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Deep Roots

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LONG BEFORE CHEETAHS

The narrow streets and sidewalks of Trinidad, Colorado, are paved with thousands and thousands of old red bricks, each stamped with the name of the town. In the hot afternoon sun of mid-September, they take on a near-golden hue, making the town look, from afar, more tidy and prosperous than it is. On closer inspection, many of the Victorian houses in the hills above Main Street are empty, dilapidated, or overgrown with weeds, and the downtown is deathly quiet, many of its fine, old commercial buildings vacant or occupied by seedy bars.

In recent years, Trinidad's most famous resident has been Dr. Stanley Biber, a pioneer in sex-change surgery, who for decades conducted a bustling practice in the operating rooms of the local hospital. Today Biber is said to be on the verge of retiring, but his understudy carries on, and her pre-op clients, all male, can be seen strolling in drag along the streets of downtown and browsing the stacks of the town's Carnegie Library.

Because there wasn't much to do in Trinidad, a few years ago a casino was proposed, but state voters shot it down. They were afraid of the organized crime it might encourage. Though Trinidad looks harmless enough, its dusty hills hold many secrets that cast far shadows. Some reach all the way to San Diego and its titty-bar bribery scandal.

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LETTERS

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I Take Issue

I have just read your current article about SureBeam Corporation by reporter Don Bauder ("SureBeam's Numbers Spook Investors," "City Lights," September 18). I also have just spoken with the reporter, since I take issue with his attributing to me a comment that I did not make. Specifically, Mr. Bauder attributes to me "Next year will be better, promises Stephenson," as it relates to SureBeam's business. While it is not a direct quote, it *is* an attribution. Mr. Bauder did check his notes and confirms that I did not say this. In fact, the only issue that came close to this topic during the course of the interview was my reaffirmation that the company expects to be cash-flow even sometime in the first half of next year. "Expects" and "promises" do not have the same meaning. Nor does the context in which the question was asked and how it was placed in this paragraph and in this story. Rather, Mr. Bauder takes license (otherwise known as "spin") with this in order to be able to add weight to his allegation that the company has been engaging in "spin." Hypocrisy by the fourth estate is the worst kind of journalism.

Mark Stephenson SureBeam Corporation

Don Bauder replies: On the contrary, after checking my notes, I told Stephenson in our conversation that if Sure-Beam broke even on a cashflow basis next year, that would represent a considerable improvement. He couldn't argue the point.

Unpublished Moon

I've been enjoying your weekly installments of John Brizzolara's *Thunder Moon* novel (having grown up surfing in all the Baja locations he writes about). Would you please let me know if this particular book has already been published and/or where I may purchase a copy in San Diego? Thanks so much. Keep up the good work. Mark Phannon Rolando

Thunder Moon *has not* been published. — Editor

City Loves Smog Parks

I read with interest your article "You Can't Protect Children From Everything" in your September 18 issue ("City Lights"). It tells of our city's plan to build a skate park near Highway 56 and former chair of the Peñasquitos Recreation Council Fred Mangarelli's concerns over the effect of air pollution on children's lungs. Well, hurrah for Fred Mangarelli and hurrah for his wife for casting the lone (24 to 1) dissenting vote against the skate park by the freeway.

I see so many parallels between this case and the construction of Capehart Dog Park on very busy Soledad Mountain Road in Pacific Beach. I, too, did research on air pollution, heavy traffic, and children's lungs when this dog park was in its planning stages over three years ago. Here are some comments from my notes, letters to editors, and e-mails to our mayor and council:

"Air pollution aggravates heart and lung illnesses, adds stress to cardiovascular system, reduces lungs' ability to exhale air (loss of lung capacity), damages lungs even after symptoms of minor irritation disappear.... Auto fuel has become more polluting. As lead is phased out, gasoline refineries changed formulas to make up for octane loss. Made gas more likely to release smog-forming vapors into the air.... Over the past two decades, the number of cars increased by over 50 percent — vehicle miles more than doubled.... Asthma rates in the U.S. increased by over 100 percent in past 30 years. Childhood asthma increasing...great deal of evidence that air pollution, especially ozone and particulates, increase likelihood of attacks

"Children are most likely to develop chronic lung disease when exposed to air pollution. Children's lungs have *continued on page 68*

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Recruiting stations Some well-established faces are set to speak at a "Leadership Conference" critiquing the media and its coverage of the war in Iraq, to be held for the edification of county high school students next month at Qualcomm Stadium.



СІТҮ

Bankrolled by the Union-Tribune, which staunchly backed the hostilities, and La Jolla's Audrey "Dr. Seuss" Geisel, the event is supposed to explore such topics as "Whether it's okay for the military and

Audrey Geisel the government to restrict the flow of infor-

mation because of national security," and "Should the media report everything they see and hear?" Judging from the panel, students looking for anything other than a progovernment spin probably should play hooky that day. Participants include none other than Marine Corps colonel Dave Brown, FBI agent Jan Caldwell, and U.S. Magistrate Leo Papas. On the media side of the ledger are U-T Metro Editor Ellen Bevier, KFMB reporter Robert Santos, and L.A. Times San Diego chief Tony Perry, who himself was embedded in a Marine unit as it closed in on Baghdad. (He's often filed stories favorable to Pentagon brass.) On the other hand, students will learn all about the evil ways of the Eastern media, a regular theme of the right. "At a major national newspaper, how much credibility is lost when a reporter makes up facts and misleads readers about important stories like the sniper killings near Washington, D.C., and the rescue of a POW? What if that reporter has a history of making mistakes, but is on the fast track to higher assignments at the paper?" Clever students will probably deduce that the topic is the infamous Jason



Blair affair at the New York Times. And who is set to vet those serious journalistic transgressions of the Times? How about U-T editor Karin Winner, whose professional résumé before getting her current gig in-Karin Winner cludes editing the "Cur-

rents" section at the U-T and serving as West Coast editor of Women's Wear Daily. Joining Winner are such local broadcast heavies as KNSD-TV news director Greg Dawson and Phil Farrar, reporter for right-of-center KOGO radio (owned by Texas-based Clear Channel and home of fallen San Diego mayor **Roger Hedgecock**). Kent Davy, editor of the North County Times brings up the rear. Featured lunch speaker is KNSD anchor Marty Levin, whose gushing interview with NBC anchor Tom Brokaw in the months leading up to the war featured a raft of video clips that looked as if they came from the North Island public relations department ... Those in attendance at this past

weekend's Cruz Bustamante dinner held by local Democrats say that the biggest introductory applause went to indicted city councilman Michael Zucchet ... The 49ers-Chargers game cost taxpayers \$1,378,491. But that didn't stop Chargers fan and deputy city manager **Bruce Herring** from calling it a \$149,000 hypothetical "savings."

Gambling man Next big controversy for National City is said to involve details of that pact with the Sycuan tribe to build a 170-



room, nongambling resort hotel downtown. During the city council's vote in favor of the project in August, Councilman Louie Natividad, elected a year ago, "stated that he abstained due to his previous and potential future involvement

Louie Natividad with Sycuan," according

to minutes of the meeting. Natividad is on the staff of San Diego city councilman Charles Lewis, and in June was called to testify before the federal grand jury that in August indicted his boss for allegedly taking bribes from Cheetahs strip-club owner Mike **Galardi**. Adding to the intrigue, the mayor of National City is Nick Inzunza, brother of San Diego city councilman Ralph Inzunza, also indicted in the case. Natividad did not reveal the nature of his connection to Sycuan ... Who is the mysterious Charles Tappe, indicted by the feds for allegedly dealing in machine guns with John D'Intino, the ex-Cheetahs manager who has copped a plea relating to the government's bribery case against the three San Diego city councilmen? A licensed California private eye, Tappe has, over the years, filed a number of fictitious businessname statements, including those for the "California Criminal Fraud Task Force" and "Intercepot Engineering." State records show he

first got his P.I. license in August 1986, and it's set to expire in November. A related firearm permit

expired in 1999 ... Democratic congressman Bob Filner, left on the back benches by the GOP's takeover of Bob Filner Congress, has been pop-

ping up on cable news networks. On a recent CNN Crossfire, with Tucker Carlson — son of onetime San Diego mayoral candidate **Dick Carlson**, who lost to Roger Hedgecock — co-host Robert Novak called Filner the biggest liberal in Congress.

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City Pension Funds in Red

By Don Bauder

rop dead. That's what City of San Diego employees, their retirement board and the mayor and city council — are saying

to taxpayers, as well as to current retired city workers. DROP is an acronym for Deferred Retirement Option

unions, and the retirement board have reached agreement with the city council to allow a huge deficit in retirement plan funding.



of double-dipping that city employees near retirement have been getting for the past six years. To be awarded DROP and other wretched excesses, the employees, their

be forced to drop their drawers and get stuck in the end with the bill. The city may well have to go bankrupt or sell its public

Inevitably, taxpayers will

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land, warns Diann Shipione, a member of the board of administration of the San Diego City Employees' Retirement System. Many others who have studied the frightening retirement-fund deficits agree.

What very few San Diegans realize is that these egregious retirement benefits are based on a big lie: that city workers have low salaries and thus deserve generous retirement packages. In fact, their salaries are far higher than private-sector salaries. According to the San Diego Association of Governments, the average salary (not including fringes) for all San Diegans in 2001 was \$36,240. The average for all local government workers was \$38,997.

But according to the retirement system's own actuary, in mid-2002 the average salary for active City of San Diego employees — all eligible for cushy retirements ---was a fat \$51,413. Shipione points out that according to the system actuary, the number of employees has risen by 16 percent since 1992, while the total dollar payroll has zoomed to 71 percent.

On top of such bountiful pay, these employees get the job security that civil service continued on page 4

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Killer Speed

By Joe Deegan

n a recent Friday night at 11:00 p.m., a lone policeman sits in his patrol car watching from 50 yards away a group of

souped-up cars in the Target parking lot on Balboa Avenue. "It looks like they're gathering," says Johnnie, as we sit across the street in a nondescript station wagon, a vehicle calculated to attract the attention of neither the cars' young drivers nor the police.

Johnnie, 29, has been fascinated with drag racing since he participated several times in illegal street events in the early 1990s. Today he might still go out looking for a street race to watch late at night, though even watching one is now outlawed. On this evening he is acting as my guide to an activity that is dangerous yet compelling to a variety of San Diego residents.

Due to stepped-up police pressure and legally sanctioned racing at Qualcomm Stadium and the Carlsbad Raceway, fewer drivers race on the streets these days. But on any given evening, says Johnnie, races can materialize in several areas of town. They start when people cruising major boulevards in "hot" cars recognize other powerful cars. When a signal turns green, two drivers may squeal away from an intersection in a race for a 100- or 200-yard race down the

street. Noticeable concentrations of potential racers in an area are likely to prompt them to gather in a parking lot. Then, if the risk of police attention seems small, they may suggest a secluded street to each other through open car windows or on cell phones to drivers still out on the boulevard or others who want to watch. Only the most trustworthy get the invitation.

After our stakeout on Balboa, Johnnie takes me on a tour of the more popular boulevards. We go first to Sorrento Valley Road, where a lowriding Civic is racing its engine at the first intersection off the 805. Farther east the driver of a turbocharged Subaru WRX pulls alongside a Corvette and glares through its passenger-side window at a rival. Nearer I-15, after we drop down Camino Santa Fe to Mira Mesa Boulevard, a driver seems to be chasing another as they easily pass us on the left. Everywhere Johnnie sees signs of gathering, but on this evening we will not find the elusive street race where small crowds watch and speeds surpass 100 miles per hour.

In the "good ol' days," says Johnnie, 200 people might have turned out to watch

races at the most famous of all drag-racing sites in San Diego, the straight stretch of Kearny Villa Road south of Miramar Road. The quiet emptiness of the street tonight allows Johnnie to tell me some of its legendary events. One story claims a race started in darkness trapped a commuter, heading to work at daybreak, for 20 minutes in a line of cars waiting to race. The only way the driver could escape was to move along slowly with the racers until a ringleader in the middle of the road paired him with an opponent and brought down the



Earl Williams



starting flag.

Our tour ends on a lonely section of Camino Santa Fe north of Miramar Road, where one of Johnnie's friends witnessed a race that killed an innocent motorist on November 27 last year. The recent surge in drag-racing crashes, causing 16 fatalities and 31 injuries since the start of 2002, makes the memory of that evening "sit heavy on my mind every time," he says.

Despite the release in June of the movie 2 Fast 2 Furious, which glamorizes street racing, few aficionados admit to racing on city streets anymore. Most say that police pressure and legal sanctions make it too risky. A young man outside Pann Auto Performance on Ronson Road in Kearny Mesa, the most successful performance car shop in San Diego, says that he stopped "fooling around" with it after the death of a friend in a street race three years ago. "I had just gotten out of football practice at school," he says, "and I called to see if he wanted to catch a movie. He said no, and that's the last time I ever talked to him."

But a younger high school boy, his jeans slung so low they seem to be falling from his hips, confesses that he "drags" when he can. He knows about the risk of crashing but claims that in his own races so far, six or seven of them, he hasn't come close to a wreck. He loves the thrill of speed and what winning a race brings. "At school you're nobody," he says. "But when you beat a fast car on the street, word gets out. You get a lot of respect from that," he says.

David Vo is the manager and Brent Mastrocinque a sales representative at Pann Auto. They are fans of the legal venues for drag racing at Qualcomm Stadium and Carlsbad Raceway, where they encourage customers who have the interest to race. And they support police action against street racing. But Vo says, "Kids who go to Qualcomm sometimes get harassed by police after they drive away from the stadium." He resents the unprovoked pressure. Mastrocinque cites an incident in which police pulled his souped-up car over as he was leaving a gas station, only because there happened to be some drag racing going on in the area. He admits, though, that "a lot of the guys who go to Qualcomm probably race on the streets too."

Some performance-car enthusiasts find the legal racOGRAPHS BY JOE KLEIN

ing venues too controlling, according to Earl Williams, 30, who has a ten-year-old passion for drag racing. So they go back to the streets. "A lot of times it's the younger crowd," he says. "They don't like the rules at Qualcomm. And their cars probably won't perform as well, meaning they won't look as impressive on the track as they would on the street. At the track, you have to concentrate on the starting line and on your launch. They check to see if your car is legal and safe, and they time the races. Some guys don't want to be seen as slow. One guy I know thought it was too controlled and started doing the streets again. Now, that same person, his car is gone. He wrecked it."

Williams drives a 2002 Dodge Stealth that he constantly modifies. He is leery of street-race risks and notes the more official version of drag racing at legal venues better prepares him to go professional someday. In 💆 what is only a hobby so far, [®] he has learned to care properly for his car and to drive faster, taking a full second off his times at Qualcomm. He thinks that 80 percent of winning is due to the skill of $\frac{1}{2}$ the driver.

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The tit-for-tat council/employee relationship - some call it a conspiracy — got rolling in 1996, when city management was trying to figure how to fund the Republican convention, as well as future sports facilities for

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sion-fund contribution, and also to divert money to such plans as DROP, which was first adopted on a so-called temporary basis in 1997 and was made permanent last year, retroactive to 2000.

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90 percent of their highest one-year salary, is also plunked into their personal kitty. Then, that kitty grows by 8 percent compounded yearly and is adjusted for cost of living. In effect, employees' pay is almost doubled in their final five years.

Ergo, they eventually retire with not only a monthly stipend, but also a tidy lump sum. By contrast, if you are lucky enough to get any retirement pay at all, you will probably have to choose between a lump sum and a monthly check.

Shipione figures that the average employee in today's DROP program will walk out with \$50,000 annual retirement pay and a \$300,000 lump-sum payment. A senior city attorney will get \$162,816 a year, plus a DROP account of \$996,933. In addition, the employees may

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get a 401(k) program, supplemental savings, and full retirement health-insurance benefits for life. (Retirement board officials say Shipione's estimates are very high, but after studying their rationale, I concluded they were mis-

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Robert Blum, a lawyer who has been fiduciary counsel for the San Diego pension system, said at a seminar last year that some municipal workers around the country are afraid of DROP programs because "They think that the perception is that it looks like double-dipping: you're both getting your retirement benefit and you're getting your salary. And they're saying, 'Whoa, there's just so far we can go, and if we go too far, we're going to kill the goose [with the golden eggs]." San Diego's plan is "a highly enhanced DROP benefit," Blum said - charitably.

When the City first toyed with DROP, it claimed and you've heard similar bunkum with purportedly self-financing sports stadiums — that the cost would be offset by retirements of higher-paid people. The diminishing age of the average employee would make up the difference. Ha ha ha. According to the system's actuary, the average age has gone up, not down. "This is evidence of ongoing low employee turnover, not surprising in view of the high level of pension benefits" (italics mine), he said in his June 30, 2002, report.

DROP "is definitely a program that might have to be discontinued," says councilmember Donna Frye, who is distressed that last week the council moved to set up a committee to study the pension problem, "but there was no mention of asking the committee to look at the underfunding."

The actuary estimates that the pension is now underfunded by close to \$1 billion, at least. Realists say that the pension fund is now definitely \$1 billion under water, and health-care benefits are \$1.1 billion in the red. By 2009, the pension plan will be \$2 billion in the hole.

After 1996, the city, with the retirement board's concurrence, aimed to fund only 82 percent of the pension program. But the percentage fell below 82. So in November of last year, the retirement board and city council came up with "a plan to eliminate the trap door of 82 percent and let it free-fall," says Jim Gleason, a city recontinued on page 14





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in red *continued from page 10* tiree who served on the retirement board for a dozen years. Once again, there was a *quid pro quo*. The board okayed further underfunding in return for fatter benefits.

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At that point, Gleason and fellow retiree Dave Wood decided to file lawsuits. The major charges are that pension reserves are deliberately underfunded. Also, the overwhelming majority of the 13 members of the retirement board are city employees or heads of unions representing employees. Thus, they are voting to enhance their own pocketbooks — an obvious conflict of interest.

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Gleason and Wood point out that city workers who enjoy DROP and other indulgences are hurting current retirees, who do not have benefits anywhere near as good. One reason is that current retirees get additional payments, such as the socalled "13th check," as a result of past lawsuits. But those extra benefits don't come through if the pot is underfunded, as it is now—

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deliberately. It's "reverse Robin Hood," says Gleason.

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Also last November, the council agreed to effectively indemnify the retirement board against lawsuits over the *quid pro quo*. Attorney Michael Aguirre says that under California public policy, a body cannot be indemnified so that it can breach its fiduciary duty. "The trustees of the retirement board could be facing potential criminal liabilities," says Aguirre.

Larry Grissom, chief executive of the retirement board, and Frederick W. Pierce IV, president, dispute the critics' complaints. For one thing, DROP is not double-dipping, they claim. "It would be the same thing in substance if they retire from the city and go to work somewhere else," insists Grissom. Hmmm.

They both refuse to comment on charges of retirement-board conflict of interest and deliberate underfunding in return for higher benefits on the grounds that these matters are under litigation.

They blame bear-market losses for most of the underfunding problems and assert that retirement benefits are not threatened. They think that talk of city bankruptcy or asset sales is folly. "Pursuant to the contribution agreement with the city, by 2009 the city will be contributing at a rate that will be sufficient to fully fund the system," says Grissom, although the deficit will likely be substantial. In 2009, "The deficit will be being fully amortized by industry standards," he asserts, acknowledging that this is not true today.

But, says Michael Conger, the attorney handling the lawsuits of Gleason and Wood, "The actuary says that city payments will ramp up over five years by \$150 million to \$200 million a year. But where is the money going to come from? They have never answered that question."

There are many suggestions. All critics agree the city must begin funding the system now. Shipione says San Diego should require a citizen vote if city-worker benefits are to be raised, as San Francisco does.

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Retired superior court judge Larry Stirling says heads should roll at City Hall, traffic fines should go

toward the funding problem, unfunded benefits should be revoked, and many other things. The whole disgrace is a "gift of public funds" under state law — a felony. He further defines that felony: "megatheft."

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"I've seen a Viper run 14 [seconds] at Qualcomm," says Williams, "and it is supposed to run 12. A bad driver

in a fast car won't run fast. Reflexes in getting off the line are important. And the shifting of gears. A lot of people who think they shift fast are shifting slow. And the rpms, when to change gears, that's a big part of it. The driver

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"But when a car is way more overpowering than another car, that's when the driver gets taken out of the picture. If one car has 400 horses and the other only 125, then, of course, no mat-



ter how bad the first driver is, he's going to eventually roll past the second one."

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The longer the race, the greater the advantage of the more powerful car. And that points to one other disadvantage some drivers see at Qualcomm: its races are only an eighth of a mile long. And the car's horsepower is not the only issue. "If I had a front-wheel-drive car," says Williams, "I would not look good out there without certain things. Now they're allowing slicks, which makes it better. But it is still not a quarter mile. So you're going to stay in first and second gear. You could possibly hit third, but you're not getting into the high speeds."

Carlsbad Raceway does have a quarter-mile track, and its 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. schedule every Saturday gives racers more opportunities than Qualcomm, which, during baseball season, could only provide Friday-night races every two or three weeks. But the surface of Carlsbad's track is poor, says Williams; it doesn't have enough seating facilities for spectators, and people have to drive a dirt road to get there.

So street racing still seems destined to lure some people into taking the risk of killing innocent drivers as well as themselves. But, says Williams, "You have to look at the term 'street racer' in a bigger context. People will try to race you on the highway in any type of car to prove that they can beat you to a lane or to a spot. Age doesn't seem to matter. People have that urge.

"This morning," he continues, "I was trying to get in another lane on the freeway so I could get off on the ramp. A guy in an SUV supercharger, seeing my car, he says, 'I'm going to show him that I've got something.' That's what you call a street racer too. You've got to expand the whole picture.

"Every automobile manufacturer tries to express how good their line is through performance cars, like Mercedes AMG and the Mustang Cobra," says Williams. "Fast cars have always been attractive to many people. So now you have people modifying their SUVs. Things like that are common. Everyone likes the power and speed."





SportingBox By Patrick Daugherty

The End

'm supposed to be down in San Diego next weekend. Are you going to be down there?" This is the telephone voice of Ollie "Down-

town" Brown. Brown, now living in Los Angeles, was an outfielder for the Padres in 1969, '70, '71, and '72. Indeed, the man batted .292 in 1970. Young Mr. Brown played on six teams before finishing his 13-year major-league career at Philadelphia in 1977. I've been collecting baseball memories from him and others for use in a feature story. This interview ended a few minutes ago, and we are about the business of making pleasant farewell chit-chat.

And I do appreciate his implied invitation. I've found that retired (as opposed to active) professional athletes are almost always enjoyable company. I say, "Yeah, I'd like to meet you. What are you doing in San Diego?"

"Well," Brown says, "it's the last three games that are going to be played at the ballpark. They're calling in some of the former Padres for the last three games in the ballpark."

I ask, "Ceremonies? Padres? Ballpark?" Something is missing. "What ceremonies?"

Brown says, "It's the last weekend they'll play in Qualcomm. They're bringing in some players from teams in the past."

I'd forgotten. This is the last weekend for baseball at Qualcomm Stadium. Sunday's two o'clock contest against Colorado will bring to a close the tenancy of the San Diego Padres. San Diego played their first game there on April 8, 1969. The Pads beat Houston, 2 to 1, in front of a modest crowd of 23,370. The entire franchise history, such as it is, has been made in that place.

Yet, there is little nostalgia for the site. No tears shed from Padres fans, players, management, or ownership. No complaints from the public about the loss of another irreplaceable chunk of our common sporting history.

Since that first game on April 8, 1969, through Monday, the Padres have won 2522 games and lost 3015 games. Theirs is a depressing, consistent, hope-crushing record that, in too many respects, mirrors the records of Qualcomm's remaining anchor tenants, two football teams doing business under the names "Chargers" and "Aztecs."

Maybe it's the building.

It's original name was San Diego Stadium, and it was built for chump change, \$27.75 million, or, to put that number in today's perspective, for what it would cost to employ Alex Rodriguez for the next 16 months. Back then, back in the optimistic '60s, the open-hearted citizens of San Diego authorized their government to "build a new state-of-the-art multi-purpose stadium with 53,000 seats" and assumed they would live happily ever after.

San Diego Stadium opened for business in August 1967, as swanky new home for the San Diego Chargers and proof that urban blight need not be the result of neglect but of intention. The building was, and is, a sordid, human-hating, stupefyingly ugly structure, built, apparently, to glorify the cement industry. There is no soul, no sense of location, nothing about the stadium to make a visitor know that he's in San Diego rather than Candlestick Park in San Francisco, or RFK Stadium in Washington, D.C., or Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium in Atlanta, or Shea Stadium in New York, or, for that matter, countless replicates that litter the planet from Mongolia to South Africa.

Almost 20 years after it opened — all right, 17 years — now Jack Murphy Stadium was given a makeover. For the astoundingly small sum of \$9.1 million, 8000 seats and 50 luxury suites were added to the stadium. And a damn fine job that was.

Thirteen years after that, in 1997, another expansion, this one more in line with current greed standards, coming in at \$78 million, was authorized. This makeover added 10,500 seats, bringing the seat count — but never the tickets sold — up to 71,500, plus 34 additional suites, four additional rich-people lounges, new video screens, and a new practice facility for the Chargers, who, by the way, went 4–12 that year.

Still, the edifice does not engender emotion. Tear it down and build a shopping center or a hotel or another stadium, and few people would remember what used to be there, which makes sense; the building was never meant to be personal.

And now, on Sunday, the Padres will leave the only home they've ever known. And the Chargers will require a municipal bribe of \$500 million, or they will leave too.

But there is some rough justice here. The San Diego/Jack Murphy/Qualcomm Stadium may finally be allowed to find its true purpose. Qualcomm's best use is now, and always was, as a tractor-pull venue.

One note on the Chargers. After Sunday's humiliation, Marty Schottenheimer said, "Our football team is getting better, and I get a closer look than anybody. I believe our team is improving. I don't think we were that bad today. I think we played reasonably well."

The Box has placed Schottenheimer on an around-the-clock psychiatric watch. If he becomes a danger to self or others, contact this space immediately.

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Sermon

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Address: 1405 Diamond Street, Pacific Beach, 858-272-4673 Year founded: 1999 Senior pastor: Ryan Reed Congregation size: 200 Staff size: 4 full-time, 70 volunteers Sunday school enrollment: 40 Annual budget: \$200,000 Weekly giving: \$3900 Singles program: yes Diversity: white Dress: casual Worship service: Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

"P.B. just vibed on us. It was killer."

Early last week, 28-year-old Reverend Ryan Reed explained to me why he and a group of 12 college students from Ventura County decided to start a church in Pacific Beach.

"I grew up in Carpinteria. Surfed all my life. I just felt I had to get back into a surfing population where I'd be most effective. We just

prayed a bunch in San Diego. We looked at every single area in San Diego, every single neighborhood. We just felt that the Lord wanted us to be in Pacific Beach. It's a very exciting place. Lots of energy feel."

While Reverend Reed talked, my mind drifted back 30 years to the beginnings of the Jesus Movement a *coastal* Californian movement, from San Francisco to San Diego. News magazines documented this revival in pictures: mass baptisms at the beach. The movement's emblematic image was a black-andwhite shot of a shapely young woman rising from the crest of a wave, her hands flung sky-ward, the word "Jesus" scrawled across the back of her shirt.

"Our church is really for people who would never picture themselves in church," Reverend Reed told me about his congregation,

Pacific Hope. "We don't do many hymns as such. We pull songs off the radio if they have something related to our message. We'll perform those songs. We pull off some killer stuff. There's a ton of joy in our church. People are happy that God has secured their eternity. There's no real guilt involved. We use the Bible a lot, but it's a very nonjudgmental message."

Pacific Hope meets in the Pacific Beach Rec Center gymnasium. Last Sunday morning, more than 100 tanned, very young men in baggy shorts and Madras shirts, and tanned very young girls in low-slung jeans settled into unforgiving folding chairs. When a band took the stage to pound out several anthematic "rock hymns," everyone stood to sing along and clap. When two Pacific Hope members took the stage to perform a skit about married life, everyone sat and watched with close attention.

In the skit, an exhausted young father returned home from work and encountered

his exhausted young wife who had collapsed on a couch surrounded by toys and dirty diapers. Despite the husband's many attempts to flirt with his wife, coerce her into going out to dinner, discuss his promotion, the wife stayed mired in her day's frustrations. In the end, the wife handed the problematic toddler to the husband and wandered offstage.

"Married with Children" was the title of Reverend Reed's sermon.

"Almost all couples wrestle with dissatisfaction," he told us. "Life has the power to suck the romance out of life."

He told us that he was a father of three children and that, two years ago, his marriage "hit incredibly hard times." He and his wife sought "Christian counseling."

"One of the hardest lessons the Bible talks about is 'contentment.' Reconciling our desires for what we want with what we really have," he said.

"But it is possible to rekindle that 'killer feeling,' that sense of excitement you had when you were first dating. Men and women

want very different things from a relationship. Women want conversation. Men want a partner for recreational activities."

Reverend Reed said that rekindling sexual excitement wasn't a matter of investigating the "Kama Sutra" or "wild experimentation," but rather an issue of creating a sense of fun and intimacy that fostered romantic feelings. For a husband, this could be as simple as engaging in conversation with his wife. For a wife, she might "haul out her old jogging shoes and go jogging with her husband, or go surfing."

I noticed that many of the young men and women sitting around me took careful notes of Reverend Reed's sermon.

"I grew up without a father," he told me after the service. He said he hoped that his church would grow into a place with a full ros-

ter of activities.

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"I've always thought it was kind of sad that most churches are empty Monday through Saturday. I'd like to see us become a place with a lot of stuff to do — sports and activities that teach character and values to children."

I told Reverend Reed that while his family-centered message might appeal to young women, I wondered if it played well among young men, particularly in a beach community rife with sexual possibilities.

"The young men know what I'm talking about. I speak openly about the damage and wreckage we do to our hearts and souls through casual sexual encounters. Every time you have sex with a person, a part of you stays with them. With enough encounters, there's nothing of you left. God's plan, in the long term, is healthier and better. God wants to fill your needs. And when I say this to young men, I'm saying something radically spiritual that they already know about." Lowest Price Guaranteed! support FREE accessories w/all activations TROOPSD





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Dear Aunt Trudy,

My mother died a little over a year ago. Dad, who is 70, has decided that he wants to commemorate her by visiting her gravesite each year on her birthday. And he wants - actually, he insists that my two brothers and I come along on this pilgrimage. We did this for the first time last week, and it was a depressing experience. The cemetery is not close to any of our homes, and it is not well kept up. The whole experience seemed to have little to do with Mom and keeping her memory alive. All of us were uncomfortably crammed in Dad's small car, and he got lost several times trying to find the cemetery. We three kids talked about it later and agreed that we don't want to do this again. It put all three of us in a terrible mood and was alienating rather than helpful or comforting. We don't want to offend our father by any means. We love him and we loved Mom too and miss her. We realize Dad needs to do something to honor Mom's memory, and it would probably be good for us, too, but standing around staring at her eroding headstone in some grungy, godforsaken, unfamiliar spot just isn't doing it for us. Is it disrespectful to Dad to propose that we do something else together each year to remember our mother, and if so, what sort of thing could we do that would be good for Dad's mind and heart and also ours? BEREAVED CORONADO SIBLINGS

Dear Bereaved,

I think that this is something you can talk to your father about in a very sensitive and tactful way. Do let him know that you love him dearly and are eager to establish some family rituals that honor Mom, albeit pleasanter ones. Since the four of you knew your mother, and I didn't have that privilege, you will have to decide among yourselves, if your father is willing to be flexible about how you celebrate your mother's memory, what kinds of activities might be most appropriate instead of the trudge to the graveside. If Mom loved the beach, you could have a yearly picnic there. If she was an opera fan, perhaps you could splurge on a night at the opera, or spend an evening at home listening to some of her favorite arias, talking about her, looking at pictures of her, perhaps even eating her favorite meal. I know a man whose father was a film librarian, and he devotes a whole week's worth of evenings once a year to watching some of his father's favorite films on video or DVD. He invites friends to this annual "Dad Film Festival." I actually look forward to the event. People can be very imaginative in coming up with ways to remember departed loved ones. I do think that if your father insists on visiting the

gravesite, if that is somehow deeply important to him, then the three of you kids might consider biting the bullet and accompanying him. You four can all agree, perhaps, to celebrate Mom in a more enjoyable way, such as those suggested above, as well. But if Dad is set on visiting the grave, and that kind of thing is sacred to some people, then I suggest the three of you take turns accompanying Dad, so that each of you only has to do it every third year. That way, he doesn't have to make his annual pilgrimage alone.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I wanted to write to you in reference to the letter in a previous column signed "Grieving in Granite Hills" about the people suffering due to their excessively noisy neighbors. My advice would be to completely ignore these loud kooks. My husband and I have developed a philosophy that unless our neighbors do something abjectly criminal, like throwing rocks through our front window, we are resolved to ignore all the annoying things they do. Sadly, we've seen in at least two cases these kinds of neighborhood disputes escalate to the point where they can become very frightening. And the people described by "Grieving" sound hostile to begin with. So our rule is don't get into it with the neighbors ever! No matter how annoying the neighbors are — and we have some who do irritating things — we are super polite and make sure we get along with all of them. The people who are being annoyed could try getting an aircleaning machine, which in addition to purifying the air can provide soothing white noise that helps distract from the loud car alarms they complained of. Or they can try to play soothing music for a similar effect. But otherwise I advise forbearance and complete friendliness. BEEN THERE IN NORMAL HEIGHTS

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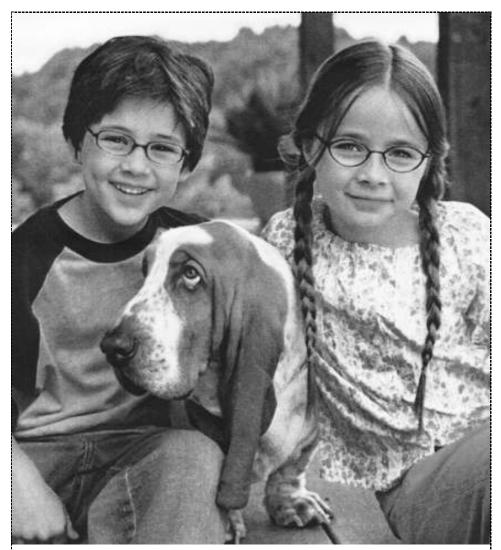


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-EVE KELLY

A squat, maroon lamp inlaid with mahogany polka dots rests on my nightstand. Every night, the click of its switch heralds my descent into slumber land. The lamp fits with my bedroom's décor like an elephant in high heels, but it has a place in my heart, and I will not part with it. My husband Patrick bought it for three bucks at a garage sale when we were first married. When

we moved into our first apartment, it dispelled the dark as we sat atop cardboard boxes and scarfed greasy pizza. But a few nights ago, the lamp gave no light, and a fresh light bulb didn't help matters.

Determined to keep

my sentimental fixture out of the trash heap of memory, I journeyed to The Lamp Post in North Park (619-297-3854). There, I spoke with manager Norm Johnson, whose family has had the business since 1945. "My Mom started it by making and repairing lampshades. Dad worked at Convair, and on weekends, he'd spot-weld the lampshade frames. She started teaching classes. This building was their home, and it eventually evolved into a business."

Johnson gave me a tour of my lamp before making his diagnosis. Besides the cord, body, switch, and shade, he identified "the socket, where the bulb goes in, and around that, the harp, where the lampshade typically sits. On top of the harp is the finial - those vary in price and design

and usually, between the body and socket there is a two-inch riser. This allows you to adjust the shade so the bottom of the shade breaks below the socket. That way, you don't see it. The riser gives you room to play and still have the lamp look proportional. The shade doesn't squat, or sit too high and look like a hat."

His first guess was that my problem arose from either a bad socket or bad cord. "Those are the biggies; probably 75 percent of the repairs I do are socket changes. It's an electrical part, and heat and use wear it out. An absolutely common mistake that people make is not screwing the bulb in tight enough. When a customer picks up a lamp, I say, 'Screw in your bulb.'" After they do, "I can

usually get another halfor even full-turn out of the bulb. Then the bulb is seated and the contacts are made. If the contacts aren't made, then there's a space, and the electricity arcs like a spark plug. That arcing burns out the socket." Higher wattage

also increases wear on electrical

parts. "Wattage depends on what you want the lamp to do. If you need it to read by, the lowest wattage you can deal with is best for the socket. The highest wattage is the worst." The average price for a socket replacement is \$19-\$21.

When it comes to cord replacement, "I pull out all the old wire and put new in. Lamp cord comes in a variety of colors, and I have the old rayon-covered cord for those who want it. If I'm changing the socket and the cord, the price would be around \$23," though the price "The electricity arcs

like a spark plug."

can go up if the job gets involved. "Someone once brought in a very old lamp with a rayoncovered cord. The cord was frayed on the outside of the lamp, so I had to rewire the lamp. I took off the base and saw that someone had poured plaster of Paris all through the body up to the pipe where the cord goes up to the socket. I had to dig it all out; it took three or four hours just to rewire it. It was a very nice old lamp; obviously, someone didn't think it would ever need repair."

Besides electrical repair, Johnson does a good deal of refinishing work. "I do a lot with the old Stiffle lamps. They're nice old lamps, and when people bought them, they paid a lot of money for them." But sometimes, "they were under the impression that the lamps are solid brass. They're not. They're pot metal with a brass plate finish. Over the even for people living inland. I've had people come from Arizona, and their Stiffles are 20 years old and immaculate. But here, the finish is good for five years before it starts to turn.

> It's hard to replate the metal once it pits, "because there is no guarantee the plating will finish out nicely.

So I put the lamp on a wheel with an abrasive compound and take all the plating off. Then I apply a brass lacquer finish — and that can be antiqued or whatever." For solid brass lamps, Johnson will use the polishing side of the wheel to remove

tarnish. (Prices vary with scope of work; average refinishing: **\$80–\$145**.) Johnson is proud of his work as a color matcher when it comes to repairing ceramic and wood lamps, and is happy to take on custom work. "Almost anything can be made into a lamp," he said, showing me a vase brought in by a customer. "I'll pick out a base for this or make one, using a band saw and a router. Then I'll drill a wire in it and put a brass cap on the top. Then it's finished with the riser, socket, and harp. (Again, prices vary; average: \$80-\$145.) Once, "one of the old Chargers players from the '60s brought in a stinky, smelly helmet, and I made that into a lamp.'

Johnson's mother has retired from the business, and so The Lamp Post no longer offers shade repair, though they do stock a large selection of shades. Johnson steered me toward The Lampshade Gallery in Del Mar (858-793-0701) for more help in that department. Lampshade Gallery employee Kelly explained, "The two types of construction on shades are hard — which is a type of plastic or paper — or fabric. The hard linings can't be fixed once they're cracked. With fabric, it's stretched and sewn over a frame. What we do is not really repairing, it's re-covering or re-lining a shade on the inside when it's fabric. It's expensive, because it has to be done backwards — \$50-\$75 is the average price. If the shade has gotten to a point where it's ten years old, it's usually not worth relining, because the outside is as old as the inside. What we usually do is a complete re-cover (price depends on size). But re-lining is available."

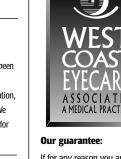
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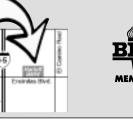
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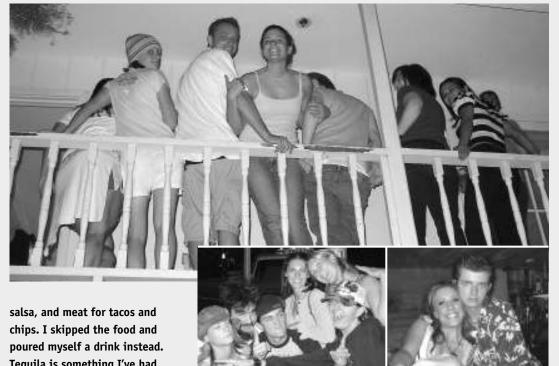
MARGARITA NIGHT

by Daniel Ridge

t's always funny when someone's mom comes to their party and gets drunk. Especially when it's your friend's birthday. But what can you do except laugh at their dumb jokes and practice a little deference? And then what do you do that same night when another friend does enough free shots in P.B. to get up on the bar and dance for the crowd below? I wouldn't exactly call that deference, but there is a little respect involved when it's not something you'd do yourself even after you've downed almost as much tequila as she has.

This past Friday night was off the hook. My friend Clea's cousin was turning 20 so she invited me to her party in La Jolla. A bunch of my friends were coming too so I was down with that. When I arrived everyone was hanging out on the front balcony trying not to talk too loudly and bother the neighbors. As I crossed the lawn they shouted down to watch out for dog poo. They had just gotten a puppy and hadn't been too keen on picking up after it.

In the kitchen I found a great big bottle of tequila for the margaritas they were all drinking, and in the living room was a spread of guacamole,



chips. I skipped the food and poured myself a drink instead. Tequila is something I've had trouble with since I was 16. I nearly got alcohol poisoning on it and have avoided it since. But tonight seemed as good a time as any to work on building up immunity. I would hate for there to be a cocktail I couldn't drink.

Shortly after I arrived, Clea's 13-year-old cousin

This was a side of my friend I hadn't been aware of before.

Michael showed up with his friend Spanky. They were sort of skater kids, Spanky sporting a side-turned cap and baggy pants. I noticed Michael was holding a wad of toilet paper over his face and when he first. Michael shouted that he knew a shortcut, but when he turned too quickly he found a tree instead, hence the red nose and watery eyes. On the balcony the birth-

pulled it away I saw why. His

nose was swollen red and pur-

party he and Spanky had been

racing one another to get there

ple and his cheeks were

flushed. On the way to the

day girl was smoking Middle-

Top: La Jolla birthday party; Bottom left: outside of Margarita Rocks; Bottom right: Carolyn and her bartender

ton's Black and Mild cigarettes. They're sort of like big black cigars with a plastic holder. She said she had picked up a taste for them in the Navy. Her mother, by now pretty well tipsy, was smoking menthols and tilting back in her seat.

After a while I ran downstairs to take a photo of everyone. In two out of the three shots I took, the birthday girl's mother was caught mooning the camera. Out of respect for the family, I left those out.

Around 11 I headed over to North Park to pick up my friend Carolyn. There was a bartender in Pacific Beach that she had met the week before and was anxious to see again. I promised I would take her, as long as she promised to come back to the birthday party later on.

Margarita Rocks was packed. A line came out the front door and ran along the side of the building. Luckily, Carolyn knew the manager at the door and a few of the bartenders inside, so we were able to slip in quickly, much to the chagrin of those in line.

"I know this isn't your kind of place, but bear with me," Carolyn encouraged as we entered. All the beefy guys and bleached-blond girls — no, it's not really my scene, but I was working on broadening my horizons. Carolyn was into it, though. She led me past the dance floor to the bar on the far side of the club. Beyoncé was rocking the floor, and right after that came Eminem. It was definitely an MTV sort of crowd.

The bartender gave Carolyn a kiss on the cheek, then poured us a couple of tequilas. Given my history, a shot of tequila was do or die. No salt, just the lemon as a chaser. I got it over with quickly. When he poured two more, I let Carolyn finish both those off. I





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opted for a Coke instead and took a seat at the bar to watch the dancers and case the joint. Carolyn must have done a few more shots because the next time I looked back there she was, up on the bar. dancing. You would have thought she was a professional. Who could say, maybe she is. This was a side of my friend I hadn't been aware of before. I let her do her thing, then helped her down. I led her back to the dance floor instead. There, she could only fall so far.

It took some urging to get her out of the club, but eventually I got her back to the party in La Jolla. By the time we arrived, somewhere after two, most of the food had been polished off and a new crowd had arrived. A few of them were Marines just back from Iraq, and it wasn't long before one of them was hitting on Carolyn. Who could resist? I think she was dancing alone in the living room when he caught sight of her. I was busy finishing off the guacamole. Well after three, the

party was still rolling, though with only about seven of us left. We decided to head over to Clea's apartment and hang out a while more. Everyone was still drinking while I was content with my 7-Eleven nachos. By that time I was so hungry it didn't matter what I had.

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LONG BEFORE CHEETAHS

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Trail in the early 19th Century, but the place really took off after 1890, about the time bituminous coal was discovered nearby. More than 60,000 souls would eventually come to live in "coal towns" with names like Sopris, Starkville, Engleville, and Cokedale, all within a few miles of Trinidad. Many came to be owned and operated by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.'s Colorado Fuel and Iron. Rockefeller ran the mines from his offices in New York by personal fiat and did not look kindly on his workers. Decades of labor strife plagued the mines, and Trinidad became nationally famous when radical Mother Jones came to town on the miners' behalf to give speeches and stage daily marches for a week.

The mining companies drew the bulk of their cheap labor from immigrants who were then pouring into the country from Southern and Eastern Europe, as well as an impoverished Japan. Of these, Sicilians were predominant. Italians, notes Rick J. Clyne in *Coal People*, his book about the region, "were by far the largest single ethnic group in the field, outnumbering 'Austrians,' the secondlargest nationality, by a factor of four to one at the outbreak of World War I."

Life was difficult for the miners of Las Animas County. Because they were poor, uneducated, and from diverse cultures, it was easy for the Rockefeller interests to pit one ethnic group against the other, and therefore defeat any attempt at unionization. "Stark cultural differences fueled the fires of racism," observes Clyne, "but the Japanese aroused even more resentment because they



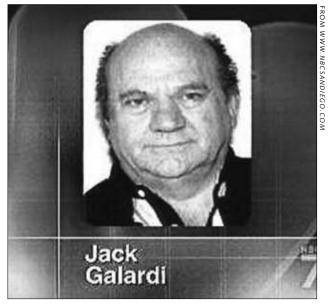
Michael Galardi (left)

often arrived in the southern Colorado fields as strikebreakers, and hard feelings remained long after the strikes ended.

"In Cokedale, the large Japanese work force was kept completely segregated both above and below ground. Japanese workers had their own bathhouse and separate entry into the mine; as one miner put it, 'There was just Jap people working in there and a Jap boss.' "

Among the Europeans it was no different. Even choosing a "checkweighman," who would determine how much each miner would be paid by weighing each worker's coal output, could cause strife. "It is right difficult for these men to agree on a checkweighman," a coalcompany owner quoted by Clyne once testified to Congress. "If they agree on an Italian, the Slavs believe he is stealing from them and giving to his Italian friends, and if it's a Slav it is vice versa."

Such conditions tended to reinforce the traditional



Jack Galardi

ties between each ethnic group. Not only did they live in their own ghettos — Italian miners resided in places with derogatory names like "Cast Town" or "Laredo," blacks in "Coontown," Japanese in "Jap Town" — they also fell back on their own social societies, borrowed from their ancestral homes. "Many societies existed in Las Animas and Huerfano counties, and their names reveal their strong ethnic bias. Italians had the Dante Alighieri Society, Nueva Italia, Pietro Toselli, and the Legabuchase or League Abrusi, to name a few," Clyne observes, adding that the Italian societies "usually organized a large celebration for Columbus Day and another for St. John's Day, which fell close to the Fourth of July."

Many were legal, traditional, and harmless. Some were not. Among white workers from the American South, the Ku Klux Klan sprang up early in the 1920s, tacitly spurred on by the coal companies to burn crosses on the hills behind Cokedale, where blacks were prohib-





ited from working. Much of the violence that permeated Trinidad and its surrounding coal towns was carried out between factions of the same ethnic groups, remaining largely outside of the established legal system, which often failed to investigate and prosecute worker murders - a situation sanctioned by the coal bosses for their own ends. As a result, the roots of organized crime became firmly implanted in the local culture.

Vendetta killings, particularly among Italians, occurred in Las Animas County," writes Colorado Metro State College professor Stephen Leonard in his book Lynching in Colorado, 1859-1919. "Although they had aspects of lynchings, they belonged at least as much, if not more to old-world customs than to the American tradition of lynching. Hence they have not been included among the

lynchings in this book. If they had been, the number of lynchings would increase substantially, for more than 20 vendetta homicides took place in Las Animas County alone between 1880 and 1920."

According to local lore, Chicago gangster Al Capone once hid out with relatives in the small nearby town of Aguilar.

Trinidad's coal business began a long decline in the 1930s, as energy uses shifted and the demand for coal to make steel declined. In the years following World War II, says Clyne, "The towns of Trinidad and Walsenburg went into long-term hibernation, subsisting on the relatively meager returns from ranching and small scale tourism." Yet some enterprises with a relation to the region's agricultural economy seemed to thrive remarkably well. One was the Colorado Cheese Company, which according to an August 1980 account



Gene Gagliardi

in the New York Times, had a big connection back East: Joe Bonanno, who at the time headed one of New York's five major Mafia crime

"Mr. Bonanno formed Colorado Cheese Ltd. in Trinidad, Colo., in the 1940s," said the Times,

families.

which cited congressional sources and the Philadelphia Crime Commission as its source for a lengthy exposé of the American Mafia's infiltration of the nation's cheese and pizza businesses.

"Further evidence of influence of organized crime on the industry

was developed in a New York State Department of Agriculture hearing on an application by Utica Cheese Incorporated of Oriskany for a license to manufacture mozzarella, which is a major ingredient of pizza. The hearing received testimony that Utica's owner, Saputo Cheese in Montreal, was in turn partly owned by Joseph Bonanno of Tucson, Ariz., head of the Bonanno organizedcrime group of New York.

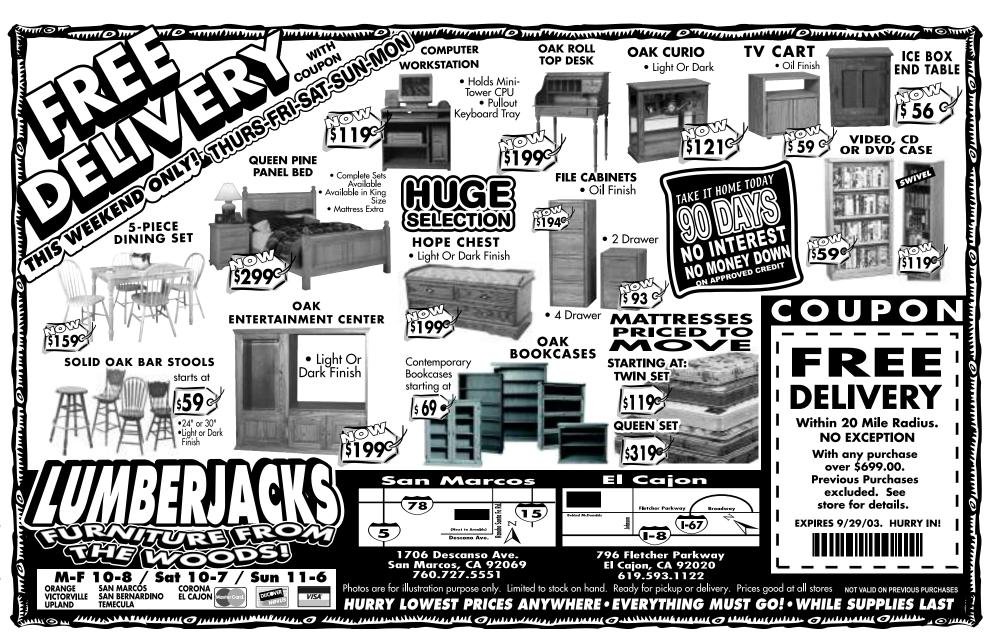
"Last month, Charles D. Breitel, former chief judge of the Court of Appeals of New York and special hearing officer for the license application, recommended that the department deny the Saputo request because of what he found to be the company's clandestine but continuing association with Mr. Bonanno.

"The department had introduced evidence to show that Mr. Bonanno had a hidden interest in the Saputo

cheese business, and Mr. Breitel said a denial by Emanuele Saputo, the president, 'strains credibility.' The application was rejected on August 1 by J. Roger Barber, Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Markets.

"The Pennsylvania study listed 23 cheese companies it said had ties to organized crime, many to the Gambino and Bonanno groups, and it traced in particular ties between one of the 23, Grande Cheese of Brownsville, Wis., and **Roma Food Enterprises** of New Jersey."

But no matter how lucrative to the mob, all the mozzarella in the world would not be enough to support Trinidad. During the climax of the town's great coal collapse of the mid-1950s, coal towns like Cokedale were shuttered and the houses sold off to private buyers. By the early 1960s, the coal busi-



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ness that had so fundamentally shaped Trinidad and its frontier culture was essentially dead. Over the years, many townspeople left town to find their fortunes in more lucrative places, like Los Angeles, California, and Las Vegas, Nevada. Yet they retained close ties to their birthplace.

Among them was the family of Angel Jerrold Galardi, whose father Angelo also went by the name of Gagliardi. (Gagliardi is pronounced the same as Galardi.)

Born September 25, 1936, Angel went to Trinidad High and was a member of the airplane club before graduating and moving to L.A. He died in Orange County on July 2, 1995, at the age of 58. Among his survivors, according to an obituary in the Orange County Register, was his brother, Jack Galardi of Las Vegas, the same Jack Galardi whose son, Mike Galardi, the name owner of San Diego's Cheetahs strip club, copped a guilty plea earlier this month to bribing three members of the San Diego City Council.

Jack Galardi is reported to own a large chain of strip clubs in the South and at one time reportedly had an interest in San Diego's Cheetahs with his son. Angel and his brother Jack were sentenced to federal prison terms in 1972 for a postal money-order theft in Los Angeles. Jack reportedly has denied any involvement in the San Diego case and has not been charged. His lawyer has also denied that Galardi has any connection to organized crime.

abruptly left town in the late 1960s, says Cosette Henritze, a writer for the Trinidad *Chronicle-News*, who has lived her entire life in the town. "He went to Las Vegas to get into the gambling business or something," she recalls. "The thought was he might have inherited by Gagliardi in 1998 shows that it was signed by him in Las Vegas and notarized by Emelita P. Sy, who is listed as an officer in Nevada corporate papers filed by many of Jack Galardi's entities. Several families named Gagliardi have long and deep roots in

Trinidad can be gleaned from a court decree filed in March 1952 dividing up the real estate of Muntera Nucci, who died without a will almost 20 years before, on September 2, 1930. "Her sole and only heirs," according to the decree, were Angelina Niccoli, Louisa DeLuca, family worked as laborers, mechanics, miners, or painters for the railroad. Many of the Gagliardi women were employed in positions such as store clerks and telephone operators.

Gene Gagliardi, according to Nevada records, has long been



Mike and Jack's former Encinitas home, 2582 Montgomery Avenue

Trinidad. One of the
longest living patriarchs
was Pete Gagliardi, Sr., an
auto mechanic. His death
certificate records he was
born in the nearby coal
town Engleville on Julyand Maria Teresa
Gagliardi, "also known as
Mary Gagliardi," Pietro's
wife. She had died in
Trinidad without leaving
a will on April 1, 1943.
Pietro himself passed
away less than five years

away less than five years later, on January 18, 1948, and by 1952, Mary's onethird share of the property she had inherited involved in the bar and gaming industry in Las Vegas. The center of his business interests in Las Vegas, records indicate, is a company called Gaggy's, Inc.

In February 2001, according to the agenda of the Las Vegas City Council, Gene Gagliardi came before the council

that month to request

on South Main, then

that the name of his bar

known as Kooter's Klub,

be changed to Gino's II.

Gagliardi was listed as

president, secretary, and

treasurer of the venture,

holding company, Gaggy,

Inc., which, according to

owned by Gagliardi's



from her family was divvied up by the court to ten remaining Gagliardi survivors: Joe, Angel, Pete, Jake, Louis, Sam, Charles, John, Lucy, and Frank.

City directories from before World War II indicate that most of the early members of the Gagliardi the agenda, holds a tavern liquor license and a restricted gaming license for 15 slot machines at the bar. In addition to the bar, Nevada property records show Gagliardi and Teri G. Galardi, Jack's daughter, who has also operated a bar in Las Vegas, own a piece of Las Vegas real estate together.

A man who answered the telephone last week at Gino's II said that "Gino" Gagliardi seldom came into the establishment and referred the caller to Emilita Sy at Galardi Enterprises. "I just know that Gino's name is on the paperwork, but he pretty much lets the [Galardi] office handle the business. He comes in once in a blue moon. He's Jack Galardi's brother or cousin, something like that. I heard Gino was once a school principal somewhere. People talk. That's pretty much all I know. I just work here. Hear no evil, see no evil, you know?" He declined to give his name.

In the years after they left Colorado and ended up in Los Angeles, the lives of brothers Jack and Angel Galardi came to be filled with crime and controversy. In 1971 they were indicted by a federal grand jury in L.A. and ultimately convicted of "various charges relating to robbery of post offices and transportation of stolen postal money orders," according to an account of the brothers' crimes contained in a 1973 appellate court ruling rendered in the case against them and codefendant Peter Michael Lafkas.

"The Galardis actively participated in the robbery of two United States Post Offices in California during the summer of 1968. Stolen in the robberies were blank United States Postal money orders with a potential value in excess of \$200,000," the ruling said.

"The Galardis hid the money orders on the

some funds. He drove a big black sedan and wore some pretty big rings." In the years since, Gagliardi, now 77, has frequently returned to Trinidad and has made generous contributions to the high school's athletic program, Henritze recounts. Yearbooks in the high school's collection also bear a notice saying they were donated by Gagliardi. Las Animas County

records show that Gagliardi still owns the old family home on East Seventh Street in Trinidad. It has three bedrooms and one bath and is covered in turquoise and white asbestos shingles, which were popular in the 1940s. The house has a partial view of the vast Colorado prairie that sprawls to the horizon on the east side of town. Today weeds lick around the sides of the house, giving the 100-year-old dwelling an unlived-in appearance.

For the past several years, Gagliardi's mailing address on property tax records has been listed as an office in Las Vegas, an address that is also used by Jack Galardi, his son Mike Galardi, and many of their enterprises. A deed to a piece of Trinidad property signed longest living patriarchs was Pete Gagliardi, Sr., an auto mechanic. His death certificate records he was born in the nearby coal town Engleville on July 18, 1903, to Pietro Gagliardi and Maria Nucci and got as far as the eighth grade in school. Pete Sr. died on September 8, 1991, at the age of 88. His bride Josephine Naccarato preceded him in death, but he was survived by his son, Pete Jr., among many

other family members.

Angel Galardi's family home on East Seventh Street, Trinidad, Colorado

On August 21, 1943, according to a property transfer record at the small Trinidad courthouse, "Pietro Gagliardi, also known as Pete Gagliardi," deeded the family's house on the hill behind the town to "his proper son Sam Gilardi." According to the deed, Pietro "reserves to himself the right of habitation for and during his natural life, to habitate in the dwelling house situated on the lots described above." Eighteen years later, on August 17, 1961, Sam Gilardi, "also known as Sam Gagliardi," deeded the same property to Gene Gagliardi.

An idea of how extensive the Gagliardi family tree has been in



premises of a bar and warehouse that they owned in Long Beach. Subsequently, they entered into an agreement with Lafkas to transport the money orders to Vietnam, where Lafkas would cash them on the black money market.

"Following through on this arrangement, over 1600 of the stolen money orders were cashed in the Far East for more than \$160,000. The money orders were recovered and received in evidence during the course of the trial. On a substantial number of the orders were the fingerprints of the appellants.

"The basic facts are simple," the court concluded. "The money orders were 'in blank' when stolen. The Galardis, with stolen equipment, filled in the value on each bond at \$110,000." Convicted of six counts each and sentenced to five years on each count, to be served concurrently, the brothers appealed, attacking the credibility of government witnesses against them and the alleged delay by prosecutors in bringing charges. The appellate court ruled in the Galardis' favor on one count each, holding that one of the laws used by the government to charge them didn't apply. Angel Galardi died at the age of 56 on July 2, 1995, of what the local newspaper reported to be "natural causes." He was living in Lake Forest, an Orange County suburb near the old El Toro Marine base, and had earlier resided in other California cities, including Carlsbad. Jack Galardi, who over the years since leaving Colorado has maintained addresses in Las Vegas; Atlanta, Georgia; and a string of Florida beach cities, turned 72 this April. Today, in the glare of

the Cheetahs scandal, the extended family of Jack Edward Galardi has gone to ground.

Contacted by phone

at Galardi Enterprises in Las Vegas this week, Sy said she would take messages for both Gene Gagliardi and Jack Galardi and pass them on to the men, but that she did not expect either to return phone calls. Of Jack she said, "He never has talked, and he never will talk."

Jack Galardi's South Carolina–based attorney has told reporters that Jack had nothing to do with the crimes of his 41year-old son Michael, who was reportedly adopted sometime during Jack's former marriage to an unidentified woman.

In 1999, investigators with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department told Clark **County Commissioners** that Jack Galardi was linked to organized crime but presented few details other than to hint he was connected to the Gambino family of New York. His attorneys denied the allegations, but he subsequently bowed out of an effort to obtain a Clark County license for a new strip club, letting his son step into the deal. Las Vegas police later raised questions about whether Jack had continued to hold a secret interest in the venture.

In light of Michael Galardi's San Diego guilty plea — which includes the admission that he paid various bribes to a San Diego vice cop who turned out to be an undercover officer working on behalf of the feds, along with three members of the city council it has been reported that Jack may try to take over the liquor and cabaret licenses of Michael's multimillion-dollar Vegas strip emporiums, Cheetahs, Jaguars, and the Leopard Lounge. Jack reportedly owns 60 percent of the Cheetahs in Vegas and his son the remaining 40 percent. Michael is said to hold all of Jaguars and Leopard Lounge in his own name.

"He would be eligible

for consideration because he was not turned down [previously]," Clark County counsel Mary-Anne Miller told the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* two weeks ago. "I would be surprised if it [the new applicant] wasn't Jack Galardi because he's in business with his son in the city, and he has similar businesses around the country."

Meanwhile, back in tiny Trinidad, the dark, dusty bars are far removed from the flashy Vegas and San Diego strip joints of the Galardi clan. Even before noon, the bar patrons of Trinidad, mostly down-and-outlooking middle-aged men, make their way down the hills to Main Street and begin to file through the swinging doors of places like Mantelli's. No tits and ass here, thank you. Only an ESPN announcer droning out scores on a flickering color TV and a barmaid serving up watery drinks.

The town is doing better, the customers say, looking up from their beers. Retirees from the East are building fancy Santa Fe-style houses in the hills, though they rarely get past the Wal-Mart out on the freeway. Energy companies are drilling for natural gas in the coal seams near the old coal towns like Cokedale and Engleville, where the Sicilian immigrants got their first introduction to America. There's new talk about bringing in slot machines.

Meantime, the next major entertainment event is next month at Lu Ju's Pub: Great White, the '80s heavy metal band whose explosive pyrotechnics started the fire at a Rhode Island nightclub that killed 97 last February, is coming through on tour. Offers a window poster promoting the band: "Proceeds to benefit survivors and families of our friends lost in the Station Nightclub fire, West Warwick, Rhode Island." – Matt Potter

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here are two categories of students: math people and English people. Over the years, I have found that I am an English person. For my whole life, math has been more than a struggle; it has been like an incurable disease: it never goes away. I have the grades to prove it.

In the years prior to high school, I had always eked out an A or B in my math classes. Once I hit my freshman year, everything changed. I was taking the alleged "easiest" math class of my life: geometry. I didn't know algebra...how was I going to grasp the ideas of variables and pi?

Thanks to my geometry teacher, who I had for both my freshman and sophomore years, I learned so much about...history, English, and subjects other than the one he was teaching. The only answer I ever got right in his class was to the question, What is New York's capital? I got a Snickers bar for that. I wish it could've helped my grade. My teacher wasn't lazy, but he seemed to pass everyone, which hurt more than it helped.

My problem with math was not only affecting me, but everyone else, especially my mom. When she tried to explain how to add positive and negative numbers, I would throw pencils at the wall. I couldn't understand the point of it all. When, in my life, would I need to buy negative-three apples? Did I need the Pythagorean theorem to balance my checkbook?

By the end of my first semester in high school, I had an F in math, but my teacher let me by with a C-minus. That was not right, but the rest of my math career was pretty much the same.

I'm still horrible at math, even though I don't take it anymore, and it's still the only subject I've ever gotten bad grades in. Sometimes, I wonder if I'll grow up and not have a clue how to do simple math, because I sure can't today. Or maybe I can make it through life as an English person.

– Stefanie Perricone, Clairemont H.S.



that preteen hiding behind a pair of glasses and a mouth full of braces, sitting at the lunch table with those who were the least popular. I concentrated on my academic record and ignored my social status.

I enrolled in honors classes, met my yearbook deadlines, finished heaps of homework, worked on science projects, read books, and finished heaps of homework again. When the fall report cards came in, each class period listed on the sheet of paper was followed by an A. Then, a wave of shock swept over me when I noticed my physical education teacher — a brusque, rugged woman had given me a B.

Standing in the corner of the basketball court hadn't been as effective as sitting in the corner of an honors class taking notes, but I had faced wintry mornings in a pair of terry-cloth shorts and a thin T-shirt, and she had given me a B! How could she taint my academic record with such an unsightly letter? My parents sat me down and sarcastically told me that they were disappointed in me, but I mourned the imperfection. I may have had imperfect eyesight and imperfect teeth, but I took pride in my perfect grades.

After a week of rolling my eyes as my PE teacher took roll call, I came to terms with my loss. The following year, I opted to take dance instead of PE. Since then, I've taken as few PE classes as have been required, and I've concentrated on skills that hold more relevance in my life than flag football.

— Megan Burks, El Capitan H.S.

She had lectured on it, explained it, and given me her personal attention. Still, there was no way I'd learn to sew. The worst grade I'd ever receive would be in a class called Practical Living Skills. During the first three quarters, we did woodworking, cooking, and drafting. These activities were relaxing in comparison to my other classes. Unfortunately, that last quarter we had to sew. Our assignment was to create a sock puppet using one of the sewing machines that we shared with a partner. We had two weeks, but I soon became frustrated. I'd cut my fingers a few times and wasn't making much progress. I decided to blow off the project for the day. Then, a week. Eventually, I decided it wasn't going to happen at all.

About two days before the project was due, the teacher gave us an assessment sheet; she wanted us to write down our experiences. Due to the influence of my friend Russell, I decided I was tired of being the good kid, that I was going to speak my mind for once in my life. On that assessment sheet, I wrote profanities and personal attacks directed toward the instructor. The most memorable comment was in response to a question asking what the project had taught me; I'd responded, "This is what hell must be like."

The next day, Mrs. Johnson took roll as usual, but before sending us on our way she said, "Greg, I need to speak with you." I was doomed.

She didn't have to say anything; she just waved the document before my eyes, and I knew it was over. She was going to call my mom, so she asked for my home number. I told her that I had forgotten it. "Did you just move?""No.""Well, I'm going to go down to the office and find out and tell them that you don't know your own phone number." It became apparent that I could not pull a fast one on her, so I decided to cough it up.

That afternoon, I saw a photocopy of the assessment sheet and a referral on the kitchen table. *Great*, I thought, *this sock puppet is going to ruin my life!* Things didn't turn out so bad. I got yelled at for a couple hours and was sent to bed at seven o'clock without dinner. Then the phone rang. I heard my mom talking with Mrs. Johnson. After they hung up, I was yelled at for another 30 minutes and again dismissed to my bedroom. (Who else can say they've been sent to bed without dinner twice in one night?)

The next morning, my mom had



calmed down and decided that since I had already received my recommendations for high school the following year, a bad grade in the last quarter of eighth grade probably wasn't going to have an impact on my life.

— Greg Finley, El Capitan H.S.

he lowest point of my academic career was in the second quarter of the sixth grade. Everything had become different during the preceding summer. My previous interests, body, and many other trivial things seemed to have been left behind in the fifth grade. My first quarter went

fine. I was a diligent student, cheerleader, and an active member of my student body. Schoolwork was my main focus. When it came time for report cards, I was sure of my efforts. However, my expectations were too high, and I was disappointed to find that I hadn't received the marks I'd anticipated. The two B's I earned seemed to stain my report card like cranberry juice on a white Tshirt; they shattered my confidence.

Those B's hurt more in the long run than any

other lower grade I had received previously in my life. They caused me to stop caring about school and my homework. I began to believe that no matter how hard I tried, those beautiful A's were an unreachable prize. I had been pushed off my horse and was refusing to get back on. Feeble efforts in the second quarter ended with C-minuses and temporary suspension from extracurricular activities. That punishment was meant to push me back into the industrious self that I was at the start of the year, but it only depressed me more. Also, changing

hormones and hopelessness made life even more difficult. I lost friends, because no one likes a downer.

At the beginning of the third quarter, I was ready to get back up, even if I didn't have an alternative. I worked hard and brought my GPA up to a B average. It is still difficult for me to get things done. If I could do it over again, I would have tried to get back up on my horse earlier, instead of ruining my chances of becoming an A student now.

— Amy Culley, Academy of Our Lady of Peace H.S.

have always considered myself a good student, but, at times, I am aware of my tendency to slack off. Sometimes, I lose all concern for my academic success; watching Gilmore Girls or dissecting marshmallows takes priority over my homework. It's in those moments that I encounter my biggest shortcoming: laziness. My worst moments in formal education have been the ones in which I wasn't using my brain. Take, for example, one horrific experience I had in the first grade.

It was a Tuesday and,

therefore, Library Day. The sun shone and the birds sang, and the journey across the sheltered, outdoor hallway loomed before my class. Ms. Barb, my teacher, led the battalion forward. After making it almost ten steps down the hallway, I noticed the students behind me swinging on the surrounding beige poles. I grasped the nearest pole, kicked off, and swung one spin around it.

"Christina! Turn your card when we get back to class!" shrieked Ms. Barb. By flipping my personalized card from green to yellow, my



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record of good behavior was tainted. Never before had I experienced such shame. I came home crying to my mother, confessed, and braced for punishment. My mom didn't care. She knew that Ms. Barb was partial to punishment, even toward the best kids.

If I had thought about it, I would have realized that swinging on the pole would get me in trouble...and if I had thought about it, passing my history test would

have been more important than going to the movies. Maybe someday I'll be able to conquer my sporadic laziness, but for now, marshmallows are sometimes more interesting.

- Christina Wood, Clairemont H.S.

have received grades lower than a C, but the worst grade I've ever earned was an A-minus on a world history project, back in tenth grade. I didn't deserve this grade;

my classmates worked hard on the same project, whereas I barely did.

It was our final project of the year. We had to pick any person in history and research them. A presentation to the class would follow. Many of my classmates picked popular figures like Martin Luther King Jr., George Washington, etc. I picked Socrates, since his ideas interested me.

As soon as our teacher assigned it, I could hear complaints from students like, "Aw, man, I have to do well in this project or I'll fail." I was clowning around by drawing in class, daydreaming, and when we had to go to the library to research, I slept or talked. I didn't care as much as the other students since I already had a B in the class. Even if I had gotten an A-plus in the project, my grade would still be a B-plus.

The class had almost two months to complete the project. Classmates

had begun as soon as our teacher, Ms. Bergan, assigned it. I waited the last week before it was due to get started. That week, I stayed up until almost dawn every day for three days to finish it. I had all the information I needed; I just needed to type up an essay, organize my presentation, and create a trifold poster.

The due date came, and I was one of the first persons called up to present. My presentation was not as great as I wished,

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but the class and Ms. Bergan thought I did an excellent job...even though I was making up things to say as I went along.

A few days later, when the teacher told me my grade, I was shocked that she'd given me an Aminus. On the essay, it said "short but good." I felt guilty for getting such an exceptional grade. I didn't deserve it. — Alecsis Ducusin, Morse H.S. graduate, 2003





SUBURBAN ARTERY

"WE'VE HAD A LOT OF HOUSES," SAYS MOESHA, BREAKING HER CUSTOMARY SHY FIVE-YEAR-OLD'S SILENCE.

"Yes, we move around a little bit," agrees Rayna, Moesha's mother and a navigator turned drug-and-alcohol counselor

for the Navy.

"How many houses do you remember having?" I ask.

"Four."

"There was the house in Minnesota," recounts Rayna. That was where she and her husband Steve, now a food-service officer with the Navy, worked as recruiters. "Then when we sold the house, we moved to an apartment."

> Adds Steve, "She stayed with me when I was in school in Georgia, and Mommy was over in the Gulf during her last deployment."

After the Georgia layover, the Minnesota apartment gave way to another apartment in Chula Vista last year. Soon after that, Steve and Rayna started looking for a house. "We've kind of been told with a wink and a nod that we will more than likely be here for six years," explains Steve. "Because we're in the military together, and I'm an officer and she's enlisted, we can't serve in the same chain of command — it would be a conflict of interest." (They were both enlisted when they met and married.) "The way they try to work it is that one of us will be on a ship and one on shore. You've got very few choices — you've

got San Diego and you've got Norfolk."It was easier (and cheaper) for the Navy to let them stay put a while.

At first, they looked in Scripps Ranch and Poway, but "the traffic headed up north of the base was just kind of too much," says Rayna. So their realtor began showing them houses in Chula Vista. Steve takes up the story. "We made the mistake of going to look at model homes two or three miles south, Seabreeze Homes or something. We went in and fell in love. You walked in and it was 20-foot ceilings — just huge, just grand windows and stuff. And of course, with the model homes, they've got the beautiful furniture. That really got us thinking about new houses. So we had our



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including a failed bid.

Houses would be perfect

but lack a downstairs bed-

room for guests and

extended family. Or they

would have no yard. "None

at all. I didn't even think

that was legal," marvels

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East Palomar, up alongside

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to the park. The park is vaguely circular, with streets radiating out in all directions. Someday, the space will be lined with trees; for now, the saplings look forlorn and frail as they ring the expanse of pale, spongy grass crossed by wide, white sidewalks. A carefully irregular pond holds down one "corner" of the circle. Submerged fountains send lumps of water bulging above the surface, as if forever heralding the rising of some great aquatic beast. A sign at the pond's edge proclaims a set of pictured prohibitions: no litter, no drinking the water, no fishing, no swimming, no wading.

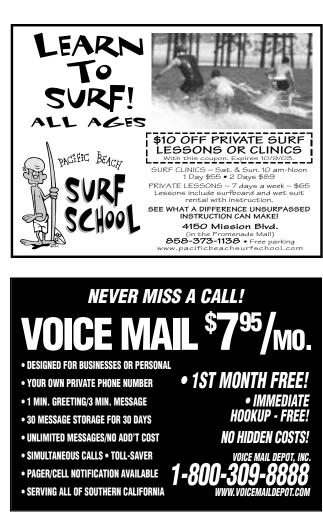
Up from the pond is a green and tan powdercoated playground, and beyond that, a substantial picnic area beneath steel roofing. More steel clings to the sloping angularity of the park's community center, where it is married to a base of fitted stones, an urban/suburban melding

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forming a venue for children's ballet and art classes. Basketball courts occupy the park's opposite side, and if you climb the knoll, you can see a school across the street.

Earth-toned apartments line the streets nearest the park; Steve and Rayna's off-white house is situated out near the edge of the development, past one of the many manned security gates that regulate traffic in and out of the community's residential areas. It looks to be one of four or five models on its street. Their model offers two driveways (leading to two garages, one two-car, one single); there are cars









in both. Low walls create a small sort of outdoor atrium just in front of the door. A single goldfish swims in a blue rectangular pond on one side; two bronze dolphins rise from the pond, ready to spout water from their mouths if desired.

"When we saw this, it was, like, 'This is perfect,' " recalls Rayna. "Actually, it was more than I was looking for." Four bedrooms, three baths, with one bed and bath on the ground floor; 3000 square feet plus a swatch of yard and patio out back.

It is clearly a new house, though it takes a while to realize just what makes it so clear, to notice the shifts in design akin to those between hardwood and carpet, double-hung wood and aluminum slider windows, plaster and skimcoated drywall. The staircase at the far end of the entryway gives some indication, the way it doubles back on itself at odd angles, a casual zigzag meander instead of an about-face march. Similarly angled meanders lead to the downstairs bedroom and bath and down a hall to the kitchen and family room. There is also the entryway itself, with its soaring 20-foot ceiling that continues into the well-windowed living room, double the already above-average 10-foot ceilings throughout the rest of the house. (The high ceilings put Rayna in mind of her childhood home, a twostory condo in Minneapolis.) On the walls, the builders left few hard corners; nearly every turn around every entryway is negotiated in soft plastery curves. Over the plaster, a uniform layer of palest green paint — pistachio by my lights, mint by Steve's, and seafoam green by the book. The color is uniform; the house has not endured the particular room-byroom transformations wrought by multiple owners with multiple ideas about color. The floors are tan tile, swirled with green and set on the diagonal.

Dinner tonight is fish and spaghetti, with ice cream for dessert. "That's standard; that's what she told me," says Steve. "I've never heard of it, but I guess if she says..." The sauce, "just regular sauce," with a little black pepper and Italian seasoning, is already bubbling, and the pasta is already boiling. Rayna removes a jumbo bag of mixed frozen vegetables from the freezer and dumps several heaping spoonfuls into another saucepan of boiling water. The fish cod — is baking in the oven, moistened only by "its own juice" and seasoned with Old Bay and Jamaican jerk. Yu Jin, a visiting exchange student from Korea, joins us, silently, at the table. Steve and Rayna trade



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off on cooking duties. Steve worked at Applebee's to put himself through college and spent eight years cooking in the Navy before becoming a food-service officer. "I failed out of the nuclear power school, which is one of the toughest in the Navy - it proved a little too tough for me. When I got out, they offered me either signalman or mess. They said, 'Basically, you can be up on the front of a ship waving a flag at an incoming aircraft in zerodegree weather, or you can be in the galley cooking and eating basically whatever you want." "He is fond of barbecue, especially ribs, and makes frequent use of the grill out back. But tonight, it's Rayna's turn.

Occasionally, I use recipes," she says. "I love cookbooks, learning different stuff and trying to outcook my husband."

"She's come a long way,

actually. When we first got married, she rarely cooked. Now, she's an excellent cook — not that she was bad to begin with."

"What are you talking about, 'She rarely cooked'?" "When we first got married."

"What were we eating in Spain?"

'Out."

"No, we didn't." "Or ramen noodles."

"Oh, my goodness. We probably ate out once a month in Spain."

"A lot of canned soup, fondue pot..." "Only when I was

pregnant." Ravna's favorite cook-

book is *Healthy Homestyle* Cooking, the sort of cookbook that specializes in fatfree preparations of traditional fat-laden fare. "That's probably his real complaint," she confides. "I was already into low-fat, no oil, tofu, no-meat meatloaf, all that.

His problem was that I was cooking, and he didn't appreciate it. After I stopped cooking that way, then the weight came on. Ribs and desserts and all this red meat — I don't think I ever bought red meat until I moved here to California. And when we were recruiting, that's when I didn't cook. That was fast food, and that's where the weight came on."

Now, the month's meals are posted on a calendar, and red meat puts in appearances only on "Beef Saturdays." Fat intake was shrunk and portions trimmed. Steve reports that he has dropped 20 pounds in the past six weeks.

The fondness for the cod's peppery jerk seasoning dates back to their days in Cuba, where they first met during Operation Restore Hope. "We almost considered getting stationed back there just so we could eat [the cod]," admits Steve.

"They had a lot of different restaurants on base," adds Rayna - a good thing,

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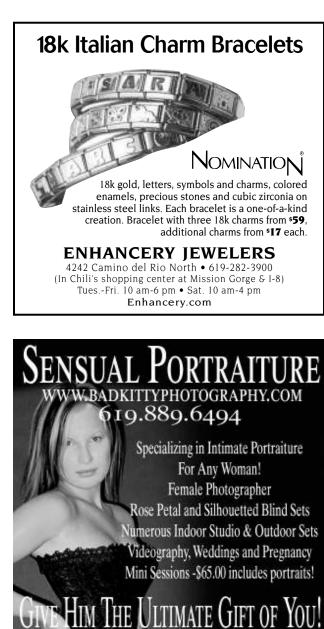
since getting off base meant going over barbed wire and through a minefield.

Today, when they talk about their next move, their thoughts drift back to Spain. "Low crime, very beautiful, very laid back," attests Steve. "It always reminded me of somewhere you would see in the '70s. We'd go to their carnivals — they were like a state fair - and they had this one ride. I couldn't believe it. It was a platform with a bull on it, and the whole thing would spin around and try to throw them off. The bull's head was something like solid metal or plastic with two huge horns coming off of it - no padding or anything. Kids were bashing themselves on it, coming off bloody and bruised, and their parents were all laughing, the kids get up laughing, putting back in their front teeth, and the parents kind of wipe them off and on they go.

"I was, like, 'If that happened in the United States, they'd be looking to sue.' There, it was just, like, 'Oh, that was a great time.' I'm very anti-lawyer and anti-



The replacement fridge, like the original, is white, just like the rest of the kitchen. The milled-wood cabinets wear a coat of white paint; white tiles cover the countertops on the base cabinets and the substantial island. The wall oven is white, as is the wallmounted microwave above it. Even the broad-slat plantation shutters over the window are white. The only color comes from the few



patches of wall visible around the cabinets, the tan floor tile, and the stuff that sits on the counters: green utensil canisters; brown Crock-Pot; wooden knife block; bright, multicolored labels on the liquor bottles in the tucked-away bar counter — Bacardi, Captain Morgan, Jose Cuervo, Bailey's. For Rayna, whose recent memory was full of brightly colored kitchens in any number of houses, the room took some getting used to.

We eat in the dining room adjacent the kitchen, at a high-backed dining set purchased at the Navy Exchange in Spain. "This is a big Exchange house," says Rayna. The set is complemented by a high, formal china cabinet, the top shelf of which boasts an array of glass mugs from the various bases where Ravna has been stationed: Guantanamo Bay, Puerto Rico, Minneapolis. Some are frosted, some are gilt, some are etched. "Rayna's really proud of our hutch," says Steve.

The dining room leads into the living room, the sort of airy, formal space that so often gets neglected in an age where the TV serves as the locus of family gatherings. But Rayna says that they enjoy entertaining friends, and the room gets used then, as well as when



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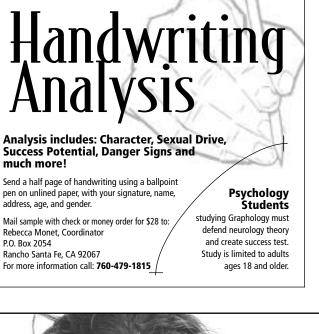
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relatives come to stay. Plus. Steve likes to go in and watch the fish swim in the family's new 110-gallon tank — a present for Rayna last Christmas. They're still gathering their specimens; now, their collection of angelfish, kissing fish, silver dollar fish, catfish, pseudo-sharks, and ghost fish looks smaller than it is amid the backlit, watery immensity. "At night, I'll usually throw some food in there, go back, and lay on the couch and watch them feed. That's kind of my relaxing time."

Steve built the base cabinet for the tank himself, routing out the trim pieces, assembling the front cabinet doors and finishing the whole. "It was my first big project. I want to build a top that will match it. Eventually, I'm going to build a bedroom set, or at least a bedframe. We've always wanted a canopy bed. I've always enjoyed carpentry. I actually helped build the house I grew up in. I was 9 or 10. My stepfather was getting close to retirement when he got married; he was 20 or 21 years older than my mother." When he did retire, the family moved from California to Oklahoma. "We knew we were going to build a house. First, we lived in a trailer — a doublewide — until they found some property that they liked. It was on an old highway; they built the state highway about eight miles over from it, so nobody used it anymore. My older sister was 17, she got married — got pregnant, got married, man she's still married to, what, 21 years later? He was a carpenter. My dad, me, and my stepbrother got out there and built a really nice, big house. Later we added a huge twocar garage and put a great room above it.

"It was nice; it was home. I lived outside of the town with one stoplight. I grew up climbing trees, fishing, hunting, and riding my three-wheeler, having a good time."

"Now you're all civilized."

"Pretty much. I've started wearing shoes."

"That took some work," adds Rayna.

No three-wheeler in the garage? "Not yet. I will,

someday, have a fourwheeler. I put so many hours in just riding through fields, making jumps, going out through the lake — they will float, especially with a little 12-year-old kid on them that doesn't weigh but 70 pounds." For now, Steve's two-

car garage is mostly empty, or at least it feels that way due to its size and tidy whiteness. Moesha's toy motorized Jeep is here, as are Steve and Rayna's bikes. A freezer

stands near the hot-water heater; metal shelves full of immaculate tools line part of each side wall. "I've got my table saw, my miter saw, my jigsaw, my router, my drill, my benches, my radio." The garage shows the newness of the house; floor and walls exude a smooth and finished feel rarely present in even the most well-kept older model. (No bare studs here, nor faux wood paneling or unpainted drywall.) Nor

has it stood open long enough, housed enough junk, or served as the locus of enough mess-generating projects to acquire the dinge and grime so common to its forbears. It is hard to imagine such a pristine space ever actually housing a car.

All that garage was a big selling point. "He likes stuff in the garage," explains Rayna. "All that man stuff, all the toys. When we were in Minnesota, we had a two-car garage, but I couldn't park in it because of all the stuff — and his car. This time, I said, 'I'm having my own garage.' " "You never park in it!"

"But if I want to, I can." "In fact, there's nothing in her garage," Steve tells me. "She's very clutter-free. That's why I have to tell her to leave my garage alone and leave my computer room alone. If you don't use it, it gets thrown

away or given to the Sal-

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vation Army."

"Or sold at a garage sale."

The computer room is Steve's sanctuary, though it is often invaded by his daughter. "He's always at his computer," claims Rayna. "Then Moesha will play on her computer."

"Moesha and I will be upstairs, and Rayna will complain that we're spending time together, but not with her."

When Steve is "at the

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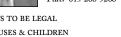
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computer," he is playing games in the computer room — one of the upstairs bedrooms. He plays standard fare like Diablo and Warcraft, but his joy is in Everquest, an online roleplaying game. "It's kind of my thing, my way to relax after being on the ship all day. There are different rates on a ship; just like any city, you've got your workers and your thinkers. You've got your electronics technicians and your people

that work with the computers and the radars, the real brainiacs upstairs. The majority of them play Everquest; your deckhands usually don't."

Everquest is similar in theme to Dungeons & Dragons - warriors, wizards, and thieves battling their way across an imaginary world populated by all manner of monsters and gaining gold, power, and experience as they go. But because it is online, there

is an advantage to Everquest: people in different locations can interact within a common virtual world.

As delightful as taking out a chromatic dragon with a magically summoned bolt of lightning may be, it is not Steve's sole motivation for playing. What also attracts him is the company he keeps. "The thing about the military is that it's hard to keep up with friends. You're never in one place long enough to really

develop those long-term friendships and really get to know everybody. We don't even know our nextdoor neighbors; we've never met them." But, says Steve, "I've got some friends that I've known for 11 or 12 years now, who I was stationed with in Bermuda. We've always kept in contact playing games like Everquest. We'll meet online and basically chat and play around.

"It's kind of interest-

ing to be able to keep in contact with three people you rarely get to see. My friend Dave in Tennessee is three hours ahead of me, so he should be getting on anytime now. He's married to a woman in the Navy; he was prior Marine. Almost nightly, I'll call him up and say, 'Hey, what are you doing? Get on here!' Cliff, he's still in the Navy; he's in Maine. Chris went into the Marines and got on out; I don't know where he's playing at right now. It's kind of my release to get on there and be able to chat with all my friends. You're doing something while you're chatting."

Chatting is the stuff of social life, and the time do fly. "It's addictive. They've talked about how there are divorces over Everquest; the wife gets tired of her husband playing it all the time. I've spent as much as six hours at a time playing without even noticing."



Read This clinical research study is being conducted.

A nationwide research study is currently underway to investigate a study drug for patients with insomnia. The study will include participants at medical institutions throughout the United States. Qualified participants will receive study drug and study-related physician visits at no charge. If you would like more information or think that you may be eligible for this study, please contact the physician's office listed below.

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A figurine of a buxom blonde in medieval warrior/vixen garb stands on Steve's console, her presence magnified by the lack of other decoration in the room. "She came with the box set of the latest version of the game. The game is huge; you can buy more and more parts to it. If you didn't use portals, to run from one edge of the world to the other would take a couple of hours. Right now, there are four or five con-

tinents, and you can go to the moon."

Steve controls several characters, though his primary concern is Blyte, a dark sorceress modeled after his wife. "She's 54th level; I've been playing her for about three years." If he wanted to, Steve could send Blyte to the moon and stay on Everquest's earth at the same time. He has two computers hooked to a router, and so he can play two characters at once. One computer became two when his original got shipped to San Diego while he was at Navy Supply School in Georgia. "I thought, 'Well, I've got six months; I would like to play on the computer.' So I bought a new computer."

"Which he set up because he always wanted two computers anyway," says Rayna with a smile.

"I don't remember that," counters Steve. "I've tried to get my wife caught on to this game, but she won't do it."

Two computers soon became the norm, and when Moesha would come in looking to use one of them, "I'd be, like, 'A-a-aa-ah... I'm busy.' It was a constant battle. So, I went out and they had a deal at Fry's, and I bought her her own computer." Moesha also owns a hand-me-down Nintendo 64 video-game system — her father has a Playstation 2 on ship — and while Steve shows me the online world of Everquest, she fires up Super Mario Brothers. Her usual silence and shyness melt away as she assumes command of her virtual avatar. "Want to see me play this one?" she asks. "Look, I need coins! Look! Look!" Moesha's room shares

a bathroom with the computer room; in it are her bed, her toys, and her TV and VCR, child-size echoes of the TV/VCR setup downstairs. There, across a dividing half wall from the kitchen eating area — an area currently occupied by a blue card table and chairs, where Yu Jin sits for roughly five hours a night studying — is what might be listed on a real estate sheet as a family room but would more properly be called a media room. A broad alcove in the wall opposite the black leather sectional and matching recliner is capable of accommodating a

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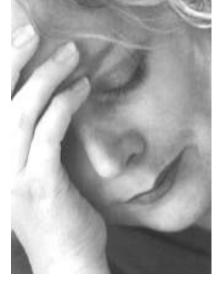
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"Well, it's built for it." "Basically, I tried that one, and it didn't work."

Steve does have a Bose surround-sound system — "There are two front speakers, the center speakers, and two surround speakers back there. Eventually, we'll hook it up. I've got it hooked up to the TV, but for movies, I've got to hook it up to

the VCR. I'm going to build a shelf up there in the little cabinet area and put the speakers up there — get them off the floor — it's just a matter of getting time to actually do stuff. Half the time, you just want to sit down and relax. Yesterday, I stood watch for four hours with the rain coming down sideways. I was soaked — they didn't issue us rain gear, and we had to find some." Ravna did find time to layer green drapery panels over the sheer white ones that came with the house. Before that, says Steve, "It was hard to watch TV during the day with the glare on the TV."

"I kind of sit around and watch Headline News all the time. If you want to know what the military's doing, watch CNN. Half the time, they'll tell you what we're doing before we know," he jokes. Besides news, Steve is fond of reality television. "I like the real, true-to-life stuff, where people catch stuff on home video. Rayna likes sitcoms. I love movies — anything with good special effects -The Matrix, Independence Day. Rayna likes Brown Sugar, Soul Food, those type of movies. To me, Austin Powers is hilarious; she doesn't find the humor in it. She always messes with

me; she says I like stupid comedies. I like to laugh real sarcastic humor."

Steve channel-surfs for a while, and Rayna putters about in the kitchen. After a few minutes, he calls out to her, "The new *Survivor* starts today!"

"Where are they at?" "The Amazon or something."

"That's right. We have to watch that one."

"We watched the first or second year of *Survivor*," Steve tells me. "That was our big thing for a while. We haven't watched that much since then." To the right of the television is the gas fireplace — fitting it

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out for gas was Steve's present to Rayna for her birthday last October. On the mantel stands a crystal vase — a gift from their realtor — and a framed photo of Moesha draping her hair over her father's head. "That was her giving me hair, since Daddy doesn't have any anymore. I just kind of gave up on it. I saw a little bit of the receding hairline," says Steve. Rather than take up the bitter struggle, he shaved himself bald. "I figured, 'You know, I'm married, I've got a child; vanity's not really high on my list of worldly needs." Above the mantel hang photos of bride, groom,

and bride and groom together. They are nearly the only things, photos or art or otherwise, hanging on the house's walls.

Decor is provided by a smattering of potted plants: palms, some sort of oriental Lucky Plant, "whatever looks pretty. I want more plants," says Steve. "She's happy with what we have. I wanted another Lucky Plant for up in our room."

"I don't mind another one up in the bedroom; I just don't want any more down here!"

"I like it tropical in here."

"You've got your own

IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME?

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For more information about this study, please contact: MEDICAL ASSOCIATES RESEARCH GROUP (858) 277-7177

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Right now, Affiliated Research Institute in San Diego is conducting a clinical research study of an investigational medication for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

If you have symptoms of, or have been diagnosed with, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, you may qualify for this research study. Participants will receive study-related medical care at no cost.



For more information or to see if you qualify, please call: **619-688-6565** Amazon thing going on." "We're easygoing," observes Steve, turning to

me in his recliner. "This is like an argument for us." They have another "argument" a bit later, as Rayna flips through a hairstyle magazine. Cur-

rently, her hair is a mass of microbraids, styled in layers so that some hang down and frame her face, some sweep back, and others hang down about her shoulders. Steve points one style out; Rayna rejects it. They do it again. "You get to suggest hair?" I ask Steve.

"You see how this is going," he replies. "No, no, no, and then eventually I hit one and she says, 'Okay,' and that's the one I pick." "How often do you

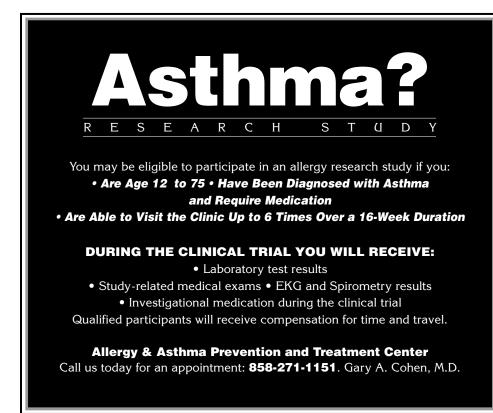
change hairstyles?" I ask Rayna.

"I'm not big into getting my hair done - not professionally. I do it myself, because I'm cheap. But I do go maybe three times a year and get it professionally done." When she does, she changes the style.

So they have passed

eight years together in easygoing, military familial bliss — weekend outings, pleasant home life, world travel — but the soldierly life is not without its complications. "We thought about having another child," says Steve, "but it just hasn't worked out with scheduling and timing. Now, it's starting to get too late. We wanted to have one about two or three years into it, but then I was in college. Now would almost be the perfect time, but unfortunately, I'm going to be going

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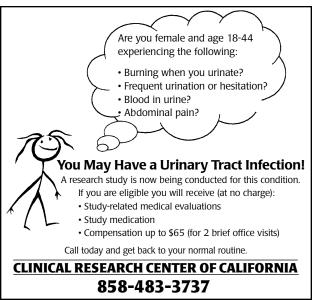
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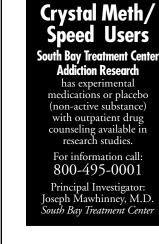
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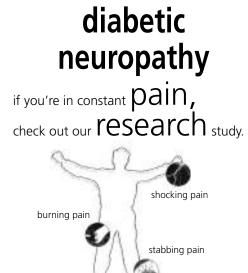
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on deployment sometime soon, and I know I'll be gone for quite a while. Eight months, nine months something along that line. I don't want to leave her here by herself," with a baby on the way and a child needing care.

Steve grants that it's not as if she would be left high and dry while he was away. "The military tries to work with the community; they understand the burden of your family being apart. Just last night, we had a pre-deployment brief. They basically bring all the spouses together and let them meet each other and kind of build a network – people that you can talk to that are in the same position."

But even with that support network, he says, "I don't think I could see being a female with no military background being married to a man in the military. When he goes off for eight months or however long, it's got to be rough. When Rayna was on deployment, she would call whenever she got the chance, which was maybe once a month. E-mails were every couple of nights, depending on where they were at and if they could send e-mails or not. The ship has to screen all the e-mails, and sometimes they get on the satellite for just a few minutes. But at least my wife and I know what to expect. I just feel bad for them. That's why the divorce rate is so high in the military, especially in the Navy - because we have one of the highest rates of separation. After just about every deployment, you'll come back, and right when you come back, it will be divorce after divorce. Basically, the husband or wife has found somebody new; they got lonely after a few months and moved on."

"It's not the military," counters Rayna. "It's the people and whatever issues they have in their marriage. They may not feel like breaking up, but once one of them goes out to sea, it's easier."

"That is very true. I think she's right to a large extent that being separated magnifies problems in the relationship. If you're having problems and all of a sudden you're apart, then If you have IBS... *You are Not Alone!*

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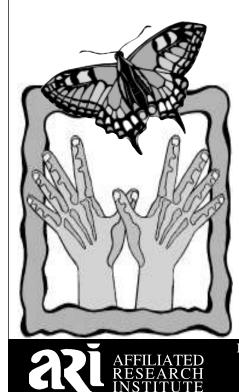
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For more information about this study, please contact:

(619) 688-6565

yeah, it's probably going to fall apart."

This being the military, there is also the increased possibility that the deployed spouse will not return alive. But Steve says he is not anxious. "You gotta do what you gotta do. It's pretty much every military member's dreaded thing, going on deployment. Nobody wants to go; it's just kind of a necessity" that comes from our "being the world's police. People want to believe we could live in a Utopia where everyone would get along, but people are going to fight. If you didn't have somebody to basically take control and run things, some of these little countries would be doing all kinds of crazy things. I could sit here and stress about it until it happens, but I guess I would compare it to being a man on death row — I mean, the thing is inevitable..." "What a comparison!"

interjects Rayna.

"It's not mine. Someone told me the other day, 'It's kind of like being on death row. We know we're going; I'd rather just get it over with.' I guess I feel the same way: let's get it over with. I'm ready to go right now. I mean, some part of me is kind of excited. I've never been to Singapore; I've never been to Australia. There's no guarantee we'll stop there, but those are possibilities of places we'll go. Honestly, it's your state of mind. You could dread going to Disney World and just hate it, or you can think about all the positive aspects of going. I'll be able to get in shape, and I'll be able to save money. If you focus on the positive things in life and not on the negative, you'll be a lot happier person."

The season premiere of Survivor starts up. Steve calls Yu Jin out of her room to watch. The teams this season are men vs. women — apropos the legend of the Amazon women — and Steve and Rayna trade observations about the members and the challenges the teams will likely be given. After a few minutes, I take my leave and wind my way out past the security gate, out of Otay Ranch, out onto Telegraph Canyon Road, and out to the 805.

— Matthew Lickona

Depression



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- Changes in mood, behavior or personality
- Lack of interest in activities

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Death in the Afternoon

York has just survived another attempt on his life — a torched propane tank at Emilio Paz's safehouse, where he's been hiding out as security guard Fernando Cruz, and sometimes as yacht-buying Luis Aparicio, ever since the Reader story came out. That story - exposing an alien-smuggling ring and human game hunting — put him in Gene Walters's sights. And now Walters wanted York - and anyone who looked like York, dressed like York, or stood by York — dead. Two men dead and two people — a would-be bodyguard named Gus, allegedly sent down by Paz for protection; and a long-legged, boat-fixing, wisecracking aging beauty named Moanna, or Mo - almost lost their lives, but before they did, both offered York information he needed. Gus intimated that York's buddy Paz might be more indebted to the murdering Walters than he lets on, and Mo was familiar with the 80-foot Hatteras Walters liked to show off in Mexican waters. After following Paz in San Diego for a few days, York was back across the border, tailing his "friend" to the bullfights, where Paz was meeting friends and York was about to crash the party.

CHAPTER 13

The old bullring in Tijuana is down Avenida Agua Caliente about three or four miles from tourist row on Revolución. It rises about 200 feet from street level on rust orange I liked the bullfights. Not in the way I liked baseball or basketball or hockey, because, ultimately, this was not a sport.

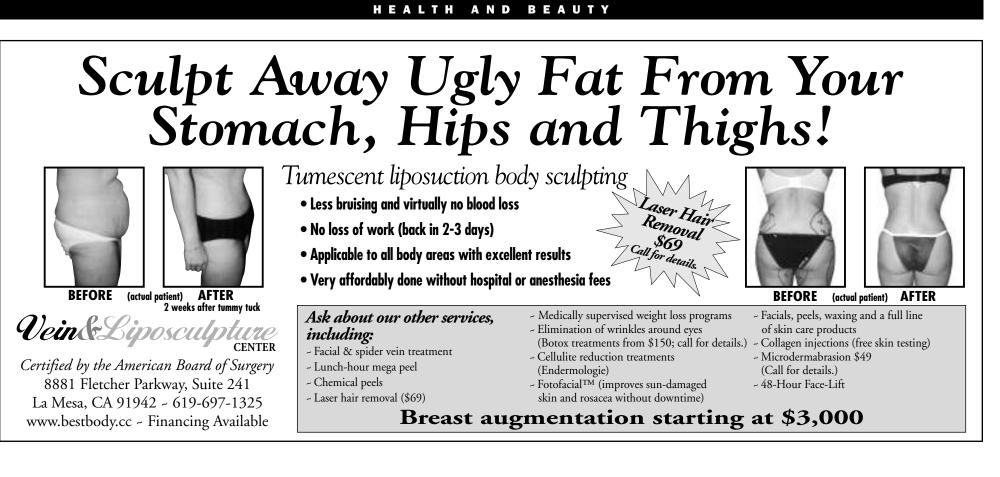
girders and is surrounded by a gravel parking lot. Vendors sell Dos Equis from iced buckets, toy banderillas for the children, and plastic aceros, or swords. There are two sets of entrances, those for the sunny side of the arena and those for the shady side. You buy your tickets accordingly. Since there were patches of coastal fog drifting past the sun that afternoon, I opted for a scalper with the medium-priced sol y sombra seats, which would be in the sun for the first three events and in shade for the remaining three. I watched Paz enter through the sunny-side gates, and I tried to keep him in view.

He walked directly to the men's baños. Already there were lines of men outside pissing cerveza on the walls. The smell was strong, and I kept my distance. I pretended to study my ticket while Paz shook hands with a man who looked very familiar to me. It only took me a moment to recognize Detective Bevilaqua of the Tijuana Judiciales. The last time I had seen him he was accepting an envelope, probably full of American money, from Kaliman Morelos, the coyote who coordinated Eugene Walters's illegal wirecutter operation. Of course, there was nothing illegal about it on this side of the border.



"Arturo danced away from the bull, turned his back to it, and got on one knee."

The time before that, the day I met Bevilaqua, he told me that if he ever saw me in TJ again he would put me in a cell and keep me there until I died of natural causes or otherwise. This was because a bartender who was willing to talk to me about Morelos had gotten killed while waiting for me in my hotel room. The bartender was another man in a still-growing list of people who seemed to die because of me. I had no reason to think that Bevilaqua had forgotten his promise. In fact, I could be reasonably certain he was still fuming over the loss of mordida, or payoffs, he had been receiving from Walters through Kaliman Morelos. He had undoubtedly lost more money than he had ever seen before or since when Walters's alien-smuggling ring went down the toilet. Bevilaqua was a little over five feet tall with a slight frame, thinning black hair, and dead black eyes that squinted at everyone as if they were potentially convictable felons, or potential sources of la mordida. Maybe he just had lousy eyesight. I hoped so. He was dressed the way I remembered him, in a pale lime guayabera shirt, sharply creased pants, and huarache sandals with black socks. He still played pocket pool with himself and his right hand, working his crotch as if his balls were being pinched in his Calvin Klein bikinis.



Another man joined them. Gustavo Amado, sporting a gauze bandage at the back of his head where I had hit him. The gang's all here. Hail hail.

When Gus arrived he touched the bandage and smiled sadly. Paz thought it was pretty funny. Bevilaqua lit a cigarette and peered at Gus as if he were far away. Paz offered Bevilaqua a drink from a silver flask, Bevilaqua accepted. Gustavo declined.

Bevilaqua and Paz bought beers. Gus didn't. They filed into line to mount the stairs for the seats nearest the barrera. From two dozen people back, I followed them. They sat in an expensive spot just three rows from the *toril*, where the bulls are kept. Myself, I preferred higher ground for a better view. Also I hated the smell of fear, sweat, dung, and blood that came from the bulls.

I seated myself about 20 rows above them and to their left. In front of me was a family with a cooler of beer. The youngest of three boys had his hair in a matador's ponytail, a matador's cap like inverted Mickey Mouse ears on his head, and medias, matador stockings. He waved a plastic sword at me and said, "¡Toro! ¡Olé!"

I snorted at him. He smiled, satisfied, and turned away.

The brass band started and the parade of señoritas and handsome vaqueros rode across the sands at an elegant, funereal pace. Their horses were draped in gold and red embroidery. They were followed by the *picadors* and *peones* and then the matadors. This bullfight was a novillada, which accounted for the youth of the matadors. They were kids, maybe 21 years old. At a novillada you see either very young or very old bulls or very young or very old matadors. I was hoping the youth of the matadors was an indication that I would see healthy bulls and not tired or timid beasts. Not that it mattered. I had to remind

myself that I was not here to watch the ring.

Still, I liked the bullfights. Not in the way I liked baseball or basketball or hockey, because ultimately this was not a sport. It was,

as Hemingway, that most famous of aficiones had called it, "a tragedy." It certainly was for the bulls and sometimes for the horses and in more ways than one it was tragic in what it said

about men. But there was something heroic in it at its best, and it was always dramatic. Sometimes the line between the heroic, the dramatic, and the tragic became blurred, just as the roles of the bull and the matador became blurred, exchanged, or indistinguishable. What might be perceived as honorable and courageous in a man armed with only a cape and his

nerve might just as easily be perceived as strutting, preening cowardice. When a bull, enraged and bewildered with wounds from the banderillas and picas, tries to gore the picador's



horse or the matador, you could see a beast, something frightening, primal, and ugly — or you could see bravery incarnate, the life principle itself, and cheer the animal while the man or woman next to you cheered the artistry of the matador and called for the *coup de grâce*. Whether you liked the idea of a bullfight or not, there was always something about it that moved you; sometimes in ways you didn't understand.

The first matador was named Jorge Arturo, and he was a handsome, grandstanding smiler. He had teeth you couldn't miss even in the farthest row. While Jorge played the bull a little nervously, I commended him on his ability to keep his feet under control. The bull was huge, fast, very macho, as they say. Even Gloria Steinem would have said so. I scanned the seats where Paz, Bevilaqua, and Amado were sitting and satisfied myself that they were here for the duration. Still, I had to tear my eyes away from the sands to check every minute or so.

The bull seemed almost unaffected by the *picador*'s wounding, though blood flowed freely down his right side. His left horn was bloodied on the *picador*'s horse as he had gone up under the hind flank, where the padded mattress did not protect the animal. I don't remember seeing a bull so enraged, so full of endurance and surprising flurries of violence.

I thought about Walters and the little tragic dance he and I were doing. One of us were sure to die. The beast always died. Which of us was the beast? Walters had the artistry, the cape and trappings. He had the men, the *picadors* and *peones*. I had, what? Animal cunning? On a good day, yeah. Endurance? If I could stay away from the *picadores*, the matador's sword, and the *puntilla* knife that deals the final death blow in a bull that lingers past his time. I thought about the aroused reptile inside me, my little Godzilla. Rage.

It could be used so easily against me, just as the matador distracts, lames, and weakens the bull with the cape. Oh, I related to the bull here, all right. And maybe I was putting too fine a point on it, but as long as I was the bull, the beast, I was slated to die. Walters wasn't just a matador. He was certainly no 21-year-old *novillada* bullfighter. Walters was a goddamned bullfight promoter.

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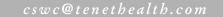
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He wrote the book. I just had to make certain I never got in the ring with him. It would have to be somewhere he wasn't prepared to deal with me.

Jorge Arturo chose his ultimate moment too soon. He went in over the horns and sank his blade a half a foot into the shoulder muscles. This pissed off the bull tremendously. Jorge had blown it. He would have to go in again with nothing in his hands but his faith in God and the Holy Trinity, retrieve the handle at least, then drive it home.

Jorge tried. The bull was not only tough, he was smart. He turned his head and whipped it to the side, catching the matador's hip. Jorge was airborne, the crowd was on its feet, I was shouting, "Yes!" I don't know why. I had nothing against the young *Señor* Arturo.

The man got to his

charging. Arturo rolled in the sand, away from the bull. He escaped, but he was now humiliated. Covered in blood and dirt, he stared in awe at the animal who seemed winded, tired, confused, but very much alive and bloodthirsty.

¡Cuidado! The bull was

No kill. After this, many min-

utes passed where the *peones* played with the animal, tiring it further, confusing it some more with their gold capes. Blood ran from its mouth along with pink saliva.

Arturo called for the *puntilla*, and someone handed him the knife. He went in again over the horns and drove the blade into the base of the bull's skull. Nothing.

The bull did not seem annoyed. It seemed to be saying, *What are you doing? Why are you doing this? Stand still so I can find you.* But I doubt it was saying

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feet, scrabbling a little to do it, and lifted his arms over his head to show the crowd he was all right. His midsection was covered in blood, but it was not his.

The bull was motionless, looking for the cape again that was on the ground behind it. The peones distracted the bull with a couple of gold and rose capes, running before it and hiding behind the barrera. Jorge positioned himself in front of the animal that was now whoofing out of breath, having charged the red-painted wooden gate. He placed one hand between the bull's horns as if trying to mesmerize it and launched himself up. He grabbed the pommel of the sword and drove it home. The crowd screamed.

Arturo danced away from the bull, turned his back to it, and got on one knee. The crowd screamed again, almost in unison, or thinking anything at all. It was in pain and it was dying, but it didn't seem to know or care.

Again, Arturo mounted the bull's forehead, drove in the *puntilla*. Again nothing. Once more. And again. The crowd was booing him. He now looked like a housewife defrosting a freezer as he hacked at the bull's shoulder and neck. Two thousand people were disgusted. The matador was horrified, disgraced, about to cry, I thought.

A boy next to me shouted, "¿Donde está su pistola, pendejo?" This brought some laughter from the nearby seats.

When the beast finally genuflected before Jorge Arturo's outstretched, bloody hand, it was too late. The bull fell and silence washed over the arena. Arturo did something that redeemed himself a little. He pointed to the bull and started to clap his hands



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slowly. The crowd joined him. They stood and applauded. It didn't seem to make any difference to the bull.

Three horses rigged together entered the stadium. A man lashed the bull's horns to a harness with chains, and they dragged the carcass around the sand three times. The aficiones applauded somberly.

Paz, Bevilaqua, and Amado smiled, clapped, stood. Again Paz passed the flask to Bevilaqua, Amado shook his head. Maybe his injury made drinking liquor or beer a bad idea, but it seemed to me he was making a point not to drink with them.

I felt tired and thirsty. The blood of the bull left burgundy streaks in the sand where it had been dragged, and the sight of it made me weak. The older I get, the more the sight of blood does that. Maybe you can only see so much of it. Even movies got to me lately. There will be a day when I can't go to bull-

I ordered a Dos Equis. The next two bullfighters were good. That is, they had grace and skill

I shifted into fourth and saw cops in my left mirror drawing guns, kneeling, and aiming with two hands.

fights any longer. I'll miss them.

Five more bullfights to go.

and courage. The next two bulls were healthy and mature, but nothing like the first animal. The kills were sudden and clean. Something was missing after the pathos of Jorge and the Minotaur.

The sun prevailed for most of the three fights and then was hidden by early-evening cloud cover. The stadium became chilled, and the men put on jackets, the women put on shawls and leathers and furs. The women always dress for bullfights, the men rarely. The smell of warmed tortillas and frying carnitas, carne asada, and fish with lime made me hungry. I stayed hungry.

The fourth bullfight featured Arturo again. He was met with boos but maintained his dignity. He limped, still covered in dirt and bull's blood, probably because he could not afford another set of fine clothes. This time the bull was more pliable. Jorge played him with finesse. He played on both knees. He stood and turned his back to the bull



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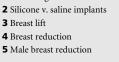
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after drawing him ever closer and closer in his passes. He stroked the animal between the horns and seemed to talk to it. When he brought it to its knees with a close pass that made everyone gasp, he dropped the cape at his feet, turned away, and walked from the bull as if he were pondering something suddenly that was very serious and disturbing. He invited no applause with this spectacular move, but he got it anyway. I couldn't believe how the crowd re-embraced the man they had been shouting down as a carnicero, a butcher.

The toro bravo stood and looked around the ring for the cape. Arturo walked up to it and put his left hand between the animal's eyes. It backed away and Arturo retrieved the cape. He knelt in the sand, rotated 180 degrees with his back to the animal, and placed the cape over his shoulders. The red side toward the beast. The bull charged from ten feet away. The people gasped, shrieked. Arturo was committing hari-kari in front of their eyes.

In one single flowing act, Arturo pulled the sword from the cape, stood, turned, jumped, and sent the blade in over the horns, driving it to within six inches of the hilt. It was the most spectacular thing I had ever seen in the bullring. The matador seemed poised, for a heart-stopping minute, in midair, his feet off the ground. The bull, cowering with the pain, stopped. Knelt. Cried out and died. It rocked onto its side and ceased to move.

For a moment the bull's death cry echoed in the silent arena. And then there was a deafening, unintelligible shout accompanied by applause from the stands. Arturo threw his arms to the sky and then crossed himself. Still filthy from the sand and blood of the last bull, he seemed suddenly clean again. His teeth flashed the handsome smile. There was no *puntilla* this time, no *peones*,



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Arturo walked around

the *barrera* and accepted flowers, shoes, and hats tossed from the people. Bolsas of wine were thrown at his feet. He drank from one and tossed it back. He ran and picked up another, drank and stiff-armed it back to the crowd in the high seats. They threw it back. It was an invitation. He ran toward the *barrera* and vaulted himself up and over into the waiting arms of the fans who now loved him. They carried him on their hands, shoulders, and heads. He was thrown this way and that, and he sank into it with the surrender of satori. Containers of beer were emptied over him. He laughed, shouted, *"¡Que milagro!"*

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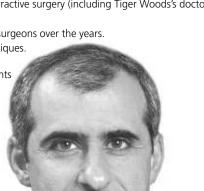
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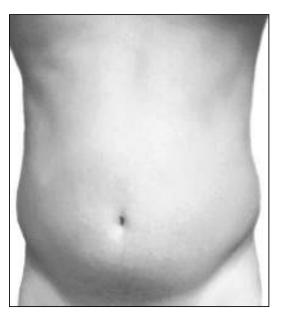
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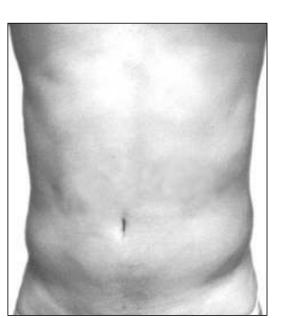


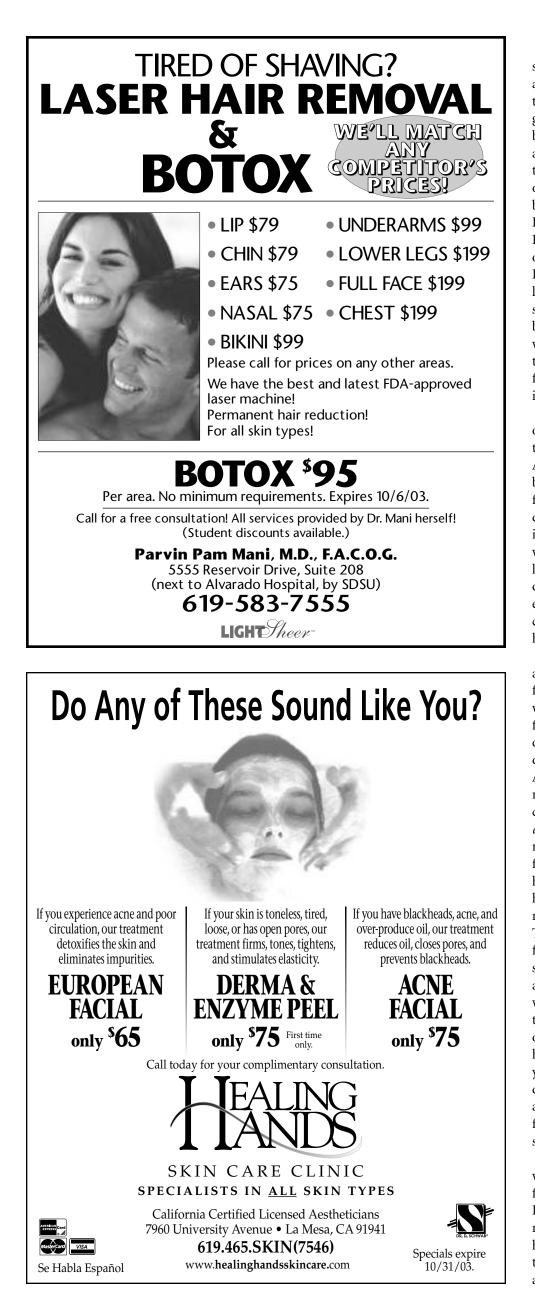
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Now the bolsa skins of wine were being tossed toward the seats where Jorge Arturo smiled happily, wetly, battered and filthy. He drank from one, tossed it this way, drank from another, threw it the other way. The skins were caught by the privileged who squeezed and drank to the count of ten, ecstatic to be among those chosen to drink with the hero.

Wherever Arturo threw a skin of wine, the crowd followed its flight and watched whoever drank from it. One American girl drank to the count of 20 and drained the bolsa. Bad form. Arturo threw another at a man off to his right, and the crowd counted down from diez to uno in unison. The next skin Arturo drank from he threw blindly over his shoulder. I watched in horror as it sailed closer to me as if in slow motion. The bolsa landed at my feet, and several dozen eyes stared at me for a moment, as if to say, "What the hell's wrong with you?" and then they scrabbled for it. A boy of 15 or so, the one who had shouted, "Where is your pistol, idiot?" to Arturo during the first event, got a hold of it, held it two feet from his open mouth, and squeezed. I turned to where Paz

I turned to where Paz was sitting. He was on his feet looking right at me, Bevilaqua was pointing at me and trying to thread his way through the crowd toward me. Gustavo set out after him.

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There were bodies everywhere I tried to step. I swung the backpack over my head and minced around the seated people, danced around those who were standing, got shoved, shoved back. One guy tried to trip me but didn't succeed. Then he swung at me. I ducked and he hit the guy next to him. They went at it with each other. When I got to the first

When I got to the first row of stairs, I decided I had better find an exit now rather than try to lose myself in the crush of people. Fights were breaking out all over the place, and I could get hung up in one too easily. People were pushing and shouting. Some of them were oblivious to me

and were just fighting because of the rain of beer that kept falling from the seats above in a sporadic downpour — or they were fighting for some other reason. Violence seemed to move through the press of bodies in almost visible waves. The nearest exit was blocked by a crowd circling two drunken men in their 20s, one an American in a T-shirt that said IRANI-ANS GO HOME AND TAKE THE L.A. RAIDERS

WITH YOU. The other one was a Mexican. I couldn't get through that way.

The only way I could go was up. Bevilaqua was getting close to me. He was within 50 feet and pushing through the crowd hold-



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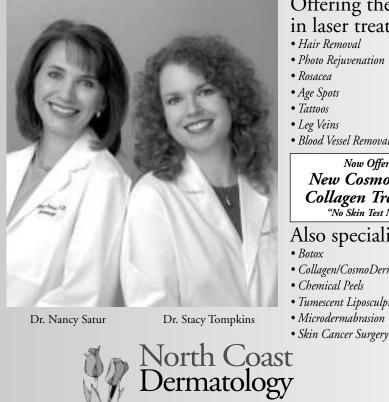
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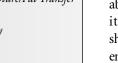
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ing his badge up over his head

My ascent up the stairs was met with resistance. Some wanted to stop me because a policeman was chasing me, others wanted to stop me because I was stepping on people. With 20 feet to go before the top of the bullring seats in that section, I put my head down and clutched my backpack like a football. I butted the first human obstacle in the solar plexus with my head. He went down. I went down on top of him, stepped on his hand, and got free.

Ten feet to go, and I had no idea what I would do when I got to the top. There was no way out up there.

"Stop! You! York!" It was Bevilaqua. He was bounding up the stairs after me and reaching behind his back for a pistol in a waist holster under his shirt. "Stop that man!" he shouted. "Police!"

Gustavo Amado was right on his heels and waving me on. I paused for a second, wondering why he was doing that. He shouted, "Go! Go!"

I did. I made it to the wall at the top. Bevilaqua had his pistol in his hands, and no one else tried to tackle me. Everyone was screaming at the sight of the gun and trying to get as far away from me as they could. I paused, out of breath, and looked out over the wall. It was about a hundred feet to the ground just inside the main gate. I could feel the weight of the two guns in my backpack, but I didn't have time to get them out, and I didn't want to shoot into a crowd.

Jumping 100 feet onto a concrete floor wouldn't do me much good. The only possibility would be to jump onto one of the orange I-beams that supported the tier of seats above. Maybe I could reach it, maybe not. I might shinny my way down far enough so that I could jump and only break a few bones. Behind me I heard,

"Lieutenant, wait!" The Judiciale was ten feet from me. Amado was

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right behind him. Bevilaqua turned, paused, looked at Gustavo. ";Que? ;Que?"

Gus pointed past me and up. "Look," he said, "Halley's Comet!" and then as Bevilaqua turned back to me, Gus swung a full

roundhouse right that connected soundlessly and lifted the Mexican cop off his feet. I didn't wait to see him land.

Stepping on a beer cooler, I positioned myself on the top of the wall. I

strapped my backpack on and jumped.

The I-beam was almost ten feet away. It looked like it was in another country. I caught it on the low end of my downward arc. The rusted steel ran through

my hands and the insides of my thighs and heels, burning and tearing through my Levi's and cutting open the skin on my palms. I slowed myself painfully to a stop about halfway down. I had made it.

Tarzan. Indiana Jones. The pain in my hands and knees kept me from shouting, "All right!" I still had a good 60 feet to the ground. People were gathering underneath me. If I

were to shinny down now, I would never make it to the turnstile exits. Somebody was bound to stop me.

I lowered myself another ten feet to a horizontal beam and walked it, doing my Avion imper-

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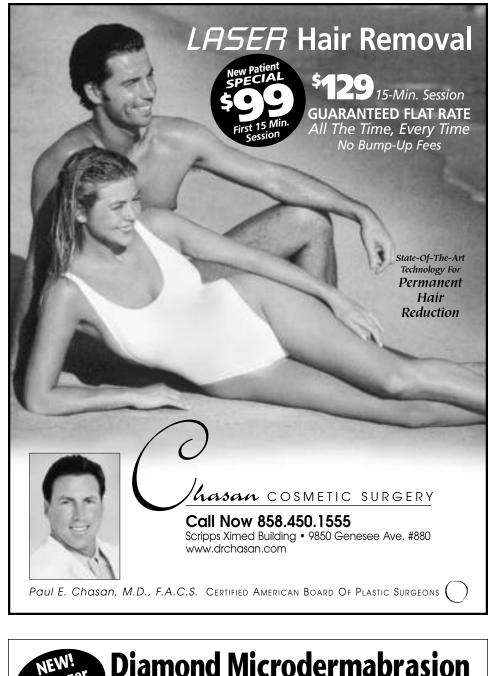
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sonation: arms out to the sides waving like a drunken seagull. The beam stopped at another upright, still ten feet from the outer wall. On the other side of it was the parking lot. The Honda was maybe ten yards from there. I was pretty sure I could jump to the wall, then drop the remaining seven or eight feet. To my right, about 15

feet away, was a support girder at a 45-degree angle to the upright. It led down to what would be a good foothold between the wall and the vertical beam. I tightrope-walked the 15 feet, slipping on some pigeon guano and nearly tumbling over. I took the fall in my crotch, and for a moment I had no wind and life was not good. I was drawing more of a crowd now too.

When I made the distance to the angled beam, I took the opportunity to remove the Ruger from the backpack. The crowd under me saw the gun and screamed. They started to scatter. The parking lot exit was visible to me now, and there were motorcycle cops waiting to direct traffic when the bullfights were over. The last thing I wanted was a high-speed motorcycle chase through Tijuana, exchanging lead with Mexican cops, but the second to the last thing I wanted was doing this unarmed. I checked the clip. Full. Safety on, I stuck it in my belt. It was like riding a very

bumpy and very thin slide to the wall, but it was over quickly, and I pulled myself up, tossed my legs over, with the Ruger digging into my ribs. I dropped to the gravel parking lot and got up sprinting. The cops and vendors and everyone else out here were oblivious to anything other than *oohs*, *ahhs*, and shouts from the bullring. No big deal.

I made it to the bike and fumbled with my keys. I fired up the 750 — waddled it backwards for a moment and then punched into first and sprayed gravel around a little too conspicuously. The motorcycle cops wondered what BRITE SMILE.

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They were interested now.

From the turnstile gate behind me, curiosity seekers were pouring out of the ring. One of them was Emilio Paz. He shouted, "York! Wait! Let's talk!"

I couldn't think of a

thing I wanted to discuss with Emilio here and now. I weaved through parked cars and dodged helmeted cops in my path who were waving me to stop. It was a gauntlet of cars, vendors, cops, and tricky gravel. I almost laid the bike down with a bad turn, but I recovered, forced myself to breath evenly, and stared down the hurried, makeshift blockade of municipal police motorcycles at the exit to Avenida Agua Caliente. I left clouds of dust rising behind me. The bike whined with too many RPMs, and I shifted into second, then third, bearing down on the blockade.

Playing chicken with Mexican cops is a sucker's game. I didn't think they'd move those bikes for a second, even if they had time, but luckily, they didn't have time to put enough of them in place either. I aimed for

a gap between motorcycles on the sidewalk and made it. The old Harlevs to either side of me went down as my knee caught one and my rear tire caught another. I wobbled past them fighting for control of the Honda.

Still on the sidewalk, I shifted into fourth and saw cops in my left mirror drawing guns, kneeling, and aiming with two hands. I leaned forward, hunched over the gas tank and crossed two lanes of Sunday TJ traffic. I closed my eves and heard the cracking of pistols, the screeching of brakes, and my own heartbeat in my ears.

In seconds I was down a side street. And then I was on another one. I turned left three times and found myself on a street of abandoned produce warehouses with loading docks. I stashed the bike behind a Dumpster piled with crates and sat down next to it. I strained to hear sirens, but all I heard was my pulse in my temples. I figured it to be close to six o'clock. I smelled rotting lettuce and cilantro. I lit a cigarette. I shook and smoked, giving my complete attention to each activity, knowing that I wanted to do it now rather than later. Shaking and smoking. I felt like crying, but this



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didn't seem useful. I hate getting shot at.

The sun really started to go down around 7:30, maybe 8:00. A drunk passed me, asked for change. I gave him some for luck because I knew I had just used up too much of it. I wish I could have seen more of the sunset, but I was very happy that I was in a position to be aware of it at all.

The blood dried on my hands. My thighs sang with pain from sliding down that girder. Pain was good. You don't feel it when you're dead, and Sufi was right: It's better to be alive than it is to be dead. No matter what.

When it was dark, I put on my helmet and breathed fear and cigarette breath back at myself. I kick-started the bike because it wouldn't start the other way. I rode carefully and slowly through side streets back to the southwest side of Tijuana and got on the Ensenada toll road. I rode south for two hours.

On the way down I asked myself these things: When I kill Walters, assuming I don't get killed first, will I feel okay? Safe? Will people stop shooting at me? Will my life resemble something like what I call normal, or will there always be someone else, something else to take his place? Do I enjoy this shit? Do I need it? I ignored the voice that seemed to say, "Bingo!" The voice that knew there is nothing quite like having your life threatened and living to thumb your nose.

These questions had no answer that I wanted to hear. I was asking the wrong guy.

The night was clear, the fog had gone. It was warm, and there were about a thousand more stars than you can see in San Diego. The moon was a silver crescent, like a blade over the western horizon. The wind was soft, the ocean smelled like no perfume ever invented.

— John Brizzolara

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greater exposure to air pollution because they breathe at a higher rate than adults and they are more active outdoors when peak levels of smog occurs."

In the Beach and Bay Press, May 3, 2001, I wrote, "By suggesting that dog users from other areas use Capehart as a regional park, promoters suggest we increase pollution with even more vehicular traffic." (Then-Councilman Byron Wear told me I should drive from my home in Bay Park over to Soledad Mountain Road twice a day with my dogs.)

Our city officials seem to have a habit of putting community parks in areas full of air pollution from cars and trucks. And the practice of NIMBYism and packing recreation councils, as mentioned in the Reader article, is as responsible as city officials for putting parks in the wrong places. This happened in the P.B./Clairemont areas over dog parks, and it's happened in Peñasquitos about a skate park. Even the Pacific Beach Town Council voted for Capehart Dog Park, expected to come in with a price tag of \$2 million (according to city estimates) compared to about \$10,000 for fencing an area at Kate Sessions Park. There are some nasty patterns here, and I can only repeat the question I asked in my Beach and Bay Press letter: "Where are the people who profess to be concerned about our children?" I know where they are: they're casting lone dissenting votes against those who show us what they really think of our children.

Helen McKenna Clairemont Mesa



A photo accompanying the



David Daitch, Darrell Issa, and Arian Singh

Problem Staples

The article on trash ("Who's Got Your Trash?") by Jeannette De Wyze in the September 11 issue was terrific. Even my wife, who never reads the Reader, read and enjoyed it. However, she didn't answer a question I have had for a long time about recycling trash — are staples in paper a problem? Don Yeckel

Jeannette De Wyze responds: The authorities I spoke with *say staples are not a problem;* they can be screened out at the paper-processing facilities.

Daredevil's Dream

September 11).

of what happened to the Double B Ranch. Back in the 1970s, I re-

call camping with my family there in a pop-up trailer pulled up a winding and precarious drive.

I had my first and only close call with a rattlesnake at the Double B Ranch. Underneath an oak, I stepped right over the sleeping reptile on a glorious weekend day. I suppose it was quite possi-



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article "Communist for a Little While" (September 18) excluded the subject of the story, David Daitch. The uncropped photo with the correct caption is below.



Regarding "Neighbor Battles Neighbor" ("City Lights," So sad to read the story



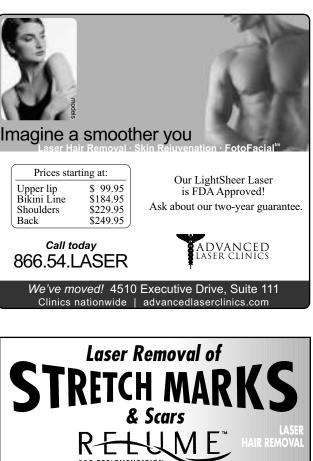


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bly Otto Rollins himself that dispatched that snake with his gun, beheaded it, then allowed me to hold the wriggling, rattling, and blood-oozing body to permanently wreck my San Diego Rockets T-shirt.

I found my first salamanders in Boulder Creek. Did my first inner-tube rafting there as well. What the article failed to mention was Devil's Punchbowl. Hopefully neither neighbor owns property rights? An absolute daredevil's dream. Boulder Creek turns into a lively waterfall/waterslide above a natural pond cut into rock. As an adolescent, hurling your body over the water-smoothed rocks into the "punchbowl" was terror at its finest!

We all got a chance to see the mine that had been dug into the hill. I recall being very scared at traversing the walkways in that mine. It seemed like there was most certainly gold to be had therein.

Mr. Brown is, indeed, one fortuitous man. Keep digging and one might find more to this story than meets the eve.

So terribly sad to hear that the Double B lives only in the hearts of those of us lucky enough to have once visited. Many thanks to Otto Rollins for allowing visits. Oh, to slide into the Devil's Punchbowl just one more time!

Patricia S. Lundberg La Mesa

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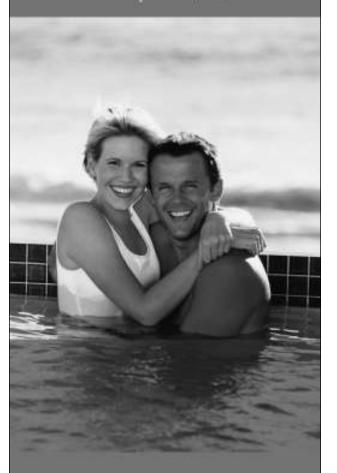
Don Bauder's article about the zoo's Park Boulevard Promenade plan ("Zoo May Seek Compromise," "City Lights," September 11) would have done better in a sensational tabloid than the San Diego Reader. Ever since the 800-pound gorilla heard the community's reaction to its original request for more space, it has more played the role of a lovable koala than a ferocious gorilla. The zoo has bent over backwards to involve all of the institutions at Balboa Park, the community planning groups, and most important, the general public, in the planning process.

The issue here is very simple. The zoo wants more space to enhance the habitats for its animal population to encourage conservation and breeding of those

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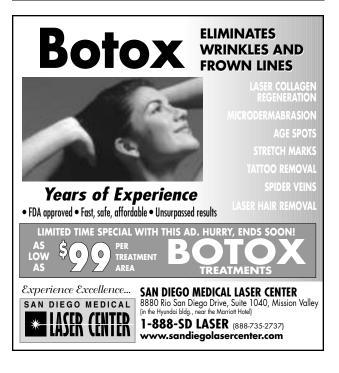
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species that thrive in a temperate climate. To do this, the plan proposes replacing the parking lot within the zoo's leasehold and all the other ugly parking lots along Park Boulevard with a subterranean garage, which results in more open and green surface space, lots more parking space, and improved bus-traffic circulation. The zoo's animals get their space, and the people who use the

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park get more open areas and better traffic flow. In other words, everyone wins,

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photo gallery: sandiegolipo.com of the public meetings, and the only objection I have heard from the director of that museum is that he does not know how the project will be financed.

I do not believe the zoo is acting like a "card shark" and withholding financial information. The only question now is whether or not this is a good plan. After this plan, or any other plan (including the yet-to-be-received Jones and Jones plan), is approved, the people will have to decide how to fund it.

Finally, I certainly do not agree that Balboa Park's cultural institutions have been "dumbed down." We have fine museums and theaters, a world-class organ pavilion, and certainly a first-class zoo. For Mr. Roberts of La Jolla to insinuate that the zoo will become another Disneyland is ludicrous. SeaWorld and Disneyland have been with us for close to a half-century, and much to its credit, our zoo has chosen not to emulate them.

> David Sobo South Park

> > Pacific Beach

Impossible Records

Patrick Daugherty's September 4 "Sporting Box" column predicts that the combined win-loss records of all NFL teams this season will be 267-245. This is, of course, not possible. Brian Wilson

Patrick Daugherty responds: Brian, it's helpful if you read the column all the way through. Each team in the NFL plays 16 regular season games. That's it. No more. No less. If you will read the column again, you will note that every team whose record I forecast will play 16 games. I predicted some teams would finish the 2003 regular season 8-8, others 9-7, or 5-11, or 10-6, and so on. Kindly note that in each and every case the predicted team's record always totals 16. Got it?

Prostitution Ring

I'm calling in regard to an article in the August 7 edition of the Reader, "Reina's Story." There are just a couple of things I was curious about. I'm concerned about the statement in the article where — and I'm paraphrasing — it says that nearby where the prostitution ring was sort of doing



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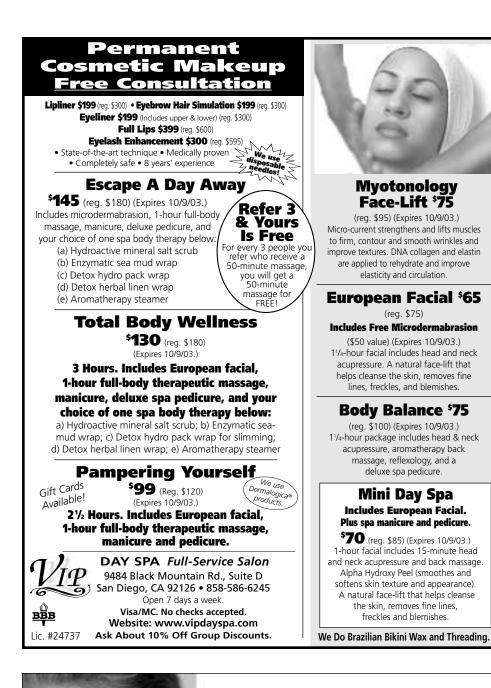
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business in Carlsbad off of Palomar Airport Road and around the strawberry fields and in the reeds, that families are playing soccer or home watching TV and that the community at large was unaware of what was going on. That would have been fine, except that I guess Thomas then followed up with, Or maybe we knew but didn't care. I find that verv offensive, to lump an entire community together like that, assuming that we may possibly know of the existence of this ring. I've lived in Carlsbad for five years, and I can assure you I had no idea that was going on, and quite frankly, if I had known that that was going on, I wouldn't have moved here. And I know that none of my neighbors knew what was going on. So I think that that's an opinion rather than fact, and I assumed that articles are based on fact rather than opinion. So I was pretty offended by that. My second comment is

that if this ring has been going on for so long, I'm wondering why the Carlsbad Police didn't step in sooner. Maybe there was a reason for that. Maybe Vista wanted jurisdiction; maybe they needed to wait a certain amount of time in order to get the people they really wanted, although according to this story they escaped anyway. But I'm really curious as to why Carlsbad didn't get in there — why there wasn't a huge task force, maybe a tri-city one, going after these guys. So that concerns me. Why wasn't our police force involved in this?

And thirdly, the article then states that apparently this prostitution ring does still exist, and I guess is still practicing in the reeds or the strawberry fields or by Palomar Airport Road. I'm curious as to why it can't be stopped completely. I realize that these people are slick and crafty and they'll be able to do this wherever they want, but if our police department and Vista Police Department are aware of this, why aren't they patrolling these areas more frequently, on a daily basis? On an hourly basis? Jeanine Figero

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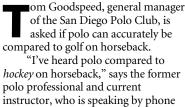
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from home on a Monday ("the only down day in the polo LOCAL characterizes EVENTS

world," as he it). "But, yes, if you try your

golf swing while you're up on top of a horse galloping at 35 miles an hour, you're going to get close. Or you could speed up your golf cart to 35 miles an hour and try it from there. Still, a horse has a mind of its own; a golf cart doesn't.'

Since the 2003 Spreckels Cup championship began at the club on September 17, some of the best professional players in the world have been competing. And they are riding some of the finest polo horses. But why is it that, while most people know the names of a least a few famous racehorses, they can't name a single famous polo pony?

It's unfortunate that the sport has been "a little bit slow" in marketing itself to the general public, says Goodspeed, who does know polo's

Hardtack and Seabiscuit equivalents, as do all insiders. "That's because, knowing the horses — knowing who's coming out on which horse and when - is very much part of the game. And the relationship between a player and a horse is probably tighter than any other relationship in the player's life. For performance's sake and for the safety of both the horse and rider, it's essential that they operate as a single unit.'

Racehorses are bred. Are polo horses born or made? "There are two main sources of horses for polo, one of them being the ranch, especially ranches in South America, where the gauchos work the horses with cows. All the traits desirable on a ranch are transferable to a polo field.'

The second source is the racetrack. "But it's much more of a task to retrain a racehorse than it is to retrain a ranch horse, because all that the racehorses know is running out of that gate as fast they can. In polo, you want them to do that up and down the field" - which is the length of nine football fields. "But then they have to slide and stop, spin around like a 900-pound cat, and take off in another direction. So a racehorse needs about two years to learn to play polo." A ranch horse, by contrast, may be competing in six months.

Where and how are the horses trained? "Almost every professional carries some number of what are called

'green horses,' " says Goodspeed. Most carry three to six that they gradually introduce into the game during practices

We know a jockey's body type. What's the ideal for a polo player? "A lot of top players are coming out of Argentina, and they're not necessarily small or short, but they're slender. They don't want extra weight; it puts their horse at a disadvantage. But the players are also pretty physically capable. There are pretty decent upper bodies on these guys.

One thing they need upper-body strength for is getting better drive on the ball, which is slightly bigger than a tennis ball and made of solid plastic. Men would naturally do better than women at that skill. Can we expect to see many women competing for the Spreckels Cup? "In fact, the defending champion is Lisa Bosstick's Madison Square team," says Goodspeed. "Lisa is a local businesswoman, mother of three, and obviously a talented athlete." Three male professionals complete her foursome. "She may not be the strongest hitter, but she has to be really good at positioning herself; that alone is a full load. And if she can actually help by moving the ball around, that's a bonus." Bosstick scored two goals to win the cup last year.

In addition to the pro-am and male-female combinations, polo teams Del Mar polo field

traditionally mix players of various ages to balance competition at different levels, says Goodspeed, who just turned 50 and began playing polo at age 12. But is it really true that 89-year-old Willis Allen, a club founder, is competing this year? Goodspeed says, emphatically, yes, adding that Allen, Allen's son-in-law Harry Collins, and Collins's son and grandson are the members of the four-generational team known as Rancho Valencia.

Those new to the sport may benefit from listening to the instructional commentary as well as the play-by-play to be broadcast to spectators in the stands. Beforehand, newcomers may want to read the rules and glossary at www.sandiegopolo.com. There they'll learn about another tradition. Spectators are asked at intermission to do something caddylike, which is to stomp back flat into the field the divots that the horses' hooves have made.

— Ieanne Schinto

2003 Spreckels Cup finals Sunday, September 28 Matches begin at 1:30 and 3:00 p.m. San Diego Polo Club 14555 El Camino Real, Rancho Santa Fe \$5 per person; parking, \$5 858-481-9217



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BAJA

"Mexico, Cuba, and Argentina," Orchestra of Baja California performs with Robert Limón (guitar) and César Olguin (bandoleón), Thursday, September 25, 8 p.m., Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). \$15 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

"Soccer in Mexico," sports journalist Javier Alarcón presents

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San Diego Pacific Islander Festival at Ski Beach, September 27 and 28 (see Special)

September 27, at Rosarito Beach Hotel. Registration: \$25 until September 6, \$30 thereafter. 858-488-8777. (ROSARITO BEACH)

Mexican Rodeo — with music, food, and entertainment — starts at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 28, at Cortijo San José. 011-52-664-680-2827. (PLAYAS DE TIJUANA)

Corrida de Toros, Despedida "El Pana" takes part in bullfighting, Sunday, September 28, at Plaza Calafia. Festivities before (3 p.m.) and after the bullfight (8 p.m.). Tickets: \$17 to \$92 U.S. (MEXICALI)

OUTDOORS

Late September signals the beginning of Santa Ana winds, which may continue intermittently through the winter. Early Santa Anas are often responsible for coastal San Diego's hottest and driest days of the year. Records show that 62 percent of the days at Lindbergh Field with 90-degree readings or higher have occurred during the months of September and October. The desert-like days are a consequence of dry air from a high-pressure area centered over Nevada or Utah moving across Southern California's coastal mountains toward a low-pressure area offshore in the Pacific Ocean. West of the mountains the air sinks as it rushes toward the coast. heating (by compression) about 5 1/2 degrees F for every 1000 feet of descent. During a full-blown Santa Ana, gale-force winds rake the foothills downwind of the mountain passes, and San Diego's coastal communities often experience temperatures that are among the nation's highest.

Escaping the Heat of this season's first couple of Santa Anas will not be easy - if you can't be inside air-conditioned buildings, at any rate. Along the coastline, where temperatures may reach the 90s, taking a dip in the surf solves the problem. Inland, the furnace-like heat is moderated only by increases in altitude. Head for the high places of the county - the mile-plus heights of the Palomar and Laguna Mountains, for example. Climb either of the county's loftiest peaks: Cuyamaca Peak (6512') in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and Hot Springs Mountain (6533') on the Los Coyotes Indian Reservation. Atop these promontories during a Santa Ana-wind episode, the thermometer registers about 25-30 degrees lower than in the lowlands. Since the early phase of a Santa Ana sweeps away atmospheric water vapor and air pollution, hundred-mile vistas in every direction may be yours to enjoy.

The Zodiacal Light, which can appear as a diffuse, pillar-shaped glow in the eastern sky for up to an hour before dawn, will be quite conspicuous at dark locations this weekend. The subtle glow is caused by the sun's light reflecting off dust particles floating in space in the plane of our solar system. In the sky, this reflected light appears superimposed along the string of constellations we know as the zodiac; especially those zodiacal constellations closest to the direction of the sun. An old name for this phenomenon is "false dawn" — a good description of the effect under clear and very dark skies.

Get Out Under the Blue Sky, naturalist Carol Simpson leads "Discovering Blue Sky," Saturday, September 27, in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve. "Drought-Resistant Plants of Blue Sky" highlighted during hike on Sunday, September 28. 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)

Last Family Campfire of 2003

at Blue Sky Ecological Reserve is Saturday, September 27, 4:45 to 7:30 p.m. Ranger Maureen brings an owl, falcon, and hawk for program. Scottish folk singer Brian leads sing-along. Meet at trailhead for the 1.5-mile walk to campground. Dress warmly, bring flashlight and blanket. Hot chocolate and cookies served. \$1 per person. Reservations: 858-679-5469. (POWAY)

Lopez Canyon Open Space Preserve is site for easy Canyoneers hike, Saturday, September 27, 1 p.m. Canyon is home to a variety of wildlife. Free. Directions: 619-232-3821 x203. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Bizarre Trees, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll to the desert garden on Saturday, September 27, 10 a.m., starting from park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

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Enjoy a Campfire at Kumeyaay Campground amphitheater, Saturday, September 27, 6:45 p.m. Geologist Robert Hawk presents "Rock Around the Clock." 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)

Help Remove Invasive Plants and garbage along San Diego River with Audubon Society volunteers, Saturday, September 27, 9 a.m. to noon. Wear work clothes; bring work gloves and weeding tools if vou have them. Free. Directions: 858-273-5242 or 619-682-7200. (MISSION BAY)

Fire Ecology Hike, see how chaparral recovers from fire during three-mile hike in San Dieguito River Park, Saturday, September 27, 8 to 11 a.m. Strenuous elevation gain over rough and uneven terrain. Wear sturdy boots and bring water. Free. Required reservations: 858-6474-2275 x31. (RAMONA)

Trekking the Refuges, view migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of South San Diego Bay National



Ian Anderson at East County Performing Arts Center, September 30 (see In Person)

Wildlife Refuge during outing hosted by Chula Vista Nature Center, Saturday, September 27, 8:30 a.m. Free. Required reservations: 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

Cabrillo Dubbed It San Miguel, steel production was later attempted, and tiki-style hotels were rampant in the '50s. Patty Fares leads an Urban Safari exploring Point Loma, Saturday, September 27, 10 a.m. \$10. Reservations: 619-944-9255. (POINT LOMA)

Wildlife Assist Orientations, Saturday, September 27, 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. (ESCONDIDO, IMPERIAL BEACH)

"Estuaries: Cradles of **Civilization**." this celebration in honor of National Estuaries Day is

Saturday, September 27, at Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Fishy activities for kids 2 through 12, 10 a.m. to noon. Adult "Estuaries Day game show presentation," reception, 2 p.m. Free. 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Architectural Heritage Tours offered by Committee of 100, first Wednesday of each month, including October 1. Walks begin at 9:30 a.m. in front of visitors' information center, in Plaza de Panama. Free, 619-239-0512, (BALBOA PARK)

DANCE

Club Cleopatra, dancers Marula, Talia, Renah, Lucia present bellydance "gala" with music by Andy and Emad, Thursday, September 25, 7:30 p.m., Nagi's Bar and Grill (501 West Broadway). \$5 cover. 619-233-5933. (DOWNTOWN)

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Bellydance Dinner Show by Aleia, Willow, Ravynnah, and others to live music, Friday, September 26, 7 p.m., at Greek Palace (8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). No cover. 858-573-0155. (KEARNY MESA)

Contradance, Graham Hemp calls, Continental Drifters make music for contradancing, Saturday, September 27, Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Dancing begins at 8 p.m., following beginners' instruction at 7:45 p.m. Admission: \$6. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

Oktoberfest 2003, sponsored by San Diego International Dance Association folk dance clubs, runs September 27 and 28 in Balboa Park Club. Saturday's events - 1 to 4:30 p.m. — include dance workshops (basic steps, polka, waltz), dance party with Delores Crawford teaching (7 to 10 p.m.), ice cream social (9 p.m).

Sunday's Oktoberfest dance festival runs 12:30 to 5 p.m., with costumed dancers performing dances from all over the world, Polish and Lindy hop demonstrations, German food (for sale), arts and crafts. Free. 619-286-0355. (BALBOA PARK)

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"A World within a Dancer's Heart." guest artist Emir Hassan Harfouche from Lebanon joins Cedar Productions for evening of international dance and music, Saturday, September 27, 7 p.m., in Center Theater at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Program includes dances from India, Spain, Philippines, Thailand, Ireland. Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$25 at door. 858-748-0701 or 760-757-4470. (ESCONDIDO)

Bellydance Show featuring live music by the Middle-Earth Band and dancing by Abhi, Cristina, Monika, Shalimar, Saturday, September 27, 8 p.m., at 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street). \$5. 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS)

Calling All Jitterbugs, San Francisco jump swing band Steve Lucky and the Rhumba Bums performs Sunday, September 28, at Aubergine (500 Fourth Avenue, at Island and Fourth). Swing lesson, 7:45 p.m.; band plays 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Cover: \$15. 858-395-6060. All ages. (GASLAMP OUARTER)

Rumba Flamenca Workshop offered by Marisol Lopez, Sunday, September 28, 10 a.m., at Stage Seven School of Dance (3980 30th Street).

\$15. 619-239-5519. (NORTH PARK)

Scottish Country Dancing lessons offered by San Diego Royal Scottish Country Dance Association. Mixed-level classes: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Twin Oaks High School (158 Cassou Road). Beginners: Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. at Pomerado Elementary School (12321 Ninth Street). Fees: \$3 or \$4. 858-549-8879. (SAN MARCOS, POWAY)

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American Tribal-Style Bellydance demonstrated and discussed by Troupe Shuvani, Thursday, October 2, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

FILM

"Outfest," the sixth San Diego Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, runs Thursday through Sunday, September 25-28, at Ken Cinema (4061 Adams Avenue) and Hillcrest Cinemas (3965 Fifth Avenue). Titles include *Girls Will Be Girls, 9 Dead Gay Guys, Wave Babes, Goldfish Memory, Funny-Girl, Mambo Italiano, Laughing Manners, Julie Johnson,* many, many others.

Tickets are \$10 general, festival passes are available. 619-269-5636. (KENSINGTON, HILLCREST)

"Hamam — II Bagno Turco"/ *Steam — The Turkish Bath)* directed by Ferzan Ozpetek, screens for Italian film series Friday, September 26, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). \$2. 619-237-0601. In Italian with English subtitles. (LITTLE ITALY)

The Jackson Hole Wildlife Film Festival runs September 22-27 in Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming. A selection of films from the 53 finalists screens September 26-28 at San Diego Natural History Museum.

GETAWAYS

Hours: 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Screenings include Ocean Oasis and films such as One Child One Voice, Water's Journey, A Mystery in Alaska, Pale Male, and Cosmic Africa. Films are included in regular museum admission (\$4 general). 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

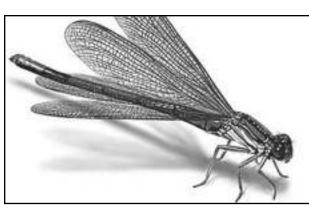
"The Long Cult Summer: The Adventure Continues," through September 26, at the Museum of Photographic Arts. *Cabaret* and *All That Jazz* on Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27. Tickets: \$5 general. Showtimes: 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

"After Stonewall," chronicling the gay and lesbian civil rights movement since the Stonewall riots of 1969, screened by Activist San Diego, Saturday, September 27, 8 p.m., Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). Donation: \$3. 858-635-1274. (NORTH PARK)

"Brothers and Others," a documentary on the impact of 9/11 on Muslims and Arabs in America, screens for American-Arab Anti-







"Biology of Dragonflies and Damselflies of Southern California" at San Diego Natural History Museum, October 2 (see Lectures)

Discrimination Committee, Monday, September 29, 6 and 7:30 p.m., Four Points Sheraton Hotel (8110 Aero Drive). Donation. 858-382-1059. (MISSION VILLAGE)

Complexities of First Love and Loss explored in David Gordon Green's flick, *All the Real Girls*. The 2003 film screens for Film Forum, Monday, September 29, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

"Musical Revival," changes in the movie musical and speculation about its future offered during "Film for Thought" series hosted by CSU San Marcos. *Moulin Rouge*, directed by Baz Luhrmann (2001) screens Monday, September 29, at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Discussions led by history professor Patricia Seleski. 760-750-4366. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Bugs!*, *Kilimanjaro: To the Roof of Africa*, and *Coral Reef Adventure* (through November). Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

"Celebrating the Centennial of Flight," San Diego Aerospace Museum series continues when Walter Boyne, former director of National Air and Space Museum, discusses his recent publications, Dawn Over Kitty Hawk: The Novel of the Wright Brothers and The Influence of Air Power Upon History, Thursday, September 25. 7 p.m. \$15. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

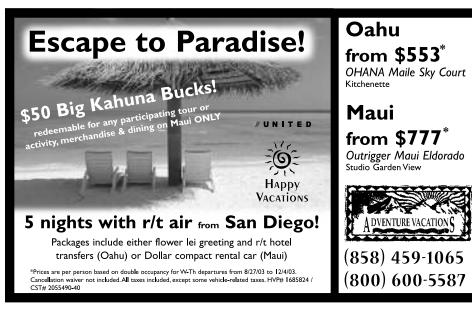
"Impressionism: Theory and Technique," explore the motives of the adherents of Impressionism — Monet, Manet, Degas, Renoir — in developing new ways of rendering reality when Linda M. Blair presents this series at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library.

"Edouard Manet: Father of Impressionism" discussed September 25. "Renoir and Degas: A Study in Contrasts," October 2. 7:30 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 1008 Wall Street. \$15 per talk. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"The Re-Watering of Lower Owens River and Owens Lake" presented by Michael Prather for Audubon Society, Friday, September 26, 7 p.m., Peninsula Community Room (3740 Sports Arena Boulevard). Free. 619-682-7200. (CLAIREMONT)

"Sudden Death Prevention" discussed by cardiologist Dr. Franklin Zalman, M.D., Friday, September 26, 1:15 p.m., at La Jolla Recreation Center (615 Prospect Street). Free. 888-249-9575. (IA JOLLA)

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Yoga with Ginger, Saturday, September 27, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. \$40. Class led by Ginger Hill. Reservations: 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Comprehensive Bike-Maintenance Class, Saturday, September 27, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive). Bring your bike for practice; tools and bike stands provided. Members, \$60; nonmembers \$75. Registration: 858-279-4400. Repeats September 27. (KEARNY MESA)

A Tisket, A Tasket...make a wooden-bottom basket during class, Saturday, September 27, 9 a.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. \$33 fee includes materials and tools. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Introduction to Yoga offered by instructors Iane McCormick and Courtney Buffington, Saturday, September 27, 11 a.m., at Prana Yoga Center (1041 Silverado Street). Asana practice, breathing techniques, relaxation. \$40. Registration: 858-456-2806. (LA JOLLA)

"What Is the Case for the Existence of UFOs?" Communi-



"Inuit: People of the Midnight Sun" at San Diego Museum of Man, opening September 27 (see Museums)

cations engineer and author Robert Sheaffer speaks for Association for Rational Inquiry, Sunday, September 28, 7 p.m., Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Donation: \$5. 619-421-5844. (HILLCREST)

Prepare Plumeria Plants for winter and get a jump on spring growth after Southern California Plumeria Society gathers Sunday, September 28, 1 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 104. Free. 619-443-4795 or 760-451-1472. (BALBOA PARK)

"9/11: The Biggest Deception Since Pearl Harbor" is topic when guest speakers address San

Diego UFO Society, Sunday, September 28, 1 to 6 p.m., in San Diego Zoo's Otto Center. 619-299-9157. \$13. (BALBOA PARK)

Photo Models Are Back, photography workshop focusing "on how to compose photos that are works of art for your walls" by Patti Schmidt, Sunday, September 28, 10 a.m., in front of Mission Bay visitors' center (at East Mission Bay Drive and Clairemont Drive). A \$35 fee includes three hours of location shooting, instruction and "tricks of the trade." Registration: 858-272-3815. (MISSION BAY)

Use Simple Hand Tools to shape silver wire into "Spiral Jewelry" during class Sunday, September 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Arts College International (840 G Street). Workshop: \$59, materials \$15. Registration: 619-231-3900. (DOWNTOWN)

"Fun Facts About Egypt" and the evolution of pyramids imparted when anthropologist and educator Jake Fabozzi presents 12 O'Clock Scholar series lecture, Monday, September 29, noon, at San Diego Museum of Man. \$6. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Do We Face a War of Islam vs. the West? Dinesh D'Souza, author of What's So Great About America and Letters to a Young Conservative, answers this question, Monday, September 29,

noon, in forum A at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free, 760-224-5089, (LINDA VISTA)

"Tuskegee Airmen" discussed by Danny Allen, president of the local Tuskegee group, Monday, September 29, 6:30 p.m., in Saville Theatre, San Diego City College (15th and C Streets). Free. 619-388-3552. (DOWNTOWN)

"How to Identify and Kill Invasive Non-Native Plants" discussed by Mike Kelly during slideillustrated program, Monday, September 29, 7 p.m., Fallbrook Public Utilities District building, 990 East Mission Road. Free. 760-728-1332. (FALLBROOK)

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"Keeping Your Kid Out of Trouble," seminars continue with "Communication Skills" presented by Dan Jenkins, Tuesday, September 30, 7 p.m., at Atonement Lutheran Church (7250 Eckstrom Avenue). Free. 858-278-5556. (LINDA VISTA)

History Databases explored during workshop, Tuesday, September 30, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., in second-floor computer lab at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. Reservations: 619-238-6621. (DOWNTOWN)

"Traveling in the Imaginary of the Other: Collaborations in Bookmaking" discussed by poet Sandra Alcosser and artist Michele Burgess, Tuesday, September 30, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Their collaboration began in 1992, resulting (so far) in four books, two broadsides, numerous sculptures and paintings. 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

"War - Aberration or Man's Basic Nature?" Discuss Wednesday, October 1, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

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Tour the Night Sky during "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 7 p.m., Wednesday, October 1. After show, view real sky through telescopes set up by Fleet Center staff and San Diego Astronomy Association (weather permitting). 619-238-1233. \$6.75 general. (BALBOA PARK)

Tune Up, REI shop technicians offer basic bicycle maintenance clinic Wednesday, October 1, 6 p.m. Essentials of fixing flats, brake and derailleur adjustment, more. Find REI at 5556 Copley Drive. Registration: 858-279-4400. Free. (KEARNY MESA)

History Alive! Carolina Espinosa marine biologist and founding director of the Museo Comunitario de Naturaleza y Cultura de Bahia de los Angeles in Mexico — lectures for Lemon Grove Historical Society series, Thursday, October 2. Group meets at 7 p.m. in H. Lee House (3205 Olive). \$2. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

"Biology of Dragonflies and Damselflies of Southern California" explored in class (October 2, 6:30 p.m.) and field trip to New River Wetlands project near Salton Sea (October 4, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.), hosted by San Diego Natural History Museum. \$69. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

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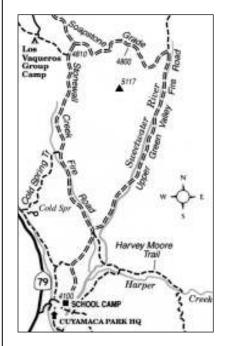
America's Leading High-Altitude Mountaineer, Ed Viesturs, who climbs without the use of supplemental oxygen, adding to the mental and physical difficulty of his climbs. Viesturs shows photography from his climbing career and pictures from his recent summits of Nanga Parbat and Broad Peak, Thursday, September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

Thursday Night Comedy Show, featuring standup comedy by Vic Dunlop, Bob Perkell,



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The striped skunk stood defiantly in the middle of the trail, its tail held straight up and its beady eyes tracking my every move. I slunk by, circumscribing a 180-degree arc of 10-yard radius - beyond, I reckoned, the animal's squirting range. Earlier, along Stonewall Creek, I'd watched nearly a dozen deer per-



Patrick DeGuire, Wally Wang, at Greek Palace (8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard), Thursday, September 25. \$15 ticket includes buffet. Buffet: 6 to 8 p.m., show at 8 p.m. 858-573-0155. (KEARNY MESA)

Kabir in Song, world music concert featuring songs based on mystical texts of Kabir, a 15th-Century Hindu-Sufi poet of India, Friday, September 26, 8 p.m., in Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego. Performed by a troupe of traditional Kabir singers of Malwa, India. \$12 general. 619-260-2280. USD is found at 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

Saucy Straight Talk, former Texas governor Ann Richards shares her struggle with osteoporosis and signs and discusses her

forming pogo-stick ballet in the surrounding underbrush. Their seemingly choreographed movements were designed to keep me in their sight and they a safe distance apart from me.

Mountain-lion scares notwithstanding, Cuyamaca Rancho State Park remains a fine place to observe wildlife hopefully from a secure position at the top of the food chain. In this part of San Diego's back country, it's important to hike

with a friend or two as you enjoy some of San Diego County's finest natural areas.

The 8-mile-long Stonewall Creek/ Soapstone Grade loop described here lies outside Cuyamaca Rancho's State Park's designated wilderness area and therefore is open to a wide variety of travelers: hikers. joggers, equestrians, and mountain bikers. Space to park your car for up to two hours is available near park headquarters, off Highway 79 (9 miles north of I-8 at Descanso), or for a longer time in turnouts along Highway 79 itself. Take along enough drinking water to last the trip.

Walk or pedal (equestrians must take a circuitous route) past the Cuvamaca school camp to the wide, graded Upper Green Valley Fire Road. After a short mile, stay left at Stonewall Creek Fire Road and start gaining elevation on its eroded, rock-strewn surface. As you ascend, the free-form live oaks that

Park (14134 Midland Road), \$12.

Reservations: 858-566-4040. (POWAY)

Hollywood Scriptwriters and

Authors Lee Goldberg and

William sign and discuss Successful

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September 27, 6 p.m., Mysterious

Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont

Mesa Boulevard). Free. Recom-

mended reservations: 858-268-

The Two of Hearts presents

concert on Saturday, Septem-

ber 27, 7 p.m., in amphitheater at

Mission Trails Regional Park visi-

tors' center (One Father Junípero

Serra Trail). Bring a folding chair

or blanket. 619-668-3275. Free.

"Circus Minimus," Pig's Eye

4747. (CLAIREMONT)

(MISSION GORGE)

new book, I'm Not Slowing Down:

Winning My Battle With Osteo-

porosis, Friday, September 26,

7:30 p.m., Current Affairs Book-

store (2536 University Avenue).

619-795-9899. Free. (NORTH PARK)

North Park Ten-Minute Play

Festival, showcasing 12 new plays

by local playwrights, runs Septem-

ber 26-October 5, at North Park

Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe

(2031 El Cajon Boulevard). Show

times: 8 p.m. on Fridays and Sat-

urdays, 7 p.m. on Sundays. \$12.

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Decher, performs for San Diego Folk

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dominated the landscape earlier are replaced by vertically symmetrical Jeffrey pines. In the warm sunshine, pines of this variety exude a vanilla-like perfume. Water in the shallow Stonewall Creek bed is probably gone by now, but the creek will revive after the first substantial autumn rains.

After 2.2 miles on Stonewall Creek Fire Road, turn right (east) on the Soapstone Grade fire road. After skirting an open valley, with water in Cuyamaca Reservoir visible in the distance, the road pitches downward toward upper Green Valley and the headwaters of the Sweetwater River. Look for pieces of soapstone — a creamy or beige metamorphic rock with a slippery feel - strewn about on and beside the road. At the bottom, turn right on Upper Green Valley Fire Road, and complete the remaining 3 miles, gradually downhill almost the entire way.

> onette circus," Saturday, September 27, 2:30 p.m., at Puppetry Center of San Diego (Clairemont Town Square, 3998-A Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Stiltwalking and circus skills demo; build puppets after show. Children: \$5, adults \$7. Suggested reservations: 800-954-6696. (CLAIREMONT)

> Staged Reading of the New Musical Rocco's Tune, Saturday, September 27, 8 p.m., Star Theater (402 North Coast Highway). The play was written by local author Andrea Bearden-Kuhns. \$5. 760-721-9983. (OCEANSIDE)

> "Sax Attack," Paul Taylor, Pamela Williams, Everette Harp, Trena Steward, Jason Brown band together for concert, Saturday, September 27, noon to 6 p.m.,

Martin Luther King Jr. Park (6401 Skyline Drive). \$20 at door. 619-255-3030. (ENCANTO)

Speculative Fiction Author Neal Stephenson signs and discusses Quicksilver: Volume One of the Baroque Cycle on Saturday, September 27, 2:30 p.m., Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747). Ticketed event. (CLAIREMONT)

Poetry Are Us, open mike for poetry and spoken word for all readers, Sunday, September 28, 4 to 6 p.m., at French Cafe (1005 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 760-729-5216, (CARLSBAD)

"Right in Her Soul: The Life of Anna Louise Strong" is a biography of the American radical journalist by her nephew, Tracy B. Strong. The author will discuss his book on Sunday, September 28, 2 p.m., in Wangenheim Room at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Rubbing Elbows With Ian Anderson, Tuesday, September 30, 7:30 p.m., East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). The Jethro Tull founder and flutist partakes of music and conversation with DJ Jim McInnes. Tickets: \$27 or \$37. 619-440-2277, (EL CAJON)

Drawing on Court Testimony and newspaper accounts, SDSU

"faculty author" Clare V. McKanna Jr. discusses and signs The Trial of "Indian Joe," Race and Justice in the 19th-Century West, Tuesday, September 30, 5:30 p.m.. in San Diego State University Bookstore. Free. 619-594-7528. (SDSU)

Meet MC Powdered Donut, a.k.a. author Mark Salzman, when he discusses and signs True Notebooks: A Writer's Year at Iuvenile Hall, Tuesdsay, September 30, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Thirteen-Year-Old Piano Prodigy "Ragtime" Ruby Fradkin tickles the ivories on October 1, 4 p.m., for First Wednesday series at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Fradkin will perform material from her CD Warmin' Ub



with Ragtime Ruby. Admission is free, available on a first-come, first-served basis. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

Jazz in the Park, a celebration of jazz guitar is promised by New York guitarist Joe Beck, alto flutist Ali Ryerson, San Francisco guitarist Bruce Forman, bassist Bob Magnusson, drummer Jim Plank. Wednesday, October 1, 5:30 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art. Tickets: \$15 general. Reservations: 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Self-Proclaimed Buddhist, Punk Rocker, Author, teacher Noah Levine wrote Dharma Punx about the survivors in his punk rock generation. Levine signs and discusses his book, Wednesday, October 1, 7 p.m., at the Grove (3010 Juniper Street). Free. 619-284-7684. (SOUTH PARK)

Poetry Unlimited, Wednesday, October 1, 6:30 p.m., at La Jolla Recreation Center (615 Prospect Street). Open readings follow. Free. 858-552-1658. (LA JOLLA)

Do We Miss the Supernatural Hidden in everyday life? Author Philip Yancey (editor-at-large for Christianity Today magazine) believes so - he'll sign and discuss his latest book, Rumors of Another World — What on Earth Are We Missing?, Wednesday, October 1, 7:30 p.m., Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway). Free. 858-684-3166. (MIRA MESA)

"Poetry for a Contemporary Audience," poetry, storytelling, social research promised when Kimberly Dark performs among the contemporary artworks in "Of Earth and Sky: Elements in Abstraction" exhibition, Thursday, October 2, 7 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art. \$8. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

SPORTS

Del Mar International Horse Show, September 25-28, at the Del Mar Fairgrounds Arena. Double-slalom match races, Friday, September 26, 7 p.m. Competitors race on identical courses with first horse to reach finish line the winner (admission is free).

Del Mar International Grand Prix, Saturday, September 27, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$8 to \$10. The \$5000 Junior/Amateur Jumper Classic is Sunday, September 28. Daily competitions and dou-

ble-slalom matches are free. Daytime horse show hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 858-792-4288. (DEL MAR)

The Top Skateboard and BMX Riders compete in XBox World Championships of Skateboarding, Vans Championships of BMX, Vans/Surfing magazine Airshow Series, Thursday through Sunday, September 25-28. Competition: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, at Oceanside Pier and Amphitheater. 562-565-8267. (OCEANSIDE)

This Is the End...the San Diego Padres wrap up their season with games in Qualcomm Stadium against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Thursday, September 25, 7:05 p.m. The Colorado Rockies arrive for the final Padre baseball games at the Q, September 26-28, at 7:05 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday.

All games broadcast on Channel 4. Listen to games in English on KOGO-AM (600) and in Spanish on XEMO-AM (860). Tickets:



British Tea at Joyce Beers Community Center, September 27 (see Special)

\$6 to \$32, available by calling 877-374-2784. (MISSION VALLEY)

The 31st Annual Powav PRCA Rodeo runs September 26-28 at Poway Valley Riders Association Arena (at Twin Peaks and Tierra Bonita Road). Rodeo performances at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. Dance after Friday and Saturday rodeos with music by Hill Country. 760-736-0594 or 858-748-0016. (POWAY)

Doink the Clown, Babi Slymm, Hawk Younkins, and others compete during Western States Wrestling show, Friday, September 26, 8 p.m., VFW Post #2082 (2885 Lemon Grove Avenue). Tickets: \$8 in advance, \$12 at door. 619-422-8964. (LEMON GROVE)

Grand Prix for Street Stocks, Grand American modifieds, destruction derby, and bomber, victory, and pony stock competition at Cajon Speedway, Saturday, September 27. First race: 6:45 p.m., following qualifying runs at 5 p.m.

The 3/8-mile track is located next to Gillespie Field. Take I-8 to Highway 67, take Bradley exit. Turn left, drive two blocks to Wing Street, then right one block to track entrance. Adult admission: \$9 (west side) and \$10 (east side): \$3 for those 6 to 12; free for kids under 6 with an adult. 619-448-8900. (EL CAJON)

From Here to There and Back Again, join Knickerbiker bicyclists for 30-mile ride for intermediates starting at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, September 27, at Costa Verde shopping center (8650 Genesee Avenue). Route includes University City, Crown Point, Mt. Soledad, La Jolla, glider port. Bring money for lunch. 858-587-1260.

American Rules Tackle Football is played by women of the San

Diego Sunfire. The team takes on the Arizona Knighthawks, Saturday, September 27, 7:05 p.m., at La Iolla High School (750 Nautilus Drive). Tickets: \$15 for adults, \$8 for kids 13-18, 12 and under free. 619-295-8649. (SAN CARLOS)

National Hunting and Fishing Day celebrated Saturday, September 27, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Lake Murray (I-8 to 70th Street/Lake Murray exit, north to Kiowa Drive). Fishing license fees and fishing permit fees waived (at select city lakes as well). Fly casting; turkey, duck, predator calling; hunting dog retrieving; decoy carving demonstrations; vendors,

information. 619-527-3121 or 858-613-3913. (LA MESA)

Sunset Paddle, watch the sunset from the water during (unguided) outing at La Jolla Shores hosted by Hike Bike Kayak San Diego, Saturday, September 27, 6 p.m. \$25. Reservations: 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA SHORES)

La Jolla Cove Ten-Mile Relav. Sunday, September 28. Check-in at 6 a.m., swim start at 7 a.m. 800-828-8293 x7432. (LA JOLLA)

Bicycle to Ramona up Del Dios Highway with San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders, Sunday, September 28. The 75-mile ride starts at 8:45 a.m. at Dovle Park (8175 Regents Road at Nobel Drive). 619-583-8547. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Get Up and Run the 52! California Cruisin' 10k is Sunday, September 28, starting and finishing at Road Runner Sports (5553 Copley Drive). Handcycle division starts at 7:30 a.m., runners and walkers begin at 7:40 a.m. 619-298-7400. (LINDA VISTA)

The San Diego Chargers $\operatorname{are}\operatorname{in}$ Oakland for football against the Raiders, Sunday, September 28, 1:05 p.m. Broadcast on KFMB. Tickets: 877-CHARGERS.

San Dieguito River Park Family Hike and Trail Run, Sunday, September 28, at Kit Carson Park (3333 Bear Valley Parkway). There's a 10k run (8 a.m.), 4.2mile hike (8:30 a.m.) 858-268-1250. (ESCONDIDO)

Polo Season Draws to Close with Spreckels Cup finals, at San Diego Polo Club, Sunday, September 28. 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)

SPECIAL

A New Work composed by UCSD undergraduate Robert Phillips may be heard chiming from the Irene Rubinger/ICL Memorial Carillon atop UCSD's Geisel Library when UCSD carillonneur Scott Paulson performs Thursday, September 25, noon. Chimes may be heard by anyone in the general radius of the library. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

Time to Scream, get a head start on Halloween when 2003 Haunted Hotel (424 Market Street; 619-231-0131) and Frightmare on Market Street (530 Market Street; 619-231-3611) open Friday, September 26. Rooms feature "terrifying special effects and illusions."

Hours are 7 to 11 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays; 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets for either abode: \$12.99. Through Saturday, November 1. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

The 14th Annual Fall Home/Garden Show at Del Mar Fairgrounds features over 350 exhibits covering wide variety of home-improvement and decorating subjects. Hours: noon to 8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$10 general, with discounts for seniors, kids, after 4 p.m. 858-519-0855. (DEL MAR)

Time to Tour, COVA's 2003 'open studios" event features selfguided tour of 13 "metro" artists' studios, Saturday and Sunday,

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September 27 and 28, noon to 5 p.m. Admission: \$20 for two people. Reservations: 619-234-0928. (SAN DIEGO)

The Lemon Grove Library hosts book sale, Saturday, September 27, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The library is found at 8073 Broadway; 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

Art Show '03 at Menghini Winery runs 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28. Live music, barbecue, wine tasting. Admission is free. Find Menghini at 1150 Julian Orchards Drive; 760-765-2072. (JULIAN)

"Songs of the Pacific" is theme for ninth annual San Diego Pacific Islander Festival, Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, at Ski Beach. Foods, crafts, artifacts, singing and chanting, dancing and storytelling. Free. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. 619-699-8797. (MISSION BEACH)

Tours@ Two, Paul Reed Smith of PRS Guitars leads tour at the Museum of Making Music, Saturday, September 27, 2 p.m., followed by tribute to life and accomplishments of guitar innovator Ted McCarty (3:30 p.m.). McCarty is considered the "father of the Flying V." Museum of Making Music, 5790 Armada Drive. Free. Reservations: 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

Animal Intuitive Anupo Kirsten Joy speaks "with family pets and their people," Saturday, September 27, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sun-

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Franz Wright was born in Vienna in 1953 and

grew up in the Northwest, the Midwest, and

Northern California. His most recent works

include The Beforelife (which was nominated for

the Pulitzer Prize) and Ill Lit: Selected & New

Poems. He has been the recipient of two National

Endowment for the Arts grants, a Guggenheim

Fellowship, a Whiting Fellowship, and the

(DEL MAR)

San Diego World Guitar Show,

September 27 and 28, at Del Mar

Fairgrounds. Show hours: Satur-

day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday,

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 918-288-2222.

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Saturday and Sunday, Septem-

ber 27 and 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at

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- Franz Wright

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Yellow light filled the room Don't let them get inside your eyes, my evil said and lay their eggs there

Light filled the room

light I assumed coming in through the window but no

more a feeling, though light, too

a healing

And I saw again, September sunflower

petals intense yellow flames

child's drawing of the sun Ten feet tall blond face

day, September 28, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Phoenix Dragon Bookstore (681 Encinitas Boulevard #307). Sessions: \$55 per half hour, \$95 per hour. Reservations: 760-634-4942. (ENCINITAS)

Fall Bonsai Show 2003, 38th annual fall show hosted by San Diego Bonsai Club, Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 101. Bonsai demonstrations at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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snakes, bug story time, nature walks, entomologists on hand to answer insect questions. Included in regular admission. 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

Adams Avenue Street Fair, 22nd annual installment of the festival runs September 27 and 28 on Adams Avenue, between Bancroft and 35th Street. Eighty musical acts perform on seven stages. Artists include Andy Summers (from the Police), Bernie Leadon (the Eagles), Jack Tempchin, Lisa Sanders, Carlos Guitarlos.

Saturday: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free. 619-282-7329. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Cruise in the Small Bus with the Wanderers to view stars with San Diego Astronomy Club at William Heise Park, Saturday, September 27, 3 to 10 p.m. Art gallery/antique stop in Santa Ysabel, dining in Julian. \$30. Reservations: 619-851-7644. (JULIAN)

Cabrillo Festival — commemorating landing of Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo at San Miguel (now San Diego) on September 28, 1542 all day, Sunday, September 28, at Cabrillo National Monument. Portuguese, Spanish, Mexican, Native American dancing; crafts, food booths, demonstrations of 16th-Century armament, more. Reenactment of Cabrillo's landing on Ballast Point, replete with Cabrillo and sailors from his ship. 619-557-5450. Included in regular auto admission fee. (POINT LOMA)

It's Already Oktoberfest Time, ninth annual European Oktoberfest Street Festival, Sunday, September 28, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at El Camino Real and Mountain Vista Road. Bavarian bands and

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dancers, craft booths, rides, German barbecue. Admission is free. 760-632-1199. (ENCINITAS)

The Pointe at Palomar, antique and collectible flea market, Sunday, September 28, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., in parking lot #9, just off Borden Road, on Palomar College campus. Free admission. 760-737-0009. (SAN MARCOS)

"Rails Across Time: Mystery Trains, Wrecks, and Robberies!" The San Diego Railroad Museum hosts this living history program with historical reenactments 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. (BALBOA PARK)

Alive After Five, divers descend to feed fish in 70,000-gallon kelp tank and answer questions posed by guests at "Dive After Five," Birch Aquarium-Museum, Wednesday, October 1, 5:30 p.m. The \$25 fee includes a taco bar and beverages. Find the aquarium at 2300 Expedition Way. Reservations: 858-534-7336. For those 21 and older. (LA JOLLA)

Cedros Gallery Nights, art galleries on Cedros Avenue stay open until 8:30 p.m. on October 2, and first Thursday of each month. Music, refreshments. Free. 858-793-6040. (SOLANA BEACH)

Saluting the Etch-A-Sketch! The Etch-A-Sketch is showcased in exhibit through Monday, October 13, in UCSD Arts Libraries, lower level of Geisel Library at UCSD. Loaner Etch-A-Sketches available for visitors to contribute to show, along with articles about the toy from scholarly journals. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

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No Trick, the Haunted Trail, an "all-outdoor haunted attraction," opens with fundraising premiere (benefiting City of San Diego's park system), Thursday, October 2, 8 to 10:15 p.m. Find the trail at Marston Point (just east of Sixth Avenue and Juniper Street). \$5. Not for those under 11. (BALBOA PARK)

"Book Arts" are described as works of art involving structure, graphics, and/or text in a limited edition. Members of San Diego Book Arts exhibit work through Tuesday, October 28, in Love Library at San Diego State University. Retrospective exhibit includes artworks offering modern interpretation of books in the library's special collection. 619-594-6721. Free. (SDSU)

"The Cool Stuff: Alternative Media, Comics, and 'Zines from Special Collections" are on exhibit through Monday, October 13, in donor corridor of SDSU's Love Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Free. 619-594-6791. (SDSU)

Fall Plant Sale hosted by California Native Plant Society, Saturday, October 18, in Casa del Prado patio. Native bulbs, plants (over 150 species totaling more than 2500 pots), seeds, books, posters offered. Experts answering questions. Sale starts at 10 a.m., continues until the plants are gone (by noon). 619-685-7321. (BALBOA PARK)

Will Wolves Return to California? It's the theme for annual fundraiser for California Wolf Center, October 18 and 19. Programs include talks by Defenders of Wildlife and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and tours of "resident ambassador wolf packs." Night program includes live music by Native American flutists Carlos Reynoso and Evren Ozan, catered buffet.

Programs run 12:30 to 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday; 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Saturday. Days: \$35 per person or \$60 per couple, \$25 for children; evening: \$55 per person, \$100 per couple. Directions and required reservations: 760-765-0030. (JULIAN)

<u>Historic Rosecroft</u>, Alfred D. Robinson was a founder of the Floral Association (with Kate Sessions) and first editor of *California Garden* magazine, and a booster of Botanical Building in Balboa Park.

Tour his house — described as a two-story, wood-framed residence in the Italian Renaissance style — and its grounds at 530 Silvergate Avenue, Sunday, October 26, 1 to 4 p.m. Nonmembers: \$35 in advance, \$45 at door. 619-232-5762. (POINT LOMA)

FOR KIDS

"Big Joe's Favorite Stories" performed by Big Joe Productions through Sunday, September 28, and October 1-5, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Performances at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday; 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Find the theater near the Aerospace Center. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. 619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Adventures of Masha (and Other Half-Baked Tales)" told by Icarus Puppet Company, Friday, September 26, through Sunday, October 5. Original play with puppets starts at 11 a.m. on Fridays, 2 p.m. Saturdays and

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Overlook Illustrated Lives presents a series of illustrated biographies that offer intimate portraits of favorite writers. The text is accompanied by over 100 images, many in color and some previously unpublished, which depict the writer's world — family, friends, and artistic circle — together with original book jackets, letters, and manuscript pages. Available now FROM THE DUST JACKET: Mary Ann Caws captures the details of Proust's life, from his daily routines to the elite social circle that fascinated his youth, and has hand-chosen photos and illustrations to enable readers to share the celebrated author's sight — and how others saw him.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Mary Ann Caws was born in Wilmington, North Carolina, in 1933. She graduated with a B.A. from Bryn Mawr in 1954. She received her M.A. from Yale University in 1956 and her Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in 1962. Since 1966 Professor Caws has been associated with the Graduate Center, City University of New York. Since 1986 she has been the Graduate Center's Distinguished Professor of English, French, and comparative literature. The professor is author of many books, including *Surrealism and the Literary Imagination; Rene Char; La*

Sundays, at Kensington Community Church (4773 Marlborough Drive). Programs include *La Borreguita y Señor Coyote* and *Finn MacCool's Wife*. 619-563-5252. \$6. (KENSINGTON)

his dentist's waiting room.

Meet the Big Red Dog Clifford during story time events, Saturday, September 27, 11 a.m., Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Games, pirate crafts. 760-943-6400. Free. (ENCINITAS)

Arthur (the Aardvark) Read visits story time event, Saturday, September 27, 12:30 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (7610 Hazard Center Drive). Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Let Down Your Hair when San Diego Actors Theatre presents *Rapunzel* during "Children's Classics," Saturday, September 27, 11 a.m., L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino del Mar). Program includes *The Mad Tea Party*, poetry, songs. 858-268-4494. \$4. (DEL MAR)



Fishin' in the Pines, kids' fishing derby, Saturday, September 27, at Lake Cuyamaca. Lake will be stocked with 2000 pounds of Mojave trout and 1200 pounds of whitewater trout prior to the derby. Fishing begins at 6 a.m.; registration starts at 9 a.m. Prizes awarded for largest trout caught by kids divided into three age categories. Weigh-ins by 12:45 p.m.

Lunch: 11:30 a.m. (free). Lake Cuyamaca Recreation and Park District center, 15027 Highway 79. 877-581-9904. Free. (JULIAN)

Theater Arts Workshops for children four to nine years old are conducted by San Diego Actors Theatre on fourth Saturday of every month, including September 27, at L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino Del Mar). Noon to 1 p.m. \$10. Required reservations: 858-268-4494. (DEL MAR)

Autumn Harvest, San Diego Natural History Museum hosts family program and field trip, Saturday, September 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participants explore how Native Americans found food, clothing, shelter. Nonmember child/adult pair: \$24. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Celebrate the Joy of Reading during family festival, Saturday, September 27, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Civic Center Plaza (300 North Coast Highway). 888-850-7323. (OCEANSIDE)

Coral Reef Construction Company, why do people refer to coral reefs as "rain forests of the sea"? Children (seven through nine years old) find out during class at Birch Aquarium-Museum, Sunday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. Participants building a coral reef. \$25. The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way. For the required reservations, call 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

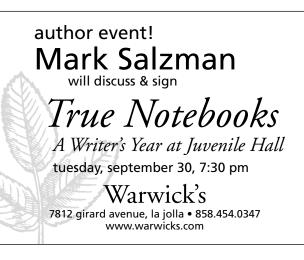
MUSEUMS

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

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

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

Campo Railroad Museum, showcasing more than 115 years of



Main de Pierre Reverdy; Women of Bloomsbury (with S.B. Wright); Bloomsbury and France; Joseph Cornell, Theater of the Mind; Selected Diaries, Letters and Files; Surrealist Painters and Poets, and, for the Overlook Illustrated Lives Series, Virginia Woolf.

Married in 1956 and divorced in 1987, Professor Caws, mother to two children, lives in Manhattan and France.

A CONVERATION WITH THE AUTHOR: "It's a lovely format," I said, about the Overlook Illustrated Lives biographies.

"I think," said Professor Caws, "that it's absolutely staggeringly gorgeous."

We chatted then about this and that, the professor answering in an accent lightly inflected by her childhood years in the South. After a bit, I asked, what was the first book that the professor recalled that truly enchanted her?

"The first book that really knocked me over was *Le Petit Prince.* I was already in high school, but it did for me what, when I was very young, a very peculiar book called *The Swish of the Curtain* did. My mother was an actress before she got married except as a Southern lady, which she was, you can't be an actress. You gotta get married. But she was a very strange and dramatic person, my mother. Anyway, *The Swish of the Curtain* is the first book I remember. My daughter, who is a librarian, just went and found it for me. So I read it again. I must have been however old one is when one reads, but it's the first one I remember, I suppose because it was like wanting to imagine my mother's life."

"When did it first occur to you that you might turn yourself into a writer?"

"Always. Always. It's all I ever wanted to do. I started as a poet.

American railroad heritage and development through static and operating exhibits, the museum includes cabooses, steam and diesel locomotives, track motorcars, "Jim Crow" segregated passenger cars.

Interpretive 1.5-hour train rides offered each weekend (11 a.m., 2:30 p.m.) over portion of the San Diego and Arizona Railway. Find the depot on Highway 94 at Forrest Gate Road. 619-465-7776. (CAMPO)

Chinese Historical Society and Museum, "Warm Your Hands While Soothing Your Heart: An Exhibition of Chinese Handwarmers" continues through Tuesday, September 30. These ornately decorated containers were popular between the 16th and 19th Centuries in China, resembling spoutless teapots, complete with lid and handle. They were filled with glowing pieces of charcoal to emit heat and light through openings in the lid. Handwarmers were associated with the literati and were considered prized pieces of artwork.

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

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

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

Gemological Institute of America Museum, unlike gem-

stones, which form deep within the Earth, organic gems are the products of living organisms, formed by biological processes. Organic gems such as amber, coral, ivory, jet, and pearls are showcased in 'All-Natural, Organically Grown Gems from Plants and Animals." on view through April 2004. Exhibit includes a mastadon tusk (carbon dated at around 30,000 years). "The Magical World of Ilya Schar," a collection of creations that resemble paintings but are composed solely of gem material, is also on display. Continues through April 2004.

"From the Vault: Gifts to Our Collection," continuing through October, includes an array of Ramaura rubies, synthetic alexandrite gems, two intarsia boxes of inlaid gem materials created by Nicolai Medvedev, and much more.

Permanent exhibits include displays depicting science and art of gemstones and history, lore and cultural significance of jewelry. Find the GIA at 5345 Armada Drive. Required reservations: 800-421-7250 x 4116. (CARLSBAD)

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

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

J.A. Cooley Museum, an eclectic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an "Industrial



I wasn't a very good poet, but I would have to read my poems to the assembled friends of my mother. I'm a Southerner, as you can hear, so it was very Southern ladies coming to call, and the child reading her poetry. Dreadful. My mother published that book when I was young. Mortifying. Called Leaf Lined Blue. Or Leaf Lined Gray. I was a freshman at Bryn Mawr, and it was a terribly peculiar thing to do. But, yes, I wanted to be a poet, and so that's why I went to Bryn Mawr,

Count Robert de Montesquiou-Fezensac why I went to Bryn Mawr to study with Marianne Moore. I ended up just a plain old writer.

Professor Caws never met Marianne Moore. "I was too shy. Really, it was a childish ideal to go and work with this poet. Finally, I just did my own stuff. At Bryn Mawr you could sit in a tree and read. What I remember there was reading Henry James's *The Golden Bowl*. I've written so many theses on and so many chapters and so many books about that book, because it's haunted me always, *The Golden Bowl*. That book and *To the Lighthouse* are two of those books I could never put down. They keep resonating in me the way *The Waves* also does. I can understand why Proust was so important to Woolf. She said, after reading Proust, 'All I can do is gasp, I'll never be able to write another word.' How wonderful they both are. And how...how extraordinarily live they seem to us

Product Collection," with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with "some classics and a concept car."

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

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

Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove, "Founding Parents: From the Kumeyaay to the Lee House" traces community history from the late Stone Age (12,000 B.C.) when the Kumeyaay first inhabited the area, to 1928 and the building of the H. Lee House. Exhibit includes murals, century-old woven baskets and pottery, fossils, pictographs, more. Continues through June 2004.

Concurrently, see "A Sea of Lemon Trees," showcasing the city's agricultural heyday, when millions of tons of fruit were harvested and shipped to the Midwest and Eastern U.S. Ongoing exhibits include "Gorgeous Bounty: Fruit Labels of the Golden State," "The Story of Lemon Grove," "The Parson's Study." Find the museum at 3185 Olive Street; 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center,

retrospective exhibit "Reaching for the Stars: The Fleet's First 30 Years" documents the history of the Fleet. Each decade of the past 30 years is highlighted through graphics, photographs, and artifacts taking visitors on a visual journey of the center's accomplishments. Through Sunday, January 18, 2004.

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

"Memory" includes 38 interactive exhibits, artworks, and demonstrations exploring how memories are made, stored, retrieved, and forgotten (through Sunday, December 7). Ongoing exhibitions include "Technovation," "About Faces," "Smoke and Mirrors," and "Skyscapes II." The permanent exhibitions present a variety of hands-on exhibits illustrating scientific principles. Explore the various methods of transmission and storage and retrieval of information, such as lasers, flashing lights, waveforms, and more. Journey "To Worlds Beyond" in the planetarium show. Films are shown daily in the IMAX theater. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Automotive Museum, big engines and good looks unite in "Muscle Cars — Flexing Speed and Style," on view through Tuesday, September 30. Sixteen classic 1960s and '70s specimens are showcased, including a 1965 Chrysler 300L, 1966 Shelby GT350, and 1963 Corvette Stingray.

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

San Diego Hall of Champions,

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

San Diego Historical Society Museum, through costumes and ephemera, the "Wedding Belles: Traditions and Attire" exhibition chronicles San Diego wedding fashions from the 1850s through the mid-20th Century. "Belles" showcases examples of the evolution and style and of "proper attire." Show includes an 1848 Viennese wedding dress to a tulle and lace garment from the 1950s. Through May 2004.

"From Blueprints to Buildings," an exhibit of San Diego architecture, traces this region's architectural history from early Indian bark houses to modern and postmodern buildings. The exhibit showcases the most significant examples of various architectural styles and types of structures. See the historical artifacts, photographs, and ephemera through — much more live than the person next door. Even if they aren't more interesting, they seem more so; they seem to leap off the page into your life somehow."

I was curious as to why Professor Caws took her Ph.D. at Kansas.

"I married an Englishman, an English philosopher at Yale, and that was where he got a job. This is called 'faculty wifedom,' right? Ugh. First we went to Michigan State, where I wanted to teach, and they said, 'Oh, well, you only have a degree from one of those Eastern institutions' — it was Yale — 'and you wouldn't know how to teach Midwesterners.' I love it. So I worked in the library as a reference librarian, and I was not very talented at that. I read incessantly. It was the kind of place when people were writing papers on ethics they would razor out the ethics entries from the encyclopedia. It was full of ironies. But no one seemed to be into irony there. But then we went to Kansas, and that was why I was there. It was great. Great. Kansas was wonderful. University of Kansas was full of eccentrics. I studied Old Church Slavonics with somebody who was magnificent. In Kansas nobody expected anything of you, so you could do anything you wanted.

"Yes, I could have migrated back to Yale, but I felt, 'Why do that?' I was very happy there."

"How did you get interested in art?"

"My grandmother was a painter. She always wanted me to be one, and I wanted to be one, too, but I didn't think I'd ever be as good as she was. But it's my great passion. Absolute passion. Not doing it, but writing on it."

"How did you happen to become interested in the French?" "I was bored at Bryn Mawr. This is a really funny thing. I was

Sunday, February 15, 2004.

Also on view: "Filming San Diego: Hollywood's Backlot," through Thursday, December 9, 2004. The museum is located in the Casa de Balboa building; 619-232-6203. (BALBOA PARK)

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

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

San Diego Museum of Man, "The Turquoise Path/El Camino Turquesa: The Story of Turquoise in the Native American Southwest," on display through April 2004, focuses on historical, social, cultural, and economic implications of the age-old stone. Turquoise jewelry-making techniques documented, and pieces from the museum's extensive collections exhibited.

"Inuit: People of the Midnight Sun," opening Saturday, September 27, and continuing through April 2004, brings to life the *iliqqusiq* or "ways and habits" of the Inuit (previously known as Eskimo). Artifacts include tools for hunting and sewing, handmade games, clothing, masks, and kayaks, offering an indepth look at aspects of modern and ancient Inuit culture.

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

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"I wanted to see what was funny, what was witty... So this book is filled with details like the safety pin Proust had to use to hold up his pajama pants."

About the count, she writes:

With his rouged cheeks, his wavy thick black hair and mustache and his tiny teeth no less black, that he would hide behind a dainty hand when he laughed, with his pink Liberty cravat and green waistcoat, Grotesquiou or Hortensiou (so called for his poems on the Blue Hortensia, his favorite flower) modeled his fluted voice and pose on *(continued on page 84)*

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

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felt judged by the French. I just

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Robert de Montesquiou, known

to his friends as "The Fatal

Count" (see photo, left).

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those of his idol, the incredibly arrogant and no less brilliant Scottish American painter, James Abbott McNeill Whistler.

"I think he's just absolutely fascinating," the professor said about the count. "Fascinating. Everything about him, he's Proust gone extreme. But everything about him, every-thing. And his writing is horrible. I was going to publish some of his poems and then I thought, 'Please.' The handwriting is loopy and all that. But he is for me the most interesting person in the book, apart from Proust."

The Fatal Count, Profes-

sor Caws reminded me, hosted evenings during which he recited his poetry. "And he would also recite at Proust's bedside, and poor Proust would be trying to catch a little nap in among these seven-hour recitals. It's wonderful. It makes one ask oneself, 'Where have eccentrics gone?' "What did the Fatal Count

do for money?" "Money? I don't know. I don't think he was impoverished. Gosh, I don't know what he did for money. It never occurs to me in Proust what people do for money. The one who had no money was Boni de Castellane. He slept in his bathtub. Not like Sarah Bernhardt, sleeping in her coffin, but sort of. He had no money but he acted as if he did. Kind of like those Spanish people who used golden

toothpicks when they came out of restaurants in which they hadn't been able to eat because they couldn't afford anything. My ancestor, one of them actually died rocking on the front of her front porch because she didn't want to let on she had nothing to eat.'

"How do you account for the great influence that Ruskin had on Proust and his generation?'

"Ah. He had an influence on me too. I think he's the only major writer I've ever laughed aloud over and been fascinated by who wasn't a poet. His influence was so great because I think he was a universal genius. All his ideas were fascinating. His style was unputtable-down. I think that Proust somehow knew that. Everybody keeps saying



Proust didn't know English well enough to read Ruskin. But, in fact, he learned English through Ruskin, and I don't believe that that influence ever waned.'

'Ruskin gave Proust his taste for Italy, didn't he?" "Exactly. Exactly. And so

much else. The thing I keep quoting, because I find it so moving, is the business about work - because 'no one knows when the night will fall.' That seemed to me to get to the heart of Ruskin. That intense morality that Proust also had. I think it's very fitting that Proust should have fallen for Ruskin, and I don't think he ever 'un-fell.' "I spent a year at the Getty.

When you get invited to spend a year there - or at least it used to be like that — they say, 'What would you like to work on?' And they would get you all the manuscripts. So they got me all these drawings of Ruskin. It was like some kind of paradise that you don't believe you're in until you've left it."

"How did you boil down such a big life as Proust's into so few pages?"

"I tried, or at least I say I tried, to go through the visual so that I would only describe what seemed to me interestingly scenic. I did the same thing for the Woolf in which the feeling

behind it is the same thing. I wanted to see what the life would be like. Not just facts. I wanted to see what was funny, what was witty, what was visualizable in a kind of quirky way. So this book is filled with details like the safety pin Proust had to use to hold up his pajama pants. Now, it's not that I can show the safety pin, but I think that's a scene that comes out the way that I wanted it to come out. And his stealing and keeping Whistler's gloves - especially given that Proust always loses his own. So that kind of thing seemed to me to be the essence of what I wanted to show. Not what he read when and none of when he was writing that or this. But rather, what was it like to be him? What was it like to see him? What was it like to be around him and to see all those ballets he saw?

"Why is Proust so appealing to our younger generations?"

"It's true. He is. Like the Alain de Botton book — How Proust Can Change Your Life-I thought that book was enchanting. I don't know. Proust just seems to me to say everything to everybody. He's so witty. He's so funny. And he's so — I hate the word global — but he's so that word. His own sort of peculiarity gives you permission to somewhat indulge your own peculiarities.

"And I don't care about the world he associated with. I have a friend, Carolyn Heilbrun, who's this wonderful feminist with whom I walk in the park every week, and she keeps saying, 'But I don't like Proust's world.' Well, but that was his world, but he made fun of it too. It was just that he would have been in whatever world he was, the most genius inspired. Everything in his writing seems to me moving and funny and vivid and of all ages. He seems

to be totally, totally true for every

single age. "I think every one of his quirks is somehow not just permission-giving, but kind of health-giving in a funny way. He makes us deeper and more interesting just the way James does. And you love every detail about him. I think that's one of the things that's interesting. Because about Woolf — and other people who are our heroes and heroines - we don't know as many details. Proust is a great seductive."

"What was it like to be a gay male, a gay man in Paris in those days, for Proust?"

"I think it was neither a matter of shame nor anything else. I mean, there wasn't any 'coming out' problem. And since he had all these incredible women friends, you know, with some of whom he would lie on the bed, well... But somehow being a gay male in Paris, that isn't what Proust was about, somehow. There are other things about him that seem to me to be more indicative of his character than his being a gay male. With Reynaldo Hahn and all his first lovers, it seems not to have been a problem. When they rejected him, it was. But it doesn't seem to me to be an issue with him. I may be wrong. It just doesn't seem to be.

"His curlicues of personality, his sort of twirlings of the mustache of the personality, his sweet, childish voice and all of that seem so enchanting to us that they don't seem somehow to be problematic. I think the health was so problematic that it ruled everything else out. He broke his nose when he was eight, right? And his asthma was always there. I don't think he had time for worrying about being a gay male.

— Iudith Moore

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No Cultural Barriers

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JONATHAN SAVILLE

IEW

Clarinetist Burt Hara's playing was beyond praise.

SummerFest concert featured the Shanghai Quartet in an exquisite program of Mozart, Beethoven, and Brahms. Here was an instance of "East meets West" by now so familiar that no one really thinks about it: musi-

cians from the Far East who, instead of pursuing the musical traditions of the culture they were born into, become masters of the instruments and styles of Euro-

pean music. The Shanghai Quartet was formed in 1983 by students at the Shanghai Conservatory (three of the members in the group we heard at Sherwood Auditorium are Chinese, while their current cellist has a Greek name); yet they speak the language of the central chamber-music tradition of the West with the fluency and intuitive authority that, up to about 50 years ago, one would have supposed natural only to citizens of Budapest, Vienna, or Moscow.

This interesting historical phenomenon seems to have come about in the aftermath of the Second World War and the globalization of culture that has been so prominent since around 1950. I am not, of course, talking about musicians of Asian ancestry who were born (or brought up from an early age) in Western countries. It is no more a cultural dislocation for Yo-Yo Ma (born in Paris) to be playing Beethoven than it is for Steven Isserlis (born in London). What has been remarkable about the postwar period has been the penetration of the forms and values of Western classical music into the consciousness of peoples with their own magisterial classical traditions, and the choice of so many young artists to play the violin, for example, rather than the biwa.

The chief sources of this immense proliferation of first-rate Asian musicians have been China

(with Taiwan), Korea, and Japan. The Tokyo Quartet, all of whose members in 1969 were Japanese, immediately established itself as one of the greatest string quartets

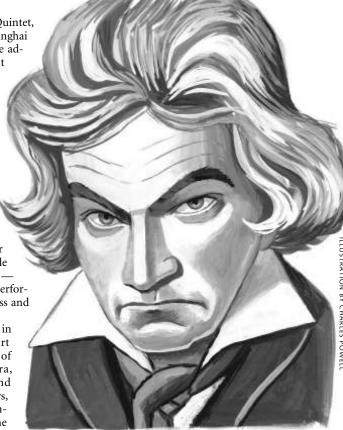
in the world. There have been a striking number of great Asian violinists: Kyoko Takezawa (Japan), Kyung-Wha Chung (Korea), Cho-Liang Lin (Taiwan), Xue-Wei (China), just to name a few. SummerFest, under the successive direction of Heiichiro Ohyama and Cho-Liang Lin, has brought numerous Asian musicians to San Diego, not because Ohyama and Lin are themselves originally from Asia, but because they have been seeking the best, and there are so many Asians in that category.

Hence the Shanghai Quartet, whose concert decisively demonstrated that they are among the very best. They began with a precisely pointed and ingratiating performance of the Mozart Oboe Quartet, in which three of their members were joined by Richard Woodhams, the wonderful principal oboist of the Philadelphia Orchestra. Woodhams is a master, with a coruscating technique, an exceptionally beautiful tone, and a perfection of phrasing that mesmerizes the listener; but one could say precisely the same of violinist Yi-wen Jiang, violist Honggang Li, and cellist Nicholas Tzavaras.

In the Brahms Clarinet Ouintet, which followed, the full Shanghai Quartet presented itself (the additional player was first violinist Weigang Li), and it is a humdinger. The vivacity and suavity of the playing; the feeling of absolute rightness in all the musicians' choices; their meticulous faithfulness to Mozart's score, yet their air of inspired spontaneity; their robust tone that is at the same time capable of the most delicate expressive nuances; and, above all, their impassioned grasp of the style and meaning of the score these qualities resulted in a performance of ravishing loveliness and grandeur.

The Shanghai was joined in the Brahms Quintet by Burt Hara, principal clarinetist of the Minnesota Orchestra, whose playing was beyond praise. Hara's range of colors, his nobility of spirit, the impression he produced that the sound of his instrument was coming from somewhere else, floating in the air, a sound in the mind rather than a physical event...could there be a more ideal collaborator for this poignant, autumnal masterpiece? I have never heard anything quite like his perfor-

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Beethoven

SummerFest: Shanghai and Ensö Quartets Sherwood Auditorium (La Jolla Music Society) Mozart, Quartet in F for Oboe and Strings, Opus 21, K. 370; Brahms,

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mance of the gypsy-like middle section of the Adagio movement: the freedom, the wildness of heart, the sense of being carried away by a passionate inner fire. Yet the string players were never left behind, for they seemed imbued with the same *afflatus*.

Finally, the Shanghai offered an intense, superbly crafted reading of Beethoven's Second "Razumovsky" Quartet (Opus 59, No. 2). Such a work is certainly a test of an ensemble's maturity, for it is at once logical and mysterious, and its emotional palette is characterized by strange ambiguities and equivocations, along with startling contrasts and unexpected melodic and harmonic turns. The performance was thoroughly absorbing: a sturdy presentation of the Olympian middle-period Beethoven, with presentiments of late Beethoven flickering in and out in the interstices.

An authentic late Beethoven quartet was played at SummerFest's "Young Artists" concert, by the Ensö Quartet. None of these players is from Asia, but there is a bit of "East meets West" in their name, which, according to the program notes, "is derived from the Japanese Zen painting of the circle which represents many things: perfection and imperfection, the moment of chaos that is creation, the emptiness of the void, the endless circle of life, and the fullness of the spirit." These implications are certainly relevant to the C-sharp minor Quartet, Opus 131, perhaps the most problematic, the most unpredictable, the most spiritually questing, and the most profound of all Beethoven's compositions. Not all of the Ensö musicians were perfectly secure in their intonation, nor were they all equal in the decisiveness of their playing. But the group as a whole had the measure of this

difficult work, which they performed as if they were deeply inside the composer's soul and that counted more than any technical inconsistencies. Next week: the two final

Next week: the two final SummerFest concerts, some comments on modern music, and an assessment of this year's festival. ■

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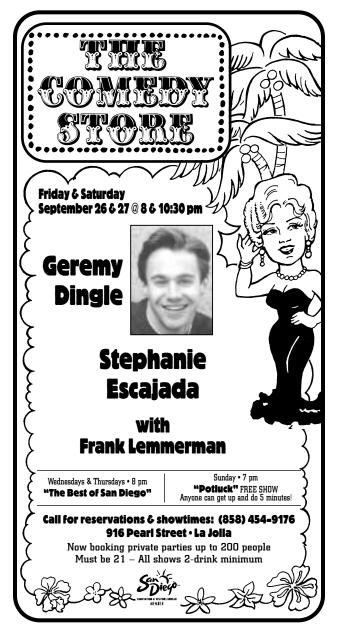
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GALLERIES

"Images of India" taken on a recent bicycling adventure over back roads and jungle tracks by Richard Lowe are on exhibit through Friday, October 17, at Chet Wooding Graphics (1733 University Avenue). Artist's reception: Friday, September 26, 6 p.m. 619-295-5993. (HILLCREST)

"Illusive Realities: Poetry of the Body" by Edson Campos opens with receptions on Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27, 7 p.m., at Gallery Saccade (1702 Kettner Boulevard). 619-546-9169. Show continues through October. (DOWNTOWN)

"Visual Landscapes." a group of contemporary paintings by Ari Kate Ashton are on exhibit through Friday, October 3, at Lucid Gallery (466 North Coast Highway 101, suite 5). Reception for artist on Friday, September 26, 7 p.m. 760-634-3677. (ENCINITAS)

"Asian Impressions," this exhibit of work by many artists opens with reception and artist demonstrations, Friday, September 26, 5 to 9 p.m., at Phantom Art Gallery (suite E in Artist's Alley, 212 East North Coast Highway). 760-754-4512. (OCEANSIDE)

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Evocative Charcoal Drawings on Paper by Los Angeles artist Daniel Brice are on exhibit through Monday, November 24, at Burton Gallery (307 South Cedros Avenue). Meet Brice during reception on Saturday, September 27, 6:30 p.m. 858-794-7204. (SOLANA BEACH)

Time to Tour, COVA's 2003 "open studios" event features selfguided tour of 13 "metro" artists' studios, Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, noon to 5 p.m. Admission: \$20 for two people. Reservations: 619-234-0928. (SAN DIEGO)

"Visceral Center" — a show of recent paintings and installations by Los Angeles artist Colleen Veltz examining motion, pattern and repetition, and life cycles in nature — opens with reception on Saturday, September 27, 7 p.m., at Fuze Gallery (1048 F Street). 619-795-6254. Closes Tuesday, November 11. (DOWNTOWN)

A New Series of Paintings by Moti opens with reception, Saturday, September 27, 7 p.m., at Indicium (726 Ninth Avenue). 619-233-5883. (EAST VILLAGE)

"Through My Eyes," an exhibit of work by Alonso an Aramburo, includes reception, Saturday, September 27, 6 p.m., at Joseph David Gallery (760 Eighth Avenue). 619-702-6290. (DOWNTOWN)

"Total Confusion Is Popular," a photographic installation by Yogi Proctor, opens with reception, Saturday, September 27, 7 p.m., at Modart Gallery (108 Freeman Street). Through Monday, October 27, 760-207-2422, (OCEANSIDE)

They Paint Their Doorway Images Together on the same canvas, and you can meet John Walker and Roxann Moore during opening reception, Saturday, September 27, 6 p.m., at Sumner & Dene Creations in Art (2807 University Avenue). Show closes Sunday, October 19. 619-688-5969. (NORTH PARK)

Third Annual Juried Photography Show hosted by City of San Marcos opens with reception and awards presentation, Sunday, September 28, 4 p.m., at Hearth Gallery (San Marcos Community Center, 3 Civic Center Drive). Show continues through October. 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

"Art Faculty Exhibition 2003" in Hyde Art Gallery at Grossmont College opens with reception on Tuesday, September 30, 7 p.m. This mixed-media show closes Friday, October 17. Find the campus at 8800 Grossmont College Drive. 619-644-7299. (EL CAJON)

"Steel Resolve," an exhibit of new works by Delos van Earl and selected gallery artists, is on view through Saturday, November 15, at Street Fine Art Gallery (415 South Cedros Avenue). Reception: Thursday, October 2, 5:30 p.m. 858-793-4442. (SOLANA BEACH)

"In Residence," featuring photographs by Stéphane Couturier and Edward Burtynsky, and "Cuba, 1999-2000" by Mario Algaze, open with reception Thursday, October 2, 5:30 p.m., in University Art Gallery at UCSD. Both shows close Saturday, December 13. Gallery is found in Mandeville Center on UCSD campus. 858-822-3547. (LA JOLLA)

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 continues through Sunday, October 19.

"Origami Masterworks — Innovative Forms of the Art of Paper Folding," on view through Sunday, February 8, 2004, includes more than 150 pieces by 42 artists from across the globe. Most of the objects were created by folding single sheets of paper to make geometrical forms, flowers, trees, people, masks, and a menagerie of animals.

"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.

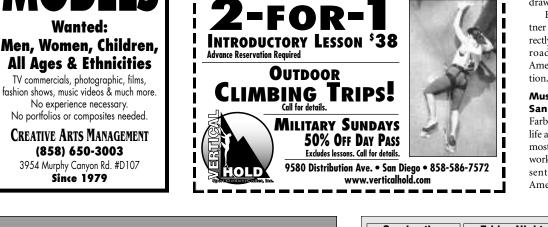
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Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, photographer Alex Webb has spent more than 25 years covering the Mexican border. "Alex Webb: Crossings - Photographs from the U.S.-Mexico Border," includes 40 photographs documenting Webb's coverage of border life since the 1970s. Closes Sunday, December 7.

Los Angeles artist Adam Ross has created a new, large panoramic work for his "Cerca Series" exhibit, 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 Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, "Manny Farber: About Face" celebrates the life and work of one of San Diego's most important visual artists, with work from the early 1960s to present. Farber has contributed to American cultural discourse for



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Museum of Photographic Arts, "The Discerning Eye: Southern California Collects" celebrates 20 photography collectors to commemorate the museum's 20th anniversary; show closes Saturday, January 3, 2004.

Also on view, "Collector's Group Acquisitions," concluding Sunday, December 14. Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, "John Edward Svenson: California Sculptor" highlights the artist's legacy as an architectural sculptor and artist of public art commissions. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. See the show through Sunday, October 26. (OCEANSIDE)

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. For further information, call

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ears ago, an interviewer asked Ozzie Smith of the Padres what he did to relax. The great shortstop replied, "Field ground balls." No, the interviewer came back, how do you relax: read books, go to movies, fish? No, Smith came back, "I field ground balls."

In 1982, after completing The Real Thing, Tom Stoppard needed to relax. So he did an Ozzie Smith. He adapted Ferenc Molnar's 1924

Play About the Castle — a farcical tribute to theater as buoyant and unpretentious as Real Thing is weighty.

Sandor Turai and Alex Gal have four and a half days — the time it'll take their ocean liner to go from England to New York - to write The Cruise of the Dodo (a typo changed the title from "Dido," and they kept it). Turai and Gal have collaborated on many plays and musicals, even wrote Lottie from Brest-Litovsk in four and a half days, which was how long it ran, making it "the first play ever to close after a matinee.'

A storm hits, and the S.S. Italian Castle pitches and yaws so much it could sink. But Turai refuses to interrupt a rehearsal. As others wobble toward the lifeboats, he shouts, "A boat like this can take hours to go down!"

A life-threatening maelstrom, a deadline on egg-timer? Small potatoes. Turai and Gal are excited about their new composer, Adam, whose speech impediment — like an overseas phone call — makes him lag behind. But Adam has fallen in love with Natasha, the female lead. And she loves him too, if you don't count that florid balcony scene she performed with co-lead Ivor Fish, an over-amped Romeo. Privy to their histrionics, Adam threatens to scrap the project.

Stoppard puts the burden of Rough Crossing on the least likely character. Dyornicek's new to his tasks and suffers from a kind

of land sickness (when the boat rolls about, he's fine; when it sails smoothly, he staggers like a drunk). Nonetheless, Dvornicek

often saves the day. Call his feats deux ex ship's steward.

People expect playwrights to progress ever upward. But it's hard to think of any who have, including Shakespeare. Compared to A Midsummer Night's Dream (1595), Much Ado About Nothing (1598) is a five-finger exercise. Compared to The Real Thing, Arcadia, and his recent trilogy The Coast of Utopia (which I read last week in awe), Rough Crossing's a busman's holiday/piffle. Maybe Stoppard must write 24/7. Or maybe he needed the money.

Crossing's a fun piffle, however. Getting light comedy right is difficult, but you wouldn't know it at the Old Globe. Director Stan Wojewodski Jr. moves his cast at farce speed. And when the storm hits, so does John Coyne's art deco luxury liner set: light fixtures flop, a table rolls, a pile of plates shimmies like a Slinky toy.

It's hard to tell who's having more fun, Mark Nelson, Jennifer Roszell, or Alan Coates. Nelson plays Dvornicek, the hilarious raisonneur of the piece, a silver tray in one hand, a cognac snifter tipping toward his lips. Using a postmodern twist,



Mark Nelson, Marc Vietor in Rough Crossing

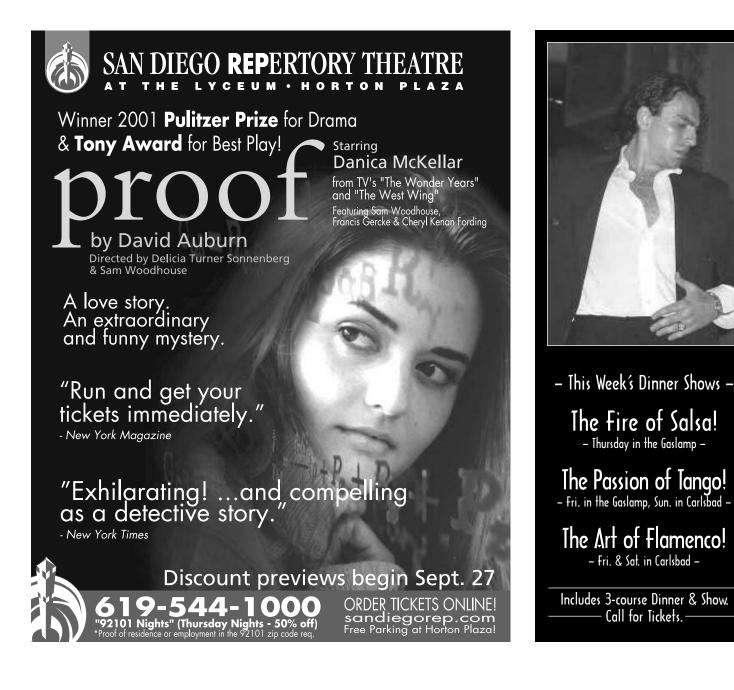
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Relatively Speaking, by Alan Ayckbourn

North Coast Repertory Theatre, 987 D Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach Directed by Rosina Reynolds; cast, Susan Denaker, Jo Anne Glover, Tom Hall, Brian Salmon; scenic design,

Marty Burnett; costumes, Jeanne Reith; lighting, Tom Stansell; sound, George Ye Playing through October 26; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 858-481-1055.



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Stoppard turns Crossing inside out and reveals structural devices. People comment on the need for plot, or how a line won't work. And exposition? Nelson stops the play to recite pages of it. Then applause stops the show when he's done.

Coates and Roszell may have more fun, though. As Ivor and Natasha - romantic leads in the piece, ex-romantic leads in life - they get to break every rule of acting and ham to the heavens. They don't just take stage; they chew it. Coates's malapropping Ivor, who is never not acting, unknowingly reveals himself by proclaiming he was "starved of affectation as a child."

Even with a strong cast and direction, the production nods on occasion. Bits that work in the first act succeed less in the second. And the ending, in which the chorus wears opened oyster shells and tall, white pirate-ship hats, gains more from Katherine Roth's costumes than a script that lets it down.

Crossing's lightweight, meltin-your-mouth stuff, but something does linger. As individuals, Turai, Gal, and the others don't strike one as competent. Each seems either too flamboyant or timid. Yet they're successful. At one point Gal says his editing keeps Turai from



Brian Salmon, Susan Denaker in Relatively Speaking

writing bad plays. It's true of the group as well. Amid all the hijinks, Stoppard pays quiet tribute to collaboration. On the Atlantic, and in the theater, no one is an island.

In Rough Crossing, Stoppard exposes the mechanics of the well-made play. After his experimental narrative, Mr. Whatnot, failed, in 1967 Alan Ayckbourn tried to write one. His reason: a playwright "cannot begin to shatter theatrical convention or break golden rules until he is reasonably sure in himself what they are.'

Relatively Speaking relies heavily - at times mind-bogglingly — on what isn't said. Greg and Ginny are newly in

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love. Thinking he'll ask her parents for her hand, Greg goes to the Willows, Lower Pendon, Bucks. He meets Philip and Sheila. Unbeknownst to Greg, Philip isn't Ginny's father; he's her former lover and employer. Because Greg assumes he's talking to Ginny's parents, miles of dramatic irony ensue. At the preview I caught last

week, it took the North Coast Rep a long time to get rolling. A languid first scene and slow set change didn't help (plus, Avckbourn's more concerned with crafting architecture than character in Speaking). Once the scene shifted to the Willows — and Marty Burnett's glorious set metamorphosed from Kansas to Oz — the story

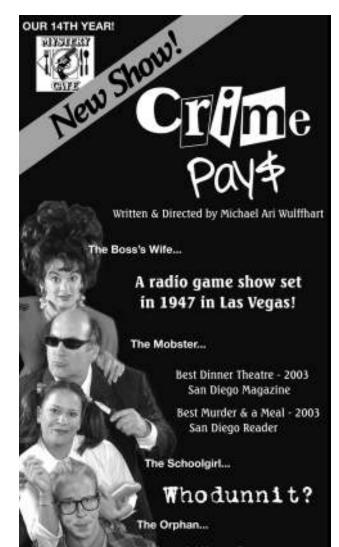
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settled in, and so did the NCRT's quality cast. If you can accept Ayckbourn avoiding the obvious - without shouting, "-Don't you see!" — young Jo Anne Glover (Ginny), Tom Hall (Greg), a seemingly innocent Susan Denaker (Sheila), and the funny, gifted Brian Salmon (Philip) will take it from there.

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Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show Beehive celebrates the women singers and "girl groups" of the 1960s. But if you caught only the first half hour, you'd swear something's amiss. The six talented performers parody every song and vocalist. As in melodrama they exaggerate gestures and tones, from Lesley Gore to the Supremes (who break up before our eyes) and Patti LaBelle (who, when she sold her heart to the "Junkman," was far more serious than this!). Directed by Paula Kalustian, the production abandons its aura of overkill-silly as the '60s lose innocence. And the second half includes first-rate solos: especially Renae Mitchell as Aretha Franklin, Lisa Payton-Davis as Tina Turner, and Joy Yandell as Janis Joplin. The show captures some of the texture of the era. Jill K. Mesaros's costumes are a history lesson (the times weren't the only thing "a-changin' " back then; styles made 180-degree turns about every three years). Jasper Grant's four-piece band keeps the evening cruising. To the young, however, Nick Reid's set may require an explanation. Those big black round things all over the place? Phonograph records. The ones with big holes in the center were 45s. And for the generation of the '60s, they were minted cur-

rency. Worth a try.

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Blue/Orange The Old Globe Theatre presents the West Coast premiere of Joe Penhall's "ferocious comedy" about two psychiatrists who fight over treatment of a patient. Richard Seer directed. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THURS-DAY, SEPTEMBER 25, THROUGH OCTOBER 26; TUESDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255

Bonitafest Melodrama

For its 26th annual production, the Bonitafest stages Max Branscomb's musical comedy When Dinosaurs Roamed the Valley, in which ne'erdo-wells Cadwell von Fowl and Lickpenny connive anew. Branscomb directed. BOLLES THEATRE, BONITA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL, 751 OTAY LAKES ROAD, CHULA VISTA, THROUGH SEPTEM-BER 27: THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 7:30 P.M. 619-475-9054.

Boy Gets Girl

Stone Soup Theatre Company presents the San Diego premiere of Rebecca Gilman's drama about a successful woman followed by an obsessed stalker. Caprice Woosley directed. 6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH OCTOBER 4; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUN-

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CRY Ginger Van Trapp Productions presents the world premiere of Max Diamond's CRY (the full title being "White Trash Thespians CRY"), an "emotional roller coaster that only the most self-torturing can provide." Diamond directed.

INSTANT THEATRE, 639 J STREET (COR NER OF SEVENTH AND J), DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 11; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-238-7377.

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 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.

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 pol-

ish. Hedwig - née Hansel - had her gender mangled when a sexchange 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, Ieremiah Lorenz captivates as Hedwig. As

Beauty

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 CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, THROUGH NOVEMBER 2; THURSDAY AT 7:00 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATUR-DAY AT 6:30 P.M. AND 9:00 P.M. SUN-DAY 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.

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Joey and Maria's Comedy

Italian Wedding The Culy Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater,' as Joey and Maria tie the knot. DAVE AND BUSTER'S, 2931 CAMINO

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The Laramie Project

OnStage Playhouse offers Moises Kaufman's dramatized oral history of the Matthew Shepard hate crime. David Kelso directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AV-ENUE, CHULA VISTA, THROUGH OCTO BER 4; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-422-7787.

The Last Night of Ballyhoo

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents Alfred Uhry's comedydrama about Lela's debut at Bally hoo, a dance thrown by the elite of Jewish society in Atlanta. Warner Shook directed.

SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE. SEGERSTROM STAGE, 655 TOWN CEN TER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH OC-TOBER 5; TUESDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M.

Late-Night Catechism

Every Monday night, during sum-mer, the Laguna Playhouse stages the popular "interactive adult cate chism 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

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used to have the job but was deemed too strict for contempo rary 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, espe cially 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 educa tion, religion, and much more. The sister, it turns out, is not kidding. Worth a try.

LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH, THROUGH NOVEMBER 17; MONDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 949-497-2787.

Love! Valour! Compassion! When Diversionary first staged Terrence McNally's Tony Award-winner, in 1997, the show got caught in scheduling gridlock and had to close. To celebrate its tenth anniversary, Diversionary remounted *Love! Valour!*, Michelle Riel reprised her excellent, minimalist set, Chris Rynne his nuanced lighting, and the results rank among the company's most polished, funny, and moving efforts. In 1994, when

the play premiered, McNally said, "I wanted to write about what it's like to be a gay man at this particular moment in our history, to tell everyone else who we are when they aren't around." Amid overwhelming evidence of uncertain futures the specter of AIDS is everpresent — McNally's people eat, drink, confess, gripe, and zing oneliners ("movies are for people," says Buzz, a musical comedy/opera buff, who have to eat popcorn while being entertained"). Tim Irving, who co-directed with Sean Murray plays Buzz, the icon-drubber. If he weren't such a giving actor, this could be The Tim Irving Show (Mc-Nally wrote the part as a star vehicle for Nathan Lane). But Irving shares the stage with a talented cast and evervone — from Dan Gruber's Perry (for whom being a role model is "very stressful"), Manuel J. Fernandes' generous Gregory, and Dennis J. Scott's dual roles as the manichean Jeckyll brothers (Mc-Nally italicizes themes), goodsouled James and evil-souled John. Critic's pick.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, THROUGH OCTOBER 18; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-220-0097

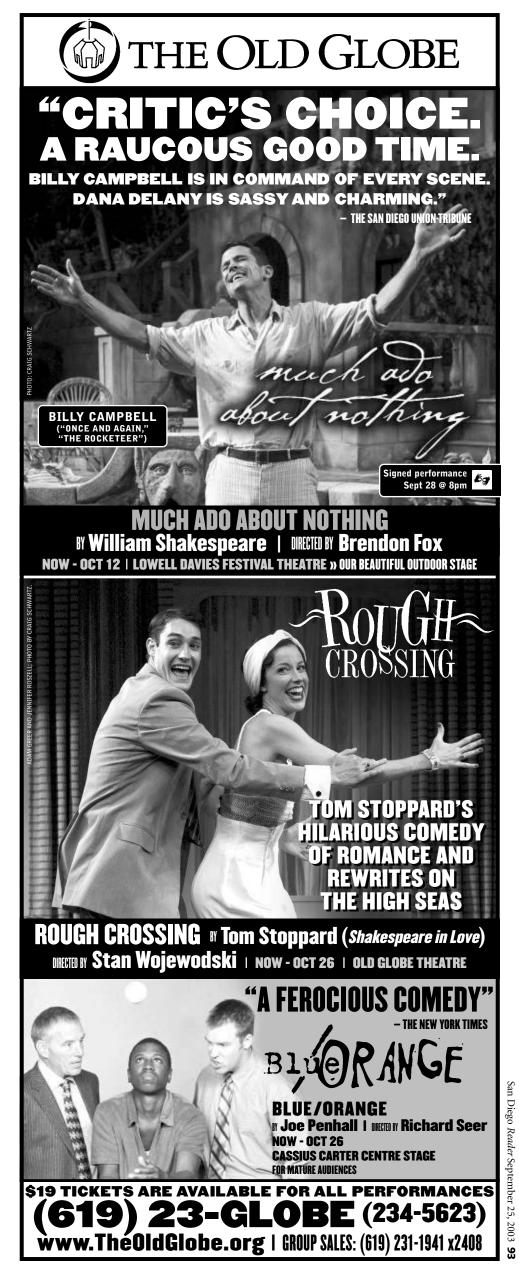
Man of La Mancha

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, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 28; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUN-DAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-746-6669.

Medea, Queen of Colchester

There have been all kinds of Medea remakes, but Sledgehammer's must be a first: Euripides' tragedy as a soft-hit musical. Composed by Jean-Claude Rideau, and performed with an amateurish sound system, the music is dull and monotonal. And even though Sledge tries to jazz things up with a Vegas locale, Marianne McDonald's pseudo-postmodernist script is also dreary. In a landfill's worth of exposition we learn that Medea's a black transvestite from South Africa (from Colchester, not Colchis). Her drug-dealing lover James betrayed her, and she will get Medea-style revenge on his two sons (she shouts, in a breathtaking non sequitur, "I've broken the shackles of your Western greed"). One of the script's many problems (along with the difference between killing an exlover's children and a mother killing her own), the exposition never stops: everything is explained and externalized - and shallow. "Medea Divas" spell out her feelings into microphones while Medea (a statuestiff George Alphonso Walker) parades about in a growing huff. There is no tragic dimension. Medea's just a psychotic with such a penchant for cliches and stock phrases they'd make Euripides irate in Elysium. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, ST. CELIA'S PLAYHOUSE, 1620 SIXTH AVENUE (AT CEDAR), DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTO BER 12: THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 AND OC-TOBER 12, AT 2:00 P.M. (NOTE: MEDEA RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH PHAEDRA IN DELIRIUM.) 619-544-1484

Much Ado About Nothing Can saying something is so make it so? When Shakespeare's comedy begins, Beatrice and Benedick reunite. A war separates them from a relationship that didn't last. And now they war with words. But what if, as a trick, people told them each loved the other in secret? Can you make something from "nothing"? Sure,





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with much verbal "ado," and if traces of love remain between alleged enemies. His credits sav Brendon Fox has directed the play several times. So you'd think by now he'd get it right. Not so. And without Dana Delany and Billy Campbell as sharp-witted Beatrice and Benedick, not so at all. Fox relocates the play in WWI Italy. Anna Louizo's glorious set makes a bold sprezzatura statement by having all of a two-story Tuscan villa stage left. But the rest of the uninspired production dares so little you wonder where the "much ado" went. Scenes get set, slowly, lines get spoken, dutifully, actors exit, in no hurry, and the pace lags throughout. When Delanv and Campbell are jousting, however, things come alive. In his upbeat, endearing soliloquies, his body contorting like a pretzel, Campbell owns the audience. Shakespeare's Beatrice isn't Dante's angel. Benedick says she's "bitter" and disillusioned and doesn't care who knows it. Delany gets that storm-clouded tone pitch perfect, and you can almost, if you listen hard, hear a silver lining. Worth a try.

LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-

FORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH OCTOBER 12; TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

National Comedy Theatre ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on 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

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Full Circle Theatre Company

funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian. Worth a try. MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS, OPEN-ENDED RUN. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. 619-295 4999.

Nick and Zita's Funny Fat Greek Wedding

Dillstar Productions presents an interactive Greek wedding, à la the movie CLARION BAY VIEW HOTEL, 660 K STREET, DOWNTOWN; OPEN-ENDED RUN 800-944-5939

Phaedra in Delirium

In Susan Yankowitz's take on Euripides' tragedy, 40+ Phaedra'a as obsessed with losing her youth as Hippolytus is with losing his virginity. Extreme behavior angered the Greek gods. But in Yankowitz's version, the gods aren't around, so Phaedra, her philandering husband Theseus, and her stepson Hippolytus can shred each other on their own. In the male-dominated world, Theseus can fool around. It's expected. But for Phaedra even to think illicit thoughts is a mortal sin. And when she confesses them, she seals her fate. The play's a mite reductive (it's more about personal vanity than an absurd universe ruled by dysfunctional deities). It's also talky. In the first two-thirds of Sledgehammer's production, the speeches last longer

than the images and movements illustrating them. The images arrest, however, especially white silks and linens bleached by steep shafts of light, and strings of thread, entwined and clipped (like the one Ariadne gave to Theseus in the labyrinth; and the one Atropos, the third Fate, snips to end a life). The production fires up coming home. Robin Christ's Phaedra alternates from openness to silence, strength and fragility. In a well-modulated, honest, and deeply moving performance, Christ portrays the inexorable rending of a fractured heart. Worth a try. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, ST. CE-

CILIA'S PLAYHOUSE, 1620 SIXTH AV-ENUE, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 12: THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. (NOTE: PHAEDRA IN DELIR-IUM RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH MEDEA, OUEEN OF COLCHESTER.) 619-544-1484.

Relatively Speaking

Reviewed this issue. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE. 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH. THROUGH OCTOBER 26: 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.

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HIGHWAY, OCEANSIDE, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, AT 7:30 P.M. 760-721-0083

Rough Crossing

Reviewed this issue OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH OCTO-BER 26; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

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 audi-ence awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" - two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Improv) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art." Worth a try.

SWEDENBORGIAN THEATRE, 1531 TYLER AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. 619-465-7469.

The Sopranos' Last Supper Dillstar Productions present 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.

Ten-Minute Play Festival

The North Park Vaudeville & Candy Shoppe hosts 12 new short plays by local authors. NORTH PARK VAUDEVILLE & CANDY SHOPPE, 2031 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, NORTH PARK, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, THROUGH OCTOBER 5: FRIDAY AND SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-647-4958.

Towards Zero

Lamplighters presents the Agatha Christie mystery about an inevitable countdown. Mark Loveless directed.

LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE. 8053 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LA MESA, THROUGH OCTOBER 5: FRIDAY AND SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-464-4598.

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 crackeriack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

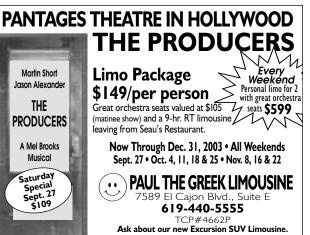
Worth a try.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE GASLAMP QUARTER OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURS-DAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

Vox Hellenic

Sledgehammer Theatre and Grassroots Greeks present staged readings of Greek plays: this week's: Sophocles' Electra and Luis Alfaro's Electricidad. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, 1620 SIXTH AVENUE DOWNTOWN THROUGH

SEPTEMBER 27; SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1484.



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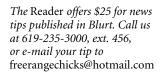
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"I'm not doing this to promote tourism. I'm doing it for the kids who can't come across to the U.S to see a show.'

name yet. We will get a website as soon as we pick the name.

While he wouldn't discuss exact figures, Salvador did admit that the high vacancy rate has made Tijuana rental space "very affordable."

The first show at the new venue is planned for Friday, November 7. "Our first show



Ubaldo Salvador explains why he and the other three members of the band Bümbkläätt are launching an all-age Tijuana nightspot that will showcase bands from both sides of the border.

"It is easier for Americans to go over there [Tijuana] than it is for Mexican kids who don't have a green card or passport to go to San Diego.'

Salvador and his band have rented a space within walking distance from the border. "We don't have a

will have us; Nuestra Sangre and No Hope from Tijuana; and the Alpha Males from San Diego.

Two Bümbkläätt members live in Tijuana and two live in San Diego. This binationalism of the band dictates the booking policy.

Salvador has promoted a number of punk rock shows at the well-known Tilly's bar, which is next door to the Jai Alai Palace/El Foro concert venue on Revolución. Headliners included locals the Locust and Bay Area bands



Dystopia, the Scurvy Dogs, and Dead and Gone.

"The cops started coming to the shows when we served booze, which were 18 and up [shows in Tijuana]. We would have more people when we didn't have booze, but it wasn't a good business thing for Tilly's.'

Salvador said his new club



SALVADOR OPENS ALL-AGE TJ CLUB will admit all ages, and alcohol will not be served. "We'll charge a flat \$5 at

the door.... We will eventually have a stage. Just say we'll be open during construction. Salvador said he is not

concerned with the police. "If you don't have a

permit, they might show up and collect on the night of the show." He said he will secure an annual permit worth \$120 and a \$30 permit that must be secured for each night there is a performance. "As soon as you cross the

[pedestrian] bridge called the California Bridge, you see a place called Tacos and Beer. It's in that strip mall. It's the same size as the old Casbah [on Kettner, which now houses the Pirate's Den]. I guess it can hold 150.... It is right next to the freeway, which is called Via Rapida." Perhaps the place should

be called Via Rapida. "That's a good idea." Salvador said interested bands should contact him via info@bumbklaatt.com. — Ken Leighton

"We're not going to be making our next

record with Ultimatum," said Mark Stuart, singer/songwriter of the Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash. "Ultimatum is trimming down its roster. We're not going to be one of those bands that remains. We'll probably work with a label that has a little more

experience working with a band like us. We are looking for a new label.'

The Bastards are on a 35-day tour of the Midwest and the East, which runs through October 13. He said



THE SONS MOURN ADOPTED FATHER

the press in each town became more interested in the band after Cash died September 12.

"I just tell them we're very sad for the Cash and Carter families. Johnny said, 'I just wore my body out, but I wore it out for a good purpose.'

Four years ago Stuart met Cash, right after Cash gave the blessing (and legal right) to use the name "the Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash."

"Connie Nelson [of Fallbrook], who was Willie Nelson's wife, intervened and told Johnny about it. Johnny gave us his permission and that was final. He went to bat for us and overrode his own manager.

"We performed one show in San Diego this year." Stuart said that even though there are two country radio stations in San Diego, they both ignore local musicians. "All they want to play is Nashville pop horseshit."

The Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash appear October 23 at the Belly Up Tavern. – Ken Leighton

"This is a message to the city schools that

benefit from the San Diego Music Awards: that the musicians of San Diego support them — with the exception of country artists. That is the message going out."

Mike Crouch of the country band Coyote Moon reacted strongly last Wednesday when he heard that no country band was going to be honored at this year's San Diego Music Awards October 14 at Humphrey's. Proceeds from ticket sales benefit music



programs in San Diego's public schools.

In spite of the fact that San Diego has two country music stations, the initial press release and SDMA website indicated this year's awards ceremony would be ignoring country for the first time in its 13-year history — Johnny Cash dies, and the next thing you know, country music is past tense.

San Diego is home to a number of local countryoriented artists including King Country, Emerald River, Hill Country, the Ranch Rockers, Crystal Yoakum, and the Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash.

Kevin Hellman, marketing director of *CityBeat* and SDMA director, said all five members of the SDMA board of directors "were involved in the process."

However, one of the five people listed as an SDMA board member, who did not want to be identified, said, "Kevin never talked to me about it. I had no idea he was doing this. He didn't ask me."

Regarding the decision to

omit country, Hellman said, "I didn't get any support from the country music artists as far as the nominated musicians coming to the show.... For about five years, Steve Hill from Hill Country was the only country artist who came to the show."

Not true, said Mark Stuart of the Bastard Sons. "I was there twice in the last five years. I have

the awards to prove it." Frank Sullivan of King Country said he has attended over the last two years. Coyote

Moon's Crouch called back last Wednesday

evening to say he had heard that Hellman had changed his mind and decided to add a country category after all. "He has added country back on the ballot as of today."

— Ken Leighton

Hobag's drummer

Bernadette Leal admits that one of the band's original songs, "Cosmic Bitch," is hard to explain to her daughter.

"My five-year-old daughter knows 'bitch' is a bad word, so she sings it as 'Cosmic Itch.'" At the Black Sheep Inn in

Santee, the all-female band

the Hobags put a benefit together in August for Leal's brother-in-law back in Brazil. He died of cancer at age 47 and left behind a wife and two kids. Local bands IdleTrain, the Drysdales, and Jonny and the Goiters all made it out to perform, raising over \$600.

"My daughter said a kid in her class wanted to ask her a question. When I approached



HOBAGS HAVE SOME EXPLAINING TO DO

the boy, he said, 'Are you really a drummer?' I said I was, and he ran and told his friends, 'It's true, it's true, she is a drummer.' My daughter seemed proud, and as we're walking away, she said, 'Yep, my mom is a Hobag.' I had to explain to her that's not something she should go telling everyone." — Josh Board

Green Eggs and Sam singer/guitarist Mike Myrdal just can't picture Dr. Seuss suing his band, but the local law firm that oversees Dr. Seuss's intellectual properties is telling the five-man band to change its name. Dr. Seuss was a

pseudonym for creator Ted Geisel of La Jolla, who died 12 years ago. Green Eggs and Sam

formed a year and a half ago and plays in Pacific Beach, downtown, and North County. The band, which includes two full-time musicians, two "web guys," and a teacher, covers tunes by the Dave Matthews Band, Rusted Root, and Jack Johnson.

But then came the ceaseand-desist e-mail three weeks ago from attorney Cathy Ann Bencivengo with the firm Gray Cary, LLP. She demanded the band abdicate its name: "By signing an original signature...no later than September 15, 2003, you consent that you will immediately cease and desist using the name 'Green Eggs and Sam' to identify your musical group."

Myrdal said, "We played on TV on NBC 7/39 on July 4, and we used our name, and nobody said anything."

In the early 1990s, a band named Green Jellö was forced to change its name to Green Jellÿ due to legal pressure from the Jell-O people; a band signed to Warner Bros. had to surrender its name Disneyland After Dark. More recently electronica band Panasonic altered its handle to Pansonic, bowing to pressure from the electronics company.

Myrdal admitted his band had used a "Cat in the Hat" graphic for T-shirts and stickers. "But it was pretty much an internal band joke.... We never used [the hat logo] on our flyers or on our advertising. If we would have known it would have been a problem, we never would have done it. None of that merchandise ever sold."

Gray Cary attorney Bencivengo said it was the Cat in the Hat logo on the merchandise that brought it to her attention. "We actively pursue entities and companies that use the good will of Dr. Seuss to sell merchandise."

What if the band had just used the name Green Eggs and

Sam? "I don't know if we would have [demanded a name change] or not." She said that if the band wants to make a counteroffer to just use the name, "We would

present that offer DI to the client," which, in this case, is a board of directors. "The band has not asked us that. I can't comment on that in the abstract...but I think it's gonna be hard for a band to be called Green Eggs and Sam and not think of Dr. Seuss, especially in San Diego."

Bencivengo said her firm Bencivengo said her firm also sent a cease and desist to a Colorado band named the Grinch. "But the band folded so the problem went away." Surprisingly, she suggested that if the name *Green Eggs and Crack* were around today (it was an album in the late 1980s put out by a New York band named Too Much Joy), the law might be on the band's side. "They could claim it was a parody."

Green Eggs and Sam (or whatever they will be called) appear tomorrow, Friday, 10 p.m., at R.T. Longboard Grill in Pacific Beach; admission is \$3. The band also appears Saturday, at 9:30 p.m., at the



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"My mom called me and told me 'John Ritter died - This could be a great publicity thing for your band.'

Singer/guitarist Mark Andreasson said his threepiece Vista band has been



JACK TRIPPER ANEURYSM known as the Jack Tripper Solution for three years. Jack Tripper was Ritter's freespirited character on the 1970s TV sitcom Three's Company. Ritter died two weeks ago. "I thought he was

hilarious. They had him

saying he was gay just so he could live with some hot chicks on the beach right above a bar."

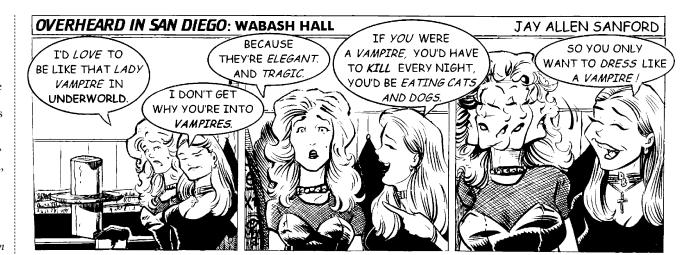
Andreasson said his band was never asked to change the name for legal reasons. But since Ritter's death, some fans have requested that the name be changed to "Jack Tripper Aneurysm. I got a lot of that."

The Jack Tripper Solution, Sic Waiting, and Curbside appear 9 p.m. Saturday at the Longshot Saloon in San Marcos. Admission is \$5. Must be 21 or over. – Ken Leighton

"Boycott the **Exploited show!**"

Local punk websites and message boards burned all week with bad buzz regarding the September 19 Exploited concert at Wabash Hall, which cost \$25 to attend. Show promoter JayJ Brawley is the former owner of Club Xanth in North Park, which closed down almost a year ago because of permit issues with the city.

The concert was shut down by police for not having the proper permits and for venue fire safety violations, and Brawley was arrested for holding an unlawful public assembly and for an outstanding traffic warrant. Only three bands managed to play before the show was shut down: Cheap Sex, the Clairvoyants, and Total Chaos.



Over the weekend, Brawley apologized on sandiegopunk.com. Despite the fact that he's been holding shows at Wabash Hall for months, he claims it was Wabash Hall itself that lacked the proper paperwork to satisfy the city. "Ignorance is no excuse.... I should have had it investigated thoroughly before the event.'

Brawley was released on bail and must appear in court in November to face charges that were still being applied as of this writing. Patrons hoping for a refund probably shouldn't plan on how to spend the money yet. "I feel horrible that I am

not able to repay everyone for their tickets at this time, but please understand that this event has put me in some serious debt, but I will make

good on all of the debts." A concertgoer estimated that would be about 250 people waiting for repayment. –Jay Allen Sanford

Famous people who will be in the San Diego area through October 9:

Rick Springfield — who just turned 54 and plays Viejas Casino September 26 — says, "My oldest son Liam thinks I should get into the heavier bands that are popular, like blink-182... Heavier bands? "That's not my style, I

can't picture myself doing stuff like that. Why are blink-182 naked in that video? Do the baggy pants just fall off them?" (As quoted on old.newhavenadvocate.com.)

Billy Idol —who is 48 and appears at Viejas September

27. During a San Diego interview in December 2001, he said, "You guys really don't dress for the occasion, do you? I think this is the only place in the world where people come in off the street in sandals and \$100 sunglasses and start a mosh pit." (As reported in www.swaves.com.) — Jay Allen Sanford

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row 4 — \$196 each (www.south baytickets.com). Face price \$45. — Jay Allen Sanford

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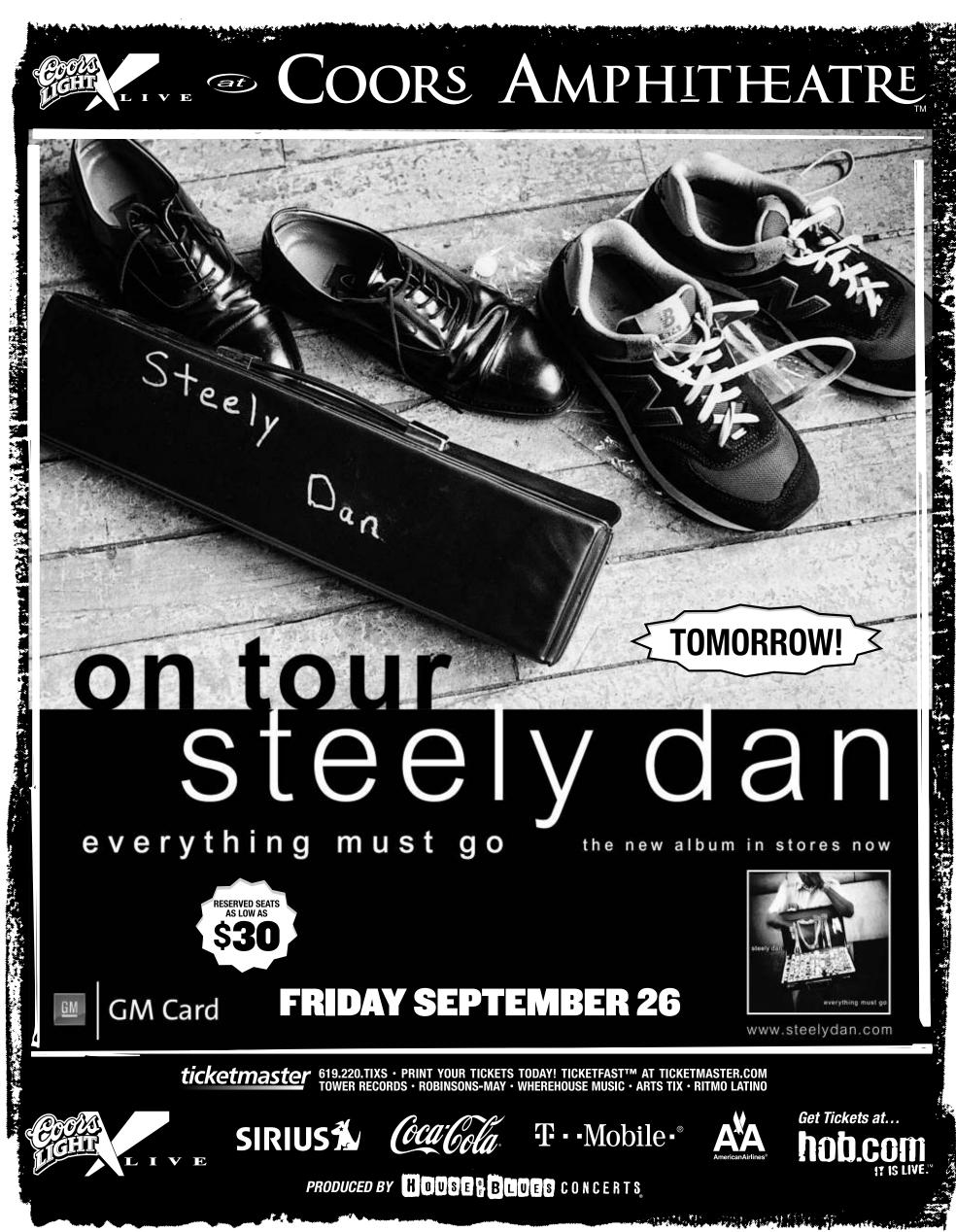
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"They're their own boss, so they can listen to whatever music they want."

n the night of the East Coast power meltdown, I imagine the streets of New York City dark save for the collective glow of the cab drivers' radios. That same night at Terminal One of San Diego's Lindbergh Field

airport, I find the usual lineup of taxis waiting their turn to pick up a fare, inching forward a little slower than usual due to grounded flights at Kennedy and LaGuardia.

I approach the waiting taxis. A few drivers towards the end of the line appear to be nodding off in their seats; others are animatedly engaged in cell phone conversations.

Ahmedei and Kumbi are both from East Africa and drive for Yellow Cab. Ahmedei has lived in San Diego for 19 years but retains a strong African accent. He says he listens mostly to KPBS-FM, 98.1 "smooth jazz," or KSDS-FM (88.3).

"Jazz music...it's kind of relaxing, it's not a violent music.... People like nice, soothing music, you know.'

"Oh, [I listen to] the same thing, really," adds Kumbi. "Sometime I listening with sports channel, [AM] 690.... When it is they have sports, I'm listening." Ahmedei says, "Sometimes, some young

people, they like to listen like, ah, 91.1 [91X or] 93.3, but that's a young, hip-hop type, you

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know."

A cab driver from Russia named Lev terminates a cell phone conversation with his wife to speak with me. Lev says he was a professional pianist in Russia but now only plays piano part-

time at a "Christian-American church." He listens to KSDS (88.3 FM), the jazz station that broadcasts out of City College. "I like this music," he says

enthusiastically. Lev has been playing piano since he was five years old, and he is now in his 60s. He has been in San Diego for six years, five of which he has driven for USA Cab.

"My father is living about ten years [in San Diego] and my two uncles and my brother.... I played big band [in Russia], you know. I was substitute conductor.... My favorite composer is Rachmaninoff. You know, Rachmaninoff is Russian, but he was [here] two years, then passed away here." (Actually he passed away in Beverly Hills in 1943, shortly after gaining U.S. citizenship.)

"Jazz singers, I like Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong. My favorite pianist is Oscar Peterson.

Taleb is from Iraq and has been in San Diego for the past two years. He says he's been driving a cab for about a year and that his English is not that great. Taleb says he likes to listen to

1/2 off

all bottles



'jazz music, something that's quiet.... Almost [all] my customers like this one," he says, switching the dial to KPBS (89.5).

When I ask if people request specific stations, he says, "No, no, no. Sometime I'm ask my customers, 'You want this music or this station?' They say, 'Okay.'

"Do passengers ever complain about the music?

Lev from Russia

"They don't," says Taleb. "I never play the radio while I'm driving. As a matter of fact, if I'm not mistaken, I'm not allowed to listen to it, unless they request it."

Tony Leone, the general manager at Yellow Cab of San Diego, confirms that there is a "no music" rule of sorts for drivers working the airport.

'[Yellow Cab] has no rule on what type of



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music they can listen to," says Leone. "However, there's a rule at the airport that says that they can't play the radio unless the passenger allows it to be played. If they're picking people up from the airport, there's a requirement from the Airport Authority on what the driver's allowed to do with respect to the AM/FM radio."

Though Leone doesn't recall any complaints about the music, Jose Hernandez, manager of ground transportation for the San Diego Airport Authority, says, "Yes, sir, in the past the airport had received complaints about loud and offensive music on behalf of drivers." Hernandez says the policy is part of the Airport Authority's Taxi and Shuttle Customer Service Plan, which has been on the books for about two years.

"A part of [our] policy is the driver shall not be talking on a cell phone, which used to be a big complaint as

well.... On each and every cab and shuttle that operates here at the airport, we have a passenger bill of rights, and it says on there if you choose, you can ask the driver to turn on the radio to your specific format.... The customer has to [be asked] whether they want the radio on or not, and, if so, they get to pick what radio station they want to listen to."

In addition, Hernandez savs all shuttle and taxicab drivers who want to pick up fares from the airport must attend mandatory customer service training, a four-hour class with a two-hour exam at the end, which includes the policy about music.

Other than airport rules, I find that none of the individual cab companies have policies about music.

'The general policy is...if a customer doesn't want to hear anything, then they should turn it down," says Sean Wolf, the manager of Orange Cab. "They're independent contractors so we really can't [ask them not to play music].

A woman at USA Cab says, "They're their own boss, so



they can listen to whatever music they want.'

Luz at Coronado Cab says, "Most of our drivers are older and they listen to that jazz, that old classic stuff.... I go into each individual car to check to see how everything is and, when I turn on the radio, it's always on talk radio or a classic radio."

At the Taxicab Holding Lot on Harbor Island Drive,

across from the Sheraton Harbor Island, I find a nonstop flow of cabs streaming in, circling back and forming several lines, each waiting for the okay to drive over to the airport. To prevent an unwieldy buildup of cabs at Lindbergh Field, drivers must first visit this lot and wait to be cleared by either an airport transportation officer or an

employee of Lindbergh Park-

ing Incorporated.

Driving into the holding lot close to sunset, I see a group of yellow taxis that have pulled out of line and parked. Six men who identify themselves as Muslim are gathered in a group. Several more walk over to join them as I ask the men about the music they listen to. Cautiously, they tell me that they don't listen to any music for religious reasons, only some talk radio. A man named Bashir, the only one to offer his name, finally says, "Not all the music...like the music [that promotes] dancing and drinking and this, no!

Another man interjects, "We read the Koran.... For the Muslim, the time is very valuable to us, it must be something which is a benefit for us, whether it's reading or studying or relaxing, but for listening to music or dancing or anything like that, it's forbidden.

Another in the group concedes that some traditional Middle Eastern music is permissible, again stressing, "Music make-a you to drink, make-a you to have, like, a love, you know, [is not al-

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lowed]. In our religion, you cannot dance, you know, you cannot have-a sex with somebody without marriage." A few of his friends laugh selfconsciously at the subject of sex. When asked for his name, the driver who spoke of sex says, "Don't worry about it.'

A well-known Muslim phrase often used to discredit female singers is sawt al-mar'a 'awra, which means, "The voice of a womatn is a shameful thing.'

I ask what they do when someone asks them to turn on the radio. Bashir answers, "I have to tell them, 'I'm sorry, I don't listen to music because of my religion.'

"We're going to pray. That's why we pulled out of the line," says another man.

At that point the Muslim taxi drivers walk over to face a chain-link fence by an overpass. Several other drivers and a man running Louie's Lunch Wagon grab prayer mats from their trunks and run to join the lineup of 12. Facing east, most kneel down on the mats for Al-Maghrib, a Muslim prayer performed at sunset.







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"You don't give something like this away for nothing," he was growling.

he Serb-born jazz pianist Larry Vuckovich was in poor humor between sets last Monday night when I caught the Young at Heart show he presides over at Bistro 339 in the Ramada Inn on Taylor Street in San Francisco. It's

just down the block from the Glide Memorial Church, a part of S.F. between the hotel district and the Tenderloin, where the nobs and slobs cross paths frequently and without event.

Attendance was sparse, and that was what was principally eating Vuckovich, whom I've written about in this column before. "You don't give something like this away for nothing," he was growling to no one in particular. The "this" to which he was referring was some of the tightest, most swinging jazz one gets to hear on

a semi-regular basis this side of the Rockies; and if you check out all the plaudit he's earned on the East Coast from musicians and music writers there, you'll quickly realize he's more than a local talent.

Admission for this Monday-night series is

only \$10, which is a pretty damn good buy in 2003. The room itself, long and narrow, is congenial and of a scale in which jazz ought to be heard, instead of some vast, ster-

ile auditorium. Drinks and food are available and served by a raven-haired willow-wand of a young Brazilian, who seemed fully capable of launching a thousand jazz-inflected sambas.

Young at Heart made its first appearance at Pete Douglas's Bach Society in Half Moon Bay in 1996, a curious venue for a jazz band, but curious things have been known to happen in Half Moon Bay, and I rather suspect old Bach himself might well have been intrigued, at the very least, by the proceedings. The appearance fell around the time of Charlie Parker's (8/29) and Lester Young's (8/27) birthdays, which was both providential and apt since Young at Heart's music, in performance and CD, is all over Parker and



REVIEW

AUGUST KLEINZAHLER

Young, i.e., the Basie swing sound and bebop. The Young at Heart band was created around the two-tenor concept, popular in the '50s, though what they've got on hand is a tenor, Noel Jewkes — who also plays flute, clarinet, and trum-

pet - and Jules Broussard, who sometimes plays tenor but usually blows alto. Vuckovich takes care of the 88s, while the bass and drum assignments vary somewhat. On occasion, a guitar is on board, on occasion congas, on occasion a canary - that might turn out to be Vuckovich's wife, the vocalist Senna Craig, who, the night I attended, was dragooned into maracas service, handling her duties with grace and precision, timing from a table near the bandstand, tossing her scarf over her shoulder rather rakishly, so

that she might better attend to the rattling. If there is a single presiding musical spirit for this band, it would have to be Lester Young, whose career spanned the swing and bebop eras and who created one of the most distinctive and influen-

> tial sounds on his instrument in all of jazz: fluid, melodic, and easily swinging while holding down the tenor chair in the

greatest of Basie's big-band groups. Young's style of playing would remain in the swing camp, a camp a world again as large on account of his presence. But unlike his colleague in the Basie tenor section, Coleman Hawkins, Young never really experimented seriously with the bop idiom, as Hawkins had done in the '40s.

Since Young at Heart visits both camps, swing and bebop (sometimes in the same number), it's worth looking at some of the differences between them. The word *bebop* or *bop*, incidentally, comes out of scat singing with its nonsense syllables, of which *bebop* and *rebop* often made an appearance as vocables of choice. Swing jazz usually involves a large group of musicians playing carefully written arrangements. It's difficult to broadly categorize the music because it has so many manifestations, but rhythmically it tends to have four beats to the bar and a relatively fixed pulse, at least compared to

bop. Swing is fundamentally dance music. Ellington, among others, would take it places far beyond that, but in the end it's about shaking your hips to the rhythm.

Bebop, as a rule, is difficult to dance to, unless you're one very hep centipede. It's more of a folk-based, body-based chamber music, and it requires the serious listening attention that chamber music demands. Syncopation is at the heart of it, just as it is with swing — that's what makes it jazz ("Don't Mean a Thing...") — but bebop is busier, more harmonically complex (certainly more chromatic and dissonant), and the accents, as well as the phrasing, are "uneven."

Bebop is more a small-group sound, with exceptions (Gillespie's and Eckstein's big bands). There's more emphasis on the soloist in bop, and the success of a bop number usually rests with the improvisational performance of the lead soloist — Parker, Navarro, etc.

Bebop is usually played at a faster tempo than swing. Its tempi can, in fact, be breathtakingly

fast, and part of the art of bebop is the logic of the improvisation and clarity of phrasing at those rocketing tempi. Virtuosity on one's instrument is a hallmark of this kind of jazz.

Behind these extraordinary rapid and convoluted improvisations of the soloists in a bebop ensemble is a rhythm section — customarily piano, bass, and drums — which per-

forms the traditional role of support: providing the beat, keeping time, filling in the empty spaces, provoking the soloist to greater heights; but simultaneously creating separate lines of their own that not only complement the soloist but generate complex interactions, both with the horn player, say, but also with the other members of the rhythm section.

Charlie Parker

Oh, sure, it's a good deal more complicated than that musically, what with altered 9th, 11th,

and 13th chords and the rest, but you get the drift. Bebop changed jazz forever. A lot of old-timers hate bop, and they usually hold Charlie Parker responsible, when they might equally blame Gillespie, Kenny Clarke, or Charlie Christian. In fact, the much-lauded British poet and jazz critic Philip



I poet and Jazz critic Philip Larkin blamed the "3 Ps" for wrecking Western art: Picasso, Pound, and Parker. Old-timers of this particular cast of mind often referred to as "moldy figs"— are generally of the opinion that bebop is neurotic music, hostile, self-conscious, overly cerebral: that it doesn't swing, the harshest indictment of all. But I love it as

Lester Young much as any music I can

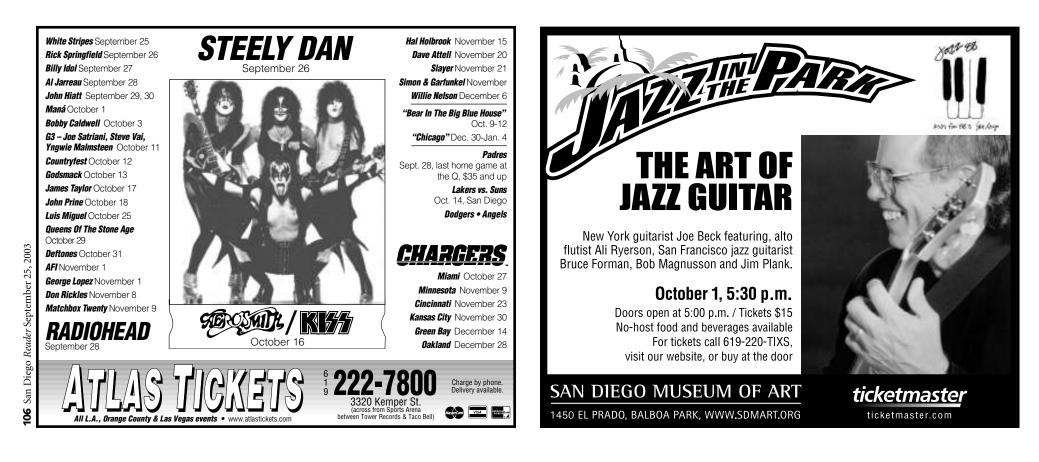
think of. And so does the Young at Heart band, which is not to say they don't like swing, Basie-style, as much or better. These sorts of musical enthusiasms need not exist separately from one another. After all, Charlie Parker grew up in Kansas City listening to Lester Young and the Basie band. How else do you suppose he ever came to swing that hard?

Heavy Metal Redux: I see the U.S. military has cottoned to the power of bad-ass rock, among other forms of torment.

It turns out — according to Britain's *Guardian Weekly* — that the U.S. "blared" Van Halen and "others" at the Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega when he took refuge in the Vatican embassy in Panama City during our invasion of Panama years ago. This method of rousting the wicked proved so successful that it was repeated during the recent Afghan experience when heavy metal chartbusters were loosed on Afghan caves thought to be sheltering al-Qaeda fighters.

Now, the *Guardian* reports, we are breaking the wills of captured terrorists, or suspected terrorists, by assaulting them first with heavy metal, followed by "happy-smiley children's songs." The real spirit-crusher turns out to be the "Barney, I Love You" song played for hours on end. Even the most hardened, sadistic killers buckle under "that kind of hell," or so asserted a reliable source. ■

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The White Stripes [359], the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, and the Soledad Brothers: RIMAC Arena, Thursday, September 25, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Maroon5 [288] and Gavin **DeGraw:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, September 25, 6 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

"Classic Rock All-Stars" featuring Mike Pinera, Peter Rivera, Jerry Corbetta, and Dennis Noda: Svcuan Casino Showcase Theatre,

Thursday, September 25, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139

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.

FRIDAY

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 and Consonant: The Casbah, Friday, September 26, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355

SATURDAY

Billy Idol [590] featuring Steve Stevens: Viejas Casino Concerts in

"The 21st Annual Adams Avenue Makina Loka, Gary Jules [257], the Blazers, Carlos Guitarlos [259], the Delgado Brothers [256], Guitar Shorty [925], Los Alacranes [568], Little George Sueref [264], Abigail's Attic [249]. Acteal, the Baja Bugs [250], the Bayou Brothers [948], Berkley Hart [880], Annie Bethancourt, Gregory Page [186], Sue Palmer & Her Motel Swing Orchestra [641], Tomcat Courtney [932], Billy Midnight [414], Anya Marina [118], Big Rig Deluxe, Ryan Blue, Blue Rockit [955], Peter Bolland & Broken Hills [878], Curt Bouterse, the Brombies [766]. Tom Brosseau.



BY DAVE GOOD

Pigus Drinkus Maximus may be the only vinyl remembrance of a much-respected Los Angeles club band from the '80s that lived hard and, in some cases, died young. Top Jimmy & the Rhythm Pigs were the lightning rods of the punk scene, even though they weren't a punk band per se. They were a blues cover band, but they had the attitude part down pat. Drink, drugs, and injuries were a regular feature of any Pigs show, along with some of the best playing from a deep pool of local talent. Fans included Los Lobos, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, the Blasters, Tom Waits, and X. Top Jimmy was called the greatest blues singer in L.A. The Pigs held down a two-year residency at a Hollywood pit called Cathay de Grande, but no one outside of California

would have ever heard of them were it not for the Van Halen tribute on 1984: "Top Jimmy cooks / Top Jimmy swings / He's got the look / Top Jimmy, he's the king." Today, Jimmy (James

Konceck) is dead from liver failure and former Pigs guitarist Carlos Guitarlos lives with a bum heart in San Francisco in one of those pay-by-the-night hotels. He busks on the streets with a portable amp, and he's making it. He is sober, and he is drug-free, but dope and bad health hammered his career into oblivion. Guitarlos's infamous past has

been reduced to a pile of memories, and the stories often get fuzzy in the way of Bigfoot sightings - more legend than substance. In his comeback effort, what remains of Carlos Guitarlos is the ability to play the sweetest. darkest truths. This, from a guy who once car ried 300 pounds of beer fat and kicked much ass from the bandstand. "It's one spit in the wind," he sings. "Two strikes I can't win /



You've been callin' me, callin' me, callin' me / To come back again.

(To hear a sample of Carlos Guitarlos, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4259.)

CARLOS GUITARLOS, Adams Avenue Street Fair, Sunday, September 28, 5 p.m. 619-282-7329. Free

the Park, Saturday, September 27, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Street Fair" featuring the Andy Summers Trio, Jack Tempchin [260], Kenny Wertz, Bernie Leadon, Ricardo Lemvo &

Virginia Curtiss, Dee Ray, Derek Duplessie & the Desert Poets [767], the Will Edwards Band [874], the Eleonor England Trio, the Expressions of Praise Gospel Singers, Fowl Play, the Fremonts [923], Fuga!, Sage Gentle-Wing, Fred Gerlach, the Ghost Town Deputies [559], Hatfield Rain, Robin Henkel [914], the Mark Jackson Henkel (914), the Mark Jackson Band, Hot Like a Robot [146], Ila [869], Jamie Jenkins, the Kahuna Cowboys, Kernel [155], Lady Star & the Bustin' Loose Blues Band [977], the Johnny Love Sound, Modern Durber (202) the Johnson Rhythm [439], the Neverly Brothers, Nitro Express [762], Omo Ache, Opensure, Other Natural Flavors [173], Paradise, Powerthud [429], Radio la Chusma, the Joel Rafael Band [856], "Action" Andy ussen, Rookie Card [539],

Skid Roper & the Shadowcasters [257], El Rosario, Saba [583], Lisa Sanders [893], the San Diego Cajun Playboys [997], Chuck Schiele [872] & Sven-Erik Seaholm, Aliah Selah, Shadowdogs, the Shambles [454], Jose Sinatra & the Troy Dante Inferno [861], Skelpin [990], Tikal, Trailer Park Queen, Tribe of Judah [733], Trophy Wife [555], the Truckee Brothers. the West Coast Pin-Ups [422], and **Z-Bonics:** Saturday, September 27, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, September 28, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-7329.

SUNDAY

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.

MONDAY

George Clinton & Parliament *[122]*: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, September 29, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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.

WEDNESDAY

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.

EXTENSION 4001

UPCOMING CONCERTS

OCTOBER

Cheap Trick [458] and Trash **Daddy:** 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.

Brian McKnight and Rhian Benson: 4th & B, Thursday, October 2, 345 B Street, downtown 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Pepe Aguilar: Pechanga Entertainment Center, Thursday, October 2, 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

Steel Pulse [292]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, October 2, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

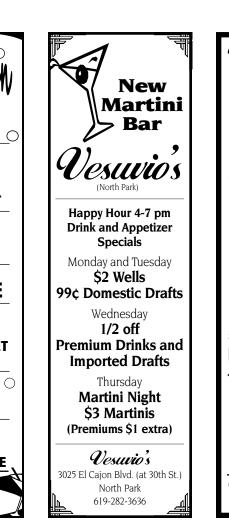
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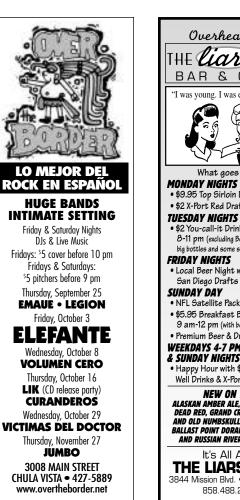
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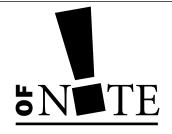
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BY WILLIAM CRAIN

The commercial breakthrough song "Creep" and the artistic breakthrough album The Bends built a career for Radiohead, but OK Computer established the band's reputation as the designated genius of rock. That album's weird electronic tricks and mood of modern alienation struck a chord with people at a time when the tech bubble was inflating rapidly and everyone was trying hard not to worry about what would happen when it burst. The album resonated so powerfully that a lot of people then eagerly followed Radiohead through their next couple of albums. In interviews, singer Thom Yorke suggests that the fault lies with his fans if they couldn't understand Kid A and Amnesiac, but I think he's being disingenuous. I think he released those albums because he wanted to release music no one could understand. That may have been Yorke's way of calming the storm around the band, or it may have been motivated by the purest artistic intentions. But it felt like a big "screw you. Radiohead's latest.

Hail to the Thief, isn't an apology for that. It's not like U2's All That You Can't Leave Behind — a crowd-pleasing, chart-busting return to what made the band wildly popular in the first place. Thief still has a

lot of the weird electronic skips and stutters odd rhythms, and unusual chord changes that marked the experimental albums. And they do sound better now that they're wedded to more guitars and tighter song structures. But either by accident or design, the songs still don't have hooks. What's more, now that the frenzy around the band has died down, it's easy to see that Yorke's



RADIOHEAD

lyrics are pretentious and his voice is irritating.

(To hear a sample of **Radiohead**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4183.)

RADIOHEAD, Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 28, 7:30 p.m. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497. \$40 to \$46.50.

or 619-594-0429.

619-220-8497.

619-445-6002, x1139.

matchbox twenty [284] and Fountains of Wayne [285]: Cox Arena, Sunday, November 9, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497

Thursday, November 13, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or

Smokey Robinson [614]: Sycuan

Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday,

November 13, and Friday, November 14, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa.

War: Grand Cabaret, Saturday, November 15, Pala Casino Resort, 5

miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala.

Bret Michaels: 'Canes Bar and Grill,

Saturday, November 15, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach.

Saturday, November 15, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or

Michael McDonald [588]: 4th & B,

Tuesday, November 18, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Roy Clark [**782**]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Tuesday, November 18, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., 5469

Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002,

Cracker [502]: 4th & B, Wednesday, November 19, 345 B Street,

Slayer [405], Hatebreed [446],

Arch Enemy, and OTEP: 4th & B, Friday, November 21, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or

The Alkaline Trio [345], Reggie & the Full Effect, and No

Flecktones [675]: Spreckels Theatre,

Motiv [*341*]: SOMA, Monday, November 24, 6 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego.

619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

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Riders in the Sky: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, October 4, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido, 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

Etta James: Belly Up Tavern. Sunday, October 5, 7 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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, p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Sizzla [286], Turbulance, and **Stranger:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, October 7, 9 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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 [212]: 4th & B, sday, October 8, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Soulive [265]. Me'shell Ndegeocello, and Ivan Neville [293]: 4th & B, Thursday, October 9, 345 B Street, down 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

LeAnn Rimes [779]: Palomar Starlight Theatre, Friday, October 10, 8 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles

760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497. B.B. King [104]: Pechanga Entertainment Center, Friday, October 10, 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala.

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

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.

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October 11, 345 B Street, downtown 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Lonestar [283], Ronnie Milsap, Jo Dee Messina, Joe Nichols, Dierks Bentley, Jennifer Hanson, and

Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Adema [279]: SOMA, Monday October 13, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

the Flaming Lips [296], and Aike Watt [140]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, October 14, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Entertainment Center, Thursday October 16, 45000 Pala Road, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

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.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo [190]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, October 16, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

James Taylor [863]: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, October 17, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Waifs: California Center for the Arts, Friday, October 17, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band [302]: Grand Cabaret, Saturday, October 18, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 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.

Luis Miguel [282]: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, October 25, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Eddie Money [303]: Grand Cabaret, Saturday, October 25, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 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] and the **Distillers:** RIMAC Arena, Wednesday, Octobe 29, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

The Deftones [280]: SOMA, Friday, October 31, 6:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

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Liz Phair [305]: 4th & B. Saturday. November 1, 345 B Street, downto 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

AFI [329] and Death by Stereo: RIMAC Arena, Saturday, November 1, 8 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Tuesday, November 25, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497. Davy Jones: Grand Cabaret,

Saturday, November 29, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

DECEMBER

Béla Fleck & the

Charlie Daniels [777]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, December 4, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Willie Nelson [768]: 4th & B, Saturday, December 6, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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David Cassidy: Grand Cabaret, Saturday, October 11, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76,

Paul Weller: 4th & B, Saturday,

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Jimmy Wayne: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, October 12, 3 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle,

Crystal Gayle [603]: East County Performing Arts Center, Saturday November 1, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277.

Echo & the Bunnymen [145]: 4th & B, Tuesday, November 4, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Little Richard [533]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, November 6, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Sheena Easton: Grand Cabaret, Saturday, November 8, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

The Young Dubliners [438]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, November 8, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.



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ALTERNATIVE

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The Baptist Generals: The Casbah Beehive & the Barracudas: The Casbah

The Big Fellas: Dream Street Black Bunny: The Muse The Black Eyes: Epicentre The Brian Jonestown Massacre: The Casbah Burn Report: Dream Street Busdriver: Epicentre Cigar: Soma Crown 10 [291]: Winstons Cursor: The Scene Dama: Dream Street Damnation: Brick By Brick

The David Patrone Quartet [274]: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

d.fRost [389]: Squid Joe's Disabled Youth: Epicentre The Disco Pimps: 5ifth Qtr. DJ Bob One: Neimans Bar and Grill DJ Crazy Cut: Neimans Bar and

Dogmatic [248]: Brick By Brick Down with Leo: Dream Street Dub Cat: 'Canes Bar & Grill Early Times: Soma Eight Fold Pass: Brick By Brick 18 Bonez: Squid Joe's Electrocrypt: The Muse The Electrocrypt: The Casbah Etched in Stone: Dream Street F Zero: The Jumping Turtle Bar & Grill Farfetched: Soma Fear Before the March of Flames: The Scene Fith: Victor's Restaurant & Bar F.O.N.: The Scene Fredalba: Belly Up Tavern French Toast: Epicentre Gasoline Please: Epicentre

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Moonshine Junkie: Dream Street Mortuus Terror: Brick By Brick The Mountain Goats: The Casbah No One [480]: Brick By Brick





- Album Name: Noise Ratchet (2003) Artist: Noise Ratchet Label: The Militia Group
- Songs: 1) When Losing Ends 2) Fiction Arms 3) From Your Lips 4) A Way to the Heart 5) New Room 6) Desired

Price/Where Available: www.noiseratchet.com for \$5 Band Members: Joel Hosler (vocals), Danny Lothspeich (quitar), Roger Molina (quitar, backup vocals), Jon Jameson (bass).

Brandon Young (drums) Extra Info: A mini-disclaimer on Noise Ratchet's website reads.

"Each member's faith transcends every part of their lives, but they have never had a desire to exist in segregation ... " so that listeners won't write them off as just another Christian rock band. Website: www.noiseratchet.com

"I took it this far for love, my feet are hanging over the edge.'

The Nukl Hedz: Neimans Bar and

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The Oranges Band: The Casbah

The Phunk Junkeez [287]: Brick By

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Road Noize: Blind Melons

The Riverboat Gamblers: The

The Roman Candles: The Scene

Pulley: Soma

Brick

Offset: Soma

OMD: Epicentre

That is edgy. The five emo rockers of Noise Ratchet are fierce in ity that is only occasionally buoyed by a pleasant chorus. Nothing jumps out and grabs you by the ears. The album opens with "When Los-

bravado and flat with a banal-

Samara: Squid Joe's Say from Charms: The Scene Scatascube: Soma The Scene Creamers: The Casbah School Play: The Scene Severed: Brick By Brick Sevntimes: Brick By Brick The Shapeshifters: Epicentre

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The Vice: Brick By Brick

ing Ends," a track whose blustery guitar work makes it repetitive but more refined than anything else that follows. Frontman Joel Hosler's

whimpered vocals are well suited for the whole emo thing, if that's your thing, and the driving bass lines create a serious tone, giving the impression that Noise Ratchet is actually achieving something. This aids the band in sounding substantial – at least just before the band hits some flashy riffs and trite vocals and raises the red flag of

"New Room," the only with lofty guitars, although the latter is about five min-

A Week's Change: Soma Wick: Brick By Brick

EXTENSION 4003

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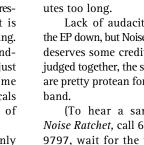
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Jumpstart: Humphrey's

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Stolen: Brick By Brick

Cafe

Shattered: The Jumping Turtle Bar

The Sons of Zap: Blind Melons

Jack Tempchin [260]: The Calypso

Superunloader [208]: Blind Melons

overproduction. track meriting a repeat listen, has little climactic guitar licks reminiscent of those in Aerosmith's "Dream On" that give the song a charm. "Fiction Arms" and the nearly eight-minute "Desire" highlight the fusion of tidy melodies

Noise Ratchet

Lack of audacity drags the EP down, but Noise Ratchet deserves some credit. When judged together, the six tracks are pretty protean for an emo

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Serious Guise: Second Wind (San

Michelle Shocked [411]: Belly Up

The Silver Jets: Tio Leo's Lounge

Palookas [501]: Coyote Bar and

The Sounds: 'Canes Bar & Grill

Swingin Johnson: The Kraken

34 Below [437]: Moondoggies

Trophy Wife [555]: Tiki House

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

B Natural: Bahia Belle Cruise

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(Gaslamp)

Breezin': Chuey's Numero Uno

Diva Soul: Harrah's Rincon Casino

The Fabulous Ultra Tones: Dick's

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Collective: Twiggs Tea and Coffee

Innovation: Harrah's Rincon Casino

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The Neon Beat: The Kensington

The New Breed Band: The Alley,

Jack Pollack: Elario's Bistro & Sky

Risa: Princess Pub & Grille

Rising Star: Humphrey's

Peter Robberecht/Pianoman

[622]: Dakota Grill and Spirits

NRG: Viejas Casino

Dick's Last Resort

Carol Ames [619]: Coyote Bar and

Ben Wayne: Winstons

Tin Pan Alley: Bub's Whiskey Dive

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EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

The Late Edition: Dirk's Niteclub Los Ingratoz: Over the Border Los Lonely Boys: 4th & B Los Straitjackets [528]: The Casbah

Mike Manring: Victor's Restaurant & Bar

McFunk: Winstons Mercy Road: Jolt'n Joe's (La Mesa)

Palo Alto: 'Canes Bar & Grill The Peeves: Pounder's

Point Blank: I.B. Rockin' Beach Bar & Grill

Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last Resort

Pump: 'Canes Bar & Grill See Spot Run: The Metaphor Manila/ Tokyou

MUSIC ➤ karaoke every night (songs in English, Spanish, and Tagalog); once a month, singers from the Philippines sing jazz and рор

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ occasional DJs play dance songs; ballroom dancing on Wednesdays (I'm told "in the future")

CLIENTELE ➤ 90% Filipino, 10% Caucasian

COVER ➤ none (but to get a table, vou have to be ordering food or drinks); when a singer performs, you must pay (Aileen Papin on October 3 is \$25 for adults, \$12 for kids) **HOURS** ➤ 10:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. every night (closed on Mondays) **DRINKS** > happy hour Tuesday-Friday, 3:00-7:00 p.m., with ha beer \$1

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ACCESS > one mile east of 1-805: parking lot is big enough; new owner Bonna Guevarra says, "Sometimes during the week, at lunch time, it's hard to find a spot. All other times, it's not a problem." **DRESS** \succ no dress code: most patrons are casual, but with collar shirts, not T-shirts; kids had T-shirts and iersevs (Kobe Brvant shirt on a 12-year-old); Hawaiian shirts on the older men; the women were all dressed up (only one wearing jeans)

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

The Archtones: Croce's Jazz Bar The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies, Viejas Casino

Gunnar Biggs: Dizzv's Blue Largo [636]: Coyote Bar and Grill, The Calypso Cafe Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado John Cain [703]: Hotel del

Calima: Friars Folly Wine Cellar The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bai

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DANCE FLOOR > 25' by 15'**FIRE EXITS** ➤ four (two of them aren't visible because they go out from the kitchen)

> **BATHROOMS** ➤ men's had one stall, one urinal, one sink: the inside door of the stall had lots of graffiti ("Asian," "B-down East Side," "69," "Eileen 4 Ever"); women's had three stalls (one for handicapped), two sinks, and no graffiti; both had big mirrors, liquid soap, air dryers for your hands, and clean

CAPACITY ➤ 230

SPECIAL AREAS ➤ none **FURNISHINGS** ► looks like a Hometown Buffet, Chinese style; the tables each have flowers on them, and the walls all have mirrors (which make it look like a dance studio); a small bar seats only ten; two TVs; lots of booths and bigger tables for larger parties **DECIBEL LEVEL** ➤ 111 when an old Filipino man sang Billy Joel's "Just the Way You Are"; 106 last week at the Coach House in San Juan Capistrano

Bruce Cameron: Coyote Bar and

Gilbert Castellanos [667]: Dizzy's

Kevin Cavanaugh: Martini's Bar &

Mike Cea: Friars Folly Wine Cellar

Carol Curtis: Martini's Bar & Grill

The Cradit Union: Neimans Bar and

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QUOTABLE ➤ I asked a lady, who was getting ready to sing, how often she comes here. She said, "Pumalakpak naman kayo." I find out later that means, "Clap after I sing."

I notice a flyer for Martin & Pops, and my date, a Filipina, asked the manager, "Are they back together?'

They excitedly talk in Tagalog. It turns out Martin & Pops are a popular duo who got divorced but are performing together again. The show is at Cox Arena, but this place sells tickets. The owner said. "We sell tickets for all those shows. Like the comedian Ai-Ai delas Alas "

When I asked the owner about the selection of karaoke songs in Tagalog, he told me they have 300. They only have 100 in Spanish. I forgot to ask how many they have in English.

–Josh Board

Jo Dark: The German-American

Wendy DeWitt: Dizzy's, The Calypso Cafe Didjah Marie: Dizzy's

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COUNTRY

The California Rangers: McCabe's Beach Club The Ranch Rockers: Mulvaney's

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ACOUSTIC / FOLK

Joseph Angelastro: The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe

Steve Brewer: Blarney Stone Pub (Downtown)

J.D. Brouchard: Princess Pub & Grille

Don Carlos [751]: Belly Up Tavern **The Celtic Ensemble:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Tony Cummins: Blarney Stone Pub (Clairemont) John Foltz: Miracles Cafe

4-Way Street: McP's Irish Pub and Grill

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Brian Karscig: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

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EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

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Nik Simon Band: Patrick's II Dean Smith: The Calypso Cafe The Soul Revue: Jimmy Love's Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors [946]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille

Billy Watson: Coyote Bar and Grill The Wild Angels: Winstons

EXTENSION 4010

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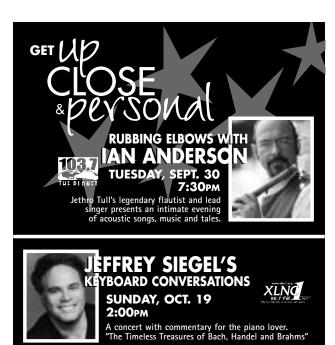
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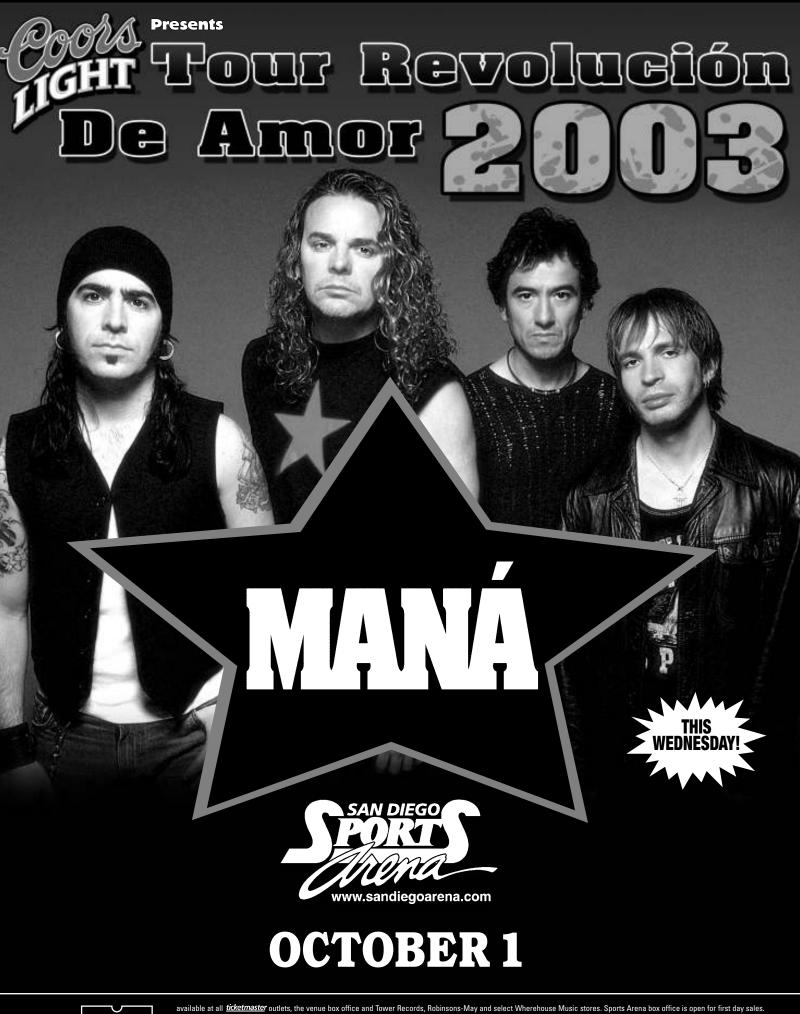
The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *the Love Rangers*, Top 40/pop. Wednesday, *the New Breed Band*, pop.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 8 p.m., *Pancho Sanchez*, acoustic. Friday, 9:15 p.m., Don Carlos. Sunday, 8 p.m., Michelle Shocked and The Skills of Ortega, acoustic. Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Fredalba, alternative.

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Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Joseph Angelastro*, solo guitar. **Bub's Whiskey Dive**, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *Tin Pan Alley*, rock. Saturday, *Rambis*, alternative.

The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, *Candye Kane* and *Sue Palmer*, blues and jazz. Friday, *Jeff Moore* and *Dean Smith*, blues. Saturday, *Fuerte*, salsa. Sunday, *Wendy DeWitt*, piano. Monday, *Richard Samuels*, jazz. Tuesday, *Jack Tempchin*, original folk rock. Wednesday, *Blue Largo*, blues. Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Slam Bukra & His Groove Palookas*. Friday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Robin Henkel*, funk, blues. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., *Blue Largo*, blues, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors*, blues. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *Big Daddy & the Moneyshakers*, swingin' blues, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Bruce Cameron*, jazz. Monday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Billy Watson*, blues. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Carol Ames*, original rock.



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Friars Folly Wine Cellar, 1032 West San Marcos Boulevard, #196, San Marcos, 760-736-8035, Thursday, 7:30 p.m., *Calima*, flamenco. Friday, 7:30 p.m., *Mike Cea*, jazz. Saturday, 8 p.m., Blue Label, rock, blues.

Harrah's Rincon Casino and **Resort,** 777 Harrah's Rincon Way, Valley Center. 877-777-2457. Friday, 10 p.m., *Innovation*, pop. Saturday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Shelltown Horns*, blues, 10 p.m., Diva Soul, pop, disco.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *Ron's* Garage, acoustic. Saturday, the Kyle Frost Band, rock.

The Jumping Turtle Bar & Grill, 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7101. Saturday, 9 p.m., F Zero, 10 p.m., Shattered, alternative.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, 4 EZ Pieces, rock. Friday, Swinging Johnson, rock. Saturday, Blues Brokers, blues.

La Costa Tournament of **Champions Lounge,** La Costa Resort and Spa, Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad. 760-438-9111. Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Cynthia Hammond Trio*, jazz.

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, country.

The Metaphor Coffeehouse, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, Dixieland jazz. Friday, See Spot Run, British rock. Saturday, Bill, classic rock

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., John Foltz, acoustic rock.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, 6:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m., *the Cradit Union*. Friday, 9:30 p.m., DJ Bob One, hip-hop. Saturday, 5:30 p.m., Tres Palos, 9:30 p.m., the Nukl Hedz and DJ Crazy Cut, hip-hop, Sunday, 9:30 p.m., rock en español. Monday, 8:30 p.m., swing.

Pounders, 125 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-739-1288, Thursday, the Peeves, classic rock. Friday, the Bill Magee Blues Band. Saturday, Avalanche, rock and roll, Tuesday, open jam.

Squid Joe's, 850 Tamarack enue, Carlsbad, 760-729-4996 Friday, d.fRost, Samara, and 18 Bonez, alternative.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, 9 p.m., open mike. Friday, the Free Range Chickens, rock. Saturday, *Green Eggs & Sam*, rock. Monday, 9 p.m., open mike.

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Barefoot Bar and Grill, the San Diego Paradise Point Resort, 1404 West Vacation Road, Pacific Beach. 858-274-4630. Saturday, 1 p.m., to 5 p.m., the Jackson 3, rock.

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, Road Noize, The Buzz Bombs and The Bandits, punkabilly. Friday, Superunloader, alternative. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Spoken Gun, 8 p.m., Sons of Zap, Inure, and Lualta, alternative rock. Sunday, hiphop, house breaks. Monday, open mike.

'Canes Bar & Grill, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Maroon 5*, Marc Broussard, and Gavin DeGraw. Friday, Larger Than Life and Pump. Saturday, Pepper, Dub Cat, The Migs, and Bargain Music. Tuesday, Rooney, The Sounds, and Palo Alto.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Friday, 9 p.m., Ballad Mongers, classic rock. Saturday, Lineage, Mana Poly All-Stars, Pau Hana, Chord Brown, and Lau, Polynesian jam.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street,

Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Thursday, Pikia, Mercutio, Burn Report, and Big Fellas, alternative rock. Friday, Levity, The Infants, Down with Leo, and Just Like Yesterday. alternative. Saturday, L.A. Guns, Dama, Moonshine Junkie, and Etched in Stone, alternative rock. Tuesday, open mike.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. The French Gourmet: Music is blues/jazz unless otherwise noted Thursday, Joe Marillo. Friday, Jack Pollack, piano and vocals. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Tuesday, *Sean McVicker*, jazz.

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 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Barry Levich*, piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., Leviticus, pop, jazz.

Lodge Torrey Pines, 11480 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. The Grill: Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Mike Nelson*, jazz.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, *34 Below*, rock.

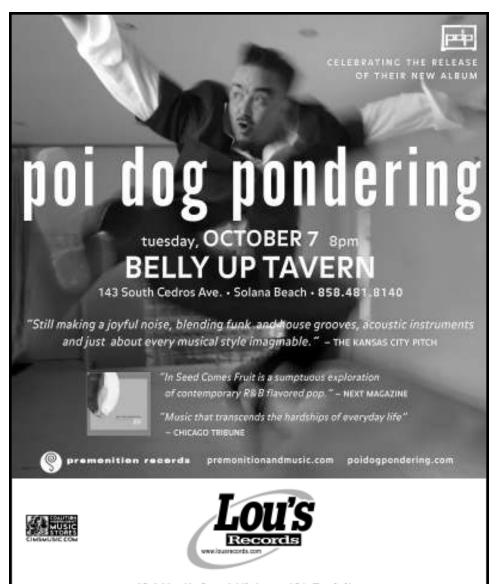
Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Missio Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488 1081. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., and Friday, 9 p.m., *Rick Ross*, jazz, piano, saxophone, and vocals. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday through Tuesday, Larry Fogel, singer, pianist.

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Victor's Restaurant & Bar. 2702 North Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-490-3380. Thursday, 8 p.m., Mike Manring and Agent 22, rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., Fith, alternative.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-6822, Thursday, *Psydecar*, reggae, funk. Friday, *Trolls Cottage* and *Mystic* Roots, reggae. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., *The Ravens*, rock, 8:30 p.m., *Global Funk Council*, rock, reggae. Sunday, Pocket, acid jazz. Monday, Elastic Waste Band, classic rock. Tuesday, Tapwater, rock.

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Aubergine Grille, 500 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-232-8100. Sunday, live swing music.

The Bahia Belle Cruise, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 p.m. Friday, B Natural, pop. Saturday, the Nude Blues.

Blarney Stone Pub, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Tony* Cummins, Irish folk. Sunday, open mike. Monday, *Jenn Grinels* and *Sean* O'Donnel, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday the Phunk Junkeez and Honey Bucket. Friday, Wick, the Vice, Stolen, and *Sevntimes.* Saturday, *Damnation*, *Mortuus Terror*, and *Severed*. Monday, Irate, No One, Eight Fold Pass, Only Human, and Lost Network. Tuesday, Mr. Orange Undercover, Anti-Freeze, and Dogmatic.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa ulevard, Mira Mesa, 858-271-4000. Music is alternative. Friday, Against All Hope, Ronin, Disabled Youth, and Mantra. Saturday, Loquire, In Ashes We Lie, Please Mr. Gravedigger, Gasoline Please, Under a Dying Sun, and Tamora, Sunday, Acevalone, The Shapeshifters, OMD, 2MEX, and Busdriver. Wednesday, Q and Not U, Black Eyes, French Toast, and The Plot to Blow Up the Eiffel Tower.

The Gordon Biersch Brewerv. 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego 619-688-1120. Friday, the Boogieme R&B.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. Thursday, 9:30 p.m., Jose Molina Serrano, jazz. Friday 9:30 p.m., *Detroit Underground*, Motown and soul. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Jumpstart, classic rock, 9:30 p.m., Rising Star, dance and disco. Sunday, 8 p.m., Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time, jazz. Tuesday, 8 p.m., Len Rainey & the Midnight Players, blues.



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The Inn Suites, 2223 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., workshop/concert with the San Diego Concert Jazz Band.

Jolt'n Joe's, 8076 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa. 619-466-2591. Thursday, *the Jackson 3*, rock. Friday, *West of Memphis*, rock. Saturday, Mercy Road, rock.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Friday, Altaira and Allotic, alternative. Saturday, the Neon Beat, pop.

The Muse, 2911 University Avenue, San Diego. 619-296-8539. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Electrocrypt* and *Black* Bunny, alternative.

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Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *Fish* & the Seaweeds, funk, blues. Saturday, *Iackson 3*, rock.

The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, Gene Warren, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *the Hatchet Brothers*, folk.

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens, 619-286-7873. Friday, *Nite Life*, blues.

Red Fox Steakhouse, 2228 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-297-1313. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, Shirley Allen, piano. Sunday through Tuesday, Eddie Rossi & New Direction

The Scene, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, Kings of Leon. Saturday, Anatomy of a Ghost, Cursor, Fear Before the March of Flames, Say from Charms, School Play, and Roman Candles. Tuesday, F.O.N., the Plain White T's, Pensive, Jamison Parker, and Jenix.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday and Saturday, Serious Guise, classic rock.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Call club for information.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, 7:30 p.m., Offset, The Matches, Scatascube, Limousine, and A Week's Change. Saturday, 7:30 p.m., *Pulley, Cigar, Early Times, Undershade*, and *Farfetched.*

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Rudy* "Tutti" Grayzell, Silver Jets, and Hot Rod Lincoln, rockabilly. Friday, The Commitee, and Smoking Gun. Saturday, Buddy Blue, Jerry Raney, and Rolle Love, blues. Monday, tango. Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., zydeco.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Jaime Valle/Bob* Magnusson Jazz Quartet.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee **Company,** 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Music is acoustic/folk. Thursday,

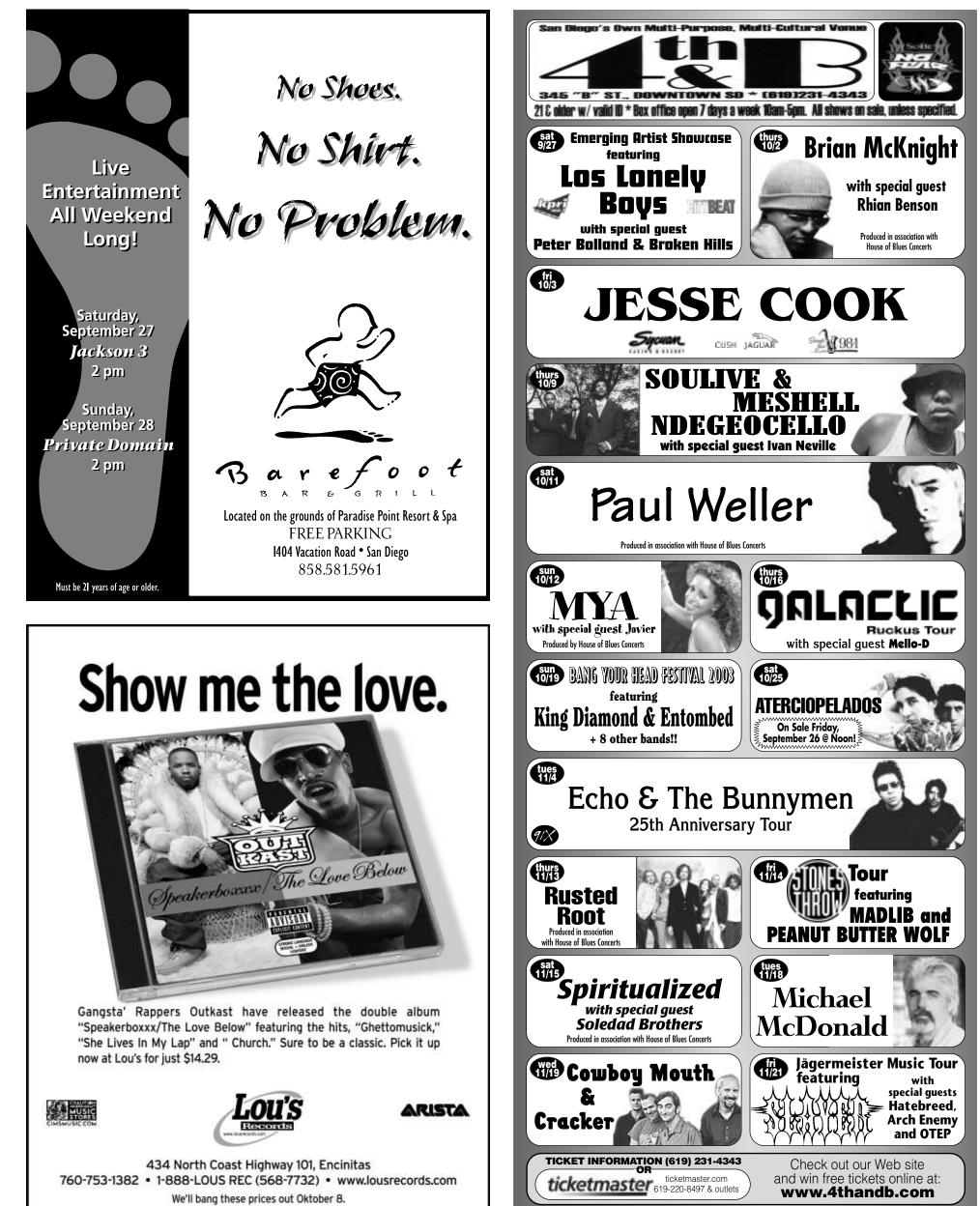


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Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. Friday, Earl Thomas & the Blues Ambassadors. Saturday, The Mike Reilly Band, jazz.

Dakota Grill and Spirits, 901 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5554. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Peter Robberecht/Pianoman, pop/Top40.

Dick's Last Resort. 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Thursday, Private Domain, rock and roll, Friday, Tommy Budd & Windy City, blues. Saturday, the Fabulous Ultra Tones, pop. Sunday, Hera's Olive, rock. Tuesday, the New Breed Orchestra, pop, jazz.

Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue downtown. 858-270-7467. Thursday, *Mirage* featuring *Richard Thompson*, Paul Sundfor, Gunnar Biggs, and Tim McMahon, jazz. Friday, Wendy DeWitt, Sue Palmer, Didja Marie, and Sharon Shufelt, boogie-woogie. Saturday, Gilbert Castellanos, jazz.

5ifth Qtr. (formerly Buffalo Joe's), 600 Fifth Avenue, downtown 619-236-1616. Saturday, the Disco Pimps.

4th & B. 345 B Street, downtown 619-231-4343. Saturday, Los Lonely Boys, rock.

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday, 9:45 p.m., Stellar, classic rock. Friday and Saturday, 9:45 p.m., Super Funk Fantasy, pop. Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., 3rd Track, jazz. Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time, jazz. Tuesday, Mystique, jazz, funk, R&B. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., the Soul Revue

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Patrick's II, 428 F Street downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Bill Magee Blues Band. Friday, Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak. Saturday, Nik Simon Band. Sunday, Slam Bukra & His Groove Palookas. Monday, Bayou Brothers. Tuesday, Blues Brokers.

Princess Pub & Grille, 1665 India Street, Little Italy/downtown 619-702-3021. Saturday, J.D. Brouchard, piano. Wednesday, Risa,

contemporary, Celtic, and rock. Rock Bottom, 401 G Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-7000. Friday Kraze, pop. Saturday, Jungle Boogie, pop.

Sassafras Bar and Grill, 3667 India Street, San Diego. 619-295-4745. Friday, *Sir Kippy Marks*, violinist. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Victoria Rose*, classical guitar and Celtic harp.

Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown 619-233-5979 Music is Latin. Thursday, Walter II y Rumbaney. Tuesday, Primo.

The Tivoli Bar, 505 Fifth Street, downtown. 619-232-6754. Saturday, 5 *O'Clock Shadow*, jazz, swing. Monday, open mike.

The Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown. 619-238-1818. The Plaza Bar: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m., *Fran Loskota*, piano and vocals. Sunday and Monday, 8 p.m., Julio de la Huerta, guitar and vocals. Tuesday and Wednesday, Faith Page, piano and vocal.





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Di-mond Jim's Nightclub, 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Thursday, *DJ T* and *DJ Beer*, rock. Friday and Saturday, the Evil *Twins*, rock.

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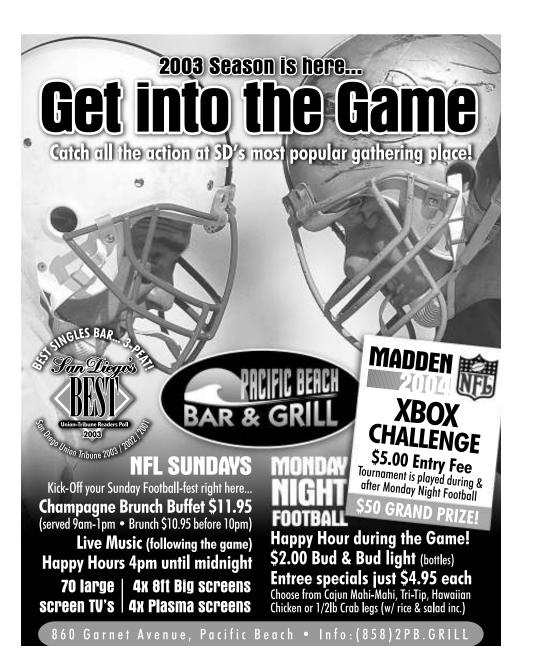
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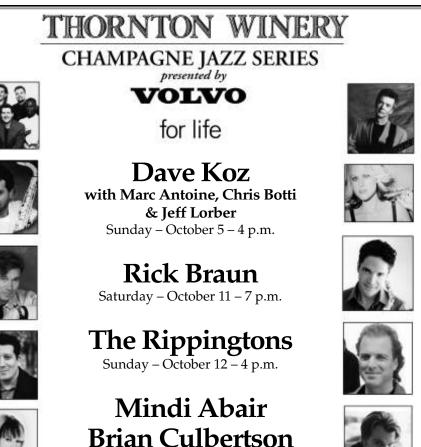
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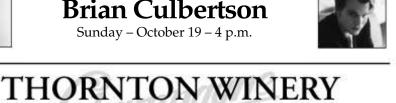
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My sweetie and I arrived early and used the time for indoor sightseeing. We discovered that the resort has four restaurants. There's a pool lounge serving snacks in summertime, a breakfast-lunch spot on the golf course, and the California Bistro, serving three meals of (what else?) California cuisine. The prime dinner spot, the most adventurous and ambitious of the tetrad, is Vivace, our destination for the evening. Just as we realized we'd gotten ourselves lost en route there, we spotted a man wearing plaid Bermudas, a polo shirt, a walkietalkie, and a ready smile. He was, indeed, a staffer, happy to direct us. Now we wandered past the Lobby Lounge bar where, accompanied by a live pianist, crowds of sleek young women sipping glasses of bubbly passed the time until their other halves emerged from business meetings in the resort's conference rooms. Their giggles followed us into the restaurant, ringing as background music for an extraordinary meal.

Staying at Aviara isn't cheap, but eating there is surprisingly affordable: A feast at Vivace costs about the same as the average dinner at a merely "nice" restaurant — so long as you tie yourself to the mast against the wine list's siren songs ("How High the Meursault-Charmes"). What prompted my visit to Vivace last month was news of a change of chef. The newly promoted Maurizio Ferrarese skillfully continues the tradition of his predecessors. The fare is Northern Italian cuisine at its finest – Italian cooking as you've probably never tasted it before, unless you've been staying at first-class resorts on the Riviera or time-traveling to the courts of the Medicis. This isn't immigrant cooking, with its heft and its hyphenate-American compromises: It's clean, elegant, authentic in its lavish simplicity. The menu changes seasonally, enhanced by the best ingredients that Southern California can provide and punctuated by luxury imports from Europe.



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The cooking showcases a mixture of old favorites and fresh creations: There are always interesting new dishes to taste, and familiar dishes reconceived to become interesting again.

Physically, Vivace proves as palatial as the resort's lobby, with velvet love seats, floor-to-ceiling windows, a large fireplace in the main dining room (there's also an alcove and a

private room for 12), and wellspaced tables all dressed in white linen. Soon after you're seated, the servers bring a basket of warm,

herbed focaccia and pour saucers of *bagna*, blending mild, delicate olive oil and equally soft-spoken balsamic vinegar. After a few bites, I realized that these condiments have been carefully chosen stronger flavors might mask the herbal subtleties of the delicious bread.

I was thrilled by a completely different vinegar garnishing a pristine appetizer — a "Caprese" fit for an angel's antipasto. It consists of a thick slice from the heart of a vine-ripe tomato, topped by a snowy mound resembling a scoop of vanilla ice cream. That substance is "Burrata," an artisanal fresh mozzarella imported from Italy. It's distinguished by a meltingly creamy, "buttery" interior (hence the name, which means "buttered") with a faintly tangy flavor and a texture almost as soft as cream cheese. The thin ring of eight-year-old balsamic haloing the tomato is sweet and thick, resembling a dessert wine or even a fruit purée. It was so splendid, the

next day I actually ran to Jonathan's Market to buy some aged balsamic for myself.

Å starter called "Fresh Seared Duck Liver" sounds like plebeian

organ meat but tastes emphatically like foie gras because that's what it is, imported from France. Crisp outside, marshmallowy inside, it arrived dressed for a summer garden party, with a luscious tart-sweet raspberry sauce strewn with blueberries, raspberries, and seedless green grapes. Alongside was a small ring of a dark, grainy substance — one of my friends took it for some sort of bread, another for cake, another for bulgur wheat, until we remembered what the menu said: It's a tightly packed, molded risotto, made with the tiniest, shortestgrain Italian rice, flavored and colored with dark

Vivace Italian Restaurant **** (Excellent)

Four Seasons Aviara Resort, Aviara Parkway and Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, (760) 603-3773; *www.fourseasons.com*.

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red Barolo wine.

Less exciting was a salad of marinated artichokes with a stack of arugula and roast peppers, leek carpaccio, and pistachio vinaigrette. The peppers were full-flavored and juicy, the artichokes pleasant, but the large, raw outer leaf of leek — the soi-disant "carpaccio" — was too tough to chew or cut, and the pistachio impact was very muted. An antipasto of Tuscan prosciutto with "Pecorino



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panna cotta" also sounded a little more interesting than it tasted. Panna cotta, which means "cooked cream," usually indicates an ethereal, mousse-like dessert. I was curious to know how it would apply to Pecorino, a hearty sheepmilk cheese resembling Parmesan. It proved to be more of a rough, rich cheese spread, two mounds of it surrounded by a great pile of salty, hearty prosciutto, sliced medium-thin, with watercress and toasted bread. The combination made me think of panini, Italian grilled sandwiches - it would make a great one.

And then the troops came marching in. When the corporate conference at the hotel adjourned, many of its participants poured into Vivace, along with their patient Ladies of the Lounge. Their meeting must have been one of those ghastly "teambuilding"-cum-brainwashing ordeals, since, awaiting their feed, the gents (and some of the ladies) shouted corporate cheers, sang the corporate fight song, and generally displayed the steamventing behavior of eighth-graders unleashed after a particularly grueling algebra test. Those high, hard, handsome ceilings bounced the sound back through the room. The one happy note was that most of the corporate warriors and amazons ordered just one course, snorted it down at full speed, and chugged right back to the bar.

Our friendly waitress was a veteran who'd watched the resort being built and then went to work there. She's probably seen a lot of corporate gobble-andrun behavior, so she seemed as perplexed as she was pleased when we adopted the leisurely Italian dinner pattern: We ordered antipasti (starters), a shared starch course (pasta, polenta, or rice) and secondi (protein main courses). For the primi course, we chose a Maine lobster risotto, which the staff dished out onto our four plates — but so unevenly that my sweetie was lobster-laden (with claw tips and other small bits), while the rest of us had to scavenge. Oddly, both men at the table could clearly discern the lobster flavor of the cooking stock, whereas it eluded both of us women. (Truth is, I find that noise really dulls my palate. An ear-nose-throat specialist could probably explain this.) The rice itself had a thick, creamy texture, free of any hard or mushy kernels. I only wished that we'd insisted on dishing it out ourselves.

An entrée of *fettucine alla pescatora* ("fisherwoman style") brought a veritable cornucopia of seafood — shrimp, lobster, scallops, mussels, and calamari in a *puttanesca*-like sauce of light tomato, Italian parsley, kalamata and green olives, and "puffed" capers. (Those are tiny salt-packed capers, washed and then deepfried so that they puff up.) The shrimp were so juicy they tasted like lobster (which was a bit scarce), the scallops were of unusually vibrant flavor, and the mussel meats were cleverly removed from their shells, the better to drink up the piquant sauce. The squid-rings suffered from chewiness, but the tentacles were actually delicious that way.

I was excited to find panseared John Dory on the menuit's an emphatically "fishy" fish with a strong taste and aroma that many people don't like. (If that's you, stick with the halibut.) It came with a delicate "zucchini basil lobster velloutata" sauce dominated by the basil and the caper garnish. Thick hunks of roasted fennel bulb were a perfect complement to the assertive fish, and broccolini a sort of miniature "wild" broccoli — offered a fresh green flavor free from the cabbagey undertones of its domesticated cousin.

Chicken scallopini with eggplant Parmesan and spinach reminded me irresistibly of some happy meals in Berkeley at Chez Panisse, when the estimable Paul Bertolli was chef there: A delicate, light-brown chicken stock deglaze with sage and a touch of Barolo wine, cozying up to the melting baby spinach, was the combination that took me back to the Gourmet Ghetto. The eggplant slices were stacked alternately with golden peppers and topped with good *mozzarella fresca* (not the precious Burrata, of course). My one quibble was the nearinevitable dryness of the pounded-thin sautéed breast meat.

Baby spinach reappeared as the lightest element in a dish that was flavorful but heavy for summertime: Grilled lamb chops, lightly sprinkled on one side with gremolata (minced citrus rind and parsley) partnered on the plate with braised lamb shank meat in a robust Chianti sauce. The braise was served over rather sticky potato gnocchi, while tartsweet candied shallots were somewhat lost in the mix of flavors.

In Eric Estrella, Vivace has a star pastry chef. Consider this heroic menu entry: "Crème Brûléed 'Napoleon' of Saffron-Marinated Strawberries, Basil Syrup." This superb invention consists of crème brûlée custard cut into small squares and layered horizontally, like overlapping dominoes; each piece has one crackly edge to provide the typical "brûlée" crunch. Ripe, sweet strawberries and basil syrup turn out to be a beautiful, rewarding match, the herb buying off the haylike undertones of the berries. The saffron is a sly, silent partner, adding some indefinable finesse to the complex flavors.

Oven-roasted stone fruit (in this instance, peach) is paired with vanilla-bean gelato and brioche "panini" — that is, a slice of airy brioche grilled on an Italian sandwich press, to turn it into a dense, rich, and chewy piece of cake. Without the menu description, you'd never guess its real identity. The super-creamy gelato is made in authentic Italian style, intense in flavor but not nearly as weighty as, say, Häagen-Dazs gelati.

Even a standard chocolate dessert is remade in devilishly clever mode. Much of the year, Estrella offers chocolate lava cake, but occasionally he uses the same ingredients in a different architecture. Hence, his warm chocolate. tart: a petri dish made of pastry crust, serving as the mouth of the volcano, filled with warm bittersweet chocolate svrup. Alongside is a scoop of tangy, freshly made crème fraîche sorbet with tiny ice crystals and a sauce of reduced apricot nectar dotted with minuscule wedges of apricot, with no taste of added sugar, just natural sweetness. This dessert defied expectations so completely, it was unsettlingbut the one thing it wasn't was boring.

The food at Vivace lives up to its stunning setting. This is what a first-class Italian restaurant ought to be — and so few are. I hope you'll forgive this dreadful confession: Our dinner gave us such a tremendous lift that ever since, when I try to remember the restaurant's name, the first word that comes up is "Viagra."

ABOUT THE CHEF

Chef Maurizio Ferrarese worked under former Vivace Chef Alessandro Serni for 18 months prior to his promotion when Serni departed about two months ago. Ferrarese was born and raised near Milan in Northern Italy.

"When I was 14," he savs "a good friend of mine started training to be a chef. I thought I'd try it too, and it turned out to be fun. I went to culinary school in Italy and started working at different places all over the country, mainly at resorts and hotels. I wanted to travel, to see the world, and I eventually got the chance to work for the Four Seasons in London. From there, I got the opportunity to come to Aviara. I love it here. It's such a good change from London, where it rained all the time.

"I like to try to bring my Italian and Mediterranean style to a fine-dining restaurant. Italian food is basically very simple, but there is a little bit of creativity that we can do. We get all our vegetables locally, raised here and in the L.A. area. Some of it - but not all of it - is organically raised. We do a lot of homemade pasta, especially the ravioli and the gnocchi. We always include a course of homemade pasta in our chef's tasting dinner. You should try the tasting dinner next time you come."



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Midnight Pork

"There's not many places where you can stay as late as you want."

ou are so-o-o cheap, man." Hank bangs the steering wheel to make his point. "You never change! Now we're gonna pay through the teeth for it, or starve.

Can't deny it. It's late at night and nothing's

open. Nothing cheap, anyways. We've come all the way down from Leucadia, looking for an eatery, and struck out. 'Course I refused to try all the midlevel places on principle. We've ended up in Fashion Valley. "What now, O Master of

Mean?" says Hank. Then I remember the sign I've

seen so often, heading into Mission Valley on the number-six bus. "Valley Kitchen. 24 Hr Family Restaurant.'

Ten minutes later we park in the Quality Resort lot, where Valley Kitchen's at. Bunch of guys coming out. "Is it cheap?" I ask the front guy. He laughs. "No way, bro," he says, and hurries on. Uh, didn't need to hear that.

We hop up the stairs and in through the double wood, brass, and glass doors.

'This way, please," says the hostess. Uh-oh. Another sign money's gonna be talking.

Place is all carpets, dark wood walls, etched glass, pine look-alike Formica tables, green and maroon Naugahyde, green framed windows. It has a long counter with low stool chairs for lone wolves.

The sound system softly plays Gladys Knight and the Pips. "Midnight Train to Georgia."

We sit down at a booth. Order iced teas (\$1.95)



to buy time for the big menu study. We've got 30 bucks between us. But I'm going to need some for buses, and Hank has gasoline to get. I open the menu, and my heart tanks.

A hot sandwich like French dip on an onion roll costs \$8.50, although that's with ei-

ther coleslaw, potato salad, fries, or cup of soup, with pickle-and-tomato garnish. A half-pound burger deluxe is \$8.50 too. A Cobb salad with ham, turkey, cheese, bacon, avocado, and bleu cheese crumble is, like, \$9.65. An entrée such as "open-face rib eye sandwich with fries" goes for \$11.95.

Chicken-fried steak is \$11.35. Spaghetti and meat sauce is cheapest at \$9.30. "Guess they have to pay that all-night staff,"

Hank mumbles. "Look, I'm thinking," I say. "The only thing

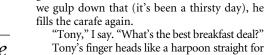
cheaper is breakfast, on the back page. We're so late, why not be early? What do you say?" "I say, check they *do* breakfast this time of

night. We're heading for midnight here because you screwed around all night long," hisses Hank. I stop Tony, the guy who brought the menus.

"Yes," he says. "Breakfast anytime you want." All right. At first I think I may have found the

solution. Like, "one fresh egg, any style, with hash browns, toast and jelly, or biscuit and gravy, \$5.20." 'Course if you want it with bacon, sausage, or ham, it shoots up to \$7.25. Two eggs are \$5.60, or \$8.20 with meat.

One good thing: the iced-tea guy brings us



"Pork chops and two eggs," \$9.25. 'That'lÎ fill you, sir.

glassfuls and then a carafe with more. And after

"Sir." Hmm. Beginning to like the place. But

\$9.25. Still, haven't had a pork chop breakfast since forever.

"Ready to order?" says Tony.

"Yes," says Hank. "California ham-and-cheese frittata.

Damn. Hadn't seen that. "Jack and cheddar cheese, diced ham, and avocado slices" on an openfaced three-egg omelet with hash browns, \$8.90. "Okay. Pork chops and two eggs with hash

browns for me," I say before I regret it.

'Toast or biscuits?" says Tony. "Biscuits and gravy," says Hank. "Biscuits and gravy," say I.

While we're waiting, I see one guy get a Caesar salad with charbroiled chicken (\$9.65). It's in a basket, and it's huge. And at the counter a lone wolf makes us all look greedy. He takes delivery of his cheese enchilada (\$3.95) and fish chowder (\$3.20 per bowl, \$2.50 per cup). He's also reading a book. Title says something about Bill of Rights. Name's Jerry.

"Jerry. How come you're reading about the Bill of Rights?"

Because I have a dispute with the IRS. Have had since 1972. I'm trying to learn law so I can fight those idiots. I keep telling them: Deuteronomy 15. 'At the end of every seven years...every creditor that lendeth aught unto his neighbor shall release it. He shall not exact it of his neighbor.' They don't listen."

Jerry comes here most nights, to sit, to slurp coffee (\$1.70), to read, and maybe to eat. "There's not many places where you can stay as late as you want," he says.

Our breakfasts turn up. And yeah, there's plenty, and yes, it's good. The pork chops are crumbed and buried beneath a blizzard of hash browns. And - miracle! - when Tony brings the biscuits and gravy, I ask him for some applesauce for the pork chops and he brings a pot without a blink. We slop on ketchup, a bit of salsa, the applesauce, and have at it.

But the overall thing I take away from this meal is the dee-licious taste of the bacon-fat gravy on those biscuits.

So I guess the thing is, yes, you pay more. But here, for sure, you get more too. The whole thing comes to \$21.44 for two, with tax.

"I've got an idea," says Hank as we leave. "Let's meet at dawn. For lunch."

The Place: Valley Kitchen Family Restaurant, 875 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley (619-819-1017) **Type of Food:** American

Prices: Egg with hash browns, toast and jelly, or biscuit and gravy, \$5.20 (with two eggs, \$5.60); with bacon, sausage, or ham, \$7.25 (with two eggs, \$8.20); California ham-and-cheese frittata, with avocado, \$8.90; French Dip on onion roll with choice of sides, \$8.50; half-pound burger deluxe, \$8.50; Cobb salad with ham, turkey, cheese, bacon, avocado, bleu cheese crumble, \$9.65; open-faced rib eye sandwich with fries, \$11.95; chicken-fried steak, \$11.35; spaghetti with meat sauce, \$9.30

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Opinion Swarms

"I smell enough oak in this Cabernet to rebuild Noah's ark."

• UC Davis professor of sensory science Hildegarde Heymann, "It's more interesting to work with a person than with a gas chromatograph." Her opinion is understandable. But when it comes to obtaining quantifiable mea-

surements of a product's sensory qualities, working with a person is also more difficult. "People have brains and memories," Heymann sighs. "If it's a replicate test, they may remember having experienced the product before and think it was either different or the same. They may remember that they've

had a product somewhere else and that they hated it or loved it. One of the things you don't want a trained panelist to do is go into what they like or dislike." When your panelist declares, "I smell enough oak in this Cabernet to rebuild Noah's ark," you've got a critic, not a reporter.

And even if you can clear away the buzzing swarm of opinion, you're still left with a pretty finicky measuring tool. "If panelists have a cold, of if life has dealt them a blow, they tend to be a little less good as they try to get back into reality. I had a panelist who had his wisdom teeth removed, and for about three weeks afterwards he was useless." Conceivably, people could also be off if they were bored, distracted, tired, or just plain uncomfortable. Who wants to taste wine in a lab?

In her effort to obtain an objective collection of data from a group of subjects, Heymann begins with training. "It's probably the most important part of what a sensory scientist does — training the panels to be reproducible." If you do your work well, then someone else could come along, train an entirely different group of people, con-



duct the selfsame test and, with a little statistical massage, come up with the same results.

"You can start with anybody," she says. "There's some argument about whether you need to screen people for sensitivity, but my feeling is that screening gets them bored,

and you don't get nearly as much concentration from them. You usually assume complete inexperience" on the panelists' part. Numbers-wise, "You want at least 8 from a statistical point of view, and you probably want no more than 12 from a psychological point

of view. It's like a dinner party — when you've got 8 people, everybody talks to each other. When you get 10 or 12, you get different groups. Since you're trying to calibrate them together, you don't want to do that."

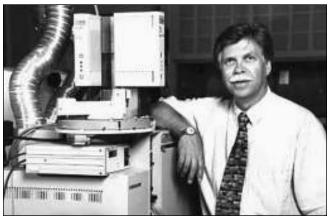
Once you've got your panel assembled, "You show them the products — let's say Cabernet wines — and ask them to tell you the words that differentiate between those wines. You have everybody verbalize what the differences are, and then you try to reach consensus. One person may say it's sour, another may say it's tart, and a third may say it's acidic. Maybe all three of those are sort of honing in on the same thing. You basically teach them a new language, and that language gets tied to reference standards - products or definitions that explain what the standard is. If they say 'buttery,' you may give them a butter standard." The standards provide intelligibility within the group, and they also aid in making the analysis reproducible. "Somebody else can come along, make those standards, and say, 'Oh, that's what they were talking about.

That new language "may be as simple as six or seven terms. or it may be as complicated as 70 or 80 terms, depending on the complexity of the product." With a complex product like Cabernet, "You're probably looking at 15 hours of training, give or take." Heymann notes that an all-female or female-male mix will train more quickly than an all-male gathering — though not for reasons of chest-pounding egoistic argumentation. "Women tend to talk over each other, but they also seem to sort of listen while they talk over each other. Men

tend to talk individually, so they take longer; there's less conversation happening, and conversation is one of the ways you reach consensus."

Sometimes you have to create the standard just to reach that consensus. "When I was training my Ph.D. panel," recalls Heymann, "I had a bunch of winemakers. There was one particular wine that they were telling me smelled of blackberries - they couldn't agree whether they were fresh or canned, but they were blackberries. I had one person, a really famous winemaker, tell me it was violets. He was absolutely adamant about the violets. Usually, if just one person says something, you ignore it, but he was usually very good, so I was worried." She put his nose on trial. She had him sniff crushed violets, violet candy, violet perfume, "the whole violet gamut. None of those things were violet to him." She resolved to press on with the group's verdict of blackberries, and when she handed her holdout some frozen blackberries in a glass, "He looked up at me and said, 'These are violets.' "Without the standard, that winemaker could have gone on writing about violet aromas on the back labels of blackberry-laden wine until doomsday.

Other times, no standard is possible. "[Then,] the panelists have to agree on the words that de-



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fine the sensation. 'Musty' is a good example. Musty is an aroma frequently associated with wet basements. Making a musty standard is very difficult, because you can't catch the air in a basement. You could conceivably drag the panel down into a basement and say, 'This is what we mean,' or you could just write a definition that anyone who's ever been in a basement would understand."

Once you have your common language, you can begin your analysis - your first analysis. "We usually have them evaluate the product in duplicate or triplicate, because people are variable and we need to find out what that variation is." After that, "We need all kinds of statistics to take care of the fact that humans have brains." For instance. "Judges will use different parts of the scale. If you have a scale from one to ten, some people will use the whole scale, some people may just use the bottom end and some people may just use the top end. Psychologically, that's just the way we are. By using analysis of variance, we can take care of that inherent variability." Though the results are not absolute, "The standard deviation for a well-trained panel is not that different from the standard deviation for a gas chromatograph." And a gas chromatograph can't help you drink up the leftovers afterward.





RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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NORTH COASTAL

Big Jim's Old South Barbecue North Coast Highway 101 (2 blocks north of Encinitas Boulevard), Encinitas, 760-635-1166. At this outstanding barbecue, you can "Put Some South in Yo Mouth!" The smoking-wood is mellow hickory, and each type of meat (sublime "pulled pork," smoky skewered shrimp, huge pork, shoky skewered shrimp, huge pork ribs, chicken, steak) gets individualized treatment, including a tangy Alabama-style mustard sauce for pork and chicken. (Beef gets the more familiar tomatoey Texas-style sauce.) Side dishes are superb: Don't miss the thick, smoky-sweet Brunswick stew (vou'll not find its like anywhere on this coast), exemplary hush puppies, corn muffins with honey butter, well-balanced slaw... Oh, just taste everything you can fit under your belt. Lunch/dinner daily, breakfast weekends. Low moderate. -N.W. (10/01)

Cafe 101 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. This is the oldest li'l eating establishment in Oceanside. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. The café is named after Route 101, the Pacific Highway. Old-timers remember when everyone from truck drivers to movie stars would stop for a bite before heading on to San Diego and Tijuana. Try the ABC (avocado, bacon, and cheese) Omelet, the 101 Original Cheeseburger with its "secret sauce," chicken fried steaks with eggs and, of course, the Great Depression dish: biscuits with gravy and home fries. Open daily, three meals until midnight. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/01)

What the Chef Eats

B.L.T. & BLEU SALAD BY CHUCK SAMUELSON Cuvee restaurants, La Jolla and Del Mar

tomatoes.

dish in the winter, I use

imported Italian plum

focus is on pairing food

and wine. Each dish on the

menu has a corresponding

wine recommended by my

staff or me. We have an

aggressive by-the-glass

policy (about 30 at any

given time). Our wine list

is competitively priced for

Southern California, and

we just won a Wine

Spectator Award of

I recommend

matching this salad with a

fat, buttery, medium-to-

heavy oak Chardonnay.

Place half a lettuce head on

a dinner-sized plate off to

HOW TO DO IT

one side. Alternate

Excellence.

In both my cafés the

This time of year, July through September, is all about tomatoes. Before my divorce, I lived in Del Mar and had a large organic garden where I put in 60 to 80 heirloom tomato plants every year. I harvested enough to supply both of my cafés for about three months. Now I get great tomatoes from the farmers markets and from Tom and Lucy at Coy's Produce. They go to the L.A. produce market six nights a week to bring back all the best stuff.

This is my favorite salad, and I eat it all summer long when tomatoes are at their peak. You won't see fresh tomatoes on my menus after September. If I need tomatoes for a particular

Cafe Sevilla Carlsbad 3050 Pio Pico (off Carlsbad Village Drive), Carlsbad, 760-730-7558. The atmos phere is cozy and pleasant. Dine upstairs for larger tables. Tapas and Span-ish specialties of average competence. Music will warm your blood. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly, to midnight Friday and Saturday. Moderate to expensive. - E.W.

The Encinitas Cafe 531 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-0919. This American café serves breakfast from opening to closing, with egg dishes, biscuits, and gravy for breakfast, sandwiches and salads for lunch, and American entrées for dinner. Fast, excellent service. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* Meritage 897 South Coast Highway

101, Lumberyard Shopping Center,

Encinitas, 760-634-3350. Chef-owner Susan Sbicca creates pristine California Cuisine here, highlighting fresh (and usually organic) local produce. A few pick hits are direct imports from her Sbicca down the coast — the irreher Sbicca down the coast — the irre-sistable lobster-crabmeat croquettes and lobster-shrimp bisque are pure Del Mar deluxe. But some simpler dishes cleverly complete themselves as you eat them — salmon served with peas and mushrooms on one side and a creamy sauce on the other creates a whole new sauce when you broach the fillet. A lemon-pistachio cake, too, changes as you cut it, the pieces crumbling into a berry coulis. It's a fun way to eat, engaging the mind along with the palate. The setting is family-friendly (only well-mannered kids come here) with a handsome, airy dining room and

different-colored tomatoes on the plate. Spoon homemade bleu cheese dressing over the lettuce. Sprinkle with the crumbled bacon.

For the bleu cheese dressing, combine mayonnaise, sour cream, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, and Tabasco sauce in a mixing bowl and stir well. Add salt and pepper to taste. Gently stir in the bleu cheese, celery, and scallions. Do not overmix or the dressing will turn an ugly blue-gray. Keep refrigerated until ready to

INGREDIENTS Butterleaf lettuce, 1/2 head per person Ripe red tomatoes, sliced

use.

charming patio. Wide-ranging wine list, plenty by the glass and even some half-bottles. No corkage on Tuesdays; Mondays and Wednesdays most bottles half price. Reservations advisable. Lunch and dinner daily, bar menu on-going. Moderate to slightly expensive. -N.W.(7/03)

One of the friendliest eateries in a friendly town, this is a sushi bar where everybody knows your name (or acts like they do). The chefs love to whip up special dishes for the many regulars at the counter, so if you're a newbie, keep an eye out for what your neigh-bors are eating. A blackboard lists the specials, guiding you to the day's fresh-est catch. Should you spot pompano on the list, get two orders - with two



Ripe yellow tomatoes, sliced Ripe green tomatoes, sliced Bleu cheese dressing (see recipe) Crumbled crisp bacon, 1 oz. per person Dressing (serves about 10): 5 cups fresh-made or Best Foods mayonnaise ²/₃ cups sour cream ¹/3 cup fresh lemon juice 5 drops Worcestershire

sauce 5 drops Tabasco sauce

¹/₃ pound crumbled bleu cheese

(including leaves) ¹/₆ cup minced scallions

> orders (but not if you just order one), after you've consumed the delicate raw fillets, the chefs will deep-fry the skele-ton to a lacy crunchiness. If you don't feel like sushi, there are several tables, and standard Japanese appetizers and entrées are available. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. N.W. (9/01)

Taco Auctioneer 1951 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-634-4804. Also known as El Caballo Loco, this popular Mexican café, reborn after a short hiatus, features much the same food and ambiance as before but with different decor. Real different. The owner (one of the original duo) ran afoul of building regula-tions while attempting an expansion, so the new front half is roofless - not

exactly a patio, just an indoor-outdoor dining room. Between the street noise, the bar blenders, the booming canned music (and live mariachi on weekend evenings), the tots, and the patrons trying to outshout the general din, it's raucous "in" there. Roll-your-own tacosfor-two are back as the main attraction, but consider some less-common spe cialties, such as the huge bowl of savory "Mazatleca" seafood soup (a reputed hangover cure) or rich, gooey camarones submarinos ("submarine shrimp"). Family-friendly. Good Mexican beer selection, generic wines, tasty wine-cocktails. Lunch and dinner daily Inexpensive to low moderate. N.W. (9/03)

NORTH INLAND

Fish House Vera Cruz 360 Via Vera Cruz, San Marcos, 760-744-7346 This family-style restaurant serves seafood and fresh fish that changes daily. Simple but honest preparation, good value. Open daily for lunch and dinner (dinner menu is served from opening to closing on Sunday). Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W.

Mille Fleurs 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will — everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations a must. Very, very expensive. — N.W. (5/01)

Ming Court 12750 Carmel Country Road, Country Plaza Shopping Center, North City West (adjacent to Del Mar), 858-793-2933. "Elegance" describes the interior of this restaurant. Some unusual preparations are cilantro chicken, pungent shrimp, three-mushroom delight, tangerine beef, and items on the Ming Court specialty list. Service is first-rate. Open daily. Moderate. -EW

Rancho Valencia 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-1123. The dining room and surrounding grounds are gorgeous, the meals beautifully prepared. Great place to take a guest to lunch. Best bets, fresh fish. All California cuisine dishes have Mediterranean influence. Open daily. Expensive. — E.W.

San Diego Artisan Bakers 1551 South Escondido Boulevard, Escon





Salt and pepper to taste ²/₃ cup minced celery

Sakura Bana 1031 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-6414.



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Wine Sellar And Brasserie 9550 Waples Street #115, Mira Mesa, 858-450-9557. This is the sister restaurant to Laurel, and the food is a delight to the palate. Lunch on Saturday served by itself or in conjunction with the wine tasting. Call for directions and specific hours. — *E.W.*

GOLD COAST

Cafe Zinc 132 South Cedros (at Loma Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table (dogs are welcome). Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculp-ture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked egg-plant "pizzette" (personal-size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burg (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days, breakfast through late lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (9/01)

Le Bambou 2634 Del Mar Heights Road, Del Mar, 858-259-8138. Nouvelle Vietnamese cuisine is prepared here that's fresh, light, delicate. But the portions are small and two people should order three entrées for a satisfactory meal. Soups are outstanding and the imperial rolls, lemon grass chicken, soft-shelled crab, vegetarian rolls, and charbroiled pork do well here. The wine list includes 40 items. Fast service and aesthetic surroundings. Lunch Tuesday to Friday; dinner Tuesday to Sunday: closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Parioli Italian Bistro 647 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-2525. Italian dishes from every section of Italy are prepared with loving care in time-honored tradition. Specialties are risotto, ravioli, leg of lamb, duck breast, fresh fish. Charming atmosphere with fireplace. Open daily. Moderate. — *E.W.*

Sbicca American Bistro 215 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-1001. The roof garden has an unobstructed ocean view and is especially pleasant for very good American or Mexican breakfasts. Select simplest preparation for dinner: Chilean sea bass, salads, soups. Roasted half chicken best bet. Lunch Monday through Friday, dinner nightly. Brunch Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W. (9/98)*

LA JOLLA

808 Restaurant The Aventine, 8980 University Center Lane, University City/Golden Triangle, 858-552-1048. Chef-owner Jean-Marie Josselin brings his Hawaiian-French fusion food from Kauai to The Aventine and it's a delight. The restaurant's ever-changing seasonal menu reads like a Frenchman's dream of happy tropics, and the decor looks the part — part glitz, part grass shack. The kitchen emphasizes superb fresh seafood, cooked up with tropical inspirations and rigorous Gallic technique. It's always an adventure. Try the lobster tempura, slow-roasted butterfish, or the scallop-crusted salmon when they're available. Full bar, heated patio. Dressy-casual; reservations strongly advised; reasonable valet parking. Dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W. (7/03)*

Azul La Jolla 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The unobstructed ocean view and opulent interior are glamorous. Cuisine is Mediterranean with California influence. Menus change daily. When available, try pan-seared scallops and the outstanding asparagus soup, not dupli-



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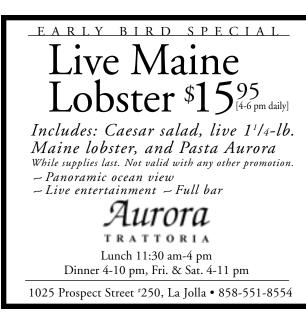


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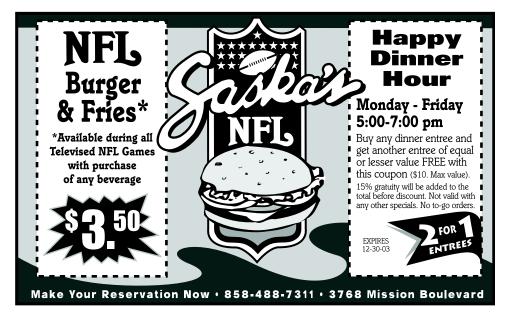
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cated anywhere. Fresh fish and seafood. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* (7/99) Marrakesh 634 Pearl Street (at Draper), La Jolla, 858-454-2500. The North African fare of Morocco is like no other in the world — influenced by Arab cuisines, but more intense and sheerly hedonistic. At our sole Moroccan restaurant, the fare is arranged into a nightly five-course prix fixe feast, with superb lentil soup (*harira*), a salad plate, *bastilla* (a chicken-filled filo pie), an entrée, and finally mint tea poured from on high to accompany almond baklava perfumed with orange-flower water. The setting and service are dra-matic — tented ceilings, low banquette seating at carved round tables, bellydancing interludes, servers in fezzes. (You're the Sheik of Araby.) A short list of entrées (a maximum of two choices per table, to be shared) features fine chicken (or lamb) with olives and preserved lemons: moist, fatless duck: lamb with couscous; and rather dry fish. On quiet weeknights, you can request the dreamy lamb with honey, an extravaganza that includes fruits, almonds, sesame, and cinnamon. Dinner nightly, reserve for weekends. Moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Sadaf 613 Pearl Street (at Cuvier Street), La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry - those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, especially at lunch. The appetizers are free: a basket of lavash (unleavened bread), and beside it, butter and a large sliced raw onion. Eating bread with onion makes you hungry, say the Persians. Then try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad, or albalou olo (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). polo (rice, dried cherries, and checken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this

is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spicing. Another branch in the Gaslamp turns into a nightclub after dinner, but the food's better at this La Jolla flagship. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B.(10/00)

Sky Room Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — E.W. (10/99)

Tapenade 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-551-7500. Surely one of the best restaurants in the county, you'll find superb, utterly assured French cooking by famed chef-owner Jean-Michel Diot. This is the modern style of French cuisine, light and clean to let every ingredient shine, unmasked by heavy sauces. Each dish is perfect. Pork tenderloin, Muscovy duck, foie gras, and the fresh fish are small triumphs. Worth every penny. Expensive to very expensive. — *E.W. (7/98)*

Torreyana Grill Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines, 10950 Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-450-4571. Best seafood buffet in city, served Friday nights, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. At least 21 items, most of them fresh seafood and fish plus New York-cut beef and chicken. Price is \$28.95, \$10.95 for children. Add \$10 for 1-1/4 pound fresh Maine lobster steamed to order. Excellent value for the money. Friday night only. Expensive. — *E.W.* (6/99)

Zenbu 7660 Fay Avenue (at Kline Street), La Jolla, 858-454-4540. It was a natural for fisherman-restaurateur Matt Rimel to open a sushi bar-fish house, featuring sparkling fresh catch, much of it from his own boats. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls, which can be lunkish. Don't miss the sashimi of live local uni (sea urchin) served on its shell most weekends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood, sometimes in almost goofily elaborate preparations. No reservations; 30-minute wait likely on weekends. Sushi bar is up a short staircase; dining room and patio tables are wheelchair accessible. Several vegetarian choices. Full bar, good sake list. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. N.W. (6/01)

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

Hideyoshi Japanese Restaurant 9340-B Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Hazard Village, Kearny Mesa, 858-569-9595. A delightful restaurant tucked away at the far end of a small shopping center. Fine sushi bar, and unusual appetizers. A feast named "Taiko special," for two or more, is worth ordering. Visually and gastronomically a treat. Lunch, Monday through Friday; dinner, Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. In expensive to expensive. — E.W.

Korea House 4620 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-0080. Korea House offers floor seating or a table if you want to barbecue your own food. The menu offers fine "down-home" Korean food, such as traditional *man*doo (beef) dumplings, gaejang backban, or raw crab, and yookhwe, a steak tartare worth risking. Make a meal from enormous appetizers like gul bosam (raw oysters, pork, and cabbage leaves). Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — M.N. (9/98)

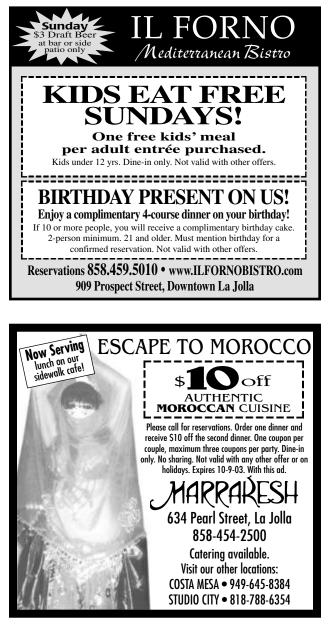
Nijiya Market 3860 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you're not willing to sacrifice quality for con-venience when eating fast food, try this Japanese market in Kearny Mesa, Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or bento, that are pretty to look at, appetizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, passing by Nijiya's steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you'll find deli-cious chicken cutlets, fresh sushi, and chilled noodles, as well as dessert delicacies like sweet bread roll filled with sweet bean paste. Inexpensive. M.N. (8/99)

Prego Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars Road), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall, a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters in clude the antipasto platter, sparkling sal-ads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemarygarlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust) Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are near-perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or ro-tisseried meats and fish, but the nightly specials are where chef Josh McGinnis gets to strut his stuff. Service is warm and well-informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. - N.W. (4/01)

Seau's Mission Valley Center mall, 1640 Camino del Rio North (next to Robinsons-May), Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Footballer Junior Seau contributes more to San Diego than just sacks. His extravagant multivenue sports pub is major league fun — a real-life reincarnation of some 1960s

McLuhanite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-nor-mal to giant HDTV) running sportscasts and a professional DJ on high, periodically spinning cool sounds over muted talking heads. The menu offers mainstream "something for everyone" choices, including pizza, hefty but so-so burgers, some elemen-tary sushi, all-American entrées, and Seau's family recipe of Samoan teriyaki "plate lunch." Above all, there's pub grub. The chicken wings are pretty good, and you can get all three sauces (Buffalo, BBQ, and Asian) on one order. Perfect hangout for mismatched couples with one sports fan and one fashionista (the latter can head for Nordstrom and Saks discount outlets nearby). On game days, patrons are al-lowed just one game in the dining room (\$15 minimum), but you can linger from wake-up to closing on the patio or in the bar. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. -N.W. (1/03)

Sheila's Cafe & Bakery 4577 Clairemont Drive (Wilson Plaza), Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A "Glatt





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Kosher," a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant and bakery with a mission. Sheila was determined to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying - from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that everybody else wouldn't know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don't need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here, but it's comforting to know everything down to the least lettuce leaf has re-ceived extra-careful preparation. You'll find Sheila's breads and pastries at su-permarkets all around town. Lunch and dinner Monday through Thursday, lunch Friday, dinner Sunday (closed Saturday, of course). Moderate to slightly expensive. — E.B. (11/01)

THE BEACHES

Alfiere Sheraton Harbor Island, West er, 1590 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-692-2778. Sophisticated, deluxe Italian/Mediterranean cuisine takes center stage in a hand-some, view-endowed dining room decorated in a "Venetian Carnival" theme In a menu that follows the seasons, San Francisco-born Chef Antonio Friscia proves he's capable of brilliance. His thin-skinned ravioli stuffed with marinated braised short ribs shouldn't be missed, and his goose foie gras on *cia-batta crostini* is divinely playful. Traditional dishes take on new life, too: The house "antipasta" (of marinated vegetables and top-quality Italian deli meats) is everything you'd hope for, while house-made pesto gnocchi float off the plate. Some dishes are invari-ably less successful, but boredom will not be a problem — this is nothing like "hotel food." The Italian/Californian wine list emphasizes lesser-known Italian reds. Daily, three meals. Upper moderate to expensive. $-N.W.(\hat{5/02})$

Baleen Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham Street), Mission Bay, 858-490-6363. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida's famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chandeliers, peeking from the paintings) and mam-bos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a nonkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined ren ditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers are charmers. The wine list is long and rather steep at the bottom end with better values farther up the range. Reservations recommended. Very expensive. — *N.W.* (12/00)

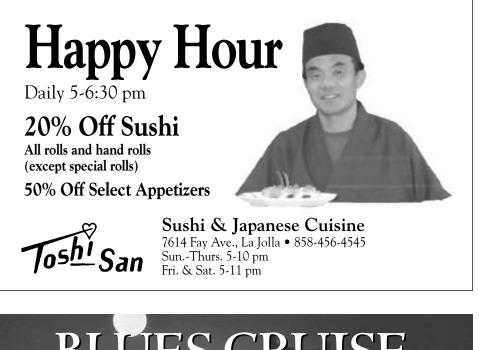
Humphrey's by the Bay 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-3577. Most diners at this re-sort/concert venue restaurant eat at the prix-fixe pre-show dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door ampitheatre. They're missing the best food, which emerg once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features top-quality seafood, juicy meats, and prime steaks with lively, seasonal veggie garnishes. Reserve for show-nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. -N.W. (11/01)

Kono's 704 Garnet Avenue (on the boardwalk), Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB Burger (chicken breast, green chili, and pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/00)











Mardi Gras Cafe 3185 Midway Drive (near Rosecrans and East Street, in mini-mall with a 7-11, across the street from Godfather Pizza), Loma Portal, 619-223-5501. The Creole cooking at this café/grocery, to eat in, take out, or have catered for your next party, is sound and tasty, if deliberately underseasoned (just add salt and hot sauce to taste). You can also buy the real and rare ingredients from the freezer, deli case, and grocery shelves, including Cajun *tasso* (spiced ham), *boudin blanc* (rice sausage) and crawfish sausage. Daily brunch through early dinner. No alcohol, everything available for takeout. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (2/01)

Sapporo Japanese Restaurant 5049 Newport Avenue (by the pier), Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It's small, but Sapporo has big deals, particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl— a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables, and a swag of rice. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Huffman's Bar-B-Que 5039 Imperial Avenue (at Euclid Avenue), Chollas View, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammad Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman's fabulous Southern soul food. Try their gray-smothered fried chicken served with collard greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread, or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sandwich and halfpound rib tips. Open daily, lunch and dinner, to 11 p.m. weekdays, 3 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Lao & Chinese Cuisine 4212 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-263-0914. This restaurant is a simple place, large and spare around Formica tables, that serves uncomplicated, home-style Lao cuisine. I highly recommend the *larb*, a spicy salad with poached minced beef, chicken, or pork and seasoned with lime juice, hot pepper, cilantro, onions, fresh mint, and ground toasted rice. This dish is earthy and wild, spectacular. Other tasty dishes include papaya pog-pog salad (papaya, chilis, and tomato), *tom yum* soup, and *pho* and *pad si-ew* noodle dishes. Inexpensive. — *M.N.* (2/99)

South Park Bar and Grill 1946 Fern Street, South Park/Golden Hill, 619-696-0096. A genuine American bistro, this loud, lively, very local watering hole started out serving savory comfort-food to an appreciative neighborhood patronage; now the whole city's flocking in. Chef Eric Wilburn learned his chops at Bradley Ogden's Lark Creek Inn; if he cooks "mom food," it's more than a cut above mom's. Appetizer/bar menu is mainly ordinary pub-grub (the fine crabcakes or red pepper hummus stand out from the pack); entrées get interesting, including indulgent "Stuffed Shrimp and Scallops Florentine," a juicy rib-eye steak, and a light-textured meat loaf with rather sweet BBQ sauce. Nightly specials are always worth a try. Considerate service, right down to the bussers. Full bar, including international wines at easy prices. Park at edge of Gala lot. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday, bar menu weekends until midnight. Reservations only for parties of five or more, so expect a wait most nights. Moderate. — N.W. (7/03)



Barnes Bar-B-Que 2625 Lemon Grove Avenue (at Cypress, tucked in the back of Liquor Mart Square), Lemon Grove, 619-462-9206. The sign on the window reads: "Soul Food: 99 cents"; inside is the homey solace of good cheer and excellent Memphisstyle barbecue. Pork gets star billing: in a sandwich, it appears as tender chunks laced with smoke; on ribs, as luscious, multitextured strips slathered with sauce that balances sweet smoke, cit-rus tang and a mild, persistent spice. BBQ beans are a revelation, creamy yet substantial, swimming alongside rich bits of pork in a sauce that delivers a sweet molasses bite. Macaroni and cheese is gooey and gummable, a mild counter to the murky, sour/salty greens. On Fridays, you can get South ern-fried catfish or red snapper, plus hush puppies. Inexpensive. A.M. (2/01) hush

Charley's Famous Hamburgers and Kebobs 8312 Broadway (at Sweetwater Road), Lemon Grove, 619-460-2690. When you spot an old red-and-white gas station that looks like a café, don't hesitate. That's Charley's. The palm and ficus trees have replaced the gas pumps and a fountain now gurgles where the air hoses used to be. The menu is a long list of hamburgers, as well as hot dogs, sandwiches, and kebobs. Charley's sweet dough beef-and-onion sandwich is scrumptious. Mostly take-out, but you can dine out at their picnic tables under bougainvillea. Open daily, three meals. — *E.B.* (12/01)

D.Z. Akin's 6930 Alvarado Road, Alvarado Plaza, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother's. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

European Bistro Lake Murray Square, 6062 Lake Murray Boulevard (at El Paso), La Mesa, 619-698-5555. Here at the center of a Russian newimmigrant community, in a strip-mall just south of Ross and Big Lots, you'll find an array of savory Eastern European dishes. They're nowhere as heavy as Nonna's — here they're done with the lightness of the Russian-French chef tradition, applied to specialties from Russia, Poland, and the Ukraine. Following classic Russian custom, there's a splendid choice of small, savory, and substantial salads (try the sensual Stolichny chicken-potato salad) and delightful appetizers, including airy crêpes with juicy (and affordable) red or black caviar. The outstanding main course is lamb shish kebab featuring tender marinated ribs cut from a rack But don't look for borscht; it's not on the menu. Entrées come with a choice of starches; trust me, you want fries with that. Open daily, lunch and din-ner (early dinner Sundays). Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (7/03)

FAR EAST

La Casa Del Zorro Borrego Springs Drive (Rte. 73) (five miles south of Palm Canyon Drive at Yaqui Pass Road), Borrego Springs, 760-767-5523. La Casa Del Zorro is Borrego Springs' most renowned and ambitious restaurant, set in a deluxe resort five miles south of town. (Drive through the parking lots until you reach the fenced wimming pool; the restaurant's small dimly marked door is just to the left.) The California Cuisine menu offers elaborate seafood appetizers (out here in the desert) and entrées with fine, subtle sauces, fresh veggies from nearer the coast, and rather mild-flavored, exquisitely tender meats, evidently chosen to be gentle to the dentures of the duffers. Desserts are few and very sweet. Full bar; great (but pricey) wine list. Collared shirts and jackets required on men (they'll lend you a jacket if needed), dressy-casual wear on women. Open daily, continuously (in theory) from breakfast through dinner

Reserve for weekend evenings. Very expensive. — N.W. (4/03)

The Olde Homestead Fudge Factory The Center, 590 Palm Canyon Drive (north side of the street), Borrego Springs, 760-767-7782. The Fudge Factory's greatest dish is not what it's named for, and some of its pick hits aren't fudge, either. Of the 24 flavors of housemade fudge, barely a half dozen are available on any given day. The chocolate walnut is especially delicious, but the real masterpiece is the "date shake" — a cold quaff that's ambrosial on a hot afternoon. Then, too, a former pastry chef of the famed La Casa Del Zorro provides trays and trays of delicate pastries, and this is one of the few spots in town with an espresso machine. Open 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (4/03)*

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Berta's Latin American Restaurant 3928 Twiggs Street (at Congress, diagonal to Rockin' Baja Lobster), Old Town, 619-295-2343. Sampling the whole range of little-known cuisines from Guatemala down to Patagonia, Berta's lengthy menu reads like a culinary "pick hits" list of each country's best flavors, typically rendered with expertise and verve. Some outstanding dishes include sweet-savory Chilean pastel de choclo (a casserole of beef, chicken, and corn pud-ding) from Berta's homeland, spicy ceviche and subtle seco de cordero (citrus-flavored lamb stew) from Peru, earthy Guatemalan chilemal (cilantroladen pork stew), aromatic beef curry from Trinidad, and a sensuous *vatapa* (seafood in coconut sauce) from Brazil's African-influenced Bahia coast. Vegetarians will find many meat-and fowl-free options. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Brians' American Eatery 1451 Washington Street (near Lincoln Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-296-8268. Note the apostrophe: Not one but two Brians recently took over what had been Topsy's, a venerable coffeehouse/eatery for 40 years. They've done a good job of cleaning it up without gutting the fifties road-house character. It's open all night on weekends, and late night is quite a scene. But for a lot of people, breakfast is the thing. The Brians' 8-ounce charbroiled top sirloin steak with eggs and country potatoes is a great Saturday morning treat. Or the "Hey Ricky!!!," an omelet with chorizo, avocado, green chilies, onions, and cheeses. Or ask for their off-menu breakfast special — it's always cheaper. Another good thing: You get a pitcher of iced lemon-water, and coffee comes by the Thermos-full. Three meals until 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; open 24 hours from early Friday morning until Sunday evening. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/02)

Cable Car Cafe 1945 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-291-8607. A lot of San Diego history is tied to this place. For starters, a real Frisco-style cable car used to terminate near here from downtown. So did later electric trolleys at Trolley Barn Park across the road. Harvey Bentley's ostrich farm was here too — which explains the mural here too of ostrich characters inside. They say the first Cable Car Café opened on this spot in the 1920s. Today it's a happy little red-and-white corner joint offering honest American fare. Breakfast includes two eggs any style with potatoes and toast, or "make-your-own" three-egg omelets. Walk by late morning and your nose will lead you in - the owners roast their own beef with fresh garlic every day. One great result: the Cable Car cheese steak (sliced beef, grilled onions, and cheese on a hoagie roll). Or try the BBQ pork sandwich (with coleslaw, potato, or pasta salad). Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (6/02)*

Cafe Caspian Persian Eatery & Tearoom 4646 Park Boulevard (at Adams Avenue), University Heights, 619-298-2801. It's colorful, small, and intimate. This two-room café pulsates with multicolored cloths, midnight blue cushions, Aladdin-shaped pitchers and samovars. What you're eating is basically Persian health food — most Persian fare is healthy food anyway. Try the pomegranate soup, made of spinach with lentils, beans, wheat, and

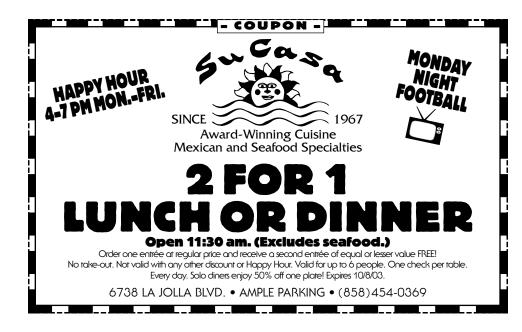


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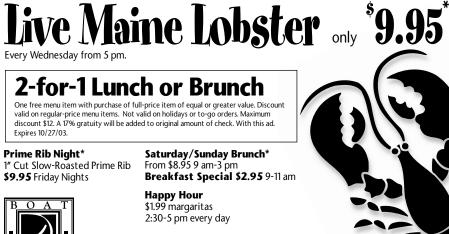
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Kazumi Sushi 3975 Fifth Avenue (at Washington Street), Suite 120, Hill-crest, 619-682-4054. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, *gyoza*, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of nabeyaki udon (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. With just a small staff of family members in the kitchen and house, expect a wait for food at busy times. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner daily. Inexpensive to moderate. - N.W. (10/00)

The Mission North Park and **City Bakery** 2801-2805 University Avenue, North Park, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its Rus-sian pecan bread and cinnamon rolls. Lunch and dinner offer California food with Asian and Latino influences. Lots of items under \$10. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (7/98)

The Parkhouse Eatery 4574 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.* (10/99)

Picasso Spanish Restaurant 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren't the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed *empanadillas*, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed greenlip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house's work-manly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons' fathrough Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. -N.W. (6/01)

Whole Foods Market 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods' prepared food section will feed you better — and faster — than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their *farofa* salad, like American stuffing, but it's couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods' vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive moderate. — *M.N.* (4/99)

DOWNTOWN

Acqua Al 2 322 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-230-0382. Despite its monicker, this isn't a seafood trattoria. but a near-fishless branch of a restaurant in Florence that won success by eschewing the standard Florentine menu while maintaining Tuscan purity of style. Chef-owner Martin Gonzales trained there and serves as charm-ing host of the local outpost. Best bets are the vegetarian pasta and rice dishes







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made with aromatic porcini mush-rooms. The tasting of five pastas may sound tempting, but they're chef's choice — and he tends to choose the dull ones. "Tastings" of salads, cheeses, and desserts are also offered. Mains are mainly rather plain. Moderate (pasta) to expensive. — N.W. (11/00)

The Blarney Stone 502 Fifth Ave-nue, Gaslamp, 619-255-8519. This handsome establishment, made of dark wood from the Emerald Isle, includes a large, good-looking separate dining room that opens when the dining public forms a critical mass, or around 8 p.m. Like most local Irish pubs, the menu is mainly American and gringo-Mex snack foods, including an "Irish quesadilla" (corned beef and cheese on a flour tortilla). The three wannabe Celtic dishes are an indifferent corned beef and cabbage, "steak Kildare" (a tough, mushroom-smothered rib eye), and "fish and chips Liffey," which aren't noticeably different from, say, fish and chips "Thames" or "Afton" or even "Missouri." Open daily. Inexpen-sive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/01) Croce's Restaurant and Jazz Bar

802 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-233-4355. If you enjoy premises with doors open to the street and nightly jazz in the adjoining room, try Croce's. The chef prepares excellent appetizers, pastas, salads, and entrées. Menus change seasonally. Outdoor as well as indoor seating. Nightly jazz. Dinner only. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

Dakota Grill and Spirits 901 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-5554. First sign that you've arrived in chipotle/chile country: the toddlersized cowboy boot on your table that serves as vase to a faux agave plant. This kind of cooking runs the risk of losing its focus in a multitude of ingredients, something Dakota does a decent job of avoiding. When everything works, it plays like comfort food with a kick. The seafood ravioli — spinach pasta stuffed with a blend of salmon, halibut, and swordfish planted atop wilted greens and topped with pickled jalapeno rel-ish — melds into a pleasant whole. The blue cornmeal-crusted chicken salad, similarly well-conceived, is gussied up with crispy potato strings, tortilla rajas and dried apricots that sweetly counter the blue cheese in the dressing. The apricot-whole grain mustard glaze on the pork prime rib makes sense, as do the giant, multiple-straw margaritas. Meat — sizable quantities of it — is usually well-prepared; sides may feel cursory. Moderate to expensive. -A.M. (5/01)

Deco's 731 Fifth Avenue (between G and F), Gaslamp, 619-696-DECO. When the disco is not in session here, there's surpisingly fine food in this vast, multiroom glamorama, stunningly done up like a Fred-and-Ginger 1930s ballroom. The eats are in a lightly adventurous California-Asian-Mediterranean mode featuring quality seafood handled with care and creativity; don't miss the ethereal bread pudding for dessert. (The requisite sushi "party rolls" are merely okay.) Service is hip, smart, and kind. Best dining nights: disco-less Tuesday and Wednesday. Call ahead if you want to book an off-menu meal. No cover charge on disco nights for patrons who order dinner before 9 p.m.; no sneaks, shorts, or Ts if you're clubbing. Serious wine list runs high; full bar. Happy hour Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday until 11 p.m. Very expensive, but somewhat affordable if you graze on appetizers. — *N.W. (7/03)*

The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant 544 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, physically transported whole-hog from the Ould Sod, offers delicious Irish music live most nights, and also attempts serious Irish cooking — with some successes. Try the lovely herbrich Irish stew, or the boxty, potato crêpes rolled around your choice from a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Or start the day here with a huge, car-nivorous Irish breakfast. Open daily. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Harbor House 831 W Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-1141. The two-level building and the view of the harbor are major attractions. Fish and seafood predominate, but chicken, pasta, and steak are also available. The dining room seats 250, so don't expect intimacy. Preparations are wholesome, but not original. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. -E.W.

Indigo Grill 1536 India Street, Little Italy, 619-234-6802. This second — and much grander — incarnation of Chef Deborah Scott's Indigo Grill expands her original Native American motif, with its focus on root vegetables, game, and roasted spices. Now, the Pa-cific Coastal cuisine takes in more coast than most, drawing upon ingredients and techniques from Alaska to Oaxaca. (The decor, dark and urban-primitive, follows the theme.) Unexpected com-binations are a mainstay; a single dish, such as the seafood mixto, may span the entire distance, bringing together a multitude of flavors that work together to create a wondrous whole. Fine breads are made in-house, as are desserts (try the decadent, crispycreamy plantain cheesecake *flautas*). The wine list includes interesting varietals like Mourvedre and Viognier. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly; closes early Sundays, but open until 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Lunch: inexpensive to moderate; dinner: moderate to expensive. — A.M. (11/02)

Kalahari Cafe 729 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-5555. Our first South African restaurant is a grand surprise: No dreary Dutch or English cookery here, but the lush, tropical cuisine originally created by the European settlers' Malayan cooks. The closest thing to a Boer national dish turns out to be...curry. The delights include the chef's Afro-Mexican "Kalahari Grilled Seafood Corn Husks" (a sort of light tamale), delicately fruity seared ahi, and tiny, sweet lamb ribs for starters, while salads win the Gaslamp's "best-dressed" award. Entrée highlights in-clude lively, buttery peri-peri shrimp and a lavish production number: ba-nana leaf snapper. Cook-your-own steak fans can do it right at the table on a lava rock. Drinks include creative vodka martinis served in leopard-spotted glasses, three African lagers, and international wines at merciful markups. This café runs so smartly, Kalahari should give lessons in restaurant man-agement: The atmosphere is cheerful and friendly, the kitchen remarkably consistent, and the thoughtful service soars well above the Gaslamp norm. Breakfast weekends, lunch and dinner nightly. Mainly lower-moderate prices. - N.W. (7/03)

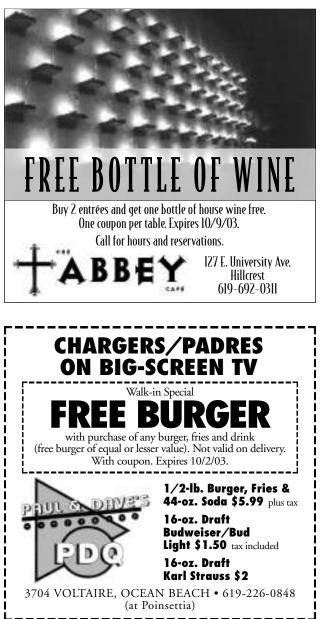
Lou and Mickey's 224 Fifth Avenue (between K and L), Gaslamp, 619-237-4900. The onetime ornate Royale Brasserie across from the Con-vention Center finally had to bow to conventional tastes and simplify into a fifties-style steak-and-seafood house. Kings Seafood is still the owner, so the fish quality remains fine. The fare is simple, with minimal sauce or garnish; vegetables cost extra, coming in large portions but merely adequate prepara-tions. Best dishes include "BBQ Shrimp, Manales' Style," a buttery, spicy New Orleans extravaganza (available as starter or entrée), and the huge, juicy rib-eye "Cowboy Steak." Valet parking at door. Wraparound heated dining patio. Noisy in dining room near bar; request "Nude Room" for quiet. For interesting wines at good prices, look into "Adventures" sections of the list. Dinner nightly, weekends until 11 p.m. Fish moderate, meats expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

Pokez Mexican Restaurant and Vegetarian Cuisine 947 E Street (at 10th Avenue), downtown, 619-702-7160. Rafael — his buddies call him Rafa — started this cool student/artist hangout years ago when he was 18. Lunchtime business people come here. Evenings, seems like it's all Rafa's friends: people from downtown, Golden Hill, City College. The food is mostly Mexican vegetarian (though he's got meaty things like chicken or steak ranchero or sautéed chicken faiitas). Tip well: the servers volunteer and share the take from the gravy pot. Three meals weekdays; closes earlier on week-ends. — *E.B.* (12/01)

Rice Hotel W, 421 B Street (at State), downtown, 619-398-3082. The W's several amusing bars and lounges serve as a weekend amusement park for a



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Sadaf 828 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp, 619-338-0008. Vegetarianfriendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There's excellent spinach borani, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. *— N.W. (12/00)*

Shiraz 837 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-0203. Owned by the admirable Persian restaurant Bandar a couple of doors down, this restaurant offers nothing exotic — just steaks, chops, seafood, and roast chicken. Go for the steak — it's USDA Prime, juicy and flavorful and reasonably priced. Creamy mashed potatoes and veggies come at no extra charge. Fish quality isn't great; lobster tails (frozen from Australia) are safer. The nightly soup is where the Persian chef shines; don't let the clueless waiter's shrug dissuade you. An appetizer of creamed mushrooms makes a tasty side for meat, better than the "official" sauces. Other starters are mainly steakhouse standards, with airy fried calamari worth a try. California supermarket wines at ruthless markups; steep, skimpy beer list. Dinner nightly. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (7/03)*

Taka 555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-338-0555. This restaurant is a knockout. Gorgeous food and beautiful setting. Entrées, which combine Asian and Continental elements, can be ordered in half portions. Don't miss linguine and seafood, filet mignon, salmon sauté. Highly satisfying food at prices you can afford. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to expensive. — *E.W.*

Tango Mango Latin Grill 901 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-231-4284. The most interesting dishes here are the South American specialties, including light, savory beet empanadas and Argentine-style grilled steaks (made from affordable USDA Choice beef, which bears some resem blance to grass-fed pampas beef). But unlike Argentina, the kitchen does understand what "rare" means. The most luscious version is the tender "Filete Tamarindo," stuffed with blue cheese Much of the menu, though, is standard Mexican, also emphasizing beef, including a good skirt steak "Tampiqueno." Full bar, affordable South American wines. Ample lacto vegetarian selections (tapas, pastas, etc.). Lunch and dinner daily, but arrive early on weeknights as they may close ahead of time on slow nights, or mop the floor while you're still eating. Low-moderate. — N.W. (7/03)

Vincenzo Ristorante Italiano 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181. The specialty at this tourist favorite is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant's fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete's Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant's hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. -N.W. (8/01)

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Azzura Point Loews Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road (Silver Strand Boulevard), Coronado, 619-424-4477. The quietly luxurious dining room with a serene bayfront view is romantic and a bit dressy, but far from stuffy. It's not just for tourists, but a lovely evening's getaway for lo-cals. The California-French cuisine emphasizes seasonal ingredients in slightly unexpected combinations, with especial ingenuity in the appetizers. Along with the six-course "chef's menu," there's a reasonably priced five-"chef's course vegetarian menu showcasing fresh herbs grown in the resort's gar-den. A good wine list at reasonable markups is strong on half-bottles. Free valet parking at the porte cochere of the main lobby. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Very expensive. N.W. (11/01)

Bistro D'Asia 1301 Orange Avenue (at C Avenue), Coronado, 619-437-6677. The relaxing restaurant attached to the hardy perennial "Lizard Lounge" serves gentled-down dishes from all over East Asia. Among the tastiest are delicate lemon shrimps, vegetarian "monk's curry," and ice creams from Mootown Creamery. Reserve for weekend dinners. Lunch/dinner daily. Moderate. — *N.W. (12/01)*

Bob's on the Bay 570 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista Harbor, 619-476-0400. Big, breezy Bob's with its beautiful bay view seems to be the unofficial community center of Chula Vista — a rambling building overlooking the Yacht Harbor — where all sorts of folks pop in for a night off or a fun lunch. Generally, the food is serviceable American cuisine centered on steaks and seafood, but on Fridays and Saturdays the scene turns into a pretend luau complete with Hawaiian band, hula dancers, party atmosphere, and a few vaguely Polynesian dishes amid the standard mid-American buffet items. Full bar. Reservations advisable. Casual, family-friendly to the max. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate buffet; expensive à la carte. — *N.W. (7/03)*

Cafe 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chap-man has created a French café atmosphere with round Parisian tables and slat chairs outside and a balcony inside. Here Coronado's arty types mix with admirals, CEOs, and SEALs. Big fat cups of tea are a favored drink. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs, Swiss cheese and ham, a side of fruit and sliced baguette Lunches are sandwiches (like curried tuna or brie con pesto) or salads (try the chicken) Best deal: the Combo Special, a half sandwich and soup or salad. And there's always an art exhibition going on inside. Open daily, three meals; service until midnight on weekends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

Galley at the Marina 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. This is a great place to relax, take in the view and decide which yacht you're gonna buy when you win the lotto. It's run by Fran Muncey, widow of Bill Muncey, San Diego's greatest speedboat-racing champion. The tasty, bargain-priced Happy Hour specials (3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday) make a visit worth the trip west of I-5: try a 1/2-pound steerburger with French fries, chicken caesar salad with sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Next morning, catch the breakfast favorite: biscuits and sausage gravy with eggs. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Miguel's Cocina 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-2401. Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/00)*

VFW 557 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6917. You may have to get over the feeling you're intruding on a private club here, but boy, is it worth it! One, everybody has a story. Two, the "public is welcome" lunches are homecooking at genuine Korean War prices. Mondays and Wednesdays it's burgers. Tuesdays and Wednesdays it's burgers. Tuesdays and Thursdays are "Guess What?" days — typically, enchilada casserole, baked chicken or spaghetti, or a fried-rice dish that's full of good things. Two really tasty occasionals are liver with mashed potato and onions or chicken-fried steak with fried rice. First and third Friday nights of the month, outsiders are invited to join the weekly fish fry from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Check out the photos and memorabilia from wars fought from Siberia to Vietnam. Lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

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From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.

Chiki Jai 1388 Avenida Revolución (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're surrounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gardner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and drank vino tinto — here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana's great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos' brands, and a matador's framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food's all Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, *salchicha* (pork sausages), *bacalao* (cod fish) *al la Vizcaina*, trout with olive oil and garlic, and Gallican octopus. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (502)

El Rincon Del Oso Location 47, Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria, Río District, Tijuana. Eating goat is an acquired taste. This little market restaurant is a good place to start acquiring. It serves kid for breakfast that's surprisingly easy on the taste buds. The best part is scooping the juices and the meat into a hot corn tortilla, adding cilantro, lime, grated onions, and a splash of salsa, and chomping in. It's meaty, slightly rich, almost gamey, like deer or buffalo, except the juices round out that gamey aftertaste. Come early morning for the best kid and the best market scenes. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/01)

El Taco de Huitzilopochtli Calle Rosas 242, at Calle Valle Verde (Valley Verde Fracción), Ensenada, Baja, 646-174-2301. On weekend days, this plain, sprawling restaurant in a converted private house offers the authentic dishes of Texcoco, the Central Mexican heartland of Aztec cuisine. If you're looking for deliciously adventurous dining, pull up a chair. Here you can feast on sheep-brain quesadillas, marrowbone soup, or even the whole head — or the marinated, barbecued haunch — of a ram. Don't miss the deeply savory birria de chivo (goat stew) or the mysterious huauzontles, a nuttytasting amaranth-like plant swathed in melted cheese and light tomato sauce. Finish with a shot (just one) of flavorful *pulque*, fermented cactus juice. Open only on Saturdays and Sundays, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. To find it: Drive north on Reforma to its final streetlight, turn right onto Ambar, go two stop signs (many blocks), turn left at second stop sign, go one block, passing the school, and turn right for one block; look for large mural and sign on restaurant wall on the right. A single English-only menu makes the rounds; one staffer speaks some English. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/03)

Fonda Roberto's La Sierra Motel, Old Road to Ensenada, Avenida Cuahutemoc #2800, Tijuana, 686-4687. Unusual regional specialties are found here. Beef tongue in sesame seed sauce, spicy shredded pork with artichoke seeds, two preparations of chicken, a half dozen of steak. Don't miss the soups or *chile en nogada*. Portions are small, so two people may order three entrées. Take Avenida Revolución all the way to Agua Caliente Blvd. At Calimax, make a right; go up two blocks and make a left. After one block, make another left. Roberto's is in the motel just after the road veers right. Closed Monday; open Tuesday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Loncheria La Poca Lucha Municipal Market, 105 Avenida Niños Héroes, Tijuana's Mercado Municipal is like entering a scene from The Sorcere's Apprentice. Shafts of sun penetrate the dark of an incredible kitchen of great black iron stoves and giant steaming pots, and hoods gathering into black pipes that snake up and out through the roof. But what a welcome! As you walk through the mercado, ladies bounce up, enticing you away to their cateries. Hang in there till you reach Loncheria La Poca Lucha, "The Small Struggle Lunch Place." Ask for carne de puerco (pork), chiles rellenos, bisteck ranchero, or higado al gusto (liver), all around \$3. Pescado frito (fried fish), milanesa con papas (veal with fries), pollo frito (fried chicken), and carne asada are slightly more. Price includes soup, steaming hot corn tortillas, and a soda. Open seven days, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Salon Azteca Rosarito Beach Hotel, south end of Boulevard Juarez, Rosarito, 661-612-1111. This fabled old hotel's all-you-can-eat Sunday brunch buffet offers a great excuse to check out the gorgeous architecture and meet other travelers in town. To reach the buffet, go to the left behind the registration desk to the Salon Azteca, walk in, grab a plate. and start dishing up your breakfast from the long line of cafeteria-like bins filled with gringo, gringo-Mex, real Mexican (menudo), and international specialties. Expect to tip if you want something from the omelet or carving station. Next, plunk down at a table where a waiter will arrive to serve you juice and endless cups of decent coffee. Casual dress. Se-cure parking in hotel lot for a small extra charge. Sundays only, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Somewhat expensive for the area; Visa and MasterCard accepted. — N.W. (4/03)

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

The Living Room Coffeehouse 5900 El Cajon Boulevard (at 59th Street), College Area, 619-286-8434. With deep-draft couches, Persian carpets, pictures on the wall, chunky wooden tables, and a tree-shaded patio, this Swiss-owned café is a student hangout with a lively notice board, a rental computer, and good cheap breakfast food in huge quantities. Try "The Works" omelet, with bacon, ham, onions, tomatoes, pepper, cheese on top, potatoes, fruit, and bread. Open daily, three meals, until late at night. Inexpensive. Additional locations in Hillcrest, Old Town, Point Loma, and La Jolla. — *E.B. (10/00)*

The Original Pancake House 3906 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740. Starve yourself for eight hours, then come in here and order up an Apple Pancake — a foot-wide, bat-ter-filled, five-egg paradise pelted with slices from two Granny Smith apples and baked till it puffs up like a golden mini-superdome. Cinnamon cinches it. The German Pancake, or its kid brother, the Dutch Baby, are good oven-baked alter-natives, as is the really, really filling mushroom omelet, which comes with three pancakes. Oh, and the Eggs Michael: sausage patties and poached eggs lost somewhere under a mushroom-sherry sauce. The whole atmosphere — striped gold-and-cream wallpaper, dainty cups, shelves of ceramic dogs — feels like it's the Fifties and your granny took you here when you were five. OK, it's a nation-wide franchise, but it's a comfy franchise, from Oregon. All-day breakfast only, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. Other lo-cations at 14905 Pomerado Road, Poway, 858-679-0186; 160 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, Encinitas, 760-943-1939; 435 South Melrose Drive, Vista, 760-758-3441. - E.B. (4/02)

Star Of India 1820 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-459-3355; also 3860 Valley Centre Drive, Del Mar, 858-792-1111; and 423 F Street, Gaslamp, 619-234-8000. It's the lunch buffet that can lead you by the nose into Indian (and here, specifically *Punjabi*) food. Pick among specialties like vegetable *pakora* — a bunch of veggies dipped in chickpea batter and fried, or a nice mess of eggplant with potatoes, chicken curry *masala*, and maybe the first cooked spinach you ever loved, *palak paneer*. At the PB location, you sit under a sky-blue cupola. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/01)*





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nyone who fancies himself any-thing of a film fan ought to be required to see Cinemania, Angela Christlieb's and Stephen Kijak's German-financed video documentary

focussed on five New York cinephiles, four men and one woman. all of them single and unattached, acquain-

tances if not necessarily friends. "Film," one of them submits, "is a substitute for life." (Clearly, it was a wordchoice of Flaubertian care and consideration not to call the film *Cinephilia*.) No one in his right mind would wish to change places with one of these five, but all together, or even separately, they hold up a yardstick against which to measure your own level of commitment, however thankful or relieved you may be to come up short. One of them, for example, knows the running times of every movie ever made, and owns a collection of vinyl soundtracks encompassing such obscurities as Rocketship X-M and Destination Moon. Another of them follows a men'sroom ritual of washing his glasses before each screening, somehow never getting them satisfactorily clean. Still another confesses to shedding tears so con-

tinuously at Umbrellas of Cherbourg that he could barely see the screen. For all five, every week turns into

a scheduling nightmare of how to cram the available options into the available hours: "One, two, three films a day, occasionally four or DUNCAN SHEPHERD five." Competing film

programs must be collated on computer. Travel times by subway are carefully figured. Diet is strictly regulated so as not to hamper the ability to sit still for the necessary duration. It goes without saying that this degree of film buffery is possible only in New York, with such venues to choose from as the Museum of Modern Art, Lincoln Center, the Film Forum, the Anthology Film Archives, the Alliance Française, et al. (I knew this sort of person when I lived in New York. I was more that sort of person myself.) Nowhere else today, this side of Paris, could you affect the purism of the lone woman, speaking uncannily in the cadences of John Huston, who refuses to own a television set even when she is banished from one venue for repeated acts of truculence. Nowhere else would you have the luxury to disdain the multiplex. Nowhere

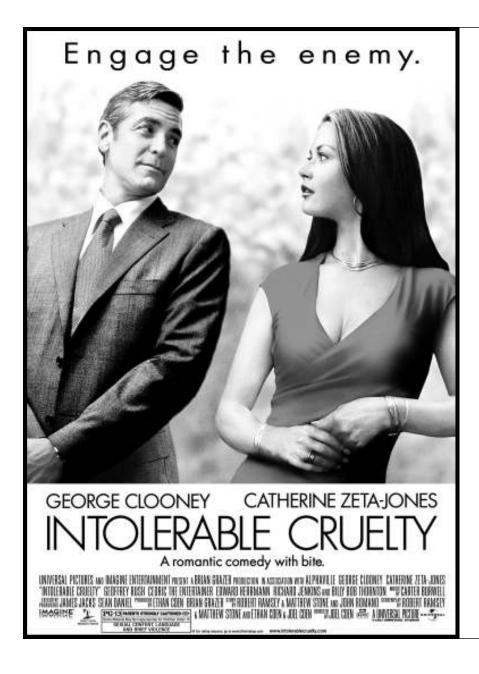


else on a daily basis will you be asked to choose between, or among, a Fassbinder, a Resnais, a Zurlini, a Hitchcock, a Hou Hsiao-hsien. (No, you wouldn't wish to change places, but you wouldn't mind, now and again, changing choices.) Nowhere else, in a nutshell, is cinephilia put to so stringent a test.

No matter how soon you drop out

of competition with these five, no matter how hastily you disavow membership in the club of cinephiliacs, you are nevertheless apt to find that if you are any species of buff at all, you will have a lot of common ground with this group — a concern with things like print quality, projection standards, the ungodly distraction of popcorn Cinemania

and cell phones - and that you could much more profitably pass the time with any of these than with, say, Arnold Schwarzenegger. And even if you never, outside this documentary, had an opportunity to pass the time with them (or their equals), it is in some way good to know that they're out there. Good to know how high the bar



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has been set. Good to have a rough idea of the ceiling on sanity. The documentary itself, composed of surfaceskimming interviews and small-talk duologues ("What's your favorite Esther Williams?"), is not sufficiently cinematic to be worthy of its maniacal subjects. And no one would know this better than they. As one of them sizes it up after a look at the rushes:

"It's on video, to begin with, and that's a problem."

The Housekeeper, the new film from old Claude Berri, has all the qualities you could want in a housekeeper if not all you could want in a film. Efficiency: the "exposition" is taken care of in the fully explored messy apartment during the opening credits. Attention to detail: the bourgeois divorcé tidies up the place beforehand to make it presentable for the cleaning woman. Thoroughness: every centimeter of the tightening bond between the middle-aged employer and his soon homeless young employee, every millimeter of the closing chasm between his classical CD and her rockand-roll boom box, is scrupulously marked. Yet somehow this characteristic sample of French intimism is too circumscribed for its own good, inching toward a puny punch line that only spotlights the smallness. It is an unfailing pleasure nonetheless to observe the frowning, scowling Jean-Pierre Bacri (Same Old Song, The Taste of Others, etc.), who always appears to be in disagreement with the last thing he ate, and a very fresh pleasure to observe the strong-jawed Emilie Dequenne (Rosetta and Brotherhood of the Wolfonly), who beautifully fits a space without needing to fill it or rule it.

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essence of Chick Flick, right down to the gender of writer and director Audrey Wells, brings to the screen the Frances Mayes memoir of a San Francisco divorcée who inherits a ten-day gay tour of Italy (Gay and Away) from a pregnant lesbian no longer willing to fly, and who then makes an impulse-purchase of a dilapidated villa in Cortona, cooks meals for her Polish immigrant construction crew, receives spiritual guidance from a flighty Englishwoman claiming acquaintance with Fellini, and embarks on a rejuvenating affair with a younger Italian reminiscent of Rosanno Brazzi in puckery sensitivity: "Francesca, I'm going to make love all over you." (Try not to visualize something triple-X.) Though the pallid color scarcely does justice to the setting, the narrative events go down easily, almost liquidly, if none too fillingly. The tallest part of the tale, a lightning storm that launches a washing machine into midair and deposits an owl in the bedroom, is so fantastically Brothers Grimm that it could only be true. Diane Lane, in the lead role, continues in her Unfaithful vein of forcing every little twitch and tremor of interior life out onto the surface. And Sandra Oh, as the expentant lesbian, provides the solid support that seems to be her lot.

If Mike Figgis, following his string of digital-video experiments, wanted simply to prove he could still make a regular movie, then Cold Creek Manor might be termed a success. It could hardly be more "regular," an obvious and overwrought thriller about a New York family (Dennis Quaid, Sharon Stone, and kids), in search of tranquillity, who, for a song, pick up a repossessed upstate mansion and all its belongings. What happens next, or subsequent to finding kiddie-porn Polaroids among the belongings, seems a staggeringly bad idea: hiring the ex-con former occupant (a bearded, ballcapped Stephen Dorff) as a handyman after he has entered the house without invitation,

drooled over the wife and teenage daughter, and generally matched the social manners of the ex-con in Cape Fear. Staggeringly bad ideas make for notoriously shaky foundations. The business of lowering a camcorder on a rope to find out what's at the bottom of a hidden well christened the Devil's Throat, is truly spooky, and truly unrepresentative of a movie that otherwise favors the Big Eek.

Woody Allen's Anything Else, although centered around Jason Biggs, is still lopsidedly, irregularly, inimitably, a Woody Allen film. Billie Holiday on the soundtrack. Diana Krall right up there on screen (flatteringly shot against a backdrop of molten red). Allusions to Camus, Sartre, Dostoevski, Auden, Fitzgerald, etc. Usages of "polymath," "paucity," "porcine," "homunculus" (in reference here to Danny DeVito where in Manhattan it was Wallace Shawn), etc. Sessions on the psychiatric couch ("You dreamed the Cleveland Indians all got jobs at Toys R Us?"). Textbook jokes ("Am I late?" "Not if we go by Rocky Mountain Time"). Images bathed in a peachy, orangey, lemony light (courtesy of the Iranianborn, French-bred cameraman, Darius Khondji). Apparently knuckling under to the demands of critics, Allen has removed himself temporarily from the amorous fray, to serve instead as an older and wackier advisor to Biggs, both in the latter's romancing of Christina Ricci (Keane-eyed, sleetvoiced) and in their shared vocation of gag writing. Whenever Allen is offscreen (is this really what critics wanted?), it's as if one of his scripts had fallen into the hands of a high-school drama class. Biggs, not a mere substitute but an outright imposter, is at his worst in direct address to the camera. But then, so is Allen as a screenwriter.

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this is the first feature film from Bob Rafelson since his savory Blood and Wine seven years ago, a heist-and-hostage thing to do with a diabetic grand-theftauto detective (Samuel L. Jackson, wearing a hairpiece almost as plush as the one in *Pulp Fiction*) who, as a favor to a neighbor, goes looking for a missing daughter and stumbles into a \$10 million caper conspiracy instead. (The fate of the missing daughter will never be revealed.) In contrast with the deadly serious caper of Blood and Wine, this one has moments of silliness (a cello-and-piano duet between the detective and one of the heisters), and even of farce, yet it also has modesty, moral integrity, professional competence, and nice noir-ish color by cinematographer Juan Ruiz Anchia. It pains me to think how difficult it is for such a film, and such a filmmaker, to find a footing in the marketplace alongside bruisers like S.W.A.T. and Bad Boys II. I was the solitary soul in attendance at a matinee last week at Horton Plaza

Which I must admit added deliciously to the prevailing sense of sneakiness.



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All That Jazz — A sort of 42nd Street with aspirations to Lincoln Center, following the blue-ribbon casserole recipe of Fellini's 8 1/2, of intermingled reality, fantasy, and memory. The changes wrought on the backstage-musical formula by these uptown ambitions are of dubious import: a dizzying, quicker-than-the-eye editing style, a blunt loseup of semen-wetted trousers, a documentary sequence of open-heart surgery. The undercover brand of Philistinism peddled in this movie is the notion that high art — in other words, art at about the level of 8 1/2 on a scale of one to ten - is supposed to be swallowed with a wince. Roy Scheider, Ann Reinking, Jessica Lange; directed by Bob Fosse. 1979. ★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC

ARTS, 9/26, 3:30 AND 9:30 P.M.: 9/27, 7 P.M.)

All the Real Girls — A small-town Carolina Casanova (Paul Schneider, an unstunning facial composite of Cruise and Costner) takes a shine to one of his buddies' all-grown-up but virginal sister (Zooey Deschanel, with her druggy, draggy, warpedrecord delivery, turning every line into an exercise in eccentricity, an adventure in affectation): "She makes me decent." The evocative locales - the river, the mill, the hilltop, the junkyard, the stock-car track, the coffee shop, the motel - are so well chosen and photographed as to swallow up these puny people and their very small talk (of pretzels and pancakes and things) and even their seismic crises: "You're not my friend anymore! You're not even in my top ten!" A mild upset, this, of background over foreground, authentic over synthetic. The musical background — blissed-out Far Eastern-y, New Age-y stuff - is quite another matter, another world. With Patricia Clarkson; written and directed by David Gordon Green, 2003. ★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 9/29, 6:30 P.M.)

American Splendor — 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 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

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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 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 cancer. 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 illtempered meltdown on the air must be reenacted by Giamatti and a silhouetted standin for Letterman), along with assorted comic-book 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 and daring and liberated inherent in those very qualities, and in any event they certainly suit the protagonist. With Hope Davis; written and directed by Shari Springer Berman and

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Robert Pulcini. 2003. ★★★ (GALAXY 6, FROM 9/26; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

And Now Ladies and Gentlemen -Plainly, if only partially, Claude Lelouch's title 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 to stress the positive. The wholeheartedness 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 had 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 iewelry-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. And the incessant chansons of the leading lady, rife with references to Lelouch's past, amount almost to a Chinese

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torture. 2003.

Anything Else — Reviewed this issue. With Jason Biggs, Woody Allen, Christina Ricci, Stockard Channing, and Danny DeVito; written and directed by Allen. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6;





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Cabaret — Liza Minnelli asks to be loved all ways - as a sex bomb, as an awkward adolescent, and as a Carnegie Hall entertainer - and it's asking a lot. The time and setting of 1932 Germany carry an inherent moodiness, and it was a good idea to use the painted face and nihilistic jokes of a vaudeville emcee (played detestably by Joel Grey) as a running commentary on the rampant societal and personal decay. It was a bad idea to allow the entertainment in the sleazy downstairs nightclub to be so smashingly Broadway. Directed by Bob Fosse, 1972.

★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 9/26, 1 AND 7 P.M.: 9/27, 9:30 P.M.)

Cinemania - Reviewed this issue. With Jack Angstreich, Eric Chadbourne, Bill Heidbreder, Roberta Hill, and Harvey Schwartz; directed by Angela Christlieb and Stephen Kijak.

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Cold Creek Manor — Reviewed this issue. With Dennis Quaid, Sharon Stone, Stephen Dorff, Juliette Lewis, and Christopher Plummer; directed by Mike Figgis.

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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 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 Tautou) 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. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

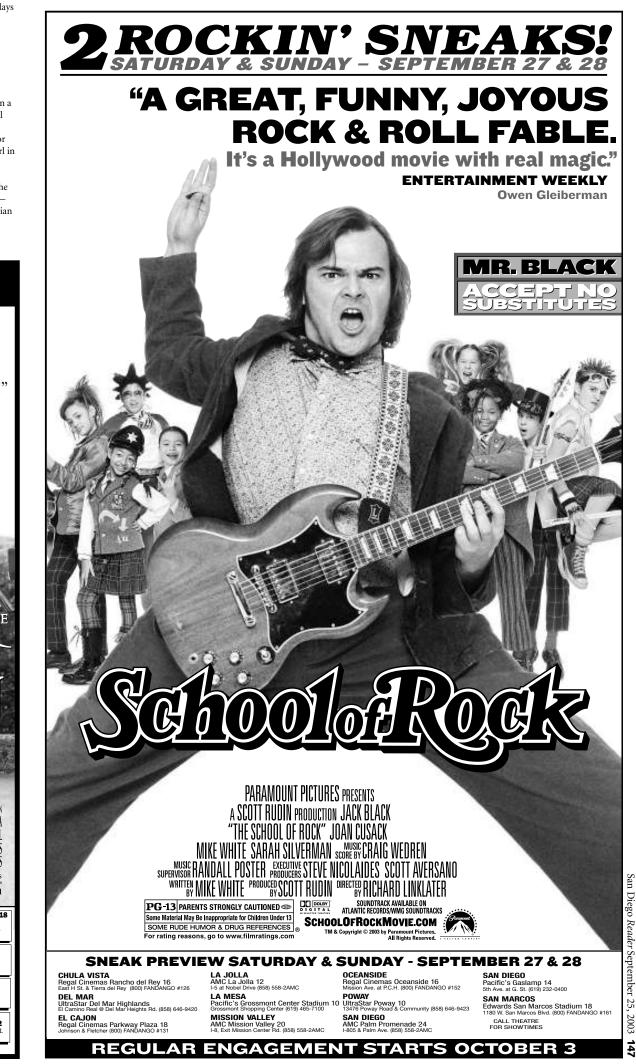
Duplex — Comedy of feuding neighbors with Ben Stiller and Drew Barrymore,

directed by Danny DeVito. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9 TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 9/26)

The Fighting Temptations — A native son of Georgia, back from the Big Apple, needs to whip the hometown church choir into shape in order to collect his inheritance from Aunt Sally. Not even the frantic amiability of Cuba Gooding, Jr., not even

the transfusions of foot-stomping gospel music, can raise the flattened carcass off the floor. With Beyoncé Knowles, Mike Epps, Wendell Pierce, LaTanya Richardson, Steve Harvey; directed by Jonathan Lynn. 2003. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Finding Nemo — Computer-animated



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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 childrearing 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.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15)

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.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Funny Girl — Streisand's coming-out

party, devoted totally to pumping up its presold star and providing a definitive definition of prima donna. For a story set in the Ziegfeld Follies, there is a queer absence of alternative females. The movie's males, meantime, are reduced, one and all, to passive star-gazers. Omar Sharif in particular, required to smile suavely at

Barbra's every quip, looks as if he's going to be sick. Directed by William Wyler. 1968. ● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, 9/27, 1 P.M.)

The Goonies — "A Richard Donner Film," but "a Steven Spielberg Presentation." The second fellow wrote the original story and was one-third of the team of executive producers, and the finished product is chock-full of Spielbergian ingredients: skeletons, bugs, bats, boulders. There is even (in the duplicitous spirit of E.T.'s resurrection) a moment of sentimental self-sacrifice so that there can later be a moment of joyful reunion when the self-sacrificer is spared anyway. There are also lots of jokes - of the sort, for example, wherein the penis will be broken off Mom's miniature reproduction of Michelangelo's David, and will be glued back on upside-down. The story tells of a gang of seven kids (these are The Goonies, modern counterpart of The Little Rascals) in search of the legendary buried treasure of One-Eved Willie, who has protected his riches with an elaborate complex of booby traps that would put the Egyptian pyramidbuilders to shame. All of the kids take turns getting hysterical, and the movie is consequently unpleasantly shrill. It would be a blessing if some of the kids could be killed off, but it isn't that kind of movie. It would not want to alienate anybody. And indeed its closest kinship to childhood is probably its desperate desire to be popular, though it ultimately takes this desire beyond desperation and into depravity. Sean Astin, Josh Brolin, Jeff Cohen, Kerri Green, Martha Plimpton. 1985. ● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, 9/27, MIDNIGHT)

The Housekeeper — Reviewed this issue. With Jean-Pierre Bacri, Emilie Dequenne, Brigitte Catillon, and Jacques Frantz; written and directed by Claude Berri. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 9/26)

betrayal and revenge, lighthearted to the point of self-contradictory and callous (Charlize Theron does, at least, haul off and sock the man who murdered her father: that sure felt good), mechanically directed by F. Gary Gray. As remakes go, it has the advantage of coming from an unremembered source, Peter Collinson's 1969 British heist thriller. By the same token, it has the disadvantage of coming from a source unremembered for good reason. Mark Wahlberg, the star, is perhaps at a little less disadvantage here than in the past year's remake of the well-remembered *Charade* (new title: *The Truth about* Charlie), insofar as he's a shade less pale a copy of Michael Caine than of Cary Grant. With Edward Norton, Jason Statham, Seth Green, Mos Def, and Donald Sutherland. 2003.

The Italian Job — High-tech tale of

• (HORTON PLAZA 14; VOGUE)









Jeepers Creepers 2 — Victor Salva, following his original Jeepers sleeper, has more time and money at his disposal, but no better an idea: a high-school basketball team, plus three cheerleaders, on an orange school bus in the middle of nowhere, under attack by the Winged Thing - officially The Creeper but better called The Swooper or The Flapper. A lot of care goes into the gore, but there's no real development. Jonathan Breck, Garikayi Mutambirwa, Eric Nenninger, Ray Wise. 2003. (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Km. 0 — Perfect strangers all over Madrid are making appointments to meet at Puerta del Sol on a scorching summer day. A comedy of missed connections and mistaken identities — slight, sleazy, unamusing. With Carlos Fuentes, Mercé Pons, Jesús Cabrero, Alberto San Juan, Concha Valasco: written and directed by Juan Luis Iborra and Yolanda García Serrano. 2000. ● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 9/25)

The League of Extraordinary

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. • (VOGUE)

Lost in Translation — Sofia Coppola's sophomore effort marks an advance over The Virgin Suicides: a phlegmatic comedy about two American outsiders who fall into an ill-defined relationship in Tokyo, a bond forged of loneliness and misery between an over-the-hill Hollywood action star (a sadsack Bill Murray, who surely should have

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been written as an over-the-hill comedy star), in town to collect a cool two million for a series of whisky ads, and a neglected young wife (the seductively throaty Scarlett Johansson), who spends a lot of time lolling around her hotel room in transparent pink panties while her photographer husband (the dependably dreadful Giovanni Ribisi) busies himself with work. The "satirical" touch tends to be lighter this time, with perhaps a few exceptions: the suspected anorexic blond starlet (with so many to choose from, couldn't a better fit have been found for this role than the robust Anna Faris?), the tutti-frutti television host misleadingly labelled "the Johnny Carson of Japan," the S&M call girl ("Lip my stocking!"), and the imported guitar-andvocal lounge act billed as "Sausalito." Truly on the lighter side, however, there are large numbers of points scored, even if easy ones, with the advertising campaign ("For relaxing times, make it Suntori time"), the language difficulties, the faxes and FedExes and phone calls from the all-business wife in California, the exercise machine, the local cuisine, and the inevitable karaoke bar (Murray reverting to SNL form for his soupladle renditions of Elvis Costello's "Peace, Love, and Understanding" and Roxy Music's "More Than This"). And the touristing in and around Tokyo is pleasantly relaxed. Coppola's uncertain visual style, vacillating between a fussy precision and a fumbling offhandedness, could never be mistaken for her father's. Which, for purposes of independence and the establishment of a separate identity, would be a good thing if only the style could be

recognized as distinctively anybody's. 2003. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 9/26: GROSSMONT TROLLEY, FROM 9/26:

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Luther - Eric Till's 16th-century biopic on the founder of the Lutheran Church, with Joseph Fiennes, Alfred Molina, Bruno Ganz, and Peter Ustinov. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: GROSSMONT TROLLEY: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 9/26)

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. ★ (GASLAMP 15: LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Matchstick Men - Nicolas Cage is let off the leash to play a tic-infested con artist with an obsessive-compulsive disorder, a phobia for dirt and the outdoors, a mania for canned tuna. Frisking and frolicking to keep pace are Alison Lohman as the teenage daughter he never knew he had, and Sam Rockwell as his loosey-goosey partner in crime. It would all be intolerably annoving

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except that director Ridley Scott, while exercising no control over his actors, keeps a close watch on their surroundings, playing tirelessly with light and shadow, picking out microscopic details, catching reflections in glass, and generally giving you a lot to look at apart from the three overactors. (He gives you a lot to listen to as well: a wall-to-wall songtrack heavy on Sinatra and his peers.) Instead, it becomes intolerably annoying only after you have come through the snarl of plot twists toward the end and can look back in righteous indignation at where you have been. Bruce McGill, Bruce Altman. 2003.

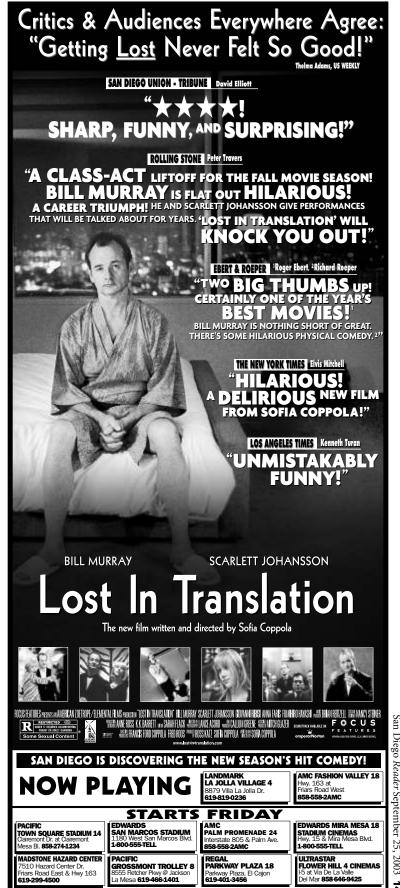
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The Medallion — "The Holy Grail of Eastern mythology" grants Jackie Chan a second life after drowning, in addition to superpowers even more super than his normal ones. British comedian Lee Evans bests him in the humor department, however, and the movie 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.

(HORTON PLAZA 14; PALM PROMENADE 24)

No Good Deed — Reviewed this issue. With Samuel L. Jackson, Milla Jovovich, Stellan Skarsgard, and Doug Hutchison; directed by Bob Rafelson. ★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14, THROUGH 9/25)

Once upon a Time in Mexico — It is one of the mysteries of cinema: the production can be slick as a hockey rink, the camera movements agile and athletic, the angles exalting, the action unrelenting, the overall direction giddy with the joy of creation, and still the movie can be





stupefyingly dull. This second sequel to El Maricahi, colloquially billed as "A Robert Rodriguez Flick," as well as "Shot, Chopped, and Scored by Robert Rodriguez," in addition to simply "Written and Directed by Robert Rodriguez," serves to illustrate, if not illuminate, the mystery. No doubt the shooter, chopper, scorer, writer, and

director has come a long way since the hand-crafted crudities of *Mariachi*, and yet the persistent dullness indicates that the mileage has been piled up in a tight spiral around a fixed point. No doubt, too, he has accomplished exactly what he set out to do in this self-consciously, tongue-in-cheekily mythologizing pageant. ("That," as a line in the script puts it, "is truly unbelievable.") No doubt he himself finds a Hong Kong action film by John Woo to be a completely satisfying aesthetic experience, and no doubt he would feel flattered to be included in the same sentence. One is tempted, then, to try

to explain away the mystery by the absence of what once would have been called the human element: back before, that is, every fledgling filmmaker had to add Joseph Campbell's The Hero with a Thousand Faces to his basic library, and mere heroes began to be crowded out by superheroes, one-man armies, instant legends, franchises. One needn't be a believer in Pure Cinema, though, to suspect there's more to it than just the total absence of humanity. Topmost among the director's glaring limitations is his propensity, like a muscle-bound headhunting prizefighter, to think in terms

of one shot at a time: no combinations, no strategy, no pacing. The very definition, inside the ropes, of a palooka. Antonio Banderas, Johnny Depp, Willem Dafoe, Eva Mendes, Salma Hayek. 2003. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN

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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

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Horton Plaza 14

457 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM) **The Fighting Temptations** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:55) 7:15, 10:05; **The Italian Job** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:40, 5:35) 8:20; **The** Medallion (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 5:30); Once upon a Time in Mexico (R) Fri.-Thu 11:50, 12:15, 12:40, 2:30, 3:00, 3:25, 5:15, 5:45, 7:20, 8:00, 9:30, 10:10; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:20, 4:00) 7:10, 8:30; **The Rundown** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45,

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La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Iolla Drive (858-558-2262) The Rundown; Under the Tuscan Sun; Du-plex; Underworld; Anything Else; Secondhand Lions; Cold Creek Manor; The Fighting Temptations; Once upon a Time in Mexico; Matchstick Men; Open Range; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the

Black Pear

La Jolla Village 8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-453-7831) American Splendor (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:45, 7:30, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 1:50, 4:45, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:45, 7:30, 9:55; Lost in **Translation** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; The Mag**dalene Sisters** (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:15, 7:00, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:15, 7:00, 9:40; **Step Into Liquid** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:10) 5:00, 7:45, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 5:00, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Wed. (2:10) 5:00, 7:45, 10:00; Thu. (2:10) 5:00, 10:00; **Goonies** Sat. (midnight)



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Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262) The Rundown; Under the Tuscan Sun; Duplex; Underworld; Anything Else; Cold Creek Manor; Secondhand Lions; The Fighting Temptations; Lost in Translation; Cabin Fever: Matchstick Men; Once upon a Time in Mexico; Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star; Open Range; S.W.A.T.; Freaky Friday; American Wedding; Seabiscuit; Pi-rates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Finding Nemo

Hazard Center 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-299-4500) Passionada; The Secret Lives of Dentists; Anything Else; Cinemania; Whale Rider; El Segundo Aire; Lost in Translation; Matchstick Men; Red Cap Sunday only

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) The Rundown; Under the Tuscan Sun; Du-plex; Underworld; Anything Else; Secondhand Lions; Cold Creek Manor; The Fighting Temptations; Cabin Fever; Matchstick Men; Once upon a Time in Mexico; Jeepers Creepers 2; Step into Liquid; S.W.A.T.; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990) **Duplex** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:10) 4:10, 6:10, 8:10, 10:10; Sun. (12:10, 2:10) 4:10, 6:10, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (3:40, 5:50) 7:55; The Fighting Temptations (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:35) 5:10, 7:45, 10:20; Sun. (12:00, 2:35) 5:10, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:15) 7:45; Once upon a Time in Mexico (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:50) 5:20, 7:40, 10:00; Sun. (12:30, 2:50) 5:20, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (3:25, 5:45) 8:05; **The Rundown** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:40) 5:05, 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (12:15, 2:40) 5:05, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:35) 8:00; **Secondhand Lions** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:25, 9:50; Sun. (12:00, 2:30) **derworld** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:50, 10:25; Sun. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:15) 7:45

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4061 Adams Avenue (619-283-5909) Outfest San Diego Fri. 7:30, 9:30; Sat. 2:00, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00; Sun. 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; 2003 Academy Award-Nominated Shorts Mon. through Thu.

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Museum of Photographic Arts Cabaret, Friday, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Satur-day, 9:30 p.m.; **All That Jazz**, Friday, 3:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, 7 p.m.

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 freezeframed 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. ★★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18: GASLAMP 15: GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Passionada — Itinerant gambler out of England, now in New England, woos a Portuguese fisherman's widow and seafoodhouse fado singer. Bland and predictable, though the leading lady (Sofia Milos) is regally beautiful, and her teenage daughter (Emmy Rossum) cute as a button. With Jason Isaacs, Seymour Cassel, Theresa Russell, Lupe Ontiveros; directed by Dan Ireland. 2003. ★ (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl - Now that the

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) Bugs! (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00; Sun.-Tue. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00; Wed.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00; Coral Reef Adventure (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu, 1:00, 4:00; Kilimaniaro: To **The Roof of Africa** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 2:00, 6:00, 8:00; Sun.-Tue. 11:00, 2:00, 6:00; Wed.-Thu. 2:00, 5:00; To Worlds Beyond Sat. 10:00

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RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15 2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460) Anything Else (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:10, 4:50) 7:30, 10:10; Cabin Fever (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:55, 10:20; Cold Creek Manor (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:30) 7:05, 10:00; Dickie Roberts: For-

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Santee Drive In 10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Underworld; Secondhand Lions; Once upon a Time in Mexico; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl

SOUTH BAY **CHULA VISTA**

Chula Vista 10

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UNDERWORLD' IS ONE HELL OF A RIDE. ohn Black, BOSTON METRO "A Sleek Action HRILLER AFTE Robert K. Elder, CHICAGO TRIBUNE CHARLES CONT SCOTT SPEEDMAN KATE BECKINSALE RESTRICTED ININITIAL LAUSSING Martine Beconos N 6 4 R EN GEMS STRONG VIOLENCE/GORE, SOME LANGUAGE NOW PLAYING PACIFIC THEATRES CARMEL MOUNTAIN 12 I-15 at Carmel Mountain 619/674-9770 EDWARDS CINEMAS Rancho san diego Stadium cinema PACIFIC THEATRES SWEETWATER 9 At Sweetwater/ Town & Country Center 619/474-8571 AMC PALM PROMENADE 24 AMC LA JOLLA 12 JODS AMC ENCINITAS 8 220 N. El Camino Real 760/942-5544 I-5 at Nobel 858/558-2AMC 805 & Paim AV 858/558-2AMC Hwy 94 at Campo 800-FANDANGO #132 ULTRASTAR CHULA VISTA 10 IHX Retween H & I AMC FASHION VALLEY 18 O Hwy. 163 at Friars Rd. West 858/588-2AMC [7007] PACIFIC THEATRES GASLAMP STADIUM 15 Eth Annua of C Streat EDWARDS CINEMAS MIRA MESA STADIUM 18 REGAL CINEMAS Parkway plaza 18 EDWARDS CINEMAS SAN MARCOS STADIUM 18 1180 W. San Marcos Blvd. 800-FANDANGO #161 REGAL TEMECULA STADIUM 15 40750 Winchester Road 909-FADANGO #167 of I-15 on Mira Me -FANDANGO #160 Blvd. Parkway Plaza Maii 800-FANDANGO #131 Broadway Between 619/338-4214 PACIFIC THEATRES CINERAMA 6 ULTRASTAR Poway 10 PACIFIC THEATRES Town Square Stadium 14 MISSION VALLEY 20 JOD SANTEE DRIVE-IN 10990 Woodside. University Avenue West of College 319/287-8990 5th Avenue at G Stree 619/232-0400 Poway Road at Cor 858/646-9423 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. 619/274-1234 Santee 519/448-7447 PACIFIC THEATRES GROSSMONT CENTER STADIUM 10 REGAL CINEMAS Oceanside cinema 16 REGAL CINEMAS Rancho del Rey 16 ULTRASIAR DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8 SOUTH BAY DRIVE-IN East H Street & Herra 800-FANDANGO #126 2170 Coronado 619/423-2727 El Camino Rea 858/646-9420 Grossmont Sho 619/465-7100 Mission Ave @ Pacifii 800-FANDANGO #152 ented For This Engage ent. Check Theater Dir

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"ride" — as in "wild ride," "thrill ride," "rollercoaster ride" - seems to be an accepted film category, if not quite a genre, it makes sense that a film would be modelled after, or at least named after, an actual amusement-park ride. But Pirates — not the first Disney movie to bring to the screen a Disneyland attraction, if you count The Country Bears — is more of a long ride than any other kind of ride, a two-and-a-quarterhour 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.

10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:30, 6:15; Matchstick Men (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:00, 7:00; Once upon a Time in Mexico (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **The Run-down** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:45; **S.W.A.T.** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 10:00; **Secondhand Lions** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:00, 9:45; **Underworld** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262) The Rundown; Under the Tuscan Sun; Duplex; Lost in Translation; Luther; Underworld; Anything Else; Secondhand Lions; Cold Creek Manor; The Fighting Temptations; Cabin Fever; Matchstick Men; Once upon a Time in Mexico; Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star; Jeepers Creepers 2; The Medallion; S.W.A.T.; Freaky Friday; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707) Cabin Fever (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30; Cold Creek Manor (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 3:20) 7:30, 10:25; Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 2:30, 5:05) 7:35, 10:05; Sat. (11:50, 2:30, 5:05) 10:05; Sun. (11:50, 5:05) 7:35, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (11:50, 2:30, 5:05) 7:35, 10:05; **Duplex** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:10; **The Fighting Temptations** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:35) 7:20, 10:15; Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:00, 4:30); Matchstick Men (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:55) 6:55, 10:00; **Once upon a Time in Mexico** (R) Fri. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55; Fri. (12:25, 3:25) 7:00, 9:50; Sat. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) (12.25, 5.25) 7:00, 9:50, 3at (11.45, 2.50, 5:15) 7:55; Sat. (12:25, 3:25) 7:00, 9:50; Sun. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55; Sun. (12:25, 3:25) 7:00, 9:50; Mon. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55; Mon. (12:25, 3:25) 7:00, 9:50; Tue. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55; Tue. (12:25, 3:25) 7:00, 9:50; Wed. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55; Wed. (12:25, 3:25) 7:00, 9:50; Thu. (11:45, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55; Thu. (12:25, 3.25) 7:00, 9:50; Open Range (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:00, 10:15; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 3:00) 7:05, 10:00; **The Rundown** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 12:30, 2:15, 3:15, 5:00) 7:30, 8:00, 10:10, 10:35; School of Rock (PG-13) Sneak Preview Sat. 7:30; Sun. (2:30); Seabiscuit (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 3:05) 7:10, 10:20; Secondhand Lions (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:25, 5:10) 7:55, 10:35; Under the Tuscan Sun (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 3:05) 6:45, 9:35; **Underworld** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 12:05, 2:50, 3:30) 6:50, 7:25, 9:55, 10:30

Vogue

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436) The Italian Job (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 6:10; The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen (PG-13) Fri - Thu 4.00, 10.15; S.W.A.T. (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:45, 8:15

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Harbor Drive In

32nd and D (619-477-1392) Call theater for program information

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1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) **Cabin Fever** (R) Fri.-Sat. 5:25, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. 5:25, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (5:50) 7:45; **Duplex** San (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 2:20) 4:20, 7:05. 9:25: (PG-13) FrI.-Sat. (12:20, 2:20) 4:20, 7:05, 9:25; Sun. (12:20, 2:20) 4:20, 7:05; Mon.-Thu. (3:30, 5:55) 7:50; **The Fighting Temptations** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:50, 10:25; Sun. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:05, 5:35) 9:05; **Ereadule Eriday** (PO) Price Reader September (3:05, 5:35) 8:05; Freaky Friday (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:00); Mon.-Thu. (3:20); Matchstick Men (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:50) 5:20, 7:55, 10:25; Sun. (12:10, 2:50) 5:20, 7:55; Mon.-Thu (3:10, 5:45) 8:10; Once upon a Time in Mex-ico (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:45, 2:55) 5:05, 7:20, 9:40; 25 Sun. (12:45, 2:55) 5:05, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (3:55) 6:00, 8:10; **Pirates of the Caribbean: The** 2003 Curse of the Black Pearl (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 3:50) 7:00, 9:55; Sun. (12:55, 3:50) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (4:00) 7:00; **The Rundown**

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(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 throatclutching frights of The Ring, cannot hope with this one to scare a five-year-old. Orlando Bloom, on the team of humans, looks as stoutheartedly heroic as in the Lord of the Rings films; and Keira Knightley nimbly makes the leap from proletarian jock in Bend It Like Beckham to cosseted, corseted aristocrat: or in more practical terms, from little "indie" to high-stakes blockbuster. And Johnny Depp, with raccoonish rings of mascara around his eyes and a perpetual Dean Martin slur in his speech, lets you know in every way possible that he's not taking any of this seriously, other than his paycheck. With Geoffrey Rush and Jonathan Pryce. 2003.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18: RANCHO DEL REY 16: SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Rundown — Action comedy starring The Rock, Seann William Scott, Rosario Dawson, and Christopher Walken, directed

by Peter Berg. (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 JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 1.3: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9: TOWN SOUARE 14: FROM 9/26)

Seabiscuit — Writer-director Gary Ross runs through the storied career of the too-

(PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:35; Sun. (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:25) 7:35; **Secondhand Lions** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:30) 4:50, 7:10, 9:30; Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 4:50, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (3:25, 5:40) 7:55; **Un**derworld (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:35) 5:10, 7:45, 10:20; Sun. (12:00, 2:35) 5:10, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (3.00, 5.30) 8.00

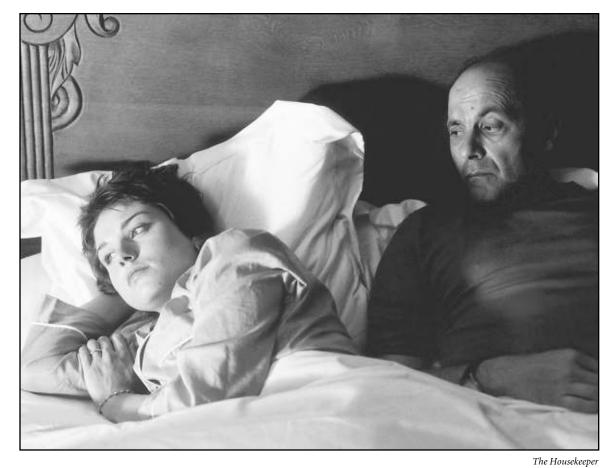
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Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Anything Else (R) Fri. 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Sat. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:30, 7:15; Cold Creek Manor (R) Fri. 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Sun. 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 2:15, 5:00, 7:45; **Matchstick Men** (PG-13) Fri. 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sat. 10:45, 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; Sun. 10:45, 1:45, 4:15, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:15, 7:00; **Once upon a Time in Mexico** (R) Fri. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Rundown** (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Secondhand Lions (PG) Fri. 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Sat. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Sun. 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:00, 4:45, 7:30

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain 11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770) 25, **Anything Else** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:25, 7:05, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (12:25, 2:55) 5:20, 7:45, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 4:35) 7:20, 9:50; Cold Creek Manor (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:45, 7:50, 10:20; Sat. Reader (12:20, 3:00) 5:30, 8:05, 10:35; Sun, (12:05, 2:45) 5:15, 7:40, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:30) 7:30, 9:55; Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star **b** (PG-13) Fri. (1:35, 3:45) 5:55, 8:10, 10:15; Sat. (1:10, 3:30) 5:50, 8:00, 10:25; Sun. (12:45, 3:00) 5:10, 7:40, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:35, 5:50) Silo, 7:40, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:35, 5:50)
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small 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

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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

4:45) 7:05, 9:10; Secondhand Lions (PG)

derworld (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 12:35, 3:00)

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mer Child Star (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00

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Once upon a Time in Mexico (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; The Rundown

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the mode of The Natural, are varied and

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, square-

jawed oasis of professional cool and personal dignity. With William H. Macy. 2003.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY;

Secondhand Lions — Frayed coming-of-

age yarn tied to a crusty-old-coot comedy. Robert Duvall and Michael Caine are

matched with their stand-ins in flashbacks. Haley Joel Osment, Kyra Sedgwick; directed

mismatched as brothers, and even worse

HORTON PLAZA 14: OCEANSIDE 16: PARKWAY

PLAZA 18: RANCHO DEL REY 16)

by Tim McCanlies. 2003. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10:

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SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN;

The Secret Lives of Dentists - Alan

comedy covers similar ground to a Fifties

affair with a faceless somebody in a local

production of Nabucco. The film does an

unrelenting responsibilities in parenting

permitting no let-up in a time of crisis, especially not when the flu makes the rounds

"independence" and "modernity," its

sniggering title change from the original

of every family member in turn. Not high

among the film's assets, however, are what could be considered its assertions of

separation from soap-operatic tradition: the

excellent job of keeping track of the

three well-differentiated little girls,

'women's picture": a devoted husband and father begins to suspect his wife of ten years,

Rudolph's middle-class midlife-crisis

partner in his dental practice, and extracurricular opera buff, of carrying on an

exciting. And the principals - Jeff Bridges, Chris Cooper, Tobey Maguire as the aforesaid owner, trainer, rider - are

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Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733) The Rundown; Under the Tuscan Sun; Duplex; Underworld; Anything Else; Secondhand Lions; Cold Creek Manor; The Fighting Temptations; Matchstick Men; Once upon a Time in Mexico; Cabin Fever; Seabiscuit; Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl; Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star; Step into Liquid

Fighting Temptations (PG-13) Fri. (1:25) 4:05, 7:25, 10:05; Sat. (12:40, 3:20) 7:05, 10:00; Sun. (12:40, 3:20) 7:05, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:25) 7:15, 9:50; Luther (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 3:40) 7:05, 9:45; Sat. (12:50, 3:40) 7:00, 9:55; Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 7:00, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:40) 7:10, 9:45; **Matchstick Men** (PG-13) Fri. (1:40) 4:30, 7:20, 9:55; Sat. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:55, 10:30; Sun (12:05, 2:40) 5:00, 7:25, 10:05; **a Time in Mexico** (R) Fri. (1:05, 3:15) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat. (12:10, 2:30) 4:50, 7:10, 10:05; Sun. (12:20, 2:40) 5:15, 7:20, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:45, 10:00; **The Rundown** (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 3:40) 5:55, 8:15, 10:35; Sat. (12:45, 3:10) 5:35, 8:05, 10:35; Sun. (12:45, 3:20) 5:35, 7:55, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20. 3:25. 5:30) 7:55, 10:05; Secondhand Lions (PG) Fri. (1:45) 5:05, 7:55, 10:25; Sat. (12:35, 3:15) 5:40, 8:10, 10:40; Sun. (12:35, 3:05) 5:25, 7:40, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 4:50) 7:05, 9:40; **Under the** Tuscan Sun (PG-13) Fri. (1:10, 3:55) 7:15. 10:10; Sat. (12:00, 2:40) 5:10, 7:50, 10:20; Sun. (12:00, 2:40) 5:10, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu.

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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.

El Segundo Aire — Mexican romantic comedy on marriage and regret, directed by Fernando Sariñana. (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; OCEANSIDE 16; POWAY 10)

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 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. ● (CHULA VISTA 10' FASHION VALLEY 18'

 (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM
 PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VOGUE)

Thirteen — Essentially an R-rated Afterschool Special about the junior-high perils of conformism, cliquism, peer pressure, piercings, thongs, drugs, and all the rest, but especially drugs. More specifically: how a "nice" girl (Evan Rachel Wood, ever so nice in *Little Secrets*), a sensitive poet and a pal to the studious quiet Asian type, falls under the spell of the "hottest" girl in school (fifteen-year-old newcomer Nikki Reed, who collaborated on the script with first-time director Catherine Hardwicke). The visual style, with its grainy,



jiggly, zoomy, zigzaggy image, is as trendconscious as any teenager, giving the film an air of complicity (or even of favor-currying), and sacrificing credibility. Holly Hunter is outstanding as the struggling mother, rising to her greatest heights at the climax: reeling in reaction to the evidence of her daughter's self-mutilation, then gathering her forces, going on the offensive, smothering all resistance. 2003.

★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Under the Tuscan Sun — Reviewed this issue. With Diane Lane, Sandra Oh, Lindsay Duncan, and Raoul Bova; written and directed by Audrey Wells. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 9/26)

Underworld — Kate Beckinsale (*The Last Days of Disco, The Golden Bowl*, etc.), in a remarkable display of range and versatility, makes herself right at home as a music-video Vampirella, dressed in dominatrix black leather, photographed in deep-freezer blue, mired in a moronic blood feud between high-tech vampires and werewolves. Alongside the snarling supporting cast, she looks like a goddess, just not too smart a one. Scott Speedman, Michael Sheen, Shane Brolly, Bill Nighy; directed by Len

Wiseman. 2003.

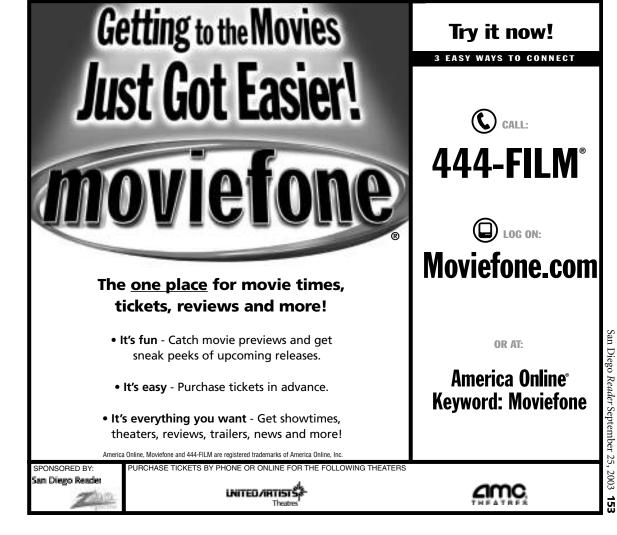
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Uptown Girls — Formulaic if grotesque comedy about the bonding of two Poor Little Rich Girls of staggered ages, the senior of whom is reduced by circumstances to work as the junior's nanny. To be sure, any film starring Brittany Murphy is going to 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 Yakin. 2003. (PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

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, taboobreaking 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 Disnevesque cheerleading. With Rawiri Paratene, Vicky Haughton, Cliff Curtis. 2003. ★ (GALAXY 6, FROM 9/26; HAZARD CENTER 7)

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; LA PALOMA)



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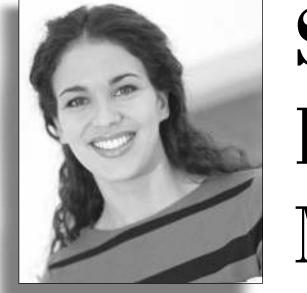
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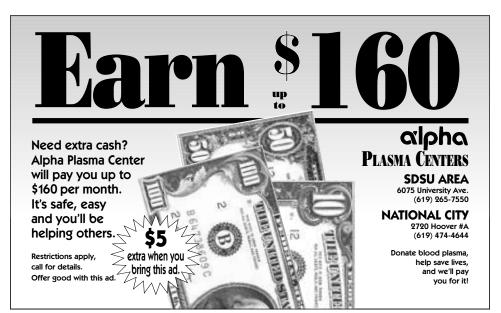
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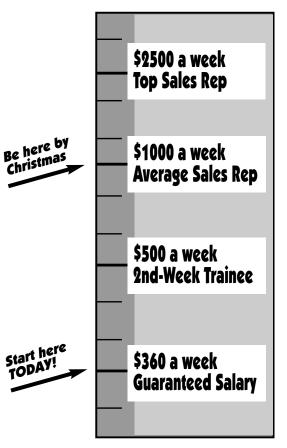
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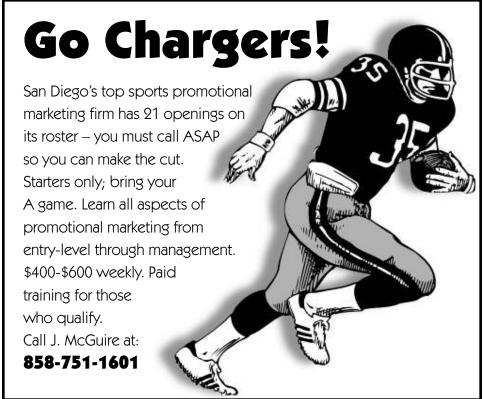
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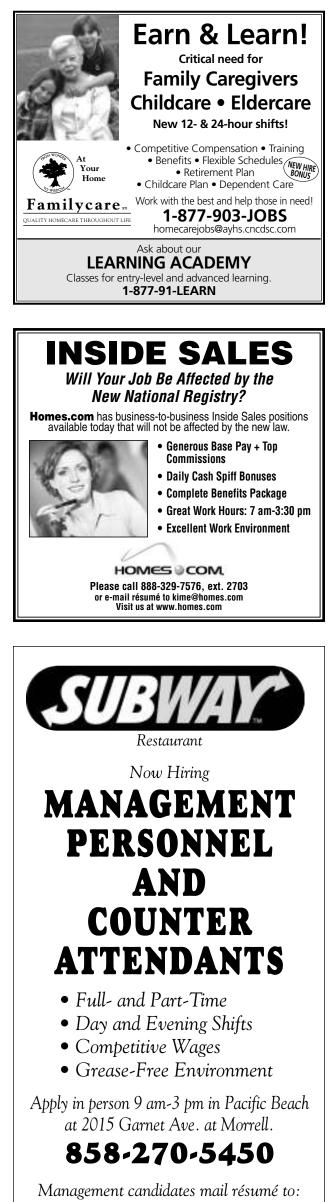
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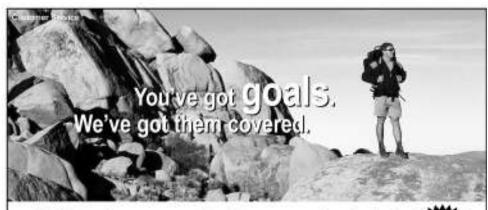
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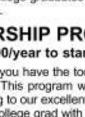
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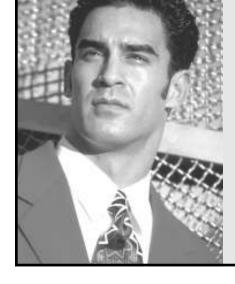
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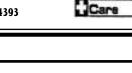


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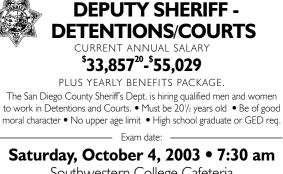
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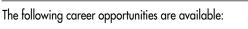
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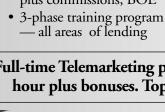
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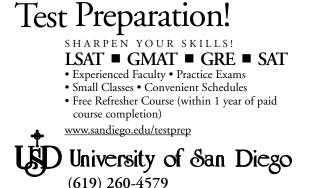
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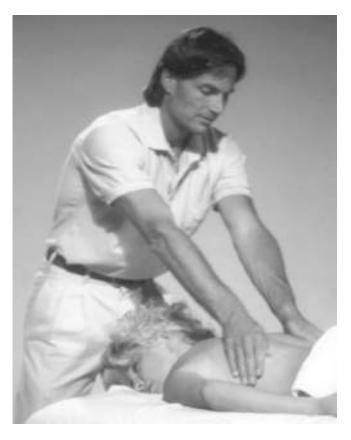
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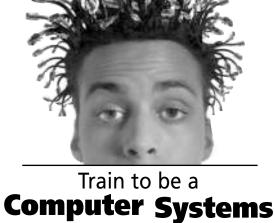
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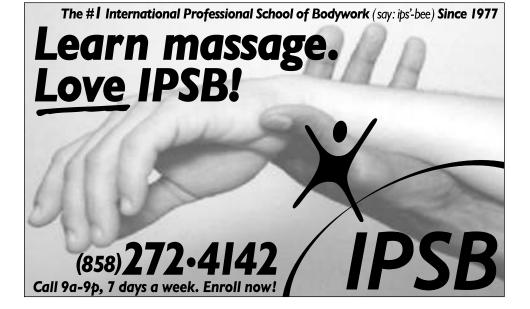
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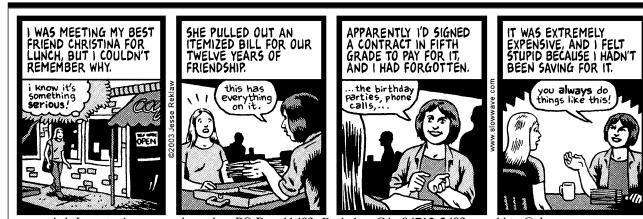
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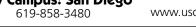
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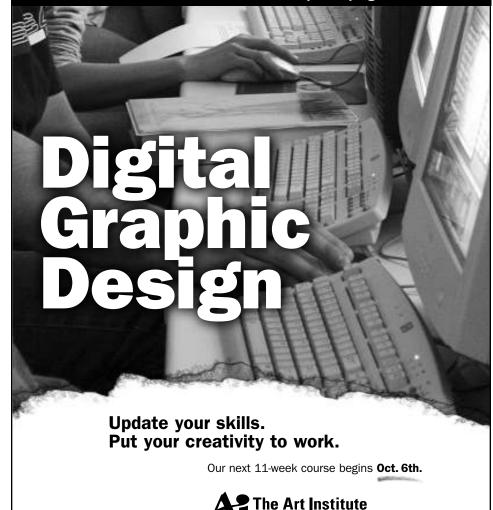
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UNCLAIMED TREASURE who enjoys movies, cooking, travel, antique shop-ping, theater. Romantic, affectionate, sense of humor. Seeking 45-55, tall man, who wants to enjoy life together. (10/8) 2680826 SEEKING A MODERN, humorous guy with old fashioned values, 41-52, loves ani-

old fashioned values, 41-52, loves ani-mals, is stable, secure, fun person. I'm pretty, redhead, vivacious, trim. Friends first. (10/1) 280820

TALL, SEXY, BLONDE, green eyes, lovely long legs, pretty. Seeking military or po-lice officer who is fit, professional, age 38+, over 6' tall, muscular build. (10/1) **T**80822

ASIAN, HIGHLY EDUCATED, integrated intelligent, open minded, positive person-ality, sophisticated, pretty, classy, healthy, fit. Like travel, classical music, cooking, outdoors. You: 38-50, same qualities. (10/8) **27** 80835

CARIBBEAN BEAUTY, dark and lovely, shapely, sexy, career oriented, home-owner. Seeking tall, fit gentleman, 45-59, athletic, nonsmoker/drinker, emotionally/ financially stable. Friendship first. (10/8) 280829

FUN TO BE WITH? Me too! Smart, funny, sexy, full figured, 42, 510°. Looking for in-telligent, loving guy, 35-47. Let's be sweeties. (10/1) **3**80808 **SWEET, SIMPLE, CUTE,** petite, profes-sional, 47, hard-working, healthy home-owner. Looking for personable, reliable, stable, arts lover. Loves the beach, music and quiet Sunday afternoons. (10/8) **3**80830

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 DREADLOCKED BEAUTY, upbeat, intellectual, free spirited and sensual. Love being near water, music, art, want kindred spirit. Be healthy, kind, generous, beautiful in spirit/body. (10/8) ☎80828
 ATTRACTIVE, PROFESSIONAL woman 40, 5'10", fit, with mid-western heart, en-joys movies, beach, hiking, cooking, Seeking tall, attractive, conservative, fit man, 35-50, similar interests, commitment minded. (10/8) 2680833

BLACK FEMALE, 46, seeking white male, 32-55, for long-term relationship. No

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educated, sensual, red/blue, athletic, cul-tured, arts, worldly, traveled. Seeking honest, professional, conversation, friendships, stable, romance, laughter, travel, confident. Take chance. (10/8) 780845 ATTRACTIVE, AFFECTIONATE, early 50's.

pieasures, romance. (10/1) **25** 80804 **LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH!** You: 5'10"+, fit, homeowner, dog lover, outdoor man, 45-60. Me: cute, blonde, 5'7", fit, active. Seeking man of character for friendship/ romance. (10/1) **25** 80800

BRIGHT, ALLURING TOMBOY wants romantic, wise, accomplished, hunky partner. I'm attractive, 51, 5'8", nice boo love outdoors, self-employed, never m ried. (10/1) **2**80813

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MEN SEEKING WOMEN

35, FINANCIAL ADVISOR, JD, tall, fun, communicative, romanticl Enjoys going out, running, tennis, outdoors, acting, film, theater, travel. Seeking attractive, slim intelligent, college graduate. (10/1) HONESTY, TRADITIONAL VALUES, lasting relationship. Professional, 50s, seeks nonsmoking, cheerful woman to enjoy weekend adventures, casual entertain-ment, travel, good friends, good food, my cooking, life. (10/8) 290200

VERY ATTRACTIVE, CHARMING cat lover creative and confident woman with heart and mind to share love of travel, music. (10/8) 290162

NICE, SINCERE, ROMANTIC, healthv. 53. homeowner, financially secure, responsi-ble and reliable, sense of humor, hoping to meet special person to enjoy life to-gether, lets meet. (10/8) **2** 90160 OUTDOORSMAN, CAUCASIAN, officer

YOU'RE ONLY OLD ONCE. Active 73-year-old gentleman would like to share life's opportunities with an adventurous woman. Call, and let's explore the possi-bilities. (10/8) 290161 AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monoga-

mous, biracial, African-American/white male, 64, 6'4", 210lbs. Seeking lifetime re-lationship with white female. Home, danc-ing, travel, more. (10/1) **29**0149

BALANCED, UNENCUMBERED, edu cated, professional, athletic, 53, partici-patory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social, mid-west values. Seeks compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (10/1) 280615

FRENCH-IRISH international attorney, 60, 5'10", 170lbs., attractive, fit. Seeking sexy



lady, 55-65, for long-term, passionate, friendship, monogamous, nonsmoking, love, soul mate. (10/1) 280617 FINANCIALLY SECURE, 53, Italian male brown/brown, entrepreneur, warm-hearted, fun, handsome. Seeking petite, attractive, secure with herself, no prob-lem, sexy, warm, fun, travel. North County. (10/8) **29**90152

45, 5'8", 160lbs., looking for soul mate interested in travel. No children or dogs in household. Established professional, Point Loma, Unity Church, metaphysical, 40-50, (10/8) **39**90155

EAST VILLAGE MAN, music lover, blonde, single, childless. Seeking woman wanting to be found interesting, find me. blonde, single, childless. Seeking woman wanting to be found interesting, find me. Like slender, friendly, full hairy, possibly hirsute. (10/1) **T**80629

SURF, BLADE, BIKE, jog, guitarist, restaurants, theater movies, 36, 5'11", athletic build, spontaneous, North County coastal. You: athletic, guiet evenings at home, time to date. (10/8) \$90188

LOOKING FOR LOVE, or at least a lot of fun. I'm 6', blue/brown, good looking, honest, fun. You: sexy, honest, reliable, funny, kissable, available. (10/1) CROSSROADS? Ready! Life's best half,

encosmous relationship, with, trav-elled, sensitive, spiritual, North County re-tired. You: tall, unencumbered, romantic doer in life. Experience the right road. (10/8) **23**90198

EDUCATED, FUN professional, late 40s, loves cinema, travel, walks, dancing, high/counter culture, progressive politics seeks attractive, intelligent woman, 30-47, to 57", for dating/relationship. (10/1) <u>26</u> 80621 TALL, HANDSOME, professional, 39

black male with great sense of humor. Seeking cute bunny for snuggling and laughing. (10/8) **2**90163

Nice Wisconsin Girls?

East Coast guy would like to meet traditional, down-to-earth Wisconsiner, 26-30, never married, no kids. Must be honest, loving, caring, blondish hair. (10/8) **2**90151 HANDSOME, SEXY, SUCCESSFUL exec

utive, 59, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relation-ship. (10/8) **2**90157

JEWISH MAN, SEEKING Jewish woman, 35-50, for long-term relationship, no chil-dren, only serious inquiries apply. Inter-ests: tennis, hiking, music, live the-atre. (10/1) 280616

TI, ATHLETIC, GOOD looking, clean gen-tleman, age 33, look 27, nonsmoker, look-ing to meet a passionate, real woman, for friendship, travel, beach. One on one. (10/8) \$90177 PREFER SLENDER, SENSUAL, loving,

40's, environmentally conscious, down to earth. I'll take you to mountains, you take me on city outings. No dancing or night-clubs. (10/1) **2**80632

JEWISH MAN, 51, ATHLETIC. I am trim and slim, 6'2" and love the good life. I am financially and emotionally secure and seeking counterpart. (10/1) **2**80609 seeking counterpart. (10/1) Sector SOME LIKE IT HOTI Favorite movie native San Diegan, 175lbs., 5'11", good shape/looks, exercise, bike, walk. You: 40-60 educated, good shape, laughing, spontaneous, music. (10/8) 290175

EAST COAST FROM D.C. Race and age open. I'm 38, 5'7", 150lbs., and might I add good looking. Smile, sense of humor mandatory. (10/8) 230176

MALE, 50'S, DIVORCED, romantic man likes cuddling, walks on beach, sponta-neous, easygoing, honest, dining out,

movies, very nice, affectionate, laughter looking for his princess. (10/8) 290181 EAST COUNTY, 53, ATTRACTIVE, finan cially secure, homeowner, movies, din-ing, romantic hand holder. Looking to share goals, professional, clean. You: at-tractive, honest, sensual, like life, 40-56. (10/8) 22 90183

bo. (10/8) 2590183 HANDSOME, TALL, FIT, confident, per-sonable, passionate, caring, 45, 6'2". Looking for an affectionate companion to share good times. Pretty, slim, healthy, in-telligent, fun loving. Nonsmoker. (10/8) 26 90199

COUPERATE: CUTE, financially secure, 510°, physically fit and slightly compul-sive. North County guy seeks unencum-bered, attractive woman, 35-45 to go out and have fun with. (10/8) **COUP** WHITE, PROFESSIONAL MALE, good looking, 48, 6'1", 180lbs., brown hair, green eyes. Seeking white, professional female, in shape, 30-50, for adventure, dating, long-term relationship.)10/8)

ualing, **2**9020 FINE GENTLEMAN, good natured, outgo-ing, slim, 5'8", seeks mature senior woman, 69 plus, joyful in spirit, aging gracefully. (10/1) 280612

COMPATIBILITY, FRIENDSHIP, dance

and whatever else occurs, mutually sought by attractive, upscale, creative, adventurous type. 59, 5'10', trim, articu-late, well groomed. All inquiries an-swered. (10/8) 290174 TALL, SPIRITUAL FRIEND, 6'4", 51, open

minded, fun loving, professional, en-trepreneur. Loves sailing, skiing, dancing and romantic adventure. Seeking spiritual path partner, share life's lessons. (10/1)

ATTRACTIVE, RICH, HAPPY active, 30s guy seeks attractive, happy, active lady, 20 to 40 with lust for life. Enjoy scuba, surfing, travel, horses, fun. (10/1)

RESPECTFUL, ATTRACTIVE, affectionate easygoing, fit, 55, 5'8", 150lbs., likes easygoing, fit, 55, 5'8", 1501bs., likes movies, camping, sightseeing, dining out, seeks petite lady with similar qualities, and interest for relationship/mar-riage. (10/1) 280622

SINCERELY SEEKING MY new girlfriend. 1'm 55, 5'3", 160lbs., good looking. I love cats, music, movies, fun. Near down-town. (10/1) \$\$80623

YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK LIKE Twiggy. Warm, polite, employed man, 6^{*}2*, 205lbs., 45, seeks feminine lady, 40+, for fun, and committed relationship. Thank you. (10/1) **2**80640

SEEKING ADVENTUROUS, athletic Athena for trail running, cycling, motorcy-cling partner, surfing, hiking. Proceeded by good food, drink, and massage! De-sire your interests as well! (10/8) **39**(202)

TALL, LIGHT, HANDSOME, Hispanic gen tleman, seeking attractive, sincere, ro tleman, seeking attractive, sincere, ro-mantic, affectionate, 40-50s woman, with nice figure, long legs, big heart. Wanting someone special! South Bay area. (10/8) 290156

BLACK MAN SEEKS white woman for friendship, fun, frivolity. 37, 5'9", 185lbs., friendship, fun, frivolity. 37, 5'9", 185lbs., love blues, funk, reggae, sports, beer, pool, books, kissing, more. What about you? (10/8) **29**0196

HERPES, HANDSOME, HONEST, home owner, 45, fit, easyoing, athletic. Likes theatre, outdoors, laughing, romance, conversation. You: 36-47, fit, considerate, kind, romantic, happy, fun. Kids OK. (10/1) **2**80634

HANDSOME, FIT, CAUCASIAN, 44, ad-venturous, educated, communicative, cultured, speaks French/Spanish. Seek-ing outdoorsy, self-reliant, adventurous, fit beauty for travel, life time of healthy thrilis. (10/1) **T**80633

ITALIAN MAN, 40, 6'1", honest, sincere enjoys movies, walks on beach, easygo-ing, home oriented, seeking slender, at-tractive woman for meaningful relation-ship. No drugs, smoking, games. (10/1) 280625

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Attractive, green-eyed, semi-tetired, commodities trader, 6'2", youthful 63, financially secure, enjoys sports, movies, dining out, good conversation. Seeking woman for friendship, laughter, love. (10/8) 200180

EX-NEW YORKER seeks Asian girlfriend. Honest, bright, sense of humor, slim, sen-suous, happy, likes jazz. (10/1) 280635 SPIRITUAL WOMAN DESIRED. You want: aood looking, insightful, physically fit good looking, insightful, physically fit, healthy, emotionally available, sensual nurturing, passionate, heart connected communicative, educated, playful, North Coastal guy, 58. (10/8) **2**90158

Coastal guy, 58. (10/8) 2 90158 COLORFUL GREEN-BLUE EYES, German-Irish Catholic, very affectionate, attrac-tive, unencumbered, degreed profes-sional, 39, 6'1", 218lbs., clean-cut,



conservative appearance. Seeking monogamous relationship with very at-tractive, warmhearted female, 22-32, pos-sessing inner and outer beauty. (10/8) **29**90182

HANDSOME, CONFIDENT, energetic, 42, 6'1'', 195lbs., waterfront homeowner, fit, happy and secure. Seeking you! Slim beauty, for romance and sincere relation-ship now! (10/1) **12**80626 NICE, FUN MALE, 37, black, seeking white ference from the service nerge the

white female friend or maybe more. It's so simple, I don't argue, I don't fight. (10/8) **3**20189

SINCERE, PASSIONATE, sensitive, 55, 1601bs., 61", romantic. Seeks 30 to 45 angel for possible long-term relationship. All responses answered. Are you the one? (10/8) 290173

 TRACTIVE, FIT, business owner, financially secure, kids OK. Seeks positive fun loving, attractive female, smart, kind, warm, passionate, sensual, honest, for fun, outdoors/indoors. (10/8) 290186 SENSITIVE, JEWISH DOCTOR, 39, tall

very attractive, fit, blue eyes, play three instruments, writes books, enjoys creative accomplishments. Seeking sensitive, in-telligent, growth-oriented, single fe-male. (10/8) **3**90194 ASIAN OR MIXED RACE, family-oriented

woman sought by compassionate, intel-lectual, well groomed, sense of humor, professional, mixed race man. You: sin-gle. Me: single. We? (10/1) 780630 FUN AND EXCITEMENT AWAITS you!

Young-looking Latin, 36, who enjoys laughing, traveling and adventure, searching for a terrific lady, 24-38, tor mance. Race open. (10/1) 380627 STOP HERE! 5'10", 52, no children, se-cure, professional, music, hiking, movies, golf, cooking, barbecues, sense of hu-mor. Seeking 40-52, intelligent, easygo-ing, fit, laving partner. (10/8) 390190

ing, itt, loving partner. (10/8) ☎90190 LIFE IS LIKE A BOX OF chocolates. Handsome, single, black male, degreed professional, true gent! Seeking shapely walking companion. Race not an issue. (10/1) ☎80631

SHOPPING FOR A BOYFRIEND, or just a good friend? Attractive, easygoing, interesting, 39. Seeking a down to earth, reasonable trim woman who is available. (10/1) 290147

NORMAL WOULD BE NICE. You enjoy running, relaxing on the beach, cycling, warm stimulating conversation, movies, cuddling. Let's get together and see where it goes. (10/1) 280628

HANDSOME, TALL, affectionate, fun lov-ing, warm, friendly, humorous, hardwork-ing, man. Seeking people-oriented, fun loving woman. Adventure, romance, share good times with Mr. Enthusiasm, me! (10/1) 190143

JOYOUS, GIVING SOUL, 52, cute, slim, movies, arts. Seeking pretty, attractive fe-male, slender side, curvy a plus, 44-54. For wonderful and pleasant times. (10/1)

SEXY, MANHATTAN PHOTOGRAPHER. Athletic, eclectic interests, from the beach to the opera. Enjoy well appointed, open-minded woman, especially Euro-pean, for dating, sharing. Age unimpor-tant. (10/8) **2**90192

tant. (10/8) 20:90:192 INTELLIGENT, SPIRITUAL computer pro-fessional, 61. Desires active relationship based on openness, honesty, communi-cation, affection, healing and mutual per-sonal growth. Seeks inner beauty, not ex-terior image. (10/8) 20:90165 CHILL OUT PARTNER WANTED. White

male, 42, kick back, no stress, relax, have fun. Laughter, movies, music, plants, massage, concerts, camping, animals, fresh live foods. (10/8) **2**90172 HAPPY, INTELLIGENT, 6', green-eyed blonde, seeks long-term relationship with a kind, smart, funny woman. Race and age are not important. Let's dance. (10/8) <u>37</u>90153

EVIL MOORE, WELL EDUCATED, successful, interesting, traveled. Seeking charming, educated, enchanting queen, who knows life imitates opera. Please, no forest creatures or witches. (10/8)

HOT, HANDSOME MALE, distinguished, Late 50ish, sexy, romantic, good kisser, cuddler, divorced father, La Mesa seeks attractive, sexy, romantic woman for inti-mate dates. Be available. (10/1) 280614

LOOKING FOR CHEMISTRY. Italian male professional, pleasantly surprising. I have no dependents or baggage. Seeking at-tractive young lady for friendship, dating,

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- others 50. Engine starter: Abbr.
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RULES OF THE GAME

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each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a

6. All answers must be entered in the

space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our

healing, all levels, walks, communicating, spirituality, dancing, developing, joy, prosperity, intuition, humor, metaphysics. Trim, 5'5". (10/1) **2**80611

FRIEND AND LOVER, ME: 49 years

FRIEND AND LOVER, ME: 49 years young contractor. In shape, fun loving, easygoing, Enjoy surfing, sailing, biking, movies. You: slender, easygoing female sharing same qualities. (10/8) 2790166 STABLE, FIT, TRIM, 53, unpretentious, 5'6", enjoy KPBS, film, videos, music, scenic drives, health food, French and Greek arts. Not religious, any race. No gamesi (10/1) 2730642

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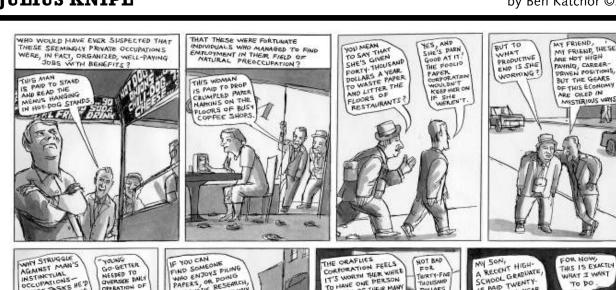
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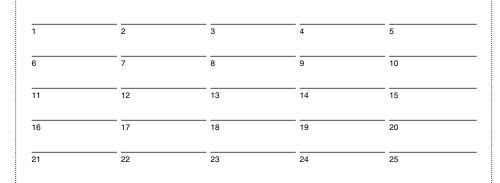
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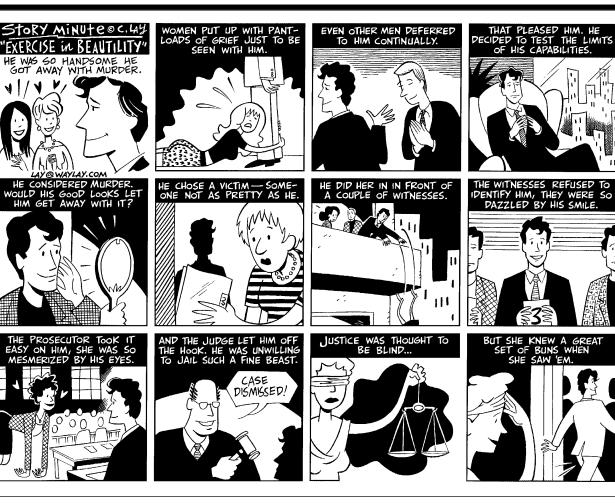
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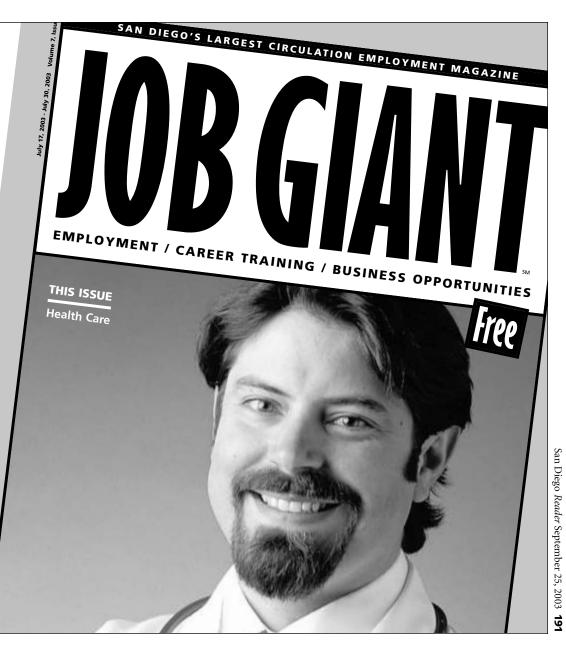
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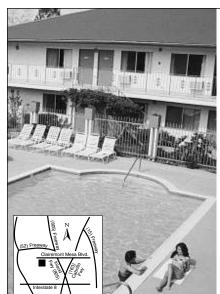
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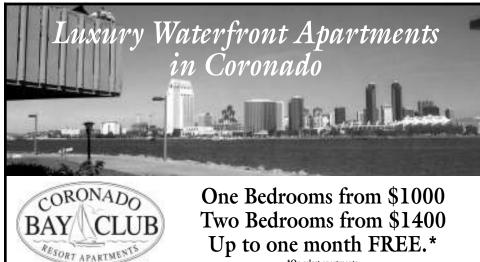
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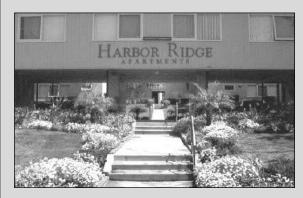
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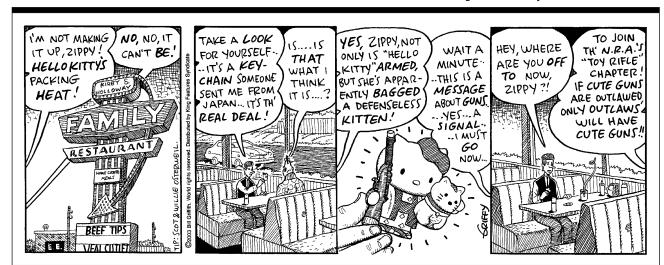
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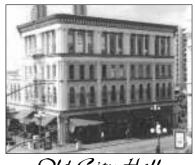
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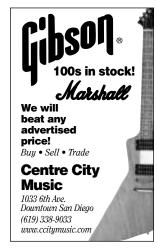
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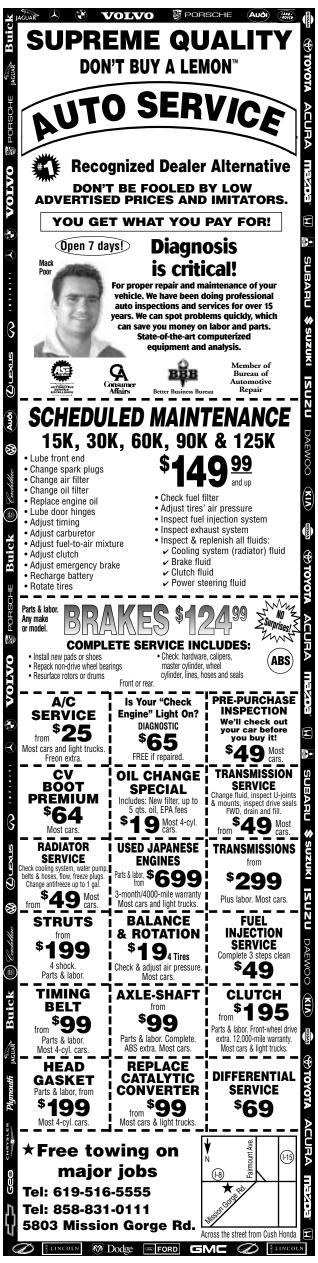
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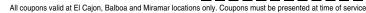


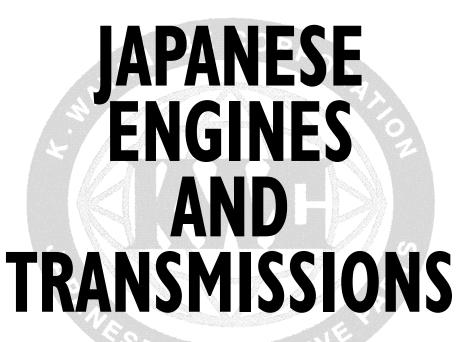




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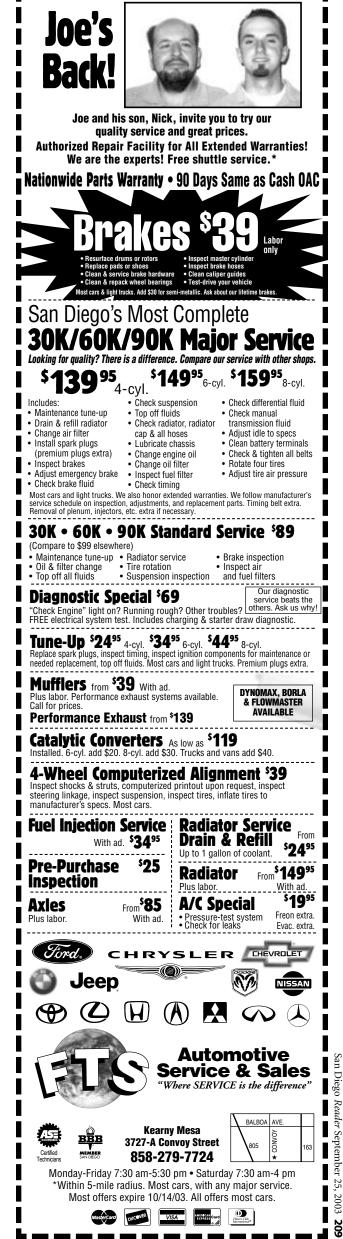
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LEAD STORY

- An unidentified man created a frenzy in London in September when he began offering a free call-in service in which he - dressed in a full "superhero" costume of colorful tights, cape and mask armed himself with a metal-cutting circular saw and came to the aid of motorists whose cars had been immobilized by police-installed wheel clamps (called the "Denver boot" in many American cities). "Angle Grinder Man," with a website and hotline number, said he had freed 12 cars so far and doesn't mind breaking the law because it's a "public service." "And I like wearing the costume.

People Different From Us

- Matthew Long was acquitted of assaulting his girlfriend, Vicki Smith, in Cincinnati in September. Smith (250 pounds) had accused Long (116 pounds, one leg) of choking her with their dog's leash (although before the leash could be introduced as evidence, the dog reportedly ate it). Long testified that what happened was that he grabbed Smith in an attempt to prevent her from walking out, clinging to her as she dragged him through the house. ("Love does that," Long added.) When Smith admitted that she could throw Long around "like a rag doll," the judge found him not guilty. Both Smith and Long are married to other people.

More Things to Worry About

- The Cambodian government is planning a tourist attraction (museum, theater complex, food service) at the site of the cremated ashes of Pol Pot, the dictator who directed the "killing fields" murders of two million people. ... Several established online-gambling parlors ran full betting boards in August on this year's Little League World Series, according to Editor & Publisher magazine. ... Derrick and Patricia Cogan of Devon, England, still managed to enjoy a scheduled September holiday in their mobile home, despite the fact that, days before, it had sustained about

\$3400 in damage after being hit by a cow that fell off of a 30-foot cliff.

Least Competent Criminals

 Easy Collars: Pamela J. Reardon was arrested in Monroe, Ohio, in August and charged with buying groceries using a stolen check; she was easy to track down because she had tried to save even more on her purchase by using her own Marsh Supermarket discount card. ... Mr. Lem Lom was arrested in Janesville, Wis., in August after he allegedly stole an electronic gadget from the front yard of a home; the device was the base station for the pre-trial-release ankle monitor worn by the home's resident. Removal of the base station signals the police, who can track its whereabouts easily.

- Lyle Hartford Van Dyke Ir. was convicted in July in Portland, Ore., of trying to pass \$3 million in bogus currency that featured a photo of the Queen of England. ... In September, Michael Christopher Harris, 24, was arrested after he tried to pass a \$200 bill with a photo of George W. Bush at a Blue Flame convenience store in Roanoke Rapids, N.C. Police later found out that Christopher had gotten a cashier at a Food Lion in town to accept one and give him back change.

Science on the Edge

- In August, scientists from the Australian Antarctic Division, traveling by boat on a research mission to attach satellite-tracking devices to whales to study their habitats, managed to capture what they believe is a historical first photo: the water pattern that results from the bubble when a huge whale releases flatulence. Said researcher Nick Gales, "We got away from the bow of the ship very quickly. [I]t does stink."

- Scientists working out of the Lawn Hill (Queensland) National Park in Australia announced in June that they had found a male Lavarack's turtle, which was thought to be extinct but has apparently survived relatively unchanged for thousands of years. The turtle's primary distinction is that its sex organs and its breathing apparatus are located in the anus.

Awesome: In August, surgeons in Beijing successfully removed a year-old baby's third leg, which was growing in her back and was actually her undeveloped twin's leg. ... In June, a 26-yearold woman gave birth to a baby girl with one body and two heads at the Abu al-Reesh hospital in Cairo, Egypt. ... In Rensselaer County, N.Y., two unrelated groups of girls out hiking discovered a turtle with two heads (Poestenkill, N.Y., May) and a frog with no eyes (Raymertown, N.Y., July).

Leading Economic Indicators

 The New York Post reported in August that some corporate-meeting planners in New York and Los Angeles are scheduling upscale gourmet buffets in which the food (sushi is the favorite) is served on the body of a young nude or semi-nude woman who lies on the buffet table for up to three hours. Raw Catering (New York) and Global Cuisine (both cities) charge up to \$700 per guest.

- An August New York Daily News report on Manhattan's housing scarcity revealed these recent offerings: a 250-square-foot condo near Gramercy Park, \$167,500; a 240-square-foot walkup on West Tenth Street, \$179,500; and a 160-square-foot co-op in the West Village for \$135,000 (quickly taken). Said one agent, "It's owning a piece of Manhattan."

 In July, retired developer Bill Martin, 65. announced that he has agreed to buy a dilapidated park near Hudson, Fla., and convert it from its former use as a racially segregated nudist camp into a nonsegregated, Christian-themed nudist resort. Said Martin, "Body shame is an indicator of our alienation from God, self and others. It is a bondage from hell and, according to the Bible, a direct result of Satan's deception."

First Things First

- At press time, Chicago police detective Janice R. Govern was scheduled for a dismissal hearing based on a 2001 incident in which, allegedly, by Chuck Shepherd © 2003

she continued to shop in a Dominick's store after a customer told her that the bank branch inside the store was being held up. According to a witness, she told the fellow customer to call 911, then she resumed shopping and was waiting in a checkout line when uniformed officers arrived at the store.

The Perpetual Campaign to Make **Everyone Perfect**

- At least nine child-care centers in Melbourne, Australia, have banned all stories about crimefighting superheroes, lest it encourage aggressiveness (August). ... A primary school in Birmingham, England, banned parents from its annual sports day so that the kids who did not win contests and races would not feel so bad (May). ... The British Health and Safety Executive decided that a European Union standard for multi-story buildings should also apply to mountain climbers, thus requiring ice and snow warnings posted on mountainsides and the use of an additional safety rope for all climbers (August). ... An Irish government minister encouraged churches to investigate whether burning incense during services might violate the law on secondary smoke (August).

In the Past Month...

- New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg (whose net worth is estimated at nearly \$5 billion) was rejected for a Sears credit card as he shopped in Queens (and after the error was rectified, his approved card arrived with a \$4000 spending limit). ... President Lucio Gutierrez of Ecuador commenced a campaign to rid the nation of its notorious indifference to punctuality, starting with an interview over Teleamazonas TV, but he showed up late. ... A 42-year-old salesman for Tires Plus in Athens, Ga., was charged with offering a female customer four tires for sex.

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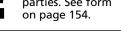
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<u>By John Brizzolara</u>

I did a column, a few years ago, on what most defines the thing about Friday, and that is, of course, Monday, the beginning of the work week. I interviewed several people on a Monday and asked them what they did the previous Friday night or over the weekend, but I never took on the real business of the anti-Friday - the evil that sets us to thanking God for its nemesis.

Since I can, I'm going to tell you about yesterday. This is Tuesday.

I had the flu all weekend. It came over me Friday morning as I was writing something about Johnny Cash and started crying. I went to the bathroom (luckily) for some tissue to wipe my eyes and had to occupy the euphemism far more thoroughly than is normal or one would say "regular."

It was nasty and brutal but not short. I had an hour in situ in which to contemplate God's recent profligacy with His gift of suffering.

After possibly an hour, I rose, my knees buckled, and I was abed - to remain there for three days until Monday morning. I used the time to reread The Power and the Glory by Graham Greene (the closest book at hand) and once again puzzle over the sequence where the priest upbraids the Mexican peasants to, instead of whining, thank God for their suffering and beg for more. Exactly the kind of bizarre, masochistic Catholic spirituality that made a drunk of me. I blame everyone and everything, of course.

By Monday morning I felt as if I had undergone a beating, but it was over with. I would live with the battered muscles and weakness. I had a job to do, and it was time to be a man and put on my pants. But first a shower and shave. After wiping at imaginary Gillette foam shaving cream in my trumpeter's tuft for a good half minute, I realized it was new white hair I had sprouted over the weekend. It was white for good, and I picked out new streaks in the former pepper of my mustache.

My cell phone rang. My editor wanted chapter titles and pull quotes for the novel she was editing. I had never given either much thought. She wanted them in, like, 24 hours. I owed her something, by God, for handing off an errorriddled manuscript in the first place. I sat $\bar{d}own,$ pantless, and began the job right there with the old MS.

I was forced into Levi's when the cable installer showed up. I had forgotten. Internet access, etc. Yes, yes. The cable guy's name was Mike, and he was a comedian. He started off with a crack about how the computer would only be usable from the rooftop the way this old building was faultily wired and the lead in the paint and the firewall. Hah hah, just kidding, though I thoroughly believed him - I have to take my phone down the street to have an uninterrupted conversation.

As I was working, Mike kept up the cracks, calling the bungalow apartment complex I was in "Tortilla Flats" and "flophouses." He began scrutinizing the spines of the books on my shelf and criticizing my literary interests. He recommended Tony Hillerman.

I then remembered I was two paragraphs shy of finishing a 5000-word piece that was due last Friday and turned my attention to that while Mike played havoc with my roommates' jury-rigged television antennae and, it looked like, bootlegged cable.

I phoned in the novel material and turned my attention to the article ending. Mike announced he was done, voilà. And I hooked up the iBook only to immediately, electronically inhale some insipid virus loaded with infinite megabytes of garbage. My computer was basically useless for the time being.

My stomach cramped. I treated it with stale Rice Crispies and reminded myself to say grace. The phone rang. State Disability Office. It seems I had been overpaid disability in the months following my heart-monitor implant and that I had, in fact, earned \$4 billion. I owed California several thousand dollars now.

My roommate came home early from work, afflicted with the bug I must have bestowed upon him via a licked coffee spoon or the like. He's a truck driver for Goodwill or Amvets and was complaining about what he called "yoohoos" in between gagging over the euphemism bowl. "You know, 'Yoo-hoo, Mister Garbageman, can you take my shit too? It's just a few little things,' and they drag out their excercycle or a mattress and box spring and 40 cardboard boxes full of ... awwwk!! God, I'm sick." "Don't start, you'll get me

at it again.'

My cell phone is vibrating with questions about commas I inserted into text ten years ago and a collection agent for Western Dental who somehow missed the news of my bankruptcy.

Call-waiting. A friend I hadn't seen in a while had read an interview with me in these pages and demanded, "For Chrissakes, are you all right?"

"Yeah, more or less. That's just the paper's tradition of autocriticism, I suppose. It would be unseemly to snarl at the hand that feeds me like that."

Meanwhile, I was doggedly trying to delete, one at a time, the weighty and endless e-mails

and attachments engorging my blueberry laptop. I spot a message from my mother there, and before I can consciously respond, my finger deletes it. Freud was a genius.

There's a sudden urgent indication that the battery is low on the blueberry, and I see the AC power cord is frayed to erratic functionality. I put it to sleep.

I remember I didn't collect my paycheck last Friday, being stricken as I was. I drag my wrung-out frame to the office and weasel out of being spotted by anyone who would demand actual work of me.

The check is, of course, far too small. I take it downtown to the bank where, just like Fridays, there is a Monday-afternoon line that is in no hurry to disperse.

That would be the subject, possibly, of another column: Friday afternoon in line at the bank. Though I've done the DMV and border-crossing lines in a previous column, I think there might be something to comparing the nature of conversations in line: Friday vs. Monday. Good vs. evil. The very essence of what we mean by TGIF.

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Turn Around

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Suddenly, I have four children in school. All those years when I had a baby and a toddler and then another baby and another toddler and I spent my days changing two or sometimes three sets of diapers and filling bottles and scooping baby food into little drooling mouths, I thought, "Someday, they'll go off to school." Two Tuesdays ago, someday arrived.

Labor Day evening, as Jack ran the bath for Johnny and Ben, I checked the school uniforms one last time. "Mom," Rebecca asked, "when will my polo shirts get here?"

This year, Rebecca starts sixth grade. Instead of wearing a jumper, she gets to wear a skirt and blouse. On days when she doesn't go to Mass, she can wear a white polo shirt with her skirt

instead of the white Peter Pan collar blouse. "In a day or two," I answered. "You can wear your blouse for the first few days. It won't kill you.'

Rebecca rolled her eyes. "I know it won't kill me," she said.

"Mommy," Lucy asked. "Have you fixed my jumper?"

"No, sweetie," I told her. "I'll do it tonight." Lucy has inherited the size eight jumper that Rebecca, and then my second daughter Angela, wore before her. Since Lucy is a mere slip of a thing, I needed to move the button on the jumper so that the waistband fit more snugly.

Lucy sidled up beside me and wrapped her skinny arms around my waist. "I'm worried, Mom," she said. I kneeled down and looked into Lucy's robin's egg blue eyes. "What are you worried about?"

"I'm worried about going into a number grade. In kindergarten, we didn't have homework. I'm afraid first grade will be too hard." Lucy's eyes welled with tears. "Oh, Lucy," I said and hugged her to me.

"You're going to do great. You're so smart, and Miss K is such a good teacher. And you'll get to see all your friends again."

Lucy smiled a little bit. "I am excited about seeing Michaela," she admitted.

See? You'll have so much fun tomorrow, you won't even think about being worried. Now get ready for bed.'

I made sure Angela's blouses were hanging next to her jumper in the closet. I pulled a pair of navy blue dress pants out of Johnny's dresser drawer. I set the pants on top of the dresser and coiled Johnny's new belt on top of the pants. I thought about the day a few weeks before when Johnny had tried on his new uniform for the first time. He came downstairs in his short-sleeved, powder-blue button-down shirt and navy slacks. I buttoned his top button and clipped his red tie between the points on his collar. Johnny laughed because my hands tickled his throat. When he stepped away from me, I had to catch my breath. "You look so great," I said.

Johnny smiled and told me, "I look handsome, just like a grown-up man."

"You sure do."

The night before school started, I walked into the bathroom where Jack was shampooing Johnny's head of chestnut-colored hair. "Are you excited about tomorrow?" I asked Johnny

Johnny grinned and nodded his head, "Yes.

"Johnny's goin' to SCHOOL," Ben told me. That's right," I agreed.

When I start usin' the toilet and stop wearin' diapers, I can get Power Rangers under-wear and go to preschool," Ben continued.

That's also true," I said.

"When *are* you going to potty train Ben?" Jack asked. "He'll be three in a couple weeks. It seems like all the other kids were potty trained by now."

'Next week," I answered.

Jack shot me a skeptical look.

Johnny and Ben finished their bath. The girls and Johnny brushed their teeth. We settled into the girls' room for evening prayers.

"I think I'm going to be too excited to sleep," Lucy said from her top bunk.

'Me, too," Angela agreed.

"Just try to relax, then," I told them. "If you worry about going to sleep, it'll be harder. Think about all the wonderful things we did this summer: the beach and the zoo and Disneyland and camp and the Cove and the Wave.'

Jack started prayers. "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," he said.

The girls crossed themselves in the dark. Johnny lay on the floor and rested his feet in Jack's lap. Ben crawled up onto my lap and leaned against my chest.

"We thank You at the close of this day for Your many blessings. We thank You for the wonderful summer that we had. We pray that You will bless the children as they go back to school tomorrow. Especially bless Johnny as he starts kindergarten."

Jack continued with our prayers for the people we know who are sick and those who have died. My mind wandered. I thought about Rebecca's first day of school when Johnny was three months old. I thought about taking Angela to her first day three years ago and Lucy's first day last September. I thought about how quickly the day will come when Ben will march out the door in three years.

"Thank You for our good jobs and all our material blessings," Jack continued. "Help us never to take these things for granted. Draw us closer together as a family. We pray all these prayers in Jesus' name."

"Amen," we all said together.

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