

Claire Error

Sorry. While it sounds really zingy, Clairemont wasn't named for Clair Burgener ("City Lights," November 13). A developer by the name of Carlos Tavares, one of the biggest factors in the building of that neighborhood, named it for his wife, Claire. Sorry, Matt, but you missed the boat on that one! Don Iones

Vista

Matt Potter responds: Mea culpa. Putting aside the fact that I misspelled Clair Burgener's name (there's no e at the end of Clair), it should also be noted that Clairemont was developed by Tavares and his partner, Lou Burgener, Clair Burgener's halfbrother. In the 1950s, houses could be purchased there for about \$13,000.

We're Underequipped

I'd like to thank Don Bauder ("Smoke Blowers," "City Lights," November 13) for understanding the common sense behind the Rural Lands Initiative destined for the ballot in March '04. The measure intends to eliminate a lot of leapfrog development in the most distant rural areas of San Diego County — similar to the Forest Conservation Initiative that voters overwhelmingly passed in the early '90s.

Bauder states it's "the most sensible solution for San Diego" in connection with the difficulty of defending structures during fires in the deep backcountry. How much would it cost taxpayers to adequately defend hundreds of new homes and communities scattered throughout these high-risk, fire-prone wilderness areas? We are woefully underequipped to protect the developments that are already in place. We need to strategi-

cally locate development so that fire-fighting resources can be used efficiently, defending discrete areas around the existing country towns.

It's not the plants, it's the planning.

Urban sprawl into these distant rural areas is a drain on taxpayers in other ways as well. SANDAG studies show that the cost of new roads out there is nearly twice what they cost in urban areas, and then consider the annual maintenance costs! With local and state government budgets in the toilet, what sense does it make to spend our limited resources on the most inefficient development pattern imaginable, continuing to neglect our existing traffic problems and infrastructure deficits?

If we're going to maintain our quality of life in San Diego County and solve the infrastructure deficits, whether it's fire services, polluted runoff, or transportation needs, we can't continue to replicate a failed and inefficient development pattern across the entire county.

Bauder also hits the bull'seye about the politics surrounding land use in San Diego County and the powerful land-speculator-anddeveloper lobby. He predicts their campaign strategy against the Rural Lands Initiative will include the myth about hurting "family farmers," calling that argument "an emotional non sequitur." The Rural Lands Initiative removes speculative residential potential from agricultural lands by reducing subdivision capabilities and preventing conversion of ag land to suburbs. What happened to the orange groves in Orange County? If residential zoning is left on the land, it will convert to residential use eventually.

The voters will have to see through the smoke and mirrors, as the "smoke blowers" will be out in force against the Rural Lands Initiative in March.

> Eric Bowlby North Park

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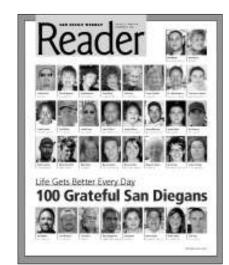
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cracking down on taxpayer

access to public information.

The latest evidence is the re-

fusal by departing San Diego

city attorney Casey Gwinn

to turn over records about

the relationship between

La Jolla councilman **Scott**

Peters and the scores of city

hall lobbyists who have been

seeking his favor. Back in

July, Thomas J. Zane Jr.,

campaign manager for Phil

Thalheimer, who is running

against the one-term coun-

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Official exposure It's no secret that officials from many agencies of local government are





cilman, wrote Gwinn asking for Peters's office calendar and various telephone and e-mail records. Gwinn replied with a stern denial: "A broad request for a calen-

dar of a public official is not legally permissible, because exposing an official's calendar for a period of time is harmful to the deliberative process, as well as harmful to the official's safety, because it potentially exposes the official's pattern of activity." Zane then narrowed down his request to a hundred or so lobbyists, developers, and builders who he believed might have had contact with Peters, including Julie Dillon, Yehudi Gaffen, and Janay Kruger. Still no dice, Gwinn fired back. Zane's latest request, seeking calendar and contact information on just ten big financial interests with dealings with Peters — including the Corky McMillin Companies, Evans Hotels Corporation, SeaWorld/Anheuser Busch, and Barrat American Homes — drew a promise from Gwinn to produce only some of the documents, but with a gaping catch 22: "The Council Office does not always include the business affiliation in its calendar entries for meetings with individuals....They may not be able to identify all of the calendar entries for individuals associated with organizations unless you provide the names of the individuals you are interested in." Despite Gwinn's promises, Zane says he has yet to receive any documents from his months-long quest.

Just call him Jumbotron Dick Are local broadcasters in cahoots with Mayor Dick Murphy? They no doubt would insist not, but Colleen Rudy, who succeeded Elena Cristiano as Murphy's press secretary, appears to feel otherwise. How else to explain a four-page memo, addressed to "local media outlets," in which Rudy said she was "exploring your interest in covering or participating" in "San Diego Gives Thanks," an event at Qualcomm Stadium held last Sunday, ostensibly to "thank our fire and law enforcement heroes who battled the San Diego County fires." Rudy's memo offered to share more than a bit of the glory with the broadcasters themselves. "Radio and television stations are invited to join the event by providing familyoriented activities, giveaways, and/or information within the footprint of the event venue on the Qualcomm Stadium field. Suggested activities include: astro jumps, climbing walls, clowns, balloons, face painting, art stations for creation of cards and signs,

and sponsor giveaways." If that weren't enough, the memo said, "Each television station from the region is asked to submit a five-minute video that will be played on the Jumbotron at various times during the event. Potential themes include: footage of the fire, fire and police heroes, and citizens uniting to support the region. Submit all video to David Hicks in the Mayor's office no later than close of business November 12." Backers of mayoral challenger Peter Q. Davis complained that the event was scheduled to conflict with their candidate's campaign kickoff in Balboa Park. But TV news featured both Murphy and potential mayoral foe Ron Roberts and also managed to fit in the Davis announcement. Coverage itself showed sparse crowds.

Out the door In what seems a bad omen for San Diego Unified School District superintendent Alan Bersin, his strongest ally on the board of education, Ron Ottinger, declared in his departure announcement, "Now my role is to aid the transition



likely will select the next superintendent." ... Democratic foes labeled Trisha Hunter, an ex-aide to ex-governor Pete Wilson, "the Trisha Hunter tobacco nurse from Sacramento" for get-

to a new board that

ting campaign money from cigarette interests, but now she's back for a fourth try at running for state assembly in yet another district. This time her \$990 filing fees were paid by a check drawn on the campaign of fellow GOP-er Shirley Horton, assemblywoman from Chula Vista ... Lynn Schenk isn't the only member of her extended family to pick up an appointment from Schenk's outgoing boss, ex-governor Gray Davis: her 40-year-old sisterin-law **Shari Schenk** made the state's Economic Development Commission. Lynn herself got two plums from Davis: a seat on the state's Medical Assistance Commission and one on its High Speed Rail Authority, touting fast-rail routes across the state and a multibillion-dollar bond to pay for them. Old-timers will remember that Schenk and her old San Diego Democratic associate, Dick Silberman, once were paid by a Japanese billionaire for hyping a failed bullettrain route from San Diego to L.A. Other locals to get last-minute Davis appointments include Joan Jacobs, wife of Qualcomm founder Irwin Jacobs, a big Davis donor. She is now on the California Council on Humanities. Others: private investigator David MacGregor, 66, to the Private Security Disciplinary Review Committee, and Dianna Benson, 44, to the State Council on Rehabilitation ... After keeping an exposé of San Diego's troubled sewage-recycling plants bottled up for more than six months, the Union-Tribune finally ran the story in the Saturday edition, a traditional dumping ground for stories that top management doesn't want widely read.

- Matt Potter

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Widespread Wink and Nod

Bv Don Bauder

n 1999, a vice president of San Diego's Peregrine Systems, holding out an envelope containing between \$25,000 and

\$50,000 in cash, approached the president of a small reseller of Peregrine software. The loot would go to the president of the small company, Barnhill Management, if he would simply commit his com-

the software to an end user. Under accounting rules, Peregrine could not consider this shaky and smelly \$3 million commitment a sale. But Peregrine was trying to impress Wall Street with seemingly billowing



John Moores

pany to buying \$3 million of Peregrine software.

Barnhill didn't have the funds to make such a commitment, and Peregrine knew it. But the president was told that his company wouldn't have to pay the \$3 million until it had sold



sales. So it deceitfully counted the \$3 million commitment — and another \$12 million in other secretive Barnhill agreements — as revenue.

The next year, knowing that Barnhill would never resell the software, and

wanting to cover its backside, Peregrine simply bought Barnhill. According to a former Peregrine executive, the company had no intention to integrate Barnhill into its operations. It wrote off the cover-up purchase as an acquisition cost — another instance of improper accounting.

This story and many others are in the main civil suit in U.S. district court against former officers and boardmembers of Peregrine Systems, the software company that has already admitted to cooking its books by more than half a billion dollars over a period of nearly three years. There is an ongoing criminal probe in the matter, as well as investigations by Congress and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Early this month, a bankruptcy court settlement bolstered shareholders' chances to recover some of their losses through that suit, according to the lead attorney, Solomon B. Cera of San Francisco. Among many things, the settlement requires Peregrine to turn over all the materials that were submitted to the De-

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Party's Over

By Geoff Bouvier

That is it that we have a civic duty to keep, that has its own justices and corps, that boasts its own individual hand

sign, and that, finally, in the end, we are said to rest in?

The answer, of course, is "Peace" or "The Peace."

The California Penal Code, section 415.2, states that it is illegal to maliciously and willfully disturb another person by loud and unreasonable noise. Any perpetrator found guilty of such a disturbance can be imprisoned for up to 90 days and/or face a fine of up to \$400.

If you violate section 415.2, then you are said to be "disturbing the peace."

Pacific Beach compresses roughly 10,000 people into its five square miles. It's a tight community, with many sober families and older residents living alongside a large contingent of college-age drinkers and partiers. There is also an inordinate emphasis on nightlife, with a strip of hopping bars and flashy clubs up and down Garnet Avenue. Not to mention the high proportion of renters to owners: 70 percent of the residents in P.B. never put down roots there, renting on short-term leases or even on a month-to-month basis.

When you look at it this way, P.B. has all the makings for some detrimental neighborly friction.

Stephanie (whose full name is withheld to protect her privacy) is a stay-athome mother of two young children. Her husband works for the city and wakes up early. She's a terrific storyteller, with a quick wit and a visual way of speaking. And she and her family reside far away from the bars and clubs but right next door to what turned out to be a raucous pit of late-night vice and depravity.

"At first it was sporadic," she said. "It was, like, for two years, the same group of people, and it bothered

us, but it was every once in a while. Then, this past summer, it went on every single weekend, starting at 2:30, after the bars closed, and they'd get, like, 20 people out on their deck, of interest between shorttermers and long-termers and between married couples and single partiers. "The guys who live in that house are the same age as my husband and me," she said. "They just never grew up."

Demographic reports for Pacific Beach state that over 72 percent of the people who live there are not currently married. And almost a quarter of P.B.'s inhabitants are in college at least part-time. The rou-

said. "But when it starts to affect my family, the way we sleep, and when their lifestyle starts to ruin ours, well, then, that's enough!"

Even though the partying had gotten progressively worse, Stephanie and her husband didn't really know what they could do about it; for one thing, they thought they were the only ones being bothered.

But one afternoon, they saw a mutual neighbor approach and begin arguing with the partying bunch.

and the police. The program's official flyer states that the purpose is not "to discourage parties, but rather to encourage party hosts to be responsible and considerate of their neighbors."

Over the years, the traditional patrol response to large parties has been to issue a "first-response notice" while shutting the party down. This approach was apparently effective on a short-term basis, but it did not address the problem of numerous repeat parties at

narrow piece of paper (produced in the obligatory white/pink/yellow triplicate format) with the words "Public Service Fee" at the top and about three paragraphs' worth of explanation and official-sounding gobbledygook at the bottom. Among other things, this notice states that "a second response by the police to this location will result in an assessment of a 'PO-LICE SERVICE FEE.' " In other words, don't do it again, or else.



Pacific Beach

hootin' and hollerin' and playing music until 5:30. They weren't very approachable, and they obviously didn't care about the people around them. I mean, this part of the neighborhood is like an echo chamber. Your neighbors might as well be right in your living room with you."

Stephanie cites a conflict

tines and behaviors of all these nonmarried recreational collegians must seem a little crazy to the married minority and professional majority.

At first, Stephanie and her husband subscribed to the doctrine of "live and let

"My husband and I are believers that everybody can do what they want," she

Stephanie and her husband didn't think it would have much of an effect. Then another neighbor spoke to them about the problem house. Turns out there was something they could do about it.

San Diego's Community Assisted Party Program (CAPP) is designed to build a partnership between the neighborhoods

one location. I have one group of friends who illustrated evidence of this: one wall of their apartment was literally papered with stapled-up first-response notices. That was proof that they were brazen partiers, downing beer and whooping late hours in the face of

A first-response notice is pretty ambiguous. It's a

But before the party program was put into effect four years ago, no law could provide the bite behind this Entresponse bark. Another acquaintance once told me that his fellow renters at their gated P.B. apartment complex would pass around blame for their late-night goings-on. The police would show up and S

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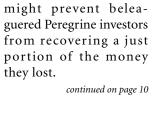
partment of Justice, U.S. Congress, and other federal investigators, says Cera.

Cera won the right to appoint the litigation trustee, who will have a pool of \$3 million that will permit the current board to sue the former board, particularly Padres majority owner John Moores, the big winner in the fraud. Cera expects the litigation trustee to file a suit and says that shareholders "are entitled to get everything that may be recovered from Moores, et al."

But will Peregrine offi-

cials be held responsible for the malodorous conduct already identified by government investigators? Not if Newt Gingrich has anything to say about it.

Newt Gingrich? Isn't he a fossil? Yes, but his legacy — anti-investor legislation — lives on and



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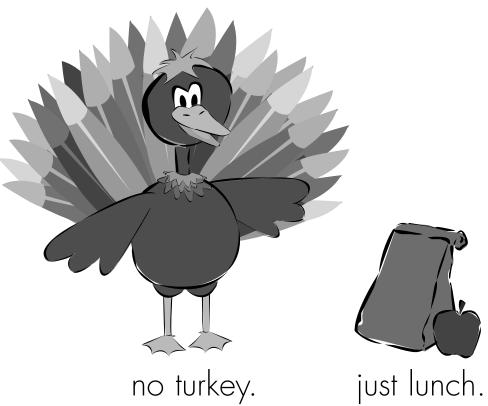
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vate Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. President Clinton vetoed it, but the Senate, despite being Democratic, overrode the veto.

Among many things, the legislation required investors to file suit within a year of when the fraud was committed — a very difficult barrier. The statute of limitations was shortened. Plaintiff attorneys have to provide a slew of details.

The worst feature is the so-called "safe harbor"

provision. Companies can attach a disclaimer to any projection, shielding executives from liability for knowingly making excessively optimistic projections. Executives such as Kenneth Lay of Enron have

invoked it.

Back in 1995, critics said the law would open the door to widespread fraud. Whether the act is totally to blame, massive fraud certainly became pervasive. "Investor protection is now back to where it was before 1929," says San Diego securities attorney Michael Aguirre.

In fact, Peregrine's defense attorneys are now using 1995 act provisions in trying to get the consoli-

great detail on such mattransgressions.

The lawyers who have put the consolidated civil case together have done an excellent job interviewing former Peregrine employees and piling up evidence of massive wrongdoing. One aspect that comes through loud and clear is that the fraud reached well down into management levels — as well as up to

the stronger resellers push-

dated Peregrine suit — a compilation of dozens of suits - thrown out of court. It will be some time before it is all sorted out. Of course, Peregrine's

sins are already a matter of public record. In criminal confessions, executives have pleaded guilty to cooking the books in multifarious ways, including engaging in side deals with software resellers such as Barnhill.

The civil suit goes into ters. As their lawyers fight to have the case dismissed on technical grounds, the various defendants, including Moores, claim they have no liability in the

the board ranks.

The practice of giving oral and written side letters to resellers, telling them they had no obligation to pay Peregrine until the product was sold to the end user, "was known throughout the company," according to the suit. Indeed, the company tracked the difference between reseller commitments and actual end-user sales and called it "the burn rate." One former regional sales director told researchers that the burn rate "was commonly and openly discussed in the management ranks. This was a house of cards waiting to blow up."

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ing Peregrine software, I became a trusted insider, or 'in the club'...they told me things that they would not say to others."

Resellers were involved in "wink and nod" transactions, he said. "Peregrine would offer kickbacks to the resellers — sometimes

things such as tickets and box seats to sporting events and more complex transactions that involved cash."

As the criminal cases reveal, Peregrine brass would hold a meeting just before the end of the quarter, figuring out how much to cook the books to meet Wall Street's sales expectations. "All of a sudden at the end of a quarter...there was always some deal that

came from nowhere," chuckled a former employee cynically.

The case makes clear that boardmembers, who are major defendants, knew of or acquiesced in the pervasive fraud. Moores "installed key operating and executive personnel within the company," says the suit. "Moores was hands-on managing the company" through surrogates, says

one former employee. Boardmembers massively unloaded their stock as it soared as a result of the fraud. Moores, who was chairman of the board for much of the time, unloaded \$400 million during the fraud period (more than \$600 million in all).

Two members of the audit committee - which should have discovered the fraud - worked for Moores's JMI Equity. One of them was regularly briefed on company affairs by the company's former chief financial officer, who has pleaded guilty to criminal charges. After the fraud was initially discovered, Peregrine claimed that there were no formal minutes of audit-committee meetings. The corporate secretary refused to allow the accounting firm to look at manually prepared notes of the committee.

As the 168-page suit points out in detail, both boardmembers and top executives had close ties to Moores beyond Peregrine. Moores's JMI operations had offices at Peregrine. A former employee said, "It was routine at the end of a quarter to see John Moores, who had an office next door to our offices, roam the halls of our building.... Moores and the others wanted to know how the quarter ended."

When the company went public, Moores and close colleagues controlled a huge percentage of the stock. Even as Moores dumped it, he continued to be the largest shareholder and one of the insiders in control. Peregrine and its board were "controlled and dominated" by Moores, according to the suit.

It is essential to get Moores established as a control person, or one who has a control relationship with the company, says San Diego lawyer Jeffrey Krinsk. Aguirre says that conservative judges are thwarting cases against extremely rich defendants in such cases, but he thinks the evidence is overwhelming that Moores was a control person. ■

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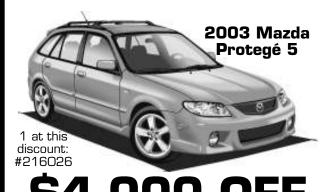
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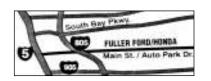
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ask whose party it was, and each time they would point to a different apartment. That way, they got plenty of lag time between responses for one particular address, and the police couldn't pinpoint the source of the disturbances. What's the rest of the community supposed to do in the presence of people who are so resourcefully selfish?

Stephanie and her other neighbors finally contacted the local police and heard

about the CAPP program, and soon enough, their restless nights were history. The party days of their neighbors, at least in this location, are basically over.

CITY LIGHTS

"It took about a month," she said. "And now I guess they've been 'CAPPed' for three weeks or so. Not a peep! We're finally sleeping every single night, with nothing to complain about. I mean, life's too short to complain, but when you can't sleep, you do talk about it the next day."

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subsequently sign a petition of citizen's arrest.

Police community-relations officer Scott Morrison reports that, in general, the program is a resounding success. "Ever since we instituted the program, we've seen great numbers indicating that it's having exactly the effect that we wanted. Now officers can be out there for the more important stuff — the burglaries and thefts, instead of responding to loud parties."

Morrison reports that there are currently 99 houses in the program in San Diego. Eighty-eight

houses have passed through the program in the four years since it began. There have been 9 arrests in 3 houses, all 9 of whom went to jail; 81 of the 99 houses in the program are in Pacific Beach and Mission Beach, where the problem is most acute; 67 evictions or move-outs have come as a result of the program as

"We went from getting hundreds of calls per month — say, 350 in the July before we started the program — down to 180 the following July, down to about 80 last July," said Officer Morrison. "We've knocked down radio calls by over 300 percent. This is a savings of considerable resources for the city."

Morrison estimates that the average cost for a firstresponse call at a large party could be as much as \$150 to \$200, for four officers in two squad cars to take an hour out of their nights and break up a noisy gathering. That means the program saved taxpayers \$40,000 to \$50,000 in this past July alone.

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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP



BY MATTHEW ALICE

Oh wise one:

Why does Disney kill off one or both of the main character's parents? Or a parent is presumed dead/missing at the beginning of every story? Snow White's mom is dead, dad marries an evil queen/witch. Cinderella's dad, same story. Bambi's mom gets shot. Ariel's mom is never mentioned. Dumbo's dad never shows. Lilo's mom and dad biff it on a wet road while going for a drive. Nemo's mom gets eaten, along with his siblings. What's up with that? Does Disney have something about two-parent families? Do they think that having that kind of loss builds character? I just don't get it.

— Bansheetattoo in Serra Mesa

Anybody who's been tuned in here to Radio Alice for the past 50, 60 years will know that one of my favorite pastimes is blaming everything on the Disney corporation. But I've also taken the know-it-all's oath of allegiance, which prohibits me from pointing the finger of blame if it could result in a lawsuit. So let's say that maybe, possibly, perhaps this time there's a slim, outside, remote chance that dead parents aren't a Disney original. If you believe folklorists, Disney just cashes in on the theme, which goes way, way back in history. And of course nobody's really interested in the dead adults, but they're necessary if what you want to create is a hero who's an orphan. Can't make an orphan without killing a few grownups.

Batman, Harry Potter, Spider Man, Oliver Twist, parentless all of them. Examples of stock characters that populate hero sagas. Mom and Dad aren't around to take care of our little wanderer, so he/she must face life alone. Orphans are sympathetic characters, have little or no historical baggage, and are abandoned to face mean stepmothers, mean bosses, mean criminals, all the nastiness of life, with no backup except maybe a pet. Orphan Annie didn't get where she is today by being Daddy's Little Princess Annie. She got there by her own inner grit, pluck, spunk, and stuff like that. Some studiers of folk tales say orphans are popular characters because they tap into our own fears of abandonment. Well, mebby so. It could also be the fact that orphans (and widows) were much more common in past centuries, and their lives made more interesting drama than did kids of the pampered class. So, Disney or no Disney, orphan = hero. Folk-tale tradition. The standard folkloric reward for girl orphans? Love and marriage. For boys? Power and wealth. Think about it.

Hey, Matt:

I always look for the biggest eggs I can buy in the store. I was wondering, with all the turkeys raised to feed our once-a-year habit, why don't poultry producers make turkey eggs available? They have to be bigger than chicken eggs, right? Do they taste different?

e aijjereni: — Displaced Sandy Eggan, Las Vegas

Ummm...they taste like chicken. No, really. They do. They taste like chicken eggs. And they're about $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the size of the average chicken egg. But the poultry game is fairly simple: chicken hens give us eggs, turkey hens give us Thanksgiving. From the point of view of the turkey wrangler, marketing the eggs would be just an expensive complication. Turkeys are at least three, four, five times the size of the average laying hen, therefore require more food and space. They lay maybe half the number of eggs a well-bred laying hen does, and they don't start laying until a relatively old age. And if you sell off all your turkey eggs, then your turkeys, you're out of business. Most turkey eggs go to make post-holiday replacement birds. Laying hens of the chicken variety have been bred to make eggs (and later, commercial chicken soup). Turkeys have been bred to have big chests. You'll have to find your own turkey egg connection, because they're not going to show up on the grocer's shelf.

Okav, Matt:

Everyone has heard those incredible stories where someone's pet cat or dog wanders 3000 miles to find their home again, but I discovered something fascinating right here in Clairemont. Not liking to crush little creatures, I sometimes flush them down the toilet. Once I did this with a cockroach, and even though he was out of sight, he reappeared in the toilet about 15 minutes later. When I completely flushed a bunch of snails from my garden, the next day one of the snails was sliming itself up inside the porcelain. What makes these creatures possess such incredible homing devices and survival skills?

— Paul Harris, Clairemont

The muffled snickers you hear is the Harrises' amused cockroach population. The species have survived disasters that wiped out dinosaurs. A little thing like plumbing won't stop them. Cockroaches love water. Their shells are very waxy. They can flatten themselves down to a 16th of an inch and grip any surface. And they don't have lungs or a breathing system like a mammal's. The trap in your toilet or any bumps on the pipes give them a safe spot to wait out the flood. Then they just crawl back up the way they came in. If this is the most fascinating thing going on in Clairemont, well, it might be time to move.

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

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Falling Out of Truck Windows

Speaking is Tim Dorsey, Tampa, Florida, resident and author of *Florida Roadkill*, Hammerhead Ranch Motel, Orange Crush, Triggerfish Twist, The Stingray Shuffle, and, this February, Cadillac Beach.

Dorsey introduces an occasional series featuring well-regarded writers who spill their guts about a sports team in their town. And there is no better place to begin than with the world champions, the 4 and 6 Tampa Bay Buccaneers, currently holding fast to third place in the NFC South. I start with the only question that matters: "What in the hell happened?" (By the way, this conversation took place prior to Sunday's Tampa Bay/Green Bay game. The Bucs lost by 7 points.)

Dorsey says, "Maybe they're borrowing from the Red Sox or the Cubs. After I got your e-mail last night, I looked it up, and except for the away game at San Francisco, they've been dominant in every game they've lost. Four of the five games they lost, they lost by three points. They, actually, had won two games in regulation before they blew it and lost in overtime."

Spoken like a fan. I ask, "How are local sportswriters treating the team? Have they gotten on Gruden's back yet?"

"Not really. The community has no complaints against Gruden. We still have a Super Bowl under our belt, and who would have ever thought that was possible? When you look at it, they're probably the best team, ever, to have a losing record. It's almost like their record is some bizarre, cosmic series of accidents. Here you've got a great team that could win every game, but they're finding ways to lose. It's amazing.

I jump ahead and ask, "What do you think of the owner?"

'The Glazers are great. Culverhouse [original owner] looked at it like a business. He wasn't interested in winning. Owners can go one of two ways. You can try to be competitive and spend money on salaries, or you can cut salaries, be in the basement, and make a lot of money. That's where he was going. Before the new Bucs came along, we were known as a really bad sports town.

Several moments pass while I struggle to say nothing about the Chargers or Padres. "Do you go to Bucs games?"

Dorsey says, "I've gone to a couple, but there are 80,000 people on the season-ticket waiting list now." Silence. "Here's the thing. I watch these games, and I get so wrapped up in them, I'm on my feet, marching in front of the TV set. During that Carolina game, when they missed that extra point... I was waiting for that play. They had to make that extra point, and it wasn't a done deal because there had been blocked kicks earlier. And when they had their kick blocked and missed that extra point...it was awful."

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Dorsey continues, "The point is, I'm happy; it's the promise for the future. I'd rather be where we are now, looking at the rest of the season and next year, than where we were five or ten years ago.3

"Inside the black hole?"

"Yeah, there was no way out then. It was hopeless. Now, it's more like shock and awe. Your mouth hangs open at how they're losing.

What else? Anything else? Oh, yeah. "That must have been fun, living in Tampa Bay, watching the Super Bowl, your team way ahead. When did you realize you were going to win?"

Dorsey says, "Oakland had that string of three touchdowns and got within 13 points. I was quiet, sitting on the edge of the couch again. And then, when we got the first of two interceptions that we ran back for touchdowns, I knew then.

"I'll tell you what I did. There's a main boulevard that cuts through Tampa, goes by the stadium. I drove over there with my camcorder. I mean, I got there early, and there were people falling out of pick-up-truck windows." Dorsey laughs. "Police helicopters were flying overhead. This shirtless guy, standing on the roof of the cab of a moving pickup truck, was waving a giant Buccaneers flag." Dorsey laughs again. "Of course, alcohol was involved.'

Let me see if I have this right. "They showed the Super Bowl on the stadium scoreboard, right?"

'No, they didn't. They [fans] came out from wherever they were watching TV and went to the stadium to..."

'Celebrate.'

"Go berserk," Dorsey says. "That was the cool thing. Unplanned. No event announcement. There was no organization. It was almost like turtles that run for the sea after they finish laying their eggs. It was some kind of instinct that was in all these people's genetic memories. I figured they would do that, so I went down to see it, and they went nuts.'

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"I think what Cardinal Newman said sums up my attitude fairly well. He said he looked forward to his death the way a schoolboy looks forward to going home."

Reverend Joseph Mullen is 84 years old, or, as he told me last Sunday morning, "I'm an old

Jesuit from Boston." He walks with the aid of two canes. For longer jaunts, he uses one of those peppy motorized chairs. He was 18 years old when he entered religious life. He has served as associate pastor at Saint Patrick Church in Carlsbad for the past 18 years. He now must apologize to parishioners who prefer to receive the Host on their tongues.

"My eye-hand coordination has gotten so bad that I'm afraid I'd give you a poke in the nose if I tried to place the Host on your tongue. I tried doing it at Mass last night, and I'm afraid that I might have frightened a few people. So, for those of you who want to receive the Host on your tongue, please line up before one of our eucharistic ministers."

Much of his present disability results from a mishap in the early 1980s.

"I was serving the Passamaquoddy Indi-

ans in eastern Maine. There was a big snowstorm and for four days, I was without a fire and proper clothes. The cold left me crippled and, as time has passed, it's gotten worse.

At last Sunday's 11:00 a.m. Mass, I was at the very back of St. Patrick's enormous nave. Even from my vantage, I could see that Father Mullen had difficulty standing before the Altar. In the almost two hundred places of worship I've visited for this column, I'd never before seen a member of the clergy admit to or display any physical frailty. I'd never seen anyone with so much as a head cold stand before any congregation. And so, when Father Mullen celebrated the Holy Eucharist and spoke about death, resurrection, and the hope of life everlasting, I couldn't help thinking that, for Father Mullen, those terms were more than abstractions.

I also couldn't help thinking that modern Roman Catholic architecture, although selfconscious in its attempts to be "inclusive," to bring

worshippers closer to the action, has excluded the less-than-nimble. Modern naves try to get as many people as close to the Altar as possible. This democratic urge has produced some of Christendom's longest pews. At St. Patrick last Sunday, although young families were standing at the back of the nave, many of the 30-footlong pews were sparsely filled in the middle. Older people, with a reasonable fear of tripping over kneelers, of navigating the narrow space between pews, were sitting at the pews' far ends. The church's "forward-thinking" architects hadn't thought far enough ahead to imagine old age or infirmity.

Father Mullen wasn't afraid of taking the long view. He based his homily on the First Reading, Daniel 12:1-3, particularly on the second verse, "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting

"Most of us sin out of stupidity or lazi-

ness," he said. "Very few people actually plan their sins ahead of time or think their sins through before they commit them. You meet very few truly evil people in this world. The type who know that they're about to do evil and go ahead and do it anyway. For most of us, it's a matter of stupidity and laziness.

"And so when we think of death, and what awaits us after death, we must remember God's forgiveness. God wants to love and forgive us. Only we alone can reject God's love for us. No one else can be responsible for that. We can't blame it on anyone else. Only we can acknowledge God's love for us and ask for his forgiveness of our sins."

While I listened to Father Mullen speak, I noticed that many of the people around me were smiling as they watched him and listened to him. I of course couldn't read the minds of the five hundred or so people

present. But my impression was that many of them loved Father Mullen.

After the service, I asked him if he feared death. He quoted Cardinal Newman and then said, "But I'm human, and I'm really in no great hurry to go. To the extent that I fear death, I fear it because it's an unknown physical experience. What will it be like? Will it be quick or lingering?"

And, in the face of death, in what did he

"In all my years of ministering to the ill and dying, what has amazed me most is the power of the Last Rites, or the Sacrament of the Sick, to confer peace on people. They can be very upset and troubled, they can be afraid, but when they receive the Last Rites, they become very calm. They know that God is a loving God and that he has forgiven them. They have a genuine sense of closure. Their attitude becomes, "Okay. I'm ready."

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MOTHER WHO IS NOT HO HO HO-ING IN HILLCREST

Dear Mother.

I assume you and your son have talked to Jacob in an open, nonconfrontational way, that you've let him know he is dear to you, and you've asked him specifically if there is any way you could tailor your holiday celebration so he would want to participate. If you've done this, and he still isn't interested, then you may have to respect the fact that for some very deep-seated reasons he feels allergic to any festivities at which a decorated tree can be seen, and you might have to accept that and celebrate without him. If feasible you could offer on some years to go to wherever Jacob and August live, book a hotel room for the family, and share Jacob and August's Chanukah celebration, if you and they are interested and willing, and you won't miss the plum pudding too much.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I have a friend who has an old car that is often in the shop. Sometimes he borrows my car when his is at the repair place, because I work at home and don't always need my car, whereas this pal has

kids to take to school, etc. My problem is that he is becoming a little crass about borrowing my car. Last time, he borrowed it with a half of a tank of gas and returned it beyond empty. I could barely make it to the neighborhood gas station. Another time he borrowed the car, ostensibly for a day. He ended up keeping it three days because he was lazy about returning the mechanic's phone calls asking to authorize additional needed repairs, which made the whole process take longer than it would have if he had just returned their call the same day. I'm beginning to feel a little resentful. I like the guy, but it burns me up to get my car back with the tank dry, or get it back two days late.

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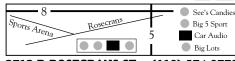
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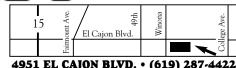
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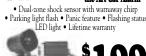
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You never know with the woman; she just might want to change the top color to purple.

My friend Bernice's convertible was slashed. She arrived at my house in a heap, despairing over the state of her convertible Chrysler LeBaron. It is her pride and joy, a present to herself when she turned 40, and to see the ragtop broken into, the compact disc player and some personal belong-

ings snatched, was more than she could handle. I offered her a fresh margarita and assured her I would do some research.

"A lot of the convertibles will get slashed," said Ed Navarrete, service manager at American Sunroof Company in Mira Mesa. "I would say about half the tops are slashed and half get worn down from wear

Hoping to save Bernice some moolah, I asked about whether it could be just patched. "If you want it to look nice, you end up replacing the whole thing," he answered. "There are people that stitch them, but you can see the patch, and if they don't do a good patch job, the water will seep through."

Navarrete replaces convertible tops; he does not repair them. "I don't want to deal with the liability of it leaking and then the customer coming back," he explained.

I know Bernice needs her car for work, so how long will the car be in the shop?

"Most convertible tops are split into two sections," he explained, "and depending on whether it is just the top that needs to get replaced or the top and the back window section, the car can be in the shop anywhere from a day to a day and a half.'

Curious about the origin of the name "ragtop," I peppered Navarrete with the question. "At one point in time, the old Volkswagens, the Beetles, had kind of a sliding sunroof that folded. That

was what was called a ragtop. Now it is called a folding roof.'

Bernice drives a fire-red convertible, but you never know with the woman; she just might want to change the top color to purple. "You can get the tops basically in any color you want. The most common colors ordered are the black, beige, navy blue, and toast, which is a light tan. But there are many different colors that can be ordered: purple, turquoise, plum, even red tweed and black tweed."

Navarrete works on Nissans, Toyotas,

and Mitsubishis. "The prices vary depending on the vehicle and whether you are replacing the back window or the whole top and back window. On average, to replace

both the top and back window, parts, labor, and tax included, it costs about \$1500. And if you are just replacing one part, it costs about \$700 to \$800."

'Most cars, it is just one day in the shop," explained Gary from Jim's Auto Upholstery in Kearny Mesa. "Drop them off in the morning, pick them up in the afternoon. There are a few convertibles that I don't work on, like the Rolls-Royce convertible. For prices, the American cars generally run about \$425 installed for the top only. If it is the window unit and the top, then it costs about \$745."

For top color, Jim's Auto Upholstery can match most colors. "Some of the older factory colors

> aren't available anymore," Gary said, "but any of the newer ones we can get." He also gave a cautionary warning patches. "Patches are temporary. If the material is in good shape, I will patch it; if it is not, I won't even bother with it." M & L Upholstery,

located on Palm Avenue near the border of San Diego and Imperial Beach, works on all cars. A Ford Mustang or a Camaro convertible costs from \$300 to \$450 for the whole top to be replaced. The European cars costs from \$500 up to

Ocean Beach Boat & Auto Upholstery usually has the car in the shop for one to two days. The salesman laid out some of the pricing. "A Mustang top costs about \$800 to \$900. The newer Porsches and the newer Mercedes convertible tops cost around \$1200. For the older Mercedes, from the '80s, the tops run about \$900.'

The salesman at Miramar Custom Upholstery said they also offer same-day service — at most, two days. "If you want me to put on a new top, I will go ahead and put on a new one," he explained, "but if the top is repairable I will let you know before you spend that much money.' The prices for replacement vary. "The Mercedes top is all one piece," he offered, and it costs \$725 for parts and labor for the whole top. The BMW is also one piece and costs \$825 for parts and labor. The American convertible tops are two pieces, and to replace a top, for the Mustang for example, costs \$1000."

- 1. 1965 Mustang convertible
- 2. Ed Navarrete
- 3. 1969 Camaro convertible

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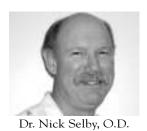
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In the Reader

Thirty Years Ago

In New York, there is always the competition among reviewers, usually won by Judith Crist, for the largest number of ecstatic blurbs which are excerpted from their reviews and transplanted into newspaper movie ads. (Rex Reed, whose charm is partly his obliviousness to his reckless adorations, frequently out-hollers and double-crosses himself on any given page of the theater section, swearing in one ad that here is "one of the finest films in the past six years" and elsewhere declaring "the best movie this season.")

— "CAT-NAP INTERRUPTED," Duncan Shepherd, November 29, 1973

Twenty-Five Years Ago

HATE SUNSETS, the beach, and general mellowness? Contact the Mystery Girls. BOB THE LAWYER, sorry to have missed you at the Old Ox on October 26. Call again. Refer to 10/26 Reader. Minnesota Bridge Ladies.

STARWARRIORS: For those of you interested, Darth Vader's real identity is K.R. on Moana Dr., Point Loma, Curious about anyone else? Canary.

PINTO BEAN, it's so very, very nice to be with you all day long, but why not all night long? Nobody's Fool.

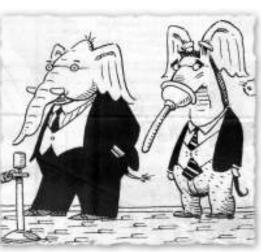
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— PERSONALS, November 22, 1978

Twenty Years Ago

A couple of years ago I almost got married. Came as close as you can, with all the proper people and trappings in place and the mechanisms of ceremony greased and rolling forward. An engagement ring on my hand, a date set, invitations mailed. Parents and friends flying in from out of town. Maids of honor in matching dresses. Groom's guys in tuxedos. Four-piece band. Caterer. Preacher. Me in the wedding gown my mother was married in. And in top hat and tails, the groom, the man of my dreams — a real jerk.

— "HERE COMES THE BRIDE, THERE GOES THE GROOM," Claire Kelly, November 23, 1983



San Diego Reader, November 23, 1983

Fifteen Years Ago

A north Clairemont precinct near Tecolote Canyon Natural Park is split evenly between Republicans and Democrats, but 55 percent of those voters sided with Bush, just 41 percent with Dukakis.

— "THE INSIDE STORY," Paul Krueger, November 23, 1988

Ten Years Ago

"One-third of the women in the United States are over size 16. We're talking over 30 million women! And let's get this cliché right out of the way: they don't all live in the Midwest. I just saw three walk by in the lobby!" I turn in my cushioned chair, scan the Red Lion's lounge around us. I have placed my mini-cassette recorder on the glass cocktail table between us. Ken Mayer has also produced a tape recorder, larger than mine, with a dual microphone attachment, and placed it on the table. Mid-afternoon, there is no one in the room to appreciate this gesture. Two lone sunbathers, their age-loosened skins tanned dark as beef jerky, are visible through tall windows onto a pool area outside.

— "DISCIPLE OF FLESH: KEN MAYER'S PRAISE OF LARGE WOMEN AND HIS OUTRAGE AT THE **SOCIETY THAT REJECTS THEM,"** Mary Lang, November 24, 1993

Five Years Ago

When my friend Ernie called and asked whether I wanted to go see Game 5 of the National League Championship Series, I said yes...this was for the pennant, and people were feeling good. My real problem was with the guy sitting behind us, a guy I will affectionately refer to as Meathead. As soon as he sat down, a stream of f*ck, f*ckin', motherf*cker, sh*t ("F*ck that sh*t" — an amazing notion) and so on began to drop from his mouth like manure from a horse's hinder.

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Crasher

TWO KINDS OF BROWNIES

by Josh Board

went to a couple of older folks' parties...although it's funny how "old" changes in your mind as you get older. When you're a kid, nothing seems older than your 38-year-old dad. I'm sure when you get there, old is 78. And at 78, you know people in their 80s, and that is old. And with this explanation of old, I sure hope the two people I'm writing about aren't reading this.

The first party was in a classroom, for Ms. Solovay, who teaches a medical class in the Mission Valley area. Of course, when there's a party in a classroom, it's not going to get too rowdy. There are other classes going on nearby.

Michelle was the one who put this thing together, asking everyone to bring a different dish or dessert to class. But I glanced at the table with the goodies and only saw a carrot cake, two different kinds of brownies, and two different flavors of coffee. One gal showed up with a bouquet of flowers and

One person told me, "There was a card passed around in class a few days ago, and we all signed it. And our teacher had talked about how she celebrates her birthday for the entire month of November. We all love her so much; we wanted to do some-



thing special for her."

Someone asked, "How come when there's a potluck going on, there are always so many people that don't bring things?" Another classmate overheard this and, defending herself, said, "I didn't know we were supposed to bring things. Nobody told me, or I would've brought something." Of course, that never slows anybody down from helping themselves to

the test was taken, this Jehovah's Witness quickly left the room and never came back. I went out of the room to ask this girl why she couldn't stay and

"How come when there's a potluck, so many people don't bring things?"

the munchies from the people who did bring stuff.

One person who didn't bring anything had an excuse. She was a Jehovah's Witness. When class first started and a test was passed out, somebody said, "We should all get an A, since we're having a party for you." But after celebrate. She told me, "I don't really want to talk about my religion. I might not answer the questions right. If you do have questions about Jehovah's Witnesses, I can give you the names and numbers of the two people from my church who would be happy to answer any questions

you may have."

The next day I asked a guy I know, whose girlfriend is a Jehovah's Witness, what is so bad about celebrating a birthday. He said, "There were only two birthdays mentioned in the Bible. And both times somebody died. And they don't believe in giving out gifts. The only two things they celebrate are anniversaries and the death of Jesus."

When was the death of Jesus? And do kids get gifts then the way children do at Christmas?

"No. They don't believe in giving out gifts. The date always changes because the Jewish cal-

endar is 13 months long. It's in the last two weeks in March. Every year it falls at a different time."

I had heard that the teacher loved Clint Eastwood, so I brought a life-size cardboard cutout of him I saw at North County Fair. I put a bubble over his head saying, "On your birthday I'll take you out and show you why they call me Dirty Harry."

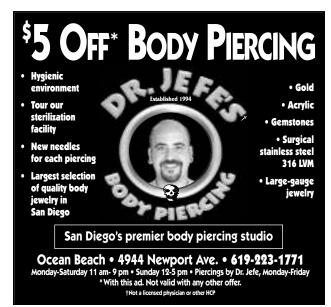
When she saw it, she said, "Wow, you know, I actually have one, but it's different than this. It was back in his Rawhide days." She looked at it with a sinister smile on her face, and someone said, "I wonder what she's going to do with that thing. Couldn't you have found a blow-up doll of

Ms. Solovay tells us she once watched him film one of his movies. "He pointed to me and said something. I was so excited that he was pointing and talking to me that I didn't hear him. He smiled and repeated himself. He was telling me to stand somewhere else, and I was thrilled. Although he did tell me I was in the way, and that's why I had to move. I tell people Clint Eastwood talked to me."

She was going to meet another actor the day after this party: Camryn Manheim, who







Crasher

plays a lawyer on *The Practice*. She's the actress most famous for winning an Emmy and saying, "This is for all the fat girls." Solovay tells me, "I won this charity auction where I get to have lunch with her. I'm bringing my daughter, and we're going up to Los Angeles tomorrow. Since I write for *San Diego Lawyer*, I'm going to also do an interview with her."

That night I went to a party for a lady named Wendy, who was turning 50. It was at an apartment in Chula Vista. I got there at 7:00 p.m., which was two

hours after it started, and she was already drunk. But when people would ask her how much she'd had to drink, she'd say (in a drunken voice), "I'm not drunk." A clear sign that she was drunk was that she was hugging and kissing everyone. I guess that's a lot better than the people who become assholes when they're drunk.

Wendy said, "I can't wait until I have a party like this in four years, for when I retire. I hate my damn job." I asked her where she worked, but she continued on about her age and how she wasn't that old.

Somebody asked where the food was, and Wendy

said something about how she wanted to order pizza. But half an hour later, when somebody brought up the food again, she said, "Somebody has to go pick it up. To get the special deal Pizza Hut had going, you have to go pick up the pizza, not have it delivered." One of the few guests who hadn't been drinking volunteered to go pick up the six pizzas.

When Wendy went into the kitchen, I heard a bunch of glasses fall and break. Somebody said something, and I heard her say yet again, "I'm not drunk, damn it!"

One of the few young guys I saw there had a CBGB shirt. This is great, I thought. We can talk about the Talking Heads, the Ramones, Blondie...all those bands that played there. He said, "Oh, I don't know much about those bands. Somebody just gave me this shirt as a gift."

I finally found a person to talk to. He was an old. bald guy wearing a Harley-Davidson shirt. He knew everything about every topic I brought up. When I asked about the Chargers using Doug Flutie, we had a great conversation about what makes a good NFL guarterback. When he brought up the death of Bobby Hatfield of the Righteous Brothers, we talked about old rock bands for half an hour. It wasn't until he brought up

bowling that I gently said, "I've got to go talk to other people, too."

Wow, that was a close

There were three children at the party. They were in another room watching the movie Cats and Dogs, and I was surprised that they didn't keep running around and getting in everyone's way. Later, they were outside, and I went to see what they were doing. One was 4 years old, one was 10, and the other 15. They were having a burping contest on the stairs. I decided to saunter back into the party.

When the German chocolate cake was brought out, I heard somebody say,

"It looks like a giant turd."
Hopefully it wouldn't taste
like one. Wendy said, "I
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You'll love it." And I sure

They only put three candles on it, and Wendy asked why. Somebody said, "It would be a fire hazard to have all 51 on there! And besides, you wouldn't be able to blow out 51." Everyone laughed, and she grinned at the innuendo and said, "I wouldn't be so sure about that."

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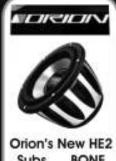
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(CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE) no matter how much it might impact the environment, no matter how inconvenient it might be for travelers, and no matter whether county taxpayers wanted to pay for it or not.

The paper has already made up its mind, such that its lust for airport relocation was almost palpable. "The single greatest threat to San Diego's economic fortunes is the lack of a full-service passenger and cargo airport to sustain the country's sixth-largest city in the 21st Century," thundered a January 2000 *U-T* editorial marking the dawn of the new millennium. "The sooner we choose a site for a bigger airport, the brighter San Diego's economic prospects will become."

Though other voices called for caution and recommended continued use of the venerable airport, citing its convenience and the historic difficulty and acknowledged expense of finding another location, the *Union-Tribune* has kept up its inexorable editorial drum-

"Kolender's curious role came with an amendment that Peace pushed through the Legislature in its closing days."

> beat. By July 2001, the paper was aggressively pushing a proposal to take Lindbergh away from its traditional overseer, the Port of San Diego, and put it into the hands of a new regional "super agency," all the better to build a gi

ant "mega-port" in parts as yet unknown.

"With a single, relatively short runway, Lindbergh Field is plainly inadequate to serve the region's air transportation needs in the 21st Century. Within a decade or so, access roads

> serving San Diego's bantam airport will reach gridlock," the editors warned.

The new airport authority was needed, the Union-Tribune said, to circumvent local troublemakers who had long stood in the way of

progress. "Because of predictable parochial opposition to any potential replacement site, this region has failed for nearly half a century to come to grips with its airport dilemma."

The new superpowered airport au-

thority would "overcome chronic NIM-BYism," the editorial went on to say. The paper wanted a hand-picked board of directors that had already made up its mind that the airport should be moved and would brook no opposition from those who said, "Not in my back yard."

"For starters, the new airport authority would be composed of nine private citizens representing every corner of the county — three named by the City of San Diego, one named by the Board of Supervisors, one named by the San Diego Unified Port District, and one each from inland North County, coastal North County, the South Bay, and East County. Significantly, the authority members would be appointed, rather than elected, and serve long fiveyear terms.

'The aim is to insulate the board from political pressures that for years have paralyzed local elected officials on the airport issue. Appointed, rather than elected, members are essential for the airport board to make decisions that serve the broad interests of San Diego County as a whole."

For months leading up to legislative consideration of the proposal, sponsored by Democratic state senator Steve Peace, the *Union-Tribune* flogged the issue in editorial after editorial. "The need for stronger regional decision-making is too glaring for this issue to go away. San Diego's legislative delegation should not try to hide it under the table," the paper argued in August

Then in September: "For San Diego County, one of the most important bills to be heard in Sacramento this year would create a regional airport authority to find a replacement for overburdened Lindbergh Field."

Less than two weeks later, the paper wrote, "Although this legislation certainly is not flawless, it is a

significant first step. It deserves passage by the Assembly and the signature of Governor Gray Davis."

And again on September 29, after the bill cleared the Assembly, "For San Diego, the most critical measure on Governor Gray Davis's desk awaiting signature or veto is Assembly Bill 93. This legislation would create the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, whose mission would be to find a replacement site for cramped Lindbergh Field."

In the end, most local political observers agreed, it was no surprise that Gray Davis signed the *U*-*T*'s favorite airport



Neil Morgan

bill, given the local muscle that the newspaper and its allies in the local chamber of commerce had put behind it.

And Steve Peace, the termed-out, badly discredited Democrat who had also authored the state's disastrous utility-deregulation bill, had been all too happy to fall in behind the *U-T*-led



Pete Wilson

juggernaut, especially when he was rewarded with a series of flattering columns cranked out by the paper's Neil Morgan.

In October 2002, Morgan, just back from a European vacation, described one of his frequent lunchtime "roundtables" with San Diego's would-be power brokers. "Chasing San



Diego politicians after chasing Rail Europe's high-speed trains, I find Mayor Dick Murphy and Steve Peace, the retiring state senator, seated amiably around a luncheon table. Antennae shoot up when a powerful lawmaker is at liberty.

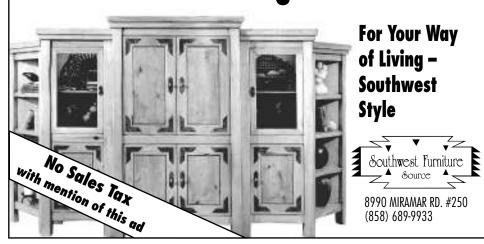
"Our Republican mayor is hoping Governor Gray Davis will

appoint the Democratic senator to one of the three salaried jobs on the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, which takes over Lindbergh Field on January 1," Morgan went on to report, and then ended by quoting Dick Murphy:

" 'Steve is a strong figure,' Mayor Murphy says, 'and that's why I hope we get him on the airport authority. If those appointees aren't strong, they won't get any more done about an airport than we have for the past 50 years.'

In the end, neither Peace nor then-city councilman Byron Wear — who also coveted one of

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the three top spots on the new airport board, each of which pays \$139,000 a year under terms of Peace's bill — made the final cut. Peace chose to return to Sacramento, where he became state finance director in the disastrous, debt-laden final days of Governor Gray Davis. Wear, termed out of his city-council seat and battered by ethics charges, was forced to pull out of the running and to leave public life.

Instead of Wear, Murphy appointed Joe Craver, a retired Air Force colonel, aerospace-contracting consultant, and faithful Murphy campaign contributor. Gover-

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nor Davis chose Xema Jacobson, business manager for the AFL-CIO's San Diego County Building & **Construction Trades** Council, clearly likely to favor any kind of

new construction. Jacobson had also served as publicworks enforcement representative for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 569.

The third seat, to be appointed by San Diego County Sheriff Bill Kolender, was filled shortly before Davis made his selection. But why was the sheriff, of all people,

given the right to appoint the county's representative on the airport board? As Morgan put it in his October 2002 column, "Kolender's curious role came with

an amendment that Peace pushed through the Legislature in its closing days and is a Peace rebuff to Supervisor Ron Roberts. Peace says he found Murphy more amenable to his ideas of consolidation."

Not everyone agreed with Neil Morgan's version of reality; many discounted the "Steve Peace seeking vengeance against Ron Roberts" story. More cynical observers noted that Kolender, a former Union-Tribune executive, was loyal to Helen and David Copley, the paper's owners, and could be counted on to install a boardmember who would more than support

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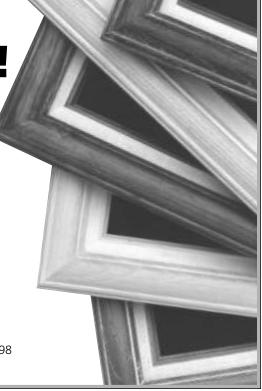
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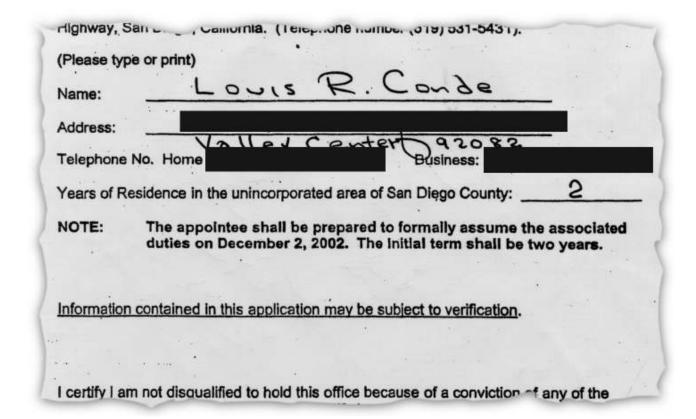
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their long-held desire to move the airport, no matter what the environmental or financial costs. Peace, this theory went, had simply accommodated his powerful friends in the press.

When Kolender's pick was revealed on November 9, 2002, in a glowing story on page B-1 of the *Union-Tribune*, the cynics were not surprised. "Philanthropist nominated for regional airport panel," the headline blared. An enthusiastic story followed. "William D. Lynch, a Rancho Santa Fe businessman and philanthropist, whose foundation backs children's literacy programs, has been named one of three executive directors of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority."

"I hope to bring



some common sense in the analysis" of options for a new regional airport, said Lynch, who applied for the county government's appointment to the airport executive committee

after being personally wooed by government officials and others. "And I believe, hopefully, that I can bring something to building a consensus, which is what this is going to take," he

said.

In an echo of its many editorials citing the economic benefits of a new airport, the story quoted Kolender as saying that "Lynch 'understands that the airport is one of the foundations of economic development of this county." The piece went on to say that "the appointment must be confirmed by the county Board of Supervisors, but

Lynch is expected to receive strong backing."

Then, after extolling Lynch's business acumen and charitable activities, way at the very bottom of the *U-T* story was, by way of partial disclosure, this final sentence: "His foundation also supports the San Diego Union-Tribune's annual Dr. Seuss Race for Literacy, which benefits the San Diego Council on Literacy (on whose board Lynch serves)."

As the newspaper predicted, Lynch was easily confirmed by the county board of supervisors two weeks later. Then the three paid members of the new airport board, known as the panel's "executive committee," along with the nonsalaried members who receive a \$100-per-meeting

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stipend, were sworn in and began work in January of this year.

And there the story might have ended but for Lou Conde, a sometimes irascible, always engaging 76-year-old former county supervisor and veteran of the county's 1970s growth wars, who also claims credit for being the original father of the San Diego Trolley. The Cuban-American Conde, who is famous for staring down his opponents with fierce blue eyes, says that something is rotten in the way Sheriff Bill Kolender selected William Lynch for the airport board. Conde had wanted that job on the board, and when he was denied even an interview with Kolender, he decided to find out why. What he discovered, he insists, was a crime

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"I arrived here in 1956," Conde says by way of introduction during a recent interview. "I am the father of five children attending public schools, graduating here with six university degrees between them. I am a political science graduate from Brigham Young University, 1951. I have been active in politics since 1952. When I came to San Diego I was active in school affairs. In 1969 I started a citizens taxpayers group called Taxpayers Concerned. We were involved with the political aspects of the local elected officials. We mounted a referendum against elected officials.

"We mounted a referendum against a board of supervisors at that time — in

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he new San Diego County Regional Air-port Authority offers perhaps the last chance perhaps the last chance
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and safeguard the region's economic future. That's why the composition of the nine-member panel
is critically important. Each appointee must have credibility with
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the voters ulti-mately will turn thumbs up or thumbs down on the authority's se-lection of a new air-

port site.

The panel should not be used as a resting place for termed-out office-

holders or as a plum for defeated politicians. This is es-pecially true for the three-person executive committee, whose mem-bers will be paid \$139,500 a year.

Regrettably, some council mem-bers who already have staked out their opposition to Miramar as the airport site have threatened in priarport site have threatened in pravate to vote against Craver because they believe he has made up his mind to endorse Miramar. That simply is not correct. "My position is that everything should be on the table," says Craver. "We should look at warething including all of

look at everything, including all of the military bases... and then we can judge each on its merits."

That is exactly the

kind of open-minded ap-proach that is essential to creating a fair process for choosing a site, a process that voters can nave confidence in. Lamentably, such entably, such open-nindedness is lacking in

both of the candidates vying to represent East County among the authority's non-executive members. That appointment is to be made collectively by the may-ors of Education I.a. Management

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1972, I believe it was, maybe '71 — protesting a very heavy salary increase that they voted themselves. I was in favor of a partial increase, told them so when I addressed the board. They went ahead with a full increase. Our group took to the streets. We mounted a referendum that was successful. The board had to back down and rescind their action to increase their salary. I then sued the Unified School District here in San Diego for using an education office, an office at the education center, to run a campaign to pass bond issues. That is in violation of state law. I took them into court.

"I next sued the Registrar of Voters and successfully stopped them from always listing the incumbent at the head of the ticket. And now they're forced to rotate the names around because we enforced [that order] on the list is preferential. A lot of people didn't know any better; they'd vote for the first name they see. That was about that same time. Then after I was elected to the board in November of '72 and I took office January the eighth of '73. We had a very contentious board. There were

many 3-2 decisions on many issues."

When he ran for the board of supervisors in 1972, Conde faced off against incumbent Republican Jack Walsh. "He was just pushing all sorts of liberal issues. He wanted to put halfway houses in residential neighborhoods. He just had many liberal-type philosophies. I can't remember them all exactly at this moment in time. A nice guy, but his politics were terrible as far as we were concerned," Conde recalls.

After he got elected, Conde says he presided over the genesis of the San Diego Trolley. The county's Comprehensive Planning Organization, then responsible for coming up with taxpayer-funded mass-transit proposals, was pushing a

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subway-like system like the one called BART then being built in San Francisco, rather than the so-called light-rail system ultimately adopted for the San Diego Trolley.

'The CPO came in front of the board and they wanted some so-called experts from San Francisco who'd been consultants in the BART system and they wanted to build a BART-type masstransit system in San Diego. That's a heavyrail system; it runs on its own glide-way. It's a very, very expensive proposition. You have to buy the right of way. There was no need for something that moved rapidly. We were not taking people from one distance to another; we were trying to pick up people maybe from San Diego to National

City to Chula Vista to the border, so there was no way we needed something that ran at 60, 70 miles an hour.

"So I proposed a light-rail system. On a 3-2 vote we formed the County Department of Transportation on my motion. Again on my motion we gave [the project to] the county engineer, under whom we put the County Department of Transportation to study the mass-transit problem and come back with a report. I then took that report to [Democratic state senator] Jim Mills.

'Jim Mills studied it, and he was the transportation guy in the state senate. He was a senator from the South Bay area. He agreed with the study, and he put a law through the state senate that said that



no gas-tax money could be used for a heavy-rail system in San Diego County. So that pretty well shot CPO out of the transportation business, and we proceeded to build the trolley.

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gue the fact — although many people have tried to take credit for the San Diego Trolley — that I was the guy who formed the trolley system, caused it to happen."

But in politics,

you're only as good as your last election, as Conde was soon to discover. In 1975, Conde had opposed then-mayor Pete Wilson's effort to move the airport to Brown Field on the border. Worse yet, he had endorsed city councilman Lee Hubbard for mayor against Wilson. Soon, an opponent materialized against him. Conde remembers a meeting he had at the time with Gordon Luce, then head of San Diego Federal Savings and Loan and a major Republican functionary.

"I said, 'I understand, Gordon, that Pete Wilson is going to endorse Roger Hedgecock against me.' He said, 'I've been hearing that rumor too. Why don't you go down and talk to him, go down and see him?' So I made

an appointment and went to see him, and I sat there with him in his office on a Friday afternoon and said, 'Well, Pete, I'm hearing rumors that you might endorse Roger Hedgecock.'

"And he said to me, 'Well, I haven't made up my mind yet, and you'll be the first to know. You endorsed Lee Hubbard against me.' I said, 'Yes, I endorsed Lee Hubbard because I remember when you came to town, Pete, and you ran against Frank Curran, and your main complaint against Frank Curran was eight years is enough. I believe it now. I ran on that basis, that eight years is enough. So I don't believe in people camping in public office forever. So yes, I endorsed Lee because he said he was only serving one term as a







city councilman; he would serve one term as mayor.' 'Well,' he says, 'I haven't made up my mind.'

"Well, that was a bold-faced lie. A lie. Because Mondaymorning invitations to a fundraiser for Roger Hedgecock hosted by the mayor started hitting mailboxes in San Diego. Whatever Petey-boy wanted, Helen Copley gave him. So Helen Copley gave the endorsement of the newspaper to Roger Hedgecock, which

was a factor in my losing the election."

Having been unceremoniously turned out of office by county voters, Conde shucked it all and lit out for parts more pleasurable, namely his home state of Florida, looking for apartments as investments. "So I bought these units in Miami, and then after a short time, in '82, I bought a 51-foot sailboat, and I lived aboard it for 6 years, bumming around all over the place, owned it for 12.

"You can't grow up in Miami Beach without being on the water or in the water or under the water. So I did all of that. I was a certified scuba diver, and the place to sail was in the Caribbean. The water's warm, the water's clear. There's all sorts of sea life. It's beautiful — the colors and the little islands with palm trees or pine trees and so on. So I wanted to kick back and do some of that, and my

income was coming in from my apartment house. I had a resident manager. It was 34 units at that time, so I didn't need to be around all the time."

He married a woman he met during his travels and lived for a time with her on Majorca, but when Conde's days of idyll eventually came to an end, he found himself heading back to San Diego. "My wife and I separated in '96, the divorce was final in '98. I sold my boat. My kids and grandkids — I have

three daughters and nine grandkids here in San Diego County. Three out of my five kids live here. Grandpa, come home! That was in December of '01. I traded the equity in my last apartment house in Miami for the equity in a retail center in La Mesa on El Cajon Boulevard. That provides the income for me now."

But the former supervisor wasn't interested in an idle old age and soon began casting around for ways to get back into public life. The news

that Sheriff Bill Kolender would make an appointment to the airport board caught his attention. "It was in probably September of 2002 or so when I saw this article, 'Seven Applicants Hope to Steer Airport Policy' and so on, and it had mentioned what the procedure would be, they could get applications down at the clerk of the board's office, and I thought, hey, I could do that.

"Kolender had been picked to choose the guy that would then have to be confirmed by at least three members of the board of supervisors. Well, I had to log in with the clerk in order to get an application. So he took my name — I had to sign the log — he dated the hour, the minute, the date that I got the application. I had to bring it back by a certain time on a certain day, and I did that, and I had to log back in, had to sign my name again. He datestamped my application.

"I had read in the paper, and here's this Kolender, who plans to interview a handful of finalists, who said he expects his recommendation to reach the supervisors at a November meeting. I wrote the sher-







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iff a letter. He knew who I was; he knew me on a first-name basis for, like, 30 years now. I'm telling him I'm Hispanic, I'm 100 percent Latin, I would love to serve on this board. I gave him all my qualifications."

When Conde never heard back from the sheriff, he says he became suspicious, and as he learned more about the selection process, his doubts only grew stronger. A story in the Union-Tribune about the upcoming selection got his at-

tention: "Familiar names of 23 applicants to represent the county government include Colonel Greg Goodman, Chief of Staff at Miramar Marine Corps Air Station; philanthropist William D. Lynch of Rancho Santa Fe; and Louis Conde, who served on the Board of Supervisors from 1972 to 1976."

"When I got ahold of the list I called up two friends of mine who were politically savvy in this county, and I said, let me read some names to you, and let me

know if you know who they are. When I got to Lynch, both of these people said and they weren't together at the time,

"So I read every application turned in to the clerk. Probably the only guy who has done that. And

be true.

Newspaper Guild president Ed Jahn told a rally of supporters that the ex-chief (Kolender) was "behaving like a Kmart security guard."

separate — he's gonna be your main opposition 'cause he's a close friend of the sheriff. And that certainly turned out to

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Lynch's application was not there. It had not been acquired nor submitted to the clerk of the board, even though that was the instruction on the front page of the application.

"So I wrote a letter to the clerk of the board, and I handcarried it there, and I requested, like, three copies of three applications, and I'd given the names. His was one of them. And the clerk came back, and she did not have his application. This was long after the end of the application period.

"So the clerk of the board still did not have a copy of Lynch's application. Then I called the

sheriff's department, and it took me, like, three days to procure from them a copy of Lynch's application.

"This is the strange thing. Lynch's application is different than everybody else's application; does not read the same at all. It has different phone numbers and has an inclusive paragraph that is not included in the other applications. I don't know where the devil that came from. Somebody should find out."

But is it really likely, as Conde al-

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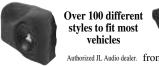




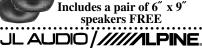


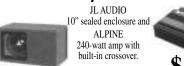


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leges, that Sheriff Kolender rigged the selection process in favor of an old crony and campaign contributor? And was the *Union-Tribune* involved, as Conde also maintains? Conde says the newspaper went out of its way to downplay his objections — outlined in a press conference a week before Lynch was confirmed in a hurry-up vote by the county board of supervisors — to the way Lynch was picked by Kolender and confirmed by the board.

"I held a press conference on the steps of the County Administration Center, and I had a lot of the applicants there — there were, like, 10 or 11 of them," Conde recounts. "Jeff Ristine, who was covering the Airport Authority for the *Union-Tribune*

came down there, interviewed these people. They told him how upset they were that they had not even been interviewed, that someone had been picked who wasn't as qualified and didn't even get a chance to get interviewed. Nothing happened. That article never appeared, so the public in San Diego never knew that there were a bunch of disgruntled applicants who were upset that they hadn't even been talked to by the sheriff."

Kolender has long enjoyed close ties to the *Union-Tribune*. A local boy whose father ran a jewelry store on lower Broadway, Kolender joined the San Diego Police Department in 1956. During the 1960s antiwar and civil-rights turmoil, Kolender's role as a community-

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relations officer allowed him to rise quickly through the ranks. He began to rub shoulders with the new Republican political establishment led by the city's ambitious mayor, Pete Wilson, who made him chief of police; and fortified by Helen Copley, who had inherited the *Union-Tribune* from her old-school Republican husband,

Jim Copley. After 13 years as Mayor Pete Wilson's handpicked chief, Kolender suddenly stepped down in August 1988. His new job: assistant general manager of the *Union-Tribune*. The move followed by two years a 1986 ticketfixing scandal, first reported by the Los Angeles Times, involving members of the Chargers, for which Kolender was reprimanded by the city manager. A series of racially tinged police

shootings in 1987, combined with a lingering mystery about the 1985 slaying of prostitute and police informant Donna Gentile, added to the controversy surrounding the departing police chief.

The undistinguished nature of Kolender's tenure at the Union-Tribune led many to conclude that the ex-law enforcement honcho was there to keep tabs on publisher Helen Copley's son David, who had been arrested for drunk driving in 1986 and again in South Mission Beach in December 1989 and had a general reputation for being dissolute. But Kolender also allegedly played a highprofile role in Copley's long-running combat with the Newspaper Guild, the reporters' labor union that was waging an ultimately unsuccessful battle for its survival against Copley's efforts to oust it from the plant.

The Los Angeles Times reported that in December 1989, as a midnight strike deadline approached, Kolender positioned himself at the employee-exit turnstile of the newspaper and checked to see if anyone was making off with company property. He reportedly confiscated a Rolodex belonging to reporter Joe Gandelman, who said the address-card index belonged to him; Kolender told a television station he thought it had been purchased with U-Tfunds and therefore couldn't be taken from the plant. The incident led Newspaper Guild president Ed Jahn to tell a rally of supporters that the ex-chief was "behaving like a Kmart security guard." (In an interview last week, Kolender denied that the incident had occurred.)

During his time at the *U-T*, Kolender often found himself

written up on the pages of the competing San Diego edition of the L.A. Times. Kolender had become known for his "rat pack" of macho male friends in high places, including football players, former whitecollar criminals, real estate developers, journalists, public relations people, and local politicos, many of whom he hung out with during happy hours at Bully's East tavern in Mission Valley. The Union-Tribune maintained discretion in its coverage of Kolender; the Times did not.

In 1988, the Times reported that Kolender had written a letter in support of a pardon for Dominic "Bud" Alessio, who served time on a federal felony rap. Alessio had lavished gifts on a prison official who gave preferential treatment to Dominic's father John and uncle Angelo, in prison at the time for income-tax evasion. John Alessio was a protégé of fallen fi-





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nancier C. Arnholt Smith; he also once operated the Caliente racetrack and sports book in Tijuana.

"Bud was a victim of circumstances and did what any son would do for his father," Kolender wrote in a letter uncovered by the *Times* using the federal Freedom of Information Act. The Times story

pointed out that federal organized-crime prosecutors "considered the case far more serious. They contended that prison officials were bribed with food, lodging, and entertainment gifts in return for allowing John and Angelo Alessio to conduct secret rendezvous with women friends. In all, six

people were convicted or pleaded guilty in the case."

In an interview with the Times, Kolender further explained his position. "I think that, under the circumstances, he deserves a pardon. He's contributed to his community. He's served his time. He did something for his father, he made a

mistake, and he paid for it."

Kolender lasted barely three years in his job with the Copley Press before being called to Sacramento in 1991 by his erstwhile boss in San Diego, Pete Wilson. The new governor put his ex-chief of police in charge of the California Youth Authority, where

Kolender remained until making his triumphant return to San Diego and being elected sheriff in 1994 against Jim Roache, the hapless incumbent who had been repeatedly vilified for alleged mismanagement of the department and county

Re-elected twice since, Kolender's

humming campaign organization has been well oiled over the years with contributions from his intricate network of friends. During his 2002 race against a virtual unknown, records showed Kolender collected and spent more than \$75,000. Union-Tribune publisher David Copley gave \$500.

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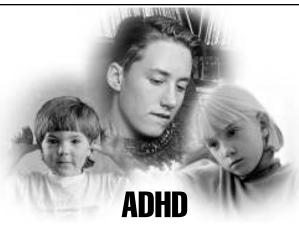
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John Davies, the ex-college roommate and longtime political advisor to former governor and San

Diego mayor Pete Wilson, chipped in \$250; Rayma Craver, the wife of retired Air Force colonel Joe Craver, the militarycontracting consultant and chamber of commerce supporter, as well as Lynch's colleague-to-be on the airport board's executive committee, gave \$150. San Diego Unified School District superintendent Alan Bersin, a former U.S. attorney, gave \$500, as did Bersin's wealthy father-in-law,

real estate developer and garment-maker Stanley Foster.

Kolender also drew support from the local media, intelevision executive Ed Quinn (\$100); and writer Joseph Wambaugh (\$500). Bazaar del Mundo owner Diane Powers

"On Lynch's application he said he didn't know anything about aviation."

cluding KFMB sportscaster Ted Leitner (\$500); San Diego magazine publisher James Fitzpatrick (\$500); McGraw-Hill

gave \$300; lawyer Vince Bartolotta, Jr., contributed \$500; as did Coronado financier Thomas Stickel.

Perhaps the most intriguing name on the sheriff's list of donors is that of Michael Blevins. Blevins is an ex-drug dealer who in October 1988 was sentenced to three years in federal prison for his role in a methamphetamine manufacture and distribution conspiracy that took place in Rancho Santa Fe. After he got out of the pen, Blevins founded the dietdrug maker Metabolife with Michael Ellis, his codefendant in the methamphetamine case. Ellis (who pleaded guilty and was given five years' probation) and his wife Monica each gave Kolender \$500.

Another faithful Kolender campaign donor — and by all accounts a member of the sheriff's inner circle, as Conde is eager to point out — is none other than the sheriff's appointee to the airport board. "Bill Lynch has been a longtime contributor

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By Conde's estimate, based on his examination of county campaign filings, Lynch, his family, and at least one business associate have given the Kolender campaign a total of at least \$3000.

And Kolender has not been the only beneficiary of Lynch's campaign largesse, notes Conde, citing campaign disclosure records.

Lynch and family, says Conde, have contributed at least \$2000 to various members of the board of supervisors.

"They did not have to rubber stamp the sheriff's choice. However, they did," Conde says. "The process used in receiving the applications for this job was totally dishonest because it gave the impression to the citizens of this county that they would seek applications from interested and qualified people, evaluate them, interview the most qualified, and pick one. That never happened. We were

not interviewed. The most qualified people were never interviewed by the sheriff. This was a preapproved appointment, and it was a total charade that took place in the solicitation of applications.

"I think this is malfeasance by elected officials in order to reward a proven past — and assured future — campaign contributor, and that's what I think happened here. That's why he got the job and nobody else even got interviewed."

Reached by phone last week, Lynch discounted Conde's assertions that political contributions from members of Lynch's staff and his family had anything to do with his ultimate selection by Kolender and confirmation by the board of supervisors. "I can't believe that those people made a decision based on a couple of thousand of dollars of campaign contributions. But I guess it's a free country and anybody can say anything they want."

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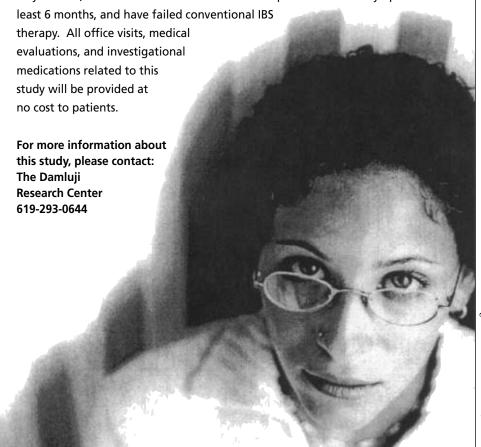
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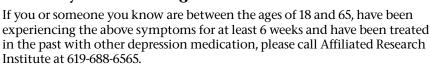
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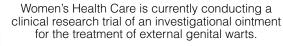
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Regarding his relationship with Kolender, he said, "He encouraged me, and he encouraged a couple of other — or three people — to apply." He added, "I can't remember who they were; that was more than a year ago." Lynch also said that he now has only a vague recollection of whether the Union-Tribune had backed his appointment. "I don't have a clue, I don't recall," he said.

"Probably they did. I suppose they were supportive. I really

don't remember."

Lynch acknowledged that, unlike some of the other applicants for the job, he furnished no letters of recommendation. "I did have one letter of recommendation from my young granddaughter, saying that I should get the job because I was about as smart as she was," he said facetiously, adding that his business and investment expertise made him well suited for tenure on the airport commission. "If you want to know about my qualifications and how I'm doing, ask some of my fellow boardmembers." Regarding the events surrounding his ultimate selection by the sheriff and Conde's allegations that the outcome was foreordained, Lynch said he had no inside knowledge of how he was picked. "You'd have to ask Kolender about the process."

As to whether he has already made up his mind to support construction of a new airport, Lynch said, "At some point it's almost imperative. One runway doesn't do it. You have huge capacity problems that need to be dealt

with."

For his part, Kolender said that in the year since Lynch's nomination was made, he had forgotten many of the details of the selection process but denied Conde's assertion that the sheriff had briefly interviewed only one other contender besides Lynch. "I interviewed three or four people, but I won't tell you who they are because that would be unfair to those who didn't get it. It wouldn't be fair," the sheriff said by telephone last week. He added that he also could not remember whether he had invited Lynch to apply for the job.

Kolender was also hazy as to whether he had discussed the matter of the airport appointment with anybody representing the Union-Tribune. "I

don't remember," he said. "I'm not trying to be evasive, but I don't recall talking to anybody about it. It's possible, but I don't remember." And, until reminded by an aide, he said he didn't recall that Steve Peace had authored the bill that gave the sheriff the appointment power. "That was a

Kolender also rejected Conde's allegation that the Lynch family's contributions to the sheriff's reelec-

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biased his judgment. "I've gotten literally thousands of contributions," Kolender said. "I can't be bought for that." On the question of Lynch's qualifications, the sheriff said, "Ask Joe Craver if I made a good choice. He's on the commission." Then he opened fire on Conde. "Here's something I was offended by. Conde wrote me a letter saying, 'I need

tion campaign had

the money, Bill Lynch doesn't.' I have a copy of it right here." Asked if he could provide a copy of the letter via fax, the sheriff declined. "No. Take me at my word or not. I'm not faxing anything."

Conde provided a copy of a handwritten letter he said he delivered to Kolender on December 2, 2002, which he says is the one the sheriff referred to:

Dear Bill,

We have known each other on a firstname basis for almost 30 years. I am not enjoying questioning your choice for appointment to the Regional Airport Authority. As you know, Channel 10 is now on the story. Mr. Lynch has admitted that you solicited him to apply. Bill, this is not going to play well when the public finds out that your choice is woefully unqualified.

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Conde is convinced the "inside deal" he alleges between Kolender, Lynch, and the *Union-Tribune* will result in the airport commission's "rubber stamp" of a

d new airport that
e could end up costing
county taxpayers bilnd lions of dollars.

The ex-county supervisor insists he was joking about needing the money. And he says he wasn't the only applicant more qualified than Lynch who was passed over by the sheriff. He cites Jack Bewley, a retired Navy fighter pilot who also flew for PSA and US-Air, as a case in the point. Says Bewley, "It was perfectly legal, but they didn't select the best applicant. I did not even attempt to get political backing; I had a list of pretty close to a hundred leaders in the aviation community who backed me. Unfortunately they were never called. There were no guidelines in the legislation [for] setting up the process, so the sheriff said, 'I'll pick my buddy.' I walked away shaking my head.

"I was very, very highly qualified, and I could have done an extraordinary job of putting things together. In the military I was a commanding officer of squadrons and air wings, and I had the leadership ability and had already demonstrated that. They need to give that board a course in Airports 101 to get them up to speed."

Adds Conde, "On Lynch's application he said he didn't know anything about aviation; he had never been involved in administration of large projects. I mean, he had an application that would have been thrown in the round file by any business executive looking for someone to fulfill the duties called for in this position, but he wound up getting the job. I challenge anyone to put the five applications I will submit to them, put them side by side and evaluate them — one, two, three, four, five — and show me that William Lynch would have come out on top. He probably would have come out on the very bottom." ■

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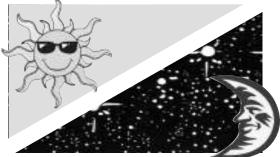
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"HOW IS IT THAT YOU GO UP TO GO DOWN?" asks Jennifer — Steven's lady — speaking at a pace that feels rabbitlike compared to Steven's. In saying this, she anticipates my own comment; it took me a while to find this complex, tucked as it is on a hemmed-in hill street. Then it took me a while to find the entrance — surely there

was some main gate; surely you didn't wind your way in through

these narrow concrete alleyways? And then, it took me still longer to actually reach their apartment. I could see it, up there on the second story, from where I stood. But every time I went up a set of stairs, I found myself being shunted back down before actually reaching their landing. I felt as if I was in an M.C. Escher illustration. "I'm here!" I called up to the door. "I can't get to you!" I wondered what the other residents would think. Finally, after backtracking my way to the outer edge of the courtyard's entrance, I found a staircase that led me up two flights before dropping me one half flight and so to their door. "Recession makes people do crazy things,"



Steven and Jennifer

explains Steven. "That's a recession in action."

"I used to think of this place as a cell," he says. Stepping back from the vibrant and bustling decor of his apartment, it is possible to see why. The black mesh security door opens onto a squarish, maybe 15' x 15' room, carpeted in standard apartment beige, with a

high, sloped ceiling. Past this living area is roughly a six-foot hallway. On the right side of the hall, a bathroom. On the left, a small square kitchen, visible through a pass-through partition. At the end of the hall, a door leading into the bedroom. The only window in the living/kitchen space is the big one in front that looks out into the courtyard. White vinyl vertical blinds cover the window for privacy, their deep utilitarianism both emphasized and subdued by a swath of dark, sheer floral-print fabric.

"It's dark in here always," laments Steven about the living room. "And in the bedroom, it's just bright, direct light." He says it's "kind of troubling in here" for his plants, several of which are hanging on in their pots despite the light an echeveria, a staghorn

Steven lives here for two reasons. One, it is

paper."

cheap -- "\$500 a month." Two, it is very near Linda Vista, the neighborhood in which he grew up. "Linda Vista is a good place to live. I didn't want to leave it. There's a lot of love in Linda Vista that you don't find in other places. Some of those newer North County places where people live creep me out. I do landscaping jobs up there, and it's just a ghost town during the daytime.

"There were so many women in San Diego having illegitimate babies during the Vietnam War that Balboa Hospital basically had to deal with the situation by letting them go there and have the babies."

fern, a parthinosis. "When I lived at the ranch up on Tate Street in Linda Vista, I had good light — lots of plants. I love plants, love them. Houseplants, outside plants, any kind of plants. I feel bad about having plants in this place, because they stress. It's kind of like having a dog in an apartment."

He arrived at the Tate Street ranch — his grand-father's house — just after his grandmother died. He had been living overseas. "I was living there, helping [my grandfather] get things sorted out, and I saw this place advertised in the I just think, 'Damn, it's a good place to be if you're a baby or a little child, but once you're a teenager...' I'd be working a job on the irrigation system at some strip mall and see these teens just cruising in their cars aimlessly around the strip mall. I didn't have a car until I was 24. I grew up in Linda Vista; I didn't need one."

It's "a working-class neighborhood — a working-poor neighborhood, really. My grandparents have lived there since the '40s. My grandfather was working at Convair, and Linda Vista was built for the

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Steven's grandparents, however, stayed in Linda Vista. His father is a Navy man who "just blew into town, got my mom pregnant, and more or less blew out. There were so many women in San Diego having illegitimate babies during the Vietnam War that Balboa Hospital basically had to deal with the situation by letting them go there

and have the babies." Mother and child stayed with grandma and grandpa, and the family watched the neighborhood around them shift from one group of working poor to another. "Basically, since my time, it's been other kinds of people coming here, looking for a better way of life from Southeast Asia, from Mexico, from all over the world to Linda Vista. It was a different place, a good place to grow up. It shaped my character in lots of ways, teaching me what was important. It's a different set of values — kind of a bit of a paradox — here in Southern California, where everybody's trying to drive this car or that car — or basically full of some kind of shit and forgetting about what's really important."

He found echoes of those values, those beliefs about what's important, during a visit to his father's relatives in Hungary. "I have some family and friends there, just cousins and uncles and whatnot. I enjoy going there. I got to see the different

way that different people live. It's changing a lot since their regime change a decade or so ago, but everybody's still poor. Everybody's kind of a hustler, because you have to be in order to live if you want to eat. Just scams and whatever you've got to do, vou know?

"The first time I went over there, before the wall came down and all that, it was just nice — no neon lights, no advertisements, just real tore back. Several people living in the same small apartment, because there's nowhere else to live. Two sets of grandparents sleeping in the living room, parents sleeping in the bedroom, one kid sleeping in a closet, another kid sleeping on the sofa or on a cot in the hallway. Then in the morning, you've got to wake up and change everything around for day use. But, you know, they were happy to be spending time with each other. A lot of laughs. Money wasn't such a big deal, because there was no money and nothing to buy if you did have money —

no big deal. I liked what was important to people: family, friends, respecting someone's feelings, having time to listen to someone conversation. Plenty of food, plenty of drinks."

He became so enamored of their way of life that he made up his mind to live in a Socialist country and joined the Army after graduating high school with an eye toward defecting to the Soviet Union. But he joined in 1988; when the Berlin Wall came down a year later, it took with it his dreams of Socialist living. He returned to America, used his Armyearned college funds to attend UCSD, and graduated with a degree in economics. But the Hungarian way of things stuck with him, and he never did make an entrance into the regular-paycheck, health-andbenefits workaday workforce. Today, for instance, he has been "just doing our things, you know — hustling. Doing what you've got to do to make money, to get the things you need. That's more or less what I've always done. Sometimes you've got to do some landscaping, sometimes you've got to steal things from a department store, sometimes you've got to sell things...you know, just do whatever. Sometimes, you've just got to entertain."

The bit about stealing from a department store refers to his cookware — a set of anodized aluminum pots and pans. "I went in there at Christmastime, when it was really busy. Over by the cash register, they have a spool of these 'sold' stickers that they put on large items that can't fit into shopping bags. I just slapped one of those on this Calphalon stuff that's more expensive than I would ever want to pay for it. I just gave myself a Christmas present. It was fun, and I needed it."

Sometimes, you've just got to entertain, so tonight, Steven is entertaining me. Dinner tonight is a chicken paprikash; Steven does the cooking. "I like Hungarian food a lot. I've been cooking forever." He admires the general foundations presented in Mark Bittman's How to Cook Everything, which rests up against the microwave on the counter, but he doesn't use it much. "I just cook things that I've learned through the years from my grandma. My mom never really got into cooking, so I learned everything I know about cooking from my grandma. She basically raised me. She taught me more or less everything about the bones of it — how to be thrifty with your food dollar, that type of thing. Taking pride in what you do. Making things from scratch, as opposed to buying processed foods and things like that. I owe her a lot."

He begins by cutting up a whole chicken and then skinning all but the wings. "If you buy them whole, they're a lot cheaper, 59 cents a pound or whatever. So it's less than \$2 for a whole chicken. Some people like chicken skin, but I don't really like it for something like this. For fried chicken, it's nice." The knife he works with is an excel-

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lent one, a boning knife from the Wustof Trident line. "You've got to have at least one good knife. I'm pretty particular about things I use to cook or things I eat. I'll drive a shitty car before I'll eat some shitty food, you know what I mean? It's important." (When he says, "You know what I mean?" it carries none of the character of a useless appendage to his thought. He speaks each word as carefully as he does any other and seems genuinely curious about whether or not he has been understood.) "I cook every night, because I'm not going to eat some crap at a fastfood place, and I'm not going to eat food out of a box. If anything, you've got to eat one good meal a day."

After the chicken, he slices up a great mound of oversize mushrooms. Then he chops onions, pours oil into a stock pot, and starts them cooking. A few minutes later, he pulls the pot from the stovetop and leans toward me. "I'll tell you something important about paprika. You've got to take your onions off the heat then you sprinkle it on. You just want to open it up, you know what I mean? If you put it on your onions while they're on the heat, it will make a bitter taste; it scorches, and you don't want to do that. You just want it to open up. Put a little bit of water on it, make a roux, and then you can put it back on the heat. I'm sad if people don't respect the paprika. Gongolians care about food."

Gongolians?

"We're Gongolians. See, it comes from the word gongol, which means 'to acquire.'

"Good taste — like the gypsies," adds Jennifer.

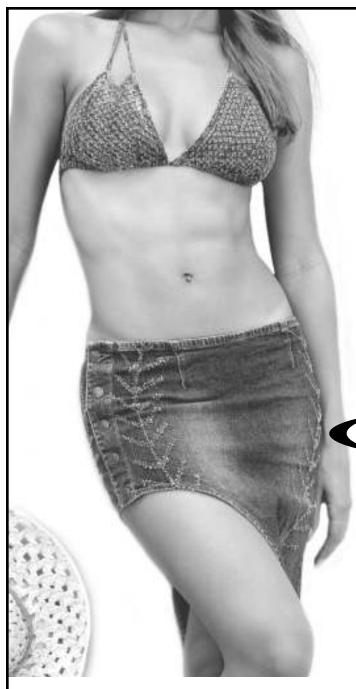
" 'Gongolians' is just a play on that. It separates into two different categories. There are Gongoloids, who, because of their extra set of chromosomes, will acquire stuff from anyone, including friends and associates. Then there are Gongolians, who have a little more class." Steven learned about Gongolians and Gongoloids "from some tweakers. Do you know any tweakers? You're lucky. There's nothing to be gained by knowing tweakers but funny bits of this and that."

Though they are Gongolians, part of their kitchen decor has a decidedly Gongoloid origin. The burled walnut faces of the upper cabinets (along with a few patches of the lower cabinets) are covered with some kind of red paper. From a distance you can see the rows of crescents cut into the paper; up close, you discover that those crescents form halos about the rows and rows of Orientalstyle heads printed on the paper. One row right side up, the next upside down. "Some Gongoloids brought that here. It was during a drug brunch. Different kinds of drugs, all kinds of drugs. It comes after a drug binge, to push yourself over the edge. I was just kind of relaxing when these two people went up to Vietnam and came back with all sorts of colorful things, colorful packages. They didn't know what to do with it, and then one night, Jennifer and I got the inspiration and a glue stick, and we sorted it

That was around New Year's. The cropped and blurred photo of Steven and Jennifer on the fridge was taken soon after. Steven wears an expression that I've never seen on anybody who wasn't lying down. "I'm tore back. I think I'd probably been awake for about four days. I mean, I'd had snatches of sleep or snatches of being passed out, but we were going for it. It was the holidays, you know? And I'd spent a few days with stressful people before that."

Other than the paper, the kitchen is pretty much standard apartment: double sink, electric oven, fridge, U-shaped cream Formica counters crammed with cooking paraphernalia. Besides Bittman's cookbook, there are slim volumes pertaining to North Africa and Hungary leaning up against the microwave. And here and there and everywhere, there are bits of baking equipment — tart pans, cooling racks, a rolling pin, a mixing bowl.

Once the onions are finished, Steven adds the chicken, mushrooms, and peppers and begins alternately stirring the contents of the pot and shaking it back and forth. He judges



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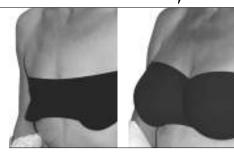
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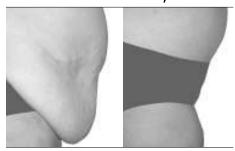
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how long to do this by long experience. "I'm going to put a lid on this and let it stew for a while. When it starts to smell good, I'll come in here and chop up some garlic and put it in and let it cook a little bit more. When the chicken is stewed and it's all tender, I'll put some sour cream in there, and then it will be done."

The lid in place, Steven vacates the kitchen; now it is Jennifer's turn. The baking bits are hers, and she needs to get started on tonight's dessert. "I'm not allowed in the kitchen when she's cooking," Steven complains with a smile.

"That's because you want to make out," retorts Jennifer.

"Yeah, I just want to make out."

"And everything gets burned."

Like Steven, Jennifer admires Bittman's How to Cook Everything for its "good foundations. He kind of gives you an idea where to start, and then you just work from there."

You vary recipes?

"Well, I'd hope so — I mean, from any cookbook. Wouldn't you, if you disagreed with the amount of sugar or whatever?"

Frankly, no, not when it comes to baking. I enjoy baking and wish I did it more often, but I don't imagine myself ever messing about with proportions the way my wife messes about with, say, recipes for stew. Baking seems to me to be a matter of precision — too much of this or too little of that, and you end up with something that doesn't rise or doesn't set or some other thing that renders it inedible.

Not so, Jennifer. "You're

a Gongolian," Steven says to her. "You're not as constrained."

"I just think you have to start with good essentials — the basics — and then take it from there. If you start with good products, you're probably in good shape, right?" As she speaks, she measures flour and butter and I'm not sure what else into a bowl. She does not consult a cookbook. When she finishes, she adjusts her long, straight denim skirt so that she can kneel down on the kitchen floor with the bowl and a pastry blender. "I do like to get on the floor," she says, and being right up over the bowl certainly does make cutting in the butter an easier proposition. "It makes me feel like an Indian."

"Kuumeyaay, grinding acorns," chirps Steven from the living room.

"Can you turn on the light there?" she asks. "Steven doesn't like the fluorescent light, but I need it."

"Fluorescent lights make me angry and depressed," he explains.

The creases in Jennifer's knuckles show black against the white flour she is working. "Don't freak out," she warns. "I dyed my mother's hair today. I washed off as much as I could. And I had a Superglue incident before that. I had to put my rearview mirror back up, and it was a brand-new tube, and I punched the hole in it, and it spilled all over the mirror, my fingertips, and my pants, where it stuck to my skin. That plus Stackers didn't make anything

The Stackers were pep pills she got from Steven. "They're a GNC product." "Ephedra," says Steven.

"They make me feel jittery. I feel like I've had a pot of coffee."

"You just need to eat, baby," Steven assures her. "I was feeling kind of tore back earlier, but then I went and ate some swordfish and was back on the block."

The butter and flour being thoroughly mixed, Jennifer lifts the bowl to the sink, adds water, and begins forming a ball of moist dough. She slaps the ball into shape with her hands, adding bits of dough as she goes to make the ball larger. Slap, slap, slap. To a slow baker like me, her speed is dizzying. She used to use a fork to incorporate the water, "but I didn't like it. It takes a long time. It turns out okay this way. Should we do the minis?" she asks Steven.

"Sure."

The minis are indi-

vidual tart pans, a recent acquisition. "It's working out pretty cool. The portions are better this way. It's not so big and ominous as when you've got a big tart in the refrigerator and you're munching on it at two or three in the morning. It doesn't make the idea of summer coming up any easier on me, you know?" She pops the dough into the fridge to chill.

Steven says the mini pans are sweet. "It's meant for you — just you. That's what you like about it," says Iennifer

"I can live with that."

"I tried to make him a cake from his grandmother's bundt pan," she says, turning to me. "He's very fond of his grandmother which I'm sure you've heard — who made everything from scratch, which I'm sure you've heard."

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So you bake to please Steven?

"Do you think I would ordinarily? If it wasn't such a difficult mouth to please, it would have been shortcuts all the way. But it's true; he prefers the from-scratch method, and he's right; it's a lot better. But you have to get really good at things, make them a lot faster."

But it isn't only to please Steven. "I like sweet things," she says, "and that's the only way to get it, really, is baking." So, she bakes almost daily - for herself. "It depends on how long things last. Sometimes you have cupcakes that last longer, and you have to give them away, invite people over to eat them. Sometimes, it goes right then, and you're going to need something sweet for the next day." She has been baking since her early teens, and while she has yet to master the mysteries of Extraordinary Desserts' drippingly rich yet fluffy lemon-ricotta torte, she has had her share of triumphs. "I've done beautiful ricotta cheesecakes; that's something that I'm proud of. I do sugar-free ones for my dad, and they're worthy of my name."

Jennifer's father lives in Dulzura, as does her mother, her sister, and her sister's husband. As did Jennifer, until recently. "Do I live here?" she asks when I ask."I guess I've been moved in for a while. It's just that I...I still have... Yes, I live here. The reason that I don't want to say I don't live in Dulzura is because we have a nice little setup out there, and I don't want to lose that." She and Steven make the trek about once a week — "check in, see my mail, work on my computer, and catch up with my family" — staying in her parents' pool house when they go. "It's pretty pleasant to spend a couple of days in the country and come back to the city and get it all together again. It's private space; it's open. It's just nice to be up in the mountains up there."

"I like it. I like her family," adds Steven.

"More importantly, they like you," she replies.

"Yeah, I think so. I like her dad; I'm kind of sweet on her mom — so you know, that's good."

That Dad likes Steven

is a wonder to Jennifer. "He talked to my father for four hours on Thanksgiving, when my father's never given the time of day to anybody, let alone some guy. Everybody was astounded, just in complete awe. It still blows my mind; nobody's captivated my father like that."

What did you talk about?

"Macho stuff," jokes Steven. "No, no — adventures and romance."

"Lots of talk about Europe," adds Jennifer. "That's probably what left abig impact on my father—just your travels, more or less." (Steven also managed to squeeze in four years in Germany before his return to Linda Vista.) "Just being seasoned, not walking in with a limp dick, so to speak."

"I'm just basically so in love with his daughter," says Steven, offering another explanation. When I ask after a picture of a young girl—Jennifer—in a purple tutu with scars on both her knees, Steven rhapsodizes, "That's my girl. That's why I love her. She's a beautiful ballerina, but she likes to play outside."

"I just think it's really neat that my dad digs him," continues Jennifer. "It's so helpful to me. You don't understand, being a little girl, my father was everything. I mean, my mother was obviously very important..."

Dad was in the Air Force; Jennifer grew up on military bases, moving often. Before settling into her two nests, here and in Dulzura, she split time between Orange County and Pacific Beach, where she had a boyfriend. She didn't like PB much. "It was just college kids burning up their parents' money. It was an interesting time."

Steven has little regard for the former boyfriend—or at least the former boyfriend's type. "Boffit," he shrugs. A boffit is "just some guy who should be a man, but he's still a boy because he's never had to do any work or struggle or anything in his life. He's just a punk, you know what I mean?"

Steven, on the other hand, has "paid the price" to live the way he does. What price? "I'll tell you. Being

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hungry. Changing oil and tires and having battery acid all over my hands in my last year of high school because my mom said, 'You've got to get out or pay rent.' Guard duty — two weeks in the forest, no sleep, no food, freezing cold, you know?" And the way he lives? "Nobody tells me anything. You've got to pay prices to do what you want to do." He is frustrated not to say outraged — by the government's actions in Iraq and also by its regulation of his working life. "They claim that this is capitalism's last bastion, but they're always fucking with somebody who's trying to do business — 'You've got to have this permit and that permit.' So what's up with that? That's why I step back from it. I do a landscaping job for somebody; it's all for cash. They're happy, I'm happy, I don't have to give my taxes to a government whose actions I don't support, and so it's all good. It's not as easy as getting up every morning and going to the same job. There's ups and downs. I'm in a little bit of a down right now, but it's all good. It's okay, because I'm still happy."

Still, for all his satisfaction at dodging the system and living on the fringes, he understands the appeal of the mainstream. "I would like to marry Jennifer and have children at some point," he begins.

"And that comes at a

price," interjects Jennifer. "A heavy, heavy price."

"Basically, insurance, a predictable paycheck and whatnot. I can deal with that, because it's worth it, you know?"

'They're not going to grow up here," announces Iennifer.

"Here" refers to this apartment, though Steven takes it further. "Ideally, I'd like to get them out of the country."

"Germany sounds nice," purrs Jennifer.

"It's a nice place. I enjoyed living there. I've got some associates there."

Jennifer removes the dough from the fridge she's not sure how long it's been in there but doesn't like to let it chill too long and rolls it out between two sheets of plastic wrap. Then she lines the tart pans with dough and puts them in to chill again. "Do you need the good burner?" she asks Steven. "I'm going to need one at some point, but not until you're done."

"For the pastry cream?" "Yeah."

That said, she moves on to the pastry cream, mixing sugar and cornstarch with a fork. "I don't like to use flour. It makes it taste a little different; it makes it a little heavier. I did it a couple of times and was really turned off of the idea of making pastry cream for a couple of years." Then she mixes egg yolks, cream, and a hefty dollop of vanilla

bean —"It's like caviar but not as gross; it breaks in your mouth and makes it more exciting"—and stirs it into the dry mix a dollop at a time. Then stirring, stirring, stirring over low heat until it's ready to go into the fridge.

Jennifer removes the tart shells, pricks the bottom with a fork, and slips them into the oven. As predessert prep winds down, Steven mosevs back into the kitchen and begins work on a salad. Jennifer and I retire to the living room. A futon faces the corner, but there is no longer any television there — it has been relegated to the bedroom. In its place sits a substantial stereo speaker. A longspindled rocking chair sits nearby, facing the futon. Two sections of wall are covered by darkened floorto-ceiling mirrors. An airconditioning unit floats in the middle of one reflection; a broad-planked table butts up against the other, just inside the door.

Above the door is a large letter P. Like most things in the apartment, there is a story behind it. "That's the P in 'Park' — Missile Park. It used to be on Balboa; it was a park for the employees of Convair. I spent a lot of time there as a child going on picnics — Easters, birthdays, what have you. They had a big rocket in front, this Saturn missile. It was cool. They had a little train, a

Tiki mountain with colored water, a cowboy village where we'd have shootouts on holidays, a merry-go-round. It was nice; it was good. A lot of hijinks, a lot of grabass; it was cool.

"They tore it up to make room for some ugly condominiums or something. I went up there one day to look around the ruins — just to feel depressed, I guess. They had put this big cyclone fence around it. The sign was knocked down, and there were just a few letters on it. I had to pull one of them off, because I have a lot of fond memories from

there." On the pass-through bar between us and the kitchen are two framed photographs that catch my eye. One is an elegantly mounted photograph of a homeless man sprawled in front of the Capitol Records building. His hair is enormous; there are several beer cans scattered about him and another one in his hand. His cardboard sign reads, "Need money for beer and hookers and record deal. At least I'm not bullshitting you."

'My friend Jamie took that picture. I think it's faked; it was for a project." The other is a newspaper-grade photo of Ed Gein's last victim, a 54-year-old woman he suspended upside down, decapitated, and gutted like a deer. When she sees me noticing it, Jennifer gives an account. "The frame used to have a picture of my mother in it. When I was living up in Orange County, I had this friend who liked to come over and switch the pictures in my frames. He left me a message on it." The message reads: "Jennifer, don't end up like this — Darin."

That she left the picture in the frame — and keeps it displayed in her living room, together with the expansive painting of what looks like a female figure separated into three parts might suggest a fascination with mutilation. But Jennifer says that's not the case. "I don't really have much interest in serial killers or anything gory. I hate talking about that painting; I've been looking at it for so long that I don't really have anything more to say about it. I just like it. If you look closely, you can see that maybe it isn't all the same person. The name of the painting is The Garden, if that gives you any help or clarity — though how you get clarity looking at art, I'm not sure." Keeping with the theme of striking nudity, another piece is a velvetlined box in which lies a headless felt doll of a nude woman. A small noose is coiled alongside the doll, and a Polaroid photo possibly of Jennifer — has been placed where the doll's head would be. The bookshelves include an armless

plastic motorcycle cop wearing a pair of infants' underwear and a blow-up pickaninny. Other art pieces and pop-culture knickknacks abound, but the real wonder is the LP collection - several bookshelves'

"It's everything from about the age of seven," says Steven. "I wasn't allowed to watch television, but I was allowed to listen to music and read books." Beyond its size, the collection is impressive for its scope: New Order to Willie Nelson to Chicago to the Notorious B.I.G. to Ricky Nelson to Barbra Streisand to Led Zeppelin to the soundtrack to Oklahoma!, all living sideby-side in harmony on Steven's shelf. Throughout the evening, Steven drifts over to the turntable and changes the records with habitual, almost unconscious movements. We are never left in silence.

The paprikash is finished. Steven brings it to the table, along with a bowl of couscous and the salad. Jennifer brings out plates, silver, and glasses. "How do you feel about staring at yourself when you eat?" asks Jennifer, noting my reflection in the mirrored

"I'll try to avoid me." "I'll help you out." She

fetches a vase of fresh flowers and sets it on the table in front of me. "There were wildflowers growing all the way to Dulzura. These were

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in my mother's garden, so I took them for Steven. This is lupine, that's the California state poppy, this looked really nice in the sunshine, and this is some kind of bulb my mom grows." It looks like an iris, but it produces three small blooms per shoot.

We spread shiny napkins on our laps, pour out the Chianti that has been breathing since my arrival, and begin dinner.

"Watch out for bones; there's some bones in there," warns Steven.

"Yeah?"

"Yeah, bones for flavor. Bones are key. Last time I made it with the breast meat that's cut up into strips, and it wasn't the same."

"This is more like my mommy did it," praises Jennifer, and it's easy to believe her. The chicken has that homey, dark-meat-laden richness you'd expect of a family recipe, and the sauce seems to have sucked the marrow from the bones.

Dinner passes in leisurely, wandering talk. After the paprikash, we move on to the salad. "Have some salad for a happy tummy," advises Steven.

Steven and Jennifer met at Cuyamaca College. He was getting his licenses for working with pesticides and irrigation, she is majoring in Political Economy of Industrialized Societies. "Long term? I want to get people out of jail," Jennifer says. "I want to do something about drug laws. So it's looking like law school to get somewhere and do something to help people that aren't getting it — if I don't sell out. I'm embattled with that all the time; how can I have a conscience and at the same time not sell the fuck out? It would make more sense to do it, and I might just do it. I might get to a point in life where I will take — only so I can give back."

"That's our long-term plan," chuckles Steven. "For her to be a lawyer and for me to be her permanent client."

"Basically."

"So," I say, "when people ask you what you do, you'll be saying, 'I get my husband out of jail.' "I turn to Steven. "Have you been to jail?"

"No. No way. Jail is for..."

"Jail is for people who can't afford to get out," says Jennifer.

"It is," adds Steven. "It's for people who can't afford to get out and people who are careless."

"No, it's also because they're being targeted," says Jennifer.

"Yeah, of course."

"But surely, you're targeted," I say to Steven, thinking of his fringe-living status.

"Me? No way."

"Why not?"

He doesn't pause for a second. "I have manners. It's very helpful, I'll tell you. Have you noticed the manners gap? It intrigues me; it's definitely there. There's a direct relation between manners and age, but there's definitely a whole generation of people who have absolutely no manners."

Jennifer is skeptical. "Well, I don't know what's right either. What would be right in a hypothetical situation?"

"If there's cloth napkins," begins Steven.

"That's a basic."

"No, it's not. Use your knife and fork, your knife in your right hand, your fork in your left hand."

"That's a basic, too."

"Chew with your mouth closed."

"Got it."

"Put down your utensils when speaking to someone else. Keep your elbows off the table."

All this talk put me in mind of my efforts with my own children. "They'll get it; you just have to keep at it," Jennifer reassures me. "I just don't remember my parents ever having to discipline me."

"That's the thing," says Steven. "Nobody did."

"We never sat down, never had tea."

"Because you didn't need to."

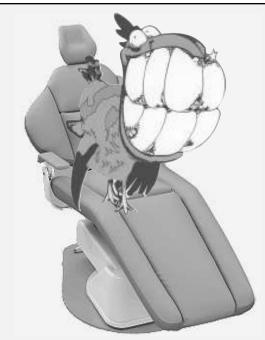
"Did you eat dinner together?" I ask.

"Oh, yeah."

"It's osmosis," concludes Steven. "Manners are learned through osmosis."

After dinner, it's cigarettes on the landing, then Jennifer disappears inside to finish out the tarts. A few minutes later, there they are: individual tarts filled with blueberries, raspberries, and strawberries, lounging on a sticky cloud of pastry cream.

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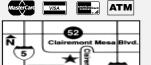
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her client's body like a slick second skin. Poyner thought an eye-catching spray of ornamented organza would breathe drama into the bottom third of the gown.

Poyner's all-time favorite fabric shop, International Silks and Woolens on Beverly Boulevard in Los Angeles, had failed to send her any dazzling swatches. So Poyner was driving from her House of Couture in Rancho Santa Fe down to Designer Fabric in Chula Vista, the store that Poyner thinks is the best source in San Diego County for sumptuous clothing material. The building has a plain exterior, but so many textiles have been crammed into the interior the very air feels upholstered. Only the narrowest pathways thread their way through the serried mass of fabrics. Poyner stopped every three or four feet as she

advanced deeper and deeper into this labyrinth, gasping and moaning and reaching for one luxurious bolt after another. "I have to touch everything — see what it feels like," she confessed. Still she remembered her mission.

A sales clerk named Leti had bad news. "I'm sorry, Roxi. We don't have any beaded organzas."

"How about unbeaded, embellished organza?" Poyner persisted.

"In the silk, I have only



Roxi Poyner

the one with the ostrich feathers."

"Ostrich feathers?" Poyner perked up. "Let's

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filmy black roll studded with a pattern of tiny rhinestone beads. To each bead was attached a thin sliver of charcoal feather. Motion set the feathers to quiver-

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Poyner looked thunderstruck. She dived into her purse, grabbed her cell phone, and furiously punched in a number. She appeared not to breathe until the word "Yvonne!" exploded from her lips. "Oh, Yvonne, I can't believe

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you answered the phone. God bless you!" Poyner squeaked. "I'm down in Chula Vista looking for your fabric, and Leti is showing me a piece of silk organza with ostrich feathers on it. It...is...so... cool."

Povner listened, and her face fell. "No? Oh, Yvonne. It's really cool. It's not over-the-top. It's actually really beautiful." At the other end of the connection, her client agreed to consider the feathered organza if the store would allow Poyner to drive it up to Rancho Santa Fe for her inspection.

If she were Coco Chanel, no one would question her judgment about ostrich feathers, Poyner reflected as she drove north. She'd use ostrich feathers, and fashion magazines worldwide would trumpet the news. Chanel is dead, of course, but her house of haute couture survives in Paris, and Poyner draws inspiration from it. Poyner's quixotic vocation is to produce items of clothing that are as flawless as those emanating from any of the famous Parisian ateliers.

Her timing could be better, she acknowledges say, if she were trying to accomplish this 55 years ago. Fashion historians estimate that top couturiers had at least 15,000 patrons after World War II; the French couture federation then included 50 houses, with some 40,000 people earning their living from the industry. By the end of the 1980s, however, the number of haute couture houses had dropped to 25, and the decline has continued. No more than a dozen designers presented collections in Paris last January, according to the French Elle, and only a thousand or so Parisian wage-earners remain in the profession. The number of true couture customers worldwide is estimated to range from 4000 to as few as 200.

Poyner sounds morose when she considers this. "It's a dying art form." Her business card notwithstanding, Poyner's enterprise can't even be called a



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house of haute couture, according to the exclusionary provisions of the Chambre Syndicale de la Couture Parisienne. Founded in 1868, during the heyday of Charles Worth (an English tailor who moved to Paris and became known as the world's first true couturier), the Syndicale ever since has dictated the qualifications for formal haute couture status. The rules have softened over time, but they still include such criteria as (1) having at least 15 employees and (2) presenting a semiannual collection that includes at least 35 outfits for day and evening wear.

Poyner has no full-time employees (although she employs the part-time services of an expert seamstress and a pattern maker). She doesn't create semiannual collections, and she doesn't intend ever to do so. The outrageous couturial runway shows are mounted "just to draw



Roxi Poyner

attention," she says. "If you watch the shows, you know that practically everything on the runway is barely wearable. But fabricationwise, it's the ultimate in perfection."

That level of perfectionism isn't cost-effective, she says. "The big designers will tell you that they don't make money on haute couture. They make money

on everything else — all the licensing things that they do for perfumes and handbags" and other items aimed at the mass markets. Poyner says she has no interest in turning her name into a household word. But the perfection that is the cornerstone of haute couture entrances her.

"Sewing at this level is so detail oriented," she explains. In the golden age of haute couture, "You could turn a garment inside out and wear it — it was so beautifully fabricated from the inside. It's the ultimate in craftsmanship." The other identifying hallmark of haute couture "is impeccable fit," she says. "Impeccable fit means the garment is a glove for the body." It can enable a five-foot-six-

inch-tall woman who weighs 170 pounds to look better than one who's four inches taller and weighs 50 pounds less. "For every one of her curves, there won't be any bumps, or tight pulls of the seams, or whatever. And you couldn't help but say that woman was better dressed. You couldn't help

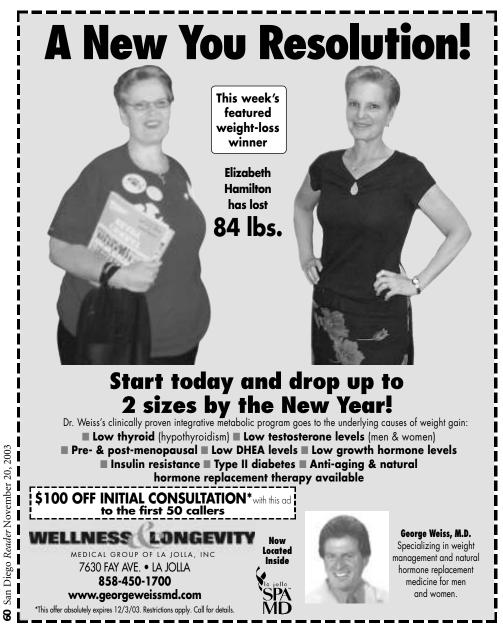
At the prices commanded by the top designers (\$100 per hour, Poyner guesses), the cost of achieving perfection in both construction and fit means that a ball gown can exceed six figures. Lacking the recognition enjoyed by a Karl Lagerfeld or an Alexander McQueen, Poyner says her ball gowns average about \$5000. Beyond the money, the client's time commitment constitutes another impediment. "There are very few people who are willing to take the time to achieve both [ultimate craftsmanship and perfect fit]," Poyner laments. "Here

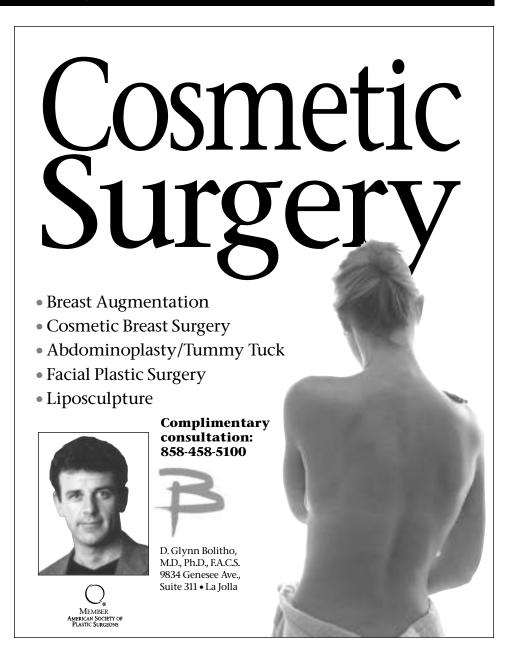
we are, immersed in this immediate-gratification society. Who's going to want to spend six weeks with a designer to have an outfit made? It takes at least 200 hours to put a gown together. Who's going to do that?" She answers her own question: "That's my calling. By the time I leave this planet, I'm going to make sure that I touch as many people as I can with this art."

Within the snooty realm of high fashion, Poyner seems miscast. At 43, she's girlish, unpretentious, informal. She's slimwaisted and full-breasted enough to wear the slinkiest of evening gowns (and on rare occasion she creates them for herself), but her standard costume is blue jeans and a simple knitted top. It's much easier to imagine Poyner as an enthusiastic and empathetic veterinarian or orthodontist.

She toyed with the idea of entering one of those

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professions while a teenager and in her early 20s. But she says she finally realized that, more than anything else, she loved to sew. She'd been sewing since the age of four or five. ("All the women in my family sewed.") In 1988 she moved to Southern California to assist a young black clothing designer in Los Angeles. "He worked for some of the celebrities," Poyner says, "like Diana Ross and some of the musical groups that were big then. He was a talented artist, but he couldn't put the fabrics together well. That's where I came in. 'Cause I'm a real strong technician."

It was while working for this man that Poyner decided she wanted to design "high-end stuff as opposed to just sewing for people and making money." To hone her skills, she enrolled in the fashion-design program at Mesa College in San Diego and eventually earned an associate arts degree there. During the same period, she went to work for a young La Jolla-based dressmaker named Gwen Edwards. "I did her handwork," Poyner recalls. "I helped her with pattern making. Or I helped her cut — whatever it was she needed at that time." Poyner says this apprenticeship allowed her to handle garments made by the houses of Chanel, Saint Laurent, and the like, as some of Edwards's clients brought in their old couture clothing for alteration. Edwards urged Poyner to take these clothes apart and study them. "That's exactly what I did," Poyner says. "That's how you learn! You turn them inside out, and you go, 'Oh my God! They've got a one-inch seam allowance! And they're underlined with silk organza instead of having stuff fused to the fabric to make it stiff. And the organza is hand stitched to the fabric. It's amazing!"

Poyner says, "Gwen is very, very bright, and she would point these things out to me. She knew from the first day I walked in what I wanted to do and

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that I wasn't going to be working with her forever. I worked with her five years, and she gave me so much knowledge. Then I took off on my own. It was absolutely awesome."

"We both have our niches," Edwards says today. (The two women continue to be close friends.) "I do more prêt-à-porter — more 'wear it on the street' suits and clothes that you pull out of your closet and wear. If I were to do 10 or 12 garments in a week, Roxi would still be working on one. She does meticulous work. You're not going to find garments that are better made." But that level of perfection comes at a high cost, Edwards points out. "[She] spends hours and hours on one garment. That's not unusual in haute couture, and that's the direction in which Roxi has gone.... She's kind of fanatical, and it really doesn't leave room for a lot of other things." In contrast, Edwards is married and has a ten-year-old daughter. She says she spends a minimum of 45 to 50 hours per week on her dressmaking business. But her family commands her first allegiance. "I'm not willing to sleep, drink, and eat fashion," says Edwards, adding that in order to create haute couture, "That's really what you have to do."

After getting her fashion-design degree, Poyner says she thought about moving to Paris or Milan (the meccas for those who sleep, drink, and eat luxurious clothing). But she was "a little intimidated" by the fact that she doesn't speak French or Italian. In the United States, "I'd have to say that New York would be the hub. Because people in New York still dress. There's a big difference in the way people dress in New York and the way they dress in San Diego." (Poyner has come to believe that "the way you dress is directly proportional to the type of weather and climate you have.")

She probably would have encountered a higher level of appreciation for well-made clothes back East, she figures. "I probably shoulda, woulda, coulda gone to New York.... But I've always been a California girl," and she thought the quality of her work would enable her to succeed anywhere. So around 1995 she opened a tiny shop at the corner of Herschel Avenue and Torrey Pines Road in La Jolla. From the beginning, most of her clients had Rancho Santa Fe addresses. In 1999, Anna Ly, the seamstress with whom Poyner works, found studio space in Fairbanks

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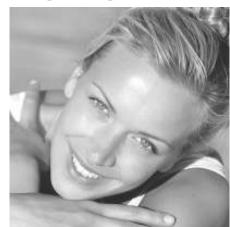
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Ranch, and the two moved there. (When she's not sewing for Poyner, Ly alters clothes for a stable of clients.) Early last summer, the two women moved to the Fairbanks Village Plaza.

When Poyner was starting her business, she also worked part-time at a Designer Fabric branch in La Jolla. (It has since closed, leaving only the Chula Vista outlet.) There, wealthy women would wander in, fall in love with a fabric, and buy it — yet not know what to do with it. "I'd say, 'I know what you could do with it!' and they'd say, 'I don't know how to do that,' and I'd say, 'Well, I do!' " Poyner recalls. "Some of them had dressmakers, I'm sure. But they didn't have dressmakers who could stitch like I stitched. They didn't have someone who knew couture like I knew

So having enough business was never her problem. Pricing her services was the problem, she says. At first she charged "in the mid-hundreds" for dresses and suits. "It was always fairly expensive." Still the work "always took me too long," she recalls with a groan. "Not too long for the client! But it always took longer than it should have. Say I would make a suit for \$450. That thing would take me 70 or 80 hours of work. Do the math. I wouldn't do it now. But \$450 ten years ago was still a lot of money for someone who didn't have 'Yves Saint Laurent' on the label inside their jacket."

Poyner's prices have climbed over the years, but it's clear that this subject still causes her anguish. "I really don't like it when somebody calls and says, 'Hi, I just got your name from So-and-So. How much does a suit cost?' "Poyner thinks that's like "going to a doctor and saying, 'I have cancer. How much will it cost me to fix it?" "It all depends on what kind of cancer you have. Pressed for an estimate, Poyner says she tells people that her labor for designing and making a jacket and skirt will

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usually cost between \$3000 and \$5000. (The fabric and other supplies are a separate charge.) Ball gowns almost never cost less than \$3000, and they can be as high as \$10,000 or even more. How much handwork will the client want? How many shortcuts will they ask Poyner to take, as opposed to making the garment according to the highest traditional standards. "Let's say I've got three designs. I'll say, 'This one is the most expensive. This is the least expensive. This one is in-between. How much time do you want me to put in it?' " Poyner thinks every woman who walks through her door has in mind an amount she wants to pay, "and usually they don't want to tell me for two reasons. One is they don't want to show their hand. And the other reason is they don't want to insult me by being too cheap. So my job is to figure out what that amount

Poyner shops for all the materials. "I won't work on anything that's not a natural fiber," she says. "I don't want them to walk in and bring me a five-dollar-a-yard polyester when they're going to pay thousands of dollars or whatever they pay for the dress. It's not fair.... I pick the linings for them. I pick the buttons, the beads, or whatever." In all these categories, she says she turns it into "a multiple-choice process."

Poyner offers something else that the world's top designers don't match. She cites a recent article in which a former Yves Saint Laurent tailor expresses amazement at hearing anyone say that haute couture items are unique. "We had to reproduce the same suit [from one of Saint Laurent's collections] 15 times each season," this man is quoted. In contrast, Poyner promises never to duplicate a client's design for

another client, without express permission. "I can make any of those things I want for myself. But I wouldn't resell them to anyone else." She believes this means a lot to her customers. "Rancho Santa Fe is a very small community, and those ladies, when they go to a luncheon, don't want

end department store has become Poyner's selfordained mission. "All over the stores, you see 'couture this' and 'couture that.' " The phrase has become as debased as "fat-free," she believes. Stores use the word because people know "it means something unreachable and expensive. It asso-

"I love anything that looks hard to do - like braiding a belt or a peau de soie bow that has a really cool knot."

to be caught dead in the same outfit that somebody else has." That can happen when the outfit comes from a department store. "Which is good for me!" Poyner says with a merry laugh.

Educating people about the difference between haute couture and designerlabeled clothes from a highciates them with people they don't normally get to associate with, like movie stars and celebrities. And that drives me crazy, of course, because ready-towear is not and never will be haute couture. You cannot mass-produce haute couture, because half of haute couture is perfection and craftsmanship and the other half is fit. And how can you perfect fit for the masses?"

Poyner says she tells her clients, "I'm going to teach you everything about why you don't want to buy something from Neiman Marcus.... Here's the difference between the \$5000 Armani suit you buy at Neiman Marcus and what I do. First, you have to understand that Mr. Armani's a genius. He wants you to come back and buy more. So he's going to sew your suit out of fabrics that aren't going to handle a lot of dry cleaning. They probably have fusing inside, because he's got to make them fast and he's got to make money. That's his job. Whereas I'm out to save my art. Big difference! I'm going to hand stitch it all. You also have to consider how many hands have touched that suit by the time it leaves China and gets into Neiman Marcus."

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Povner says, in contrast, no suit of hers is ever touched by the hands of anyone except her and Ly. "A jacket may take between 100 and 200 hours, depending upon the intricacy of the requested details. A skirt might take 25 to 35 hours, again depending on the detail. For a ball gown, I've never done one of those in less than 100 hours." Usually the process begins with Poyner's client opening her calendar to pencil in a social engagement that cries out for special, even spectacular, raiment.

The events can bunch up and overwhelm the designer at times. This happened late last spring, Poyner says, when no fewer than four women came in beseeching her services. "One was a lady who wanted a three-piece outfit made of multilayered chiffon, with a jacket. Her daughter was

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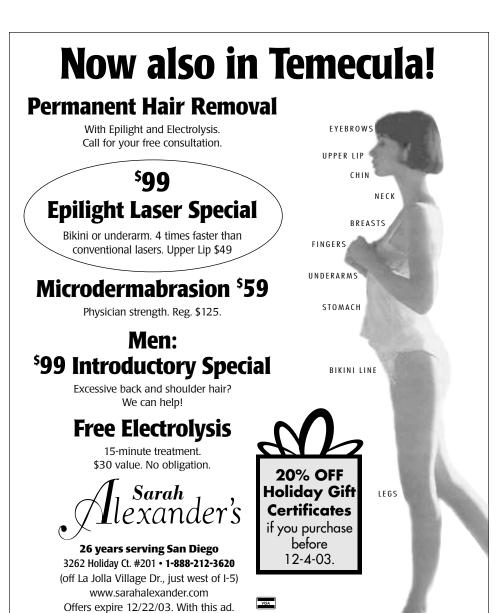


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getting married in some castle in Europe. She showed me pictures of the castle!" But the fabric wasn't scheduled to arrive until April 30, and the wedding was May 25. Poyner says she had to turn away this potential customer, as well as the tall, very beautiful girl who needed an outfit for a dressy occasion that also was scheduled for May 25. "She was so cute. She said, 'What if I paid you a little bit extra. How much would it cost?' I told her I would love to do it but there was simply no way."

Poyner had to disappoint the two newcomers because two long-established clients also had upcoming extravaganzas. One wanted Poyner to make her a dress for the May 7 fund-raising gala put on by the Rancho Santa Fe unit of the Children's Hospital Auxiliary. The other woman would be attending the \$250-per-person black-tie dinner dance on May 17 benefiting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Poyner says she shrinks from taking on the creation of even two ball gowns at once, but she felt so loyal to both these women that she couldn't disappoint either. She figured she'd use Ly's services to help with the straight stitching and brace herself for a spate of interminable work days.

The first step for each of Poyner's projects sketching the potential designs — is "probably the most fun," she says. "That's the most creative. It's the idea of interpreting visually — for them and for myself - what they want." The restrictions created by the client's figure type add to her enjoyment, she claims. "It doesn't matter what your figure type is." Part of her job, as she describes it, is to invent outfits that hide the flaws and showcase the strengths.

Poyner says she used to think her design style defied categorization, that she could create pretty much anything for anyone. But over the years she's come to acknowledge that her work does have some consistent







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Her favorite design era is the 1940s, she says, and she often looks to it for inspiration. Among living designers, "I don't think there's anyone who's as talented as Valentino. His expression of femininity is so clear and concise." Poyner thinks some of the other reigning superstars, such as John Galliano (who designs for the House of Dior), can tend to be "a bit more obscure," more interested in drawing attention

to themselves. "Whereas Valentino is designing for his clients."

But it's Coco Chanel (who died in 1971) from whom Poyner draws the most inspiration. "She required that everything be absolutely perfect. She'd rip things out if they were a 16th of an inch off. And that's exactly how I am with myself." Poyner also reveres the classicism of Chanel's creations. "You could still today wear dresses Chanel made for herself in the 1920s, and they'd look great — because classic styling never goes out of fashion." Poyner contends it's very important to her that the ball gowns she designs for her Rancho Santa Fe clientele embody a similar timelessness. "I figure if people are going to spend that much money, it had better be for something they can wear as easily in five years as now. And I know if I date them by any detail I put on them or

by using a certain silhouette, [the women] won't wear them anymore. Even if they say they will."

Poyner thus felt concerned about the dress brought to her by Shawna Davis (not her real name), the longtime client who needed something to wear to the Children's Hospital gala. Davis wanted to know if Poyner could make her a similar dress using fleshcolored four-ply silk crepe and black-beaded Chantilly lace.

Poyner loved those fabrics. She had used them to make herself a fancy dress that Davis had seen and admired. Enough of the \$1000-a-yard lace was left over from that project to make a gown for Davis, but Poyner recognized the dress brought in by Davis to be a ready-to-wear version of a long, straight sheath by the Australian designer Richard Tyler. Poyner cautioned Davis that "everyone at the 2003 Oscars had this kind

of dress on." The problem, she explained, was that "the more the celebrities are in a dress, the more dated it becomes."

Poyner wound up sketching three options for Davis's gown: all tight-fitting sheaths, slit up each side to about knee-high. One resembled Tyler's design in its treatment of the bodice, but the other two options were more classical. Poyner says she could have predicted the version Davis would choose: one with a black satin band that would accentuate the smallness of her waist and spaghetti straps rather than broader ones worn off the shoulder. "We've worked together before, and I have a pretty good sense of her taste. She's conservative."

At this point, Davis and Poyner also came to an agreement about the cost (which Poyner declines to disclose, citing concerns about her client's privacy). Covering any material with lace requires staggering amounts of time, Poyner knew, so to stay within Davis's budget she would have to make labor-saving concessions in other areas. One was the method she would use for supporting the weight of all the beads on the lace. The crepe alone would not be strong enough. When Poyner had made her own evening gown, she'd fabricated the dress out of multiple layers: the silk crepe was not only lined with china silk but also covered with chiffon and finally topped with the beaded lace. To save Davis money, however, Poyner agreed to omit the chiffon layer and fuse a tricot netting to the back of the crepe. "If you buy a suit in a store, that's what they always do on the lapels — which I hate." Over time and with use, the backing tends to separate from the fabric, Poyner explains. Still, in the case of Davis's ball gown, "It's not like a suit, where she's going to wear it once a week." Moreover, the close stitching of the lace would protect the garment's structural integrity.

When an evening gown is designed to showcase a woman's torso, underwear can distort the lines. To avoid this, Poyner likes to construct a bustier out of cotton muslin and china silk embedded with at least seven long, thin plastic "bones." She then installs the bustier into the top of the dress, as she did for her own lace-covered ball gown.

But fabricating the bustier can take up to 25

hours, Poyner says, enough additional time to have driven Davis's dress overbudget. The designer agreed to omit the bustier but still planned to build a couple of bones into the bustline. That way Davis could either wear a strapless bra or go braless. "If she's conservative and doesn't want to show body parts, I've covered that."

On April 1, more than a month before the dress was due, Poyner had Davis come by her salon to recheck her measurements. This isn't just the bustline, waistline, and hip dimensions some of us might assess before ordering from the L.L. Bean catalog. Poyner can record up to more than 40 numbers from a firsttime client — everything from her ankle circumference to her crotch depth to the distance between her nipples. From Davis this day, however, she rechecked only 21 dimensions, because "I wasn't doing pants. I wasn't doing a long sleeve. I didn't need everything."

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pieces," she says.

To make Davis's dress conform to the shape of her upper body, Poyner planned to use a princess seam for the silk crepe bodice but darts for the lace that would cover it. The simple lines of the design meant Poyner didn't need to have her Los Angeles-based pattern maker devise a custom pattern; Poyner was able to start the fabric-cutting process by using stock dress-part shapes made of tissue paper. The first fabric she snipped into wasn't the \$75-a-yard crepe, let alone the astronomically priced lace. Instead, she used \$6-a-yard white muslin, a humble material that looks like the stuff from which cheap bedsheets are

Making a muslin prototype is one of the venerable traditions of haute couture; Poyner seems to relish it just for that reason. But it also has great practical value, she points out. The designer can mark adjustments with a pen on the muslin and make sure the client understands everything about the design. "If she's excited about the sheet, boy, what is she going to say when she sees the \$1000a-yard lace?" Poyner giggles. "How can I lose?"

Poyner had Davis try on the muslin version of her gown wearing the same undergarments and shoes she would wear to the ball. Everything fit, Poyner says, and the two women also decided upon the exact position for the wide black satin band that would be the dress's focal point. Poyner then used the muslin pieces as a pattern for cut-



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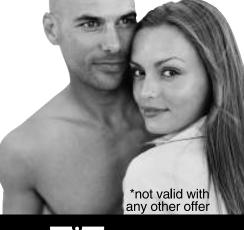
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ting the flesh-colored silk crepe and the black band. She sewed those pieces together, installed the zipper, lined the dress, hemmed it, and had Davis come in for a second session that confirmed the fit to be perfect. Indeed it looked good enough to wear to a ball that very evening. But after her client walked out the door, Poyner ripped out all the stitches and took the gown completely apart.

Davis knew nothing about this step, Poyner disclosed on the afternoon of April 26. "She tends to worry.... It's almost like I'm half psychologist and half designer. But that's what makes it so fun. Because I know what will make her happy." Poyner explained that she knew Davis "needed to see as much dress as she could so she'd be confident enough to leave me alone for a week to do the beading.... She has no idea what it takes to lay this out."

This particular lace, handmade in France, had a fine netting for its base, but to the netting the lacemakers had affixed rows of black sequins, simple beads, and more elaborate clusters of beads that resembled tiny flowers. The rows of ornamentation created a complex striped pattern, one that Davis was slender enough to wear horizontally, the two women had agreed. But figuring out how to cut and position the lace so that the pattern looked good was a bit like working on a jigsaw puzzle. By the afternoon of April 26, Poyner had completed that work, had pinned all the lace to the pieces of the flesh-colored underdress, and was deep in the throes of hand stitching the two layers together.

After about six hours, she had finished attaching the lace to half of the bottom of the front of the dress. She figured that perhaps 26 more hours of such stitching lay before her. Flipping over the crepe to its back side provided insight into why so much time would be required. Poyner was using half-inch-wide

"back stitches" that ran in neat zigzagging rows about an inch and a half apart. These Davis would barely see through the tan china silk with which Poyner would line the dress."I could have sewn it in nude thread, and then she wouldn't have seen anything back here," Poyner said. But the designer hadn't wanted to risk having the nude thread be visible against the black lace of the dress's exterior. What made the stitch-

ing even more difficult, she continued, was the need to make sure at every inch that she was affixing the lace precisely where she'd pinned it. Otherwise, the stripes might wander up and down. Worse still, when Poyner sewed the back and front of the dress together, the stripes might not meet up perfectly at the side seam, an unbearable prospect. She would use a sewing machine on the side seams, and in preparation for that step she had already removed the beads from a one-inch margin along the sides of each lace piece. "I couldn't have the bulk of the beads in there or else the foot of the machine would hit them," Poyner explained. In one of the final steps, she would have to re-create the beadwork in the gap that remained at the seams. "That's the worst part of making a beaded gown," she said with a wry smile. "Not taking the beads off but putting them back on again."

Still, she was hoping to have this completed when Davis returned on May 1 for her final fitting. With the gala not scheduled until May 7, she figured she'd have plenty of time for last-minute adjustments.

Poyner got a shock on May 1 when Davis mentioned at the fitting that the ball would take place in just two days. Poyner somehow had gotten the wrong date into her head, a mistake she'd never made before. Rattled though she was, there was much in Davis's reaction to the dress to lift the designer's spirits. "God, this is gorgeous!" Davis's voice floated out

from the dressing room in Poyner's studio. "It makes me skinnier than anything I own! It makes me feel so sexy. I love the way you've put slits up both the sides. I've never had a dress with double slits. I've only had them with one!"

Davis continued to exclaim over the dress as she stood in front of a mirror, while Poyner marked the position of the hemline. With the beaded lace attached, the dress now weighed nine pounds, but Davis marveled that it didn't feel as heavy as she had expected. Once again, the garment looked almost ready for its debut, but after Davis departed, Poyner ticked off the tasks remaining. She needed to make the thin peau de soie shoulder straps and open up two sections of the bodice top to insert them. "That's probably an hour's work, and I have to put the hook in." The stitching required to hem the layers at the bottom of the dress and the tailoring of the four corners created by the slits would consume another half-dozen hours. Worst of all, Poyner still needed to fill in the sequins and beading along the two side seams. ("I have no idea how long that will take.") She would save for last the creation of the black satin bow that would adorn the satin panel. It would serve as a form of couturial dessert: a treat at the end to which she could look forward.

Poyner promised to drop the dress off at Davis's house by noon the day of the gala, two days later. But at 1:00 p.m. on that afternoon, the ball gown still hung in Poyner's studio. The hem was finished. To the broad satin waistband, Poyner had added a dainty 5/8-inch-wide belt made of the same black satin, and to this she had affixed a bow that resembled a man's tuxedo tie and yet still exuded femininity. Along the side seams, every bead was in place; every horizontal line seemed uninterrupted. Poyner admitted that she had worked through the night, finishing at 7:00 a.m.



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that morning. Her eyes looked bloodshot.

At the last moment, Davis had agreed to pick up the dress herself, because Poyner had to direct her attention to her next project: the ball gown Yvonne Polatchek would be wearing to the juvenile diabetes benefit in just two weeks. An ebullient, outgoing woman who looks a bit like the novelist Danielle Steel, Polatchek has a 16-yearold daughter who was diagnosed with the metabolic disorder several years ago. Since then the mother has thrown herself into supporting research efforts to find a cure. In 2001 and 2002, she chaired the local fund-raisers for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. For last year's event, Poyner made her a regal fantasy that featured a tightfitting beaded-lace bodice over a mass of flowing, heavy four-ply royal-purple charmeuse.

On the afternoon of May 3, the purple gown was hanging in Poyner's studio because Poyner had borrowed it in the hopes of getting it photographed. Polatchek insisted on donning it. "This is the princess dress of all time!" Polatchek exclaimed, pointing out that Poyner had fabricated the skirt without creating a single seam. "This to me is the most magnificent thing she's ever done! And she's made some other magnificent things for me. But this was above and beyond. This is Oscar-worthy."

For this year's fundraising event, Polatchek had presented the designer with a different challenge. Polatchek wanted to show off a recent present from her husband: a necklace featuring a gigantic aquamarine gemstone. The dress was to serve as the backdrop.

Polatchek nonetheless wanted it to be beautiful, so a few weeks before, she'd brought Poyner a photograph of Nicole Kidman wearing a white, strapless Givenchy that appealed to the Rancho Santa Fe matron. This time Poyner fretted that "if we copied it directly, it would look

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www.shumwayinstitute.com 9834 Genesee Avenue, Suite 225 Scripps La Jolla Hospital like that.... Also, I knew that Yvonne needed more than what that dress had." So Povner created six alternative sketches, and she felt pleased when Polatchek picked her personal favorite: a dress that featured two distinct elements. The top part would be made from lustrous peau de soie (the heavy satin-woven silk) that would be cut at a 45-degree angle to the grain of the fibers ("on the bias," in dressmaking parlance). Bias-cut fabrics look more sensuous, Poyner points out, draping and clinging to every curve, a characteristic this dress would use to full advantage. More than a half-dozen pleats would flow out of one side of the bodice, while on the other side the fabric would grip Polatchek's body in a smooth, sinuous line. To the bottom of the satin portion, Poyner envisioned attaching a delicate, translucent lace tulle. Polatchek would look a little like a

mermaid arising from a foamy sea.

Polatchek says she's learned a lot from having Poyner create clothing for her over the last four or five years. "Believe me - she has taught me things about couture, about fabrics, about what you can wear, what you can't wear. About what looks good on the female body. I thought I knew a lot to begin with, but I've become increasingly educated."

The client says she's also come to enjoy contributing ideas to the design process, and she didn't hold back in the case of the mermaid gown. Polatchek is about five foot five, and she felt that too full a spray of fabric at the bottom of the dress would make her look even shorter. To avoid that, she asked Poyner to reduce the volume at the bottom. The two women decided to substitute organza for the tulle. Polatchek also asked Poyner to tinker with

the way the peau de soie wrapped around her breasts. After talking at length about colors, they agreed that black would best show off the necklace.

By May 3, Poyner had completed a muslin version of the top of the dress, and Polatchek came in to check that fit. Since the two women hadn't yet bought the fabric for the bottom part, Poyner was using a black chiffon skirt as a standin. Clad in the mockup, Polatchek already looked graceful and elegant, but she wanted Poyner to let out the top a bit. "One of my most important things is being able to breathe while I'm at the function!"

With a more studious air, the two women tackled the question of how to hold up Polatchek's breasts. "Obviously time is taking these guys south," the client commented. "We need to make sure they come up, if I'm not going to wear a bra." In an aside, she commented, "It's great when you have clothes made for you, because that way you can have all your physiological disadvantages either camouflaged or shown to their best advantage."

"If you don't want to wear a bra, Yvonne, I have to put the boning in," Poyner declared. "There's no if, and, or but about it. Now, if you wear a strapless bra, and you give me the roundness that the padding in a strapless bra provides, then I don't have to heavily bone it. But without that, the only way for me to give you curve and lift is to put the bones in."

Polatchek agreed to bring a strapless bra to the next fitting to see how that would look. "If it works out, fine. If not, then you lift, pull — do whatever you have to do without the anesthesia," Polatchek instructed the designer.

The purchase of material for the bottom remained. This is when Poyner volunteered to drive down to the Chula Vista fabric store to see if she could find some luscious black organza. By Monday morning, after catching up on her sleep, she was brighteyed and buoyant again.

She commented that she had long ago made peace with the grueling hours demanded by her vocation. She's usually in her studio by eight in the morning, and she stays until at least seven at night. Most weeks she's there every day. "I like to work Saturdays, because it's really quiet." Although she tries to take off at least a half day on Sundays, one task or another often lures her to the shop. It all adds up to far more than 40 hours per week. Poyner says, "The most I've ever worked is about 90 hours for a long period of time. And I very, very seldom take vacations."

The time evaporates. "It doesn't happen to me every day," Poyner says. But often, she says, she'll look outside and see it's dark already and feel shocked. Once in a while the thought that other folks are at home with their families will make her feel bleak. "But for the most part I don't feel like that, because I'm doing something *nobody* else gets to do. How many ladies do you know who wouldn't love to sit and look through fashion magazines as part of their job?" (Although Poyner reads none of the general-circulation magazines, such as Vogue or *InStyle*, she subscribes to high-priced publications that report on what the European haute couturiers have presented in their collections.)

"How many ladies do you know," she persists, "who wouldn't love to be able to make beautiful clothes? I can go into a store and make anything I see! I can't do that with shoes; if I want a pair of Manolo Blahniks, I've got to pay

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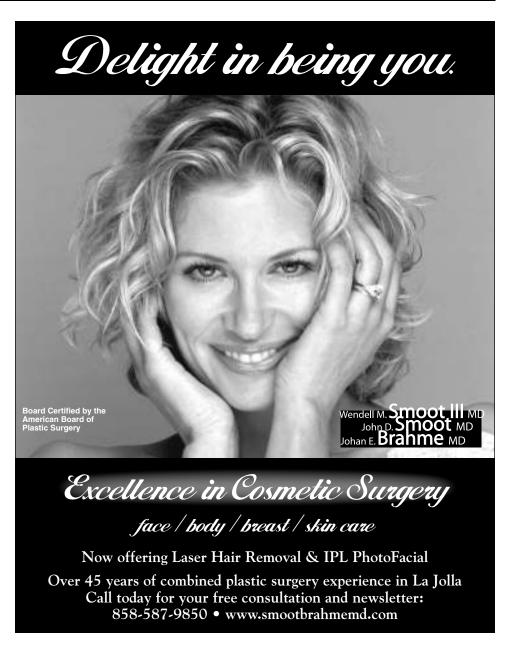
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If she has no time to make clothes for herself at this point in her life, "You know what? It doesn't really matter," Poyner says. "I feel so fortunate and so gifted. For the most part, I'm more fortunate than anyone I've ever met in any industry. Because I love what I do so much. And I have a goal. And I don't have any doubt that I'm going to get there. I've just got to keep plugging along, and eventually I'll hit my mark, and I'll reap what I've sown. I don't have a doubt."

Poyner says she met in January a Los Angeles resident "who's really, really well known in the [clothing design] industry." She showed this man Polatchek's purple gown, and Poyner says he told her it was worth \$25,000 to \$30,000, "and that if I didn't get that I had sold myself short." Poyner says he also declared that she should never design readyto-wear clothing lines. "She's far too talented in her area to put herself in a position to mass-produce anything," she claims he said. "She should only be doing things for individuals."

That's her goal, Poyner says. "I need clients like Nicole Kidman and Halle Barry and Princess Caroline.... How many of those would I need? I don't need ten of them," she answers her own question. "I'm not looking to become Ivana Trump." Poyner says she would like to be able to buy a house and be comfortable. She'd like to "work with people who need my service. I don't know that I've found people yet who need it." For clients like Davis and Polatchek, her creations are "sort of a luxury," she believes. "But I need the ones for whom it's not a luxury. If I want to get paid more than 15 or 20 bucks an hour, I need to have people who say, 'I don't care how much it costs. Just give me the best that's out there.' Then I can step up to the plate and say, 'I'm that person. I'm not

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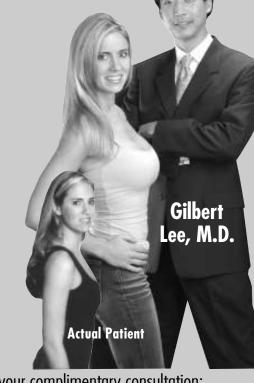
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Poyner doesn't want to give the impression that she doesn't cherish her current clients. She insists she does, and Polatchek clearly fills one of the highest ranks in her esteem — even though Polatchek rejected the ostrich-feathered organza after inspecting it. "It was just too much," Poyner reported, sounding disappointed but understanding. "She said if it wasn't Rancho Santa Fe if the event were in L.A. and it was bigger — she would do it." Instead, Polatchek had settled on a lightweight Chantilly lace with Mylar thread running through it. "That gives it a little bit of sheen." The feathers "would have been a bear to work with," Poyner said, adding that the lace cost

"about \$75 a yard more than the organza would have been — so she's got really good taste!"

With the materials decided upon, Poyner settled down to complete the dress by May 15, when she was planning to make a short trip to Los Angeles. She wound up having to cancel her travel plans, though."My commitment is to the dress," she said, two days before Polatchek's ball. The zipper installation was proving frustrating, and once the lace was attached to the upper dress, Polatchek had decided it was too sheer. So she had refashioned the lower section, lining plain black organza with black china silk and covering the organza with the lace. "This way you won't see the color of her legs but just the shape. It will be less flashy," she explained.

The night before the ball, Poyner managed to avoid working all night long, which was fortuitous since Polatchek insisted that Poyner and her boyfriend attend the ball as her guests. "I was exhausted," Poyner later confessed. But when she walked into the ballroom at the Hotel del Coronado and saw Polatchek wearing her creation, she says adrenaline erased all her weariness. "She had the

prettiest dress there!" Poyner exulted. "I walked up to her and tapped her on the shoulder and said, 'Excuse me, miss, but I have to tell you I love your dress.' And she turned around and hugged me and said, 'I have to tell you, I've been here an hour and everybody's com-

plimented my dress, but

nobody's said anything

about my jewelry!' It made

my night!" Poyner squealed

at the memory. "That was

just so cute of her to say that."

Contacted four days after the ball, Polatchek sounded rapturous too. The evening had raised more than \$635,000, she reported, and the dress "was incredible! Without a doubt I was the belle of the ball! It fit me like a glove. But then of course that's why you do haute couture — because it is made specifically for your body. It's made for your movement. It's almost like a part of you, in a strange way. I think the best compliment I can give to Roxi is, when you wear one of her pieces, you feel like everyone's looking at you. In turn, you're glowing. I had all kinds of people come up and tell me my dress was gorgeous — even people I didn't know."

As in the past, Polatchek says she felt amazed by the work Poyner had expended to bring the dress into being. "It's very comfortable to wear, because the inside of her pieces is always made as beautifully as the outside is." Thoughtful details abound, she noted, citing as one example the corset. "There's not just little eyes and hooks. She's got little ribbons to cover up the eyes and hooks."

Polatchek said she couldn't compare Poyner's creation (which wound up costing her about \$5000) with what she might have obtained from a department store. "I could go to Neiman's and get a much less expensive gown," she asserted. On the other hand, a Valentino or a Badgley Mischka might well cost more. For \$5000, some of her friends would insist on the famous label, she added. Others ("even living in Rancho Santa Fe") would refuse to pay that much for any

"But you know what?" Polatchek says to this attitude. "I grew up in New York City, and my mother had a dressmaker. Not because it was haute couture, but just because my mother was very big-busted. She had to have a Latin American woman make dresses for her. So the idea of someone making my clothes is not foreign to me."

Polatchek says she has "no doubt" Poyner's name one day will be well known. "I have 100 percent faith that her career is going to explode. She is one of the artisans and craftspeople who are trying to make sure this incredible art survives. And believe me, one of her dresses is a work of art. It goes beyond the other things you have hanging in your

One day toward the end of May, neither Polatchek's purple "princess gown" nor her new black mermaid gown was hanging in her closet. She had loaned both dresses back to Poyner, who hoped to have them photographed for inclusion in her portfolio. Obtaining a photographic record of her work is a step she too often forgets, Poyner says. "With my most beautiful pieces the ones I'm most proud of — it seems like I work on them every second I can get. I constantly find something I can do to improve them."

They're like her babies, Poyner says. "I get so excited about them, and my clients get so excited." And then the moment of their departure is upon her. "It's like having a child that goes through graduation and is off to college. That's it. They're gone."

Most of Poyner's clients tell her they will wear their ball gowns more than once. This comforts her. "I just take it on trust that they will, and if they don't, I don't ever know the difference."

She says the most touching thing a client's ever done was to return a dress to her. This was one of the first ball gowns she'd made. "It had a black sequined top with a bustier built in and triple layers of chiffon." The woman wore it to the Governor's Ball of the Academy Awards. "And she wore it five or six more times; she told me the occasions that she wore it on. Then she came in a few days after the last time she wore it. She said, 'I'm at the point where I'm not going to wear it anymore, and I want you to have it. I know how much time you put into it, and I know how much you love your work." Poyner says she would have to enlarge the bustline to make it fit her, but she's been tempted to do that. The dress is still wearable. She wishes someone were wearing it. ■

— Jeannette De Wyze

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LETTERS

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ber 6 cover story, "B-ball," half because it grabbed me in with that opener — "Listen. I'm a basketball extremist" — and half because when I turned the page, I saw the byline "Geoff Bouvier," whom I know to be an excellent writer.

I've now read "B-ball" twice just for the sheer pleasure of being turned into Wilson, Mr. Bouvier's basketball, and being "handled" by him. While I could not assess his game on court (information he so charmingly milked out of Lenny, his interview subject, the King of P.B. Rec), I think what Lenny said of him — "...you're as good as anyone...here" — and Bouvier's self-appraisal ("I work hard") also describe his writing. This piece, without a word changed, could go into the Best Sports Writing Anthology of 2003, if there is such a collection.

I'm still thinking about Geoff's tour de force of switching balls in the middle of the game. Bye, bye Wilson, let's play with Dante (who wrote The Divine Comedy, that's "Dante Alighieri, or Dante, as in, just Dante"), just another Italian guy who liked to run with the ball and suddenly, middle-aged, found he couldn't run as fast. Viewing Dante's predicament — "In the middle of my life I found myself in a dark woods" not as a midlife mental or spiritual crisis, but as an athlete having to deal with aging (all of us having to face our own death) was presented so subtly I woke up the next morning thinking I'd come up with a new interpretation of Dante. Now that's smooth, when a writer's so good he can just hook-shot his ideas into your mind and swish — you think they're yours.

Sandy Huffaker Jr.'s five photographs accompanying this article all pulled their weight of a thousand words. When I first looked at them I thought, Basketball, so what? After reading and rereading the article, I've gone back to them, studying the expressions on the faces of the players and looking at the skill their moves express with an empathy I never had before.

Terrific story, Reader. Let's have more writing from Geoff Bouvier.

> Linda Brown **Encinitas**

Scripps Slip

I enjoyed taking the quiz in your most recent issue ("Are You Current?" "City Lights," November 6). However, you have an inaccurate question in question 20. It is the Scripps Research Institute, the medical institute, which is planning a facility in Palm Beach, Florida, and not the Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

Eleanor tum Suden

Hogwash Excuse

At least Rand DeWitt has a good reason for playing the Strokes ("Blurt," November 6). What excuse does Jim Richards have for playing such utter hogwash?

> Alfred "Bastard" Huete Spring Valley

Sniveling Whiners

Although I have long admired your watchdog demeanor regarding the ethical prostitutions of local government and the Union-Tribune (frankly, I'm delighted that Don Bauder now writes for you), I was appalled by the blatantly mediocre — if not yellow journalism of "Bathhouse

Quagmire" ("City Lights," November 6). Let me state from the outset that I frequent the Vulcan Baths several times per month and always practice safe sex.

It didn't take long to determine that this James Hartline person is less than credible. He admits to being an ex-con and having prostituted himself and readily claims that he's engaged in a substantial amount of sexual activity in his time. I don't wish ill of anyone, but it is no one's fault but his own that he contracted HIV; obviously, he is angry and is looking for a scapegoat. (America, land of the "it's not my fault" attitude of nonresponsibility.)

Therefore, his claims of having documented proof of being infected in a bathhouse are suspect at best. He didn't name the medical study he was supposedly participating in, and your writer Ernie Grimm didn't bother to obtain this information. At the very least, what was the nature of that purported study? Regardless of whether Hartline was having blood tests done

weekly, it's ludicrous for him to blithely claim he can "pinpoint, almost exactly, when I contracted the disease," since it's common knowledge that the incubation period for HIV can be anywhere from weeks to years. Since Grimm states that Hartline can document his claims, why was that documentation not included in the article? Since Hartline was living it up sexually during his incarceration, the interviewer should have had the journalistic integrity to pursue the quagmire of Hartline's past. This is very sloppy journalism.

Yes, I've heard that drug use and unsafe sex occur in bathhouses, but I've never observed it or been enticed with it during my visits to the Vulcan. If such activities do occur, closing the entire business would in no way curtail the participants' indulging their predilections elsewhere. (You need look no further than the history of Prohibition in the 1930s for indications of the lengths that people will go to to fulfill their desires.) Hartline may now be

a Christian as reported, but that doesn't preclude him from being a blatant hypocrite for now trying to prevent us intelligent and responsible patrons from being able to enjoy these establishments.

Finally, I hinted at possible yellow journalism on your part because of the picture that accompanied the article. Your photographer, Joe Klein, couldn't merely take a photograph of the Vulcan's façade; he had to do it at an angle to include the school-crossing sign that is only marginally in front of the building. This is obviously a ruse to cause an inflammatory reaction from uninformed readers — à la "Oh my God, there's a bathhouse next to a school!?" and such sensationalistic tactics are appalling. I can't even begin to guess where there might be a school near the Vulcan, since I've never noticed one, which leads me to presume that any school in the area must be numerous blocks away at the least; the Vulcan is surrounded by condos, a Jack in the Box, several hotels, a Mexican food

joint, and the County Administration Building.

Honestly, why does the Reader so readily give press space to sniveling whiners who try to abate their unhappiness via adversely affecting others? These starved-forattention "woe is me" creatures are devoid of interest: surely you are just wasting ink by publicizing their insignificant concerns. As for the article in question, although I know the Reader tends to disdain the so-called gay community and its radical little self-proclaimed potentates (and I share your disdain of the latter group), it would be nice if you realized that there are a lot of us homos who are nonetheless down-to-earth normal folks. We pay the same taxes as everyone else — you know, those funds that those vile politicians are always stealing — and it would be a refreshing change if you at least considered the possibility that we're not all raving perverts.

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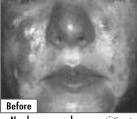
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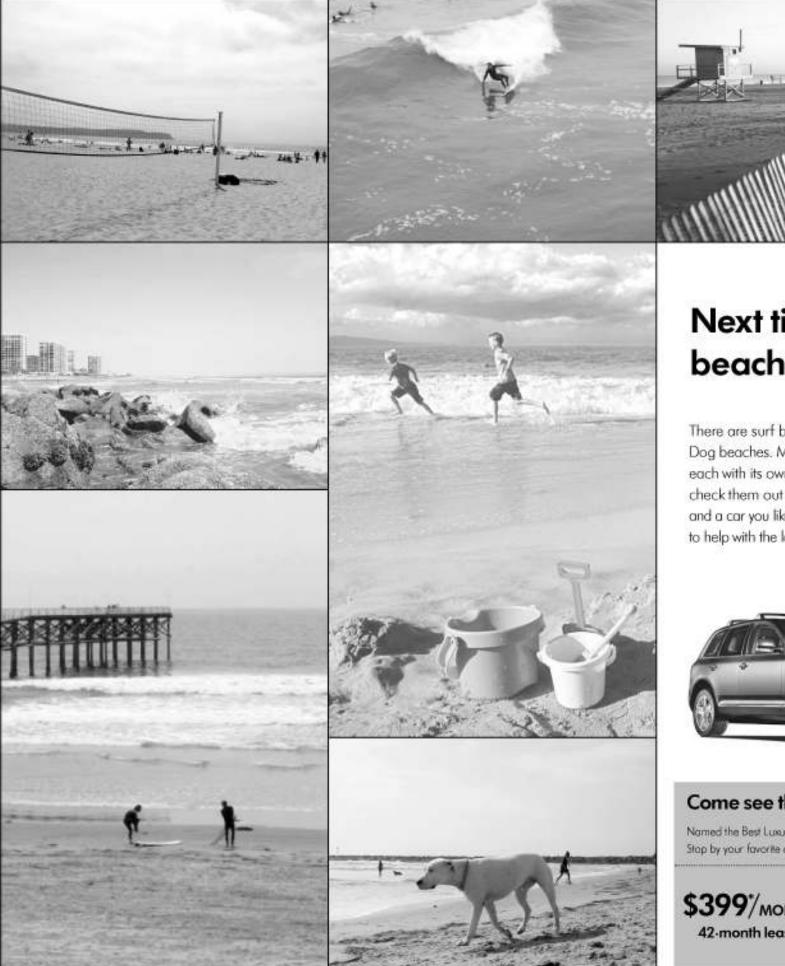
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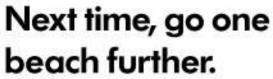
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Motorcycle Acrobatics Fest

efore I try anything new, I visualize it," says Jason Britton, motorcycle acrobat and stunt double, notably for Ice Cube in Torque and for Derek Luke in Biker BoyZ. "If I can't see in my imagination how it could happen, then I don't feel comfortable attempting it.'

Once he sees it, he can get started. "I can make corrections from there. I have to have escape routes in case something goes wrong; I have to see a way out. I have to know where I'm going to land, how I'm going to get away from the bike. I'll study it, take my time, learn it without hurting myself. That's why I've been able to do this for

Speaking by phone from his home just south of Los Angeles, in Garden

LOCAL **EVENTS** Grove, Britton, who is 35, acknowledges that his personal style doesn't

resemble that of the monosyllabic cool dudes from the Hollywood movies he's made. "I've been able to carry myself in such a way that I can actually deal with corporate sponsors. They say, 'Oh, wow, you ride too?' They think I'm the representative or something" - that is, for his Team No Limit or his business concern, No Limit Extreme Entertainment. Team No Limit will perform in Tijuana this weekend.

Britton is the popularizer of the stunt called the elevator. This is how he describes it: "You're riding down the road about 50 mph standing on the [foot]pegs with your hands out. And then you take one jump from the pegs up to the gas tank. And you remain in a standing position with your hands out without touching any other part of the motorcycle."

He didn't invent it. He's seen plenty of pictures of it, in 1950s magazines. He doesn't know of any really "new" tricks. "I don't know what they called it 50 years ago, but standing on the seat or standing on the gas tank while riding down the road with your arms out is called a 'Christ air' today."

For an exhibition like the one on Sunday, Britton says he'll make \$2000 or \$3000. Making movies is much more lucrative; it's also much more pressure. "When you're working on a \$100 million film, if you don't get the stunt right, and you're doing it over and over for two hours, you set everybody back. They've got camera time, grips out there working dollies, camera cars, and actors waiting to do their shot, waiting for you to finish. So it's crucial that you can do









your trick upon command."

Britton's choice of bike is a 2003 Suzuki GSXR1000. His car is a 2003 Cadillac Escalade. After this conversation is over, he says, he'll drive the car to Las Vegas, to do some filming for Team No Limit's latest video, Revolution 2003. He almost never rides bikes on the street anymore.

How did he choose his team members, Darius Khashabi, Alex Flores, and Joey Barta? "To have longevity as a team in this business, you don't go out and choose the absolute best riders whose attitudes or personalities you don't know. What I did was go with guys I had already ridden with, was friends with, and had already clicked

Their riding styles all differ. "Alex is very controlled. He does very good slow wheelies and rolling endos' i.e., the rider hits the front brake hard enough to lift the rear wheel off the

ground while continuing to roll the bike down the road, on the front wheel only. "Darius, on the other hand, while he's always in control, looks more like he's on the edge. He does amazing burnouts. He's all over the bike while the back wheel is spinning. His slow wheelies are like no one else's. He does circle wheelies faster and can wheelie out of a circle wheelie better than anyone I've seen. Joey is very controlled, too. He learns very quickly. You put a trick in front of him, he'll picture it, and then he'll go out and nail

In February 2001, Britton was seriously injured. He broke his face in nine places and ruptured his brain sac. Was ĥe wearing a ĥelmet? "I was. And I had every opportunity in the world to pursue a lawsuit with HJC [the helmet maker]. But I never did. The worst thing that ended up happening to me was that I lost my sense of taste and smell. I

consider myself lucky to be alive."

He has plenty of colleagues on crutches and in wheelchairs. "There's a gentleman named Lee Beaver. He has no feeling from the waist down. But he actually competes in some of our events. He's made this contraption. When his bike gets below 5 mph, these hydraulic wheels come out on the side to keep the bike balanced. It's really an elaborate setup. And he did it all himself from his wheelchair."

– Jeanne Schinto

Third Annual Tijuana International Festival of Motorcycle Acrobatics 2003 Sunday, November 23, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Centro de Espectaculos Alamar (Behind the Central Camionera) Tijuana Cost: \$5; children under 5, free. 011-52-664-490-3306 or www.motosyautoscbc.com

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"Le Reina de su Casa." this "tragicomic monologue" will be presented by Carlos Niebla, Friday, November 21, 8 p.m., at Multiforo ICBC, in Zona Río; \$10 U.S. Niebla performs again on Monday, November 24, 7:30 p.m., at Teatro Benito Juárez; \$7 U.S. 011-52-664-684-0908. (TIJUANA)

Moviemaking and Lobster, spend Saturday, November 22, exploring Rosarito Beach during outing hosted by San Diego Natural History Museum, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lobster lunch at Hotel Calafia, visit to Foxploration. Nonmember fees: \$84 for adults, \$74 for children. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Boxing Matches planned on Saturday, November 22, 6 p.m., at Alamar Center in Zona Río. Card includes Julio César Chávez versus Willie Wise, Diego "Pelucho" Morales versus Mauricio Pastrana. others. 011-52-664-681-9677. (THUANA)



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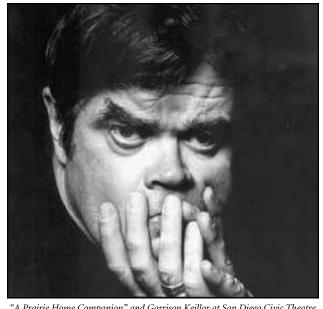
Tricolored Blackbirds breed at Lindo Lake Park in season; explore area with Audubon Society birders, Saturday, November 22, 8 to noon. Picnic tables, water, and restrooms are available. Easy hiking. Free. Directions: 619-692-3246. (LAKESIDE)

See Native Flowers, Wildlife, and views during Black Mountain Open-Space Park nature walk, Saturday, November 22, 9 a.m., at 12115 Black Mountain Road. Wear hiking boots, bring water. 858-538-8021. Free. (RANCHO PENASOUITOS)

Look for California Towhees, gnatcatchers, thrashers, red-tailed hawks, while exploring streamside community of native vegetation and wildlife of Rancho Mission Canyon Park with Canyoneers, Saturday, November 22, 1 p.m.

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"A Prairie Home Companion" and Garrison Keillor at San Diego Civic Theatre, November 21 (see In Person)

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Rediscover South Escondido Boulevard during historic walking tour led by Escondido Citizens Ecology Committee, Saturday, November 22, 10 a.m., at Escondido Boulevard and Fifth.

760-739-8703 or 760-743-8207. Free. (ESCONDIDO

Backcountry Safety discussed by Sheriff's Search and Rescue volunteers, and tracking dogs demonstrate skills, Saturday, November 22, 2 p.m., at Felicita Park (742 Clarence Lane). 760-271-8640. Day-use: \$2. (ESCONDIDO)

Help Remove Invasive Plants and garbage along San Diego River with Audubon Society volunteers.

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Del Dios to the Dam, see interesting plant species and learn about their historical uses when Mike leads hike along Lake Hodges trail in San Dieguito River Park, Saturday, November 22, 9 to 12:30 p.m. Easy, five miles. 858-674-2275. (ESCONDIDO)

Bird Walk, an "expert" Audubon Society birder leads outing in Tecolote Canyon, Saturday, November 22. Commonly seen birds: redtailed and Cooper's hawks, Cassin's kingbirds, common yellow-throats. Walk starts at 9 a.m. at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Bring binoculars, drinking water. 858-581-9961. (CLAIREMONT)

Trekking the Refuges, view migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of South San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge during outing hosted by Chula Vista Nature Center, Saturday, November 22, 8:30 a.m. Free. Required reservations: 619-409-5903. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

A Volksmarch Is defined as "a noncompetitive walk along a premarked route." San Diego County Rockhoppers host 10k/5k walk volksmarch through Old Town, Mission Hills, and Presidio Park,

Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23. Walks start anytime between 8 a.m. and noon at Heritage Park (2454 Heritage Park Row); finish no later than 3 p.m. Free. Volksport credit: \$3. 760-746-0897. (OLD TOWN)

Monthly Beach Cleanup hosted by San Diego BayKeeper and Surfrider, Saturday, November 22, in Imperial Beach. Free. Details: 619-758-7743. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Extreme Low and High Tides will occur early next week, Sunday through Tuesday. The low-tide events are perfect for exploring the lowermost levels of the intertidal zone. Lowest tides this month include a -1.5-foot tide at 2:58 p.m. on November 23, a -1.7-foot tide at 3:47 p.m. on November 24, and a -1.6-foot tide at 4:38 p.m. on November 25. Highest tides include a +7.1-foot tide at 7:59 a.m.

on November 23, a +7.3-foot tide at 8:38 a.m. on November 24, and a +7.1-foot tide at 9:20 a.m. on November 25.

Celebrate Cardiff Canyons and Parks with Walkabout walkers, Sunday, November 23. Moderate-plus two-hour walk starts at 8:30 a.m. at park and ride at Birmingham (off I-5). Back roads, canyon trails, views, cactus display. Free. 619-231-7463. (CARDIFF)

Healing Traditions Hike North, learn about healing traditions of Native Americans in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, Sunday, November 23. Participants will "explore drumming, oratory, song, story, and other healing arts." Bring a drum or rattle and blanket. No children. Meet at west end parking staging area at 3 p.m., onehalf mile east of intersection with

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Calendar Local events

Vista Sorrento. Free. 858-484-3219.

The Thin, Waxing Crescent Moon sets alongside pinpoint-bright Venus in the southwestern sky at dusk, Tuesday, November 25. The moon, just past new phase, is renewing its monthly cycle. Watch during succeeding evenings as its crescent phase thickens.

Ever Hiked to the Kumeyaay Solstice Observatory on Cowles Mountain? The Kumeyaay used this site and similar sites to mark winter solstice. The Canyoneers lead a solstice hike up Cowles (pronounced "coals" by those in the know), Monday, December 22, 6 to 7:30 a.m. Strenuous hike starts at northeast corner of Golfcrest Drive and Navajo

Road. Dress warmly. 619-232-3821 x203. (SAN CARLOS)

DANCE

Fall Dance Concerts presented by the Grossmont College dance department, Thursday through Saturday, November 20-22, 7:30 p.m., each night, at Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center Performing Arts Theatre (6611 University Avenue). Dance styles including modern, jazz, tap, hip-hop, swing, and ballet featured in works choreographed by faculty. Tickets: \$11 general, available by calling 619-644-7766. (ROLANDO)

Bellydance Showcase, dancers Luisa, Dilek, Elana, Anwar entertain to live music by John Bilezikjian, Thursday, November 20, 8 p.m., Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). \$5.619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

"Absence," featuring ten pieces "arranged out of original composition as the story of a friendship torn by expectation" traveling "backwards and forwards through time," presented by Xdrop, November 21-23 at Sushi Community Space (320 11th Avenue). Shows begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. on Sunday. \$10. Reservations: 619-253-6130.

Short Attention Span...With Dance! The Short Attention Span Chamber Music Series continues with a "brief dance event with live music" by Scott Paulson (oboe, theremin, harp) and Kenneth Herman (keyboards) and dance by students of Jean Isaacs dance improv class, couple dancers from Terry Wilson's dance class. Artist Adare McAllister will be on hand to render quick line drawings of dancers at work.

Friday, November 21, 12:30 p.m., on lower level of UCSD's Geisel Library. Concert is free, parking is not. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

"L'Ultimo Bacio" at Italian Community Center, November 21 (see Film)

Contradance, Lime in the Harp provides music, Martha Wild calls on Friday, November 21, at 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)

Latin and Ballroom Mix Dance Party, Pattie Wells Dancetime Center hosts dancing for singles and couples of all ages, Saturday, November 22. DJ plays for dancing, 7:30 to 10 p.m.; dance lesson 8 p.m. Find the center at 1255 West Morena Boulevard. 619-275-3533. Admission is \$5; first time free. (BAY PARK)

Love the Blues? The Fremonts perform for swing dancers, Sun-

day, November 23, at Aubergine (500 Fourth Avenue, at Island and Fourth). Swing lesson, 7:45 p.m.; band plays 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Cover: \$8. 858-395-6060. 18 and older. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Renaissance Through Regency, English country dancing "to haunting baroque music" takes place every Sunday, 6 to 9 p.m., at Dance Academy in Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road. Beginner's instruction at 6 p.m. Free for first-timers; \$6 per class thereafter. 858-486-9160.

Zydeco Dances with lessons are offered every Tuesday, including November 25, at Tio Leo's (5302 Napa Street, between Morena Boulevard and Linda Vista Road).

Beginning dance lessons at 6:30 p.m.; open dancing to recorded tunes from 7:45 to 10:30 p.m. Admission: \$5. 619-857-8409. (LINDA VISTA)

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

Shake Ya Tailfeather, Prince teaches latest dance moves to hiphop and rhythm and blues music for beginning-intermediates, Thursdays, 7:54 to 9 p.m., at Dancing Unlimited (3982 30th Street). \$10. 858-635-1211. (NORTH PARK)

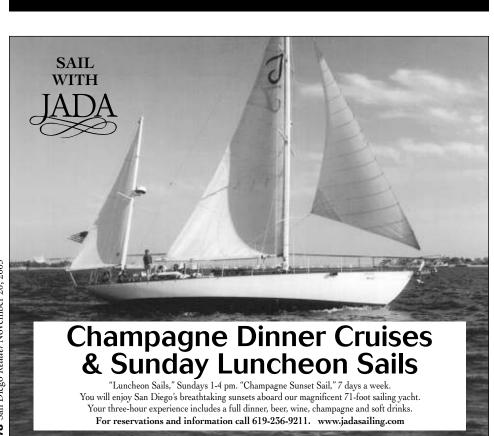
FILM

Classic Surf Stories, series continues with *Super Session* — Hal Jepsen's 1975 film shot in Australia, Hawaii, and California — Thursday, November 20, 7 and 9 p.m., at La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101). \$7. 760-436-7469. (ENCINITAS)

"Automatic Filming: Surrealism and Images of Desire" continues at Museum of Photographic Arts. Woody Allen's *Zelig* John Boorman's *Zardoz* screen Thursday and Friday, November 20 and 21. Mark Freeman will be on hand for screen-











ings of *Families and Flowers*, Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23. \$7 general. Showtimes: 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

The Documentary *The Fourth World War* is described as "the untold human story of the current global conflict." Film screens November 21 and 23 at WorldBeat Center (2100 Park Boulevard). Screenings start at 7 and 9 p.m. on Friday; 1, 6, and 8 p.m. on Sunday. Donation. 619-232-2841 or 619-230-1190. (BALBOA PARK)

The Belgian Film *Pauline and Paulette* screens for Fall 2003 International Film Series at Mira-Costa College, Friday, November 21, 7 p.m., room 3601 on campus (One Barnard Drive). 760-757-2121 x6284. Free. English subtitles. (OCEANSIDE)

"L'Ultimo Bacio" (2000), directed by Gabriele Muccino, screens in Italian with English subtitles, Friday, November 21, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). \$2. 619-237-0601. (LIITLE ITALY)



Allan Holdsworth at Museum of Making Music, November 22 (see In Person)

"The War Room," offering a "revealing behind-the-scenes look at the political machine that got Bill Clinton into the White House," screens Saturday, November 22,

7:30 p.m., at Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). \$5. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

The New Zealand Film Whale Rider may be seen Saturday,

November 22, 7 p.m., at Taiwanese-American Community Center (7170 Convoy Court). Free. 858-560-8884. (LINDA VISTA)

"Beyond the Mirage: The Face of the Occupation" screening hosted by American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, Monday, November 24, 6 and 7:30 p.m., Four Points Sheraton Hotel (8110 Aero Drive). Donation. 858-382-1059. (MISSION VILLAGE)

"The Man Without a Past" — described as Aki Kaurismaki's "excursion into dreams of the dispossessed" — screens for Film Forum on Monday, November 24, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. In Finnish with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

"In the Time of the Butterflies," starring Selma Hayak and Edward James Olmos, screens Tuesday, November 25, 7 p.m., in commemoration of UN International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. Film followed by discussion with panelists from Survivors of Torture International, county of-

fice of violence prevention, International Museum of Human Rights.

Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. Free. 619-339-3048. (LINDA VISTA)

"Food Fest II," Carlsbad Library film series continues with *Big Night*, starring Tony Shalhoub, Stanley Tucci, Minnie Drive, Ian Holm, Isabella Rosselini on Wednesday, November 26, 6 p.m., Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

<u>"Journey."</u> Warren Miller's 54th annual film with skiing and snow-boarding scenes shot all over the world, runs December 3-7 at locations around the county.

See the film Wednesday and Thursday, December 3 and 4 at La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101; 760-436-5774); Friday and Saturday, December 5 and 6, at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street; 858-454-3541); and Sunday, December 7 at Carls-

bad Village Theatre (2822 State Street, 760-729-0089).

Tickets are \$16, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (ENCINITAS, LA JOLLA, CARLSBAD)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, currently screening in the IMAX theater: Australia: Land Beyond Time, Bugsl, Kilimanjaro: To the Roof of Africa, and Coral Reef Adventure. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

"How to Survive a Remodel," general contractor Peter Klein offers this class "to help victims of the fire disaster," Thursday, November 20, 6 p.m., at Foothills Adult Center, room 53 (1559 Melody Lane). Learn the questions to ask, mistakes to avoid. Free. 619-644-8082. (EL CAJON)

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"Water, Wilderness, and Hope," Duncan McFetridge speaks for Sierra Club, Friday, November 21, 7:30 p.m., in auditorium of San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of the zoo's main entrance). 619-299-1744 x1040. Free.

"German Expressionism" discussed by Southern Methodist University, Dallas, art history professor Allesandra Comini, Friday, November 21, at San Diego Museum of Art. \$10. 619-696-1953.

Fertilization Methods for Maximum Bloom and growth cycles of various orchid types discussed when Palomar Orchid Society meets Friday, November 21, 7:30 p.m., at Women's Club of Carlsbad (3320 Monroe Street). 760-735-8494 x104. (CARLSBAD)

"Disturbance Ecology: Is There a Difference between Human and Natural Disturbances on the Barrier Dunes of the Tijuana Estuary?" Find out when Lisa Wood of City of San Diego's environmental services department speaks Friday, November 21, noon, at Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Free. 619-575-3613. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

"The Way of Adventure" presented by TV journalist and author Jeff Salz, Friday, November 21, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. \$8. 619-255-0203.

Opposing Oppression and Exploitation, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom stands for equality of all people. Join the group to "discuss current peace and justice issues and consider projects and actions," Saturday, November 22, 11 a.m., in Community Room at La Jolla Village Square (8657 Villa La Jolla Drive). Free. 858-259-5690. (LA JOLLA)

Behind the Books, authors Lee Silber and Andrew Chapman present seminar on book publishing business, Saturday, November 22, 10 a.m., at Grove Bookstore (3010 Juniper Street). Fee: \$99, includes lunch, materials. Registration: 858-792-5312. (SOUTH PARK)

Comprehensive Bike-Maintenance Class, Saturday, November 22, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at REI. Bring your bike for practice; tools and bike stands provided. Members, \$60; nonmembers \$75. REI, 5556 Copley Drive. Registration:858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

Correcting Common Parrot Behavior problems discussed when Parrot Education and Adoption Center hosts seminar Saturday, November 22, 1 p.m., in room D-6 at Marina Village Conference Center (1936 Quivira Way).

Proper handling, grooming, potty training for companion parrots examined Sunday, November 23, 1 p.m., in room D-6 at the same spot. \$10 per talk. Suggested reservations: 619-287-8200. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Composting Class, Sunday, November 23, 1 to 3 p.m., at Chula Vista Nature Center (1000 Gunpowder Point Drive). Free. Reservations: 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

"Botswana and Zimbabwe — Success and Failure" delivered by Betty Burt, who recently spent time in Southern Africa, when she speaks for North County Coastal Forum of the World Affairs Council, Monday, November 24. Meeting begins at 10:05 a.m. in second-floor salon at La Vida del Mar (850 Del Mar Downs Road). Free. 858-487-4635 or 858-759-1202. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Animal Rights in a Consumer's World," Dani Hy Dennenberg presents "Consumerism and the Secret Lives of Everyday Things," Monday, November 24, 7 p.m., at Summit Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (6062 Lake Murray Boulevard, suite 110). Free. Registration: 619-442-5195. (LA MESA)

"Landscaping for Fire Protection with California Natives" — Greg Rubin presents slide-illustrated lecture featuring photographs "taken at a native-plant-landscaped home in Poway during the October fires" for Lake Hodges Native Plant Club, Monday, November 24. Program begins at 2 p.m. at Rancho Bernardo Library, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive. Free. 760-741-0829. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Parol-Making Begins for some Filipinos as Christmas approaches. Local artist Jose Morales Jr. presents workshop on creation of these five-point stars made of



"Efe: Archers of the Congo" at San Diego Museum of Man through summer, 2004 (see Museums)

bamboo and *papel de japón*, Monday, November 24, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at Pasacat Center (102 East 16th Street). Workshop focuses on design. Free; materials provided. 619-477-3383. (NATIONAL CITY)

"Locating U.S. Naturalization Records" documented by genealogist Elaine Alexander, Tuesday, November 25, 10 a.m., for North San Diego County Genealogical Society, in Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 858-453-8469. (CARLSBAD)

Holiday Writer's Workshop on "how to craft the perfect mood, setting, and narrative line for your personal memoir, fictional story, or holiday letter," offered by author Abigail Padgett and journalist Julie Brossy. For writers of all levels. Group discussions, writing exercises, individualized critiques.

Workshop I is Monday, December 1; workshop II takes place on Monday, December 8, at Dogbeach Dogwash meeting room (4933 Voltaire). Hours: 7 to 9 p.m. \$50. Reservations: 619-546-4204.

"Exploration in the 20th Century," world-renowned climber Conrad Anker answers the question "Is exploration still a valid human endeavor?" during slide-illustrated lecture on Thursday, December 4, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. \$8. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

IN PERSON

"Kyogen: Comic Theater of Japan" presented by Theatre of Yugen, Thursday and Friday, November 20 and 21, 8 p.m., in conjunction with "Sculpture in Silk: Costumes from Japan's Noh Theater" at San Diego Museum of Art. Ensemble presents two comic plays known as *kyogen*. The plays were designed to provide light entertainment between the more serious Noh dramas of 15th Century. Tickets: \$15 general. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Jazz Pianist John Opferkuch performs original compositions and jazz standards, Thursday, November 20, 6:30 p.m., in Arts 111 at CSU San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road). 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

Comedy Central Live starring Dave Attell and Lewis Black, Thursday, November 20, 8 p.m., at Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$29.50 through \$38.50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Siren, open mike for women (performers), Thursday, November 20, 8 p.m., at David's Coffeehouse (3766 Fifth Avenue). Featured artist is folk-rocker Lauren DeRose (at 9 p.m.). Open-mike performances before and after DeRose. Free. 619-296-4173. (HILLCREST)

Calling All Cultural Creatives, Zevin X. Cruz hosts "strategic planning meeting for cultural change," Thursday, November 20, at Springfield College (5348 University Avenue, suite 110). Potluck dinner (6 p.m.), followed by poetry, music, visual arts (7 p.m.). Free. Reservations: 619-397-7028. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Local Millionaire Businessman and author John Assaraf discusses his book *The Street Kid's Guide to Having It All*, Thursday, November 20, 7:30 p.m., at Current Affairs Bookstore (2536 University Avenue). Free. 619-795-9899. (NORTH PARK)

Sitar Maestro Ravi Shankar and daughter Anoushka Shankar perform in concert, Friday, November 21, 7:30 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$12 to \$52.800-988-4253.

Leapin' Lizards! Arts off Broadway presents *Annie*, November 21-23, at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$12.50, available by calling 800-988-4253. Showtimes: 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. (ESCONDIDO)

World-Beat Music and Dance at 101 Artists' Colony (25 East E Street) on Friday, November 21, 8 p.m. Program includes by Damaru, African drumming, didgeridoo, bellydancing. \$5. 760-632-9074. (ENCINITAS) "Certified Comic Geniuses"? Tom and Dick Smothers perform with guest YoYo Man on Friday, November 21, 8 p.m., at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Tickets: \$42, \$45. 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

"Sneaky Uses for Everyday Things" demonstrated by author Cy Tymony, Friday, November 21, noon, at B. Dalton Booksellers in Horton Plaza. Free. 619-615-5373.

New York Poet Monica Youn reads from her new book, *Barter*, and Mark Bibbins (another N.Y. poet) reads from his new book, *Sky Lounge*, Friday November 21, 7 p.m., D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue; 858-456-1800). Free. (LA JOLLA)

Live Broadcast of "Prairie Home Companion" planned by Garrison Keillor and company, Saturday, November 22, 3 p.m., at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). Guests include actors Sue Scott and Tim Russell, Celtic fidler/step dancer Natalie McMaster of Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. Tickets: \$34 to \$123, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

Southern California Mystery Author Richard Barre (Bethany) and San Diego suspense author Alan Russell (Political Suicide) sign and discuss their books, Saturday, November 22, 2:30 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747, (CLAIREMONT)

Noted Photographer Leland Foerster presents a slide-illustrated discussion of his new book, *The Californios: Photographs and Stories About the Descendents of the Mission Era in Baja California, Mexico*, Saturday, November 22, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

Gloria! Palomar Chamber Singers present Vivaldi's "jewel of Baroque era," November 22 and 23, in Palomar College Performance Lab (D-10). Program includes piece by Brahms, folk songs, American and South American spirituals. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. \$12 general. Find campus at 1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

Electric Guitar Virtuoso Allan Holdsworth performs Saturday, November 22, 4 p.m., at Museum of Making Music (5790 Armada Drive). Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$25 at door. 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

GETAWAYS







Audience Interactive performances by Late Bloomers Comedy Improv Troupe planned Saturday, November 22, 8 p.m., at North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe (2031 El Cajon Boulevard). \$5. 619-647-4958. (NORTH PARK)

"An Evening of Language and Laughter" promised when author and punster Richard Lederer speaks Saturday, November 22, 6:45 p.m., at Community Congregational Church (276 F Street). Lederer will speak, sell and sign books. Donation: \$15, 619-425-3499 or 619-267-2687. (CHULA VISTA)

Busy on Saturday? Lederer will sign and sell copies of his soon-tobe-released book, A Man of My Words, Sunday, November 23, 2:30 to 5 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). \$8. Reservations: 858-523-0477.

Jazz and Pop Vocalist Patti Austin presents "For Ella," Saturday, November 22, 7:30 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Tickets: \$22, \$32. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Don't Miss a Word! The Storytellers of San Diego host a "Tellabration!" on Saturday, November 22, 7:30 p.m., Manchester Conference Center, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Suitable for adults and those over 12. \$7. Reservations: 619-298-6363 or 619-260-4585. (LINDA VISTA)

"Thwak." described as "a high-octane mix of choreographed mayhem and live audio acrobatics," is presented by the Umbilical Brothers (a.k.a. David Collins and Shane Dundas), Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23, at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340) North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets range from \$23 to \$33. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

New Sounds Downtown, the Fernandes/Glatter/Hubbard Percussion Trio, music of Fernandes and Radulovich, and Wormhole may be heard Saturday, November 22, 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (917 E Street). \$5. 619-235-9815. (DOWNTOWN)

The Self-Described "Golden Voice of the Great Southwest," singer/storyteller U. Utah Phillips, performs for San Diego Folk Heritage, Saturday, Novem-

Roam-O-Rama

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

Wildwood Park in Thousand Oaks is Ventura County's most scenic suburban park. The scenery here has been imprinted in the minds of many in the over-50 age group: the area was once an outdoor set for old Hollywood movies, as well as for television's Rifleman, Gunsmoke, and Wagon

The short but steep hike — down and then up — described here takes you to Wildwood Park's scenic gem: the Arroyo Conejo gorge and Paradise Falls. To reach the starting point, exit Highway 101 at Lynn Road in Thousand Oaks and follow Lynn Road north 2.5 miles to Avenida de los Arboles. Turn left and follow Avenida de los Arboles one mile west. Make a U-turn there. and park on the right at Wildwood Park's principal trailhead.

Now, find and follow the narrow, scenic Moonridge Trail, descending sharply from the east (left) side of the parking area.

Right away you come to a T-intersection amid oak woods. Turn right, remaining on the Moonridge Trail. The trail descends a sunny slope covered with aromatic sagescrub vegetation and dappled with succulent live-forever plants that sprout white, comical-looking flower stalks. There's a brief passage across a shady ravine using wooden steps and a plank bridge. At 0.5 mile, you cross over a dirt road and continue on the narrow Moonridge Trail.

Ahead, the trail curls around a deep ravine without gaining or losing a lot of elevation, edging into the crumbly sedimentary rock. This passage is exciting enough for hikers and worrisome for parents with kids. At 0.9 mile you join another dirt road and use it to descend toward a large wooden teepee structure on a knoll just



Paradise Falls

below. Make a right at the teepee, further descending into the Arroyo Conejo gorge. As you descend, watch for the narrow side trail on the left that will take you straight down to Paradise Falls - a beautiful 30-foot-high cascade that makes its presence known by sound before sight. The high water table in the canyon bottom ensures a nearly yearround flow of water.

After you've admired the falls, contin-

Back at the crossroads, take the Indian Creek Trail north and pay your debt to gravity by ascending nearly 300 feet in about 0.7 mile. The beautifully tangled array of live oak and sycamore limbs along this trail keeps your mind off the climb. At one point, you can look down into a deep ravine where an inaccessible mini-waterfall and pool lie practically hidden. When you finally reach Avenida de los Arboles, turn left and return a short distance to the trailhead parking lot.

ue by climbing back up the slope in the direction you came and by taking the fenced, cliff-hanging trail around the left (east) side of the falls. Beyond that fenced stretch, the narrow trail descends a little and sidles up alongside the creek, where large coast live oaks spread their shade. Soon, you'll find yourself continuing on a path of dirt-road width. Stay with that path until you reach a major crossroads. The small Wildwood Nature Center is just around the bend to the right.

> "The Twa Dogs" featured when Robert Burns Club meets Tuesday, November 25, 7 p.m., at Imperial House Restaurant (505 Kalmia Street). Scottish folk songs, tunes, recitations. Free. 619-421-7337. (HILLCREST) San Diego Thanksgiving Dix-

ieland Jazz Festival, November 26-30, at Town and Country Hotel and Convention Center. Participants include Colin Kingwell's Jazz Bandits (U.K.), New Orleans Rascals (Japan), Neville Dickie, Desert City Six, Dave Pinardi's Sopranos, Dixie Hasslers, among the many bands on roster.

Seagate Sundays, the Peter

Sprague Jazz Quartet performs for series, Sunday, November 23,

2 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute

(10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive).

Tickets: \$20 general, \$15 seniors

and military, \$10 for children, free for those five and younger. Reser-

vations: 866-436-8744. (LA JOLLA)

"Spirit of Broadway" features

songs from Oklahoma!, Hello

Dolly, Grease, My Fair Lady, 42nd

Street, Chicago, many others,

November 20-23, at Harrah's Rin-

con Casino and Resort (777 Har-

rah's Rincon Way). Shows at 7 and

9:30 p.m. Thursday through Sat-

urday, 1 and 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Tickets: \$15 Thursday, \$20 Friday

through Sunday. 877-777-2457.

The Pleasures of Poetry, Harry

Griswold's workshop concludes

with reading by participating po-

ets, Sunday, November 23, 5 p.m.,

at Unitarian Universalist Fellow-

ship of San Dieguito (1036 Solana

Drive). Free. 858-453-5251.

What's It Mean to Be Cool?

Find out when UCSD Jazz Impro-

visation Ensemble presents con-

cert, Sunday, November 23,

8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's

Mandeville Center. Free. 858-534-

Read Your Poetry, selections by

someone else, or just listen during

open poetry reading, Monday,

November 24, in Green Room at

Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park

Boulevard, at Madison). Sign-ups

at 7:45 p.m., open readings 8:10

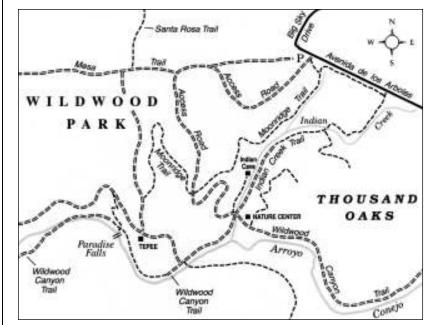
to 9:30 p.m. Free. 619-296-0616.

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ber 22, 7:30 p.m., at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$15. Reservations: 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

Northern California Mystery Authors Rhys Bowen (For the Love of Mike), Elaine Flynn (Deal-

ing in Murder), Tess Collins (The Law of Betraval) visit Mysterious Galaxy Books to sign and discuss books on Sunday, November 23, 4 p.m. Find the Galaxy at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

Poetry Are Us, open mike for poetry and spoken word for all readers, Sunday, November 23, 4 to 5 p.m., at French Cafe (1005 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 760-729-5216. (CARLSBAD)

"Zermatt," a follow-up to Portofino, will be discussed and signed by author Frank Schaeffer, Sunday, November 23, 3 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North). 619-295-2201. (MISSION VALLEY)



ANDIEGOREADER.COM alendar **LOCAL EVENTS**

Hours: 7 to 11 p.m. Wednesday; 7 p.m. to midnight Thursday; noon to midnight on Friday; 10 a.m. to midnight Saturday; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 8 to 10 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets prices depend upon date; ticket packages available. 619-297-5277. Find the hotel at 500 Hotel Circle North. (MISSION VALLEY)

"One Man, One Wife," starring Mickey Rooney and Jan Chamberlin Rooney, presented by the duo on Sunday, November 30, at Avo Playhouse (303 Main Street). Show includes dancing, signing, film clips. \$35. 760-726-

Adventure Fiction Author Clive Cussler signs his upcoming Dirk Pitt book, *Trojan Odyssey*, Monday, December 1, 6 p.m., aboard the Berkeley steam ferry (1306 North Harbor Drive). Free. 619-234-9153 x101. (DOWNTOWN)

The Boys' Choir of Harlem hits the stage at California Center for the Arts, Escondido to present its "inspirational and thrilling holiday show," Saturday, December 6, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$36 to \$46. Find center at 340 North Escondido Boulevard; 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

Croatian Theater Performer Zeljko Vukmirica presents "Mr. Single" on Tuesday, December 9, 7 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Zelko, as he's known onstage, has been called "Croatia's answer to England's Mr. Bean," using acting powers and a made-up language. \$10. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

SPORTS

The Card Boasts Mr. Smalls, Desire, Tommy Wilson, and others when Western States Wrestling hosts matches, Friday, November 21, 8 p.m., at VFW #2111 (299 I Street). Tickets: \$9 in advance, \$12 at door. 619-422-8964. (CHULA VISTA)

Surf's Up, ISF High School Surf Team competition, Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23, at Oceanside Pier, 7 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Free for spectators, 760-931-1450.

Scripps Ranch to a Santee Factory, join Knickerbiker bicyclists for ride up Scripps Poway Parkway that zooms into Santee for lunch at Omelet Factory on Saturday, November 22. The 41-miler for experts starts at 9 a.m. at Miramar Reservoir restrooms. Bring money for lunch. 858-270-7354. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Firestorm on Ice, three decades of San Diego Gulls ice hockey alumni meet up with San Diego Fire Rescue Department team, Saturday, November 22, 7 p.m., at San Diego Sports Arena. Proceeds go to victims of recent fires and family of fallen Novato firefighter Steven Rucker, Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 for children 12 and under. 858-613-0847. (SPORTS ARENA)

Holiday Turkey Trot, 27th installment of this Lake Murray Kiwanis tradition on Saturday, November 22. Starts: 3k at 7:30 a.m., 10k at 8:30 a.m., on



"Kyogen: Comic Theater of Japan" at San Diego Museum of Art, November 20 and 21 (see In Person)

north side of Lake Murray (on Murray Park Drive West, off Golfcrest and Jackson). 619-462-1408. (LA MESA)

Bolt Versus Bengals, San Diego Chargers host Cincinnati Bengals in Qualcomm Stadium, Sunday, November 23, 1:15 p.m. Tickets: 877-CHARGERS. (MISSION VALLEY)

Gulls Versus Aces, San Diego Gulls host Alaska Aces at San Diego Sports Arena, Tuesday, November 25, 7:05 p.m. Tickets range from \$12 to \$25, available by calling 619-224-4625 x7. Games are broadcast on KSDO (AM 1130). (SPORTS ARENA)

by San Diego Bicycle Touring Society starts at 8 a.m. on Thursday, November 27, at Costa Verde Center, 8650 Genesee Avenue. Expect 80 bicyclists on this 65-mile adventure. (LA JOLLA)

San Diego Cares Thanksgiving Day 5K, run/walk starts at 8 a.m. on Thursday, November 27, at Seaport Village. 858-792-2900. (DOWNTOWN)

Start the Day Running, Not **Cooking,** when San Diego Thanksgiving Day Run/Walk starts at 8 a.m. on Thursday, November 27, at Laurel Street and Sixth Avenue. Wheelchairs and strollers welcome: in-line skates, scooters, bikes, dogs are not, 877-848-6437, (BALBOA PARK)

World Wrestling Entertainment Smackdown, Tuesday, December 9, 7:30 p.m., at San Diego Sports Arena, Tickets: \$21 to \$41, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

ter (133 Pacific Avenue). Profes-0331. (SOLANA BEACH)

Artists' Holiday Party and

hosts book sale, Saturday, Novem-

ber 22, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The library is found at 8073 Broadway; 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

"Marrow," a collective show by "alliance of nonconforming artists" known as Outside and Underground, is on view November 22 and 23 at Philosophical Library (at Fifth and Escondido to 6 p.m. Saturday, with reception at 6 p.m.; 1 to 6 p.m. on Sunday. 760-598-1624 or 760-432-6069. (ESCONDIDO)

3500. (DEL MAR)

The Annual Turkey Ride hosted

SPECIAL

Community Sing, everyone is welcome to take part in the singing, every Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at Solana Beach Community Censional pianist on hand, songbooks with 900 songs. Free. 858-552-

Open Studios, Friday, November 21, 5 to 9 p.m., at Studio Arts Complex (2400 Kettner Boulevard). Work by painters, photographers, sculptors. Admission is free. 858-273-2636. (LITTLE ITALY)

The Lemon Grove Library

Boulevard). Exhibit includes art in variety of media. Hours: 10 a.m.

Phillipine-American Auto **Show** and Foot Festival, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. \$5 general. 323-344-

Taste of Mission Hills offered Saturday, November 22, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., with area beaneries proffering samples of their specialties. Tickets: \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12. For locations and tickets: 619-296-8731. (MISSION HILLS)

Juried Artists display their original work in a variety of media art quilts, hand-blown glass, jewelry, wearable art, handmade books, ceramics, more — at Artisans Studio's eight annual show and sale, Saturday, November 22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 5623 Madra Avenue. 619-582-8865. (DEL CERRO)

Ethnic Arts, Folk Crafts, textiles sale - with items created by artisans all over world — on offer Saturday, November 22, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at North Park Community Adult Center (4044 Idaho Street). Hosted by Ethnic Textile Council of San Diego. 619-294-8556.









Professional Pet Portraits with Santa offered Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Rancho Coastal Humane Society (389 Requeza Street). \$35 fee includes three 5"x7" prints, three pictures on CD. Reservations: 760-753-6413. Repeats November 29 and

Silent Book Auction, November 22 and 23, at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Dozens of books on the block - some very old, some very new, all "very interesting." Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday. 760-434-2881. (LA COSTA)

"A World of Dreams Through Reading" is theme for 57th annual Mother Goose Parade, Sunday, November 23, at noon. The floats, marching bands, clowns, equestrians start at corner of Main and Chamber Streets. Free. 619-444-8712. (EL CAJON)

The Pointe at Palomar, antique and collectible flea market, Sunday, November 23, 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)

Talmadge Art Show, over 30 artists exhibit work Sunday, November 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at San Diego Center for the Moving Arts (3255 Fifth Avenue). Free admission. 619-726-0126. (HILLCREST)

Poinsettia Street Festival, 13th annual festival runs 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, November 23, on South Coast Highway 101 (between D and J Streets). Free admission. 760-945-9288. (ENCINITAS)

Psychic and Healing Arts Fair, Sunday, November 23, at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Readings, lectures, vendors by psychics and vendors from all over state. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: \$5, two for \$8, seniors and teens \$3, free for those under 12, 800-722-7330, (ESCONDIDO)

San Diego Stamp Show, stamp and cover dealers offer wares, Sunday, November 23, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Free. 619-469-0337. (KEARNY MESA)

Whaddaya Know About Sumi-E Ten? Washu Kai presents 28th annual sumi-e ten Japanese brush-painting exhibition, Sunday, November 23, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., in room 101, Casa del Prado. Sumi-e demonstrations, demonstration by Washu (1:30), koto music performance (1:50), fashion show of wearable art (2 p.m.), floral arrangements, bonsai. Free admission. 619-286-8203. (BALBOA PARK)

Marching Band Showcase, featuring 11 high school marching bands and color-guard field show performances, Tuesday, November 25, 6 p.m., at Monte Vista High School (3230 Sweetwater Springs Boulevard). \$5. (SPRING VALLEY)

Step Back in Time when Rancho Guajome Adobe hosts Rancho Christmas, Saturday and Sunday, November 29 and 30. The 22-room adobe, constructed in 1853, will be adorned for Christmas - 100 years ago — with historical decorations and arrangements. Period musical entertainment, candle dipping, hay wagon rides, activities for children. Lighting of luminarias and carol singing at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ad-

mission: \$2 for adults, \$1 for those 6 to 12 years old, free for those under 6. Rancho Guajome, 2210 North Santa Fe. 760-724-4082. (VISTA)

Art from the Heart, juried art festival featuring ceramics, blown glass, jewelry, paintings, drawing, and 3-D art by over 30 artists, Saturday and Sunday, November 29 and 30, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Hospice-by-the-Sea (312 South Cedros Avenue, suite 250). 858-794-0195. Admission is free; proceeds benefit hospice. (SOLANA BEACH)

Five-Point Star Lanterns from Philippines known as parols give their name to "Parol Festival" planned by PASACAT, Saturday, December 6, 2 to 5 p.m., St. Rita's Church (5115 Churchward Avenue). Filipino folk songs, dances, performances by PASACAT Harana Singers and Dancers, Filipino foods (for sale), parol demonstrations, exhibits. \$10 general. 619-477-3383. (ENCANTO)

FOR KIDS

"Journey to Crystal Cave" with Emmy, Max, and their dragon friends Ord, Wheezie, Cassie, and Zak when musical Dragon Tales Live hit San Diego Sports Arena, November 20-23. In the adventure, "Emmy and Max are faced with the challenge of restoring power to the magical dragon scale.3

Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday; 10:30 a.m. on Friday; 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday; 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. on Sun-Tickets: \$15, \$20 (opening-night seats \$12), available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

"The Three Wishes, the Silly **Story"** performed by Puppet Express at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater, through November 23.

FOR ANNE GREGORY

"Never shall a young man, Thrown into despair By those great honey-coloured Ramparts at your ear, Love you for yourself alone And not your yellow hair."

"But I can get a hair-dye And set such colour there, Brown, or black, or carrot, That young men in despair



May love me for myself alone And not my vellow hair.'

"I heard an old religious man But yesternight declare That he had found a text to prove That only God, my dear, Could love you for yourself alone And not your yellow hair."

— William Butler Yeats

Santa and the Ho! Ho! Thief presented by Big Joe Productions, November 26-30.

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)

"Pajama Party with Ralph's World," Friday, November 21, 7 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (159 Fletcher Parkway). Children's concert and CD-release party with Ralph Covert, a Chicago-based singer-songwriter. Free, 619-593-5119, (EL CAJON)

"Turkey for Thanksgiving" served up when San Diego Actors Theatre presents "Children's Classics," Saturday, November 22, 11 a.m., L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino 858-268-4494. \$4. (DEL MAR)

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, Saturday, November 22, 9:30 a.m. Participants building a coral reef. \$25. The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Kids' Dance Class and Contest, Saturday, November 22, at A Time to Dance Performing Arts Studio

5:30 p.m., intermediates at 8 p.m.

del Mar). Program includes Gerald McBoing Boing, Rapunzel, Thanksgiving poetry, songs.

Coral Reef Construction

(Art museums are listed in (3982 30th Street). Beginners at

\$30. Details, registration: 619-297-6401 or 619-846-0190. (NORTH PARK)

Explore the Rocky Shore at low tide along Tourmaline Beach when San Diego Natural History Museum hosts "Tidepooling for Kids," Saturday, November 22, 10 a.m. (class) and 1 p.m. (field trip). Fee: \$24 child/adult pair. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK, PACIFIC BEACH)

Theater Arts Workshops for children four to nine years old are conducted by San Diego Actors Theatre on fourth Saturday of every month, including November 22, at L'Auberge Del Mar Garden Amphitheater (1540 Camino Del Mar). Noon to 1 p.m. \$10. Required reservations: 858-268-4494. (DEL MAR)

"African Arts: Masks and Music," San Diego Museum of Art hosts family festival, Sunday, November 23, noon to 4 p.m. Art-making activities, artist demonstrations, live entertainment, gallery tours in Spanish and English. Free. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Make Railroad Centerpieces for your holiday table, holiday cards, and enjoy face painting when San Diego Model Railroad Museum hosts Thanksgiving family day fun, Sunday, November 23, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Find museum in Casa de Balboa building. Admission: \$5 for adults, free for those under 15. 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

MUSEUMS

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, "Teller Magi Festival" opens with reception on Sunday, November 23, 2 p.m., and continues through December. 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 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, view artifacts from San Diego's Chinese and Chinese-American history, culture, and art. Current museum artifacts include

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An Open Book: Coming of Age in the Heartland



W.W. Norton, 2003; 335 pages;

FROM THE DUST JACKET: "All that kid wants to do is stick his nose in a book," Michael Dirda's steelworker father used to complain, worried about his son's passion for reading.

An Open Book is the story of how comics and adventure stories, poetry and Proust can change your life. In its pages literary journalist Michael Dirda recalls not only his family, friends, and teach-

ers but also, and just as importantly, the fictional characters and assorted books that fueled his imagination.

In the back yards and branch libraries of a gritty factory town, the pudgy, near sighted boy discovers an eclectic world of literary characters — the urbane Count of Monte Cristo, the all $powerful\,Green\,Lantern, Tarzan\,of\,the\,Apes, the\,brooding\,Sher$ lock Holmes, Hamlet, and Raskolnikov, not to mention the sexy Candy and Fanny Hill. He memorizes passages from Thoreau's Walden, writes love poems to high school heartthrobs, and

sends away for correspondence-school courses and guides to the great books. Above all he daydreams — about getting in shape. learning to speak properly, becoming "cultivated," having adventures.

A paean to, arguably, the last great age of reading, An Open Book is equally an affectionate homage to heartland America during the 1950s and 1960s. In depicting Lorain, Ohio, Dirda remembers rumbustious Slavic wedding feasts and Saturday catechism classes, eccentric teachers, summer jobs in the steel mill, and a certain canary-yellow Mustang. Not least, he recalls, with a shiver, a 36-member accordion band, running away from home at 14, and the hilarious tentatives of first love.

After winning a scholarship to Oberlin College, Dirda there discovers music, art, and literary criticism, falls for a Southern belle, and studies Emily Post's guide to etiquette cover to cover. But his first college grade — in English, no – is a D+. Maybe he should go back to National Tube? Only after he meets his first real writer does the bookish kid from Lorain finally glimpse what he really wants to do with his life. This portrait of the reader as a young man draws to a close with Dirda, age 19, in Paris during the eventful, romantic summer of 1968.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY: The Washington Post: The transformation of working-class and immigrant children into gifted professionals is a story often told, for it goes to the heart of the American dream, perhaps of modernity itself. Rarely has it been combined with such a glowing tribute to the world of books and the life of the mind. Such a change of identity may leave a bittersweet sense of being alienated from one's roots, cut off from a world that now seems as authentic as it is inaccessible. In An Open Book Michael Dirda eulogizes the Middletown way of life and the extended family he knew in Lorain, which he still revisits with his own children, even as he celebrates the passion for literature that drove him inexorably away from it.

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Dirda eloquently depicts how his childhood predilection for an indiscriminate mixture of reading matter — comics, adventure stories, humor magazines, the Bible, and even the self-help books of Dale Carnegie — developed into a passion for literature and ultimately led to his career as a literary critic for the Washington Post Book World.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Michael Dirda was born in 1948 in Lorain, Ohio (also the birthplace of Toni Morrison). He attended Lorain schools, going away to college at nearby Oberlin College, where in 1970 he received a B.A. At Cornell University, Mr. Dirda was awarded an M.A. and Ph.D., the latter in 1977. In 1978 he went to work at the Washington Post Book World where, in various capacities, he has served since. He received the Pulitzer Prize in 1993 for Distinguished Criticism. Mr. Dirda and his wife live in Marvland with their three sons.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: I asked Mr. Dirda how he managed, with a young family and a full-time job, to do so much reading. One way he manages, he said, was by eschewing television. He explained. "For a long time about the only television show I watched with any regularity was The Simpsons. That was because my children watched it, and so it was a family activity. But beyond that, I've learned that you have to choose if you're going to read more than the occasional book; you can't spend much time watching television or going to the movies. I made the decision to read books. Partly because I had to. I have to review something every week. I'm a slow reader. I move my lips while I read. I have a good memory, though, so that's helped. But I've just had to do triage. I can't do everything that I would like.'

Did he ever feel a bit out of it, because he didn't watch television?

"Because I work at a newspaper, just by association I'm going to know some of what's going on in the world. And our three sons keep me informed about the world that is theirs. So I'm not quite

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 Otav 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 gemstones, 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.

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 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.

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 Kumevaav 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

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)

ter, retrospective exhibit "Reaching for the Stars: The Fleet's First 30 Years" documents the history

Reuben H. Fleet Science Cen-

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, "On the Wild Side: Exotics" continues through Tuesday, November 25. More than 80 automobiles and mo-

torcycles 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 informa-

tion. (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 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)

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

San Diego Maritime Museum,

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 com-

plete 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," 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 in-depth look at aspects of modern and ancient Inuit culture.

"Efe: Archers of the Congo" examines one of the most enigmatic and little-known groups on the planet. The Efe are one of about 12 pygmy tribes living in African rainforest. The more than 200 items include bows, arrows, quivers, wrist guards, hunting nets, musical instruments, utensils, and bark cloth paintings. Through summer 2004.

Ongoing exhibits: "Inquisition: Torture and Intolerance," focusing on reality of torture in world today,

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as out of it as I might be. But I would have a hard time distinguishing Ben Affleck from Matt Damon. And I could never tell you who the stars are of Friends."

I asked how Mr. Dirda saw his job as a literary critic.

"Basically, I think of my job as being an appreciator, an enthusiast. I very seldom call myself a critic. I usually say in my ID that I'm a writer and an editor for the Washington Post Book World. What I do is I talk about books that I love, and because I've been an editor there for 25 years, I can choose the books I review. If I start a book and it proves uncongenial, I will often assign it to someone else. Sometimes I'll carry through and write a negative review, but I have an inclination to write positive reviews of books that I think people will want to read.

"I try to go for a real range. I write about books about late antiquity and early Christian thought and European Romanticism and modern literature and biography and poetry. I'm also fond of science fiction and fantasy. I'm a member of the Baker Street Irregulars. I'm a great fan of P.G. Wodehouse. I like innovative and experimental writing. I strongly feel that literature is something that has to try new techniques and will often fail at them but that trying is important."

Mr. Dirda spoke, then, about his new book. "When I started this book I wanted to write about books and reading and how they affected my life. As I got into the story I expanded to embrace teachers and friends and girlfriends and the experience of going off to college. So that it became more of a memoir proper than just a reader's memoir."

I suggested that because Mr. Dirda, as a child, read so constantly and voraciously that what he read affected how he behaved.

He agreed. His behavior as a youngster was very much the product of his reading. For instance, when, as he writes, he and a friend ran away from home, that running away was part of what Mr. Dirda now sees as "a longtime desire through childhood and adolescence for self-transformation. The Count of Monte Cristo was a seminal text to me, a text that showed that you could remake

yourself. Although I realize now that I'm never going to have the kind of urbane, suave, debonair quality of the Count, I still learn from trying to acquire some of those qualities. And, of course, I'm clearly romantic.3

And a bit madcap, too."

"And madcap, yes.

Mr. Dirda writes that as a young man he began to memorize poems. These poems, he notes, "frequently soothed a broken heart." He reminded me of the "blonde temptress" who had spurned him to whom he copied out and sent Yeats's lines (see page 83 for the complete poem):

"Never shall a young man, Thrown into despair By those great honey-coloured Ramparts at your ear, Love you for yourself alone And not your yellow hair."

"I wonder," I asked, "what she made of that."

'I'm sure she felt that she was well rid of me."

Mr. Dirda returned to our former theme. "There is a way," he said, "that my outlooks on the world were conditioned through books. There was a literary critic named René Girard who wrote a book called Deceit, Desire and the Novel: Self and Other in Literary Structure. Girard talks about Don Quixote and Madame Bovary. They don't look at the world directly. They look at the world through the books that have made them mad or have affected their imaginations. Madame Bovary sees this tawdry love affair through all these novels that she read as a girl. And something of that happened to me as well. I think the fact that I came from a working-class family and background and mixed with people from different backgrounds held me back from being too dreamy, too wispy, too poetic."

I said that I had found that being a serious reader made one

rather secretive, almost closeted, because what one was reading could not always easily be discussed out in the larger world. What did Mr. Dirda think of this?

'I've always been leery of sounding well-read. But there are times that I've felt that I'm hiding, that I know more than I'm letting on because it would make other people uncomfortable. I find it odd because the kind of books that I like, or that I like best,

"I've always been leery of sounding well-read. But there are times that I've felt that I'm hiding, that I know more than I'm letting on because it would make other people uncomfortable."

are usually not the kind of books that my neighbors are reading. They would come to me and ask if I've read this latest book from the best-seller list, and I have to say I haven't. And if they ask me what I'm reading, I feel somewhat embarrassed at the sort of things I'm reading because I know that this will not appeal to them. But these are books that only certain kinds of readers are likely to go for.

"At the same time I don't feel superior because I didn't choose this knack or talent. My cousins could hunt and shoot

and fix cars and do all these things that I couldn't do. But I was good at reading, and it was just my fortune that it should happen that I would continue with it and find a job where I could play this field."

Most of Mr. Dirda's critical work has been written after he's spent his day as an editor. "I've often wondered what I might have written if I'd not started when I was already tired. But I couldn't write at home. There were too many distractions. So I would have worked all day, and I would get something to eat, and then I'd start writing, and I would know that between 6:00 (continued on page 86)

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

San Diego Natural History Museum, "Spirits in Stone: The New Face of African Art" features sculpture by Shona stone sculptors from Zimbabwe, as well as masks, iewelry, and baskets, gathered in 'Masks, Magic, and Meaning.' Shona sculpture is steeped in legends and traditions of an ancient African culture, using indigenous serpentine, granite, and verdite. The exhibition functions as a

ber 30. "The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition,3 on view through Tuesday, January 6, 2004, documents the epic

fundraiser for the museum, con-

tinuing through Sunday, Novem-

story of Sir Ernest Shackleton's 1914 Endurance expedition. Includes more than 150 awe-inspiring photographs of the expedition's ordeal taken by ship photographer Frank Hurley, video, sextants, and replica of the James Caird, the lifeboat used to rescue

"Images of Nature: The Photography of Thomas D. Mangelsen," includes 30 images on exhibit through Sunday, January 4, 2004. Mangelsen spends up to nine months each year in the field documenting wild lands and creatures. Also on view: "Natural Trea-

sures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giant-screen films" include Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure (through Tuesday, January 6, 2004), Wolves, Ocean Oasis, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baia California Desert. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. Narrated slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. Self-guided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the

forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road. 760-737-2201. (ESCONDIDO)

Valley Center History Museum,

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

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

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

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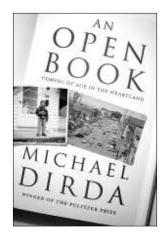
READING

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p.m. and 12:07 a.m. when the last Metro ran, I would finish this piece.

"Sometimes I would spend the first two hours just getting the first sentence or two right. Because you have to set the tone. Once you have the tone right, where the voice on the page seems appropriate to the book, or you've got the right twist or edge to what you want to do there, then everything else will pick up speed from that. But if you get the wrong tone it will be like pulling teeth the whole time.

'And then I'll spend usually a fair amount of time on the kicker or the last sentence or two. And the way I write is by accretion. I write the first sentence, then the second sentence, and I go back to the first, read the first and the second and then I add a third and go back to the top, read the first, second, third, and fourth. And I change things each time as I go through it. By the time I get to the end of a review or an essay, I will have read it over dozens and dozens of times, always listening to it. The



sound matters to me. Also, although I love baroque and decorated prose of all sorts, because of my job and because of my readership, I want every sentence to be clear. But, too, I'm listening to it to make sure the sentences are fun in some way, and they're also clear and that they will hold the reader's interest.

"I will stick in allusions sometimes. But I will often bury the allusions so that people who get them will get them, but if you don't get them you won't be distracted by them. Sometimes people have complained I don't put quote marks around things that I've slightly para-

phrased or referenced.

"I try to think about different ways of reviewing different books. Sometimes if I find a writer, and this is particularly true of poets, where the voice is so strong and so distinctive and so beautiful, what I do is step down my own voice. I become a frame in the course of my review and highlight their words, their language, their style and diction. Whereas, at other times when I find a book where the style is just serviceable, then I will sometimes heighten mine a bit to be a little more fancy, a little more colorful, to convey that the riches of the book may not lie in its style but in marshalling of the facts or what have you.

"And you want some breathing space. There are writers I admire, like William Gass. He writes these similes that seemingly flow from his pen. But every so often you say, 'This is so rich, it's like eating chocolate.' And you want to say, 'Come on, Bill, just get on with it, what's the point here?' "

"But the point is," I said,
"that Gass is playing on the

page."
"Yes. He's playing on the page, but sometimes you get

tired of that. I admire Gass a lot. I am one of the people who seems to have liked *The Tunnel*."

"A writer like Gass has a relatively small readership."

"Because Gass is hard. His essays, they're fairly dense. He was trained as a philosopher and that comes through. And other times he can convey his enthusiasm so well."

I said that Gass's book on Rilke was my latest favorite of Gass's, a remark that led us to discuss Rilke.

"I really love a lot of the poems," said Mr. Dirda. "But Rilke, the man, did seem to be just an awful human being. John Berryman once said, 'Rilke is a shit.' Basically, I have to agree with that. He was a callous man in a lot of ways for someone so sensitive on the page. But then there is this division between the artist who creates and the man or woman who lives; there's a great gulf between them."

"Like who could stand to spend the day with Katherine Ann Porter?"

"There you go. Or Evelyn Waugh. I love Waugh's novels, but he would have treated me like dirt. I had a friend who now lives in San Francisco, who works for the *L.A. Times* and who used to work for the *Post*. After ten years of interviewing writers, he concluded, 'It's better not to meet them and know them, just read their books.'"

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I mentioned that reading Geoffrey Wolff's John O'Hara biography had made me desirous of rereading O'Hara. I said that I liked to read books from the last century in as close to their original editions as possible. For instance, I enjoyed reading O'Hara's *From the Terrace* in the book's 1958 first edition. How did Mr. Dirda feel about this?

"Many older books by necessity you are going to have to buy first editions because they don't exist past that. I don't like to spend a lot of money on my collection. But I'd like them to have the right kind of period flavor, the right look to them, so that they're relatively close to when they came out, maybe just a second or third printing of the first edition. They're not worth anything to collectors, but they look right, and so when you hold the book, there is a sense that you're participating more fully in the experience of reading the book than if you're reading it in, say, the Library of America. The Library of America books are a wonderful idea, but when you read Library of America volumes they all look alike. They're handy, but there's no character to the individual titles. Also with many older books the quality of the books is higher. As you get older you find that you value the tangentials of the book as much as the

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With An Open Book, Mr. Dirda said, "I wanted people to know that books are exciting. That books can help you remake your life, that they can give you dreams and feed your imagination. They can also be helpful in the way of things as seemingly crass as Dale Carnegie's selfhelp books or as noble as Thoreau's Walden, which I was reading roughly at the same time. And they come in all sorts and shapes and so do readers. So I wanted it to have a feeling that books were both special but not special.

"The other thing I hoped to do was to give something of a portrait of a working-class steel town in the Midwest, in the golden age that's now past, that considering the world we live in, particularly here in Washington, with all its attendant terrors, I look back on my past, and it does seem idyllic in a way that I didn't expect it to."

"Does your mom read you?"

"Not too much. She gets Book World and she will occasionally read what I write. I have a friend who sent me a collage she'd made, and it shows Lucille Ball. Lucy is sitting at a breakfast table, and she's holding the Washington Post. She's got a thought balloon, and the thought balloon says, 'I never understand what Michael Dirda writes.' I have it framed. My mother is something like that. She does tell me, 'You know, Mikey, I don't know what you're writing about half the time.' But she's proud of me, and she wishes my father were alive to see this book. He died the year before I won the Pulitzer Prize. My mother gets a residual pleasure from thinking of his pleasure in me if he were alive. She read at least half of this book. I don't know if she kept going. She said she couldn't put it down, she really liked it.

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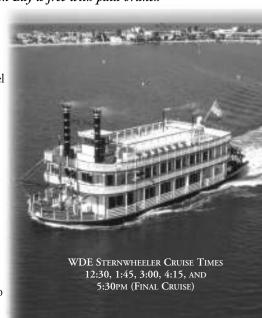
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Twins, but Not Identical

Few experiences are more exciting for a critic than suddenly being made aware of a heretofore unknown first-rate musician.

JONATHAN SAVILLE

Debussy and Ravel concert at Sherwood Auditorium was of special interest because it was the first program here conceived and arranged by the La Jolla Music Society's new director, Mary Lou Aleskie. Some

other concerts this season were booked by her predecessor, Neale Perl, but this one was her baby and a remarkable baby it turned out to be

The two Siamese twins of French musical "Impressionism" constitute a fascinating pairing. Thoroughly different in personal character, they nevertheless shared so many stylistic traits that, to a casual listener, they often sound very much alike. Both were great melodists and subtle orchestrators; they extended classical harmonic language in the same expressive direction; their piano music was similarly virtuosic and colorful; and in their numerous works explicitly referring to specific ideas or experiences, they regularly chose the same ones. This explicitly evocative part of their oeuvre was represented on the Sherwood program by a small anthology of piano pieces — and there they were, the familiar Impressionist themes: bells (Ravel's La vallée des cloches ["The Valley of Bells"], water (Debussy's Poissons d'or ["Goldfish"]), Spain (Ravel's Alborada del gracioso), reminiscences of French Baroque keyboard composers and forms (Debussy's Hommage à Rameau — to which one should add the Passacaille from the Ravel Trio, also on the program). Another such program, bringing in the orchestra as well, could have given us bells and Spain by

On the other hand, both composers also had an impulse toward purely abstract chamber music of a quirky and innovate kind. In Debussy, this impulse was concentrated in the three sonatas he composed near the end of his life (he died in 1918); two of them, the D minor for Cello and Piano and the G minor for Violin and Piano, were included on the Sherwood program. Here, too, Ravel resembled his compatriot: aside from the Trio, among his later pieces are two extremely quirky chamber works, the Violin and Piano Sonata and the bizarre Violin and Cello Sonata (the latter dedicated to Debussy's memory). One of them — along, perhaps, with a couple of Debussy's piano Preludes — would have been all

Debussy, water by Ravel, and a lot more such

themes by one or the other or both.

that was needed to turn the Sherwood program into a fully rounded comparison of the two composers' smaller-scale compositions.

Aleskie's varied programming went quite far toward that end, and the juxtapositions of Im-

pressionist and abstract pieces and of Debussy and Ravel in similar repertoire were consistently illuminating. She was also responsible for bringing the

program's three artists together, functioning here more in the manner of SummerFest's Cho-Liang Lin than as a mere presenter who books already established chamber groups. Violinist Jennifer Frautschi and cellist Felix Fan are known quantities to the San Diego audience, having played here numerous times before, and both offered the skillful and impassioned performances one could have expected from them. The unexpected discovery was pianist Pedia Muziievic, whom (I would suspect) no one in the audience had heard of before; I certainly hadn't. Few experiences are more exciting for a critic than suddenly being made aware of a heretofore unknown first-rate musician, and when the musician has the startling originality of this Bosnian-born pianist the experience is heady indeed.

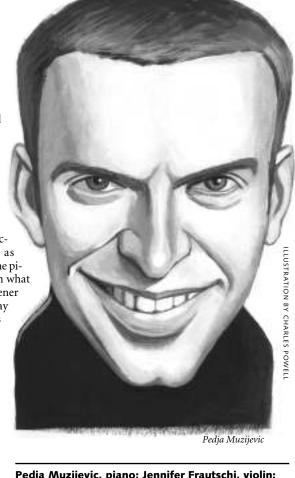
Fortunately, Aleskie's canny programming allowed us to hear the pianist in solo pieces as well as in the several chamber combinations, so that we could get a very clear idea of his musical personality. Everyone plays these pieces from Ravel's Miroirs and Debussy's two sets of Images, and a whole series of great pianists have played them exquisitely. I would not have supposed they could sound as utterly new as Muzijevic made them. Ordinarily, pianists emphasize the sensual and pictorial qualities of this music: the rippling of the water in the goldfish pond, the misty atmosphere out of which the sounds of the distant church bells emerge, the fiery espagnolisms of the jester's morning song. Muzijevic, in contrast, underlined their musical structure, the shapes of their motifs, the ways their phrases and sections are put together. To this end he pedalled with extraordinary delicacy, so that instead of merging in an impressionistic haze, all the sounds (above all, the harmonies) remained completely distinct. The result was to focus the listener's attention on how this music differs from Romanticism, to enable us to perceive the crispness and lucidity of the piano writing, and to make us aware — something most performances leave obscure — of the *modernity* of Debussy and Ravel (yes, Ravel too).

I don't mean to imply that there was anything dry or pedantically analytical about Muzijevic's playing. On the contrary, the sound spectrum in La vallée des cloches was ravishing in its palette of nuanced colors, Alborada del gracioso was intense and explosive in its rhythmic drive, and Hommage à Rameau (which really has nothing to do with Rameau) was unusually grand and noble in its deliberate, expansive pacing. By treating these works less as "impressions" and more as pure music, the pianist made them far more gripping than what one ordinarily hears in them. The listener may not have been allowed to float away on a sea of associations, but one felt one's mind inexorably held by the music's progress from moment to moment.

The same qualities (with suitable adjustments to the nature of each work) were to be heard in Muzijevic's contributions to the Sonatas and the Trio. Their effect was most striking in the Debussy Cello Sonata, where the pianist's collaborator was Felix Fan. Fan is an allround cellist of exceptional gifts, commanding a wide range of styles, as San Diegans who have listened to him over the years can attest. He has had a special leaning toward contemporary music (he runs his own avant-garde music festival here, Musik3), and has developed a high degree of competence in the languages of modern experimentation. The Debussy Sonata may date

from 1915, but it is in its essence an astonishingly experimental and forward-looking work—
a fact somewhat veiled by its tunefulness and its lack of those hallmarks of advanced 20th-century music, harsh dissonance and a controlling structural system. Instead, we hear whimsical changes of mood and direction, a peculiarly fragmented and spontaneous structure, unusual interactions of the two instruments (particularly in the second movement), and yet dancelike rhythms and directly expressive melodic phrases (though what they are expressive of it would be hard to say).

What Fan brought to the Sonata — and in this he was perfectly in tune with Muzijevic's approach at the keyboard — was a profound sense of the ways this work no longer belongs to the 19th Century. Without ever distorting the score's distinctive voice, the cellist made discreet but telling use of various timbral colorations that would be inappropriate in Brahms but are essential elements in the languages of Janácěk, Bartók, or Webern. He never lost the elegant shape of Debussy's phrasing, but he made certain that no one



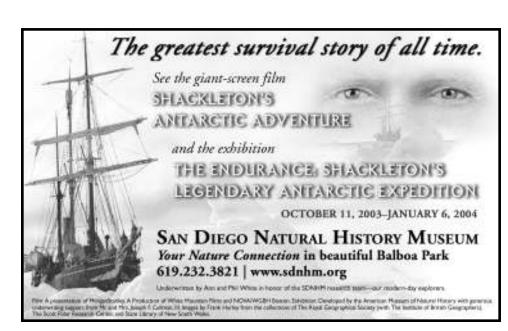
Pedja Muzijevic, piano; Jennifer Frautschi, violin; Felix Fan, cello

Sherwood Auditorium (La Jolla Music Society)

Debussy, Sonata in D minor for Cello and Piano; Sonata in G Minor for Violin and Piano; Hommage à Rameau; Poissons d'or. Ravel, La vallée des cloches; Alborada del gracioso; Piano Trio in A minor

would mistake the phrasing for that of Saint-Saëns. He also gave full value to the erratic rhythms that characterize the modernist moments in the score, while at the same time allowing the glimpses of salon music to dictate their own suitable style (for one of the basic characteristics of Debussy's late manner is the casual mixture of discordant styles). With Muzijevic playing with the same insights (and a similarly varied technique), this performance of the Cello Sonata was altogether a revelation. (If you heard it at this concert, you might compare it with the equally impressive but much more overtly Romantic performance by Gary Hoffman and David Golub on an indispensable three-disc Delos recording of Debussy's complete chamber music.)

The Violin Sonata, which comes two years after the Cello Sonata (it was to be Debussy's final work), is lighter in spirit and less innovative, although it displays throughout the inventive freedom of a self-confident master. More than in the Cello Sonata, there are sections that inevitably recall salon music (although raised to the highest power), along with some gorgeously





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sentimental sequences, and even a bit of colorful orientalia. Here, Muzijevic tempered his style to suit the score's character, without losing any of his

power and delicacy; and his partner, the delectable Jennifer Frautschi, played with ingratiating warmth, feeling, and vivacity, just as the composi-

tion required. In its different way, this too was a revelatory performance, not because of any disconcerting modernity but because both musicians

seemed to appreciate how fully the Violin Sonata embodies the composer's heterogenous and footloose musical personality.

The Ravel Trio brought all three of these intelligently selected musicians together. It was the only item on the program that has been frequently played on our concert stages and that is widely familiar to audience members. Perhaps because of this, and because there have been so many sensational performances of the work right there in Sherwood Auditorium (I particularly recall SummerFest performances by the Amelia Trio and by Ani Kavafian, David Finckel, and Gilbert Kalish), this reading of the Ravel Trio somehow seemed just a little less satisfying than the rest of the concert. It was technically impeccable and obviously well rehearsed, and the musicians seemed quite compatible with each other, but the last full measure of emotion and brio was missing, most of all in the final movement, which ought to dazzle, but which in this performance sounded unaccountably tame. Even Muzijevic sounded a bit conventional - something his playing earlier in the evening would have made one think impossible.

Did the musicians not quite connect with the Ravel Trio the way they had connected so sensationally with everything else on the program? Or was the listener's mind just exhausted from hearing so much brilliant playing, to the point where one couldn't take any more? In any case, this was the kind of program one would like to hear more often during the LJMS's winter season. ■

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Program is offered Friday, November 21, at St. Joseph's Cathedral (1535 Third Avenue). Concerts begin at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$15 to \$30. Tickets: 888-848-7326. (DOWNTOWN)

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Friday, November 21, 12:30 p.m., on lower level of UCSD's Geisel Library. Concert is free, parking is not. 858-534-8074.

Pipe Organ Concert Series, John Near — a member of music faculty at Pincipia College in Eilsah, Illinois — performs Friday, November 21, 7:30 p.m., at First Church of Christ Scientist (8262 Allison Avenue). Free. 619-442-8201. (LA MESA)

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"Shadows and Voices: The Last Davs of Tchaikovsky" investigated during Light Bulb concert hosted by San Diego Symphony, Saturday, November 22, in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Program includes "Symphony No. 6 in B Minor (Pathetique)." Tickets range from \$10 to \$55. Reservations: 619-235-0804.

Music from Several Periods may be heard when Geoffrey Gartner leads UCSD Chamber Orchestra, Saturday, November 22, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. \$8 general. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Pieces by Béla Bartók, Beethoven, Elliott Carter, and Coleridge Taylor Perkinson on tap when cellist Tahirah Whittington performs Discovery Series hosted by La Jolla Music Society, Sunday, November 23, 3 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). "Prelude to the Afternoon," 2:30 p.m. \$25. Reservations: 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

St. Cecilia Day Festal Evensong, men's and girls' St. Cecilia Choir sings 5 p.m. evensong on Sunday, November 23. Music from many periods may be heard, from Gregorian chant to contemporary composers. Find the cathedral at 2728 Sixth Avenue (at Fifth and Nutmeg); 619-298-7261. Offering. (MIDTOWN)

Fall Concert Series, the California Ouartet performs classical selections. Sunday, November 23, 2 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026, (LA COSTA)

Gustavo's Back in Town. Gustavo Romero performs works for piano and orchestra by Mozart and Finzi for St. James Music Series, Sunday, November 23. The St. James Choir will present the Fauré Requiem accompanied by chamber orchestra. Concert begins at 4 p.m. at James-by-the-Sea, 743 Prospect Street. Tickets: \$20. 858-459-3421 x109. (LA JOLLA)

Organ Concert planned by civic organist Carol Williams, Sunday, November 23, 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Traditional Japanese Music for Koto and wind instruments may be heard when Reiko Obata (koto), Robert Williams (flute and wind synthesizer), Masayo Norikura (koto, bass koto) present the final mini-concert of 2003 on Monday, November 24, noon, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Indian Classical Music promised when students of Kartik Seshadri perform Monday, November 24, 8 p.m., in Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD. \$8 general. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Westwind Brass performs for Grossmont Community Concert Association, Tuesday, November 25, 7:30 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Reservations: 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Violin and Viola Students ofJános Négyesy and Päivikki Nykter perform their recent work, Tuesday, November 25, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center, 858-534-4830, \$8 general. (LA JOLLA)

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Art "Illuminating Contemporary Issues, controversial themes, and class projects" featured in San Diego Mesa College Student Art Exhibition, opening with reception, Thursday, November 20, 5 p.m., in Art Gallery (D-104). Reception includes bluegrass music by Lemon Grove Trio.

Student art sale runs 4 to 7 p.m. in gallery patio on same day. Mesa College, 7250 Mesa College Drive. 619-388-2829. Exhibition continues through Tuesday, December 9. (KEARNY MESA)

The Temporarily Named "Junks Gallery" opens with reception on Thursday, November 20, 8 p.m. Find gallery at 433 Third Avenue. Art in variety of media on display. 619-384-7500. (DOWNTOWN)

"Patterns of Life," featuring Kathy Kenyon's large-scale woodblock prints and David Messick's blackbird series, opens with reception Friday, November 21, 6:30 p.m., in Boehm Gallery at Palomar College, 1140 West Mission Road. 760-744-1150 x2304. Closes Friday, December 19. (SAN MARCOS)

"Off Campus: Thirty Years of Photography Outside the Academic Arena" by David Wing opens with reception on Friday, November 21, 6 p.m., at David Zapf Gallery (2400 Kettner Boulevard). See the show through Saturday, December 20. 619-232-5004. (LITTLE ITALY)

"Interstate: Urban Environments and Infrastructures," an exhibit of recent works by Kim Reasor, continues through Friday, December 5, at Lucid Gallery (466 North Coast Highway 101, suite 5). Reception: Friday, November 21, 7 p.m. 760-634-3677. (FNCINITAS)

New Encaustic Paintings by Northern California artist Mark Perlman are gathered in "Transitions," opening with reception on Friday, November 21, 6 p.m., at R.B. Stevenson Gallery (2400 Kettner Boulevard, suite 103). 619-595-0558. Closes Tuesday, December 30. (DOWNTOWN)

The Holiday Show at Taboo Studio opens with reception for 14 participating artists, Friday, November 21, 6 p.m. Show closes Tuesday, January 6, 2004. Find gallery at 1615 1/2 West Lewis Street; 619-692-0099. (MISSION HILLS)

"Oil and Water Do Mix" — exhibition of oil paintings by Annie Dover and watermedia paintings by Stan Solleder Goudey commences with reception on Saturday, November 22, 4 p.m., at Santa Ysabel Art Gallery (30352 Highway 78, at junction of Highway 79). Through Sunday, January 4, 2004. 760-765-1676. (SANTA YSABEL)

A Collection of Oil Paintings by Kiki Chadda and Rosalind Ginsberg is on display through November at Del Mar Art Center (1555 Camino del Mar at 15th Street). Artists' reception on Saturday, November 22, 2 p.m. 858-481-1678. (DEL MAR)

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"Object Lessons," a show of new paintings by Sheldon Greenberg, opens with reception at 1 p.m. and artist's talk at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 23, at Susan Street Fine Art Gallery (415 South Cedros Avenue; 858-793-4442). Through December. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Fourth Annual Invitational Drawing Show," on exhibit through Saturday, January 24, 2004, at Earl and Birdie Taylor Li-

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ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, time for Eloy Tarcisio's eighth annual site-specific installation Muerte de todos ofrenda de participación/Death Comes to Everyone: A Participatory Offering. The installation consists of more than 100 wooden crosses, clay bowls — filled with grains, beans, and other organic materials symbolic of Mexico's pre-Hispanic past — and votive candles, which viewers are invited to light. Through November.

The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard. For information, call 760-839-4120.

Mingei International Museum of Folk Art, useful and beautiful wooden objects — chairs, tables, benches, cabinets — are on view in "George Nakashima, Woodworker — A Retrospective," opening on Sunday, November 23. The objects are exhibited along with paintings and drawings by Nakashima's friend Ben Shahn. Closes Sunday, May 30, 2004.

"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.

The Mingei is located on the square with the San Diego Museum of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

Museum of Contemporary Art 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.

Pasha Rafat explores natural and artificial properties of light in photography and sculpture he presents for his "Cerca Series" exhibit, continuing through Sunday, November 30. The exhibition is built around the installation of *RGB*, three monumental photographs taken at different times of day in the same bar in Las Vegas.

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 more than 50 years as both film and art critic and painter. Closes Sunday, January 4,

"Self-Help Graphics and Art: Building Community Through Art," on display through Tuesday, January 6, 2004, includes a group of monoprints exploring a wide range of imagery. The works explore "the limitations of print media and techniques."

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Oceanside Museum of Art, 33 original artworks by 20 artists in a variety of media are showcased in "OMA Regional 3," the third juried exhibition of regional artists hosted by the museum. Jury included Mark Quint, Reesey Shaw, Tina Yapelli. Show closes Sunday, January 4, 2004. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

"Sculpture in Silk: Costumes from Japan's Noh Theater," offers opportunity to examine elegant designs and exquisite workmanship of layered costumes. Display includes more than 40 robes and ac-

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of layered costumes. Display includes more than 40 robes and accessories created during Edo period (1601-1868), as well as 100 modern examples of Noh costumes created using Edo-period designs and techniques. Continues through Sunday, January 25, 2004.

"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, Ianuary 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 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, "Portraiture in Paris Around 1800: Cooper Penrose by Jacques-Louis David" explores "the profound influence" of the French painter (1748-1825). The exhibit features works on loan from L.A. and New York, along with paintings from Paris-based collections "that have never before been seen in the United States." Through Sunday, February 15, 2004.

Permanent collection includes European masters, 19th-Century American paintings, and Russian icons. 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)





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Too Much Love

"He allowed himself to be wholly known." But, then again, so did Jeffrey Dahmer.

rthur Miller knew a waterfront lawyer, a Neapolitan, who complained that immigrant longshoremen and their families go through "all the Greek myths down here. Every week somebody has done or has thought of

doing one of the great tragic stories." The lawyer felt powerless. "There he was," says Miller, "just picking up the pieces" after.

A lawyer named Alfieri narrates Miller's View from the Bridge. He tells of star-crossed love, a man who wouldn't "settle for half," and an inability to halt the inevitable.

Eddie Carbone raised his niece Catherine in Brooklyn's tough Red Hook district ("the gullet of New York swallowing the tonnage of the world," says Alfieri). She's now 18 and wants to get a job, maybe move out. Eddie's 40 and still considers Catherine his "baby." Calling him "protective" commits grave understatement.

Eddie and wife Beatrice agree to lodge Tony and Rodolpho. They are "submarines," undocumented Sicilians newly arrived for the American Dream. Catherine falls for Rodolpho, a blond who can sing, cook, make dresses, and wants to see Broadway's bright lights. He's also hyper-respectful of Catherine, the kind of young man most fathers would pray for as a son-in-law. Instead, Rodolpho brings out Eddie's homophobia. And her eve for another man incites Eddie's dormant lust for his "daughter."

'Sometimes there's too much love," Alfieri

warns him. But Eddie's obsession (even if he is not Catherine's biological father, it's the equivalent of incest) becomes so absolute, he breaks the Sicilian code of silence. To erase his rival from the scene, Eddie informs the INS that undocumented

aliens are in his home.

In essays and interviews, Miller contends that View is a modern Greek tragedy, adding that Eddie's blind commitment to

a vision — no matter if it's right or wrong makes him an archetypal figure. Eddie didn't go halfway, we're told: "He allowed himself to be wholly known." But, then again, so did Jeffrey

Miller also says the lawyer, who narrates on occasion, functions like a Greek chorus. More often, however, the lawyer becomes Miller Time: he inserts himself into the drama, providing an ongoing interpretation for us groundlings. Like Eddie Carbone, Miller won't let his "baby" go into the world unprotected (see Critic's Corner, below, about authorial intentions).

Miller's arm-twisting exhortations to the contrary, A View from the Bridge has the inexorability, but not the stature, of Greek tragedy. It resonates, however, as a drama about betraval in the mid-1950s. And one of the plusses of the Renaissance Theatre Company's production is its period feel everything from a long-playing phonograph, Jeanne Reith's precise costuming, and especially the acting. To his credit, director George Flint lets



A View from the Bridge

A View from the Bridge, by Arthur Miller Renaissance Theatre Company, Cygnet Theatre, 6663 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area
Directed by George Flint; cast: Jessie MacKinnon, Susan Denaker, Jessica John, Michael Lamendola, J.E. Creaghe, Charlie Riendeau, Joe Solazzo; scenic design, David Weiner; costumes, Jeanne Reith; lighting, Jennifer Setlow Playing through December 14; Thursday and Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 866-633-3849.

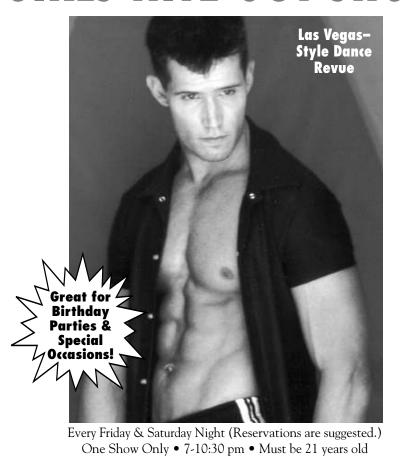
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his cast run with Method-actor intensities and florid builds of scenes. By honoring its period style — a headlong sprint into the operatic — the RTC production also reveals that in many ways View is a Yankee imitation of Tennessee Williams.

Miller originally wanted to cast Lee J. Cobb

as Eddie, a betrayer playing a betrayer (Cobb and Elia Kazan informed on friends to the House Un-American Activities Committee). Although often a one-note, xenophobic fumer, Jessie MacKinnon's best moments as Eddie come when he glimpses beyond the taboos that drive him. The

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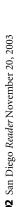
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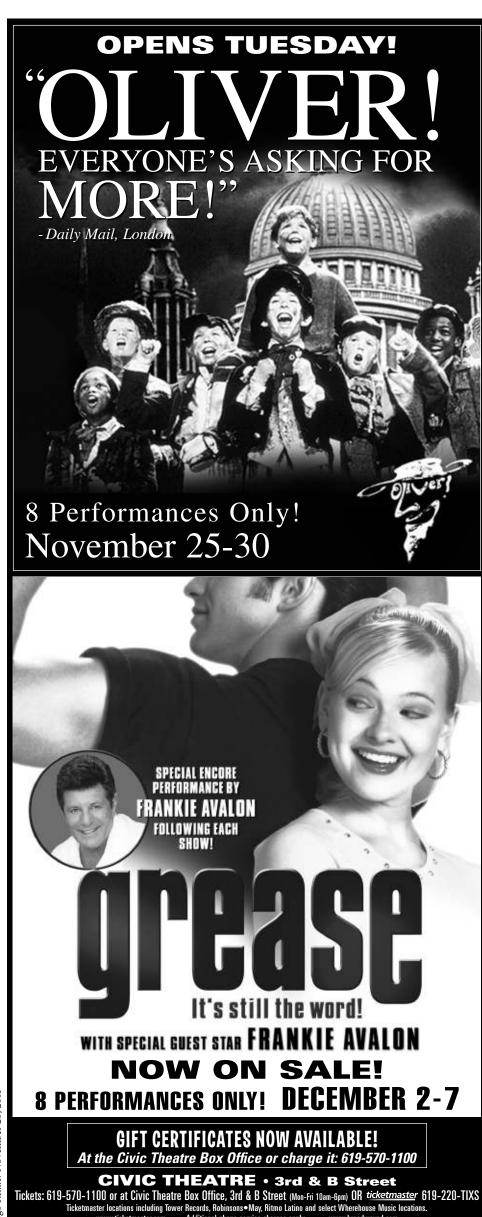
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more he tries to avoid them, the more they devour.

Renaissance Theatre Company productions always showcase top local talent (in actors' bios, RTC credits have become a badge of honor). And the men do capable work, at least when not overamping their accents. But it's the women who shine. Jessica John isn't 18 years old. But her Catherine is: a bright-eyed teenager on a collision course with love's extremities.

Susan Denaker, relatively new to San Diego, does one of the year's best support jobs. On paper, Beatrice is another of Miller's cipher/mouthpieces ("He's not your father," she tells Catherine; "You kept her a baby," she yells at Eddie - and at those in the audience unable to see the obvious). With gentle insistence, Denaker builds a multidimensional, long-suffering '50s housewife - she knows her place, but sometimes she's just got to leave it - from next to nothing.

Critic's Corner: Arthur Miller is an artistic control freak, world class. He's written more words about his plays than are in them. This compulsion began when critics reviewed *The Crucible* and no one saw that it's about "the handing over of conscience to another" — like, HUH???

Oscar Wilde's mother gave him some of the best advice a writer can hear: "Don't complain and don't explain." Authors can shape but can't control meanings. In 1946, W.K. Wimsatt and Monroe Beardsley wrote "The Intentional Fallacy." They argue that it's fruitless to judge a work by what the author intended. The work may be better, or much worse, than anything the writer says about it.

In 1967, Roland Barthes declared the "death of the author." Readers create meanings regardless of authorial intentions; and literary texts are subject to random slippage, being far more unstable than writers dare admit.

Michel Foucault talks about "rules of formation." These come into play during the act of composition and are "out of phase" with a writer's deliberate choices.

Authors aren't "dead." And Barthes and Foucault's claims actually free them. When you see Chekhov, you expect "Chekhovian" things to happen. These expectations can prejudge a work and limit, distort, even falsify what it's actually doing. When Tennessee Williams tried new forms in the '60s, the critics screamed bloody murder, because by then Williams had become an "author."

If authors were "dead," expectations that can imprison



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each new work would die with them. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith. Information is accurate according to material given us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.

All the Great Books (abridged)

Reduced Shakespeare Company's sprint through the literary canon clobbers sacred cows, especially of the Dead European White Male variety: Dante's Divine Comedy "is not funny"; blind Homer's İlliad and Odyssey become the "Idioticy"; and Marcel Proust's seven-volume A La Recherche Du Temps Perdu gets three words, "I like cookies." Ostensibly All the Great Books is a crash course for remedial students. The test is in an hour and 45 minutes (class is in the theater because it's the only schoolroom big enough for so large a group). Doing instantaneous costume changes, flying through doors faster than farce, Austin Tichenor, Matthew Croke, and Reed Martin slam and shave — and sometimes revere — 89 famous texts in ways that make Cliff's Notes read like sculpted prose. Odvsseus becomes Captain Kirk, and Molly Bloom's a spat between male and female inner monologists, the male getting the final "yes." Great Books is goofy, irreverent fun. You get the sense that the trio's performed it many times (a shopworn drop of bookshelves suggests as much). Thus the show's funniest moments, which also freshen things up for the cast, happen when one of them goes "up," forgets his place, and must ad lib back into rhythm.

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6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH NOVEMBER 22; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 10:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

Another American: Asking and Telling

For three years, Marc Wolf interviewed 150 people about the military's DADTDPDH policy – Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Pursue, Don't Harass" - which punishes gays, lesbians, and bisexuals for coming out (a Diversionary Theatre note specifies: "a statement of one's sexual orientation to anyone, anywhere, anytime may lead to being fired"). Told in Anna Devere Smith's staged-monologue style, Another American presents different perspectives on the subject, among them a Camp Pendleton Marine awaiting discharge and beaten for his honesty. On a raked stage, the walls painted battleship gray, solo performer Russell Garrett is never less than competent but never really inspired — and the show, at two hours with an intermission, is a good half hour too long, Garrett's characterizations and voice could use sharper delineations. Wolf wrote the piece as a tour de force for himself. Diversionary never achieves that level. The subject, however, is most important, but especially at a time, says Noam Chomsky in Hegemony and Survival, when "a radical restructuring of domestic society will roll back the progressive reforms of a century." DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK

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Beehive

Those tall cans of AquaNet spray are back in the spotlight. As are the gigantic domes of hair, worn by the "Hives," in the Theatre in Old Town's reprise of its 1992 hit show. *Beehive* celebrates the women

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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 Ianis Ioplin. 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-

Worth a try.

THE THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS STREET, OLD TOWN, THROUGH JANUARY 4; THURSDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-688-2494.

The Boys Next Door

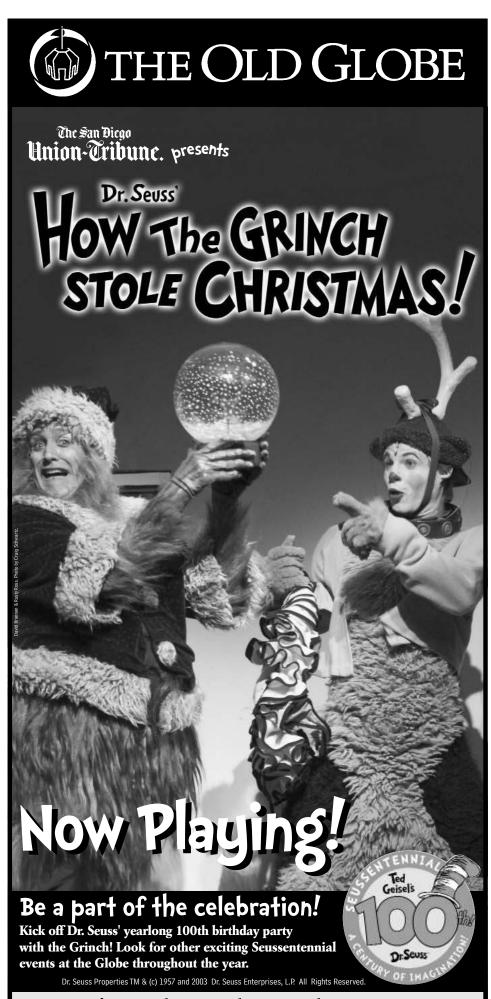
Tom Griffin's "boys," Lucian and Norman, have developmental disabilities: Arnold is a marginal depressive and Barry is a "grade A schizophrenic." Jack Palmer, their service coordinator, may have been on the job — which resembles raising quadruplets — far too long. It cost him a marriage and now may steal his only real family. Many years ago, Lamb's Players staged Tom Griffin's comedy-drama at their National City theater. It was a signature show. Although there are times when their current restaging verges on cartoon, or threatens to stratosphere, there are also moments of magic. As when Robert Smvth's rotund, smitten Norman dances with Deborah Gilmour Smyth's mentally challenged, spiritually radiant Sheila. When they dance we see from their perspective: embraced by swirling stars, they feel like Fred and Ginger. Jack said earlier that chaperoned dances are either the happiest or saddest places on earth. For the most part, the Kerry Meads-directed show captures this duality. Much of it's sitcom, coming from the dreamlike logic of the characters (to hide an accident in the men's room, Arnold pours water all over himself). At the same time, without ever using the patronizing word "special," Boys depicts the terrors and elations of unconditional innocence, which may indeed be the most bipolar condition of all.

Worth a try. LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH NOVEMBER 23; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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(a lady and her maid) and the consequences. Jimmy Saba directed. AVO PLAYHOUSE, 303 MAIN STREET, VISTA, THROUGH NOVEMBER 23; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-724-2110.

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: Euripides' *Ion*, Monday, November 24, at

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Hamlet The Poor Players' Hamlet is bare

stage, modern-dress (Polonius wears a three-piece suit and vammers into a cell phone). Except for the lead, the acting ranges from rank amateur to marginal. Nuances are few, and too often a Laertes or a Horatio or a Gertrude will glissando through a line, substituting speed for sense. The Hamlet's something else, however. Richard Baird is around the Dane's age (it's one thing to hear a 45-year-old actor do the part and quite another hearing a 22-year-old raise those questions with most of his life ahead of him). At times Baird's performance becomes mannered — an impish Peter O'-Toole peeks out — and others when the seams show in Hamlet's "north by northwest" madness. But Baird gets a lot of the role. Skittish, stormy, a spoiled brat yet worthy of angel's flights, Baird's moving Hamlet becomes a neophyte Magellan, probing mapless seas. Both are young actors attempting the toughest roles of their lives. In effect, and I've never seen this emphasis before. Hamlet awakes into the actor's nightmare. Everything is "out of joint," and he must improvise each moment to find "the readiness" to master his role. Worth a try.

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The Boys Next Door

sister, it turns out, is not kidding [note: the Laguna Playhouse has extended the show's run three times].

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My Nights with George, Kurt, & Cole

Debra Wanger performs her award-winning solo show. Mitzi St. Clair attends a 1937 New Year's Eve party with George Gershwin, Kurt Weill, and Cole Porter. Phil Johnson directed.

GTH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE. HILLOREST. THROUGH NOVEM-

DAY AT 7:30 P.M. 619-688-9210. National Comedy Theatre

BER 26; MONDAY THROUGH WEDNES-

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian. Worth a try.

MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS, OPEN-ENDED RUN; 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.

Nu

This could be the start of a new. physical vocabulary for Sledgehammer Theatre. At the same time these "plays without words" are iust a start, and often balky. Three pieces, Mr. Phosphorescent (office politics), Echoes Traveling (a woman tries to shed a chrysalis-like past), and Wintering (from Sylvia Plath's Ariel) use gesture, movement, and music in wavs resembling Meyerhold's "biomechanics" and Anne Bogart. The body talks. Overall, however, the work doesn't feel fully realized, the most arresting moments occurring in tableaux, when David Lee Cuthbert's expert lighting zones in on stillness. Too often, they have a lag factor: performed by a cast of vary ing skill, physicality's at the mercy of the music (which makes for slow stretches - got 16 more bars to fill - and more repeated stage business than the story needs movement should dictate music). At times the stage flashes with voiceless communication. At many others, the production is in a nether realm, not dance or theater, just movements unequal to powerful music upstaging them. Focus, surprisingly, is also a problem (in Wintering, for example, the man in white, like the sun creeping imperceptibly across the sky, steals the eye; one follows his feet inching ahead rather than the angst below). For such an important project, you wish directors Kirstin Brandt and Jessa Watson and their cast had world enough and time to forge their theatrical lexicon in some Grotowskian retreat. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, 1620 SIXTH AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH NOVEM-BER 30: THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-544-1484

Oliver!

Broadway*San Diego hosts a touring production of Cameron Mackintosh's Tony Award-winning musical. Songs include "With a Little Bit o'Luck," "I'll Do Anything," and "Food, Glorious Food."

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Orphans

New Village Arts Theatre presents Lyle Kessler's seriocomical drama about orphaned brothers who kidnap a wealthy businessman. Kristianne Kurner directed.
THE STUDIO SPACE AT JAZZERCISE, INC., 2460 IMPALA DRIVE, CARLSBAD, THROUGH NOVEMBER 30; THURSDAY HROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 760-633-1130.

Playwright's Project: Plays by Young Writers

The Playwright's Project stages winning scripts from the 19th Annual California Young Playwright's Contest (which had 282 entrants in 2003).

THE BISHOP'S SCHOOL, 7607 LA JOLLA BOULEVARD, LA JOLLA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, THROUGH NOVEMBER 23; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, TUESDAY DECEMBER 2, THROUGH DECEMBER 6; TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT 10:00 A.M., THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. (MORNING PERFORMANCES ARE FOR SCHOOL GROUPS, THOUGH INDIVIDUAL TICKETS MAY BE AVAILABLE). 619-239-8222.

The Romance of Magn Rubio

The Laguna Playhouse stages Lonnie Carter's Obie Award-winner about a Filipino farmworker in Depression-era California who falls in love through a lonely hearts ad. Ralph B. Pena directed.
LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH, THROUGH DECEMBER 7; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 949-497-2787

San Diego Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and Family Feud. Improv. making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Improv) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art.' Worth a try.

SWEDENBORGIAN THEATRE, 1531 TYLER AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAYS AT 8:00 P.M. 619-465-7469.

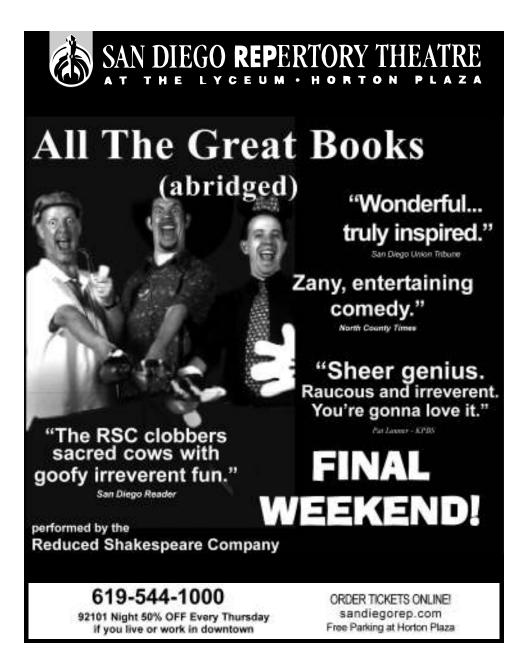
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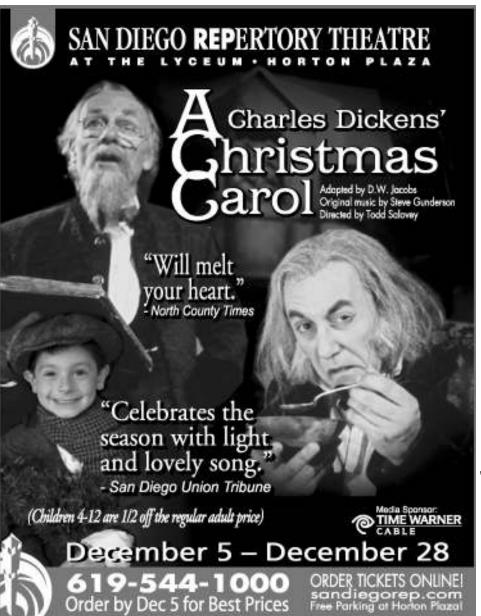
Dillstar Productions presents an evening with the notorious Baritone family: "gambling, dinner, dancing, and good old mobster fun."

CLARION BAY VIEW HOTEL, 660 K STREET, DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 800-944-5639.

Story Theatre

In the '60s, Paul Sills made improvisational theater out of his mother's — Viola Spolin — theories. His Story Theater, a collection of Grimm Brothers and Aesop's fairy tales, played on Broadway in 1970. Once it settles in, which takes at least a half an hour performed at





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wall-cracking decibel levels, the North Coast Rep's re-re-telling captures some of the inventive flavor of the original (though it's doubtful Sills' version was so insistently ingratiating to its audience; the NCRT show *really* wants you to like it!!). David Ellenstein's stagings prefer the cute to the grim(m), but the performers — especially Fred Harlow as a host of harried males, the ad-libbing Randall Dodge (who does a good Governor Ah-nolt), and multi-talented Laura Bozanich (her mime of a randy dog's the highlight) - all communicate relish for the playful, free-lance style of the piece. Story Theatre's billed as a Christmas alternative. Be forewarned: it is not Hamlet. The woman sitting next to me said, "It's so dumb it's funny." NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE,

987-D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH DECEMBER 21; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

Thwak

The California Center hosts the Umbilical Brothers' popular off-Broadway show: David Collins moves; Shane Dundas makes accompanying sounds. CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR THE ARTS. ES-CONDIDO, 340 NORTH ESCONDIDO BOULEVARD, SATURDAY, NOVEM-BER 22. AT 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY, NOVEM-BER 23. AT 2:00 P.M. 800-988-4253.

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,' "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" -Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary,

got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from Forever Plaid. There's also the Forever Plaid problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudodrama 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

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Reviewed this issue. CYGNET THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, THROUGH DECEMBER 14; THURSDAY AND SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATUR DAY AT 8:00 P M MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 877-597-7258.



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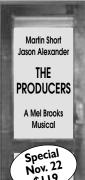
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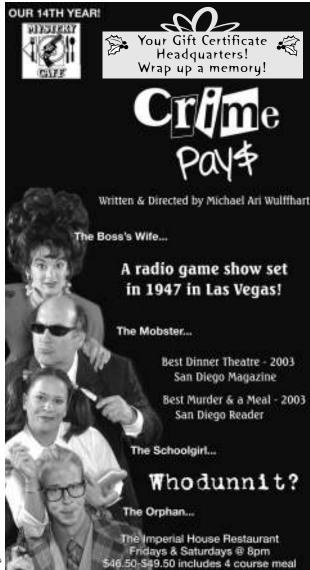
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Two Clear Channel employees confirmed

that on November 12, federal Department of Iustice staffers were at the McCarthy could respond. A phone call to Clear Channel spokeswoman Lisa Dollinger at corporate headquarters in San Antonio was not returned.

— Ken Leighton

Is the local scene hotter than ever?

Billboard magazine

the inside track

San Diego Clear Channel headquarters, near Aero Drive and I-15, to collect evidence regarding a federal investigation regarding monopolistic activity and restraint of trade.

Calls to local Clear Channel vice presidents Mike Glickenhaus and Kevin McCarthy were not returned. Assistants said they were out of town. Clear Channel sales manager Bobby Salvato said he had "no thoughts on it" and that only Glickenhaus or

thinks so. Billboard's modern rock chart shows three local bands with songs in the top 20: blink-182's "Feeling This" (number 2), Switchfoot's "Meant to Live" (number 10), and P.O.D.'s Will You" (number 13).

Unfortunately, blink's label appears to be in trouble. This summer the entire MCA label was eliminated, with the more successful artists, including blink, moving to sister label Geffen. Both labels were part of the Universal Music

Group (UMG). Gary Ashley, who was blink's longtime label contact, was fired.

Since the beginning of the year, UMG has fired 11 percent of its workforce. Last month more than 800 positions were eliminated.

In October UMG put into effect an across-the-board 30 percent lowering of the wholesale prices it charges record stores in hopes that sales will increase. blink manager Rick DeVoe said the price slash does not immediately affect blink's per-unit royalty rate. "As of now, we have a contract, but I'm sure down the road they'll try to change it.

DeVoe said the decreased UMG income will impact "little things. Like now we can't have a DVD on our CD." But UMG is still underwriting music videos, including the clip for "Feeling This," which was the first single from blink's self-titled album released this week.

Dubbed "a teenage

Attica," the video was shot at the Lincoln Heights Jail in L.A. In the clip, good-



DELONGE WILL WORK FOR LINGERIE

looking high school students in school uniforms rise up and riot against oppressive teachers, toss off their uniforms, and rush out to the roof. The partially dressed blink fans flip out over Tom DeLonge, Mark Hoppus, and Travis Barker.

We were real excited to hear about the bras and panties until we found out they weren't for us," said

guitarist DeLonge on MTV's 30-minute special about the video's lingerie scenes.

— Ken Leighton

"The MP3.com website will no longer be accessible in

its current form." This quote is an excerpt from a mass e-mail that was sent out November 14 telling the world that the oncerevolutionary music website MP3.com had been taken over by CNET Networks Inc.

Published reports have said that owner Vivendi Universal has been losing money.

Founder Michael Robertson sold MP3.com to Universal three years ago for \$372 million.

— Ken Leighton

"I'm just a deranged guy in a funky tuxedo sitting in a dunk

Cardiff's Rob Machado, one of the more famous surfers in the world, is giving the condensed version of his role in the upcoming Metallica music video.

He said it only took him four hours to tape his part in downtown L.A.

"I'm just sitting there and this kid comes by and throws a ball, and I end up falling in this water with dead fish and stuff. It's pretty cool."

In 1995 guitarist Machado, fellow pro surfer Kelly Slater, and MTV host-

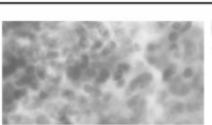


MACHADO SHOOTS VIDEO WITH DEAD FISH

turned-record producer Peter King of La Jolla formed a band called the Surfers. They released one album on Epic. But like Keanu Reeves's now-defunct band Dogstar, the Surfers were not critically acclaimed.

"We toured. We had fun.

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But then we decided not to do it anymore."

But by coincidence, Machado was tapped to make cameo appearances in two different music videos — Metallica's and Jack Johnson's — both directed by the Malloy Brothers, who also did videos for Ben Harper and the Foo Fighters.

"Two days after [the Metallica video] I flew to Hawaii to be in Jack Johnson's new video. The video is about making a music video. Ben Stiller plays this crazy director, and in the video I am on Jack's side, standing up to Ben [Stiller's director character]. It's pretty funny. MTV has it right now.'

Machado will also help select the bands for the Ninth Annual Rob Machado Surf Classic. That two-day event is held at Cardiff's Seaside Reef in September.

Next month Machado says he will be going to Hawaii's North Shore to surf the Pipeline Masters.

— Ken Leighton

"Being a musician is like selling Amway

now. All they want you to do is bring people in. As far as whether the music is good or not, it doesn't matter," says harmonica player Billy Watson.

For ten years Burt Newman played bass with the Mar Dels. He says live bands are getting squeezed out of clubs. "You can just tell because many clubs don't even have stages anymore. They just stick you in any available corner."

Newman savs he can still be a full-time musician because his current band, Atomic Groove, depends on high-paying weddings and corporate gigs.

"No one wants to see bands anymore, period, unless they are going to a concert. It used to be if you were a Top 40 band, you could get a fivenight-a-week gig, and it would last for months. There are no new Top 40 bands springing up nipping at our heels. We are the last of the Mohicans.

Newman, who first started playing locally in the Belly Up Tavern house band in 1977, says it has become increasingly difficult to make a living playing the hits. "Downtown you are lucky to make \$50 on

weeknights and \$100 [per member] on weekends. After parking and gas...you do the

And respect, he says, is in short supply.



WILLIS SAYS BLUES HAS KICKED THE BUCKET IN SD

"People are so used to DJ music, even when a live band is playing they treat the band as if it was a DJ. No one claps when you are done playing. It didn't used to be

But Newman says there is some good news.

"Casinos are the upside. They are the last bastion of Top 40-dom. In my old band we got \$800 each for playing four nights a week at Pala [casino]. That's pretty

good dough. That's as it should be. Nobody thinks about all the time and effort it takes to build up your repertoire. Do you know how long it has taken to learn to play every single hit song since 1962?"

However, Watson, who fronts his own blues revue, says, "Sycuan Casino just stopped having live music on its casino stage. Dublin Square in downtown said they were switching to just Irish music. One gig after another is drying up. That's kind of spooky. The Belly Up used to have me every other Sunday, now it's once a month on a Friday [evening]. There's a place in Temecula that now pays... The Gordon Biersch Brewery in Mission Valley cut [live music] way back.

This last month was the slowest month of my musical life. I had two gigs all month," says Greg Willis, the original bassist for San Diego's Iron Butterfly. Willis was a senior at Grossmont High when the band moved to L.A. in December of 1966. His father made him stay in school, so Willis wasn't with them when *In-a-Gadda-Da-*Vida became the first rock album to sell a million units. Willis played with the Shames for 17 years and Candye Kane for 8. He says that the problem is that "the blues thing has kicked the bucket in San Diego. Blind

Melons got rid of its blues jam on Tuesday nights. Now it's karaoke, which is the worst form of entertainment on earth."

Atomic Groove appears November 29 at Humphrey's Lounge. Billy Watson and the International Silver String Submarine Band appear tonight at the Covote Bar and Grill in Carlsbad. Greg Willis appears with Billy Seward 9 p.m. November 27 at Patrick's II downtown. – Ken Leighton

"I've told people that if you like our **show.** be careful when you drive home. If you don't like our show, who am I to tell you how to

David Patrone launched his lounge act three years ago as a salute to Sinatra. The self-described 'ex-Marine from Philly" says he has since expanded his act. "I'm a jazz singer. That was just a ploy at the

beginning.

drive?"

But after a recent gig, warming up the audience for comedian Don Rickles, Patrone admitted, "They called me because of that old-school Vegas tie in. Don used to tour with Sinatra."

Patrone said he was pleased to see that no one seemed upset by Rickles's

racial jokes at Viejas.

"He invited people onstage and made jokes about their race. But no one was offended. After the shtick, he gave them all a



PATRONE HAPPY TO SEE RICKLES MAKE RACIAL JOKES

bottle of champagne for letting him bust on them."

David Patrone appears every Thursday at Croce's and Wednesdays at Martini Ranch, both downtown. He showcases December 5 at Harrah's.

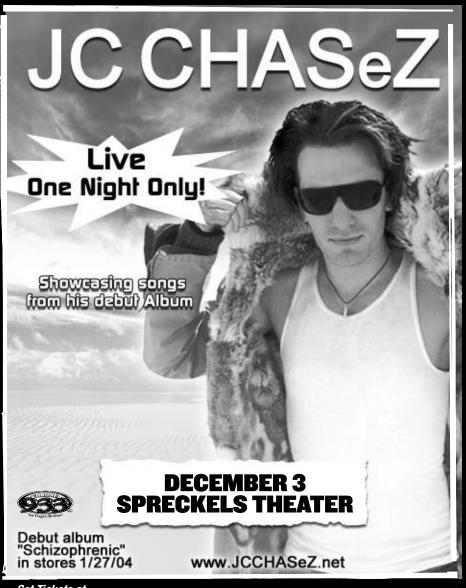
— Ken Leighton

Four independent record stores, including Lou's **Records** in Encinitas, have filed a class-action lawsuit against the Best Buy chain.













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The suit alleges the retail giant violates federal U.S. antitrust laws by using its sales clout to buy CDs from major labels at a cheaper rate than smaller stores are charged. The lawsuit also claims that Best Buy illegally sells CDs at below cost, in violation of California law, making it impossible for small record stores to compete.

Lou's Records is joined by Mad Rhino Records, Boo Boo Records, Fingerprints, and Dimple Records. Dimple's co-owner Dilyn Radakovitz has been angry with the Minneapolis-based conglomerate before. "Best Buy made a deal with the Eagles that gave their stores a 30-day exclusive on the band's new single. Now add to that the fact that record labels are giving Best Buy an extra ten percent off new CDs compared to what all other retailers have to pay, and you see why independent record stores are nearly extinct. I have to pay \$12.04 to buy the same

CD that Best Buy is selling for \$9.99.3

Several years ago, record labels themselves tried to level the retail playing field by denying advertising support to discounters like Wal-Mart and Best Buy. The discounters responded by filing their own lawsuits, alleging "price fixing," and attorney generals in California and 39 other states agreed, forcing an eventual settlement of \$143 million. This paved the way for market dominance by discount chains like Best Buy, a situation cited by Sacramento-based Tower Records in its decision to default on its debts and put itself up for sale. In San Diego, music chains like the Wherehouse and Music Trader, which once dominated the CD market, have practically disappeared, along with stores like Record Heaven, Rocky Record, and the Entertainment Exchange.

A spokeswoman for Best Buy Co. Inc. said the company is disinclined to comment about ongoing litigation but was quick to mention, "The thing you need to consider here is who is benefiting from this lawsuit...certainly not music buyers. Small stores don't buy enough to qualify for the biggest discounts, but they want it anyway? What's wrong with consumers



having a large selection of low-priced CDs in one store? How is Best Buy the bad

— Jay Allen Sanford

Davy Jones, set to perform at Pala Casino Resort November 29, has fond memories of San Diego going all the way back to when Don Kirschner first made a Monkee out of him.

"I was a jockey, so of course Del Mar was a big part of that life...when you see that 'Last Train to Clarksville' video — I mean, in the [Monkees] TV show — that's really Del Mar the train goes to, not Clarksville! On the day before the first show came on [September 11 1966], they had this big publicity

train ride from L.A. down to Del Mar with 400 kids they won a radio contest

and when they got there we, the Monkees, met them and rode the train back to L.A. with them. They called Del Mar 'Clarksville' for the day, because that was the first single, see.

...It was really grand fun, even though nobody had really heard of us yet." – Jay Allen Sanford

A "Jason Mraz T-shirt worn with Dave Matthews" was auctioned by Jason Mraz on October 24 on eBay. According to the auction description, Mraz "wore this

MRAZ SELLS HIS OWN SHIRT

shirt on many tour dates," and he "wore this actual shirt the first time he met Dave Matthews." A photo of this meeting appeared in the October 17, 2002, issue of Rolling Stone. The auction also came with an

autographed Polaroid of Mraz wearing the shirt. Mraz said auction proceeds would be donated to the Make A Wish Foundation.

"The idea came to me when I discovered that a beverage container I sipped from at a performance sold on eBay at an unreasonably high price."

After opening at \$1, 12 bidders placed a total of 58 bids until Mraz sold the shirt off his back for \$800.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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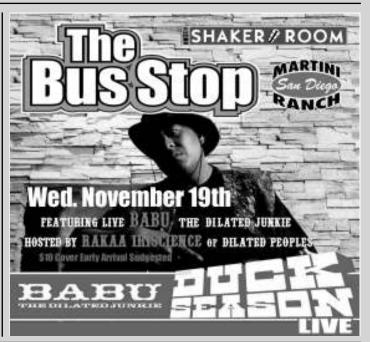
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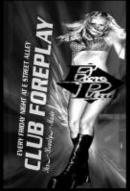
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ing in North Park. Tom is a carpenter; Annie is a restaurant manager. Tom is 25; Annie is 24. They have joint custody of an Apple iPod, which Tom purchased for Annie as a birthday gift.

SPECIFICATIONS: 30-gigabyte internal hard drive
MUSIC PREFERENCES: Annie:

Broadway musicals, hard rock, soft rock, Latin, jam bands like Phish and the Dead; Tom: '80s rock: Aerosmith, Metallica, Police, Stones, Kiss PLAYLIST CHANGES: They organize their selections to match whatever mood they're in. DOWNLOADS: Occasionally from the Apple Music store. "We mostly burn our own songs," Annie says. "I have a huge CD collection. We put them into our iBook [laptop] and transfer them over to the iPod. We also buy music off the Internet.

Annie: "I do our laundry at the laundromat, so I use the iPod so I can tune everything out. Laundry's no fun. I also go for jogs in the evening, and I use it then. In the car, it's nice because you don't

have to carry around a ton of CDs. I used to have a ten-disc CD-changer in the car. It was so dangerous. You can't change CDs while you're driving, and it's hard to figure out what's playing....

"We have a remote controller that you can attach to your clothing — it's an earphone extension that allows you to leave the iPod in your backpack or

pocket and not have to take it out to change the volume and so on. We have headphones, and we also have a converter that you plug into your [dashboard] cigarette lighter and allows the iPod to play through your car stereo....

"My husband can put his music in too, and I never have to listen to his selections. The program categorizes everything. You can list anything any way that you want. For example, I have 'Annie's Music,' 'Love Songs,' and so on."

Tom: "We don't fight over who gets to use the iPod. She works nights, so when she's gone, I get to listen to it. And when it's not here, I know she's listening to it. And, our entire music library is on the computer, so I can listen to that too."

Annie: "I've heard him listening to Celine

before.'

Tom: [laughs] "I don't know what you're talking about."

Annie's Top 10 songs: 1. "I Drove All Night," Celine Dion

2. "Yesterday," Beatles 3. "Angry Anymore," Ani DiFranco

4. "Landslide," the Dixie Chicks

5. "Te Dejo Madrid," Shakira

6. "Soak Up the Sun," Sheryl Crow

7. "Life Uncommon,"
Jewel

9. "White Babbit" Jeffer

8. "White Rabbit," Jefferson Airplane

9. "Streets of Philadelphia," Bruce Springsteen 10. "Jackie's Strength," Tori Amos

Tom's Top 10 Albums: 1. *Live at Folsom Field*, the Dave Matthews Band

2. Master of Puppets, Metallica

3. Woodstock soundtrack 4. Back in Black, AC/DC

5. Brushfire Fairy Tales,

Jack Johnson 6. *MTV Unplugged*, Maná

7. 40 Ounces to Freedom, Sublime

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8. Enema of the State, blink-182

9. Cosas del Amor, Enrique Iglesias

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FRIDAY

Slayer [405], Hatebreed [446], Arch Enemy [313], and OTEP [323]: 4th & B, Friday, November 21, 7 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or

Patti Austin: East County Performing Arts Center, Friday, November 21, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon, 619-440-2277.

Zeke, the Furious IV [107], the Ruby Doe, and Dirty Power: The Casbah, Friday, November 21,

8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Slightly Stoopid [352], Agent 51, and **Burning Star:** Belly Up Tavern, Friday, November 21, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Damien Rice [312] and **Pedestrian:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, November 21, 8:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

SATURDAY

Slightly Stoopid [352], Agent 51, and Burning Star: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, November 22, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Pacels, 958, 489, 179, 5 Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

SUNDAY

Jewel [175]: Pechanga Theater, Sunday, November 23, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

Indigenous: Sycuan Casino nowcase Theatre, Sunday, November 23, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

MONDAY

The Alkaline Trio [345], Reggie & the Full Effect, and No Motiv [341]: SOMA, Monday, November 24, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

Les Savy Fav [575], the Dirty Little Secrets, and Sleeping People: The Casbah, Monday, November 24, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner

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TUESDAY

Béla Fleck & the Flecktones [675]: Spreckels Theatre,

Tuesday, November 25, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

WEDNESDAY

Good Charlotte, Goldfinger, and **Eve 6** [317]: Cox Arena, Wednesday, November 26, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

I had a really bad headache the day I borrowed some Les Savy Fav CDs from my friend Lisa. She said, "You probably want to wait until your headache's gone before you listen to those." She had a point. The three things I noticed first about the band were its spastic, stop-start tempos, dissonant guitars, and Tim Harrington's shouted vocals.

Former Rhode Island School of Design students, the guys in Les Savy Fav make art rock with intelligent lyrics. But, like their fellow RISD alums Talking Heads, Les Savy Fav have a lighthearted way of making brainy music. That helps with the headache problem. Fugazi is an obvious influence, but Fugazi was never this goofy. And Les Savy Fav's raucous live shows, where the mad-eyed, bearded Tim Harrington might sing from atop a ladder or invite the entire audience onstage, bear little resemblance to the 1990s warehouse space benefits where Fugazi's Ian MacKave would stare down the lunkheads who were fighting in the mosh pit.

I don't mean to suggest that Les Savy Fav is simply a sillier version of a

post-hardcore act. Keyboards poke their way into the mix occasionally, giving the band a foot in the door of the neo-new wave scene typified by the Faint. Of course, Les Savy Fav isn't the kind of band to fit into a dance party like that either. The band has recently shown signs of mellowing a bit. A few songs could almost be called ballads. And if these lyrics from "Rome" are any indication, Les Savy Fav is still figuring out its place in the world: "I went from postmodern protégé / to postmod-



ern passe / and retched from the get-go / passion's so retro.

Dirty Little Secrets and Sleeping People also perform.

(To hear a sample of Les Savy Fav. call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4575.)

LES SAVY FAV, The Casbah, Monday, November 24, 8:30 p.m. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355. \$10.

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

NOVEMBER

Los Lobos [303] and the Healers: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, November 28, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Eek-A-Mouse [734] and Starpool: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, November 29, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140

Davy Jones: Grand Cabaret, Saturday, November 29, 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497

Duran Duran [286]: 4th & B, Sunday, November 30, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497

Stephen Malkmus: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, November 30,

8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

DECEMBER

Jewel [175]: Copley Symphony Hall, Monday, December 1, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-235-0804 or 619-220-8497.

"Z90 Jingle Jam" featuring Ludacris, Wyclef, and more: San Diego Sports Arena, Wednesday, December 3, 7 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

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Hancock [760]: The Casbah, Wednesday, December 3, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

"A Smooth Jazz Christmas: Dave **Koz and Friends"** [302]: Copley Symphony Hall, Wednesday, December 3, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown, 619-235-0804 or 619-220-8497.

J.C. Chasez: Spreckels Theatre, Wednesday, December 3, 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497. **Brad Paisley** [322]: Pechanga Showroom, Thursday, December 4, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

Charlie Daniels [777] and the Kelly **Bowlin Band:** Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, December 4, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

"Dave Koz Smooth Jazz **Christmas"** [302]: East County Performing Arts Center, Thursday, December 4, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon, 619-440-2277.

"Jingle Ball 2003" featuring Jewel [175], the Bangles, Seal [296], Donna Summer [603], Counting Crows [417], and Josh Kelley: Cox Arena, Thursday, December 4, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

"Jingle Ball 2003" featuring Sarah McLachlan [274], the Barenaked Ladies [424], KC & the Sunshine Band, Dido [305], Michelle Branch, Howie Day, and Jason Mraz [819]: Cox Arena, Friday, December 5, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429. **Willie Nelson** [768]: 4th & B, Saturday, December 6, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Boys Choir of Harlem:

California Center for the Arts, Saturday, December 6, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

Hajji Alejandro: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Tuesday, December 9, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Dwele and Slum Village: 4th & B, Wednesday, December 10, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

"The Rock That Stole Christmas":

San Diego Sports Arena, Thursday, December 11, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Chris Cagle: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, December 11, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Boney James [288]: Pechanga Showroom, Friday, December 12, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264.



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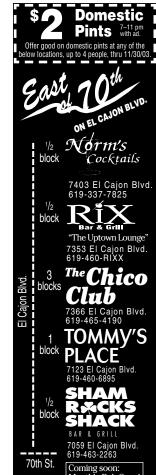
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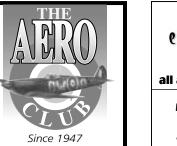
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"Dave Matthews & Friends" [279] with Trey Anastasio, Brady Blade, Tony Hall, Ray Paczkowski, Tim Reynolds, Emmylou Harris [145], and Spyboy: Cox Arena, Wednesday, January 14, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or

Paco de Lucía: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, January 31, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

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Josh Groban: Copley Symphony Hall, Monday, February 2, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-235-0804 or 619-220-8497.

The Preservation Hall Jazz Band [707]: East County Performing Arts Center, Tuesday, February 3, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Caion. 619-440-2277.

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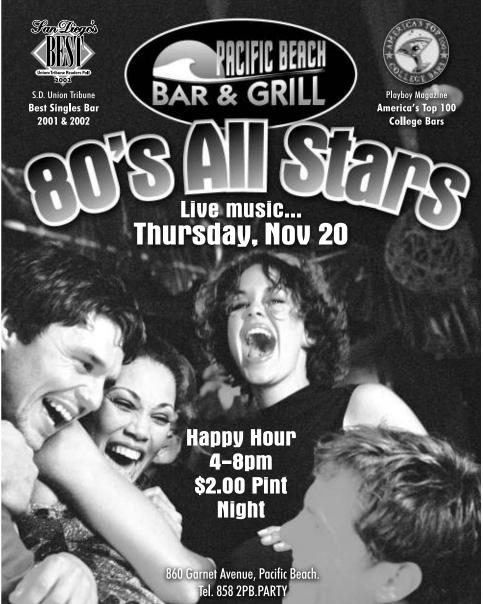
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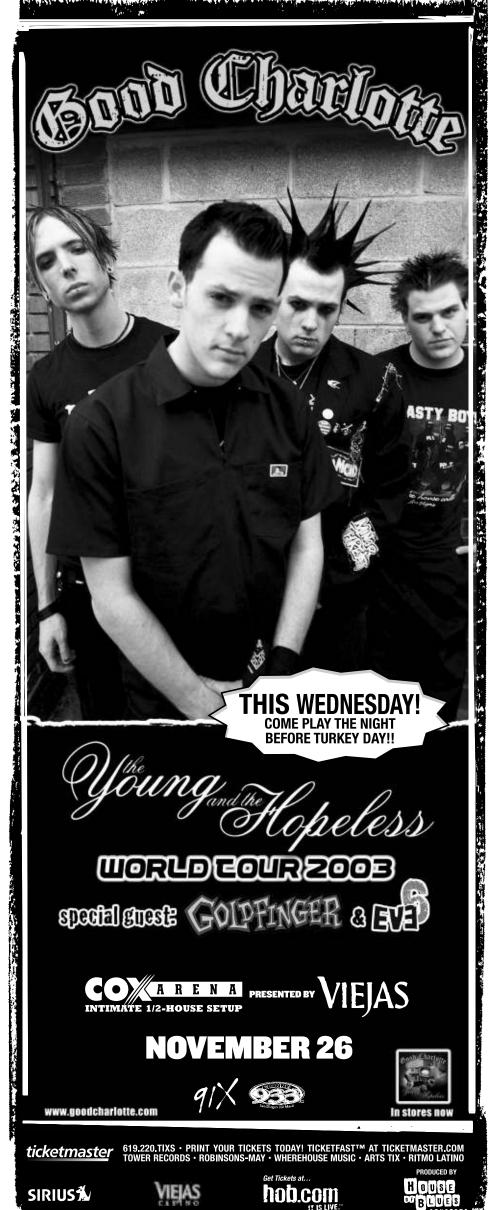
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Alias: Epicentre

The Alkaline Trio [345]: Soma

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Arch Enemy [313]: 4th & B The Balsé Project: Lestat's

Battling Maxo: The Casbah Beyond Rhythm: Squid Joe's

The Biddy Bums: Lestat's

The Big Fellas: Dream Street

The Big Provider: Hard Rock Cafe

(La Iolla)

Birdland: The Casbah

The Black Market Hearts: The

Broadsyde: Dream Street

Broken Social Scene: The Casbah

Burning Star: Belly Up Tavern,

Carrier: Soma

Chapter 13: Bub's Whiskey Dive Jason Collett: The Casbah

The Coma Structure: Blind Melons

Copeland: The Scene

Count the Stars: The Scene

Crown 10 /291/: Brick By Brick

The Dirty Little Secrets: The

Dirty Power: The Casbah

The Displaced: The Kensington

Dogmatic [248]: California Club **DPI:** Blind Melons

Drums & Tuba: Winstons

The Early November: The Scene

The Enchanted [220]: Lestat's

Evanescence: Soma

Excelsior: The Casbah

Finger Eleven: Soma

Fishbone [177]: Belly Up Tavern

The Flipsides: The Kensington Club

400 Blows: The Casbah

From Autumn to Ashes: Soma

The Furious IV [107]: The Casbah Futyle [190]: Hard Rock Cafe (La

God Forbid: 'Canes

Godhead: Soma

The Groovy Ghoulies: The Kensington Club

Heinous: Dream Street

Hidden in Plain View: The Scene

His Irate Life: Dream Street Hot Like a Robot [146]: Soma

III Prepared: Winstons

The It Is: Blind Melons

Jivewire: The Casbah

Kill Me Tomorrow [152]: The

Killswitch Engage: 'Canes

Kramer's Rule [171]: Tio Leo's

Lamb of God: 'Canes

The Last of the Juanitas [221]: The Casbah

The Lawrence Arms: The Scene

Loud Residence: Brick By Brick

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Mama Sutra: Winstons

Mighty Six Ninety: Dream Street

The Mix Mob: 'Canes

The Monotonous Records:



BY DAVE GOOD

I've got no science to support this, but in a random survey of reviews of Jewel's new album I found that for the most part women reviewers didn't like it and men reviewers did. Whatever — the release of 0304 was seen by many as the biggest pop news of the vear. Jewel "Britney Spearzed" her old sound and went from being a sprout-eating folkster to a skin-baring pop hottie in the fast company of Madonna, Avril Lavigne, and Michelle Branch. Somebody played a track for me and challenged me to guess who it was. I couldn't.

0304 is a calculated effort to grab the younger ear. Jewel Kilcher is long removed from sleeping in a van with her mother and performing with the locals at beach-area coffeehouses like the Innerchange and Java

Joe's. For 0304, she forged a partnership with Madonna collaborator/producer Lester Mendez, and she didn't just cut a record, she retooled her entire image. And why not? Jewel was never destined to be a heavy in the truest of folk-pop traditions (even though "You Were Meant for Me" sold in massive numbers). There were times, in fact, when two hours of Jewel on acoustic guitar could be, well, challenging.

But what Jewel does better than most is to connect with her audience and their emotions, and her voice is next to perfect. It can shape itself around virtually

any song arrangement. Jewel also has the preternatural ability to take a listener through a handful of mood swings within a single song. I would bet that it's hard to be the kind of person who can do that. She is talented, she is rich, she is beautiful, and she is funny But then Jewel also authored a volume of the worst poetry I've ever read, which sold some-



thing like two million copies.

(To hear a sample of Jewel, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4175.)

JEWEL, Pechanga Theater, Sunday, November 23, 8 p.m. 888-732-4264, \$55 to \$75.

Motions to Claire: California Club

Mower [239]: 'Canes Nativ Flux: Dream Street

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Sin Sin 77: The Casbah

Stephanie & the Rituals: Winstons

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Sole: Epicentre

The Soothsayers: Hard Rock Cafe

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EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

Avalanche: On The Rocks

Avocado Moon: The Metaphor

Bender: Bub's Whiskey Dive

Brain Bucket: Tiki House, Winstons The Debbie Davies Band:

Deadline Friday: Blind Melons

DJ Beer: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub DJ T: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

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The Duotones: The Calvoso Cafe

The Electric Waste Band:

endris: Dream Street The Evil Twins: Di-mond Jim's

Full Xposure: Dirk's Niteclub

Green Eggs & Sam: Surf N'Saddle

Hatebreed [446]: 4th & B

Heiruspecs: Winstons Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last

The Heterosexuals: The Rhythm

The Hodads: The Calvpso Cafe Gary Hoey [531]: Brick By Brick Hombres G: Over the Border

Hot Rod Lincoln [547]: Tio Leo's

Hot Water Music [545]: The Scene Jumpstart: Humphrey's

The Ledesma Brothers: The Latin Les Savy Fav [575]: The Casbah

The Lights of Zion: Blind Melons

Loiak: Dream Street

Manifest Destiny: The Rhythm

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ROCK

Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last

R.O.K.: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

The Scavengers: Island Sports &

Eve Selis [410]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, The Calypso Cafe

Serious Guise: Second Wind (Santee)

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Slayer [405]: 4th & B

The Steely Damned: Cannibal Bar

Tubby: Moondoggies Viva Santana: Humphrey's Y3K: Cannibal Bar

Patty Zlaket: Humphrey's

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

B Natural: Bahia Belle Cruise

The Corvettes: Viejas Casino

The Cubes: Jimmy Love's

The 80z Allstars: Rock Bottom

Jungle Boogie: Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)

Leviticus: La Valencia Hotel

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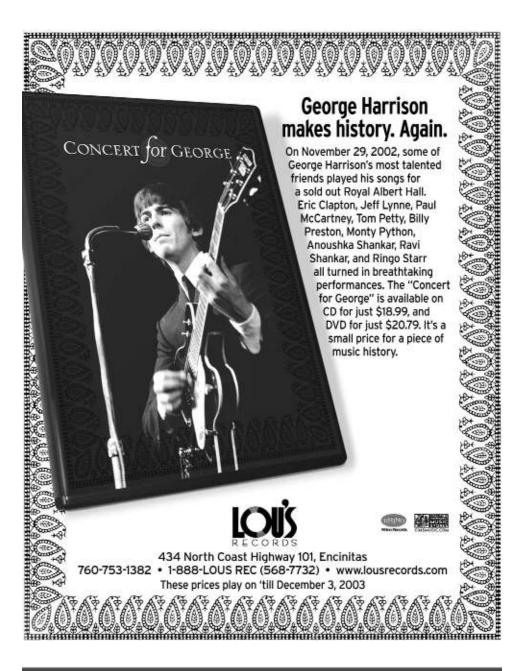
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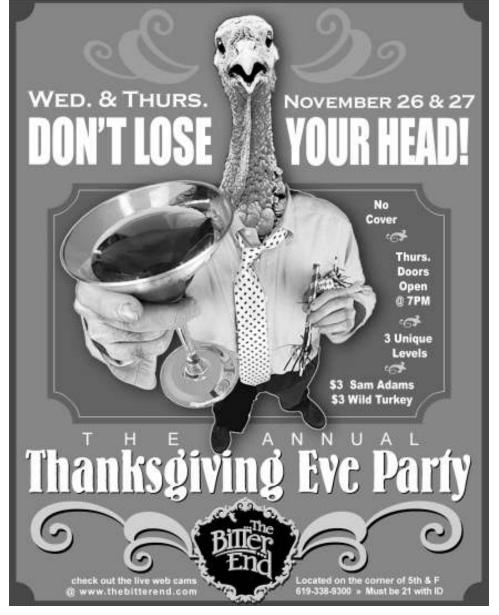
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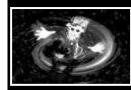


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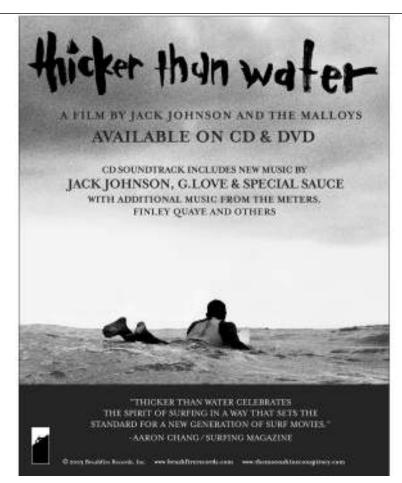
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The Big Daddy Orchestra [657]:

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Jo Dark: The German-American

The David Patrone Quartet [647]:

Didiah Marie: The Calypso Cafe

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Fattburger [648]: Humphrey's

The Aubrey Fay Band: Red Fields

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Fred Heath & the Slidewinders: Bayou Bar & Grill

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Bob Magnusson: Dizzy's

Joe Marillo [645]: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge

Sean McVicker: Elario's Bistro &

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The Ron Siegrist Trio: The Doubletree Hotel (Del Mar)

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Time: Jimmy Love's Peter Sprague [643]: Dizzv's

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EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

The Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash

Coyote Moon: Magnolia

The Golden Hill Ramblers: Belly

Elmore Jennings: Don's Cocktail

The Three Stooges: Princess Pub &

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / **FOIK**

Eddie Anthony: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

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Sara Bancroft: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

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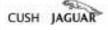


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Cask 'N' Cleaver: Sundays, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., DJ Doctor Swing spins the best dance music from the '40s, '50s, and '60s, 3757 South Mission Road, Fallbrook. 760-451-8805.

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Club '80s: Thursdays, DJs Bryan P, Muckley, and Adam Z spin '80s, new wave, synthpop, and new romantic. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744. Information, 619-465-5827.

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Extra Info: The Rabbinical School Dropouts will be in concert March 2004 at the North Coast Repertory Theater (987D Lomas Santa Fe Drive) in Solana Beach, Tickets are \$16 and are available via the band's website.

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The Rabbinical School Dropouts

the rules with respect to tempo and meter. The room left for artistic expression is where the band falters with overthe-top improvisation. If one disregards some of the klezmer fusion idiosyncrasies, what remains is a decent-sounding avant-garde jazz ensemble.

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The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., Earl Thomas, blues

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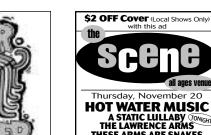
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Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *John Foltz*, acoustic folk/rock.

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., hip-hop. Saturday, 9:30 p.m., rock, hip-hop. Sunday, 9:30 p.m., rock en español. Monday, 8:30 p.m., swing.

Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizcocho Restaurant: Friday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., and Monday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Jerry Melnick, jazz/variety piano.

Squid Joe's, 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-4996. Thusday, *Stranger* and *Beyond Rhythm*. Friday, *the Shocks of Mighty*, reggae, ska.

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, *Green Eggs & Sam*, rock.

REACHES

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844.
Thursday, Juanita Zwik, ItUs a Bird, Mitch Budd Band, and Deadline Friday, rock. Friday, Poets & Pornstars, Coma Structure, The It Is, Coma Structure, and DPI, alternative.
Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Lights of Zion, 9:30 p.m., Bargain Music, The Ziggens, and Sound of Urchin, rock/alternative. Sunday, 9 p.m., Verb, hip-hop. Monday, open mike.
Wednesday, Crucial, reggae.

'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 7 p.m., Shadows Fall, Lamb of God, Killswitch Engage, and God Forbid. Friday, 8 p.m., Damien Rice and Pedestrian. Saturday, 7 p.m., Slighty Stoopid, Agent 51, and Burning Star. Sunday, 7 p.m., Mix Mob and Mower. Wednesday, call club for informatics

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, hip hop. Friday, 9 p.m., *Johnny Polanco Band*, salsa, merengue, Latin beats. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Y3K*, classic rock. Wednesday, 9 p.m., *the Steely Damned*, classic rock.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Coaster Saloon, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4437. Thursday, 9 p.m., open mike.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Thursday, Mighty Six Ninety, The Stiffs, Interstate, and Big Fellas, alternative rock. Friday, Endris, 66 Ohm, Reward, Drive System, and Lojak, rock. Saturday, His Irate Life, Broadsyde, Step, Heinous, and Nativ Flux, metal/rock.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Music is blues/jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Joe Marillo*. Friday, *Jack Pollack*, piano and vocals. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, and Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Tuesday, *Sean McVicker*, jazz.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Friday, *OU812*, rock. Saturday, Futyle, the Big Provider, and the

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Thursday, open mike. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, NZ Rough, reggae. Wednesday, the Henney Brothers, Irish folk.

Hilton Torrey Pines, North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. 858-558-1500. Horizons Lobby Lounge: Thursday, 5 pm to 9 p.m., the Bradley Leighton Trio, jazz. Il Forno Mediterranean Bistro, 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. The Room: Call club for information.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, Sunday and Sunday, 6 pm to 10 pm, *Barry Levich*, piano variety. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm, *Leviticus*, pop, jazz.

Lodge Torrey Pines, 11480 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. 858-453-4420. 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, *Tubby*, rock.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Call club for information.

Pasquale on Prospect, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-509-8900. Friday, 9 p.m., *the Barry Allen Cohen Trio*, jazz.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Friday, 7 p.m. to



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IN STORES NOW

11 p.m., Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters, blues.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *Brain Bucket*, rock. Friday, *Sindikit*, rock. Saturday, *Todd* Stedman & the Fat Tones, blues. Sunday, Chris Kelly's open acoustic

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Mama Sutra*, alternative Friday, Agua Dulce, Latin jazz, and Heiruspecs, rock. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 7 p.m., Ill Prepared, 9:30 p.m., Drums & Tuba and Stephanie & the Ritual, rock/alternative. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Brain Bucket*, rock, 8:30 p.m., Jose Sinatra. Monday, The Electric Waste Band, classic rock, Tuesday, Sambada. Wednesday, Not Since

SAN DIEGO

Aubergine Grille, 500 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-232-8100. Sunday, live swing.

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. Tuesday, Irish jam session.

Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 p.m., the Will Edwards Band, acoustic folk.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is alternative/rock. Friday, Loud Residence, Seventrain, Crown 10, and Mad Habit. Saturday, The Millionaires. Sunday, Gary Hoey, and

Caffe Calabria, 3933 30th Street, North Park. 619-291-1759. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Sue Palmer, jazz.

California Club. 5522 El Caion Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Friday, *Scaramanga*, *Butterface*, and the Sess, alternative, Sunday, Motions to Claire, the Rat City Riot, and Dogmatic, alternative.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Friday, Anticon, Sole, Alias, Odd Nosdam, Telephone Jim Jesus, and Monotonous Records. Saturday, Shining Thru, The Peculiars, Double Standard, and Stripped Down Hollywood.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Todd Stedman* & the Fat Tones, blues.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9:30 p.m., original rock and roll. Friday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Patti Toll. Friday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Patti Zlaket, original rock, 9:30 p.m., Viva Santana, Latin rock. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Jumpstart, classic rock, 7 p.m., the Debbie Davies Band with the Backwater Blues Band. Sunday, 8 p.m. Brian Hughes, jazz. Tuesday, 8 p.m. Eatthweer is zer. Wadpseday. 8 p.m., Fattburger, jazz. Wednesday, 9:30 p.m., Rising Star, disco/Top 40.

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.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Friday, the Groovy Ghoulies, Vena Cava, the Phuzz, and the Flipsides, alternative. Saturday, Waterline Drift the Dischard. Waterline Drift, the Displaced and the Drop Science, alternative.

Lestat's Coffeehouse, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Thursday, 9 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Biddy Bums*, alternative. Friday, the Enchanted, alternative. Saturday, *the Balsé Project*, alternative. Sunday, *New Moon* and *Sage Gentle* Wing, folk. Monday, open mike.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-276-5637, Friday, call club for information. Saturday 8:30 p.m., Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters, blues.

The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, Frank Drennen and Gregory Page, folk, alternative. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, the Hatchet Brothers, folk

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, Nite Life, blues.

The Rhythm Lounge, 3048 Midway Drive, San Diego. 619-224-4835. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Manifest* Destiny, the Heterosexuals, and Pappy, rock.

Rosie O'Grady's, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-7666. Friday and Saturday, live rock

The Scene, 7514 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, San Diego. 858-505-9111. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, Hot Water Music, A Static Lullaby, The Lawrence Arms, and These Arms Are Snakes. Friday, Stranger, Jah Blood & Fiyah Angels, Iniversal Saints, Fabulous Rudies, Mystic Roots, Dub Collective, and Mama T, reggae/ska. Saturday, The Early November, Count the Stars, Copeland, and Hidden in Plain View. Wednesday, Rock Kills Kid, The Black



MUSIC ➤ rock and blues

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ Tuesday night

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Caucasian, 15% Latino; 70% male

COVER ➤ only on rare occasions

DRINKS ➤ happy hour every day

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age, early 30s; some locals, and

some straight from work; 85%

football on Sunday (all games

available) with blues at night

FOOD ➤ during happy hour, they'll usually have free pizza, hot dogs, or wings; other times, just snacks like nuts and pretzels: there's a deli nearby, a nicer restaurant (that closes rather early), and a Filippi's Pizza across the street; food may be brought in

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ACCESS ➤ take I-15 to Center City East, go right on West Grand; street parking is easy to find; "there are bus stops nearby," said one patron **DRESS** ➤ casual: ieans on all 60 patrons I saw; T-shirts: "North County Times," "Led Zeppelin," "Legalize pot" (I'm sure he's tried the "Hemp Ale" they have here) **DANCE FLOOR** ➤ small space in front of band, only about 10' by 20' FIRE EXITS ➤ two; the main entrance and one at other end of bar (near the stage)

BATHROOMS ➤ men's had one stall, one urinal, and one sink: graffiti that said, "Child please" and a sticker that said, "Gabe Rock"; the mirror was cracked and had graffiti scratched on it: women's had one stall and one sink, with no graffiti; it had a machine that sold tampons and panty shields and another that sold Tylenol and lubricated condoms in four colors: my date said, "I guess the aspirin is so they can't say they have a

CAPACITY ➤ 200 SPECIAL AREAS ➤ none **FURNISHINGS** ➤ four tables by the stage with four chairs each; 15 seats at the bar; two pool tables, foosball, pinball, video game, NTN Gaming, ATM machine, iukebox. four gumball machines, four bigscreen TVs, 20 different beer signs (funniest one said, "Acne your problem? Drink your Jagermeister!"), football banners (mostly Chargers), mounted ram head and mounted bear head

(with baseball cap)

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ 93 when band 3-spot played a cover of "Born Under a Bad Sign"; 98 last week at the Calypso Café

WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN **LAST MONTH** ➤ Triple X **QUOTABLE** ➤ "This place looks like a fancy pub on the outside, but when you come in, you see it's just a dive bar."

This is one of those bars that looks like one big, long shoebox. No other rooms. Just one big. long. rectangular space. It's cool that they have live music six nights a

I asked one guy wearing a Chargers shirt about this place. He said, "I live near here. And I watch football here. Us guys come here on Sunday to watch the games and get away from the old lady."

Clearly an establishment that draws a sophisticated clientele.

- Josh Board

Market Hearts, Allotic, Cursor, and

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 pm. Friday and Saturday, 6one9, classic rock.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Call club for information

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Thursday, 7 p.m., *The Annivesary, Hot Like a Robot, Apollo Sunshine*, and Carrier. Saturday, 6 p.m., Evanescence, Seether, Finger Eleven, and Godhead. Monday, 6:30 p.m., Alkaline Trio, Reggie & the Full Effect, From Autumn to Ashes, and No Motiv.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot* Rod Lincoln and Johnny Powers, rockabilly. Friday, Big Daddy Orchestra. Saturday, Buttons, Kramer Rules, and Return of Mr. Black Shirt, alternaitve. Monday, swing, tango Tuesday, zydeco blues.

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 folk/acoustic unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., otherwise noted. Intursady, 8:30 p.m., Trina Hamlin, Cary Pierce, 3ember, and Christiane Lucas. Friday, 8:30 p.m., Trina Hamlin, Autumn, Jill Cohn, and Eddie Anthony. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., Trina Hamlin, Josh Hall, Kat Parsons, Sara Bancroft, and Third Coast Jazz. Sunday, 4 p.m., the Celtic Ensemble. Tuesday, Doria Roberts and Stacyann Chin. Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., open mike.

DOWNTOWN

The Bayou Bar & Grill, 329 Market Street, downtown. 619-696-8747. All music is jazz. Thursday, 9 p.m., and Friday, 5 p.m., Lady Dottie & the Sliders. Saturday, 9 p.m., and Sunday, 5:30 p.m., Fred Heath & the Slidewinders. Wednesday, Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters.

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-233-8519. Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, Steve Brewer, acoustic

Borders Books & Music (Gaslamp), 668 Sixth Avenue, San Diego. 619-702-4200. Friday, 9 p.m., Saba, folk.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Pleaseeasaur, Kill Me Tomorrow, TV on the Radio, and Birdland. Friday, Zeke, Furious IV, The Ruby Doe, and Dirty Power. Saturday, Broken Social Scene, Stars, and Jason Collett. Sunday, Last of the Juanitas, 400 Blows, Year Future, and Excelsior. Monday, Les Savy Fav, Sleeping People, and Dirty

Little Secrets. Tuesday, Inure. Submersed and Battling Maxo Wednesday, Jivewire and Sin Sin 77.

Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, Balboa Park. 619-418-8858. Call club for information.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, the David Patrone Jazz Quartet. Friday, Yavaz. Saturday, Primo. Sunday, the Archtones. Monday, Dave Scott Tuesday, the Shep Meyers Quartet. Wednesday, the Jorge Camberos Quintet.

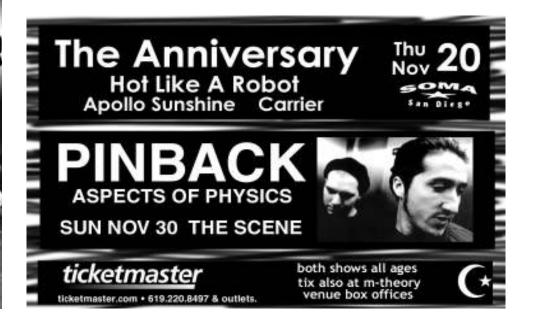
Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. Friday, *Sue Palmer*,

jazz. Saturday, Eve Selis, roadhouse

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/Top

Dick's Last Resort, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Thursday and Friday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll. Saturday, Masterpiece,









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Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Friday,

8:30 p.m., Fermin Rivero, Bill Caballero, Danny Green, Manny Cepeda, Derek Etheridge, and Ignacio

Arango, jazz. Saturday, 8 p.m., Paul Seaforth, Peter Sprague, and Bob Magnusson, jazz. Sunday, 7 p.m., Dave Curtis and Danny Campbell, jazz.

4th & B, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343. Friday, 7 p.m., *Slayer*,

Hatebreed, Arch Enemy, and OTEP,

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue

(corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday,9:45 p.m.,

the Cubes, Fetrordisco. Friday and Saturday, 9:45 p.m., Super Funk Fantasy, dance/Top 40. Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., 3rd Track, jazz, R&B. Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time, jazz.

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., the Soul Revue, Top 40.

Gaslamp. 619-234-5555. Monday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Nostalgia*, jazz.

The Latin Room, 560 Fourth

Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-237-7800. Thursday, 7 p.m., the Ledesma

bold:On Broadway, 615 Broadway

Avenue, downtown. 619-231-0011.

downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues. Thursday, *Bill Magee Blues*. Friday, *Michele Lundeen*. Saturday,

Family Style. Sunday, Red Lane Rocks. Monday, Bayou Brothers. Tuesday, Johnny V & the Usual Suspects.

Princess Pub & Grille, 1665 India

619-702-3021. Saturday, J.D. Brouchard, piano. Wednesday, Mesa

Redfields Lounge, at the Grand

Hyatt San Diego, One Market Place, downtown. 619-232-1234. Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *the Aubrey Fay*

Rock Bottom, 401 G Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-7000. Friday, the 80z Allstars, pop. Saturday, Jungle Boogie, pop rock.

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O Squid Joe's \$2 off pitcher of beer

Tio Leo's Lounge \$1 off club admission

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Calendar

Sassafras Bar and Grill, 3667 India Street, San Diego. 619-295-4745. Friday, *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, Primo. Tuesday, Rico

U.S. Grant Hotel, 326 Broadway. downtown. 619-232-3121. Lounge: Thursday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., also, Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, pianist.

The Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown, 619-238-1818. The Plaza Bar: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m., *Fran Loskota*, piano and vocals. Sunday and Monday, *Julio de la Huerta*, guitar and vocals. Tuesday and Wednesday, *Faith* Page, piano and vocals.

The Wyndham Emerald Plaza, 400 West Broadway, downtown. 619-239-4500. The Sidebar Lounger Thursday and Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., *Joe Tarrantino*, jazz piano, solo. Friday, 5 pm to 9 p.m., Stellita and Joe Tarrantino, pop.

SOUTH BAY/ CORONADO

The Butcher Shop, 556 Broadway, Chula Vista. 619-420-9440. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 pm to midnight, Danny Lopez, contemporary.

Cafe LaMaze, 1441 Highland Avenue, National City. 619-474-3222. Friday and Saturday, piano bar, featuring Sandy Chappel, Sammy Canonizado, and Burnett Anderson.

Coronado Island Marriott

(formerly Le Meridian), 2000 Second Street, Coronado, 619-435-3000. Friday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet.



Indigenous, November 23, Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre

Di-mond Jim's Nightclub, 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Thursday, DI T and DI Beer, rock. Friday and Saturday, R.O.K. and the Evil Twins, rock.

Edelweiss Restaurant, 230 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-426-5172. Friday and Saturday, 6 p.m., Gordon Kohl, Kjell Holmes, or Vicki Eriqat, European and ethnic accordion

Hotel del Coronado, 1550 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-6611. Babcock & Story: Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Tony Lasley Latin jazz. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8:30 p.m., *Barbara*

Jamerson, jazz. Palm Court: Thursday through Sunday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Ray Briz. Also, Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., *Joey West*. Monday through Wednesday,

6 p.m. to 10 p.m., John Cain.
Prince of Wales: Thursday and
Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., the
Shep Meyers Quartet. Friday through Sunday, and Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Daniel Jackson*, jazz. Crown Room: Thursday, noon to

7 p.m., Kippy Lee Scott, harpist.

Island Sports & Spirits, 104 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-3456. Thursday, 8 pm, open blues jam. Friday, Tommy Budd & Windy

City, blues. Saturday, the Scavengers, classic rock.

Over the Border, 3008 Main Street, Chula Vista. 619-427-5889. Tuesday, *Hombres G*, rock.

EAST COUNTY

Borders Books & Music, 159 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon. 619-593 5119. Saturday, 7 p.m., Jim Earp, folk.

Casa Picante, 10757 Woodside Avenue, Santee. 619-258-5557. Friday, and Saturday, live rock.

Dirk's Niteclub, 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344, Friday and Saturday, Full Xposure, classic

Don's Cocktail Lounge, 13321 Business Highway 8, El Cajon. 619-443-2444. Friday and Saturday, Elmore Iennings, country.

The German-American Societies, 1017 South Mollison Avenue, El Cajon, 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 p.m., the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band featuring Jo Dark.

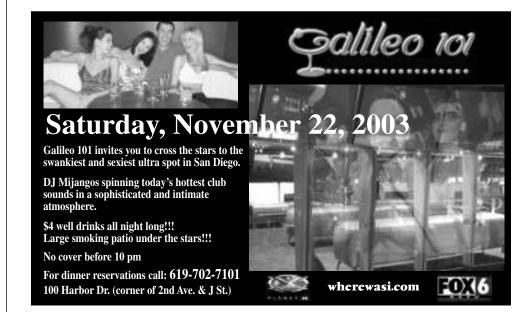
Magnolia Mulvaney's, 8861 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-448-8550. Friday and Saturday, *Coyote* Moon, country.

Mr. Joey's Cantina, 9570 Murray Drive, La Mesa, 619-466-2912. Saturday, Los Reyes del Ritmo, Latin.

On the Rocks, 518 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-579-3537. Friday, *the Blues Invaders*, blues. Saturday, *Avalanche*, classic rock.

Second Wind, 8528 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-596-8350. Friday and Saturday, Serious Guise, classic rock.

Viejas Casino, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine (off Interstate 8), 619-445-5400. Friday, 9 p.m., *Rising Star*, Top 40. Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Corvettes*, doowop Motown. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Swingtime Orchestra, swing, jazz.







Turkey on the Town

I used to think it was a little strange to eat Thanksgiving dinner out. (Has the state of American home cooking really sunk that low?) But last year, with a household of just two and the kitchen knee-deep in fixer-upper detritus, I went and did it. Ate some turducken, ate some stuffing and veggies, ate dessert, loved 'em all, and came home to no more mess than usual. (If the downside was having only one day's worth of leftovers, the upside was, only one day's worth...)

Due to the fire, with its uncertainties and phone outages, I'm a week later than usual on my annual T-Day roundup. So if you want to eat out, you'd better call and reserve this very instant. Many spots are already sold out, especially the most deluxe eateries. (You can call to get on their waiting lists in case of cancellations.) Have your credit card ready; many restaurants will want the number and may charge you if you're a no-show. (Can you blame them?) Also keep in mind that nearly all large hotels (not just the ones listed below) offer Thanksgiving buffets. Oddly enough, the quintessential family holiday is also a big day at the local casinos. Most of them are offering huge bargain-priced buffets for age 21 and up. Call your favorite for details.

There's also the option to take home the whole feast or a large part of it, prepped or cooked by somebody else. For something more interesting than a supermarket ready-roasted turkey, you can pick up a hickory-smoked bird at Big Jim's in Encinitas (see North Coast, below). Or, from November 23 through 25, you can tote your own fully thawed bird to Barnes BBQ, 2625 Lemon Grove Ave. (at Cypress, tucked in the back of Liquor Mart Square), Lemon Grove, 619-462-9206. They'll smoke it for \$1.25 per pound for pickup on November 26, when you can also grab some yummy sides of cornbread stuffing, sweet potato pie, peach cobbler. Or there's that terrifying Cajun treat you never want to try at home (unless you're brave, strong, and totally nuts): deep-fried turkey. That, too, can be purchased from Big Jim's in Encinitas. Unfortunately, we're past this year's deadline for ordering deep-fried turkey from Mardi Gras Cafe in Loma Portal, but keep it in mind for next year.

Restaurants serving Thanksgiving dinners are listed geographically in hopes you can find one near enough to minimize driving while drowsing



(turkey and dairy products are full of sleepy-making tryptophan). Within each area, they're arranged by price, low-to-high (based on final check price). Some offer reduced prices for children, some don't. Out-of-the-ordinary features are noted in boldface, and websites are noted where Thanksgiving menus are now posted. And if you're

thinking ahead to Christmas dinner out, save this list — restaurants that are open on Thanksgiving nearly always serve special feasts for Christmas Eve and/or Christmas Day, too.

If you have more money than time, you can order prepared specialty turkey feasts by phone or on the Web. Flash-frozen heat-and-eat Cajunspiced fried turkey breast (seven to eight pounds) or a four-pound bake-and-eat turducken (turkey fillet wrapped around duck wrapped around chicken, with Cajun sausage stuffing at the center) are \$45 each from NormThompson.com (or call 800-547-1160); overnight shipping is \$20.95.

This reliable company also offers all manner of appetizer and dessert goodies.

NORTH COAST

Big Jim's Old South Barbecue, 190 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-635-1166. Hickorysmoked turkey dinner, \$13. For groups, whole

smoked or deep-fried turkey to eat there or take out (at least 12 pounds) plus all the trimmings, \$80 (to feed eight). Reservation and take-out order cut-off date:

11/21. Open Thanksgiving 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Fried or smoked turkey.

Herschel's Deli Restaurant, 1486 Encinitas Blvd., Encinitas, 760-942-9655. Regular menu, including a traditional turkey dinner for \$13, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m. **Open late.**

Savory, 267 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-634-5556. Three-course sit-down meal, centering

on rosemary-rubbed turkey with andouille stuffing, \$18; seatings at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30, 4:00, 6:30 p.m.

Chart House, 2588 South Coast Highway 101, Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-436-4044. Full sit-down dinner, \$22, \$12 kids, 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Neiman's, 300 Carlsbad Village Dr. (at Highway 101) Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. Famed champagne brunch in a historic Victorian seaside mansion, \$35, kids on a sliding scale by age; 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Traditional Thanksgiving dinner plus normal à la carte choices, \$15—\$25 per entrée, served 5:00—8:00 p.m.

Four Seasons Aviara Resort, 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-6800. Vivace Restaurant, 760-603-6999. Four-course prix-fixe seafood menu, \$59 (\$78 with wine pairings), 3:00–8:00 p.m. California Bistro, 760-603-6868, buffets \$49 (\$56 with champagne), brunch 11:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m., dinner 5:00–8:00.

La Costa Resort Hotel and Spa, 2100 Costa Del Mar Road, La Costa, 760-438-9111. Buffet in Poinsettia Ballroom, \$60.77, kids 5–12, \$31.04, including tax and tip; 11:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

NORTH INLAND

Centre City Cafe, 2680 South Escondido Blvd., Escondido, 760-489-6011. À la carte, choice of turkey (\$8), prime rib, ham, roast lamb entrées, open 6:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

The Fireside, 439 West Washington Ave. (at Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-745-1931. À la carte traditional meals, turkey entrée, about \$16, noon to 8:00 p.m.

Quail's Inn, 1035 La Bonita Dr., Lake San Marcos, 760-744-2445. Buffet with a lake view, \$25 adults, \$15 kids; 11:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Temet Grill, Temecula Creek Inn, 44501 Rainbow Canyon Road, Temecula, 909-587-1465. Wine Country buffet, \$35, \$18 kids; 11:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Bernard'O, 12457 Rancho Bernardo Road, Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-7171. Three courses, with







choice of entrées, \$32-\$39, 1:00-7:00 p.m.

Cafe Champagne, Thornton Winery, 32575 Rancho California Road, Temecula, 909-699-0088. Winery setting buffet, \$43 adults, \$17 kids; seatings every half hour, noon–5:30 p.m.

Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Dr. (at Rancho Bernardo Road), Rancho Bernardo, 858-675-8550. Ballroom buffet brunch, \$46/\$18 kids to age 14, a famously lavish spread, 11:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. Veranda Bar and Grill, 858-487-1611, three-course sit-down meal, \$42/\$18 kids; 11:30 a.m.—9:00 p.m. El Bizcocho, 858-487-1611, with chef Patrick Ponsaty's alluring holiday menu, \$60 adult, \$90 with matching wines, \$18 for kids; 2:00—8:00 p.m.

Rancho Valencia, 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-759-6216. Select menu in beautiful surroundings, \$75, kids half price; 11:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m. (May be sold out.)

GOLD COAST

Red Tracton's, 550 Via de la Valle, Solana Beach, 858-755-6600. Next to the racetrack; à la carte menu includes turkey entrée (\$19); whole turkey dinner with all the trimmings for parties of four or more, \$28 per person; 2:00–8:00 p.m.

J. Taylor's at L'Auberge del Mar, 1540 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-793-6460, three courses \$47, \$25 kids free under three, ten choices of appetizers and entrées; noon–7:45 p.m. (May be sold out.)

Pamplemousse Grill, 514 Villa de la Valle, Solana Beach, 858-759-6216. Prix-fixe dinner \$75, kids half price; 12:00–7:00 p.m. (Sold out, waiting list in case of cancellations.)

LA JOLLA & GOLDEN TRIANGLE

Shelby's Restaurant, 6737 La Jolla Blvd., La Jolla, 858-456-6660. Turkey dinner \$17; noon to 8:00 p.m.

Nine-Ten Restaurant, Grand Colonial Hotel, 910 Prospect Ave., La Jolla, 858-964-5400. Chef Jason Knibb (a Trey Foshee protégé) rides the range at a four-course prix-fixe Thanksgiving menu, \$30; 3:00–8:00 p.m.

The French Gourmet at Elario's Bistro and Sky Lounge, Hotel La Jolla, 7955 La Jolla Shores Dr., La Jolla, 858-459-0541. Buffet with a sky-high view, \$33, \$15 kids; noon–8:00 p.m.

Torreyana Grille, Hilton Torrey Pines, 10950 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-450-4571. Lavish buffet, \$35, \$13 kids; noon–8 p.m.

The Shores, Sea Lodge Hotel, 8110 Camino del Oro, La Jolla, 858-456-0600. Under the aegis of Marine Room chef Bernard Guillas, with a family-friendly atmosphere, buffet \$35, kids half price; 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Galoka International, 5663 La Jolla Blvd., Bird Rock, 858-551-8610. Six-course organic vegan Indo-fusion dinner, \$39, kids half price, seatings 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. **Vegan**.

Arterra, Marriott Del Mar Hotel, 11966 El Camino Real (off Carmel Mountain Road), Del Mar, 858-369-6032; 858-523-1700, www.arterrarestaurant. com. Three-course prix-fixe meal with interesting starters, three entrée choices. \$45, \$22 kids, noon—8:00 p.m. (May be sold out.)

George's at the Cove, 1250 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-4244. Regular à la carte menu plus Chef Trey Foshee's seasonal specials. Turkey entrée, \$25.50 (three courses about \$20 more); kiddie plates about half price; 1:00–9:00 p.m.

Top of the Cove, St. Prospect, La Jolla, 858-454-7779. Three-course prix-fixe dinner with a view, choice of entrée, \$48; 1:00–7:00 p.m.

Marine Room, 2000 Spindrift Dr., La Jolla, 858-459-7222. Holiday à la carte menu with a closeup ocean view, featuring adventurous creations from chef Bernard Guillas and chef de cuisine Ron Oliver. Entrées \$24–\$38 (three courses about \$20 more); 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

BEACHES

Red Hen Country Kitchen, Dana Inn & Marina, 1710 West Mission Bay Dr., Mission Bay, 619-222-6440. Sit-down threecourse dinner with a marina view, \$18, \$11 kids; 12:30–8:00 p.m. Bali Hai, 2230 Shelter Island Dr., Shelter Island, 619-222-9585. Fun family ambience, traditional buffet, \$20, kids at reduced price; 11:30 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Tom Ham's Lighthouse, end of Harbor Island Dr., Harbor Island, 619-291-9110. Convivial buffet \$20, \$11 kids, \$7 tots; 11:30 a.m.—9:00 p.m.

World Famous, 711 Pacific Beach Dr., Pacific Beach, 858-272-3100. Right on the boardwalk; numerous entrée choices, \$22, \$9.75 kids; 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

A.J.'s Shelter Pointe Hotel, 1551 Shelter Island Dr., Shelter Island, 619-221-8000. Brunch buffet \$29, \$16 kids; 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Harbor's Edge, Sheraton Hotel, 1380 Harbor Island Dr., Harbor Island, 619-692-2255. Newly renovated premises with a view. Buffet \$25, \$13 kids; 5:00–9:00 p.m. Alfiere Italian restaurant (619-692-2778) also open, with regular (expensive) menu, seasonal specials, regular hours.

Bahia, 998 West Mission Bay Dr., Mission Beach, 858-539-7635. Brunch buffet \$30, \$13 kids, includes complimentary paddle-wheeler cruise to the Catamaran Resort and back; 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Third Corner, 2265 Bacon St. (across from Thee Bungalow), Ocean Beach, 619-223-2700, www.thethirdcorner.com. Three-course dinner with several entrée choices, turkey priced at \$30; 1:00–8:00 p.m.

Humphrey's by the Bay, 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Shelter Island, 619-224-3577. Champagne brunch with a marina view, \$32, \$14 kids; 11:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Thee Bungalow, 4996 West Point Loma Blvd., Ocean Beach, 619-224-2884; www.theebungalow. com. Three-course prix-fixe dinner in cozy cottage, numerous festive entrée choices, \$33; 1:00–8:00 p.m. (May be sold out.)

The Atoll, Catamaran Resort, 3999 Mission Blvd., Mission Beach, 858-539-8635. Brunch buffet \$37, \$16 kids; 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., includes complimentary paddle-wheeler cruise to Bahia and back. Dinner à la carte, turkey entrée, \$20; 5:30–9:00 p.m.

Baleen, Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road, Mission Bay, 858-490-6363. Buffet side dishes, sit-down entrées in charming resort setting, \$45, \$19 kids; 1:00–9:00 p.m.

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

94th Aero Squadron, 8885 Balboa Ave. (at Montgomery Field), Kearny Mesa, 858-560-6771. Traditional buffet in a faux farmhouse with airport view, \$22, kids \$11; 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Butcher Shop Steakhouse, 5255 Kearny Villa Road, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-2272. Holiday buffet with turkey, prime rib, \$22, kids \$12; 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

METROPOLITAN SAN DIEGO

Buster's Longboard, 807 West Harbor Dr., Seaport Village, 619-233-4300. Waterfront location, regular à la carte menu, with turkey dinner, \$17 adults, \$8 kids; 10:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Hob-Nob Hill, 2271 First Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-239-8176. À la carte full turkey dinner, many other entrée choices, about \$17, kids \$7.75; holiday menu from 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Jyoti-Bihanga, 3351 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-4116. Alcohol-free as well as flesh-free, \$19, 1:00–5:00 p.m. **Vegetarian.**

Café Sevilla, 555 Fourth Ave., Gaslamp District, 619-233-5979, www.cafesevilla.com. Downtown location only (Carlsbad location closed for holiday). Three-course traditional holiday dinner with Spanish touches, \$20; \$13 kiddies, plus à la carte choices; 5:00–11:00 p.m. Basement Café Sevilla Club open, with cover charge, DJ, free buffet to first 100 customers, 9:00 p.m.–1:30 a.m. **Open late.**

Imperial House, 505 Kalmia (at Sixth Ave.), Midtown, 234-3525. Sit-down dinner by Balboa Park, many entrée choices, \$25, \$15 kids; 1:00–7:00 p.m.

Sassafras, 3667 India St., Mission Hills, 619-295-4745. Three courses, featuring "Cajun Turducken" (turkey fillet wrapped around duck meat wrapped around chicken, with andouille stuffing at the center), or other entrées of your choice, \$29–\$36; noon–8:00 p.m. **Turducken.**

Region, 3671 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-6499. Chef Michael Stebner (formerly of 910) cooks up a prix-fixe organic turkey feast at his week-old restaurant, \$30; 2:30–6:00 p.m.

Terra, 1270 Cleveland Ave., Hillcrest, 619-293-7088, www.terrasd.com. Three-course prix-fixe holiday dinner with several entrée choices including root-vegetable pie, \$33, \$11 kids; noon–7:30 p.m. Vegetarian option.

Café Pacifica, 2414 San Diego Ave., Old Town, 619-291-6666. À la carte holiday menu includes turkey with Julian apple dressing, seafood choices. Turkey entrée \$19 (about \$16 more for three courses); 3:00–9:30 p.m.

Lael's Restaurant, Manchester Grand Hyatt, 1 Market Place, Downtown, 619-358-6735. Prixfixe menu, many entrée choices including vegetable plate, \$43, \$22 kids; 11:30 a.m.–6:60 p.m. Vegetarian option.

Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Ave., Downtown, 619-557-3655. Le Fontainebleau offers a four-course formal meal in a formal setting, with entrée choices \$44-\$49 per person, kids half price; noon to 8:00 p.m. The Versailles Ballroom's buffet features live entertainment, \$44 per person, kids \$22, same hours. Cafe Westgate serves a traditional holiday prix-fixe dinner, \$34, \$17.50 kids; 11:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. **Open late.**

Bertrand at Mr. A's, 3671 5th Ave., Uptown, 619-239-137, www.bertrandatmisteras.com. With the city's best view, Chef Fabrice Poigin's three-course prix-fixe menu offers three entrée choices, \$45; 1:30–7:30 p.m.

Grant Grill, U.S. Grant Hotel, 326 Broadway, Downtown, 619-239-6806. Holiday brunch buffet in historic hotel, \$45, \$20 kids; 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Laurel Restaurant, 505 Laurel St. (at Fifth Ave.), Uptown, 619-239-2222. Three courses in a chic room, prix-fixe Thanksgiving menu \$50; 3:00–7:00 p.m.

Hornblower Cruises. Tickets/boarding at 1066 North Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-686-8715; online reservations at www.hornblower. com. Thanksgiving champagne buffet afloat, \$59.50 adults, \$36 kids. Board at 3:00 p.m., cruise 3:30 to 6:30. Shipboard holiday.

CORONADO & SOUTH BAY

Bob's on the Bay, 870 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-476-0400. Marina-view champagne buffet, \$22, \$10 kids; 10:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

Loew's Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road, Silver Strand, Coronado, 619-424-4000. Azzura Point's prix-fixe dinner includes local lobster as well as gobbler, \$37; 3:00–9:00 p.m. Market Cafe, lavish buffet, \$45, \$21 kids; 1:00–7:00 p.m.

L'Escale, Coronado Marriott, 2000 Second St., Coronado, 522-3150. Buffet, \$44, \$17 kids; 11:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

Peohe's Waterfront Restaurant, Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First St., Coronado, 619-437-4474. Waterfront view, tropical decor, special holiday menu and à la carte choices, entrées about \$30 (about \$20 more for three courses). 11:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Hotel Del Coronado, 1500 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-522-8490. Holday buffets in both the ballroom and the gorgeous Crown Room, \$81.79, about \$45 kids, including tip and tax. Prince of Wales dinner sold out.

EAST COUNTY AND FAR EAST

Goody's, 401 West Main St., El Cajon, 619-442-7768. Turkey, ham, or prime rib dinner \$9 (not a misprint), including dessert; 6:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Village Garden, 8384 La Mesa Blvd., La Mesa, 619-492-9100. Sit-down dinner with turkey or ham, "all you can eat," \$16, \$10 kids; 11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Alpine Bread Basket, 1347 Tavern Road, Alpine, 619-445-0706. Prix-fixe menu, with turkey or prime rib, \$16, \$6.50 kids; noon–6:30 p.m.

Jasmine Bistro, 415 Parkway Plaza, El Cajon, 619-588-8228. Regular à la carte Asian menu, including peking duck. Call for details.

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Mimi's Cafe: Oceanside, 760-721-7170; Temecula, 909-296-9970; Mira Mesa, 858-566-6667; Mission Valley, 619-491-0284. Four-course turkey dinner, \$14, \$8 kids, plus regular menu; 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ■



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"I haven't eaten since 9:00 a.m. in IB. Place I eat at down there, they have a burrito, but it's a skinny little thing."

was dreaming of this in the MRI," says Carla. "That's what kept me from freaking out." She picks up her big burrito. Carne

asada. Floppy and steaming. It spills shredded lettuce and dripping salsa and beans 'cause she undid it to pour on the salsa, then

rewrapped. She bites in, slowly. Her eyes close, slowly. She holds the chew.

"Oh, oh."

Her cheeks bulge like a bagpipe player's. She's savoring the flavor.

"Men are okay," she says, "but there's nothing like the real thing."

I let it pass. Carla's been through the wringer today. Doc told her this tough lady's heart may not be so tough. Today she had to come have an MRI about it. Scared the bejeebers out of me.

'Go find someplace for us to eat afterwards,' said Carla as they hauled her in. "Someplace with carne asada." But I didn't. Just wandered around outside, thinking about how I've taken her for granted, treated our life as though we could grasshopper our way through it..

But I knew about the carne asada thing. It reminds her of her grandma — her Mamacita Guadalupe — at her li'l house in the fields outside Fresno. Carla'd go stay with Mamacita, help milk the goats, make goat's cheese, pluck chickens, slap out corn dough into tortillas for tacos, pump water into the horse trough, the whole nine

yards. Mamacita refused to speak English or change to American ways.

Moments like this, Carla's looking for Mamacita's comfort food.

"Found a place?" said Carla an hour later,

when she finally appeared. I shook my head. "Oh, Ed, you can't even...you're so hopeless!"

But here's the miracle: there was one right in front of us, across Washington. "La Posta, 24 Hrs," a drive-through-looking place. Except where cars would have pulled up it had tables in an L-

shape around the enclosed kitchen. Painted orange and white. Green canopies. Nothing fancy, but a crowd of people there — always a good sign — sitting, standing, lining up to order at the little hole in the wall.

'Course, crossing Washington at a no-light intersection is like running through a swarm of African killer bees, but somehow we made it. Carla sank into one of the red Formica benches, and I scanned the big wall menu. Endless lists of burritos, tacos, specials, breakfasts (on from 2:00 to 11:00 a.m.), and combinations.

"What's to look at?" said Carla. "Carne asada burrito!

What the heck. This is her day. "Two carne asada burritos," I said into the hole. "Hold the guac on one." Plus I ordered an horchata, the rice drink,

and a jamaica, made from the hibiscus flower (a dollar each; the burritos were \$3.50 each).

It didn't seem more than a minute before the guy — Mario — was yelling back through the hole. 'Carne asada burritos! Two! Horchata! Jamaica!" I grabbed them and sat down opposite Carla. We unwrapped; opened the salsa pots; splurged them over the open piles of lettuce, onions, tomatoes, chopped carne asada, and, in mine, guacamole; then wrapped them up again quick so they wouldn't lose their heat. That's when Carla went into her orgasmic swoon.

"I kid you not," she says, putting her burrito down. "This is the real thing. It's fresh, simple, and there's a helluva lot of it. Mamacita would have approved."

I take a bite of mine, and yes, the meat — I dunno — it's rich, carne asada-ish, but above all, the whole thing tastes fresh.

"Sorry to be snappy before, darling," says Carla. "But I haven't eaten since yesterday, remember? I needed this."

She's not the only one. Behind us, this gal Stephanie is also going for a carne asada burrito. "Fast as you can," she says to Mario. "I haven't eaten since 9:00 a.m. in IB. Place I eat at down there, they have a burrito, but it's a skinny little thing. I depend on you guys. Heck, I've been coming here ten years.

'It's only been five years for me," says the gal behind her, Chris. She works at the Ace Hardware round the corner. "But everyone knows me. I'm the bean tostada queen! One fills you up for \$2.05. Beat that.

And wow, John, in the line behind her, says he's been coming for 20 years. He's a teacher from South Park. Swears by the chile verde burrito (\$3.25). "Okay," he says. "Maybe for carnitas, that place across the road is best." He points over to an eatery I hadn't noticed called Cuervo Taco Shop. "But for chile verde or quesadilla with carne asada [\$5.00], these guys are it. 'Course, around midnight Friday, it's a zoo here. But I'm attached to this place.'

What I'm attached to is the simple idea of sitting out with Carla under the canopy, chowing down, sucking horchata, no fuss, no "Please Wait to Be Seated" signs, happy ranchero music playing on the TJ station inside the kitchen, nice breeze outside, and traffic? Actually, you hardly notice it. I suddenly wonder: in the search for the perfect burrito, are we there yet?

"Tell me," I say to Carla. "Is this as good as Mamacita's?'

"Nothing will ever match her cooking," says Carla. "Not in my mind, and I want to keep it that way. But...why don't we test them again! This lady's hungry. Want to try their carne asada taco with me, my little cockatoo?'

Deny her today? I don't think so. I check to see if I have the \$2.40 extra. ■

The Place: La Posta de Acapulco Taco Shop, 3980 Third Avenue (at Washington), Hillcrest (619-295-8982). Also in Lakeside and Spring Valley

Type of Food: Mexican

Prices: Breakfast burrito (with bacon, potatoes, cheese, eggs), \$3.77; Spanish omelet (with rice, beans, tortillas), \$4.50; chorizo burrito, \$2.80; carne asada burrito, \$3.50; fish burrito, \$3.25; chile verde burrito, \$3.25; three rolled tacos, \$1.85; one carne asada taco, \$2.40; fish taco, \$2.40; steak ranchero, \$7.00; shredded beef taco, cheese enchilada combo with rice, beans, \$5.50; bean tostada, cheese enchilada, rice, beans combo, \$5.50

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MATTHEW LICKONA

1984, the Brookside Vineyard Company was all but finished. A mighty produce and ing the California wine renaissance of the based on its multi-state chain of tasting rooms — the winery had passed from

family to corporate ownership a decade earlier, and sales were dismal. According to Roberto Ponte, co-owner and winemaker at Temecula's Ponte Winery, "They just weren't moving ahead with the times. They were still doing very sweet, fizzy wines. They didn't catch on to the next wave, which

was fighting varietals" - low-cost, high-production incarnations of Cabernet, Chardonnay, Zinfandel, and Sauvignon Blanc. (Later, through the efforts of Fetzer Winery, Merlot would be added to this list.)

When Brookside started selling off its vineyards, the Ponte family picked up hundreds of acres in the Temecula Valley. "We weren't looking for vineyards," says Ponte. "My family has been farming vineyards forever — at the time, we owned almost 1000 acres already in South America and Italy." Still, the land was flat and freeway-close; it was too good to pass up. "It's like we're always trying to get away from farming, but it hasn't happened."

The family eventually sold much of what it bought, but there were still some 350 acres of vineyards, planted in 1968 with such unfashionable

varietals as Ugni Blanc and Mission. It was then Roberto, schooled in agriculture and interested in winemaking, met someone from Sonoma's Glen Ellen Winery at a party. "He said, 'Oh, you have a vineyard? If you graft it to fighting varietals, we'll

give you a contract.' "That began Ponte's career as a grape grower, one that would see him sell grapes to wineries both large (Glen Ellen, Fetzer, Kendall-Jackson) and small (Bonny Doon). He would plant an additional 200 acres and then rip out the same amount due to the ravages of Pierce's disease.

Pierce's, a fatal vine disease carried by the glassywinged sharpshooter, seemed poised to wipe Temecula off the California wine map. The insects love to hang out in citrus groves, and the valley is full of vineyards existing cheek-to-jowl with groves of fruit trees. "I used to put sticky traps out in 1997, and by the next day, there was no vacancy. They weren't even attracted; they'd just run into it — that's how bad the problem was." Six years later, however, "I think we have it under control. The sharpshooters go into the citrus in the early stages, when they're wingless. We treat the citrus with a product called Admire that goes up the roots, and so we whack them before they come to the vineyards. We know it's working, because we've had controls where we haven't done it, and those were the hot spots." Now, people are finally replanting, and there are plans afoot for several new

wineries, a development Roberto welcomes. "We kind of fly in a flock up here."

The citrus growers are willing to use Admire because "it doesn't kill the beneficials, as opposed to, say, spraying. We're also lucky that the guy who farms 90 percent of the citrus out here is a friend. You can't force him to do stuff like that. He used to farm grapes, and he's a real farmer.'

Ponte pays that compliment as one farmer to another. He tends toward the traditional in some of his vineyard practices — he uses no herbicides, for instance,

preferring to weed his vineyards mechanically by disking — but is sometimes happy to employ cutting-edge technology. "I can really tweak the irrigation. If you delay the onset of irrigation after berry set, that's when you get the small berries [that tend to produce more intense wines]. I have sensors all over the vineyard that go to my computer; it's like a gas gauge. I know exactly what the moisture is at every foot for five feet. We're big, so I can buy toys like that."

But no matter how big he gets, "Farming is a lot of work and a lot of risk, and it's not a very efficient way to make a buck. [Prices] are very elastic; if supply and demand changes a little bit, the price changes enormously." Longing for a more stable source of income is part of what led him to team up with his brother Claudio, a real-estate developer, to create Ponte Winery. "We started realizing that the [wine] business had legs [here]. Before, we used to load grapes on Rancho California Road [today, the wine region's main artery]. Every hour and a half, we'd say, 'Car!' and get out of the way. There were just a few wineries, most of them selling to restaurants and wine shops. The Wine and Balloon Festival was the big weekend of the year. Now, every weekend is a big weekend. I saw what



was happening at other wineries' tasting rooms. They could barely cope.

The other deciding factor was the reaction of people who visited his home and drank the wine he made for family and friends. "You start to realize that there is a magic to it - people really want to take some of it home. I don't think it has everything to do with taste. I think it has something to do with taking a little bit of an experience you have — a nice Sunday lunch, all the stars are in alignment, an epiphany moment. That happens, and they want to make it happen again. They're distraught if you don't sell them wine."

That notion of giving people an experience they'll want to re-create figured heavily into the design of the winery. Ponte initially envisioned little more than a production facility and a cash register. His brother had bigger plans: he suggested facilities for events — weddings, parties, and the like. Up went an enormous white permanent tent. Events need food; they decided on a café. They expanded the grounds, adding a Mediterranean garden with decomposed granite walkways, a spacious circle of grass for wedding ceremonies and both covered and uncovered dining patios. And the great green, three-tiered barn you see from the







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'I wanted something agriculturally themed that people would understand," Ponte says of the barn. "I got some inspiration looking at old farm compounds. They built things in stages — Grandpa built something, and then Dad built something. At Galleano, for example, all the roofs are different, because it was done in stages. Ponte hired the Cunningham Group for design help. "They do a lot of work for Disney. They understand oddball projects. The winery is an odd thing, because it's a gift shop and a production facility, and we have the café and the special events. The winery came out of the realization that if people just want to drink wine, they can go to Trader Joe's and go home. People expect more from a trip to the winery]. It can't be just about wine; you have to give people a bit of an experience."

He got what he was after. The vaulting, light-filled barn no hayloft here - has a shingle roof; the roadhouse-style café is roofed in corrugated metal, and tiles top the stone-faced mission-style barrel and banquet room. Details abound, down to the variously finished concrete walkways — as if a little was done one year, a little more a few years later. Ponte surveyed other wineries for building ideas. Providing the arriving bride a comfortable place to change was one result, a bountiful supply of bathrooms was another.

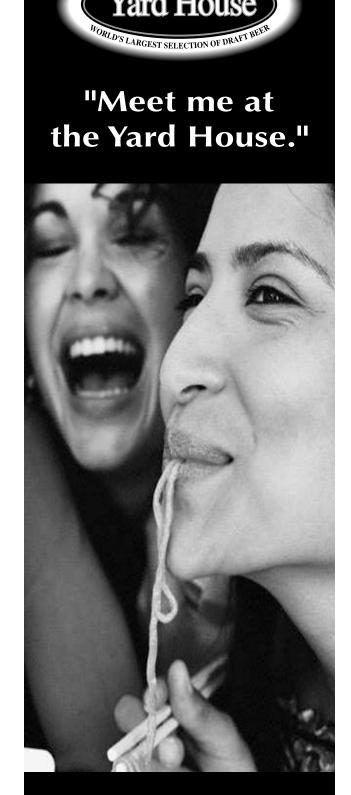
Ponte selects less than five percent of the fruit he grows to use in his small (3000 cases this year) production: Cabernet, Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, two sweeter blends and Zinfandel Port under the Ponte label; Sangiovese, Barbera, and Nebbiolo under the name Belmonte. He does not use new oak, and he doesn't "work against the terroir," preferring to make the lighter-bodied wines he feels the soil gives him. "I'd rather have a fruity wine that gets along with food than a bomb that goes with pepper steak and nothing else," he says.

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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Cafe 101 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. This is the oldest li'll 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)

Cafe Sevilla Carlsbad 3050 Pio Pico (off Carlsbad Village Drive), Carlsbad, 760-730-7558. The atmosphere is cozy and pleasant. Dine upstairs for larger tables. Tapas and Spanish specialties of average competence. Music will warm your blood. Lunch Monday through Friday. Dinner nightly, to midnight Friday and Saturday. Moderate to expensive. –

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. —

Kim's Restaurant 745 First Street, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103, Encinitas, 760-942-4816. Both Vietnamese and Chinese dishes are offered in a calm atmosphere with quick, pleasant service. The menu lists 265 items, including 18 Vietnamese house specialties, 28 seafood dishes, and a whopping 45 vegetarian/vegan dishes, many made with seitan (mock poultry). The seafood isn't necessarily fresh catch — some shellfish is evidently obtained frozen, scallops are phosphate-preserved, and the reasonably priced abalone dishes involve slightly chewy, rehydrated dried abalone from Asia. On the other hand, portions are enormous, and the cooking is careful and tasty, although some

What the Chef Eats

CHIPOTLE PORK TENDERLOIN WITH CREAMED CORN RISOTTO AND BASIL

BY SUSAN SBICCA

Owner/Chef, Meritage (Encinitas) and Sbicca (Del Mar)

My family loves spicy. We love chipotle. I've lived in California most of my life, so Mexican food is part of what I grew up with. This recipe is a combination of my Mexican and American tastes. The creamed corn risotto is almost like the American creamed corn that you had when you were a kid. I just use the risotto to tighten it up and bring it up to date a bit.

Chipotle pork tenderloin with creamed corn risotto and basil is soul food. American soul food. Real comfort food.

This is a simple recipe. You can do almost everything ahead of time, and when it comes time to eat you're not rushing around trying to pull everything together.

We like to grill at

home, and this recipe can just as easily be cooked on the grill as in the oven.

A big red wine would work well with this dish. Chipotle can hold up to a big Cabernet, or if you prefer a white wine, a Gewürztraminer or Riesling will offset the

Beer is perfect with it too, if you're having that kind of event. The creamed corn risotto smoothes everything out, so whatever beverage you prefer should go well with this dish.

HOW TO DO IT

To prepare the pork, preheat barbecue grill or oven to 350 degrees. Rinse pork tenderloin and pat dry with paper towels. Place in baking dish or set

aside. Purée the chipotle briefly in a blender or food processor. Mix chipotle and barbecue sauce together. Slather on the pork. Grill or roast in the oven until desired temperature, about 150 degrees on a meat

To prepare the risotto, heat the chicken stock in a medium-sized saucepan. In a large saucepan sauté the shallots in olive oil until soft. Add the rice and stir to coat evenly. Cook for about 3 minutes. Add white wine and stir until completely absorbed. Add chicken stock gradually while stirring. When all the stock is absorbed add corn and cream. Keep stirring and cook until corn is just tender. Salt to taste. Top with basil.



INGREDIENTS

1½- to 2-pound pork tenderloin 2 tablespoons canned chipotle 1 cup barbecue sauce (your favorite bottled sauce; ours is Bullseve) 2 cups chicken stock 3 shallots, sliced 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive 1 cup Arborio rice 1/3 cup white wine 4 cups fresh corn kernels, sliced from the cob 1 cup cream or half and half Salt to taste 1/4 cup basil, chiffonaded (finely

shredded)

pensive to expensive. — E.W.

Palomar Airport Cafe 2162 Palomar Airport Road, Carlsbad, 760-438-9665. *Top Gun*, anyone? Chow down and choose views of planes like the 1935 Harvard, "The Texan," or the Life Flight choppers scrambling. Expect to see greats like Chuck Yeager or his buddy Lowell Williams, who still trains stunt pilots here. It's not gourmet, but it's down-to-earth solid nosh, with plenty of beer and spirits flowing. The café's sexy waitresses serve generous plateloads of everything from breakfast bur-ritos (scrambled eggs, onions, bell pepper, potatoes, cheese) to corned beef hash with eggs and spuds. Or lunch-wiches with quirky plane names like Almost Famous Mustang Burger (open-

faced with chili) or the B-29 (turkey, Swiss cheese, Ortega chilies "melted together on grilled sourdough"). Delish. Breakfast, lunch daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/03)

Sakura Bana 1031 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-6414. 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 neighbors are eating. A blackboard lists the specials, guiding you to the day's freshest catch. Should you spot pompano on the list, get *two* orders with two orders (but not if you just order one), after you've consumed the delicate raw fillets, the chefs will deep-fry the skeleton 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)

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)

NORTH INLAND

Dicrescenzo's 11625 Duenda Road (off W. Bernardo Drive), Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-2776. This is a stand-in-line, order-at-the-counter, grab-a-table, listen-for-your-order-number kind of a place. If you're looking for pampering and atmosphere, this isn't gonna cut it. If you're wanting yummy Italian comfort food to eat in or take out, this the spot. The bread alone is worth a trip. Real, flaky, honest-to goodness French rolls complement pastas and salads or encase meatballs, eggplant parmesan, or deli meats. The meatballs, a DiCrescenzo family recipe, are unusually moist and tender, perfectly seasoned. The subs — especially Rocco's Imperial Sub — are packed with deli goodies and just enough Italian dressing. Thin crust pizzas are a popular treat. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — S.M. (10/03)

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). Inex-

The French Market Grille 15717 Bernardo Heights Parkway, San Diego 858-485-8055. Ambience is served in generous portions at this romantic establishment with elegant indoor dining or a charming garden setting. The wine list has over 50 selections, including several available by the glass, and the varied menu offers Gallic dishes of duck, lamb, fish, veal, frog legs, and more. Most dishes are served with the usual French cuisine sauces, but if you're dieting, they'll gladly omit sauce. Ingredients and execution of the entrées can be inconsistent (e.g., some nights the fish is overcooked or the meat is tough, other nights they're fine) but the crab-cake appetizer is always outstanding. Save room for dessert, es-pecially the excellent crème brûlée.

flavors have evidently been adapted to American palates and ingredients. Open Tuesday through Sunday, continuous service lunch and dinner; closed Monday. Moderate. — N.W. (10/01)

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 irresistable lobster-crabmeat croquettes and lobstershrimp bisque are pure Del Mar deluxe. But some simpler dishes cleverly complete themselves as you eat them salmon served with peas and mush-

rooms on one side and a creamy sauce on the other creates a whole new sauce when you broach the fillet. A lemon-pis-tachio 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 charming patio. Wideranging 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 ongoing. Moderate to slightly expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

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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 unsual 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. — *E.W.*

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, Escondido, 760-740-5963. The grains are ground daily for this wonderful European-style bread. Every bread has dense consistency and an amazing crust. Among the best bets are the baguette, the sourdough with Greek olives, and the country sourdough. Recipes come from France, Italy, and Germany. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

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. — F. 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 sculpture 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 frittat with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal-size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (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.

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Fresh Seafood Restaurant 1044 Wall Street (at Herschel), La Jolla, 858-551-7575. The fare is mainly fishy and the room is truly dishy, with lots to look at — the open kitchen, floor-toceiling sculptures, street-patio scene, or the decolleté of the date dresses among the younger half of the crowd. The older half shows up in business suits, whatever their gender. Here you'll find that Chef Matthew Zappoli's seafood creations and lush sauces live up to the restaurant's name, although reined in enough to keep from scaring business-suited palates. Fish not your dish? Meats and poultry are of fine quality, too. Save room for the hazelnut mocha mousse cake, so sensual it should be X-rated. Good wine buys in Sauvignon Blancs and "interesting whites "Dinner reservations a must Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

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 restau rant, 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 dramatic — tented ceilings, low banquette seating at carved round tables, belly-dancing 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)

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 abil-ity to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eves 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 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 week-ends. 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. Inexpensive to expensive.

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 mandoo (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 convenience 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, how-ever, passing by Nijiya's steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you'll find delicious 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 include 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 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 McLuhan-ite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-normal 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 elementary 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 allowed 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. In-expensive to moderate. — N.W. (1/03)

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 received extra-careful preparation. You'll find Sheila's breads and pastries at supermarkets 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 Tower, 1590 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-692-2778. Sophisticated, deluxe Italian/Mediterranean cuisine takes center stage in a handsome, view-endowed dining room decorated in a "Venetian Carnival" theme. In a menu that follows the seasons, San Franciscoborn 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 *ciabatta crostini* is divinely playful. Traditional dishes take on new life, too: The house "antipasta" (of marinated vegetables and top-quality

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Italian deli meats) is everything you'd hope for, while house-made pesto gnochi float off the plate. Some dishes are invariably 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. (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 mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask be-fore you buy. The menu features highquality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, 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)

Cucina Fresca 1851 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-224-9470, OK, it's a cliché, but "bring your appetite," really applies here. We're talking northern Italian food, with southern Italian gen-erosity. The family-run place has been open since 1990, but it feels more like 1890. Italian flags and murals, varnished wood, banknote collections, terra cotta floor tile, and very traditional dishes. All the usual suspects are here, like chicken Parmigiana, chicken marsala, veal florentine. But who cares? It's their old-fashioned size you'll love. Order, say, the "sausage and peppers" pasta. You'll be half-full from the delicious minestrone soup they toss in first. Then your pasta arrives — woah! A Sargasso Sea of linguini capped by large quantities of sliced, herby Italian sausage. But hey, this is OB. What's your hurry? Attack this thing slowly, man, one whip-lashing linguini at a time. Lunch, dinner. Moderate. — *E.B.* (2/03)

Humphrey's by the Bay 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-3577. Most diners at this resort/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 emerges 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, redpainted 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 be-low. 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)

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Qwiigs Bar & Grill 5091 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-222-1101. That name, Qwiigs? "Queeners Who Indulge In Great Sports" refers to a bunch of surfers who surfed a Hawaiian spot named Queen's. And they could get away with culinary murder here if they wanted to—the beach, surf, pier, horizon, and sunset are such eye-candy you tend to auto-feed your mouth. But this brassrail and varnished-wood upstairs eatery produces interesting food, featuring seafood from seared ahi to grilled mahi mahi to a substantial sushi bar. Some of their nicest surprises are in their sim-ple plates, like a field greens salad, scrumptious with candied walnuts and chèvre cheese; or farfalle pasta with rock shrimp, goat cheese, roasted garlic, spinach, and cream; or a cheeky smoked turkey-brie-pepperoni sandwich. Also a good deal: pungent BBQ prime rib served on the bone on Mondays (other days as a sandwich). Freshest aperitif? Blackberry lemonade. Lunch and dinner daily, breakfast Saturday and Sunday. Moderate. -E.B. (11/03)

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 noodles) and Champon noodle soup (udon noodles, scallops, shrimp, 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 fab-ulous Southern soul food. Try their gravy-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 half-pound 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)

Nate's Deli 3120 Euclid Avenue, City Heights, 619-284-0206. This deli-café Heights, 619-284-0206. This deli-care is in City Farmers' Nursery, the one with sheep, geese, Clyde the horse and a mini forest in the middle of town. The late Nate was the father of owner Bill Tall, and this deli was his dream. (Nate died just before opening.) Try appetizers like smoked salmon, or "Kishka," a spicy wrapped filling, hot with brown gravy, or the grilled chicken fillet salad. But really, sandwiches are "it" here, and huge, and you can choose your cheeses, breads, and condiments as the sandwich-making proceeds. Go for, say, beef bologna, pastrami, liverwurst, salami, or vegetarian, then take it out to the eatin' deck, and check out the wild life. Town's a block and a world away. Breakfast to early dinner six days; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/03)

Restaurant Afrique Oak Plaza Mall, 4990 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-283-3838. The previous tenants Chinese decor remains, but the atmos phere here is full-on Somali. Evenings it's an unofficial club for the oftenrobed Somali men of the neighborhood. Dominoes and card games make it nicely rowdy. The food is mainly Somali, with some Ethiopian and Sudanese dishes. Try muufo (Somali bread) with marinated goat meat or chopped steak, or spiced rice with goat. Sudanese *fuul* (fava beans in tomato sauce) with regular or pita bread makes for lighter eating. Bananas come with each meal. There are right and wrong ways to eat - ask the owner, Abdiaziz to show you. Many dishes come with pasta, a leftover from the Italian colonial period in Somalia. Open daily. In-expensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

South Park Bar and Grill 1946 Fern

bistro, this loud, lively, very local water ing 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 in-teresting, 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.

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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, citrus 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 mo-

lasses bite. Macaroni and cheese is gooey and gummable, a mild counter to the murky, sour/salty greens. On Fridays, you can get Southern-fried catfish or red snapper, plus hush puppies. In-expensive. — A.M. (2/01)

Cafe Zia 6686 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-337-3937. South Asia meets Mexico! Khaled Zia had the brilliant idea of combining tacos (or wraps or bagels) with chicken and South Asia's great gift to the world: chutney — mango chutney, papaya chutney, peach, apple, even a serrano chili pepper chut-ney. The combo works with them all. As soon as you smell the chicken strips hissing away on the grills, you're hooked. Then when they come smothered in peach or mango chutney, or cooling yogurt, along with sweet-sauced potatoes, what can you do? Do as half of San Diego State does: just say yes. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

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-andonion sandwich is scrumptious. Mostly take-out, but you can dine out at their picnic tables under bougainvillea. Open daily, three meals. — $\it E.B.~(12/01)$

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 sand-wiches, 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.

Rodeo Bar and Grill 10109 Maine Avenue, Lakeside, 619-390-7996. Agnes and Ildikor are the two blue-eyed Hungarian-born sisters who run this only-in-Lakeside institution. It's a low, red, grapevine-covered onetime produce barn near the rodeo grounds. A dirt parking lot hides under the trees, and an old freezer door is the main entrance to the restaurant, which has decor straight out of Dodge City. The menu has two sides: the A-side features big steaks, while the B-side offers bargain-priced sandwiches like grilled barbecued beef or the Ponyburger, a flame-broiled quarter-pounder with steak fries, barbecue beans, and fixin's. On Thursday nights, the sisters' mom cooks one of her special Hungarian dishes, depending on what the customers have asked for — so get on down there and vote! Open until 1 a.m. (with karaoke) on weekends. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (10/00)

FAR EAST

Kountry Kitchen 826 Main Street, Ramona, 760-789-3200. Thank goodness the Kountry Kitchen's still around. They still open at 5 a.m. for the farmers and anyone else who's up then They still make their own sausages, and grind their own burger meat, too. The Italian Sausage Breakfast is truly delicious: a fat pale-brown sausage with a rich, sharp, livery flavor, along with eggs and hash browns. Up there, too, is the Cowpoke Country Special, a buttermilk short stack with eggs and sausages or bacon. Open daily, break-fast through early dinner. Inexpensive. - E.B. (5/02)







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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-sa-vory Chilean *pastel de choclo* (a casserole of beef, chicken, and corn pudding) 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-andfowl-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 of ostrich characters inside. They say the first Cable Car Café opened on this spot in the 1920s. Today it's a happy lit-



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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 pomegranate juice, or the strawberry tabouli salad. Lamb is often a part of dishes. Ghourmeh sabzi is a lamb stew. Koufteh-Berenii is a ball of basmati rice with lamb, eggs, onions, and plums. And don't forget tea. They have everything from Darjeeling and Caspian to Lapacho Bark, Black Peach, and, if you really need a boost, Temple of Heaven Gunpowder. Breakfast through early-ish dinner Tuesday to Saturday; breakfast and lunch only, Sundays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/02)

Crest Cafe 425 Robinson Avenue (at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. "Hearty Homemade Comfort Food" is the boast, and this small retro-deco café backs it up. Cecelia and her dad, Luis Moreno, took over this place back in 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loyal customers get their pho tos and names on an honor roll that fills one wall. Lots of lazy ceiling fans, long, hanging blue lights, and art. "Matisse in Morocco," Salvador Dali, Frida Kahlo. Consider momsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-glazed pork chops, or the healthy Vegetable Steam Basket. And don't turn down their 11 different kinds of burgers, including the Fresh Salmon Burger, the OuiOui Burger ("aged bleu cheese crumbled under melted jack cheese") or the wicked, spicy Butter Burger (half a pound of lean ground beef stuffed with garlic, tarragon, basil, parsley butter, topped with cheese, garlic-paprika-cayenne-cumin mayo and more butter). Best of all, late hours: open 7 a.m. to midnight, seven days. Dinner at 11 is no problem. How rare is that in San Diego? Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

Extraordinary Desserts 2929 Fifth Avenue, uptown, 619-294-7001. The desserts here do live up to the name, whether you gobble them on the spot on the patio of this charming café or buy them to take home. Owner Karen Krasne's pastries are created with strict French techniques with flavors inspired by the global reach of her travels, from the rice fields of Bali to the *souks* of Morocco. The white cakes are true food for — ethereal and not excessively sweet, vibrant with flavors of fresh ripe fruits — and some of the chocolate cakes (e.g., the "Caribe") follow suit, while others are rich and dense. Not your piece of cake? There are also tarts, cookies, choco-lates, ice cream dishes, puddings, breakfast pastries, and fine teas and coffees, along with Krasne's own lines of honeys, jams, chutneys, syrups, and pop-corn—plus a truly lovely assortment of international craft objects. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend brunch until late, closing at 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and at midnight on weekends. - N.W. (5/02)

Kazumi Sushi 3975 Fifth Avenue (at Washington Street), Suite 120, Hillcrest, 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



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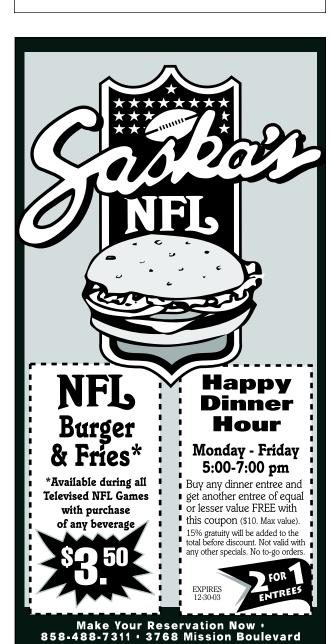
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The Mission North Park and City Bakery 2801-2805 University Avenue, North Park, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its Russian pecan bread and cinnamon rolls. Lunch and dinner offer California food with Asian and Latino influences. Lots of items under \$10. Open daily, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. 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 week-days three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate.

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 gar-lic sauce, stuffed greenlip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bot-tomless pitcher of the house's workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons' favorite beverage. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

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 charming host of the local outpost. Best bets are the vegetarian pasta and rice dishes made with aromatic porcini mushrooms. 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 510 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-233-8519. 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. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Buster's Beach House and Longboard Bar 807 West Harbor Drive, East Plaza, Seaport Village, 619-233-4300. There really is a Buster, a surfer who traveled the world working in restaurants. Baja, Oahu, Fiji, Naples, Ocho Rios, Phuket — you name it, there's a dish from each of those waters, and every one of them ethnically incorrect. The menu's actually an international anthology of any an international antinology of surfer-bar grub — and like Waimea Bay's waves, it has huge ups and downs. Skip the greasy "Short Board" pupu platter and risky daily fish special and go for the well-seasoned crab cakes, shark tacos, spicy "paella" (more like jambalaya), or pizza. The surfy, fun decor and breezy patio easily compen-





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N.W. (7/03)

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 relish — 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 ad-

venturous 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 offmenu 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 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. 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 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, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. 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 Pacific 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 combinations 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, crispy-

creamy 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)

Lou and Mickey's 224 Fifth Avenue (between K and L), Gaslamp, 619-237-4900. The onetime ornate Royale Brasserie across from the Convention 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 fajitas). Tip well: the servers volunteer and share the take from the gravy pot. Three meals weekdays; closes earlier on weekends. — 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 spiffy singles crowd. Rice is there to feed them on Fusion-lite nibbles created by corporate chefs far away, emphasizing ap petizers and desserts over entrées, you'd expect. Cool, witty decor and a loud, nonstop pop soundtrack drive home the point: This is a scene. Reservations usually necessary for lunch or

dinner. Pricey valet parking, but easy street parking weeknights. Three meals daily to 10:45 p.m. Upper moderate to very expensive. — *N.W.* (7/03)

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 rose-water ice cream and/or pudding, or bamieh, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. - N.W. (12/00)

Tango Mango Latin Grill 901 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-231-4284. The most interesting dishes here are the South American specialties, including light, savory beef empanadas and Argentine-style grilled steaks (made from affordable USDA Choice beef, which bears some resemblance 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-veg-etarian 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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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, veg-etarian "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. It's a rambling building overlooking the Yacht Harbor where all sorts of folks pop in for a night off or a fun lunch. 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, a party atmosphere, and a few vaguely Polynesian dishes amid the standard mid-American buffet items. Full bar. Reservations advisable for luau nights and Sunday champagne brunch, Casual, family-friendly to the max. Breakfast and lunch buffets inex-pensive; Sunday and dinner buffets moderate; à la carte expensive. -

Cafe 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chapman 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. Break

fasts 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 or 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, bar-gain-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)

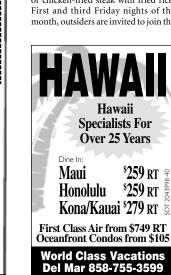
Miguel's Cocina 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-2401. Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may 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)

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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 adven-turous 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.*

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Loncheria La Poca Lucha Municipal Market, 105 Avenida Niños Héroes, Tijuana. Venturing to the far end of Tijuana's Mercado Municipal is like entering a scene from The Sorcerer'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

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Super Antojitos 1810 4th Street (between Constitución and Niños Heroes), Tijuana, 665-685-5070. Sr. Lechuga's restaurant has been around for 40 years, for good reason. Early mornings, people line up for breakfast. You enter a sort of heaven: arches, hidden lighting, glass chandeliers, even a statue of the Virgin Mary. The breakfast special, called *mole poblano*, includes two eggs, enchilada *de mole*, rice, beans, and bread or tortillas. The delicious *mole*, Sr. Lechuga's own, contains raisins, avocado, plantain, almonds, peanuts, thyme, and cilantro. Plus, you're drinking Sr. Lechuga's own coffee. He grows it down south. *Super antojitos* means super snacks, so search out the *pastes* — pastries stuffed with *mole*, cheese, or ground meat and potatoes. Also delicious: pork rind *gorditas*. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (3/20)

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Karl Strauss Brewery Restaurant 1157 Columbia Street, downtown, 619-234-2739. One-time Pabst brewmeister Karl Strauss heads his own brewery and a bunch of brewery restaurants bearing his name, so you can't help but be a little wary of an over-slick operation. But at least at downtown's ivy-covered bricky drink and eatery, the food's honest, tasty, and sleek, not slick. And Karl's beers are still interesting. Go for honest-but-beautiful dishes like his "Hump Day" meatloaf (Wednesdays only), which comes looking like a Magic Mountain, or the grilled marinated eggplant sandwich on focaccia. Beer influence is everywhere. Filet mignon has an Amber Lager glaze. Ribs boast a Red Trolley Ale barbecue sauce. It can get pricey; try to hit happy hour. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. Other branches at 9675 Scranton Road, Sorrento Mesa, 858-587-2739; 5801 Armada Drive, Carlsbad, 760-431-2739; 1044 Wall Street, La Jolla, 858-551-2739. — E.B. (11/03)

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

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La Jolla. — E.B. (10/00)

an Apple Pancake - a foot-wide, batter-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 alternatives, 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 nationwide franchise, but it's a comfy franchise, from Oregon. All-day breakfast only, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. Other locations 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.—

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The heroism is all the more impressive for the lone hero's unpreparedness and unsuitedness.

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

ased on a Vanity Fair article by H.G. "Buzz" Bissinger, Shattered Glass re-enacts the downfall of up-and-coming journalist Stephen Glass, twenty-seven of whose forty-one pieces for The New Republic in the

mid-Nineties turned out to have been fabricated in whole or in part. No great shakes as a movie, clumping

along in the talking-heads style of a TV docudrama, the writing and directing debut of Billy Ray (co-scripter on *Hart's War* and *Volcano*) is nonetheless a painless and often quite pleasurable way to bone up on the material: you don't even have to move your eyes.

In that last respect, it brings something of its own to the subject, too. As a would-be redesigner of the grayish periodical argues near the beginning ("This magazine hasn't changed its look since the Eighties!"), illustrations can be very helpful, a point reiterated at the end with I-told-you-so righteousness: stories cannot be fabricated if they're to be documented with photographs. Ray's illustrations, although

of course themselves fabricated, are helpful right off the bat in documenting what readers of *TNR* are unlikely to have pictured in their heads: the youthfulness of the current custodians of this venerable bastion of liberalism.

a "little" magazine (81,000 circulation) with an outsized influence. Or as someone describes it: "snobbi-

est rag in the industry, the in-flight magazine of Air Force One." (During the Clinton Administration, that would be.) The operation practically looks like a campus paper, with a casual, comradely, denim-y editor roughly equivalent to a faculty advisor (Hank Azaria as the late Michael Kelly, killed earlier this year in Iraq), and an old and out-of-touch overseer equivalent to the departmental head (film director Ted Kotcheff), prone to send down a crotchety command that will have the drudges counting the total number of commas in the latest issue. Glass (Hayden Christensen, a little callow and shallow even for a con man, and a bit transparent to have had such success as one) was the youngest



Shattered Glass

writer on the staff of twenty-somethings, a specialist in human-interest pieces that were altogether *too* interesting. One of these, on a nonexistent convention of computer hackers, got the attention of an on-line magazine, whose tuggings at the loose threads began the unravelling. By then, the imperious overseer had fired the af-

fable editor, and the in-house investigation fell to his resented replacement, Charles "Chuck" Lane, elevated from within the ranks and now impeded in his efforts by the envy of his colleagues and the popularity of Glass.

There is ample suspense in the layer-by-layer unmasking. (Glass's first line of defense is his stock disarma-

ment ploy, "Are you mad at me?" Next line of defense: he was duped. Next line of defense: he got the story secondhand.) And there is heroism as well, all the more impressive for the lone hero's unpreparedness and unsuitedness. (Peter Sarsgaard is properly unimposing and put-upon.) And there's a goosebump-raising emo-



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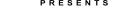
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tional payoff when Lane lays down the journalistic law to one of Glass's diehard defenders (the miraculously unaffected Chloë Sevigny, especially miraculous in light of all that media glare around the time of Boys Don't Cry, all that Academy Award talk, all that fashion-icon nonsense). And while, on the face of it, the story is not as earthshaking as that of (everyone's favorite reference point) All the President's Men, it still has much to say about the state of American journalism in particular, its insidious slide toward "entertainment," its blurring of the line between reporting and coloring, and about the state of American culture in general: the culture of lying and cheating and getting ahead no matter how. If those subjects are not earth-shaking, they are at any rate earth-eroding.

The Flower of Evil noses into the closets and laundry hamper of a French provincial family composed of a septuagenarian Auntie (Suzanne Flon, gaining strength with age), a political-

upstart stepmother (Nathalie Baye), a philandering pharmacist father (Bernard Le Coq), a prodigal son back from three years in Chicago (Benoît Magimel), and an incestuously inclined cousin (the killingly cute Mélanie Doutey). Despite the presence of Claude Chabrol in the director's chair, despite the bloody corpse before the flashback, despite the occasional injection of heart-clutching Bernard Herrmann-esque music, despite the dark past and the clouded present (did Auntie murder her collaborationist father at the end of the Occupation? did the pharmacist himself author the anonymous smear of his wife?), and despite the flare-up of mustache-curling melodrama at the climax, this is not really a thriller. Or anyway, it is not really thrilling. It does, in time, recover from the talk-talk of family genealogy, and piece together a full and rounded portrait of family life, giving generous attention to the representatives of each of the three generations. (A Hollywood film would naturally be inclined to favor the youngest.) You never can tell where the rewards may come. The movie's best sequence is the door-to-door stumping of the grassroots politician and her docile running mate (the director's son, Thomas Chabrol) in a government-subsidized housing project: tickling, not thrilling.

Looney Tunes: Back in Action, a seamy as distinct from seamless blend of live action and animation, follows in the footsteps (or the cattle trail) of Who Framed Roger Rabbit, Space Jam, The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle, et al. Under the direction of Joe Dante, a dependable maker of messes, it pays homage to the old Warners cartoons with such profligacy as to show a complete lack of appreciation for the lightly weighted, delicately balanced, finely tuned mechanisms they were. The wisenheimer attitude comes close enough to the originals, and the premise is serviceable: Daffy Duck envies Bugs Bunny his top-dog status at the studio. What we get in place of comic timing, however, is something more like comic cramming: instead of a modus operandi of hit-and-run, a forty-car pileup in a fog and then gridlock for miles. Some of the gags might be all right in another context (a car plummeting nose-first toward the ground and screeching to a halt five feet before impact: "Out of gas"), and there are in-jokes to butter up film scholars of various schools and classes: Bond films, Fifties sci-fi,

Psycho, Scooby-Doo, not to mention the oeuvre of Joe Dante (the obligatory Dick Miller cameo). But the relentless onslaught is such as to hammer you into submission, sooner rather than later. Steve Martin has no good idea for the villain of the piece, and a number of bad ideas: an overgrown English schoolboy with a lisping accent, a torturously arched back, short pants, bow tie, owlish Harry Potter specs. Brendan Fraser and Jenna Elfman merely take up space alongside the cartoon critters. I continue to find Elfman (for whom there surely ought to have been a role in Elf) an engaging comedienne, but not enough so for me to watch, let alone memorize the name of, her TV series.

I now have my topic ready, should I ever discover myself in an elevator with Sean Penn. In the segment he directed for *September 11* (at the Ken a couple of weeks back), a widower portrayed by Ernest Borgnine observes a daily ritual of laying out one of his wife's dresses on the side of the bed where she used to sleep, a gesture that recalls one of the many wrenching moments in *Mystic River*, when Penn lays out one of his daughter's dresses atop her body in the funeral home. Coincidence or

connection? ■

MOVIE

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Anything but Love — Custom-made platform for the ingratiating Isabel Rose (who co-wrote the screenplay with director Robert Cary), as a small-time, starry-eyed cabaret singer who styles herself after the Golden Age goddesses of the silver screen: Rita Hayworth, Audrey Hepburn, whoever suits her mood. She comes in for plenty of sympathy, some of it for the tight-beltedness of the production, but she also fritters a lot of it away in the tensionless tug-of-war between security and self-fulfillment, represented by Cameron Bancroft and Andrew McCarthy, respectively. Eartha Kitt, as herself, offers sage counsel. 2003.

Atlético San Pancho (Never Too Young to Dream) — Mexican soccer film about a team of underdog urchins, with Lumi Cavazos and Hector Suarez, directed by Gustavo Loza. (HAZARD CENTER 7)

Brother Bear — Pagan pietism, from the Disney animation studio, to do with a Northwest Indian lad who, in his anxiety to become a man, kills a bear and gets magically transformed into a bear himself, to see how the other half lives: blissed out on nature (the moose practice yoga) and communality and oneness — unless you're unlucky enough to be a salmon, who count only as calories. More than merely transformed, the Indian gets *converted*. (Gimme that New Age religion.) The agenda rather throttles the creativity. Songs by Phil Collins. Directed by Aaron Blaise and Robert Walker. 2003.

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The Cat in the Hat — Live-action retelling of a Dr. Seuss story, with Mike Myers, Alec Baldwin, and Kelly Preston. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 11/21)

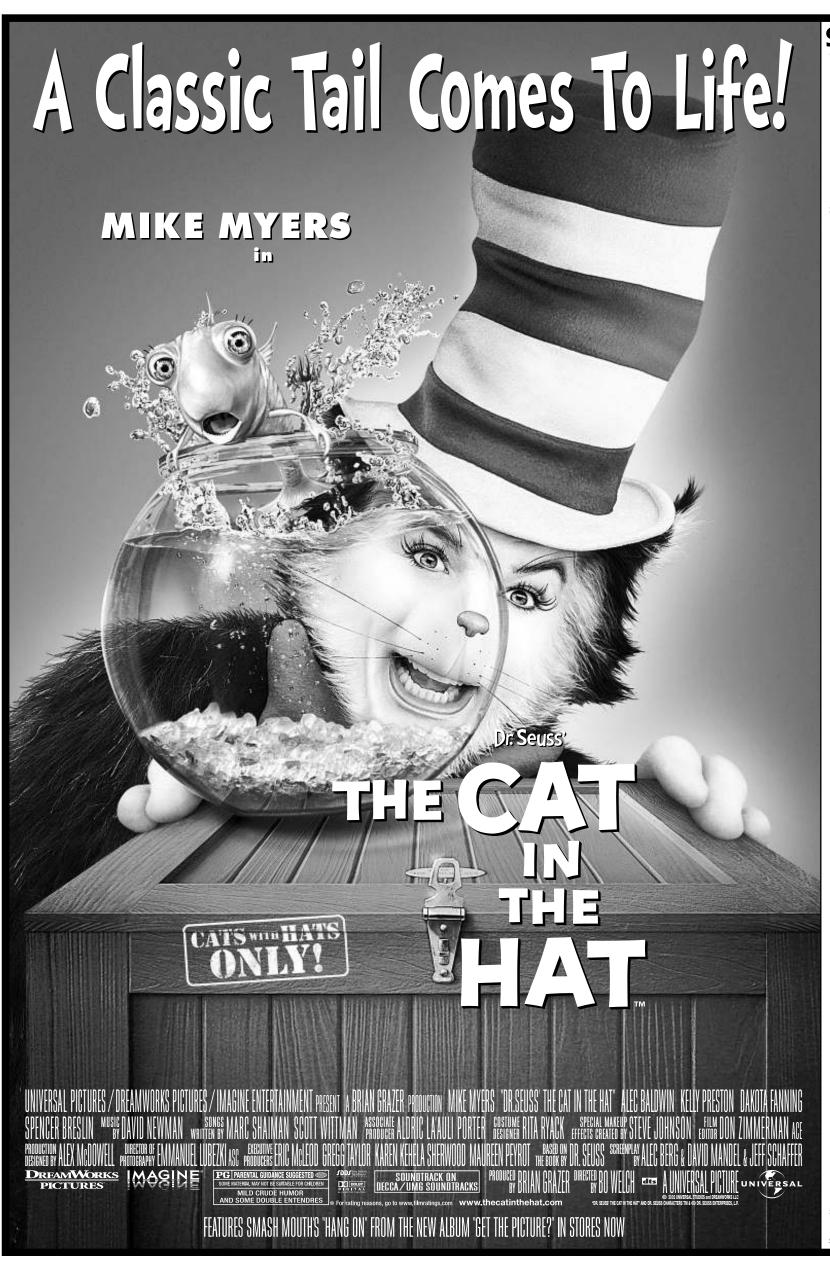
Elephant — Gus Van Sant's response to the Columbine school shooting, an unemotional, calculated, measured, extremely limited response, not in the least freed up by its fictionalization: the action takes place in Oregon, during football season, among autumn leaves, and the body count appears to climb higher than the reality. In the early stages there are no internal indications of where we are headed. A cross-section of average high-school students will be rounded up one at a time, two at a time, three at a time. The incidents are banal, the dialogue hollow ("You goin' to the concert tonight?" "You guys wanna go shopping today?"), the acting timid and amateurish. Time moves slowly, hangs heavy. It would be a very different viewing experience if you had not been tipped off beforehand that the subject was Columbine. Around twenty-five minutes into the eightyminute movie, a couple of students enter the school with duffel bags we can presume to contain weapons, but the end is nowhere in sight. We begin to go through the same time period over and over again. One particular moment — the taking of a snapshot in the



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hallway — recurs several times from different angles and at different distances. In some ways the movie seems a companion to the minimalist experimentation of the director's Gerry, although with a crisper, richer image, in the boxy proportions of a television screen. (It was made with financing from HBO.) The precision timing, framing, and camera movement all contribute to a similar climate of strict formalism, a climate that changes not a whit once the shooting starts. Nothing ruffles Van Sant. And despite the hotter topic, it's hard to see how this treatment of it could arouse, let alone satisfy, anybody's curiosity about it. Hard to see, that is, how it tells us anything more about it than that the flow of life got interrupted that day by two kids with no understanding of what life is. It does have something to tell us, on the other hand, about how a sense of the flow of life can be achieved on screen: long shots, long takes, no dramatic inflection or punctuation, a disinterested point of view. Alex Frost, Eric Deulen, John Robinson, Elias McConnell.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 11/20)

Elf — Will Ferrell as a human raised by elves, leaving the womb of Santa's Workshop in full adulthood to track down his biological father, a bottom-line publisher of Kiddie Lit ("He's on the naughty list"). Directed by Jon Favreau, the film wants to play both sides of the street — to be a True-Spirit-of-Christmas sermon and at the same

time be hip, cool, sardonic, and smarty pants — and it ends up outstaying its welcome. We do, however, get some nicely worked-out detail, a better than average bumpkin-in-Manhattan montage, and a couple of well-played secondary characters: a harried and unwhimsical toy-department manager at Gimbel's (the hefty Faizon Love) and a self-important top-selling author of children's books (the pint-sized Peter Dinklage, of The Station Agent). With James Caan, Zooey Deschanel, Mary Steenburgen, Bob Newhart, Edward Asner. 2003.

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The Flower of Evil — Reviewed this issue. With Benoît Magimel, Nathalie Baye, Bernard Le Coq, Suzanne Flon, and Mélanie Doutey; directed by Claude Chabrol. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 11/21)

Gothika — Thriller with Halle Berry, Robert Downey, Jr., and Penelope Cruz, directed by Mathieu Kassovitz. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SWEETWATER 9; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 11/21)



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The Human Stain — Robert Benton's adaptation of a Philip Roth novel feels incontrovertibly bookish: the Big Themes (American race relations, moral hypocrisy, political correctness), the vast historical canvas (Vietnam, World War II), the contextual co-ordinates from current affairs (Viagra, Clinton-Lewinsky), the academic setting (mythical Athena College in rural Massachusetts), the self-analytical literary allusions (the Greek Tragedy device of "peripeteia," the amorous dilemma of Achilles: "Give up the girl"), the talk of writers and writing, and, to top it all off, the writerly first-person narration by a professional writer who, it turns out, has

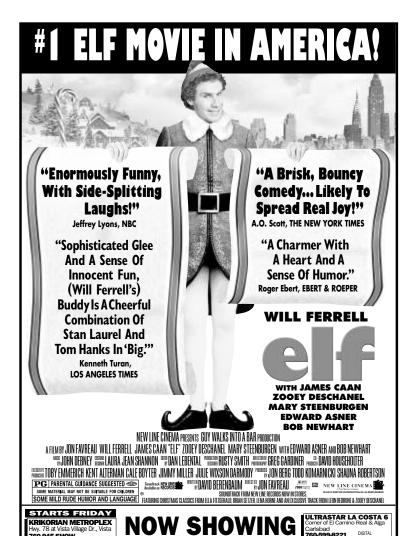
indeed written a book about the events in the movie. To be sure, the Dutch Master half-light that Benton favors in cinematography is painterly, not bookish, but still not quite movie-ish: his fussed-over, prinked-up images approach petrifaction. The expository scenes play pretty well, as the professorial protagonist steps on tender toes with his use of the word "spooks" in reference to two absent students whom he has never seen, and who happen to be black. And along the way there are some nice little throwaway moments, such as the voyeuristic, through-the-window views of two certifiably heterosexual men dancing to "Cheek to Cheek." But Benton is not to be

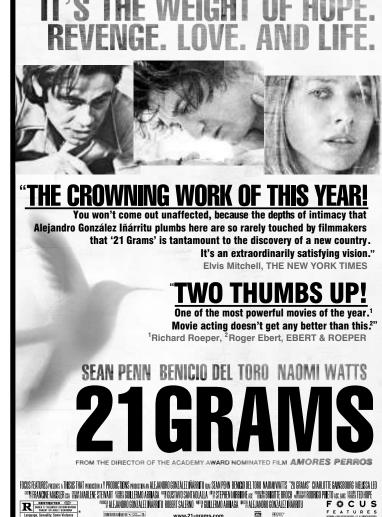
content with nice little throwaway moments. The irony of ironies — the almost Sophoclean irony, if you must — is that this professor, "one of the first Jews to teach in a Classics department in any college anywhere," is himself black, unbeknownst to anyone in his present life. This racial revelation might work better on the page, which is to say in the mind's eye. It might even have worked all right on screen with someone in the role besides Sir Anthony Hopkins (whose American accent continues to sound a bit betwixt and between). The problem with Hopkins is not just that he cannot pass for black. Nor is the problem merely the usual one, in decades-spanning movies, that we know too well what the actor looked like when he was young, and that he does not remotely match the young man in the flashbacks (Wentworth Miller). The problem, additionally, is that the young man in the flashbacks is so perfectly cast for the part, so plausible as either a Jew or a black, that he spotlights the imperfection and implausibility of Hopkins. With Nicole Kidman, Gary Sinise, Ed Harris. 2003. ★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 11/21; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7;

LA JOLLA VILLAGE; PALM PROMENADE 24, FROM 11/21)

In the Cut — Disappointing for a Jane Campion film, but a cut above the general run, nonetheless. An erotic thriller by type, adapted from a best-seller by Susanna Moore, it leaves something to be desired in both potential areas of excitation. Perhaps surprisingly (for Campion, again), the woman-in-peril plot looks about as lowbrow as a Lifetime Channel original, or, factoring in the eroticism, a straight-to-video Shannon Tweed vehicle available in versions both R-rated and Unrated. Perhaps not so surprisingly, the basic situation has been tarted-up with literary elements somewhat higher-toned than we would expect from Lifetime or straight-to-video. In any event, there's no mistaking the level of commitment, the ferocity of effort, that Campion brings to her work, even if one might have reservations about the artiness of some of the visuals: the blizzard of flower petals at the outset; the Taxi Driver-ish Expressionistic color, by turns fruity and succulent, electric and crackling; the antiquated black-and-white of the fantasy flashbacks; the selective focus that leaves large areas of the screen in a blur; the trendy tremulous camera movement; the engulfing shadows. The total effect — the variety of tones, textures, tactilities — is sensual to an extreme degree, but never to a gross one. And always impressive is the fearless independence of Campion's personal brand of feminism, unflattering, unempowering, unidealizing. Meg Ryan, as a fortyish writer precariously situated in the killing zone of a

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serial dismemberer, gives herself up to the program — herself, and all her little nose-scrunching, head-cocking endearments with an almost shocking abandon. The brunette Nicole Kidman wig (a reminder of who was originally cast in the role, and who still appears in the credits as a co-producer), coupled with the disfiguring Melanie Griffith lip job, might make it difficult, in the moments of carnality in particular, to feel that this is really Meg Ryan. (She doesn't look like Ryan. She doesn't act like Ryan.) If the head is doubtful, however, the body is believably fortyish. She demonstrates herself better suited to the part than you could ever have guessed. Mark Ruffalo, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Kevin Bacon. 2003.

★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Intolerable Cruelty — The Coen brothers film with the widest, the broadest, the massiest appeal to date, or in the common phrase their "most accessible." Two glamorous A-list movie stars of opposite sexes, George Clooney and Catherine Zeta-Jones, looking their respective bests, sugar-cured and honeyglazed, and none of the Coen "regulars" no McDormand, no Goodman, no Turturro, no Polito, no Buscemi. What's more, Joel and Ethan for the first time share the screenwriting credit with a couple of other guys. (Robert Ramsey and Matthew Stone by name, co-writers of the Eddie Murphy and Martin Lawrence comedy, Life, as well as the Dave Barry literary adaptation, Big Trouble.) Have they at last gone straight? gone soft? gone safe? Have they given up the good fight in pursuit of the brass ring? Fear not. As Hollywoody as this might look on the surface, or from the outside, it remains no less subversive from within - not as directly and explicitly anti-Hollywood as Barton Fink, but nor as obliquely and metaphorically as Fargo, The Hudsucker Proxy, or The Big Lebowski. The setting of this cold hard look at the divorce racket the reduction of marital relationships. mutual alliances, common bonds, to cold hard cash — is specifically Tinsel Town and its mansions, its swimming pools, its health spas, its supper clubs, its nearby playgrounds, even though only one of the litigants has an actual toehold in show business: producer of the daytime soap, The Sands of Time. Unflaggingly speedy, snappy, fresh, and funny, the film is as tightly constructed as any Coen film before Lebowski (the point at which they started to overload and overstuff), homing in on the whole culture of divorce, a world unto itself, a total way of life, with its lore and legend, its luminaries and lesser lights, its legion of interchangeable face-lifted and liposuctioned ex-wives (the Stepford exes), even an annual convention in Vegas (where better?) for the National Organization of Matrimonial Attorneys Nationwide: "Let N.O.M.A.N. put asunder." Billy Bob Thornton, Geoffrey Rush, Edward Herrmann, Cedric the Entertainer. 2003.

Kill Bill, Vol. 1 — After a sizable step forward in his third film, Jackie Brown, and after a lengthy interval of six years since then, Quentin Tarantino takes several steps backwards in his fourth. An odd blend of pretension and triviality, it posits a comicbook world in which there can exist a Deadly Viper Assassination Squad, whose mostly female members have code names such as Cottonmouth, Copperhead, and Black Mamba (the black woman on the team envies that name, the way Mr. Pink in Reservoir Dogs envied everybody's name), and are trained in the gravity-defying martial arts of Hong Kong kung-fu fantasies and the blood-gushing swordplay of Japanese samurai epics. In such a world, the heroine (the long, lean, though not particularly lithe and athletic Uma Thurman) can have her hands full in a catfight with one of her sister Vipers ("C'mon, bitch! Bring it on!"), and then, as the need arises, can mow down scores of similarly trained assassins in quick succession, showing no ill effects in either instance of having gotten herself shot in the head and lying for four years in a coma, the sexual plaything of a night-shift hospital orderly ("My name is Buck, and I came here to fuck!"). It should already be apparent that



the number of prospective moviegoers who will find this material interesting in itself, or as an hommage to a deserving genre o genres, will be severely restricted. In the words of one character, apropos of something roughly related: "If you was a moron, you could almost admire it." Split into parts, not by original design but purely as a practical matter (or in other words, an economic matter), after its dimensions grew unwieldy, it delivers a first installment of average length and unambitious scope, with no shape, no pace, no proper end, just a pause in the action. Lucy Liu, Vivica A. Fox,

Daryl Hannah. 2003. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Looney Tunes: Back in Action -

Reviewed this issue. With Brendan Fraser, Jenna Elfman, Timothy Dalton, and Steve Martin: directed by Ioe Dante.

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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 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

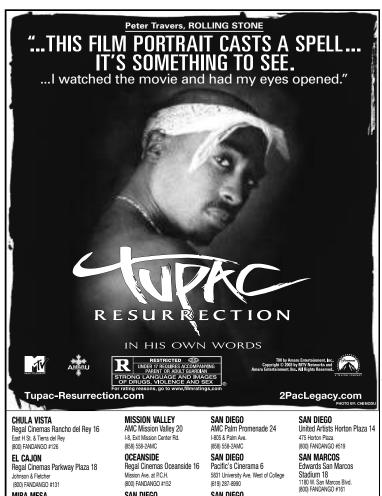
language difficulties, the faxes and FedExes and phone calls from the all-business wife in California, the exercise machine, the local cuisine, and the inevitable karaoke bar (Murray reverting to SNL form for his soupladle renditions of Elvis Costello's "Peace, Love, and Understanding" and Roxy Music's "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. ★ (FLOWER HILL 4: HAZARD CENTER 7: LA JOLLA

Love Actually — A five-week countdown to Christmas Eve, plenty of time and the proper occasion to show how love makes the world go round, or anyhow makes Jolly Old England go round. The writing and directing debut of Richard Curtis, writer only on Four Weddings and a Funeral (he









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herein reminds us by staging, in short order, one wedding and a funeral), it boasts a good-looking image as long as you like your people to look like dolls, a soundtrack chockablock with popular love songs, and a host of rolling-off-a-log performances by such smoothies as Hugh Grant, Emma Thompson, Alan Rickman, Colin Firth, Liam Neeson, Martine McCutcheon, Keira Knightley, Laura Linney, Bill Nighy, and, in a cameo as an exasperatingly punctilious store clerk, Rowan Atkinson, Grant stands out, not as a performance but as a figure of fantasy and even of fairy tale, an informal, unstuffy, lighter-than-Blair Prime Minister who falls for an overweight commoner (at any rate the script says she's overweight), and who dances solo to a Pointer Sisters toe tapper when he thinks he's alone (surefire laugh: he's alone but for a prim, middleaged secretary), and who stands up to the bullying United States President (a sanded and shellacked Billy Bob Thornton) at a televised press conference. There's a fantasy there for almost everyone. But Curtis, upping the ante on the multi-character Four Weddings, is juggling too many balls this time. Or more to the point, dropping too many. The particular balls of a couple of porn actors (pun intended) tend to exclude the kiddies from this Christmas party. And possibly their grannies and grampies as well. 2003

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The Man without a Past — The man in question, a wood carving by the name of Markku Peltola, is a train passenger who, in a scene of jolting brutality, gets mugged on his first night in Helsinki and wakes up with amnesia. A quirked-up comedy, despite the rough start, by the deadpan Finn, Aki Kaurismaki, with a clean, fresh, well-pressed image, and an uncondescending, unsentimentalizing treatment of the homeless. There are moments of genuine, if



The Human Stain

constrained, emotion. The outdoor concert for bums, by a moonlighting Salvation Army band, is a kind of peak. With Kati Outinen. 2002

★★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 11/24, 6:30 P.M.)

Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World — The first screen incarnation of Lucky Jack Aubrey, hero of Patrick O'Brian's loved and admired series of historical adventure novels, captain of the British man-of-war, the HMS Surprise. This is preeminently a boys' story, and as pure and innocent a specimen as you are apt to find anymore, uncorrupted by concerns with democracy or demographics. (The closest you could find to it in the oeuvre of its director, Peter Weir, is the curdled Conradism of The Mosquito Coast.) There is an actual boy on view, a cherubic

curly-topped towhead, but of course boys of all ages want to choose their role models and hero figures from among grown men (as the towhead, for example, has chosen Lord Nelson). Girls have no place here at all. There is but one, brief, silent, almost spectral appearance by a female, a copperskinned native on whom Lucky Iack allows his gaze to linger — gateway to another world — before he gets back to business. That business would encompass, among other things, the pursuit of a bigger and faster French privateer, the amputation, the flogging, the flagons of rum, the parrot on the shoulder, the typhoon, the man overboard, the seamen's superstitions (is there a "Jonah" among the crew? is the enemy a "phantom"?), the military stratagems (a makeshift raft, festooned with lanterns, cut adrift as a decoy to throw off the trailing French ship in the dark), the

naturalist interlude on the Galápagos (the flightless bird, the amphibian iguana), the Churchillian if not Shakespearean address to the troops on the eve of battle ("Though we be on the far side of the world, this ship is our home. This ship is England"), and most importantly, at the core of it all, the masculine camaraderie, especially that between the Captain and the ship's surgeon, Dr. Stephen Maturin, whose harmonious friendship, as well as harmonious violinand-cello duets, sometimes must give way to the traditional testiness between the soldier and the scientist, the man of action and the man of intellect. Russell Crowe, Paul Bettany. 2003.

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The Matrix Revolutions — "Everything that has a beginning has an end" speaks the Oracle. And surely that's the most encouraging word, the most energizing word, the most fortifying word, in the third and final installment of the Wachowski Brothers' man-versus-machine trilogy. (Or "tril," as you may prefer to call it, taking your cue from "Trin," Neo's sweet-talk diminutive for the lovely Trinity.) An end, at long last, to the cluttery computer animation and congested digital compositing, an end to opacity and obfuscation, an end to double-talk and gobbledegook, an end to befuddlement and boredom. The script, whether with a grin or a grimace, has been booby-trapped with lines that seem to give voice to the viewers' or the filmmakers' innermost thoughts: "I wish there was an easy way to get through this, but there ain't." Or: "I know it's difficult to understand." Or: "I don't know what he can do to save us." The "he" is of course our uniquely gifted hero — the anagrammatic Neo — the One — and there's no good reason to doubt him if, in this make-it-up-as-we-go-along narrative, he will be able to see more clearly and deeply into the nature of things after his eyeballs have been burned off his face with a sparking power line. How can we be expected to know what such a man, if that's what he is, can do for us? We could only wish that, whatever it is, he would just hurry up and do it. It's much too late to wish he had quit after the first installment. Or before it. Keanu Reeves, Carrie-Anne Moss, Laurence Fishburne, Hugo Weaving. 2003. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;

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Mystic River — Clint Eastwood's somber meditation on chance, fate, doom; scarred souls and endless repercussions; violence begetting violence. Just as Unforgiven was an act of penance for the body counts in his Sergio Leone spaghetti Westerns as well as in his self-directed imitation Leones (High Plains Drifter, The Outlaw Josey Wales, Pale Rider), this can be viewed as an act of penance for the lone-wolf vigilantism of his Dirty Harry urban shoot-'em-ups: a kind of cleansed Harry. (There is no room here for Eastwood the actor, standing aside for the "liberal" casting of Sean Penn and Tim Robbins, and their highly emotional, tearful, unstoical, un-Eastwoody histrionics.) Although formulated as a murder mystery, it is not narrowly focussed on the investigation, but divides its time more or less evenly among three main characters, and expands continuously into the specific milieu, the complex personal relationships, the affected and ongoing lives, in fact life in general, life with a capital "L." All throughout, it sustains a tone of lamentation, underscored by the churchy musical theme composed by Eastwood himself (albeit orchestrated by his trusted collaborator, Lennie Niehaus). The retributive anger never supplants the sorrow; the release never comes. Admittedly, the outcome of the case depends upon a fortuitous coincidence that reeks of mystery-making for its own sake: a previously unrevealed second murder on the same night as the first. Yet the solution to the original murder is not overly tricksy, is perhaps even overly obvious; and the mood of the moment in any case is not one of parlor games and "gotcha." The honest the aggrieved — the penitent emotionalism of the film makes up for either the fortuitousness or the obviousness, as necessary, Kevin Bacon, Laurence Fishburne, Laura Linney, Marcia Gay Harden. 2003.

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nestled in peach-toned photography, about a frustrated scriptwriter, currently a flunky for a high-rolling production company, who gets some buzz going on a nonexistent screenplay by a nonexistent writer and sets off a bidding war. The young independent filmmakers — transplanted French director François Velle and first-time screenwriter Craig Sherman — seemingly didn't want to close off any avenues to the Promised Land. and in the meantime they've been keeping their eyes and ears open. (From the studio chief's feng-shui advisor: "I am getting a preponderance of yang coming off of you.") The threadbare production stresses their status as outsiders, and somewhat undermines the fictional illusion. With Jordan (son of Beau) Bridges, Marisa Coughlan, and Dan Hedava, 2003.

★ (KEN, 11/21 THROUGH 27)

Pieces of April — Thanksgiving-from-Hell comedy wherein a rebellious daughter, living in a bad neighborhood in the big city, tries to prepare her first holiday meal for her barely functional family from the suburbs. Small but broad, cheap but commercial, with a movie-stealing performance by Sean Hayes as the prissy upstairs neighbor in possession of a superior oven. Katie Holmes, Derek Luke, Patricia Clarkson, Oliver Platt; written and directed by Peter Hedges, 2003. ● (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Radio — Sanitary human-interest story of a high-school football coach in mid-Seventies South Carolina (Ed Harris in a Bear Bryant hat) who takes a retarded black man under his wing as an assistant, sending the team on an immediate losing streak and raising the question of "Why on earth are you doing



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this?" Racial issues do not really come into it; issues of moral values, proper priorities, do. Nice use of the local barbershop for postgame analyses and town meetings. The real people on whom the characters are based are seen in archival footage at the end. Cuba Gooding, Jr., Debra Winger, Alfre Woodard; directed by Mike Tollin. 2003. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10;

RANCHO DEL REY 16; VOGUE)

Runaway Jury — Courtroom hokum to do with the high-tech tactics to rig the jury in a civil suit against a gun manufacturer. The plot just keeps digging a deeper hole for itself, and the busy, frantic directorial manner of Gary Fleder cannot cover it up. From a John Grisham novel; with Gene Hackman, Dustin Hoffman, John Cusack, Rachel Weisz, and a large supporting cast more impressive on paper (Bruce McGill, Bruce Davison, Joanna Going, Dylan McDermott, Cliff Curtis, Jennifer Beals, et al.) than on screen. 2003.

• (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; PALM PROMENADE 24)

The Rundown — The Rock, erstwhile professional wrestler, here plays a "retrieval expert," a mob free-lancer who declines to work with a gun and looks forward to a future as a restaurateur. In the opening scene, in order to collect a little collateral on the gambling debts of a pro quarterback, he takes on a team of bodyguards composed of "the entire offensive line," and leaves the quarterback unprotected against next Sunday's pass rush. After that, you may rest assured that nothing worthwhile will happen on his ensuing escapade in Brazil, with a treasure-hunting college dropout (Seann William Scott, further assurance of worthlessness), a capitalist slave driver (Christopher Walken), and an undercover rebel leader (Rosario Dawson) disguised as a barmaid. Though he looks as if he stepped out of a comic book, The Rock can handle not only an offensive line but also a line of dialogue, and if nothing else the movie serves as an application for a better job. Directed by Peter Berg. 2003. ● (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Scary Movie 3 — What is a spoof of



Loonev Tunes: Back in Action

spoof? (Well, not in the middle exactly, but in the first fifteen minutes.) The Ring and Signs are the primary targets of leechery, but director David Zucker (BASEketball, Naked Gun, Top Secret, Airplane), rather than infuse fresh blood into the series, infuses tired blood instead. With Anna Faris, Charlie Sheen, Simon Rex, Anthony Anderson, and scads of cameo players. 2003. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPI ACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY

School of Rock — An imposter substitute teacher, and local laughingstock rocker, instructs a class of grade-schoolers in What He Knows: rock-and-roll, history and practice. The participation of director Richard Linklater (*Slacker*, etc.) and screenwriter Mike White (The Good Girl, similarly raise the results: head of the class of

PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16;

SWEETWATER 9: TOWN SOLIARE 14)

boneheads. Their plunge into the commercial mainstream — for a sort of Adam Sandler movie sans Adam Sandler has left them relatively unbefouled, maybe with just a faint scent of oil and sewage. A smarty-pants answer to things like Mr. Holland's Opus and Music of the Heart. the movie nevertheless boasts the "sweetness" for which Sandler is abundantly famous and grudgingly indulged. The hero does end up teaching something, and of course learning something himself: a feelgood movie, but a feel-cool, too. Jack Black, in his plummiest role to date, throws himself into it body if not soul. He appears more eager to connect with those in the multiplex than with those in the classroom,

thus coming across as grovelling and aloof at the same time, albeit in different directions. With Joan Cusack. 2003. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18: GASLAMP 15: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Shattered Glass — Reviewed this issue. With Hayden Christensen, Peter Sarsgaard, Chloë Sevigny, Hank Azaria, and Steve Zahn; written and directed by Billy Ray. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Singing Detective — Condensed and Americanized version of Dennis Potter's seven-hour miniseries for British television: an author of "detective novels about a gumshoe who warbles," hospitalized and immobilized with a head-to-toe case of psoriasis, escapes into memory and imagination. The whole thing, not just the sessions with the resident head-shrinker (a disguised Mel Gibson), is heavily psychological: figures from the writer's real life populate his fiction, and the 1950s rockand-roll and film noir date to the time of his traumatic childhood, and his skin disease gives outward form to his inner repression. (Then, too, the whole thing is semiautobiographical.) It doesn't quite jell - the lip-sync musical numbers in particular and the offbeat directing career of Keith Gordon has never seemed more "off": he lacks the production values of Herbert Ross in Pennies from Heaven (another Potter

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Gugino. 2003.

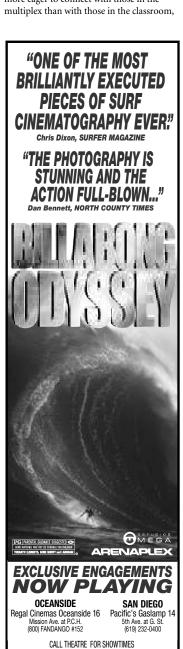
The Station Agent — The rare feature film to be built around a dwarf — a taciturn loner who moves into an abandoned train

phantasmagoria), and he lacks the taste of

Wright Penn, Jeremy Northam, and Carla

Resnais in Same Old Song (a Potter hommage). With Robert Downey, Jr., Robin







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depot in a remote corner of New Jersey to get away from other people ("Hey, buddy, where's Snow White?"), and who instead falls into a web of new relationships with an insatiably gregarious hot-dog vendor, a tormented female artist, an unmarried pregnant librarian, and a black schoolgirl. Modest, offbeat, a bit stiff and clunky, with a restrained and dignified central performance from Peter Dinklage, and a smattering of railroad knowledge. Patricia Clarkson, Bobby Cannavale, Michelle Williams, Rayen Goodwin; written and directed by Tom McCarthy. 2003.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

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.

★ (LA PALOMA)



The Texas Chainsaw Massacre — The remake by Marcus Nispel (who?) is a testament to the demands of 21st-century

moviegoers to have their horrors (or their anything else) in a style to which they are accustomed: desaturated color, shafts of

light, a hammering monotony of closeups, fashion-model damsels in distress, a pair of softball boobs under stretchy white fabric,

and so on. Thus a cheap, crude, cruddy, culty hit from 1974 becomes a flush, flashy, cruddy, mainstreamy hit in 2003. • (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SWEETWATER 9)

Tupac: Resurrection — Lauren Lazin's documentary on the life of the late rapper, Tupac Shakur. (CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SWEETWATER 9)

Under the Tuscan Sun — The distilled essence of Chick Flick, right down to the gender of writer-director Audrey Wells: a free adaptation of 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-

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the World (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 1:30, 3:45) 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 10:00, 10:30; Sun. (12:30, 1:30, 3:45) 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Tue. (12:30, 1:30, 3:45, 4:30) 7:00, 7:30, 10:00; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:20, 1:50) 4:20, 4:50, 7:45, 8:15, 10:40; Sun. (1:20, 1:50) 4:20, 4:50, 7:20, 8:15, 10:05; Mon.-Tue. (1:20, 1:50, 4:20, 4:50) 7:20, 8:15, 10:05; **Radio** (PG) Fri -Sat (1:05, 3:30) 5:55, 8:20, 10:35; Sun (12:55, 3:20) 5:45, 7:55, 10:20; Mon.-Tue. (12:55, 3:20, 5:45) 7:55, 10:20; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 2:45) 5:00, 7:10, 9:30; Sun. (12:40, 2:45) 5:00, 7:10, 9:20; Mon.-Tue. (12:40, 2:45, 5:00) 7:10, 9:20; **School of Rock** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:25) 4:55, 7:45, 10:15; Mon.-Tue. (2:25, 4:55) 7:45, 10:15

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Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Tue. (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15; The Cat in the Hat (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:10, 10:40, 11:10, 12:25, 12:55, 1:25, 2:40, 3:10, 3:40, 4:55, 5:25, 5:55) 7:10, 7:40, 8:10, 9:25, 9:50, 10:25; Wed.-Thu. 10:10, 12:25, 2:40, 4:55, 7:10, 9:25; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:45, 12:15, 2:10, 2:40, 4:35, 5:05) 7:05, 7:35, 9:25, 9:55; **The Haunted Mansion** (PG) Wed.-Thu. 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; **Looney Tunes: Back in Action** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:55, 12:20, 2:20, 2:45, 4:45, 5:10) 7:35, 10:00; **Love Actu**ally (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:15, 1:20, 4:25) 7:30, 10:35; Master and Commander: The Far **Side of the World** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:35, 12:55, 3:50, 4:10) 7:05, 7:25, 10:20, 10:40; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:00, 1:05, 4:10) 7:20, 10:30; **Radio** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:15, 1:55, 4:35) 7:15, 9:55; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:40, 2:10, 4:40) 7:10, 9:40; School of Rock (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:40, 2:20, 5:00) 7:40, 10:25; The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (2003) (R) Fri.-Tue. 7:20, 9:45; Tupac: Resurrection (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:10, 1:55, 4:40) 7:25, 10:10

I A MFSA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Center Grossmont Center (619-465-7100) Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 4:50, 7:00, 9:20; Mon.-Tue. (12:15, 2:30, 4:50) 7:00, 9:20; The Cat in the Hat (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 12:35, 1:15, 2:50, 3:30) 5:10, 5:45, 7:20, 8:00, 9:30, 10:15; Mon.-Tue. (12:35, 1:15, 2:50, 3:30, 5:10, 5:45) 7:20, 8:00, 9:30, 10:15; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:40) 5:00, 7:45, 10:05;

Mon.-Tue. (12:25, 2:40, 5:00) 7:45, 10:05; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:30, 8:15, 10:35; Mon.-Tue. (1:00, 3:10, 5:30) 8:15, 10:35; Looney Tunes: Back in Action (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20) 4:40, 7:05, 9:40; Mon.-Tue. (12:00, 2:20, 4:40) 7:05, 9:40; Love Actually (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:25) 4:30, 7:35, 10:25; Mon.-Tue. (1:25, 4:30) 7:35, 10:25; Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:45) 4:20, 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Tue. (12:45, 4:20) 7:30, 10:30; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:50) 4:10, 7:10, 10:20; Mon.-Tue. (12:50, 4:10) 7:10, 10:20; **Radio** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 3:00) 5:25, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Tue. (12:10, 3:00, 5:25) 7:50, 10:10

Grossmont Trolley8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) **Brother Bear** (G) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:20, 3:20)
5:20, 7:20, 9:15; Mon.-Tue. (12:45, 3:20, 5:20)
7:20, 9:15; **The Cat in the Hat** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:15) 4:30, 6:50, 9:00; Mon.-Tue. (12:00, 2:15, 4:30) 6:50, 9:00; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 1:50) 4:20, 7:30, 9:40; Mon.-Tue. (1:50, 4:20) 7:30, 9:40; **The Human Stain** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:35, 2:00) 4:40, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Tue. (2:00, 4:40) 7:10, 9:50; **Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 3:30) 6:40, 9:45; Mon.-Tue. (12:15, 3:30) 6:40, 9:45; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 3:10) 6:30, 9:30; Mon.-Tue. (12:25, 3:10) 6:30, 9:30; **Mystic River** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 3:00) 6:20, 9:20; Mon.-Tue. (12:10, 3:00) 6:20, 9:20; Scary **Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 2:30) 4:50, 7:00, 9:10; Mon.-Tue. (12:20, 2:30, 4:50) 7:00,

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15 2951 Jamacha Road (619-660-3460)

Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Sun. (10:20, 12:40, 2:55, 5:20) 7:40, 10:00; Mon.-Tue. (12:40, 2:55, 5:20) 7:40, 10:00; The Cat in the Hat (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:45, 5:15, 5:45) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15; Mon.-Tue. (11:00, 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:45, 5:15, 5:45) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:15, 9:45, 10:15; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:10, 4:30, 5:35) 7:05, 8:05, 9:35, 10:40; Mon.-Tue. (11:30, 12:30, 2:00, 3:10, 4:30, 5:35) 7:05, 8:05, 9:35, 10:40; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:40, 12:20, 2:10, 2:40, 4:40, 5:10) 7:15, 7:50, 9:50, 10:20; Looney Tunes: Back in Action (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 12:35, 1:10, 3:00, 3:35, 5:30) 7:55, 10:20; Mon.-Tue. (12:35, 1:10, 3:00, 3:35, 5:30) 7:55, 10:20; **Love Actually** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 1:20, 4:35) 7:45, 10:45; Mon.-Tue. (1:20, 4:35) 7:45, 10:45; Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 12:25, 1:05, 3:40, 4:15) 6:55, 7:25, 10:05, 10:35; Mon.-Tue. (12:25, 1:05, 3:40, 4:15) 6:55, 7:25, 10:05, 10:35; **The Matrix** Revolutions (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 1:15, 4:20) Revolutions (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 1:15, 4:20) 7:35, 10:40; Mon.-Tue. (1:15, 4:20) 7:35, 10:40; Radio (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:25) 6:45, 9:30; Mon.-Tue. 6:45, 9:30; Scary Movie 3 (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 12:30, 3:05, 5:25) 8:00, 10:25;

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12)

Zardoz — A classically styled heroic myth, set in a remote, thoroughly imagined future society, where there still exists a class division, of a sort, and a hairy, naked, virile Sean Connery fights to restore death to the pale privileged class, cursed with immortality. Frugally made, but not obviously stretched too thin; cleverly conceived and executed, but not quite mind-boggling. Written, directed by John Boorman. 1974.

★★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 11/20, 8:50 P.M., AND 11/21, 2:50

Zelig — Woody Allen's documentary



Tupac: Resurrection

parody on a fictitious celebrity of the Twenties and Thirties, known as the "human chameleon." Allen owes something to his own earlier documentary parody,

Take the Money and Run, something — a lot, actually — to *Citizen Kane* (the newsreel facsimile), something to *Dead Men Don't* Wear Plaid (the intermingling of old footage

and new), and something to Reds (the interviews with expert witnesses). The special effects here, if we can remember to speak of special effects as something other

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than bug-eyed monsters, laser rays, and the gelatinous ooze that emanates from the one when punctured by the other, yield nothing to those in Kane. In sharp contrast to the often undisciplined fancifulness of special effects in the horror and sci-fi genres, these are conceived and executed within classical constraints, the authentic archive footage providing both a model and a measuring stick. It takes a special sort of audacity for a parodist to do away with his traditional safety net — the generalizing and dimming effects of memory — and to hold up the original directly alongside the imitation. Outside of the aforementioned Dead Men Don't Wear Plaid, no other example leaps to mind, and that other one offers far less to back up its show of audacity. Zelig backs up its own, on the other hand, down to every last scratch on the emulsion, every sprocket jump, every halting pan, every faded gray, every crackle-and-pop on the soundtrack. In view of all that and much else, it would not be overstating the case to note that all the real excitement in Zelig takes place precisely on the surface, and often on very restricted areas of that surface. This excitement runs a little low, eventually, even at only eightythree minutes (give or take). With Mia Farrow, 1983. ★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC

ARTS, 11/20, 7 P.M., AND 11/21, 1 AND 7 P.M.)

Mon.-Tue. (12:30, 3:05, 5:25) 8:00, 10:25

SANTEE

Santee Drive In 10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Mon. 6:30, 8:20, 10:00; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Mon. 6:30, 8:55,

SOUTH BAY CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)
Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Tue. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:30; **The Cat in the Hat** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00; Elf (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Tue. 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **Looney Tunes: Back in Action** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 10:00, 11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; **Master and Com**mander: The Far Side of the World (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **The** Matrix Revolutions (R) Fri.-Tue. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:45, 1:00, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 9:45; **The** Texas Chainsaw Massacre (R) Fri.-Tue. 6:00, 8:15, 10:30

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road, San Diego (858-558-2262) The Cat in the Hat; Gothika; The Human Stain; Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World; Looney Tunes: Back in Action; Tupac: Resurrection; Love Actually The Matrix Revolutions; Brother Bear; Elf; Scary Movie 3; Radio; Mystic River; Run-away Jury; The Texas Chainsaw Massacre; Kill Bill; School of Rock

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707)

Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Tue. (11:20, 1:50, 4:35)
7:05, 9:35; The Cat in the Hat (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:00, 10:30, 11:35, 12:15, 12:50, 2:00, 2:35, 3:10, 4:15, 5:00, 5:25) 7:00, 7:30, 7:45, 9:30, 9:50, 10:15; Elf (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:00, 11:25, 1:45, 2:10, 4:20, 4:55) 7:05, 7:35, 9:50, 10:25; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Tue. (10:05, 12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 12:40, 3:15) 6:00, 7:35, 9:15, 10:15; **Looney Tunes: Back in Action** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:20, 12:15, 1:55, 2:50, 4:50) 7:45, 10:30; Love Actually (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 2:55) 7:20, 10:20; Master and Commander: The Far Side of **the World** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (10:00, 11:30, 1:05, 2:45, 4:15) 7:00, 7:30, 10:10, 10:45; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:15, 3:00) 6:30, 10:00; **Mystic River** (R) Fri.-Tue. 10:10; **Radio** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (5:10) 7:50; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:35, 2:00, 4:25) 6:55, 9:25; **Tupac: Resurrection** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:25, 2:25, 5:25) 8:10, 10:45

226 Third Avenue (619-425-1436) Good Boy (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 6:00; Intolerable Cruelty (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 9:45; Radio (PG) Fri.-Thu. 2:00, 7:45

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NATIONAL CITY

Sweetwater 9

1920 Sweetwater Road (619-474-8571) Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:20) 4:25, 6:30, 8:35; Sun. (12:15, 2:20) 4:25, 7:35; Mon.-Tue. (3:30, 5:40) 7:30; **The Cat in the** Hat (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:25, 2:40) 4:45, 7:00, 9:00; Sun. (12:25, 2:40) 4:45, 7:20; Mon.-Tue. (3:40, 5:45) 7:35; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:35, 2:50) 5:10, 7:25, 9:40; Sun. (12:35, 2:50) 5:10, 7:25; Mon.-Tue. (3:15, 5:15) 7:15; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:10) 4:10, 6:25, 8:45; Sun. (12:00, 2:10) 4:10, 7:15; Mon.-Tue. (3:35, 5:35) 7:40; Looney Tunes: Back in Action (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 2:35) 5:00, 7:10, 9:20; Sun. (12:20, 2:35) 5:00, 7:10, 9:20, 5un. (12:20, 2:35) 5:00, 7:10; Mon.-Tue. (3:20, 5:25) 7:25; **Master and Commander: The Far Side** of the World (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 3:05) 6:05, 9:10; Sun. (12:05, 3:05) 7:00; Mon.-Tue. (3:00) 7:00; The Matrix Revolutions (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:55) 6:50, 9:45; Sun. (1:00, 3:55) 7:05; Mon.-Tue. (3:05) 7:05; **Scary** Movie 3 (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:45) 4:50, 7:05, 9:05; Sun. (12:30, 2:45) 4:50, 7:40; Mon.-Tue. (3:25, 5:20) 7:20; **Tupac: Resurrec**tion (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:30) 4:55, 7:30, 10:00; Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:55, 7:30; Mon.-Tue. (3:10, 5:30) 7:50

NORTH INLAND BONSALL

Galaxy 6

Highway 76 and Mission Road (760-945-8784) Brother Bear (G) Fri. 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; Mon.-Tue. 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; **The Cat in the Hat** (PG) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Mon.-Tue. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **Elf** (PG) Fri. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Tue. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45; **Gothika** (R) Fri. 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Sun. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Tue. 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Looney Tunes: Back in Action** (PG) Fri. 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; Sat.-Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; Mon.-Tue. 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World (PG-13) Fri. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sun. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; Mon.-Tue. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Tue. 9:15

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain Ranch (858-674-9770) **Brother Bear** (G) Fri. (12:45, 1:25, 2:45, 3:35) 4:55, 7:00, 9:05; Sat.-Sun. (11:35, 12:10, 1:40, 2:10, 3:45) 4:25, 7:05, 9:10; Mon.-Tue. (1:15 1:45, 3:20, 3:50, 5:25, 5:55) 7:30, 9:35; **The Cat**

in the Hat (PG) Fri. (1:00, 1:40, 3:00, 3:40) 5:00, 5:40, 7:00, 7:40, 9:00, 9:40; Sat. (11:25, 12:20, 1:30, 2:20, 3:30) 4:20, 5:30, 6:20, 7:30, 8:20, 9:30, 10:25; Sun. (11:25, 12:20, 1:30, 2:20, 3:30) 4:20, 5:30, 6:20, 7:30, 8:20, 9:30; Mon.-Tue. (1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 5:55) 7:05, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00; Elf (PG) Fri. (12:35, 1:10, 2:50, 3:25) 5:05, 5:45, 7:15, 7:55, 9:35, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (12:15, 12:50, 2:25, 3:05) 4:45, 5:20, 7:00, 7:35, 9:15, 9:50; Mon.-Tue. (1:10, 2:30, 3:25, 4:45, 5:40) 7:05, 7:55, 9:15, 10:10; **Gothika** (R) Fri. (12:50, 3:05) 5:20, 7:35, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:45, 2:00) 4:15, 7:40, 9:55; Mon.-Tue. (1:20, 3:35, 5:50) 8:05, 10:15; Looney Tunes: Back in Action (PG) Fri. (12:55, 3:10) 5:15, 7:25, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:40, 1:45, 3:55) 7:10, 9:20; Mon.-Tue. (1:20, 3:20, 5:20) 7:20, 9:20; **Love Actually** (R) Fri. (1:20) 4:15, 7:10, 9:55; Sat. (11:50, 2:30) 5:10, 7:50, 10:30; Sun. (11:50, 2:30) 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Tue. (1:25, 4:15) 7:10, 9:55; Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World (PG-13) Fri. (12:40, 3:40) 7:05, 10:05; Sat. (12:00, 3:10) 7:15, 10:15; Sun. (12:00, 3:10) 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Tue. (1:05, 4:05) 7:00, 9:50; **The Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri. (1:30) 4:25, 7:20, 10:15; Sat. (11:30, 2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Sun. (11:30, 2:15) 7:15, 10:00; Mon.-Tue. (1:30, 4:20) 7:10, 10:00; **Runaway Jury** (PG-13) Fri. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; Sat. (11:55, 2:30) 5:05, 7:40, 10:20; Sun. (11:55, 2:30) 5:05, 7:40, 10:15; Mon.-Tue (1:15, 4:05) 7:00, 9:40; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri. 5:35, 7:50, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Mon.-Tue. 8:00, 10:05

POWAY

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30; The Cat in the Hat (PG) Fri. 10:15, 11:30, 12:30, 1:45, 2:45, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30; Sat. 11:30, 12:30, 1:45, 2:45, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30; Sun. 10:15, 11:30, 12:30, 1:45, 2:45, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30; Mon.-Tue. 11:30, 12:30, 1:45, 2:45, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:15, 8:30; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:15, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Gothika (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Looney **Tunes: Back in Action** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 11:30, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Sun.-Tue. 10:00, 11:30, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; **Love Actually** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Tue. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **Mas**ter and Commander: The Far Side of the World (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; The **Matrix Revolutions** (R) Fri.-Sat. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **Radio** (PG) Fri. 1:15, 6:00; Sat.-Tue. 1:15, 6:00, 10:45; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 3:45, 8:30, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 3:45, 8:30

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California

4:00) 7:10, 9:35; **The Cat in the Hat** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:00, 10:25, 10:55, 12:20, 1:15, 2:40, 3:35, 5:00, 12:50, 3:10) 6:05, 6:35, 7:20, 8:25, 9:00, 9:40; **Elf** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:00, 12:40, 1:35, 3:20, 4:10) 6:00, 7:15, 8:35, 9:50; **Gothika** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:15, 11:45, 1:50, 2:15, 4:20, 4:50) 7:05, 7:35, 9:40, 10:15; **Looney Tunes: Back in Action** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (10:20, 11:00, 1:30, 3:55) 7:05, 9:30; Love Actually (R) Fri.-Tuc. (12:35, 3:50) 7:00, 10:10; Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World

Brother Bear (G) Fri.-Tue. (10:30, 11:05, 1:30,

(PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (9:45, 12:00, 1:00, 3:15, 4:15) 7:00, 7:30, 10:15, 10:45; **The Matrix Revolu**tions (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:05, 12:55, 3:15, 4:00) 7:10, 7:35, 10:20, 10:40; **Mystic River** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:10) 10:45; Radio (PG) Fri.-Tue. (2:00) 7:15; **Scary Movie 3** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (2:35, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; **School of Rock** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (1:00, 3:45) 6:30, 9:15; **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 4:45) 10:00; **Tupac: Resurrection** (R)

Fri.-Tue. (12:50, 3:40) 7:40, 10:30 **NORTH COASTAL**

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)

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220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) The Cat in the Hat (PG) Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30

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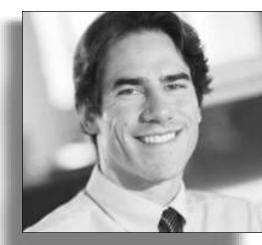
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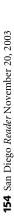
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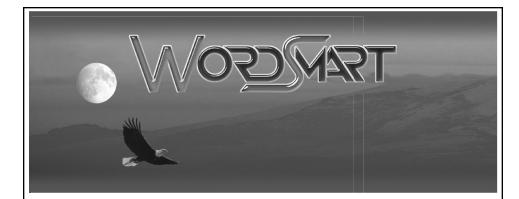
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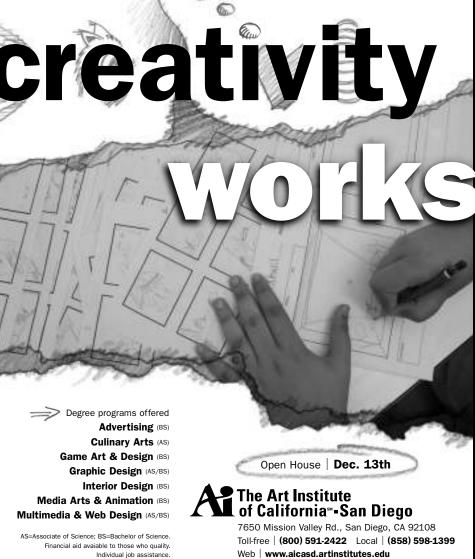


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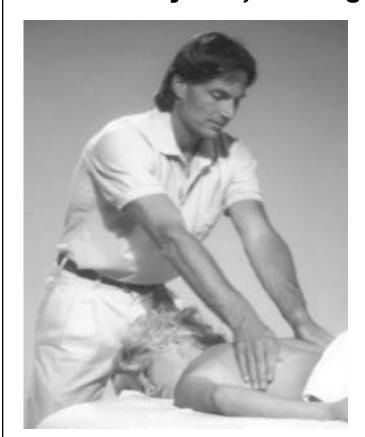
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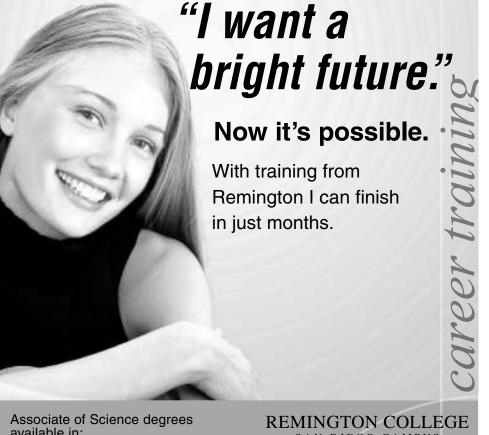


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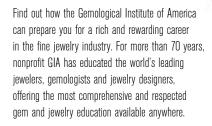
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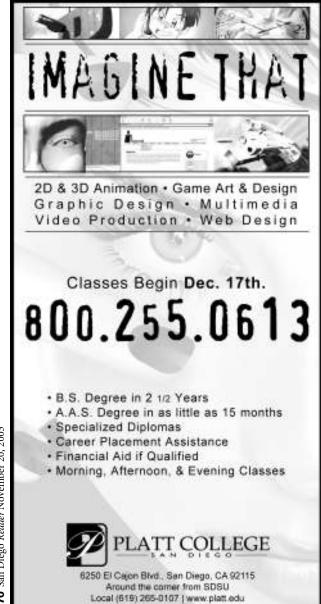


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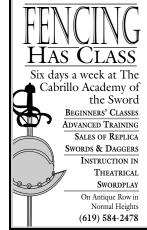
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GORGEOUS HUNK WANTED, 36-46, by scrawny blonde, 42, for fun, friendship, possible romance. Dancing a must. Nonsmoker, social drinker, no drugs, no baggage. Let's play! (11/26) \$\mathbf{x}\$90039

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GOOD LOOKER SEEKING friendship and possible long-term relationship. Like outings, movies, dining, hiking. Please call soon if you're 55+, tall and a monogamous nature. (12/3) \$\pi\$90077

ATTRACTIVE, FEMININE redhead, stylish 48, great legs. Mild herpes, otherwise healthy. Honest, reliable, independent. Seeking tall, attractive, stylish, independent black male, friendship, dating, possible relationship. (11/26) \$\overline{\alpha}\$90042

GOLDEN HAIR SURPRISE. Young looking, vibrant woman seeks confident, tall, 46-62 man with integrity, zest for life, emotionally/financially stable, for dating, creating recreation together. (11/26) \$\textbf{T}90043\$

ENERGETIC, OPEN, HONEST, humorous, 35, white female, seeking tall, energetic, open, intelligent, fun-loving male. Is that you? If so, I'd enjoy hearing from you. (12/3) ☎90065

I DON'T HEAR YOU KNOCKING on my door, so I'm trying the ads! I'm 51, attractive, fit, happy, professional, with life in order. You? (12/3) ☎90063

ASIAN, 54, HONEST, WARM, affectionate lady, would like to share some fun times. Age, 50+, easygoing guy who en-joys life. I enjoy travel, dancing, cook-ing. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{\textit{T}} 90055

Ing. (11/26) \$\overline{\text{T90055}}\$ **DEAR SANTA,** please send me a nice gentleman for Christmas. Make my dreams come true. End my search. Young 70 lady. Adventurous life is great. (11/26) \$\overline{\text{T90054}}\$ LONG BLONDE HAIR, hazel eyes, 5'7", 120lbs., outdoor type, strong life values, like sci-fi fantasy, comedy, animals. Seeking male, 40-55, with shared interests. East County. (11/26) \$\Pi\$90050

From Good Stock!

Woman, 46, not just interested in sex. I can be sexy and sexual, but am looking for old-fashioned, traditional relationship for old-fashioned, traditional relationship based on old-fashioned, traditional male/female roles. Like when dad stole kisses from mom, or when grandpa told grandma she still had it. Seeking man, 45-59, willing to go extra mile for one he loves. (11/26) \$\overline{\alpha}\$90037

EUROPEAN CHARM, WARMHEARTED. well traveled, articulate, red/blue, fit, enjoys conversation, interesting people, culture, arts. Seeking honest, reliable, stable man, similar virtues, friendship, more. (12/3) \$\frac{12}{30}\$ more. (12/3) 25 90069

FEMALE, 51, SEEKING MALE relation-

ship, who is sincere, dependable, humorous, traveler, average-looking guy, North County area. Prefer Christian with morals. I'm 5', petite, average. (12/3) 290078

ASIAN, SEXY, great smile, nice legs/fig-ure, 5'3", 115lbs., healthcare profes-sional, childless, homeowner. Seeking tall, fit, nonsmoker, financially stable, cau-casian professional, 35-56. Let's explore. (12/3) \$\textit{T90084}\$ ME: INTELLIGENT, CREATIVE, eyed beauty, medium build, 5'4". You: age 35-60, fit, attractive, nonsmoker, no drugs, for travel, art, adventure, intelligent conversation. (11/26) \$\frac{11}{20}\$ 90052 ME: INTELLIGENT, CREATIVE, green-eyed beauty, medium build, 5'4". You:

EUROPEAN, MEXICAN, attractive, educated, fun, easygoing, sexy, playful, 5'8", 140lbs., 40. Seeking attractive man, tall, 38-50, fun, easygoing, romantic, ready for serious relationship. (12/3) \$\mathbf{T}\$90068

BLUE-EYED BLONDE, 52, pretty, nice, fun, crazy sensitive likes mountains fun, crazy, sensitive, likes mountains, beach, dogs and quiet times. No smoking and light drinking. Looking for best friend. (11/26) 290045

GOOD-LOOKING ASIAN, fit, intelligent, financially secure, selective. Love animals, sports. Seeking handsome, successful white male with similar qualities, between 35-48, 5'9"+. North County. (11/26) \$\frac{11/26}{2}\$

LOVELY LONG LEGS, attractive Japanese-American, 5'9", slim, intelligent, honest, sweet, sense of humor, outgoing, open minded, without children. Seeking similar for long-term Seeking similar for relationship. (11/26) \$\frac{11}{26}\$



I AM VIBRANT AND YOUTHFUL for my tre, travel. Educated w re fit? (12/3) 290061

TALL, ATTRACTIVE, SLENDER, woman professional, 57, nonsmoker, honest, outgoing personality, good sense of humor. I enjoy long walks and quiet times. Seeking similar man. (12/3) \$\mathbf{T}\$90075

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE, 38. 5'5" trim, slender, fit, loves outdoor and indoor activities, family life. Seeking white male, 48-58, 5'11"+, same interests. Very humorous, affectionate. (12/3) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$90086

DREADED BEAUTY, free spirited, sensual and intellectual, perceptive and honest. You are health conscious, righteous.

CUTIE SEEKS GREAT LOOKING guy! Me: Cute, white, nice body. You: white, 21-30, Cute, white, nice body. You: write, 21-ou, 5'11"+ with good body. Love surfer boys, dancing, music, traveling, parties. (12/3)

SEXY, EUROPEAN EDUCATED, gorgeous, petite. Seeking successful, truthful, generous, educated, anti-war, stylish, nonogamous, (com)passionate, no baggage, friendship, sportive. No previous kids, spiritual/nonreligious, 37-48, 59'+, (12/3) 20079

SEEKING SINCERE, HONEST, kind, witty, white, or hispanic male, 31-35, for serious elationship. Great personality and looks plus. (11/26) 790059

size brunette. Seeking long-term relation-ship. Nonsmoker. Very loving, romantic and sincere. Let's go for it, big boy! (12/03) \$\mathbf{T}\$90060

TALL. PLAYFUL. AUBURN. 43. 5'9". Hugs, professional, 6'+, 220lbs.+, non-smoking/addictions, spiritual, cultural, honest, attractive, dancer, stylish, flexible, 38+, open minded, travel, generous, acceptable of the company of the compa

ATTRACTIVE, SOPHISTICATED, edu cated, 56 years lady. Like outings, drives, theatre, movies, music. Well traveled, intelligent, outgoing, nonsmoking/drugs. Seeking gentleman for fun times, possible relationship. (11/26) \$\tilde{\text{TopQ0038}}\$

SENSUAL, KIND, SWEET, attractive,

ing for an attractive white male for romance/fun relationship. I enjoy walks, concerts, movies, traveling. (12/3)

plonde, 34, very pretty, toned, passion-active You: Latino looking, muscular, 30-38, nomeowner. Both: into personal growth, never want kids, spiritual, outgoing. (12/3)

ASIAN, ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, slim, 50's, enjoy dancing, music, travel, real estate Seeking friendship/more with white, 554-emotionally/financially secure, balanced sincere, happy, monogamous home-owner. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{\textit{T}} 90044

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VERY ATTRACTIVE MEXICAN, SEXY, great legs, wants to meet very attractive guy, 39-49, healthy, honest, financially secure, nonsmoker, no drugs, for friendship, or possible relationship. (12/3)

STOP! ONE-WOMAN MAN for one-man woman. Widow, 59, smoker, loving, caring. Seeking country man, gentle, humorous, patient, likes quiet evenings, Barona and laughing. (12/3) 290070

your soul. Intuitive, vivacious, spirited woman seeks balanced, sensitive, sexy man to share laughter, excitement, commitment, and dreams. Journey into love. (11/26) \$\Pi\$90058

YOUR DREAM LADY. Attractive, tall, long legs, sexy, intelligent, shall love, honor

ture now. (11/26) \$\infty\$ 90049

PRETTY BLONDE WITH blueish-green eyes. I'm 45 and enjoy sports, gym, beach. Seeking nonsmoking, compatible, easygoing man between the ages of 43-51 years old. (11/26) \$\infty\$ 90046

Easygoing 3.51 years old. (11/26) \$\frac{\tag{90046}}{290046}\$

BEAUTIFUL REDHEAD, 39, fit, professort outdoor airl. Seeking over 40, fit, for last. sional, outdoor girl. Seeking over 40, fit, professional, outdoor kinda guy, for lasting relationship. Enjoy music, movies, and fun. North County. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$90056 TRUSTING, LASTING FRIEND wanted Someone to count on, build relationship with, caring, support, authentic, commu-nication, time, fun, movies, etc. 5'7", at-44, fun loving, healthy. (12/3)

MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE? Me: exotic dark and lovely, tall and sexy, independent and secure. You: tall, dark and handsome, clean, cute, nonsmoker, 40-49, who enjoys life. (12/3) 290074

PROVE TO ME that there are still good black men who can love a good black woman. No games, please, be ready to be real. (11/26) \$\overline{a}\$ 90048

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MEN SEEKING WOMEN

SEMI-SHY LATIN, seeking sexy, outgoing and spontaneous lady for relationship. I'm 37, young looking, fit and educated, who doesn't care about race. (12/3) \$\tilde{2}\$90559

BLACK MALE, 41, looking for full-figured, white woman, for conversations, walks on the beach, music, closeness, honesty, laughter, long-term relationship. Age between 35-55. (11/26) 290495

Black Princess

Movie critic, well almost, attractive white male, slim and trim, Ray Liota type, mid-40s, born in October, 5'11*, brown hair, green eyes, down to earth, stable, dog lover, nonsmoker, romantic, affectionate, good sense of humor. Searching for that special black lady who still believes life and love can be like it is in the movies. Age open. (12/3) \$290575

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MALE PROFESSIONAL. PH.D. athletic. hyperactive, trim, 76. Looking for a trim, open-minded companion in her 60's, who likes the arts and romance. (12/3) \$\frac{\tag{2}}{2}\$90564

30, MALE HISPANIC, looking for 25-35

Looking for good relationship, friends first. 5'11", 190lbs. (12/3) \$\overline{\alpha}\$90540

CLOSE EYES! WISH! VOILA! Ready! Life's best "half", monogamous, witty, traveled, sensitive, North County retired. You: tall, unencumbered, romantic doer in life. Experience right road! (11/26)

BLACK BEAUTY SOUGHT by white professional male, 49, fit, emotionally and fifessional male, 49, fit, emotionally and financially secure. Please be attractive, fit, employed. You know what you want. Call me. (11/26) 2790496

DIVORCED, WHITE MALE, 65, 5'9", medium build, degreed, professional, ro-mantic, spontaneous, adventurous. Enjoy movies, theater, fine dining. Seeking lady, 55-65. Enjoy San Diego lifestyle. (12/3)

JAPANESE OR FILIPINA, 25-35, for friendship that hopefully leads to a loving and committed relationship. Please be nice, caring, Christian, and into fitness (12/3) \$\Pi\$90555

HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 59, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting, committed relationship. (12/3) \$\oldsymbol{2}\$90535

Real Man

ift, muscular, outdoors, bicycling, surfing, hiking, Harleys, North County coastal. You: 25-45, fit, similar interests, little/no baggage. (11/26) \$\overline{\alpha}\$90514

relationship. Professional, 50s, seeks nonsmoking, good-natured woman. Enjoy weekend adventures, casual entertainment, travel, good friends, good food, my cooking, life. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{2}\$90531

YOUNGER, VERY ATTRACTIVE, race open female wanted. Age 25-45, kir caring, values, to be my sweetheart. 53, successful executive, 6'3", good loing, kind, romantic, funny, personal plus, great dresser, monogamous, sensual, spoiler, wants to be provider, protector, friend, partner, and committed. Dating first, hopefully long-term relationship. You must listen to my message! (11/26) ☎90523 BAD BOY SEEKS BAD GIRL for romance, excitement. Interracial dating preferred. Me: 5'11", 210lbs., professional, attractive, passionate, single, black male. Want to know more? Ask. (11/26) \$\mathbf{T}\mathfrak{90533}\$

OCEANSIDE GUY. Seeking holiday part-ner. Newly single, and wanting to get into the dating scene. Looking for friendly, kind, and happy gal. (11/26) ☎90493

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SEEKING OUT ON A LIMB woman. Fun, friendship/relationship, personal and intuitive growth, learning and sharing advanced holistic healing methods, releasing limitations, expanding joy/lovel (11/26) ☎90506

ITALIAN MAN, 40, 6'1", honest, sincere, enjoys movies, walks on beach, easygoing, home oriented. Seeking slender, attractive woman, for meaningful relation-

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PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN: Teacher/ performer, handsome, 6'1", 170lbs., 51, red/blue, swing dancer, bicycle racer, nonsmoker/drinker/drugs, child free, seeking someone with right chemistry/connection. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{\Pi}\$90518

SUCCESSFUL PROFESSIONAL, single black male, seeks that special someone for fine dining, culture, exercising, travel. You: any race, 22-35, childless, educated, fun. (11/26) 790505

cated, tun. (11/26) \$\mathbb{T}\) 99505 HANDSOME, NATIVE, professional, 6', 190lbs., athletic, financially secure, entertaining. Seeking attractive, adventurous, spontaneous, slender woman, 24-35, love walks, picnics, bicycling, boating, romance, humor, craving attention. (11/26) \$\mathbb{T}\) 90497

LOOKING FOR MY SOUL MATE. White male, 51, youthful, athletic, romantic, healthy, emotionally secure. Seeking woman, 35-50, with similar qualities. North County. (11/26) \$\mathbf{T}\$90498

Why Not Me?

Balanced, wilty, semi-fit, 40-year old male, seeks 35-45, fun, attractive, positive, down-to-earth female with a variety of interests. Spontaneity a plus. (12/3) \$\mathbf{x}\$90553

ATTRACTIVE, ATHLETIC, 46, single white male, 6', 185ibs., loyal and very romanti seeking slender, ebony lady, 30-45, folong-term relationship. (12/3) \$\frac{1}{2}\$90565

GOURMET GENTLEMAN CHEF, age 73 seeking one discriminating woman to sample delicacies that just might spoil you forever. Special requests for complimentary morsels are invited. (12/3) \$\overline{\tau}_{90546}\$

BEACH BOY SEEKS Marvelette. Get man ried? Eventually me too. Nieanwino, S. joy. My soulmate: ebony, 40's, educated, fit, doesn't need my dough. Surprised we're still single? (12/3) \$\oldsymbol{3}\$90573

32. AVERAGE WHITE GUY, seeks an easygoing gal. Don't worry, shape, and have no issues, so what happens. (12/3) \$\infty\$90547

TALL, DANCE PARTNER. 6'4", 51, emotionally available, sensual, passionate, open-minded, spiritual. Loves sailing, skiing, learning, laughing, movies, music, dancing, candlelight, romantic adventure. (11/26) \$\frac{1}{2}\$90502

MEXICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE, small to medium figure, sought by handsome, single black male, 37, 6'2", degreed. Seeking committed relationship, enjoy night life, cruises! (11/26) \$\infty\$90522

HAPPY, KIND, INTELLIGENT, 6', greeneyed, blond, seeks long-term relationship with a woman of similar qualities. Race, and age unimportant. Let's dance. (11/26) \$\overline{\textit{T90449}}\$

dance. (11/26) 23-90449

CONFIDENT, WHITE, youthful senior, employed, many interests, 200lbs., 5'10". We like street markets, nature, animals. You: attractive with dark hair, age 35+, race no issue. (12/3) \$\infty\$90539

LA MESA REAL ESTATE broker, 52, mid-western. Enjoy nature, mountains, skiing, sports cars, RVing, travel. Seeking sport naneous, adventurous gal, 38-50, for Big Bear escapes, etc. (12/3) 2790550

MALE, 55, FIT, 5'e7, intelligent, spiritual, creative, physically/emotionally healthy, happy, single, Ph.D. Professor seeking petite female, 35-49, nonsmoker, no children. (11/26) \$\alpha\$90516

OUTDOORSMAN, CAUCASIAN, officer masculine, 50s, 5'10", passionate, hon-OUTDORSMAN, CAUCASIAN, Officer, masculine, 50s, 510°, passionate, honest, homeowner. Enjoy beach, boating, cooking, movies, dining. Seeking intelligent, slender lady, 35-45. Race open. Committed, sincere relationship. (11/26)

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HERPES, SANE, EMPLOYED, professional, 6', 180lbs., 50's, leftist politics, enjoy beaches, mountains, music, art, movies. Seeking active, slender partner, 40-55. (12/3) \$\overline{\text{Total Politics}}\$

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REFINED CLASSY, gentleman, intelligent, sensitive, nice-looking, spiritual, well-bred, well-travelled, well-schooled. Caring, good sense of humor, wishing to meet mate. Contact me. (12/3) \$\Pi\)90551

HANDSOME, GREEN EYED, tall, fit, 49, enjoys outdoors, hiking, biking and swirming. Looking for attractive, tall lady for monogamous relationship. Educated and successful looking for special lady to enjoy life. (11/26) \$\overline{\textit{T}}90520

CHEMISTRY, LOOKS, CHARM, wit, hunor, adventure and spontaneous com-ustion are what I look for. I'm 48, 5'10", 60lbs., healthy, fit, fun, and very suc-essful. Encinitas. (12/3) \$\textbf{2}\$ 90536

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HANDSOME, TALL, FIT, personable, confident, passionate, caring, 45. I believe in working smart and having responsible fun. Seeking healthy, affectionate, pretty, slim, fun gal. Nonsmoker. (12/3) ☎90566

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REDNECK, 6', 190LBS., fun guy, sense of humor, seeking country girl or tomboy, good attitude. I'm a country blue grass musician, seeking passionate music lover. (11/26) ☎90512

COLORFUL GREEN-BLUE EYES, very affectionate, attractive, unencumbered, de-greed professional, 39, 6'1", 218lbs., Ger-man-Irish Catholic, clean-cut, man-Irish Catholic, clean-cut, conservative appearance. Seeking intelligent, warmhearted, unencumbered, white female, 22-32, very attractive, pretty, possessing inner and outer beauty. (11/26) \$\mathbf{T}\$90526

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WARM, HONEST, SINCERE, white male, 511", 172lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes. Looking for a nice, honest, mature woman. Possible long-term relationship. (12/3) \$\tilde{\tau}\$90538

FINE GENTLEMAN, good natured, outgoing, slim, 5'8". Seeking mature senior woman, 69 plus, joyful in spirit, aging gracefully. (12/3) \$\frac{12}{30}\$\$

TALL, 51, SLENDER, FIT, fun, bright pleasant, mannered, father, responsible, varied interests. Seeking 39-50, North County lady, bright, fun, taller, attractive, trim, sexy, nonsmoker, serious. (11/26)

YOU: ATHLETIC. EXCEPTIONAL female! Me: Sean Connery, look-alike, college graduate, communicator, yoga practitioner, liberal, vegetarian, NPR fan, ex-Jerseyite, 70. Seeking passionate, emotional intimacy. (12/3) \$\frac{1}{2}\$90556

LET'S END BEING ALONE. White, 60, will share hugs, affection, long-term relationship, barbecues, a cold beer. You prefer wine, quiet evenings. Race open. (11/26) 79:05.11

ASIA LADY REQUESTED by gentleman, because you are honest, bright, slim, sensual, happy, jazz lover, a sense of humor. Please call me. Thank you. Ciao. (12/3)

LONELY, TALL, HANDSOME, white young 50, loves young woman, enjoy inti-mate, romantic evenings. Divorced father seeking sexy, passionate, stylish, sweet smelling, excellent kisser, wine, din-ner. (11/26) \$\mathbf{x}\$90510

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GOOD-LOOKING, SMART, STABLE, suc cessful, unencumbered, nice guy, approximately 6', 180lbs., 46. Seeking slender, single, highly educated, nurturing beauty, 35-43, for balanced, long-term relationship. (12/3) \$\alpha\$90534

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SINCERE, AFFECTIONATE, honest, easygoing, shy, quiet, fit 55-year-old, 5'8", 150lbs., like movies, camping, desert, dune buggies, dining out. Seeking petite lady, same qualities. (12/3) ☎90548

MATURE LADY SOUGHT by polite, warm, nice-looking, employed man, 6'2", 205lbs., 53, for plays, dinners, long talks, and committed relationship. You'll like my voice. (12/3) \$\frac{12}{27}\$90541

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LOVABLE, CUTE, FINANCIALLY secure 5'10", physically fit and slightly compulsive. North County guy seeking unencumbered, attractive woman, 35-45, to go out and have fun with. (12/3) \$\frac{\pi}{\pi}\$90554

SINCERE, NICE PERSON, 54, healthy homeowner, secure, sense of humor. Positive person, retiring in year, and would like relationship to enjoy life, and travel together. (12/3) \$\infty\$ 90574

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EAST COUNTY, 53, professional, homeowner, movies, dining, attractive handholder, romantic, slender, financially secure, laughter, pleaser, sensitive. You attractive, playful, honest, sense humor, cuddler, attractive, 40-58. (12/3) ☎90537

YOU ARE 5'-5'6", 49-50s, slender medium build, nonsmoker, nondrinker, sensuous, affectionate, cuddly. Me: same plus beaches, homeowner, humorous, lovable, educated, music, semi-retired teacher. (11/26) \$\mathref{x}\$90499

HANDSOME, FINANCIALLY secure white male, 40s, massage specialist, seeks open-minded lady needing intimacy and sensual affection, enjoys massage and values her privacy and independence. (12/3) ☎90557

HANDSOME HOLIDAY TREAT! 38, 6'1" 195lbs. Wrapped in kindness, generosity and affection. Very fit, masculine, witty with good values. Has everything but you slim beauty, 28-40. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{2}\$90517

Ilm beauty, 28-40. (11/26) 290517.

INTROVERTED, INTUITIVE thinker seeks sensual, feeling type. Into astrology, mysticism, dreams, nature. Not new age. Pisces, Scorpio moon, Leo rising, 54, tall, slender, fit, bald. (12/3) 290569

NOT RICH, BUT RICH in love. Not a total hunk, but handsome in soul. White, 50, nonsmoker. Artistic, musical male. seeking friend, companion, comfortable, fit. (11/26) ☎90504

DEAR SANTA, ALL I WANT for Christmas is a great girl, white, 41-47, slender, longer hair, great smile/outlook, affectionate, playful, smart, normal. No exchanges. (12/3) 2790562

YOU LIKE: CANDLELIGHT massages, pillow talk, star walks, compassionate com-munication, best friendship, romantic get-aways, rose-petaled baths. Nurturing, 5'10", 174 lbs., 59. Encinitas. (11/26)

SURF, BLADES, BIKES, jogs, guitarist, restaurants, theater, movies, 37, 5'11", athletic build, spontaneous, North County coastal, You: athletic, quiet evenings at home, time to date. (12/3) \$\frac{1}{2}\$90549

LA JOLLA OCEANFRONT mansion. Sunsets with very handsome, 6'4", fit, 50

writer, lawyer, traveler. Seeking incredibly beautiful, think, smart, 25-40, for fun, adventure, romance. (11/26) \$\mathbf{x}\$90530

TALL, ROMANTIC, adventurous, guynext-door type. White/Asian, 6'1", 175lbs., clean cut, healthy, nonsmoker, enjoys outdoors, surfing, music, aviation. Seeking unattached nonsmoker, serious elationship (11/26) 790532 ip. (11/26) \$\frac{1}{2}\$905

YOUNGER WOMAN, 18-29, petite brunettes preferred. Kids OK. I'm 37, blond, 5'10". Let's buggy in the desert, vacation in Mexico, Hawaii, enjoy life. (11/26) ☎90507

HIGH ENERGY BUSINESS OWNER. Lives In North County, 50-ish, working out for proportionate, lovely, educated lady, 30-45, nonsmoker, under 5'7". Dinners, laughing, tender times, future. (11/26) \$\oldsymbol{\Phi}\end{args}0508

ONE GOOD WOMAN IS ALL I want to make us happy. 54, divorced, humorous, romantic, attractive, seeking same for companionship. (12/3) \$\frac{1}{2}\$90561

companionsnip. (12/3) 25/90/90/91
ARE YOU SINGLE, about thirty-somethingish, Caucasian, Christian, physically fit, financially responsible, childless, but ready to click with similar, yet older, mature, monogamous male? (12/3) 25/90/571

GOOD-LOOKING WHITE MALE, 41, 6'3", 225lbs., looking for princess to enjoy life. Seeking long-term relationship/best friend for road trips, romance, cooking, conversations. (12/3) \$\mathbf{2}\$ 90560

Sationis. (12/3) 1790560

WHITE MALE, 44, TALL, dark, nice looking, honest, witty, secure, fun, enjoys just about anything! Seeking attractive, humorous, nonsmoking woman for relationship. 619 area preferred. (11/26) 1790500

T90500 **JEWISH MAN IN HIS 50S,** seeks a Jewish woman. 35-50, no children at home. ish woman, 35-50, no children at home, for friendship, possible long-term relationship. Interests: tennis, hiking, music. (11/26) ☎90529

LITIZOJ A 9029 LOVER BOY, BLOND HAIR, blue eyes, educated professional, 36, very goal driven. Seeking Ms. Right to share tomor-row. Sincere, honest, loving, caring and very kind. (11/26) \$\overline{\textit{T}}\$90513

BALANCED, UNENCUMBERED, edu cated, professional, athletic, 53, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic Spontaneous homeowner, social, midwest values. Seeking compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (11/26) \$\pi\$90494

51, 5'9", SAN MARCOS. Seeking North County partner to spend time with. Playful, humorous, sincere nonsmoker enjoy ocean walks, arts, movies, quiet dinners, and romance. (11/26) \$\Pi\$90492

and romance. (11/26) \$\overline{\Pi}\$90492

SUCCESSFUL, EUROPEAN, intellectual, handsome, charming, and emotionally stable, wished to make happy a sensitive, attractive, and educated lady in her 30's. (12/3) \$\overline{\Pi}\$90570

ROOMMATES

THE READER OFFICES will be closed Thursday, November 27, for Thanksgiving. Voicemail must be recorded by Monday, 4pm, and voicemail payment must be received by Monday, 4pm. Print only ads can be placed until Monday, 6pm. Internet e-mail ads must be submitted by Monday, 4pm.

BAY HO. \$550. Roommate wanted to share very nice, large, secluded, 4 bedroom, 3 bath house near I-5 and Balboa with 2 others. Large private yard and more. Call Paul, 619-857-9106 or Suzanne. 858-274-1800.

BAY HO/CLAIREMONT, WEST. \$450

room house. Laundry in garage. Non-smoker. 858-494-3440.

BAY HO/CLAIREMONT WEST, \$700, plus utilities. Master bedroom with French doors onto 128 square feet private deck. Nonsmoker, 858-494-3440.

Nonsmoker. 806-494-0-4-0.

BAY HO/CLAIREMONT, WEST. \$600, 1/3 utilities, deposit. Large bedroom in 3 bedutilities, deposit. Large bedroom in 3 bed-room house. Safe, quiet neighborhood. Washer/dryer, pool, nice yard. Own bath. 12/1/03. 619-235-2415, x20826.

BAY PARK home. \$525, utilities \$35. Mission Bay Park stores. Transportation, UCSD, washer/dryer, internet, wooded garden. Male only, nonsmoker. A great central location. 619-276-1966.

BAY PARK. \$590. Room available now. Large house, very clean, new carpet, freshly painted, storage, fireplace, washer/dryer, backyard. Female. No pets. Mark, 619-276-7686; 619-235-2415,

x18740.

CARDIFF. \$725. Spacious bedroom in ocean-view home. Share bath/utilities. Large mirrored closets. All amenities, washer/dryer. Beach 1 block. No pets/drugs. 760-942-7604; 619-235-2415,

x30490.

CARDIFF. \$650 and \$750, plus utilities and deposit. 2 rooms available now. Ocean view, nice home, washer/dryer, dishwasher. No pets, no smoking. 760-579-1733.

CARDIFF. \$800, utilities included. Master bedroom with private bath in 3 bedroom home. Male preferred. Share with 2 females. Absolutely no drinking or drugs! 760-230-1499

760-230-1929.

CARDIFF. \$6.25/monthly, covers everything. Deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Unbeatable location in Cardiff, next to everything. Ocean view, walk-in closet. Available 12/1. Carl, 760-917-2099.

CARDIFF. \$600, 1/3 utilities, deposit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Share bath. Furnished or unfurnished bedroom. Male preferred. Washer/dryer, wide screen, cable TV, cable Internet, maid and cat. Available now. Jeff, 760-635-1127.

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CARDIFF. \$750. Room and private bath in beautiful, spacious, 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome. 1 other occupant. Shared office/guest room, fireplace, digital cable, wireless network. Close to beach and I-5. No pets. 760-271-8680.

CARDIFF. Private bath, \$575/garden entrance, \$550, plus deposits. Community living with privacy. Vegetarian kitchen, organic garden, jacuzzi, laundry, distilled water, nonsmoker, no dogs. 760-753-0321.

0321.

CARLSBAD. \$750, utilities, deposit. Available immediately. Townhouse. Private room/bath. Prefer female, share with female and dog. Quiet, safe. Washer/dryer, fireplace, yard, pool, jacuzzi. 619-235-2415, x29967.

2415, x29967.

CARLSBAD. \$625, 1/2 utilities. Room for rent. Private bath. 2 blocks to beach, near Tamarack. Washer/dryer, jacuzzi. Available now. Call Mark, 760-730-0541; 619-235-2415, x30703.

CARLSBAD. \$700 plus utilities. 1 mile to ocean. 11x13 room with bath, garage, laundry, community tennis, pool, spa, etc. Female only. 760-603-9673.

CARLSBAD. \$500. 3 bedroom town-house, 1-1/2 baths, 1-1/2 blocks from beach, beautiful neighborhood, few blocks from the village. 760-730-9729.

CARLSBAD. Negotiable. Male to share 2 master bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo. Office, pool table, Foosball, washer/dryer, pool, spa. 1/2 utilities. Available now. Mike, 619-235-2415, x26562. CARLSBAD/LA COSTA. \$600/month plus

1/2 utilities. Share spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Garage, pool, jacuzzi Call Matt, 760-633-1372.

CARLSBAD/LA COSTA. 2 rooms available in new house. Award-winning gated community. Washer/dryer, garage, pool/jacuzzi. \$575 available 12/1. \$600 available 1/1. 760-471-1805.

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ties. Very large bedroom, bathroom and closets. Air conditioning, pool, parking, new furniture, beautiful setting. Must see! Seapoint condos. 760-436-3383.

CARMEL VALLEY, \$610, 1/3 utilities Nonsmoking female. Room in luxury 3 bedroom apartment. Washer/dryer, pool, jacuzzi, fitness room, computer room, movie theater. 858-509-4737.

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CARMEL VALLEY. \$675 plus 1/2 utilities. Room for rent. 2 bedroom condo. Private bathroom. Plenty of parking, washer/dryer. Quiet neighborhood. Tennis, pool, jacuzzi. 858-792-6876.

CARMEL VALLEY. \$750 including utilities. Room in new, luxury 4 bedroom home. Cable, washer/dryer, jacuzzi, fitness room, quiet, clean. Nonsmokers. Garage parking available. 858-337-3906.

CARMEL VALLEY/DEL MAR, EAST \$700. Master bedroom/bath available in beautiful home. Garage, washer/dryer, pool, jacuzzi, tennis. Great location. No smoking/pets. 858-245-1508. CHULA VISTA/EASTLAKE, \$500, utilities

cable included. Indoor washer/dryer. Amenities: pools, spas, close to shopping, golf and tennis. No deposit. Call 619-823-7265.

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CHULA VISTA. \$400. Coastal, gated, new home. Free utilities, including Cox digital Internet. Rent includes meals for non-smoking male, discount for helping maintain home. 619-427-3350; 619-235-2415,

CHULA VISTA, SUNBOW, \$650 includes CHULA VISIA, SUNBOW. SBOU INCIDIOSE willities. Peralle nonsmoker. Bedroom bath in private, first-floor wing. Quiel neighborhood. Very close to 805, 54, 905, Ralph's, fast food, Southwestern, East-lake. Washer/dryer, storage. Deposit required. Available 12/1. 619-204-7988.

CLAIREMONT/MISSION VALLEY, \$650 Large panoramic canyon view bedroom with private bath in recently remodeled house. Laundry, fireplace, cable. Nonsmoker, no pets. 858-571-6959.

smoker, no pets. 858-571-6959.

CLAIREMONT. \$500, 1/3 utilities, \$400 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. No pets, no smoking. Central location. On-site laundry. Available 11/22. 858-483-9247; 619-235-2415, x23298.

CLAIREMONT. \$650-\$700 plus 1/3 utilities. Rooms in 3 bedroom house. Pool, washer/dryer, cable, DSL and all appliances included. Call Amit, 858-405-2607.

CLAIREMONT, NORTH. \$430 including \$30 utilities. First/last. Large, quiet 4-bed-doom house on caryon. Large yard, washer/dryer, filtered water throughout house. Full kitchen privileges. Near Mesa College/transportation. Nonsmoking female preferred. 858-279-3479.

CLAIREMONT. \$400 plus utilities, \$300 deposit. Room for rent, share bathroom. Laundry. Nice and quiet neighborhood. No pets or smoking. Available now. 858-No pets or smoking. Ava 220-4776; 858-220-4601.

czu-4//6; 858-220-4601.

CLAIREMONT. \$550, 1/2 utilities. Female.
Remodeled 3 bedroom house on canyon,
very nice. Furnished bedroom, private
bath, fast Internet, Direct TV, all movies,
garage. 858-576-2039; 619-235-2415,
x29728.

x29728. **CLAIREMONT.** \$450/month includes electric. Room for rent. High-speed internet

and cable. Near Mesa college, close to everything. 619-379-1635, devildroptuned@

CLAIREMONT. \$550, \$600. 2 rooms arge 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Garage, arking. Near Mesa College, Hwy. 163, I-05. Clean, remodeled, front/backyard, atio. 858-278-8596; 619-235-2415,

x18/14. CLAIREMONT. \$550, 1/4 utilities. Share bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, Fox Run area. Near Mesa College, I-805, I-5, Hwy. 163, beaches. No smoking, no pets. 858-569-6227.

CLAIREMONT. \$550, 1/2 utilities. Share 3 bedroom, 2 bath house with male. Washer/dryer, private cable/phone. Walk to mall. Male preferred. Available 11/18. 858-273-8348.

CLAIREMONT. \$550 plus utilities and deposit. Share 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Male only. Near shopping center, easy freeway access. No pets. 858-581-1303.

CLAIREMONT/FOX RUN. \$695 plus utilities. Huge master bedroom in lovely townhome. No pets/smoking. Laundry, storage, pool, jacuzzi. Furnished/unfur-nished. Available 12/3. 858-576-4331,

858-363-0639.

CLAIREMONT. \$675/month. Quiet 4 bed-room, 3 bath, cul-de-sac canyon home. 2 rooms available or share with 1 other. Available now. Eric, 858-279-4227; 619-235-2415, x25689

CLAIREMONT. \$447. Share 3 bedroom house. Large kitchen/living room ony. Female preferred. Available Call 858-467-1515.

CLAIREMONT/MISSION BAY, EAST. \$682. Hoom with own bathroom, washer dryer in unit, dishwasher, vaulted, pool jacuzzi. Take over lease. Available 12/1

CLAIREMONT. \$525, 1/3 utilities. Own bedroom, share bath, close to shopping, buses. Convenient to downtown, La Jolla. Pool, jacuzzi. Cable, TV, Internet. Many amenities. 619-206-6038.

COLLEGE AREA. \$600, utilities included. Share 4 bedroom home. Bedroom has private bath. All amenities. Giovanni, 619-210-5724.

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COLLEGE AREA. \$499 includes utilities Large, clear room with view. 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, hilltop home. Laundry, parking, deck, all amenities. Nonsmoking/drugs/pets. 619-903-1746; 619-235-2415, x27447.

2415, x27447.

COLLEGE AREA. \$400. 1/5 gas/electric.
Cable/water paid. Room in 5 bedroom
house. Furnished. Washer/dryer. Backyard. Nonsmoking. No pets. Other locationsl 619-697-8596; 619-822-5386.

COLLEGE AREA. \$500, 1/4 utilities. Fe male wanted to rent room in 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Pool and spa. Nonsmoker. Available now. 619-501-

0453.

COLLEGE AREA. \$700, 1/2 utilities. No smoking. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom condo in safe, gated complex. Easy freeway access. Laundry facilities. Cat possible. 619-865-4406. COLLEGE AREA. \$400, 1/3 utilities, de-

posit. Between Home/Euclid Avenue. 1 bedroom, furnished/unfurnished, own toi-letry room, ceiling fan. Share bath/ kitchen. Laundry/cable, month to month lease. Available now! 619-865-3538. COLLEGE AREA/ROLANDO.

Large, remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Near freeways, nice neighborhood, clean, large yard, cable, Internet, plenty of parking, quiet. Female preferred, no drugs. Outside smoker OK. Will consider pet. 619-287-7973. pet. 619-28/-/9/3.

COLLEGE AREA. \$400 plus deposit.

Chara living room kitchen and bath. Utili-

Share living room, kitchen and bath. Utilities included. No drinking/drugs/smoking









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Jason Reddy Marketing Manager Pacific Beach

t the end of the month, when I've At the end of the month, when I've frun out of money, I start think-ing of illegal things. I try to find extra ways that I can earn some extra money. Payday advances or take advantage of women. I'll look for anything that I can do that can make money quick. Damn, I don't want to say anything illegal, but let's just say that I've walked out of a store with clothes and then turned around and returned them. It didn't matter if they fit. The clothes were for me to take back and get the money. I also just ask girls for money and tell them, "I swear that I'll pay you back" and never pay them back. That works all the time. And those payday advances, they mess vou over, but I never pay those back neither.



Sean McAlister Student Ocean Beach

When I've run out of money before, it makes me depressed because I have to change my diet. I love cooking, but I revert to eating potatoes, onions, and mushrooms. I can always ask my parents for cash, if I really need it, but I don't like to. Sometimes I show up at my friends' house around dinnertime and see if I can mooch off their food. My friends don't laugh at me because my parents give me money. They might point out that I'm more for-tunate than they are. A lot of them realize that I share quite a bit. Every Thursday night, I do a potluck dinner. I cook and serve anywhere from 8 to 20 people. I try to be giving with what I have.



Daniel Leake Student El Cajon

I sell some CDs, maybe some vinyl, for I run a couple scams. Beg, borrow, and steal. If you find receipts from somewhere like Rite-Aid for something like hair dye, 'cause that's, like, ten bucks, you go to Vons and borrow the hair dye and you return it to the Rite-Aid. They usually give you cash back. Friends and family could hook me up, if I got the courage to ask, but I usually don't though. I mean, running scams also keeps me entertained. Now with the strike, it's not bad stealing from the scabs and corporations. It's no longer a moral problem. The best place to beg is downtown on a Friday night or Saturday night and just ask people if they can "spare some change." Or I take my buddy's car to a gas station and tell people that we ran out of gas and bum money. Sure.



 $Erin\ McDougall$ Graduate Student San Diego

Teat every leftover in my refriger-ator. My refrigerator gets pretty bare. It drives people crazy because I'll have a stockpile of leftovers from takeout. I get a lot of use out of Tupperware. If I run out of food, I go to my parents' house for dinner. I'll also try and spend as much time at school as possible, because I tend not to spend any money at school. A starving student becomes smarter with the less money that you have. Other than school, I'll watch all the old movies in my DVD collection. Old disaster movies like The Poseidon Adventure scare me about being out in public. The SDG&E bill can be late. They don't charge anything if the bill is overdue, so I let that go sometimes for a couple weeks.



Tatum Dunn Student San Diego

Tcall my mommy and daddy and ask them, "Pretty please, can I have some money?" My parents make too much money so that I can't get financial aid. I'm the only girl in the family, so I guess you could say that I'm the black sheep because my older and younger brother don't ask for any money. My parents are pretty cool about it. I just tell them why I ran out of money. They know that my rent is expensive, then there's the cable bill and the money I spend at Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart has everything. If you can't find it at Wal-Mart, it doesn't exist. I believe that. Don't buy clothes at Wal-Mart, but anything else is



Laura Robinson Student Pacific Beach

Tresort to my credit cards. My parents would be the first people that I would ask to borrow money from. They usually just put it directly in my account. I've learned to keep my mouth shut around my friends whose parents don't give them money so they don't make any jokes. My boyfriend would let me borrow money if I needed it. When I run low on money, I start drinking at home. We'll drink whatever's cheap, like Bud Light. We won't drink any-thing bad like Natty Ice. Also in my refrigerator, there'll be a lot more Budget Gourmet, or I'll eat a lot of

Available now. Interviewing now. Dave, 619-582-1051.

COLLEGE AREA. \$615, \$600 deposit. Quiet 3 bedroom house. Off-street park-Quiet 3 bedroom house. Off-street parking, washer/dryer on site. Private entrance. Large backyard. Share bathroom. Quiet neighborhood. Rachel, 619-235-

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neighborhood, large yard, laundry, spa, storage. 619-889-8394.

COLLEGE AREA. \$485/month plus 1/3 utilities. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Washer/dryer. Call 619-583-2278. CROWN POINT, \$565 plus utilities. Room available in 3 bedroom townhouse, close to bay. Great place. Share with 1 female, 1 male. Female preferred. No pets. 858-

CROWN POINT. \$600, utilities included. Room in 3 bedroom, 2 bath, co-ed house. Bay 1 block. Laundry, dishwasher, fire-place, balcony, view, quiet area. 858-354.1161

DEL CERRO/COLLEGE AREA. \$625, 1/2

DEL MAR, EAST/CARMEL VALLEY. \$550, shared utilities. Available 12/1. rrit-vate, complete bath. High-speed Internet access. Washer/dryer. Nonsmoking/ drugs/pets. Application, deposit. 858-734-4684; 619-235-2415, x18366.

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DEL MAR, WEST. \$700, 1/2 utilities. Room in private home. Laundry. Close to all. No smoking/pets. Established, quiet neighborhood. Panoramic ocean view. 858-793-7903.

DEL MAR. \$500, 1/5 utilities. Share quiet, rustic, rural house. Shared bath, laundry. Nonsmoker. No pets. Have dogs. Available now or 12/1. 858-481-6975; 619-972-2433.

DEL MAR. \$550, 1/3 utilities, \$500 deposit. Furnished bedroom. 3 bedroom town-house. Shared bathroom. Washer/dryer. Nonsmoking/pets. Near beach. Quiet area. Month to month. 619-235-2415, x10032.

DEL MAR. \$775. Furnished master bedpet MAN. 37. Fulfilished Inlaster begroom/private bath. Luxury condo. Second bedroom available, share bath, \$400, 1/3 utilities. Washer/dryer. View, pool, gym, fireplace. Easy access freeway/shopping/beach 5 minutes. No smoke/pets/drink/drugs. 619-972-4344.

DOWNTOWN, CORTEZ HILL, \$650. Room in nice, large, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. All amenities. Doug, 619-913-

DOWNTOWN. \$800/month. Split loft with me. Few blocks from Gaslamp. Water in-cluded, brick walls. Corner of 9th and F. Paul, 619-234-3127.

DOWNTOWN. \$675, 1/2 utilities, \$250 deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath. No smoking or pets. Laundry. 9th and F. Available 1/01/04. Prefer female. 858-

DOWNTOWN. \$585. Room in incredible 3 bedroom in Little Italy. Close to Gaslamp, trolley, bay, new ballpark. Huge basement, garage, porch, parking, laundry. 619-459-6700.

nug, nauridry. b 19-459-67/00. **DOWNTOWN.** \$860. Huge 3 story, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 3 balconies, 2 entrances. Washer/dryer, pool, spa. No deposit. Male preferred. 750 Beech Street. 619-808-8600.

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4. The system dictates a mailbox number and security code.

MAILBOX NUMBER

5. To retrieve your

messages call (619) 235-2415. You may get responses on the Hotline before your ad is printed, so call frequently. Messages are erased after you hear them, so have pen and paper ready. Your mailbox will expire at midnight Wednesday, six days after publication.

6. The deadline for placing voice mail ads is Monday at 6 pm; however, print-only ads can be placed until Tuesday at 6 pm by calling (619) 235-8200. All voice mail ads will be placed on the Hotline within 24 hours. So call today! No cancellations accepted.

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EAST COUNTY. \$350, 1/2 utilities. Mountain getaway, nature and waterfall. Near Golden Acorn Casino. Pet OK. Male or female. 619-766-0070.

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EASTLAKE. \$600 includes utilities. Female looking to share brand new 4 bedroom home. Pool, spa, new appliances and furniture. Female preferred. 619-203-2306.

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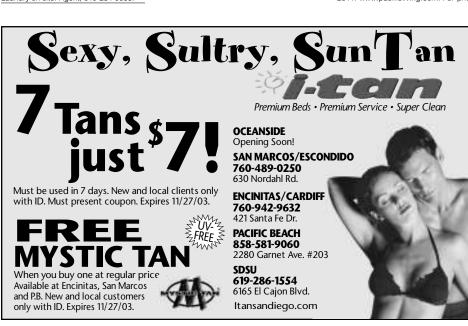
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- 1. First place award
- 6. First place award
- 10. Capital of Senegal
- 13. Capital of Senegal 14. Put ____ on (limit)
- 15. Part of N.Y.S.E.: Abbr.
- 16. Prefix with -plasty or -gram
- 17. Bridge call
- 18. Bridge call
- 19. Someone who makes things as good as new "Don't tell ____!"

THE READER PUZZLE

- 22. "___ sure you know ..."
 24. Adams of Sinn Fein
 25. With 47-Across, an apt title for this puzzle
- 30. Buff buffs
- 32. Rigatoni relative
- 33. Outdoor employee at a restaurant
- 34. Mobile home
- 36. Mobile home
- 41. Martini's partner
- 43. It may be proposed in a bar
- 44. Pray
- 47. See 25-Across
- 48. Rash treatments
- 49. Boat propellers
- 51. "Ready
- 52. Informed
- 58. The Stooges, for one 59. The Stooges, for one
- 61. Charleston, e.g.
- 62. Is not on the street?
- 63. Camaro model 64. John of England
- 65. John of England
- 66. Teen spots
- 67. Teen spots

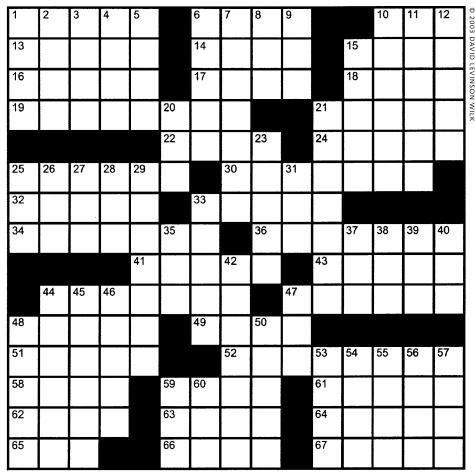
- 1. Purim's month
- 2. Windex target
- 3. Xmas armfuls: Abbr. 4. Cannes milk
- 5. Suffix with smack or switch
- 6. Stares open-mouthed7. Egg-shaped instrument
- 8. "Leaving ____ Vegas"
 9. They result in two outs: Abbr.
- 10. Givé a pep talk
- 11. Uses elbow grease on grease 12. In a demure manner
- 15. Makes simpler
- 20. Scott Ioplin tune 21. Excitedly, in music
- 23. Prefix with vitamin
- 25. Health resort
- 26. Wriggly fish

- 27. Character in "Bambi"
- 28. Like Shostakovich's Symphony No. 2
- 29. Most convenient, perhaps
- 31. _ Spiegel" (German magazine)
- 33. Explorer _ da Gama
- 35. Man behind the bar on "The Simpsons"
- 37. Debtor's note
- 38. Igor's place 39. Immigrant's course: Abbr.
- 40. Numbered rd.
- 42. 1996 Olympics gold medalist Miller
- 44. Latino locale
- 45. Cause of some weird weather
- 46. "Git!"
 47. "Spring forward" period: Abbr.
- 48. Bottom of a sum
- 50. Rolls-
- 53. The same as before, in footnotes
- 54. F.D.R.'s pooch
- 55. Part of IHOP: Abbr. 56. Environmentalist's mai.
- 57. Trophy rooms
- 59. Pakistani president, 1978-88
- 60. Waterspout trajectory

RULES OF THE GAME

- 1. The prize for solving the Reader Puzzle will be a Reader T-shirt.
- 2. All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the Reader by 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, five days following the issue date (Fax to 619-231-0489 or U.S. Mail to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803).
- 3. All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- 4. Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

 5. In the event of disputes or ties
- decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a lottery.
 6. All answers must be entered in the
- space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- 7. One entry per person.





Solution to and winners of the Reader Puzzle for 11/13/03.

by David Levinson Wilk

Of the 73 entrants, 68 were correct.

- 1. Elistis Clay, San Diego
- 2. Michael Lodahl, San Diego
- 3. Michael Beverage, Mira Mesa 4. Martha Speck, Carlsbad
- 5. Jeff Sperling, San Diego

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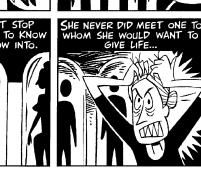
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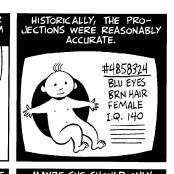
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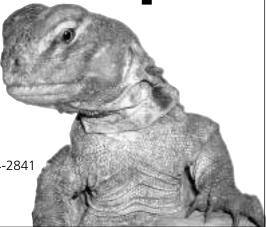
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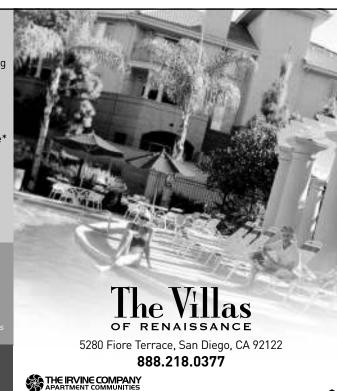
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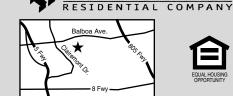
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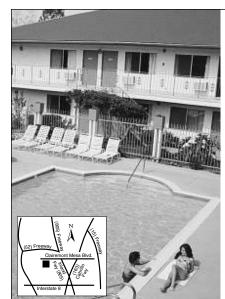
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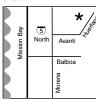
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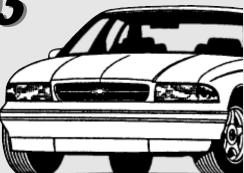
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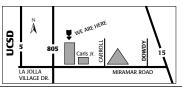


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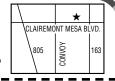
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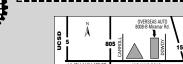


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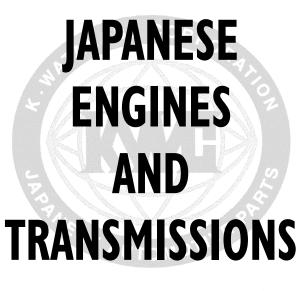
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LEAD STORY

- For 23 years, Dennis Hope, 55, of Gardnerville, Nev., has operated a business selling people "official" title to land on the moon, Mars, and Venus for about \$20 an acre. Although others are in the same business, Hope told the Las Vegas Review-Journal in September that he has earned \$6.5 million during that period (an average of \$270,000 a year). He says his idea was based on something he actually learned in school: that the international Outer Space Treaty of 1967 prohibited nations from owning celestial bodies but was silent about individual ownership. Hope says he wrote to the United Nations, explained his plan, and asked if they had a problem with it (and no one wrote back).

Alternate Universe

- While recent budget cuts (and the governor's failure to get a tax increase from the legislature) have limited Alabama's Department of Public Safety to placing only five or six troopers on nighttime highway patrol for the entire state, as many as 17 troopers spend all day each Saturday during football season providing security for the state's ten college teams. The schools agreed in principle to reimburse the troopers' expenses, according to an October Associated Press report, but their policies vary, and the department has been lax in collecting.

Weird Science

Carl Hanson of St. Paul, Minn., obtained a U.S. patent (No. 6,457,474) in 2002 for what he described as a new method for treating heartrelated chest pain (as reported in August 2003 by Scientific American). Hanson's invention: he drinks lime-ade from concentrate. His patent application said that it worked for him, and he wrote out the required details about the structure of the invention, specifically, to purchase cans of concentrate, add water, stir, and introduce the juice into the body through the mouth (although Hanson wrote that his patent would also cover intravenous administration).

 Researchers at Panasonic's Nanotechnology Research Laboratory near Kyoto, Japan, said in August that they have begun to generate electricity from blood, which they say may eventually yield enough power to produce a human "battery" to run various implanted devices, such as pacemakers. Power is produced by stripping blood glucose of its electrons.

The Entrepreneurial Spirit

- In September, the Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, daily newspaper Al-Watan reported that the father of a prospective bride (whose future husband had not yet met her) had established a new dowrycollection strategy by demanding that the prospective husband pay the equivalent of \$300 to take a pre-wedding glance at the bride (fully clothed, of course).

— Among the themed funeral settings available for families recently at U.S. mortuaries (at \$1000 to \$3000), according to a September Associated Press report: bales of hay, wagon wheels, cacti, a cowboy boot, and a plastic horse (for the loved one who was rodeo-oriented, at the Palm Mortuary in Las Vegas), and "Big Mama's Kitchen," with Crisco, Wonder Bread, and fried chicken (for the loved one who was a fan of lavish feasts).

Crises in the Workplace

- In August, computer technician Göran Andervass received the equivalent of \$100,000 as settlement of his wrongful-firing lawsuit against Riksbanken, the Swedish national bank, over a 2001 incident that began when a colleague, meeting with him in his Stockholm office, passed gas. Andervass became very upset and started shouting at the man. Supervisors cautioned Andervass, who began a downward emotional spiral and began to take abundant sick leave, leading to further sanctions and eventually to his dismissal. - Among the 15 "worst" actual jobs in science, according to the October issue of Popular Science: (15) counting fish that swim by dams in the Pacific Northwest; (11) the only two government bureaucrats whose job is to convince Americans of the merits of the metric system; (7) researchers who reach into a cow's rumen to pull out and analyze the stomach contents; (4) mosquito catchers who endure up to 15 bites a minute on three-hour shifts and hope not to get malaria; (3) researchers who extract sperm from animals for

study or artificial insemination (and extracting from a pig is much preferable to extracting from a bull); and (1) "flatus odor judges" working for gastroenterologist Michael Levitt, who feeds subjects pinto beans, then gathers gases in plastic collection tubes direct from the source, then has judges sniff as many as 100 samples, rating them for strength.

Least Competent Criminals

 Cvril Kendall was easily convicted in August in New York City for swindling the American Red Cross and another organization out of \$160,000 for family grief counseling over a "son" who "died" in the World Trade Center attack. There are no official records that the son ever existed, although Kendall presented some documents that government experts termed poor forgeries. The grief counseling (\$425 an hour) was spent entirely at a "company" that did not exist but of which Kendall admitted that he was the sole employee (thus paying himself to counsel himself and his family).

In the End, Clear on the Concept

 In September, a committee of Milwaukee's city council approved the application of a strip joint (Club Paradise Gentlemen's Club) to also become a "center for visual and performing arts" (the same designation as the Milwaukee Art Museum) by the simple act of placing several pieces of upscale artwork on its walls. Such a classification would allow liberalization of the club's alcohol permit. However, by the time the matter came to the full council, the public had heard about it, and the club withdrew the appli-

Recurring Themes

 Daniel Smith, 45, written up for traffic violations after a minor accident in Independence, Mo., in November, became the latest person to take seriously the idea that he could assert a "copyright" over his name and expect the police (i.e., the taxpayers) to pay him \$500,000 per use for writing his name on the traffic tickets (plus \$1 million as a late fee if the government didn't pay in ten days). Smith refused to take his license

back from the officer until he was issued a "receipt," which he pointed out earned him another \$500,000.

The Campaign to Make Everyone Perfect

— The Moscow State Circus, touring Britain in July, told reporters its insurance companies had instructed trapeze artists to wear hard hats during their performances to comply with European Union safety rules. ... Beaufort County, S.C., adopted a policy in August that, for twosemester high school courses, a student who fails the first semester would automatically receive an encouraging "62," no matter how low his actual score.

Compelling Explanations

 The unsuccessful explanation Michael Schoop, 53, gave the judge for having child pornography on his computer was that he inadvertently downloaded the images while searching the Internet for asparagus recipes (Oakland, Calif., October). ... The explanation of the mother of a Brainerd (Minn.) High School cheerleader who was suspended for allegedly offering \$50 to have another cheerleader beaten up: "They don't like each other. [The other girl] is a snot, and my daughter can be a snot, too" (October).

In the Past Month...

- Lawyer Christian Gauthier was referred for disciplinary investigation because, while defending a client accused of killing a police officer, he was overheard singing the Bob Marley song "I Shot the Sheriff' during a courtroom break (Montreal, Quebec). ... A 15-year-old burglary suspect in lockup was also charged with theft for ordering \$42 worth of adult movies on the jail's cable-television hookup (Woodstock, Ill.). ... The eventual winner of the race for president of the Marietta, Ohio, city council was arrested on the morning of the election on a misdemeanor delinquent-taxes warrant.

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The room lacks only a fireplace and butlers serving port and cigars.

By John Brizzolara

A discouraging Friday: nasty damp and chill. A great relief to me, really. I can be curt, abrupt, and unpleasant, just, I suppose and if necessary, short of outright rude without some hyena of a sun correcting me like some manic. Prozacengorged clown. For me, it is a vacation day away from San Diego. I can pretend I am in Europe, where, in fact, my girlfriend is at this moment. (I was to accompany her, but I drank up my travel money.) Today is my consolation; and instead of covering some particularly Friday-oriented subject or event (I've gotten farther away from such things as clog-dancing festivals anyway), I'll indulge in my own idea of an ideal Friday afternoon.

It is not just the library that I run to as if it were environmental comfort food, but a particular room in the main branch, downtown: the Wangenheim Room, on the third floor near social sciences, where one can find San Diego Central Library's special collection of rare books, manuscripts, and art. Very often you can find quiet as well if you can avoid the ubiquitous characters to whom voice modulation is a poorly understood stereo component term.

Jan Tonneson of Wahrenbrock's Books told me about this isle of tranquility and culture open to the public Monday through Saturday from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. It is the very dream of a gentleman's club, lacking only a fireplace and butlers serving port and cigars. It is the kind of room where Professor Challenger's expeditions might have originated in Arthur Conan Doyle's imagination.

The room is named for Julius Wangenheim (1866-1942), a San Diego banker, civic leader, and bibliophile. The young collector was an avid reader and later in life made it his business to develop a collection that would show the history of the book, no less. Remarkable things are on display amid the quiet, and on the afternoon of this visit, they're presided over by librarian Elizabeth Burdett. They range from a fairly perfect reproduction of the Rosetta Stone (I've seen the original) to delicate watercolor paintings of John Milton and Salisbury Castle on the edges of book pages, a briefly popular art form in the late 19th Century. The collection represents 4000 years of bookmaking, according to a brochure, from Babylonian clay tablets circa 2300 B.C. to a rare and exquisitely illustrated 20th-century manuscript of The Rubaiyat of Omar Khayam.

The room's bookshelves are teak; the floors are covered with Persian rugs. A striking Donal Hord sculpture in Mexican rosewood and a terra-cotta horse from the Tang Dynasty are on display. The books themselves (those not stored in the adjacent temperature-controlled room) are selected for aesthetics in the binding, primarily, but are individually fine things. All are important works (a first edition of Samuel Johnson's dictionary) and wonders that may be held in the hand, with permission, but only while wearing white gloves. Here may be a poor man's ivory tower, but it is impossible to feel poor in the Wangenheim Room, no matter how little money you have in your pocket.

Ogling a two-volume set of Don Quixote, another of Great Expectations, histories of Mexico and England, sets of Alexander Hamilton, Henry Clay, and Victor Hugo's works, of all things, I ask to see and fondle a plain, drably bound volume called Dime Novels. While Burdett summoned another librarian with a key to the glass case, I examined miniature books behind another bit of glass. Volumes of the Koran that need be read with a magnifying glass, a volume of "The Raven" by Poe and The Smallest Book in the World; The Leather-Bound ABC Picture Book; Four Color Print. This one was made in Leipzig and sits under a magnifying cube. It was once thought lost and gone for some time, until someone noticed it had merely slid to one edge of the cube.

Scrutinizing these miniatures, I had an inexplicable feeling of being scrutinized myself, though no one else was in the room with Burdett and me. Turning around, I saw an arresting painting on the west wall of A Chinese Houseboy by Leslie Lee. Most lifelike.

Of all the beautifully bound and illustrated books I might ask for, I'm not sure why I wanted to look at Dime Novels. A fey impulse. It looked fun. One may not take notes with anything but pencil in the W room. As I had no pencil, I read into my tape recorder, also held with a white-gloved hand.

Dime Novels, or: Following an Old Trail, by Edmund Pearson. The inside flyleaf reads, "Port Washington NY Earliest type of dime novel reproduction." The contents are divided into three parts: Innocent Youth, Wild Days, and Old Age, Under Wild Days are chapter titles like "The Detectives" and "Deadwood Dick." The final chapter under Old Age is "But Our Hero Was Not Dead." Also included are Nick Carter stories and "Yale's Greatest Hero.'

The Nick Carter stories are by various authors from the 1870s. Carter is pretty much the granddaddy of everyone from Sam Spade to James Bond to Spenser or Indiana Jones. You could tie it back to Natty Bumpo as well in American lit. On a world scale, Ulysses and Gilgamesh are distant relatives.

What I was holding in gloved hands (the way I had seen a photo of Raymond Chandler holding a book with gloved hands) was an early American

A striking Donal Hord sculpture in Mexican rosewood is on display

incarnation of a dream. Mine. Since boyhood I wanted to be the teller of cracking good yarns on paper that smells like preadolescent summers, the jungles and deserts of a boy's imagination.

This was my favorite rainy Friday afternoon in memory. And if my need to escape from America's Finest Reality seems that of an ingrate, maybe there is a teenager within you that will forgive me.

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went away for the weekend. For the first 111/2 years of my married life, I never went away. I was nearly always pregnant or nursing a baby. The few times I did travel, Jack and I hauled our kids to Virginia or Ohio or Seattle to visit his familv. Once or twice we drove up to Mammoth to see my siblings. The thought of traveling conjured up onerous images of trying to keep small children occupied in confined spaces for long periods of time.

Last spring, Jack's brother and sister-in-law brought their family to visit us at our home in San Marcos. During their stay, Mark and Katy asked me to be godmother to the baby they were

expecting in October. Jack is already godfather to their oldest daughter Madeleine. I nearly wept as I accepted Mark and Katy's offer. "I don't know if I'll be able to come for the baptism," I said. At the time, I too was expecting a baby who would have been born in December. "It'll be too late in the pregnancy for me to fly. But I'll be there in spirit.

Soon after Mark and Katy's visit, I miscarried at three months. In the trauma and grief of losing my baby, I forgot all about my impending godmotherness. The summer turned to fall. One day last month, Jack called from work. "Katy had her baby," he told me. "A little girl. They've named her Amalia Rose. Mark sent a picture. Check your e-mail."

I hung up the phone, logged on, and opened Mark's message. A round-faced, dark-haired cherub wrapped in a blue and white hospital blanket gazed out from the computer screen. When my kids came home from school, I showed them the picture. "She's so cute," Rebecca sighed.

"What's her name?" Lucy asked.

'Amalia Rose," I answered.

"Why did they name her Amalia?" Lucy continued.

"There's a blessed Amalia who's going to be made a saint soon. And it was the name of a hotel where Uncle Mark and Aunt Katy and the cousins stayed in Italy."

'Who are the godparents?" Angela asked.

"I don't know," I told her. "Probably some of Uncle Mark and Aunt Katy's friends." I thought for a moment. "Actually, I'm the godmother," I remembered. A warm glow welled in my chest.

"Really, Mommy?" Angela wrapped her arms around my shoulders.

"Yup."

After the kids had gone to bed that night, I reminded Jack that I was Amalia's godmother. "Do you know when the baptism is?" I asked. "Since I'm not pregnant, I could fly."

"It's in about two weeks. Why don't you see what kind of air fare you could get? I'll stay with the kids. You really should go.

Which is how I found myself on an airplane heading east last Saturday morning. At 4:30 a.m., I had crept out of the house after peeking in on the kids. Right before I left, I bent over Jack's side of the bed and whispered, "I'm leaving. I love you. Thanks for letting me

Jack's warm lips found mine in the dark. "Have a great time," he told me. "Give everyone my love."

On the plane, I read my magazine and sipped my juice and watched a young mother follow her toddler up and down the aisle, back and forth, back and forth. I thought of all the $flights \ I'd\ spent\ digging\ through\ carry-on\ bags$ searching for diapers or wipes or snacks. I remembered the many spilled drinks or giant spit-ups I'd had to mop up on the way to visit Jack's parents. As we flew across time zones, I tried to remember the last time I had sat in one spot without being interrupted for four hours.

When my plane landed at Dulles, I walked up the ramp with the rest of the passengers. I didn't have to wait for a car seat or stroller to be pulled from the forward cargo hold. I felt invisible — an average-looking, middle-aged woman traveling alone.

Mark met me at the curb. Four of his nine children hugged me hello. "Rebecca and Angela and Lucy and Johnny and Ben all send you their love," I told them. Back at Mark's house, I greeted Mark and Katy's older children and met my goddaughter. Amalia Rose lay in Katy's arms, a sweet, small bundle. Deep in sleep, she raised her head and stretched her neck like a turtle. Her eyes never opened. "Would you like to hold her?" Katy asked.

Katy set Amalia in my arms. I am accustomed to lugging around Ben, my youngest, who at three years old weighs 45 pounds. Amalia, dressed in a soft flannel sleeper, rested light as a dream against my shoulder. I brushed my lips against the dark hair that grows in swirls around the top of her head. It felt like silk. Mark and Katy's younger kids gathered around me as I held the baby. "When will it be my turn to hold her?" one of them asked.

"Soon enough," I answered and breathed deeply Amalia's warm baby smell. "Soon enough."

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