Costco,” I answered. I tried to sound cheery. A trip to Costco with all five kids the day before a major holiday never sounds like a very good idea.

“Can we get toys?” Johnny asked.

My five-year-old son thinks no shopping trip is complete without a little something to add to his toy collection.

“No toys today,” I answered. “We have to get some food for the barbecue

tomorrow.”

When I parked the van at Costco and turned off the engine, a whirring sound emanated from the engine compartment. “What’s that noise?” Rebecca asked, alarmed.

“It must be a fan that hasn’t shut off. Maybe it’ll stop while we’re in Costco.”

It didn’t. Forty-five minutes later, when we emerged into the blazing sun and made our way across the packed parking lot, the fan still whirred.

“The fan didn’t go off,” Rebecca told me.

“I know. Maybe it will go off when we get home.”

It didn’t. The fan continued to run while I unloaded giant containers of milk and hot dogs and juice boxes out of the van. In the kitchen, the kids ripped into their Lunchables (purchased in economy packs of four) while I called our local Dodge-Chrysler-Plymouth dealer and explained the problem to a harried-sounding man.

“Sounds like a blown relay in the cooling system,” he said. “If you don’t get it fixed, it’ll run down the battery. Or you could just disconnect the battery every time you shut off the car.”

I contemplated disconnecting the battery every time we shut off the car over the long holiday weekend. “Could you look at it if I brought it in right now?”

“Aw, geez,” the man paused. “We’re really backed up. I’ve had people yelling at me all morning. Who normally helps you?”

“Howard.”

“He goes to lunch in 45 minutes. If you

get it here before then, he can probably at least have it looked at this afternoon.”

I chased the kids back into the van, and we headed to Escondido. “Can we get a rental car?” Lucy asked hopefully.

“I don’t know,” I told her. “I hope not.” In my head I calculated the cost of the probable repair plus three or four days of a rental car. “I really hope not.”

“I hope so,” Angela interjected. “I hate this car. It’s old and ugly.”

“It doesn’t look so bad. Besides, it usually runs okay, and most importantly, it’s paid for.”

Angela harrumphed.

At the dealership, Howard smiled as the kids piled out of the van. “You’ve got the whole crew today,” he said.

“Summer vacation,” I answered. I told Howard about the fan that wouldn’t turn off.

“I can hear it,” he said. “It’s probably just a relay. I’ll have someone check it right away.”

I shepherded the kids out of the hot sun into the quiet, air-conditioned dealership. Salesmen looked up from their computer screens as we trooped toward the waiting room. As we stepped into the cramped, linoleum-tiled space, I looked up at the television on the wall. A very young woman in a thong bikini gyrated to hip-hop music. The legend on the screen’s lower right said something about the MTV Beach House. I walked quickly to the TV and flicked it off.

The kids gathered around the gray metal drinking fountain. “Can we have some water?” Johnny asked.

“Everyone can have one drink,” I answered.

Angela and Lucy distributed white Styrofoam cups they found next to the coffee machine. The kids took turns filling their cups with icy water from the fountain. Benjamin, who is two, filled his cup to the brim and promptly spilled it all over the tile. I grabbed a handful of paper towels from a dispenser on the wall and tried to sop up the mess before someone slipped.

Ben cried. “I want more water,” he said between sobs.

“Hold on a second, buddy,” I answered.

“Let me clean this up first.”

“Can we get a snack?” Lucy asked. She eyed the giant snack machine in the next room.

“In a little while. You just had lunch.”

Benjamin refilled his cup and spilled some again. I sopped up the mess.

For the next two hours, we waited. We bought snacks. The kids colored in *Say No to Strangers* coloring books a lady behind the counter handed them. Benjamin spilled more water. I cleaned it up. The girls tried to rearrange the chairs. I put them back. I finally figured out how to change the channel on the TV. For the last 30 minutes, the kids watched *Rollie Pollie Ollie* on the Disney Channel.

Howard handed me a bill for \$208. I paid it, and we walked back out to the car.

“Are we getting a rental car?” Angela asked.

“No.”

“I hate this car.”

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