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There are people in our community who have been abducted by extraterrestrial aliens.

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Military Thanks

This is a comment of appreciation for the article "Soldiers' Pay" (August 21). I just think it's excellent. I think that we as a community need to stand behind our military men and women, and their families, especially. I just got back, as a reservist, from three to four months of active duty on the East Coast, and I really appreciate how important it is to make sure that things at home are taken care of, 'cause then you can really focus on your job in the military. I just wanted to say thank you to Thomas Larson for this article. Thank you, and thank you for caring about the military men and women.

> Becky Graul Mission Valley

Burn, Don't Marry

The large-print comparison between the pay of a policeman and a soldier is ludicrous; the soldier gets board, room, and medical care as well ("Soldiers' Pay," August 21). The difference in pay is much closer, but it's not close enough for a soldier to marry at that stage.

The first-lowest ranks are strongly advised not to marry until they can move up in rank and pay. The salesmen may tell us that we can have it all, but it just isn't true. Going deep into debt is a hard way to learn that.

E. Dixon

Stay Single

In response to "Soldiers' Pay," August 21.

My observations of the armed services today is there is not enough responsibility shown by the young people entering the service. Their pay and fringe benefits are not conducive to raising a family. An E-2 makes \$1290 a month with a housing al-

lowance of \$831 and other benefits, not the least of which are medical, dental, optical, and drugs, which are worth at least \$300 a month. This means that the takehome pay is more than \$2400 a month, as taxes are paid only on the base pay.

An E-5 makes \$1903 with a housing allowance of \$1303 and other benefits of over \$300 a month, which makes his take-home pay over \$3500 a month.

In both cases the wages are well above the poverty level. The only thing that keeps members of the armed services in financial trouble is not showing enough responsibility to delay getting married and having children until they can afford them. There is no draft, so all are volunteers and should have some idea of what they are volunteering for.

> W.M. McCormick El Cajon

Also Wants Free Food

Re "Soldiers' Pay," August 21. I make the same take-home as a military member younger than myself (about 2k a month) in this city. This does not include housing, medical, commissary-priced essentials, or on-base gasoline supplemental monies. These things come from my take-home pay. Yet, I manage to live, day-to-day and very carefully, in San Diego. I don't make a bunch of babies because I know I'll have to take care of them. I have a twoincome family to meet basic needs. I don't have a fancy car, satellite cable (we have basic for reception only), new furniture (thrift store), and many other luxuries. Many months, I can't even buy bread and milk until the next paycheck.

I am grateful to our military and believe they should be looked after and respected for their many sacrifices. However, soldiers who abuse the system by being irresponsible and often just stupid and selfish; who bring wives back from deployments because they were bored and lonely; who leave said wives here to have many babies because they are bored and lonely, is a vicious cycle I have no sympathy for. It amounts to a segment of society being supported for being (insert color here) trash.

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Rednecksville

By Don Bauder

With red ink splashing all over state and local government budgets, and services being slashed deeply, any California

city that would pour a subsidy into a professional sports facility is probably doomed to becoming the laughingstock of the nation — deserving the name "Rednecksville."

That's especially true if the

Witness San Diego. On Tuesday, August 19, the city's purported pro football team, the Chargers, released a propaganda TV tape touting a proposal for a new stadium that "would be built by the Chargers without using tax-



Dean Spanos on Chargers' TV tape

team puts forward an economically absurd proposal and tries to sell it with blatant lies — suggesting that the team really wants to insult the city into giving it a pass out of town.

Matt Potter is on vacation.

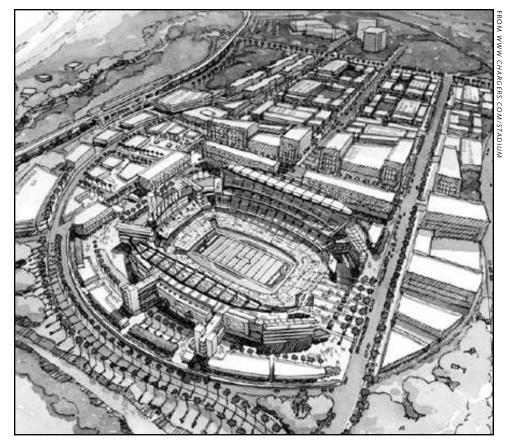
payer money." Multifarious self-proclaimed civic leaders with an economic interest in pro sports — a beer distributor, the project's architect, bankers — praised the

Stephen Weber, president of San Diego State University, gushed, "I would feel very disappointed in the community that I love if we are not capable of this challenge." His numerous critics suspect he frets more about the Aztec football team than the deep cuts in academic spending at his institution, just as the San Diego establishment considers the subsidization of billionaires' sports teams more important than improving education, upgrading the city's rotting infrastructure, rebuilding the inadequate library system, digging out of the \$1 billion pension hole, and the like.

The project is premised on several untruths. One is that there is something wrong with the current stadium, Qualcomm. Another is that with a new facility, the Chargers will be a better team; National Football League performance records belie that claim.

The major lie, of course, is one used twice before: the notion that this will be free to taxpayers. Shockingly, TV and radio stations, including public radio, spewed the lie on cue. But on Wednesday, the Chargers released some preliminary details, awash in devils.

Anyone could see there will be huge public costs — perhaps a billion dollars' worth, according to former councilmember Bruce Henderson, who earlier tried to tell a naïve public that the claims of a "free" makeover of the football stadium in the mid-1990s, and then a "free"



Artist's rendering of proposed new stadium site

downtown baseball facility, were utterly fallacious. After promising to remain until 2020, the Chargers quickly wanted a new stadium. The Padres' ballpark, which was supposed to pay for itself through taxes from surrounding development, will cost \$15 million to \$18 million a year, mainly for debt service.

For starters, the Chargers want the city to give them 60 acres of land at Qualcomm. Attorney Michael Aguirre estimates this land may be worth \$200 million to \$300 million. Then the city would issue \$175 million of bonds. Since when is bonded debt, which must be serviced with annual interest payments, free? Depending on the level of interest rates and the maturity of those bonds, you can probably double that \$175 million as a cost to the city.

Under current lease arrangements for Qualcomm, the Chargers have pledged to pay the city \$150 million until 2020. Presumably, there would be no lease payments on a stadium purportedly financed by the team. The city should dodge some maintenance costs, but some of that \$150 million would be lost. And it's not clear who would pick up the \$60 million-plus debt on the existing Qualcomm.

Also, the city would be re-



Mark Fabiani, special counsel to the Chargers president



Ron Fowler, founding member of the Fans, Taxpayers and Business Alliance

sponsible for infrastructure costs — bound to be a huge figure. In a normal housing project, the developer picks up key infrastructure and open-space costs. But if the city is stuck with the infrastructure tab as well as major costs of two parks at the site, "It could be a \$500 million

windfall" to the Chargers, says Henderson. All told, "The Chargers would use city assets to make the city a billion dollars poorer and the Chargcontinued on page 4

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Electric Water, Shocked Fish

By Ernie Grimm

The gate below the dam at San Vicente Reservoir in Lakeside is closed when I arrive just before 10:00 o'clock on a late-April

morning. The lake is closed to recreational fishing today. But I'm here to see fishing of a different kind, involving neither bait nor hook but electricity.

To the right of the gate, tucked under a grove of trees, stand the offices of San Diego City Lakes, a division of the city's water department. Offices may be too strong a word for the collection of temporary trailer buildings where I meet Jim Brown, (then) San Diego City Lakes program director. "Why don't you follow me up to the lake," says Brown, a stocky man in his 50s, dressed in blue jeans and a blue-and-white pullover emblazoned with the City Lakes logo. He hops in one of the white pickups parked outside the offices.

The narrow road to the lake climbs and winds up a steep hill to the west of the

dam and terminates in an empty football-field-sized parking lot. On the east end of the lot, side-by-side boatlaunch ramps slant down into a cove at the southwest corner of the lake. Next to a ramp, a floating dock stretches 100 yards out into the cove. The area is deserted except for a couple of black coots roosting on a nest of tangled reeds next to the dock, and a pair of white geese on the shore honking at Jim and me. Far out on the surface of the lake, just starting to ripple with a latemorning breeze, a strangelooking boat moves toward the ramp where we're standing. "There's Larry in the shock boat," Brown says.

Larry Bottroff is a fisheries biologist for the City of San Diego; he works for City Lakes monitoring the breeding-fish populations. His chief tool on that job is the boat that putters into the cove, powered by an outboard motor, and scrapes to a halt on the ramp in front of us. Bottroff, tall and lean with gray-blond hair flowing from beneath his cap and the tanned face of someone who spends his days outdoors, welcomes us aboard.

The shock boat is a flatbottomed, rectangular aluminum craft reminiscent of the fan boats used in swamps and bayous, minus the fan. It's 18 to 20 feet long and 5 feet wide. The only seat in the boat is on a raised platform at the rear, behind a steering console. In the middle of the boat, a couple dozen Florida largemouth bass swim in a type of open tank — about three feet by one foot known as a livewell. Another raised platform, surrounded by a metal railing, occupies the front third of the boat. From each of the front corners of the boat a six-foot boom extends out over the water at a 45-degree angle to the center line of the boat. From the end of each boom, six cables hang down toward the water like the tentacles of a jellyfish. And they have a similar purpose — they are used to shock fish into tem-



Florida-strain largemouth bass

porary paralysis. But right now, the chains suspending the booms are pulled up so that the cables are not touching the water.

It's on this forward platform that Matt Dupras, Bottroff's assistant, stands as Bottroff steers the boat out toward the middle of the lake. Once we're in the deep water — over 150 feet deep — a couple hundred yards behind the dam, he cuts the engine and leaves the boat to drift. Grabbing a clipboard from the top of the steering

console, he moves forward to the livewell tank in the center. The clipboard he hands to Dupras; from a compartment on the side wall of the boat, he pulls a lacquered board with a ruler built into it and sets it across the top of the tank. On the board he lays a rusted pair of wire clippers and a hole punch, then reaches into the tank and pulls out a bass. The fish is green and black on the top and white on the belly. He lays it on the board and calls a measurement — in millimeters — to Dupras, who takes it down on the clipboard, "347." Then, holding the fish in his left hand, Bottroff turns it bottom side up and, with the wire clippers, severs the right of two pelvic fins on the bottom of the fish about halfway between tip and tail. "What we do is" — he holds the fish toward me — "we cut this fin off. It doesn't really affect the mobility of the fish. And, if you cut it at the origin, it never grows back. This distinguishes that it has been marked and this"—he punches a hole near the leading edge of the dorsal fin — "determines the year it was marked. The hole will grow back, but when it does, it will form scar tissue and have a big knot on it. And you can always identify it later on. So we know by the position of the hole what year the fish was marked"

He measures, clips, and tosses a few more fish back into the lake until he holds one up for me to see, gesturing toward the stub of a pelvic fin with the clippers. "See, this fish is from a previous year," he explains while looking for the hole-punch scar in the dorsal fin, "actually last year." He points to a lump of opaque scar tissue on its dorsal fin. "That's what the hole looks like when it heals."

A few fish more and Bottroff pulls up the biggest one continued on page 12

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 $San\ Diego\ City\ lakes\ biologist\ Larry\ Bottroff\ (at\ stern)\ and\ assistant\ Matt\ Dupras$

Rednecks

continued from page 2 ers a billion dollars richer."

Then there is the practicality of it all. The Chargers propose to build 6000 housing units. There are only 4000 in all of Del Mar. The 6000

would all be crammed into that Mission Valley site, along with a shopping center (as if Mission Valley needed another one), hotel, and other commercial structures. "I don't know that Mission Valley can handle that kind of

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density. Traffic is already a nightmare," says Donna Frye, Sixth District councilmember. The stadium is in her district

She is also concerned that the development would be on a flood plain and adjacent to a fuel tank that has leaked petroleum into the ground.

The whole plan hinges on the site being declared a redevelopment area. That means it must be considered blighted. "Where's the blight?" asks Frye, taking a page from the ubiquitous "Where's the beef?" TV ad of the mid-1980s. "I don't know what a person could use or say to convince people that Mission Valley is blighted."

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"blight," says the dictionary, is "a person or thing that withers one's hopes or ambitions." In that sense, the Chargers team has certainly been a blight on the commu-

nity in recent years. Maybe that could be the blight rationale.

CITY LIGHTS

The Chargers and their blind followers claim that the project won't cost the taxpayers anything because it won't hit the general fund. But money is money, and it's fungible, or movable. What's in one pot comes out of another. Any city money tossed at the football project will in time impact the general fund directly or indirectly.

Supporters of this pro-

posed boondoggle are even hauling out the old falsehood that the stadium will stimulate surrounding development (as if Mission Valley needed more development). Smith College economist Andrew Zimbalist notes that in

economics, there are few points on which independent researchers are virtually unanimous. One of them is that "There is no statistically significant positive correlation between sports-facility construction and economic development." Some economists say there is a negative correlation, and that would be likely in this scheme. Traffic tie-ups would hurt existing businesses, particularly retailers.

This proposal is another example of the Chargers thumbing their noses at the city — like the moving of practices to pollutionplagued Carson in the Los Angeles area and continuing to raise ticket prices so that the amount raked in under the ticket guarantee escalated as the team's performance plummeted. Under the original contract, the Chargers promised to use their best efforts to sell tickets. The city showed its weakness by not enforcing that clause, says Henderson. The way to get rid of the hated 60,000-seat guarantee is to fill the seats, and that means cutting prices, he says.

The city and Chargers have agreed to keep talking until May of 2004. That suits the city council just fine. City finances are teetering on the brink, and some councilmembers are in deep legal trouble. The council would prefer to let this matter slide. So would the Chargers. Things are at a standstill in L.A., the destination the team obviously desires.

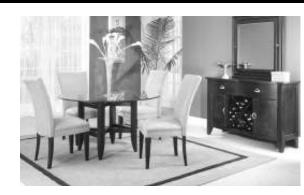
The city must go to court now to find a way to thwart this proposal, "which would be a financial disaster for the city and city treasury," says Aguirre.

Think back to the mid-1990s. San Diego had an excellent stadium that was perfectly located in the county, with the largest parking area in all of pro sports. If this proposal goes through, both teams would be in locations that would be almost inaccessible for many people in the county. Great progress, huh?

With all these negatives, you would think this cockamamie football scheme could be dismissed out of hand, particularly when the Chargers obviously consider it a backup if L.A. doesn't materialize. "I have a lot more faith in the public than to believe they will be sold another 'free' stadium," says Frye.

But as Rodney D. Fort, economist at Washington State University and author of the textbook Sports Eco-

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Shocked fish

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so far: "471," he calls to Dupras. It looks like an elongated football. I wonder how much it weighs. "We don't

weigh them," he explains, "because we get so many weights [from the fishermen] during the course of the fishing season. But this is probably a four-, four-and-a-half-pound

"Matt's dad," Brown re-

marks, "caught one of the only three bass over 20 pounds ever caught in San Diego County. That was at Lake Hodges back in the late

CITY LIGHTS

I wonder what a 20pounder would look like on

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the measuring board. "It would be about here," says Bottroff, putting his hand near the one-meter mark on the measuring board.

When the last fish is back in the lake, Bottroff returns to the steering wheel. In the quarter hour it took to measure, clip, and release all of the fish, the cool spring wind whipping up over the dam has pushed us northeast up the lake. Bottroff now drives the boat in the same direction for about 20 minutes until we reach a small, shallow cove on the north shore of the lake. Bottroff cuts the outboard and starts a tiny electric outboard to the right of it. Dupras adjusts the boom chains so that the cables hang down into the water. Then he picks up a fishnet mounted on a 12-foot pole. Larry starts a generator that is hidden from view in a cabinet under his seat. "When Matt steps on that pedal on the floor up there," Larry explains, "that will start the current. A beeper will sound when the current is on. When you hear it, don't touch the water. It won't kill you, but you won't like it, either."

With that, Matt steps on the pedal, and while the annoying high-pitched beeper sounds, down in the water around the front of the boat, the white bellies of overturned, paralyzed bass start to appear. Matt lets his foot off the pedal, scoops one up, and reaching the net back, deposits the bass in the livewell. There they float, slowly coming back to consciousness. He repeats this process, sometimes scooping two or three at a time. As Larry guides the boat into the tight nooks and shallows of the cove, Matt hits the pedal again, and a new crop of bass freeze and flip, their white undersides shining in the sunlight.

How close do the fish have to be to the boat?

"It depends on a few factors," Bottroff answers. "When the water is colder, it increases the range a little bit, and the shock seems to last longer. Their size is another factor. The larger fish are more susceptible to the shock because they have larger mass to absorb the electricity. It also depends upon the speed at which they're traveling. The faster they're swimming, particularly if they're swim-

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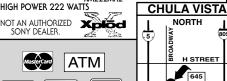
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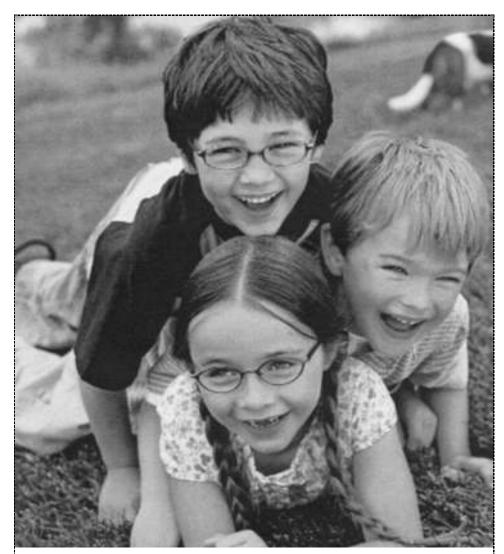




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Shocked fish

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ming away from the boat, the less effect it has on them. Generally, they'll revive within five minutes."

When no more white bellies can be seen in this cove, Larry steers the boat along the shore into the far northeastern corner of the lake, where Barona Creek, which has wound its way through the nearby reservation, spills into the lake. In this area the shocking not only nets largemouth bass, but red-eared sunfish — a round, flat fish so named because of a red spot just behind the eye. Along with the bass, channel and blue catfish, crappie, and seasonally stocked trout, the "red ears," as Bottroff calls them, are one of the game fish anglers hope to hook in San Vicente. They were introduced into the lake five years ago. The Florida largemouth bass were introduced in San Diego city lakes in 1960 and, despite heavy fishing, were last stocked in 1972. "They've done very well here," Brown boasts, "better than in their native Florida."

After working this far corner of the lake for 20 minutes or so, the livewell is packed full of fish, many of whom are fully revived. Now and again, one of them wiggles and sets off a chain reaction of flailing and jumping. Sometimes, a panicked bass clears the top of the tank and lands flopping on the deck. Again, Bottroff steers the boat out into the middle of the lake, where he begins to measure, clip, and release them.

San Diego is the only municipality in the country that owns a shock boat. Brown explains why the city made the unusual investment. "It allows us to capture a sample, mark it, and return it to the lakes. Then, over the [fishing] season, Larry looks for those fish when anglers come in and keeps track of the marked fish he sees compared to those not marked. And from that he can project very accurate population data."

Before we pull back up to the dock around 3:00 in the afternoon, Bottroff and Matt fill and empty the tank three more times. In all they've caught 200 fish today. ■



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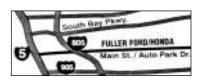
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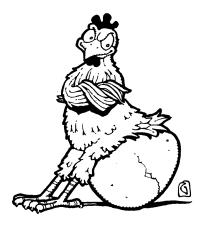
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If I went to the store and bought a big chicken and a dozen eggs then brought them home and put the chicken on top of the eggs, I bet they'd break. So why doesn't a mother chicken crush all her progeny before they can hatch? And what about ostriches or emus or other big birds?

Birds don't actually flop down on a nest of eggs. In fact, they don't so much sit on eggs as lower themselves gently, fluffing out their feathers to trap warm air. They bear some of their own weight on their legs. Think squats at the gym, not the Simpsons hitting the sofa to watch TV. And generally the eggs end up under a bird's wings; too hard for a bird to balance its chest on egg-shaped things. And anyway, eggshells are well-engineered containers that can withstand a surprising amount of pressure, except when placed in a grocery bag.

Where the heck did the phrase "going to hell in a handbasket" come from? It's bad for business. Handbasket Makers of America

The original place people were inclined to go in a handbasket was heaven. According to *The* Dictionary of American Regional English, the expression "to go to heaven in a handbasket" was popular in the upper Midwest in the 19-teens. It meant to have it made, to have your future secured. Within a few decades, the expression migrated to the East Coast and transformed itself into "to go to hell in a handbasket," hell apparently being a more common destination for the average New Yorker.

To Whom It May Concern:

Why can the smell of popped popcorn be smelled farther away than any other food? Is there a fact behind this question, or is it just a phenomenon?

Oh, there are facts hidden everywhere. The place is crawling with them. They're even in the smell of popcorn, along with a little hucksterism. For something to produce a smell, the odor molecules have to vaporize. The faster they are dispersed, the stronger the smell. And the warmer and moister the environment, the more the scent will linger. (Do air-freshener and pet-odor-killer sales peak in August? We'll get an elf on that question right away.) Given those facts, popcorn has a lot going for it, smellwise. Corn pops when water in the kernel turns to steam and explodes the seed coat. So there's your sudden release of odorants in a hot, damp environment. Popcorn is a crowd-pleasing stinkfest.

But maybe you're thinking about popcorn scent in a movie theater or store. Long ago, chemists devised a fake popcorn odor that needs only heat to release it. Add a fan and a ventilation system and you have eager buyers. Chemists can fake pretty much any smell there is, and then somebody uses it to sell us stuff. It's all very sinister. Examples: a scratch-and-sniff gunpowder ad; scented slot machines in Vegas that made people stay longer and spend more; male-sweatscented bills from collection agencies (increased on-time payments 17 percent); fake new-car smell in a bank's car-loan brochures; and old-fashioned-home-cookin' scent in anything microwavable. The topper might be the Chicago scent-development lab that tested smells to see which got men hottest. Eau de J-Lo? No! Cinnamon buns, by a landslide. Pure erotica.

And the truth is now out about everybody's favorite, that new-car smell. The real stuff is the scent of volatile chemicals wafting from fresh plastics: toluene, styrene, ethylene glycol butyl esters, benzene, acetone.... A smell to close a sale by. We recommend you drive your new car for the first 1000 miles with the A/C on and the doors open.

Why do dogs cock their heads to the side when they are confused or intrigued? This is a serious question. A puppy did this to my wife recently when she spoke to him in a very high voice.

Maybe he was cocking his head so he wouldn't bust out laughing, depending on how silly your wife sounded doing her voice reserved for babies, kitties, and puppies. The best dogologists themselves cock their heads to one side each time they hear this question. They too are confused and intrigued. Their most frequent guess is that the head-tilt changes the position of the dog's ears relative to the source of the sound, helping the dog to zero in on the source more accurately. Apparently even dogs can't believe we sound so stupid when we talk to them. And of course when little Muffin tips her ootsie-cutesie fuzzy face to one side and stares up with those bright, expectant puppy eyes, we go all goofy and woggly and make a fuss because it's just so darned cute. Then little Muffin knows she's on to something, and the head-tilt goes into her repertoire of manipulations as a sure attention-getter. Both dog and cat experts say we Americans like to infantilize our pets, keeping them puppy- or kitten-like as long as possible, so we encourage these adorable behaviors with lots of praise and attention. Bad owner! Bad! Bad!

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Ten years later he's back with a new government job, this time as director of the Pentagon's Information Awareness Office, whose mission is to, "imagine, develop, apply, integrate, demonstrate, and transition information technologies, components, and prototype closed-loop information systems.

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That was no problem. What got him busted (Poindexter will leave government service on August 29) was his one good idea, his attempt to become a reputable bookie.

The idea was to create a Policy Analysis Market. It was a market that would have "allowed trading of futures contracts based on possible political developments in several Middle Eastern countries.

This is government talk for proposition bets. Poindexter's market would be an arena where one could legally buy or sell future contracts such as, "Will Yasser Arafat be assassinated before year's end? Will the Jordanian monarchy topple in the next three months? Will there be an attack on U.S. soil by year's

If given a choice, and a choice was given, between being outraged at the Pentagon's plans for collecting every bite and lick of your private life or being outraged at the Pentagon's plans for running a sportsbook, national politicians and the American public came down hard on sportsbooks.

Using the model of a futures market as a predictor of future events has been around for a while. The template for this is the Iowa Election Markets, run by faculty at the University of Iowa. Since 1988, these academics have provided markets for 41 elections in 13 countries. You/Me/Anybody buys and sells future contracts on candidates, their vote share, and so on. Right now there are markets on the California recall, 2004 general election vote share, and so on. Real money, real profits, real losses, real legal.

Here's the point: the Iowa Election Market has been more accurate than any professional pollster, and this is where Poindexter came in. Something about the market, as a whole, knowing more than the individual, the market being able to predict future events more astutely than anyone else.

It must have been one of those feet-on-

the-desk moments when Poindexter conceived the following daydream. "We can start a futures market for less than one million bucks. We'll limit contracts to \$100 in order to keep the action calm and see what happens. Maybe there's something to this random-pool-ofhuman-beings-motivated-by-profit stuff. What the hell? Maybe they'll know where Saddam is hiding."

The good admiral must have been surprised at the shitstorm his tiny futures market provoked. As I recall, "Trading in death" was one of the favored charges leveled against

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whether the movie Hulk will rake in \$202.45 million in its first four weeks of release. They'll trade on whether Kobe Bryant is guilty or not. They'll trade on whether Saddam will outlive bin Laden or if bin Laden will outlive Saddam. They'll trade on whether J-Lo and Ben Affleck will marry before Demi Moore does. They'll trade on if the DOW closes above or below a certain number. They'll trade on which actor will win an Emmy for comedy. They'll trade on...anything.

One of the Internet's pioneers for these kinds of markets is tradesports.com, a Dublin, Ireland-based futures market backed by the country's largest bank. Most of their contracts are made up using a 0-to-100 method. That is, suppose the trading price for the San Diego Chargers winning the Super Bowl is 12. If the Bolts pull that off, then every contract acquired for the price of \$12 will return to you a profit

I was being optimistic. Actually, today's tradesports figures show the Chargers' last contract sold for \$2. If Admiral Poindexter is right, Charger fans are in for another long, long, long season.

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SAN CARLOS HOUSEWIFE

Dear Housewife,

I don't think you must pay Sonya for a day of missed work due to mutual misunderstanding. She was able to make up the work the following day and get her money. I do think you and Sonya should communicate more clearly from now on and agree upon what time she needs to show up in the morning each week in order to gain admittance to the house. If you felt comfortable giving her a key or leaving her one under a flowerpot, that would prevent repetitions of Tuesday's misadventure. But since you had no prior agreement about her being paid in the event of a snafu, I think the best way to handle this is to tell her you're very sorry it happened and to make sure it never happens again. If your daughter has a similar problem and chooses to pay Sonya for the missed day, that's lovely, but I don't feel she is right to demand that you shell out under these circumstances.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

Recently my father purchased tickets from a major airline over the phone using his credit

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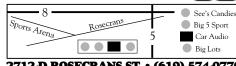
I completely share your indignation. Please contact the credit card company and the airline immediately. There is obviously some kind of fraud afoot, and it should be investigated. It is unconscionable that the airline has not made restitution to your father. If you do not get satisfaction from the airline company and the credit card company says they can't help, I would recommend calling the police and asking them what to do. Your father is the victim of a crime, and the people who created this scam will likely victimize others if someone does not stop them. I'm going to go lie down now. Your letter sent my blood pressure through the roof!

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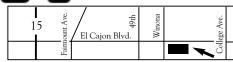
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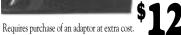
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Over the years, my husband Patrick has gotten better at taming his temper. When we first married, perceived slights would set his Irish blood boiling; bellowed accusations, stomped floors, and slammed doors were often the result. Now, things are usually settled through reasonable (if impassioned) discussion, occasionally led off with a round-theblock cool-down walk. I say usu-

ally because old habits die hard, and now and then, Patrick boils over again. It happened last week; storming out of our home office, Patrick flung the door open with such force that it left a doorknobshaped hole in our sturdy — and newly repainted — plaster wall.

That event got me thinking about door stops, and I began peering at the walls behind all our doors, checking to see if anything was protecting them from Patrick's temper, my children's careless exuberance, and the oddly powerful gusts of wind that sometimes invade our home. A few doors did have stoppers attached, but their springy bodies were bent, worn, useless. The discovery sent me scurrying out to the hardware stores, starting with Ace Hardware in Hillcrest. There, I ambled up to Max, my

arms full of Ace's assorted door

stops, and asked him for a rundown.

He started with the first two, a flexible brass spring (\$2.99 for a two-pack by National) and a rigid brass bar (\$3.59 for a two-pack, \$6.99 for a single of solid brass, also by National), both equipped with a rubber tip. "Both screw into the baseboard," said Max, "and stop the door handle from damaging the wall. The flexible ones won't last as long, but if you or your kids ever step on them, they'll just bend. The rigid doorstops will pull out of the baseboard." Then he told me about the solid brass floor stop (\$7.79 by Ives), a metal half-dome with a rubber face. "These screw into the floor. They stay in one spot, and the door can't go past that spot. They'll probably last forever, but they won't work with carpet; you need a hardwood or concrete floor,'

Max didn't care so much for the hinge-pin door stop (\$3.29 by National), even though it mounted up where children weren't likely to step on it. "They're difficult for the average person to install, since you have to remove

the hinge pin. Further, they

sometimes make holes in hollow-wall doors,' such as those in our home. Also, a carpenter friend of mine had warned that they sometimes pull the hinges off a slammedopen door. "As for the kick-stand [\$6.49 for a four-inch, \$16.79 for a fiveinch in solid brass, both by National]," continued Max, "it's good for holding a door open, and you don't have to use them all the time. You

just kick them up when you don't want them. But they don't protect your wall from damage; they only hold the door open. And you don't want to use them with a hollow door — eventually, they'll break I left Ace long on info but short on style. As

I headed toward North Park Hardware, I thought of my realtor friend Shawn. "You wouldn't believe how many million-dollar homes I go into that have holes in the walls from lack of doorstops," she

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had told me once. "It's something people don't think about. My flexible doorstop gave out after a year, and now I have a dent in the wall, too. And my front door, which is leaded stained glass, is in danger every time the wind blows it shut. But my husband is not a handyman kind of guy, and so the stop hasn't been replaced."

North Park Hardware carried a three-inch rigid door stop (\$.79), a four-inch solid brass rigid door stop (\$1.49), and three-inch flexible stops (\$.69), all by Stanley. All were plain. But I did find something to help Shawn. For a mere \$1.99, I procured a package of two soft vinyl doorstops that mounted to the wall behind the door via a self-adhesive strip. "Those are easy as pie to pop up," commented the clerk. "Just make sure the wall is clean." I also snagged a rubber door wedge (\$2.99 by Shepherd) to keep her stained glass from blowin' in the wind.

I got my style fix downtown at San Diego Hardware. They had rigid doorstops in nine different styles and finishes (\$2.69-\$8.99), including two solid-brass numbers sporting enough cuts and curves to show well in the fanciest of domiciles (\$25.97 each). Kick stands (\$18.37-\$58.97) and hinge-

pin stops (\$1.29-\$8.99) also showed great variety, and while they carried the basic wall-adhe-

sive stop (\$3.39 by Dynatec), they offered 13 screw-mounted versions of the same (\$4.39-\$5.99). These ranged from big, brassy numbers with a rubber center to unobtrusive modern jobs, sleek and silver and no bigger than coat buttons. And when it came to floor-mounted models, the kind that I could install and

forget, they pulled out all the stops: 25 varieties (\$4.39-\$37) in brass both new and antique, silvers, blacks, and grays.

I also found three new models to consider. The bumper-hook (\$8.59) functioned like a rigid doorstop, but mounted high on the wall (out of the way of clumsy feet) and featured a handy hook for hanging coats or keys. Next was a floor-mount $\,$ stop outfitted with a hook-and-eye (\$19.97-\$37). The hook reached out from the stopper and latched onto the eye mounted in the door, holding it in place. For people with carpeted floors, the hook-and-eye also came in a baseboard-mounted model (\$21.97-\$33). Finally, employee Keith explained the store's door catches (\$28.97-\$48.97). "These come in two pieces; one part bolts to the wall and one part bolts to the door. Mount the pointy part high on the door, so there's little opportunity to bang your toe on it." The pointy part ended in

a rubber-cushioned knob that, when the door was opened, caught in the claw-shaped second part. The claw held the door open, but released it under pulling pressure — a more convenient alternative to the hook-and-eye. Keith recommended the door catches for solid-core doors only. "For a hollow door, I'd probably go with these lightweight plastic magnetic door catches (\$4.67-\$7.29).

As I headed toward Shawn's house to tell her about my finds, I decided to pop into Dixieline, just to be thorough. They carried all the basics in several styles: rigid stops (\$1.69-\$8.69), flexible stops (\$1.29), hinge pins (\$2.29-\$2.49), floor stops (\$3.98-\$4.99), kick stands (\$21.98-\$26.98), and rubber wedges (\$2.29-\$4.59 for a pack of two).

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by Daniel Ridge

ernard is my kind of partier. The one bad thing about our relationship is that we encourage each other's worst vices. Or maybe that's the good thing. We never say no to each other and we never stop. That's why any given night with Bernard usually ends up lasting well into the morning, even weeknights. How many times have I stumbled out of his apartment knowing I'll only be getting a few hours of sleep before work, scolding myself, wondering what I'm doing. But it's never with regret. That's also the beauty of being young. Somehow, my body always manages to bounce back, or at least it's able to fake it.

We managed to have a rambling weekend, staying up almost till the break of dawn on both Friday and Saturday nights, then crashing a hardcore punk show on Sunday afternoon. I'd like to say that was the highlight, but I'm not sure. Bernard was in a punk band in high school and used to play places like Soma or the Ché Café. He also played house parties like the one we crashed. We had heard about it from a friend and decided to check it out, driving all the way out to utter suburbia -



Rancho Bernardo — on Sunday afternoon, and cramming ourselves into a hot, stinky garage full of hardcore punk kids, a lot of them straight

Straight edge means they're punks who aren't into drinking or drugs, and usually not sex or cigarettes either. The message in their music is usually super-political too,

tattoos, were wearing the traditional straight-edge loincloths around their waists. It's like a cut T-shirt shaped like a square covering one's private

them. It usually means they're not into sex either. We made it to the show

Rancho Bernardo house party

pretty late and only caught the last band, Detrimental Greed. Chaotic Mess, Tank Rampage, and Waco Fuck had played earlier, and apparently one of them had been making homophobic and misogynistic comments because the lead singer of Detrimental Greed said that one of the other bands sucked and that homophobia is not cool. He said this just before explaining that their first song was a feminist number. It was a good thing that he explained it because, through his

screeching and shouting, you couldn't understand a word. After the song, the guitarist mentioned the other band again, saying that the lead singer smelled like dog poo.

It was kind of cool to see that sort of reaction, that at the core of their philosophy is acceptance and tolerance of all types of people. Considering that most of these kids choose to marginalize themselves by their dress, by their dved hair and facial piercings, it makes

The music was good, traditional hardcore, though not really innovative or different from the kind of suburban garage hardcore that's been going on for the past ten years or so. Though a lot of these punk kids were working a serious style, I do have to say that some of them were badly dressed. Some skinny guys just shouldn't wear tight clothes, nor cut them too high above their knees. Bernard pointed out that one of the kids could use a tag team from Queer Eye for the Straight Punk.

So that was Sunday afternoon, which came at the tail end of Saturday night, a night that had been much wilder. I wanted to go somewhere different on Saturday night, so

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usually feminist and antiracist. Not that all the kids at the show in Rancho Bernardo were straight edge, but a lot of them were. Some of them, with their studded belts, torn black T-shirts, piercings, and

regions in the front and back. As these kids are rather political, the loincloths are meant to desexualize them. It's a way of saving that they don't accept standard gender roles, nor the objectification of







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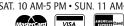
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my friends and I decided to catch a couple of bands at the California Club, where I had never been before. Unfortunately, we missed a girl band but got to see one later that night at Scolari's Office, where two girls were playing a pair of drums beneath red

Bernard had called earlier and told me about a party he wanted to crash. but it wasn't starting till after two. Funny thing was, at the bar, the girl in the band told everyone to go to the same party that Bernard had mentioned, a party in Hillcrest off Washington and Third

After hanging out for a while at Bernard's place, we headed over to the party. There was no mistake we were at the right house. Rockers and indie kids in their early to mid-20s poured down the porch, out onto the lawn and driveway, kicking bottles on the sidewalk. Somebody said it was somebody's birthday party. They asked me if I knew the birthday boy, and I answered, "Only by sight." But I knew enough people scattered about that it didn't matter much.

A steamy dance party was going on in the living room. Supersexual indie kids were groping and grinding, all hot and sweaty. Though the porch was crowded too, it was much cooler than inside. For some reason, a guy I know (who would probably prefer to remain nameless) took hold of the garden hose and doused someone on the porch with cold water. A bunch of people got wet too and went in. My friend with the hose ended up drenched himself, which is probably what he wanted

Most of the time when I go out with my friends, we've got one eye cocked for a hookup, or at least somebody new. It's fun flirting sometimes, or

being hit on, and it's even better when someone's after you trying to get your number or give you theirs. Bernard had it easy Saturday night. He must have been sending out the signal without even knowing it, because at that party some girl ended up on his lap without him having to do a thing.

When we first got to the party we lost Bernard in the crowd. Later on, he appeared again with some girl he had just met. He had a big, dumb grin on his face, and the girl seemed into it too. He said they were ready to go back to his place, but the rest of us weren't ready yet. We had all come in one car. Two of my friends were competing for the same guy, and neither of them had gotten any action yet. They wanted to stay and see how it might play out — a little friendly rivalry. They told him to wait ten more minutes, but as soon as we turned. Bernard and the girl were gone. We just shrugged and stayed on the porch a while longer. Then we walked over to La Posta for burritos. It wasn't till I got

home, sometime around five, that I checked the messages on my cell phone. Three of them were from Bernard. He and this girl were walking home and wanted us to give them a ride back, pick them up on our way. The third message was rather desperate as he realized how far they had to walk. She probably wasn't too stoked, but the next day Bernard said that things had worked out. I showed up at his apartment on Sunday around four to pick him up for the hardcore show, and he was still in bed, all the blankets disheveled, clothes strewn about and Bernard there with the same dumb grin on his face, which lasted all day. ■

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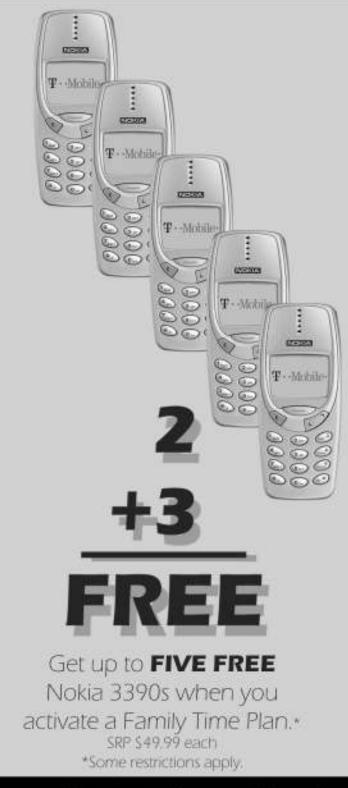
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"A lot of these spaceships are in clouds, and I personally have seen one not

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Rose Gilbert lives in Lakeside, in a home filled with the grandmotherly comfort of overstuffed chairs and family pictures on the walls. The largest picture is of her two adult daughters. Her husband has been dead about 12 years. She likes to garden and read. "I read only good stuff," she told me. "Facts. I don't read fiction at all because it's a waste of time."

She seemed eager to get to the facts. "I was taking care of the ladies when it happened." She had turned her home into a board-and-care residence for six elderly women. "I also had a live-in boyfriend for, like, four years. He was here at the time too. It was May 1, 1985."

What happened? "Well, the one thing I remember was being dumped in bed or falling in bed. Anyway, I landed very heavily. And I was exhausted beyond all — I've never been that exhausted in my life." This was at night? "At night, yeah, and I turned to look at the clock, a digital clock, and it said 3:10, and I said, 'Oh well, I'll figure this out in the morning,' and I just went directly to sleep. The next morning I was up — I got up early because I had to take care of the ladies and fix breakfast and all, so I got up at 7:00 and I flew out of bed. I mean, when I woke up it was like the top of my head was wide open and everything was clear. I knew everything that was happening around the house, what they were doing."

You felt good? "Yeah, and I felt

like I knew everything. Everything was so clear. I knew what they were doing up there, how they were waiting for me. I just homed in on all kinds of stuff. Then I poked John and I said, 'Boy, something really strange happened last night. I don't know what it is, but something really strange.' He drug himself up to go to work, and as I was getting up to go I saw my pillow at the foot of the bed, and in front of the armoire was a little brown bear, and we never had children here the night before or any time prior." You had never seen it before? "Never. And I picked it up, and I don't know, it was like an energy from it or something, and I threw it to John, and he didn't want it either. He threw it back and we played hot potato with the dumb bear. And I said, 'Well, I gotta go fix breakfast, and I'll just give this bear to Helen Leonard.' She was one of the ladies I had at the time. So I went up and I went directly to Helen Leonard's room, which was at the end of the hallway, and I gave her the bear, and she looked at it and frowned at me. I mean, she actually gave me a dirty look. And I said, 'Oh well, she takes anything, she'll take the bear.' So I left it with her and I started breakfast. I was making bacon and eggs, and you know, bacon is noisy.

"And in the living room, Helen Johnson said, 'Rose, something really weird happened last night.' I said, 'What? I can't hear you.' So I shut it off, and I went in the living room and said, 'Start over again.' I was ready to hear, knew something had

happened.

"She says, 'Well, I was coming down the hall last night to have a cup of coffee' — which she did, like, three or four times a night — 'and I saw this pink glow through the patio door, and I went and stood by the door, but I really didn't see anything, except a rose glow, a rose glow in the sky.' So she watched that for a while. I asked her how long, and she said, 'I don't know, maybe about three minutes, and then I went and had my coffee.' So that was what she had to tell me.

"Then I get back to frying my bacon, and I heard a heavy-duty *thunk* on the wall — *bang!* — and I went and looked and there's the brown bear. Helen Leonard had taken the bear and thrown it into the opposite wall." *This was a stuffed toy?* "Yeah, like a little stuffed bear about that big [she held her hands about eight inches apart]. And she hit the wall with it. And I said, 'I guess she doesn't want the bear.'

"So anyway, I thought, 'Boy, this is getting stranger and stranger.' So I take that stupid bear and I brought it downstairs and I put it in a manila envelope and I left it there

"And John headed to work. He didn't know nothing, of course. He said, 'I didn't hear nothing, I didn't see nothing.' Well, I don't know either, because I had no idea what might have happened at that point. The rest of the day was really strange. I did everything I usually did. I went in the garden and tried to work, and all of a sudden, finding myself standing there, just standing there, wondering what had happened! For two weeks it was like that. I couldn't get it out of my mind. I didn't know what it was. I kept bugging John; I told my kids."

Years before, Rose had studied with two hypnotists named Bill and Carol. She had taken classes from them, and she had learned that things "can be brought up." So she sought them out, hoping they could help her. "Well, I'm going crazy here. This is driving me nuts. So I went to Carol and told her, 'I don't know what happened, but I need to know.' So she hypnotized me. She taped it. Two tapes. She always kept one for herself and gave me one. When I got all done I said, 'Are you sure that I was hypnotized?' I mean, the things that came out were so far out, I was not sure it was reality. She says, 'Oh yeah, I could tell by your breathing.' She knew. So I have the tape. I could either give it to you or tell you the story."

Why don't you tell me the story. "Okay. It lasted about an hour and ten minutes. The trip, or whatever it was. The thing I remember, when I started to talk about it on tape, was that I saw these two beings come in. They were hooded with a kind of grayish white robe. Real thick material. But you couldn't see their faces or their hands." How tall were they? "Not that tall. They were maybe five ten.

"Then they asked me to come with them. And I didn't want to. I was terrified. I didn't know what the heck was going on. And they insisted and insisted,

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far from here that was in a cloud."



Rose Gilbert

and pretty soon that worked, and I picked up my pillow and I put it in front of me and I walked across the bed. I didn't get out of bed or go around, but I walked directly across the bed to them. So I get to the foot of the bed and each one took an elbow, and my pillow dropped straight out in front of me, and that's how the pillow got there.

"When they picked me up I started to cry. Well, in hypnosis even the tears started to come down. Because they weren't human, they were metal. And when they picked me up, all my weight was on my elbows and that hurt like hell. I'm resting on metal, and I'm crying. Well, they realized that somehow, and the pain went away, and we took off. I don't know how we went through the door — and I can show you where — I think we went all abreast, we would have had to, and I think right through the wall. So we went out, and they weren't walking, they were gliding. They were off the floor, and so was I when

they picked me up."

Were you afraid? "At that point, I wasn't anything anymore. I wasn't afraid. No emotion. It was, like, 'Yep, I'm going.' I had lost the fear. I guess they took that away. So off we went, and then, as we headed up I saw the rose glow; I saw the glow from the craft. And that was indeed rose. It was a real bright, bright color. And we went up in it, the door opened." You saw the craft? Can you describe it? "Well, just a craft, like a big saucer. As soon as I had got hypnotized, I went in the back yard and I tried to remember the size and we figured around 36 feet.

"So I went in. They took me straight to a cylinder. And as I was going in, I was aware of other people in cylinders along the wall, and I was also aware of whoever was running the show. They were white-garbed, like they were wearing lab coats. There were three, maybe four, of them on one side." What did

they look like? "I don't know if I was made not to see or what, but that didn't register. To me, it was a humanoid-type, you know.

"The cylinders were small, and they bring you directly — at least they brought me directly to it, they opened the door, and it was all like a big Plexiglas container. And just a little seat. They turn you in there. It's obvious you sit down. And then I looked up and this thing, like a telephone cord, came down, with a little cap that sat on my head. Once that was there I couldn't move my head." You said you saw other people in the cylinders? Other humans? "Yeah, yeah. I was pretty sure I recognized one lady. She was



Rose Gilbert

an Avon lady that lived on the next street. I never did approach her with that, because I felt, you know, it's hard: unless somebody else is hypnotized too, you don't know what happened. She probably

would have never known.

"But once I got in there I couldn't turn my head any direction. All I could see was peripheral vision and straight ahead. And straight ahead was the whole workings of the ship, the magnetic thing that causes it to go up and down and whatever. There was also a little rail around the edge. It's to keep people from falling into the screen. There was this big

screen in the middle. So when it took off you could see the earth there, you know, as you went up. And the funny part is that we were put in capsules. This is the part I don't understand and never figured out. But I was watching and wondering and thinking all this time, you know, and once you took off, all the colors would change. It would change from rose to other colors."

Did you have a sense that the craft was taking off? "The only sense I had was that I could see that we were leaving, but I couldn't really feel anything." But you saw the earth? "You saw the earth down there. The higher you go, the more you saw. Cities, with lights. We went up really

high, but we never went to any mother ship or anything like that, because we went up and then we came back. It was like an hour and ten minutes, apparently. And these other people, the ones I could see, there was this one woman in a black nightgown and she had long black hair. Then there was teenagers, and I suspect they had probably been in a car. Two of them were picked up. And a guy that looked like he was ready to go fishing. Those are the only ones I could really see. And, uh, it's just like I'm watching it now. Thinking about, will I get home? Will I see my kids again? Will I see everybody again? Yet, I kind of felt I would. I wondered about the

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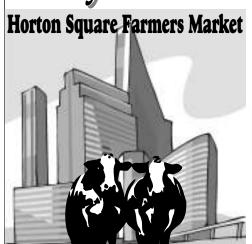
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thing on my head. And I wondered a lot of things. I wondered why we were in a capsule. Because, to me, that was antiquated. From what I had read about different ships, they're not like that"

You had read things about this before? "Oh yeah, I had studied it for some time." What do you mean, you had studied it? "Different books and things about experiences. I'd read a lot. But it was all old stuff. There was only one other book that had this same kind of capsule that the person was in, and that was called The Andreasson Affair. It was a lady on the East Coast that is still in contact, but when she first started out, that's what she was in."

When you were in



John Vasquez

the capsule, did you at that time think it was antiquated? "Yes, I did, because I had read different things about ships people were taken in, and they were taken in large ships and they were examined and all

that, and this didn't seem to be anything like that. To be in a capsule means you have to be taken care of specially. It just wasn't new. Anyway, when I was being removed to go back home again, these same

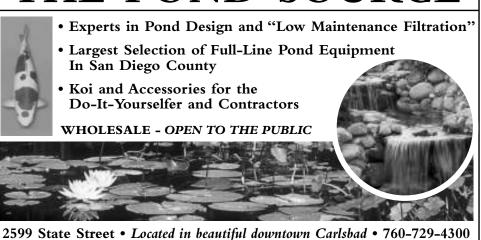
two came and wanted to take me out, and I was the first one to leave, it seemed like, because the others were all there. And I said, 'Well, I want to talk to somebody' — 'course I didn't say this, I was thinking it — and I

wasn't going to leave until I talked with someone. So these two guvs went off and they got this other guy. Well, this big guy comes in, and he was gorgeous, you know? Really nice-looking man. I had asked them to bring me somebody that I could talk to so I could find out the purpose of this, because I realized we hadn't gone to any mother ship. Why did we just go out there and come back, you know? I was all ready for something more exciting.

"He said, 'Do you know anything about the rapture?' I said, 'The Bible rapture?' He said, 'Yeah.' And I said, 'Yeah, I read about that in the Bible. In the end times, Jesus would take people off the earth, "the remnants" they called them.' Right then and there I was shown a picture of the earth — I suppose the end times, because it was all in flames. Fire, fire, fire. And I started to cry. It was like a really depressing thought that this was going to happen to our earth, you know? I cried and sobbed, and finally he took it all away.

"And in its place was another picture of a sphere, a big round sphere up high in the sky somewhere. I could see the water and the fish and the soil and the deer and whatever else and people and homes, and I surmised at the time that it might be about four and half miles around. Then it was taken away, and those two pictures were

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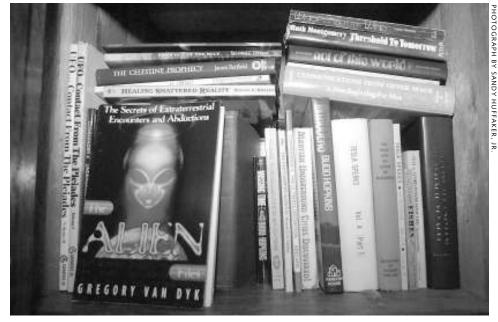






the only two things I

"And I asked him about the sphere, and he said, 'Well' — he didn't get into the end-time thing, because that was pretty obvious — 'during that period they would be taking people and that would be the rapture, and there are thousands of spaceships out there in the ionosphere, and they're all just waiting. They're helping at this particular time to keep the earth in balance. But he said that there's just so much that they can do. They will be there to sort of pick up the pieces, you know. To pick up what's left, and that's what the remnant is, the rapture, and they will put certain people in spaceships and some they will put in these



Rose Gilbert's bookshelf

spheres, and he said there will be a training period, to retrain the thought of our population. Like we war, we're a warring bunch of people. We're killing each other, and it's just so unlike other races. They may kill others, but they don't kill their own. So anyway, that was the whole thing, to retrain the minds so that they would not do that again. And then to put them back on earth, you know, after the cleansing."

You felt they wanted to communicate this with you? "Yeah. This particular way they will remove the people. And I just kind of homed in on 'Gee, that's the way Jesus was taken too.' I

mean, you know, people don't just go flying around! Not when you are on earth and are part of this earth. It says He was taken up in a cloud. A lot of these spaceships are in clouds, and I personally have seen one not far from here that was in a cloud. Two and a half hours I watched it. It was just gigantic. And I knew, but I could not see the spaceship. All I could see was the cloud. And all of a sudden it was gone, just like that. Clouds don't dissipate that quickly.

"Then I got back. I was taken back and dumped unceremoniously in bed. I was pretty tired after going through all that, so I looked at the time and it was 4:10. So when I was hypnotized, I relived it

What about the bear? "For some reason, it never got discussed. But I talked to my boyfriend about it a lot, bringing it up and bringing it up, and he said, 'For God's sake, go to the encyclopedia. Check in there.' So I went to the encyclopedia and I checked all that out and there was the Big Bear and the Little Bear, which is Ursa Major and Ursa Minor, and I said, 'Well, maybe that's it. Maybe the little bear is a sign of where they came from.' That's all I've come up with. But I've gone to some UFO conventions and

been on some panels,

and there were some

ladies that said, 'Wow!

This bear has some heal-

and I've taken the bear,

all to the exact minute."











ing power. You ought to use it for healing.' But I've never used it for anything. I stuck it back in the bag and put it in the closet. And at this time I don't even know where it is." You never had scientists look at it? "I started to take it completely apart, but I took it apart to the point where there was a weird shell in there. Nothing like the nuts I've seen." You didn't have anyone analyze it? "Well, I just didn't want it out of my sight. People take things, and you never get them back."

When you were in the capsule, did you think

they were doing any kind of experiment on you? "The only thing I thought they might be doing is putting information in. I didn't think they would be taking much out [she laughed], but with the little cap, the more I thought about it, they were actually putting something there that would be utilized later on."

When I asked Rose if she felt she had been chosen for a reason, she said, "No, not especially." But then she told me about two childhood experiences, at the ages of five and nine, in which she had somehow

lost time, didn't know what happened to her. Three years ago, at the urging of a friend, she was hypnotized again and discovered that those were earlier abductions. "I was whisked up, and then I was shown a lot of really neat stuff. The history of the earth in the beginning, and on through quite a ways into the future. It was fascinating. I couldn't even begin to talk about it or explain, but it was beautiful, really incredible. I can't even tell you who was on board that time. All I can tell you is that I was taken from room to

room as I was shown different things about the history of the earth."

In the course of our conversation I'd learned that Rose had been interested in UFOs for some time, even before her experience in 1985. She confirmed that she had been going to UFO conventions "for a long, long time." When did you start attending? "In the '70s. I can't afford to go to all of that. It's expensive. I went to two in San Diego." So you've had an interest in these things for quite a while? "Oh, I've always had an interest. I'll tell you when it started. In 1958

I was working at the University of North Dakota, typing theses for professors, and one of them was debunking UFOs. I was reading his stuff and I was freaking out. Whoa, this is really good stuff! It was about abduction cases, and that piqued my interest. I had never had any inkling about anything like that. I had a deep inner wanting to know about all of that, but I was never put in front of it, you know. And then I started reading different things. I didn't try that hard at the time. I was only 18. It was only after

started to really get into

How have your family and friends reacted to this? "My folks were really good. I told my mom and dad right away. Who else you going to talk to? They shook their heads, but they believed me. And then the harder part was your friends. You really can't talk to your friends. They think you've gone over the hill. So I never really discussed it, except with friends from the UFO society." What about your daughters? "Well, they know, but I won't get into it with them.



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I met John Vasquez at the Chevron station on

Sweetwater Road in National City, his place of employment. We sat at a table in a large, busy office with three executive-sized desks. The others in the room, including his boss, seemed to know his story and understand why I was there, and their friendly nonchalance made me think they had grown used to John's being interviewed. Indeed, I was not his first contact with the media: he has appeared on television and radio and has even written a book about his unusual experiences.

He has been at this

Chevron station for three years. When not working, he enjoys spending time with his fateful July in 1977. He was a private in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Benning, Geor-

"It sounds like *Star* Trek, and it is, a lot of it is, but things that people have seen on Star Trek were channeled to them."

wife and 24-year-old son — and attempting to understand exactly what happened that

gia. On the day he arrived, his battalion was ordered to stand in formation at 7:30 in the evening. "We stood out there about half an hour," he said, "till about 8:10. It got dark. A guy in front of me said, 'What's that?' I didn't pay no attention. I just kept waiting for the captain to come out from this building, the CO's building, and walk up to this podium and make a speech. Well, before he came out, the guy in front of me said, 'What's that up there?' Curiosity got the best of me, you know, so I looked up. I said, 'What? What? All I see is stars.' And the guy turned around and pointed to the righthand side and said,

'Watch that.' Okay, it was just a star. Then, all of a sudden, it just kept moving. It just gradually came across the sky. It moved away, and came back. Moved away again, and came back. Strange sight. It was really weird. It's like it had a purpose. Kind of gliding across.

"That's when we were told to stand at attention. We were not supposed to move. But I kind of glanced up, and it was gone. That's when the captain started walking out of the building. He walked up to this podium, and he was starting a speech about our training course and

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things like that. Then I heard this rushing noise. Well, I'm not supposed to move, but I kind of leaned backward and I could see this bright light coming down this dirt, and I thought it was a jeep or a truck, right? But I saw some of Charlie Company's men breaking out, running. And others were standing still. So what is it? I kind of leaned forward to take a look at this thing. By now it's really close to us. At tree-line level, right? And I thought, 'It's gotta be a truck. It's so high.' And I was going to say something to the guy standing in front of me. But he was asleep."

Asleep? Lying on the ground? "No, no. Standing up. His eyes were closed and he was looking downward. I was going to say something to this guy, right? I leaned backwards, and I don't know what happened, but I guess I became unconscious. I don't know how long, but when I came to, I was looking at my feet. My boots. And I couldn't move. My partner, the guy standing next to me, was running, and I noticed that a lot of the other guys were standing still and others were running. They were running toward the tree line and others were sort of diving under a two-foothigh crawl space under the barracks."

They were running away from the light? "Yeah, they were all running. Some were still in standing formation. I told my buddy to come back and help me 'cause I couldn't move. I guess I was scared, or something. And he came back and pulled me from where I was standing. I jumped, and I started to run, right? And I'm asking him, 'What's going on?' He screamed back at me, 'Take cover, take cover!' So we started running. And I wanted

to see the captain, where he was, and we both ran to where the captain was. He was behind his podium. He was asleep. And I yelled. I know he could have heard me. Everybody standing there could have heard me. I yelled real loud and he didn't wake up. Sound asleep."

He's got a whole company of guys running every which way, and he's standing there sound asleep? "He's got people standing there in forma-

tion, and others are running, diving underneath barracks. When I looked at my partner, Allen, he was turned around, looking at something. His face was all pale. His eyes were bulging out. His jaw was wide open. I

grabbed him and shook him hard and said, 'Don't look at it! Run! Take cover!' So we started to run."

How many guys were running? "Maybe 20 percent. The others were just frozen. Each company had 300 guys, and there were four companies — Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, and Delta companies. And after dinner, you've the kitchen crew, supply. About 1300 in all."

John and Allen



eventually got underneath a barrack with Jones, Hacket, and Martinez. They started arguing and cursing at each other, afraid and not knowing what to do. They thought it was a Russian invasion. As they were discussing how to get their M-16s and live ammunition, they heard loud screaming coming from the men who were still in formation. They were high-pitched screams, and the men were calling out, "Mommy!"

In his book, Incident

at Fort Benning (Santa Barbara: Timeless Voyager Press, 2000), coauthored with Bruce Stephen Holms, John says that "out of nowhere, a huge luminous ball of light appeared lighting up the entire building. The light was so intense, you could see the beams of the wooden building from the other side. It moved very slowly around the building as if searching for someone or something. It moved smoothly like a large balloon gliding or

floating."

John and the others were still in the crawl space under the barrack, and as the light approached, they retreated into the center of the building for cover. But the light stopped at the front of the building they were under, and everything was lit as if it were daylight.

John heard a female voice say, "It's okay, don't be afraid...come out." When he asked his buddies if anyone else heard it, no one responded, and they

began to crawl away from him. Then he felt a pressure on the left side of his forehead, and once again the voice summoned him.

"I needed to go out there," John said. "The light was so intense I had to look down at the ground in order to keep my bearings. Even my cap could not protect my eyes from the intensity of the light. I crossed over a concrete section and finally reached the grass where I stood up. When I turned to the left, the light covered me completely. I detected a small figure scurrying on my left and then moving back into the light where I couldn't see it. In an attempt to see what it was, I lifted my hand up to shield my eyes. At that moment, something hit or tapped my left shoulder and I went down. I heard Hacket call out my name. It looked like he was reaching for me, so I reached for him and that was all I remember."

John didn't remember any of this until April 19, 1989. He had a horrific nightmare, and it was so real he was convinced it was more than a dream. The next morning he began to focus on it, and slowly the events of that July night came back to him. Eventually, he was hypnotized and interrogated by Budd Hopkins, a well-known abduction investigator (whose name seems to surface in many of these cases), and this enabled John to recover what had happened during the time he was unconscious.

In his book he









I looked to the side as I was being lifted into the light high up in the black sky. There were many of us going up at the same time. We had a sort-of blanket or cover over us as we went up. We were all being lifted into the bright light...this doorway in the sky. What happened next, as I remember, was that two beings approached me from my left, hurriedly completed some task, turned in unison, and quickly left. I don't know why they left so quickly, but at the same time, I was ordered to keep my eyes closed.

Then I heard the same female voice that spoke to me while in the crawl space under the building. She asked, "Do you remember?"

I responded, "Remember what?" I felt her deep concern while I was receiving a physical examination. When the examination appeared to be complete, I opened my eyes. I immediately fixed my gaze on a small insignia on the wall. Under the insignia was a symbol that looked like a heartbeat or vital sign. The room was a large curved dome that seemed to go around in a circle. It was filled with rows of people laying on metal-looking, floating tables or slabs. Two beings stood on either side of each slab. They appeared to be examining each person much the same way a doctor conducts a physical examination. This was all I remember before she said, "Go to sleep!" And I

When I became conscious again, I was looking at a male

being. I didn't want to look in his eyes because he frightened me. I even told him that he was scaring me and I didn't want to look at him. His almond-shaped eyes scared me. He

demanded that I look into his eves even though I didn't want to.... He explained that it would be helpful if I would cooperate. When I looked into his eyes, three images came to me as if I was watching a big television screen. The first one was a picture of myself standing by the ocean looking up into a blue sky. The second image was a planet that I assumed was earth being

destroyed. The land and the oceans were going up into the atmosphere followed by eruptions of orange volcanic clouds. The last image was of the face of a humanoid. It was

pasty white with no eyebrows, no eyelashes, a head-dressing of some sort, small mouth, and a straight nose. The eyes looked like liquid mercury.

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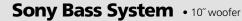
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undetermined amount of time. When I became aware again, I was standing back in formation at the base with everyone else. However, Allen and I were now standing in the fourth line of the formation. I was absolutely positive that before this bizarre incident occurred we were standing at attention in the second line.

When I looked across, I could see Sergeant T with his parade uniform

on...all neat and pressed except that he had urinated in his pants. The Sergeant looked down at his wet pants, cursed, and walked away. At that time, Drill Sergeant N ordered us to go back to our barracks.

The Captain never gave his speech!

I decided to check the time. My watch recorded 7:40 PM. I asked someone else what time they had and the response was 3:30 AM! Another soldier had 4:45 AM! All

the watches had been stopped at different times.

At the barracks most of the soldiers became disoriented, some began vomiting, others were unable to keep their balance, literally falling down on the ground. On the way to the barracks, I fell down but managed to get up again.

This is just the beginning of John's story. The next several weeks were filled with confusing incidents — troops

chasing each other over a restricted area, fighting with live ammunition, experiencing a timespace warp, encountering a giant eel, and battling another UFO, which fired light balls that burned human skin.

When order was finally restored, John and the other soldiers were sitting in a big circle waiting for directions. What were you told to do? I asked him. "Well, we were ordered to go back to the barracks and give all the M-

16s back. And within a week we had this female lieutenant come around our First Battalion post. We were saying, 'What's she doing around here?' She was a little petite woman about five feet tall. She had about six drill sergeants that we'd never seen before. These guys were like ex-football players. Every place she went, they were there. Nobody messed with them. We didn't know who she was and what she was all about until a day or two later.

a psychiatrist. And she was talking to everybody."

Individually? "Yeah. That night we heard a scream. I told Hacket, 'Go see what's going on in the captain's building.' He went over there, right? Came back and said there's two drill sergeants — those big guys — and that female lieutenant, and they've got Sergeant Turner on the couch, laying down, screaming.

"Nobody wanted to talk with her." You were afraid of her? "She was a





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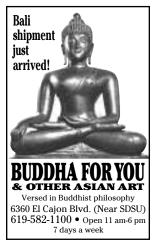


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psychiatrist. What's this all about, you know? I saw someone walking with her, and she turned around and said, 'Leave.' He just left. The same guy I had been hanging out with the whole month, real close, and he just turns around and walks off without saving anything! I saluted, right? And all of a sudden she grabs my left hand. She pulled it closer, and she said, 'I'm going to hate myself for doing this,' and I got a sharp jab right here [he pointed to the side of his hand]. Then I'm under. Drug-induced hypnosis. Asking me all kinds of questions about my background, my family, and everything. And then she said, 'You're going to forget all of this, everything. The only way to help yourself is to let go of the memory of past events.' She had her fingers on my head, at my temples, and continued to tell me

I was going to forget everything. It hurt. And when I came to, I couldn't remember who she was or how I got into that room. She said, 'Continue on, soldier.' "

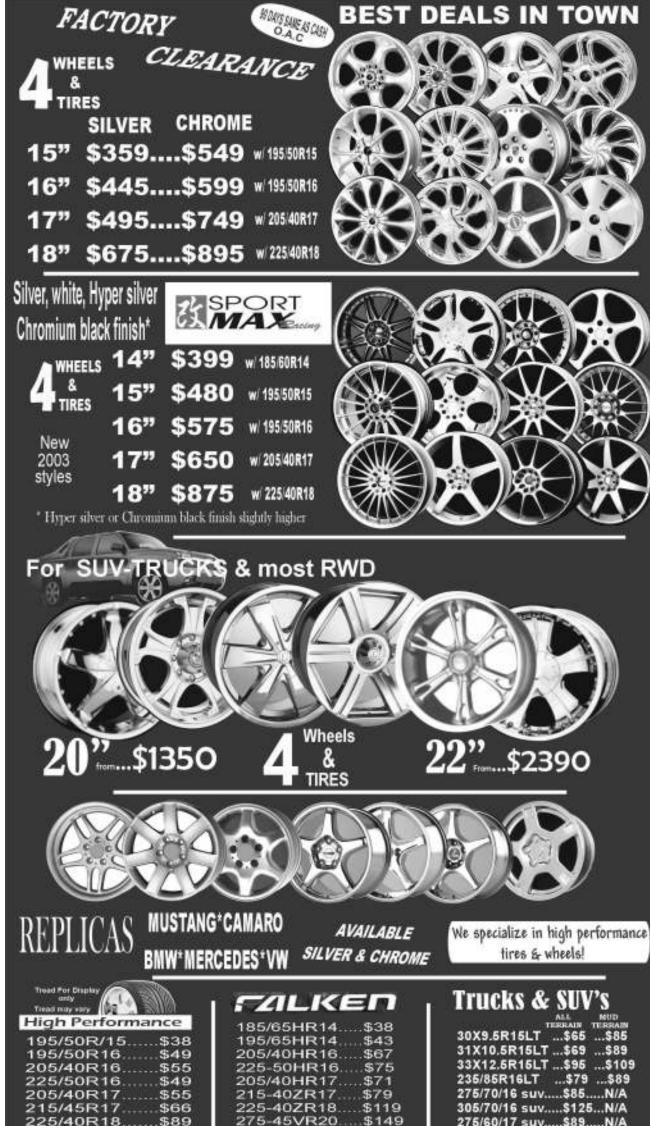
So John continued on, eventually being discharged from the military in 1979. He didn't remember anything until his nightmare in 1989. As things came back to him, through concentrating on images and seeking psychological counseling and submitting to hypnosis, he pieced the story together.

Prior to 1989, had you read any of the UFO literature? Did you have any interest in this sort of thing? "No, never."

Naturally, he wanted to confirm the story. But that proved difficult. His psychologist suggested he begin with Congressman Cunningham, which he did. When he received documentation of his mili-







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tary service from the National Personnel Records Center, there was no indication of his participation in Delta Company, First Battalion, First Infantry. None. When he followed up with this, he was told he was not there, not even as a temporary assignment. "I said, 'That's crazy! I was there!' I said, 'Okay, I'm going to call the VA Hospital and get my medical records, which I did through the congressman's office, and there it is — Delta Company, First Battalion, First Infantry. I was there."

An appendix to John's book has 80 pages of correspondence he has had with governmental agencies. Much of what motivates him is a desire to find someone — anyone who remembers those strange events at Fort Benning. "I'm still trying to find my friends. Am I the key to unlocking their repressed memories?"

Looking back on it all, what do you think happened?"Two things. One, it was a military test, a psychological test. It was in our gravy. Some kind of hallucinogenic drug. Mass hallucination, mass hysteria, right? The second one, it was real. An abduction, some unusual event that we don't understand."

R.F. has been a beautician for 40 years. She lives in a pleasant condo in Imperial Beach, with books and a framed print by Picasso and pictures of various spiritual masters on the wall. She has two children, one a daughter with Down's syndrome who lives with

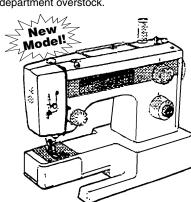
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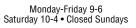
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a door and I started remembering things. I didn't believe them at first. I never wanted to believe it was true. But I did have memory, and my sister had memory too. It started off — the first I had a real conscious memory — I had to take my sister over to the park. I grew up in Imperial Beach, and I was about four or five, and I was supposed to take care of my sister and not leave her. We got over to the park, and a UFO came down. And even at that time I knew I could see it and not everybody could."

You knew what it was? "Yes, and I knew they were my friends. I was dying to go rushing over, run in there, and yet my sister wouldn't go. So, uh, probably what they did is freeze her. You know, I had really mixed feelings about leaving my little sister and going out there, but I went."

You were conscious of this at the time, or was this something you later remembered? "At the time, yeah, I was conscious of it, but I put it on the back burner. If nobody believes you, you stop telling people. My sister was a couple years younger than me, and she remembers it too. When I got back she was fine. They can manipulate time, so you can go up there and have lots of time. And I remember thinking of being very fond of them. Are you familiar with the UFO literature?"

I've done some reading to prepare for our conversation, but assume I know nothing. Explain it all to me. "Okay. They looked to me to be about five five, five six. A little bit taller than other people experience them. They have big heads, but they have a little more of the human-looking faces." Would you call them humanoid?"They were humanoid. Two hands, you know, but



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they only had four fingers. They were a little bit different." What about the face? "The face had a big bald head, and a sort of ridge here in the front [she pointed to her forehead], and smaller down here [she pointed to her lower face], but not as small or pronounced as public culture has it. Sort of like children or small people. Until I became a teenager I was very fond of them."

Before we get to when you were a teenager, tell me more about the first experience. What hap-

pened? "They let me run around the ship." The ship?"It was a round craft. Not too big. You know, it was like magic. You'd be in this little craft and then you'd go someplace else, and then you'd be in a bigger place. And then all you would see is a room, a cold-looking room. Steel, bluish-looking. It was interesting that furniture could sort of move for you. And they would do examinations, and it didn't seem to bother me then."

What kind of examinations? "Just physical.

Everything. It didn't seem to bother me then." Are you talking about the first time in the park? "I'm sure that wasn't the first time, but that was the first time I consciously remember going with them." You had a sense of already knowing them? "Yeah."

Could you communicate with them? "Just mental. But they do have a language. They taught me to read. Sort of an oriental-looking language. To this day I pick up a magazine and I go from the back to the front. [She demonstrated by taking a magazine from the coffee table.

"They seem to always do an examination." What kind of examination? "Well, they can make you go out, so I didn't pay too much attention. They just looked you over everywhere. I think when you're young they put you out. But I remember real clearly that I was getting examined and they were telling me about hair. 'You know why you people have hair...' And on and on. It was really interesting. I

can't remember all the things about it. I think we had some heavy-duty conversations.

"And when I was 14 they got a little more personal, and there was the...uh...they were making test-tube babies, I guess. They were farming ova, and then I didn't like them too much. They were taking my eggs. I would carry these little children for a few months." *In your uterus?* "Yes. In fact, I wasn't having sexual relationships. I stayed with a girlfriend a lot, and the neighbors told her, 'Well,

look at her, she's pregnant, of course she's pregnant.' But I only carried them for a while, but I have to say that I miscarried all the time."

You were conscious of this? "When I was with them, I knew. But when I came back I would forget it." They were fertilizing your eggs somehow. Were they doing this in test tubes, or was this through some kind of sexual activity? "No, it wasn't sexual activity." Did you know why they were doing this?"I believed that they were dying out. That they had

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come from a history very much like ours, and they needed children that could live in a different environment. I had always assumed that maybe they were going to live on earth. I'm not sure if that was possible." Did this seem experimental? "Yes, because the children didn't last very long. One thing, they didn't get the nurturing that they needed. They're slow learners. They don't have the same sort of emotional makeup that humans do. They're not totally devoid of feelings, but they don't react the same way. They're much more scientific, much more curious. They used to frustrate me, because this was what they told me: until they all get it, they don't get it. They did learn that for babies to survive, they needed to have affection, mothering, needed to be touched and have that kind of connection. They clone themselves, I think. It's much more mechanical. And they did learn. They did start bringing people up.

"I had a sense of having a close relationship with my first daughter. They don't consider themselves daughters. But they were interested. And I got to name her." The first one that came from you? "Yeah. I named her Xandra. Where I got that name, I have no idea." You said "her." You sensed that these beings were male or female? "Yes, they definitely had male and female energy."

Were other humans there? "Oh, yeah. There were so many different groups that were working on different levels at different times. I've come to believe there's probably thousands. At the time, I would see people. As I got older, I would comfort people in this ship, or this big room. Sometimes they would have big rooms

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where there were a lot of people in various stages of physical experimentation, surgery, or just fear. Once in a while they could just freak out. And I know at times they brought me there to comfort. A woman was freaking out because they were taking her baby, you know.

"And I can remember a lot of this stuff came pouring out of me

when — remember in the news when they started doing the surrogate parenting? I got very upset, railing at everybody, saying, 'This isn't right!' And then finally it clicked and the story came to me. That's how you remember a lot of those types of...the real emotional parts."

You have an experience, but then your life carries on and you're not

consciously aware of the experience, but then something happens that opens a door in your memory? "That's right. And sometimes you don't feel good. And then there were a few odd incidents of missing time. But because they were so good at manipulating time you wouldn't miss much of it." When you speak of not feeling well, what do

you mean? "You're really disoriented, really kind of not all there. I remember feeling really weird once, like I wasn't in my body. It disorients you, is what it does." But it's not until later that you put it together? 'Yeah.

"I remember the last time I felt impregnated was only ten years ago, and I'm 60. By that time I had no attachment to

them, and I can remember being taken there..." Taken where? "Taken to the spaceship. That's where they live. They have little scout ships that come down, but they also have this big mother ship. And I think that's their home. I don't know that they have a planet. They were from Zeta Reticuli. It's a planet that has two suns, in a different place. Different solar system. They are the ones who are doing most of the experimenting. They're a curious people. They're neutral." Neutral? "You know, there are some people here who are positive beings, and some people who live on the earth that are very negative. But these beings were considered neutral. They weren't angels or devils."

Did you believe that your eggs were making a lot of beings? "Twentythree. Somehow I kept count. I was journaling at the time. One time...the oldest one had died, but she lived to be about 20-some." Did you have contact with your offspring? "Yes. I'll tell you this little meeting I remember. This was about 15 years ago. I was there and it was like I was getting a gold watch for my good work. The ones that were alive showed up. And they were all little people, and there were a few of them that had little whiffs of hair sticking up, and they looked at each other. I looked at one of them and said, 'Oh, you've got my hair!' and you know, we enjoyed it. It was a pleasurable thing. Not too chatty, not too talky. But they were curious about me and I was curious about them. Some of them I connected with on a heart level more than I did with others." Do you have grandchil-

dren? "I doubt that." Tell me more about what the ETs looked like. "They had big round heads, slender bodies, slender fingers, four fingers — well, three fingers and a thumb. But there were lots of different types. It's foggy, but I know there are Lizard People. There are Dinosaur People. I was always aware they had sunglasses on. And they wore bodysuits. It's a highly advanced material, hard to cut, hard to move. They didn't wear

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Did vou tell vour husband about these experiences? "Not my first husband. I did tell my second husband about them." You didn't tell your first husband? "I tested him." How long were you married to him? "About five years. I was used to people saying, 'Oh, you think you

know.' I didn't say too much to anybody." So you were divorced from your first husband, and then you remarried. You *did talk to this person?* "Yes. He didn't think I was lying. Nobody's ever thought I lied. I'm not a liar. They look at me, like, well, maybe you're crazy. Very patronizing. My husband teased me, but he was never mean about it. He knew I

wasn't lying, and I think it scared him, so he didn't really want to hear much about it. I did see him up there one time." Did he acknowledge it? "No. I got to where I was like protecting people, because they were all so horrified. Especially my family. It just scared the hell out of them. It tends to run through bloodlines. I saw my son taken."

What were they doing with him? "They were doing something medical." As his mother, how did you feel about that? "I didn't like it. That's when I really started getting freaky about the whole thing. Then I realized my daughter was being taken, and it made me angry. She has a lot of the symptoms." Such as? "She used to have nightlights, but

now she has lights on constantly. Sometimes she sleeps sitting up."

Do aliens prefer people who have a psychic permeability or openness, or is it just that people like this can remember it more often? "Well, the second part is true, I know." But do people who have these experiences tend to be spiritual? "No, not really. What happens is that it makes

you open. It makes you psychic, it makes you sensitive, and you learn how to communicate telepathically. After an abduction, you're much more sensitive."

Do you have any idea how many times this has happened to you? "To tell you the truth, I think hundreds." When was the last time? "Not long ago. About six months ago. I read a

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Attention, Ladies:

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book called Zetatalk, which purports to tell their side of things, and in it, they were claiming that next May all hell was going to break loose. And it felt like a big, fat lie to me, a manipulation. They do that sometimes. So I really called them, and the next night I went through the disorientation, the weird stuff. I called them on it. I said,

'I want to see you!' " And they responded? You were abducted?"I was gone. I encountered them and we talked about it. There's a place where you can go, like a court. It wasn't necessarily their spaceship. It sounds like Star Trek, and it is, a lot of it is, but things that people have seen on Star Trek were channeled to them." So things on Star Trek are

pretty accurate? "Yep. And there are some creatures in science fiction movies like Stargate, that's what some of them look like. So it's seeping into our consciousness in different ways. I do think that in the next 20 years we'll accept it."

Do you have any sense of the future? Do you think they are trying to take over this planet?

"No, I don't feel that. I don't. They're trying to make a stronger breed of people that can live in different places. I think they're kind of content, too, to live in their spaceship cities." You say they're from a planet, but they live in these... "Their planet was destroyed." How was it destroyed? "Like we're doing. You know, polluting, poisoning. They

were materialistic and egotistical. They poisoned their planet. They are now trying to reclaim their humanity. The reason earth is so interesting to so many different ETs is because we have all the genes from so many different beings. In our case they took different types of ape men. It isn't like we crawled out of the ocean. They take something and then they increase their intelligence. Evolution is partially true. It's evolution with help. All of us are probably a mixture of different kinds of ETs and primates.

'There really is a protection over the earth right now that we won't have much longer if we start going into space." What's the protection? "It's a federation. It

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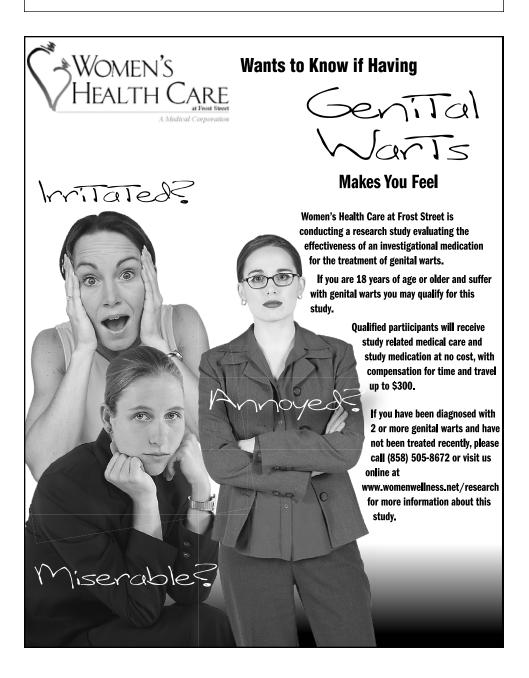
✓ Burning or pain during urination

✓ Pressure in the lower abdomen

All study-related exams, tests, labs and a new investigational formulation of a currently marketed antibiotic will be provided at no cost. Monetary compensation for time and convenience may be provided.

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keeps too many people from coming in and out. There are federations in charge of keeping us from blowing ourselves up. There is a court, a much more fair court than ours." That dispenses universal justice?

"They can make bodies galore. They have little people running around all over the place. They're trying to get their humanity back. Part of the love. The real key to life is emotion, and they lost a lot of their emotion. The ability to love and reproduce, and all this stuff goes together. They reproduce, but they don't mate. At one time they could mate, but they can't now. The key to that is the emotion. They're very shallow." *They have no sexual*

desire? "Yeah. They want that back. They don't really want to be as passionate as people, you know, having riots and things like that. They want to keep their mental intellect, but they realize they've gone too far.

"I mean, you don't want this to be true. You want to be normal. But damn it, you're not. You want to be like everybody else. You want to be able to mock and make fun of people that look at UFOs." Have you ever sought counseling for this? "Yeah, I went through a lot of counseling. I went to psychologists, hypnotists. I had some issues with childhood too, so I just kind of did both at the same time."

What kind of issues with childhood? "Well,

with my mother and father." They had conflict between them? "Yeah, they were divorced. And I was abused." Sexually abused? "By my father. And this tends to crop up a lot." What do you mean? "Well, I've read statistics where they say that, you know, in fact, people use it to, I don't think it's that common, but, uh, with UFO abductees, but some

psychologists will try to turn it into some big fantasy that you've had in order to escape from the world. But I don't think that's true. But yes, my mother and father divorced when I was five"

When you think about these things, what's the dominant emotion you have? "I have mixed feelings. Basically, I kind of like them. I

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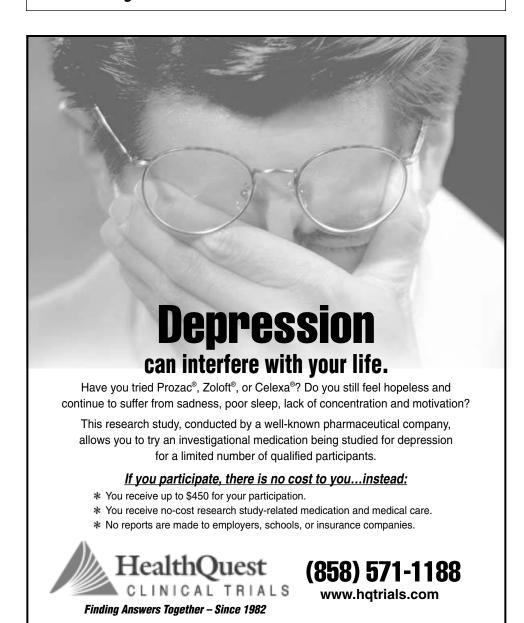
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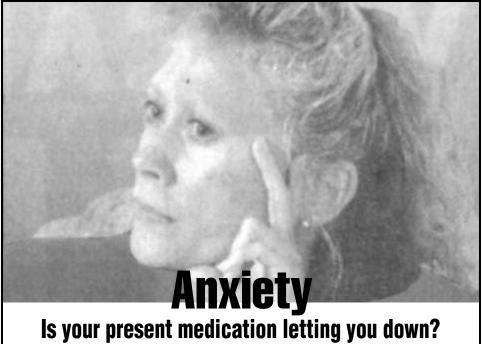
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empathize with their plight. I know that from a soul level I volunteered to be born to my mother, you know. I volunteered to be born for this project. I think I participated in a universal experiment."

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Were Rose and John and R.F. really abducted by extraterrestrial aliens? I put this question to Mel Podell, San Diego section director of the Mutual UFO Network, an organization with 3000 members worldwide. Podell, a retired aerospace chemist, has had an interest in UFOs for most of his life, having seen a UFO in Charlotte, North Carolina, when he was a teenager. Although he has had no personal experience with abduction, he definitely believes in the possibility.

"Many of these

abductions," he told me, "can be ascribed to hallucinations, nightmares, psychological conditions, but since there have been so many of them worldwide, I believe that a certain number are genuine. I like to think they are for a reason, to obtain knowledge, that maybe it's going to help the universe. I don't know. Maybe they have cosmological meaning."

Podell, a scientist by training and profession, seemed the right person to query about something that had been troubling me: Doesn't it seem odd, I asked him, that beings who are so advanced in terms of physics that they can travel at the speed of light, and who have such power that they can manipulate time and induce amnesia, are nevertheless conducting extremely primitive biological experiments on humans? If they have the ability to get here, why can't they figure out a way to reproduce themselves without resorting to stealing a woman's ova?

Podell agreed this sounded like an inconsistency, and he said the point has been made many times. "However," he continued, "some individuals are strong in one area and weak in other areas, and to me, in my mind, it's possible that a civilization could be strong in one area and weak in another area. You can have an Einstein, but I hear he couldn't even do his taxes. It may sound strange, but to me it's a possibility."

Before we finished our conversation Podell said, "One doesn't know all the answers. I just try to keep an open mind myself."

I, too, try to keep an open mind. Reality is infinitely more complex, layered with more mysteries, than any of us comprehend. But keeping an open mind, it seems to me, means being open to the complexity of the mind itself, being willing to acknowledge the potential power not just of outer space but of inner space. Within every person are great depths, often unconscious, and in these depths live needs and desires with power enough to shape perceptions and interpret experiences. Unresolved pain and desire for healing, jagged brokenness and hunger for wholeness, unbearable loneliness and yearning

for community, undeni-

able mortality and long-

ing for transcendence —

these things and more

create a highly com-

bustible fuel that can

rocket a person well beyond the gravitational pull of the "normal."

Near the end of his life, Carl Jung became fascinated with UFO sightings. He believed they possessed significance and merited considerable reflection. According to Anthony Stevens, Jung "concluded that UFOs were a modern myth, a compensation by the collective unconscious for our rational scepticism and our need for symbols of wholeness in a deeply divided world" (On Jung, Penguin, 1991). By "myth" Jung did not mean to trivialize the matter but rather to invest it with great significance. Myths are necessary for psychological health, Jung believed; we create them to help us understand ourselves and find a necessary meaning for our existence.

Is it insignificant, for example, that UFOs and the spaceships seen by abductees are circular in shape, the ancient symbol of wholeness? And is it inconsequential that the abductors are extraterrestrial, from a transcendent realm? Is it not possible that the experiences of Rose and John and R.F. are truly real — real in the sense of being actual, concrete manifestations of a deeply religious longing in the human heart?

Stephen Spielberg has been so fascinated

with abduction stories that he produced the recently aired TV series *Taken*. In an interview with the *New York Times*, he spoke of his obsession: "It's the whole idea of what does it mean to be abducted. I think it's really a giving over to a superior power, the kind that takes responsibility away from us and takes over our lives."

A friend of mine says abduction stories simply come from our desire for narrative, an inherent need we all have for "and then this happened." She may be right. But I would take it a step further: if we want to see ourselves as part of a narrative, it may be because a story implies a beginning and an end and a coherent connection of the events in between — and all this implies meaning. Is my life part of something larger than the daily thus-and-so-ness I must grind my way through? Is it going anywhere?

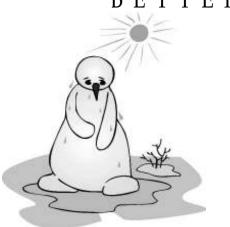
So Rose is drawn to tales of UFOs and abductions, reading books and attending conferences and talking with fellow believers. This becomes an interpretative myth, a narrative in which she finds herself. Is it surprising that one night she is taken up into a great light — a rose light? Rose becomes herself, as it were, and that helps her become more than

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herself. As she rises, the light changes "from rose to other colors." Rose both discovers herself and transcends herself.

And is it coincidental that R.F. was first abducted at the age of five — at the time her parents were divorcing? Who can doubt that she would want to run from family fragmentation into symbolic wholeness, from the pain of

this world to salvation from the heavens? Who can doubt that the violation of her body from an abusive father could readily be incorporated into a meaningful myth, a story in which she surrenders to omnipotent powers and in which the violation of her body serves cosmic purposes of healing? When, toward the end of our conversation, R.F. told

me of her sexual abuse, her sentences broke, became fragmented, as if they couldn't carry the load of meaning that she herself understood.

I'm not suggesting that the stories of abduction, for Rose and R.F., are evidences of lost sanity. Quite the contrary. I think the stories are a means of maintaining sanity in a confusing and painful world. They provide a mythological framework, a way to cope with the often unbearable weight of being human.

But what about John Vasquez? His story seems different from Rose's or R.F.'s. It doesn't as much provide an explanation as call for an explanation; it doesn't sew things together as much as tear them apart. Certainly the incident at Fort Benning has provided John with an identity, even given him a minor notoriety. Perhaps it is nothing more than this; perhaps he, too, is finding meaning in a larger myth. But in his case this seems a less satisfactory answer. His confusion is utterly convincing. As you talk to him, you get the feeling he would be relieved to

learn that the Army had put something in the gravy that night.

So what happened? Was he part of some sort of psychological testing? Or was he part of some unexplained collision of worlds during that summer of

As Mel Podell said, "One doesn't know all the answers." ■

— Donald McCullough

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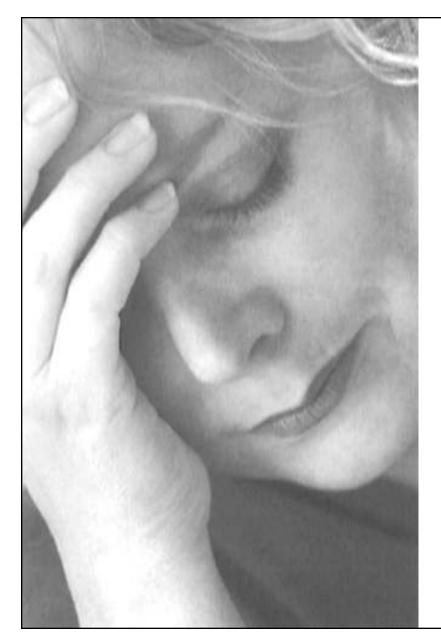
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DON'T LIKE

AND BLUSH LOOK

GOOD."

ico," 15, will be going into tenth grade at Morse High School. He lives in the South Bay.

Do you have a girlfriend?

What do you look for in a girl?

"I look for a girl with a great personality [who is] talkative, funny, and who looks for emotions and not looks."

What do you dislike about girls?

"I dislike conceited girls and girls who only go out with you for sex and money."

What do you think girls dislike about guys?

"I think they dislike guys who are full of themselves and think they're better and more popular than other people

What do girls like about guys?

"Some girls like emotions, some like money, some like looks, and some like sex."

Do you compare girls you like to celebrities that you like?

Why do you think a girl would turn you down?

"She probably doesn't like me, or she isn't in a right time in her life."

What do you do to impress a girl?

"I just play DDR [Dance Dance Revolution, an arcade game that measures dance proficiency] or I try to show off in

Are you willing to be a little more sensitive for a girl that you

"Yes, definitely."

Do you like it when a girl hits on you? "Yeah, I guess it's cool."

Would you be with a girl who tries to control you?

"No. If she controlled me, I wouldn't have free will."

What perfumes do you like to smell on a

girl?
"I don't really care, as long as they like me for who I am."

What clothes do you like best on a girl? "I like clothes that make the girl feel comfortable."

What kind of makeup do you like best on a girl?

"I just don't like a lot of makeup, but eyeliner and lipstick and blush look good."

What kind of jewelry do you like best on a girl?

"Just the occasional necklace and rings."

How do you know when a girl is having her period?

"When she acts bitchy."

What did your mother tell you to look

for in a girl?
" 'The girl with a rich family!' says my mom."

What did your father tell you to look for in a girl?

"He said, 'Make sure they're in the Navy.' "

tis," from Philadelphia, is 18. He's done with school.

Do you have a girlfriend?

What do you like about her?

"Her smile, her hair, and the way she smells so-o-o good!"

What don't you like about her?

"She's a gangster."

What do you look for in a girl?

What do you dislike about girls? "The way they think about guys."

What do you think girls dislike about

guys?

"A lot of guys are hardheaded." What do girls like about guys?

"When they get their head hard."

Do you compare girls you like to celebrities that you like?

"Nope! Why should I?"

Why do you think a girl would turn you down?

"Maybe because I asked her out or I had a booger up my nose."

What do you do to impress a girl? "Every little sweet thing I can think

Are you willing to be a little more sensitive for a girl that you like?

"I'm already sensitive."

Do you like it when a girl hits on you? "Not really."

Would you be with a girl who tries to control you?

"If she's really nice and caring, yeah, I would."

What perfumes do you like to smell on a girl?

"CK or Tommy Hilfiger is good."

What clothes do you like best on a girl? "I like them Abercrombie & Fitch chicks."

What kind of makeup do you like best on a girl?

"Eye shadow and maybe a little lipstick."

What kind of jewelry do you like best on a girl?

"Jewelry sucks."

How do you know when a girl is having her period?

"When she smells funny."

What did your mother tell you to look for in a girl?

"Some boobs."

What did your father tell you to look for in a girl?

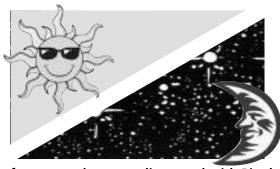
"Some booty."

eventeen-year-old "Henry" recently graduated from Clairemont High School. He's now a

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BIPOLAR?



We're looking for men and women diagnosed with Bipolar I Disorder. Volunteers at least 18 years of age are needed to participate in a clinical research study testing an investigational use of a marketed drug for the treatment of Bipolar Disorder, also known as Manic Depression. Patients suffering from Bipolar Disorder must be currently experiencing a major depressive episode. All necessary office visits, medical evaluations, and study medications will be provided at no cost to qualified patients.



For more information about this study, please contact:

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Do you normally sleep 6 hours or less a night and have no problem with drowsiness during the day?



If you answered yes to one of these questions and are a healthy adult between the ages of 18 and 59 with no history of alcohol or drug abuse or psychiatric disorders, you may be eligible.

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For more information about this study, please contact: **MEDICAL CENTER FOR CLINICAL RESEARCH** Annie at (619) 521-2884

freshman at Drexel
University.
Do you have a
girlfriend?
"No."
What do you look for in
a girl?
"Mostly looks and
personality."
What do you dislike

about girls?
"Too much makeup; it looks gross."
What do you think girls

dislike about guys?
"Their nasty smell or probably being boring."
What do girls like about guys?

"A strong, muscular guy who gives them a sense of security."

Do you compare girls you like to celebrities that you like? "I don't think so, 'cause I know they don't like

I know they don't like it."

Why do you think a girl

would turn you down? 'Cause I'm ugly...who knows? Each one of them is different." What do you do to impress a girl? "Usually just dance, if I'm in a club." Are you willing to be a little more sensitive for a girl that you like? "I'm sensitive enough to cry a bowl of tears." Do vou like it when a girl hits on you? "Depends if it's a friendly or a hate hit." Would you be with a girl who tries to control you? "Probably not; she'd make me do stupid things." What perfumes do you

What perfumes do you like to smell on a girl? "Anything that don't make me sneeze is good. I hate it when girls overdo it." What clothes do you like best on a girl? "Raver-girl outfit...they look cute."

What kind of makeup do you like best on a girl? "Something light or natural."

What kind of jewelry do you like best on a girl? "Diamonds last forever."

How do you know when a girl is having her period?

"When she is kind of acting weird."
What did your mother tell you to look for in a girl?

"Make sure she's no

If you can't sleep, Read This



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gangster." What did your father tell you to look for in a girl? "He said stay away from them."

liver," a 17-year-old who lives in the South Bay, is going into 12th grade at Lincoln High School. Do you have a girlfriend? "No."

What do you look for in a girl?

"I look for a girl who is pretty and understands what to do in a relationship." What do you dislike about girls? "Smoking, drugs...selfish and stupid girls." What do you think girls dislike about guys? "How guys treat their

girls." What do girls like about guys?

"How guys listen to what they're going through."

Do you compare girls you like to celebrities that you like?

"Nope." Why do you think a girl would turn you down? "They always say, 'You're too nice for me' or 'I'm not good enough for you.' I'm a nice guy, that's why." What do you do to

impress a girl?

good at."

"Whatever that I'm

Are you willing to be a little more sensitive for a girl that you like? Like I said, I'm a nice guy; that's good enough."

Do you like it when a girl hits on you? 'Only when they're pretty; that's when you feel good."

Would you be with a girl who tries to control you? "No; that's also known as being 'whipped.' " What kind of perfumes do you like to smell on a

girl?
"Nothing too strong; [it's] got to be light." What kind of clothes do you like best on a girl? "Skirts."

What kind of makeup do you like best on a girl? "No makeup; I like it all natural."

What kind of jewelry do you like best on a girl? "Anything, but it can't be thick."

How do you know when a girl is having her period?

"When they are acting different."

What did your mother tell you to look for in a girl?

"Get a smart and pretty girl."

What did your father tell you to look for in a girl? "Get a rich girl."

uncan," 16, attends Western High School in Ana-

RESEARCH STUDIES

heim. He's a senior. Do you have a girlfriend? 'Yes."

What do you like about her?

"The way she can make me feel a certain way nobody else can." What don't you like about her?

"She could be indecisive about big decisions, flirt with my friends." What do you look for in a girl?

"Being real, I'm going to say beauty.

And...personality is always good. If they are beautiful with an uglyass personality, forget 'em."

What do you dislike about girls?

"Snotty girls that think they are superior; highmaintenance girls that are too hot to hold, too much to handle; materialistic girls that want all the riches; girls that lead guys on; fake girls, mean girls; the fact that you can't live with them and you can't live without them."

What do you think girls dislike about guys? "Rudeness, immatureness, dirtiness, fakeness, horrible style, liars, cheaters, players." What do girls like about guys?

"Truthfulness, ability to talk to, [ability to] make them laugh, cry...spoil with little gifts. The

browns. Kind of like the way I dress, but in a girl way." What kind of makeup do

sentimental things:

poetry, love, and art."

Do you compare girls

you like to celebrities

"No, 'cause it is rude

[of] self-confidence."

and deprives...the girls

Why do you think a girl

would turn you down?

that you like?

"Another guy."

impress a girl?

express myself."

girl that you like?

What do you do to

"Show her that she

means something more

to me, and the ways I

Are you willing to be a

"Hell yeah; sensitivity

already covered. Sensi-

tivity isn't something

you can just get; it is all

in your personality...if

you are more compas-

to other people's

feelings."

better."

girl?

Mmmm..."

hit on you?

sionate and considerate

Do you like it when girls

"Yeah; it's flattering and

The fact that they came

Would you be with a girl

who tries to control you?

"Yes and no. Yes, 'cause

what they are doing....

nobody likes to be told

what to do and [be]

they don't want to."

forced to do anything

What kind of perfumes

One, and only one:

do you like to smell on a

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What kind of clothes do

something rugged, con-

you like best on a girl?

"I like unique styles;

temporary, and fash-

ionable. A lot of

I like girls that know

Also no, because

makes you feel good.

to *you* made it all

little more sensitive for a

you like best on a girl? "I don't know what kind...as long is it looks good and isn't too much."

What kind of jewelry do you like best on a girl? "Low on jewelry, maybe a watch, a necklace, and a ring. Nothing overboard. 'Cause if they have it, they will want more."

How do you know when

a girl is having her period? "Ha-ha, when she doesn't talk to you as much. When she takes everything you say literally. When you go to her house and she has a towel laid on her bed. When she smells funny. And when she wears a lot of dark clothing." What did your mother tell you to look for in a girl? "She never told me anything, but I think she would ask me to find a beautiful girl." What did your father tell

you to look for in a girl? "Same thing my mom would say."

in the New York City borough of Queens. He graduated from high school a couple of years

Do you have a girlfriend? "Flying solo." a girl?

"Personality, good looking, outgoing, beautiful smile, mesmerizing eyes, bug-out partner." What do you dislike

ruce," 19, lives

What do you look for in

guys? 'Seriously, good girls like assholes." Do you compare girls you like to celebrities that you like? "Nah." Why do you think a girl would turn you down? "Probably my nose." What do you do to impress a girl? "Be myself, being goofy but sweet at the same time." Are you willing to be a little more sensitive for a girl that you like? "Yeah, you could say that." Do you like it when a girl hits on you? "Sure!" Would you be with a girl who tries to control you? "Bad experience...never try that." What kind of perfumes do you like to smell on a girl? "Natural smell." What kind of clothes do

about girls?

"Cockiness."

chicks."

"Stuck-up and nagging

What do you think girls

What do girls like about

dislike about guys?

you like best on a girl? "Tight clothes are always the best." What kind of makeup do you like best on a girl? "Natural is always best." What kind of jewelry do you like best on a girl? "That Spanish look with the gold bracelets, necklace, earrings." How do you know when a girl is having her period? "Moody." What did your mother

tell you to look for in a girl? "Someone smart."

What did your father tell you to look for in a girl? "He don't care." ■

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More Life Than a Shriners' Convention

York wants Walters dead. Over a year ago, York went undercover as a Mexican laborer to track a friend's brother who had disappeared while crossing the border. Among the "wirecutters" (the men who smuggle migrants across), York stumbled onto Walters business dealings — drugs, slave trade, big-game hunts with human prey — and was almost killed himself. He survived to tell the story, which found its way to the pages of the Reader. Now York's gone underground again, hiding out in Baja as "Fernando Cruz" — thanks to his friend Emilio's condo project, which was always in need of another security guard. After two more attempts on his life — and two innocent men dead — York called in favors, beginning with his Baja buddy Pescado. Would that get him closer to Walters? Probably not, but York had a few leads: Walters owned hotels in Ensenada, and that 80-foot Hatteras had to be in a slip somewhere. How do you hide a yacht that size?

CHAPTER 9

The house was dark and quiet. From the old road I couldn't see much because of the adobe wall and the giant, banyan-like "monkey's paw" that embraced the roof and the east and north walls. It protected the place from the sun and kept it cool during the day. It

I always expect to feel big and strong and secure when I have a loaded gun in my hand, but I never do.

was also beautiful and fragrant in a tomcat sort of way. At night, even in a light breeze, the branches would rake the house, imitating the sounds in my dreams of small men trying to get inside with bayonets and fingernails.

I parked the bike in a stand of banana plants at the El Indio fishing village that was made up of five shacks in a grove of wild olive trees. Outside the shacks were junk cars that I'd actually seen running once in a while and aluminum tubs that served as bathing facilities for everyone in the village. A few hens and roosters waddled and clucked, fluttered and squawked; a mongrel bitch and her half pit-bull pups chased the birds. Children, all named Camerana, chased both of them. I said hello to Ernesto, the old *patrón* of the village, and he smiled at me out of a face of cracked, brown leather. His moustache, two brushstrokes of yellow white, lifted and exposed three teeth he was proud to call his own. Ernesto Camerana was grandfather and great-grandfather to the children. I gestured to the bike and he nodded. It was okay to leave it there. Ernesto returned his attention to the lobster trap he was repairing.



"Pescado's camper was parked next to his trailer... a feral yapping grew louder."

Walking along the beach, my sneakers and Paz's navy blue pants got soaked to the shin in the high tide. Sundown surfers called to each other from the cliff above me out to their friends in the water. Stones sifted and sucked beneath my feet with a ponderous, powerful clacking. I walked the length of the cliff beneath the K-38 gravel lot and then pulled myself up with handfuls of ice plants. Emerging at the top, a dozen yards per-

haps from Rancho Paz, I took a few deep breaths.

The house peered blankly back at me from darkened picture windows: dim mirrors framed the last of the sunlight glinting off the ocean. There didn't seem to be anybody inside. Pescado's camper was parked next to his trailer off to the left. A single light burned inside. I rose from the ice plants and started to walk toward Pescado's place when a feral yap-

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8989 Rio San Diego Drive #350 San Diego ping sound grew louder, accompanied by the sounds of claws scrabbling in the dry earth.

The pit bull stopped three feet in front of me and growled. It sounded deep, as if it were coming from a larger body than the small, coiled bundle of muscle and teeth in front of me. Its eyes caught a sliver of moonlight in them. The dog had seen me around before, but I wondered if it knew that. I was thinking about extending my hand toward it to sniff, but Pescado saved me from this idea. He swung wide the door of his trailer and spilled jaundiced light onto a patch of ground. "Hey! Chorizo! Come here!"

The dog turned and scrabbled in the dirt. He launched himself at Pescado's silhouette. In one hand Pescado seemed to be holding a piece of raw chicken fat, in his other, the .45 and it was pointed at me.

"Hey, Pija, don't shoot," I called out.

"Avion?" He tossed the chicken fat to the dog, and it seemed to prefer it to me.

"Yeah, put the gun down."

He did. "Hey," he said and tossed the pistol onto

his couch. "How you like the watchdog? Chorizo."

I laughed as I stepped up into the trailer. "I love him, naturally, but the little turd almost ate me."

"Ah, he didn't recognize you. Hey, Chorizo, you know Avion. Eh?"

But the dog was scarfing schmaltz.

"Anybody comes around here, Chorizo gonna know. I fed him today under the porch at the house so maybe he's gonna feel protective."

He handed me the .45. I took it and noticed the safety was on and there was no clip in it. "You're not going to shoot anybody with this. It's empty and the safety is on."

Pescado sat on the couch and moved a paperback romance novel he was reading to one side. "I pushed a button and the thing came out. I don't know how to work those fucking things."

"Where is the thing that came out, the magazine?"

"Here." He pulled it out of his pocket and handed it to me.

"Thanks." I always expect to feel big and strong and secure when I have a loaded gun in my hand, but I never do.

"How you doing,

cabrón?"

"Okay. You see anybody around tonight?"

"Just you."

"I figure I got a little time. If the guy that shot Sufi was sent by Walters — and I'm pretty sure he was — there's no way they could know yet that they got him and not me."

Pescado nodded. "Yeah. I guess so." He seemed unhappy.

"What's the matter?"
"Nothing. This shit

bucks without the Day-Glo colors and polyester threads, the kind that outlasted their owners. A television set with dust on the screen stared back at us grayly. On top of it was a picture of Pescado's mother in Mexico City. She looked heavy and pretty and happy.

He also had the copy of the *Reader* from two weeks ago on his small kitchen table.

"Look, Avion, or should I call you...?"

Just past Canta Mar I became convinced that the yellow '71Chevy Nova in my rear-view mirror was following me.

just bothers me. It makes me nervous. And I miss that *puto* gringo, Sufi."

"Yes." I looked around Pescado's trailer. It was neat and homey. Some kind of caldo de pescado was cooking on the stove, paperback books by Barbara Cartland and Danielle Steel, Sidney Sheldon and Stephen King were arranged by author on a shelf. The bed/couch was made with old wool Mexican blankets, the kind you used to get for five

"Avion's okay."

"I been thinking about this guy Walters and his trip with the *alambristas*, the wirecutters. I can't believe it, man."

"You think it isn't true?"

"No. I believe you, but I want to do something, you know? This guy should be put away. This guy should have a live snake shoved up his ass. He should have his head..."

"I want to find him

and kill him."

Pescado looked at me and said nothing. He got up and grabbed a bottle of San Matias from a cabinet. He brought over two glasses.

"Well then, I want to help you." He poured two shots. No salt or lime. "What can I do?"

The tequila smelled seductive, perfume-like. The flower of the maguey. I wanted it. I lifted it and clinked glasses with Pescado's. We both drank. The stuff set a warm fire sliding down my throat and into my gut. It burned for a moment and then just smoldered nicely. "I want to ask you about the marina."

"What about it?" Pescado wheezed and poured himself another. I put my hand over my glass and shook my head. "They got a waiting list for slips there? Boat owners wanting to get in?"

"Yeah." He sipped this one.

"I want to find a big Hatteras. Eighty feet. Can you get a list of boats clocked to moor at the marina when it opens?"

"Easy, but I can tell you there's nothing like an 80-foot slip there. Not for a few years maybe. If

"You worked on

boats up north, where would you go if you were a yacht like that and wanted to keep a low profile?"

"Cabo San Lucas maybe."

"Closer."

"Sea of Cortez."

"Closer. This side of Baja."

"Well, there's a marina going up in Ensenada finally. They got the big breakwater now. A lot less competition. No red tape, just straight payoffs to the harbormaster. They got facilities I hear, you know, for big boats like that. They're set up for the big fishing boats already and norteamericanos with, you know, monster yachts. They refuel there and can tie up in bad weather. They had a drug bust down there a few months ago. An American, I heard. A lot of dope used to go through there. Now, after that bust, I don't think so. Anyway, it's going tourist. Legitimate. Why?"

I got up and stretched. "I don't know. I got an idea." I put the .45 in my pants and walked outside.

"Well, I want to help you fuck this guy, Walters."

"Maybe you already

"You need any more help, let me know."

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"Thanks for the drink, Pescado. I'll let you know."

Pescado waved the bottle at me and poured another for himself. I patted the sleeping Chorizo on the head and walked to the house. It was still silent and beautiful and scary looking in the dark, perched over the ocean like that. Too big and brooding with secrets.

It was only marginally less nerve-wracking going in with a loaded gun.

The next morning I dressed in the best sporty stuff I could find in Emilio's closet. I put on a dusty rose imitation Lacoste shirt with the alligator — I hate those things, but it would be in character for the role I wanted to play — white baggy pants with cuffs and a crease, a pair of nicely broken-in topsiders, and an old brown leather bomber jacket with ripped lining. As an afterthought I grabbed a white polyester baseball cap with the words AMERICA'S CUP written on it. I stuffed it in the pocket of the jacket.

Ernesto Camerana was still sitting where he had been last night. He was repairing the same lobster trap or another one like it with coat hangers. I nodded to him, winked at his five-yearold great-granddaughter, who batted her eyelashes at me from behind a dirty hand and I unstrapped the helmet from the bike. I kick-started the motor, and chickens and dogs launched themselves from the bushes barking, squawking, and running into each other.

I headed south on the old road and sang Jackie Wilson's "Lonely Teardrops." With the visor down, the acoustics inside the helmet were such that I sounded truly boss.

Just past Canta Mar I became convinced that the yellow '71 Chevy Nova in my rear-view mirror was following me. I pulled into the parking lot of a

dusty liquor store and bought a bottle of Penafiel lemon soda. The Nova went past and then pulled into a shabby trailer park down the road where Americans retired or vacationed on a very low budget. The Nova sat there in its own dust cloud. No one got out of it.

My instincts told me that Lieutenant Roberto Maradon was driving that car. It was a piece of shit, exactly the kind of thing he would drive. He was sitting a hundred yards south and would be expecting me to continue down the old road or get on the toll road just past where he was. Instead, I hopped on the bike, fired it up, and took the dirt trail beneath the toll road overpass. I headed straight inland leaving behind an ochre cloud of clay dust that rose into the morning summer sky like an offering. At the top of a hill, I stopped and looked

The Chevy was fol-



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lowing me, all right. I waved at Maradon and headed east. I climbed steep hills and followed winding cow trails until I reached the inland paved road. Looking back and down once more I saw the Nova with steam pouring out of its radiator and mixing with the dust to coat the windshield with mud. I waved again and accelerated south. In ten minutes I had a 20-kilometer lead on the wily Mexican crime fighter.

I followed the twolane road at a reasonable 65 miles per hour and watched for potholes. It curved gracefully through olive groves and high pasture peppered with cattle, donkeys, and occasionally, horses. The ranch houses and outbuildings,

A lot of people consider Baja a barren desert, but there was more life here than at a Shriners' convention.

the old junked cars and flatbed trucks on blocks, bleached and distressed looking, were the only indications of Baja's economic reality. To the east, great rust-colored buttes jutted into the sky and to the west the blinding expanse of the Pacific stretched below me. Crows circled in pairs overhead, and for a time I kept pace with a redtailed hawk as he glided a few dozen yards off my right searching the canyons for mice. Pelicans patrolled the shoreline way below me, and in yet another patch of sky, gulls wheeled like a drill team above the whitecaps. I smelled skunk for a couple of miles, and I frightened a few lizards sunning themselves on the asphalt. A lot of people consider Baja

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a barren desert, but there was more life here than at a Shriners' convention.

In two hours I passed less than a dozen vehicles.

The approach to Ensenada is straight down. The road curved in tight hairpins, and I rode the clutch and brakes in second gear. There were no embankment fences separating me from the sheer 2000-foot arroyos, only crosses of wood or wrought iron hung with garlands of dried flowers to commemorate the motorists and truckers who died there.

I smelled Ensenada before I saw it. It smells like fish and diesel fuel. The Todos Santos Islands came into view first and then Cabo Punta Banda and the rock breakwater. A hundred or so boats were anchored in the harbor, and even from this height I could tell that none of them were any-

one trying to get my attention.

I ordered some shrimp and ceviche at the bar and drank a Carta Blanca. I hate Carta Blanca, but it's cheap and I was down to \$112. I didn't know when I'd see any more money.

The hotel itself is a pink, three-story monument to the bad taste of American tourists and Eugene Walters, who owned it. It belonged in a third-rate section of Miami Beach or maybe the outskirts of Las Vegas. Plastic palm trees framed the entrance to both lobby and bar, and a framed placard on a tripod held an eight-by-ten glossy photo of the entertainer, DON DEFRIO, APPEAR-ING NIGHTLY. Don smiled smarmily from gapped teeth beneath a trim moustache. The sign didn't tell me if Don played piano, juggled, or had a trained flea act.

Scars just below his eyebrows but above his eyelids told me he had done a lot of boxing at one time.

thing like an 80-foot Hatteras.

On the Avenue Juárez I bought gas at a Pemex station and worked the tension out of my hands, wrists, and neck. I asked myself why, if I was so keen on avoiding death, I took a motorcycle down those mountain roads? The answer was that I didn't have a car. My ass still shook with the vibrations of a 750-cubic-centimeter four-stroke engine.

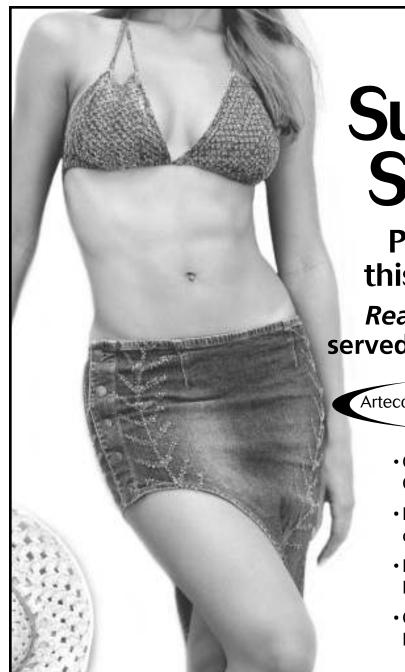
My first stop was the El Morro Hotel on Boulevard Lazaro Cardenas. I strapped the helmet to the bike and locked it under the seat. I pulled Emilio's America's Cup cap out of the jacket pocket and put it on. I removed the jacket and tossed it jauntily over my shoulder as I walked into the hotel bar. The weight of the .45 in the inside jacket pocket tapped me on the back like some-

Being the only patron in the bar at 11:30 in the morning made it easy to strike up a conversation with the barman. He was short, heavyset, 50ish with long sideburns, and friendly. His name was Pablo. I introduced myself as Luis and asked him if Gene Walters still owned the hotel. "Yes," he said. "Of course, Señor Fuentes, the manager, runs the place, but as far as I know Señor Walters is still the owner. His partner, the American woman, I believe passed away last year."

"Is that right? Does Gene ever come by?"

"I have not seen him for at least a year." Pablo was washing the back bar mirror with a newspaper and a spray bottle of blue fluid that smelled like ammonia.

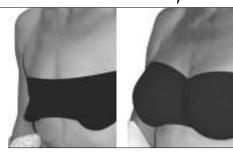
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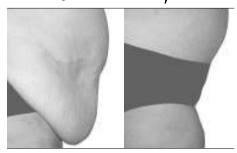
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tried to buy it from him last year, but his partner wouldn't sell it. Maybe I could take it off his hands for him."

Pablo shrugged. "I couldn't help you. Excuse me." He left the bar and walked across the lobby to the front desk, said something to the clerk, and returned to the newspaper and the mirror. "You are from San Diego?"

"Los Angeles," I said sipping my beer.

> "Nice place to live?" "If you're a car."

We were joined by a Mexican man in a tan three-piece suit. He had a gold tie and a yellow gardenia in his lapel. His hair was solid white and his eyes were hard, though he was smiling. Scars just below his eyebrows but above his eyelids told me he had done a lot of box-

ing at one time. "Pablo," he said in a gargling, low

before lunch." "Yes, Señor Fuentes.

A waiter was pouring tequila and triple sec straight from the bottle into the mouth of a sixteenish-looking freckle-faced girl.

voice. "Bring up two cases of the Santo Thomas white wine and chill them Luis, this is Señor Fuentes, the manager. Luis...?" "Aparicio." I extended my hand. Fuentes took it. Obviously Pablo had summoned him after my inquiries about Walters.

"Luis was interested in contacting Mr. Walters about his yacht."

"That's right. He had an 80-footer, the Ponce de León, I believe it was called. I'd certainly like to get my hands on it if he's selling."

"Well, Mr. Aparicio. Mr. Walters is in Europe, I believe. I don't know how to contact him, but if you have a card I will give him your information when he calls the first of every month."

So he calls the first of every month but Fuentes doesn't know if he's calling from Europe or not? It's possible, I suppose.

"Unfortunately I do not have any cards with me at the moment, but I'll

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call down from Los Angeles." I picked up some El Morro matches with the phone number on it and made a show of putting them in my pants pocket. "In the meantime, do you have any idea where he's mooring her? I was hoping to get another look."

"I'm sure I don't know anything about that. I believe he owned a boat at one time, but he never discussed it with me. I never saw it. An 80-foot Hatteras, you say?" Fuentes shrugged and looked around the room as if it might be in one of the corners under a booth. I hadn't said it was a Hatteras. I just smiled back at him. He shook my hand and said, "Yes, call anytime and leave your number. Maybe Mr. Walters

The first waiter took the girl's toweled head in his hands and shook it as if it were a set of maracas.

will give you a call." "Fine. Thank you.

Nice meeting you." "Mucho gusto."

I finished my shrimp, left half the beer and ceviche, and tipped Pablo a dollar. He smiled and waved as I went out. I headed for the docks.

Tourists were everywhere. It was a Thursday, and in a day or two, for the Fourth of July weekend, there would be hundreds more of them. I walked past Hussong's, and though it was only noon, there were a couple dozen high school-age kids in there. In the window a waiter was pouring tequila and triple sec straight from the bottle into the mouth of a sixteenishlooking freckle-faced girl who tilted her head back as far as it would go. The waiter then wrapped her



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head in a towel while two other waiters stood by. One of them sounded an air horn that nearly deafened me, and the other rang a fire bell. The first waiter took the girl's toweled head in his hands and

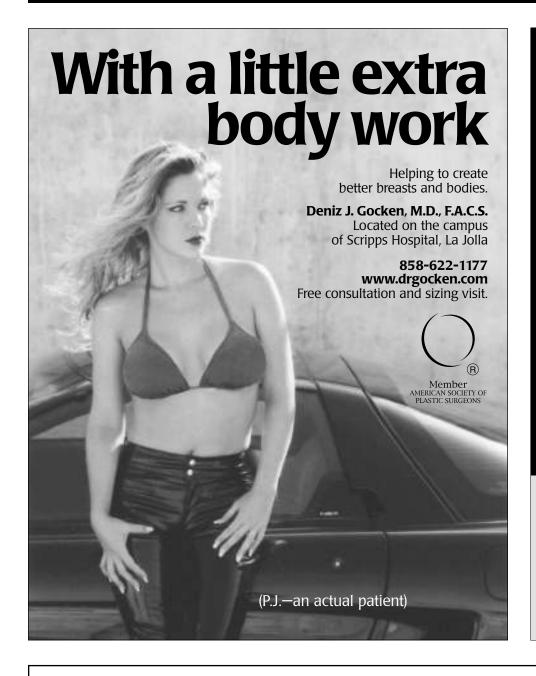
shook it as if it were a set of maracas. A couple more of those, and she wouldn't look at booze for another

I hit the Hotel La Pinta, the Villa Marina, a bar at Juanito's Landing,

and the Riviera del Pacifico. No one knew anything about a Hatteras that big in these waters. I took cards from three American retirees who claimed they could get me a deal on a cruiser that size for 1 to 1.5 million dollars back in the States or down in Cabo San Lucas. I nodded, interested, as if that were pretty damned reasonable. For all I knew it was. The last place I tried was called the Tortuga. It was near the Estero Beach launching ramp and just a few blocks from the Estero Beach Hotel. The new marina was going in there, and the Tortuga was hoping to cater to American

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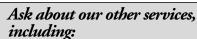
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resented along with stuffed marlin and bad whale art. A tortoise shell the size of a Cadillac radiator was suspended over the back bar, and slow-turning Casablanca-like fans with plywood blades revolved lazily overhead.

The bartender was a very scrubbed-looking Mexican in his early 20s. He wore a white pressed shirt and bow tie and black pants that were a little too big. He was unfamiliar with the concept of ice, shot glasses, and speed pourers on the bottles, and his attempts at making two rum and Cokes for the men sitting with their backs to me were no more successful than his attempt at growing a moustache. One drink was all rum, the other all Coke and ice. When he handed

With her hand on his shoulder, the world was a damned fine place and all the people in it good and fair.

the second drink to one of the men, I heard, "Shit howdy! If I wanted a goddamned Coke, I'da ordered a goddamned Coke. There ain't enough rum in here to light up a junebug!"

";Mande?" inquired the young cantinero.

The other man poured half his drink into another glass he took from the lip of the barman's side. "Just put some ice in here, Bubba. ; Comprende?"

"You want another drink?" the kid asked in Spanish. Looked like a language-barrier problem. I took a seat down the mock oak bar and waited to see where this situation was going.

The second man, flushed red face, about 55 or 60, in a white Kettenburg Marine Supply Tshirt, looked at him and squinted as if he was hav-

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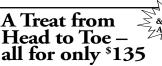
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ing trouble seeing him. He held out the glass again. "Ice. Ice. Got it?"

";Uno mas bebida?" The kid was getting flustered. He looked down the bar at me, and I smiled as if to say, "Take your

"Yeah. Yeah. Some ice." The bartender grabbed a bottle of Ron Rico and the shot glass while the two old salts conferred with each other about how to order drinks "in Mexican." The first guy, with the short rum pour, was about the same age but whip thin beneath a red toupee that looked like matted roadkill. The bartender put a new rum and coke with a single ice cube

in front of Kettenburg. He smiled hopefully and said, "Uno trienta y cinco, por favor." A dollar 35.

Toupee barked. "He's chargin' you for another drink!"

"Look here, Señor

Frito Bandito," Kettenburg started to get up off his barstool. He must have had a few because he swayed and clutched the edge of the bar. "You can cut out the no savvyo act. What you take us for?

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This cracked up his buddy. "Well, shit, we are, ain't we?"

"That's beside the goddamned point."

The bartender had backed away from the two

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The bartender picked up the drink and started to bring it to her. She sat with her back to a sunny window so her face was in shadow. She smoked a cigarette and had a book open in front of her on the table and an empty glass with a stir straw in

"Whadjoo say, Mo?

Her hand was nearly completely black with engine oil but, like the rest of her, nicely proportioned.

Whadjoo say to that little hustler?" Toupee pivoted his head and called out to

"I said you two have had enough, and I'm dying of thirst over here." The bartender conferred with her. She explained the misunderstanding, and he went back behind the bar and put ice in a glass for Kettenburg, poured some of the one drink into it, added the Coke from Toupee's glass, and stood back smiling triumphantly.

He turned his attention to me, and I ordered a Carta Blanca. It was my third one that day.

"Watch that kid, buddy." Toupee warned me. "He's a goddamned

"I don't think so," I said in Spanish and winked at the kid. "I don't think

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he's a thief any more than you two are really horses' asses."

The kid looked surprised, started to smile, then stopped.

Toupee and Kettenburg looked disgusted.

They'd had about enough Mexican gobbledygook and were hoping for some good old honest American out of me.

From the shadows, the woman Toupee had called Mo chuckled. It was a very pleasant chuckle. "What are you laffin'

at, Mo? Whadee sav?"

She told him what I said. They both rounded on me, and Kettenburg tried to get up off his

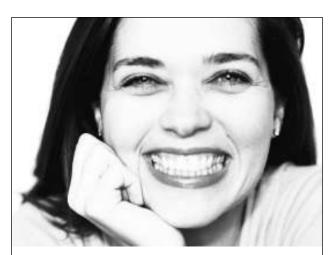
barstool again. When he

couldn't quite manage it, he just sort of inflated his chest. "You call me and my friend horses' asses, Pancho?"

"No. I did." Mo, of the gentle, throaty chuckle, got up from her table with

her book and her drink in one hand. She put out her cigarette and walked out of the shadows toward the sunlight around the bar. Her hair was light brown with blond streaks from the sun. It was tied up and away from her face. She walked with an erect grace on very shapely, suntanned legs. They were also streaked with dirty engine oil. Somehow, on her, it looked like some exotic and fascinating body

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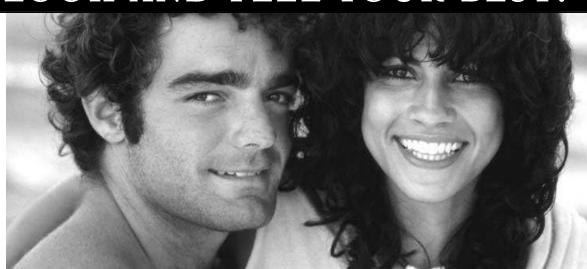
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decoration. She wore flipflop sandals, bathing suit bottoms, and a black, greasy, stained T-shirt that said "Blue Dolphin Marina." She wore sunglasses, and I could see her face was daubed with

black oil. She had high cheekbones and a flawless curve of a jawline. Her nostrils were twin flared commas, and her smile revealed the charming imperfection of a slightly jagged overbite. Her fig-

ure was trim, sleek, muscled. I smelled her musk, flower scent and absentmindedly set my beer bottle in my lap as if to cool it down. My lap, not the beer bottle.

Toupee pulled out a

barstool for her. It was an automatic action I could see any man doing for her wherever she went. "You called us that, Mo?" He sounded like he would stand still to be called navel lint by her if that's what she

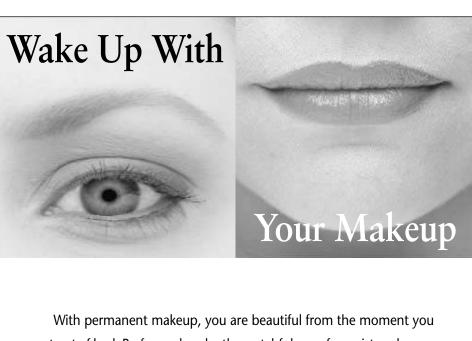
wanted to call him.

She put a hand on his shoulder. Her hand was nearly completely black with engine oil but, like the rest of her, nicely proportioned. With the full glow of her smile fixed at

him she said, "C'mon, Jimbo. This kid doesn't deserve all vour abuse. He didn't understand what you wanted. Jaime's trying to please you."

Toupee/Jimbo nodded. With her hand on his

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shoulder, the world was a damned fine place and all the people in it good and fair.

It would be.

She put her book and drink down on the bar. I could see that her reading matter consisted of The Care and Repair of Small Marine Diesels by Chris Thompson, She took off her sunglasses revealing shrewd fawn's eyes bracketed by laugh lines like feathers on either side of her face. Her eyes were brown and large, pretty and intelligent. She set down the shades and put her other hand on Kettenburg's shoulder. "This man," she looked in my direction, "was just repeating what I said."

"Oh," Kettenburg replied. Whatever she said was okay with him, too, if she was going to put her hand on him and everything.

She looked at me again, and I brought my beer bottle up from my lap, tried to set it on the bar, and knocked it over. In Spanish she said, "This is Jackson and this," indicating Toupee, "is Jim."

In English I said, "Luis. Pleased to meet you. And you're...Mo?"

"Yes. Moanna Westman." She made her first name rhyme with Joe-Anna rather than Jonah. "You speak English."

"Yep." I helped Jaime mop up Carta Blanca with a bar rag and cocktail napkins.

"Oh. Well, Luis?... Can I ask you something?"

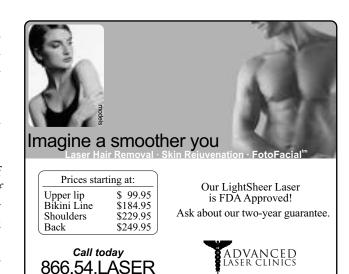
"Sure. Anything." Anything at all, I thought.

She looked at my America's Cup cap and shifted her weight. She tucked her oil-blackened hands under her arms and bit her lower lip. Jimbo and Jack seemed disappointed that she was no longer touching them. I sympathized.

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— John Brizzolara

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LETTERS

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How about immediate education for military enlistees on how to live in the real world? I've known military people in their 30s and 40s who simply cannot live in the civilian world because they cannot handle taking care of themselves. When I take into account all the monetary perks the military provides beyond a paycheck, I don't really care to hear the whining.

P.S.: Can I go and get free food and stuff too?

Name Withheld

Roughly 50 percent of the armed forces is E-4 and below, and those soldiers' pay ranges from \$1064 to \$1749.

— Editor

Husband's In Iraq

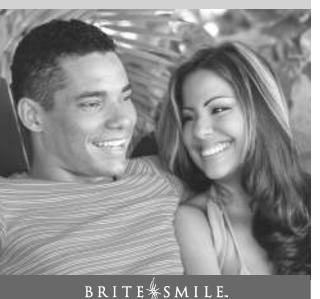
After reading the August 21 edition cover story, "Soldiers' Pay," I had mixed feelings. I am married to a major in the Marine Corps. We have been married for 12 years. Before I was married to my husband, I was married to an E-3 for less than a year. My first marriage ended as a result of financial problems (many described in your article) compounded by domestic abuse and infidelity.

As a military wife, I appreciate your attention to the issue of low pay and financial problems in the military. It is definitely a topic that needs more attention. Even those closest to us are unaware of the financial status of our military personnel and shocked to hear that many soldiers qualify for food stamps.

However, I was offended that in your article military families are portrayed as unskilled at balancing a monthly budget. It is not as simple as that. Basically, what it comes down to is that there is no money to budget and you eventually just give up even trying to have a budget. When I was married to the E-3, we were eating generic Pop-Tarts for dinner. We had no electricity for the first month of our marriage because we didn't have any money to get the service turned on. My parents were sending me boxes of soap, toilet paper, shampoo, and canned goods. I remember trying to go to

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a job interview, but I had no way to blow-dry my hair because we had no electricity. There were no jobs for someone with only a high school education. I got so desperate that I applied for a job cleaning fish. I also spent every weekend trying to sell Avon door-to-door. I ran out of gas on the highway at least four times (usually on the way to a job interview). We tried to budget, but it was useless because some emergency would come

up and our entire budget would be blown for months (example: an exterminator cost at least \$100, a car breaking down can cost hundreds).

My point is that it is ridiculous to say that the financial problems in the military are from lack of budgeting. The real problem is that the military does not pay enough money. Being married to an officer with a master's degree in financial and tax planning

has shown me that. I have a master's degree and worked as a teacher for several years, and during those years we did very well financially. But as soon as we had a baby and I stayed home, we were struggling again — and this is on a major's salary! We aren't starving, but I feel that we should be able to afford a lot more, given that we both have master's degrees and he is a major with 18 years in the Marine Corps. And yet — we live in a little

condo with no yard. Both our vehicles are over five vears old. I buy my clothes at Target. We don't go out to eat. If we are living like this as a field grade officer, you cannot tell me that the problems of the enlisted ranks are because of lack of budgeting! I know that we are very financially skilled and we are very savvy with our money, and we still have financial problems — because of the lack of income. It is very annoying to me that our civilian counterparts are making three times as much money for designing cell phones, while my husband is over in Iraq risking his life.

K. Snyder

Age Or Die

"Crasher" columnist Daniel Ridge, 25, follows two Portland bands, Bronwyn and the Key, down to the state portion of Black's Beach (August 21). In 90-degree heat, he keeps everything on, even his shirt, while two Bronwyn girls swim

naked. Afraid to emulate his brave peers, he whines about seeing old nudists. Who's having more fun?

All too soon, when Ridge passes 30, he'll become the object of snobbish scorn, silent or not, from younger persons. Life will offer him an unappetizing menu to age or to die. Let's hope he'll be brave enough to deal with it.

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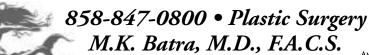
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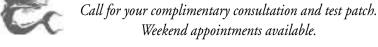
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Ambivalence?

Why was it that in the column where teenagers spoke out about religion ("Everyone Works in Hell," August 14), those who represented Islam and Catholicism were devout followers of their own religions, whereas the boy selected to speak for Jews was not only not a committed Jew but by Jewish law is not even Jewish? The other kids spoke of their devotion; he predicted future nonobservance of Jewish ritual (obviously, the future world will mirror his own behavior). There are plenty of committed, observant Jewish teenagers, although some of them attend Jewish schools, who could have better represented our faith. I find it additionally interesting that the person putting this column together has a Jewish surname: Feldstein. Does her choice of Jewish student perhaps reflect her own ambivalence towards her own heritage?

> S. Bezansky Pacific Beach

Stephanie Feldstein responds: Michael Miller's views are his own. It was never intended that he or any of the other interviewees act as representatives of their faiths.

Accentuate The Positive

It is truly unfortunate that Stephanie Feldstein ("Everyone Works in Hell," August 14) could not find a better representative of Judaism than Michael Miller. There was not one nice thing that he had to say, nor did he have any uplifting experiences that he could relate. It was difficult to determine exactly the point of her article, other than Judaism has failed Michael. I also find fault with the editors who then highlight the negativism with the quote on the first page of the article. Is there a hidden agenda that we should be aware of?

There are literally thousands of young active members of the San Diego Jewish community who could have answered these questions of spirituality in a much more positive vein. I invite Stephanie to visit any of the youth groups in the area to experience the warmth, joy, and beauty our kids find in being Jewish.

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For many years I have respected the written opinions of Don Bauder, especially when they differed from the editorial position of the Union-Tribune, where he was the financial editor. So when he began writing articles for the Reader after his retirement from the U-T, I was very pleased. But his article in the August 14 issue titled "A Stalled Recall" ("City Lights") shocked me.

The theme of the article is that San Diego City Councilman Scott Peters has a "cozy relationship with developers" because he has accepted their financial contribution for his election fund and hasn't changed his approval of a proposed condominium project in the Bird Rock area of La Jolla. The project had been previously approved by all levels of government, but when the La Jolla Town Council rescinded its approval, three people asked Peters to also withdraw his approval. When he didn't, they filed recall papers against him.

I live in the University City Village, a senior community of about a thousand residents, which is also in Councilman Peters's district. Three years ago the owner announced his plans for a major renovation of the 40-year-old village, and I was asked to represent the residents as the owner sought approval of the University City Planning Group, the San Diego Planning Commission, and the city council. Mark Steele, the architect for the La Jolla project, is also the architect for the proposed University City Village expansion. This experience gave me the opportunity to observe Councilman Peters and his staff in action on a major redevelopment. The impression I got was totally different from the one Mr. Bauder gives of Peters being "cozy" with developers. To me, Peters is a hands-on type of guy who gives straight answers to even provocative questions. The same member of his staff attends each monthly meeting of the University City Planning Group, giving a clear report on city council activities which could affect University City, and she stays until the meeting is over, which is often close to midnight.

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If I were an anarchist I would vote to recall Governor Davis, because I predict if it happens there will be a proliferation of recalls against elected office holders at all levels of government in Cali-

Another if: If I had the opportunity to talk with Mr. Bauder, I'd ask him if any thought is being given to changing the financial system so it would no longer be necessary to have growth in order to have prosperity.

> Bill Gorman University City

Don Bauder responds: It's true that economics measures a society's success by growth. But that's a problem of economics, not of society. Quality of life is more important than quantity of life. And quality of life is consistent with prosperity.

Immigrant Parents

I don't know why you considered printing Kim Oakley's letter (August 14). I understand what she meant by not feeling compassion for Reina ("Reina's Story," August 7), but she made it seem that the U.S. does so much for illegal immigrants and not for American citizens. If we start analyzing what goes where, believe me, Kim Oakley won't even comment on the illegal immigrants coming to California! I don't appreciate the comment since my parents came to this country looking for a better life. We all worked hard and suffered in this country to make it through. We have become assets to this country as have many other Mexican-Americans. And I say "Mexican-Americans" because we became citizens of the United States. I admire my parents and also admire all the people who left their homes and loved ones to come and succeed as Mexican-Americans. Because we do not forget where we come from, we do go back and share our wealth with our people, los Mexicanos.

> Name Withheld by Request

Trolley Talk Critique

My letter is in regard to "T.G.I.F." (August 7) — a romantic moment on the trolley to San Ysidro — by John Brizzolara. I was just a little offended at how he went a bit far out with all his ref-

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erences to what he thought, apparently, the black children — teenagers — were saying on the trolley. I kind of feel like I'm sure he heard a lot more things going on than what he assumes that these black teenagers were saying. I find it hard to believe that this was something that he felt was important to put into his article. It didn't seem to make sense, and the whole "hizzle for shizzle." I mean, some black people do say the word "nigga" to each other, but just the way he wrote all this, I just think was very untasteful. It shouldn't even have been allowed to be published in the *Reader*.

I read the *Reader* all the time. I love all the things that are in the Reader. You know, Anne Albright. I mean, I look forward to her articles about her and her family, which I know you receive letters about from people who don't like what she's saying. But I just feel that this was done in very bad taste and that he shouldn't even have been able to put this in there. To me, it's stereotyping; it's assuming that all black teenagers are going to be talking this way based on maybe a few people that you saw saying these things. That's like taking a group of any race of children and basing the whole race on a

few individuals. That's nothing to me but prejudice. You don't do that. Every individual should be based on his own presentation of himself. I don't feel that this should have even been printed. I think it was very distasteful, and I think that he really needs to apologize to the black community and really not be allowed to write any more articles if they're going to be done in this manner.

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The Crack of the Mop Handle

Fifth Annual Little Italy Stickball Tournament

tickball, at least one version of it, is a city sport — baseball on asphalt, with some quirky rules and minimal equipment.

The bat is a replacement handle for a mop or shovel, cut down. Nobody wears a glove. The bases are chalk marks drawn on the pavement.

Obstacles like fire hydrants and parking meters are part of the playing field. Hitters are allowed (and actually try) to play the ball off them. Balconies and awnings are playable, too, but hitting the ball onto a roof isn't a homer; it's an automatic out.

The cradle of urban stickball civilization is New York City, where immigrants' kids popularized the game

LOCAL **EVENTS**

in the early 20th Century. When they moved, the game went with them, and other stickball centers

got established in New Jersey, Florida, and Puerto Rico. Local players credit a man named Bobby Ortiz with bringing stickball here when he arrived from the Bronx in 1975. But it wasn't until 20 years later that San Diego was able to put together a traveling tournament team.

In 1995, the San Diego Knights competed in the annual Memorial Day tournament back East. With Ortiz as one of their players, they were extraordinarily successful, taking second place. When they returned to San Diego, they founded the annual Labor Day tournament in Little Italy.

Tournament director Iim Strickland of North Park was asked why Little Italy became the venue, "Originally we went to the Gaslamp and did a presentation," he said, "and they were lukewarm to the idea, because it really wouldn't bring business to the retail outfits." Then Willie Blas, a city firefighter who lives in Serra Mesa and is San Diego's stickball commissioner, talked to the Little Italy Association. "They jumped right onboard."

The first couple of years were rough — literally, because of all the construction. "Some of our 'fields' had scaffolding over on one side," Strickland recalled. "Pieces of construction equipment were parked along the curb. Now it's ideal — all developed, with beautiful condos and great obstacles that make it stickball heaven."

Every odd-numbered year, out-oftowners come out to play the locals. This year four teams from New York, New Jersey, and Florida will play seven from

Who are the traditional favorites? "The years that the eastern teams don't come, we have a San Diego winner," Strickland said coyly. "If they show up,

Why do the nonlocals prevail, when we can boast plenty of athletes? "The other guys grew up playing stickball, and pretty much that's all they play. On Sundays, the wife and kids come out — it's an all-day thing. So there's that sheer experience." They are also very talented. "They don't make many mistakes.

In 2001, a Bronx team won the Little Italy championship against the hometown Knights, which still counts

among its members Ortiz, now in his mid-50s, and Blas, who once played minor-league baseball (for the Houston Astros). The score was 2–0.

Low scoring is typical, due to the difficulty of hitting well - or even at all, said Strickland. There is no pitcher. You stand at home plate and pitch to yourself, fungo-style, but you get only one swing. "And if you're off just a little, it becomes a routine bouncing ground ball or just a simple little popup, no matter how hard you swing."

When new people attempt stickball, they are often humbled by this aspect of the game. "A father and son, neither of whom had ever played stickball, came out to our practice yesterday," said Strickland. The son, a 12-yearold, pounded the ball every

time. "The dad touched the ball three times out of 100 tries.'

The official ball is pink rubber, the size of a racquetball. "For the tournament we 'import' them from the East Coast. The ball has a lot of bounce and a lot of velocity." Well-hit, it can go 100 miles an hour. As a result, trying to catch it — especially without a glove is another humbling experience. "You need soft hands to play this game; they're able to absorb the energy. I have what they call bricks for hands. Fly balls bounce right out of them."

The gloves that baseball and softball players wear make fielding not only easier but less dangerous to digits than stickball playing. Strickland broke his thumb tagging a base runner at third a few years ago. "Ended up in a cast. You jam fingers — that happens

And asphalt, hard on knees in any

case, is particularly hard on those of stickball players, who tend to be men in their late 30s and up. (Blas, born in 1960, estimates their average age from New York to California is 38.)

That surface would also eliminate sliding, wouldn't it? "Not too many guys slide," the 50-year-old Strickland conceded. "Some do, but they're all from New York. I've never seen a local guy slide."

– Jeanne Schinto

Fifth Annual Little Italy Stickball Tournament Saturday-Monday, August 30-September 1 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. India and Columbia Streets, between Beech and Date **Little Italy** 619-299-9323

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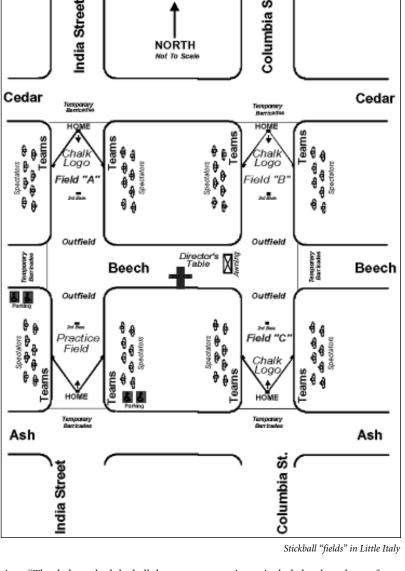
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The Flavor of Mexico, the Tijuana Fair continues through Tuesday, September 16, promising food, music, rodeo, circus acts, arts and crafts, entertainment, at Parque Morelos.

Vicente Fernández performs in Palenque at 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, August 29 and 30. Tickets: \$16 or \$45 U.S. Joan Sebastian performs Wednesday, September 3, at 11 p.m. Tickets: \$20 and \$45 U.S.

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Labor Day Fishing Tournament, Friday through Sunday, August 29-31, in San Quintín Bay.

Registration: \$50 U.S. 011-52-616-10 a.m. on Saturday, September 27, at Rosarito Beach Hotel. Registration: \$25 until Septem-Running Fun, 10k starts Sunday, ber 6, \$30 thereafter, 858-488-August 31, 8 a.m., at Canaco 8777. (ROSARITO BEACH) Building, Zona Río. \$5 U.S.

OUTDOORS

Warm Water Temperatures.

approaching 70 degrees over the past several weeks, won't last much longer. As fall approaches, shorter days and increasingly oblique solar radiation will mean that less and less energy will be supplied to the ocean waters offshore. These waters will soon be shedding more thermal energy than they receive, thereby keeping the coastal area

comfortably balmy for several weeks after the end of the summervacation season. Don't give up on the beach after Labor Day — the water's only a bit cooler, and the beaches are relatively uncrowded.

Snorkel with the Sharks at La Jolla Shores, August 30 and 31 (see Sports)

Towering Thunderheads have been seen hovering over the wall of mountains east of San Diego in recent weeks. Afternoon rainshowers have already dampened Palomar, Cuyamaca, and Mount Laguna on several occasions, with more of the same expected at times during the next two or three weeks. Usually this kind of activity ceases by sunset, and clearing skies usher in a cloud-free night. The marked contrast between the sunny but bland weather along the

coast and the more lively and unpredictable mountain weather is one illustration of San Diego County's "geography of contrast."

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Grunion Runs at the month's end are most likely to occur near midnight this Friday night through Sunday night, August 29-31. This timing corresponds to 1 to 2 hours after highest nocturnal tide, 2 to 5 days after the date of the new moon. The small, silvery grunion tend to spawn on wide, gently sloping beaches such as Silver Strand, Mission Beach, Pacific Beach, La Jolla Shores, and Del Mar. California law allows the taking of grunion in summer by those possessing a state fishing license. The grunion must be caught by the hands only and should be eaten (not wasted).

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

Learn About Native Flowers and Wildlife when naturalist Mary Glass leads "Still Cool in the Canyon," Saturday, August 30, in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve. Naturalist Laurann Martin presents "Introduction to Blue Sky," Sunday, August 31. Hikes begin at 9 a.m. Find Blue Sky Ecological Reserve on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. 858-679-5469. Free. (POWAY)

Birding Basics, learn five simple techniques for identifying birds at a glance when trail guide Winona Sollock presents one-hour class, Saturday, August 30, 1 p.m., Mission Trails Regional Park visitors' center (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free, 619-668-3275, (MISSION GORGE)

Enjoy a Campfire when staff at Kumeyaay Campground presents



Turtle and Tortoise Show at Casa del Prado, August 30 and 31 (see Special)

campfire program at amphitheater, Saturday, August 30, 7:45 p.m. Find the campground at Two Father Junípero Serra Trail: noncampers use day-use parking lot. 619-668-2748. Free. Dress warm and bring a flashlight. (MISSION GORGE)

Ancient Art of Storytelling,

Heather leads hike and offers in sights into Kumeyaay oral tradition and history, Saturday, August 30, 9:30 a.m., in San Dieguito River Park. Participants will hear what it was once like to live along the shores of the Lake Hodges river

valley. Easy to moderate, four miles. Free. Required reservations: 858-6474-2275 x31. (ESCONDIDO)

Tour del Día, Offshoot Tours offers an hour-long guided stroll highlighting the Park Palisades area of Balboa Park on Saturday, August 30, 10 a.m., beginning at the visitors' center, 619-235-1121. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

The Urban Art Trail Is the Thread running through East Village; it was warehouse district for San Diego from late 1800s to late 1900s, now site of Petco Park. Explore area with Patty Fares, who leads a 2.5-mile Urban Safari, Saturday, August 30, 10 a.m. \$10. Reservations: 619-944-9255. (EAST VILLAGE)

Surf and Statues, check out Fletcher Cove, find outdoor art, and wander through the Cedros Design District with Walkabout adventurers, Saturday, August 30. Moderate 1.5-hour walk starts at 9:15 a.m. at Solana Beach Coaster Station (on North Cedros Avenue). Free. 619-231-7463. (SOLANA BEACH)

Discover History and Hysteria in central San Diego with the Wanderers, cruising "in the small bus" Saturday, August 30. Tickets: \$30 to \$40. Reservations: 619-851-7644. (SAN DIEGO)

Wildlife Assist Orientations,

Saturday, August 30, 2 p.m. Get information at Escondido Public Library (239 South Kalmia Street) and in Imperial Beach (Tijuana Estuary visitors' center, 301 Caspian Way). Free. 619-921-6044. (ESCON-DIDO. IMPERIAL BEACH)

Walk 'n Write with Ian and Io'el, Sunday, August 31, Workshop starts at Mission Cafe (3795 Mission Boulevard) at 10 a.m., then hits the surrounding streets to explore the neighborhood and partake of writing prompts. Bring notepad, pen, water. \$7. Reservations: 619-299-6462. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Architectural Heritage Tours offered by Committee of 100, first Wednesday of each month, including September 3. Walks begin at 9:30 a.m. in front of visitors' information center, in Plaza de Panama. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Cobblestone for Contras,

instruction at 7:45 p.m. Admission: \$6. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

Square Up with the Palostar Square Dance Association for 5th Saturday Dance on August 30. Lee Schmidt calls, Rey Garza cues. Rounds at 7:30 p.m., squares at 8 p.m., at Oceanside Senior Center (455 Country Club Lane), \$5. 619-443-4653. (OCEANSIDE)

Ukrainian Festival 2003, the Rozmai Dance Company performs for festival on Saturday, August 30, 7:30 p.m., in Casa del Prado Theater. The troupe is based in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, \$15. 619-460-5733. (BALBOA PARK)

Rat-Pack Stylings of David Patrone Quartet presented for swing dancers Sunday, August 31, Aubergine (500 Fourth Avenue, at Island and Fourth). Swing lesson, 7:45 p.m.; band plays 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Cover: \$8. 858-395-6060. For those 18 and older. (GASLAMP OUARTER)

"Celebrating the Change of Seasons," Toni Michael leads Sufi dancing, Monday, September 1, 7 p.m., First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street, across from the UCSD Medical Center). Donation: \$3. 619-298-9978.~(HILLCREST)

Connection Workshop planned by Jim and Margie on Tuesday, September 2, 7:30 to 9 p.m. (\$15 at door, \$12 in advance). Also on tap: beginners' East Coast swing lessons (6:30 to 7:30 p.m.; \$3 for first-time students); open swing dancing 9 to 11 p.m.; \$5. Portuguese Hall, 2818 Avenida de Portugal (near Shelter Island, off Rosecrans). 619-291-3775. (POINT LOMA)

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the wood dance floor on the first and third Wednesday of each month, including September 3, at Elks Lodge (1393 Windsor Road). Lessons: 7:30 p.m., dance 8 to 10 p.m. Free. 619-222-2556. (ENCINITAS)

FILM

"Muslims," offering a look at what it means to be a Muslim in the 21st Century, screens for the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, Thursday, August 28, 5:30 and 8 p.m., Four Points Sheraton Hotel (8110 Aero Drive). Donations appreciated. 619-840-1945. (MISSION VILLAGE)

"Respiro," directed by Emanuele Crialese, screens for Italian film series Thursday, August 28, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (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. "Experimental Digital Video Festival" Thursday, August 28, 7 p.m., showcasing short films focusing on the arts. Program features traditional animation, music video, dance video, 3-D animation.

The Strange Woman and Pi-

rates of Capri, Friday, August 29. Later on the 29th and Saturday, August 30, see Ciao! Manhattan and I Shot Andy Warhol. Tickets: \$5 general. Showtimes: 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

In Honor of Labor Day, see Harry Bridges: A Man and His Union, Tuesday, September 2, 6:30 p.m., for Film Forum at Diego Public Library (820 E Street). The film chronicles the political career of Bridges (1901-1990), one of the USA's most controversial labor leaders, 619-236-5800. Free, Discussion follows. (DOWNTOWN)

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

"Summer Classic IMAX Film Festival" — featuring To the Limit and Everest — through August 31. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

Fun With Fats, cooking class sorting out the "good, the bad, and the ugly fats," Thursday, August 28, 6:45 p.m., at World of Wellness (13727 Camino Canada). \$10. Registration: 619-938-1800.

Garbage into Gold, improve your soil and save money in the yard and garden after back-yard composting workshop, Saturday, August 30, 8 a.m., at Ridgehaven "Green Haven" Compost Garden (9601 Ridgehaven Court). Com-



Living History at Red-Tailed Roost Volunteer Headquarters, August 30 and 31

posting methods, soil conditioning. Free. Registration: 858-694-7000. (KEARNY MESA)

Know Your Ducks, Barbara Moore presents eyes-on tips for birders from beginner to intermediate levels to enjoy migrating birds, Saturday, August 30, 10 a.m. to noon, at Chula Vista Nature Center (1000 Gunpowder Point Drive). \$15. Bring lunch. Registration: 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Handicapping Seminar by Daily Racing Form publisher and chairman Steven Crist, Saturday, August 30, 7:30 p.m., at Earth Song Bookstore (1440 Camino Del Mar). Crist will also sign Betting on Myself: Adventures of a Horseplayer and Publisher. Free. 858-755-4254. (DEL MAR)

Hone Your Map and Compass Skills during class Tuesday, September 2, 7 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive). Free. Reservations: 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

Women's Health Issues discussed by Neysa Whiteman, M.D., for Carlsbad Newcomers, Wednesday, September 3, 9:45 a.m., in Heritage Hall at Magee Park (at Carlsbad Boulevard and Beech Street). Free. 760-729-5989.

Political Activist and current Gray Davis advisor Midge Costanza talks about the recall and its implications for the democratic process when North County Coalition for Peace and Justice meets, Wednesday, September 3, at Pilgrim United Church of Christ (2020 Chestnut Street). Social at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7 p.m. 760-753-2654. Free. (CARLSBAD)

"Capitalistic Democratic Republics - The Future of Global Governments?" It's the topic, Wednesday, September 3, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

What's the Status of Domestic Violence in your community? San Diego County District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis and San Diego City Attorney Casey Gwinn address the question, Wednesday, September 3, 5 p.m., in room 303 of the County Administration Building (1600 Pacific Highway). RSVP: 619-515-6526. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Tour the Night Sky during "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 7 p.m., Wednesday, September 3. After show, view real sky through telescopes set up by Fleet Center staff and San Diego Astronomy Associa-

"African Art of the Baule." African art specialist and guest curator Barbara Blackmun leads tour of "Partners of the Soul: African Art of the Baule," for Insight Gallery se-

tion (weather permitting). 619-238-

1233. \$6.75 general. (BALBOA PARK)

ries, Thursday, September 4, 6 p.m. (and Sunday, September 7, 2 p.m.) at San Diego Museum of Art. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

History Alive! Lemon Grove Historical Society series begins when Kumeyaay healer and teacher Jane Dumas discusses traditional uses of native plants in medicine, purification, and religious observances, Thursday, September 4. Group meets at 1:30 p.m. at Lemon Grove Library (8073 Broadway), \$2, 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

"Bioluminescence: A Glowing Past and a Bright Future" Michael Latz from Scripps Institution of Oceanography explains how basic research of jellyfish, fireflies, and other organisms has led to applications in cell biology and biomedicine. Lecture starts at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 4, at San Diego Natural History Museum. \$8. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Write Your Book Now! Fourweek writers' intensive workshop led by Vessa Rinehart, starting Thursday, September 4, 7:30 p.m., at Intuitive Insights Center (4305 Gesner Street, suite 200). Fee: \$35 per class, or \$120 if paid in full on first night. 858-715-9445.

"Navigating the Roadmap to Peace" discussed by SDSU visiting Israeli professor Moshe Ma'oz for Lipinsky Institute for Judaic Studies. Lecture begins at 6 p.m. on Monday, September 8, in thirdfloor auditorium at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5821. (DOWNTOWN)

Timely Tips for Fall Gardeners are promised when UC Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Association hosts this series of

Saturday, September 13, features "Garden Tool Selection, Care, and Sharpening," Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon; "Proper Pruning Fruit Trees; The Five Keywords Concept," 1 to 3 p.m. Register by September 3. Saturday, September 20, "Knowing and Growing Southern California Native Plants' (10 a.m.); "Flower Arranging for the Holidays: Design and Creativity" (1 p.m.). Registration due by September 10.

Thursday, September 25, 7 p.m., learn about "Subtropical Fruit Trees" (register by September 15). "Plants That Attract Birds and Butterflies," Saturday, September 27, 10 a.m.; "Uncommon Flowering Trees for San Diego," 1 to 2:45 p.m. Register for these classes by September 17.

No day-of-event registration. Fee: \$10 per class. Classes are held in La Jolla Ballroom at Marriott La Jolla (4240 La Jolla Village Drive). Registration: 858-694-2860. (LA JOLLA)

Tuskegee Airmen Lee Archer and Roscoe Brown speak about their World War II exploits for "Celebrating the Centennial of Flight" series at San Diego Aerospace Museum, Thursday, September 18, 7 p.m. \$15. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

What Do Those Little Pictures **Mean?** Translate hieroglyphic inscriptions found in temples, tombs, and monuments of ancient Egypt when Ron Fellows presents a workshop, Saturday, September 20. Participants focus on reading ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Heritage of the Americas Museum, Cuyamaca College (12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Fee: \$35, plus \$15 for materials. Registration: 619-660-4350, (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

IN PERSON

The Wailers perform for Four O'Clock Friday series at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, Friday, August 29, 7 p.m. Post time for horse racing is 3:30 p.m. Concerts included in regular track admission. 858-755-1141. (DEL MAR)

Author Nancy de Herrera signs All You Need Is Love, Friday, August 29, 7 p.m., Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). 619-667-2870. Free. (LA MESA)





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Summer in the Park, the Mar Dels take the stage for University Heights concert series on Friday, August 29, 6 p.m. at Trolley Barn Park (1900 block of Adams Avenue). Free. 619-297-3166. (UNI-VERSITY HEIGHTS)

TGIF Jazz in the Parks, the series concludes with a concert by Earl Thomas, Friday, August 29, 6 p.m., at Calavera Hills Park (2997 Glasgow, at Carlsbad Village Drive). Shuttle service available. Free. 760-434-2904. (CARLSBAD)

Bird Park Summer Concerts. the U.S. Navy Jazz Ensemble performs traditional tunes, Saturday, August 30, 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)

Author R.L. Buss (Life Between Cigarettes) gives "the final reading on his Dirty Word Tour," Saturday, August 30, 7 p.m., the Muse (2911 University Avenue). Donation: \$1.99, 619-296-8539, (NORTH PARK)

Music in the Park, the Rhythmakers perform tunes from the '60s and '70s, Saturday, August 30, 6 p.m., at Chula Vista Community Park. 619-585-5682. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

Musical Comedy with Rock and Roll Attitude, the Trailer Park Troubadours present familyfriendly show, Saturday, August 30, 8 p.m., the Fire House (La

Jolla YMCA Community Center, 7877 Herschel Avenue). \$15. 858-459-1640. (LA JOLLA)

The Wigbillies and Cindy Lee Berryhill perform Saturday, August 30, 7:30 p.m., at 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). \$10. 760-632-9074 or 760-944-6027. (ENCINITAS)

Summer Concerts in the Garden.

the Chris Klich Jazz Ouintet performs Saturday, August 30, 7:30 p.m., at Wood House in Woodland Park (at Rock Springs Road and Woodland Parkway). Tickets: \$5 general, free for those under 10. 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

Jacumba Music Festival promising blues, folk, jazz, rock runs Saturday and Sunday, August 30 and 31, noon to 6 p.m., at Jacumba Hot Springs Spa and Hotel (44500 Old Highway 80). Bring musical instruments, food (barbecue grill provided), beverages. Free. 619-766-4333. (JACUMBA)

Calle Diez Latin Music Festival, hosted by WorldBeat Center, Sunday, August 31, in ReinCarnation Building (320 11th Avenue), Among the seven bands: Orquesta Melaza, Marquinhos Paulista Samba Batucada, Principes de Merengue, Quetzal Guerrero Cascabel. Gates open at 1 p.m., show starts at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$10 general, free for those 12 and under. 619-230-1190. (DOWNTOWN)



Trailer Park Troubadours at the Firehouse, August 30 (see In Person)

La Jolla Concerts by the Sea conclude for the season with bigband jazz by the US Navy Band Southwest Fleet Jazz Ensemble, Sunday, August 31, 2 p.m., in Scripps Park at La Jolla Cove (at foot of Girard Avenue). 858-454-1600. (LA JOLLA)

The Sophisticats play rock and roll on Sunday, August 31, in Spreckels Park (at 7th and Orange Avenue). On Monday, September 1, the Coronado Community Band takes the stage. Concerts start at 6 p.m. Free. 619-435-9260. (CORONADO)

Blues Brothers Tribute Show presented for Target Summer Concert in the Park Series, Sunday, August 31, 5:30 p.m., Lake Poway recreation area, 14644 Lake Poway Road. Blues Doctors perform, with Rufus Rex Blues Band. Non-Poway residents pay \$4 before 5 p.m., zero after. 858-679-5466. (POWAY)

Suspense and Mystery Authors Gregg Hurwitz (Kill Clause) and David Corbett (Done for a Dime) discuss and sign their books, Monday, September 1, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

The First Tuesday Local Author Series continues with an appearance by James W. Huston author of Secret Justice, Fallout, Balance of Power — September 2, 6:30 p.m., in Turrentine Room at Escondido Public Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

Canadian Fantasy Author Charles de Lint visits Mysterious Galaxy Books to sign and discuss Spirits in the Wire, Tuesday, September 2, 7 p.m. Find Galaxy at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard: 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

The Mark Jackson Band performs for San Diego North County Bluegrass and Folk Club, Tuesday, September 2, 7 p.m., Round Table Pizza (1161 East Washington Street, at Ash). Free. 760-726-8380. (ESCONDIDO)

First Wednesdays, series begins with Ric Henry in Concert: Broadway in the Afternoon, September 3, 4 p.m., in Center Theater at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Program includes songs from Phantom of the Opera, Pippin, 1776, Les Miserables, Secret Garden, and West Side Story. Tickets are free, available on a firstcome, first-served basis. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

Jazz in the Park, jazz greats Bud Shank and the Pete Christlieb Quintet perform for series Wednesday, September 3, 5:30 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art. Tickets: \$15 general. Reservations: 619-696-1966, (BALBOA PARK)

Poetry Unlimited, Wednesday, September 3, 6:30 p.m., at La Jolla Recreation Center (615 Prospect Street). Open readings follow. Free. 858-552-1658. (LA JOLLA)

Financial Thriller Author Christopher Rich signs The Devil's Banker, Wednesday, September 3, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

Is There Life on Other Planets? "Cerca Series" artist Adam Ross discusses the science-fiction inspiration for his large-scale, otherworldly paintings for Thursday Night Thing (TNT), Thursday, September 4. Also on hand: astrobiologists "providing extraterrestrial images, sound, action." Party starts at 7 p.m. at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown (1001 Kettner Boulevard). Donation: \$3.

"At Home in the Muddy Water: A Guide to Finding Peace Within Everyday Chaos" signed by author Ezra Bayda, Thursday, September 4, 7:30 p.m., Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

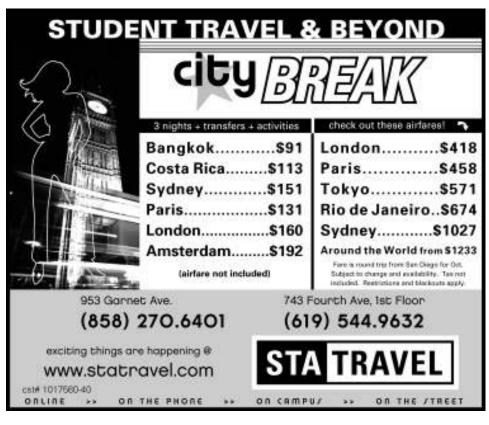
Join the Party! The 33rd annual Iulian Bluegrass Festival runs September 20 and 21 at Frank Lane Park. Bands include Bluegrass Etc., Silverado Bluegrass Band, Virtual Strangers, Ronnie Bowman and his band, Ken Perlman and William Coulter, Steve Spurgin, the Walden Dahl Band.

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<u>The Unsinkable Debbie</u> **Reynolds** — star of film, television, and Broadway — performs Saturday, September 20, 8 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets to "Debbie Reynolds — An Evening of Music and Comedy" range from \$40 to \$60. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

High-Altitude Mountaineer Ed Viesturs, who climbs without the use of supplemental oxygen, adding to the mental and physical difficulty of his climbs. Viesturs will show photography from his climbing career and pictures from his recent summits of Nanga Parbat and Broad Peak, Thursday, September 25, 7 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive). Viesturs will also sign his new book, Himalavan Ouest. \$5, 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

SPORTS

Football Preseason Games Conclude for the San Diego Chargers with a game against the San Francisco 49ers in Oualcomm Stadium, Friday, August 29, 7 p.m. Broadcast on KFMB. Tickets: 877-CHARGERS. (MISSION VALLEY)

The Boys of Summer, the San Diego Padres are in Houston for games against the Astros, August 29-31, at 5:05 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 11:05 a.m. on



The Pads return to Qualcomm Stadium to host the Arizona Diamondbacks at 7:05 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, and at 2:05 p.m. on Wednesday, September 3.

All of the games — except on September 3 — broadcast on Channel 4. Listen to games in English on KOGO 600 AM and in Spanish on XEMO 860 AM. Tickets: \$6 to \$32, available by calling 877-374-2784. (MISSION VALLEY)

Rev It Up and Go, twin latemodel sportsman, street stocks, pony stocks, factory stocks, and legends racing on Saturday, August 30, at Cajon Speedway. First race: 6:45 p.m., following qualifying runs at 5 p.m.

The 3/8-mile track is located next to Gillespie Field. Take I-8 to Highway 67, 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-

Snorkel with the Sharks, Saturday and Sunday, August 30 and 31, 8 to 10 a.m., hosted by Birch Aquarium-Museum. Sharks in question are (harmless) leopard sharks, smooth hound sharks, and guitarfish. \$30. Reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA SHORES)

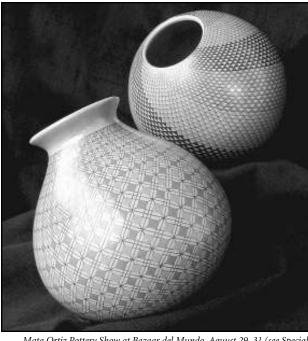
Little Italy Stickball Tournament, teams from New York, New Jersey, and Florida compete against California stickball teams; balconies, signs, and parking meters add to the fun. Tournament runs Saturday through Monday, August 30 through September 1, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. India and Columbia Streets closed to traffic between Beech and Date for play. Free. 619-299-9323. (LITTLE ITALY)

Up for Waterskiing? Convair Waterski Club provides three ski boats for waterskiing and wakeboarding 8 to 11 a.m. on Sundays vear-round and Thursdays from 5 p.m. to dusk (during summer). Instruction on request. Group meets at south end of Crown Point Beach; guests of any skill level welcome. Nonmember fee: \$8 per run (about 15 minutes). Information: 800-699-2466, press pound sign, then mailbox number 456-838-6754. (MISSION BAY)

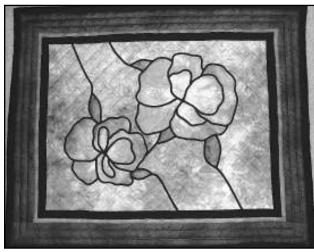
Mission Bay Kayak Clinic offered by Hike Bike Kayak San Diego, Sunday, August 31. \$65. Reservations: 858-551-9510. (MISSION BAY)

Eighth Annual Kayak Run, Sunday, August 31, 8 a.m., at Pepper Park Marina National City to Silver Strand State Beach. The fun race with no fee involves a threemile paddle and three-mile run. 619-460-0661. (NATIONAL CITY)

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Mata Ortiz Pottery Show at Bazaar del Mundo, Aguust 29–31 (see Special)



San Diego Quilt Show 2003 at San Diego Convention Center, August 29-31 (see Special)

Gutierrez Cup Finals at San Diego Polo Club, Sunday, August 31. Preliminary matches begin at 1:30 p.m., featured polo 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)

The Oceanside Labor Day Rough-Water Swim takes place, for the 74th year, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Monday, September 1, Oceanside Pier (found at the foot of Mission Boulevard). Registration starts at 7 a.m. 760-643-0919. (OCEANSIDE)

The Horses Are on the Track, the 2003 seaside racing season hosted by the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club continues 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 \$8 general, 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)

SPECIAL

Biogum Manufacturer CP Kelco and kelp processing plant ISP San Diego host open house focusing on plant's production, safety procedures, and community involvement. Thursday, August 28, 6 to 8 p.m., at Barrio Station Auditorium, 2175 Newton Avenue. 619-595-5120 or 619-557-3102. (BARRIO LOGAN)

Barona Pow Wow, the 33rd annual gathering takes place August 29-31 at Barona Stars Baseball Field (off Wildcat Canyon

Arts and crafts; contest dancing in all categories. Friday's events run 7 to 11 p.m.; gourd dancing at 7 p.m., grand entry at 8 p.m. Events run 1 to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Gourd dancing at 1 and 7 p.m.; grand entry 8 p.m.; peon tournament Saturday at dusk.

Admission is free, 619-443-6612. (LAKESIDE)

A Tribute to Julian's Heritage is offered during Julian Art Guild's fall show, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday through Monday, August 29-September 1, in Julian Town Hall (2129 Main Street). Free. 760-765-2399. (JULIAN)

Sculpting, Painting, Firing demonstrations of the processes involved in creation of pottery offered during Mata Ortiz Pottery show, August 29-31, at Bazaar del Mundo (2754 Calhoun Street). Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Free. $619\text{-}296\text{-}3161\text{.} \; (\text{OLD TOWN})$

San Diego Quilt Show 2003, over 300 quilts on display, wearable art, quilting bee, fashions, exhibits, vendors galore, August 29-31, San Diego Convention Center. Guest artist: Cynthia England from Houston, Texas.

Show hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission: \$7 for those 11 years and older, \$3.50 for those four through ten years old, free for kids three and younger. Find the center at 111 , West Harbor Drive. 619-443-2706. (DOWNTOWN)

Animal Intuitive Anupo Kirsten Joy speaks "with family pets and their people," Saturday, August 30, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, August 31, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Phoenix Dragon Bookstore (681 Encinitas Boulevard #307). Sessions: \$55 per half hour, \$95 per hour. Reservations: 760-436-7740 or 760-634-4942. (ENCINITAS)

Go Back in Time to the early 1900s when Laguna Mountain Volunteer Association presents living history events, Saturday and Sunday, August 30 and 31, at Red-Tailed Roost volunteer headquarters. Meet an old gold prospector, Native Americans, pioneers, cowboys, and mountain men.

Presentations begin hourly from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. To reach the spot, take I-8 (about 45 miles east of San Diego) to Sunrise Highway, and drive 8.5 miles north (to mile marker 22.5). 619-445-6235. Free. (CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST)

Sleepover on the Star, sleep on the "tween deck" where immigrants slept during voyages when the Star of India hosts a sleepover, Saturday, August 30. Participants learn how to set sail, move cargo, stand night watch. \$65. Reservations: 619-234-9153 x124. The Star

is berthed at 1306 North Harbor Drive (at Ash Street). (DOWNTOWN)

Turtle and Tortoise Show. hosted by San Diego Turtle and Tortoise Society, August 30 and 31, in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Plant sale, native and exotic species, information, vendors, art. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. 619-593-2123. (BALBOA PARK)

The House of the Ukraine presents lawn program with dance, music, and cultural costumes at International Cottages at 2 p.m. on Sunday, August 31. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

"Enemy Alien Files: Hidden Stories of World War II," an exhibit on view September 1-24 at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street), combines rare photographs, oral history excerpts, and documents to explore how wartime fears, anti-immigrant attitudes, and racism affected those against whom no charges of wrongdoing were ever brought. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Truck Tribute Day celebrated during San Diego Auto Swap, Monday, September 1, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., Qualcomm Stadium. Vehicles on display and for sale, along with "acres of parts and accessories." Admission is \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342.

"How to Live Happily Ever After...With Your Dog" teaches vital training secrets to prevent and manage unwanted dog behaviors. Participants learn basics of housetraining, nutrition, preventing destructive behaviors, encouraging calmness, socialization with people and other animals, how to communicate with their

Classes offered every Wednesday, 6 to 7:30 p.m., San Diego Humane Society (887 Sherman Street). \$10. Reservations: 619-299-7012, (LINDA VISTA)

Cedros Gallery Nights, art galleries on Cedros Avenue stay open until 8:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month, including September 4. Music, refreshments Free. 858-793-6040. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Tradition in New Forms" an exhibit of woodblock prints by Hiroshi, Toshi Yoshida, and Saito — is on display through Sunday, September 28, at Japanese Friendship Garden. Admission: \$3 general, \$2 for students, children 6 and under free, 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

"Movie Notes: Composing Music for Hollywood" is on display through Saturday, September 6, in the first-floor browsing area of San Diego State University Library. Included sheet music and record al-





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Wavecrest Weekend, described as "the largest of all woodie meets," starts with the Cruise-In for Woodies and Rods, Thursday, September 18, 5:30 p.m., on Highway 101 between D and G Streets.

The big event, a huge woodie show with 250 to 300 of the vehicles, runs 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 20, at Moonlight Beach (found at the foot of Encinitas Boulevard).

On Sunday September 21, starting at 9 a.m., "Woodies on 101" will take part in police-escorted parade from Encinitas north to Oceanside, south to Del Mar, then back to start at Encinitas Civic Hall (505 South Vulcan Avenue, at E Street).

Wavecrest surfboard auction on the 21st, poolside at Best Western Inn and Suites (85 Encinitas Boulevard). Preview at 11 a.m., auction noon to 3 p.m.

All events are free. 760-945-9594. (ENCINITAS)

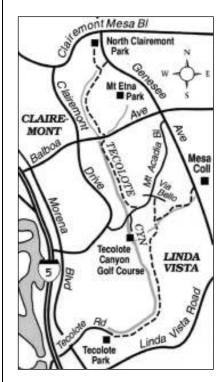
Sea Chantey Festival, Sunday, September 21, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., on board the Star of India. Performers include Tom Lewis, Ken Graydon, the Jackstraws, and others. Shipboard activity demonstrations; visitors may set the sails of the Star. Included in museum admission. Find the ship berthed at 1306 North Harbor Drive (at Ash Street). 619-234-9153 x101.

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Rustic signs along some of Clairemont's major streets call attention to one of the oldest designated open-space parks in San Diego: the 900-acre Tecolote Canyon Natural Park, Using the park's network of service roads and narrow footpaths, it's



possible to follow most of the six-mile length of the main Tecolote Canvon and to poke into several of its tributary "finger canyons." By day you can spot hawks and ravens soaring on the strong coastal breeze blowing up the canyon. By night, you might hear the yapping of a coyote or the plaintive hoot of an owl, the creature for which this canyon was named.

The canyon's pathways are used by both hikers and mountain bikers — though mountain biking is often "technical" due to the often excessively steep and rocky paths. Parts of the canyon are surprisingly beautiful, particularly when winter or spring rains bring forth a prolific growth of green grass and wildflowers. By now, however, most of the vegetation is parched and

A good place to start is the Tecolote Canvon Natural Park visitors' center at the far east end of Tecolote Road, east of Interstate 5, inland from Mission Bay. The wide dirt path leading east, initially smooth. becomes rougher as you approach the perimeter of the Tecolote Canyon Golf Course. There you'll start struggling up and down some steep hillsides. A narrow side path on the left stays above the perimeter fence. It eventually bends east on the slope overlooking the golf course's clubhouse and descends into a tributary, currently harboring a sluggish stream. A hike upstream along this fine oak- and sycamore-dotted ravine to Genesee Avenue is well worth it. If you reverse your steps upon reaching Genesee, your round-trip hike measures



Inside Tecolote Canvon

about five and one-half miles.

A number of narrow trails traverse the upper portions of Tecolote Canyon. Balboa Avenue, a de facto mini-freeway where it crosses the canyon, is a definite obstacle for hikers wishing to link the upper branches of the canyon with the lower canyon. North of Balboa Avenue, one path goes toward North Clairemont Park. A lesser path along a smaller tributary of Tecolote Canyon heads toward Mt. Etna Park.

plenty of crazy antics thrown in for good measure." It's a contest "consisting of gags and puzzles to challenge" and entertain. Two-person minimum per team; maximum number per team depends upon how many can legally fit into the vehicle.

Events begin at 1 p.m. at Boll Weevil (9330 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard) on Sunday, September 21. \$15 per team. The end

point is a mystery, 619-440-5035. (KEARNY MESA)

Rails Across Time, the San Diego Railroad Museum hosts this living history program with historical re-enactments of railroad vignettes of the past, Sunday, September 28, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Program included in regular museum admission. 858-696-1099.

FOR KIDS

"Nature's Shadows" performed by Big Joe Productions through Sunday, August 31, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Performances 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)

Involved with Music is the mission for Heartstrings Foundation. The group hosts family event noon to 9:30 p.m., Saturday, August 30, at Wynola Pizza Express (4355 Highway 78). A variety of genres and instruments will be repre-

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sented, artists perform mini-concerts and answer questions, children may hold and play instruments. Free. 760-765-1004.

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Quail Trail, head to Quail Botanical Gardens for tour of the gardens oriented for kids (aged three to six), Tuesday, September 2, 10:30 a.m. Meet at visitors' center located directly north of parking lot, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. Free. 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

"Nocturnal Animals: Adaptation for Life After Dark" for kids ten and older, Thursday, September 4, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Discover what some animals do after dark to survive. \$15 for nonmembers. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BAL-

Build and Launch Water Rockets when San Diego Aerospace Museum hosts Family Day workshops, Saturday, September 13, at 12:30, 1:30, and 2:30 p.m. (sessions last 45 minutes). Included in paid admission. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

MUSEUMS

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

Bancroft Ranch House Museum

houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area, run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane: 619-469-1480. (SPRING VALLEY)

California Surf Museum, "Early California Surfriders, 1900-1940" honors Doc John Heath Ball, the first surf documentarian, telling stories of those pioneering surfers in photographs by Ball and

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia — such as surfboards and clothing - of local legends Phil Edwards, John "L.J." Richards, and Peter Johnson, and Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

Chula Vista Nature Center, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. Pet sharks and rays in the David A. Wergeland Shark and Ray Experience, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Computer Museum of America,

"Secrets, Lies, and Teletypes: A History of Cryptology" explores the development of cryptology and code breaking from ancient times to the present, focusing on the role of machines and computers. The National Cryptologic Museum has loaned the German Air Force Enigma Machine; the three-rotor Enigma was used by

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the Nazis in World War II to secure messaging. Also on view, the M-209, a U.S. Army Signal Corps machine used by American troops to send and receive encrypted messages. Learn about the use of semaphore, punch card equipment, teletypes, and other machines.

Ongoing exhibits include vintage video games like Pong and Space Invaders, punch cards, a rare "millionaire calculator," and a Hectotron, described as "a 1970s vacuum-tube, sound-responsive electronic kaleidoscope." Find the museum at 640 C Street (at Seventh Avenue). 619-235-8222. (DOWNTOWN)

Flying Leatherneck Museum,

dedicated to the Marine Corps who provided air support, from the propeller-driven fighters and bombers of the 1940s to the modern jets and helicopters currently in use. Static displays of a variety of aircraft are included, along with equipment, insignia, paintings and photographs, scale models, and a research library. The museum is located in building T-2002, at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar. 858-693-1723. (MIRAMAR)

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and

"New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). $619\hbox{-}237\hbox{-}1492. \ (\text{GASLAMP QUARTER})$

Heritage Museum, an interpretive wall, replicas of the early post office and general store, and a school room are part of this museum. A mural painted by Michael Strong depicts six periods of Poway's past. Find the museum in Old Poway Park, at 14134 Midland Road: 858-679-8587. (POWAY)

Heritage of the Americas Museum, more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 B.C.) through the Ming periods (A.D. 1368-1644) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China." From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body either as final adornments in death or as ornaments in life. See a rare and valuable iade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 B.C. to A.D. 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). Ongoing.

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North

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The scene within the paperweight is calm, A small white house, a laughing man and wife, Deep snow. I turn it over in my palm And watch it snowing in another life,

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Sifts down through the glass snow, and we Wonder if her single deed tells much Or little of the way she loves, and whether he Sees shadows in the sky. Beyond our touch,

Beyond our lives, they laugh, and drink their tea. We look at them just as the winter night With its vast empty spaces bends to see Our isolated little world of light,

Covered with snow, and snow in clouds above it, And drifts and swirls too deep to understand. Still, I must try to think a little of it, With so much winter in my head and hand.

Gjertrud Schnackenberg

"The Paperweight" appears in The Vintage Book of Contemporary American Poetry, second edition, edited by J.D. McClatchy.

America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. The museum also features wings

dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art. Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

Heritage Walk Museum, the museum includes the restored Victorian House, the city's original Santa Fe Train Depot, a railroad car with model train, working blacksmith shop, and a barn. Find Heritage Walk in Grape Day Park, at 321 North Broadway; 760-743-8207. (ESCONDIDO)

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. Indian artifacts from the Kingery family on exhibit. The museum is located at 2116 Tavern Road; 619-659-8740. (ALPINE)

La Mesa Depot Museum, located in a restored 1894 wooden train station, exhibits include original telegraph and telephone equipment, pot-bellied coal stove, period furniture. The adjacent freight train display features 1923 steam locomotive, 1957 refrigerator car, restored 1941 caboose. Find the museum at La Mesa Boulevard and Spring Street. 619-465-7776, (LA MESA)

Museum of History and Art, a Vietnam-era Stoner 63/63A 5.56mm machine gun and a small inflatable boat used during SEAL

training are among items on display in "Hooyah! Naval Special Warfare in Coronado," on view through Wednesday, September 3. Mannequins dressed in various SEAL uniforms, photographs, memorabilia, and equipment tell the story of these "esteemed frogmen," from their beginnings in the early 1940s through recent actions.

Ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

Museum of Making Music, the past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Find the museum at 5790 Armada Drive; 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to

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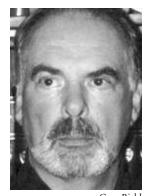
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Quantico Rules



August 2003; St. Martin's Minotaur; 304 pages; \$24.95

From the dust jacket: With fascinating inside details only a former FBI agent could know, this is the ultimate cautionary tale, a rocketing thriller that twists and turns toward a stunning conclusion that will change the way you think about Washington — and the FBI — for-

From Kirkus Reviews: "The FBI background check seems workaday at the outset. Judge Brenda

Thompson, first African-American woman to be nominated for the U.S. Supreme Court, has Beltway insiders betting she'll win Senate approval in a breeze — and then she's caught in a lie. Caught by the Washington bureau's Special Agent Lisa Sands, who reports it to her boss, Special Agent Puller Monk, who isn't as interested as he should be since he's halfway out of the office to a place in which he's tremendously interested. Connecticut is where he's going, to the Foxwoods Resort and Casino, since the truth is he 'couldn't not go." Special Agent Monk is a serious (anytime, anywhere) gambler — addicted to risk, as he puts it: "only happy when he's out on the edge." And soon enough that's exactly where he finds himself — sweet, sexy Special Agent Lisa Sands right there with him. Judge Thompson's lie has led to other lies, transforming a routine background check into something nightmarish. When it's obvious that Monk and Sands will have to investigate the daylights out of the less-than-forthright judge, bewildering obstacles loom in their path. Powerful people take inexplicable positions, and the two Special Agents are well and truly hamstrung. For starters, they're warned off, then abruptly suspended. And it gets worse. They discover that a hit man is tracking them, highly skilled and relentless. As they dodge and squirm to elude him, they face the bleak but incontrovertible fact that the only way to avoid being killed is to kill first: the highly skilled hit man, then the highly placed person who hired him. A flawed but charismatic hero in a setting packed with authenticity.'

From Michael Connelly, author of Blood Work: "Quantico Rules is my kind of story. It is full of high tension, intrigue and the details of life as an FBI agent that could only come from a career agent himself. Gene Riehl has taken his experiences and turned them into a thriller that is good to the last page. But it is more than a pageturner. It is an incisive study of an agent battling the obstacles of bureaucracy to finally make his stand."

About the author: Gene Riehl is a former FBI agent who specialized in foreign counterintelligence and espionage. He currently serves as the on-air terrorism analyst for a major broadcast group representing the CBS, NBC, CNN, and Fox television networks. He lives in La Jolla.

An interview with the author: I met Gene Riehl at my cousins' Christmas Eve party, back when Gene was a bright-eyed beginner. He'd been retired from the FBI only a couple of years, his first novel was getting rudely ignored by editors and agents, and, as he hadn't yet mastered the art of surviving rejection, he was delighted to meet someone like me, who for many years had gotten similarly abused.

I warned him, "You've got a better chance of playing golf on the senior tour than of making a career as a writer," but he per-

sisted, beat the odds, and here he is with Quantico Rules, the 20th or 30th draft of the fifth novel he's written, coming out as his first book, with great reviews and lots of publicity.

Recently, in a booth at a Mission Valley coffee shop, I congratulated him on a review from Booklist that opens with "Reading this debut novel is like finding a gold nugget when all you're expecting is a few pretty stones," and concludes, "Further Monk adventures aren't just welcome, but necessary.'

So how did you feel when you read that?" I asked.

"It lifted me right out of my chair, so I was hovering over the keyboard like some god of the printed word. And then I remembered what artists say about reviews, that if you believe the good ones, you'd better be ready to believe the bad ones, and I slowly lowered into my chair and became a mortal again."

"When you go out promoting the book, you'll feel plenty mortal. Are you looking forward to book signings and such?" "Looking forward with some trepidation."

He reached for his beer. I said, "Suppose you're out in the world signing books, and a kid tells you he's trying to choose between being an FBI agent and a novelist. What do you tell him?"

'I'd say becoming a writer is one of the riskiest things you can do. On the other hand, working for the bureau's not so glamorous as it used to be.'

"How did it used to be?"

"When I started, in the '60s, as an agent you were a special person. Not so much in Washington, D.C., where the whole city is filled with generals and senators. But in San Antonio, I was a big deal, an important man, at 24 years old. When I went out into the rural counties, they stopped the town. The town came out to see me. 'There's an FBI agent.' They knew because you were the only guy in rural Texas wearing a necktie. You were a celebrity. Even in San Diego, I enjoyed that status for a long time. These days, the badge is a little tarnished because the public has found out that the FBI isn't a posse of heroes, they're just regular people. But in the '60s and '70s, we were heroes.

"But even now, no matter what people say about the FBI, there is a cachet about the bureau that lingers in everybody's mind,

Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

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San Diego Aerospace Museum, the technological advancements made in aircraft propulsion over the last century are showcased in "100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the Spitfire and P-51 Mustang fighters; and a rare

the world's first operational jet Concurrently, see "The His-

German Junkers Jumo 004, one of

tory of Commercial Aviation in America"; and "P-51 Mustang," celebrating the legendary Air Force fighter used during both World War II and Korea. The museum's Mustang is painted in the red-tail livery of the Tuskegee Airmen, who distinguished themselves flying bomber escort and ground attack missions during World War

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including a replica of Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, flight deck of the USS Yorktown, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from Montgolfier hot-air-balloon era to Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

The museum is located in the Ford Building in the Palisades area. 619-234-8291. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego County Sheriff's **Museum,** the 150-year history of the sheriff's department is highlighted at the museum, which is located "just feet away" from the original cobblestone jail site, built in 1850. The museum boasts artifacts, photographs, equipment, uniforms, and vehicles, along with exhibits from each of the departments making up the organization such as crime scene, K-9, court service, detentions, crime lab, bomb squad, and many others. Find the museum at 2384 San Diego Avenue; 619-260-1850. (OLD TOWN)

San Diego Model Railroad **Museum**, the museum celebrates

American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading.

The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Natural History Museum, "Glow: Living Lights" explores the phenomenon of bioluminescence — an organism's ability to produce its own light. The exhibit explains what bioluminescence is, how it happens, and the reasons organisms produce

their own light. Closes Sunday, September 7.

Follow the trail of how dogs and humans have related and how their roles have changed over time, in "Dogs: Wolf, Myth, Hero, and Friend," on exhibit through Tuesday, September 2. "Rare Places in a Rare Light: The Wildlands Photography of Robert Turner" is on exhibit through Tuesday, September 2. Also on view: "Natural Treasures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giant-screen films" include Wolves and Ocean Oasis, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Desert. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Dieguito Heritage Mu**seum.** the museum offers informative displays on the North County coastal history including Native Americans, early home-

steaders, and recent times, as well as photographic collections and archives. Find the museum 561 South Vulcan Avenue; 760-632-9711. (ENCINITAS)

Serra Museum, "Commemorating 75 Years: The Serra Museum" is said to "remember the events leading up to the dedication of Presidio Park and the Serra Museum" on July 16, 1929. The exhibit includes a "visit back in time to 1929."

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish Colonial furnishings, art, and artifacts. It's located at the site of the West Coast's first European settlement, 2727 Presidio Drive. 619-297-3258. (PRESIDIO PARK)

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and it has given me opportunities that wouldn't be available to other writers who spent their lives at other occupations. I don't kid myself; it was easier to get people interested in my writing than if I'd been a shoe salesman. I don't mean it sells the book, though. The FBI can open the door, but then your work has to walk in and sit down and sell the product.

"To the kid who asks me what to do with his life, I guess I'd say, 'If you're made to be a writer, you'll write whether or not you

"Doesn't it take a different kind of person to be a good writer than it does to be a good agent? Writers need a certain sensitivity and a passion to discover answers. Do those qualities make a suc-

"You might think so, but I imagine sensitivity and an artistic sensibility are probably less necessary to an FBI agent than they are in almost any other field except maybe something like engineering. FBI agents are trained to look at a set of facts, write them down, and communicate them to a United States attorney or to a prosecutor. They aren't called on to make all that many judgments, whereas a writer, every sentence, every word you write is a

"Now, instead of just collecting facts, you get to be the judge

"In fact, I'm obligated to judge and pass sentence."

"And people are going to expect, from an FBI insider, your judgment about the FBI, the real inside scoop. Is your novel any kind of exposé?"

Gene knitted his brow and appeared to brood. "I have a lot of criticisms of the FBI, but I'm not on any mission to expose

"Okay, so if you don't expose the FBI in the novel, you can do it now. Give us the lowdown and dirty."

"In how many pages?"

"About one.

"Well, the FBI has a major flaw in that there are in fact two or three FBIs. There's the FBI in the field, made up of agents who for the most part are just trying to do their job and get their pay-

check. The mid-management level, they not only want to get the job done and get a paycheck, they're obsessed with rising to the next level, and that colors everything they do. And then you have the headquarters people, the top brass, and I'm afraid that most of those people only have one agenda, which is — how do I get to the next highest position? In that way, the FBI's no different than any large corporation or bureaucracy. Only, in something with as many secrets and important decisions to make as get made by the FBI, the flaws are more dangerous than in other bureaucracies.'

"You worked in San Antonio and San Diego, and where else?"

"I was in Washington, D.C., for training, split time between the academy on the Marine Corps base in Quantico, Virginia the world-famous FBI academy — and downtown Washington, where I worked for a while in the Washington field office. Then I was sent for a year to San Antonio, and then I was lucky enough to spend the next 26 years in San Diego."

"What should we know about crime in San Diego? What do

"San Diego is dominated by a couple of things: the U.S. government, especially the Navy — the Navy's a huge presence — and the border. San Diego is hemmed in by the ocean, by the colossus of Orange County and L.A., by the desert, and the Mexican border. For that reason, it's a fairly small community of criminals, and most of them are involved in border crime, Navy crime, and some financial crime, because there are a lot of heavy financial hitters in San Diego.'

"What exactly is Navy crime?"

He tapped the table with his fingers and looked as if deciding how much he could safely tell. "With an organization as big as the Navy, there's a lot of theft. If you go into a Navy base and steal 10 or 15 computers, that is by definition an FBI case. Any crime on a government reservation is multijurisdictional between the FBI and the military.'

"And the financial crime, how about some examples?"
"We had some famous ones. C. Arnholt Smith, the FBI had a big hand in that. Smith used the bank he owned like an ATM machine. If he wanted new uniforms for the Padres, which I think

he owned at the time, he just wrote a check. The government found that he was using bank money pretty much as his own money, and that's against the law. And when the bank collapsed, it was big business, and many people who spent a lifetime at that bank went home poor and without any pension, because Smith had drained off the funds until there weren't any. I heard it said that when that happened, in the '80s I think, there were rookie bank examiners sent to San Diego who would spend their whole careers and retire and never work on anything else but the C. Arholt Smith bank collapse. It was gigantic. And Jerry Dominelli was a huge case, what they call a Ponzi scheme, where you recruit investors into some

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phony deal and you pay off the first investors with receipts from later investors and keep doing that until there are no more investors and it collapses.

"You mentioned border crime. We know about smuggling. What else goes on?"

"Besides the personal and property crimes that go along with illegal immigration, there's also public corruption, when immigration officers take bribes to let people in."
"I suppose you encoun-

tered some real desperadoes. Who was the meanest?"

"Well, I had this supervisor . .

"I meant the meanest criminal."

He made a sour face. "There was a guy whose specialty was robbery, house robbery. Which is different than burglary. A burglar goes into a place that's empty. A robber accosts people, threatens them, beats them and hurts them and steals their property. This particular guy was as bad a robber as you can imagine, the kind who would take a taser gun and torture a homeowner to find out where the jewels were hidden.

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Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing marine life of the Pacific

Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a twostory-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. The Lynne and

Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

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Wells Fargo Bank History Museum, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. Short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the

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"He was an FBI case because there's a law that any robbery over a certain amount of value -\$50,000 at the time — it's automatically presumed that the loot will go interstate, and that puts it into FBI territory. We caught him, and he's probably still in prison. Once when I went over to the federal lockup to see this guy, I take one look at him and he says, 'Not you, you schmuck.'"

Gene laughed as though at a fond memory. "He hated my guts. I went to his house with a moving van and took everything he owned on the presumption that it was loot. Then I went to his mother's house and we took everything. His mother was cooking a turkey and we took the oven. The newspaper reported that the mother told them, 'They took my turkey!' "

We both drank to that one, and I asked, "Did any of the bad guys try to kill you? Did you get yourself into messes the way your hero Puller Monk does?'

'Nothing that nasty, thank God, but there were times when I could see things starting to go wrong and wondered if this would be the day I didn't make it home. I remember vividly being part of a group of agents assigned to bodyguard a mob informant. We had information the mob was going to kill him, and we sat all night in the informant's house waiting for the attack." He leaned back and smiled again. "I can't remember ever being happier to see the sun come up.

"And in the midst of all that fun, you retired earlier than you had to, right?"

'By then, I'd had enough, and I'd got to the age when I could take the early retirement. And I wanted to devote my time to writing novels."

"Did you suddenly get inspired to write about your experiences, or had you thought long and hard about writing?"

"I always wanted to be a writer. I started college in journalism, but the department at the school I went to wasn't very good, and I was playing college basketball, and I developed an idea that I'd like to be a high school

basketball coach, so I became a high school English teacher and basketball coach. I did that for three years before I joined the FBI. But always I had in my mind that I wanted to write.'

"And when you finally got around to it, was the transition from being an FBI agent to being a novelist what you'd imagined?'

This time, Gene's laugh wasn't jolly, but like a blast of relief, as if he'd gotten pulled out of a riptide. "God, no! Way different. First, had I any idea how hard writing and publishing novels was going to be, I probably never would have done it. The biggest surprise every new writer must get is just how physically and emotionally grueling it's going to be to ever get something you create to be accepted by the publishing world and put between covers and in the book-

"I thought I was a bright guy, and since Herman Melville didn't publish anything until he was something like 40, I could write about my experiences the way he did, send them out and get them published, as he did. I was wrong. As it turned out, everybody told me it would take ten years, and it took ten years."

"Why so long?"

"Because the art of telling a story is not instinctive. The act of telling stories may be instinctive, but writing a story down so that you hold a reader's interest and at the same time communicate the feelings in your heart and your brain to a reader who has no access to you personally, can't listen to your voice or watch you while you're telling the story — is an art form every bit as rigorous as painting or sculpture. And you wouldn't expect a painter to create art without a hard and long apprenticeship learning the craft.

"About Quantico Rules you spent 26 years in San Diego and one or two years in Washington, yet you're writing about Washington. Why is that?"

"Well, when I started trying to write novels. I read in a book that the most successful thrillers are always in a glamorous setting. And Washington, D.C., no matter what you think about the government or about politics when you're standing in downtown Washington, there is an electricity in the air that carries



you up and carries you along the sidewalk. It's one of the most exciting cities on the face of the planet. Almost by definition, any story that has anything to do with government or politics and is set in Washington, D.C., is going to be better than the same story set in El Cajon. Washington is like the Rome of the modern world. All roads lead to Washington.

"Then you're going to keep setting your stories in Washington?"

"I think I'll continue to base them there. If I'm as successful as I'd like to be, I'll probably have my characters branch out on special assignments, and San Diego would be a great choice, because there's a lot about San Diego that is just as glamorous as the cities on the East Coast.'

"Now that the book's coming out, are you finding that it's giving you a whole different occupation, as a promoter? Or do you plan to just write and let the publisher do what they will with it and hope Quantico Rules wins an audience on its merits

"Maxwell Perkins, the famous editor, once said, 'People don't buy books, you sell them books,' and there's no doubt that he was right. Once the book is out there, it's up to me and my publisher to sell it. And since first novels don't get a lot of push from the publisher, that leaves me to do the heavy

lifting."

"So are you going on tour?"

"so are you going on tour?" "We're going to rent a motor home, throw the dog into it, and hit the road for a month or so.'

"Like Steinbeck, with Charlie the dog."

"Only he didn't take his wife along."

It was time to call for another round and to check my unreliable tape recorder. Once our voices got lubed, I said, "Besides the tour, you've recently become a TV personality. How did that come about?"

"I was playing golf at San Diego Country Club, and a friend of mine brought along another couple of people. One of them was a president of the Fox television network and the other was Kevin O'Brien, who's the president of Meredith Broadcasting, which is a large group of television stations throughout the country that represent CBS, NBC, Fox, and there's some affiliation with CNN. And during the golf game, we got to talking, and by the end of it, I was recruited as their counterterrorism analyst. So I go on the air as a talking head to stations from around the country, from Hartford to Atlanta to Portland to Las Vegas and Phoenix and others, and I'm asked questions about terrorism or counterterrorism, and my job is to give them the FBI slant. Sometimes I do the interviews here, at KFMB, but I usually go to Phoenix, to KPHO, Channel 5, and I'm uplinked by satellite to the other stations around the country."

"Is this going to help your book sales?"

"Indirectly. When I do interviews, we don't mention my novel. But it's opened other opportunities. I think that in life there's a lot of serendipity or dumb luck, and to succeed in writing or any art requires a whole lot of dumb luck. I happened to be at the right place at the right time, so I could fill a need for Meredith and in return, when Ouantico Rules comes out, I will be appearing on the morning shows at these stations to plug the book. Being their terrorism expert has given me a chance for exposure for my book that no amount of publicity money could

"So here you are, all set to launch a new career at an age when it's more common for people to retire and go fish. What do you think about that?"

"I'm lucky I don't have to retire. In the end, that might turn out to be the best thing I ever get out of my second career."

"You'll always have something to do."

'That's an understatement." "I wonder, as an FBI agent you were somebody. How did life

change when you gave it up to be a novelist?"

"When I was an FBI agent, I would call a corporation like General Dynamics in San Diego and five minutes later the chairman of the board would call me back and wonder what the FBI wanted with his company. When I gave up the badge and called somebody as Gene Riehl, novelist, I was told one of several things. 'He's on the other line, which meant you might hear from him within a couple weeks. 'He's in a meeting' meant maybe a month. If they said, 'He's out to lunch,' you would never hear from him.

"The day-to-day difference, as an FBI agent, you go into the office, you're assigned a case, you do a lot of interesting and exciting things. You meet and greet everybody from bank presidents to prostitutes. It's hardly ever boring. And I don't mean to suggest that writing is boring, but as a writer, even though I get up in the morning and go to my keyboard and sit down and create an exciting world, I'm still sitting at the keyboard.

"And when you're finished with the day, as an FBI agent, you basically go home and forget about it. As a novelist, you never forget about it; you're always aware that what you're working on is going to be sent away to people who have the power to make you rich and famous.

"In the FBI you are given celebrity status by virtue of the organization. No matter who you are, you are automatically given the imprimatur of hero. As a novelist, you represent yourself, only. You don't mean anything to anybody other than the sum of what you write or what you're able to deliver to them that can make them money. That is a giant distinction. As a writer, you are the classic self-sufficient loner. In the FBI, you represent the power and majesty of the United States government, and no matter what you are personally, you are automatically a hero. You carry the legend, the myth, on your back, and people fall out of your way at the sight of it.

"The other difference between what I'm doing now and what I did for almost 30 years is essentially the difference between civil service and the private sector. In the private sector, you have to accomplish something. You have to

add to the bottom line or you're gone. You can't just come to work and do the minimum. There's an accounting. In civil service, they tell you there's an accounting, but they can't fire

He asked me, "At your job, at SDSU, you'd have to torch the president's desk and even then you wouldn't get fired, you'd go out on a mental disability, right?"

"There's an idea," I said, and then reminded him that he was no longer a special agent, and now I was asking the questions.

> "Then repeat the question." 'The difference . . .

"Oh, right. In private entrepreneurship, which is what the business side of writing is about, you are what you achieve. In the FBI, you're defined by virtue of how long you've been there. The FBI is designed so that any member is interchangeable with any other member at any time. You can take an agent from the Bronx and send him to Granny's Crotch, Kentucky, and he might look and sound a little funny, but he will do the job exactly the same, he'll report in the same exact words, he'll go through the same hoops. The whole organization is designed so that as an individual you're nothing. All the way to the fact that you can't talk to the press. There's only one person in the office who can talk to the press. If a reporter comes and says, 'What about this case?' the agent says, 'Talk to So-and-So at the office.'

"As a writer, there are no rules. If you drive drunk and get caught, you might go to jail, it might cost you a lot of money, you might lose your license, but you're still a writer. If that happens to you as an FBI agent, you're fired. Being a writer is a license to be a kid. You can be irresponsible, you can not show up, you can dress like a slob.

"When I first started hanging around writers, I was stunned. A big star comes to a signing in clodhopper boots and old jeans. Writers are a crummy-looking lot, and that's expected. If Stephen King came in and he looked like Harrison Ford, it wouldn't help him, and it might even damage his reputation.'

So are you going to let your hair grow down to your shoulders before you go out signing and speaking? Do you plan to wear clodhopper boots?"

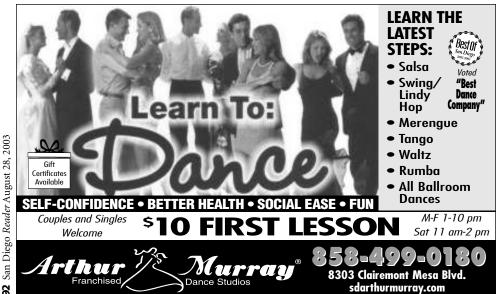
"Not hardly, but I can't help remembering J. Edgar Hoover's rule regarding covert assignments. The old bulldog thought that going undercover meant loosening your necktie." Gene grinned. "I just might go out and buy one.

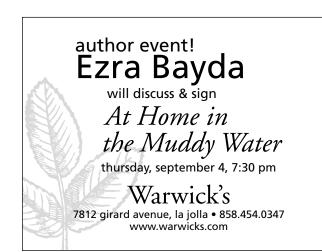
"Take it along on your tour, in case you want to impersonate an FBI agent."

"If there's room left in the motor home after we pack Diane's and Wally the dog's stuff."

– Ken Kuhlken

Gene Riehl will read from his book and sign copies at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30, Bay Books in Coronado.







Is Emotion Enough?

JONATHAN SAVILLE

Bring on the saz!

ummerFest's "East Meets West II" went all the way into contemporary avant-garde pieces. All four pieces on the program fell into that category. As to being contemporary: Tan Dun's Ghost Opera was composed in 1994, Chen Yi's Ning dates from 2001,

and both Philip Glass's Suite from The Sound of a Voice and Franghiz Ali-Zadeh's Sabah premiered this very year. As to being avant-garde:

all four works decisively reject the basic aesthetics of Baroque, Classical, and Romantic music, doing so in order to open up new forms of expression that supposedly go beyond those earlier

The Asian theme was also very much to the fore. Tan Dun and Chen Yi are Chinese, and their programmed works focused on Chinese subjects: respectively, "The shamanistic ghost operas of Chinese peasant culture" and "The rape of Nanking" during the Japanese invasion of China. Ali-Zadeh is from Azerbaijan, a West-Asian country in the Caucasus that was formerly part of the Soviet Union, and Sabah attempts to reproduce the atmosphere of Azerbaijani music on non-native instruments. Philip Glass, admittedly only from Baltimore (although it is on the East Coast), fits the template because The Sound of a Voice is an opera based on a drama by Chinese-American playwright David Henry Hwang (author of *M. Butterfly*), which in turn is based on a Kabuki-like Japanese story of the tragic romance between a samurai and a witch. The program was also unified by the presence of the festival's virtuoso pipa-player, Wu Man, in each of the works.

Chen Yi's Ning (another name for the city of Nanking) is an expressionistic piece, the aim of which is to convey the horror of the massacre it commemorates. The scoring is for violin, cello, and pipa, the players at this performance being the great Cho-Liang Lin, the sensational Felix Fan, and the amazing Wu Man, all of them totally caught up in the emotions of the music. "Emotion" is the key word, for the composer's overriding concern was to find musical sounds that would arouse in the listener the excruciating violence of the attack and the experience of numb grief and lamentation that ensued. Formal considerations seem to have played scarcely any part.

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There can be no doubt that the emotion came through, loud and clear (especially in so intense a performance); there was none of that abstract remoteness that I criticized in Chinary Ung's Spiral at the previous concert. On the other hand,

while feeling, humanity, and the experience of real life are to be welcomed in any piece of contemporary music (where for a half-century they have tended to

be in short supply), the minds of people who listen to music seriously also yearn for the satisfactions of perceiving patterned forms and gradually internalizing large-scale structure.

In (for example) Beethoven's "Serioso" Quartet, which was played at this season's first SummerFest concert, we are presented with a broad range of emotional expressions (including violence and grief) arising out of the human condition, but these emotional experiences are given more profound meaning by being subsumed in the musical architecture of sonata form in the first movement, ABA structure in the second and third, thematic development, dramatic key relationships, a concluding rondo, and even (in the slow movement) a fugue. There is no end to what you can hear in this quartet, on endlessly repeated listenings.

Ning, in contrast, seems to have said so fully everything it wanted to say that there would be no point in hearing it again. Even within the work, the initial (violent) section became tedious because, in trying to overwhelm the listener with rough sounds and painful dissonances, it stayed fixed too long in the same place; and something like this might also be said of the laments that followed, deeply touching as they were.

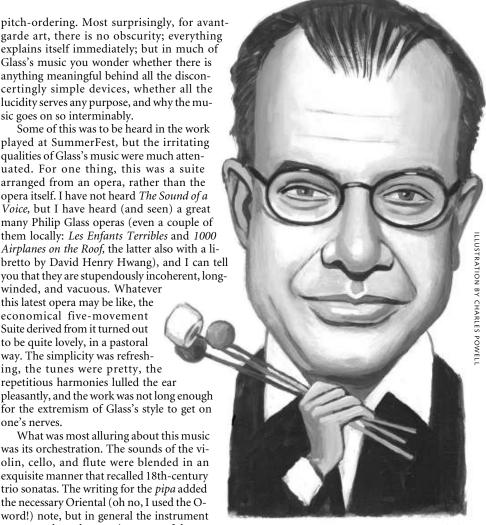
In the Philip Glass Suite, the same musicians were joined by Marisela Sager, flute, and percussionist Steven Schick. Here too, of course, there were no thematic developments, no long-range dramas based on key modulations, no complex forms that build an overall structure in the mind. That is not Glass's way: his type of avant-gardism substitutes for those traditional procedures a willful simplicity, with motifs repeated over and over, childish harmonies, and a series of symmetrical rhythmic pulses that never lead anywhere. There are no painful dissonances, no shocking dislocations, no relentlessly pursued theories of pitch-ordering. Most surprisingly, for avantgarde art, there is no obscurity; everything explains itself immediately; but in much of Glass's music vou wonder whether there is anything meaningful behind all the disconcertingly simple devices, whether all the lucidity serves any purpose, and why the music goes on so interminably.

arranged from an opera, rather than the opera itself. I have not heard The Sound of a Voice, but I have heard (and seen) a great many Philip Glass operas (even a couple of them locally: Les Enfants Terribles and 1000 Airplanes on the Roof, the latter also with a libretto by David Henry Hwang), and I can tell you that they are stupendously incoherent, longwinded, and vacuous. Whatever this latest opera may be like, the economical five-movement Suite derived from it turned out to be quite lovely, in a pastoral way. The simplicity was refreshing, the tunes were pretty, the repetitious harmonies lulled the ear pleasantly, and the work was not long enough

What was most alluring about this music was its orchestration. The sounds of the violin, cello, and flute were blended in an exquisite manner that recalled 18th-century trio sonatas. The writing for the pipa added the necessary Oriental (oh no, I used the Oword!) note, but in general the instrument was treated as a harmonious part of the ensemble, at once expressive and decorous. At one point, however, Glass gave the pipa a fiery solo of stupendous inventiveness, representing a scene in the opera in which the samurai practices his swordplay. The music had the bravura quality of a Paganini violin caprice, although its language was exclusively that of the instrument's Chinese-Japanese traditions. Anyone who may have doubted the pipa's capabilities as a serious instrument must have had a decisive change of mind after Wu Man's dazzling

one's nerves.

performance of this solo. Steven Schick, the immensely versatile percussion player from the UCSD music department, was especially effective in making the listener aware of the subtlety, imagination, and flawless tact in Glass's use of a number of



Steven Schick

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Philip Glass, Suite from The Sound of a Voice; ChenYi, Ning for Violin, Cello, and Pipa; Franghiz Ali-Zadeh, Sabah

(mainly unpitched) percussion instruments. Employed chiefly for rhythmic purposes (as opposed to Ung's Spiral, where colorful decoration was all that counted), this array gave Schick the opportunity to demonstrate a breathtaking delicacy of execution, and a preternatural sensitivity to the texture and expressiveness of the composition at every moment. His physical gracefulness the dancerlike body English with which he

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achieved suavely varied sounds on an instrument like the maraca! — reinforced the unexpected gracefulness of Glass's score. Instead of being entertained by the sight of the percussionist zipping around from marimba to cymbals to bells in a tour de force of logistics (as was the case in the Ung piece), the audience could admire Schick's high order of musicianship, quite the equal of that of his colleagues on their ostensibly more demanding instruments.

Franghiz Ali-Zadeh's Sabah was performed, once again, by Lin, Fan, and Man. Quite a trio of first-rate musicians they would make, and it has a catchy name too. (I should also add that there is a striking resemblance between Cho-Liang Lin and Felix Fan in their style of playing and the type of sound their instruments make; they are clearly on the same wavelength.) For the Ali-Zadeh piece, LF&M were joined by pianist Aleck Karis, whose piano had been altered to produce a variety of odd sounds simulating several Azerbaijani plucked-string and percussion instruments. The names of these instruments have an exotic sound-poetry of their own — nagara, gosha-nagara, daf, tar, saz - and Karis's deft

playing achieved some intriguing effects (although, as always when the wayward inventiveness of John Cage is invoked in this way, I felt a pain in my heart for the piano).

The trouble with the "prepared piano" has always been that its technical innovations overshadow any intrinsic musical interest in the music being played on it. Moreover, the imitations of other (often odd) instruments never sound as good as the real thing. Who would not rather hear a real gamelan orchestra, or - in this case — a real daf, tar, and saz (whatever they are)? Similarly, there was doubtless a piquant delight in listening to Lin's Guarneri del Gesù violin imitate the Azerbaijani stringed instrument kamancha, and Fan's Stradivari cello imitate the Azerbaijani wind instrument balaman and the plucked instrument kanon. But what, after all, is the point of such a translation? Anyone who heard the utterly distinctive voice of the pipa at these concerts would feel deeply disappointed to find it replaced by any of the (in their own right, splendid) instruments of the European piano trio. So bring on the saz!

Aside from the interesting coloristic effects in Sabah, and the general Middle Eastern ambiance in rhythms, melodic turns, and ornamentation, I'm afraid I didn't find the piece very absorbing, even with its (rather weak) obeisance to some of the clichés of the late-20th-century European avant-garde. It seemed like the background score for a nonexistent Azerbaijani movie, whose plot might provide the music with an intelligible form and direction that Sabah doesn't seem to possess in itself.

It certainly was not easy to detect the "condition of expectation," which the composer's program note claims to be expressed in the work: "Waiting for the coming sunrise, a new day, the renewal of life and of feelings" (Ali-Zadeh tells us that in Azerbaijani "sabah" means "morning/tomorrow/in the future"). I myself have a habit of waiting for the coming sunrise (it is my alarm clock), and I always enjoy being inspired by the renewal of life and of feelings, which is a persistent theme of great music (cf. the "Et resurrexit" in Bach's B Minor Mass or Beethoven's Missa Solemnis, or virtually any symphony by Gustav Mahler). But to make sense to an audience, a piece of music needs more than a diffuse conviction on the part of the composer as to its deep spiritual significance.

Admittedly, I write this from the perspective of someone whose knowledge of music is centered on the European tradition and its derivatives (though I am also a great fan of Indian classical music and of the music of the Japanese theater). If *Sabah* were to be performed in Azerbaijan, the reaction might be different.

(Yet might not the Azerbaijanis object to such a "modern" style?)

As to Ghost Opera, the biggest of the pieces on this program and the one with the greatest pretensions, I'll report on it next week, along with several other works by Tan Dun performed at a subsequent SummerFest concert.

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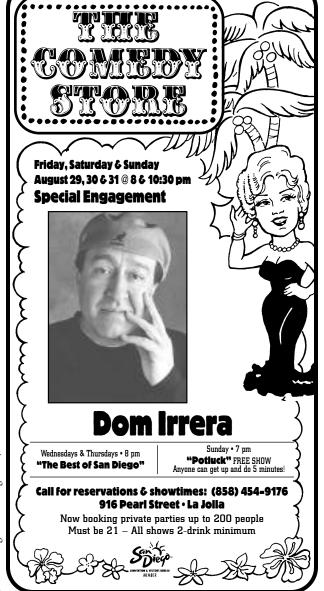
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religious, resistance, and migration explored in "Arabs Anonymous/No Hay Moros," opening with reception, Saturday, August 30, 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (917 E Street). Show features work by Americans, Latino Americans of Middle Eastern and Jewish backgrounds, and Canadians, on view through Sunday, October 5. 619-230-1869. (DOWNTOWN)

GALLERIES

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"Modern Abstractions, Cultural Refractions," this group show closes with reception Sunday, August 31, 4 to 7 p.m., at 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS)

> "Urban Identities," this exhibit of paintings by John Abel, Wade Cline, Robert Goldman is on view through Friday, September 12, in Hyde Art Gallery, Grossmont College (8800 Grossmont College Drive). Meet artists during reception Tuesday, September 2, 7 p.m. 619-644-7299. (EL CAJON)

ART MUSEUMS

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, "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 con-

tinues 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 of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BAL-

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, the desire for "all things Chinese" sent great clipper ships across the world's oceans with cargoes of exported Chinese art during the 18th Century. "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. More than 100 works of art included — 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.

Los Angeles artist Adam Ross has created a new, large panoramic work for his "Cerca Series" ex-- Sunday, August 31, through Sunday, October 12. Ross envisions a future where digital and scientific developments have surprising outcomes; he paints and draws technological landscapes.

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 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 conducted by human rights activist Kerry Kennedy Cuomo

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Museum of Art, all 73 bronze sculptures by 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.

"Partners of the Soul: African Art of the Baule" includes 45 objects from the UCLA Fowler Museum of Cultural History and private collectors. Show explores complex ways in which art functioned in Baule culture and society (Ivory Coast of West Africa) through a display of spirit spouse figures, portrait masks, miniature amulet figures, mouse oracles, wooden strikers. Through Sunday, January 4, 2004.

"Tradition and Innovation in European Modernist Drawings and Watercolors" showcases 35

works rarely on view due to their fragility. Artists include Paul Klee, Franz Marc, Emil Nolde, Paul Signac, Marc Chagall. See this show of works from the museum's collection through Sunday, December 14

Paintings, sculptures, prints, videos, and photographs inspired by elements in nature are gathered in "Of Earth and Sky: Elements in Abstraction," closing Sunday, December 14. "The Later Mughals: Theaters of Power" presents more than 20 seldom-seen images telling the story of the waning of India's greatest dynasty. Through Sunday, January 25, 2004.

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Timken Museum of Art. "American Viewpoints: Painting and Sculpture from the Hood Mu-

seum 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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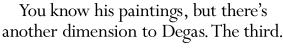
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Back to the Land

"The places no longer safe are elsewhere."

used to think the one priceless thing money could buy was a quiet place to sleep. Then I ived in La Jolla Shores' only modest apartment complex — and woke daily to the arrogant blasts of leaf blowers, new houses and condos

hammered into shape, and waves of sun-blocked humanity eager for a day at the beach.

An employee at UCSD's main library once observed, "This job'd be perfect if people didn't check out the books.' Ditto the Shores.

The La Jolla Playhouse is staging two city-versus-country plays this summer. In The Country by Martin Crimp and Tom Donaghy's Eden Lane, people go rural, fleeing civilization and its discontents. In Crimp's pseudo-Pinteresque drama, Richard and Corrine attempt to hide from the truth; in Donaghy's pseudo-Chekhovian comedydrama, May, Philip, and family hope for shelter from the storm of 9/11. But as pastoral literature (and my years in the Shores) insists, there are no Sherwood Forests. The Sheriff of Nottingham can wend his way into the most secluded of bowers.

May just wants something to go right. Her acting career "totally collapsed." Her first marriage, to a chemically dependent liar, turned their tiny NYC apartment into a "bloodbath." After 9/11 she lost a sense of underlying order. Now that she has moved to the country, she declares, "The places no longer safe are elsewhere." She and her family will remodel their lives along with their house, building a "refuge" that "will not allow any more pain into our home.

Her new husband, Philip, is May's opposite. Luck stalks this guy. He got rich publishing explanations of medical breakthroughs. He's amiable, forgiving, and generous. But May's convinced that not only will Philip start womanizing (he does flirt

a bit), but also that her gay best friend and perennial houseguest, thirtyish Timothy, will abandon her, and that her 22-year-old daughter Ruby will "do something

to ruin her beautiful life."

Before the play begins, May's already two for three. Timothy has wanderlust. And Ruby is pregnant, by a man her father's age. Like her mother, Ruby sees through one-dimensional, neurotic blinders. She's convinced that, though he doesn't seem so, her "impregnator" will become just like her father.

Heavy symbolic angst brews when Alberta the designer who isn't "troubled" but "has trouble" — won't permit a bedroom window. The structure can't support it, she claims. Like Chekhov's seagull — a lot like Chekhov's seagull this glitch in the dream becomes an irritant, then a representative of Our World Today.

Eden Lane is deliberately Chekhovian, with one exception. Chekhov's Russians live in the coun-– and hate it. They crave anything civilized (the women in Uncle Vanya think Professor Serebryakov's the most attractive man around: not for his physical qualities — he's a gout-riddled old codger — but because he's urban, he's interesting). Read Chekhov's people a bucolic idyll by Theocritus, Bion, or Moschus, and they'd shred it.



Roxanne Hart, Sarah Avery in Eden Lane

Eden Lane, by Tom Donaghy

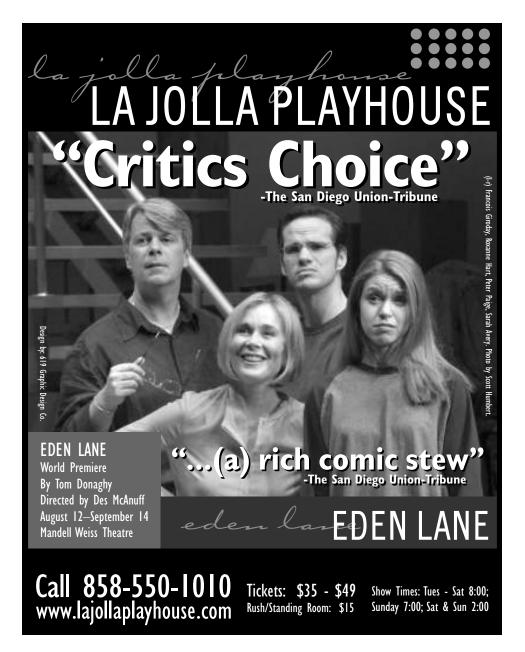
La Jolla Playhouse, Mandell Weiss Theatre, Mandell Weiss Center for the Performing Arts, La Jolla **Directed by Des McAnuff**; cast: Roxanne Hart, Francois Giroday, Rachel Jacobs, Peter Paige, Sarah Avery, Kate McGregor-Stewart; scenic design, John Arnone; costumes, David C. Woolard; lighting, Howell Binkley; sound, Robbin E. Broad; composer, Michael Roth

Playing through September 14; Tuesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 858-550-1010.

A hundred years later, Eden Lane reverses the situation. Owing to 9/11 (which feels merely tacked onto the play for thematic heft), cities are cursed. The country's the place. You can almost hear Chekhov's people, offstage, screaming, "Go back!!"

Like Chekhov, Donaghy uses extreme naturalism. Big events happen behind the scenes. Small objects, like the controversial window, suggest larger concerns. In keeping with the times, Donaghy hasn't written a well-made play with a beginning, middle, and cozy resolution. Instead, scenes unfold like long movie "takes." The camera follows daily life: casual, rarely "dramatic." And the dialogue is deliberately mundane, pass-the-salt





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stuff. As opposed to theater's formal deliveries — I speak/you speak — people talk at the same time, embedded in their private worlds.

Naturalism began, in the 19th Century, as a reaction to overtly "performed" productions. In the La Jolla Playhouse's world premiere of Eden Lane, Donaghy's hypernaturalistic script gets a highly theatrical staging. It's as if the characters suddenly realize they're on camera. So they move balletically and jazz up simple activities - like those artful slouchings on the sofa. They give the jokes sitcom emphases, and freeze, every so often, in ornate tableaux. In effect, director Des McAnuff has sculpted Donaghy's rough-hewn script - as if the director doesn't quite trust the text - and the play and production work against each other.

The actors get caught somewhere in the middle. Many have yet to master Donaghy's Mametlike dialogue - parts of sentences, bits of words. And it's hard to tell, for example, if Roxanne Hart's May is too intense or not enough. The script has her hang gliding over the Phantom Zone — the performance, that she's got issues, but nothing a martini glass heaved across the room couldn't resolve.

The production has pluses. Last year, Francois Giroday wowed playhouse audiences in

Wintertime. This year, his portrayal of Philip argues for him spending every summer in San Diego. Philip, who makes the world's most arid martinis, is both stable and whimsical.

The play's about transitions with the suggestion that antiformal life is nothing but. Sarah Avery's Ruby, who is caught in several (she's pregnant, the father's absent, she misses NYC, she'll have the baby in the hospital where she works), comes closest to the playwright's approach. She behaves almost exclusively on impulse.

John Arnone's glorious set a suburban "great room" — is under renovation in Act One: the walls half painted or homewrapped, everywhere clutter, disarray. In Act Two, it's spotless, buffed, photo-shoot ready. The set's two looks, however, resemble the conflicting approaches to Eden Lane: theatrical naturalism — like watching a David Mamet play directed by Noël Coward. ■

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Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. Beehive celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show cap tures 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. Those big black round thingies all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted currency. Worth a try.

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Coriolanus

The Poor Players, of San Marcos, present Shakespeare's Roman drama about a soldier at war "against his country, a foreign horde, and his family." Richard Baird directed. HEARTH THEATER (OUTDOORS), 3 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, SAN MARCOS, THROUGH AUGUST 31: FRIDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M.

Cotton Patch Gospel

A Christlike figure, named Jesus, was born in Gainesville, Georgia, to the affianced Mary Hagler and Joseph Davidson (i.e., "David's son"). The state's governor, Herod, feared loss of power. What with having to save the world and all, Jesus had a hard time growing up ("with no steady job, or steady girl"). In Tom Key and Russell Trevz's Southern-fried Book of Matthew — in which Matthew works for the IRS, John the Baptist "dips" people in the Chattahoochee, and Satan quotes the Rolling Stones, "pleas'd to meet you." The familiar story unfolds in fresh ways. It's a humble hoedown. People say "aw shucks" and 'y'all." And on Mike Buckley's barnlike, bailed-hay set, under Deborah Gilmour Smyth's assured direction, and backed by the 7th Day Buskers, the story — and Harry Chapin's bluegrass gospel music - gets a deft and lively treatment. Rick Meads, Ryan Drummond, and Mark Christopher Lawrence dance, sing, play numerous roles, and clearly relish their tasks. They hit all marks and belt every note (in fact, the only odd note all evening long: there are no women in the cast, which, in our allegedly enlightened age, looks strange). Worth a try.

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The Country

Old joke: you can always identify postmodernists. They say, "I don't care what it means in practice. What does it mean in theory?" Martin Crisp's drama, which sounds like Harold Pinter playing "Who's on first," has this quality. Its scenes linked by repeated palaver, the play

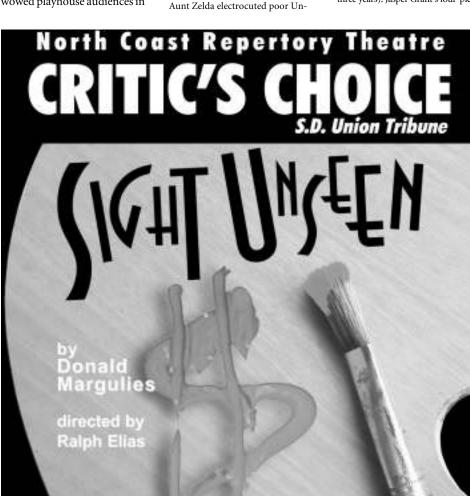
unfolds like an exercise in minimalist theory. Corinne's the world's most reticent crime scene investigator. She's in such deep denial she refuses to learn about husband Richard, who moved his family to the country to flee a dark and stormy past. And what she already knows she refuses to admit. For 90 intermissionless minutes, Corinne and Richard practice avoidance behavior. Instead of speaking to each other, they disinform for us. The approach is interesting, in theory (how do you de-expose a drama?). But once the audience gets the trick, it becomes predictable, even comic. You know Richard and Corinne will obfuscate anew, and she'll stand by her man, enabling him forever. The audience gets far ahead of the play, which is one of the Seven Deadly Pitfalls of doing theater. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, UCSD, THROUGH AUGUST 31; THURS-DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATUR-DAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010

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dirty blonde

It's unpleasant to imagine what Claudia Shear's homage to Mae West would be like without first-class acting. Shear wrote it as a vehicle for herself. It's sketchy, the characters one-dimensional, and the subplot, about two adoring fans, has as many scenes as West (as with most theatrical biographies, the play hasn't figured out how



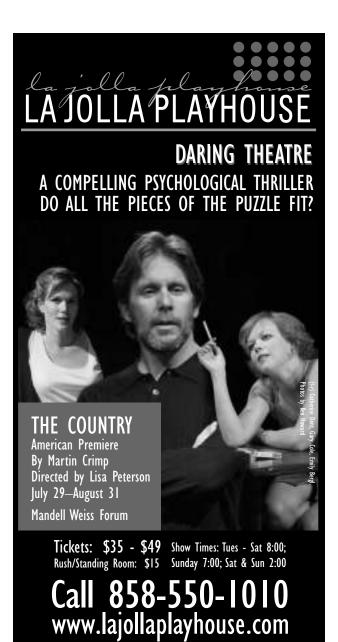
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to negotiate between information and drama). Fortunately, the Old Globe actors save the show. As they did on Broadway, Bib Stillman and Kevin Chamberlain play umpteen roles, never less than vivid. blonde depicts the slow assemblage of West's image (dressed like a bespangled linebacker, she made her body a billboard for liberation), and Susan Hilferty's excellent costumes fashion the Glitter Gulch Look. Kathy Najimy is from San Diego — graduated from Crawford High, studied at the immortal Big Kitchen School of Comedy — and from Broadway, where she performed the women's roles in blonde. Najimy does what she can with Jo, the fan (isn't much there there) and shines as West, tracing her growth with skill and aplomb. When Najimy made her first entrance, the opening-night crowd whooped and hollered. A woman seated near me looked at her neighbor with puzzlement. The neighbor whispered, with pride, "She's ours.' Worth a try.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH AUGUST 30; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

Eden Lane

Reviewed this issue.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS
CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS,
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An Evenin' With Billie

6th @ Penn Theater has made a home for the Ira Aldridge Players tribute to Billie Holiday. The show, which enjoyed a successful run at Caesar's Cafe, will be performed late night into November. It's the summer of 1958. We're in a Las Vegas jazz club, where Holiday's documenting her life and music before a live audience. She won't sing until she feels a song. Throughout Act One she recalls horrors (sexual abuse) and heartaches (the man who was "greasin' my runway to hell") and how they shaped her style. In Act Two, her music does the talking. Billie Holiday weighed 200 pounds. Anasa Johnson doesn't — if you don't count her heart. Backed by top-shelf musicians, she began opening night tentatively, nudging her way through initial efforts (imagine the audacity of attempting those songs — everything from "Gimme a Pig's Foot" and "Fine and Mellow" to "God Bless the Child" and the tragic, haunted "Strange Fruit"). Once Johnson settled in, she was so special that a transformation occurred: you could close your eyes, time machine back to 1958, and spend an "evenin" with the amazing Lady Day. Critic's pick.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH NOVEMBER 2; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 10:30 P.M. SUNDAY AT 9:00 P.M. 619-283-4574.

Grassroots Greeks

6th @ Penn's former "Seven Weeks of Greeks" has become so popular it's a regular series. And what a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek drama, Linda Castro and David Cohen offer staged readings. The approach is refreshing. There's no attempt at polished work or choices set in granite. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal, the threshold of exploration. They read in a semicircle. There's some movement, a suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek drama, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent



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and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free — though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates donations. Also: since space is limited, the theater recommends reservations in advance. Next reading: The Phoenician Women, Monday, September 29, at 7:30 p.m. Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE, HILLCREST, OPEN-ENDED RUN. 619-622-9012.

Harvey

The Laguna Playhouse stages Mary Chase's popular comedy about Elwood P. Dowd, amiable tippler, and his invisible pal, a white rabbit. Charles Nelson Reilly directed. Charles Durning plays Dowd. LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH. THROUGH AUGUST 31; THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 949-497-2787.

Hedwig and the Angry Inch

Most often an inaugural show's a shakedown cruise, a modest comedy to get bugs out. Not the new Cygnet Theatre. Their opener's an actual rock concert, lit, staged, and performed with professional polish. Hedwig — nee Hansel — had her gender mangled when a sex-change operation, from male to female, left an "angry inch" of her manhood. The rock star Tommy Gnossis stole her songs and identity. Hedwig, a human limbo, must find her way. As Tommy wows devotees next door, Hedwig sings, hassles husband Yitzak (a woman playing a man wanting to become a drag queen), toys with and taunts the audience, shouting, "You put a wig on then judge me!" His cresting waves of hair like Lily Tomlin's Ernestine, only blond, Jeremiah Lorenz captivates as Hedwig. As grubby Yitzak, Jenn Grinels looks like a smudge but has the voice of a rocket. Led by Jim Mooney (who talks like Frankenstein's Igor and plays guitar like Hendrix), the backup band could tour when the show closes. If it closes. Hedwig needs to work out sound kinks, and Lorenz needs to trim his pauses from middle on. But given the talent involved, these problems will get fixed and then Cygnet's first show will be much more than...

Worth a try.

CYGNET THEATRE COMPANY, 6663 EL CAION BOULEVARD COLLEGE AREA THROUGH SEPTEMBER 14; THURSDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SAT-URDAY AT 6:30 P M AND 9:00 P M SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 877-597-7258.

Irish Dance Cabaret

Dublin Square Irish Pub & Grille presents "San Diego's answer to the Celtic wave," an evening of contemporary and traditional Irish dancing, music, comedy, and song and a three-course Irish dinner. DUBLIN SQUARE IRISH PUB & GRILLE, 554 FOURTH AVENUE DOWNTOWN OPEN-ENDED RUN: WEDNESDAY, DIN-NER AT 6:00 P.M., CURTAIN AT 7:30 P.M. 619-239-5818.

Isn't It Romantic

Poway Performing Arts Company presents Wendy Wasserstain's comedy about post-college careers and parental dominance. Robert Hitchcox directed. POWAY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY, 13250 POWAY ROAD (UPSTAIRS IN THE LIVELY CENTER), POWAY, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 14; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-679-8085

Joey and Maria's Comedy Italian Wedding

The Culv Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater,' as Joey and Maria tie the knot. DAVE AND BUSTER'S 2931 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH, MISSION VALLEY, AND CLARION BAY VIEW HOTEL, 660 K STREET DOWNTOWN OPEN-ENDED RUN. FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL

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, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH THROUGH OCTOBER 6: MONDAY AT 7:30 P M 949-497-2787

Love! Valour! Compassion!

Diversionary opens its tenth season with a reprise of its biggest hit, Terrence McNally's comedy-drama. Eight gay men "hash out their passions, resentments, and fears" at a New York farmhouse. Tim Irving directed.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, THROUGH OC-TOBER 11: THURSDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-220-0097.

Man of La Mancha

Patio Playhouse offers the Joe Darion/Mitch Leigh musical, based on Cervantes' Don Quixote. Fred Tracey directed. PATIO PLAYHOUSE, 201 EAST GRAND AVENUE, SUITE 1D, ESCONDIDO, FRI-DAY, AUGUST 29, THROUGH SEPTEM BER 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-746-6669.

Medea. Queen of Colchester Sledgehammer presents the world

premiere of Marianne McDonald's translation, in which "Medea is a transvestite from Cape Town. Kirsten Brandt and David Tierney co-directed. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, ST. CELIA'S PLAYHOUSE, 1620 SIXTH AVENUE (AT CEDAR), DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 12: THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, OCTO-BER 5. AND OCTOBER 12 AT 2:00 P.M. (NOTE: MEDEA RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH

The Music Man

The Christian Community Theater presents Meredith Willson's musical about a flimflammer, 76 trombones, and a modest, solitary tuba. MT. HELIX AMPHITHEATER (FREE LIGHTED PARKING AT THE GROSSMONT CENTER LOT BETWEEN WELLS FARGO AND CALIFORNIA BANK AND TRUST), THROUGH AUGUST 30: THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 619-588-0206, OR 800-696-1929.

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National Comedy Theatre

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ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain

the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on 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; FRI-DAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. 619-295-4999.

Nick and Zita's Funny Fat **Greek Wedding**

Dillstar Productions presents an interactive Greek wedding, à la the

CLARION BAY VIEW HOTEL, 660 K STREET, DOWNTOWN: OPEN-ENDED RUN. 800-944-5939

Phaedra in Delirium

Sledgehammer Theatre stages Susan Yankowitz's drama about "the slow and patient violence of age. Kirsten Brandt and David Tierney co-directed.

SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, ST. CE-CILIA'S PLAYHOUSE, 1620 SIXTH AV-ENUE, DOWNTOWN, SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, THROUGH OCTOBER 12; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. (NOTE: PHAEDRA IN DELIRIUM RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH MEDEA, QUEEN OF COLCHESTER.) 619-544-1484

A Place in Time

Community Actors Theatre presents local author Earl Hamilton Jr.'s "dramady" about a conned playwright and his trip to Hollywood.

COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, 2957 54TH STREET, COLLEGE AREA THROUGH AUGUST 31: FRIDAY AND SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-264-3391.

Private Lives

Where has Noel Coward been? I can't remember the last Coward production in San Diego. And we'd benefit from regular doses of his pretensiondeflating flippancy. When married, Amanda and Elyot had a problem: they were "ridiculously over-inlove" - and became suspicious, jealous, and bickering. When they meet on double honeymoons (in one of dramatic literature's greatest coincidences - to which Coward would reply, "Sure, why not?"), they renegotiate feelings they can't repress. One reason Coward isn't performed in San Diego: his technical and stylistic demands are severe. Lamb's Players Theatre, thanks to Kerry Meads' expert direction, gets both. Robert Smyth and Deborah Gilmour Smvth - real-life husband and wife — frolic in Jeanne Reith's elegant silks and terrorize Mike Buckley's posh set. As Victor and Sibyl, Nick Cordileone and Cynthia Gerber turn Coward's foils into funny human beings. And all create a world of pencil-thin moustaches, bulbous cocktails, and rampant narcissism (Coward confessed that the play is "psychologically unstable"), where the only regulations are when dinner's served and what to wear.

Worth a try.

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 21; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SAT-URDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 619-437-0600.

Private Wars

Travelin' Zoo, a group of San Diego and Tijuana performers, presents James McLure's one-act comedy about postwar conditions. VOZ ALTA. 917 E STREET (BETWEEN NINTH AND TENTH), DOWNTOWN, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 14: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUN DAY AT 3:30 P.M. 619-230-1869.

Rio Can Be Murder

Mystery Cafe reprises its most popular show. Rio is the least mysterious of the interactive dinner theater's offerings. It is also, however, the funniest, Author Byron LaDue takes us to Rio de Janeiro's Hotel Ipacabana. It's 1946. The war is over, though a German Uboat was spotted offshore loaded with would-be war criminals. Speaking of

loaded, the hotel owner, Fritz ("call me Uncle Fritz") Wright, likes to get high on poisonous snake venom, especially during Carnaval. In preparation for which, hotel denizens break into sambas. And there are no unsuspicious types: Nicole Larsonette (Victoria Velasco) in Rio to marry handsome Captain Jack Legstrong (Ben Gilbert), who shouts, "I'll deck anyone who says Americans are intolerant!' There's Orphio Carioca (Chris Wylie), who fights for truth, justice, and the Brazilian Way. Or does he? There's also headstrong Rita Sambina (Laura Arnold); Roscoe Carnahan (Jerry Urick), a corporal up to little good; the "Black Widow of Rio," Cordelia Ranchera (Bonnie R. Stone); and, of course, Uncle Fritz, played by James Pascarella, one of the funniest people in San Diego. The show takes place aboard the William D. Evans, at the Bahia Hotel. The evening includes a funny show (the audience making big contributions), a three-course dinner, a harbor cruise, and a mystery to boot! Worth a try.

MYSTERY CAFE, CRUISING ABOARD THE WILLIAM D. EVANS AT THE BAHIA HO-TEL 998 WEST MISSION BAY DRIVE MISSION BEACH, THURSDAY, AU-GUST 28, BOARDING AT 6:30 P.M. 619-544-1664

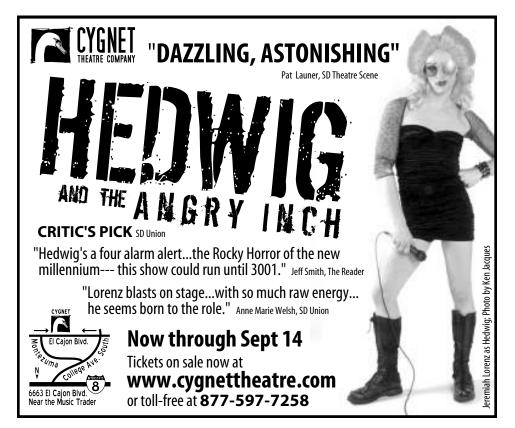
Romeo and Juliet and Titus **Andronicus**

For their fifth annual Summer Shakespeare Festival, the INDE-PENDant Players present two of the Bard's works in repertory. ARK CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, 3554 KETTNER BOULEVARD, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH AUGUST 31; THURS-DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P M MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-494-0069.

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





SWEDENBORGIAN THEATRE, 1531 TYLER AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. 619-465-7469.

Sight Unseen

Jonathan Waxman has made it, but doesn't have it made. He and his paintings have become so (in)famous people buy future works sight unseen. Plus, he's getting a retrospective in London: his first major showing outside America. But the event forces Waxman to retrospect his life and sources of creativity. Somewhere he lost connection with both. Maybe a meeting with his expatriate ex-wife, Patricia, and Nick, her philistine husband of eight or nine years (she can't remember which), will forge a missing link. Donald Margulies' drama unfolds like a geological dig - a Pinteresque look at fame, self-deception, and loss that gets a fine staging at North Coast Rep. Under Ralph Elias's taut direction, on Marty Burnett's ingenious sets - a rustic English home revolves into abstract locales — and wearing Leslie Anne Malitz's expressive costumes, a trio of actors (and Jennifer Eve Kraus as a German interviewer with an agenda) probe to the heart of the matter, only to find there might not be one. Tim West's frumpy/crafty Nick sees more than meets the eye. As Waxman, David Ellenstein reveals internal layers his character may want to ignore. And Ariel-alert DeAnna Driscoll gives one of 2003's best performances as Patricia, a woman clogged by pain and compromise Worth a try.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 7: THURS-DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

The Sopranos' Last Supper

Dillstar Productions presents an evening with the notorious Baritone family: "gambling, dinner, dancing, and good old mobster fun." CLARION BAY VIEW HOTEL, 660 K STREET, DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN: FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 800-944-5639.

David Ives writes off-the-wall playlets, like the Firesign Theatre on a language jag. Six one-acts from Ives' latest collection are on display at the Cassius Carter. A terrific cast performs: a Century 1 real estate agent; a "high" high priestess; mayflies on a first date (and last, since they only live 24 hours); a murdered British philanderer whom "even the furniture wanted dead"; and an insomniac whose paranoia escalates like Rayel's "Bolero" The title cuts two ways. Most pieces embrace the expression's implied second half, "when you're having fun." At times silly, even cutesy, they divert. But they also meditate on the fleeting nature of things and what may happen when time has flown (almost every one includes questions about God and the afterlife). The collection's uneven. Ives works best when sneaking in the side door, or tapping you on the shoulder with imaginative surprises. He's less successful with more frontal pieces like "The Green Hill." But under Matt August's crisp, witty direction, even it's worth watching (especially a giant emerald sheet billowing over the Cassius Carter stage). Holly Poe Durbin's whacko costumes rival Ives for inventiveness.

Worth a try.

CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH SEPTEM-BER 7; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

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, OPEN-ENDED RUN: WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATUR-DAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

La Jolla Stage Company offers the musical, by Clark Gesner, based on Charles M. Schulz's comic strip, "Peanuts."

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The Naugahyde must go.

That's what deputy fire marshal Terry Baird told Casbah co-owner Tim Mays

years ago.
"We cut off a sample," said Baird about his official visit last week. "We took it outside and put a match to it. It burned."

Baird said the Casbah has to have it replaced by September 4. He said he didn't think there was a treatment that could make it

you can do but replace it."

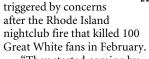
"In general, nightclubs in California are much better regulated in fire safety than most places in the country," said a local concert promoter.

"I would agree with that," said Baird.

— Ken Leighton

"They've been really, really aggressive since Great White,"

said SOMA owner Len Paul about the San Diego fire marshal's visits to his all-age venue. He said he is "100 percent sure" they are



"They started coming by every fifth show. I spent two and a half hours with the fire marshal yesterday."

Paul sold SOMA to L.A.based promotion company Goldenvoice in 1998. Goldenvoice closed SOMA in

1999. Paul reopened it in its current location near the Sports Arena last summer. "From 1986 to 1998 I did not have one overcrowding violation," said Paul about his two previous SOMA allage nightspots.

Paul admits he would prefer that the fire marshal team not come by so often.

"They would come after



LEN PAUL UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

me for picky little things. It is disconcerting to be put under the microscope like that. I mean, let's face it, if they keep coming by, they are bound to find something eventually."

Fire marshal deputy Terry Baird said his department has only been to SOMA three times since it opened in its current location. "We hit all

the clubs with same rotation. We don't hit the same club over and over again." Baird said his department is the best-funded fire safety agency in the county. "We look at 200 different public assembly businesses in 15 to 20 different neighborhoods. We are the only department with the budget to go out and regularly do this on a Friday and Saturday night."

Baird said he gets timeand-a-half pay for working weekend nights. He said one surprise visit encouraged one Gaslamp area bar to change its liquor-serving methods. "This bartender would do this pyrotechnic display with 151 rum. And that was right after Rhode Island. They don't do that anymore.

– Ken Leighton

"I strongly suggest the

band [Against Me] change the venue of their San Diego show...SOMA is terrible. A lot of people in San Diego refuse to go there, not only because it's an uncomfortable pain in the ass, but also because of the questionable ethics of Len Paul, a man many feel does not support the scene in any way and is driven entirely by personal gain. Contact me at

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kensmith@elvis.com and I'd be happy to help you arrange a show at a better venue,' writes Ken Smith at sandie gopunk.com.

Ken Smith regularly



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contributes a column on local music to San Diego's CityBeat, a weekly periodical that comes out on Wednesdays. He often uses sandiegopunk.com to promote his column. Two weeks ago he also used the website to try to organize a band boycott against SOMA.

SOMA and owner Len Paul took numerous digs on the website because of rumors connecting Paul with the abrupt closure of the new all-age venue off Miramar

the inside track

August 20 about the trademark black padding mounted behind the stage.

"We got an anonymous complaint," said Baird. "That's how we find out about a lot of stuff. We went in and took a look at it."

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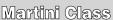
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Road, the Warehouse Project. The venue was closed August 6 for failing to secure an entertainment permit.

Paul said he had
"absolutely nothing to do"
with calling the police on the
Warehouse Project. Randall
Jenkins of Jedidiah Clothing,
which operates the
Warehouse Project, said,
"There is no proof that
anyone from any other venue
was involved in calling the
police."

Explains Smith, "The post was based on a conversation I'd had the night before about how upset we were that [Florida band] Against Me's next stop in San Diego would be at SOMA," explains Smith. "At no time did I make particular allegations against Len Paul... I merely offered to point Against Me in other directions. This is a band with strong sociopolitical beliefs, and it's not a good match for them to play at SOMA. Their core crowd avoids SOMA. They [the fans | tend to be a different type of music fan. I was acting independently and not in association with any publication. Nor do my personal feelings about anything taint my ability to be an objective journalist or represent any opinions other than my own.... I agree that SOMA is in many ways a boon to the local scene. The more venues, the healthier local music is."

"As a general policy, free speech is very important to me," said San Diego CityBeat editor David Rolland. "I'm glad my writers have opinions, and I encourage them to express them. Obviously, there are limits. If one of our writers behaves in a way that reflects badly on the paper or harms the paper, for example, we might have a problem with it, and we would deal with that on a case-by-case basis. None of what I'm saying necessarily relates to your story about Ken Smith and SOMA." He said Smith will still write for

"My general position is that the freelancers or full-time staffers can have whatever opinion they want," said San Diego CityBeat publisher Charles N. Gerencser. "But it [Smith's SOMA commentary] certainly is not the position of CityBeat."

— Ken Leighton

At Candye Kane's CD-release party for *Whole Lotta Love*, the blues singer served

five homemade apple pies, slices of which she auctioned off from the stage with whipped

cream and cocktail weenies. A few people at an August 15 show in Carlsbad didn't perceive Kane as portraying an apple pie image and

complained to organizers.

The show, part of producer Rob Hagey's TGIF Jazz in the Parks series, was held at Calavera Hills Park in Carlsbad.

Colleen Finnegan, community arts coordinator for the city of Carlsbad, admits there were some complaints about the Kane show. "We had two comments during the show, and we've had responses since it was over that people found it a little inappropriate," says Finnegan. "During the first half of her performance she spoke to the crowd a whole lot, and during the second act, after we'd had a chance to talk about what our audience generally appreciates and what we'd been assured by the

producer...would be the understanding, she was totally cooperative and



CANDYE RUFFLES PROVINCIAL FEATHERS

simply came out and sang a great set.... There were a lot of people who said...that they really enjoyed the show.... I don't think there's going to be even so much as a tempest in a teapot."

Asked what some audience members complained about, Finnegan says, "I'm not going to repeat it.... You can get it from Candye if you want to."

Asked about what audience members found too racy, Kane says, "They came up and said that you can't say 'blow job' onstage — but I didn't say 'blow job,' I said, 'Blow me' every time [trombonist] April [West] took a solo or the harmonica player took a solo. They got offended because I played piano with my boobs too," adds Kane. "Maybe I'm over

the top because I've been desensitized by my own background and my own experiences, but I just don't think it's obscene.... It just seems like such a nonissue to me when people are seeing...the dead bodies of the Hussein brothers on the Internet. I mean, are they really that worried that the kids are going to be corrupted by me playing piano with my boobs?"

Asked if people

complained about Kane playing the keyboards with her breasts (which are covered), Finnegan said, "I didn't see that.... My assumption is she just kind of leaned over and pounded a little.... There were not complaints about that; her conversation was a bit risqué for our audience, and when we asked her to please forgo any more of that, she did."

Complaints aside, Kane sold all 150 of her CDs she brought to the show.

"It's hard for me to walk on eggshells in my show," Kane concedes. "I really tried to play it clean in Carlsbad, so I was really surprised when this happened.... I want to reach families... I don't really think I offended the majority of people, but I think that one person that's offended makes the most noise, and all the people that are having fun are sort of overridden by that person."

— Pat Sherman

"We had everything from little kids with parents to drunken adults who were yelling into the microphone," says Princess Laura Jane, who hosts children's karaoke parties. She had a booth set up along Fifth Avenue at the annual Hillcrest Cityfest street festival.

The yelling from Laura Jane's patch of grass invoked the ire of the Miracle Cloth and Microfiber Mop vendors, who rented the booth in front



THE PRINCESS IS REPORTED TO SECURITY

of her.

"The Miracle Cloth woman in front of me had demonstrations going on that she did not tell Cityfest about," says Laura Jane.

As a Cityfest volunteer, Princess Laura received her space for free; Bob, the Microfiber salesman, said he and business partner Valencia



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paid \$400 for their spot. He said their sales were "extremely affected.... We drove from Santa Barbara it's a five-hour drive invested \$400 in that booth, not to mention product,' said Bob. "That was not part of our contract to have somebody behind us overpowering our sales presentation.... You've got to

be careful with where you put

vendors.... Each word of the

presentation is a jewel, a pearl

music in relation to

on a necklace... Laura Jane admitted, "It kind of conflicted with the Miracle Cloth woman's idea of a good time with her demonstration. She complained to the security several times.'

— Pat Sherman

Ugly Lenny is frustrated that Brett Bodie, owner of the California Club on El Cajon Boulevard, canceled his band "less than 24 hours before the show.

The band's name? Inciting Riots. Lenny said Bodie decided to pull the plug on the August 16 gig because of former San Diego band the Confederats. The Oregon-based band had played L.A. the night before, and Ugly Lenny used to be in the band.

Lenny admitted Confederat shows in the mid-1990s could get out of hand. "One time at the [nowdefunct] Velvet, a fight broke out after two songs. But that was a long time ago." Lenny said he left the 'Rats in 1998. "They have since been back to play San Diego twice at the Playhouse [on El Cajon Boulevard]. Nothing bad happened at those shows. In fact, when they last played here, my girlfriend was pregnant and she was



THESE PEOPLE INCITE RIOTS?

standing right in front of the

Lenny said he spoke with Bodie two days before the



show. "I told Brett, the people who caused the problems back then aren't even around anymore. He totally agreed with me. He told me he was glad we talked and got this straightened out. This was Thursday afternoon. Everything was fine.'

He said Bodie called the night before the show to ax the gig. "He calls Friday night and leaves a message saying he has been hearing from people who told him they couldn't believe he was doing this type of show. That the Confederats have a fighting crowd."

Lenny even said he gave Bodie a promise. "I gave him a no-fight guarantee.... One of the reasons we set up the show was as a stepping stone to play the Ken Club." Bodie also owns the Ken Club in

Kensington. "Why would I...fuck up my chances to play the Ken Club?"

Bodie blamed the cancellation on a lot of miscommunication. "They told me the Barnyard Ballers were the headliners. But then they backed out. Then they added the Shitgiveits, who were never supposed to be on the bill. The bottom line is I don't have security. I have one guy at the door. I was never told about the possible need for security.... I support all these local bands."

Inciting Riots appear September 27 at SOMA.

– Ken Leighton

The Coyote Bar & Grill

in Carlsbad is replacing its five-year-old Monday blues night with karaoke, according to blues players who play at

the restaurant.

Coyote general manager Jim Hatfield said he will honor existing agreements with his Monday bluesmen through the end of October, but nothing is guaranteed after that.

Kyle Jester, guitarist with Candye Kane, said Blue Largo, Billy Watson, and Chill Boy Will all lost their once-a-month Monday Coyote blues gigs.

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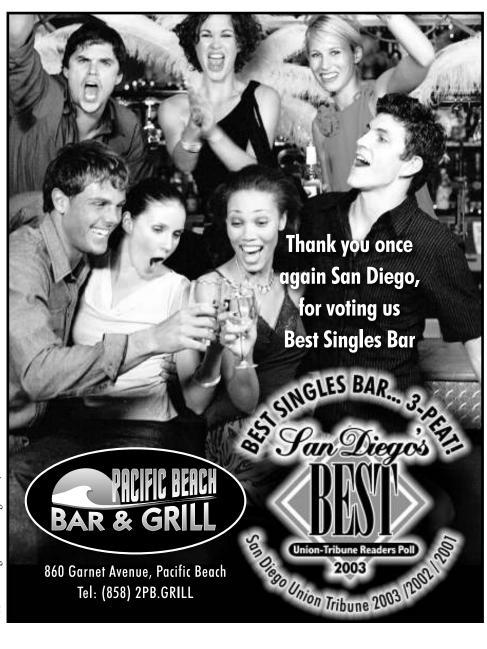
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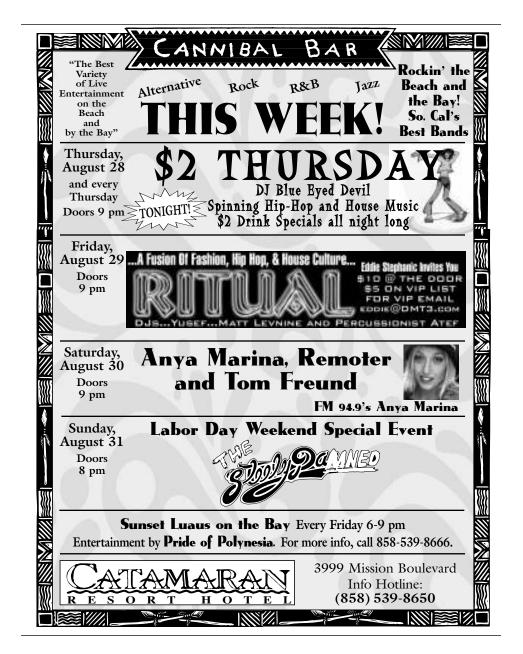
That commercial you keep seeing on network TV every ten minutes, for

Garnier Fructis shampoo – the one with the song that goes "woo woo" in the background — uses a tune by the Transplants, "Diamonds and Guns." The band is a side project of blink-182's Travis Barker, who drums alongside Rancid guitarist Tim Armstrong. The only lyrics heard are the "woo woo" chants. You won't hear the rest of the song, especially the chorus, which goes "Smoke the heroin, now it's all

– Jay Allen Sanford

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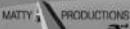
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he Fijis are three students from Ocean Knoll Elementary and one from Park Dale Elementary in Encinitas. They've been a band for two years. Singer/guitarist Michael Bucciarelli tells me, "We first did this for a talent show

at school. We just played one song. But we had a different drummer then.

What happened to him? Michael's dad Bob pipes in,

"They weren't a band then. They just did it for the talent show."

When I ask if they won the talent show, the kids all answer at once, explaining there were no winners (ah, the days of political correctness). One contest Michael did win was a talent search at hundreds of malls across the country. Michael's parents sent in a video of Michael playing guitar. He was one of the winners and got \$7000 cash (which he's saving for college) and a trip for his whole family to New York City. He also got to play at the Apollo Theater in New York City. His segment has aired three times now on Fox.

I watch the band tear into Tom Petty's "Running Down a Dream" during a rehearsal. Michael sounds like Petty's guitarist Michael Campbell. I'm getting into it, but I laugh when I think about the song and how it's about driving. These kids are four years away from driving. And instead of borrowing Dad's car, these kids are borrowing their dads' gear.

Bob says, "I built the guitar Michael plays, as I have many of my own, from specialty parts."

Queen guitarist Brian May started the same way, with an axe his dad built.

I ask Bob about the Flat Out Liars, the band he's in. "We've played gigs all over town. We've been together for about six years. We used to play more gigs, but now we all are older and have families." His brother Jack plays drums in the band. "Jack also owns Rhythm House Music in Solana Beach.

Bob also tells me about the other Fijis' parentage. "Nico's [the bassist] dad Russ has played bass with local blues guitarist Blonde Bruce, and he owns Moonlight Music in Encinitas, Matty's [one of the two percussionists] dad played drums growing up and is influential with Matty's development. Rafael's dad doesn't have a musi-

cal background but makes up for it with his help and enthusiasm. He drives the Fijimobile — a Chevy Suburban with the band logo and phone number displayed

It's a kick watching them jam in a room addition Bob made to his house. It is soundproofed so neighbors won't complain. I see a Stevie Ray Vaughan DVD next to a "Simon Says" game. Á Guitar Player magazine next to a few toy dinosaurs. It's hard to think of them as kids when I hear one of them say, "Let's try 'Hoochie Coochie Man.' "They play other blues gems like "The Thrill Is Gone," "The Sky Is Crying," and "Still Rainin'" by Johnny Lang, the 25-year-old guitar whiz who became popular as a teenager playing rock and blues. The Fijis excitedly tell me they saw him in concert at Humphrey's. Bob is there like a Little League coach teaching a player how to choke up on the bat. He's showing one of the drummers how to keep a certain beat. He tells his son something about the distortion pedals. Between songs, Michael tells Nico he came into a part of the song early. Another time one of the drummers asked about whether he was playing something properly. It's like watching an adult

Nico tells me he likes the bass break in "Crossroads," the Robert Johnson song that Cream redid. Rafael says, "I like the drum solo in 'Funk 49' " (the James Gang song done by fellow local Joe Walsh). Bob adds, "In the middle of it, Rafael and Matty do a drum solo together, both on the same kit, that is always a big hit at their shows.

As far as Bob's role goes, he says, "I'm their music coach, manager, agent, and sound man. I help them with the varied skills needed to play together as a band. It's more than just music. It's



The Fijis

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the dynamic exchange of ideas, the giving in for the greater good. The same as working together on any team. I also get a great deal of help from the other parents and family members. Everyone has really pitched in to help these kids get this far. They have the qualities that are necessary for success. They're good kids, very talented, and they worked hard together to get where they are.'

And where are they? They have played for Little League games, the Roadhouse Grill in Encinitas, and three dates this year at the San Diego County Fair, and they were on the KUSI news August 20. They also played a battle of the bands at Fat Katz in Encinitas against 18 adult bands. Unlike the school talent show, this one had a winner, and it was the Fijis. (A few of the bands complained that they won because of the

novelty aspect of their young ages.) Regarding that contest, Bob tells me, "The time was from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. We asked if we could let them start at 8, because it was a school night. So they bent the rules a bit. The kids ended up winning \$500 and are supposed to be opening for a national act at 4th & B. We keep waiting for that, but it hasn't happened yet."

When they start to play Van Morrison's "Wild Nights," I can't believe how great the bass line sounds. And it's funny to see Nico, the smallest of the bunch, holding the biggest instrument. The band plays classics like "Johnny B. Goode," "All Along the Watchtower," "Twist and Shout," "Jumping Jack Flash," "Sunshine of Your Love," and "Revolution." Not only were they too young to remember when the Beatles released "Revo-





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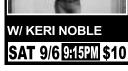










































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lution," they're even too young to remember when Nike released the commercial that used the song "Revolution" ten years

I ask about them learning songs, and Bob tells me, "I arrange and reconfigure the songs to their ability. I used to have to simplify or modify the parts more, but as they continue to improve, it is becoming less necessary. I will show them the basic chords, groove, parts to a song. But they also learn some on their own. Their parents also help at home, and so do their individual music teachers.'

When they take a break for sodas and tea, I hear them talk about a girl at school, their favorite ice cream, and local surfer/musician Rob Machado. I ask them what else they do besides music, and they tell me they hang out with friends and play sports (baseball, soccer, and one even plays lacrosse). I glance at a set list and see it's not just oldies they play. The Fijis do more recent songs like Lenny Kravitz's "Fly Away," Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit," Green Day's "Basketcase," and Three Doors Down's "Kryptonite."

When I ask them their favorites, they all tell me they like AC/DC, Hendrix, and the Red Hot Chili Peppers.

I ask each band member what specific part they enjoy most from their set. Michael says, "I enjoy doing our original song, 'Shut Up,' especially playing the guitar solo.

Right now, "Shut Up" is their only original, but it covers the territory that's important to students: Every day at school / there's so many rules / homework, backpack, I'm the mule / they want to stifle me / can't stop this energy / mouth is shut but my mind is free / they didn't want to hear from me / shut up / shut up, sit down, don't say a word / shut up, should be seen, but never heard / shut up, don't care what you have to say / it doesn't even matter anyway.

On the subject of girls, I jokingly ask Bob about the groupies. He says, "There are girls that follow the band and want autographs after many of the performances. It isn't a big issue yet. Somehow I think that may change next year in junior high." Because of the popularity of hip-hop among their age group, or boy bands like N*SYNC, I ask what fellow classmates have to say. They laugh, as two of them tell me almost simultaneously, "Kids at school sometimes say, 'The Fijis suck.' We don't care. It's not a big deal."

I ask how they got the name. Michael says, "Moonlight Music had a music camp, and me and Nico were there playing for a few months. We needed a name, and we had a Fiji water bottle. We needed a name, and there it was." ■



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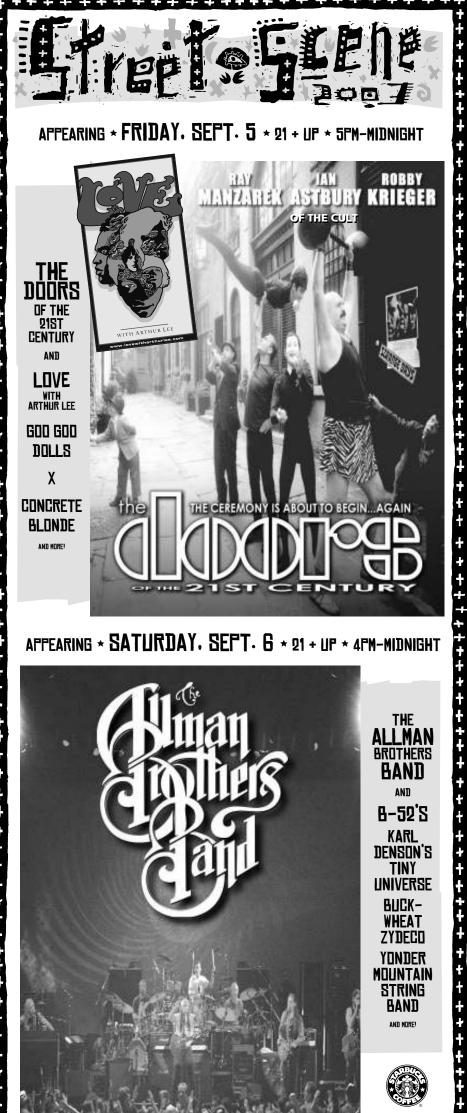
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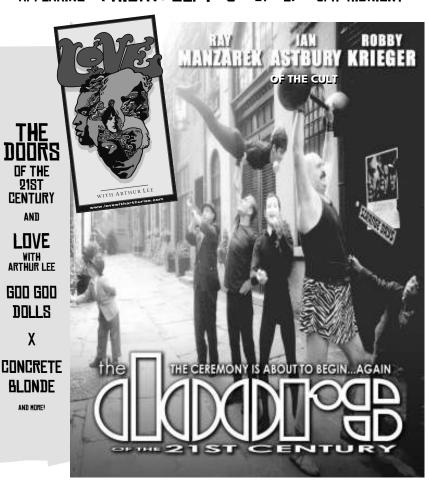
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received a pile of gamelan music from the world music distributor Rock Paper Scissors the other day; they almost always send me good stuff.

These gamelan discs are part of a large project by Nonesuch Records in its Nonesuch Explorer Series. Nonesuch has been a pioneer in bringing world music to a larger audience; its original series was issued on vinyl between 1967 and

Those readers of a certain age will remember when the world music section of record stores were a good deal more modest than they are today. Operations such as the Nonesuch series were instrumental in changing all that, and Nonesuch has continued in its exemplary role

with its revival of the Explorer Series in August 2002 with the release of 13 volumes of African mu-

sic. Over time, 92 world music recordings will be released by Nonesuch, including 12 titles from Indonesia and the South Pacific, including Music from the Morning of

the World, one of the first commercial releases of gamelan music to be made available here in the

Of the 12 Indonesian and Pacific titles being released, 9 of them feature gamelan music from Bali and Java. I'll remind readers that gamelan is a generic term referring to a set of instruments consisting for the most part of metallophones, bronze gongs, and gong-chimes. The music is performed by ensembles, sometimes as large as 30 players. There are a number of different gamelan styles from Bali and Java, and the 9 Explorer discs go a long way in demonstrating the breadth and variety of the tradition.

Gamelan music is not new in the West; in fact, the gamelan has had a profound effect on modern Western music, particularly with regard to tone color, non-Western modes, unresolved harmonies, irregular rhythms, and quite a fair share of the tricks

we associate with modern music. We really need to go back to 1889 Paris for the great Paris Universal Exposition, held in celebration of the centenary of that country's revolution. A 27-year-old aspiring composer named Claude Debussy was in the audience at the Exposition when the visiting percussion orchestra of Java performed gamelan.

It is more than possible that Debussy had actually played around

with a small gamelan that the Paris Conservatory had acquired two years earlier. But nothing would have

prepared Debussy for the performance by Java's finest players. Of course, the five- and

seven-note scale structures are exotic to the Western ear, along with the array of microtones that don't exist in the Western scale. Then

there would have been the gorgeous sonorities: Debussy, who later would explore the possibilities of overtones on the piano as no Western composer before him had, could only have been mesmerized by the range of

new sounds and tone colors, the extraordinary resonance. Finally, gamelan involves a level of polyphony "that makes Palestrina seem like child's play," or so Debussy remarked upon hearing the Javanese ensemble. One wonders what Bach would have made of it had he traveled to the Spice Islands in the 18th Century. It would not have been impossible chronologically. Europeans of the Baroque era would almost certainly have heard gamelan, though it is difficult imagining Bach at sea or on a tropical isle.

But Bach, like Debussy, would have made note that in a gamelan ensemble, especially a large one, the notion of individual virtuosity and ego is almost entirely absent, something not likely to have gone unnoticed by the Baroque composer, just as it would not have gone unnoticed by the Belle Epoch composer.

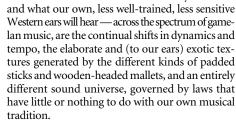
The gamelan is a percussive instrument, as is the piano, and it can produce the most delicate reso-

nances upon being lightly struck, affording an extraordinary range of tone color, similar to the piano but with a far more extensive palette. If Bartók, for instance, chiefly explored the rhythms and accents of the piano, Debussy can be said to have concentrated on the instrument's sonorities, its overtones or harmonics, the sounds that manifest themselves after the hammer has hit the keys and returned to its

original position. "If you listen," Debussy once remarked, "without European prejudice to the charm of their percussion, you have to admit that ours is no more than the primitive noises of a traveling circus." And to the poet Pierre Louys, Debussy wrote, "Do you not remember the Javanese music able to express every nuance of meaning, even unmentionable shades, and which makes our tonic and

dominant seem like empty phantoms for the use of unwise infants?"

Gamelan music is not only of one kind, as evidenced by the nine Exeach plorer discs. illuminating a different aspect of the tradition. Some of it is gentle, creating gossamer-like atmospheres; other kinds can be quite harsh sounding, relying almost exclusively on rhythmic effects and percussion. What Debussy heard —



Ton De Leeuw

Debussy took a shot at trying to replicate some

of the sound characteristics of gamelan in his piece "Pagodes," one of three picturesque miniatures that make up *Estampes* (1903). At the time there was an extreme and ongoing fad of Orientalism that pervaded the arts in France. Japanese prints, for instance, were hugely popular at the time, and Debussy himself was especially keen on them.

Any resemblance of Debussy's lovely "Pagodes"

to the gamelan would have come as news to a Javanese or Balinese musician or listener. Nor is a pagoda to be anywhere found in Java or Bali. But the Indonesians did share Debussy's fascination with overtones. The largest gong in the gamelan ensemble, the gong ageng, includes among its overtones all the notes that can be played on other instruments. The gong

ageng is considered by Indonesians to be the sacred source of all music, and ritual offerings of flowers and incense are regularly bestowed upon it.

Gamelan instruments

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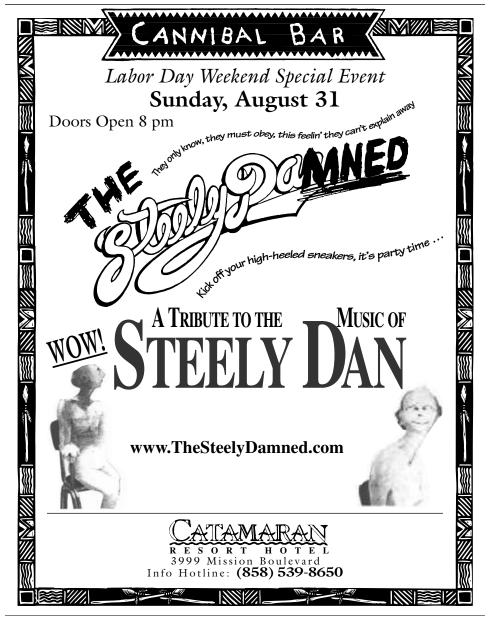
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Israel Vibration [194] and **Psydecar** [740]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, August 28, and Friday, August 29, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

"Fundraiser for Alejandro Escovedo" featuring the Dragons [115], John Doe, the Hatchet Brothers, Javier

Escovedo, Gregory Page [186]. and **Anya Marina** [118]: The Casbah, Thursday, August 28, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown, 619-232-4355.

FRIDAY

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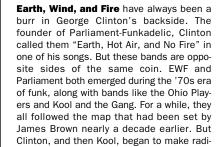
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Creek [850], Burning Spear [742], the Skatalites [744], Wilco [496], Switchfoot [103], the Dropkick



cal departures from the format and things got

interesting. The roof was coming off soul,

R&B, and the new funk, and George Clinton

had a vested interest. He was a ground-floor

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ton became funk's main player, dedicated as he

said to "rescuing dance music from the blacks." I spent an afternoon

wondering about old George

and what it was about EWF that made him mad. You

play "September," EWF's

thumping horn-and-vocals

tribute, and you feel better about a lot of things. And

there's Philip Bailey's lofty

falsetto, accurate as a

guided missile and all-over

sweet. What's not to like?

Not to say that I don't like

P-Funk — I do. But when **Maurice White** founded Earth, Wind, and Fire, his game plan

was to hire first-rate jazz horns and turn

them loose inside a strict architecture. In the

process, he ignored the roots that Clinton had found so vital to the preservation of

black culture: the funk. That's what went

missing, and that's what probably irked Clin-

ton. White and EWF drifted from funk and

grafted African rhythms and pop melodies

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ing music and, at the same time, some of

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The Neville Brothers [580] and Marcia Ball [950]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 19, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Jimmy Buffett: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, September 23, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Chicago [617]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, September 23, and Wednesday, September 24, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.



Bob Schneider [145] and Keri **Noble:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, September 6, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Ringo Starr & His All Starr Band featuring John Waite, Paul Carrack, Colin Hay, Sheila E., and Mark Rivera: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 7, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

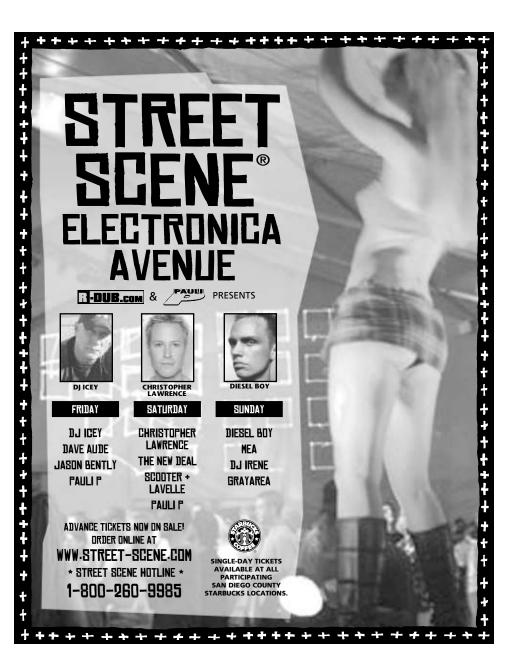
The Beach Boys [576]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, September 8, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Lucinda Williams [854]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, September 9, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Cher [609]: San Diego Sports Arena, Friday, September 12, 7:30 p.m., 3500









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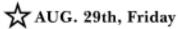
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UPCOMING CONCERTS

The Doobie Brothers [466]:
Palomar Starlight Theatre, Thursday, September 25, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, North County Inland. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

The White Stripes [359], the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, and the Soledad Brothers: RIMAC Arena, Thursday, September 25, 6:30 p.m., UCSD

campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

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Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, September 25, 8 p.m., 546 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002,

Craig Chaquico [673] and Keiko **Matsui** [674]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 25, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Mya: 4th & B, Thursday, September 345 B Street, downtov 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Steely Dan [498]: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, September 26, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Rick Springfield [515]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, September 26, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Tower of Power: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 26, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Evan Dando: The Casbah, Friday, September 26, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Billy Idol [590] featuring **Steve Stevens:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, September 27, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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It's not really such a big jump from Angry Young Man to Cranky Old Guy — all it takes is time. Joe Jackson started the transition 25 years ago with Look Sharp!, a great album of hyperactive power pop. Its hit single "Is She Really Going Out With Him?" stands among the best of the new wave era. Jackson and his band were on a tear and released another great power-pop album just six months later. But partly to distance himself from comparisons to Elvis Costello, Jackson's next album, Beat Crazy, was all reggae. After that, it was an ever-changing band lineup and an ever-changing musical direction — from swing to jazz to orchestral music and other styles.

I remember seeing Jackson at the tail end of the '80s. For the song "Nineteen Forever," he put on a sequined jacket and pompadour wig to make fun of rockers who never changed. It was kind of funny but kind of not. A lot of people in the audience just wanted to hear "Steppin' Out." but he wouldn't let them go without knowing that he would never be a nostalgia act. Like an indie kid who spends an hour making himself look like he doesn't care what he looks like. Jackson was trying too hard to not try too hard to please the audience.

In the past few years, however, Jackson has started to revisit what made him popular in the first place. It started with A Cure for Gravity, his 1999 memoir. And this year, he reunited with the band with whom he recorded his first three albums. The result is



a surprisingly good album, Volume 4, which picks up where the band left off.

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Radiohead [183]: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 28, 7:30 p.m., 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.

OCTOBER

Maná [117]: San Diego Sports Arena, Wednesday, October 1, 8 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Little Feat [523]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Wednesday, October 1, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

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.

Simply Red: 4th & B, Wednesday, October 8, 345 B Street, downtov 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Soulive and Me'shell Ndegeocello: 4th & B, Thursday, October 9, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

LeAnn Rimes [779]: Palomar Starlight Theatre, Friday, October 10, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, North County Inland. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

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.

Joe Satriani [529], Steve Vai [532], and Yngwie
Malmsteen [541]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Saturday, October 11, 6:30 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, 7 p.m., 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.

Candy Dulfer & Funky Stuff [647]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Sunday, October 26, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

The Queens of the Stone **Age** [521]: RIMAC Arena, Wednesday, October 29, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

NOVEMBER

Crystal Gayle [603]: East County Performing Arts Center, Saturday, November 1, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277.

Little Richard [533]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, November 6, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Smokey Robinson [614]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, November 13, and Friday, November 14, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Roy Clark [782]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Tuesday, November 18, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Cowboy Mouth [612] and **Cracker** [502]: 4th & B, Wednesday, November 19, 345 B Street, downtown, 619-231-4343 or

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Flecktones [675]: Spreckels Theatre, Tuesday, November 25, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

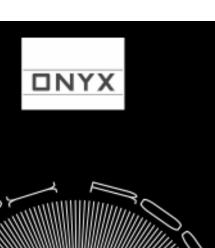
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Willie Nelson [768]: 4th & B, Saturday, December 6, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or









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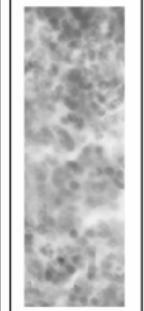
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EXTENSION 4002

ALTERNATIVE

The Accident Experiment: 'Canes Acts of Aggression: The Jumping Turtle Bar & Grill, Brick By Brick

Agave: Blind Melons

Agony of Deceit: Brick By Brick

Alta May: The Casbah

Big B: 'Canes

The Bitty Bums [223]: Lestat's

The Brain Dead: Brick By Brick Buckfast Superbee [119]: The

Bushwalla: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Buumklaat: The Kensington Club Campaign for Quiet: 'Canes

Center Aisle: Winstons

The Center of Five: Soma

The Cheating Hearts: Soma

City Monk: Tiki House Cold Turkey: California Club

Concept D: 'Canes Die September: Dream Street

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Doc Martin: Martini Ranch

John Doe: The Casbah The Dragons [115]: The Casbah

The Drapes: Soma The Enchanted [220]: Lestat's

End Creation: Dream Street Endever: Brick By Brick

F.O.N.: Soma

Forget the Joneses: Dream Street 4th Avenue Jones: 'Canes

Free Confusion: The Jumping

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Hence the Name: Soma The Hipsters: The Casbah

Honey Bucket [986]: Winstons

Hot Tub Action: Dream Street The Infants: Dream Street

Instigator: Brick By Brick

Israel Vibration [194]: Belly Up

The JTS: The Jumping Turtle Bar &

Judge D: 'Canes

Junk: Brick By Brick

Kensington Avenue: 'Canes

Kulturwar: Dream Street

Lojak: Dream Street

Lualta [124]: 'Canes

The Make-Out Boys: Brick By

Man Minus Label: Dream Street

Anya Marina [118]: The Casbah

Mercy Road: Soma

The Mix Mob [190]: 'Canes Money Shot: Brick By Brick

Moxie: California Club

Mudhonev [191]: The Casbah

Off Track: Some

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Album Name: A.M. Vibe (2003)

Artist: A.M. Vibe

Label: Silver Girl Records

Songs: 1) Strawberry Pie 2) Do You Even Know? 3) Everyone's Laughing 4) Sunny Street 5) Hyde Park 6) Tantrum 7) Sunshine 8) God Said No 9) Good Times 10) Light Blue 11) Wonder Woman

Price/Where Available: www.amvibe.com for \$10 Band Members: Lisah (quitar, vocals), Porter (bass), Mark

Extra Info: A.M. Vibe recently released their debut album in Japan.

Website: www.amvibe.com

Hailed by themselves as a trio with the "rawness of Nirvana, the fuzz of the Jesus and Mary Chain, and the melodies of the Sundays," female-fronted, alternative rock/indie pop group A.M. Vibe renders

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feminine determination with ladvlike severity.

Lisah, the single-named lead vocalist/guitarist, spends most of the album hiding behind a sweet, girly façade. Her gentle voice reveals no signs of the fierce, dramatic tones that can take angst rock

to different levels. Her "One, two. I love you, so don't bring me down" and other listless ramblings make her come across as a submissive version of Alanis Morissette, although her tendency to actually sing rather than shriek her disillusion is compelling.

The highlight of the CD is "Hyde Park," a weightless pop melody that would otherwise collapse if not for the melodic blurring of Lisah's bubbly vocals with solid electric guitars as she sings, "Five after ten, we've missed breakfast again, are you even aware?" Edgy guitar riffs, Lisah's high vocal range, and some interesting songwriting lures the listener even as the album rolls through the weaker tracks.

Every once in a while, Lisah slips something strange or obscure into her flirty delivery and really gets to the crux of a matter without turning



A.M. Vibe

listeners off with concentrated feminine banter. As if to say, "Yeah, I'm a girl, but here's a glimpse into what goes on behind that."

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Paluka: Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

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Public Transportation: Blind

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The Troys: Lestat's Coffeehouse Undershade: Soma

VIII Fraud: Brick By Brick

Veda: Soma

Vena Cava [160]: The Kensington

A Vital Few: Soma

Voodoo Temple: Brick By Brick

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

The Abuse [441]: The Jumping

The Bar Tones: Tiki House Baywolf [460]: Fannie's

Boneyard: Coyote Bar and Grill **BTO:** Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille

Cornerstone: Second Wind (San

Cubensis: Winstons

Deadline Friday: Blind Melons

Decoy: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

The Detroit Underground:

DJ Beer: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

DJ Frances: Martini Ranch

DJ Geoff: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp) DJ Jalil: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)

DJ T: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

DJ Tone Capone: Martini Ranch

DJ Tony A: Martini Ranch

The Evil Twins: Di-mond Jim's

The Fabulous Pelicans: Viejas

The Fabulous Ultra Tones: Dick's

fluf [493]: The Casbah The Fryday Band: Hennessey's

Tavern (PB), Blind Melons

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EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

Hot Rod Lincoln [547]: Tio Leo's

How's My Driving: Surf N'Saddle

The Jackson 3: McP's Irish Pub and Grill, Carvers

The Joe Jackson Band: 4th & B

Christina James & the Midnight Riders: McP's Irish Pub and Gr

Jivewire: The Casbah

The Kickin' Holiday Threesome:

King Dub: On The Rocks

Los Ingratoz: Over the Border The Lost Patrol: North Bar Sports

Mass-Transit: Pal Joev's

David Mead: 4th & B

Nemesis: Jolt'n Joe's (La Mesa)

The Neon Beat: The Kensington

Osama Yo Mama: The Jumping

Party Hard Sounds: Chuey's

Point Blank: I.B. Rockin' Beach Bar

Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last

Riot House: Island Sports & Spirits

Rock Fish: Blind Melons

Rockola: Humphrey's

R.O.K.: Second Wind (Santee)

The Steely Damned: Cannibal Bar

Super Funk Fantasy: Jimmy Love's

The Leigh Taylor Band: The Metaphor Coffeehouse

Tubby: On The Rocks

Two Way Street: Cannibal Bar

Viva Santana: Humphrey's

West of Memphis: Jolt'n Joe's

The Zen Dogs: Surf N'Saddle

EXTENSION 4004

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EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

The Archtones: Croce's Jazz Bar

The B-Side Players [649]: Belly Up

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The

Blue Largo [636]: Tio Leo's Lounge,

Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado

John Cain [703]: Hotel del

Calima: The Book Works/Pannikin

Emilio Camacho: Dizzy's

The Jorge Camberos Quintet:

Gilbert Castellanos [667]: Onyx

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The David Patrone Quartet: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch

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Lady Dottie & the Sliders: Bayou

Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado

The Ledesma Brothers: The Latin Room, La Villa Loca Sports Bar & Grill

Joe Marillo [645]: Elario's Bistro &

Masterpiece: Dick's Last Resort,

The Jared Mattson Trio: M3

Sean McVicker: Elario's Bistro &

Jerry Melnick: Rancho Bernardo

The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar

Dave Millard: Dizzy's

Mystique: Iimmy Love's

Mike Nelson: Lodge Torrey Pines Steve O'Connor: South Park Bar &

Primo: Belly Up Tavern, Croce's Jazz

Rick Ross: The Beach House,

Moray's Lounge, Elario's Bistro & Sky

The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn Suites

Dave Scott: Croce's Jazz Bar

The Ron Siegrist Trio: The Doubletree Hotel (Del Mar)

Skybop: Mr. Joey's Cantina

Steam: South Park Bar & Grill

Stellita: The Wyndham Emerald

Joe Tarrantino: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

Tikal: Dizzy's

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 Devastators [731]: Winstons DJ Cisco: The Plum Loco Saloon

DJ Rassie: The Plum Loco Saloon

DJ Winston: The Plum Loco Saloon

Jack the Original: Blind Melons Freddie McGregor: 4th & B

NZ Rough: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

Pau Hana: 4th & B

Red Llama Dog: Winstons

Semisi & Fulabula [747]: The

Starshak: Blind Melons

Steve Stedham & the Citizen X Posse: 5ifth Qtr.

The Tribe of Kings: Martini Ranch

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

The California Rangers: McCabe's

Kennard & Miller: Don's Cocktail

Christian Simmons: Second Wind (Escondido)

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / **FOLK**

Berkley Hart [880]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille

Steve Brewer: Blarney Stone Pub

J.D. Brouchard: Princess Pub &

Joe Byrnes: Blarney Stone Pub

The Celtic Ensemble: Twiggs Tea

Mary Dolan [859]: Starbucks

Javier Escovedo: The Casbah

Joey Harris: McP's Irish Pub and

The Hatchet Brothers: The Ould Sod, The Casbah

The Justin Brothers: The Beach

Celia Lawley: Shirley's Kitchen Sir Kippy Marks: Sassafras Bar and

Martin Christopher: M3 Espresso

Hennessey's Tavern (PB) Jim Moore: McP's Irish Pub and

Tommy Price: Hennessey's Tavern

Ron's Garage: Island Sports & Spirits, McP's Irish Pub and Grill, Hotel del Coronado

Victoria Rose: Sassafras Bar and

Gene Warren: The Ould Sod

EXTENSION 4009

BLUES / SOUL

Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers:

The Boogiemen: The Gordon

Coupe de Ville: Loew's Coronado

Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters [932]: Shooters Bar and

Grill, Chateau Orleans, Bayou Bar & Fish & the Seaweeds: Coyote Bar

Jump Jones: Tio Leo's Lounge The Latanya Lockett Band:

Michele Lundeen [952]: Patrick's

The Bill Magee Blues Band [947]:

Kymberlee Maxine: Elario's Bistro

Nite Life [934]: Pal Joey's The Nude Blues: Bahia Belle Cruise

Ruby Blue: The Yacht Club

Nik Simon: Patrick's II J.J. Slyde: Downtown Cafe

The Small Town Heroes:

The Jimmy Smith Band: Victor's

Smokin' Gun: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

The Soul Revue: Jimmy Love's

Theo & the Zvdeco Patrol [929]:

Billy Thompson [970]: Coyote Bar Johnny "V" Vernazza: Patrick's II

EXTENSION 4010

EVERYTHING ELSE

Shirley Allen: Red Fox Steakhouse Burnett Anderson: Cafe LaMaze.

Sammy Dale Canonidado: Cafe

Sandy Chappel: Cafe LaMaze

Cirro: Buon Giorno Restaurant Ray Correa: The Butcher Shop

Julio de la Huerta: The Westgate Vicki Eriqat: Edelweiss Restaurant

Kjell Holmes [994]: Edelweiss Gordon Kohl [983]: Edelweiss

Barry Levich: La Valencia Hotel

Los Reyes del Ritmo: Mr. Joey's

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Bottoms Up: Fridays, good vibes, house, breaks, drum 'n' bass, hip-hop. 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tivolis, corner of Sixth Avenue and Island Street, Gaslamp. 619-232-6754.

Brown Sugar: Fridays, black, white, Latino, and Asian get down to the urban sounds of DJ Myxzlplix; 21 and up. The Brass Rail, 3796 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-2233.

Cask 'N' Cleaver: Sundays, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., DJ Doctor Swing spins the best dance music from the '40s, '50s, nd '60s. 3757 South Mission Road, Fallbrook. 760-451-8805.

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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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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, DI Dizzy D spins hiphop and R&B; DJ Battle spins Latin and house on the patio. Sunday, *Labor* Day Jam 2003. High school and college students admitted. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-9393.

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Heaven: Sundays, DIs Infinity, Golden Boy Mike, Garrett S., and more spin house, progressive, and trance. No cover; 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Club Pure, 8125 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa. 858-538-7873.

Hi-Fi: Every third Saturday of the month, the best in imports, '80s, and indie with DJs BCZAR!, Richard D, and guests. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Roseary Room, corner of Tenth and E Street (next to Pokez), downtown. 619-296-6789.

Jumping Turtle Bar & Grill: Fridays and Saturdays, resident DJs Flash and Little Miss Anna spin techno, house, and R&B. 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7101.

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MUSIC ➤ mariachi bands

festivities on others

Thursday-Saturday (and on Sunday

if there's a holiday on Monday)

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ closed on

some Mexican holidays, open with

CLIENTELE ➤ a mix of locals and

tourists (the tourists I saw were two

families, with young kids); two older

restaurant, so all ages are welcome

COVER ➤ the waiter said there's

year (I couldn't understand which

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beers on tap; bottles of Tecate, Carta Blanca, Dos Equis, Bohemia, Sol, Corona, and Pacifico; the bartender said. "We have a new Tijuana beer. It's made close by." There are 30 tequilas, 20 wines, 20 whiskeys, and six brandies: the sodas (at least the 7-Up and Pepsi) were served in old-

fashioned-style bottles

FOOD ➤ small portions, but it tasted delicious; a lot of desserts (with a nice glass display of them as you walk in); two dinners, two sodas, and two beers cost us only

ACCESS ➤ at the corner of Carrillo Puerto and Revolución: parking around here is easy to find on weekdays, hard to find on weekends

DRESS ➤ casual: the family I sat

next to had two kids in T-shirts and shorts mom in a summer dress and father in a button-up shirt. khaki shorts, and black socks **DANCE FLOOR** ➤ none (and no

space for dancing) FIRE EXITS ➤ only two, one on each side of the restaurant

BATHROOMS ➤ men's had two stalls, two urinals, was small, and reminded me of a bathroom in a train; graffiti said "Clepto Pirate"; women's were "small and sterile," said my friend, about 2' x 2', one stall; both were clean, had paper towels, liquid soap, and air dryers

CAPACITY ➤ 100 SPECIAL AREAS ➤ you can smoke inside: there's an area where vendors sell stuff

FURNISHINGS ➤ there were 20 tables and six booths: there were posters on the wall for upcoming bullfights and murals of matadors; the chairs all had colorful paintings on the back; the ceilings were really low

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ only ten feet from the band it was 98 dBs: last week at 'Canes it was 117

QUOTABLE ➤ overheard from one of the American families: "This place looks like the El Torito near

I decided to walk to Revolución this time, since the sun was still up. As I looked at the shops and street vendors, I asked the guy selling my date some crappy jewelry, "What place would you recommend for good, live music?" He raved about the mariachi bands they have at Café La Especial. The restaurant is down an alley and not easy to spot from Revolución. The allev is under a big sign that says Hotel Lafayette.

When we got there, the mariachi band was outside. I asked the waiter why, and he said, "Well, we have a small crowd tonight. Maybe they can attract some attention."

–Josh Board

Locals Only: Tuesdays, hip-hop, R&B, Top 40, and house with DJs Antonio Aguilera and Blake Miller. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Local, 1065

Plush Fridays: Room 1: Top 30, hip-hop, and R&B. Room 2: dancehall. Room 3: house, hard house, and progressive. Fridays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Aubergine, 500 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-232-8100.

The Pompeii Room: Thursdays, DJ Stiffy spins Latin, freestyle, house, and hip-hop. Fridays, hip-hop and old skool with Boy Toy Jesse. Saturdays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, house, disco, and reggae. Sunday, *Labor Day Jam 2003*. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos. 760-737-5040.

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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Sabbat: Saturdays, DJs Eric Hart, Adam Atom, and weekly guest DJs. Dark electro, gothic, darkwave, industrial, and fetish. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744. Information, 619-743-1623.



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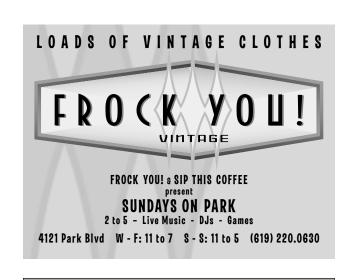


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Soul Sanctuary: Thursdays, hiphop, soul, rap, and house with resident DJs Felix Prince Jr., Meric, and Trevor Young. The Flame, 3780 Park Boulevard, San Diego. 619-295-4163.

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Thrust: First Friday of every month. Two rooms, Club '80s upstairs, Club Therapy downstairs; 21 and up. Hollywood Star, 1320 Fifth Avenue downtown, 619-232-2102, Information, 619-465-5827.

Underworld: Sundays, pre-'99 gothic and industrial with DJs Bryan Pollard, Black, and Dekay. 21 and up. Hollywood Star, 1320 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-232-2102. Information, 619-465-5827.

Verb: Sundays, house, breaks, and hip-hop. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844.

CLUBS BY AREA

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NORTH COUNTY

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, the Love Rangers, Top 40/pop. Wednesday, the New Breed Band, pop.

The Beach House, 2530 South Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-753-1321. Thursday and Sunday, *Rick Ross*, jazz. Friday, Trio du Jour, jazz. Saturday, the Justin Brothers, acoustic pop rock. Wednesday, Semisi & Fulabula,

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday and Friday, 9:15 pm, *Israel Vibration*, reggae. Saturday, 9:15 pm, *B-Side Players*, Latin jazz. Sunday, 7:30 pm, Primo,

Bistro 221, 221 Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-7398. Friday and Saturday, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *Donnie Finnell & Co. East*, jazz.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 pm, Calima, jazz trio.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *the Jackson* 3, rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 pm to 10 pm, Boneyard, rock. Friday, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, Fish & the

Seaweeds, blues, funk, Saturday, 3 pm to 5:30 pm, Blue Largo, 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, Theo & the Zydeco Patrol, blues. Sunday, 2 pm to 4:30 pm, Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers, 5 pm to 9 pm, Billy Thompson, blues.

Doubletree Hotel, 11915 El Camino Real, Del Mar. 619-481-5900. Sydney's Bar & Grill: Thursday, 6 pm to 9 pm, the Ron Siegrist Trio, jazz.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, the Small Town Heroes, blues. Saturday, Tommy Price, acoustic. Sunday, Sandiacket, alternative.

Jolt'n Joe's, 717 North Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 760-743-7665. Friday and Saturday, West of Memphis, rock.

The Jumping Turtle Bar & Grill, 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7101. Friday, 9 pm, *Free* Confusion, the JTS, Acts of Aggression and the Abuse, alternative rock Saturday, 8 pm, Osama Yo Mama

La Costa Tournament of La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge, La Costa Resort and Spa, Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad. 760-438-9111. Friday and Saturday, 7 pm to 11 pm, the Cynthia Hammond Trio, jazz.

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,

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Friday, DJ Frances, rock. Saturday, DJ Tony A. Monday, DJ Jalil and DJ Tone Capone, rock.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Friday, the California Rangers,

The Metaphor Coffeehouse, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido

760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, Dixieland jazz. Friday, 8 pm, the Lee Taylor Band, rock and roll.

Mille Fleurs, 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-3085. Thursday, and Monday through Wednesday, Jason Weber, jazz

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, 6:15 pm to 9:15 pm, the Cradit Union. Friday, 9:30 pm, DJ Bob One and Habit, disco, house, hip-hop. Saturday, 9:30 pm, hip-hop/alternative. Sunday, 9:30 pm, rock en español. Monday, 8:30, the Tim Gill Orchestra, swing.

North Bar Sports & Spirits, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido 760-480-8228. Saturday, 8:30 pm, the Lost Patrol, classic rock.

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, Christian Simmons, 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, *the Zen Dogs*, alternative. Saturday, How's My Driving?, alternative.

REACHES

Barefoot Bar and Grill, the San Diego Paradise Point Resort, 1404 West Vacation Road, Pacific Beach. 858-274-4630. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, live music. Call club for

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Lighter*, and guests, surf rock. Friday, *Agave*, *Deadline Friday*, and *Jack the Original*, rock, reggae. Saturday, 4 pm to 7 pm, the Kickin' Holiday Threesome, 8 pm, Starshak, the Fryday Band, and Public Transportation, rock.

'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780, Music is alternative/rock unless otherwis noted. Saturday, The Mix Mob and Big B, Judge D, and the Accident Experiment. Sunday, 4th Avenue Jones, Tabularasa, and DJ Mikeski. Wednesday, Kensington Avenue

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Coaster Saloon, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-448-4437. Call club for information.

Dream Street. 2228 Bacon Street. Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Music is alternative. Thursday, Forget the JonesU, Operatic, Hot Tub Action, and The Infants. Friday, Raven's Lyric, Man Minus Label, Lojak, and Die September. Saturday, 120 Pain, Heinous, End Creation, and Sixth Day.

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, noted. Thursday, Joe Martiuo. 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.

Galoka. 5662 La Iolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-551-8610. Thursday, *The Latanya Lockett Band*, blues. Friday, reggae. Saturday, jazz, funk.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, the Fryday Band, rock. Saturday, NZ Rough, reggae. Wednesday, the Mike & Mike Show, acoustic.

I.B. Rockin' Beach Bar & Grill, 285 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach. 619-424-5373. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Point Blank, classic rock.

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.

Lodge Torrey Pines, 11480 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. The Grill: Friday and Saturday, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, Mike Nelson, jazz.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, *Green Eggs & Sam*, rock.

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 Beac 858-272-7278. Call club for information.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Friday, 7 pm to 11 pm, Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters,

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *the Bar Tones*, rock. Friday, call club for information. Saturday City Monk, alternative. Sunday, Chris Kelly's open-mike night.

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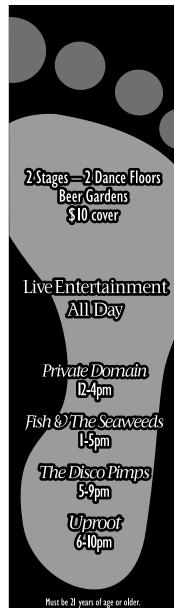
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The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Gene Warren*, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, the Hatchet Brothers, folk

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"When shall we three meet again? In thunder, lightning, or in rain?" It was actually sunny and sweltering when I met Kay and Provvidenza for an after-work dinner at Seven-17. With our crazy schedules, we Weird Sisters only manage to get all together about once a year. The last time was a rainy, thundery winter evening at Greystone, the nearby steakhouse, where bullying staffers treated our girl group like interlopers in Testosterone Country.

Fate had it that we should meet this time at a Greystone spin-off, co-owned by the latter's former bartender, Frank Dick. When Dick left Greystone to open Seven-17, he took chefs Ron Bankston and Willie Cross with him, so you'll find many very similar dishes. (Bankston left last fall, and Cross now heads the kitchen). Since this is a newer restaurant, one that must pay Gaslamp rents from shallower pockets than Greystone's, the ingredients aren't quite as aristocratic (their steaks, while Prime, are wet-aged, not dry-aged). The vibes, however, are a great deal better. This is a steak-and-fish house that loves the ladies, too.

Tall, chic Kay in her tall, gorgeous shoes whirled through the restaurant's rooms and called out, "This is the color!" She'd been desperately seeking just the right shade of paint to redo her apartment, and the shimmery rose-orange wash on these walls seemed to be it. In the barroom entry area, where she saw glory, all I saw were the heavy, dark booths of an old pasta palace — the space used to be Trattoria Portobello and hasn't changed much. Kay's crystal-blue eyes sparkled when she spotted the gleam of copper oxide in one of the paintings, and she dashed over to inspect it more closely.

Meanwhile, Provvi and I took our seats in the more contemporary adjacent dining room, with its wide-spaced, white-clothed tables and wall of windows looking onto Fourth Avenue. Dancing into the dining room at last, Kay was arrested en route by her discovery of a curtained-off semiprivate room fitted with couches, huge pillows, and a large TV. "I've been thinking of going to that," said Provvi. "That" is the weekly Sex and the City viewing party in the couch room, where a random, mostly female, crowd shows up on Sunday evenings to nosh and hoot their way through the show.

Finally we settled down — to nibble on garlic-crusted soft sourdough bread and butter and



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peruse the lengthy menu. It offers a combination of California (French-Asian-Mex) cuisine, New Orleans influences, and such standard steakhouse fare as oysters both raw and "Rockefeller," lobster bisque, shrimp cocktail, Caesar salad, steaks, and chops.

Our order played mix-andmatch with the genres. We started with oysters on the half shell. That evening, they were an obscure Washington state variety with a

strong, simple seawater flavor. (I later learned that chef Willie Cross prefers Blue Points but can't always get them.) They came with a wimpy red cocktail sauce screaming for horseradish, the missing condiment in the assortment. A lobster bisque proved light and tomatoey, with good chunks of lobster meat at the bottom and just a little cream. Precisely following the style of nearby Cafe Sevilla, it's served "en croute," under a tasty pastry topping, which a server breaks to add a splash of sherry to the broth just at serving. Bad idea, that — we all felt that too much Harvey's Bristol Cream spoiled the broth. It's not the world's most food-

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friendly sherry and would better be served in a separate jigger to let diners add it or not *after* sampling the soup. Kay and I agreed that its acid sweetness changed the flavor to something resembling Campbell's cream of tomato. (As for young Provvi, her mother is so serious a Sicilian cook,

she's never tasted canned soup and had no idea what we were talking about.)

My favorite starter was one of Cross's creative dishes, pista-

chio-crusted sea scallops with a light, sensual beurre blanc and a small heap of summer greens salad. The dry-pack seafood displayed that rich, true scallop flavor that's so rare in local restaurants, and the subtle nut crust lent a light crunch to the texture. Provvi's preference was a large portobello mushroom stuffed with crab. The mushroom had an Alice in Wonderland range of textures, depending which part you bit into ("One bite makes you larger, the next bite makes you small..."). It ranged from limp and watery to firm and succulent. The filling showcased good-quality shredded crabmeat, topped with Parmesan and bread crumbs,

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with a lovely Chardonnay butter sauce. The combination may be familiar, but it makes a highly appetizing appetizer.

There are two "tartares," made with trendy ahi and old-fashioned steak. Both were fresh flavored and silky, with their contents chopped fine, and so finely picked over as to leave not one shred of sinew. The ahi mixture, a bit bland in a bashful Asian vinaigrette, was served with irresistible fresh-fried egg roll skins, sushi ginger, wasabi, and a crescent of Hass avocado slices at their sensuous peak. The beef tartare, made from filet mignon, boasted a similar velvety suaveness, mingling with cubes of that perfect avocado, a little tomato salsa, a touch of hot chile, and the perfect amount of salt. Less fierce than the classic rendition (which typically includes power flavors like capers, parsley,





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and anchovies), it is actually much the same tartare we tried at Greystone — but it tasted better here.

The flavor and our mood may have been slightly helped along by the terrific, decently priced wines we were drinking with our meal and our delicious gossipfest. With our starters, we enjoyed a superb Duckhorn Sauvignon Blanc (\$37), a paragon of this grape, luscious enough to seduce even die-hard Chardheads. With our main dishes, the sommelière (French for a female wine steward, since you can't really say "wine stewardess" and sound serious) considered our entrée choices and suggested a Keller Pinot Noir, which bless her - cost \$15 less than the Bonny Doon Cigare Volante that she heard me contemplating. The caressing Keller was a wonderful choice.

I went for the 24-ounce bone-in rib-eye, which was cooked exactly to my order. Juicy and rare, it was big enough to make three lunches from the leftovers, even after trimming away the many thick fat veins separating the well-marbled muscles. You have a choice of sauces; I ordered the demanding béarnaise. You could tell it was made to order (its light texture indi-

cated there was no cornstarch), but personally, I'd use a richer white wine for a zestier flavor. In traditional fashion, all beefsteaks are served à la carte, riding lonesome on their plates. Side dishes cost extra. Your choices span seven variations on spuds, including lobster mash and sweet potato hash. There are an equal number of veggie choices, including the classic creamed spinach. They're sized to feed four, following the peculiar steakhouse custom.

The veal chop tasted like actual meat, not baby formula. It's just regular veal, but the thick, juicy cut was marinated with enough rosemary, garlic, and olive oil to punch up the flavor. It was topped with a dense and rather acidic shiitake Bordelaise, a red wine reduction sauce; as with the béarnaise, it would benefit from a higherquality wine. The chop came with a savory, chewy risotto containing an extravagance of saffron, and a so-so veg medley that got swamped in the

Five-spice duck breast offered rich-flavored meat but a rubbery skin, with a thick, sweet plum demiglace sauce. It shared the plate with lovely halfpeeled asparagus spears and lean fennel mashed potatoes that needed more salt, butter, cream, and (above all) fennel. "Blackened" swordfish had a nice tang to the spicy seasoning, arriving with a straightforward rice pilaf lent a bit of interest by shiitake slices, and a heap of plain "baby" spinach that was fresh but seemed well past its infancy. A splash of the steak's béarnaise bought off the bitterness of the late-harvest greenery. Late summer is a bad time of year for spinach, anyway, so I don't know why they're serving it when so many other vegetables (squash, etc.) are at their peak.

Sad to say, I actually hated the desserts — but this is truly an issue of personal taste. After a big dinner, I'm looking for something resembling French whipped air with a light sugar coating, whereas the pastries here are quite sweet, heavy, and heartland American. Judging by flavor, their base seems to be supermarket-quality cooking chocolate blocks. Yet Provvi, without my postprandial prejudices, was enraptured by the chocolate crêpes, enclosing a filling of chocolate-permeated mascarpone cheese, served with warm strawberry sauce. A Bailey's bread pudding was weighty and very Midwestern, with a

delicious scoop of vanilla gelato on top. "Lily mousse" featured three cones of white and dark chocolate, filled with thick, dense mousses in chocolate, vanilla, and strawberry.

This was really a fun dinner," said Provvi, discreetly licking the last strawberry syrup from her spoon. "Absolutely," Kay answered. "We should do it again in six months and not wait a whole year." I agreed heartily: "We really need our nights out together - just like the guys who go to Greystone."

ABOUT THE CHEF

Co-owner Frank Dick came from the Greystone "mini empire," which includes Osteria Panevino and the former Trattoria Portobello (where Seven-17 is now located). Dick served serially as bar manager at all three restaurants for ten years. Opening Seven-17, he hired chef Ron Bankston and sous chef/pastry chef Willie E. Cross from Greystone to staff his kitchen. When Bankston left last fall, Cross became Seven-17's executive chef.

"I'm a Cinderella story," says Cross. "Before I started cooking I was maybe San Diego's number-one criminal. In Leavenworth, I took a Marriott

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culinary arts course. When I got out of prison, I went back and messed my life up again. I went into recovery and got off the crystal meth and rock cocaine, and they said, 'Do something you like...' So I took another cooking program, and from there I went to Saro's, a Swedish restaurant next to Dobson's. I went in as a line cook, and a month later I got the executive chef's job. They didn't like the chef and they liked me — they said my food was better."

Cross moved on to jobs as opening sous chef at Jimmy Love's and at Parrot Grill, executive chef at D'lish in La Jolla and at Embassy Suites, and then stayed at Bully's for three years as sous chef. "Meanwhile, I met Ron Bankston in the emergency room," he says. "I stopped a bank robbery, and when I tackled the guy, the dye bag in the money blew up in my face. Ronnie was there because he'd cut his hand. He was working at Greystone, and a few months later, so was I. Vincenzo and Alex [the owners] knew me from Jimmy Love's, and I revamped their pastry menu last year. That's where I met Frank [Dick], and here I am today.

Cross has never set foot in Louisiana, but you'll find sev-

eral menu items (oysters Rockefeller, blackened swordfish, pork chop stuffed with andouille and mushrooms) with New Orleans flavors. "My mother's from Dallas, and my father's from Ford City, Arkansas," he says, "so when I was growing up in Linda Vista, I ate catfish and bluegills and grits in the morning, and my mother would have me catch a bunch of crawdads for Friday dinner. That style of cooking has always been a part of my life.

"I'm dyslexic, so everything's touch and feel for me. Everything on the menu here is strictly straight out of my head — I don't believe in recipe books... My nickname is Black Magic.

"I'm 50 years old, and I'm just a guy who's wholly dedicated to my wife, my little son, and my cooking. That's all I need and all I do. It's really unique being the only black executive chef downtown. I take a lot of pride in that, a lot of pride. My nephew, David Cross, is my sous chef; he's gonna carry on like me. We both have the same love and passion for what we do. I believe in helping people. My policy is, if I teach you, you have to pass it on to somebody else." ■



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Farmer's Favorites

"Don't worry if you can't finish. Leftovers go to the animals, or else the compost heap."

ED BEDFORD

like pets," says Hank. "I thought I'd get me some cactus." "For pets?" I say.

"Why not? Plants are people too."

I swear. Hank's going soft. Maybe it was that vegan episode. We're driving up Home Avenue. Strangely countrified area. Suddenly, Hank pulls off the road to a gravel space surrounded by young trees. Trees in pots, I realize as the dust settles. "City Farmers Nursery," says a sign. There's a

building back there somewhere amongst the plants and potted trees. Whole place looks kind

To the right, another low building. Ooh. Nate's Deli. A sheltered eating deck pushes out among more potted trees, with little fountains and waterfalls gurgling. It's like finding Grandma's place in Li'l Red Riding Hood's woods.

I follow Hank into the store. Huh. A big old upright piano stands in the middle, Radio Flyer kids' wagons hang in the rafters, and turtledoves coo in a cage by the door. "Uh, wanted to look at cactuses," Hank says to the guy behind the counter.

"Cactuses?" he says. "Cacti," I say.

"Oh. Well, we have a few here, but why don't you go see what we've got out back. Just follow the trail till you see Clyde."

"Clyde?"

"Clyde the horse. He's with the goats and

geese and stuff."

"Goats and geese."

"Sure. Then head right toward the mesa." Stranger and stranger. Outside, we spot a

> mother hen and her brood. Oh, man. Too cute. We follow her. She leads us to a little red barn. A bunch of geese, ducks, goats, a bi-ig sheep, and a horse stand in an enclosure. The geese start honking, advancing. Uh-oh. We start withdrawing, into mini-forests of young trees, hundreds of them, all in pots.

We weave in and out till we're totally confused. For a moment we catch sight of cactus, a whole colony, Pecos Bill–style. "That's not going to fit on my computer desk," says Hank, "and we're lost. We'll be here all night."

We get out, of course, but by that time, food's what counts. Cactus wrangling can wait. We're up the deli's steps and inside a wow! — really stylish country-looking eatery, with a big old cast-iron wood burner, generous philodendron plants, a massive old kitchen oven, and lots of varnished wood.

"Yes, gentlemen?" says the woman behind the counter. Chérie. She and Martin the chef are running the place. A menu board hangs above the counter straight ahead. Appetizers like smoked salmon with crackers for \$4.99, or kishka, spicy wrapped filling, hot with brown gravy (\$2.70). Or salads. Best seems to be the grilled chicken-fillet salad (\$6.39). Or a cup of, say, beef-barley soup with a half sandwich for \$5.95.

But the sandwich section, "Farmer's Favorites," is where it's at. All sandwiches are \$3.75 for a half and \$4.95 for a whole. And they're big. They run from beef bologna to salami to hot chicken fillet. Hank astonishes me by ordering a "vegetarian." I astonish myself by ordering a salami. I was all set to go for the hot chicken-fillet sandwich when Chérie mentioned that the salami was the special today, and a buck off. Can't fight that.

Then, a nice surprise. Chérie asks Hank and me to go through a list of cheeses, breads, and condiments. So Hank says provolone and pepper jack, mustard, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, olives, and sliced pickles.

I go for jack cheese, wheat bread, mayo, mustard, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, olives, sliced pickles — and dang! I could have had cream cheese. It would be perfect for the salami, but somehow I missed it.

We sit down next to an elderly couple. The husband has a Rip van Winkle beard. He's eating some kind of cherry turnover. His wife's trying to tame a massive chicken salad sandwich. Hank nibbles at his side garnishings. "These are spicy carrots," he says. "That's good." He slides them into his sandwich. I slurp my \$1.25 coffee. It's organic, Chérie says. Hank and I do an exchange of prisoners — one half veggie bun for one half salami sandwich, and I taste how his side of hot carrots adds kick to his veggie bun. Oh,

man. Avocado too. It's good.

"We're here all the time," says the bearded gent, John. "I come for the turnovers."

'And I come for the soups," says his wife, Milo. "Their vegetable soup is heavenly."

I ask where they're from.

"We're rare creatures," says John. "Native-born Californians. Know what they used to call us in the old days? Prune pickers. If you were born in California, you were a prune picker. Don't ask me why.

Chérie sees me struggling. "Don't worry if you can't finish," she says. "Leftovers go to the animals, or else the compost heap. Everything's recycled here. Even the paper napkins. That's Bill's orders. Bill Tall. True. That's his name. He's owned the nursery since he was 16 years old."

She says this place is called "Nate's" after Bill's dad. This restaurant was Nate's dream. He died a month before it opened.

Clock's heading toward closing time. Six. Still got to nail Hank's pet cacti. Except he's spotted a cheesecake, and I've gotta try an eight-inch crisp cherry turnover like John's. Hank gloops the cheesecake (\$2.50) down in two, and I get a turnover (\$1.25) like John's except it's apple. Oh, yes. Flaky, sweet, and with those wicked crunchy sugar crystals.

"You ready to rope a cactus now?" I say. "Heck, I feel I could hug ten cactuses." "That's ten cact... Oh, never mind." ■

The Place: Nate's Deli, 3120 Euclid Avenue (beside City Farmers Nursery, where Home Avenue joins), 619-284-

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Dirty Socks And Manure

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isa Van de Water, while on a cross-country drive with her husband thirty years ago, visited the Napa Valley and discovered that you don't have to be "old, male, and French" to taste wine. Or, for that matter, to

make it. In 1974, she left her job in chromosome research at the National Institutes of Health, moved to California, and got a job with Mondavi. A year later, she quit to start a wine lab — the Wine Lab. "I thought winemakers would bring me samples, I would test them and give an-

swers, and the winemakers would go away," she recalls. "But it didn't work out that way. They started asking questions: 'What do I do about my nasty wine?' " In a twinkling, a consultant was born. "Very soon, I got to be known as the Bad Wine Lady, because I was willing to talk about wine spoilage."

When it comes to wine spoilage, there is plenty to talk about. Just about every brief biography of Andre Tchelistcheff, the Russian chemist-turned-California winemaker who helped revive the state's wine industry after Prohibition, will tell you how much he did to improve winery sanitation. Listening to Van de Water, you begin to realize the importance of that achievement. It is axiomatic that you cannot make good wine from bad grapes, but it is also all too easy to make bad wine from good grapes. Microscopic critters lurk along every step of the way, waiting to infest your precious juice.

Trouble may begin before you even get to the winery. "I was visiting a winery in New Zealand with a friend," recalls Van de Water, "and they had me smell a Chardonnay — it was sort of like, 'Tell us about it.' I said, 'Well, this was fermenting when it came to the winery. It probably spent a good deal of time in transit'" stewing in its own juices and making things

warm and sweet for the yeast. "'It started off the fermentation with *Kloeckera* [the primary yeast found on grape skins] and still has a lot of the amyl acetate and ethyl acetate that *Kloeckera* produces.'" The two acetates yield aromas of banana and nail polish, respectively.

Much of the time, Van de Water's assessment of a problem amounts to education about what not to do next year. If you've got too much Brettanomyces yeast in your wine — and nearly every winery making red wine carries some somewhere — start getting ready to hear terms like "Band-Aid" and "sweaty horse" used to describe it. If Lactobacilli go to work on a wine's secondary fermentation instead of Oenococci. you may be stuck with the smell of geraniums. (At least, in this case, there is hope, "You can fine out small amounts of ethyl acetate with a combination of dry yeast and yeast hulls. It's possible to reduce the aroma to the point where it's a complexity" — as opposed to an outright flaw.)

In all three cases, pinpointing the problem depends almost entirely on the nose. ("A gas chromatograph scan is really expensive," Van de Water points out.) It also depends on analysis and experience — you have to know what you're smelling. "In 1974, a lovely wine writer — he's a delightful man — went to a winery and tasted the '71 Reserve Pinot Noir.

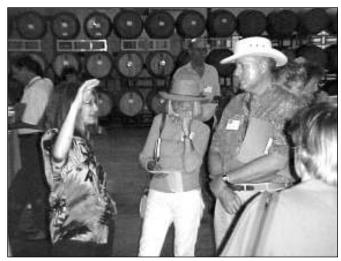
He thought it was very Burgundian, and he exclaimed, 'My goodness! This is the most Burgundian Pinot Noir I've ever had from California. What did you do?' Well, the winery owner was also a nice man, but he was a 'When I founded the winery...' type of guy. He said, 'Oh, that's from the touch of *Brettanomyces* that we had in that wine.'"

It seemed a plausible claim. Brettanomyces produces isovaleric acid, which yields aromas comparable to barnyards and manure, and there is a famous line about great Burgundy smelling of the latter. "The

wine writer didn't know any better — this famous winery owner was telling him this — and so he wrote it up. When those of us who knew read it, we just said, 'Oh, my goodness.' It was the only wine from that winery in that era that didn't have Brett. What it had was the bacteria Pediococcus, which is very common in Burgundy." (Pediococcus is credited with a vegetal, dirty-sock aroma.)

"If the Burgundies you've bought are the ones full of *Pediococcus*, then you consider it a varietal characteristic or a *gout de terroir* or whatever, and you decide that that is Burgundian. So the *Pediococcus* did make the wine more Burgundian than most California Pinot Noirs, but it didn't have anything to do with *Brett*. But from then on, *Brett* was associated with Burgundy."

Van de Water can remember the first time she smelled *Brettanomyces*: 30 years ago, on a 1972 Gamay. Her smell memory — the ability to recall a smell as if it were actually there, along with the circumstances in which it was first encountered — is part of what makes her good at her job. It's part of why, 30 years later, she's still talking about bad wine, and about wine in general. She recently handed over the sales and analysis end of the Wine Lab — which now has



Lisa Van de Water (left) at Origins of Wine Aromas seminar

facilities in New Zealand and Chile as well as Napa — to a partner company, so that she could concentrate on seminars, classes, consultations, and product development. And it is why, last Saturday morning, some 60 oenophiles — including local winemakers, both amateur and professional, along with your humble correspondent — gathered in a meeting room at Belle Marie Winery in Escondido to hear her presentation on "The Origins and Recognition of Wine Aromas."

She sailed through the presentation with the ease brought by familiarity; when a slide failed to come up, she supplied its content from memory. She covered topics like smell memory, smelling technique, and the effect of vines, grapes, yeasts, chemicals, barrels, aging, and microbes on a wine's aroma. Then, in the winery proper, she hosted a tasting of 60 "neutral" (i.e., devoid of character) wines, each adulterated with a different aromatic substance sometimes detected in wine, from apples to soy to asparagus to vanilla. As the guests milled about, sniffing and snorting, the local wine-makers drifted over in Van de Water's direction. "I've got x. What does it mean, and what can I do about it?" The consultant went back to work. ■











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What the Chef Eats

SALMON À LA RAY

BY RAY ALTO

Chef, Fireside Restaurant, Escondido

This dish is excellent, and it's good for you. I created it myself; just put things together and it tasted good. Fireside diners love it, so we serve it every day. Ironically, it's one of the most popular items on our menu, and we're a steak house. We don't sell a lot of seafood, but this is one of our best dishes.

I recommend serving Salmon à la Ray with a Riesling, a Chablis, or a Chardonnay.

HOW TO DO IT Combine the marinade ingredients and reserve. Place the salmon in a shallow dish and pour the marinade over salmon. Let the fish marinate for five minutes. Remove salmon from marinade and place on baking sheet. Sprinkle salmon with seasoning salt to taste. Rub half a clove of crushed garlic into the fish. Sprinkle capers to

Bake the salmon in a 400- to 450-degree oven

for 15 minutes or until done. While the salmon is baking, sauté the sliced mushrooms in butter and white wine and season to

Plate the cooked salmon and cover with the sautéed mushrooms. Garnish with lemon wedges. Serve with rice pilaf and steamed vegetables. This recipe serves two.

INGREDIENTS



Juice of one lemon 1/4 cup Chardonnay or Chablis

8 ounces fresh Norwegian or King salmon Seasoning salt for fish 1/2 clove fresh garlic, crushed Capers, to taste 1/2 cup mushrooms, sliced 1 teaspoon butter

1 teaspoon white wine

Swiss cheese and avocado on a grilled Parmesan sourdough bun. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/01)

Tom Giblin's Irish Pub 640 Grand

Avenue (at Roosevelt Street), Carlsbad Village, 760-729-7234. Occupying the

whole of a handsome, sprawling, block-long Elizabethan-style building, this

friendly "small-townish" saloon offers

some above-average pub-grub, espe-

cially the perfect, moist corned beef with

firm-tender cabbage, the huge, lively sal-ads, and the house-baked brown bread.

Boxty (Irish "peasant" potato pancakes, rarely found in California) are done up

rather doughy rather than crisp to serve

as "wraps" for corned beef and other dishes. Live music on holiday evenings

and during happy hours. A large, at-

tractive heated patio next to the parking lot offers some afternoon serenity. Open

daily, lunch until late, plus Sunday breakfast/brunch. Inexpensive. N.W. (3/02)

Vivace Four Seasons Resort Aviara,

7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6999. The well-prepared food

is no more expensive than the offerings in any upscale San Diego restaurant,

but it's an experience to dine in such luxurious surroundings. Menus change

seasonally. The appetizer list offers

unique selections. For entrées try chicken in clay pot or daily fresh fish.

The Four Seasons lounge is a great

place to visit and listen to live music. Go see the hotel. It's worth the trip.

Open nightly, 5:30 to 10:30 p.m., din-

Bernard'O Restaurant 12457 Ran-Shopping 858-487-7171. The restaurant is elegant in food, service, and ambiance. The nightly. Moderate to expensive. -

tablishment in Solana Beach, the stars here are *carnitas*; quesadilla with chicken, beef, or pork; tostada *suprema*; and breast of chicken Milanesa. Open daily lunch and dinner. Inexpensive.

La Especial Norte 604 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical decor (take a look at the blue ceramic "pond" in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen regional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — for instance, the authen-

tic Mexico City-style chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the savory eggplant soup includes airy little "croutons" of puffed *relleno* batter. The fresh, interesting seafood entrées outshine the relatively ordinary renditions of the standard stuffed-tortilla variations. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (5/02)

Potato Shack Cafe 120 West I Street (off South Coast Highway 101), Encinitas, 760-436-1282. Check out the cute potato-toon mural on the side of the building — a sign for spud-lovers

to load up on portions sized for lumberjacks from The Lumberyard across the street. American fries (served "All you can eat!"), French fries, potato patties, and baked potatoes with various toppings are the heart of the menu, along with eggs, omelets, biscuits with sausage gravy, and beer-battered onion rings made from sweet reds. If size counts, consider the daunting inch-thick "manhole" pancake that's bigger than the plate. Lunch runs to "deli" sandwiches (with potatoes), or a hearty bowl of chili con carne. Arrive early weekends. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

Ruby's Diner 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-RUBY (7829) One thing about Ruby's: You can build an appetite just getting there. It's at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There's a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby's is part of a themed "for-ties diner" chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it's still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca-Cola signs, "Dewey-Warren" presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too, from omelets to the "Super Burger" with

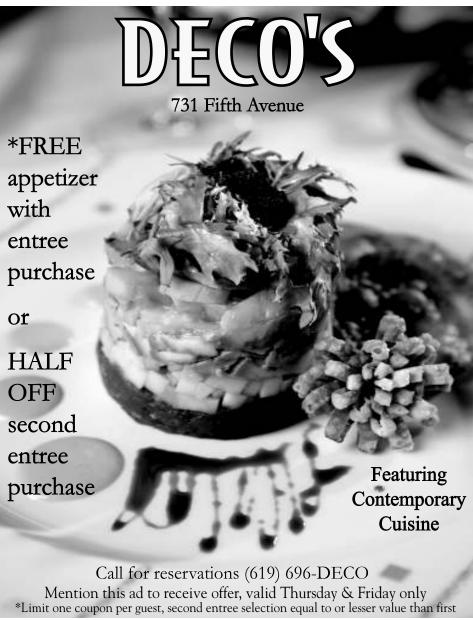
ners only. Expensive. — E.W. **NORTH INLAND**

> cuisine is California-French, menus change seasonally. Best bets are rack of lamb, filet mignon, daily fresh fish, and crème brûlée. You'll have a good experience here. Lunch weeknights, dinner











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Galeon (Escondido) 503 West Mission, Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffeeshop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter and a salad bar. Shrimp and langostino ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are well treated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory albondigas soup (lime it up, too). Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — N.W. (6/01)

Island Boy Grille 10066 Pacific Heights Boulevard (south of Mira Mesa Boulevard, at Carroll Canyon Road), Sorrento Mesa, 858-452-7708. It's the last thing you'd expect up here in Cor-

Sorrento Mesa, 858-452-7708. It's the last thing you'd expect up here in Corporate Lunchland, but Pua Macario's Hawaiian food sanctuary is the real thing. Pua ("Flower") serves genuine items like purple *taro poi*, seven-hour cooked *lau-lau* (beef, pork, and fish slow-steamed in taro and banana leaves), rice delivered by the ice-cream scoop, potato salad delivered hot with shrimp and crab in it, and mahi mahi, lots of lovely flame-seared mahi mahi. Delivered in a standard polystyrene box. eat in or out. And heavy! The Wasa Plate will include, say, two big pieces of mahi mahi, a pile of shredded kalua pig and cabbage, or kahuna shrimp, or teriyaki chicken, plus two scoops of rice, salad and any side dish. If you're a re-ally big kahuna, the Kanaka Plate will deliver three main entrées and three scoops of rice. Sparse decoration: eggshell blue walls with photos of real hula-dancing, and a longboard by Hawaiian Julian Cruz (it's yours for \$450). Warning: only open 11 a.m. to around 2:30 p.m. Always crowded. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (3/02)

La Tapatia 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

Sand Crab Cafe 222 Micro Place (at Opper, off Barham), Escondido, 760-480-2722. Sandy Crabbe (honest, that's his name) owns this fun, funky dive in the wilds of industrial Escondido near the San Marcos border. A visit offers the primordial, preschoolish joy of whacking crabs to pieces with mallets and eating them with your hands. (Bibs are optional.) Everybody gets into the party spirit. There's a huge à la carte list of appetizers, soups, snacks, and main courses, often at bargain prices. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked to a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Most of the shellfish were flash-frozen on shipboard, but they're still tasty. The melted non-butter "spread" accompanying them appeals to the area's many health conscious residents. (Or you can BY-OButter and they'll melt it for you.) Fine tangy housemade key lime pie is a perfect finale. Full bar; not much wine but good margaritas. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

Tong Szechuan 609 North Broadway #E-F, Albertson's Shopping Center, Escondido, 760-480-9438. The "New Style Favorites" of North County Chinese restaurants feature fresh fruits. Tong's has several variants, mainly cornstarch-battered fried proteins in honey-based sweet-and-sour sauce, lightened with loads of seasonal fruit chunks — pineapple, papaya, pear, etc. They're tasty dishes. For the rest, the Szechuan specialties (hot-and-sour soup, *kung pao, ma la,* etc.) are better than the old "Chinese-American" standards on the menu. Lunches are big, bargain-priced, and popular. In this quiet, pretty room, you may overhear northern or western Chinese dialects at nearby tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive (lunch) to low-moderate. — *N.W.* (5/01)



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Barone's Trattoria Del Mare

2334 Carmel Valley Road, Del Mar, 858-259-9063. Pleasant interior, 27 pastas, low prices, huge portions of tasty food make this a winner for all bargain seekers. On weekends, try the paella, large enough for two. Linguine rustica and chicken Marsala best bets. Lunch, Tuesday through Friday; dinner, Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* (1/00)

J. Taylor's Restaurant L'Auberge Resort and Spa, 1540 Camino Del Mar (at 15th Street), Del Mar, 858-793-6406. On lush, lovely grounds, in an airy, country-inn dining room, Executive Chef Tom Atkins offers Northern Cal-ifornia-style "comfort" cuisine, with simple, fresh flavors and prime seasonal ingredients (you'll think you're in the Napa Valley). Execution is expert. Appetizers and desserts are especially ap-pealing, as is a multicourse tasting menu (with matched wines optional) that lets the chefs stretch out and show off a little. In fair weather, you can dine on a patio overlooking the herb garden that's the source of so many flavors on your plate. A rather steep wine list emphasizes California vineyards. Free valet parking at restaurant door. Three meals daily. Expensive. — N.W. (1/03)

Samurai Japanese Restaurant 979 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Solana Beach, 858-481-0032. This restaurant boasts "the largest California sushi bar" as well as a menu of over 100 items. The food is artistically prepared and presented, the sushi uniformly fine. You can easily make a meal from the sushi and ap-petizers. Seating is available at the sushi bar or the central dining area, which provides capacious booths. A tatami room (with floor-seating on tatami mats, Japanese style) offers special prix fixe feasts (\$60 per person and up), by reservation only. Open daily. Moderate to extremely expensive. — E.W.

Village Mill Bread Company 12845 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley (Del Mar Heights), 858-794-4994. Sixteen varieties of bread, all fine for sandwiches. Best bets are honey sunflower and cinnamon swirl, which makes excellent French toast. The bread is soft with soft crusts; children love it. Open daily. — *E.W.*

LA JOLLA

910 Restaurant Grande Colonial Hotel, 910 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla, 858-964-5400. In this lively, casual-chic dining room, Chef Michael Stebner shapes a constantly changing, luxurious menu based little on "luxury foods" and much more on inspired combinations of luxuriously perfect local, sea-sonal foodstuffs — clean, fine flavors that taste like themselves. Most items are available as either "small" or "large" plates, so it's easy to create your own tasting menu without breaking the bank. Pastry chef Jack Fisher creates the avant-garde desserts. Open daily, three meals; Monday (typically chef's night off) is a best bet, with Stebner usually on

hand to cook for his peers. Upper moderate to expensive. - N.W. (11/01) Cuvee 5656 La Jolla Boulevard (at Bird Rock Avenue), La Jolla, 858-551-4090. Also at 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 858-259-5878. Seasonal if rather underseasoned California-Mediterranean cuisine, designed to accompany an interesting and very affordable wine list. All bottles on the regular list are under \$25 and available by the glass; you can even get a sip before choosing. A re-serve list includes fancier choices, still at minimal markups. Low corkage for BYO, too. Menu suggests apt wine pairings for each dish. Dining rooms are pleasant but quite noisy. Reservations are urged; a few tables on heated garden patio are available to drop-ins. Small parking lot in alley behind La Jolla branch. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

La Taverna 927 Silverado Street (at Girard Avenue), La Jolla 858-454-0100. Reservations are a necessity at this tiny trattoria, especially if you'd prefer the relative quiet of the roofed sidewalk patio to the din of the cute but cramped dining room. Don't look for meatballs and red sauce except at lunch because dinner is Tuscan-style, showcasing pastas with simple, fresh sauces. Highlights include chef-owner Mary Ann Vitale's house-made Sicilian-style fennel sausage, and if the feather-light potato gnocchi are a spe-cial, just say yes. Save room for a slice of house-made layer cake. Service is downright endearing on weekends, when Jimmy Vitale (the owner's husband) charmingly plays maitre d'. Moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

On Tap! Bistro and Brewery 4353 La Jolla Village Drive (next to Macy's), University Towne Centre, La Jolla, 858-587-6677. On Tap! serves the best food of any brewery in San Diego. The same menu is served continuously from lunch to closing. Best dishes are spit-roasted chicken and penne with salmon and shrimp. All beers are brewed on the premises. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

Trattoria Acqua 1298 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0709. You'll do fine if you stay with the simplest dishes: marinated grilled chicken breast on pizza dough, grilled portobello mushrooms, or pasta dishes. Entrées from shores other than Italian don't fare as well. The restaurant is located two flights down and offers an ocean view and patio as well as indoor dining. Elevator located at garage below on Coast Boulevard, Open daily, Moderate (some pastas) to very expensive.

Tutto Mare 4365 Executive Drive (at Executive Way), Golden Triangle, 858-597-1188. The modern Italian cuisine here emphasizes pasta and fresh seafood from the mesquite grill or oakfired oven. Lunch hours roar with chic crowds from the surrounding office buildings, but the kitchen is most on its toes then, too. Pastas are mainly housemade, with fresh-tasting sauces, and substantial seafood salads are available. Entrées (whether seafood or meat) may be overcooked by the fierce wood fires, and most come with minor variations of the same lemon-butter sauce and a one-size-fits-all veggie medley. Full bar, interesting wine list, good Happy Hour nibbles. Complimentary valet parking. Call for careful directions (very hard to find). Extremely noisy. Lunch and dinner weekdays, dinner weekends. Pastas and salads moderate, entrées expensive. — N.W. (10/02)

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

94th Aero Squadron 8885 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-6771. One of San Diego's hidden jewels: there's classic American fare (honeyglazed pork tenderloin, farmhouse chicken) in the "Officers' mess," but better yet is the free buffet Happy - pig heaven weekdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Selections might include a "stroganoff" of Polish sausage, veggies, cheese potatoes, nachos, etc. (Of course, you have to buy something — say, a pitcher of Bud for two.) Thursdays and Fridays, the outside "Runway" grill features kebabs. The biggest attraction is the place it-self. Built to mimic a WWI French farmhouse taken over by a bunch of Yankee flying aces, it has a garden full of antique planes and live ducks—and right outside, the real Montgomery airfield. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (11/00)

Andres' Patio Restaurant 1235 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-4114. This is a cozy cultural surprise on hard-to-define Morena Boulevard. The food is flavorful (and not spicy-hot like Mexican and South American dishes). A good introduction to it is *ropa vieja* ("old clothes"): shredded beef sautéed with mushrooms, green pepper, and tomatoes with everpresent rice and black beans. And the Cuban sandwich (roast pork, baked ham, and cheese) shows off the Cuban handling of pork. Other interesting dishes include *alcapuria* (pork and green plantain) and luscious, messy yuca con mojo (yuca root with garlic

oil). Open for lunch Monday to Thursday, lunch and dinner Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. -E.B. (8/01)

Bale French Sandwich Shop 6937 Linda Vista Road (at Ulric Street) Linda Vista, 858-565-8057. Also, 4879 University Avenue (at 49th Street), City Heights, 619-283-4352, Ann Nguyen started this back in 1980, and her prices haven't changed — they're incredibly low. But the taste of her sandwiches is up there in French-Vietnamese heaven. The Vietnamese are special at this: they do French better than the French with some spicy Asian touches. The BBO Pork French sandwich delivers the immediate taste of cilantro, garlicky mayonnaise, sweet barbecue sauce, carrots, onions, cucumber, and lashings of sliced pork, with the occasional heat of a green jalapeño. But above all, it's that crunch of bread — fresh, feathery, and very French — that makes this hard to beat. Add dessert of homemade banana shrimp cake and Vietnamese coffee and - voila! Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

Emerald Chinese Seafood Restaurant Pacific Gateway Plaza, 3709 Convoy Street (at Aero Drive), 1st floor, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6888, Arguably the best Chinese restaurant in the county, here's where local Asians (of all nations) go for both casual family dinners and special feasts of Hong Kong specialties. When you dig in, you'll know why. Menu (trilingual in Chinese, Vietnamese, and English) emphasizes seafood and gourmet delicacies of the South China coast, plus lunchtime dim sum carts daily. The staff is bilingual and crisply helpful, and the specialties are well worth exploring. Reservations accepted for all meals, including weekend dim sum brunches. Few dishes include MSG; diners can request none in made-to-order dishes. Live fish tanks, full bar, serviceable wine list. Mainly moderate, with moderate splurges like live fish and Peking duck easily balanced by inexpensive downhome dishes (unless you insist on shark fin or bird's nest). Open daily from lunch until midnight or later. -NW (9/02)

Hungry Stick 4664 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 619-272-1412. "Life's too short to drink cheap beer," says the sign. They must mean it. At Happy Hour (weekdays 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.), a 24-ounce glass of Guinness is as cheap as a Bud. Which is nice because it goes great with this pool bar's greatest hit: "San Diego's Famous 1/2-lb. Steerburger." The burger bun is crisp, the big slab of meat's crunchy-grilled, and the tomato, lettuce and raw onion are fresh. The small menu also includes chicken breast on a bun, patty melt, and hot wings. They boast 24 beers on tap, and, of course, dozens of giant-screen sports TVs. Open seven days, until late. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Pampas Argentine Grill 8690 Aero Drive (at Montgomery Field), Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. The Argentine specialties feature grilled grass-fed beef, including a somewhat Americanized version of the gauchos' great parillada mixta (mixed grill), with a great chorizo but minus any exotic organs. The nat-urally raised meats are lower fat and lower cholesterol than feed-lot beef but are salted heavily in the kitchen unless you request otherwise. Specify rare or medium-rare, unless you really like brown cardboard. Lighter fare includes free-range chicken and fresh, welltreated seafood. Beef empanadas are a tasty, authentic starter. Potatoes (fries and mashed) are splendid, salads are exuberant. The full bar features Chilean and Argentine beverages with many affordable South American wines by the glass. Park in lot at restaurant's front door, not the back-door lot. Lunch (mainly sandwiches) on weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (4/02)

Phuong Trang 4170 Convoy Street (at Balboa Avenue), Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750. Named after the Vietnamese owner's daughter, this is a big, neon-bright eating hall with off-white walls, black-and-red chairs, green plastic coconut trees, and ads for "Michelob Bia." It buzzes with a warm and humming atmosphere. Standard fare like *pho* (rice noodle beef soup), *mi* (egg noodle soup combinations), and chao (porridge) are all here. The chao long (pork stomach porridge) is nutritious. But come for celebrations too.

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THE BEACHES

China Inn 877 Hornblend Street (between Garnet and Grand Avenues), Pacific Beach, 858-483-6680. At least 118 items appear on the menu, which offers Mandarin and Szechuan specialties and includes sweet-and-pungent shrimp, Mandarin pork rib, duck in orange sauce, and shrimp in garlic sauce. Simple setting; outstanding food. The dinner is always preferable when Andy Kam, the chef/owner, is there. Ask his advice about dishes. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

The Fishery 5040 Cass Street (at Opal Street), Pacific Beach, 858-272-9985. Half fish market, half fish restaurant — you can buy fresh raw seafood (much of it rather steeply priced). Or you can get cooked seafood ranging from the casual to the elaborate. The menu includes fish and chips, sandwiches, chowders, crab cakes, raw oysters, sushi and sashimi, fusion-style fish entrées and simple shellfish extravaganzas Short but smart list of sakes. Open daily lunch and dinner. Prices are mainly moderate but they cover the waterfront, from inexpensive (lunch specials, fish and chips) to downright exorbitant (Maine lobster or live King crab). - N.W. (9/02)

Harbor's Edge Sheraton Harbor Island Resort, 1380 Harbor Island Drive (across from airport), Harbor Island, 619-291-2900. The restaurant has a stunning bay view and contemporary interior. Good California cuisine in-cludes fish, chicken, pastas. For inexpensive diversion, try the Bakery (adjacent to the dining room) where sandwiches and pastries are served. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

The Mission Cafe And Coffee **House** 3795 Mission Boulevard (at San Jose Place), Mission Beach, 858-488-9060. Gourmet and Latino breakfasts served in funky surroundings. Outstanding are cinnamon French toast, blackberry-banana pancakes, and roast beef hash with rosemary potatoes and eggs. Chino-Latino lunch items. All dishes plus fabulous bread, scones, muffins, available for take-out. Open daily 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

Qwiigs Bar & Grill 5083 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-1101. A splendid ocean view, a good sushi bar, sprightly salads, and fresh fish are the main attractions here. Friendly service. Long flight of stairs to the dining room, with an elevator for wheelchair access. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

Society Billiards Cafe 1051 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 619-272-POOL (7665). Okay, this is a pool joint, but a classy one with sidewalk seating and a decent kitchen. It has the normal appetizers — buffalo wings, nachos, potato skins — but also dishes like chicken taquitos and veggie dip, and good salads like teriyaki chicken with French bread or pita. The French connection continues: Marc, the chef, is French and throws a mean Greek, Thai, or New York pizza, or 17 other varieties. His mesquite chicken wrap goes great with one of the many ales. And the great thing is, you can come late: the kitchen's open till 1:30 p.m. every night. Lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/03)

The Surfside 4527 Mission Boule vard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-273-2979. In the evenings, it's a "scene" here — for good reason. You'll find fresh sushi, sashimi, and "California coastal cuisine," i.e., fun and flavorful fusion-y tapas, many of them going for half-price during weeknight Happy Hours. You can actually reserve for the sushi bar (it'll put you at the

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head of the line), where the chefs are unusually friendly. They shine on simple, pure Japanese sushi, although they make the usual "party rolls," too. Most seafood is of fine quality (except the toro, which seems to have problems). For those preferring a tapas-style sitdown meal, there's a breezy, informal dining room with large windows looking out on the street, plus a small private dining room for parties. Four Japanese beers, 10 sakes available. Reservations urged for large groups. Parking is tight; just one handicapped slot in front lot. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (10/02)

Sushi Ota 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don't come easily. First, find the place: Driving south from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio's). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors' choices, watching for off-menu ex-travaganzas, e.g., sea snails cooked over flaming sugar or the irresistible "sushi sundae" (*uni, toro*, mountain potatoes, salmon roe). Don't miss the *ama-ebi*, with crisp shrimp heads atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan-mushi* (custard broth with gingko nuts). Alas, when Ota-san's away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar seat for an early dinner Wednes-days through Saturdays, when the master is most likely to be present. Disabled access chancy; long, crowded waits un-less you've reserved. Moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Asia Cafe 4710 Market Street (at 47th Street), Chollas View, 619-527-1917. May be Asian San Diego's best-kept se-cret. You have to look behind the smog shop at this all-Laotian shopping center to find it. The menu's Southeast Asian, but the owner — and most of the conversation around you — is Lao. Lao dishes include the famous *Larb-Kai* (chicken salad with hot peppers, lemon grass, and sticky rice). Good regional alternatives: *Bamee* (egg noodle) roasted pork soup, Crying Tiger (ground beef salad with vegetables), Duck Head BBQ, and Lard Nar (seafood, beef, or pork with sloppy wide noodles and vegetables). Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

Happy Hour Sports Bar 2519 Market Street, Sherman Heights. (No phone.) Winner: hardest-to-find eatery in San Diego. You have to walk from 25th and Market till you hear the sound of barking dogs. Next to their dusty yard sits a little building that looks 100 years old and they say used to be a carriage house. It is 10 feet wide at the max, weather-worn chocolate brown, and hidden by a big California pepper tree. No sign except for a notice in the musty window: "Yes, we're OPEN." Reminds you of *Lonesome Dove*. Inside, maybe the friendliest bar since *Cheers*, but a lot smaller, a lot more real. During the week expect only hot dogs, but weekends, great bargains with downhome dishes like the Pork Chop Plate, nome disnes like the Pork Chop Plates, Swiss steak with mashed potatoes, gravy and corn, and BBQ spare ribs. Outside BBQ during the football sea-son. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

Phoenicia 3381 Adams Avenue (at 34th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree (the symbol on the Lebanese flag), an American flag, and the word "Phoenicia" written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and gar-lic, or the *kafta* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread.

The real treat is the kibbeh nevel, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions, and seasonings, but you'll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Breakfast through very early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Saigon 4455 El Cajon Boulevard, City 619-284-4215 619-284-4288. You're in a big glass palace here. It's especially good on Sundays, when three- or four-generation Vietnamese families gather for lunch. Gaggles of waiters hover a glance away, but take your time. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the famous, filling soup-meal of Vietnam where beef cooks in the soup. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodle with seafood and assorted veg-etables. "33" Vietnamese beer is on hand to make Saigon lovers sentimental. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

Turf Supper Club 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, "re-established" in 1998), if your meat's done wrong, it's your own fault. Every night's an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that's the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad - not even fries. But the meat's a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you're an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you'd miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

EAST COUNTY & STATE COLLEGE

Effin's Pub And Grill 6164 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-229-9800. Come here after a hard day's hittin' the books at nearby State It's a brass-on-the-fan-blades, wild west-looking place where things can get pretty lively. The surprise is they have some pretty good food, especially the pizzas. Check the house specials: Monday Madness (an "x-large pizza with domestic draft pitcher"), Taco Tuesday (tacos are bi-ig), and Wing Wednesday (hot & spicy wings go for a song). But, best of all, you can come up to the bar and say "Gimme an Effin beer" and not have to duck. Closed Sundays. Inexpensive to moderate. -E.B. (11/01)

La Mesa Ocean Grille And Seafood Market 5465 Lake Murray Boulevard (at Maryland Street), La Mesa, 619-463-1548. This spot speaks seafood in several accents — Italian, Mexican, Cajun, and "Continental." One part of its menu is devoted to basic fare, such as seafood sandwiches, tacos, and various simple fish preparations (fried, blackened, "wraps"). Then there are the more elaborately sauced-and-garnished seafood dinner entrées, most with pasta accompaniment. Fish-eschewers will find chicken and veal in classic Italian treatments (scaloppini, piccata, etc.), plus nightly specials. Seafood here is very fresh and properly cooked, although there are occasional — too much salt in the blackmisstepsening, a hollandaise that tastes of lemony mayo. Salads are fresh but iceberg-standard; hot rolls are delicious sourdough, and the halibut ceviche is a treat — cool, refreshing, and slightly tart. Baked Maryland-style crab cakes in a thick red-pepper sauce are gooey-rich and tasty. The ambience, too, is a mixture of styles - from the encyclopedic fish posters of a basic fish house, to the lace curtains and tablecloths of an old-style seafood restaurant, to the slightly hip modernity of charcoal-gray track-lighting and black-background fish-design upholstery. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — A.M. (5/01)

Lucky Star Seafood Restaurant 3983 54th Street (at University Avenue, in Kmart Shopping Mall), College Area, 619-229-8228. The Cantonese and Mandarin menu runs to 225 dishes, not to mention the dim sum

lunches from roving carts bearing

goodies. The huge room is perfect for

large parties (call ahead to reserve) or

banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog's legs. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. E.W. (9/99)

Sunny Garden Cuisine Of China 5500 Grossmont Center Drive (next to Target), La Mesa, 619-464-2288. Decent Chinese food, in East County, in a mall? Yes. Fans of fried goodness will of course swoon over tempura shrimp — panko-crusted, huge and tender — but they might also start with the smoked chicken: smoky meat swad-dled in an orangey fried coat, served atop a deeply munchable bed of salty-sour fried mustard greens. The menu is typically broad. Chicken, shrimp, beef and pork are all given the *mu-shu* treatment — mixed with bamboo shoots, bean sprouts, and thin, chewy mushrooms and wrapped tableside (if you like) in papery pancakes. *Yu-hsiang* (with shrimp, beef, or pork) includes vegetables that are flavorful (not afterthoughts) in a refreshingly nonsweet vinegar sauce. Specialties include Peking duck and fried noodle nests filled with either seafood or beef. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inex-

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pensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

Burning Tree Native American Grill 40080 Old Highway 80 (at the end of Highway 94), Boulevard, 619-766-3442. This place feels like someone's baronial country retreat. Since 1917 it has sat under a grove of California live oaks 60 miles east of downtown. It once housed the Chateau Basque restaurant. Elk heads, dark timbers, mottled vellow windows - vou start wishing you'd brought your tie. But don't worry. Jim Buel and his family keep prices reasonable and attitudes casual. They collected Native American recipes throughout the Southwest to create an interesting fusion of American Indian recipes. Try Comanche fried frogs' legs in a cornmeal crust, or hunter's stew with venison and rabbit, sirloin of buffalo, or "Skokomish Huckleberry glazed duck." Open Wednesday through Sunday for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. - E.B. (9/01)

Dulzura Cafe Highway 94 at Dulzura, 619-468-9591. Think *Grapes* of Wrath, Okies, the 1930s. Dulzura Café is the real thing, serving big, hot meals to weary westerners since 1910. The walls are cluttered with license plates, pots, brass cream-separators, corn-shuckers, horse collars, railroad lanterns, ancient egg-beaters, six-foot snake skins, deer antlers, and a seedy stuffed bobcat head. The food's for fill-ing. Big, juicy hamburgers with lanky home-cut fries, thick slices of meat loaf, or if you arrive early, steak and eggs or a hefty Denver omelet. This is frontier food before slim spelled "success." Breakfast and lunch Monday through Thursday, three meals on weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Potrero's Cafe 25125 Highway 94, Potrero, 619-478-2694. Watch for the three great old Live Oak trees. This café sits under them and looks straight out of a 1930s Western movie. Lot of good old boys in ten-gallon hats gather here. The menu's non-PC. It features ribsticking food from biscuits and gravy to a mountain of hot cakes, or the famous mushroom-and-onions hamburger with baked beans. Open for breakfast and lunch; closed Monday, Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Adams Avenue Grill 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception. execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featur-ing Asian spice — where are the Ries-lings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the

bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing—the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/01)

Bread And Cie 350 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-683-9322. At least twenty breads emerge daily from this bakery's 10,000-pound French stone hearth oven. Most are dense, crusty, and delicious French or Italian peasant breads, including the outstanding anise-fig and black olive loaves that are served in many top local restaurants. Scones, brownies, muffins, banana bread, and cookies are the sweet side of the house. Focaccia pizza and sandwiches (many with thick-sliced bread and rather thin fillings) are available to take out or eat on the spot - inside the café or on the sidewalk patio. Open

daily, breakfast through early dinner.

Cafe On Park 3831 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-293-7275. Okay, it's trendy, from the rusty spoonand-fork sign at the door to the PC industrial interior (concrete walls, exposed plumbing). But don't expect PC food. The plates are huge and over-flowing with fodder. Breakfast scram-bles are popular with add-ons such as smoked salmon, artichoke hearts, or brie cheese. Health nuts choose the Park Porridge stuffed with apples, raisins, and honey. But the prize may be the dish that Placerville, California, miners ordered when they came down from the mountains with pockets full of gold: the Hangtown Fry — luscious marinated sautéed oysters scrambled in eggs. Lunch has deals too: the roasted eggplant is cheap and good. Three meals weekdays, only breakfast and lunch (and a line at the door) on weekends. — E.B. (10/01)

Cafe Pacifica 2414 San Diego Avenue (next to Old Town graveyard), Old

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grilled simply and reliably excellent. Among the highlights are a cleanlimned clam chowder, some amusing yellowfin-stuffed wontons, crab-stuffed portobello mushrooms, and luscious mustard-crusted Oregon catfish. On the downside, Mexican pink abalone are tiny, over-breaded, and overpriced. Several good grilled meats are available for fish-scorners. Optional valet parking \$4. Wheelchair lot and ramp behind restaurant (ask valet to direct you). Often very noisy. Serious, rather steep California wine list; full bar. Daily, dinner only. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (10/02)

Fifth And Hawthorn 515 Hawthorne Street (at Fifth Avenue), Banker's Hill, 619-544-0940. This long since turned into familiar Calia little like an ideal airplane dinner on the Concorde, say. Highlights inserver know your curtain time. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Dinner nightly. Moderate to slightly expensive. — N.W. (2/03)

Hamburger Mary's 308 University 619-491-0400. All the action is on the patio, under ficus trees, ferns, the balapa bar, and white umbrellas. Bougainvillea bursts out of tables. Hamburger Mary's mural comes at you in a Stetson, wild red hair, big blue eyes, and a plump butt. Basically it's a gay The burgers are way-big with funky ti-tles like the "I'm Sooo Bleu" burger high double-burger with mushrooms, bacon, lettuce, cheese, and onions. The kicker is they're all served between wickedly crisp, sweet slabs of golden Hawaiian bread. Open daily until

feast on the enclosed patio, with mud-bugs shipped live from Louisiana cooked with andouille and corn in a tasty house-made "boil." Dinner nightly. High moderate. — N.W. (2/02) Terra 3900 Vermont Street, Uptown Center, Hillcrest, 619-293-7088. Coowner Jeff Rossman, formerly in charge of the front of the house, has moved into the kitchen to serve as chef at this comfortable neighborhood spot, serving venturesome, if uneven, tropical-influenced American cooking. You can settle in a spacious southwest-tinged dining room or people-watch from a sheltered outdoor patio (with smoking permitted). Generously sized tapas can serve as appetizers or as a sustaining bite before venturing into Trader Joe's across the street. The dinner menu changes seasonally, featuring barbecue items during the summer, comforting fare in colder weather, and special din-ners on all major holidays. Good wine list with several flights available, full bar with tropical cocktails (Pisco Sours,



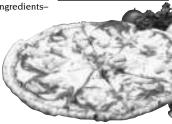
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Town, 619-291-6666. The fare here is mainly very fresh seafood, either fu-sioned up and somewhat chancy, or Khyber Pass 523 University Avenue

(at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-7579. The room's very mod-

ern, but Afghan cuisine is full of history, carrying echoes of both Persian

and Indian foods, with even a hint of

Greek (Alexander the Great conquered

the region). Dinners feature kebabs,

tandooris, curries, and some unique re-gional specialties. Flavors are exotic but

oddly comfortable to the cosmopoli-

tan palate. Among the don't-miss items are the outstanding *aushak* (spring

onion ravioli) and mantu (ground-meat ravioli) — both with lively yogurt

sauces - and zamordd chalow, a spicy

lamb-and-spinach stew. Save room for the sexy desserts. Can be noisy inside;

small sidewalk patio. Private dining room upstairs bookable for parties.

Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (9/02)

Liaison 2202 Fourth Avenue (at Ivy Street), uptown, 619-234-5540. This

French restaurant with its romantic

atmosphere offers an à la carte menu

and fixed-price meals. Pleasant food, excellent service. Patio dining, weather

permitting. Open Tuesday through Sunday for dinner; closed Monday. Low moderate to expensive. —

Ono Sushi and Pacific Spice 1236 University Avenue, Hillcrest,

619-298-0616. If you are searching for huge portions, fresh tasty food and reasonable prices, don't overlook this col-

orful Japanese/Pacific Rim café, Excellent specialty rolls, entrées, appetizers. Very crowded weekends; lively young

crowd. Dinners nightly; open for lunch Saturday and Sunday. Inexpensive to

Sassafras 3667 India Street, Mission Hills, 619-295-4745. This restaurant claims to serve "Continental Ameri-

caine" (whatever that is), but chefowner Andre Bellard is a son of

Lafavette, Louisiana, and knows his Ca-

jun flavors inside out. He's pioneering

a "new" Cajun cooking: kinder, gen-tler, and more sophisticated. His Aca-dian seafood gumbo, which includes

spicy house-smoked andouille sausage, is one of the best in any town; oysters

Bienville feature barely-warmed oys-

superb: paper-wrapped shrimp, seafood Evangeline, and crab-corn soup. Among the entrées, the must-try is the signature Sassafras Chicken,

stuffed with jambalaya. On Wednes-day nights during the season (January to June), there's an exuberant crawfish

Caipirinhas, et al.). Reservations advised, especially for weekends, holidays and special events (e.g., Sunday "blues

and barbecue" during the summer). Open daily for lunch or brunch, snacks,

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Athens Market 109 West F Street First and Front),

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lentil soup, and an appetizer, like

spanakopita (spinach and cheese pastry pockets). And entrées like arni psito —

roast leg of lamb — are guaranteed to

stuff you. They come with rice, roast potato, a vegetable, soup or salad, and

dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

moderate. — E.W. (11/98)

E.W. (3/00)

warm, cozy cottage near Balboa Park offers once-radical dishes that have fornia comfort cuisine. The menu changes only slightly and the kitchen has the dishes down so pat that execution is almost inhumanly flawless. It's clude spicy duck soup, tender stuffed chicken breast, melting calamari steaks, and mustard-coated catfish. Most weeknights, couples can opt for a "wine dinner" that includes four courses and dinner that includes four courses and a decent bottle of wine — a great bar-gain. Full bar, reasonable California-dominated wine list. Good pre-theatre dinner spot (near the Old Globe); let

Avenue (at Third Avenue), Hillcrest, rendezvous, but everybody's welcome with bacon and bleu cheese crumbles, or the "Two Tons Of Fun," a six-inch-2 a.m., grill until 11 p.m. Moderate. E.B. (3/01)

Joe's Grill 3537 Fifth Avenue (at Brooks, inside Nunu's Cocktail Lounge), uptown, 619-295-2878. Nunu's is a bar with a history. It has always been a tuna fishermen's hangout. You still hear Italian and Portuguese in the mornings. But evenings, the neighborhood shows up, along with chefs and maitre d's from the Gaslamp, and the theater crowd — directors, actors, disciples. Most end up going to the hole in the back where Joe serves up his solid, no-nonsense nosh, from meat loaf to his half-pound mushroom-andbacon cheeseburger to his much-loved pot roast. You won't leave hungry— unless you're timid. You have to shout good and loud through that cubbyhole; Joe's got a lot of noise back there. Open until midnight. Inexpensive. —



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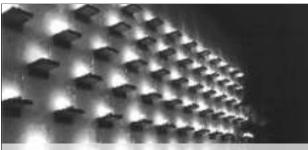


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Blue Point Coastal Cuisine 565 Fifth Avenue (at Market Street), Gaslamp, 619-233-6623. Very classy atmosphere and menu — mostly fish and seafood — to match. You can eat appetizers at the bar, but best bets are nightly fish entrées or steak and crab cakes served with lots of organic vegetables. Dinner only, from 5 p.m. Expensive. — *E.W.*

Cabo Cafe & Grill 808 West Cedar (near Pacific Coast Highway), Little Italy, 619-595-1618. This miracle restaurant is run by homeless kids from the Monarch School Project next door, with a little help (okay, a lot) from Ru-bio's and its founder Ralph. He helped raise a million dollars to get the school and the restaurant running. Think Starbucks meets Taco Bell (oops, sorry Ralph). The place is like its kid-staff: smart, cheery (they painted all the seals and porpoise murals), with a great fountain-gurgling patio outside. Try the grilled burrito (grilled chicken or steak with guacamole, roasted salsa, sour cream, black beans, Mexican rice, and melted Jack cheese in a warm tortilla) or, as a great filler, the Cabo Maestro Bowl, with marinated grilled chicken or steak in a bowl with black beans, Mexican rice, cheeses, gua-camole, and shredded cabbage. And yes, they do make the Rubio fish taco. Daily specials. Open weekdays, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. E.B. — E.B. (5/02)

Candelas 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — Chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in "la nueva cocina Mexican a luxurious, inventive update of traditional Mexican fare, combining French techniques and Latin ingredients into a sophisticated new cuisine that you've never tasted before. In a romantic Spanish-style dining room with extremely gracious service, the menu em-phasizes seafood, including jumbo prawns flamed with three tequilas, sea bass with *huitlacoche* (mushroom-like "corn fungus"), and a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster. Plenty for meat-lovers, too, including a thick veal chop with a rosemary-mole sauce. Reservations advised, slightly dressy Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly until 11 p.m. Expensive. — N.W. (11/00)

Edgewater Grill 861 W. Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-7581. An easy walk from the Convention Center, the dining room is spacious and handsome, and the view from the crowded dining terrace is optimal (the bay, the Coronado Bridge, a park, etc.). The menu, though, is convention-centered — like a Howard Johnson's for the 21st century. The fare features middle-of-the-road faux-fusion salads. seafood, grilled steaks, pastas (most with shellfish), and individual pizzas, plus daily fin-fish dishes listed on a card in a plastic holder on the table. The lighter dishes are the most successful this is not a bad place to "graze" on appetizers and a mini-pizza when you're starved for a view. Difficult wheelchair access to terrace. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Entrées high moderate to very expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

Fat City Steakhouse 2137 Pacific Highway (at Hawthorne Street), downtown/Little Italy, 619-232-9303. In the Deco "pink palace" at the edge of downtown, the USDA Choice steaks (and one velvety Prime cut) are cooked over mesquite charcoal, which lends them a deliciously smoky campfire flavor. Don't like beef? You can choose nicely grilled chicken, pork, or salmon, or two vegan pastas (the *puttanesca* is better than the marinara), or scampi. The appetizer list is mainly trite pubgrub, but the fry-cook does a great job with calamari. And in fair weather, the lush garden dining patio is a little piece of Eden. Full bar, rather basic wine list. Casual ambience, above-average wheelchair access from large, free parking lot. Dinner nightly. Inexpensive to

Greystone 658 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-232-0225. The Italian steakhouse fare here centers on dry-aged prime beef, game meats (including exceptionally tender bison), lobster, and pastas as the main draws, with indifferent starters and desserts. An impressive wine list offers rewarding California and Italian bottlings at \$35 to \$50, but roars up to the strato-sphere of first-growth Bordeaux, super-Tuscans and scandalously over-priced Napa reds. Bossy, sometimes-abrasive waiters push higher-priced choices. Patrons are mainly "suits" with deep expense-ac-count pockets, loudly talking business or enjoying raucous office parties in a testosterone-high atmosphere. testosterone-high atmosphere. Wheelchair access to the street patio and bar area only (dining rooms are up or downstairs). Reservations urged, but may not be honored promptly. Dinner nightly. Extremely expensive. — N.W. (12/01)

Kansas City Barbecue 610 West Market Street (at Harbor Drive), downtown, 619-231-9680. Scrumptious smells waft across the tracks at the Seaport Village trolley stop — bar-becued pork and beef. And yeah, this is the joint where Tom Cruise and Kelly McGillis did their "sleazy bar scene" in Top Gun. And it is kinda sleazy, especially in the shadowy horseshoe bar, with memorabilia like hanging bras, Czech license plates, and stickers ("Grow Your Own Dope: Plant A Man"). The beef and pork ribs (or rib tips or chicken breast) are worth it. They're cooked over an oak-fueled fire. Nice long Happy Hour (3:30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m., at bar only) has great food/grub deals. Open daily, lunch until late, serving until 1 a.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (3/01)

Pete's Quality Meats 1742-1/2 India Street, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete's Meats was just a butcher's shop until Pete's daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian special-ties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spi*tini - veal rolled around two che onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and breadcrumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Rei Do Gado Churrascuria 939

Gaslamp, Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-8464. The meats just keep on coming at a Brazilian *rodizio*: skewer after skewer of *churrasco* (Brazilian barbecue), a near-endless procession of rotisserie-grilled meats and poultry. At each table there's a wooden cone with one end red and the other end green. Turn the green side up to start the servers parading to your table, offering you tastes cut from long spits of salty, simply seasoned pork, poultry, ribs, sausages, and numerous cuts of beef. Turn the cone red side up to take a break from the protein parade. The gar-gantuan spread includes a buffet in the front of the restaurant with a change-able array of alluring side dishes, salads, fruit, and such intriguing hot entrées as Brazilian oxtail stew or seafood in co-conut milk, with exotic but oddly comfortable flavors. There's always a potful of *feijoada*, the national dish — slow-cooked, meaty black beans (in a somewhat bland version, which you can liven up with a splash of hot sauce). No matter how often you eat here, you'll never have the same meal twice. Reservations advisable for weekends. Full bar (have a *Caipirinha*). No doggie-bags. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate (considering the food amount); prices higher on weekends.

— N.W. (10/02)

The Westgate Gourmet Delicatessen Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich who just can't live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. The Hawaiian chicken salad (with walnuts,

pineapple, chutney, fresh seasonal

fruits, and non-fat mayo) is filling and healthy. But the best deal is the soup and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

Wildside Cafe & Rebel Juice Bar 1048 Seventh Avenue, (at C Street), downtown, 619-696-1466 Now here' a place that actually makes healthy food seem cool. Partly it's the names: "lu-natic lentil soup," sandwiches like "turkey tantrum" (roast turkey with salsa), "tuna scandal" (tuna mushed with egg whites and no-fat mayo), or our two favorites: "veggies on a bike" (cucumbers, spinach leaf, tomatoes red onion) and "bagel without a cause" (bagel, cream cheese, fresh fruit). Actually, all come with fresh fruit. And do like the local lofties: take your daily shot of fresh-squeezed wheat grass juice with a chaser of strawberries or pineapple chunks. Open Monday through Friday, breakfast to late lunch; Saturday breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

Bino's European Coffees and Crepes 1120 Adella Avenue (just off Avenue), Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café (south of the Post Office) has to be good: it's a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fan-tasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crepes are delicious and filling too. Bino's wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Hanaoka 1528-C Sweetwater Road, National City, 619-477-5173. Second branch at 1203 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 959-274-9755. Mr. and Mrs. Hanaoka's Japanese restaurant has the feel of those country inns you read about in a James Michener novel, with a sushi counter, lots of paper lanterns, and sunken tables where you can sit lotus-fashion or drop your legs in the space below. The luncheon specials are a great buy. Try chicken teriyaki and oza, with rice, salad, and miso soup "Hanaoka" means "honest," and por tions are honestly generous. Dinner nightly. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Island Wok 922 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6835. This tiny indoor-outdoor-takeaway café is a standby with locals, especially the high school crowd. It serves good Viet-namese-Chinese food, and plenty of it. The owner, Xuan, makes scrumptious fresh (not fried) Vietnamese spring rolls wrapped in rice paper with shrimp, pork, or chicken and vegeta-bles in the middle. But most customers go for the steam-table combination plates. You always get chow mein, fried or steamed rice, and a fried spring roll to start off, and then you can add entrées like orange chicken, *kung pao* chicken, or sweet-and-sour pork. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

Jade House Chinese Restaurant 569 H Street (at Broadway), Chula Vista, 619-426-5951. Fairly bare-bones, but comfortable, decorated with red dragons and paper lanterns. William and Anna, cook-owners from Hong Kong, seem to change the revolving "All U Can Eat" lunch buffet dishes quicker than you can say "Refills!" Kung pao squid, beef with broccoli, orange beef, and fried yam are great, but hang in for (in my opinion) the star turn: William's batter-covered crab puff — imitation crab with cream cheese. Or go with the menu and try the Pu Pu Appetizer Tray (for two) including fried shrimp, crab puff, and paper-wrapped chicken with flaming habachi. Seven days, lunch and dinner Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

Marco's Fine Italian Food and **Pizza** 736 Palm Avenue (at 7th Street), Imperial Beach, 619-424-3636. You hardly notice it tucked into a row of TV repair shops, but Marco's is a jewel. Marco, Frank, and Rosa Palombo ran the place for 30 years. Now Alex





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McDini's 105 East 8th Street, National City, 619-474-6771. A historic, sprawling bar with a diverse, mellow family scene — all ages, all races, chatting, playing pool, cozying up to the all-encompassing jukebox, or smoking under a roofed front "patio." Or chowing down on industrial-grade pub grub, made largely of restaurant-supply products (including the vaunted corn beef, bland as packaged ham). But the fresh vegetables are surprisingly good, so choose something that includes the luscious mashed potatoes and look upon the rest as garnish. No wheelchair bathroom. Open daily. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/01)

Peohe's The Landing, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4474. This gorgeous, view-endowed restaurant of fers upscale, Hawaiian-inspired fish and gargantuan steaks in a plush tropical-style setting with indoor waterfalls and three separate patios. Given the visual splendor, much of the food is better than it needs to be, featuring topquality seafood prepared with care, e.g., halibut in a lush, sassy Frangelicotouched macadamia beurre blanc. A chocolate shell filled with macadamia nut ice cream may be worth the calories, too. Full bar. Reservations advised. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *N.W.* (3/01)

BAJA

From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit

El Rodeo 1647 Blvd. Salinas, Tijuana 686-5640. Steak lovers will have a field day here with a variety of cuts, some cooked right at your table. The accompaniments are wonderful: an appetizer and quesadilla, a crisp salad, beans served in their own liquid — even a dessert is included in the price of the entrée. Cheese soup, burritos, and tripe are also available. Vaquero decor, wood-paneled rooms. Good value if you like beef. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente; turn left just before the twin high-rise towers, and left again, onto the one-way street, Blvd. Salinas. El Rodeo is on the right side of the street. Highly visible and easy to find. Moderate. — *E.W.*

La Costa 8131 Galeana (Seventh Street between Revolución and Constitución), Tijuana, 685-8494 or 685-3124. An extensive menu, consistently fresh product, and huge portions have made La Costa the reigning seafood house for Americans. Identical lunch and dinner menus offer lobster, shrimp, grilled fish, fish with sauces, squid, abalone, and oysters, all in a variety of preparations. Price of entrées includes soup, salad, rice, dessert, beverage, and after-dinner drink. Almost always crowded. Open Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to midnight. Moderate to expensive. - E.W.

Rosticeria Los Pollos Avenida Constitución, between 6th and 7th Streets, Tijuana. Relatives of prisoners in the Tijuana jail (one block south) come here to buy treats for their locked-up loved ones. The cops come too, for the cinnamon-flavored fried chicken. Think KFC, but a little sweeter. And with more variety: You can eat just chicken necks if you want. (Their meat slips down like salty fried oysters.) Each plate comes with corn tortillas, and a bowl of wicked red salsa. Ask for Alejandro. He brought the idea up from Mexico City. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

Taurino Steakhouse 7531 Sixth Avenue (off Revolución), Tijuana, 685-7075. Located in the heart of the old section of Tijuana, three blocks west of Revolución, this restaurant provides superb value in an excellent set-ting. Basically a steakhouse, it also offers fish, seafood, and fowl. The price of the entrée includes grilled quail, soup or salad, and mammoth amounts of the main course. Almost everyone orders *cabreria*, or try *empapelado*, fish and shrimp cooked in silver foil. Superior service. The menu is printed in Spanish and English, and the maitre d' speaks perfect English. First-rate bargain for high quality. Open daily, noon to midnight. Continuous service. Inexpensive to moderate, except for lob-

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Buca Di Beppo 705 Sixth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-233-7272. Also at 10749 Westview Parkway, Mira Mesa, 858-536-2822. Family-style, Southern Italian cooking in a dining room seating 305 people. Food is sim-ple (one sauce fits all), portions huge, and roaring-loud ambiance is childand teenager-friendly. Go for plain fun, not gourmet dinners. Meatballs and spaghetti the best bet. Dinner nightly, lunch Sundays. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (6/00)

Bully's East 2401 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2665. Also at 5755 La Iolla Boulevard, La Iolla (858-459-2768), and 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar (858-755-1660). Despite the plasma TV sports screen, this place is very sixties. For example, dark, woody, plush red booths. And always crowded. Word is, they serve more prime rib with au jus and horseradish than any eatery in San Diego. The "Petite Cut" 8 ounce, their smallest, fills you plenty, with its baked potato and you pienty, with its based potato and salad. But just once, come here with your main squeeze and order up the "full cut for two." It hangs ten over the edges. Or go bonkers and order the 32-ounce cut - just to watch your neighbors' eyes bug out. Not flush? Try the "Bully Burger," French Dip sand-wich, or calamari sandwich. Lonely? Go to the horseshoe-shaped Low Bar. Lunch and dinner daily. The price ranges. — E.B. (2/03)

El Pollo Loco 2795 Main, Logan Heights, 619-595-0847. Additional locations in College Area, Midway, Carmel Mountain, Chula Vista, El Ca-jon, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, and more. This Mexican-style chicken chain offers healthier, tastier fast food. The flame-broiled poultry has crisp, richly seasoned, very salty skin; the flesh can vary from barely done to overdone, but usually is just right. The bird (or any assortment of its parts) comes with sage gravy, tortillas, and a choice of side dishes that includes rich, sweet black beans, crisp and clean coleslaw, great gooey-cheesy macaroni, and passable mashed potatoes. Help yourself to salsas (there are four vari eties), chopped onions, lemons, cilantro, hot peppers. But stick with the chicks — the taqueria-style choices are barely better than Taco Bell. Check for daily specials, wherein a small amount of cash will buy a huge amount of highly palatable poultry. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (2/03)

Popeye's Chicken & Biscuits 2333 Highland Avenue (at 24th Street), National City, 619-477-5605; 2210 E. Plaza Boulevard (at Euclid Avenue), National City, 619-470-3002; 3489 Santo Road (at Aero Drive), 858-573-0035; Metropolitan Center, 1737 Euclid Avenue (north of Federal Boulevard), Chollas Creek, 619-527-6565; and 6095 El Cajon Boulevard (at College Avenue), 619-286-3322. This is the one major national chain to cling firmly to a re-gional American identity: Wherever you go, if you find a Popeye's, you'll be eating Louisiana flavors. But some flavors travel better than others in fastfood translations: The spicy, crisp fried chicken and air-light drop biscuits are fine as can be. The etouffee (whether of chicken or crawfish, when available) is surprisingly decent. The gumbo is weird — flavors aren't bad, but it's more like a Creole risotto, with wet rice instead of liquid (where's the soup?). Dirty rice and jambalaya are nasty and dry. Food quality varies subtly from branch to branch, as does the attitude of the counter-persons. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. N.W. (2/02)

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Think Negative

The flouting of the fictional illusion has been honestly come by.

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

ather too much has been made of American Splendor, although a fair amount could be made of it legitimately. Making too much is just the American Way. It is not the American Splendor way. Suggested pos-

ture: the slouch; gesture: the shrug. At the very least the film makes do as a chewable bone thrown to the famished

fans of *Ghost World*, with a protagonist closely related to the latter's Steve Buscemi in his marginal existence, his menial job, his obliviousness or out-and-out resistance to fashion, his patronage of yard sales, his esoteric record collection, his affinity for comics, his congenital negativity.

One difference, of course, is that the present protagonist is an actual living person, one Harvey Pekar, a 365-days-a-year sourpuss, sorehead, and bellyacher ("I don't know how to be positive"), and a lifelong file clerk at a V.A. hospital in Cleveland, who eventually became the protagonist of a series of autobiographical underground comics also titled *American Splendor* (illustrated by various hands, starting with R. Crumb), and who by that avenue became the sometime foil

of David Letterman and the full-time husband of one Joyce Brabner, a "selfdiagnosed anemic" and all-around hypochondriac, who began as a fan of the comics and wound up as a character in them and a collaborator on

them. Another difference from the Buscemi character is that this one, center-stage the entire time, must carry

the whole load by himself. And even though Paul Giamatti, the very epitome of a supporting player, relishes his chance at a lead, he's a bit of a one-note, a bit of a stickler about always staying "in character." The danger of him thus seeming to be putting on an act is that he seems to be insinuating that Pekar too is putting on an act. Our respect for the man teeters in the balance.

In covering the complete biographical arc at one sitting, the film inevitably deviates from the amorphous daily minutiae in which the comic books (so I gather) wallow. It comes to resemble instead a conventional American success story — however modest or ironic or parodistic a one — with a suspiciously rosy ending after a climactic battle against



American Splendor

cancer. The tastiest chewing on this bone remains the minutiae: the calculated risk, for instance, of getting into the shorter checkout line at the market when the customer ahead of you is a Jewish granny who can be counted on to haggle; or the unfortunate timing of the nodule on our hero's vocal cords, coinciding with his first wife's walk-

out and reducing his heartfelt plea to a feeble squeak. This, and much else, is very funny stuff. Well, *pretty* funny stuff. Hmph.

The infiltration of the action with other likenesses of the hero — the real Harvey Pekar behind the scenes and in voice-over, the real Pekar in archival clips from the Letterman show (major exception: his ill-tempered meltdown on the air must be re-enacted by Giamatti and a silhouetted stand-in for Letterman), along with assorted comicbook incarnations of Pekar — feels not so much artistically bold and daring and liberated as artistically casual, capricious, slovenly. Maybe, in smaller concentrations, there's something bold



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and daring and liberated inherent in those very qualities, and they certainly suit the protagonist. In any event, the technique seems well justified — Giamatti, after all, can be seen as just another "artistic" rendering of the real person, a live-action, three-dimensional supplement to the comic-book versions — and it even provides a kind of corroboration: you might think that the bespectacled robot-voiced nerd at the V.A. was laying it on a little thick until you encounter the actual man in the flesh.

This flouting of the fictional illusion has been honestly come by. The married team of co-writers and codirectors, Shari Springer Berman and Robert Pulcini, started out as documentarians, just as did the director of Ghost World, Terry Zwigoff, whose best-known documentary, just to tighten up the connection to American Splendor, happened to be a portrait of R. Crumb. These two films travel in intersecting circles. But perhaps the strongest connection between them, and my strongest feeling about both of them overall, has to do with how approachable, how touchable, their people seemed, for all their prickly eccentricity, and how many areas of existence are still unapproached and untouched on screen. With whom would you rather sit down over a cup of tea and talk about the state of the world — Harvey Pekar or Neo? Joyce Brabner or Lara Croft?

Plainly, if only partially, the title of Claude Lelouch's *And Now Ladies and Gentlemen* echoes that of his 1974 *And Now My Love.* The film as a whole echoes the other more faintly: two destined lovers on distant paths, a debonair British jewel thief and a soulful French cabaret singer, each as gaunt and haunted as the other, each afflicted with a malady of the brain, crossing paths at last in Fez, Morocco, where one will seek the remedy of modern medicine while the other will go for a miracle cure at the desert tomb of Lalla Chafia, dead this century and a half.

It would be possible and even reasonable (if you are not Harvey Pekar) to stress the positive. The whole-heartedness of the romanticism. The tasteful chasteness with regard to the carnal aspects of *amour*. The connoisseurship of the workings of fate and chance. The rich, resplendent, yet



never gaudy palette, an asset underscored by the occasional fade to black-and-white, as if turning down the color knob on an antique TV. The glamour of the far-flung locales. The wind-whipped excitement of the yacht at sea, a nice break from such vehicles of choice as the racing car, the motorcycle, the plane, the snow skis. The quotability of the script: "Doctors are for illnesses that go away on their own," or, if only as a cornerstone credo of the filmmaker, "I've always favored robbers over cops." The matchless atmosphere of comfort for the actors, so much so that Jeremy Irons can be rescued from stereotypical Brit villainy and restored to the human race, and so much so that you'd never guess that chanteuse Patricia Kaas has never acted before. The attentive, appreciative, individualizing eye for the ladies, of vastly differing types, such that the nominal star does not outshine her

black singing partner, the ex-girlfriend, the jewelry-store clerks, the hotel maid, the prizefighter's wife, etc., etc. (Not even Lelouch's tender gaze, alas, can conceal the unkindness of time and/or cosmetic surgery to the legendary Claudia Cardinale.) But all of this is simply to list some of the established Lelouchian virtues. And all Lelouch films are not equal.

Often cavalier about the details within his grand designs, he has never been more so than in the transparent disguises and ruses of the heist schemes here: the absurdity of the dream scenes is little different from that of the waking ones. And the incessant *chansons* of the leading lady, rife with references to Lelouch's past, amount almost to a Chinese torture. I often feel, after leaving a Lelouch film, that the world outside appears transformed. Never before have I felt so much that I was "hearing voices." (Pleasant though Patricia

Kaas's might be.) Which is another way of saying that the visual side of the argument has tended to get shouted down.

Costa-Gavras's Amen, I notice, has already come out on DVD, barely the wink of an eye after it finished its run at Hazard Center. (Or had it already come out before?) Common knowledge tells us that the window between a theatrical run and a DVD release is rapidly closing. Common sense tells us that this can only increase the likelihood, particularly with the "alternative" cinema, that if a local theater doesn't snap up a film soon after its premiere in New York and Los Angeles, the film will never open at all. I have assembled no evidence to substantiate that suspicion, but the mere thought that a film such as Amen might not appear

here causes me to break out in a cold sweat.

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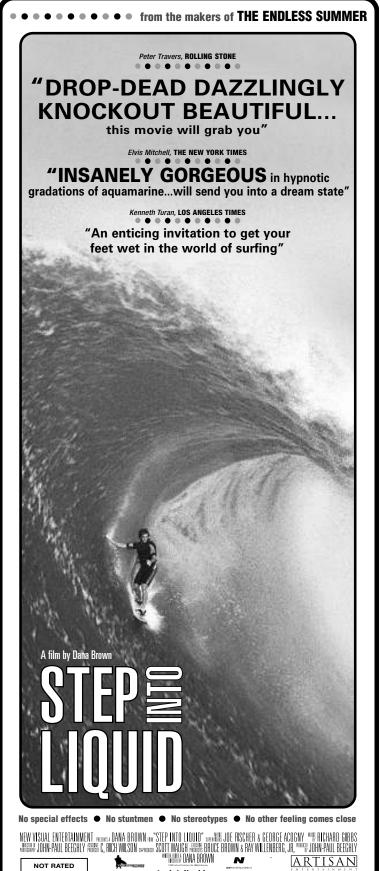
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Patricia Kaas, Thierry Lhermitte, and Claudia Cardinale; directed by Claude Lelouch.

★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Bad Boys II - Bad movie too. Two and a half hours of bang-screech-crunch-boom. With Will Smith, Martin Lawrence Gabrielle Union, Jordi Mollà, and Peter Stormare; directed by Michael Bay. 2003. ullet (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION

VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; SWEETWATER 9) Bend It Like Beckham — Feminist pep fest, or pap fest, about an Indian girl in West London who must weave her way through the obstacles set by her cookie-cutter

traditionalist family — is there any other kind from India? — in order to pursue her bliss as a soccer player. (Glossary note for the non-sports fan, or the merely parochial sports fan: the title alludes to David Beckham, glamour boy of English football as well as husband of "Posh" Spice, and it alludes also to another type of English and not to any private depravities of his.) Filmmaker Gurinder Chadha, of Bhaji on the Beach, gets a bright, cheery image, a balmy atmosphere, and winning performances (against weak opposition) from Parminder Nagra and sixteen-year-old Keira Knightley as the resolute heroine and her reedy blond teammate. With Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Anupam Kher, Archie Panjabi, Juliet Stevenson. 2003. ★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Camp — The Amateurville Horror. Gifted youths — girls and gays, plus one "honest-to-God straight boy" — gather together at Camp Ovation for a summer of acting, singing, dancing, and self-affirmation. You could just scream. With a cast of unknowns, not counting an as-himself cameo by Stephen Sondheim. Written and directed by Todd Graff. 2003.

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 disguises 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.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Ciao, Manhattan — The late Edie Sedgwick, ex-Warhol "superstar," in a role modelled on her own life. The film was shot, off and on, over five years (before completion, the leading lady died), and it looks that way, as if the idea of what the film was about changed several times, and as if

the varied footage was ultimately arranged inside a large cocktail shaker. Some of the manufactured glamour of Underground Chic is manifested in Sedgwick's emptyswimming-pool home and her scrapbook collection of news clippings and fashion photos, and in brief appearances by other Warhol satellites like Viva, Brigid Polk, Paul America, and Baby Jane Holzer. Their mystique is somewhat tarnished, though, by shaping the film around a fatuous Southern-bumpkin character with a Casey Jones cap and a grating voice that stands out even amid a large assemblage of voices that croak, squawk, and yawp, unbearably. Directed by John Palmer and David Weisman. 1972. • (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS,

8/29. 7 P.M.: 8/30. 9:20 P.M.)

Dirty Pretty Things — The bicontinental British filmmaker Stephen Frears returns to the milieu of his Sammy and Rosie Get Laid and My Beautiful Laundrette — the London melting pot, but this time in the grimmer mood of a Thirties-style social drama (the Warners studio, most typically), with a rough, raw, skinned-knuckle image and a crowding, collaring, buttonholing camera. The puckered-browed protagonist (Chiwetel Ejiofor) is a Nigerian illegal who works days as a cab driver — his training in his homeland as a doctor obliges him to examine and treat his fellow cabbies for VD — and works nights as a hotel desk clerk. (He sleeps never.) In the latter capacity, a ghastly discovery in an overflowing toilet on the fifth floor — a breath-stopping scene — leads him down a trail into a black-market trade in internal organs and forged passports: or, if you prefer, into an overwrought metaphor for the plight of the illegal. There is also a girl in the picture, a Turkish Muslim (Audrey Tatou) who works in the hotel as a chambermaid and has a huge crush on the hero. The mixed chorus of immigrants prominently Spanish, Chinese, and Russian in addition to the nationalities already mentioned — affords an interesting framework, but the fill-in is luridly melodramatized and sentimentalized, as if the only answer to xenophobia were an



equally rabid xenophilia. The plaintiveness of the two principals stands unsurpassed on the streets of London since *Broken Blossoms*, and the cartoonish menace of the immigration cops and the swinish sweatshop boss is unsurpassed since Dickens. The climax indulges our sympathies to cloying extremes. 2003. ★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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 allconquering, 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 Duckies, 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 warpedtape-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.

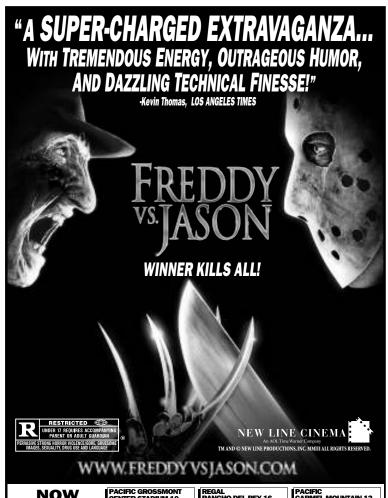
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Freaky Friday — Disney remake of the magical, mystical mother-daughter switcheroo, adjusted for youth's further usurping of the culture since 1977. The ostensible original idea was for the representatives of both generations to see through the other's eyes, but the bias in the remake tilts strongly toward the younger. The girl is a little older this time, and the casting was better the last time (Barbara Harris and Jodie Foster vs. Jamie Lee Curtis and Lindsay Lohan), and it's still a confusing situation — not just for the two who swap bodies, but for us and the scriptwriters as well. With Mark Harmon, Harold Gould, Chad Michael Murray; directed by Mark Waters. 2003.

• (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Freddy vs. Jason — A meeting of the monsters of Nightmare on Elm Street and Friday the 13th, directed by Ronny Yu. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18: RANCHO DEL REY 16: SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Gasoline — Lesbian gas-station attendants hit the road, with a body in the trunk, after one accidentally kills the other's mother. Meager budget and narrative, but



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resourceful direction within those limits by the first-time Italian filmmaker, Monica Lisa Stambrini. With Maya Sansa and Regina Orioli. 2001.

★ (KEN, THROUGH 8/28)

The Holy Land — Visited by impure thoughts, a yeshiva student in Tel Aviv drops in at the Love Boat strip club, and within five minutes has fallen head over heels for "Sasha," a Ukrainian hooker. Tawdry tale with earnest intent, including a nod at Mideast politics. The male actors consistently come up short. Oren Rehany, Tchelet Semel, Saul Stein; written and directed by Eitan Gorlin. 2001.

• (HAZARD CENTER 7, FROM 8/29)

I Shot Andy Warhol — This could be about no one but Valerie Solanas, the militant lesbian, founder of the one-member Society for Cutting Up Men (S.C.U.M.) and author of its "manifesto," would-be playwright, part-time panhandler and streetwalker, full-time chainsmoker, who in 1968 pumped a couple of slugs at pointblank range into the then King of Pop: symbol of male oppression to Solanas alone. The first feature film of British documentarian Mary Harron so diminishes its cast of characters (when it can bother to identify them) that we must wonder why we ought still to be interested in them a quarter of a century later. Lili Taylor is intense and eccentric in the lead role, but then Lili Taylor is intense and eccentric in any role. Jared Harris (son of Richard Harris) fails to penetrate the monosyllabic and noncommittal defense mechanisms of the silver-wigged Warhol. And Stephen Dorff, entering the heated sweepstakes of screen drag queens, does not get below the surface as Warhol "superstar" Candy Darling, but at least gets the surface: "I did my Kim Novak

for him, and he was very impressed." Other personages familiar, forgotten, or unheard-of are even less individualized. With Martha Plimpton, Lothaire Bluteau. 1996.

● (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 8/29, 9:10 P.M.; 8/30, 7 P.M.)

The Italian Job - High-tech tale of betraval 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.

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Jeepers Creepers 2 — Horror sequel with Ray Wise and Jonathan Breck, written and directed by Victor Salva. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION

MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SOUARE 14; FROM 8/29)

Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: The Cradle $\label{eq:continuous} \textbf{of Life} \ __ \ \text{The video-game adventuress,}$ back in action. Here she is, punching a computer-generated shark on the snout and hitching a ride on its dorsal fin; and here, sliding in slow-motion down the face of a cliff on a rope, upside down, while picking off would-be assassins all around her with her handgun; and here, doing the contemporary action hero's de rigueur sideways dive, also in slow-motion, while firing two guns simultaneously; and here, pole-vaulting from a rooftop to a chopper's undercarriage, with a stick of bamboo, and affixing a magnetic tracking device from her handy wristband toolkit. She, or the film, makes Indiana Jones look like Lord Jim. In searching for a point of interest — somewhere, anywhere, throughout the quest for the real, not the mythological, Pandora's Box — one can hardly do better than to focus one's fascination on the noisiness of the nose-breathing of the roguishly romantic male lead. Gerard Butler (Wes Craven's Dracula). No interpretation of a stud has ever been more literally equine. With Ciarán Hinds, Noah Taylor, Diimon Hounsou; directed by Jan De Bont. 2003. • (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY

The League of Extraordinary

PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Gentlemen — 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. Shane West, Stuart Townsend, Peta Wilson, Jason Flemyng. 2003. • (GASLAMP 15: PALM PROMENADE 24)

Le Divorce — From James Ivory (by way of a Diane Johnson novel), a light, witty, civilized divertissement about Americans abroad, living the high life and the heady life in present-day Paris. A lot has changed since Henry James and Edith Wharton were writing about this sort of thing: sooner to bed and quicker on the trigger. But a lot hasn't: old world and old money in opposition to the interloper and the upstart. Ivory's immediately preceding film was an adaptation of James's The Golden Bowl, and the continuity is plain to see. The characters here — even more than there — are numerous (the cast listed alphabetically instead of hierarchically), the storylines loosely tangled, and the cultural observations random and wide-ranging. The primary focus is on a pair of So-Cal sisters with a heap of blond hair between them, one of whom (Naomi Watts) is a struggling poet going through a marital split, in midpregnancy, from an artistic French aristocrat, while the other (Kate Hudson, whose flashes of resemblance to her real-life mother, Goldie Hawn, can be a handicap) occupies herself, first, as the mistress of a middle-aged right-wing mouthpiece (Thierry Lhermitte) who happens to be the







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uncle of her errant brother-in-law, and second, as the amanuensis of a literary expatriate (Glenn Close, in a Lady Macbeth wig) who long ago had a fling herself with the right-winger. And the most engaging, if not the primary, plot thread has to do with the legal wrangling of the divided couple over ownership of a painting of Saint Ursula which may or may not be a genuine La Tour: Christie's says yes, the Louvre says no, the Getty is not of one mind. There is plenty of fun-poking in all directions, but with a gentility and an urbanity that bring to mind such transatlantic Hollywood immigrants as Lubitsch, Mamoulian, and (sometimes) Wilder. And the revelling in physical beauty, expensive clothes, buoyant colors, etc., maintains a balance of taste and vulgarity, elegance and exhibitionism, that recalls a time when Edith Head ruled the costume departments at Paramount and then Universal. The glamour days. With

Sam Waterston, Stockard Channing,
Matthew Modine, Leslie Caron. 2003.

★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FLOWER HILL 4;
GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD
CENTER 7; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION
VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16)

Legally Blonde 2: Red, White, and **Blonde** — The sequel follows our prettyin-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

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.

The Magdalene Sisters — Something more for the Catholic Church to endure: a crusading exposé of the workhouses for 'fallen women" run by Irish nuns. (Laundries, more exactly, but that can't justify the washed-out color.) Set in the mid-1960s, it follows three girls into captivity: a rape victim (in a well-staged opening scene at her sister's wedding), a harmless flirt, and an unwed mother. Though not exploitive in intent, it nevertheless forms a kind of unholy union between the women-in-prison genre and the behind-convent-walls genre. To say so is not to misstate the crudity of its attack. With Anne-Marie Duff, Nora-Jane Noone, Dorothy Duffy, Eileen Walsh, and Geraldine McEwan; directed by Peter Mullan. 2003. ★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY, FROM 8/29; HILLCREST CINEMAS; PARKWAY PLAZA 18

Marci X — Drawn-out comedy sketch of a Jewish American Princess who takes it upon herself to manage the career of a controversial rapper/baller/player named Dr. S. Simply mortifying. With Lisa Kudrow, Damon Wayans, Jane Krakowski, Christine Baranski, and Richard Benjamin; directed by Benjamin. 2003.

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EI Mariachi — The production cost of \$7,000 has been mentioned with such frequency and insistence in conjuction with this title that one had begun to wonder whether it was a boast or an advance apology. Or a part of the title. Or a big fib. Presumably the \$7,000 figure does not include the transfer from 16mm to 35mm (giving the image the variable look of covered-with-volcanic-ash and strained-

through-a-sieve and printed-on-sandpaper and decomposing-before-your-very-eyes) nor the spiffing-up of the soundtrack nor the subtitling. It nevertheless looks like more movie than could be bought for a mere, a minuscule, a microscopic \$7,000 — at least two or three times more. The plotline, a mistaken-identity thing in which a wandering mariachi gets targeted by mob hitmen, is no more than a pretext for a portfolio of chases and shootouts and bad dream scenes. (I.e., dream scenes that are bad, not simply scenes of bad dreams.) And as a job application, if as nothing else, the movie is an indisputable success for its twenty-three-year-old director, Robert Rodriguez. 1993.

 $\textbf{Masked and Anonymous} \, -\! \, \text{Star-}$ studded cast in a dim, disjointed, desultory satire about an over-the-hill folkie named Jack Fate, tabbed to headline a benefit concert in an ill-defined police state. Bob Dylan, besides playing the lead, co-wrote (with director Larry Charles) the selfreferential script, but his assorted cryptic and gnomic comments provide little illumination. The highlight, if not the only light, is his toe-tapping rendition of "Dixie." John Goodman, Jeff Bridges, Jessica Lange, Penélope Cruz, Luke Wilson, Val Kilmer, Giovanni Ribisi, Angela Bassett, Ed Harris, Bruce Dern, Mickey Rourke, Fred Ward, Chris Penn, Christian Slater — the list goes on. 2003.

• (HAZARD CENTER 7)

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The Medallion — "The Holy Grail of Eastern mythology" grants Jackie Chan a second life after drowning, in addition to superpowers even more super than his normal ones. British comedian Lee Evans bests him in the humor department, however, and the movie as a whole drains away between its widely separated moods. As a sign of its identity crisis, the clapboard in the *de rigueur* outtakes at the end indicates that the movie started out to be called *Highbinders*. With Claire Forlani and Julian Sands; directed by Gordon Chan. 2003.

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My Boss's Daughter — Romantic comedy with Ashton Kutcher, Tara Reid, and Jeffrey Tambor, directed by David Zucker.

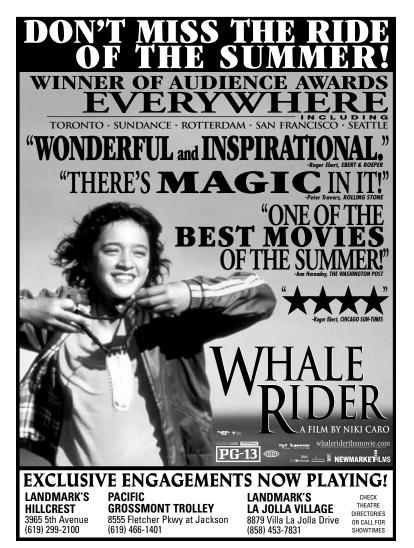
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Nowhere in Africa — Family of German Jews — father, mother, and a daughter portrayed by two dissimilar actresses within the span of the Second World War — emigrates to Kenya to escape the Nazis. (Grandfather stays behind with the mandatory line: "This 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, THROUGH 8/28)

Open Range — Kevin Costner, star and director both, renews his commitment to the Western. And one of the foremost things to be said about it, or for it, is that it's a better and a braver movie in the year 2003 than it would have been in, say, 1953. What would have seemed common as dirt a halfcentury ago now appears flecked with gold dust. The narrative situation could scarcely be more simple and basic. "There's a fight coming" — between a powerful cattle baron and a pair of nomadic "free grazers" — and that's all there is to it. The simplicity in itself sees to it that this one manages to sidestep the pitfalls of the star's three previous Westerns: the self-consciously "epic" scale of Dances with Wolves and Wyatt Earp at three hours apiece, and, notwithstanding the less cumbersome running time, the anthological "comprehensiveness" of *Silverado*. By far the biggest chunk of the action — or nonaction, as you like — is taken up with the interminable waiting period in preparation for the big shootout. (Curiously the Costner









character's surname is Waite.) Sort of a High Noon without a time limit. Yet you very soon realize that the movie is so safely and securely entrenched in its period and idiom ("Let's rustle up some grub," somebody actually says) that there will be no ruinous intrusions of technology, apart perhaps from a smidge of slow-motion in the action scenes: no Chinese martial-arts maneuvers to build a bridge to the younger generation, no computer-manipulated rotations of the Earth's axis, no science-fictional weaponry, no bullets followed in flight or freeze framed an inch from their target. You can just sit back and relax. You had better. The poky pacing of the movie, the peculiar proportioning of its time, ought not to be underestimated as a contribution to the genre, even if this can be directly traced to the filmmaker's self-importance and pretension. In the end, the length of the wait for the big shootout is generously counterbalanced by the length of the shootout itself. With Robert Duvall, Annette Bening, Michael Gambon, Michael Jeter, James Russo, Diego Luna. 2003. ★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;

ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER

CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6;

LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13;

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PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Passionada — Life and love in a Portuguese fishing community in New Bedford, directed by Dan Ireland. (HAZARD CENTER 7: HORTON PLAZA 14:

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl — 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-aquarter-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. (Trying to kill the already dead is a tedious business.) The visual effects of these pirates turning from flesh to bones as they pass in and out of moonlight are marvelous to behold, 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 highstakes 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. With Geoffrey Rush and Jonathan Pryce. 2003. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL

MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN

Seabiscuit — Writer-director Gary Ross runs through the storied career of the toosmall racehorse with the too-big jockey, blind in one eye to boot. In this treatment — a simple horse story amplified into a social history — the nag must lug the additional weight of the aggregate Little Guy and the collective American Dream. Although these sentimentalities are to a large extent true to the horse's press clippings at the time, the practical result is that the filmmaker picks up the story too far back — it will be nearly an hour before the title figure makes his grand entrance from a fog bank — and goes to inordinate lengths to explain to the modern-day viewer the meaning of such things as the Triumph of Industry, the Closing of the Frontier, Prohibition, the Stock Market Crash, and the Great Depression: "A great national migration began," blah blah. (The authoritative voice of the narrator, complete with PBS credentials, is that of historian David McCullough.) At the more intimate level, Ross feels obliged to point out repeatedly in the dialogue, lest anyone miss it, how this mishandled and discarded horse mirrors and symbolizes the three damaged men - owner, trainer, rider - who turned him into a winner. The viewer, in particular the old-fashioned viewer to whom the film caters, could be forgiven for feeling a little

less enlightened than insulted. And when he reminds himself that Ross's prior credit was Pleasantville, he could be forgiven again for wondering whether the filmmaker, in his bland nostalgia and bottled optimism, is not somehow a prisoner of the antiseptic fantasyland he therein satirized. The races, despite an overdose of slow-motion and of blustery billowy Randy Newman music in the mode of The Natural, are varied and exciting. And the principals — Jeff Bridges, Chris Cooper, Tobey Maguire as the aforesaid owner, trainer, rider — are uniformly sympathetic in their openly operatically anguished way. But it is left to real-life jockey Gary Stevens to teach the less-is-more lesson (from the Richard Conte School of Acting), a tight-lipped, squarejawed oasis of professional cool and personal dignity. With William H. Macy 2003.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6;

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The Secret Lives of Dentists — Alan Rudolph's middle-class midlife-crisis comedy covers similar ground to a Fifties 'women's picture": a devoted husband and father begins to suspect his wife of ten years, partner in his dental practice, and extracurricular opera buff, of carrying on an affair with a faceless somebody in a local production of $\it Nabucco$. The film does an excellent job of keeping track of the unrelenting responsibilities in parenting three well-differentiated little girls, permitting no let-up in a time of crisis, especially not when the flu makes the rounds of every family member in turn. Not



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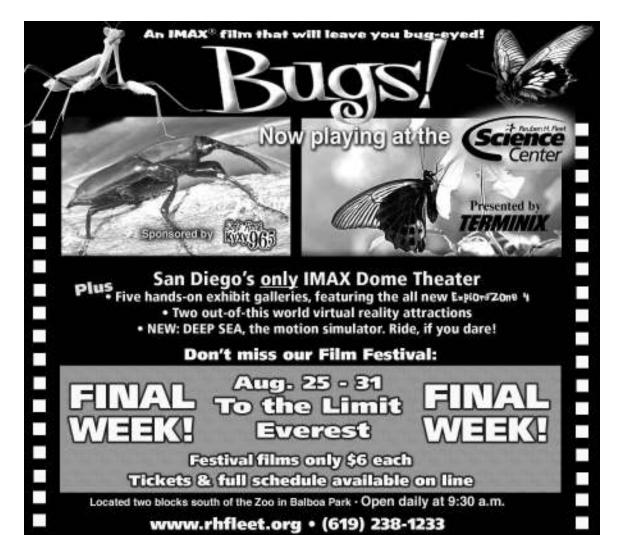
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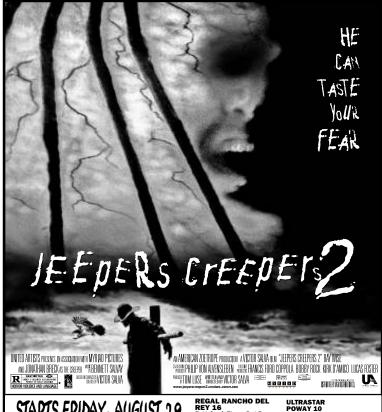
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what could be considered its assertions of "independence" and "modernity," its separation from soap-operatic tradition: the sniggering title change from the original

Jane Smiley book, The Age of Grief; the voice-over ruminations on teeth and mortality ("Teeth outlast everything. Death is nothing to a tooth"); the hip songtrack, a Rudolph trademark; the low-wattage leading players (the remote Campbell Scott, the pinched Hope Davis); the grainy flashbacks and flippant fantasy devices, most especially the recurring appearances of an unruly dental patient (Denis Leary) as a phantom

confidant and kibitzer, visible and audible only to the husband. These are simply a part of the price to be paid by a moviegoer of the 21st Century. 2003.

★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Step into Liquid — Dana Brown, son of Bruce Brown (*The Endless Summer* and *The Endless Summer II*), has grabbed a camera and followed his father's footprints into the

surf, assembling a workmanlike testimonial to the religion of riding the waves. Inspirational illustration is evenly balanced with interview and voice-over pearls of wisdom: "The cut-and-dried has no place in liquid." 2003.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20)

S.W.A.T. — Puff piece on the elite unit of

the LAPD, "the most honored, most respected, most professional police division in the world." Not that there isn't turmoil in the ranks: a trigger-happy loose cannon ("SWAT means Special Weapons and Tactics. Where were your tactics out there?"), a fed-up girlfriend, a paperpushing ballbuster, an out-and-out turncoat. No, the puffing-up is chiefly in the dimensions of the case (an international

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DOWNTOWN

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Museum of Photographic Arts

Experimental Digital Film Festival," Thursday, 7 p.m.; The Strange Woman Friday, 1 p.m.; The Pirates of Capri Friday, 3:10 p.m.; Ciao! Manhattan, Friday, 7 p.m., and Saturday, 9:20 p.m.; I Shot Andy Warhol, Friday, 9:10 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center 1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) **Bugs!** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00, 8:30; Sat.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00; **Coral Reef Adventure** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00; Everest (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00; Sat.-Sun. 8:00; Kilimanjaro: To The Roof of Africa (Not Rated) Fri. 11:00, 2:00, 9:30; Sat.-Mon. 11:00. 2:00, 6:00; Tue.-Thu. 11:00, 2:00; **To Worlds Beyond** Sat. 10:00; **To the Limit** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:05: Sat.-Sun. 7:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon (619-401-3456) Jeepers Creepers 2; The Italian Job; The Magdalene Sisters; My Boss's Daughter; The Medallion; Marci X; Freddy vs. Jason; Uptown Girls; Open Range; Grind; S.W.A.T.; Freaky Friday; American Wedding; Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life; Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over; Seabis-cuit; Finding Nemo; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Shopping Center (619-465-7100) Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:25) 4:30, 7:20, 9:35; Mon. (1:25) 4:30, 7:15, 9:35; Tue.-Thu. (1:25, 4:30) 7:15, 9:35; **Freddy vs. Jason** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:05) 5:10, 7:50, 10:20; Mon.-Thu.

(1:20, 3:55) 7:30, 9:50; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:55) 4:45, 7:35, 10:05; Mon. (1:55) 4:40, 7:35, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:55, 4:40) 7:35, 10:05; **Jeepers Creepers 2** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 5:00, 7:40, 10:30; Mon. (1:45) 4:20, 7:20, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 4:20) 7:20, 9:45: The Medallion (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:50) 4:55, 7:25, 9:45; Mon. (1:50) 4:55, 7:45, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 4:55) 7:45, 10:00; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:15) 4:15, 7:15, 10:10; Mon. (1:00) 4:05, 7:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 4:05) 7:00, 9:55; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:25, 7:30, 10:25; Mon. (1:10) 4:15, 8:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:10, 4:15) 8:15; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 4:40, 7:05, 9:40; Mon. (1:15) 4:25, 7:10, 9:40; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 4:25) 7:10, 9:40; **Seabiscuit** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:55) 7:00, 9:55; Mon. (1:05) 4:00, 7:05, 10:00; Tue.-Thu, (1:05, 4:00) 7:05, 10:00; **Uptown Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:35) 4:35, 7:10, 9:30; Mon. (1:35) 4:35, 7:40, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (1:35, 4:35) 7:40, 9:55

Grossmont Trolley 8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) **Dirty Pretty Things** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55, 10:05; Sun. (1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55; Mon. (1:55) 4:00, 6:15, 8:25; Tue.-Thu. (1:55, 4:00) 6:15, 8:25; **Finding Nemo** (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:00); Mon.-Thu. (11:40); **Freaky Friday** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:50, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:40, 9.50: Sun (10.50, 1.00, 3.15) 5.30, 7.40: Mon.-Thu. (11:35, 1:45, 3:55) 6:10, 8:20; **Le Divorce** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:45, 1:20, 3:50) 7:10, 9:45; Sun. (10:45, 1:20, 3:50) 7:10; Mon. (12:05, 2:50) 5:30, 8:10; Tue.-Thu. (12:05, 2:50, 5:30) 8:10; **The Magdalene Sisters** (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:35, 1:15, 3:55) 7:20, 10:00; Sun (10:35, 1:15, 3:55) 7:20; Mon. (12:00, 2:40) 5:25, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:25) 8:00; **Marci X** (R) Fri.-Sat. 5:00, 7:05, 9:10; Sun. 5:00, 7:05; Mon. (2:15) 4:20, 6:25, 8:30; Tue.-Thu. (2:15, 4:20) 6:25, 8:30; **My Boss's Daughter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:05, 1:10, 3:25) 5:35, 7:45, 10:05; Sun. (11:05, 1:10, 3:25) 5:35. 7:45; Mon. (12:05, 2:05) 4:10, 6:05, 8:05; Tue.-Thu. (12:05, 2:05, 4:10) 6:05, 8:05; **Pi**rates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:10, 2:15) 5:20, 8:25; Sun. (12:30, 3:55) 7:15; Mon (11:30, 2:25) 5:20, 8:15; Tue.-Thu. (11:30, 2:25, 5:20) 8:15; **Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:40, 12:50, 2:55); Mon.-Thu. (12:10); **Whale Rider** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:30, 12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (10:30, 12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30; Mon. (11:35, 1:50) 4:05, 6:20, 8:35; Tue.-Thu. (11:35, 1:50, 4:05) 6:20, 8:35

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15 2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460) American Wedding (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:25, 4:55) 7:25, 9:55; Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:30, 2:25, 2:55, 4:50, 5:20) 7:45, 10:10; Freddy vs. Jason (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:25, 5:05) 7:45, 10:25; Jeepers Creepers 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:25, 5:00) 7:35, 10:10; Lara Croft, Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:55, 4:45) 7:35, 10:25; **Marci X** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:35); **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:20, 4:40) 7:00, 9:20; My Pri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:20, 4:40) 7:00, 9:20; My Boss's Daughter (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:50, 5:10) 7:30, 9:50; Open Range (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:50) 7:00, 10:10; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:45) 7:00, 10:15; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri. (11:25, 2:15, 5:05) 7:15, 7:55, 10:05, 10:45; Sat. (11:25, 2:05, 5:05) 7:15, 7:55, 10:05, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. (11:25, 2:15, 5:05) 7:15, 7:55, 10:05, 10:45; **Seabiscuit** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:50) 7:00, 10:10; **Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:00, 5:15) 7:30, 9:45; **Uptown Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:40, 5:05) 7:30, 9:55

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) My Boss's Daughter; Freddy vs. Jason; S.W.A.T.; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) American Wedding (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 2:45, 7:15; Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Freddy vs. Jason (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Jeepers Creepers 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Marci X** (R) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 5:00, 9:30; **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; **My Boss's Daughter** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **Pi**rates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu 11:45, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; **Spy Kids 3-D:** Game Over (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00; Uptown Girls (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45

Palm Promenade 24

Palm Promenade 24
770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262)
Jeepers Creepers 2; The Italian Job; Whale
Rider; Charlie's Angels 2 Full Throttle; My
Boss's Daughter; The Medallion; Marci X;
Freddy vs. Jason; Uptown Girls; Open
Range; S.W.A.T.; Freaky Friday; Finding
Nemo; American Wedding; Lara Croft,
Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life; Spy Kids
3-D: Game Over: Seablecuit: Rad Boys Il-3-D: Game Over; Seabiscuit; Bad Boys II; The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines; 28 Days Later

Rancho Del Rey 16 East H Street at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707) American Wedding (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:10, 4:55) 7:25, 9:55; Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:45, 5:20, 12:25) 7:00, 7:55, 10:25; **Freddy vs. Jason** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:05, 2:40, 4:30, 5:05) 7:00, 7:35, 9:50, 10:05; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 3:30) 6:55, 9:50; **Jeepers Creepers 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:40, 12:05, 2:25, 3:20, 5:05, 6:50, 7:45, 9:40, 10:30; Marci X (R) Fri.-Thu (11:50); **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:10, 4:40) 7:10, 9:40; My Boss's **Daughter** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 3:10) 6:55, 10:10: Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:55, 3:00) 7:05, 9:30, 10:00; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:35) 7:30, 10:30; **Seabiscuit** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 3:05) 7:05, 10:20; **Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:50, 5:00) 7:20, 9:35; **Uptown Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:10

Vogue

Vogue
226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436)
Finding Nemo (G) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:00; Lara
Croft, Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life
(PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 3:45, 9:45; Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over (PG) Fri.-Thu. 2:00, 8:00

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

Harbor Drive In 32nd and D (619-477-1392) Call theater for program information

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) Bad Boys II (R) Fri.-Mon. 7:05, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. 7:35; **Freaky Friday** (PG) Fri.-Mon. (12:20, 2:30) 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Tue.-Thu. (12:40, 2:55, 5:15) 7:30; **Freddy vs. Jason** (R) Fri.-Mon. (12:00, 2:10) 4:35, 7:15, 9:40; Tue.-Thu. (1:10, 3:25, 5:50) 8:05; **The Italian** Job (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (12:05, 2:35) 5:15, 7:55, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. (12:50, 3:15, 5:45) 8:15; **Jeepers Creepers 2** (R) Fri.-Mon. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Tue.-Thu. (12:45, 3:05, 5:35) 7:55; **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:45, 3:55) 6:05, 8:15, 10:20; Tue,-Thu, (1:25, 3:55) 6:00, 8:05; My Boss's Daughter

French criminal, jailed on a traffic violation, offers a hundred million to whoever will spring him) and the scale of the action (a private jet sets down on the Sixth Avenue Bridge, etc.). Even the training sequences, which might otherwise have been enjoyable, must be bumped up into music videos. With Colin Farrell, Samuel L. Jackson, Michelle Rodriguez, James Todd Smith (formerly LL Cool J), and Olivier Martinez; directed

by Clark Johnson. 2003.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN

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.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Terminator 3: Rise of the

Machines — One of those sequels that's 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 thickerset 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),

(PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:00, 3:00) 5:10, 7:25, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (2:20, 4:20) 6:20, 8:20; **Pirates of** the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black **Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (12:55, 3:55) 7:10, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 4:50) 7:50; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (12:40, 3:10) 5:40, 8:10, 10:35; Tue.-Thu. (12:35, 3:10, 5:40) 8:10; **Spy** Kids 3-D: Game Over (PG) Fri.-Mon. (12:25, 3:30); Tue.-Thu. (2:00, 4:10)

NORTH INLAND BONSALL

Galaxy 6

6 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Mon. 10:15, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; Tue.-Thu. 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; Mon. 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:00, 4:30, 7:00; **My Boss's Daugh** ter (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 5:45, 7:45, 10:00: Mon.-Thu. 5:45, 7:45; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Mon. 11:30, 2:30, 5:30, 8:30; Tue.-Thu. 2:30. 5:30. 8:30: Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. 11:15, 2:15, 5:15, 8:15; Tue.-Thu. 2:15, 5:15, 8:15; **Seabiscuit** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. 10:45, 2:00, 5:00, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:00, 5:00, 8:00; **Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30; Tue.-Thu. 3:30

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770) Finding Nemo (G) Fri.-Mon. (12:15, 2:30); Tue.-Thu. (1:00, 3:20); **Freaky Friday** (PG) Fri.-Mon. (12:00, 2:20) 4:50, 7:25, 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (1:05, 3:15, 5:20) 7:30, 9:40; Freddy vs. Jason (R) Fri.-Mon. 5:20, 8:05, 10:25; Tue.-Thu. (5:40) 7:50, 10:00; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:50) 5:15, 7:40, 10:05; Mon. (12:25, 2:50) 5:15, 7:40, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (1:15, 4:00) 7:15, 9:50; Jeepers Creepers 2 (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon. (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:30, 4:15) 7:10, 9:45; **Le Divorce** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:30) 4:15, 7:05, 9:35; Tue.-Thu. (1:20, 4:10) 7:00, 9:30; The **Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:35) 5:05, 7:20, 9:40; Mon. (12:10, 2:35) 5:05, 7:20, 9:20; Tue.-Thu. (1:35, 3:35, 5:35) 7:35, 9:35; My Boss's Daughter (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 5:25, 8:10, 10:15; Mon. 5:25, 8:10, 10:10; Tue.-Thu. (5:15) 7:25, 9:25; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 3:45) 7:15, 10:10; Mon. (12:40, 3:45) 7:15, 10:05; Tue.-Thu. (1:45, 4:45) 8:00; **Pi**rates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:50) 7:10, 10:05; Mon. (12:50, 3:50) 7:10, 10:00; Tue.-Thu. (2:00, 5:00) 8:10; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:40) 5:10, 7:45, 10:20; Mon. (12:05, 2:40) 5:10, 7:45, 10:15; Tue.-Thu. (2:10, 4:35) 7:20, 9:50; **Seabiscuit** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (1:00, 3:55) 7:00, 9:55; Tue.-Thu. (2:15, 5:15) 8:15; **Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 3:10); **Uptown Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. (12:20, 2:45) 5:00, 7:35, 9:50; Tue.-Thu. (1:25, 3:30, 5:35) 7:40, 9:55

POWAY

Poway 1013475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) **Freaky Friday** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:45, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu, 10:45, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15; Jeepers Creepers **2** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; **My Boss's Daughter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **Pirates of** the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black **Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:45, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00; Seabiscuit (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:00; **Uptown Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:30

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711) Call theater for program information

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Cinemas 4

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147) Finding Nemo (G) Fri.-Mon. (10:30, 12:40, 2:50) 5:05; The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:45, 1:05, 3:25) 5:45, 8:05; Mon. (10:45, 1:05, 3:25) 5:45; **My Boss's Daughter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 7:10, 9:05; Mon. 7:10; Open Range (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 1:00, 3:50) 6:40,

 $9{:}25; Mon.\ (10{:}15,\ 1{:}00,\ 3{:}50)\ 6{:}40;$ Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 1:00, 3:55) 6:45, 9:30; Mon. (10:05, 1:00, 3:55) 6:45

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)

Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Sun. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Jeepers Creepers 2 (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Mon.-Thu, 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; **My Boss's Daughter** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:30, 5:00, 7:15; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15;

Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; **S.W.A.T.**

(PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:45; **Spy Kids 3-D:** Game Over (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15; **Uptown Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425) Le Divorce (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30, 2:30, 5:15, 8:00; **Open Range** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **Seabiscuit** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Step Into Liquid (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) Jeepers Creepers 2; The Italian Job; Uptown Girls; Open Range; S.W.A.T.; Freaky Friday; Seabiscuit; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW) Namotu 2003 (Not Rated) Thu. 7:00, 9:00; The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Sat. 12:00; Whale Rider (PG-13) Fri. 6:50, 9:15; Sat. 4:00, 6:00, 9:15; Sun. 4:00, 6:25; Mon.-Wed. 6:50, 9:15

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Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; **The Medallion** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00; **My** Boss's Daughter (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 3:45, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 3:45, 6:00, 8:15; Open Range (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **Pi-**rates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the **Black Pearl** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; Seabiscuit (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:30

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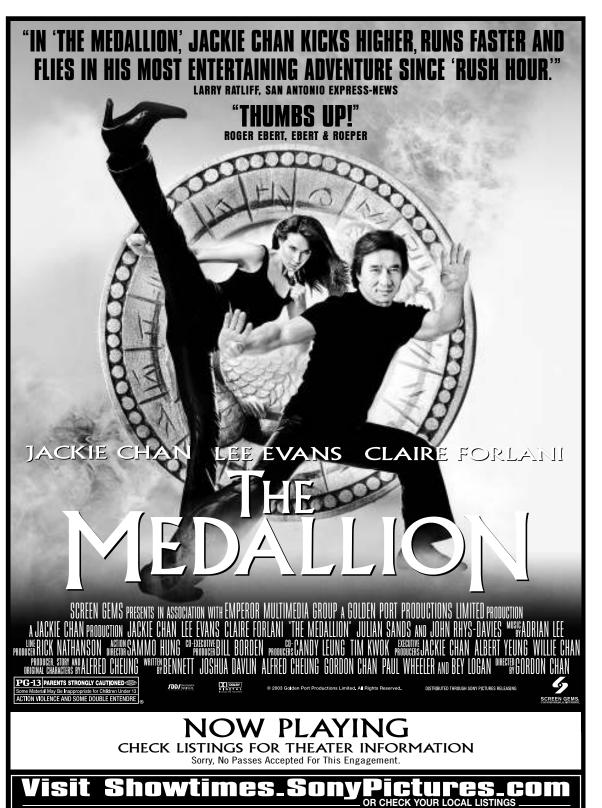
College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)

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fits in perfectly with the rub-it-in-your-face jokiness of much of the film. Edward 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 crinkledbrowed 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.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

28 Days Later — In the violent prologue, a ski-masked commando team of animalrights 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. Twentyeight 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 futuristic survival tales of John Wyndham, John Christopher, and (more



pretentiously, less eventfully) J.G. Ballard. The prevailing standards of gratuitous grossout, however, tend to obliterate the tone of civility that gave those tales much of their inner tension and conviction. Director Danny Boyle (Shallow Grave, Trainspotting, etc.) seems all too eager to surrender himself to the New World Order. Still, the last-manon-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.

★ (PALM PROMENADE 24)

Uptown Girls — Formulaic if grotesque comedy about the bonding of two Poor Little Rich Girls of staggered ages, the senior of whom is reduced by circumstances to work as the junior's nanny. To be sure, any film starring Brittany Murphy is going to have a degree of grotesquerie — outsized lips, teeth, eyes, jumping out from the face almost to a point of free-floating detachment, as in some Surrealist painting. And nine-year-old Dakota Fanning is about as natural as a laugh track. In both characterizations, there's a certifiable attempt at oddity: the erotomania of the older girl over a "rock-and-roll poet sex god" (she herself is the daughter of a dead rock-and-roller), and her pet pig, Moo (as in Moo-Shu Pork), who was scheduled to be her supper one night in Bangkok; and then the neat-freakery and sanitation-insanity of the younger, and (much as one hates to brand this an oddity) her taste for Mozart and ballet. The sincerity of that attempt is belied by the pat ending of rampant reconciliation and enlightenment. More exactly, the boogying ballerina. With Jesse Spencer, Heather Locklear; directed by Boaz

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SOUARE 14)

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-yearold 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.

★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY: HILLCREST CINEMAS: LA JOLLA VILLAGE; LA PALOMA; PALM PROMENADE 24, FROM 8/29)

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.

★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 8/29; HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 8/28; LA JOLLA VILLAGE,



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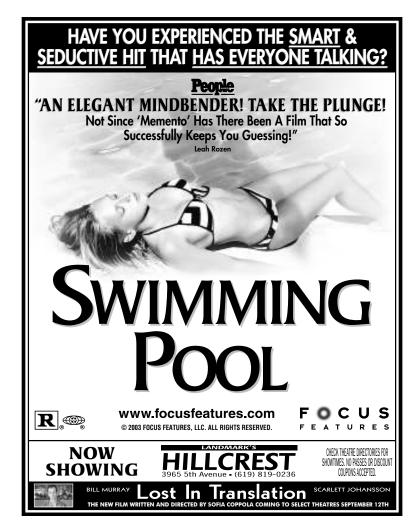
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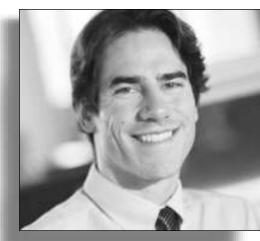
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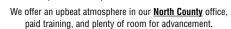
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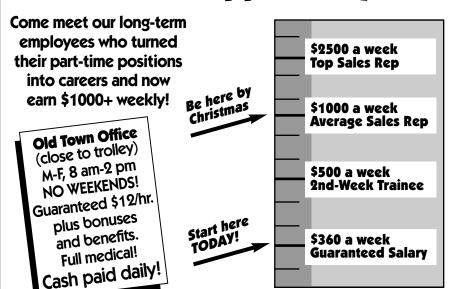
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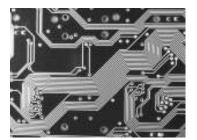
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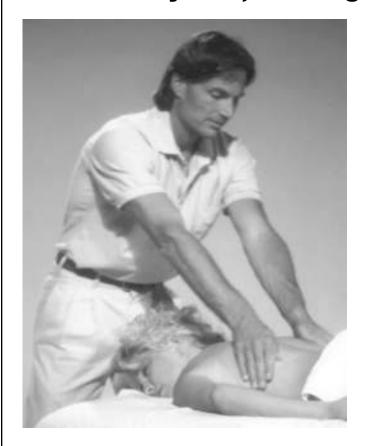
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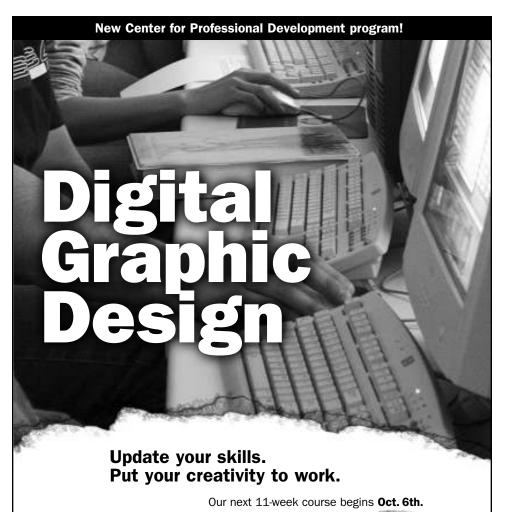
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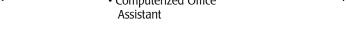
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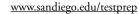
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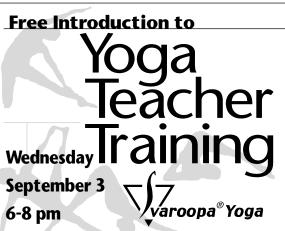




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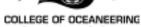
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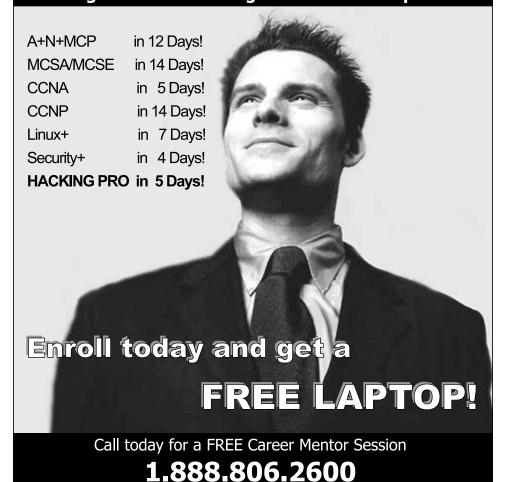
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GOD DIDN'T CREATE black people, white people, Muslims, Christians, Atheists. people, Muslims, Christians, Atheists. God created man. You did the rest! Aton ("You" who? When? Where? How? Why?

think you can play fair this year?

MATCHES

SHARED INTERESTS

FEMALES SEEKING FEMALES, 30s-40s, who would be open for a spiritual awakho would be open for a spiritual awak-ning getaway in Palm Springs, Labor ay week. Spa, fun, sun, music, pina co-das. (9/3) \$\mathbf{T}\$80446

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FRIENDSHIP. Married male seeking friendship with other married males, 45-65. Interests are computers, bridge and stock market. I live in Point Loma area. (9/3) \$\times\$80431

FRIENDSHIP. New to area. Fun 24-year-old female seeks other females for dancing, beach, whatever! (9/3) \$\alpha\$ 80443.

FRIENDSHIP. Healthy woman seeks clean, nonsmoking male or female companions for fun in the sun. Biking, sailing, kayaking, etc. Let's enjoy America's Finest City! (9/3) ☎80444

FRIENDSHIP. Hip, liberal, outgoing female seeks same for happy hour, workouts, travel and concerts for fun and company. Engaged, but still hanging out. No flakes! (9/10) \$\alpha\$80466

MOTHER OF ONLY CHILD seeks parents of only children for hanging out, movies, travel, play buddies. I'm 40, African-American, she's biracial. Parents only respond. (9/10) \$\infty\$80476

NEW TO AREA. 36-year old male, great personality, good friend. Seeking new personality, good friend. Seeking new male friends for casino hopping, road trips, outdoor activities. Sense of humor. (9/3) \$\alpha\$80430

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MATCHES

WOMEN SEEKING MEN

VERY ATTRACTIVE, MEXICAN, sexy, nice legs, wants to meet very attractive, 6'+, 38-49, healthy, honest, financially secure, nonsmoker, no drugs, for friendship, possible relationship. (9/3) \$\infty\$8713

35-YEAR-OLD, QUALITY lady, 5'4" 125lbs., brunette/blue, petite and attractive, seeking physically fit, kind gentleman, 33-44 years for relationship. (9/3) \$\overline{\alpha}\$80709

SEXY, EUROPEAN EDUCATED, gorgeous, petite. Seeking successful, truthful, generous, educated, anti-war, (com)passionate, monogamous, stylish man. Friendship, sportive, spiritual, nonreligious, no previous kids/baggage, 37-48, 5'9"+. (9/3)

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ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE, 48 seeks male for shared moments. Hace open, non-smoker required. Must be honest and enjoy a variety of spontaneous activities. (9/10)

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SEEKING A BAD/GOOD BOY. Like camping, fishing, beach, or just hanging out with each other. I'm 52, 5'7", blonde/blue. Give me a call. (9/10) \$\alpha\$80732

ATTRACTIVE, AFFECTIONATE, warm personality, early 50's, short, petite. Seeking confident, educated, solvent friend/companion for monogamous relationship. Share weekends, adventures, mutual interests, home life. (9/10) \$\infty\$80736

SMILING. GREGARIOUS WOMAN. likes dancing, cards, movies, theatre, warks. Blonde, 5'7", gray/green eyes, Caucasian, Rubenesque, Elvis generation. Seeking easygoing, thoughtful, albeit imperfect male counterpart. (9/3) \$\old 80694\$

perrect male counterpart. (9/3) \$\alpha\$80694 **YOUTHFUL, INTELLIGENT,** fit, 40, seeks gentleman 35-48, former east coaster. Movies, dinner, concerts, symphony. Light baggage, down-to-earth, easygoing, for friendship/relationship. (9/10) \$\alpha\$80726

VERY ATTRACTIVE, WELL educated blonde. Loves to travel, athletic, many interests, extremely healthy, looking for same. 5'5-1/2", 120lbs., 39. Humorous, confident, generous, wealthy man apply. (9/3) \$\mathbf{x}\$80690

SLENDER, CHEERFUL, TALL, warm, af-SLENDER, CHEERPUL, IALL, Conditionate white female, 65, seeks good-natured, fit, 6'2"+ gentleman for fun, companionship, tender loving care. Friends first Nonsmoker, please. (9/3) \$\mathbf{2}\$ 80702

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travel, fun. Seeking similar man, age 38-55. (9/3) \$\frac{1}{4}\$80707

EASYGOING, LOVELY, SHAPELY, petite 50s, humorous, fun, spiritual, Seeking partner. Share adventure, travel, hikes, theater, fine dining, dancing. You: fit, active, spiritual, fun, nonsmoker. (9/10)

ATTRACTIVE, WHITE FEMALE, 48, looking for attractive, white male. I'm 5'5" ATTRACTIVE, TIME 1 ing for attractive, white male. I'm 5'b", 125lbs., blue eyes. I like dining, conversation, concerts, etc. You're honest, sincere healthy, intelligent. (9/10) \$80730 LOVING, NATURAL, CHRISTIAN woman loves to cook, loves sports, ou Seeking white male, 35-50. \$80704

ROUND-HEELED WOMAN, too tall, funny redriedd, iate tittles, seeking man o would enjoy same. Let's talk! (9/3) **READY FOR LOVE.** Enthusiastic, passionate woman, 56, looking for an honest, humorous, affectionate man. (9/3) \$\textit{2}\$80714 MEN, 45-65, LEAVE YOUR rockers/remotes. Call to meet me. Exciting and outgoing, 49 years young. Like country music, long walks, romantic dinners, possibly you. (9/3) ☎80691

TOO CUTE NOT TO HAVE a honey! Daz-zling smile, flashing eyes, sharp wit, sen-sual spirit, gregarious. You're classy, hu-morous, secure, romantic, warm heart, nonsmoker, 58+. (9/10) ☎80738

LOOKING FOR BLACK MALE companion, for movies, dinners and good conversation. Looks unimportant, 42-60. Me: 39, 5'5", hazel eyes, big beautiful smile and legs! (9/3) \$280700

CHRISTIAN, ATTRACTIVE, single mom 42, like walking, movies, mountains, dogs. You are a Christian man, 40-47, with strong faith. Call me. (9/10)

FUN LOVING, ATTRACTIVE, caring woman seeks spirited man of character, wit, for weekend get togethers of dining, hiking, movies, beach walks, dancing. Balboa Park area. (9/10) \$\infty\$80719

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LIKE BEAUTIFUL SMILES? Full-figured, 42, 5'10". Smart, funny and sexy. Looking for intelligent, attractive, loving guy, 35-46, for sharing a happy life together. (9/10) 280720

gether. (9/10) \$\overline{\infty}\) 60720

CUTE, BLACK, PUNK PRINCESS, little left of center, 27. Seeking white male, tattooed, pierced, nonsmoker, 25-35, financially OK, for friendship, or relationship, with interesting girl. (9/10) \$\overline{\infty}\) 80729

HEART TO HEART. Caring, open-minded, petite, classy, affectionate, educated lady, 50's. Seeking similar, charming, compassionate, confident man for romance, travel, firesides, sharing life. (9/10) \$\overline{\infty}\) 80728

HARLEY RIDER WANTED. Friendly, adventurous, good navigator, seeks smart, funny, 6'+, safe rider, friendship. I'm 5'6",

attractive, kind, adventurous. Let's ride! (9/3) 280693

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JANE'S LOST IN THE JUNGLE, seeking her Tarzan. 29-year-old Caucasian female, loves animals, adventure, quiet times, romance. Sagittarius, brown eyes, reddish hair, 53". (93) \$\overline{2}\$80711

LAST LOVE. Widow, 59, smoker, loving, for country guy, gentle, humorous, patient teddy bear, spontaneous, with time for me. Monogamous only. I'm apartment manager. Coffee? (9/3) \$\overline{2}\$80692 DOWN TO EARTH VEGETARIAN. 28. look-

ing to share experiences, conversation, and laughter. Companionship with room to grow. Race and age open. (9/3)

mom. Treat me like a queen and you can be my king. Enjoy music, movies, working out. Let's have fun together. (9/3)

VERY CUTE, FUN, EDUCATED female is interested in tall, slim, fit, unattached guy for dinners, movies, travel. USMC athletic look is a plus. (9/10) \$\mathbf{2}\$80723

SMELL THE ROSES with this attractive affectionate, sensual, 5'5" blonde, beautiful eyes. Seeking tall, healthy male, 50-55, financially secure, compassionate, honest, intelligent, romantic, sincere, loving. (9/10) \$20722

WARM, OUTGOING, FUN, youthful, positive, Leo woman, 56. Seeking great guy with same attributes for friendship/long-term relationship, who enjoys all life offers, 55-70. (9/3) ☎80705

LUCIA SEEKS LORENZO. Plus-size blonde, 48, seeking male to enjoy life's adventures in and out of the sea. 34-54, emotionally available. (9/3) \$\infty\$80697

YOU ARE WONDERFUL, considerate, funny, secure, good looking, financially secure, 42-55, ready for relationship. I like theater, dining, world travel, beach walks, moonlight, and romance. (9/10) ☎80739

ATTRACTIVE, BEAUTIFUL doctor, pasing, jogging, elegant dining, entertaining and fun. (9/3) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$80715

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LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus size brunette. Very loving and sincere, romantic also. Nonsmoker. Seeking long-term relationship. Let's go for it, big boy! (9/10) TO 80/717

boyl (9/10) \$\infty\$80717

PRETTY PACKAGE, no strings attached, no excess baggage. Seeking 55+, 5'10"+, carefree, passionate, romantic, playful, sexy gentleman who is a one woman man. (9/10) \$\infty\$80731

woman man. (9/10) \$\tilde{\pi}\$0731 INTEGRITY, MORALS, loyalty, never married, exotic Polynesian beauty queen, gourmet cook, artist, author, model, educated, athletic. You: quality, never married, military background a plus, 39-59. (9/3) \$\tilde{\pi}\$80698

M ATCHES

LOVE IS ELUSIVE. Heck, just finding someone to spend quality time can be tough these days. 30's, nice looking, fun stable. Be friendly, reasonably fit. (9/10)

I WON'T STOP UNTIL I find him. White chocolate wanted by caramel cutie. You must be a fun loving, easygoing guy who enjoys life. (9/3) \$\alpha\$80716

ATTRACTIVE, GREEN-EYED lady, 44 earthy, kind, great sense of humor, non-materialistic, Project Wildlife volunteer. Seeking soul mate. Let's enjoy life together! (9/10) 280735

gether! (9/10) \$\sigma 80735\$

ONE OF A KIND, down to earth, educated, professional, 39, nonsmoker, financially and emotionally, stable, spiritual, mid-western values, upbeat, sense of humor and more. (9/10) \$\sigma 80737\$

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

HANDSOME, TALL, WHITE, divorced fa-ther. late 50ish. conservative, intelligent ner, late 50ish, conservative, intelligent, romantic, sexy. La Mesa. Seeking attractive, affluent, generous, stylish, sexy, romantic woman, intimate evenings, great kisser. (9/3) \$\mathbf{x}\$80435

TALL, LEAN, DYNAMIC, bald, bold, sexy spontaneous, very romantic, black male spontaneous, very romantic, black male, 40s, still in search of curvy Peggy Bundy? Where are you sweetie? Please call. (9/3) \$280439

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SINCERELY SEEKING a quality relation-ship. I love cats, music, the beach. I'm 55 ship. I love cats, music, the beach. I'm 5'3", 160lbs., looking for women of age, ideally my age. (9/10) \$\mathbb{\alpha}\$80463

ATTRACTIVE LOOKING, 42-year-old

white male, 5'8", 165lbs., likes sailing, hik ing, dining, working out regularly. Never married, nonsmoker, interesting, fun, caring, loyal, compassion. (9/10) \$\frac{1}{2}\$80490

DISTINGUISHED, HANDSOME gentle

man, confident, personable, passionate, caring, 45, 6'2". Looking for that special lady who wants a committed relationship. Slim, pretty, healthy, affectionate, fun. Nonsmoker. (9/10) \$\alpha\$80510

AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monoga-

mous, biracial, African-American/white male, 64, 6'4", 210lbs. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home, dancing, travel, more. (9/3) \$\mathbf{T}\$80426

ng, uaver, more. (9/3) \$\infty\$80426

SAVES THE DAY! If you like music, we have common interests. 6'2", slim, brown/blue, professional. Surfing, sailing, travel, dining. Seeking slim, 35+, friends first. (9/10) \$\infty\$80489

SEEKING PROFESSIONAL, Caucasian 45-55, gym trim, affectionate, humorous, romantic, jeans to gown. Professional, 5'10", 160lbs, into reading, family, friends, travel, financially secure, easygoing, varied interests. (9/3) \$\mathbf{7}\$80432

Adventurer, Builder

45, handsome. Seeking a friend or more I'm committed, up front, spiritual, loving, athletic, fit, enjoy beach, surfing, Sierras, hiking, cycling, dining out, cooking, home life, don't smoke/drink. You: 35-45, fit, happy, honest. (9/10) ☎80475

III, niappy, nonest. (9/10) **T8**04/5 **HOMEOWNER, EMPLOYED,** sincere, 53, need love and laughter in my life, time to enjoy life, open-minded, age not important, sincerity is. Let's enjoy life. (9/10) **T8**05/09

WANTED! Lovely retired lady, 70's-80's,

BALANCED, UNENCUMBERED, edu

cated, professional, athletic, 53, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social midwest values. Seeking compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (9/3) \$\mathbf{2}\$80422

ing woman. (9/3) ☎80422

YOU ARE TALL, SLENDER. Me: professional European male, with no baggage or dependents. Seeking younger, attractive female for companionship, fun, possibly more. See you soon! (9/10) ☎80472

HISPANIC, 34, looking for woman to go walking and jogging on the beach, dancing at local clubs, then maybe more. Age and race not important. (9/10) ☎80504

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HANDSOME, ARTICULATE, muscular black male, 5'10", 2'10lbs., 40, enjoys outdoor activities, movies, stimulating conversation. Seeking fit, spontaneous, adventurous, dark black female, 28-50. Call me. (9/10) \$80484

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YUMMY ALL DAY, Fun-loving black male, 38, 57", 150lbs., never married, no children, God-fearing man. Looking for funloving woman, race open, committed. (9/10) T80485

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ASTROLOGER. Curious about your chart? So am I. Many interests. Reclusive, but adventurous, open minded. 54, 6', 150lbs., bald, Pisces, Leo rising, Scorpio moon(9/3) ☎80440

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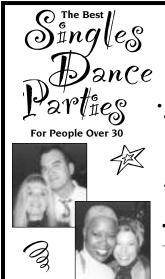
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white male, 54, 6'3", medium employed, independent, seeking 47 male for usual stuff. (9/3) \$\alpha\$80434

Rancho Bernardo Man

29, 5'9", 160lbs., funny, faithful and loving. Looking for real love. Wanted: loving woman with humor, between 25-38, children OK. (9/10) ☎80474

EAST-INDIAN MAN, 5'6", 134lbs. Looking for an easygoing person. (9/3) ☎80447 42, ATRACTIVE, FIT, business owner, financially secure, kids OK. Seeking positive, fun-loving, attractive female, smart, kind, warm, passionate, sensual, honest, for fun outdoor/indoors. (9/10) \$80460

for fun outdoor/indoors. (9/10) \$80460
AUTHENTIC GERMAN-IRISH man for hire.
Storytelling, singing, dancing, cavorting, carrying on, available all hours, experienced, and accomplished scoundrel of 55 summers in search of lady, 50+ of wit, charm and sagacity (comely wench). (9/10) \$80471

PROFESSIONAL, LAID-BACK, Harley rider seeking adventurous lady who would be at ease in jeans on cycle trip to Canada or dressed to paint the town. (9/3) \$\overline{a}\)80442

town. (9/3) \$280442

GOT SOUL? Somewhat behaved white dude, 8-14-50, moderate vices, blurred politics, slightly bent humor, desires book/street smart, musically adventurous, aura-cool "little" dudettel (9/3) \$80449

Nice Wisconsin Girls?

East Coast guy would like to meet a traditional, down-to-earth Wisconsiner, 26-30, Never-married, no kids. Must be honest, loving, and caring, blondish hair. (9/10) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\text{80512}\$

MIDGET FEMALE WHO IS beautiful, attractive, shapely, sought by North County coastal, handsome, affectionate, romantic, Spanish male, 50, for dating, romance, possible relationship. Age open. (9/3) \$\mathbb{T}80425\$

ATTRACTIVE, AFFLUENT, independent bachelor wishes to share life and beautiful home with 30-something female counterpart. Me: Caucasian, trim, childless. You: the same! North County. (9/10)

TALL, FUN, BLACK and then some. Me: 39, body of a lineman, brain of a scientist. You, cute and a great sense of humor. (9/10) \$\oldsymbol{\Phi}\$80465

mor. (9/10) \$\infty\$80465 **HANDSOME, SEXY,** successful executive, 59, trim, 5'10", blond/green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting, committed relationship. (9/10) \$\infty\$80459

HANDSOME, 53, FIT, black male, looking for a fit, sexy, white female nonsmoker, 42-50 for fun, intimate evenings, a good kisser, laugh. Let's meet. (9/3) 🕿 80420

DEL MAR. You love romantic getaways, personal growth, sensual ambiance. He: emotionally available, educated, passionate, nurturing, communicator, 5'10", 58, 178lbs., good looking, won't disappoint you! (9/3) ☎80421

FINAL COMMITMENT adventure partner wanted. Outdoorsy and curious, not manicured or religious. I'm 62, 5'6", trim, green eyes, simple, clean lifestyle, maybe can dance. (9/10) \$\pi\$80456

YOU ARE 5'-5'6", 49-50s, slender medium build, nonsmoker, nondrinker, sensuous, affectionate, cuddly. Me: same plus beaches, homeowner, humorous, lovable, educated, music, semi-retired teacher. (9/10) \$\mathbf{x}\$80461

SINGLE MAN, 43, 5'7", educated, well mannered, have sense of humor. Looking

Across

- 1. Barley bristle
- 4. Entreat
- 7. V-I Day pres.
- 10. Computer in "2001"
- 13. "Thar ____ blows!"
 14. Fallopian tube travelers
- 15. Give ____ go 16. Seine sight
- 17. Kareem, as a kid 18. Chew the scenery
- 20. Kind of feeling
- 21. Selects from the menu
- 23. Outfielder's cry
- 24. Letters at sea
- 25. Gardener's woes
- 26. Appt. calendar notation27. Turf defenders

- 28. 007 creator Fleming
- 29. Cpl., e.g.
- 31. 1997 Literature Nobelist
- 32. Shakespearean play that's now a British seamster's woeful reaction when Superman rips his outfit?
- 36. More pallid
- 37. Dashboard area that's now a place where a money launderer hides his thousand dollar bills?
- 42. Advil rival
- 44. Fifth sign of the zodiac
- 45. "Well, ____-di-dah!" 46. Response to the Little Red Hen
- 47. Fly trap 49. Rhythm's partner
- 51. Ir. and sr.
- 52. Two-thirds of the Belmont Stakes
- 53. Snoopy, e.g. 54. Some E.M.T. cases
- 55. Finished
- 57. Flying off the shelves
- 58. It comes before a dropped name 59. The year Innocent I became pope
- 60. Not hold one's tongue
- 61. Show showers
- 62. Summer D.C. clock setting
- 63. Spectate 64. Fleur-de-
- 65. Approving vote

- "Must be _____ news day"
 With 41-Down, a #1 hit song for Roberta Flack and Donny Hathaway (and a question regarding 32- and 37-Across and 19-Down)
- 3. F.D.R. program 4. Father-and-son Nobel Prize winners in physics
- 5. Braun and Gabor
- 6. Pinup's leg

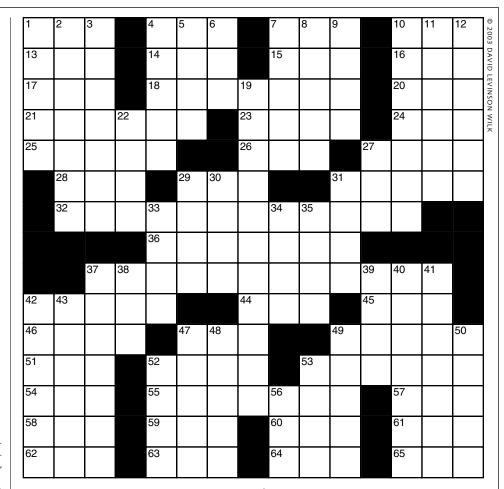
- 7. Bandleader's call
- 8. Wounded by a wasp 9. Finish line, perhaps
- 10. Aesthete's delight
- 11. Fund-raising targets
- 12. "C'mon!"
- 19. 1994 Gary Oldman film that's now a place for Sleeping Beauty to rest?
- 22. "Giant" author Ferber
- 27. Beetle juice?
- 29. Linguist Chomsky
- 30. Transitional time
- 31. Home away from home, maybe
- 33. Fraternal org. 34. "Your majesty"
- 35. Jared who starred in "Requiem for a Dream"
- 37. Prepares
- 38. High temperature for Casesar 39. Name in the Jazz Hall of Fame
- 40. Nice's opposite, in a Christmas
- song
 41. See 2-Down
 42. "Tennis, ____
- 43. Domineered
- 47. Oft-quoted Irishman
 48. "Watching ____" (Julia Louis-
- Dreyfus sitcom)
- 49. Sounds from R2-D2
- 50. ____ good example (is a role model)
- 52. They can be purchased at www.apple.com
- 53. Sons of, in Hebrew
- 56. Olive of the funny pages

RULES OF THE GAME

- 1. The prize for solving the Reader Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.

 2. All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle
- contest must be received by the *Reader* (addressed to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803) by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, six days following the issue date.
- 3. All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- 4. Employees of the *Reader* and their
- immediate families are not eligible.

 5. 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.
- 6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- 7. One entry per person.





Solution to and winners of the

Of the 45 entrants, 42 were correct.

- 1. Robert McQuary, San Diego 2. Lydia Galian, San Diego
- 3. C. Santos, Chula Vista
- 4. Reuben Settergren, *San Diego* 5. Harold Mensch, *Poway*

for petite, slim, white female, for a serious relationship. (9/10) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$80503

HANDSOME, JEWISH DOCTOR, 39, guitarist, pianist, tall, fit, sensitive. Must meet intelligent female or my mother will force me to marry the Rabbi's daughter. Help! (9/10) 280497

neipi: (9/10) \$\times 280497\$

LATINA WOMAN WANTED. Good-natured Latino, fit, slim, 5'8", 50, educated professional, never married. Seeking fine lady, divinely inspired, to read my Bible with. (9/10) \$\times 80477\$ REASONABLY GOOD LOOKING male Honest, intelligent, funny, easygoing, tall, 40+, athletic. Seeking woman with compatible attributes for long-term relationship. No experience necessary. (9/3)

WIFE WANTED. Good looking, athletic, entrepreneur desires shapely, lovingly natured, 40's for marriage, family, fun, good life, sunsets, hikes, short trips. (9/3)

From New York City

Attractive musician, photographer, 5"11", fit, youthful 58, passionate heart, creative spirit, quick wit, easy smile. Enjoy the arts, nature, stimulating conversation. Seeking sophisticated woman for delicious romance. (9/10) 280491

WEALTHY, SUCCESSFUL inventor with all the toys, personality, looks and brawn, seeks outstanding playmate for travel,

leisure, adventure and romance. 32-40. Slender to petite. Spontaneous! (9/10) \$\overline{\Pi}\$80468 LA MESA, REAL ESTATE BROKER, 51,

skiing, sports cars, RVing, travel. Seeking spontaneous, adventurous gal, 38-50, for Big Bear escapes, etc. (9/3) \$\mathbf{\alpha}\$80438

GOOD LOOKING, SMART, STABLE, suc

proximately 6', 180lbs., 46. Seeking slender, single, highly educated, nurturing beauty, 35-43, for balanced, long-term relationship. (9/10) \$\alpha\$80496



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GREAT CATCH! Down to earth, Jewish male, 33, enjoys movies, hiking, cats, '80s music. Seeking honest, sincere woman for friendship and possible relationship. (9/10) ☎80483

I LOVE FOOTBALL, American soccer, Pacific Beach, relaxing and doing my own thing. I would like to meet a nice Asian lady. (9/3) \$\overline{\Overli

HAPPY MAN SEEKS MATURE female You're dark-eyed, petite and happy, over 46, who seeks a 35+, athletic, 6', brown/ blue gray, construction type. (9/3) \$\infty\$80428

NORTH COUNTY, full-figured, seeking a cuddly teddy bear. I'm fun, honest, dependable, caring, respectful. Looking for the same. Single dad OK. Friendship, possible relationship. (9/10) 2780725

SURF, BLADES, BIKES, jogs, guitarist, restaurants, theater, movies, 36, 5'11". tathletic build, attractive, North County coastal. You: athletic, quiet evenings at home, time to date. (9/10) \$\infty\$80507

MR. NICE GUY. Yep, that's me. I'm 40, energetic, easygoing, enjoy fishing, movies, music, walks, fitness and I'm open minded. Seeking same in a female. (9/3) \$\overline{\Omega}\$80436

HONEST, UNSELFISH, EMPLOYED mar HOREST, UNSELTION, 67°C, INFO, Seeking heels and hose wearing, warm lady, 45°C, Good music, conversation, committed relationship. You'll like my voice. (9/3) \$\textit{\textit{AB0451}}\$

I'M LOOKING FOR one woman. She's pretty, vibrant. Assimilating Marla singer. 48, artist, unconventional, open-minded, own. Not an Ikea boy, and not just ready. (9/10) ☎80501

JEWISH MAN, 50, TALL, handsome, ath-letic, educated, financially secure, Look ing for special lady, emotionally available. Travel, concerts, dinner, and available to communicate with honesty. (9/10)

LEATHER SEEKING LACE. Attractive, ro mantic, intelligent, employed, sweet, white male for adventurous, enchanting, insatiable, open-minded, uninhibited female, 21-35. Fun, friendship, candlelight delights/nights. Lakeside. (9/10) \$\pi 80498\$

GUY WITH GREEN EYES seeks female to

38. Seeking gal under 30, under 5', under 100lbs. For movies, dining and friend ship. Race unimportant. (9/10) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$ 80455

HANDSOME, TALL, ROMANTIC gentle outdoors, dancing, music. Seeking potential soul mate. Must be 18-33, no children. (9/10) \$\infty\$80492

SEEKING SOUL MATE/play mate. Me 35, sensitive, cuddler, have loving parents, and family. Caring, good communicative skills, semi-intelligent, water sports, shopper. Seeking same. (9/10)

HONESTY. TRADITIONAL VALUES. last ing relationship. Professional, 50s, seeks nonsmoking, cheerful woman to enjoy weekend adventures, casual entertainment, travel, good friends, good food, my cooking, life. (9/3) \$\mathbf{3}\$80452

NORTH COUNTY, RETIRED officer, v6'1", handsome, blue eyes, 57. Se full, handsome, blue eyes, 57. Seeking relationship with warm, open-minded, fun-loving, attractive lady, not afraid, clothing optional, beaches. (9/10)

36, FIT, HONEST, BLOND, intelligent easygoing, loves family and friends. Looking for a 28-38, who likes movies, racquetball, fitness, cuddling and no games. (9/10) \$\overline{\overli

HANDSOME, LOYAL, intelligent, accommodating, pliable, respectful, grateful, white guy, seeks a woman to worship. Looks, age, race, weight open. Just be

yourself. All calls answered. (9/3) \$\pi 80457\$

ACTIVE. HANDSOME. 6'3". 210lbs.. 50 athletic, outgoing, professional, enjoy outdoors, sun, road cycling, beach, river sports. Seeking nonsmoking, fit, adventurous, fun female to complement us. (9/3) \$\oldsymbol{\Pi}\$ 80423

Sophisticated Asian

Lady Wanted

Me: doctor, late 40's, handsome, fit, with class, several languages, kind. You: Asian, attractive, smart, late 20's to late 30's, good hearted, slim, to share good life, possible commitment. (9/10) \$\overline{\Pi}\end{array}80511

JEWISH MAN, 59, looking for Jewish woman, 35-50, no children. Only serious inquiries for long-term relationship. (9/10)

STOCKY, AVERAGE LOOKING white man 47, 5'11", seeks brainy funny sports 47, 5'11", seeks brainy, funny, sponta-neous, open-minded woman, age open, with time to give. Movies, hiking, wine tasting. (9/10) ☎80494

SINGLE, ATTRACTIVE, SEXY, black man 5'9", 185lbs., shaved head. Seeking Cau-casian woman, 25-45, for fun, frivolity, and more. College educated, profes-sional, sincere. (9/10) \$\textit{\textit{\textit{a}}}\text{80464}

FUN, DECENT GUY, 5'10", 44, white, seeks loving, attractive, witty woman. Movies, dinners, sports events, concerts. No games, truth expected. Race open. Dogs a plus. (9/3) 1880429

FRESH FRUIT LOVER? Tree boy seeks mulch queen for gardening fun at 10 acre ranch in Bonita. Artist self-employed, mel-low. Easygoing, fun times. (9/10)

IANDSOME MALE, 37 wants a real extraterrestrial woman to become my girl-friend, who can teach me the wonders of outerspace and travel the stars! (9/3)

WOULD LIKE TO MEET a sun goddess/ worshiper to pamper with hot oil masworshiper to pamper with hot oil massage. I'm 6'5", 39, enjoy workouts, surfing and hot sunbathing with you! (9/10)

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by white male, 44, tall, dark, nice looking, responsible, witty, fun. Us: financially secure, nonsmoking, homeowners. Call me! (9/10) \$8,0508

OLDER WOMAN PREFERRED. 34, fit, mature, 59", blond, sensitive, wise beyond my years. Are you grounded, witty, pretty? Great legs and bog smile? Call. Relationship? (9/3) \$\infty\$80448

servative, seeks white female, 39-49, slender, longer hair, playful, likes to laugh, great smile/outlook, kind, caring, outdoors, animals, jeans, music. (9/3)

HISPANIC MALE, 45, SEEKS white or hispanic female for marriage, 18-30 only. Must be mothering, nurturing, loving, and caring. All sizes welcome. (9/10)

ROOMMATES

THE READER OFFICE will be closed on THE READER OFFICE will be closed on Monday, September 1st for Labor Day. Voicemail roommate ads must be recorded by Monday, 6pm and voicemail payment must be received by Tuesday, 1pm. Print only ads can be placed until Tuesday, 6pm. Internet e-mail ads must be submitted by Monday, 4pm.

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SERVICES

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BAY PARK. \$800. Room with private bath

and living room in large house with view of Sea World and bay. Utilities/laundry. \$400 deposit. 619-944-0467.

BAY PARK. \$640/month. Share 2 bed-room, 2 bath condo. Clean and quiet. Nice view, pool, jacuzzi, washer/dryer, fireplace. Close to UCSD. 619-275-2344. BAY PARK. \$500. Room, walk-in closet in 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Female only. No smoking/pets. Walk to Mission Bay. Includes utilities. 619-788-2147.

CARDIFF. \$700 plus deposit/utilities Large bedroom, awesome ocean view Large bedroom, awesome occan non-laundry, pool/jacuzzi, garage. Non-smoker, no pets. Male only. Available 9/7. Jay, cell, 760-902-9354.

CARDIFF. \$395 plus utilities. Roommate needed to share 4 bedroom house. Washer/dryer, fireplace, hot tub, nice neighborhood. Near beach. Ample parking. Please only call after 5pm, 760-436-6500.

CARDIFF. \$600/month. Roommate needed, share 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Yard, laundry. 1/2 mile to beach. 619-235-2415, x20473.

CARLSBAD, SOUTH. \$550/month plus 1/3 utilities. Nonsmoking female preferred. Pool, jacuzzi, tennis. Available 9/15. No pets. 760-931-6680.

. CARLSBAD, ALGA ROAD. \$575 includes utilities and cable TV plus deposit. 3 bed-room townhome, private bath. Female, nonsmoker, no pets. Nice neighborhood, clean. 619-987-0011.

CARLSBAD. \$425/month. Near Plaza Camino Real. Garage parking, monthly maid, swimming pool, jacuzzi, tennis maid, swimming pool, jacuzzi, tennis court, washer/dryer. No smoking/pets. Call Kris, 760-434-0241; 619-235-2415,

x16269.

CARLSBAD. \$750/all. Studio with private bath, garage, pool, spa, tennis privileges. Fabulous water views. 1.5 miles to beach. Male preferred. No smoking. 760-729-8934; 619-235-2415, x31157.

CARLSBAD. \$650. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath Nouse. Includes cleaning service, utilities, cable. Gorgeous view, desirable neighborhood. 2 miles from beach. Nonsmoking female only. Lori, 760-729-3462.

CARLSBAD. \$700 plus cleaning deposit. Master bedroom/bath, walk-in closet. Util-

Master bedroom/bath, walk-in closet. Utilities/cable included. Walk to beach. Quiet street off Tamarack. Nonsmoker, no pets.

CARLSBAD. \$550. Room available in

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CARLSBAD/LA COSTA. \$675, 1/2 utilities. Room available 9/1. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome. Private bath and phone overlooking golf course, laundry, off-street parking, pool, spa. No smoking/drugs. Female preferred. 760-942-2739.

CARLSBAD/LA COSTA. \$650 includes all. Share designer decorated house. Landscaped 1/2 acre on cul-de-sac. Bedroom with private bath. Washer/dryer, cable, DSL, off-street parking. No smoking/drugs. No more pets. 760-943-9679.

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CHULA VISTA. \$550/month. 1 large room, kitchenette, bath, separate entrance, off-street parking. 1 person preferred. No pets/drugs. Available 9/1. Call restaurant delivery service, 619-420-0692.

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CHULA VISTA. \$450 plus half utilities. Female. Nonsmoker in 3 bedroom apartment to take over lease. Ask for Mia, 858-273-8800

CLAIREMONT/SERRA MESA. \$450 r in the house. Canyon view, gym, zi. No pets or smoking. 858-277-

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CLAIREMONT, MESA. \$675/month complete. Male preferred, nonsmoker. Minimal deposit. Beautiful house and yard. For pictures and details, http://hometown.aol.com/dhe0124/myhomepage/index.html.

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CLAIREMONT, NORTH. \$430 including
First/last. Large, quiet 4-bed-30 utilities. First/last. Large, quiet 4-bed-room house on canyon. Large yard, washer/dryer, filtered water throughout house. Full kitchen privileges. Near Mesa College/transportation. Nonsmoking fe-male preferred. 858-279-3479.

CLAIREMONT. \$525/month, \$300 deposit, share utilities. Available now. No pets. Prefer smoker. Telephone, you pay. Kitchen/laundry privileges. Quiet neighborhood. Near bus/shopping. 858-576-1799; 619-235-2415, x26818.

CLAIREMONT. \$600 includes cable, gas/ electric. Fully furnished room. No alcohol, drugs, smoking or additional pets. Clean/ neat. Large yards. Available 9/1 or later. 858-483-5344.

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CLAIREMONT. \$950 plus utilities, \$1200 deposit. 2 rooms, 1 bath in sunny, quiet house. Available now. Nonsmoking female seeking same. Washer/drey, yard. Have dog. 619-235-2415, x29016.

CLAIREMONT, NORTHWEST, \$425, Small bedroom. Clean, bright, nonsmoking house. Gardens, near large shopping center, freeways. Peaceful street. No pets. No guests. Small car only. 858-483-

CLAIREMONT. \$665/month, 1/3 utilities, \$200 deposit. Share large 3 bedroom, 2 bath, washer/dryer, cable/DSL, pool, great location. 858-268-5036.

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COLLEGE APEA \$460

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COLLEGE AREA. \$450 and \$400/month Utilities included. 2 rooms available in house. Cable, laundry. References required. Female only. 619-263-1874; 619-235-2415, x16359

235-2415, X163592.

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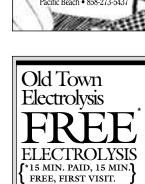
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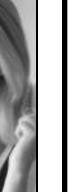
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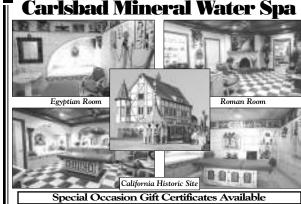
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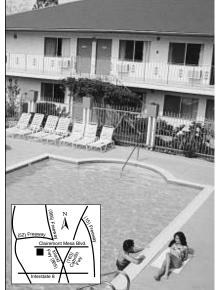


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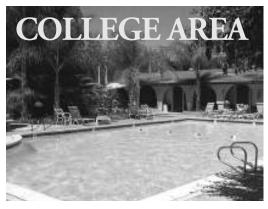
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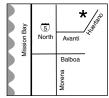
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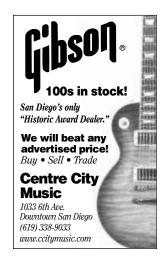
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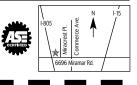
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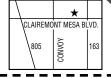


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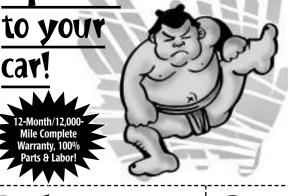
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Researchers Steven Potter (Georgia Tech) and Guy Ben-Ary (University of Western Australia, Perth) have created a robotic "arm" that makes a painter's rudimentary brush strokes at Ben-Ary's lab, directed over the Internet by its "brain" (composed of 50,000 rat neurons in a petri dish) in Potter's lab, according to a July report from BBC News. According to Potter, the brain is not yet classically "intelligent" but does "adapt" (i.e., experience less chaos) and thus strokes more smoothly over time.

People Different From Us

- In August, St. Louis, Mo., school-board member Rochell Moore sent Mayor Francis Slay an open letter criticizing his school-closing management reforms and advising him that because of his obstinacy, she had placed a curse on him. According to a report in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Moore's curse was modeled after Deuteronomy 28:21, in which Moses told the Israelites what would happen if they strayed from God: "The Lord shall make the pestilence cleave unto Francis Slay..." When a former city comptroller later told reporters he thought Moore had "mental problems," Moore allegedly threatened to kill him.

More Things to Worry About

 The 2003 valedictorian of Alcee Fortier Senior High School in New Orleans failed (for the fifth time) the state's mandatory exit exam, and she cannot graduate until she passes (August). .. Workers tearing down the reactors at the old Hanford, Wash., nuclear reservation discovered dozens of radioactive nests of mud dauber wasps, but so far no wasp had mutated into a monster (August). ... The district attorney of Watauga County, N.C., frustrated at the light sentences judges hand down for methamphetamine producers, announced that he will begin to charge defendants instead (via a recent anti-terrorism law) with manufacturing a "nuclear or chemical weapon" (August).

Clichés Come to Life

 New York City's new 16-page anti-terrorist preparedness manual, produced by a consortium of 20 government agencies and released in July, contains such advice as: If you encounter radiation, go outside (if you're inside a building) or go inside (if you're outside a building); Do not accept packages from strangers; If you find yourself holding a mysterious substance, put it down. Also offered is the familiar advice from a generation ago: If you can't get out of a building, "[Duck] under a sturdy table or desk."

- In March, in Lisbon, Ohio, after William Neville, 30, allegedly tried to get intimate with a woman who had taken out a stay-away order against him, police chased the man out of her home, down the street through the Lisbon Cemetery, until he accidentally got caught in a briar patch. - The St. Petersburg Times reported in July that Pinellas County (Fla.) judge Richard Luce was being investigated for losing his temper in May and thus becoming unsuited to sentence convicted attempted-murderer Tam Thane Vo. Luce became angry when he surmised that Vo's mother had raised her hand, middle finger extended, to her forehead in reaction to the verdict, but the mother said she was merely having an adverse reaction to her shampoo.

– In Kingsford, Âustralia, in May, Phyllis Newnham, vying for a larger portion of the estate of her late friend, Florence Mather, claimed in court that Mather had made out a subsequent, more generous, superseding will, but that one of Ms. Mather's dogs ate it. Newnham produced DNA testing to show that the dog had eaten a mangled document, but it was unclear if that was the will.

Least Competent Criminals

- At an Amoco station on Route 59 in Spring Valley, N.Y., on June 22, an unidentified man twice iumped on the counter and shouted, demanding that the clerk hand over money, but twice the clerk pushed him off, and the man finally gave up and left. ... In August, in Delray Beach, Fla., a man tried to cariack Larry Klein, 53, who is disabled, but Klein repeatedly jabbed at the man

out the window with one of his crutches, and he finally ran away.

Paying Their Bills the United Way

 In June, Jacquelyn Allen-MacGregor, 47, a 20year executive with United Way in East Lansing, Mich., was remorseful after being sentenced to four years in prison for stealing more than \$2 million from the agency to buy show horses. Said MacGregor, "I do believe that I'm obsessed with horses." ... An independent investigation revealed in August that Mr. Oral Suer, the former CEO of United Way of the Washington, D.C., area, had taken \$1.5 million in improper payments during his tenure. Among the alleged improprieties was that Suer made several annual gifts to United Way in his own name but then collected bogus expenses from the organization to cover the donations.

Our Civilization in Decline

 In McNairy County, Tenn., in August, father Steven Joseph Yurick, 33, was convicted of producing child pornography on the website he runs in order to promote the modeling career of his 13-year-old daughter. Authorities found no explicitly erotic photos on the site, and the girl said she enthusiastically posed wearing scanty clothing because she so earnestly wants to be a fashion model. ... A Brisbane, Australia, modeling agency run by Darrell Featherstone uses his eight-year-old daughter Morgan as a fashion model after making her up and dressing her to appear to be an adult.

Below the Fold

 Robin Wilkinson, a 19-year veteran prosecutor who resigned after being charged with DUI, said her main defense would be that, at the time of the traffic stop, police did not tell her that she had the right to an attorney (Orlando, Fla., August). ... An accountant was charged with embezzling \$170,000 from his employer (a union local) and explained that he gave it all to a female assistant for three years' worth of oral sex (New York City).

No Longer Weird

- Adding to the list of stories that were formerly weird but which now occur with such frequency that they must be retired from circulation: (65) Parents who on a hot day leave their infants locked in the car (accidentally or for what they believe is only a brief period), resulting in death, as happens usually to underachieving people but which also happened in August to University of California professor Mark J. Warschauer. (66) The proliferation of Internet pages by penpal-seeking lonely-heart inmates such as Saul dos Reis Jr., who is serving time in Connecticut for a fatal sexual assault on a 13-year-old girl, and who advertised himself (on Inmate.com) as "enjoy[ing]" "being silly and funny" and who has "many qualities which make [him] unique.

Least Justifiable Homicides

- Victor Robinson was charged with murder in Miami in April after he allegedly told police he roughed up his eight-month-old son to stop him from crying so that he wouldn't grow up "to be a punk." ... In May, in Rockville, Md., a 12-year-old girl acknowledged at a hearing that she had fatally stabbed her 15-year-old brother during a dispute over whose turn it was to use the phone.

In the Past Month...

 Three teenagers with paintball guns terrorized kids on a playground until they fired into the wrong group of kids, one of whom returned fire with a real gun, wounding two paint-ballers (Pittsburgh). ... An expert on workplace violence for the Hawaii state government was allegedly roughed up by his supervisor in a policy dispute (Honolulu). ... The government of India's West Bengal state began distributing copies of the venerable Kama Sutra sex guide to teach prostitutes creative ways to give pleasure to clients without AIDS-risky penetrative sex.

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BMW 330ci, 2001, automatic, Xenon, sport and premium package, Harmon Kardon sound. Certified pre-owned by BMW, \$32,965. Vin-JU33962. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

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BMW 525ia, 2002, automatic, Xenon, sport and premium package, premium sound, super nice vehicle. Certified preowned by BMW. \$37,660. Vin-GY95819. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

SHW 525ia, 2002, premium package, Steptronic, sport wheels. Certified preowned by BMW, \$35,965, Vin-GZ98878. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

BMW 540ia, 2000, black, automatic, sport package, Navigation, CD. Certified pre-owned by BMW. \$37,965. Vin-GM69651. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

BMW 740iL, 2001, black, sport wheels, heated seats, more. Certified pre-owned by BMW. \$49,965. Vin-DP30295. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

BMW M3cic, 2003, black, sequential manual gearbox, Xenon, Harmon Kardon sound, 19" alloys. \$59,965. Vin-PK02286. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

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parties. See form on page 153.

BMW M5, 2001, black, GPS, CD stacker, incredibly fun. Certified pre-owned by BMW, \$53,665. Vin-BZ97417. Harloff BMW, 888-623-0074.

BUICK REGAL CUSTOM, 1991, 4 door 3.8 liter, V-6, automatic, áir conditioning, power steering/brakes, am/fm quad stereo cassette, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, runs great. 619-563-0779.

CADILLAC SEDAN DEVILLE, 1993, fully loaded touring sedan, new transmission tires, brakes, very clean, dependable smogged, alarm, leather, well main-tained, \$3500, 619-440-9355

CHEVY BERETTA GT, 1992, V-6, low miles, fully loaded, premium wheels, runs and drives great, must see to appreciate, owner will help finance, \$2500. 619-896-0779

CHEVY BLAZER, 1985, S-10 Tahoe, 2.8, V-6, automatic, air conditioning, good condition, runs fine, best offer. You smog. Brian, 619-582-0643.

CHEVY C-10 TRUCK, 1963, red stepside,

CHEVY CORVETTE, 1987, champagne, bronze coupe, removable top, excellent shape, new paint, new tires, 104K miles, 5-CD player, Bose, \$7600. 858-204-3732 or 858-748-6063

CHEVY CORVAIR MONZA, 1964, con vertible, restored interior, paint, top brakes, much more, 1000 miles on rebuilt engine, \$17,000 in receipts, extra parts. Best offer closest to \$8750. Serious only. Must sell. 760-436-4690, 858-344-8112.

CHEVY MONTE CARLO LS, 2000, 8850 very low miles, optional, dark green/gray interior, V-6, ABS, all power, alloys, must see, very clean, \$11,400. 858-715-8218.

CHEVY PRIZM, 2002, excellent condition, white, automatic, power steering, air conditioning, CD/stereo, brand new tires, great gas mileage, 30K miles. \$8500.619-282-0462.

CHEVY \$-10, 1995, cherry red, 72,000 miles, 2-door, 5-speed manual, CD player, in good condition. \$2500. Call 858-349-2811.

858-349-2811. **CHEVY S-10,** 1991, V6 engine, manual transmission, 114,000 miles, grey with

white canopy, great work truck or second vehicle. Runs good. \$2000. Rory, 858-748-6365.

CHEVY SUBURBAN, 1994, white, perfect condition, air conditioning, automatic Best offer. 858-456-5856 or 858-349

Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

DATSUN 280Z, 1978, 5-speed, 2 owners, all records, 228,000 miles, no accidents, drivable, needs head gasket, \$750/best. Josef, 858-467-1556; ebnebird@san.rr.

DATSUN SSSRL411. 1967 stationwagon dual carbs, new tires, battery, carpet, good paint, body, 1600 motor (blown headgasket). Own a rare classic. \$1967.619-575-7484.

DODGE NEON, 1997, white, standard transmission, air conditioning, good tires, oil changed every 3000, includes all paperwork, runs perfect, looks great, only \$3500. Michelle, 619-269-1624.

DODGE RAM 1500, 2000, 4x4, 5.9L V-8, loaded. \$17,990. Vin-145305. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

DODGE, 1980, 1/2-ton longbed, 318, automatic, \$1200. 1990 Toyota Tercel EZ liftback, 4 cylinder, 1.5 liter, 4-speed manual, 82K miles, \$1200. Trades? 619-

ADD-199U.

EAGLE VISION TSI, 1993, 3.5L V-6, low miles only 115K, CD player, leather, power everything, luxury sport, rare, priced to sell. \$2300. 760-942-2437; 760-419-4280.

FORD COURIER engine, 1982, comes in a drivable, smoggable pickup. Is \$750 too much? Make an offer! Truck is in Clairemont. 619-540-3867

FORD CROWN VICTORIA LTD, 1989 wagon, every amenity including leather, dual power seats, premium sound, original owner, beautifully repainted, excellent mechanically, only 90K miles, \$3600.760-753-1477.

FORD ESCORT WAGON, 1995, loaded ice cold air conditioning, all services done, teal green, gray interior, back to school car. Great price, \$2500. 619-549-2002.

2002. **FORD ESCORT GLX,** 1994, black, runs well, 74K miles. \$2500. 619-846-7924.

FORD EXPLORER XLT, 1999, 4x4, all power, full service, original owner, warranty, ABS, cruise, air bags, CD, alloy wheel. \$11,900. 858-535-1435.

FORD EXPLORER, 2002, automatic, air conditioning, XLS model. \$16,990. Vin-A79515. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-

FORD F-100, 1964, V-8, 292, automatic, camper shell, many new parts, new DMV, runs and looks great, appraised \$5000, sell \$2500 firm. 619-336-1812.

sett passou IIIII. 019-336-1812. FORD F-150 XLT LARIAT, 1991, white pickup, great condition, 5-speed, 130K miles, straight 6 cylinder, 4.9 liter, power windows/locks, am/fm cassette, \$3900/ best. 619-262-6557.

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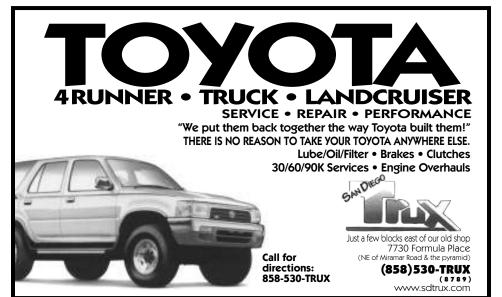












"A nose can detect aromas present in quantities of a few parts per trillion."

<u>By John Brizzolara</u>

"So what was your overwhelming impression, would you say, of America? What stands out the most?" I'll never forget asking this kid at Kennedy Airport on his way home to Chile. We were in one of the snack bars, and I was making conversation waiting for a flight to Chicago. I remember his mouth opened — that is, his jaw dropped, and his eyes searched fluorescent lighting in the middle distance for the English words. I was ready to help him out.

"Purple mountains' majesties? Amber waves of grain? California girls?" I laughed, and he tried to smile as he fluttered with the w sound as if it didn't exist in Spanish or Portuguese. "The w...w...waste!" he finally said, overcome with visions of God knows what it was he had seen.

And it was him I was thinking of as I walked into Big Lots on University Avenue one day this past summer, Thursday, before the Friday of July 4. It was a mistake. I wanted to buy a pen. I ended up buying 24 pens for \$1.99 and throwing all of them away after milking 4 or 5 for whatever ink I could before they or my patience was exhausted. The purchase ended up in a trash container on 30th Street. That kid from Chile probably hadn't walked into a Big Lots, since they didn't exist at the time; nor Costco — same thing — but maybe he had seen Price Club or an early WalMart, maybe a Smart & Final or even a Pic-n-Save, Big Lots' former incarnation.

Possibly Chris, I think that was

actually his name, from Chile, once stood before a display of Natural Sensations, as I did, with a sense of awe that can only be articulated by a halting, aborted, "W-w-w-w...what the f——?" Packaged in half-gallon milk bottles (recycled, I'd guess) is 64 fluid oz. or 1893ml of moisturizing bath crème. The green one is crisp cucumber melon, but there are other choices: purple plumeria or yellow "Soothing Honey Almond," for example. This floor display may not be enough to bathe the masses, but we can certainly bathe masses beginning right here, with enough fresh water. And there are hundreds within blocks of Big Lots in North Park who would benefit from this cornucopian offering at, I think it was, \$1.99.

On the face of it, this may appear a completely mundane observation; but as I pass a monolith of strawberry mousse Kellogg's Pop Tarts, it occurs to me how easily one of the bubble-bath products might become a dessert-like bathing experience from a flavoring chemical in the breakfast treats that might cost less than a cent. How easily this could be done, as in the case of that strawberry/kiwi shampoo and conditioner yonder, and how gargantuan an undertaking it is, considering a few things I now know about the subject. Here, in the shadow of this druidic erection of Pop Tarts aligned with the colorful and imposing display of scented bubble bath and multiple forklift pallets of fruity hair-care products, I am, in a way, at the very heart of the flowering of human endeavor that these things represent. With, say, Natural Sensations Plumeria, it might be said I hold (with both hands) the very purple majesty that is American enterprise.

Overly poetic? I think not. Hard science and crisp facts. And if I do get a little lyrical at the thought of what my countrymen can do to meet the breakfast and personal-grooming needs of the world for mere pennies, the kind of luxuries only Byzantine emperors could once afford, well, then, I guess I am just another fine American like you who gives a hoot.

I've been reading Fast Food Nation by Eric Schlosser. The mind reels after a few pages of this. "A nose can detect aromas present in quantities of a few parts per trillion — an amount equivalent to 0.000000000003 percent. Complex aromas like those of coffee or roasted meat may be composed of volatile gases from nearly a thousand different chemicals. The smell of a strawberry arises from the interaction of at least 350 different chemicals that are present in minute amounts. The chemical that provides the dominant flavor of bell pepper can be tasted in amounts as low as .02 parts per billion; one drop is sufficient to add flavor to five average swimming pools.'

We may have abandoned the interplanetary space program, but have we been idle? No. Among other things, like developing the Mother of All Bombs, we have been wrestling the wily strawberry to the mat, and it has finally given



Where breakfast and personal-grooming needs of the world are met for mere pennies

up its secrets. The next time you order a strawberry shake at Burger King or toast a strawberry mousse Pop Tart or wash your hair with Wild Mountain Strawberry Spring, know that you are getting far more than meets the eye. Raise that soft drink or afternoon snack, or pause between lather-rinse-repeat for a moment. Think of the men and women in lab coats around this country who have lifted the veil on nature's little mystery with a test tube and a wink. What God likes to call, I suppose, The Strawberry, science now knows is, according to Schlosser, little more than the effect on the human tongue and nose as...

"[A]myl acetate, amyl butyrate, amyl valerate, anethol, anisyl formate, benzyl acetate, benzyl isobutyrate, butric acid, cinnamyl isobutyrate, cinnamyl valerate, cognac essential oil, diacetyl, dipropyl ketone, ethyl acetate, ethyl amylketone, ethyl butyrate, ethyl cimmimate, ethyl heptonoate...hydroxyphenyl-2-butanone (10% solution in alcohol)...maltol, 4-methylacetoophenone...." And a whole lot of other stuff. But the point is, we know the formula exactly, and we can make tons of it.

No longer do we have to play our tongue over a fresh-bitten strawberry, inhale the almost invisible mist that is released in a small burst at the first rending of the fleshy fruit, then describe the sensation to ourselves like some cowardly Frenchmen willing to write off the whole strawberry experience with an ignorant sneer as "Oh, I don't know. It has a certain, je ne sais quoi."

FORD F-250, 1986, 460, clean, low mileage, bedliner, excellent condition, includes tow package, camper shell, \$2850. 619-561-5619.

FORD FOCUS ZX3, 2001, automatic, CD player, alloys. \$8990. Vin-154881. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

FORD FOCUS LX, 2002, 4-door, automatic, air conditioning. \$9990. Vin-134667. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

FORD GRANADA, 1978, 4 door, auto-

FORD MUSTANG, 1996, convertible, beautiful, black with tan top, 57K miles, 1 owner, great condition, 5-speed, V-6, CD player, new tires, \$7500. 619-249-8979.

FORD MUSTANG, 1994, V6, 3.8, great mileage, immaculate interior, new Goodyear tires, just passed smog, runs great, gotta see it to believe. \$4000. 858-273-3979, 858-717-3979.

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FORD MUSTANG, 2001, white, V6, \$9980, automatic, alarm security system, CD/cassette, radio, power windows/locks, new brakes, excellent condition! 41,000 miles. 619-465-2468; 619-335-3292; ayajellybeans@hotmail.com

FORD MUSTANG, 1997, low miles, 6 cylinder, automatic, air conditioning. \$7990. Vin-205453. Fuller Ford/Honda,

FORD MUSTANG GT, 2001, leather, V-8, convertible. \$19,990. Vin-165455. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

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FORD RANGER XLT, 2001, super cab with side step body style, 46,000 miles, asking \$11,600 due to minor body damage. Still drivable. Motivated seller. 619-86.3440.

209-3440.

FORD RANGER XLT, 1985, 4x4 longbed.

Camper shell, bedliner, OVH wheels, tires, suspension. 81,000 miles. Stereo, air, images available. \$3250/best. John or Mike, 858-573-8911.

FORD TAURUS, 1994, good running car, needs work. Clean, brakes/tires good, everything works. Second owner, 151K miles. All receipts, current tags. \$1800.

619-258-5854.

FORD TAURUS, 1999, power windows, tilt, am/fm radio. \$6990. Vin-182888. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

FORD VAN, 1994, conversion, captain chairs, seats 7, 68K miles, dual air conditioning, silver, trailer hitch, \$5750/best. Cheaper than an SUV. 619-741-7637.

GEO METRO, 1993, runs good, great condition, 2-door, 5-speed, 104K miles, cruise, am/fm CD, moving, must sell. \$1100/best. Leave message, 619-224-

GEO PRIZM, 1993, a Corolla in GM clothing! Blue, 4 door, automatic, 96K miles air conditioning, am/fm cassette, ai bags, extra clean, \$2500. 858-677-0464.

great condition, low gas milage. Must sell by 9/4. \$2250/best. 619-920-5617.

HONDA ACCORD EX, 1995, 4 door, automatic, moonroof, power windows, 124K miles, dark green, excellent condition, \$6000/best. 858-736-6482.

HONDA ACCORD LX, 1998, automatic, 4 door, 72K miles, all power, CD cassette/ radio, new tires, excellent condition, \$8700. 858-492-9090.

HONDA CIVIC EX, 1995, automatic, power door locks, alarm, keyless, CD, shiny red exterior and cloth gray interior. Clean title. Runs great. \$6500/best. 858-945-6060.

HONDA CIVIC, 1998, 62K miles, white, 5-speed, 10-disc CD, tint, alarm, keyless entry, warranty until 12/05, excellent, like new, \$7800. 619-808-2988

HONDA CIVIC EX, green exterior, gray interior, CD, power moonroof, windows, mirrors, keyless entry, great condition, original owner, nonsmoker. 50,000 miles. \$11,200. 760-510-8433.

HONDA CIVIC LX, 1991, 129K miles, runs great, needs minor work and paint job. \$1400/best. 619-788-3010.

mileage, manual, 4-door, CD, leather tan with brown interior, great buy for getting around town! \$1050/best. 619-944-8187.

HONDA CIVIC HATCHBACK, 1987, excellent condition exterior and interior. Champagne with brown interior. New brakes, tires, tune-up, smogged, clean title.

\$1500 firm. 858-699-8838; fabiofernao@

yahoo.com.

HONDA CIVIC EX, 1997, excellent condi-tion. Automatic, black with gray interior, air conditioning, power sunroof/doors/ lock, keyless entry, very low mileage. Only \$89991 619-920-7851.

HONDA CIVIC LX, 1994, gray, 4-door, manual, CD changer, air conditioning, power everything, one owner, good condition, 127K. \$3500. 858-259-5491.

dition, 127k. \$3500. 858-259-5491.

HONDA CIVIC, 1995, sedan, manual, dark blue, 6 speaker CD, 87K miles, air conditioning, new paint job. 619-688-2624; e-mail, mustaphap@yahoo.com.

HONDA CIVIC LX, 1998, automatic, cruise, air conditioning, cruise and more. \$7990. Vin-036524. Fuller Ford/Honda, 619-656-5500

HONDA CRV EX, 2000, 32K miles, excellent condition, very clean. 760-390-3154. HONDAS FROM \$500. Police impounds and tax repos. Cars, trucks, SUVs. Many and tax repos. Cars, trucks, SUVs. Many makes and models! For listings, call 800-

319-3323 x2180.

ISUZU RODEO, 2001, 4 wheel drive, 6 compbell/96@hotmail.com.

ISUZU RODEO LS, 2001, 4x4, like new. \$14,990. Vin-346833. Fuller Ford/Honda,

JAGUAR XJS, 1985, 305 Chevy engine, runs excellently, gray color, no dents, all

receipts, custom trim, \$4500. Everything works. 619-448-9399.

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JEEP CHEROKEE, 1990, 4x4, great running car, power steering, windows and doors. 160K miles. \$2100. 619-398-5984

JEEP CHEROKEE CLASSIC SPORT, 1998, 4D, great! Very good condition 94KL miles, power seat, cruise control ABS (4 wheels), dual front air bags \$7500. 858-513-1689.

\$7500. 858-513-1009.

JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE Limited, automatic, leather, Infinity am/fm, Cas-sette, CD, all power options, 86K miles. Excellent condition. \$9200/best. 858-577-0308, 858-537-0275.

JEEP WRANGLER, 1995, 4x4. Only 80K miles. Black with grey interior, 31* tires with American Racing rims. Body/paint in great shape, mechanically sound. New bikini top. Original owner. Priced \$350 below Blue Book, asking \$5150/best. Milke, 760-479-0664.

JEEP WRANGLER SPORT, 2002, 4x4, 6 cylinder, automatic, air, CD, alarm, 100K miles, bumper/bumper warranty, 17K miles. \$18K. Great condition. 619-675-5977.

KIA SEDONA EX, 2002, quad seats, rear air conditioning, only 6000 miles.

\$16,990. Vin-261334. Ford/Honda, 619-656-2500.

LAND ROVER DISCOVERY Series II, 2000, 4x4, blue, garaged, flawless, V-8, air, power everything, new tires, tow package, CD, 51K highway miles. Must sell. 858-536-9489.

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LEXUS IS300, 2002, sport cross gorgeous! Black leather, 4-door hatchback, excellent, super loaded including navigation system, new tires, 22K miles. \$26,995/best. 619-251-8990.

LINCOLN CONTINENTAL, 1990, Signature Edition, V6, Just passed smog, runs great, paint and interior in awesome condition, marcon leather interior. \$1500. Call Matt, 858-273-3979, 858-71-3479

owner, loaded, leather, clean, excellent condition, always garaged, all records furnished, must see, \$5600/best. 858-679-1846.

679-1846. MAZDA MPV, 1990, burgundy with tan, 2/4-wheel drive, automatic, dual air conditioning, power everything, seats 7, factory tinted glass, 150K miles, tuned, smogged, \$1950/best. 858-205-3182

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00K miles, air conditioning, am/fm ean, \$3400/best. Leave message 8-456-6139.

MERCEDES BENZ 560SEC, 1988, 2 door, 134K miles, dark gray, leather interior, good condition, sunroof, automatic. \$4700. See in La Jolla. Call, 858-

MERCEDES-BENZ 240D, 1976, hit on side, driveable, 140K original miles, lots of great parts, perfect interior (white), \$200. 760-451-0945.

MERCEDES-BENZ 450SLC, 1976, red, sport, air conditioning, fully automatic, V-8, good mileage, \$7900. Josef, leave message, will call you back if serious only, 760-731-7454.

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MERCEDES-BENZ 300 TD wagon, 1987, blue on blue, good condition inside and out. \$6900/best. Mike, 858-573-8911.

MERCEDES-BENZ 190E, 1989, 2.6, 6 cylinder. In great condition. Just smogged, 155K miles, Lo-Jack alarm, premium wheels. Must sell, asking \$3000. 619-303-0570 or vauxj@hotmail.

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MERCEDES-BENZ 190E, 1988, automidnight blue, all matic, 170K miles, midnight blue, al power, cruise, sliding sunroof, CD/radio, new parts, runs great. \$2500

andreas_p_e@yahoo.com; answering

MERCEDES-BENZ ML320, 1998, black, deluxe 4x4, 1 owner, moon roof, tow, Bose/6CD, leather, 72K miles. Job transfer to Asia. \$17,500/best. 619-544-

MERCEDES-BENZ, white sedan, smoo

MERCURY TRACER, 1989, 4-door hatchback, good condition, 118K miles, new tires, brakes, struts, timing belt. \$1000/best. 619-990-4486.

MITSUBISHI GALANT S, 1996, white, 56K miles, new transmission, CD player, am/fm stereo, air conditioning. Good condition. \$4000/best. Contact MITSUBISHI MIRAGE, 1999, great commuter car. \$5000. Call Corrine.

MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE GS. 1997 95,500 miles, red/gray, don't wait, must sell, very sharp! Has everything except leather interior. \$7000 will negotiate. 619-825-5889; letsmakeadeal@cox.net.

MOTOR HOME, 1990 Tioga Arrow, Class C, 21.5', Chevy V-8 454, good overall condition, rebuilt transmission 6/03 with warranty, new tires, generator tune up 7/03, \$10,500. dougail@cox.net, 619-222-2566.

MOTOR HOME, 1977 Toyota Dolphin, 18', fully self-contained, completely rebuilt engine, new clutch, brakes, tires, runs like new, \$2350. 619-543-8958.

NISSAN 240SX, 1989, great condition, automatic transmission, air cond ing, sunroof, CD player, power dows/locks, smogged, alarm sys gold/brown, \$2100. 858-573-9822.

NISSAN 240SX, 1989, coupe, bur-gundy, power windows, locks, sunroof. gundy, power windows, locks, sunroot, 5-speed, CD, 176K miles, clean in/out, \$2000/best. Must sell. 619-741-6699;

NISSAN 300ZX 2+2, 1989, good condition, T-top, gold, air conditioning, new automatic transmission, complete major tune up, 186K miles, \$2999. Days, 760-471-2303 or evenings/weekends, 858-484-3061.

NISSAN ALTIMA, 1994, alarm, 4 doors, well taken care of, 118K miles. \$4000.

NISSAN INFINITI M30. 1992. convert bible, 2 door, automatic, white, excellent condition, power windows/door locks, leather, cruise control, air conditioning, new tires. \$6500/best. 619-251-5626.

miles, V6 engine, manual transmission, power everything, moonroof, no dents, smogged and registered. \$2000. Days, 858-651-6187; evenings, 858-622-

NISSAN MAXIMA GLE, 1996, automatic, leather, Bose am/fm, cassette, CD. Well maintained, all options, 99K miles. Excellent condition. \$7650/best. 858-577-0308, 858-837-0275.

leather package, ráck, 7 passengér seating, 127K miles, was \$29,101, now only \$7900. 619-267-3096.

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NISSAN SENTRA, 1990, automatic, 4 door. Front end damage, good for parting out, complete engine and transmis-

sion. \$250. 619-472-0226; 619-840-

or fax for private

parties. See form on page 153.

NISSAN SENTRA, 1994, \$2500. 858-

SATURN SL1, 1992, runs great, white, great commuter car, 119K miles,

SUBARU IMPREZA WRX, 2002, silver, fast, will not last. Stock-2838A. Metro

freeway miles, V-6, 2-whéel drive, silver/gray, fully equipped, new tires, extra clean, excellent condition, \$13,800. After 5pm or weekends, 858-277-0951.

TOYOTA COROLLA SR5, 1981, liftback 159K miles, well maintained, origina owner, 5-speed manual, am/fm cas sette, cruise control, power steering/ brakes, smog certified, \$950. 760-788-

9876.

TOYOTA COROLLA, 1987, Chevy Nova, hatchback, automatic, 129K original miles, good condition, \$1100. Mark, Pacific Beach area, days, 619-827-0747 or evenings, 619-920-4523.

TOYOTA COROLLA, 1989, blue, 98K miles, excellent condition, \$3700. 858-

748-0825 or 619-459-0881.

PLYMOUTH ACCLAIM, 1990, 4 cylinder, automatic, air conditioning, very clean, 95K actual miles, 2004 tags, runs, needs mechanic and rear window, as is, \$895/best. 619-588-2280.

as is, 9090/Dest. 6 19-908-220U.

PLYMOUTH SUNDANCE, 1993, 4-door hatchback. Automatic, air conditioning, tilt, power steering, 2.5 liter Ford cylinder. Silver with cloth interior. 62,300 miles. Treated like a baby—runs great. \$3450. 619-890-9600.

tan leather, 94,000 miles, excellent condition, loaded, \$10,000/best. 858-273-3922; cell, 619-507-9932.

SUBARU LEGACY LS. 1996, 86K miles sedan, automatic, all wheel drive moonroof, new tires, excellent condi-tion \$6000/hest 858-454-5463

TOYOTA 4RUNNER SR5, 2000, 76K

Arter spm or weekends, 858-277-0951. TOYOTA CELICA-ST, 1992, 5-speed, black, air bag, sliding sunroof, power steering, tilt wheel, stereo, CD, 132K miles. \$2900/best. Luigi, night, 858-483-6535; day, 858-822-2141.

TOYOTA CELICA GT, 1988, convertible, black, 30K on new engine, new top/tires, etc. CD, power windows, air, cruise. Perfect for beach. \$3500/best.

TOYOTA COROLLA FX, 1987, white,

great, good condition, needs smog, 119K miles, \$1500/best. Gary, 619-283-9521 or 619-435-1802.

TOYOTA COROLLA DX, 1991, smogged, 150K miles, power steering, air conditioning, stereo. New tires and clutch. Very reliable mechanic. Runs great. \$1700/best. 858-274-7179.

great. \$1/00/pest. 858-2/A-/1/9.

TOYOTA COROLLA, 1979, very reliable, runs great but it's not very attractive. Registered until 5/2004. Passed smog April. Only \$500. Good, inexpensive transportation. 619-640-4461.

TOYOTA CRESSIDA. 1981. 4-door, power steering, automatic transmission 2.8 liter, 6-cylinder engine. Michelir tires. Recent work. 128,000 miles \$1200/best. 858-273-5175.

TOYOTA PASEO, 1992, gold, 4 cylinder 2-door coupe, automatic, air condition ways garaged, excellent condition, \$3200. 619-287-1397 or 619-427-3131.

TOYOTA PICKUP, 1985, automatic, longled, air, power brake, steering, straight body, register 4/04, need tuneup or might be valve adjustment. \$1100/best. 858-573-9873; cell, 858-

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Certain phrases drive me crazy. Every day, one or more of my children ask me, "What's for dinner?" Simple question. It could be 10:00 a.m. It could be 4:00 in the afternoon. "What's for dinner?"

My stomach tightens. A slow burn starts low in my belly. There is no right answer to this question. No matter what I plan to fix for dinner, someone will be disappointed. Last Thursday morning, my second daughter, Angela, asked me, "What's for dinner?"

"Why are you asking?" I said. "We haven't even had lunch yet."

"I'm just curious," she answered.

"Spaghetti and meatballs," I told her.

"Yay," Angela said as she raised both hands in the air. She ran from the kitchen into the living room. "Lucy, we're

having spaghetti and meatballs for dinner tonight.

"Yay," Lucy echoed Angela.

"What are we having for dinner?" Rebecca called from upstairs in her room.

"Spaghetti and meatballs," Angela hollered back.

"I hate spaghetti and meatballs," Rebecca complained, walking out of her room and down the stairs. "Mo-o-o-m," she whined, "do we have to have spaghetti and meatballs? It makes me throw up.

"It doesn't make you throw up," I told Rebecca.

"It did once."

"About three years ago. And you didn't throw up because you had spaghetti and meatballs. You had the stomach flu and just happened to eat spaghetti and meatballs when you got sick."

"But I still hate it."

'You can always have Cheerios." The rule in our house is if you don't eat what I prepare for dinner, you can have Cheerios. Cheerios are a relatively healthy food. You eat them with milk. Johnny, who is a particularly picky eater, eats Cheerios for dinner about five nights a week.

"Can I have Honey Nut Cheerios?" Rebecca asked.

> "No. Just plain Cheerios with milk." "I won't have dinner," Rebecca said. "Okay."

Even Jack gets in on the daily dinner debate. My husband Jack has truly terrible eating habits. By all rights, he should weigh about 400 pounds. Jack eats donuts, chips, ice cream, candy bars, machaca burritos. He eats late at night. Jack has been known to go

out at 10:00 after all the kids are in bed, bring home a medium Pizza Hut thin-crust pizza with pepperoni, bacon, and onion, and eat the whole thing by himself. And guzzle down a Big Gulp of Coke. Then go to bed. In the 11 years we've been married, Jack has gained 20 pounds. He complains about being fat. He doesn't look fat to anyone but himself.

Almost every day, Jack calls me between three and four in the afternoon. Sometimes he's still at work. Sometimes he calls from his car. Last Thursday he called at 3:45. I could hear the roar of the highway in the background. "How's it going?" Jack asked.
"Okay," I answered. "Benjamin," I

hollered at my two-year-old. "Get down off the hutch."

"What's he doing?" Jack asked. "Trying to get the CDs I put on top of the hutch to keep away from him."

Ben loves music. He likes to play CDs on our stereo. He ruins virtually every CD he gets his hands on by scratching it or tossing it across the room when he's done listening. "I just wanna listen to two more country CDs," Ben said.

"Not right now. I'm talking to Daddy." 'NO. DON'T TALK TO DADDY."

"What's for dinner?" Jack asked.

"Benjamin, go sit on the step. You may not talk to me that way.

"DON'T WANNA SIT ON THE STEP."

"Just a minute, Sweetie," I told Jack. I picked Ben up and carried him over to the step that leads from our foyer into the living room. "Sit right here until I say you can get up.'

Ben crossed his arms, stuck out his bot-

tom lip, and glared at me like an angry gorilla.

"What's for dinner?" Jack asked again.

"Have you eaten today?" I asked Jack.

"No. I mean, I had a donut on the way in. But that was at 6:30. I haven't eaten anything since."

"How can you work all day without eating?" This is a conversation Jack and I have had many times.

"I don't know. I just get in the zone, and I keep thinking I'll stop and get something to eat. Then the phone rings or I move on to something else, and pretty soon, it's time to

"We're having spaghetti and meatballs." Silence on Jack's end. I knew what Jack was thinking. He was trying to decide if he should stop somewhere on the way home and get something to eat. Say, ten McDonald's chicken nuggets and a large Coke. Or some popcorn chicken at KFC.

"Sorry it's not pizza. Or shrimp Newburg in puff-pastry shells."

"That's okay," Jack said. "Is there garlic bread?"

"I can make garlic bread if you want some.

"Okav."

"Are you going to stop and get something?'

"No. I should be home in about 45 minutes.'

Thursday night for dinner, Jack, Angela, Lucy, and Ben ate spaghetti and meatballs and garlic bread. I ate just meatballs. Rebecca settled for spaghetti with butter and salt. Johnny ate Cheerios.

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