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# Reader



## A VEHICLE BETWEEN TWO WORLDS

*Chris Meredith*

"I see a large empty whiskey bottle floating above your head" is how the Reverend Chris Meredith addresses Linda Hackett, who is on the other side of the aisle and closer to the little chapel's altar than where I sit in its rear right-hand corner. "English Medium" is how the flyer announcing the event this evening describes the animated man now standing and speaking up front. I have been getting nervous that for his observations he may soon select me from the 13 of us in attendance, but at his first words to Hackett, who has

never met Meredith, my feeling converts to sheer amazement. Not three days earlier I had sat listening as she talked about the destructive role drinking played in her life.

It's not as though Meredith is looking at a bedraggled drunk off the streets and is suggesting that Hackett guzzled the whiskey bottle empty before arriving tonight. Nor does she show the physical effects of long years of drinking that some alcoholics do. Hackett, who has asked that her name be changed, is a regular at Bally Total Fitness in Mission Val-

ley, where she once invited me to attend "Boot Camp," a weekly aerobics regimen. "I'm not in the kind of shape to handle that," I told her. But Hackett is — and then some. Her friendliness beams at you from blue eyes framed by angular features and short light brown hair.

No, Hackett appears to be the poster child for healthy sobriety. At 39 years of age, she is a member of Alcoholics Anonymous and has been taking her program seriously for the past 16 years. She is married to a retired fireman who also belongs to AA. She

works as a law enforcement officer herself, specializing in rescue and medical response for the San Diego County Sheriff's Department.

On this summer evening, we are attending the gathering the Reverend Meredith calls "Window to the Spirit." It is being held in a small rectangular building called the Healing Temple, on the Harmony Grove Spiritualist Association's grounds, which are pleasantly situated in a wooded area several miles outside Escondido. Upon learning of my curiosity about psychic and other paranormal phenomena, Hackett wanted to go with me to the service. Meredith holds it on most Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m., except in the winter. The setting is a little too remote and bucolic to encourage attendance when darkness comes early in the evenings.

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## LETTERS

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### Often Wonder Why I'm So Crazy

First off, I'd like your permission to copy Geoff Bouvier's article ("Service Personality," March 11) and distribute it to all my service staff. I found the article to be amazing, inspirational, and accurate. Bouvier captured the essence of the beauty of this line of work. I currently manage the Meritage in Encinitas. I've worked probably 17 years in the industry and often wonder why I'm so crazy to do so, but then I remember the stuff that comes naturally and the things I love about it. The article did a wonderful job of expressing those things, and I'd like to share it with my staff.

Ken Talley  
via e-mail

### You Missed Me

Mr. Bouvier, commenting on your article "Service Personality" (March 11). Seems like you were in a search for the best waiter in San Diego, and you actually missed him. I've worked everywhere, from Chez Panisse to Gramercy Tavern. And clearly you missed the boat. If you want to take a look at a great waiter from head to toe, my name is David Dudman, and I work at Arterra restaurant. Come in and check me out.

David Dudman

### Joy Server

The "Service Personality" article (March 11) is great! I enjoyed the interviews. It's wonderful to see someone defend servers rather than belittle them. I'm a student and a beverage-cart server — a "cart girl" — at a golf course. I'm also one to serve with joy! Thanks for such an uplifting article!

Shannon Mayo  
via e-mail

### Doubts Stability

Geoff Bouvier's "Service Personality" (March 11)

was interesting; it's about time waiting tables was treated as the career it can be, a concept long recognized and practiced by the French.

I did find it rather humorous that Mr. Bouvier seems to equate "stable" with "married," however. He made a point of noting that Peter Jargowsky's lifestyle included being married and that he himself is now "married and stable" — as if the two go together! Stability comes from within, not from choosing whether or not to be with a partner. If marriage and stability went together, I doubt there would be such a high incidence of bad behavior or messed-up children from unhappy married people, and I doubt 60 percent of heterosexual marriages in this country would end in divorce.

Cindy Marzolf  
Carlsbad

### ERRATUM

Due to an editorial error, the name of state senator Don Perata was misspelled in the Juan Vargas profile on February 26.

### It Must Suck

Why was I not surprised when your music reviewer (William Crain) bagged on Yngwie Malmsteen ("Of Note," March 11)? If the band isn't psychobilly, ska, reggae, or garage, then it must suck, according to the all-knowing Reader staff. At least bring back Richard Meltzer so we (metal fans) can be cryptically insulted.

Oh, and as a side note: Sebastian Bach hasn't been in Skid Row for years ("Of Note," March 11). Maybe Dave Good did the band a favor by mentioning him, but at least do a little research.

B.L. Roberts  
via e-mail

Dave Good responds: You're right — Sebastian Bach is no longer in Skid Row.

### Gibson's Stooges

I plan to see Mel Gibson's film *The Passion of the Christ* (Duncan Shepherd's review notwithstanding).

What with all the furor over this film, people seem to have forgotten that, as executive producer, Mel Gibson previously portrayed a group of Jews in an earlier cinematic effort. In

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## Madaffer's milk of politics



Jim Madaffer

San Diego city councilman **Jim Madaffer**, whose campaign fundraising practices are already being investigated by the district attorney's office in connection with those tequila-drinking hijinks at the city-owned San Diego Data Processing Corporation, has been raking in contributions from a variety of donors with interests in

matters soon to come before council. The D.A.'s look-see reportedly centers on the fundraising activities of **Roger Talamantez**, ousted data-processing corporation head, and his wife **Delia**, ethics officer at UCSD, on behalf of the Seventh District councilman, who was easily reelected over token opposition to his second and final term on the council earlier this month. Two weeks before the election, records show, Madaffer's campaign fund was flush with cash, with about \$98,000 in the bank. But that apparently wasn't enough. On February 14, according to records, Madaffer collected \$1400 from various out-of-town employees of Littleton, Colorado-based civil engineering giant CH2M Hill, the same outfit that's been pumping thousands of dollars into the campaigns of San Diego mayor **Dick Murphy**, councilwoman **Toni Atkins**, and failed city attorney candidate **Deborah Berger**.

On the same day, La Jolla's **Ramin, Simin**, and **Iradj Samimi** each kicked in \$250 for Madaffer. Iradj was listed as a "self-employed economist" on the disclosure. State corporation records show him as a registered agent for La Jolla's Samimi Realty, with which Simin Samimi is also associated. Iradj is also listed as a partner, and Ramin Samimi is listed as a registered agent for 5th and J, LCC. They want to build a hotel in the Gaslamp Quarter, and there is talk of getting the city council to vote to use the threat of eminent domain to force acquisition of a big chunk of adjoining property owned by **Ahmad Mesdaq**, proprietor of the Gran Havana Cigar and Coffee Lounge. 5th and J, LLC, also gave \$10,000 to the local GOP central committee, which in turned pumped \$7800 into Madaffer's campaign. Other recent



Badi Badiozamani

Madaffer \$250 donors included the Badi Agency's **Badi Badiozamani**, a 55-year-old Iranian immigrant, court interpreter, and candidate for governor in last year's recall election, who during the gubernatorial race became an overnight sensation in Iran, thanks to satellite TV coverage... Former Democratic president **Jimmy Carter** may be throwing out the first ball at the new downtown baseball stadium, but Padres owner **John Moores**, once a diehard Democrat and original Carter backer, has veered right. Late in December, Moores contributed about \$60,000 to the local Lincoln Club, a GOP bastion. **Malin Burnham**, his downtown real estate partner, gave a similar amount.

## Inside baseball

News that vanquished city attorney candidate **Deborah Berger** — who was endorsed by the *Union-Tribune* — has thrown her support to first-place finisher **Mike Aguirre** over deputy city attorney **Leslie Devaney**, who placed second in this month's primary, finally made it into the *U-T* on Saturday. A small item was slipped into **Diane Bell's** gossip column, with a note by Berger that "not all of my supporters are happy" with her endorsement. No doubt some of the most unhappy are *U-T* editorial writers, who have long been upset with Aguirre for questioning those fat profes-

sional sports subsidies, including the Chargers ticket guarantee, backed by the paper ... In the *Union-Tribune's* eyes, **Veronica "Ronne" Froman** apparently can do no wrong. She was hired in August 2001 on a five-year, million-dollar contract as "chief business officer" for the San Diego Unified School District. While at the district,



Veronica Froman

Froman's biggest claim to fame was her move to "outsource" the district's computer services to a private contractor for what the *U-T* reported to be an estimated \$21 million. Then, last April, less than two years into her contract, Froman abruptly quit her job and resurfaced as head of the local Red Cross at a substantial cut in compensation. A *U-T* editorial marking that transition praised the ex-admiral for "implementing an information technology system that has saved the district plenty by eliminating paperwork and other expenses." But last Saturday the paper ran a story revealing that a "glitch" in the computer system, now reported to cost \$30 million, had caused a variety of vendor payment foul-ups and would require at least \$400,000 in additional consulting fees to fix. There was no mention of Froman ... Meanwhile, more changes of the guard at the troubled school district are coming. A March 8 memo from chief **Alan Bersin** says that **Tad Parzen**, who had been acting as the district's chief lawyer since the retirement of **JoAnne SawyerKnoll**, is becoming "General Counsel on Special Assignment" and taking over from recently departed Lou Smith, who oversaw the spending of Prop MM's billion-plus dollars in bond money. Taxpayers take note: the Bersin memo adds that Parzen, son of controversial La Jolla psychiatrist **Zane Parzen**, sued years ago for having sex with a patient, "will also spearhead the development of a proposal for a follow-on bond measure and will lead the work on a teacher-housing initiative."

— Matt Potter

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## God's Scammers

By Don Bauder

Old-time religion and hard-time in prison seem to go together. Ask Pastor John Gillette of Shadow Mountain

Community Church in El Cajon and Pastor Barry Minkow of Community Bible Church in Mira Mesa.

Both masterminded scams that made national news. After emerging from prison, both traded jumpsuits for ecclesiastical robes. There's a cynical old prison adage,



John Gillette

"born again until out again," but thus far, neither manifest outward signs of recidivism.

Gillette made headlines in the late 1990s for fleecing professional athletes of more than \$11 million. He told the jocks their money would go into conservative investments. Instead, it went into such things as a Ghana gold mine, San

Diego office buildings, Junior Seau's Mission Valley restaurant, and Gillette's pocket.

Seau lost \$1.5 million. A Dallas Cowboys player lost \$3.7 million. In late January of 1998, Gillette was sentenced to ten years in state prison; he would have to serve at least five years, said the dis-



Barry Minkow

trict attorney's office.

But in a surprise move initially opposed by the Department of Corrections, Gillette's sentence in late 2001 was reduced to 7½ years. He was out by early 2002. Among other things, Gillette had cooperated with bankruptcy officials and attorneys in their recovery of \$5 million of the \$13.5

million restitution he owed, explained superior court judge Bernard Revak, who had scolded Gillette for losing his moral compass when sentencing him to prison. The D.A.'s office supported Revak's sentence reduction.

"No one had seen this done before," says Gillette.

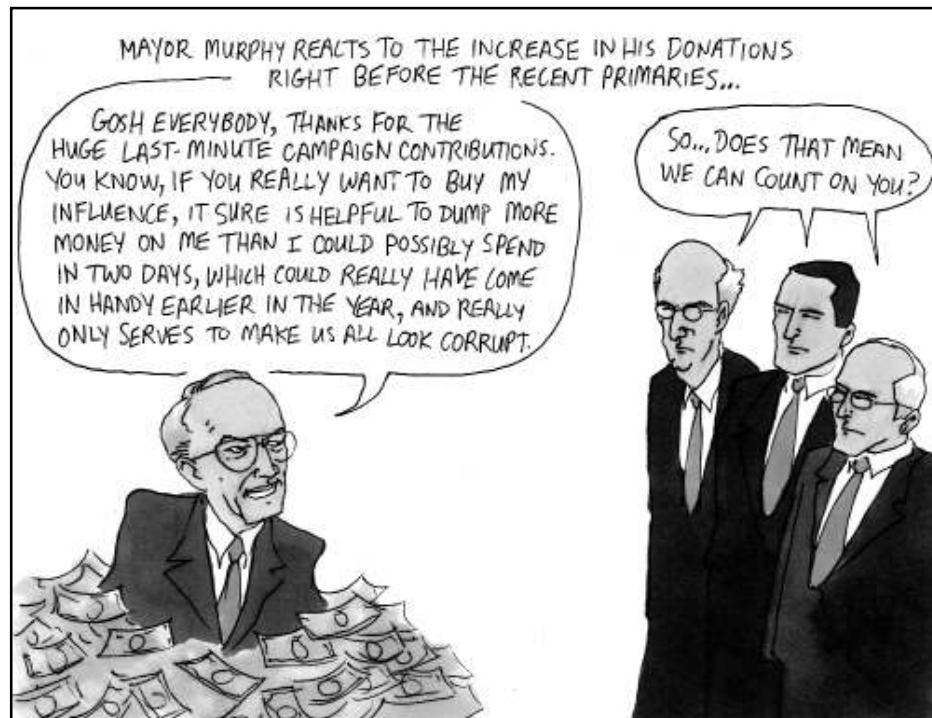
Minkow's astonishingly brazen scam won him international infamy. Beginning as a teenager in a working-class Los Angeles suburb, he built a publicly held company, ZZZZ Best, that at one time had a market value of \$240 million. He controlled 80 percent of that sum. He was only 20 years old. A wunderkind.

But a fraud. Ninety percent of the company's sales were fantasy. Employing a technique later used by San Diego's Peregrine Systems, he simply invented sales numbers. He claimed his company was restoring damaged buildings. Problem: the buildings didn't exist. At one point, an auditor insisted on seeing a restoration job. Minkow rented a building in San Diego and proudly showed the in-progress restoration to the accountants. Later, they wanted to see it again. Minkow sweated. But a crew toiled day and night for 20 days to put the building in shape. The

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## Neal Obermeyer



## Nothing Like The Movies

By Chris Schnaubelt

**T**UESDAY, JANUARY 27: I got into the office at about 5:30 this morning. The *muezzin* are singing the calls to prayer at one of the nearby mosques.

It's been a busy week. The day before yesterday there was another explosion not too far away from the palace and another rocket attack the night before last. Fortunately, nothing has been as bad as the suicide car bomb that killed more than a dozen people near the "Assassin's Gate" a few days ago.

There was no panic and confusion here after the car bomb (or after the various mortar and rocket attacks). We knew the palace itself wasn't affected much. From what I understand, even during the rocket attacks around Christmas, people just go on with what they are doing because the [attacks] are over very quickly. If there was a major continuing attack, there are bomb shelters. The trailers we sleep in are protected by walls of concrete and sandbags.

When there is an attack, a siren goes off that sounds like movie air-raid sirens. Then a speaker system we call "Big Voice" directs everyone to "take cover." People who are inside the palace go downstairs to the bomb shelter in the basement, then sit around for an hour waiting to hear Big Voice announce "all clear." People who are smart bring a book to the office so they can read while sitting around in the basement. If we are in our trailers, we stay in place. If outside, we head to our trailers or one of the bomb shelters — whichever is closest.

Security for entering the actual palace building is contracted to a private company. (U.S. Marines guard the perimeter of the compound and the entry gates to the palace grounds, and conduct patrols on the inside of the compound.) The security company hires only retired British soldiers who are *Gurkhas* to be the door guards. When the mortar or rocket attacks happen, the

*Gurkhas* refuse to leave the posts, and the Marines have to basically go inside to seek shelter. (The Marines have protected bunkers for their guard posts on the perimeter.)

I think I heard some mortars going off yesterday morning (it could have been our guys blowing up explosives, but they usually don't do this at night). Other than the car bomb, I don't have much experience being in a place that's under attack. It's nothing like the movies. The attacks in WWII movies are major operations with bombs dropped by planes, heavy artillery, and/or tanks. Here we just have a couple people taking potshots and hoping to get a lucky shot.

There is a guarded perimeter around the palace complex, so it is unlikely someone could get close enough to throw grenades. Multiple layers of concrete blast walls provide protection.



Chris Schnaubelt

For security reasons, I can't take photos of the outside of the palace. But you can find a map and photos of the palace before the war at: [www.globalsecurity.org/military/world/iraq/republican-ccimagery.htm](http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/world/iraq/republican-ccimagery.htm). You can tell the pictures are old if they still have the giant statue of Saddam's head on the corner of the building. When they were taken down and placed in the palace parking lot for a few days, someone put a sign on them saying, "Please don't urinate on the statue" because Iraqis kept doing so....

The current threats are car bombs against the vehicles lined up to get inside the Green Zone or rockets or mortars fired from a mile or a couple miles away. Fortunately, with our present security posture, it's very difficult to be accurate with rocket and mortar fires because they don't have a chance to aim and adjust. They usually point the things in our general direction, use a timer to set them off, then run away so they don't get killed when we shoot back.

One of the reasons the attacks on the palace have decreased over the past month is that after the Christmas attacks we knew the general area they were firing from (some date-palm orchards and farm-



Chris Schnaubelt inside the Water Palace

land) and sent a couple AC-130 Spectre gunships to clear out the area. The Spectre is a four-propeller aircraft that has a couple machine guns that fire 1000 rounds of 30-millimeter bullets a minute. They can put a bullet in the middle of every square foot of a football field in a matter of seconds.

The bad guys have to resort to suicide bombers, remotely detonated bombs on the side of the road, or a few quick shots of artillery from a distance. Otherwise, they are killed before they can do much damage.

Anyway, I am safe and sound, and intend to stay that way.

Chris

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

This morning there was a mortar attack on Baghdad International Airport (BIAP) and maybe one on the presidential palace. The palace isn't too far from BIAP, so we're not sure if it was a miss aiming for us or a miss aiming for

the airport. But the highlight of my day was going to Camp Victory to attend a meeting in the Water Palace. It's smaller than the Presidential Palace that I work in, but the interior is much more ornate than ours — as hard as that is to believe. It's amazing what you can do with a couple billion dollars of other people's money.

Apparently, most of these palaces (I think the number is 77) were built with "Oil for Food" money that Saddam was allowed to collect after the first war. The interiors rival the Czarist palaces in Russia — a dozen huge chandeliers and intricately carved and colored plaster on all the ceilings. The floors are multicolored marble and beautiful marble columns line the entryways.

We have to leave the Green Zone to get to the Water Palace, and trips outside the Green Zone require convoys of a certain size and armament, plus we have to wear our flak vests and helmets and load our weapons. Riding in

a convoy outside the Green Zone is an "E-ticket Ride" (for those old enough to remember Disneyland before the single admission price). In order to reduce our exposure as a target, our convoys travel quickly, with a short distance between vehicles (my old Driver's Ed teacher would be very upset). There is a great deal of weaving between lanes and weaving in and out of civilian traffic.

Any foreign country Americans go to, you'll hear us complain about how people drive — jokes about "Tijuana Taxis" and such. When I was in Korea, it was pretty dangerous; it was a common occurrence to almost run into other drivers who were passing on blind corners. But Baghdad is the first place I've been where you see cars driving the wrong way on the freeway. I'm not talking about a rare occasion where someone accidentally went down the wrong ramp; it's not an exaggeration when I say we en-

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ruse worked.

"It was like Enron's phony trading floor," says Minkow. He also played tricks with

costs. Expenses that should have been recorded the year they were incurred were stretched out over many years. Later, that was one of WorldCom's ploys. "We inflated receivables and capitalized expenses. I was a double liar."

In financial trouble from the beginning, Minkow kited checks, stole and cashed Western Union money orders, and stole and hocked his grandmother's jewelry. He turned to mobsters for help. Eventually, Minkow and ZZZZ Best

"for all practical purposes were wholly owned subsidiaries of the Genovese crime family in New York," says the redoubtable Christopher Byron, financial columnist for the *New York Post* and contributor to TV's MSNBC.

While it lasted, Minkow conned three accounting firms, Wall Street investment banking experts, and junk-bond king Michael Milken, who also wound up in the slammer. In retrospect, the

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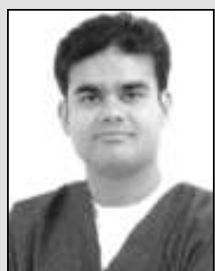
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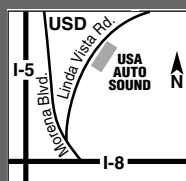
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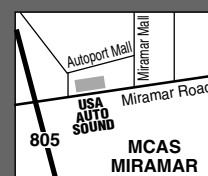
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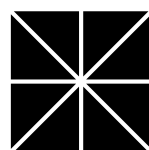
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Eventually, the house of cards collapsed, and in 1987, at age 23, Minkow was sentenced to 25 years in the

pokey. He spent 7½ years at a prison for hardened criminals — “It wasn’t a country club,” where most white-collar criminals go, he points out. While in prison he earned a college degree and a master’s in church ministries and later

got a master’s of divinity.

Raised Jewish, he had converted to evangelical Christianity before going to the hoosegow, “but I knew I was going to prison,” he says. He now spends 60 percent of his time at the church and 40 per-

cent at his scam-fighting concern, the Fraud Discovery Institute. It puts on seminars for private groups and for government agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation and also tries to expose ongoing scams. Recently, his

institute was given credit for shining a light on alleged scams by Orange County’s Financial Advisory Consultants and Riverside’s MX Factors.

Having pulled a colossal fraud, Minkow understands the techniques and psychology of flimflam. (Franklin Delano Roosevelt appointed Joe Kennedy as head of the Securities and Exchange Commission in the 1930s. When told that Kennedy was an infamous stock-market manipulator, Roosevelt is said to have laughed, “It takes one to catch one.”)

In 2002, the same Los Angeles judge who had once told Minkow, “You don’t have a conscience,” cut short his probation and relieved him of the obligation of paying \$26 million in restitution. He still, however, pays a goodly sum each month to a California bank, his biggest victim.

He and his wife live modestly in Imperial Beach. He drives a 2001 Honda. They have recently adopted two Guatemalan children. One reason they have had difficulty having children of their own is that he abused steroids when he was a teenage wunderkind, admits Minkow, who still talks as rapidly as he did when he was cozening the investment community.

“I take full responsibility for my crime,” says Minkow, and even hard-bitten columnist Byron believes him. “Barry is a polar opposite of Martha Stewart, who seems to be in the deepest denial of modern times,” says Byron, whose book, *Testosterone, Inc.: Tales of CEOs Gone Wild*, a chronicle of recent business mischief, comes out next month.

Minkow personally likes and respects Gillette but laughs, “At least I was smart enough not to rip off Junior Seau.”

Gillette can’t say that. And he differs from Minkow in many ways. In particular, in selling his investment program, Gillette had always worn his religion on his sleeve. He led athletes in prayer sessions. At Gillette’s sentencing, one young athlete said poignantly, “I’m a Christian. John looked me in the eye and said he lived by Christian values. He had a picture of Jesus as a judge on the wall.” Then Gillette took the young man’s money and diverted it.

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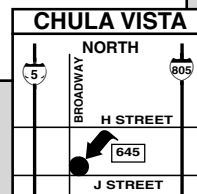
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Almost two decades ago, Gillette preached in a local newspaper article that spiritual things took precedence over mammon. "The world teaches us that our self-worth is found in how much money we make, the cars we drive, and the job title on our business cards," Gillette said piously. "The real fact is that we all have tremendous worth already in God's eyes."

Yeah, but as he was fleecing athletes, Gillette was driving fancy cars and living with his family in a luxurious home. His upscale tastes were well known. Was he living a double life? "I wasn't living a double life," he says. He had compartmentalized facets of his life. "I made mistakes in judgment, and God was not the lord of my life in that area."

But, as was pointed out in his sentencing, his wrongdoing went way back. His lawyer admitted Gillette "did terrible things," and "had serious character flaws," including perpetual lying. The prosecutor pointed to fraudulent acts going back to when Gillette had been both a banker and a stockbroker. Gillette doesn't deny he had committed those acts.

"I made bad choices, to say the least," says Gillette. Prison helped. While he was there, "God began a process of transformation, changed me from the inside out."

Now he heads men's ministries at the church, helping other men deal with issues of "the pull of the world, materialism," he says. Like Minkow, he understands that pull. ■

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highs are in the 60s. We had thunderstorms two days ago, and there is mud all over the place. This has been a surprise to me, because I thought everything would look like it does in *Lawrence of Arabia*.

In a few more months, it will be in the 100s with high humidity. Mosquitoes become a problem, and we will have to take medicine to prevent malaria. (It's not quinine anymore, but I don't remember what antibiotic it will be.)

One of my new projects is crop dusting. Actually, I won't be doing it myself, but I'm drafting a plan that will allow the Iraqis to spray their date palm orchards without getting shot down. Dates are a \$450-million-a-year crop, so killing the bugs is a high priority for them. Last year, it was too close to the end of the war, and the coalition prohibited spraying. The Iraqis claimed this really hurt the crop. (Although the agriculture advisors from the U.S. dispute this claim and want to wean the Iraqis away from massive pesticide spraying for environmental reasons.)

Thankfully, I don't have to sort through the ecological and agronomic issues. I'm just addressing the military aspects of coordinating the flight patterns and times to ensure safety and security.

Regards,  
Chris

## TUESDAY, MARCH 2

In our office inside the palace, we heard the explosion this morning — although it wasn't quite as loud as the one caused by the car bomb near the "Assassin's Gate" last month. From the front of the palace complex, we can also see the smoke in the distance. CNN reports that multiple explosions occurred around the same time in several locations. Although there was at least one attack in Baghdad, according to the press, the main target of the attack seems to have been the Shi'ite pilgrims in the city of Karbala (about 50 miles southwest of Baghdad).

Karbala is where Imam Hussein, the grandson of the Islamic prophet Mohammed, was killed in battle during the Seventh Century. The decision of whom to follow as Is-

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lamic leader after the death of Mohammed is the cause of the schism between the Sunni and the Shia. Hussein was the leader of the Shia branch, and the commemoration of his death is the major Shia observance called *Ashura*. During this year's *Ashura*, over two million Shia are expected to commemorate the event over a period of 40 days, ending with *Arb'aeen*. During this period of time, many of the pilgrims engage in self-mutilation — a practice that was seen through photos in the western media last year during *Arb'aeen*. Although it's not as dramatic as self-mutilation (which is not universally practiced during *Ashura*/*Arb'aeen*), the most common activity is spending the evenings in groups at private residences and talking about the death of Hussein and related religious topics. I suppose a similar American practice would be Bible study.

*Ashura* and *Arb'aeen* are personal and private events for the devout. Photographing them can be perceived as disrespectful. Coalition military personnel have to strike a balance between avoiding the presence of nonbelievers during the commemoration and being available to back-up Iraqi police and security forces if necessary. Some of the Iraqi leaders have said that no Coalition security is required during *Ashura*/*Arb'aeen* because they think Islamic believers would never kill one another. Many Iraqis are convinced that the attacks on Iraqis, including Iraqi police and military personnel, are committed by Coalition Forces as part of a conspiracy to maintain our presence here.

Saddam prohibited the observance of *Ashura*. Although the Shia form the majority of the population, they were oppressed by Saddam, and the Sunni minority held most of the power. The end of the war last year was the first time the Shia had been able to observe *Arb'aeen* in about 30 years. Now we are seeing the first *Ashura* in three decades — one of the reasons it's expected to be exceptionally large.

A large number of pilgrims are crossing the border from Iran to participate. Although it's hard to know what to do about them, attacks such as those of this morning

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were not unexpected. Yesterday, the Iraqi Governing Council announced an agreement on the Transitional Administrative Law (TAL). The TAL is a temporary constitution that will govern Iraq until elections can be held and a formal constitution adopted. Although the TAL is not yet "official" (it remains to be signed), the agreement on its provisions by leaders representing a wide range of interests — including Shia, Sunnis, and Kurds — is a tremendous accomplishment.

We are on-track for Iraqi sovereignty to occur on July 1, 2004, as scheduled. Every day, we are building more capacity for the Iraqis to provide their own security, including police and armed forces. A large part of the U.S. \$18 billion "supplemental" appropriation is going toward hiring, training, and equipping Iraqi police and soldiers and building police stations and military garrisons for them. As it becomes clear that Iraq has a real chance of becoming a democratic nation, the terrorists, including both foreign fighters and what we call FRE (Former Regime Elements — people who belonged to Saddam's regime) can be expected to increase their efforts to disrupt the process of establishing a democratic Iraqi government.

We've already seen that many of the recent attacks have been against Iraqi troops and Iraqi police stations instead of Coalition Forces. Because the FRE want to see a return to Sunni autocratic rule, and the foreign fighters (and Iraqi extremists) want to create turmoil, the Shia pilgrims are a tempting target for terrorist attacks. However, since attacks against fellow Muslims violates Islamic law, maybe the terrorism will backfire and strengthen Iraqi cooperation and support with the Coalition.

Regards,  
Chris ■

*Chris Schnaubelt, a colonel with the California Army National Guard and the U.S. Army, was sent to Baghdad in January of this year as liaison officer between the military and the new government. His father, commercial real estate broker Fred Schnaubelt, served as a San Diego city councilman from 1977–1981.*

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## SportingBox

By Patrick Daugherty

## Speeding

A superbike is the highest performing motorcycle. Typically 1000cc, they race at 195, 200 miles an hour."

Speaking is Michael Simmons, who lives in Fairbanks, Alaska, and races cars, usually single-seaters, in Florida, Quebec, and California. It's a hobby, costs \$75,000 a year. He can afford it. Simmons races one week out of every month, usually stops by my place when he's racing on the West Coast.

"I haven't followed motorbikes," Michael says. "Then, I discovered Speed Vision on the cable in my new condo. So, I watched the Daytona 200 superbike race. It was on about a week ago. Yesterday, I'm at the track, standing next to the winner, who's my new rock-star idol. He must be late 30s, he's got a little gray, stands about 5 foot 6. Mat Mladin."

I'm not surprised that a motorcycle champion is hanging out at a race-car track; racers like to go fast, attracted to anything that feeds their speed jones. Come to think of it, Michael drives motorcycles at racing speeds. Which brings forth the following question, "If you had your druthers, which would you race? I assume you'd choose cars."

"You bounce when you crash a motorcycle," Michael laughs. "You bounce at 130 mph."

"But, you drive motorcycles at 130 mph in Fairbanks."

"I do 150 mph, sometimes, in chosen areas. It sounds crazy, but I feel comfortable. I'm not pushing as hard as I tend to push on a racetrack. I don't approach the limit of the machine."

"Mike, it sounds crazy, because it is crazy." Silence. "What are you driving at 130 mph?"

"Well, I had a BMW 100/7." Mike makes a nostalgic smile. "Then, the 1100 S came out, and my mechanic ordered one assuming I would buy it. The bike arrived and he said, 'Here, drive this.' I drove it once and said, 'Naw, I'll just get into trouble with it.' I drove it a second time and said, 'I'll keep it.' So, I'm driving the 1100 S, and I've come to understand its shortcomings. Now, I'm thinking about getting a superbike."

"What's lacking about the BMW 1100 S?"

"Missing 40 horsepower, plain and simple. For the average rider, the BMW is more bike than they could possibly dream of driving. They go zero to 60 in 3.7 seconds. It's truly a 140 mph machine; you can see 155 out of it driv-

ing downhill with a tail wind.

"The thing that's so wonderful about motorbikes," Michael smiles, "the new Honda CBR for example — it's within a heartbeat of the superbikes that raced Daytona. Honda threw a huge amount of engineering into the bike. It's as fast as a Formula One racing car. You can buy performance in a motorcycle that is literally unobtainable to the public in motor cars.... Maybe you can buy an Enzo Ferrari and it will drive that fast, but they're complicated and they cost a million dollars."

Michael beams, "A Honda CBR is \$11,000 out the door, and the thing will go zero to 60 in 2.7 seconds, has a top end of 180 mph, handles like a champion. It's just an all-around, beautiful, ultimate machine."

"Where can you drive that fast in the states?"

In other words, what do you do with it?

"On the coast. I do the whole coast like that."

I am incredulous. "On the California coast, on Highway 1?"

Michael says, "A couple of years ago, I rented an 1100 S, and I'm pulling out of Gualala, right at dusk. I was headed to Mendocino, to get a Café Beaujolais meal. So, I pegged it; I was right on 145 mph, going through the woods there, and I see these headlights and note the vehicle is working really hard. And I'm looking in the mirror, and I'm looking and watching, and I slow down to 90 and I see him working hard, and I slow down to 60, and I see him working harder, and he's closing, and I slow down to below the speed limit, 30 mph, basically, waiting for him to catch up.

"So, this Jeep Cherokee finally flips on its red lights and pulls up behind me. I pull over and stop, the cop gets out of the Jeep, walks up to the bike, and says, 'Well, damn, do you know how fast you were going?'"

"Probably pretty quick... I don't know."

"Oh, you were going 130-plus mph, weren't you?"

"I don't know."

I was wearing my racing helmet, racing suit, gloves, and boots. He says, 'Boy, this is really a nice bike. I appreciate you waiting for me. I was concerned. There are cliffs and bends, and I thought you might not know the road.'" He studies the front of the bike for a moment, says, "Have a great evening. Don't drive into the ocean," and walks back to the Cherokee.

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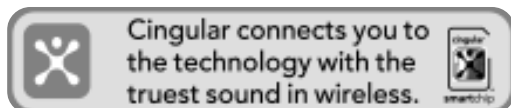
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**Denomination:** Episcopal Church in the United States of America

**Address:** 2775 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-729-8901

**Year founded:** 1894

**Senior pastor:** Reverend Neal Moquin

**Congregation size:** 1000

**Staff size:** 4 full-time, 4 part-time

**Sunday school enrollment:** 40

**Annual budget:** \$500,000

**Weekly giving:** \$9600

**Singles program:** yes

**Diversity:** white, African

**Dress:** dressy casual to dressy

**Services:** Sunday worship, 7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

A young acolyte moves through the nave, ringing a tiny bell with her white-gloved hand. Behind her a Eucharist minister follows with the consecrated Host for communicants too frail to approach the altar rail. As the two acolytes advance among the pews, parishioners genuflect. If you've never been to a church like St. Michael's, you're in for a few surprises.

In honor of Lent, all stoops have been emptied of holy water. Thick purple ribbon drapes over the Stations of the Cross. Ash-colored cloth covers the crucifix above the high altar and the image of the Holy Mother in the Mary chapel. Ash-colored cloth swaddles the cross carried by the crucifer. The morning's hymns, accompanied by pipe organ, are so heavy with somber bass notes that they resonate in my sinuses. The acolytes and choir all wear black cassocks and lacy white cottas. When not celebrating the liturgy, Father Neal Moquin wears a close-fitting black cassock. To me, he looks like he'd be comfortable in a biretta. Almost all communicants at St. Michael's receive the Host on their tongues. The bulletin states that Holy Communion is reserved for those who believe in the "Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament."

To see a Roman Catholic liturgy as elaborate as that celebrated at St. Michael's, you'd have to visit the Tridentine Latin Mass at Holy Cross chapel in East San Diego. St. Michael's By-the-Sea in Carlsbad isn't a Roman Catholic parish, although during the Prayers for the People the lector is careful to remember "His Holiness Pope John Paul II." St. Michael's is an Episcopal church of the Anglo-Catholic persuasion.

St. Michael's rector, Father Neal Moquin, has fortified his traditional liturgy with additions like the Examination of Conscience, during which the congregation is required to kneel. Father Moquin explained to me that, for Lent, he borrowed the Examination of Conscience from *St. Augustine's Prayer Book*. Last Sunday morning during this part of the liturgy, the lector asked us to search our minds

for evidence of such sins as "covetousness" and "penuriousness." I'd never before heard the word "penuriousness" used in any Christian liturgy.

St. Michael's pursues its high-church traditionalism in a modernist structure built in 1956. Like Prince of Peace Abbey in Ocean-side, St. Michael's combines modest materials like cement block and pine with exuberant stained glass: above the high altar, a stylized St. Michael shines in yellow, green, and blue. Outside the modernist church stands the original St. Michael's built in 1894, its dark wood interior dim and musky.

Father Moquin based his sermon on the parable of the fig tree, "one of the most misunderstood parables in the Bible." He told us that people often wrongly interpret the parable as a message of hopelessness. He told us it is actually a parable about second chance.

"An English missionary among an indigenous group along the Yangtze river told how, in the spring, farmers would perform a ritual

in which one would climb up into a fruit tree while another stayed below. The farmer on the ground would ask the tree if it planned to bear lots of fruit. Depending on the tree, the farmer up in the branches would sometimes answer yes or no. If he answered no, the farmer below would take his ax and make a little chop in the trunk of the tree to encourage it.

"The Bible's parable of the fig tree isn't a story about a heavy-handed God who destroys, but a God who brings and encourages life. When we suffer difficulties, Jesus asks, 'Do you love me? Show me the fruit of thy labors.' If our response is tepid, he will lay his holy ax into our souls to get our attention."

After the service as Father Moquin stood outside the narthex, greeting his parishioners, many grabbed and hugged him. They

didn't bolt for the coffee, pound cake, and toasted bagels in the social hall but lingered with Father Moquin, bending his ear. When I could finally drag him away, I asked him how a high-church parish like his observed Lent.

"We recommend that on Wednesdays and Fridays people abstain from one or more meals. We try to focus on three things, prayer, fasting, and charity. People abstain from special foods like meat or desserts, for example, and offer the money they save to charity. But the important thing is that Lent isn't a diet. It's not about food. Lent is actually my favorite time of year. It's a time that's dedicated to allowing us to focus on God. In our Lenten liturgy, I try to use the seven deadly sins as a way for us to examine all the categories of sin that flow from them. Sins we may not normally think about. Lent is an opportunity for us to ask ourselves, 'Where have I really messed up?'"

— Abe Opincar



REVEREND NEAL MOQUIN

### St. Michael's By-the-Sea Carlsbad ★★★

#### Sermon

content.....★★★★  
delivery.....★★★★

#### Liturgy

.....★★★★

#### Music

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## Dear Aunt Trudy,

My wife is a lawyer and I am an architect. Every workday morning the same thing happens. I get up early, eat a light breakfast, clean up the kitchen, run a couple of miles, and come home to shower and dress for work. While I am running my wife gets up, makes herself breakfast, gets ready for work, and rushes off to the office. She leaves a big mess in the kitchen. She doesn't wash her dishes, and she leaves out whatever she used to prepare her meal — carton of milk, eggshells, box of granola. I always get stuck with cleaning up after her. When I mentioned this a couple of times during phone conversations while we were both at work, she hung up on me. Why do I have to be the maid? It's unfair.

UP TO MY ELBOWS IN DISHWATER IN LEMON GROVE

## Dear Up to My Elbows,

You sound like a neat person married to, well, a slob. I can't say I like hearing that when you try to discuss a problem with your wife she slams the phone down in your ear. Personal tidiness styles aside, that just seems rude. Try talking to your wife face-to-face about this, since phone calls to the workplace have been poorly received. Ask her what it will take for her to bus her own breakfast dishes. She may need to get up a little earlier in the morning so she has time to clean up the half-eaten bagels and plate adorned with smears of cream cheese she is now ignoring. You may be inadvertently encouraging her carelessness by cleaning up her mess every time. What if you just leave it, and let her take responsibility for it when she gets home?

## Dear Aunt Trudy,

I made a verbal blunder at an AA meeting recently, and I'm not sure how to rectify the situation. I was trying to get across my view that sex seems to be overhyped in this culture. Maybe it's a Southern California thing or a Hollywood overemphasis. I'm not some sort of Puritan or ultraorthodox religious person. I had a sowing-my-wild-oats period through college and beyond. But sometimes it seems as if all there is to relating/dating/socializing for some people is "getting laid." I don't believe in wearing your sex life on your sleeve. I wanted to make this point at an AA meeting, that there are other things that are important too, like hiking, talking, really getting to know someone, etc. I was hoping to meet some nice women at the meeting, and I thought that by sharing this perception some of the women there might think, "I like this guy's priorities." But what happened was I misspoke. Instead of saying that a person can get laid anytime, but what about the other important parts of

life, what about other kinds of communication, I accidentally said, "I can get laid anytime." Now I've been totally misunderstood and am snickeringly referred to as "Mr. Can Get Laid Anytime." Instead of being able to make my point that while sex is fun there are other priorities in life, I have been branded as a sexual braggart. This was exactly the opposite of my intention. My intention was respectable, but now every time I try to say something at a meeting, I see people smirking. I wish I'd never opened my mouth on the subject. What can I do to repair the damage to my reputation?

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## Dear Semantically Challenged,

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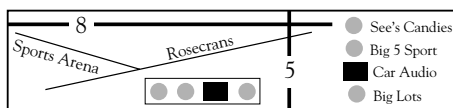
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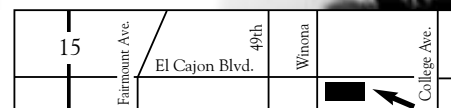
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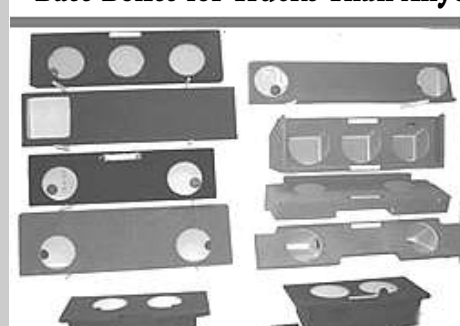
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—EVE KELLY

Natalie, my 16-year-old niece, has locked the door to her room and says she's never coming out. My sister Kathy — Natalie's mom — told me, "It seems Natalie has extremely sweaty palms lately. It's starting to interfere with her volleyball game, and she never wants to high-five her teammates. Yesterday, a couple of boys noticed the way she's always trying to hide her hands and made some kind of lewd comment. She's miserable."

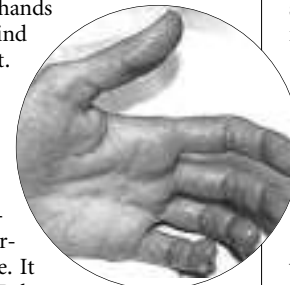
Happily, a little research showed that Natalie's trouble was not some tough-luck hormonal hit job, courtesy of adolescence. It sounded a lot like Palmer hyperhidrosis, in which the sympathetic nerves overstimulate the sweat glands in the hands. A little more research showed me that help was available and put me in touch with Dr. Kenneth Ott at the Neurosurgical Medical Clinic, Inc. (619-297-4481, [www.sd-neurosurgeon.com](http://www.sd-neurosurgeon.com)).

"There's no known cause of hyperhidrosis," Ott told me, "but it does have a genetic component to it. It sometimes runs in families, and it's more prevalent in Asians. The most common presentation is in the hands and feet, but it can also involve the underarms and face." Ott sympathized with Natalie's misery. "It's a tremendous social problem for patients. They have so much excessive sweating that they avoid touching people — their hands are cold and clammy. Sometimes, they sweat so much that when they turn their hand over, the sweat starts dripping all over the floor." And it can bring professional difficulties. "I was talking with a poker dealer for Viejas, and he said it was becoming a real problem for him."

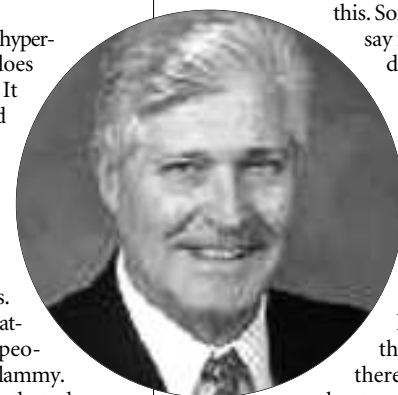
The real trouble, said Ott, is that "most physicians don't know about it: what the effects are on the patient, or that there's a cure. Most patients I see have been told, 'It's a phase you're going through' or 'You're just nervous.' They're sent to a psychiatrist or given sedatives. These poor people are more or less fluffed off by the physicians."

Hyperhidrosis usually starts in adolescence, said Ott, and is usually lifelong. Unless, of course, you pay him a visit and receive an endoscopic thoracic sympathectomy. "The sympathectomy works," he said, "and it is dramatic. The sympathetic nerves — the ones that conduct the sweating impulse, sort themselves out in the chest from the nerves of sensation and movement. That means we can see those nerves in the chest, identify the appropriate ones that work the hands, and destroy them."

"The operation, which is performed under general anesthetic, entails a small incision, done high up under the arm. Through that, a small endoscope, a tube about half an inch in diameter, is inserted into the chest. There's a camera inside the tube, and with it, I can see the ribs and sympathetic nerves. I then destroy the second and third thoracic ganglia



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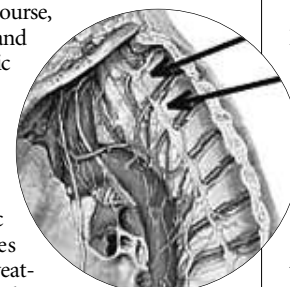


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medical treatments for hyperhidrosis," Ott said, "but they've failed. Medications have little value. There are some hand preparations such as Drysol, which is an astringent. It's the medicine found in the antiperspirants that we all use, but at a very strong level. That doesn't work. There's another thing called tap water iontophoresis — very fancy name. That doesn't work either."

Ott did give some credit to the use of Botox injections in the hands, "in the sense that you get a little area of dryness," though he noted that "you might need 10, 20, or 30 injections in each hand, and it lasts only a few months."

Leda at Dermatology Associates of San Diego (1-800-321-2991, [www.dermassociates.com](http://www.dermassociates.com)), which offers Botox injections for sweaty palms, agreed that "it takes quite a bit of Botox for the palms. The cost is about \$1000; sometimes we can do it for less, depending on how much area we're doing. It lasts for three to six months. Most people find that if they come twice a year, that keeps the problem under control. What the Botox does is block the nerve impulse." Would all those injections add up to a world of hurt? "It doesn't feel good, so I encourage the patient to come in about 30 minutes early and let us apply a topical numbing agent. That desensitizes the area, so it's not incredibly painful. The palms aren't that sensitive an area, and it's a very, very tiny needle that we use. The procedure itself takes about 15 minutes."



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1. Sweaty hand
2. Kenneth Ott
3. Sympathetic nerves in thorax

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# BACK WHEN

## *In the Reader*

### Thirty Years Ago

Just a year ago, in these pages, I reviewed a concert of Peter Eros and the San Diego Symphony in unqualifiedly negative terms, concluding with the despairing cry, "If only we had an orchestra! If only we had a conductor!" I now have the pleasure of eating my words. San Diego has an orchestra, and it has a conductor, and it need not be ashamed of either.

— **"CRITIC EATS OWN WORDS!"** Jonathan Saville,  
March 14, 1974

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

DARTH VADER: When the Dark comes rising six shall turn it back, three from the circle; three from the track. I will be there waiting, Lady Almathea.

— PERSONALS, March 22, 1979

### Twenty Years Ago

We moved into Mission Hills quite by accident, in that, back in 1963, when the city was a wonderment and a complete stranger to us, we had to find permanent quarters, and my wife came across this duplex on Fort Stockton Drive where the rent was eighty-five dollars per month. We moved there in August, 1963. That September it rained hard on my birthday, which I hoped was not an ill omen. Also that September we experienced the hottest day yet recorded in San Diego, and we celebrated it with new friends by drinking cold beer and eating cheese. But that hot day was merely a ruse, for that apartment, with only two small space heaters, turned out to be a cold place on winter nights, and we lived the reality of the lady who is a tramp, "Hate California, it's cold and it's damp." We bought an electric blanket as we ruefully observed that our little snug home in Wisconsin had been more comfortable on a bitterly cold winter night than our apartment was on a relatively mild California night.

— **"MISSION HILLS RETROSPECTIVE,"**  
George Bergmeister, March 22, 1984

### Fifteen Years Ago

Turning left on San Ysidro Boulevard and pushing uphill on a northbound on-ramp of Interstate 805, near the U.S.-Mexican border, we enter the Jacob Dekema Freeway with Jacob Dekema in the passenger seat.

He is one civil servant with something to look back on; 11 freeways totaling 450 miles, about half of them in metropolitan San Diego, were built under his administra-



San Diego Reader, March 22, 1984

tion between 1955 and 1980. Only one bridge collapsed; a pedestrian structure that was under construction near Lindbergh Field (no injuries). The oil embargo and the environmental movement put a premature end to his original plan for the freeway system, but the one he built has been eagerly embraced by San Diego, a city drunk on driving, if one recent study is true. How comfortable it is, for instance, leaving La Jolla on Ardath Road, to come upon a choice of freeways: Highway 52 or Interstate 5.

— **"ROAD MAN,"** Joe Applegate, March 23, 1989

### Ten Years Ago

Calapatria State Prison sits on 300 acres of fallow lettuce fields in the Imperial Valley, two and a half hours east and north of San Diego. The prison is barely two years old, but it is neither the newest maximum-security prison in the California system, nor the second newest. Designed to house 2000, it was home to 3900 inmates before its first anniversary.

— **"3900 WAYS TO MAKE CRIME PAY,"**  
Gary Rivlin, March 17, 1994

### Five Years Ago

Duncan Shepherd, I have been a longtime reader of your reviews and have always very much appreciated their content and enlightenment. Even after moving away from San Diego, I was thrilled to find your articles online. But I was frustrated reading the last comment you made in March 11's review pertaining to Stanley Kubrick's death. Your only comment was "With Kubrick gone, how can we ever believe that *Eyes Wide Shut* is as he wanted it?"

— LETTERS: **"CALL ME IDEALISTIC,"** Steve Chapman,  
March 18, 1999

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# Crasher

## GREAT NEIGHBORS

by Josh Board

**W**hen I wrote about the two worst parties I'd gone to, I was prepared to be inundated with calls from the people who threw those parties. I was pleasantly surprised that I only got one call. It was from a guy named Ubaldo. He said, "We have a party going down on Saturday night and a party Sunday night for the season premiere of *The Sopranos*. We'll treat you better than those chicks did at the *Sex and the City* party."

He was right about that. A full moon was coming up from the horizon as I headed east on I-8 to La Mesa. An Italian guy named Jeff in his early 20s was having a party with Italian food. There was a big projector set up in the back yard for the show.

I remember a friend telling me about a *Godfather* party he went to in L.A. with people in pinstriped suits, toy tommy guns, and even a coffin. This party wasn't that elaborate: A bunch of guys in their 20s getting together for good food, some beer, and *The Sopranos*. I couldn't believe how delicious the spaghetti was. I asked Jeff, who was wearing a Francis Ford Coppola shirt, what was in it; I couldn't ask for the recipe, since I



don't cook...and save the letters telling me spaghetti is just boiling noodles; I'd find a way to screw that up. He said, "It's an old recipe that's been passed down in my family. I use wine and sugar in the sauce. Did you see *The Godfather*? They talk about how to make good sauce. It's like that."

There was a cooler with

**"Are you guys gonna go whack somebody? That would make this a real authentic *Sopranos* party."**

beer and soda, but I opted for the red wine. I sat next to a guy in the military whose arms were covered in tattoos — remember the days when only guys in the military had tattoos? — and his beau-



Top: *Sopranos* castmembers; Bottom left: Hornbacher's party; Bottom right: Jamie Laval band

tiful wife, who, by the time the show started a few hours later, ran to the car to get coats for them.

Ubaldo, who invited me,

When he started talking about a dream he'd had involving a weird creature, another woman told a story about a coworker who always tells her about dreams. She doesn't pay much attention to the dream stories and always gets caught saying, "And then what happened?" And her friend says, "Nothing. It was a dream." I didn't want to insult Ubaldo, but I said, "Why do people talk about their dreams? Nobody cares. And yes, we know it seemed real to you at the time." He laughed.

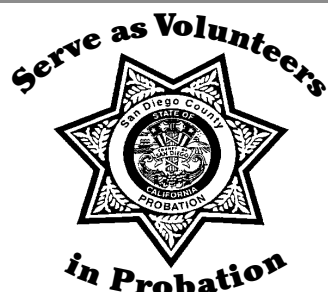
At the other table, I heard them talking about

sports. At one point, I heard a guy say, "You better go get your Glock" — a type of gun. I shouted over there, "Are you guys gonna go whack somebody? That would make this a real authentic *Sopranos* party." They laughed, and one gal who was there with her boyfriend was talking about the different definitions of "whack." With mobsters, it means "kill." In urban cultures, it means you're crazy.

The first 45 minutes of the party were spent trying to get the projector working. One guy said, "You're critiquing our party, and we don't even have the stuff working properly." Jeff said, "Hey, if we can't get this thing working, we'll just watch it in the house."

The back yard had a basketball court, a fire pit (which one of the women sat next to later in the evening), three tables, and a room that was filled with DJ equipment and a foosball table, and it looked like a cool room for a party. The fences on both sides of the house were so low, you could see the neighbors' back yards and patios. I asked if the noise would be bothering them, and Jeff said "We've had lots of parties here. They

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are all real cool about it. I have great neighbors."

There were different fruit dishes and appetizers sitting on the tables, and two big dogs (one a black Lab) kept getting close to the grub. When I finally sat down, one dog buried his head into my chest. My shirt was soaked. A few times I heard Jeff say to people, "If my dogs are bothering you, just let me know."

I hadn't seen an episode of *The Sopranos*, but I knew enough about it that I wouldn't be lost. When I asked others at the party, I was surprised that half the crowd had never seen an episode before. This was the fifth season of the critically praised HBO series. I left 20 minutes into it. So I've still never seen an episode.

I went to another party where I wondered whether the neighbors

would be complaining about the noise. It was the weekend before this one, and it was in Vista. John Hornbacher has parties at his place about once a month, and he probably spends more on the entertainment than most do. You see, he hires big-name musicians to play in his living room.

The *Los Angeles Times* did a story about people who have "house concerts," and they said the people throwing them usually lose money. When I asked John how much he pays the musicians, and if he loses money on the deal, he replied, "These are definitely not a money-maker. Most of the artists have asked us not to reveal how much they make. It's about the music. If we were to calculate any financial benefits, we might make 50 cents an hour putting them on."

He had Laurence Juber appearing at his next party, and I remem-

ber him telling me more than a year ago that it cost more to get Juber (a former guitarist with Paul McCartney and Wings) than he initially offered. And after he paid that price, and Juber sold all his CDs at the show (which people are often thrilled that they get autographed), Juber was happy with his appearance there. When I was at that Juber show, I asked him if he liked playing in a living room. He said, "Oh, this is great. It's such an intimate setting and the crowd is wonderful. They actually sit and listen to you play, and it's fun to meet them after the show."

At this show, it was Jamie Laval. He was in town also playing at Dizzy's and a folk festival. Since he plays fiddle, and the band does some Celtic music, I thought it would get pretty loud. But you could barely hear the band outside the brick walls of this house, which has

been featured in a magazine, and in the *Union-Tribune's* Home section.

Laval did some slow tunes, but the crowd seemed to enjoy the fast-paced Celtic stuff more. They would clap along, and I was sure that people would start dancing, but with all the chairs lined up, there really wasn't room. Laval said, "That was a song that would be great with step dancing. A lot of times we have step dancers perform with us." He glanced down at the hardwood floor and said, "This would be the perfect floor for it, too."

Having a musician in your living room is easier when it's Juber, with just his acoustic guitar. This band had a guitarist, Laval on violin, and an electric six-string stand-up bass. They were set up against a wall, by a window.

I was lucky enough to grab a front-row seat when an older gentleman was leaving. He said he comes to all the concerts,

because he's a neighbor. I asked about the noise and he said "Oh, no. These adobe walls are so thick, you can't hear anything. And they never play too late."

With so many people packed into the living room, I was surprised it wasn't stuffy. And neither of the ceiling fans were running.

During the intermission, I heard a guy yell to John "I'm not leaving you any cookies." He usually serves muffins, cookies, tea, juice, and natural sodas.

I heard another couple talking about stuff that was inside a glass cabinet. There were Star Trek items, Beatles dolls, Matchbox cars, and movie memorabilia. I wondered if the Hornbachers care that people they don't know look at all the stuff in their house. But John seemed to know most of the crowd. I heard him greeting some by name, and then telling another

couple, "I told you this band would smoke. They're great, aren't they?" Some of the other national acts that have played at these parties include John Jorgenson, Muriel Anderson, Richard Perkoff, and Clare Muldaur. I asked if there have been any local musicians, and John said, "Only Mark O'Connor. And that's because he's a friend of ours."

I think about Laurence Juber, who spent years as McCartney's guitarist, and after that won numerous awards for his classical style of finger picking. I wonder if, when people ask about his favorite gigs, he says "There was Madison Square Garden in the '70s. We had some great shows in Japan. Oh, and this guy's living room in Vista." ■

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# A VEHICLE BETWEEN TWO WORLDS

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Hackett is a firm believer in psychic abilities. At the age of 13, she and her best friend went to a Halloween celebration at her school in Concord, California, where she got a reading from a woman predicting that she would someday be shot. One hopes that someone giving a message like that would have couched it in the playful mischievousness of Halloween. However that may be, one night ten years ago, an intruder in the harborside Holiday Inn, where Hackett was working as a security guard, beat her and shot her in the hip.

Before the injury, Hackett admits, she paid no attention to the psychic message, which included a description of her troubled home life and predictions of her mother's multiple marriages, her own marriage for the wrong reasons at 19, and the beige color of the uniform she would be wearing at the moment of getting shot. "It was all true," says Hackett, who since then has avoided psychics because one of them might predict something bad happening to her again. "It makes me nervous. Do I want to live in fear? I enjoy law enforcement," she says. "I want to be able to go out every day and have a good time at work and not fear that somebody's going to shoot me or shoot one of my partners. It could be anything. You could walk into a grocery store and get shot. I just want to live my life in peace."

So Hackett has not come to Window to the Spirit tonight to consult a psychic. Instead, she is hoping that Meredith will relay some communication from her father, dead since 1990. For I have told her that Meredith understands his own work and career to be primarily that of a medium.

**HACKETT IS HOPING THAT MEREDITH WILL RELAY SOME  
COMMUNICATION FROM HER FATHER, DEAD SINCE 1990.**



"I've never met the man," says Hackett of the father who abandoned her in infancy. In the meantime, her stepfather molested her off and on as she was growing up. Hackett wants to ask her real father lots of questions. "He tried to find me when I was in my teens," she says, "and my mom wouldn't allow him to see me. I had a lot of anger then and even when I was first in recovery. Apparently he remarried and had kids. So I've got half brothers and sisters out there. I've wanted to know why. Who are you? Why didn't you come get me or come see me? I want to let him know that I don't blame him for the abuse I experienced but



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Chris Meredith

that he needed to be in my life to prevent some of it.

“What my AA sponsor had me do,” Hackett continues, “was to write him a letter, starting with the anger, and get it all on paper. ‘Talk to your dad,’ he said. ‘Tell him what you feel.’ I did that and I put the letter in a coffee can at El Capitan Reservoir and I burned it in the can. Then I took it out and spread it on the reservoir. And that was to signify his ashes. It worked well, because I have become peaceful with him. He had to do what he had to do, but, still, he’s my dad. And I love him. I’ve never met him, but I’ve been told I’m like

him — expressions, the way I walk and hold myself, my temper, the way I write.”

In his charming English accent, Meredith tells those who attend Window to the Spirit, “You may not get what you want, but you’ll get what you need.” Tonight Hackett receives no message from her father. But Meredith does claim to see the spirit of her grandmother, long gone, standing by her side as she sits listening to him among the rest of us in the Harmony Grove chapel. “Your grandmother wants you to know that she is proud of you and is proud you found your faith,” he tells Hackett, who, at this mention of a woman who

spent as much time raising her as her own mother, begins to weep. She tells me later that she has always felt the presence of both her grandmother and great-grandmother protecting her at dangerous moments. As I listen, I wonder what they were doing when her stepfather was molesting her. But she credits them with often helping her. “My life should have been taken by now,” she says.

I might suspect some embellishment of the truth after the fact, so to speak, but even before tonight’s event, Hackett had told me a story that her mother once told her. Before Hackett was

born, it seems, her great-grandmother, on her deathbed, put her hand on her mother's stomach and said what her mother had not yet learned herself: "You are pregnant with a baby girl. I will watch over her always."

On this evening, however, Meredith also describes a dog with short brown hair, a curly white tail, and sparkling eyes sitting at Hackett's side and pawing her. This detail also causes her to tear up. She once had a golden retriever and St. Bernard mix named Brandi she dearly loved. "He described him to a T," she tells me. "I have a picture of him on my wall, and his eyes always sparkled. He was a happy dog."

Out of the blue, Meredith asks, "Who is Jimmy? I sense him coming in here. He is around about you a lot these days and is now standing with your grandmother next to you." Meredith is starting to wind up his conversation with Hackett, after which he will turn to someone else in the room. She cannot tell him who Jimmy is. "That's all right," he says, "but you might inquire a bit about him to your family."

And Hackett does. Her mother tells her the next day that Jimmy was her uncle but that he was killed in a car crash. "Oh, that Jimmy," Hackett said to her mother. She goes on to tell me, "I thought he was still alive. I've

recently been talking to my husband about hiring someone to find him, because I wanted to talk to him and find out what my dad was like. So [through Meredith's mediation] that was my father's brother coming back to tell me he had already passed. Which I thought was pretty cool, because then I wouldn't get frustrated at trying to find this man." Hackett remembers Jimmy because when she was a little girl he had once given her a doll. He had already stepped in to help the family in the years after his brother had left her and her mother.

Before finishing, Meredith also mentions to Hackett a number of details about her life

that ring true to her. Not having grasped their significance at the time, I rehash them with her several days later. "He told me that someone in my life takes a lot of chances," says Hackett. "I'm thinking that's my husband. He's 56, and he's got some illnesses, but he gets on his motorcycle and thinks he's an 18-year-old. And he drag races with his buddies. One will say, 'I'm faster than you,' and they'll pump it. It's a testosterone thing. But to me, that's dangerous. I look at it and say, 'Will you guys please grow up?' He doesn't take care of himself either. And I get on his butt. Then as he bites my head off because I'm acting like the wife

where I'm not supposed to meddle, I leave him alone and say, 'It's your life.' But it's my life too. It's going to affect me directly."

"Chris [Meredith] told me about my childhood too," says Hackett, "that it was pretty crazy, no stability, that we moved a lot. God, did we move a lot. And then the house. He told me the back of my house was a total mess." The reason for the mess, says Hackett, is that she and her husband are remodeling. During the sluggish, frustrating process, they have been piling things in the computer room in the rear of the house.

"Then he said he saw a Catholic symbol next to me and that I was a recovering

Catholic. In some AA meetings we joke around saying we're recovering Catholics, so that was right on. He also said I'm going to be involved in a nonprofit organization to help build something. That's for the future. He said things are going to get crazy in my life starting in three or four months."

I go to Window to the Spirit (donation, \$15) on one other evening. Informally dressed in beige slacks and a polo shirt showing pleasant midlife girth, Meredith uses persuasive stories and humor to dominate the Healing Temple's audience of 18 women plus me (one additional man had come on the other evening). His fluid

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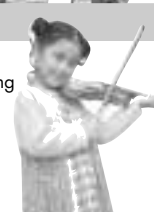
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speech is occasionally interrupted (on both nights) by the hysterical laughter of a sixtysomething Hispanic woman sitting on the right side of the room. Meredith acknowledges several of the outbursts with glib retorts but moves on quickly.

He begins each evening of Window to the Spirit with a guided meditation to put his audience in a relaxed frame of mind. Then, as in Hackett's case, he spends the remainder of the two-hour service directly, and one at a time, engaging participants about their past,

present, and future. During most of the conversations, he finds people and a few dogs from the spirit world standing as guides and companions next to those he is addressing. He brings out details of all kinds, ones concerning illnesses, careers, residence locations of relatives, dirty hands from gardening, kidding behaviors and personalities of those who have passed on, financial difficulties, suicides in the family, and childhood traumas. People commonly nod in positive response, but not always. Sometimes they

even deny what Meredith is saying. In those cases, he says, it is possible that he is picking up from the spirit world details that actually belong to the lives of other people in the room. If we recognize that one of these details is our own, though he is speaking of someone else, he encourages us to speak up.

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For weeks, I agonize over whether to ask Chris Meredith to act as a medium between me and my own father, who died in 1993. In the first place, I know my dad

would have frowned on it, undoubtedly calling communication with the dead a lot of "hooey." By going ahead only to satisfy my curiosity, I feel I will be dishonoring him and the kind of no-nonsense approach to life that he stood for. But people change, Meredith tells me, especially after they have passed into the spirit world. "And anyway, if your father doesn't want to talk to you," he says, "he won't."

Besides, in this anxiety, am I not admitting something my skepticism denies? A great

part of my being concerned about dishonoring my dad, I realize, lies in worry that he might disapprove of my trying to contact him — or, for that matter, any other person no longer alive. But that would mean he still lives in some mode or another that would allow him to still disapprove of me.

Once I make my decision, I try to commit myself as thoroughly as I can to open-mindedness toward everything Meredith will tell me. He has said that he provides all his clients with an audio-

tape of these, his more thorough, private sessions. Later, after hearing the tape, I can raise all the skeptical questions I want. As a former teacher of philosophy, I am perhaps both the worst and best type of person to give a fair and balanced appraisal of a medium's work. On the one hand, philosophy represents the most critical component of our learning, while on the other, it encourages a willingness to consider alternatives to normal ways of construing reality.

At a quarter past eight in the morning, I

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am 15 minutes late for my session, something I explain to Meredith upon arrival — and to myself — as due to heavy traffic on north I-15. When I remembered, while still on the road, that I was losing a portion of the one hour I would pay \$75 for, I frantically drove the last winding section of Country Club Drive out of Escondido, past an aromatic chicken ranch, and down a short drop into Harmony Grove's enclave of oaks.

Meredith owns a house in Harmony Grove, and in a den off to the right of its entrance, we sit down on small divans facing each other over a long, low-lying coffee table. A bonsai tree rests on its surface, and Chinese

figurines stand in different niches of the room. Meredith believes that the spirit guide that watches over him is Chinese. I give to Meredith the photograph of my father he has requested I bring with me. As he stares intently at it, I start to get over my initial feeling of preparing to lie back in a psychiatrist's chair.

He will start with an introduction, Meredith tells me, followed by relaying messages my father wants to give me, and finally providing answers my father has for questions I put to him. Although I expect it later on in the session, I am surprised that Meredith begins his introduction with his eyes closed. At the same

time, he moves his dark-haired head vigorously about and speaks loudly, as though addressing a sermon to a large church congregation.

"Over the years in which I've been involved in working within the field of mediumship," he intones, "the people who work with me here from the world of spirit have all tried to get across the point that our life here upon this earth should be viewed as a journey. It is self in search of self, becoming aware...of one's potential and trying to...bring that potential through interferences like being here in the physical body..."

But more of these thoughts later. At this

moment, I am finding it difficult to pay attention to them, since I want to hear what my father has to tell me. Suddenly the moment arrives and Meredith is saying, "I get the strong impression that your father is very much around and aware of your being here today. As I sense his presence coming in, I feel that this was and is a man that, when he was here in the physical body, he carried a certain aura about him, an aura that people respected, and I also get the impression that some people feared him or were a little bit intimidated."

And so we begin. Relief envelops me as I detect that there is going to be nothing spooky about this.

Although his ecclesiastical manner continues and his eyes (I think) remain shut, Meredith's speech is otherwise normal. Open curtains allow lots of morning light into the room, and my feet feel a solid connection with the floor.

The major leitmotif of the reading turns out to be that my father is aware of having put, during his physical life, a great emotional distance between himself and other people, including my mother, sister, three brothers, and me. At Meredith's first words in this direction, my skepticism surges out of its hiding, and I find myself trying to suppress it like Dr. Strangelove grabbing his arm to hold back a Nazi salute. He has

drawn on the picture of my father, I think, who, in the photo, sits austere in a dark suit with his hands folded in his lap. It is one of those photos of a professional man that betrays not a trace of a smile on his face. One similar to it hangs to this day on the courthouse wall in Riverside, where my father sat for 19 years on the superior court bench. At least, I go on commenting to myself, Meredith is not starting with the obvious, which would be to describe a career in the law. Behind my dad in the photo is a bookshelf full of law books.

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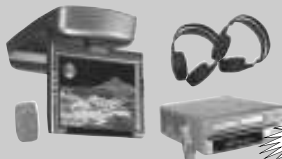


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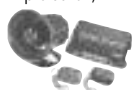
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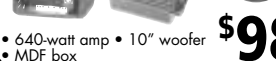


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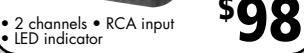
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too, sitting before him in the flesh. "Your father says that you need to be more confident within what you are doing and not, to use my terminology, beat yourself up a lot. You understand? Because he says you tend to go over and over situations. Could this have been done better? Could that have been done differently?"

As he goes on, Meredith asks me, at regular intervals, variations on the question, "Can you verify that?" These moments also seem to bring out the slightest crack between his eyelids, allowing

him perhaps to see between them my facial responses to things he is saying. Sometimes I reply in the negative, and then, I notice, the tack of his remarks changes.

Despite my skeptical self-interruptions, Meredith is drawing me into this audience. For my father did, indeed, not allow people to get close to him. Here today I am being told, "He now regrets in many respects your relationship with him, in that there could have been a more emotional connection than there was. This is something that

when he passed over to the spirit world he was able to see."

A little later in the hour, Meredith comes back to similar observations. "He realizes now how austere he could be. But it wasn't because he didn't care for you. It was that he had not been brought up knowing how to handle relationships. And he has certainly worked on that on the other side, and I feel that this is something he is wanting you to cultivate, to be more open in the heart. He says that you have a much softer approach to things. But you're still

a bit of a chip off the old block. He does seem to think that you have a lot of your mother in you. Would you agree with that?" I do. "He wants you to know that he has been working diligently to come out of the head and move into the heart."

Although Meredith has hit on something quite accurate, he never refers to another side of my dad, namely, his great, though reserved, kindness and generosity. The coldness that Meredith does describe at least expressed itself in a polite formality to persons of any age or

rank whatever. And within our home, as long as you did not bring up subjects like sex or death, he could be as warm as any human being I've known.

"Although he knows that you looked up to him, and there was a certain admiration there," Meredith continues, "he realizes in looking back that there were many disappointments where you either tried to please or to show yourself and your abilities and your skills as though attempting to live up to that level that your

father had set. And he wants you to know that, although it was not said verbally, he was and is very proud of what you have done."

It is now coming to Meredith that January and March are anniversary months of some sort in my father's life. "March is the month he died," I tell him. "March 3. I don't know about January." Meredith wants me to ask my mother when she met my father. For further validation, I gather, of his entire mediation here today.

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physical pain during a slow death from cancer. On doctor's orders, we gave him morphine. I have said nothing of this to Meredith, but he asks, "Before he passed to the spirit world, was there a time when your father was unconscious? He's talking about the time as if he were out of it, you see. He knew what was going on, but he says he was out of the body before his physical death occurred. His father and his brother visited him, and it was quite a shock, because I feel that it went a little against the grain of what he presumed was going to happen. So it was quite an eye-opener for him, he tells me.

"Did your father drink?" Meredith has

found a touchy subject. "Because he is intimating to me that sometimes he could lose himself in that. He recognizes that that was also a downfall. But it was his way of avoiding issues that he was not prepared to deal with. And he recognizes that there was deterioration in the relationship with your mother that he blames himself for. He says that if he were able to do it over again, he would put your mother on a pedestal because of what she had to put up with. But he recognizes that everything we experience in this life is determined by the choices we each make, and he takes full responsibility for the difficulties that occurred with the

family."

I make nothing more than a nod of agreement, but these words take me back to my teenage years, when Dad came home from work later and later after drinking and playing billiards with his friends at an Elks club. Mom would ask one of us to call the club to send him home for a dinner that was waiting. Once, when he still delayed, she took herself into a corner and cried softly. It was a painful scene.

But now Meredith is asking me about a fall my mother might have taken "if we went back three years ago." My mother is 87 and she did break her wrist, I tell him, by falling down a short flight of stairs in

her home. It seems to me more like four or five years ago. "Your father is talking about this. He does still come very much around her. Your mother must have been a very good cook at one time." Oh, yes. "Because your father talks about it. And he talks about her creative side too. Would she make things?"

"Yes, she was a seamstress," I reply.

"Oh, that's what I want, because he was showing me her sewing and knitting, which symbolically have helped me see it. She was very good with her hands, you see."

Didn't I provide Meredith with this detail? I am starting to emerge from the spell his descriptions of the

past have cast upon me. Now he turns to the future.

"Who is David?" Out of many students, colleagues, and friends past and present, I'm sure I know a number of Davids. But one does not come to my attention in this moment. "I understand," says Meredith. "I want you to watch. There is going to be a David who will have connections with the Texas area. This David will be someone that you're going to connect with, and this will open up a work project for you that will be satisfying. It is something that comes in through your father, and it will be beneficial for you.

"Does the name Barlow mean anything to you?" Barlow is a name that it seems I have always known to

exist in the abstract, but it is hard for me right now to imagine it being the name of an actual person. I feel myself starting to laugh, until I suppress it. But apparently Barlow will be another connection for me.

Several weeks later, I am watching a football game on television when the name Barlow leaps out at me. He is a player for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Surely this can't be the connection Meredith has in mind.

"I also feel," he says, "that your father is going to make his presence known to you as you go through these coming weeks, something significant that is going to let you know that he is certainly around. Okay?"

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sion to my questions. I do not have a long list of mysteries that I wished Dad had cleared up before he died. But something else does come to mind. I wonder about any current ability he might have to see into the foibles I've exhibited throughout my life. I'm embarrassed to think that he now knows things about me that I could keep so effectively from him while he still lived. "Oh, the things you didn't know about us when we were growing up," my brothers and I used to tease my mother.

"Your father wants you to know," Meredith responds, "that although you may not see it from the vantage point of where you are, these foibles, as you call them, make you the unique person that you are. He says not to be fearful of who you are. But he has come to real-

ize that there is a reason and a purpose behind everything that occurs. He says no two people are the same. He says that you are who you are. He says, believe in yourself and be true to yourself. The foibles are an aspect of you, but not the whole of you. He's come to understand that if you do the best that you possibly can and that if you do things that are not at the expense of others, you will be fine. Stop living in the past. He says, live in the now.

"Well, we are at time," says Meredith, reaching down to turn off his tape recorder. "Watch your dream states, because often family members will attempt to connect with us in sleep. I want you to watch where you do connect with your father in dream states. And that will be a reality. From your having made this connection

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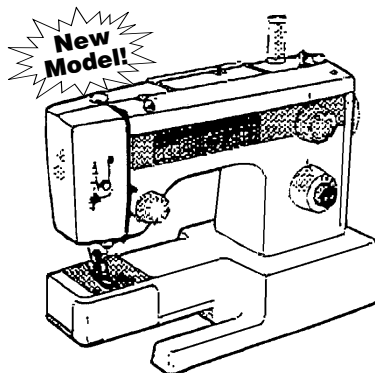
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today, there is now a desire for him to let you know the validity of him being around you.

"I leave you with a thought from Richard Bach, who says, here is a test to find whether your mission here upon this earth is complete: If you're still alive, it is not."

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When Linda Hackett came home from Window to the Spirit, she says, her husband Ron asked her whether the psychic had said any-

thing about him. She told him, "What are you asking that for? You're not even a believer."

Ron's inquiry suggests a misgiving in his own doubt that many skeptics of psychic phenomena have, myself included: "What if there is something to it?" We mild skeptics don't bother Chris Meredith in the least. "I welcome skepticism; I enjoy it," he says. But he is not so happy "when you get people who are adamant that they're not going to accept any-

thing, the attitude where they get defensive. Attitude and intent are everything. One should always go to a

of attitude, people get nothing."

This point of view reminds me of an old analogy to the problem

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reader or a medium with an open mind and not an agenda [like] 'We'll see what you can do now.' With that kind

of whether to believe in God. That problem is like wondering whether a woman loves or will ever love you. If you

don't commit to approaching her in some definite fashion, you will not experience her love. So, goes the argument, if you don't commit to God in faith, you will never experience Him either. What makes it faith, largely, is that one can never know with certainty that the experience is not illusory.

But to Meredith psychic phenomena and the spirit world are not contents of religious faith. He dissociates his work as much as he

possibly can from Christianity, especially, the core of which is belief in a savior. "I see Jesus as a great teacher who came to teach spiritual law," says Meredith. "He did not come to save us. His dying and coming back were to prove the continuity of life after death. The one thing that we teach as spiritualists is that you are personally responsible for everything that you do upon this earth. And there are consequences for all of your actions. That's a bitter-

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sweet pill for some people to swallow. But it's what separates us from mainline religion."

As far as I understand spiritualism from Meredith's telling, it is "knowledge of spiritual law" that tells us about the spirit world. That knowledge today comes partly from spiritualism's traditions, which go back at least to the Fox sisters of Hydesville, New York, who in 1848 discovered the spirit of a dead peddler from strange raps in their house. The sisters developed ever more sophisticated communications with the spirit, word of their experiences spread rapidly, and committees were formed to test the authenticity of their claims. Enthusiasm became so great that even a governor of New York supposedly participated in the levitation of a table, with himself on it, to prove that the new phenomena were real.

Suddenly many people started claiming to be mediums. Also, definite ideas about the nature of "spirit" emerged, and they gradually formed the core of spiritualism's ideas. For his understanding of the spirit world, however, Meredith relies not only on this tradition, but on personal experience as well.

"Sometimes I will see spirit objectively like I see you," he tells me. "More often than not it's in the mind that we see it, which is as clear as any image you may think of. Sometimes I hear the spirit externally and, quite often, I hear it internally. Lots of symbols come in, and I work in that way."

Meredith believes that we have a spiritual, or "etheric," body that is always next to our physical body. At the tops of our heads, the "silver cord" connects these two bodies while we live

on the earthly plane. But when we die, our consciousness leaves the physical body and goes across the silver cord and into the etheric body, where it will develop itself further in the spirit world. Meredith

says that he can sometimes see a person's etheric body standing nearby. "I was brought up in the Church of England up to about 13," says Meredith. "At 7 years of age, I woke up

in the middle of the night and saw people at the bottom of my bed that seemed as solid and real as anybody, three-dimensional, and they just floated through the floor. And from 7 through 13 I had all

these different types of manifestations of people appearing to me. Sometimes I would see faces; sometimes I would see only a pair of eyes, sometimes the whole person manifested. I didn't know

these people, didn't know who they were, didn't know what was happening at that time. First time it happened, I spent the night in my brother's bed. I never shared it with my parents. It was something I

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kept to myself," says Meredith, who is now 47.

"At 13 I ventured into a spiritualist church. There are many spiritualist churches where I come from, which is Cheshire, in the northwest of England. And I sat down in this church, where probably the youngest person was in their late 70s. There was this little old lady that was a medium. And she told me everything that happened, everything I'd seen, and why things were happening. She

didn't know me from Adam, but she said, 'You have a natural gift and you're going to develop this gift and eventually the gift will take you out of this country.' Of course, at 13 I had no desire to leave my country. But everything that she said did come to pass."

Meredith says he joined the church, called Duckinfield Spiritualist Church, becoming its youngest president at 19, "and developing these abilities that I now have." Twenty-five years ago he came

to the United States with \$1000 in the bank.

The meaning of spiritual law starts with the simple truth that humans are spiritual beings. "We are spiritual beings having a human experience," says Meredith. "But your religion will have no bearing upon your status in the world of spirit; it's how you live your life that's important. Behind every human experience, there is a spiritual lesson. What we're dealing with is scientific law, and religion is man's

way of trying to understand that which he doesn't understand. It is a path that he has created. What we're addressing is how spiritual law governs everything. It doesn't matter whether you're an atheist, an agnostic, or whatever you might be, you're going to move into the spirit world, because there is nowhere else for you to go.

"There are infinite levels of life in the spirit world," Meredith says. "Each level is what you have attained spiritually and that you will go to." At death, he believes, people need assistance to move into the new situations they are not accustomed to. Family members already in the spirit world will help them. And they can go to "way stations" until they learn to let go of earthly conditions and attachments and accept their new realities.

"It is very organized," he says. "Nothing is left to chance." This point reminds Meredith of a scene in the movie *Ghost*, with Whoopi Goldberg, in which a man in the hospital is dying, and lots of his relatives from the spirit world have come around. Meredith finds the scene quite accurate. "Often when you see someone in hospital, they are talking about seeing people you can't see, and you think, oh, they're only hallucinating. They are actually seeing the family members who have come for them. Nothing is left to chance."

In the United States, thinks Meredith, people mix up mediumship with psychic work, whereas the English, with their greater concentrations of spiritualist churches (there were 60 of them in Manchester when he was growing up),

understand them as more distinct. However, as both my own and Hackett's experiences with Meredith suggest, the two do flow easily in and out of each other.

"Psychism has everything to do with the physical," says Meredith. "It deals with your job, with relationships." When I try to express my understanding of a medium, I tell Meredith that it is a person who communicates to the dead. To which he jabs me, "We are more dead than they are."

The medium is a vehicle between two worlds, the material and the pure spirit worlds. Meredith says that the psychic is not able to move on to "the next level and communicate with the spirit world. You will probably find that there are more psychics claiming to be mediums than mediums claiming to be psychic," he says.



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At another point in our conversation, when I bring up the function of his work, Meredith says, "I see myself as a sort of psychotherapist, guru, and a medium all [combined] into one, because people do come with different needs. In England the medium seems to communicate with the spirit world and stop there. In the United States, people need a lot of guidance, because America has been so materialistically based that we've had to help them become more spiritual. The psychic side is important, but it's only one rung on the ladder."

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What about palm readers, astrologers, tarot card readers, and other New Age functionaries? Meredith believes that such people do have psychic abilities of varying degrees. They use their particular sciences as tools to facilitate psychic readings. Although some of them might be able to do the readings without these aids, their clients often like to see tangible evidence of the message in things like runes and astrological signs. There were similar phenomena in the ancient world. The Romans did astrology, plus they read

the entrails of animals and the flight formations of birds, while the Chinese interpreted cracks in a tortoise shell or the positions of sticks thrown upon a grid.

When I ask Meredith how psychic phenomena work, he asks, "Do I need to explain it? I don't think there is a need to explain everything." But he goes on to say where his own psychic powers come from. "The people I work with, the spirit people, can see in your life what lies ahead to a certain degree, not forgetting that we have free will. Your life is not predestined. It's deter-

mined by the choices you make. People in the spirit world bring information to me, make me aware of things that are coming into a person's life that they need to be aware of.

"When I read for a person, I'm usually reading within a 3- to 12-month period of time. Because if I [give out] something about 12 years from now, it's not going to be of any use to you. You're going to forget.

"I do believe there are certain experiences that we are meant to meet in this lifetime. You still have the choice

of saying, 'I don't want to deal with that. I choose not to go through that experience.' I may have said to someone, there is this wonderful person coming into your life, and the spirit world is bringing you together. And it may be that they meet that person and decide, 'You're not my type.' They may make some choices that will alter what we've seen. That can happen. So when people say, 'What you've told me has not worked out,' I say, 'Hang on a minute. Let's see what you did or what you didn't do that influenced it.' And I'll want to know what the actual wording of what I said was, because, for some people, I say one thing and they hear something else. That's why I like to go back on the tape and say, 'Listen to what I actually said.'"

An objection to the apparent psychic prediction of things people will do keeps running through my head. Couldn't it be that such predictions act as a suggestion in the subconscious mind and that a person then goes on to actualize them because the psychic has planted them there?

That is not beyond possibility, Meredith admits, but he doesn't think it's too common. "Quite often some things that we do suggest are totally off the wall and are not where they are wanting to be or think they're going," he says.

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ship, thus contributing to the divorce.

People do ask him information about marriages, says Meredith. "You have to be careful in those areas because of lawsuits. And my readings are on tape. So I won't come straight out and say your husband is cheating or your wife is cheating. I'm quite conscious of the ramifications that can come of something like that. But I remember a situation where I suggested that the marriage wouldn't last, though it wasn't put quite that strongly, and the woman told me she went home and tore up the tape. She had just gotten married. And the marriage didn't last. People don't always hear what they want to hear."

For the most part, however, Meredith avoids predicting bad things. And because of that, he has been accused of being too positive. But he can't always help it. He says that he read for a base jumper one time who

went off to jump in Australia the next week, where she hit the mountain and died. "I didn't see it; it wasn't shown to me. We're not all-knowing," he says.

"There are certain people that I can tell they may not be long upon the earth, but it's not something I feel most people can deal with. It was said, although I never validated it, that there was a person in Arizona that the one thing he could do was tell you the day you were going to die. And people actually went to visit him. Can you imagine, right on the 15th of March 2007 you're going to die? Can you imagine the impact of that? You couldn't eradicate it from your mind. The damage that would do.

"Because I've been brought up in this field," Meredith continues, "and I've been around some wonderful mediums in Great Britain and seen some wonderful demonstrations of

the gift, there has to be integrity in the work. You're dealing with people's lives. And some people hang on to every word that you say. So you have to be very careful."

Meredith asserts that people choose the types of lives they want to lead — and their own bodies — before they are born, as he did in choosing to be a medium. "Mediums are born, not made," he says of what he takes to be his own special gift. "This life is about developing aspects of ourselves [that we need]. Some people have come here to learn how to stand up for themselves. So they will place themselves in situations where they will learn to take back their power and become more assertive. You come into this world to embrace a human experience that develops yourself. As I tell my clients, there are no victims in this world. We are all willing participants.

"I had a lovely lady sitting here last week who had all these questions. She asked, 'Why would someone be born in a place where they starve?' I said you're only looking at the physical aspect of this. Look at India, a very impoverished country, physically. Spiritually, it's rich. 'Two men look through prison bars, one sees mud and one sees

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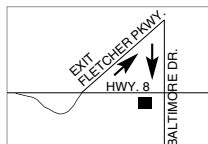
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I ask Meredith about reincarnation and past-life regression. He says that in his sessions he avoids going into them for the most part, except in unusual cases of relationships that he can see haven't started recently but have continued from previous lifetimes. Past-life regression is a valid science, he thinks, though it can't be proven, despite stories about people like Bridey Murphy.

"There are people who will come back, people like Churchill and Patton. I believe Churchill reincarnated because the world war was coming and that he would play an important role in turning things around. Look what happened to Churchill after the war. He went into obscurity. He had done what he came to do. Unfortunately, some

people fall into escapism with this. It's so wonderful to be Cleopatra rather than Mary Smith living down the road with all these problems and bills. That's why I don't do psychic fairs, which bring our work down to a base level. We have the psychic junkies who run from medium to medium, psychic to psychic, until they hear what they want to hear. Thank goodness, touch wood, I meet very few of those people. Most of my clients are referrals, people who have a genuine need and want some help."

Like the family of a crewmember on the airliner that hit the Pentagon on 9/11. The brother called Meredith in the aftermath of the tragedy and brought him a photograph of the dead man without telling Meredith who he was. "As I worked with

[the brother], information came through that it was the 9/11 situation, and he broke down," says Meredith. "It was the first time he had ever done something like this, and he was totally convinced it was his brother. Then his sister came from New York, and then the daughter of the gentleman that passed over, she came, and other members of the family eventually came too."

"And the dead man wanted to talk?" I ask.

"Oh, definitely," says Meredith. "The reason why is, in that type of situation there is no closure. He had family he left behind that he had to make his peace with, let them know that he was okay. The number-one priority was to inform them he survived this and help them understand that there is a bigger picture behind

all that had taken place, that he is still around and that they're going to be reunited, which gives a great deal of comfort. You can get on with your life."

"Some people sit there where you're sitting," he tells me, "and start crying their eyes out and they don't know why. It's part of the healing process." Husbands and wives, and parents and children, seeking each other make up much of Meredith's clientele. "When children have passed over, parents have come. They bring the kids' toys and the pictures; it's a very sad thing. I had a Catholic family that came a few times. They had lost two children in a car accident, and we were able to get some communication with them, and it brought a lot of comfort to [the parents]."

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San Diego is a good place to find psychics. Many people I talk to in town can direct you to a storefront near their neighborhood that advertises boldly and brightly some combination of the following services: palm reading, fortune telling, crystal balls, clairvoyance, tarot cards, angel reading, past-life regression, and contact with the dead. At most of them, palm reading seems to be the least expensive, usually costing \$10. But from what your palm reveals, the reader is likely to suggest that you learn even more through her costlier specialties, those in the range of \$40 to \$80.


Then there is Lady of the Lake bookstore, a metaphysical shop that keeps a psychic on the premises daily from noon to 6:00 p.m. Here

one can find much the same fare as in the storefronts, but with an upscale New Age twist that, depending on the psychic on duty, includes use of astrology, the kabalistic or Rosicrucian traditions, connections to the subconscious mind, "High Magick," clairvoyance, numerology, Eastern and Western spirituality, runes, and amulets.

At Madame Crystal's, a storefront on Robinson Avenue in Hillcrest, I pay \$20 for a two-palm reading from a young black-haired, olive-skinned woman. I ask her whether she's a Gypsy. "No," she answers, "I'm Yugoslavian and Cherokee."

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woman named Mary I am getting to know. Madame Crystal stares at my palms and tells me there is a good chance I will have a relationship with Mary. "But," she says, "you have a black aura in the center of your palms. It should be pink." This aura will block my path to Mary unless it is changed.

The reason for my problem, I am told, is that someone has put a curse on me. Madame Crystal will remove the curse and tell me who put it on me, or at least

the person's initials. Removing the curse will improve my aura, and the new and better aura will make the relationship with Mary much more likely.

But I must commit today, says Madame Crystal, to having the curse removed. The cost will be \$200 to have her remove it. And if she does, I must swear that I will never tell anyone. I reply that I don't have \$200. Not to be dissuaded, she says, "Can't you go to the ATM?"

People go see psy-

chics for all kinds of reasons. Sharon Crane (not her real name), a Clairemont resident, is an eighth-grade teacher married to a prosperous businessman. They have three children. She is attractive and socially popular. Yet she is a worrier as well, she says. "I'll go to my psychic probably four times a year. The reassurance I get from her helps me stop focusing on what bad thing might pop up in my life and ruin it." Crane also admits to following no particular

religious tradition. So psychic readings fill a void in her spiritual life. She finds that the most likely moments when she starts thinking of going to the psychic again are when she is forgetting about her goals and has a sense of losing direction.

Not all who seek out psychics are women. Jeff Ragan (not his real name) of La Mesa sees a psychic "once in a while," he says, to find direction too. Three years ago he lost his job in the computer indus-

try, and a year ago, he and his wife of eight years divorced. "My prospects," he exclaims, "have turned completely upside down."

The fact that two of those who explain to me why they see a psychic want to remain anonymous says something about the status of psychic reading in our culture. There is a feeling among us that only the gullible fall for it and that to seek it is not quite rational, as though psychic practice is thorough quackery.

Yet brilliant scholars have studied psychic phenomena seriously, and two world-renowned research institutes are devoted to comprehending it. One is the Society for Psychical Research, in London, and the other is the American Society for Psychical Research, in New York. Presidents of the former have included philosophers C.D. Broad and Henri Bergson and classicist Gilbert Murray. A contributor to the American organization's develop-

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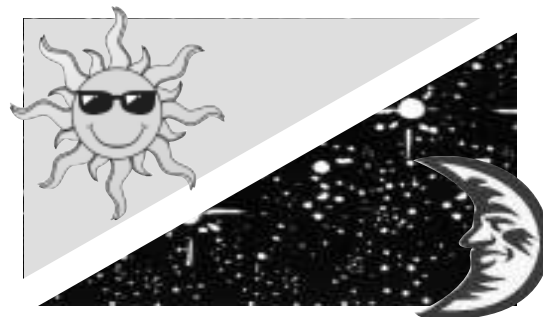
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ment was the great American psychologist and philosopher William James.

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Since Linda Hackett had gone with me to Window to the Spirit for the express purpose of receiving a communication from the dad she had always wanted to talk to, I am hoping

that she will go to Meredith for a private session like the one in which I had him conjure up my own father. She says she wants to, but in the past few days she has started back to work after time off to recover from a shoulder injury. So she feels suddenly busier than she has been for a while and she tells me that she will "go see Chris about that after things settle down." I get the feeling she will need some emotional space to deal with it.

During my conversations with Hackett, I had asked whether her belief that her father and grandparents still live on makes her con-

sider her own immortality. "I don't think about that," she said, "but I feel that I'm going to be taken care of when my time comes. I have no fear of it. It's funny, I have no fear for me, but I fear for my husband and other people I care about. It's the loss. I don't want to lose them. It freaks me out when somebody dies, because I don't want to let go."

I think of a woman who came to both Window to the Spirit services I attended and how she said her husband, dead for only six months, had visited her numerous times already. I think of the many other people I

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encountered there who were seeking contact with loved ones. And I think about how my skepticism about medi-umship gradually opened toward desire to hear from my father during the private ses-sion with Meredith.

Then I am reminded of the last two paragraphs of the book *Bellow: A Biogra-phy*, in which author James Atlas records parts of an interview with Saul Bellow by English writer Martin Amis. Amis, who recently suggested that Bellow, now 88, might be the greatest Ameri-can novelist ever, asked him whether he believes in immortality.

"Well, it's impossi-ble to believe in because there is no rational ground," Bellow replied. "But I have a persistent intuition...call it love impulses. What I think is how agreeable it would be to see my mother and my father and my brothers again.... The only thing I can think of is that in death we might become God's apprentices and have the real secrets of the universe revealed to us."

Amis's question about immortality fol-lows Bellow's reading of some remarks by his character in an unfin-ished novel. Bellow prefaces it with the claim that he has been writing about death all his life. Then he reads: "What I have to say, all I have to say, is that I count on seeing the dead — my dead. When I die they will be wait-ing for me. I don't anticipate, nor do I visualize, any actual set-tings. I can't tell you what my father will say or my mother and brothers and friends. Very possibly they will all tell me things I badly need to be told." ■

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**M**argaret Conrad, a senior at Sweetwater High School, enjoys hanging out with her boyfriend of one and a half years. She wants to go to SDSU and study child psychology.

*To how many colleges are you applying?* "I applied to four colleges: San Diego State, Cal State San Marcos, San Francisco State, and Cal State Long Beach. All the application costs were free because I got a fee waiver."

*Which school is your "reach" (first choice) school? Which is your "safety" (last ditch) school?* "My first choice is San Diego State, and Southwestern Community College is where I'll go if I don't get in anywhere else. SDSU is close to home, and from what I've heard, it's a good place to study psychology. It is a party school, but I don't want to be in a place where the atmosphere is too serious. I want to be in a more relaxed environment."

*What has influenced your college choices?* "I'd say location and reputation. All the schools are in California and somewhat laid-back."

*Are your parents pressuring you to get into a particular school?* "Yes, my parents push me to go to a university and become some medical doctor. It's like a Filipino thing. They believe that if you go to a good university and become a doctor you'll become really, really rich. All that pressure kind of pushed me away from that path, and I kind



Margaret Conrad

of rebelled."

*How long did your applications take?* "A couple of hours. The state schools are online, and you just use one application for all the schools. There also aren't any essays, so it's just a matter of checking boxes and filling in numbers."

*What was the stupidest part of your application?* "Well, the stupidest part of it was when I got a letter from a school telling me not to get 'senioritis.' It was really too late — I've had that since sophomore year."

*Are you guilty of exaggeration on any part of your application?* "No; I'm afraid of getting caught. I heard a story before where someone did that, got caught, and lost a lot of money."

*What do you think you should have done differently in high school to have a better chance at admittance?* "Worked harder in classes. Done my homework. Paid attention. Got better grades."

*How do you plan on paying for college?* "Through scholarships, financial aid, some grants, and some CalVet awards. I'll probably have to work and take out loans. It sucks that I'll be in debt."

*Are you trying for scholarships?* "Yes, mostly need-based and cultural ones, based on your ethnicity. The only one I received was the Governor's scholarship [based on SAT9 achievement]. I'm applying for a Filipino one right now, but filling out scholarships is more work than actually applying for college!"

*What do you think will be the best part about going away to college?* "The best part is being independent and away from my parents."

*The hardest?* "Same thing. It will be hard to be on my own."

*Do you think you'll become homesick?* "No; I don't think so. I'm pretty independent already, but it will be weird not having someone there for me and to help me do stuff."

**D**avid Janning is a Hilltop High senior who wants to become a history teacher. He has a 3.8 GPA and SATs in the 1200s. His favorite activity is working on the computer.

*To how many colleges are you applying?* "I applied to six colleges: UCSD, SDSU, UC Irvine, UC Riverside, Cal State Los Angeles, and Cal State San Marcos. Each fee cost about \$50, so \$300 in total."

*Which school is your "reach" school? Which is your "safety" school?* "UCSD is my first choice because I'd like to stay close to home so I don't have to get a new place and waste more money. Also because all my friends and my girlfriend are around here, I'd like to stay close. My last-ditch school is Cal State Los Angeles because it's the furthest away of the state schools that I applied to. I don't really want to go to a state school — and a faraway one at that, so that's why it's last."

*What has influenced your college choices?* "Mainly reputation. I talked to two other people who went to these schools and they told me what they thought of it and I applied on that basis. Most of them really enjoyed their experience. Someone had a complaint about San Diego State, though; they said it was very hard to get classes because there are so many people. Besides that, they liked it."

*Are your parents pressuring you to get into a particular school?* "No; they are pretty understanding. They know it's hard to get into a good school, and they've been supportive of my decisions."

*How long did your applications take to complete?* "Maybe four or five hours. All the schools used a uniform application so it didn't take that long. I also had most of the essays done beforehand. Most of them were pretty general topics that I had written about before for school essays, so I just reproduced

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your "safety" school? "I'm not sure which is my 'reach,' but I'm really interested in Harvard, Princeton, and Stanford. I like it how Harvard and Princeton are on the East Coast and away from home. My safeties are UCLA and UC Berkeley because, according to the statis-



Lan Zhou

tics [my grades, SATs], I think I can get in there."

*What has influenced your college choices?*

"Reputation and location. I know that I can get a really good education at Harvard and Princeton because they are famous for their good undergraduate programs. I know if I go there I can get into a good graduate school."

*Are your parents pressuring you to get into a particular school?* "Not really anymore, since I got into Harvard."

*How long did the applications take?* "A long time. I did most of it during the week we got off from school because of the wildfires. I'd say it took me more than 20 hours."

*Have you lost or damaged any applications?* "Well, yeah, I messed up sometimes, but I had made copies of the applications so nothing bad really happened."

*What was the stupidest part of your application?* "I hate how all the private schools have different applications. If they could all just use a common application, that would be nice!"

*Are you guilty of exaggeration on any part of your application?* "Well, I tried to be as accurate as I could, but when I could, I put myself in a more positive light."

*What do you think*

*you should have done differently in high school to have a better chance at admittance?* "Maybe I should have done more community-service activities. Overall, though, I think I did everything I could do."

*How do you plan on paying for college?* "Probably through financial aid and work-study programs. I'll have to work, but I think that's actually pretty good. I'll have to start working sooner or later, so it's just going to be sooner now."

*Are you trying for scholarships?* "I don't know. It's very competitive. But if I do, it will be academic."

*What do you think will be the best part about going away to college?* "Being on my own."

*The hardest?* "Being on my own."

*Do you think you'll become homesick?* "I don't know. Probably, seeing how I'll be on the other side of the country from my family and most of my friends. I think I'll get used to it after a while."

**L**anga Sibanda is a junior at Guajome Park Academy who has started researching prospective



Langa Sibanda

colleges. She knows she wants to do something in medicine but isn't sure if she wants to go into general practice or be a pharmaceutical researcher. She has a 3.5 GPA.

*To how many colleges are you applying?* "Right now I'm looking at two or three colleges, but I'm trying to narrow it down to that one final school that I'll put my heart into. For now, I think it's three: UCSD, UCLA, and Evansville in

Indiana. The application fees are about \$50 each, I think."

*Which school is your "reach" school? Which is your "safety" school?*

"UCSD is my first choice. I don't think I have a safety school yet...isn't that terrible?"

*What has influenced your college choices?* "I've heard that UCSD and UCLA have good medical programs and they're very good at biology. Evansville is sending me information, and their program for studying abroad is very interesting, too. I'd love to see the world and get to learn about science."

*Are your parents*

*pressuring you to get into a particular school?* "No. My mom has always been the type of person who wants me to go to a university but never has said which one...just so long as I'm getting an education and I'm happy with what I'm doing. My father is a biochemist, and he's a lot like that, too. He says that if I want to be a scientist, go to whatever university, be happy, and just learn. Learning is basically the focus in my family."

*What do you think about the application process?* "The admissions process doesn't seem too complicated. From the applications

I've seen, they give you a lot of opportunities to show yourself as a positive individual. Then again, I haven't started yet, so maybe when I get down to it, I'll have a very different opinion."

*What was the stupidest part of your application?* "I don't think anything is crazy or stupid.... Some private schools on their application have a hodgepodge section and ask about your favorite book, time of the day, word, etc., which is kind of weird. Would someone whose favorite word is 'whippersnapper' be admitted over someone who prefers the word 'abacus'? I think admissions

probably uses this section to amuse themselves."

*What do you think about people who exaggerate on their application?* "I think it's dishonest and stupid. UC schools do random checks on things like extracurriculars, and if they find out you lied, then you're going to community college."

*What do you think you should have done differently in high school to have a better chance at admittance?* "I wish I had known about the process earlier, like, how important high school was. I always knew it was very important, but I think in a lot of

aspects I was misinformed. So I wish I had received better information. I guess I also could have worked harder, but other than that, I wouldn't have done anything differently."

*How do you plan on paying for college?* "I'm looking into scholarships, but I think I'll have to pay a little out of pocket. I don't know if I'll have to work."

*Are you trying for scholarships?* "More academic and need-based. Not so much athletic because I'm not very athletic."

*What do you think will be the best part about going away to college?* "I think it's the

whole college experience. You always hear your parents and your aunts and uncles talk about it and how they had all those crazy, fun times. It's just the right balance of academics and meeting new people...I don't know how to describe it."

*The hardest?* "I think just missing my family. But if I do go to UCSD, it will be just down the street."

*Do you think you'll become homesick?* "I don't think I'll be too homesick, just because I'm not that kind of person. I've never had that homesick quality."

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## CHAPTER 11

### Sardine School

On that future winter night when my children's children gather on the floor around me and ask: "Please, dear Granddaddy, tell us of your most miserable assignment," I shall describe to them my sardine-fishing trip on the little sardine boat *Miô Jesus*.

I asked the skipper of the boat if he would take me out with him sometime, and he said he would "sometime." I asked him if he would take me out that very same night and he answered, "No, not tonight." I asked him why, and he answered that he could not tell me why. And so that is how it came to pass that I went out with him. For at 8:30 that evening I boarded his little vessel, and at 9:00 he came aboard and found me there.

"How-do, Mr. Mederna."

He replied: "Huh. Hello." He continued on into the pilot house and left me alone on the aft-deck to entertain myself. This seemed odd of him, as we had known each other several years, and he had always been wanting to repay me somehow for the time I ran his daughter's picture as queen of the Portuguese festival.

The sardines had not been running so well this season, all of which may have accounted in part for his low spirits. And I would have stepped ashore again except that his men right then cast off the lines, and the little vessel started underway.

A high haze hid the stars as by a veil, and the crew seemed glad of this, as the blacker the night, the better the sardine fishing. The men continued working with the nets until the *Miô Jesus* was well out of the channel, then the skipper motioned me to come into the pilot house.

"You might as well go below and sleep," he said. "When we spot a school, I'll call you."

His voice was more of a command than an invitation, leaving nothing for me to do except to climb

down into the forecabin and to crawl into the first bunk. The blankets smelled of fish, as these fishermen do not always remove their clothes before turning in for a sleep between watches, and I could imagine seeing fish scales glistening out at me through the darkness. My head became blurred with the odor and the pitch of the vessel. But I did not become sick, not then, although I did doze as though under the influence of a disagreeable and light dose of ether.

Later I was partly aroused by

**I said the hell with trying to be a feature writer of sardines. I said the hell with everything.**

what sounded like the scraping of our starboard fenders against the hull of another vessel. The port-hole in the forecabin was well forward of my bunk, and I was too uncomfortable in my stomach to dare get up to look out. Staying right where I was, I soon passed off into another siege of dizziness and remained that way for what may have been an hour or two hours or three hours.

The captain's voice awakened me. He was calling down into the forecabin: "Hi-ho, we're getting action."



Captain Ralph Madinga, 1947

I came out on deck, and far aft of us was a lantern rising and falling with the roll of the ocean. The lantern was our own and marked the end of the net the men were heaving overboard as fast as they could. Our little vessel began swinging to starboard and was completing a great circle back to the floating lamp. This was the way, then, the sardines were captured. They

were corralled, and the observation pleased me as much as though the method were my own discovery.

The sardines school to our starboard was nothing more than a wide sheet of phosphorescence. A man on the bow was signaling with his arms to Mederna at the wheel. The two men had to work fast as the school was likely to dart in any direction which pleased its fancy.

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We completed the circle back to the lantern, and the men began drawing the lampar-net into a pocket. One end of the net was being drawn aboard, and the captive sardines began kicking a fuss in earnest now. The darkness of the skies exaggerated the phosphorescent flames which shot from their tiny bodies.

When the net was drawn as tightly into a pocket as it could be drawn without squeezing the sardines to pieces, another net of fine mesh and shaped much like a huge bucket was lowered over the side by a hand-crane. This bailer was dipped down into the sardines, then hauled back aboard again. Sheafs of water poured from it, and the sardines were emptied on deck. The bailer dipped again into the sea and brought up another load, and another, and another. The sardines were raining upon us, and nowhere could we hide to get away from them.

"Here," the skipper said to me, "put on these hip boots. You'll need them." I needed them, all right, for by now the sardines were up to my knees. The whole thing had turned into a sardine-blizzard. A man passed a line into my hand. On the end of the line was a stone. He told me to put the stone over into the net and to keep moving it up and down. The reason either was to frighten the sardines deeper into the net or to frighten them up from the bottom. The reason was explained to me, but I have forgotten. All I know is that I had to work, and that the more I worked the more acute became my stomach-trouble. So many sardines all at once were beginning to influence me, and the crisis to my illness came when I had to bow my head over the side to work the stone.

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there, but we could not stoop to drag them out or another avalanche would be upon us. I said the hell with trying to be a feature writer of sardines. I said the hell with everything. I wanted to go home. I wanted no more sardines, but the captain did, and so we continued. And when the decks appeared to be unable to hold more, the captain ordered side boards placed upon the

side boards already there, and the work went on.

When next I was able to raise my head through the snowbank of sardines, a peculiar change was coming over the world. The sky had turned from black to a dirty gray, and the phosphorescence had faded from the net. This, then, was the coming of that famous dawn we always read so much about. And with dawn came a call from our port.

We turned and saw another vessel closing in on us. The vessel bore on its bow the numbers of a Coast Guard vessel.

I recognized the Coast Guard officer, a chief boatswain, and he recognized me despite my hip boots and despite my sudden change of stomachs. He should have recognized me, all right, considering the many times I had interviewed him during past years. I called to him up on the bridge: "Mr. Lundstrom, you're going to have a passenger. I'm it."

"Why, hello there," he said right back. "I

thought your place was ashore at a typewriter."

"It is and I want to get there as soon as I can." But before saying any

"Come about two feet closer and I can jump it."

"I'll come closer, all right. In fact, I'll have to search the boat. Sorry."

the coast. He said he was searching everything that floated. I told him to spare the trouble here as I had been aboard all night.

"Jump across then, son, and we'll be on our way. I've plenty to do other places, God knows."

What more to say about the matter puzzles me, although I have thought about the whole thing a great deal since then. In the excitement of the sardines and in the excitement of my own misery, I sincerely had forgotten at the time about the odd hospitality of Mederna and about hearing our starboard

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more, I had to take time out over the side of the vessel to demonstrate my earnestness. This completed, I continued:

I asked him what he meant and he explained that during the night some craft had made contact with the mother ship off

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fenders scrape in the middle of the night. But I do know for certain that I saved the Mió Jesus for Mederna and his crew. I know for certain because he thanked me three days later, and he gave me six bottles in a gunnysack.

"What can you do?" he asked. "What can you do when sardines are only bringing \$20 the ton?"

"You mean you only get \$20 a ton for all that?"

He said: "Yes. And that night you were with us was the first time all

week we had caught any. The first time all week — friend."

#### CHAPTER 12

### Regular Payments

Whenever the Navy's submarine rescue vessel returns to port from practice outside, I make an effort to eat lunch aboard her. I do not eat there to obtain information about deep-sea diving (because I am weary of obtaining information about deep-sea diving), but I like to

eat there because one of the divers is having trouble with a former wife.

About 4 or 5 years ago the little vessel with all its divers and its div-

## The Navy discourages most enlisted men from becoming married because their wages are too small.

She comes aboard to collect what perhaps is alimony.

ing suits was what might be called "interesting." When feature stories were

scarce the vessel always could be depended on for copy of some sort with which to appease the masters. There was (and still is) her pipe organ on the bridge for supplying air to the divers. There were the divers themselves. There were the salvage pontoons with all their bulk, and all of which was exciting 5 years ago. But this attitude has all worn away now not to be revived until a new young man takes my place 50 years from today.

The vessel's decompression chamber was what fascinated me the most, and in my enthusiasm of old I even sat inside of it to be decompressed after having made a dive of my own. In my dive no encounters were made with octopi or sharks or pirates' chests. Nothing occurred to make the dive worth talking about. All I did was to be lowered on the diving-stage and to hang around the bottom for a while. The demonstration more

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than anything was simply another proof that the world does not need me, and that I may as well be down on the bottom as any other place. Nobody objected to the length of my stay.

On being hoisted to the surface on the diving-stage, assistants known as "bears" seized the equipment off me and rushed me into the decompression chamber. All the divers are handled

this way after going down 40 feet or more. Sometimes they have to stay in the chamber only an hour and sometimes four or five hours, depending on how long they have been working on the

bottom.

The chamber itself does not provide much in the way of entertainment. It is nothing more than a large air-proof tank lying on its side in the starboard of the vessel.

The chamber is too small to stand in, so the diver sits on a stool or on the floor, or sometimes he has a cot moved in and sleeps there. Food, water, and medical supplies can be passed in through a

series of trapdoors while the pressure is still on, but the divers become pretty sick of the place after the first two or three years.

The high pressure of the chamber also makes the men a bit drunk, especially the new divers. Their sight becomes a bit cock-eyed, their sense of distances is bad, and they frequently get to giggling over nothing at all. They can be watched from the outside through a thick plate glass the size of a porthole, but they usually prefer being left alone until their time is up. Their diving suits have been left outside to be patched and dried, and the men sit inside in their heavy diving underwear.

The diver having trouble with his former wife has been diving for 16 years. He has worked on the East Coast, the West Coast, and in the Asiatics. He knows all the tricks. Once he found a diamond ring that had been lost off a pier by a woman. She had lost the ring while waving her hand to some marines leaving on a transport. She remembered exactly where she was standing at the time, and the diver said he would go down and try to find the stone.

Although a ladder reached down the side of the pier he would not go down the ladder. He chose to go out in one of the Navy's small diving boats and to walk back towards the pier against the current. In this way the mud stirred by his heavy shoes would flow away from the ring instead of over it. He found the ring almost immediately, but he stayed down there 30 or 40 minutes longer pretending he still was searching. He did not want the job to appear too easy.

When finally he signalled to be brought up she was as grateful as could be over the ring's recovery. She invited him and his two helpers to her apartment for dinner, and later they went to a picture show as her guests. After a while he began visiting her without the company of the helpers.

The Navy discour-

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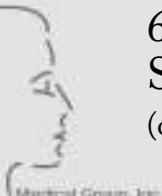
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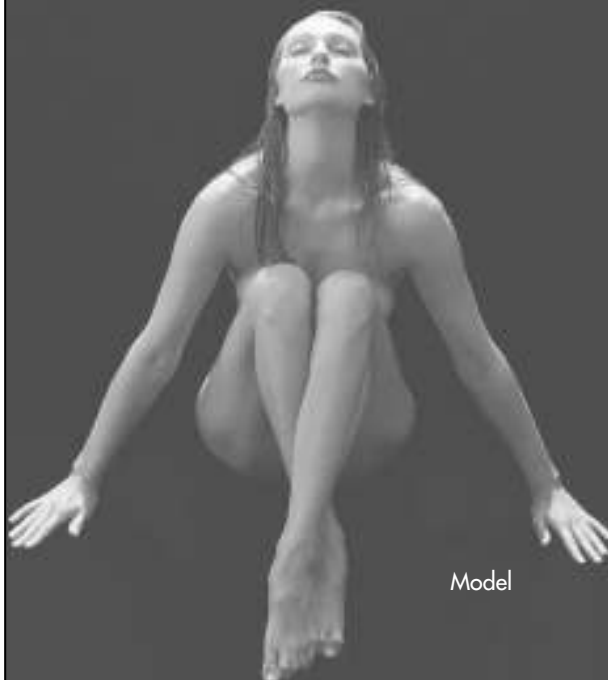
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ages most enlisted men from becoming married because their wages are too small, but chiefs are all right. He was a chief torpedo man, the Navy having no diver ratings, and he and she were married until about two years ago. She obtained a divorce then and an agreement concerning finances. They have no children, but her lawyer obtained a monthly settlement of \$52 from him.

She likes him to be regular with his payments and is still threatening to take him to court. He is three months behind now, and so when the vessel returns to the harbor, she comes aboard to visit him. The crew treats her politely, for when she becomes annoyed she has access to words that the men themselves are sensitive about utilizing for fear of court-martial. But her interviews with her former husband have till now been rather unsuccessful. One being informed by the sailor on

watch that "She's coming out the pier," the diver runs into the decompression chamber and bolts the door behind him.

While inside there he shifts his regular clothes for his heavy diving underwear, and all by all appearances he is very tired from a long siege on the bottom. She does not know about the speaking tube or she could talk with him. But the men have not told her of the tube, and the best she can do is stand outside the thick plate glass and denounce him with gestures.

The men have been nice in explaining to her the workmanship of the chamber, and how if he were to be taken out ahead of time he would receive an attack of the bends and might die. This reference to bends is true, of course, and she could not help but know of the danger of the disease. For it is frightful, being air bubbles that enter a diver's veins if he has been

hoisted to the surface without decompression. She understands this, but she cannot understand why he should always be inside the chamber when she comes aboard.

"Because, ma'am," the men repeat to her,

**If she should snoop around until she found the valves controlling the chamber's pressure, she could turn on this pressure full force, and her former husband would be in a devil of a fix then.**

"because, ma'am, he is our best diver and so always goes down deeper than the rest of us."

"Deeper? But how can he go deeper if you're all diving at the same

place? Don't the rest of you all go to the bottom, too?"

"No — yes, ma'am. But you see, we go out to a deeper place just for him. The Navy wants to keep him in special practice."

an answer to how long he must stay in there, and this answer always comes back in technical phraseology. He must stay in there according to the decompression tables, which roughly amount to twice or thrice the time he has been on the bottom, all depending on whether he was desaturated any on his way to the surface. This explanation is confusing to her, although the men are always careful not to leave out any mathematical details. She wants to know how long he will be in there this time, and for the men to come to the point, to come to the point. This is her favorite phrase, this phrase of come to the point.

The men endeavor to come to the point, their estimates varying from four more hours to maybe a week, ma'am, and would she care to wait. She has cared to wait, any number of times she has cared to wait. But the diver can as easily wait too. For food

is passed in to him through the trapdoors, nor is he under any pressure whatever. No pressure has been turned into the chamber, and the air is the same as in any other part of the vessel.

If ever she should learn this fact, a possible climax to the affair might come if she should snoop around until she found the valves controlling the chamber's pressure. She could turn on this pressure full force, and her former husband would be in a devil of a fix then. But so far this has not happened and, like so many incompleting stories down here on the waterfront, perhaps never will. I may as well stop visiting the vessel, I guess. ■

— Max Miller

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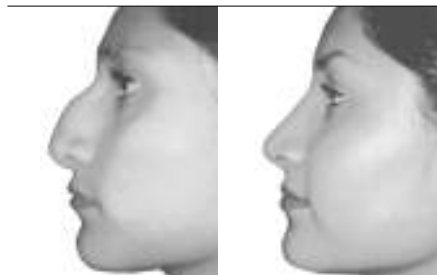
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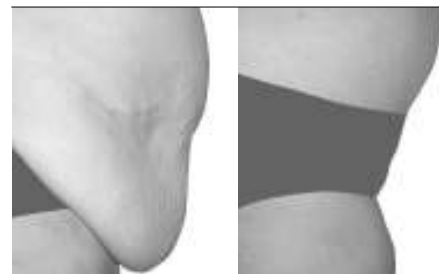
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"Here" wasn't always this old Mission Hills Craftsman, tucked in against the side of a canyon behind another house on a narrow street that is nestled deep off the main drags of Fort Stockton and Sunset. "Here" started out on 41st Street — "in Kensington," he says, but still not the kind of area where he felt safe letting his kid play in the back yard and go to the neighbors'. The wife found the house in Mission Hills, and now only the yellowjackets find Klaus and his glass of Merlot as he sits on the covered patio in front of his home. He blames the trumpet vine, which he has allowed to encircle a fair chunk of his snug front yard.

The bees also find the wine belonging to Tamara,

who has been "in the picture for going on three years." She came down from the Seattle-Tacoma area in '81 "to get a change of venue," attended school, and spent some time as a medical assistant before switching over to administrative assisting and now legal assisting. Along the way, she put in some time with the county. That's where she met Klaus, a longtime county man, now retired, who counts several of his old coworkers as close friends. "They try to keep long-term friendships, like I do. There are people I have known for 25, 30 years. If I haven't called them after a year or half a year, I call and say,

'Hey, what's up? Are you still alive?' All the people I know have a lot in common with

it supposedly exudes a great deal of fat during the cooking. Klaus confirms this. "I zap the goose fat off and put it in a container; a goose yields about three large containers of fat. I use it for pan-fried potatoes, and let me tell you, that tastes very good. I'll have to make it again pretty



Tamera and Klaus

me. Most of them are educated in Europe, so they have a wide array of thoughts and opinions. They all like good food; they all like good drinks." And every four to six weeks, eight to ten of them gather here to eat Klaus's cooking.

"I like to make very ethnic stuff that people don't know here — goose," for example. "I've made it a couple of times, and nobody said they didn't like it. Actually, they said they loved it." Part of the reason goose is so rarely prepared, I opine, is because

soon, because I have only one container left in the refrigerator."

There will be no goose this afternoon. But there will be red cabbage and goulash. "It's like a stew — lots of peppers and onions and stuff like that. A little bit on the spicy side. And there will be potatoes. Germans like potatoes. I like potatoes."

"That will be clearly evident," grins Tamara.

"So we made a big pot of potato salad, and I made some twice-baked potatoes with bacon in them

and a lot of onions and stuff like that. I put cheese over it, and it goes into the oven and it tastes very good; people like it. What I like is that I can prepare it ahead of time. I don't like to hang around the stove and not have enough time for myself and other stuff" when company comes.

The company also contributes. "Dick is in the building trade, and he did

*"You eat good food, you have to drink some good red wine. It always works good."*

some repairs for someone who had something to do with the fishing trade. Instead of paying him, the man said, 'How would you like to have a dozen lobsters?' Dick came here with 10, 15 lobsters. I let them run around outside, and then I put them in a pot. Everybody has their specialty." Today, "Tatiana is bringing a very nice baked cauliflower. Someone else is bringing a salad. And I have four or five different sausages."

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but it was the kindly thing to do. One of Klaus's oldest friends, who will be here today, is a mere five days out of the hospital after having a stent inserted into a severely constricted blood vessel. "Ron is a guy who likes to eat well and drink well, for sure." But as his friends Dick and Fred have already discovered, eating and drinking well at Klaus's often enough can lead to the operating table. All three have had stents recently; all three see the same heart specialist, one Dr. Fortuna. "He should know by now. When they all come in, what's the common ground?" (Klaus himself is, in Ron's words, "a carrier. You've heard of Typhoid Mary? He's Heart Attack Larry. He's kept his weight, his cholesterol is normal," and his friends have stents. "You eat good food, you have to drink some good red wine" is his only explanation. "It always works good.")

The guests are due to arrive; Klaus and Tamara head inside to complete the preparations. The front leads directly into the kitchen: about 13' x 9', with tan linoleum floor, brown-black wood cabinets, and white tile counters. A pear-and-flower wallpaper border runs around the top of the wall. Klaus has not felt the need to update—the Flowmatic faucet runs directly out of the wall, and the O'Keefe and Merritt oven glows with a vintage avocado green. Three windows splash light on the proceedings—the counters and oven on one side, an assortment of side tables, cabinets, and racks, overhung by a framed, cartoonish illustration of a French restaurant kitchen in full riot. Waiters, chefs, sous chefs, sommeliers, critics, and customers race about in a frenzy of passion; it's almost Bosch-like in the quantity of activity; you have to take it in one section at a time. On the side of the refrigerator hangs a photocopy of another cartoon: a young boy standing on the head of a young girl. Both are naked. The boy says, "Okay, we took off our clothes, I got on top of you; how long until it starts feeling

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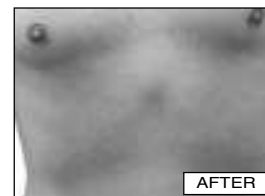
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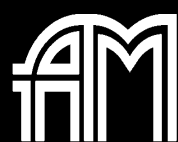
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good?"

"I don't know, but I've got a headache," replies the girl.

Tamara helps prepare the plates of munchables: a glass bowl of potato chips with a bowl of black olives at its center, a platter of deviled eggs, plates bearing slices of cheese and radish and broccoli. She carries them out to the patio and lays them atop the white paper tablecloths on the tables outside.

Past the kitchen is the living room, large and well-used. A mass of computer equipment and electronics fills one corner. A coffee table bears a puzzle of the Grand Canyon, a memento of Klaus and Tamara's trip there last summer. "I put that together," says Tamara, "and I don't let anybody touch it. I might glue it — I'm looking for somebody who does that." But the living room will go unused today; the weather is too

Company's here. I head outside and meet Fred, one of Klaus's old guard and one of the three stent-men. A big man, he clearly shares Klaus's belief in the consumption of good red wine; besides the Trefethen Dry Riesling, he has also brought a new release from the winery, a Cabernet called Double T. "This is from young vines. Usually, Trefethen wines are thick — when you pour them, you can actually see a viscosity difference. This is a thinner wine, but it's incredibly hearty. They just didn't want to put this into their regular blend right away." Though he knows this, and though he recently went on a bit of a spending spree up in Napa, he is quick to assure me that he is "not an expert. I just like what I drink to taste good. I'm too old; I don't drink cheap wine anymore."

The rest of the guests arrive seemingly en masse. By the time Fred has

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fine to dine indoors. Guests will venture past the kitchen only to reach the hallway that leads to the bathroom. The hallway also leads to two bedrooms — one, sometimes rented out, now serves as a storeroom. A set of stairs descends to the lower level. "I have the rooms downstairs rented out," Klaus tells me. "The guy has lived here for two years — a very nice guy from Syria, I think, or Lebanon. He drives a taxi. He likes it here because I do the cooking. He likes my food, and he likes the way it runs here. Just last week we made a big pot of eggplant with meatballs — I'm a specialist in meatballs. I put it in the freezer, and when he comes home at night, he has some of that stuff." As the first guests arrive, the taxi driver ascends, says his hellos, and departs for work.

A huge chocolate cake from Costco, buttercream chocolate roses strewn across its top, makes its entrance into the kitchen.

opened the bottles and poured me a glass, they are all about the patio and kitchen, milling and chatting, opening beers and pouring wine. Dress is generally casual, with the notable exception of Tamara, who has put on a black party dress in which to play hostess. Klaus squirts a generous dose of lighter fluid onto the coals in the grill; he tosses the match from a distance so as not to be singed by the resulting tower of flame. Dick, another of the stent-men, is talking to Tatiana. As I mosey over, he asks her a question (I'm guessing it's about her heritage) ending with "...Hungarian or Czech?"

"Romanian," she answers, her voice accented.

"Ah — *mamaliga*," he answers, referring to the Romanian cornmeal staple.

"How do you know about that?"

"I have some distant relative who used to feed it to me as a kid. My folks used to say, 'Eat it, because

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That leads to a discussion of Dick's own heritage. "Denver in the 1950s seemed to be a haven for a lot of these Jewish people who left Eastern Europe," he says. "They settled in Denver," but they

didn't mix. "There was really a synagogue on each corner. The Romanians wouldn't talk to the Hungarians, and the Poles wouldn't talk from one city to the next. It was truly Old World. This was the 1950s; the Romanians and

the Russians and the Poles hated each other almost worse than the Nazis from whom they were fleeing or the Americans to whom they were strangers. Not only wouldn't they talk to each other, they wouldn't even speak Yiddish, which

is kind of a common language for European Jews. They would speak Hungarian and Romanian and Polish and Russian and Czech and Italian."

Dick felt his otherness keenly. "To the kids in school, I was just one of these strange Jewish kids. Nothing nefarious or pejorative, just strange. On a Jewish holiday, I would be in a dressy suit hanging out at the synagogue right across the street from my school, and my friends who were not Jewish would say, 'Dick, why aren't you in school?' I would say, 'I don't know. I have to sit here with my grandfather, who talks in a language I don't understand and is always complaining about the Poles across the street.' To the rest of the world, we were all Jews, but to my grandfather, I was his grandson, and I was a Polish Jew, and goddammit, I'm not going to talk to the Lithuanians and the Russians and the rest of the world. That was stupid. I saw the light when I was about 11 years old and didn't follow that stuff. I thought it was bullshit."

Part of Dick's break from tradition came through helping in his father's supermarket. "One day I'm helping out there, and he says, 'Why don't you slice a pound of ham for Mrs. Jones?' I did, and I saw this delicious-looking piece of ham, and I thought, 'I'm going to eat a piece of it. If it's bad, I'm

going to suffer for it.' I waited a few weeks." Nothing happened. "All I remember is that it tasted good. It sounds really facetious, but for an 11-year-old kid, it's kind of rational."

His "significant other," meanwhile, "isn't Jewish, but she spent a long time in Israel working in a kibbutz, and she's an avid Zionist." (She is not at Klaus's today.) "She was a rich fatty, to put it bluntly, and she wanted to go someplace where she would be forced to get skinny. When you work from four in the morning until two in the afternoon for a year and a half, you lose the weight. So she not only fulfilled a kind of spiritual thing, she lost about 50 pounds. But again, that breaks the rules about being an advocate of a certain political or religious thing when you're not part of the thing you're advocating. That kind of buttresses my feeling that you can choose your loyalties if you aren't a slave" to this or that world view.

Ron arrives, and with him, the before and after pictures of his recent stent work. The cry goes up, "The pictures are here!"

"I forgot to bring my pictures," realizes Dick. Fred doesn't have his either, but they still gather around Ron's black and whites.

"Look how little that was," marvels Ron, pointing to a particularly shrunken blood vessel in his chest. Then he points to the after photo, which

shows a much less constricted vessel propped open by a stent. "It's actually like a girder. You open it up, and it expands the artery."

"Fortuna did you, huh?" asks Fred.

"Yeah, I mentioned you. He said, 'Oh yeah, I know Fred.'"

"He's one of the top five cardiovascular men west of the Mississippi," boasts Fred. "The guy can anticipate what an artery is going to do before it does it as far as spastic action. He is just brilliant. Did he do the Roto-Rooter?"

"Yes. I got one of those new high-tech stents."

"They're radioactive," says Fred.

"It has some kind of drug coating that's supposed to inhibit scar tissue buildup."

"Cocaine," chimes in Dick.

Seeing the three patients huddled about the photos, another Dick (the builder who once brought lobsters) groans, "Dueling illnesses. This is what you do when you get past 21."

"Yeah," agrees Ron, then taunts Fred in a playground sing-song, "My vein's smaller than your vein."

"Not anymore," counters Fred. He's talking about the vein with the stent, of course, but overall, Ron may be right. A while back, Fred tells Ron, Fortuna told him, "It doesn't make any difference; you may as well go and have your

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"You like deviled eggs?" asks David, a Brit. He holds the plate toward Ron, a slight grin on his face.

"That's full of cholesterol!" gasps Ron. "The list of stuff you can't eat is very simple. Just eat the stuff you don't like."

"What it is is lack of exercise," says Fred. "One or two of anything isn't going to hurt. Talk to your cardiologist. If you want to have a cup of coffee in the morning, that's fine; a cup of coffee once in a while..."

"But the thing is, Fred, I've got everything. I've got high blood pressure, I've got high cholesterol, I'm overweight..."

"And I'm not?" retorts Fred.

"...and my feet stink!"

"Well, that's a good sign," says Fred. "That's a sign of raging hormones."

"My doctor told me, 'Don't start any long conversations.'"

Robin is distressed to hear all this. "Oh, no, he's this health nut now," she says of Ron. "He used to be this party animal."

"You'll see," nods Ron. "I'm going to be a new me."

Robin says that Ron and Dick the builder used

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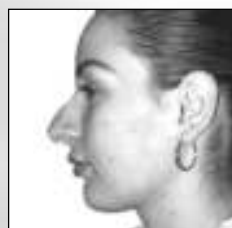
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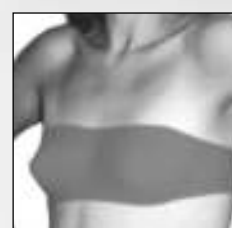
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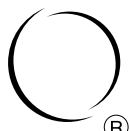
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to be hippies. "Dick lived in Sausalito and all over the Bay Area in the '60s and stuff. He wants to forget it all, but those were the good days of our lives. He dated Janis Joplin."

"Now wait a minute," protests Dick.

"Well, you did have an interaction with Janis. She fell out of a car..."

"I think I saw her car one time," admits Dick.

"And she fell out — or she rolled out," argues Robin.

Later, after Ron has been recounting some difficult dealings with a landscaper, Robin laments, "Ron, I liked the old you. I can already tell this newness."

"But he's here with us," Fred responds.

"Give me a bottle of whiskey and a chunk of red meat, and you'll see the old me," says Ron, smiling.

"I thought those were pictures from your hippie days," says Robin of the stent photos. When Dick, Ron, and Fred begin discussing their respective lists of medications and their attendant costs, she tries to change the subject. "Let's talk about music!" she says brightly. "David's put out two CDs; He's the leader of the Dave Humphries Band. He's a friend of the Beatles." Perhaps anticipating disbelief, she goes on. "He knows Tony Sheridan, and he's recorded with him — the Beatles backed Tony Sheridan before they were on their own in Germany." David lets a slight smile creep onto his face as she speaks and maintains a modest silence.

Dick, who has been sipping a Pete's Wicked Ale (and claiming that it enhances the effect of his medication), opens a Guinness. "I went to Ireland twice," comments Klaus, "and I would have to say that that is one of the strangest beers I have ever drunk. It has to be drunk hand-warmed, it smells like shit, and it makes you sick very good. Which is why the English and Irish drink it — they're already sick." Dick takes a whiff and a sip and seems to give his assent; when Klaus suggests he give it to Ron, he readily agrees.

"I can't drink that

now," protests Ron.

"You know how the Canadians use it?" asks Fred. "They mix it with 75 percent lighter beer. It'll give you a good taste."

The mention of Canada steers the conversation back to medications; Dick orders his from over the border to save on the cost, which is considerable. "I have another good story to tell you," adds Dick. "I have a friend who is on welfare, and he took me to the welfare office. I filled out forms to get drugs for free. Of the six I applied for, four came back asking me for income tax returns. The fifth sent me a bunch of drugs. It's available to the welfare community — or to people who can fill out forms, which to some companies means the welfare community."

The arrival of dinner ends the talk of health and medicine. Fred opens more wine. Tatiana's baked cauliflower is laced with feta. The goulash glows

He holds Klaus's "European style" cooking in similarly high regard. "He's a natural chef. I once asked him for a recipe, and he just laughed, because it all comes right off the top of his head. It's very distinctive; if you travel to Europe, you'll know what I'm talking about.

Klaus credits his skills to "a long time searching around in different countries, trying all the spices" and such. "I lived in Germany when I was 25, 28, and I always liked to eat well..."

"You still like to eat well," interjects Tamara.

"At the time, I didn't know much about red wine — Krauts drink mostly beer. But every evening in Berlin, and even when I lived in Geneva, I made my own food, because I enjoyed it. Even here, when I was alone a couple of years ago, it wasn't unheard of for me to get myself a couple of lamb chops, open a bottle of red

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with paprika. Guests pile plates with bread (from À la Française), cauliflower, goulash, red cabbage, and both kinds of potatoes — and the sausages. Ron is impressed by the flavor of his turkey sausages (aided by judicious seasoning), but even as he eats it, he is swooning over the memory of the links from Sausage King. Tatiana concurs. "It was so difficult coming here and not having Sausage King," she recalls. She sought it out "the moment I heard of it."

"But there's something hard to explain," answers Ron as he turns to me. "You or I could go to Sausage King and get the very same ingredients that Klaus gets, and yet there's a little touch they give these Europeans. They know just how to do it. They won't let you know — Tatiana probably knows — that little European flair. That's the last thing they tell the Europeans before they come over here: 'Don't tell the Yanks!'"

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"The secret to his cooking is that he derives relaxation from it," suggests Fred, "whether he's cooking for one or cooking for ten."

"When I went through my very difficult times ten years ago," agrees Klaus, "I was cooking at 10:00 in the morning — chopping, stuff like that. Then at 3:00 or 4:00, I would call these guys and say, 'Hey, would you like to come over?' For some people, shopping is an outlet. Sex is another outlet; going driving around is another outlet. For me, it's hanging around and doing a whole shitload of cooking and having a couple of other people come over."

These days, when the crowd swells to a certain size, Klaus handles the principal entrées and Tamara contributes "desserts and salads and appetizers and, to some extent, drinks."

"Tamara has an excellent cocktail book," says Ron. "In the past, before meals started, we would have the cocktail hour. You

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and I love it. In Romania, ours is just 'boil the potato, cut into slices warm, and then add vinegar and onion and Greek olives.' You buy them from that store on El Cajon; they come in big barrels." Tatiana also presses Klaus for the secret of his red cabbage: "A lot of onions, a lot of bacon, garlic, bay leaves, some red wine vinegar."

Someone brings up the Darwin Awards, honors given (usually posthumously) to folks who do their part to advance the species by removing themselves from the gene pool. Ron tells the story of the guy who attached helium weather balloons to his lawn chair and floated up into the flight path at LAX, then out over the ocean. Klaus replies with the one about the zookeeper who fed laxative to an elephant and was subsequently smothered by the resultant expulsion. From there, it's to the Stella Awards, named after the woman who sued McDonald's after she spilled the restaurant's hot coffee

on herself. Ron tells of a man who bought a Winnebago, set the cruise control, and went back to make himself some coffee. "When the Winnebago went off the road and overturned, he sued — and he won. They had to put it in the training manual" that cruise control was not automatic pilot.

Marveling at the degeneration of society gives way to politics; it is not unfamiliar territory. Ron tells me that "the first time I met Fred, it was at a retirement party at the Red Lion. He was really keen on Pete Wilson, and I was really keen on Jerry Brown." Today, Tatiana picks up a thread that may have been dropped at the last gathering. She says to Fred, "I just want people to be taken care of. You say I'm a socialist, but I listen to O'Reilly, and I like him."

"You can still be a conservative socialist," replies Fred.

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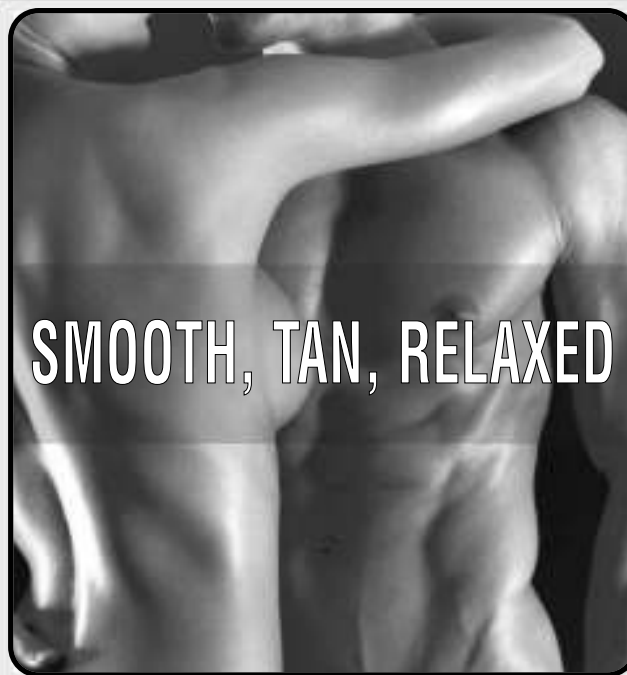
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here — young girls — having kids without marriage or anything.”

Liberal Ron concurs. “I listen to him 10:00 to noon. This guy is right-on; he’s like the second coming. I can’t understand how a guy could be so right, dead-center on.”

“Why do you say you’re a liberal?” asks Fred.

“Well, it’s kind of hereditary. My parents were both civil servants, and I ended up being a civil servant myself. My mom

always used to tell me the Republican Party was the party of the wealthy, and the Democratic Party is the party of the working man.”

Klaus turns to Tatiana. “You should be a Republican. You live in the most expensive area of San Diego.”

“I am a Republican,” she answers. “I just want people to have medical coverage.”

“But there should be a line drawn in there,” adds

Ron. “Medical coverage for all American citizens. But that’s not the way it works. They come over the border...”

“They should all be taken out of here — all the foreigners,” jokes Tatiana through her accent. “They have no right.”

“There are 178 bills on [then-governor] Gray Davis’s desk,” offers Fred. “One of them is to give illegal aliens free junior college — enrollment and fees.”

“Why should they come here for school?” wonders Tatiana. “It’s too poor of an education.”

“When I used to sit at the health department,” begins Fred, “my office was right next to a conference room. You would hear these people come in from the state and order employees not to ask where people came from, not to ask their addresses, not to ask if they

were citizens or not — and to give them service. That pisses me off. Give it to an American citizen first, and if you’ve got some left over, fine.”

Ron has had similar experiences. “I’m working under this guy’s desk, running cables and crawling in I-don’t-know-what, and I’m listening to the EMTs pamper these recipients,

for all of us,” she tells me.

“But let me tell you,” says Tatiana, parrying Ron and Fred. “My daughter stayed in Italy and went to the doctor when she was sick. She paid a little fee, and she was taken care of. Nobody asked her, ‘Are you an Italian citizen?’”

“That’s going to change,” warns Klaus. “There is already a law in

laughing.

“My own mother tells me that. ‘If you don’t like it, go.’”

Conversation continues in this vein until Robin changes the subject. “Ron, Klaus, shall we tell Matthew what our group really is? You start taking your clothes off first.”

“This is what it ends up as all the time,” explains Ron. “We get into political and current events...”


“And then we get into the Jacuzzi,” beams Robin.

“You don’t have to if you’re ashamed of your body,” counsels Ron.

It is almost tempting to believe that they are serious about all of this. But the talk burbles on, through old coworkers, changes in San Diego, vacation memories, what you would have become if you hadn’t become what you are. Before I leave, Fred leans over to me and says, “The one thing you learn as you get older is there’s one common thing: all we’re trying to do is survive. Everybody is trying to get from the womb to the tomb with as little discomfort as possible, and the only thing that matters once you get to a certain age — I’m the second oldest — is your friends. That’s all it is. You can have all the money under the clouds.” Money can see to it that “people will treat you real nice, but it’s how you feel on the inside, about yourself and the people you’re associated with.” ■

— Matthew Lickona

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2000, he produced a made-for-TV movie for ABC, the main focus of which was the life and times of Moses Horwitz, Jerome Horwitz, and Louis Feinberg. The film was historically accurate and was quite well received. I don't recall any criticism of the movie as being unfair or misleading regarding any ethnic group, even though the principals were depicted as a group of pie-throwing, eye-poking, face-slapping morons — the Three Stooges.

Scott Marinoff  
via e-mail

### Arrogant Gibson

I have to agree with Duncan Shepherd's review of *The Passion of the Christ*. However, he was too easy on it. This movie should never have been allowed to be released by any religious association, Jewish, Catholic, or Christian. It is highly detrimental psychologically to people of all ages, especially

to children. I stepped into one theater, observing the scene, and saw practically more children than adults. How can Gibson possibly say no one under 12 should be allowed to see the movie, when the most sensitive and impressionable age is 12 to 13!

The film is highly unrealistic according to any biblical scripture or any written records of the event in question. As I observed aghast the horribly exaggerated gore and suffering of what comes down to still one man, I felt that Gibson made this movie to be a showcase of still more undeserved criticism of the Jewish people. Clearly he is the lowest form of human life — anti-Semitic. His prejudice against certain races of people (*Braveheart*, *The Patriot*, etc.) becomes clearer with each film. He should be eradicated from the movie industry completely. *The Passion* is one man's interpretation — one man's highly personal and distorted view — of what happened during the last hours of Christ's life.

It should not be called

*The Passion of the Christ*; it should be called *The Passion of Mel Gibson*. Any spiritual meaning he tried to convey got lost in the blood and disgustingly elaborated torture sequences. Critics nationwide have called it the most savage movie ever made, and they speak the truth. Instead of showing a scene of mere flogging, Gibson chose to show close-ups, so we, the audience, could be thoroughly repelled — there is no other reason for those shots. This is pure sensationalism.

Obviously Gibson's father influenced his drive to make this film enormously, and clearly he is — excuse me — a crackpot who doesn't believe the Holocaust existed, blames Jews for every evil in the world, and doesn't give a damn about his son. That is why Gibson compares the "devil" to the high Jewish priest. He is only following his father's dictum of Jewish resentment.

How can he put the entire weight of the Crucifixion on one rabbi? We're meant to believe that this man is

most probably the most evil man that ever existed, whereas in reality he was only fulfilling the law at that time for anyone who went against the Hebrew doctrines. Jesus was convicted of heresy and had to be crucified according to ancient Hebrew law. This man cannot be blamed for 2000 years of evil condemnation if he was merely fulfilling a destiny that Jesus wanted him to fulfill.

According to scripture, the Crucifixion had to take place and everyone had his definite part to play, including Judas. Gibson should be aware of this, but he arrogantly chose not to be. He should not be hard on Jews, because after all, without Jews and the Crucifixion there would be no Catholic religion at all.

Mary Tarantino  
via e-mail

### Good Crasher

I just finished reading the "Crasher" column in the March 4 *Reader*. It was wonderfully entertaining. Very, very good. I'll be a regular reader of that column from now on.

Susan Kolmorgan  
Alpine

### Mediocre Insult

What are you people publishing these days? I've just read the article "Crasher" and the shopping column and could not believe how inane and vapid they both were! I've long ago given up reading your main stories, since they are invariably overly long, badly in need of editing. (Do you guys *have* an editor? Who is he? How come we never hear from him/her/it?)

I do appreciate your comprehensive event listings and some of your regular columnists — notably Don Bauder and Matt Potter — but please, don't insult San Diegans' intelligence with such mediocre copy — it's a waste of paper!

In case you haven't noticed, there *are* a few other free newsweeklies on the scene now.

Sander Rosenberg  
Downtown

### Dial Obsession

To Mr. Lobe of University City (Letters, March 4): I will agree that the crossword should have taken into account the present labeling of telephones. But your com-

ment is a bit broad. My almost-30-year-old, wired touch-tone phones do *not* have *pqrs*. They still have just *prs*. Even an ancient cell phone of mine lacked the *q* and *z*.

The letters were quite useful as a mnemonic for phone numbers back when the phone company didn't think anyone could remember many numbers. My old one was LA46424 back in the dark past of Ohio. And a party line at that. Q and z? Not many words for those. Though occasionally you can find an old movie using something like QUincy for a fictitious number, much like 555-xxxx has become. You can even find some old phones from the '30s that had a *z* along with "Operator" on the 0, but still lacking *q*. Automation and lack of companies willing to pay for "real" people to answer have mandated the appearance of all the letters on the phone. And many "retro style" dial phones (I remember having to explain to my little girls why we called pushing buttons "dialing" by dragging out a couple of old rotaries) *do* have the *q* and *z*. Ah, progress.

The \$10 dial phones we were charged \$40 a year for the right to use, and which served as hammers in a pinch, have been supplanted by the \$10 phone that breaks if it falls off the counter. But at least you don't pay the monthly fee. I have heard it said that the phones in Europe don't (or didn't) have letters. I have never been there. I don't know. Anybody?

Bill French  
North Park

### Subliminal Shoes

What's the deal with shoes ("Shoes," March 4)? A main article about shoes? Most of the shoes in there were ridiculous — flip-flops for \$50? This is not teaching the new generation anything good! You can barely buy a pair these days for 13 bucks, which is laughable, and now our kids will be begging for flip-flops that cost an arm and two legs. I think the article was in bad taste; however, I believe it was a subliminal message from Skechers.

Naomi Webster  
via e-mail

### Heavyweight Garbage

Patrick Daugherty is glib, but his take on the quality of fighters in today's heavy-

weight division is redundant, tired, and inaccurate ("Sporting Box," February 26). Every day in America general sports columnists print the same wishful thinking that Daugherty trotted out — that today's heavyweights don't light a candle to their predecessors, that any valid American heavyweight of the past 30 years was superior, that Mike Tyson represented the last breath of real glory. Garbage.

The history of the heavyweight division is overwhelmingly dominated by periods in which a legitimate champion would search far and wide for quality opposition. Dempsey went up to three years between title defenses, and of all his challengers only Tunney was a fighter of historical impact. Joe Louis's "Bum of the Month Club" was not a misnomer. Rocky Marciano fought Roland LaStarza (!!!) and a bunch of other guys you couldn't possibly remember. Only, and I mean *only*, during the late-'60s to middle-'70s period of Ali, Frazier, Foreman, Norton, and Quarry was there true depth of talent in the heavyweight ranks. It was an anomaly, but general sports columnists love to treat it as though it were the norm.

And Tyson? He beat fighters like Trevor Berbick, Pinklon Thomas, and the badly faded Larry Holmes to get to the top, then defeated a blown-up light heavyweight and Razor Ruddock to maintain his perch. The top ten heavyweights Patrick Daugherty denigrates in his column would have torn that particular heavyweight division to pieces.

The fact is, both Klitschkos and James Toney are quality heavyweight contenders who would have been factors in any era. Roy Jones would have been a threat to beat any fighter who ever lived, 210 pounds or under, and that accounts for about 60 percent of heavyweight history. If Chris Byrd had been around in the '70s, George Foreman and Joe Frazier wouldn't have wanted to fight him. And Mike Tyson ranks in the current top ten on market appeal only.

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# HAIR PROBLEMS?

looms. That's happened many times before, and always someone emerges. Patrick Daugherty hasn't seen top young heavyweights like Calvin Brock, Audley Harrison, or David Rodriguez either. But if he did he might know more than he wants to know. Instead, he wants to write the same no-minded column every other general sports columnist writes. Spare us.

By the way, when he writes that a goal of the Foreman television reality project is to "pocket as much money as is physically possible," he's probably right. Last I looked, no one was facing federal indictment for that.

P.S.: Daugherty writes (and you print), "Jones has not fought in a year." Jones's unanimous decision light heavyweight title-retaining win over Antonio Tarver on HBO Pay-Per-View in November was a cause célèbre in the sport because most fans in the arena felt Tarver deserved to have won. Too low profile for Daugherty, I guess. When general sports columnists like Daugherty begin to write about boxing, editors should put up red flags.

Jim Lampley  
 Rancho Santa Fe

*Patrick Daugherty responds: Mr. Lampley has been a boxing announcer on HBO Boxing for many years, partnering with George Foreman and Larry Merchant.*

*He writes, "By the way, when [Daugherty] writes that a goal of the Foreman television reality project is to 'pocket as much money as is physically possible,' he's probably right. Last I looked, no one was facing federal indictment for that."*

*Lampley fails to mention that he is currently involved in that television reality project with Foreman. In fact, it is his production company, Crystal Spring Productions, that is developing the show.*

## Strange Taste For Meat

I want to thank you for carrying the cartoon "Red Meat." I used to read it in the *Guardian* when we lived in the Berkeley area. I, with my strange sense of humor, really love it. Please continue to run that cartoon. Thanks.

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# Calendar

## Chain Gang

*True Your Wheels*

**H**e has a mechanic's voice, the one that mechanics use when they are trying to explain things to people who aren't mechanically inclined.

It's not condescending, not at all. The cadence is slow. To rush something is to ruin it, a mechanic knows. The words are carefully pronounced. You wouldn't want your listener to think you said "lube" when you meant "tube."

There are three bike mechanics at R.E.I., says this one, Roy Smith. The other two are "A.P." — who doesn't like

his real name to be known — and Travis

Moore, who is described by Smith as "probably one of the best mechanics in San Diego."

Depending on their work schedules, one of the three is assigned to teach R.E.I.'s basic bike maintenance class or the comprehensive maintenance and repair class for advanced students.

Smith explains that the basic class is just a couple of hours, purely a demo, not hands-on, and designed to accommodate 25 people. Given monthly, the class is free. The advanced class is five hours long, costs \$60, and those who take it bring their own bikes to work on in R.E.I.'s bike shop. It's given whenever a total of four people sign up.

In the basic class, you will be shown "what a properly running bike looks like and sounds like." You will be taught how to conduct a "pre-ride" and "post-ride" inspection of the frame, the wheels, and all other components of your bike. These guys want us to be able to recognize a problem even if we can't as yet adjust or fix it ourselves.

Smith wants us to keep our bikes clean. He recommends Simple Green or any other biodegradable detergent. "It's much easier to locate problems on a clean bike," he says. "If it's clean you'll be able to see fine cracks in the paint, which is the first indication that there's a crack in the frame" — that

being a possibility if you've crashed recently.

Smith says there's nothing wrong with using a garden hose on a bike, just like what you'd use on a car, except that several points on the bike shouldn't be exposed to pressurized water. In the class you'll be shown where they are and be informed about the prescribed "gentle rinse."

Is Smith going too far to ask us to

put a coat of wax ("any car wax") on a bike? Not at all. "That keeps the rust off."

He also wants us to clean our bike rims with a Tuffy sponge, then isopropyl alcohol. It's for the sake of well-functioning brakes.

Squeaky clean some places; lubed in other places. You'll know the difference soon.

"The biggest thing about lubing a

chain is making sure you don't get any of the oil on the wheel," says Smith. Because then you'll have no brakes? "Exactly."

In the class you'll also learn how to measure your chain, to determine how much it has stretched. "If it's stretched too much, your derailleur may not work properly." What's worse, an overly stretched chain will wear down the drivetrain. "So instead of changing a 10- to 15-dollar chain you're going to end up buying a new drivetrain for \$400."

Anyone who has dealt with anything mechanical knows a key issue is tools. Here you will learn what tools you absolutely need to carry.

And then, of course, there are flats. Here you'll learn about preventing flats as well as how to fix them.

Patching a tube is a last-ditch effort — you would patch one only if you didn't have a spare one. "We encourage people to carry at least one good tube with them," says Smith. Still, patching will be taught.

The more important, less obvious lesson is to be sure to determine the cause of the flat, to prevent the experience of riding a hundred yards only to discover the new tube has been punctured by the same thorn in the tire that got the last tube.

It makes sense (like all mechanical things) that the finer points of maintenance and repair — trueing wheels, for example — are saved for the advanced class at R.E.I. "In that class, each person is given his or her own work stand, set of tools, cleaning equipment, and all of that, and we basically go through the entire bike," says Smith.

Roy Smith

The basic class is the lead-in to that one.

— Jeanne Schinto

**Basic Bike Maintenance Class**  
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LOCAL EVENTS

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**"I Read, Then I Exist,"** lecture and reading by actor Alberto Estrella, Thursday, March 18, 7 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9600. Free. (TIJUANA)

**Corazon Oaxaqueñ,** Theresa Solís talks about four important women, Friday, March 19, 7 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

**Comedy Show** by Omar Chaparro, Rafa, and Perico, Friday, March 19, 9 p.m., at Balak, in Puebla Amigo Hall, Zona Río. 011-52-664-682-9222. (TIJUANA)

**Alamo 200 Off-Road,** this 50-mile circuit race for all kinds of

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**"Winds from Andalucia,"** music, dinner, and wine on offer Saturday, March 20, 8 p.m., at Patio Sevillano at Monumental Bullring by the Sea. Reservations: 011-52-664-684-0908. (PLAYAS DE TIJUANA)

**Wine and Dine,** Baja California Tours hosts this outing led by David Clark, Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Event includes tours and tasting at Pedro Domecq, L.A. Cetto, and Chateau Camou wineries in Valle de Guadalupe. \$79 fee includes lunch, transportation. Reservations: 858-454-7166. (ENSENADA)

**"Sun and Science,"** Baja California Astronomic Society celebrates eighth anniversary with exposition of scientific projects, music, more, Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes



Classic baseball movies at Museum of Photographic Arts, March 20 (see Film)

and Mina Street, Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

**Sherezada,** bellydancing show, Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., at Teatro UABC. Tickets: \$5 U.S. 011-52-664-682-1033. (TIJUANA)

**"News from the Province of California,"** Lucila León and Jorge Martínez discuss book by Frayer

Luis Sales, Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9600. Free. (TIJUANA)

**"Baja California: Archaeology in Mexico,"** expo continues through March at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street). Free. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

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**India Hawthorn,** one of the most common flowering shrubs used in

landscaping as hedges and dividers in San Diego, is now beginning its long blooming cycle. The plant, which has several varieties, covers itself with blossoms ranging in hue from pinkish white to vivid pink.

**Vernal Equinox** on Friday, March 19, at 10:49 p.m. Pacific standard time heralds the beginning of the spring season for Earth's northern hemisphere. At the instant of vernal equinox, the sun lies in the plane of Earth's equator. As a consequence, days and nights are of equal length (12 hours each) everywhere on our planet. Why is the equinox occurring so early this year — on the 19th, rather than the 20th or 21st? Because this is a leap year, and the extra day of February 29 has set the yearly calendar back by one whole day.

**Head to San Elijo Lagoon** with Audubon Society birders, Saturday, March 20, 8 a.m. to noon. Join group near barricade at end of Rios Avenue. 619-692-3246. Free. Bring a scope and water. Easy hiking. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Help Remove Exotic Weeds** and plant native vegetation during the Black Mountain trail restoration work party, Saturday, March 20, 8 a.m. to noon. Wear work clothes, hiking boots. Directions: 858-538-8082. Free. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

**Walk Through Lush Riparian Woodland Canyons** of oak and sycamore trees in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve during hike offered by Canyoneers, Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m. to noon. Find reserve on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. Free. 619-255-0203. (POWAY)

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L'Anima Gemella at Italian Community Center, March 19 (see Film)

trail in San Dieguito River Park, Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m. Easy, three miles. Reservations: 858-674-2275 x5. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

**A Guided Nature Walk** led by trail guide Don Wetzel begins at 9:30 a.m. on March 20, at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). 858-581-9961. Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. Hikes offered third Saturday of each month. (CLAIREMONT)

**Tree Time**, Offshoot Tours offers hour-long guided tour highlighting various Balboa Park trees Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m., starting at park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

**See Rare Vernal Pools** and possibly some wildflowers when Mike Kelly leads walk, Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m. Meet at intersection of Caminito Propico and Calle Cristobal (in cul-de-sac on south side). Bring water. 858-484-3219. Free. (MIRA MESA)

**When Life Gives You Lemonade Berry...**see if it can be made into a formal hedge! Bring pruning shears and gloves to help work when Buena Vista Native Plant Club meets Sun-

day, March 21, 2 p.m., at Buena Vista Nature Center (2202 South Coast Highway). Participants may take cuttings and plants. 760-439-2473. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

**Visit a Pristine Grassland** (one of the few remaining in the

county) when California Native Plant Society hosts guided tour of Wright's Field, Sunday, March 21, 9 a.m. To reach trail, take I-8 to Tavern Road; exit south, drive one mile to Joan MacQueen Middle School (2001 Tavern Road). Free. 619-590-BCLT or 619-445-4443. (ALPINE)

**The Waxing Crescent Moon** stands just 2.3 degrees to the left of lanternlike Venus at dusk on Wednesday, March 24. This conjunction between celestial bodies is narrower and more spectacular than both of the similar conjunctions that took place one and two months ago. Notice that because the zodiac stands at a steep angle relative to the west horizon this time of year, the crescent moon hovers almost directly over the setting sun and so appears as a

"smile" almost perfectly aligned with the horizon.

**Where the Heck Is Brooklyn Heights?** Explore this quiet residential neighborhood boasting 1910-1930s architecture with Walkabout adventurers, Thursday, March 25. Join group at 1 p.m. at 2412 30th Street (between Laurel and Kalma Streets). Free. 619-231-7463. (BROOKLYN HEIGHTS)

## DANCE

**Beginner-Friendly Vintage Ballroom Dance** — with teaching and open dance requests — Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., in

room 207 at Casa del Prado. All ages, singles, partners. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

**Contradance**, Martha Wild calls, Lime in the Harp makes the music for contradancing, Friday, March 19, 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)

**Performance Choreography Workshop Series** starts Monday, March 22, at Culture Shock Dance Center (2110 Hancock Street, suite 200). Seven separate workshops offered. Fees, registration: 619-299-2110. (OLD TOWN)

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### LOCAL EVENTS

**Zydeco Dances** with lessons are offered every Tuesday, including March 23, 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)

**"Funkalosophy,"** Eveoke Dance Theatre's production takes "you deep into the soul of urban culture as its dancers expound a philosophy of funk, hip-hop, and social change" through April 4 at Sushi Performance and Visual Art (320 11th Avenue).

One-act "Funk for Kids" offered Saturdays at 2 p.m. Showtimes: 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturdays, 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$20, \$25; pay what you can on Wednesdays. 619-234-3286. (DOWNTOWN)

**Shake Ya Booty,** says Prince, who teaches latest dance moves to hip-hop 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

**The 11th Annual San Diego Latino Film Festival** continues through March 21, boasting more than 100 films from U.S. and across Latin America. Screenings take place at Madstone Theaters Hazard Center (7510 Hazard Center Drive). Featured films include *The Virgin of Lust*, *Kill Me Tender*, *Nicotina*, many, many more.

Tickets: \$8 general, \$6 for students and seniors. Showtimes, information: 619-230-1938. (MISSION VALLEY)

**"The Lineup"** and *Point Blank* screen at Museum of Photographic Arts, Thursday and Friday, March 18 and 19. Enjoy *Is Paris Burning?* starring Kirk Douglas, Orson Welles, Glenn Ford, Thursday, March 25. Tickets: \$7. Showtimes: 619-238-7559 xF. (BALBOA PARK)

**Video Screening of *The Legends of Scotland*** planned when Robert Burns Club meets Thursday, March 18, 7 p.m., at Imperial House Restaurant (505 Kalmia Street). Also on tap: performances



Raggedy Ann and Andy talk at Oceanside Library, March 24 (see Lectures)

of Scottish folk songs, tunes, recitations of Burns' many works. Free. 619-421-7337. (HILLCREST)

**Celebrate the Spirit of Adventure** when the 28th annual Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour screens Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20, at San Diego Natural History Museum. Featured films include *Front-Range Freaks: Biscuit, French Fries...To Go*, *Xtreme Tramping — The Lord of the Springs*, *Cost of Freedom*, *Unlimited Winter*, others. Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$12 at door. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

**"L'Anima Gemella,"** modern fable directed by Sergio Rubini screens in Italian with English subtitles on Friday, March 19, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). 619-237-0601. \$2. (LITTLE ITALY)

**Baseball Movie Marathon**, ten hours of classic baseball films screen Saturday, March 20, starting at 3 p.m., at Museum of Photographic Arts. Roster includes *Little Big League*, *Bull Durham*, *Field of Dreams*, *For the Love of the Game*, *Major League*, as well as related shorts and cartoons. Tickets: \$6 per film, or \$20 for all innings. 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

**Blending Fact, Fiction, Personal Perspective** — see *American Splendor*, with its "tatty portrait" of file clerk and comic book artist Harvey Pekar, when it's shown Monday, March 22, 6:30 p.m., for Film Forum at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

**Gotcha!** Carlsbad Library film series continues with *Catch Me If You Can* (2002), starring Leonardo DiCaprio, Wednesday, March 24, 6 p.m., Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Top Speed*, *Australia: Land Beyond Time*, *Adrenaline Rush: The Science of Risk*, *Coral Reef Adventure*.

"Fleet Anniversary IMAX Film Festival" continues with *Journey Into Amazing Caves* through March 21; *The Living Sea* and *Africa: The Serengeti* March 24-28. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

### LECTURES

**Similarities between Making Artwork and Playing Golf** explored when artist Vernon Fisher speaks on Thursday, March 18, 6 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Included in regular museum admission. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**"Shamanism and the Psychology of C.G. Jung"** is topic when author, attorney, instructor Robert Ryan speaks for Friends of Jung, Friday, March 19. The group meets at 7:30 p.m. at Alliant University (6160 Cornerstone Court East). \$15. 858-587-4651. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

**Booksigning and Slide Presentation** by author Graham Mackintosh on his newest book, *Nearer My Dog to Thee: A Summer in Baja's Sky Island*, Friday, March 19, 6:30 p.m., at Dog Beach Dog Wash meeting room, 4933 Voltaire Street. Free. 619-523-1700. (OCEAN BEACH)

**Hybridizing Cymbidiums** explored when Barbara Rudvalis of Rudvalis Orchids speaks for Palomar Orchid Society, Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., at Women's Club of Carlsbad (3320 Monroe Street). 760-735-8494 x104. (CARLSBAD)

**"At the Abyss — An Insider's History of the Cold War"** offered by Thomas C. Reed, former Secretary of the Air Force and presiden-

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tial counselor, when he addresses San Diego World Affairs Council, Friday, March 19, noon, at Handlery Hotel and Resort (950 Hotel Circle North). Program only: \$10; with lunch: \$40. Reservations: 619-325-8200. (MISSION VALLEY)

**"Yellowstone — Park Under Siege,"** slide-illustrated lecture presented by SDSU geography professor emeritus Bob O'Brien for Sierra Club, Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., in auditorium of San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of the zoo's main entrance). 619-299-1744 x1040. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Inspired to Bead,"** artist and teacher Cynthia Rutledge discusses interviews she conducted with bead artists for Bead Society of San Diego meeting, Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m., Mingei Museum. Nonmember fee: \$8.50 (includes museum admission). 858-566-7778. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Protecting Yourself When Searching Online"** is subject when webmaster Gary Hoffman speaks for Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego on Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m., at Tierrasanta Christian Church (11445 Tierrasanta Boulevard). Free. 858-278-4519. (TIERRASANTA)

**World-Renowned Tuba Player** Marty Erickson presents clinic for instrumental musicians, Saturday, March 20, 1 p.m., at Mustang Center, San Dieguito Academy (800 Santa Fe Drive). Erickson is in town to perform with Coastal Communities Concert Band. Free. Required reservations: 760-489-2383. (ENCINITAS)

**"Fun and Games: Enigmas and Mysteries in Texts and Art of Edward Gorey"** presented Saturday, March 20, by Andreas Brown for Friends of SDSU Library luncheon, in conjunction with "From Prodigy to Polymath: The Singular Journey of Edward Gorey" exhibit. Talk starts at 11 a.m. in room LL-108 of SDSU Library. Reservations: 619-594-1642.

Brown and Peter Neumeyer will discuss Gorey's life and work at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 22, in room LA-2203 of SDSU Library. Booksigning follows. 619-594-6791. (SDSU)

**Find Your Irish Ancestors** Nora Hickey, hailing from Ireland, presents a genealogy seminar hosted by North San Diego County Genealogical Society and British Isles Genealogical Research Association, Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). \$30 fee includes lunch. Reservations: 760-942-1034. (LA COSTA)

**"Tokaido Road — Old and New,"** examined by history of Asian arts professor emeritus Lennox Tierney during lecture, Saturday, March 20, 10:30 a.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. \$15. Reservations: 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

**"What's Up on Mars?"** Members of Mars Society present talk, Saturday, March 20, 1 p.m., at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Highlights of recent missions by American, European, Japanese teams covered. Included in center admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Aesthetics in a Multicultural Society"** examined by architect Joseph Martinez for Friends of San Diego Architecture on Saturday, March 20. Program begins at

9:30 a.m. at New School of Architecture, 1249 F Street. 619-287-0050. Requested donation: \$3. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Inner and Outer Space:** Architecture, Art, and Neuroscience" delved during symposium featuring panels of neuroscientists, artists, and architects planned on Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Price Theatre at UCSD. Free. 858-534-0999. (LA JOLLA)

**Taste Tea,** learn history and sample teas from all over the world when tea specialist Michael Figgins hosts tea tasting, Saturday, March 20, 11 a.m., at Caffè Calabria (3933 30th Street). Free. 619-291-1759. (NORTH PARK)

**"Dying at Home:** What Are the Legal Implications?" Find out when San Diego County Medical Examiner Dr. Glenn Warner speaks for End-of-Life Choices (formerly the Hemlock Society),

Sunday, March 21, 1:30 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Free. 619-233-4418. (HILLCREST)

**Tour "George Inness and the Visionary Landscape"** exhibit with curator D. Scott Atkinson on Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., for Insight Gallery series at San Diego Museum of Art. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Nonlethal Weapons: War Without Death"** is subject when

David Morehouse speaks for Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), Sunday, March 21, 6 p.m., Sizzler (3755 Murphy Canyon Road). Free. 760-753-2456. (MISSION VILLAGE)

**Nashville Songwriter** Marc-Alan Barnette "ignites your songwriting spark" in workshop hosted by Nashville Songwriters Association International, Monday,

March 22, 7 p.m., at Piano Press Studio (1425 Ocean Avenue #6). \$20. Registration: 858-884-1401. (DEL MAR)

**Examine Verdi's *Don Carlo*** during opera preview addressing the music, drama, and history of upcoming San Diego Opera production, Monday, March 22, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music

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# Calendar

## LOCAL EVENTS

and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Speaker: pianist and composer Nicolas Reveles, education director at San Diego Opera. \$8. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

**Learn About *Don Carlo*** when Ron Shaheen discusses Bizet's opera during multimedia program Monday, March 22, 7 p.m., in Bard Hall at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street, across from the UCSD Medical Center). Donation: \$2.25. 619-232-7636. (HILLCREST)

**"Translation as Composition/Composition as Translation"** is topic when celebrated poet Jerome Rothenberg speaks for Alfonso X el Sabio third annual "Translation and Interpreting Forum," Monday, March 22, 4 p.m., in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Rothenberg's writing has been translated into 12 languages. Free. 619-594-6588. (SDSU)

**"The Strength of Western Women"** chronicled when Margaret Read speaks for North San Diego County Genealogical Society, Tuesday, March 23, 10 a.m., in Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 858-453-8469. (CARLSBAD)

**Post Impressionism** is discussed by Linda M. Blair during series hosted by Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Take a look at Henri Matisse on Tuesday, March 23, 7:30 p.m. \$15. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

**Social Issues Conference**, events at University of San Diego include look at "Poverty and the Quality of Life on the U.S.-Mexican Border" by USD economics professor Joan Anderson and James Gerber of SDSU's Center for Latin American Studies, Tuesday, March 23, 6 p.m. at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice. Free.

Setin Hall University religious studies and sociology professor David Abalos presents "Confronting Issues of Race and Eth-

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Wind-rippled grasses, swaying California poppies, statuesque oak trees, trickling streams, and a 39-acre vernal pool — it's all there on a sunny spring day at the Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve. The 8300-acre reserve lies in the fast-growing southeastern corner of Riverside County, but you won't feel as if those people-packed suburbs are nearby.

Follow Interstate 15 north from San Diego into Riverside County, and take the Clinton Keith Road exit in the community of Murrieta. Drive south on Clinton Keith Road, passing the reserve's visitors' center (open weekends) after 5 miles. Keep going, and note the sharp rightward bend at 6 miles where the road's name changes to Tenaja

Road. At 0.7 mile past this sharp bend, park your car at the Hidden Valley Trailhead parking area (on both sides of the road). There's a small day-use fee, payable here.

The six-mile looping hike starting from this trailhead will give you a comprehensive look at the reserve's best features. Begin by heading southeast on the Coyote Trail. After 0.5 mile, turn right on the Trans Preserve Trail. Follow it for 1.5 miles over rolling and sometimes wooded terrain, passing through part of the reserve's 3000 acres of remnant native "bunchgrass prairie." Reserve managers have been implementing controlled burns to discourage the growth of nonnative grasses and encourage the recovery of native plants.

The final half mile of the Trans Preserve Trail rises to a plateau called Mesa de Colorado. At the top of this mesa, you turn left on the Vernal Pool Trail and soon visit one of the largest vernal pools in California (39 acres at maximum capacity). The hardpan surface underneath vernal pools is quite impervious to water, so once filled during winter storms, the pools can dry out only by evaporation. Unusual and sometimes unique species of flowering plants have evolved around the perimeter of this and other vernal pools throughout the state.

Continue east on the Vernal Pool Trail, and descend from Mesa de Colorado to the two adobe buildings of the former Santa Rosa



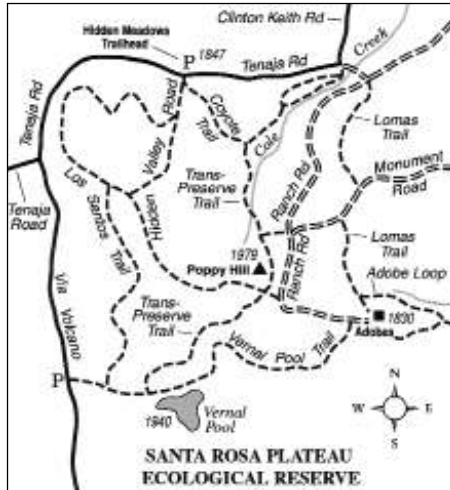
Vernal pool, Santa Rosa Plateau

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After a look at the adobes and a refreshing pause in the shade, make a beeline north on the Lomas Trail. You'll jog briefly right on Monument Road, then go left to stay on the Lomas Trail. At the junction with Tenaja Truck Trail ahead, go straight across toward the looping Oak Tree Trail. It's better to take the left (streamside) branch. Both alternatives give you a close-up look at some of the finest Engelmann oak trees anywhere.

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Note: An incident involving a mountain lion stalking two hikers on one of the reserve's trails resulted in a temporary closure of the reserve earlier this month. That mountain lion has left the scene, but it would be wise to call the reserve before your visit: 909-677-6951.



nicity in a Changing America," Wednesday, March 24, 6 p.m., at Degheri Alumni Center. Free.

The day-long conference is Thursday, March 25, beginning at 9:15 a.m. Workshops related to U.S. Patriot Act, living wage, immigration policy, war (free). Luncheon speaker is American Civil Liberties Union president Nadine Strossen (\$10). Author Sherman Alexie is keynote speaker at 7 p.m. (free). Thursday's events: Hahn University Center.

Reservations, information:

619-260-4798. Find USD at 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

**Native Plant Propagation** discussed by John Howard from City of San Diego Environmental Services Department, Tuesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m., in third-floor auditorium at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. Talk is in conjunction with "Listening to the Prairie: Farming in Nature's Image" exhibition. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Watershed Impacts in San Diego Bay"** provides subject during lecture, Tuesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Natural

History Museum. Free. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

**Tune Up**, REI shop technicians offer basic bicycle maintenance clinic Tuesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m. Essentials of fixing flats, brake and derailleur adjustment, more. Find REI at 5556 Copley Drive. Registration: 858-279-4400. Free. (KEARNY MESA)

**Talkin' Fire**, California State Parks resource ecologist Jim Dice presents slide-illustrated lecture examining the Cedar Fire in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, Wednesday, March 24, for Buena Vista Audubon Society. Program begins at 7:30 p.m. at Buena Vista Nature

Center, 2202 South Coast Highway. 760-439-2473. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

**Examine *The DaVinci Code*** — the questions it raises for traditional Christianity and "new thought" when Tom Sannar of North Coast New Thought presents lecture and discussion, Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., at Masonic Center (1401 Windsor Road). \$5. Reservations: 760-436-0235. (CARDIFF)

**Protect Our Home**, introduction meeting for San Diego Earth-Fair 2004 volunteer opportunities, Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist

Church (4190 Front Street). Free. 858-272-7370. (HILLCREST)

**Focusing on Portraiture and Weddings**, Karen Anderson, owner of Dancing Barefoot Photography, speaks Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m., for North County Photographic Society, in Ecke Building at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). \$3. 760-752-6375. (ENCINITAS)

**They've Collected Raggedy Ann and Andy Dolls** for nearly 30 years, and Beatrice and Richard Weed of Tri-City Doll Club will share their dolls and insights on their popularity, Wednesday, March 24, 2 p.m., at Oceanside Public Library (330 North Coast Highway). 760-435-5580. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

**Mountain Bike Basics** divulged Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive). Tips on bike adjustments, local trails. Free. 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

**Urban Sprawl and Smart Growth** — panel discussion on the topics, Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m., in conjunction with "Listening to the Prairie: Farming in Nature's Image," at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Panelists: Lynn Baker, Alan Hoffman, Bob Leichter, Kim Killenney. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Reading the City in a Digital Age:** Between Topographic Representations and Spatializations" is topic when University of Chicago sociology professor Saski Sassen speaks for "Dialogues in Art and Architecture" series, Thursday, March 25, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Free. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

**"Everything Matters,"** UC Berkeley Art Museum senior curator Constance Lewallen leads gallery discussion on work of Paul Kos, Thursday, March 25, 6 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown (1001 Kettner Boulevard). Free. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Ibn Battuta: The Great Muslim Traveler:** A 700th Anniversary Celebration" offered by SDSU history professor Ross E. Dunn, Thursday, March 25, 7 p.m., in Aztec Athletics Center Auditorium

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**Wildlife Photojournalist** Glenn Vanstrum presents photographs and "sheds light on marine limits, symbiosis, and biogeography" for Marine Technology Society meeting, Thursday, March 25, 6 p.m., at Giovanni's Restaurant (9353 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Fee: \$18, includes food, refreshments. Required reservations: 858-454-4044. (KEARNY MESA)

**"Michelangelo: Poet in the Artist"** is topic when former UC Irvine professor Eugenio Marseglia presents slide-illustrated lecture, Thursday, March 25, 7 p.m., at Del Mar Art Center (1555 Camino del Mar at 15th Street). Donation: \$5. 858-755-2099. (DEL MAR)

## IN PERSON

**San Diego Author and Former Navy Captain** Carl Nelson discusses and signs his new novel, *Secret Players*, Thursday, March 18, 6 p.m., at Bay Books (1029 Orange Avenue). Free. 619-435-0070. (CORONADO)

**An Evening of Japanese Koto Music** presented by San Diego Folk Heritage, Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Performers: Reiko Obata (koto), Masayo Norikura (bass koto), Robert Williams (flute, wind synthesizer), Tiffany Ito (traditional Japanese dancer). \$12 general, free for those 12 and under. 858-566-4040. (LA JOLLA)

**One-Half of "Two Consenting Adults,"** namely Eddie Sarfaty, performs at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20, at Adams Avenue Studio of the Arts (2804 Adams Avenue). \$18. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Comedy Incorporated** presents benefit comedy show for Center for Children, Friday, March 19, at Portuguese Hall (2818 Avenida de Portugal). Food, silent auction at

7 p.m.; comedy at 8:30 p.m. \$20. Reservations: 858-277-9550 x244. (POINT LOMA)

**Transformational Sounds** "awaken and soothe your spirit" when Richard Rudis presents concert with Gong Bath "tuned to the sound of *aum*," Friday, March 19, 7 p.m., at Well Within (555 2nd Street). \$20. 760-944-3441. (ENCINITAS)

**"The Shop That Sold Wisdom"** — musician, author, historian, classically trained storyteller Charlie Chin weaves Chinese myths, legends, oral histories in concert for Storytellers of San Diego on Saturday, March 20. Program begins at 7:30 p.m. in Manchester Conference Center, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Suitable for adults and those over 12; \$7. Reservations: 619-289-6363 or 619-260-4585. (LINDA VISTA)

**World Music Performers** Talisman a Cappella, a 16-member singing group from Stanford University, performs in concert, Saturday, March 20, 7:30 p.m., at Tifereth Israel Synagogue (6660 Cowles Mountain Boulevard). \$10 general. 619-463-4676. (SAN CARLOS)

**The Comic Stand**, described as "new standup comedy showhappening," features David Lee, Julia Lillis, Rich Maryn, Paul Stoecklein on Saturday, March 20, 10:30 p.m., at 6th@Penn Theatre (3704 Sixth



The Irish Rovers at California Center for the Arts, Escondido, March 20 (see In Person)

Avenue). \$10. 619-688-9210. (HILLCREST)

**Songs of the American West**, patriotic tunes, "traditional songs for boys' voices" promised when Texas Boys Choir performs Saturday, March 20, 6 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church of Oceanside (2001 El Camino Real). Requested donation: \$10 for adults, free for those under 18 with an adult. 760-757-3560. (OCEANSIDE)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

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**Book Discussion** by Don McEvoy, author of *Credo International: Voices of Religious Liberalism from Around the World*, hosted by Humanist Fellowship of San Diego, Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., in Wangenheim Room at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**British Sci-Fi Author** Richard Morgan signs *Broken Angels* on Sunday, March 21, 2:30 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

**Winter Jazz Series 2004** concludes with concert by North County All Stars, Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library

(1775 Dove Lane). \$5 donation. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

**Sunset Poets** gather for reading celebrating United Nations World Poetry Day, honoring Chilean poet Pablo Neruda, featuring poets Linda Brown, Teresa Gonzalez-Lee, Dick Eiden on Sunday, March 21. Open mike follows until about 5:30 p.m., all at Flying Bridge Restaurant (1105 North Coast Highway). Free. 760-758-2410. (OCEANSIDE)

**"I Had Brain Surgery,** What's Your Excuse?" signed by author Suzy Becker, Monday, March 22, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

**"Remains,"** a new play by Seema Sueko focusing on the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, receives staged reading by Carlsbad Playreaders, Monday, March 22, 7:30 p.m., Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). \$5. 760-729-3383. (LA COSTA)



Sorrow Acre by Isak Dinesen with San Diego Great Books at San Diego Public Library, March 20 (see Special)

**Jun Polistico in Concert** on Tuesday, March 23, 8 p.m., along with Sherr, at Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way). Tickets: \$25. 619-445-6002 x1139. (DEHESA)

**True-Crime Author** Dave Distel signs *The Sweater Letter* on Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., at

Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

**Scholar and Editor** S.T. Joshi visits Mysterious Galaxy Books to discuss and sign *In the Land of Time, and Other Fantasy Tales* by Lord Dunsany on Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m. Find Galaxy at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

**Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series** continues with reading by

poet Peter Pereira, Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m., in room LA-2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Pereira is family physician in Seattle and founding editor of Floating Bridge Press. Free. 619-594-5318. (SDSU)

**Live Improvised Television Comedy Show** presented by Benissimo5 on Thursday, March 25, 7:30 p.m., at Adams Avenue Studio of the Arts (2804 Adams Avenue). \$5. 619-584-3593. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Roots of Religious Extremism Explored** by Jonathan Kirsch in *God Against the Gods: The History of the War between Monotheism and Polytheism*. Kirsch visits Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue) to discuss and sign his book, Thursday, March 25. 7:30 p.m. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

**Fictionalized Account of Wall Street Practices** on offer in *Man in the Middle*, which author Ken Morris signs Thursday, March 25, 6 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway; 760-480-2760). Free. (ESCONDIDO)

**Meredith Willson's Classic Musical** *The Music Man* per-

formed by San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts students, March 25-April 3. Curtain rises at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays, 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Tickets: \$5-\$8. Find the school at 2425 Dusk Drive. 619-470-0555 x232. (PARADISE HILLS)

**Real Men Can Sing Real High!** "The Three Countertenors" concert hosted by Short Attention Span Chamber Music Series is Thursday, March 25, 12:30 p.m., on lower level of UCSD's Geisel Library. Vocalists Ruben Valenzuela, Keith Rarick, Martin Green — joined by Martha Jane Weaver and Kenneth Herman — perform works by John Dowland and Handel. Concert is free, parking is not (bring change for the meters). 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

**Explore the World of "Varekai,"** the new Cirque du Soleil show — replete with aerial hoops, clowns, aerial straps, hand-balancing on canes, Russian swings, triple trapeze, more — runs Thursday, March 18, through Sunday, April 4, in parking lot at Qualcomm Stadium.

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**"Sex Toys 101,"** performance and workshop — for mature audiences only — by Toys in Babeland co-founder Rachel Venning and sex educator Laura Weide in celebration of Women's History Month, Thursday, March 25, 7:30 p.m., in room 240 of Arts Building at CSU San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road). 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

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**Nutrition Fuels Fitness** 5k/10k run/walk, kids' one-half-mile and 1-mile events, Saturday, March 20, south of Mission Bay Hotel. Registration at 5:30 a.m. 760-749-5336. (MISSION BAY)

**Bike Around North County** with Knickerbikers bicyclists on Sunday, March 21. Riders convene at 9 a.m. at Kit Carson Park (3333 Bear Valley Parkway), ride around eastern edge of Escondido, lunch in San Marcos. Expect 30 miles for intermediate riders. 858-451-3173. (ESCONDIDO)

**Ride 4 AIDS**, Sunday, March 21, at Spanish Landing Park. Fifty-mile ride over mixed terrain, 7 a.m.; 25-mile route, 8 a.m.; 10-mile bicycle ride at 9 a.m. 619-291-1400. (SAN DIEGO BAY)

**Women's Professional Billiard Association** returns for eighth annual San Diego Classic Tournament March 24-28, at Viejas Casino (5000 Willows Road).

Tournament gets underway with charity pro-am competition, Wednesday, March 24, 7 p.m. Tournament schedule: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 5:30 to midnight on Thursday, March 25; Friday and Saturday, March 26 and 27, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., 7 p.m. to midnight. Semi-finals and final round play, Sunday, March 28, 1, 3 p.m. Championships at 5 p.m.

Day sessions: \$5; evenings are \$7; final-day play is \$15; four-day pass for \$45. 800-84-POKER. (ALPINE)

SPECIAL

**Fred Hall's Fishing Tackle**, Boat, Travel, RV Show, continues through March 21 at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Boats, all manner of fishing gear, vendors' booths, and seminars. Hours: are 2 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$10 general, free for those under 15. 805-389-3339. (DEL MAR)

**"Unveiling the Re-Declaration of Independence Campaign:** A Citizen Accountability Movement Against Corporate Greed and Political Corruption" — San Diego Cultural Creatives convene Thursday, March 18, at Springfield College (5348 University Avenue, suite 110). Potluck dinner: 6 p.m.; project proposal: 7 p.m. Free. Reservations: 619-656-5229. (CITY HEIGHTS)

**Spring Book Sale** at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sheet music, books on a variety of subjects, CDs and LPs, and art periodicals on offer. The Athenaeum is located at 1008 Wall Street; 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

**"A Celebration of 36 Years"** offered when Ikebana International hosts annual spring show, March 20 and 21, in room 101 of the Casa del Prado. Practitioners from different schools present demonstrations each day; Japanese cultural exhibition (in room 102) on Sunday. Hours: noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. 619-232-5762. (BALBOA PARK)

**Adventure Travel Fair** sponsored by Adventure 16 on Saturday, March 20, 3 to 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Latest gear and clothing,



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## LOCAL EVENTS

packing clinics, vendors. Free. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Paleontology 101:** Excavation in Shell Canyon," learn proper excavation techniques for collecting and analyzing fossil material, including mapping sites and tool usage when San Diego Natural History Museum hosts class (Saturday, March 20, 11 a.m.) and field trip to Shell Canyon (9 a.m. Saturday, March 27, through 5 p.m. Sunday, March 28). Fee: \$55 adults, \$35 children (8-13). Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

**Isak Dinesen's Sorrow Acre** is subject when Great Books Reading and Discussion Group convenes Saturday, March 20, 2 p.m., in third-floor conference room, San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 858-755-8978. Free; newcomers welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

**Village Quilters** hold their annual auction, Saturday, March 20, at Mira Mesa Senior Center (8460 Mira Mesa Boulevard). Preview: 10 a.m., auction: 11 a.m. Seasonal quilts, patriotic quilts, pieced and appliqued, embroidered, art quilts. Admission: free. 858-592-2685. (MIRA MESA)

**Champagne Tidepool Brunch,** Saturday, March 20, 8 to 10 a.m., at Birch Aquarium-Museum (2300 Expedition Way). Event in conjunction with opening of two tidepool displays includes brunch, talk on nearshore environments by marine ecologist Paul Dayton. Tickets: \$45 for adults, \$30 for youths. Reservations: 858-534-5771. (LA JOLLA)

**Up the Vibe,** it's the theme for Spring Equinox Festival, Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Rosicrucian Fellowship (2222 Mission Avenue). Celebration of life and spirit — blending new age with mainstream — with mini-workshops, craft fair and bazaar, live music, vegetarian food court. Adults: \$15, free for kids 12 and younger. 760-310-4358. (OCEANSIDE)

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Remember the 1340's? We were doing a dance called the Catapult. You always wore brown, the color craze of the decade, and I was draped in one of those capes that were popular, the ones with unicorns and pomegranates in needlework. Everyone would pause for beer and onions in the afternoon, and at night we would play a game called "Find the Cow." Everything was hand-lettered then, not like today.

Where has the summer of 1572 gone? Brocade and sonnet marathons were the rage. We used to dress up in the flags of rival baronies and conquer one another in cold rooms of stone. Out on the dance floor we were all doing the Struggle while your sister practiced the Daphne all alone in her room. We borrowed the jargon of farriers for our slang. These days language seems transparent a badly broken code.

The 1790's will never come again. Childhood was big. People would take walks to the very tops of hills and write down what they saw in their journals without speaking. Our collars were high and our hats were extremely soft. We would surprise each other with alphabets made of twigs. It was a wonderful time to be alive, or even dead.

I am very fond of the period between 1815 and 1821. Europe trembled while we sat still for our portraits.

And I would love to return to 1901 if only for a moment, time enough to wind up a music box and do a few dance steps, or shoot me back to 1922 or 1941, or at least let me recapture the serenity of last month when we picked berries and glided through afternoons in a canoe.

Even this morning would be an improvement over the present. I was in the garden then, surrounded by the hum of bees and the Latin names of flowers, watching the early light flash off the slanted windows of the greenhouse and silver the limbs on the rows of dark hemlocks.

As usual, I was thinking about the moments of the past, letting my memory rush over them like water rushing over the stones on the bottom of a stream.



I was even thinking a little about the future, that place where people are doing a dance we cannot imagine, a dance whose name we can only guess.

— Billy Collins

From *Picnic, Lightning*, University of Pittsburgh Press

fair on Saturday, March 20, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. Representatives from community organizations and local businesses on hand, pedestrian safety and exercise workshops, shoe clinic, guided fitness walks, more. Free. 619-298-2541. (BALBOA PARK)

**House of Mexico** hosts Sunday lawn program at International Cottages, March 21, 2 p.m. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

**Swiss Park 2004 Bridal Fair,** Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Swiss Park (2001 Main Street). All manner of wedding wares and services on offer. \$7. 619-423-1036. (SAN DIEGO)

**Carnival of Cultures,** offering "a representation of ethnic groups from all over San Diego County," Sunday, March 21, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Walnut Grove Park (1950 Sycamore). Displays, arts and crafts for sale, music, dancing, singers, storytellers. Free. 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

**"Chaparral: A Wilderness Shaped by Fire"** offered by San Diego Natural History Museum.

Classes: Tuesday, March 23, Thursday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.; followed by field trip on Saturday, March 27, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$69 general. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Cult Reds"** provide subject for Planet Wine discussion and horizontal tasting, Thursday, March 25, 6:30 p.m., at Hotel Parisi (1111 Prospect). \$15 fee includes tasting, presentation, study materials. Requested reservations: 858-459-7407. (LA JOLLA)

**Tower After Hours,** series at San Diego Museum of Man continues with program focusing on "rhythms of Brazil" and *caipirinhas* for sipping, Thursday, March 25, 6 p.m. \$20 fee includes food and drink, live entertainment. Reservations: 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

**Community Sing,** everyone is welcome to take part in singing, every Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at Solana Beach Community Center (133 Pacific Avenue). Professional pianist on hand, songbooks with 900 songs. Free. 858-552-0331. (SOLANA BEACH)

### "Listening to the Prairie:

Farming in Nature's Image," a national traveling exhibition, continues through Monday, April 19, at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Exhibit explores history of vast grasslands of North America, "one of the most productive agricultural regions on Earth," through photographs, mural. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**The Flower Fields** boasting 50 acres of giant ranunculus flowers are blooming again, open for tours through Sunday, May 9. Visitors may stroll pathways through fields from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission: \$7 general, \$6 seniors, \$4 for children. Exit I-5 at Palomar Airport Road, head east for two blocks, turn left on Paseo del Norte Road. 760-431-0352. (CARLSBAD)

**"Answering the Call:** The Military Nurses of World War," an exhibit honoring the service of military nurses in World War II, continues through Wednesday, June 9, at Veterans Museum (in former Navy chapel, 2115 Park Boulevard). Includes historical uniforms, photographs, artifacts. Requested donation: \$5. 619-239-2300. (BALBOA PARK)

## FOR KIDS

**"Irish Lullabies"** performed by Big Joe Productions through Sunday, March 21, at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: *Mother Holly* by Weaver's Tales.

Performances begin at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday; 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Find theater near Aerospace Center. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. 619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Guess Who! Guess What!"** Christian Youth Theatre, San Diego Children's Choir, nine-year-old pianist Rossina Greico join San Diego Chamber Orchestra for Carnival Concert on Saturday, March 20. Also on program: "Let's Build an Orchestra."

Performances: 1 p.m. at Balboa Park Club, preceded by activities at 12:15 p.m.; and at 4 p.m. at the Carmel Valley Middle School Performing Arts Center (3800 Mykonos Lane), with preconcert activities at 3:15 p.m. Tickets in Carmel Valley are \$7 for children, \$12 for adults; with attendees in

Balboa Park paying \$5 for kids, \$10 for adults. Reservations: 888-848-7326 x7. (BALBOA PARK, CARMEL VALLEY)

**Try Your Hand at a Washboard,** pump water from a cistern, plant potatoes in field, and learn all about farm life when Stein Family Farm hosts "Farm Days," Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The farm is a Victorian-era farmstead including original house, barn, and outbuildings on 2.5 acres of land. Donation. Find the farm at 1808 F Avenue (at 18th Street). 619-477-4113. (NATIONAL CITY)

**Animal Tales** presented by San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, Saturday, March 20, 1:30 p.m., Borders Books and Music (159 Fletcher Parkway). Free. 619-593-5119. (EL CAJON)

**The Fabulous Arthur Read** visits Barnes and Noble Bookstore for reading of *Arthur's Birthday* by Marc Brown, Saturday, March 20, 11 a.m. Barnes and Noble Bookstore, 810 West Valley Parkway; 760-480-2760. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

**Magnetism** is subject when Reuben H. Fleet Science Center hosts family science day, Saturday, March 20, noon to 3 p.m. Participants "make a free science experiment" to take home. Regular admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**Explore the Rocky Shore** at low tide along Tourmaline Beach when San Diego Natural History Museum hosts "Tidepooling for Kids," Saturday, March 20, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fee: \$24 child/adult pair. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK, PACIFIC BEACH)

**The U.S. Premiere of Alan Ayckbourn's Play *The Boy Who Fell into a Book*** is presented by Lamb's Players Theatre through March 21, at Playhouse on Plaza (500 Plaza Boulevard). Performances start at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays, 4 and 7 p.m. on Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets: \$13-\$16 for children, \$26-\$32 for adults. 619-437-0600. (NATIONAL CITY)

**Dive Into the "World of Water"** when Ms. Frizzle and the Magic School Bus lead adventures on Sunday, March 21, 11:45 a.m., 12:45, and 1:45 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Fee is \$2 for nonmember kids, in addition

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to regular museum admission. 619-232-3821 x203. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Bridge to Terabithia"** presented by students of North Coast Repertory Theatre School. See adaptation of Katherine Paterson's Newberry Award-winning novel at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23; and 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 27. Find the theater at 987-D Lomas Santa Fe. Tickets: \$9 for adults, \$7 for children. 858-481-1055. (SOLANA BEACH)

## MUSEUMS

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

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

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

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

**Campo Railroad Museum**, showcasing more than 115 years of 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 a 1920s warlord's bed, exhibits on Chinese footbinding and Chinese-

American veterans. The museum is in a building originally built in 1927 for the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the building is an Asian garden with koi pond and waterfall. Find the museum at 404 Third Avenue (at J Street); 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

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

**Creation Museum**, a museum contrasting the evolution and creation world views is found at

10946 Woodside Avenue North. For more information, call 619-448-0900 x231. (SANTÉE)

**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. Exhibit includes a mastodon 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.

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)

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

fourth Tuesday of every month. 619-538-4069. (BALBOA PARK)

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

Find the museum at 4233

Park Boulevard. 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

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

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

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

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center,** 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. The exhibition's themes are forces and structures, light, and rotation.

"Busytown" is a hands-on, bilingual exhibit based on Richard Scarry's books and TV series. Exhibit includes a grocery store, factory, shipyard, power plant, and construction area for visitors aged 2 through 6 to explore, play, and learn, through Sunday, May 9. Tips and strategies offered on parent-child interaction to encourage children's learning.

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 Archaeological Center,** "Rose Canyon: A Walk Through History," on view through April, features artifacts from the area. The center — located at 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road — is dedicated to "curation of archaeological projects and sharing them with the public." 760-291-0370. (ESCONDIDO)

**San Diego Automotive Museum,** "The Evolution of Porsche" is traced in exhibit on view through Monday, May 24. Show features nearly 20 Porsche automobiles examining the evolution of this marque.

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

**San Diego Hall of Champions,** current exhibits include one built around photographs from *Sports Illustrated* magazine, featuring 35 San Diegans who made the cover; "San Diego Ground Zero," "Bird Watching — Tony Hawk in Flight." The museum — dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement — is located at 2131 Pan American Plaza. Call 619-234-2544 for information. (BALBOA PARK)

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

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

**San Diego Maritime Museum,** visit the H.M.S. *Surprise* while the ship used in film *Master and Commander* is on exhibit through Tuesday, November 30. See artifacts, costumes, props used in making of the flick.

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At the center of it all is City's most dedicated patron, Kyle Clayton. Kyle once wrote a novel that

defined a generation, then parlayed that success into a decade of well-reported debauchery. Now he has shocked the literary world by falling in love with a Muslim woman and, more shocking still, converting to Islam. The idea of Kyle abstaining from any pleasure is a solar-plexus blow to New York nightlife.

But abstention and New York are words that were never meant to be in the same sentence. Before *Gotham Tragic* is over, Clayton's new marriage unravels; the super-rich owner of City rides his success to a higher plane of hubris and faces the risk of incarceration; a waitress who graced one of Kyle's wilder nights returns to haunt his days; a Muslim doorman contemplates carrying out a fatwa against Kyle, who has betrayed his new faith in an irreverent short story; and everyone comes together at the New Year's Eve party of the century — at City, of course — in a frenzy of criminal indictments, misplaced emotions, lechery, squandered wealth, and recognition that sometimes love is worth sacrifice.

Buoyantly comic and brilliantly plotted, *Gotham Tragic* is a story of couplehood, of the collision between East and West, and of the high price of arrogance. It is a pitch-perfect send-up of the money and celebrity culture, not a black comedy so much as a red, white, and blue one, and the next step forward for a writer whose gifts are as impressive as the Manhattan skyline.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

*People:* It's 1999, and Kyle Clayton, "America's last great literary

fool" (washed-up, tragic), is a fixture of the bar at City, where Gotham's elite meet. Clayton, a recent convert to Islam, loves the proximity to power. He ogles women (such as a knockout waitress he can't remember bedding) to the annoyance of his Turkish wife, who sneers at his boozing and tries to placate her traditional father — whom Kyle mocks in a short story. Bad idea, pal. A fatwa ensues.

Premillennial Manhattan was awesome, but few writers have dared to try to capture the effervescence of that moment. Maybe September 11 left a lot of novels half finished. But incorporating Islam into the story — like Clayton, Wenzel is a convert — makes it somehow okay. Wenzel can be a bit too sardonic, but he's often charming and bold, especially on religion and money. *Gotham Tragic* is apt to please connoisseurs of New York stories about writers.

*Publishers Weekly:* Satirizing Manhattan while also providing an inside glimpse of some of its most powerful players, this sprawling, ambitious novel is mostly entertaining and smartly written, despite an occasional smugness.

*Booklist:* Wenzel's absorbing, perceptive tale floats some tough theological questions ("Why can't Islam laugh at itself?"), but his true emphasis is the setting, and he hits all the defining themes of the day — multiculturalism, millennialism, corporate greed, and so on — while foreshadowing, with little subtlety, New York's impending tragedy. It's an exhilarating mix, skillfully presented. But beneath the cultural debris of 1999 persists the very same fascination with the publishing industry that filled his first book. Whence literary fame? Apparently, the answer is to be timely.

**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** Kurt Wenzel "was born," he said, "in Queens, New York, then quickly moved to a town called Sayreville, New Jersey. Middle class, very Bruce Springsteen. There's a line in *Born to Run*, in fact: 'sprung from cages on Highway 9.' I grew up on Highway 9. The middle class is perfect for a writer, of course. You still have the outrage of the underclass, but are not completely cut off from the cultural advantages, the way that the very poor are." Wenzel is the author of *Lit Life* and a contributing editor at *Privy-magazine.com*. He and his wife and their young son live in New York City and East Hampton, New York.

**A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:** I made contact with Kurt Wenzel only days after Stephen Metcalf, a freelance writer living in Brooklyn, wrote in the *New York Times Book Review*, about Mr. Wenzel's novel: "*Gotham Tragic* is tediously overplotted, with detours into the lives of a City waitress (fancy that, a frustrated actress) and her elderly aunt; Lonny Tumin's chief underling, whose wife, a Southern belle with the mouth of a marine, has borne Tumin's child; and into Clayton's almost completely uninteresting conversion to Islam. (Clayton's marital fights, centering on

issues of religion and freedom of conscience, and meant to represent one of the novel's claims to genuine pith, read like transcripts from *Crossfire*.) For all its big-city swagger, *Gotham Tragic* feels of a piece with the ESPN Zone restaurant and *Cats*: a pit stop for the out-of-towner."

"What," I asked, "is your response to this fairly mean-spirited *New York Times Book Review*?"

"Well, it hurts. It definitely ruins your morning. But that same day I got a flurry of very good reviews from other places, so it's easy to blow it off. It's the only negative review so far. Eventually you're bound to run into someone who hates what you do.

"Strangely, it was the treatment of the guy I was reviewed with, Kyle Smith, that made me mad. His is a first novel (*Love Monkey*). There's sort of a *de facto* code among reviewers that first novels are given some leeway. But Stephen Metcalf, the reviewer, was vicious in a way I haven't seen in quite a while. In fact, in his review he called Kyle Smith an "oaf." Wait, let me say that again: A reviewer in the *New York Times Book Review* called the writer of the book he was reviewing, Kyle Smith, an OAF! In his next review, I hear he counts the writer's blackheads.

"Meanwhile, *Love Monkey* is selling great, and you can't open a New York newspaper without seeing a profile of Kyle Smith (including the *New York Times*). When the movie comes out, Metcalf will receive a signed copy of the DVD."

"Because I have interviewed your wife — Ty Wenzel — I realized that certainly some of *Gotham Tragic* is 'taken from life' — for instance, the Muslim wife and her wretchedly abusive father. What is the response to this from friends and family? Has your father-in-law read it?"

"Well, my friends aren't really in it, but my wife certainly is. In the book, my alter-ego hero, Kyle Clayton — not Kyle Smith...this gets confusing! — is looking to have an affair. But my wife in real life has no worries, believe me. She looks like the Russian femme fatale in a Bond film. If we ever got into an adultery war, I would lose.

"As for my father-in-law, he doesn't read English, so he's never going to know. I'd feel like a heel about this, except that he gave it to me pretty good when we were first married, so this is my sort of cowardly revenge. He and I get along much better now, actually. If I began the book tomorrow, I probably wouldn't write it the same way. But what's done is done."

"Did you, like Kyle, in fact become a Muslim?"

"I did — unhappily. My wife's family insisted upon it. I went through a 'conversion' at a mosque. I thought it would be easy, but in fact, it was traumatic. Basically you have to stand up in front of a room full of good Muslims and lie to them. I'm not religious, but if I feel close to any religion, it's Christianity. The New Testament, specifically. The words of Christ are simply inarguable — and impossible to live up to."

"How did your side of the family feel about your conversion?"

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

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of

North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

**San Diego Museum of Man,** "The Turquoise Path/El Camino Turquesa: The Story of Turquoise in the Native American Southwest," on display through April, 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,

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.

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**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 set-

tlar's cabin, collection of Indian baskets, and aerospace display. Find the museum at 29200 Cole Grade Road. 760-749-2993. (VALLEY CENTER)

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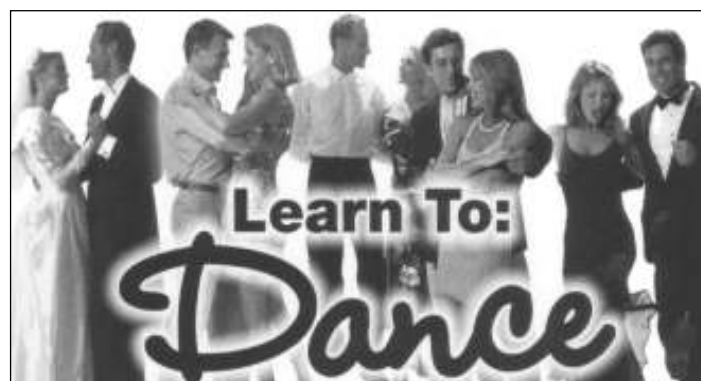
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# READING

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"My grandfather was a Presbyterian minister. So although, like good liberals, nobody said anything, I don't think my conversion went over that well on my side of the family. In fact, I didn't realize how much of a Christian I was until I had to convert. So, ironically, everyone loses, which is precisely the folly of converting to something in which one doesn't believe."

"I have read the Koran, and I don't find that it necessarily attests to or suggests 'peacefulness.' What do you think?"

"After 9/11 we heard that a lot, didn't we? 'Islam is a religion of peace.' It's a platitude. The Koran is a shockingly violent text — as is the Old Testament, of course. Mohammed was a warrior, don't forget. A great general. By my reading, he does call for peace in the Koran but tempers it with a glaring exception: In those times when Islam is threatened, you must kill. Now, the 'threatening of Islam' is a generality that will make a lot of sociopaths quite happy, as we are seeing.

"I believe Islam is a great reli-

gion, but it has a rather huge, nasty flaw: Mohammed himself. When your great prophet is a soldier, it sends a paradoxical message, to say the least. The good news is, if you are a Muslim in the U.S., you can debate the flaws and virtues of Mohammed — and of Christ, Buddha, etc. The bad news is that if you live in the Middle East, Mohammed is untouch-

**"I believe Islam is a great religion, but it has a rather huge, nasty flaw: When your great prophet is a soldier, it sends a paradoxical message."**

able. He's perfect. The spirit of skepticism, of intellectualism, has been crushed by the *mul-lahs* who fear change. What they don't understand is that Islam will actually be stronger once one is allowed to debate its complex, and often paradoxical meanings."

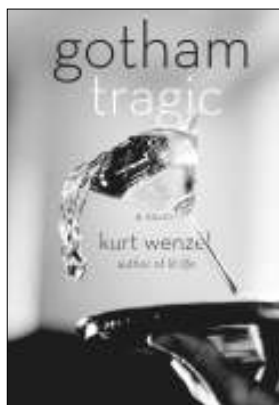
"I thought that your Muslim restaurant workers were fairly

representative of sectarian, fundamentalist Islam; no different, really, than many Christian fundamentalists and no less dangerous and tiresome."

"Naturally there is a connection between Christian and Islamic fundamentalism. What's puzzling about it to me is that at least in the Koran there's some sanction for it. Okay, so you are a passionate Muslim, drunk with admiration for the life of Mohammed. You're taught that Islam is besieged by the West, threatened to extinction — so you kill. Well, it's ugly, but it's not out of step with the Koran. You're doing Mohammed's bidding; at least in the way that you've interpreted it.

"But Christians who kill in the name of Jesus? This would be funny if it wasn't so tragic. Make no mistake, Christ's message is not ambiguous. We know, of course, what he said: Give up your worldly possessions, follow God, and love every single living thing without exception, even if they harm you. There is *no* ambiguity on these issues in the New Testament, and yet... Why go down the list of offenses?

"I can't resist a bit of George Bush-bashing here. Why don't people see that his professed Christianity is the most vulgar thing about him and his family? Why is it that the Bushes amass a huge fortune, head the CIA, invade Iraq twice, and still get



to call themselves great Christians? Why aren't people spontaneously vomiting when they say it? Why aren't real Christians angry? Let's say, for the sake of the argument, that there's nothing wrong with getting obscenely rich, that America needs a CIA, and that a preemptive strike in Iraq was just. Fine. But then you cannot at the same time call yourself a Christian. It's unseemly. It's grotesque."

"Have you read Naipaul on Islam? What did you make of his views?"

"I haven't read him on Islam, but I know that his books had been brutal on that religion for 20 years. Then, suddenly, he backtracked, stating publicly that he'd been too harsh. That this announcement was followed by his receiving the Nobel Prize should surprise no

one in the least. The Nobel has become the goodie-two-shoes award — which is why Phillip Roth hasn't won it, and why it's no longer taken seriously."

"Your book seems to lead to a sequel which will end with 9/11. Is this true?"

"No. Well, I'm not planning it. I need to get out of New York for a while, creatively speaking. I'm writing about Los Angeles, oddly enough. A futuristic Hollywood noir. It's a gas."

"In both your novels you paint lit life in the direst of colors. How hard is it to be a writer today?"

"It's hard, but I suppose everything worth doing is hard. The loneliness is crushing, and you spend way too much time in your subconscious mind — which is why so many writers drink or go insane. Perhaps the most difficult thing about being a writer of serious fiction today, though, is making a living. I think there are probably 200 people in America who make a living from writing novels that qualify as literature — not genre writers — and who don't have to support themselves with a supplementary job. Right now I'm one of them, but things are getting tight."

"Do you and Ty, your wife, have writer friends? What do you do when you get together?"

"Actually, we don't have many writer friends; although that's changing slowly. When

we do get together with other writers, we mainly talk about money. Who's getting it, and why we're not."

"How do you think the writer's life has changed since the 1950s?"

"The cultural impact just isn't there. Nobody cares. *The Corrections* is the only serious novel (to my mind) that people outside the big cities have talked about in ten years. And that was mainly because of *Oprah*.

"Quick story. When I published my first book at Random House, the publicity person there was trying to get Norman Mailer on the *Today* show with his Jesus novel. She called the booking agent, who was in her late 20s, apparently. The booking agent's reply? 'Who the hell is Norman Mailer?' That tells you all you need to know."

"Do you think the days of the monster advances are over? I do."

"I hope not! I'm still waiting. No, I think these things come in waves. When a few big advances pay off, there'll be another slew of them. Then, when those don't turn out, the publishers will tighten their belts again. And so on, and so on. It's the competitiveness of New York publishing that keeps the big advances popping up from time to time, and I don't think that will ever completely end. These guys hate to lose."

— Judith Moore



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# A History of the Modern World

*I have never before had a good word to say about Mandeville Auditorium.*

I was not wrong in my review of the La Jolla Symphony a couple of months ago. Much to my surprise, this amateur orchestra turned out to be as close to professional as one could want, and offered musicmaking of unexceptionable quality. Going to the next concert in their season (just to make sure, and because the program intrigued me), I was not disappointed. They are really very good. Only once or twice, in unison passages by the violins or cellos, did I hear anything that disturbed my comfort with the performance, so that for an instant I registered that all was not quite right, instead of focusing — as I could do almost all the time — on the music itself.

Focusing on the music was a pleasure, because throughout the concert this was no routine run-through but a series of illuminating readings, with a distinctive approach and interpretation. Much of the credit must go to music director Harvey Sollberger, who is a conductor of real authority.

Sollberger's career has been chiefly devoted to new American music. A virtuoso avant-garde flautist, he has performed works by composers such as Elliott Carter, Nicolas Roussakis, Francis Thorne, and Charles Wuorinen. He is himself a composer of thorny, abstract music, often involving the flute in various contexts. As conductor, he has had long-time associations with some of the foremost ensembles for contemporary music (at Columbia University, Indiana University, and UCSD), where his repertoire has focused on composers such as Donald Martino, Roger Reynolds, Peter Westergaard, David Felder, Robert Morris, Milton Babbitt, Stefan Wolpe, and Joji Yuasa.

The aesthetics of virtually all this music (including his own) are so alien to those of the standard repertoire that you would scarcely expect Sollberger to have any particular commitment to composers like Beethoven and Ravel, whose works occupied two-thirds of the La Jolla Symphony program at Mandeville Auditorium. But, like composer-conductor Pierre Boulez, whose compositional style rejects every principle of Western

music from Haydn to Stravinsky, Sollberger seems to be quite at home with the kind of works that are played on conventional orchestral programs, those with traditional attitudes toward form, tonality, instrumental techniques, accessibility, and meaning. Indeed (again like Boulez), he has very interesting and effective ideas about how these works should be played — not through any imposition of late-20th-century avant-garde attitudes, but by an appropriate rethinking of the scores on their own terms.

Sollberger's "Eroica" (to start with the Beethoven symphony that concluded the program) had much in common with the performances of Arturo Toscanini and George Szell. It was direct and powerful; it maintained in each movement a steady but never mechanical pulse; and it adhered closely to the score. Unlike such conductors as Wilhelm Furtwängler or Leonard Bernstein, Sollberger evidently saw no need for frequent changes of gear and magnifications of contrast in order to underline the composer's intentions or theatricalize his effects. One sensed that the conductor was allowing Beethoven to speak in his own forceful and expressive voice, without overt tinkering. Momentum built steadily, and when the climaxes came, they seemed to erupt naturally from the inner energies of the music. The result was a performance of immense strength and vigor, which was at the same time well balanced and of sharp lucidity.

The same conducting style applied to *La Valse* might have seemed more problematic. Isn't Ravel's deconstruction of the Viennese waltz supposed to be an atmospheric tone poem, filled with dramatic clashes that demand to be emphasized? Yes, indeed — but Sollberger's insistence, here too, on steady pacing with a minimum of rhythmic stretching, and on allowing the music's structure and content to make their points free of interpretive mannerisms, surprisingly enhanced the score's impact rather than diminishing it. What the conductor sought — and received from his skillful and compliant orchestra — was transparency,

an insight into the complex poetry of Ravel's orchestral writing and of the composer's impassioned imagination. I have never before had a good word to say about Mandeville Auditorium, but I must admit that the dryness (*deadness*) of the acoustics there allowed the listener to hear all the delicate details of this magnificent score, details that more atmospheric halls (and performances) tend to blur with a Romantic sheen.

Between the Ravel and Beethoven came Morton Feldman's *Cello and Orchestra* — an important event, for this great work by a great American composer had never before been performed in San Diego, or on the whole West Coast, and performances of it (or of any of Feldman's music) remain rare everywhere.

Feldman is admittedly a tough nut to crack (you may take this sentence any way you like). The compositions of his best period (the 1970s and 80s — he died in '87) consist of simple materials repeated and slowly varied at great length. The volume is almost always at a low level. There is no logical progression, no dramatic movement; Feldman's aim was to achieve an effect as close to stasis as possible, negating or transcending time as a framework for events. The events, such as they are, consist of slight dislocations of previous material, and delicate recombinations of exquisite instrumental timbres. The nondrama or antidrama is played out over vast swathes of clock time. Feldman's *For Philip Guston* lasts four and a half hours; his String Quartet No. 2 stretches to more than six hours, longer than *Parsifal* and much, much slower. How is it possible to like music like this? How is it possible to stand it?

Frankly, I can give no justification for finding Feldman's music overwhelmingly fascinating, compelling, and beautiful; the only way of being persuaded (if that's possible at all) would be to listen to it. *Cello and Orchestra*, which was given a



Morton Feldman

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**La Jolla Symphony**  
**Harvey Sollberger, conductor; Charles Curtis, cello**  
*Mandeville Auditorium*  
 Ravel, *La Valse*; Feldman, *Cello and Orchestra*; Beethoven, *Symphony No. 3 in E-flat, Opus 55* "Eroica"

stunning performance by Sollberger, cellist Charles Curtis, and the La Jolla Symphony, is about as persuasive as Feldman gets. It is only 18 minutes long (although it can seem like eternity), and the contrast between the solo cello and the slow chords and figurations of the large orchestra provides a certain connection with more traditional music (the foreground-background contrast that Feldman usually tried to avoid).

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### Man On A Mission

*The Thomas More Law Center Opens West Coast Office In San Diego*  
 BY ROBERT KUMPEL

The Thomas More Law Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan was founded in 1980 by Thomas More, the University of Notre Dame. More recently, More's approach to Catholicism, the prosecutor of Dr. Jack Kevorkian, with the idea of opening a law firm that would be dedicated to Catholicism in its identity and mission. Aligned with other Christian lawyers, attorneys for the Many, center have been in the news.

### Mexican Bishops Call It Murder

*Morning-After Pill Legalized in Mexico*  
 BY BOB HYPHARD

Pro-life advocates in Mexico have appealed to the Mexican Supreme Court and to President Vicente Fox to reverse a decision by the secretary of health authorizing the widespread use of the so-called "morning after pill," which they say is the de facto legalization of abortion in Mexico.

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# Calendar

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

More important than its form (or formlessness) is the fact that this is deeply moving music, if you allow it to work on you without resistance. As with the great majority of Feldman's works, the emotions evoked here are tragic. This is the overriding theme of Feldman's music, however much he himself might reject a notion of subjective expression. Feldman indicated the influence on his aesthetic ideas of contemporary painters (and friends) Mark Rothko, Philip Guston, Jackson Pollock, and Willem de Kooning. But there is an emotional communion as well. One of Feldman's most poignant works was composed for the death-obsessed chapel

Rothko decorated in Houston before committing suicide. His very last composition was dedicated to another kindred spirit, Samuel Beckett.

Even without explicit connections, there is a great deal of late Rothko and of Beckett in *Cello and Orchestra*. There have never been dissonant chords as bleak and despairing as those that the La Jolla Symphony played with such fine precision. There has never been a piece for cello so expressive of endless anguish and hopeless lamentation, and cellist Curtis, a remarkable artist, brought out these feelings with irresistible force, all the more so because of the music's (and the musician's) restraint.

Sollberger's cannily constructed program thus illustrated the history of the human spirit over the last two centuries. Beethoven confronts death and affirms the forces of

life, heroism, and joy. Ravel depicts the dissolution of a society devoted to sensual pleasure in a world where civilized values have been ripped apart. Feldman shows us a universe empty of meaning, in which the suffering human voice cries vainly into nothingness. So we move, in the course of a single, profound concert, from 1804 to 1919 to 1973. Not bad for an "amateur" orchestra. ■

## CLASSICAL LISTINGS

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**The Sounds of Art**, pianist and composer David Korevaar focuses on the "European Collection," Thursday, March 18, 7 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Korevaar integrates commentary, slides, and performance into lecture and concert, featuring pieces by Chopin, Fauré, Debussy, Ravel, Poulenc. \$15. Reservations: 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**America's Ambassador of Song?** Michael Feinstein, considered a "premiere interpreter of American popular song," joins San Diego Symphony in concerts March 19-21. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday in

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Concert is repeated on Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$28-\$55. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

**San Diego County Recorder Society** convenes for instruction and playing, Friday, March 19. Recorder basics at 6:30 p.m., guest conductor leads the group, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 1120 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (two miles east of I-15). 760-726-8699. First visit free. (TIERRASANTA)

**Pipe Organ Concert Series**, All Souls' Episcopal Church organist Robert Thompson shows his chops for pipe organ concert series, Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., at First Church of Christ Scientist (8262 Allison Avenue). Free. 619-442-8201. (LA MESA)

**"Guess Who! Guess What!"** Christian Youth Theatre, San Diego Children's Choir, nine-year-old pianist Rossina Greico join San Diego Chamber Orchestra for Carnival Concert on Saturday, March 20. Also on program: "Let's Build an Orchestra."

Performances: 1 p.m. at Balboa Park Club, preceded by activities at 12:15 p.m.; and at 4 p.m. at the Carmel Valley Middle School Performing Arts Center (3800 Mykonos Lane), with preconcert activities at 3:15 p.m. Tickets in Carmel Valley are \$7 for children, \$12 for adults; with attendees in Balboa Park paying \$5 for kids, \$10 for adults. Reservations: 888-848-7326 x7. (BALBOA PARK, CARMEL VALLEY)

**"Lost Love and Redemption"** explored in program of baroque and Renaissance vocal works, Saturday, March 20, 7:30 p.m., at St. Andrews By-the-Sea (1050 Thomas Avenue). On program: selections by Monteverdi, Arcadelt, Gesualdo, de Monte, Palestrina, Sheppard, Franck. \$10 general. 619-527-4457. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Mezzo-Soprano** Susanna Poret-sky performs in concert with Ayse Underhill (soprano), Arkady Vinokurov (violin), Ella Pasik (piano), Saturday, March 20, 7:30 p.m., at St. Peter's Episcopal Church (334 14th Street). Program includes arias from operas by Verdi, Puccini, Rossini, Bizet, others. 858-452-5075 or 858-458-1394. \$25. (DEL MAR)

**Brentano String Quartet** plays selections by Beethoven, Berg, Mendelssohn for Revelle Series hosted by La Jolla Music Society,

Saturday, March 20, 8 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Preconcert talk, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$25, \$55, \$75. Reservations: 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

**"Bach and the Virtuosos:** Liszt, Rachmaninoff, Busoni" is theme when Keyboard Conversations series hosted by Jeffrey Siegel concludes Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Tickets: \$20. Box office: 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

**Tchaikovsky's "Piano Trio in A Minor"** and "Trio in B-Flat Minor (The Archduke)" by Beethoven are on program when pianist Thomas MacFarlane, violinist Raymond Kobler, cellist Timothy Landauer perform for Lake San Marcos Chamber Music Society, Sunday, March 21. Concert starts at 2:30 p.m. at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$20. Reservations: 760-945-3446 or 760-630-4360. (ENCINITAS)

**Rancho Bernardo High School Wind Ensemble** and chamber and symphonic orchestra perform Sunday, March 21, 4 p.m., at Rancho Bernardo Presbyterian Community Church (17010 Pomerado Road). Program includes pieces by Mozart, Saint-Saëns, Barber. Offering. 858-487-0811. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

**Seagate Sundays**, series continues when California Consort presents series finale on Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). What's on tap? J.S. Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 4," "The Four Seasons" by Vivaldi. Tickets: \$20 general, \$15 seniors and military, \$10 for children, free for those five and younger. Reservations: 866-436-8744. (LA JOLLA)

**"Theory of Relativity"** presented in celebration of Women's History Month by soprano Cheryl Brown, pianist Myron Fink, narrator Leah Karp, Sunday, March 21, 2:30 p.m., at Scripps Miramar Ranch Library (10301 Scripps Lake Drive). Program includes pieces by Clara Schumann, Fanny Mendelssohn, J.S. Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Brahms, Marie Antoinette! Donations appreciated. 619-538-8158. (SCRIPPS, MIRAMAR)

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**Varied Program of Renaissance and Baroque Music** — including sacred and secular works by Orlando di Lasso, Hans Leo Hassler, Luca Marenzio, others — promised when 18-voice Pacific Camerata presents concert, Sunday, March 21, 2:30 p.m., in third-floor auditorium at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5810. (DOWNTOWN)

**Civic Organist** Carol Williams presents concert in Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**An American Salute** featuring works by Sousa, Gershwin, Jerome Kern, Scott Joplin promised when Philharmonic Brass Quartet performs for San Diego Mini-Concert, Monday, March 22, noon, in Lyceum Theatre at Horton Plaza. Free. Bring your lunch. 619-236-1980. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Old Wine in New Bottles,"** violinists Igor and Vesna Gruppman perform with San Diego Chamber Orchestra in concerts featuring Bach's "Violin Concerto No. 1 in A Minor," the "Concerto Grosso No. 7 in C Major" ("Alexanderfest") by Handel, "Concerto for Two Violins and String Orchestra" by Arnold, "Simple Symphony" by Britten.

Take in concerts Monday, March 22, in Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street); Tuesday, March 23, at Fairbanks Ranch Country Club (15150 San Dieguito Road); and Friday, March 26, at St. Joseph's Cathedral (1535 Third Avenue).

Concerts begin at 8 p.m., following preconcert talks by conductor Donald Barra. Tickets: \$15 to \$60. Tickets: 858-350-0290 x7. (LA JOLLA, RANCHO SANTA FE, DOWNTOWN)

**20th-Century Classics** by Britten, Poulenc, Schickele, and local composer Robert Furstenthal may be heard when Electra Reed (oboe) and Mary Barranger (piano) present faculty recital, Wednesday, March 24, noon, in room 113 of School of Music and Dance at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-6020. (SDSU)

**"Le Goût Italien in Music** of the High Baroque" served up by Nota Bene Early Music Trio, Thursday, March 25, 12:15 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall, at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). \$8 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)

**Real Men Can Sing Real High!** "The Three Countertenors" concert hosted by Short Attention Span Chamber Music Series is Thursday, March 25, 12:30 p.m., on lower level of UCSD's Geisel Library. Vocalists Ruben Valenzuela, Keith Rarick, Martin Green — joined by Martha Jane Weaver and Kenneth Herman — perform works by John Dowland and Handel. Concert is free, parking is not (bring change for the meters). 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

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## ART

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## GALLERIES

**"Scenario"** focuses on graffiti, in both traditional and applied forms. Show opens with receptions on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20, 7 p.m. each night, at District Three Gallery (1135 25th Street). 619-578-0068. (GOLDEN HILL)

**Italian Artists** Davide Biondi and Luigi Faugno have recent paintings on exhibition beginning with reception, Friday, March 19, 5:30 p.m., at Galerie d'Art International (320 South Cedros Avenue, suite 500). Show continues through Tuesday, May 4. 858-793-0316. (SOLANA BEACH)

**"Connections"** — exhibit of woven, hand-dyed wools, textile assemblages on canvas by Michael F. Rohde and Kathyanne White is on view through Saturday, April 24, at La Jolla Fiber Arts (7644 Girard Avenue). Reception for artists: Friday, March 19, 6:30 p.m. 858-454-6732. (LA JOLLA)

**"California Style,"** an exhibit of new landscape paintings by Daryl Millard, opens with reception for artist on Saturday, March 20, 5 p.m., at eponymous Daryl Millard Gallery (342 South Cedros Avenue; 858-847-9030). (SOLANA BEACH)

**"What Would You Do With Forever?"** Artist Sam Frazier explores the question in recent mixed-media assemblages on view through March at Lucid Gallery (466 North Coast Highway 101, suite 5). Artist's reception: Saturday, March 20, 6 p.m. 760-634-3677. (ENCINITAS)

**"The Book Arts Show"** opens with reception on Saturday, March 20, 5 p.m., at Next Door Gallery (2963 Beech Street), and continues through Saturday, April 24. Exhibit features books by more than 30 gallery artists. 619-233-6679. (GOLDEN HILL)

**Paintings, Prints, Posters** by John Severson on view during open house and reception, Saturday, March 20, 5 p.m., at Richman Gallery (1650 North Coast Highway 101). 760-942-2825. (LEUCADIA)

**"Cats and Quilts"** by Jean Waters are on view through Thursday, April 1, at Foothills Art Association Gallery (8051 University Avenue). Meet Waters at reception on Sunday, March 21, 1:30 p.m. 619-464-7167. (LA MESA)

**A Two-Artist Show** hosted by Southwestern Artists' Association features work by Ann Ewins and Phyllis Altomare, on view through March in Gallery 23 in Spanish Village. Reception: Sunday, March 21, 1:30 p.m. 619-232-3522. (BALBOA PARK)

**The 43rd Annual "Spring Showcase,"** a multimedia open-juried art exhibit hosted by Clairemont Art Guild, is on display through Monday, March 29, in Gallery 21 of Spanish Village. Juror: Marie Wordell. Awards reception on Monday, March 22, 5 p.m. 619-934-9939. (BALBOA PARK)

## ART MUSEUMS

**Mingei International Museum,** useful and beautiful wooden objects — chairs, tables, benches, cabinets — are on view in "George Nakashima, Woodworker — A Retrospective." The objects are exhibited along with paintings and drawings by Nakashima's friend Ben Shahn. Closes Sunday, May 30.

"Origami Masterworks — Innovative Forms of the Art of Paper Folding," on view through April, 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 Sunday, April 18. Included: *tansu* (Japanese

chests), pottery, calligraphy, wood-block 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)

**Mingei International Museum, North County Satellite,** "Horses — Circling the Globe" includes animals from India, China, Japan, Indonesia, Sweden, England, Guatemala, Mexico, and the U.S. Some have religious connections, some were made as toys. A selection of Navajo blankets is also on display. Also on view: "Niki de Saint Phalle Remembered." Find the museum at 155 West Grand Avenue. 760-735-3355. (ESCONDIDO)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown,** "Everything Matters: Paul Kos, a Retrospective," begins with the artist's early work and follows his career through development of video art to public art projects made as recently as 2000. This exhibition of work by one of the major figures in the conceptual art movement of the late 1960s and early 1970s continues through Sunday, May 2.

San Diego-based artist Anne Mudge exhibits one from a series of "TapRoot" sculptures commissioned for the new trolley station at SDSU in her "Cerca" exhibit, closing Sunday, April 4. The installation allows viewers an up-close perspective of the university's underground station.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla,** "Baja

to Vancouver: The West Coast and Contemporary Art," featuring over 50 paintings, sculptures, installations, photographs, drawings, and video works by 33 contemporary artists, continues through Sunday, May 16. Exhibition highlights important figures and directions defining contemporary art in the region.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Museum of Photographic Arts,** stories of loss, struggle, and personal exploration within landscapes scarred by technology and overuse are told in "Robert Parke-Harrison: The Architect's Brother," on view through Sunday, April 4. "The images and the process of their construction embody aspects of theater, sculpture, painting, photography, and performance."

"Paris: A Century in the City of Light," showcases the city "through a study of its people and their daily routines." Images were made mostly in late 1920s through the immediate post-World War II era. The show — continuing through Sunday, May 23, includes photographs by Robert Doisneau, André Kertész, Henri Cartier-Bresson, Edouard Boubat, others.

"The Beauty of the Albumen Print" examines a variety of albumen photographs for their diversity and beauty. Albumen printing was the dominant method of making photographs in latter part of 19th Century. Through May 23.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

**Oceanside Museum of Art,** found objects with a specific history are featured in "Generation to Generation: Contemporary Assemblage." Show includes work by

Poupee Boccaccio, Irma Sofia Poter, and James Watts, whose art is "imbued with strongly personal histories by combining personal and found objects into artist-made objects." Show closes Sunday, March 21. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

**San Diego Museum of Art,** "George Inness and the Visionary Landscape" offers a major survey of work by this important 19th-Century American landscape painter. The exhibit includes 35 of Inness's landscapes, articulating "his own vision of metaphysical realities as manifested in the earthly sphere." Through Sunday, April 18.

"José Guadalupe Posada: My Mexico," closing Sunday, April 4, includes 110 prints surveying the career of the popular and prolific printmaker, whose works graced broadsheets documenting and satirizing every aspect of Mexican life.

"Sultans and Sufis: Paintings from the Deccan," continuing through Sunday, August 15, includes approximately 20 works from the Edwin Binney 3rd Collection of South Asian art. Painting styles are described as "visionary, poetic, and richly colored."

Mark the birth of one of San Diego's most renowned artists in "Harry Sternberg: A Centenary Exhibition," continuing through Sunday, April 11. Fourteen works on display, including etchings and woodcuts.

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### THEATER LISTINGS

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#### Ashes to Ashes and The Lover

Harold Pinter's one-acts engage and astonish, especially *Ashes*. Written 34 years apart, each probes a male-female relationship, revealing tensions and power tactics beneath placid surfaces. The 6th @ Penn performances, on opening night, were a mixed bag. Ron Choularton and Christina Soria had a lark as the married couple who cheat on themselves in *Lover* (1962). But they hadn't found their way into *Ashes* (1996). It was as if they were trying not to repeat the choices in the earlier piece, or that energy. So they were blander than need be. Soria spoke in a monotone; Choularton also reined in impulses. Further exploration (and you know they're doing it) will reveal a richer, even funnier work — and one of Pinter's most important. In only 41 pages, you sense the entire 20th Century between the lines. Around the time he wrote *Ashes*, Pinter observed, "Capitalism only finally succeeds when the ma-



*The Boy Who Fell into a Book*

jority of the people are considered as dead: cannot speak, move, answer, are told they're living in a benevolent society." Soria's character, Rebecca, is proof of that fact, and trying to "speak, move," and "answer."

#### Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH APRIL 4; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

#### **Becoming**

For two performances only, Lamplighters hosts Chrissy Burns in "a musical story of a woman." LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 8053 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LA MESA, SATURDAY, MARCH 20, AT 2:00 P.M., SUNDAY, MARCH 21, AT 7:00 P.M. 619-464-4598.

#### **The Boy Who Fell Into a Book**

For its new "Play House" series for young audiences, Lamb's Players stages the U.S. premiere of Alan Ayckbourn's tale about a boy *really* immersed in what he's reading. James Saba directed. PLAYHOUSE ON THE PLAZA, 500 PLAZA BOULEVARD, NATIONAL CITY, THROUGH MARCH 21; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 619-437-0600.

#### **Burkie**

OnStage Playhouse presents Bruce Graham's portrait of a stubborn blue-collar Philadelphian and his equally stubborn children. Jeff Gastauer directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AVENUE, CHULA VISTA, THROUGH APRIL 3; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT

8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-422-7787.

#### **C'est L'Absurd: One-Acts by Cocteau and Ionesco**

Vantage Theatre presents an evening of farce: *The Painting* by Ionesco and Cocteau's *Wedding on the Eiffel Tower*. Robert Salerno directed. LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH MARCH 28; TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

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#### **The Fantasticks**

North Coast Repertory Theatre presents Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt's durable musical about innocence and experience. David Ellenstein directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH APRIL 25; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

#### **Frankie and Johnny in the Clair De Lune**

Vantage Theatre stages Terrence McNally's bittersweet comedy about an unlikely romance. D.J. Sullivan directed. LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH MARCH 28; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

#### **The Gingerbread Lady**

The Renaissance Theatre Company stages Neil Simon's comedy about Eve Meara, recovering alcoholic, her loyal friends, and a breakdown of façades. George Flint directed. CYGNET THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, FRIDAY, MARCH 19, THROUGH APRIL 25; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-337-1525.

#### **Grassroots Greeks**

6th @ Penn's former "Seven Weeks of Greeks" became 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: *Rhesus* by Euripides, March 29.

#### Worth a try.

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## I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

One of the longest-running shows in Off-Broadway history, *Perfect* covers the zodiac of relationships, starting with a first date ("will I be a date from hell?"), through the singles scene ("Single Man Drought"), to marriage, children, even a funeral. Along the way a San Quentin con scares a timid couple into taking the Big Step ("you gotta compromise a little, you dick-heads!"), and Rose Ritz tells the truth for her dating service videotape. Theatre in Old Town's engaging production features a four-person cast, each with Broadway credits. They also have the smarts not to push for comedy or drama, letting the audience choose its re-

action (romantics can sigh, scoffers can, well, scoff). Andrea Chamberlain, Mylinda Hull, David Engle, and especially Stan Chandler, who must be one of the most versatile performers around, enhance every scene with strong voices and precise character details. Credit as well to the costume designer, unnamed in the program, who provided everything from tuxes to Chargers T-shirts — and enough Velcro to permit what must be, in many instances, split-second changes.

### Worth a try.

THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS STREET, OLD TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M., FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 5:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-2494.

## Intimate Exchanges

South Coast Repertory Theatre stages Alan Ayckbourn's "feat of ingenuity." Kandis Chappell and Richard Doyle fill an English garden with a host of characters. Martin Benson directed.

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## Late-Night Catechism

The Laguna Playhouse stages the popular "interactive adult catechism class," taught by a sister from the spare-not-the-rod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister is substituting (it's the regular teacher's poker night, don't tell a soul). She used to teach but was deemed too strict for contemporary students. And the class is just that, part of a course on Catholic doctrine. But the sister's authoritarianism takes it to unforeseen places (you can hear cries of recognition from the audience, es-

pecially when sister brings out a hard ruler and taps her palm). The results, the two times I've seen the show: a. an almost nonstop evening of comedy; and b. a thought-provoking look at education, religion, and much more. The sister, it turns out, is not kidding. (Note: the Laguna Playhouse has extended the show's run six times.)

### Worth a try.

LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH, THROUGH APRIL 26; MONDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 949-497-2787.

## Macbeth

Sledehammer's share-the-guilt interpretation's a mix of arresting images, smart and questionable choices. It's a modern-dress, Levi's-and-leather take that works best when it doesn't try to pin the play down. David Tierney and Janet Hayatshahi, real-life husband and wife, give the Macbeths strong sexual chemistry — and symbiotic breakdown. She speechifies on occasion, giving readings too formal a balance. He could improve a competent performance if he "cut short all intermission" between thoughts and deeds. Macbeth isn't just ready to go, he's already there. Ruff Yeager's effective in multiple roles (though his costumes, ranging from jogging suits to kimonos, are oddly specific). In Kirsten Brandt's direction, men play women, and women men (one of the best performances: Laura Lee Juliano as Banquo). In the show's biggest eye-

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brow-raiser, Lady M. slays Macduff's wife and children. But having Hecate — goddess of the underworld and dark magic in Shakespeare's time — rule over the stage limits the play's nihilistic vision (its world is more unknowably evil than that). As is having Hecate's minions and the Weird Sisters dress in gauze outfits (that recall Kurosawa): the look works, at first, but becomes routine, then mundane.

**Worth a try.**

SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, THROUGH MARCH 21; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY, MARCH 14 AND MARCH 21, AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1484.

**Marvin's Room**

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**M Butterfly**

Diversions Theatre presents David Henry Hwang's drama about a 20-year love affair: "it was dark, and she was very modest." Doren Elias directed. DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, SATURDAY, MARCH 20, THROUGH MAY 8; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-220-0097.

**National Comedy Theatre**

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved

their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on AcroTurf. 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.

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**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



Three Mo' Divas

hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (*Improv*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."

**Worth a try.**

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hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

### Worth a try.

**HORTON GRAND THEATRE**, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

### **Two Sisters and a Piano**

An earlier work by Nilo Cruz, 2003 Pulitzer Prize-winner for *Anna in the Tropics*, the play is both "important" and obvious. Based on Cuban poet Maria Elena



*Two Sisters and a Piano*

Cruz Varela's imprisonment in 1991, for criticizing the Castro regime, *Two Sisters* follows the fates of Maria Celia (Varela) and younger Sofia. They're under house arrest, their links to the outside world a piano-tuner and Lt. Portuondo (a *guardia civil* thug,

warming to sympathy). Though she lives for her exiled husband's letters, and though the act defies emotional logic, Maria Celia falls, briefly, for the lieutenant. Compared to *Anna*, *Two Sisters* unfolds like an apprentice job, the seams showing, the surprises tele-

graphed. It didn't help that the Old Globe's opening-night performances were underrehearsed: one actor barely off book; everyone mechanical, their moves yet to become fluid — though Philip Hernandez's fervent Portuondo suggests depths and conflicts far beyond the script. Kris Stone's ingenious set solves a tough aesthetic problem: how to show incarceration in the round? Make the floor a building's façade. Maria Celia and Sofia literally walk on a wall, a constant reminder of their confinement. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH APRIL 11; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

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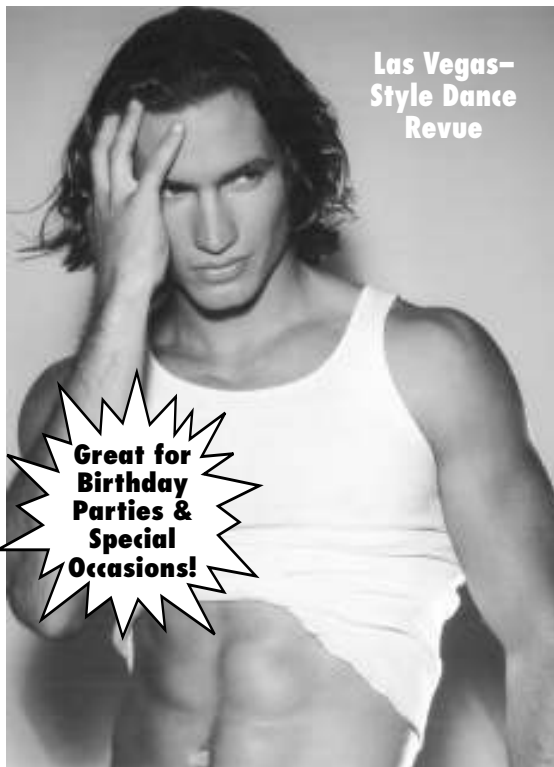
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### "We don't give tours."

Morgan Ringwald, spokesman for Fender Guitars, says his company is the "largest or second-largest

are cut and shaped in Corona [in Riverside County]. They are then sent down to Ensenada to get finished."

Ringwald would not say how many guitars the factory turns out each week. Or how many people work at the factory. Or how much they get paid.

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employer in Ensenada" and that it treats its Mexican employees well.

"There is, like, zero turnover. Once they latch on, they don't lose that job."

Ringwald, based at Fender's Scottsdale, Arizona, headquarters, wouldn't share all the details about the sprawling Ensenada complex that turns out Fender amps and all of Fender's "standard" midrange guitars (which start at \$499 suggested retail).

"The bodies and necks

"We don't disclose that. We are a privately held company. We are not obligated to disclose that."

But a staffer at the plant recently shared the scoop. The employee, who didn't want to be identified, said that the factory, which is housed in eight buildings, can turn out up to 500 guitars a week but that production is currently about 400 guitars a week. The employee agreed turnover is very low and said there are about 830 other



ENSENADA FENDER MAKES 400 GUITARS A WEEK

workers and that the factory workers start off making \$5 or \$6 a day and can end up making \$40 a day.

The employee knew that Fender also maintained factories in Korea and China and wondered if the Baja complex would ever be closed and its production moved to a country with cheaper labor. Fender's low-end Squire line is manufactured in China.

"I highly doubt that," said Ringwald. "We love being there [in Ensenada]."

The Baja plant, which Ringwald said opened in the mid-1980s, operates as a *maquiladora*, meaning Fender can move its finished and unfinished products across the border duty-free.

The Fender factory is located five miles south of Ensenada proper on Highway 1, next to and behind the Corona distributor on Calle Huerta.

Leo Fender sold his company to CBS in 1965, which in turn sold it to a private group of investors in 1985.

Ringwald said the Ensenada plant was "over 100,000 square feet."

As for the "Tom DeLonge Stratocaster," Ringwald said Fender no longer makes that guitar. He said the signature line, named after the blink-182 guitarist, "sold very well." But last summer, after three years, Fender and the Encinitas guitarist (originally

from Poway) parted ways.

"He found himself playing other guitars," said the Fender spokesman.

"Rather than look hypocritical, he decided to end the relationship. We respected that in the biggest way.... The door is always open to Tom."

Ringwald said the Fender signature artists get paid on a per-guitar royalty rate.

— Ken Leighton

**"It was the second most downloaded song** period, and they still won't play us on the radio."

Regg Henny says he is

he is surprised that they don't use website song hits as a factor in radio play.

Clear Channel's Z-90, a local hip-hop station, will not play his song "It Doesn't Matter."

"They won't even call me back."

On Tuesday Henny releases his first CD *Life, Love, and Confusion*. His upcoming CD-release parties will go off without the blessing of the local hip-hop station.

"Rappers can create their own shows, but people aren't going to show up without radio [support]," said DJ-Rek, who produced Henny's



HENNY (CENTER) AND CREW BEMOAN Z-90'S SNUB

grateful for Clear Channel's website dedicated to unsigned artists ([www.newmusicnetwork.com](http://www.newmusicnetwork.com)), but

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played on the local radio station.”

Henny said of all the local artists, Z-90 has only played Lil’ Rob and Secret Service in recent years.

“Z-90 wouldn’t even play music from its own compilation CD [released in 2000 with 13 local artists],” said DJ Rek. “Last summer they put on a freestyle MC battle at Plaza Bonita. They promised whoever won, they would put them on the air. I haven’t heard one song yet.”

But DJ Rek says local hip-hop artists may finally get some radio attention.

“There is a new hip-hop station called More FM (98.9 FM). It’s a Mexican station, and the DJs are Spanish, but they play hip-hop. Z90 is gonna look pretty stupid if the new station starts playing local artists before they do. Z90 hasn’t had competition for years.”

Calls to Z-90 music director Pablo Sato and program director Diana Laird were not returned.

Regg Henny appears at two CD-release parties with

his group the League Officials and with openers Tez and Devane Wednesday at Club Recognize on El Cajon Boulevard. Henny also appears March 26 at Neimans in Carlsbad with Baby Raine and Fastlane. Both shows are 21 and up (760-212-0966).

— Ken Leighton

**“We just opened for Lynch Mob** at Brick by Brick. They had maybe one hit in the Billboard top 100. [Namesake guitarist George Lynch] is living off the name he created in Dokken [his band before Lynch Mob]. For that show he just threw together a band with a replacement lead singer. He’s had no radio, no record deal for years.”

Stuart Smith, lead singer of Tall, said he has had it with propping up “rehash” bands that had a few hits 20 years ago. He says he’s over bringing in his own fans to support a “has-been headliner.”

“It’s a shame that the local bands work so hard to put on a show where their draw covers the cost of the headliner.”

Another band Smith has opened for is Thin Lizzy. “Thin Lizzy *was* their lead singer [Phil Lynott]. The only problem is he died eight years ago.... We played with Ratt sans Stephen Pearcy.

Pearcy was the reason the band was big, and their new lead singer sounds nothing like him.”

Smith said he came up with a plan and threw it at Brick by Brick owner Max Paul the night of the Lynch Mob show.

“I asked him why he wouldn’t allow local bands to put on a show without interference of promoters or



PHOTOGRAPH BY RYAN LOKKO

SMITH OF TALL HAS HAD IT WITH HAS-BEENS

club owners and give us our own night without a has-been band and a high-priced ticket.”

He said Paul bought into the idea and gave Tall and three other bands their own

Saturday night. “He gave the bands a more equitable spilt on a lower-priced ticket.” The arrangement is \$4 for the club, \$3 for the bands for each \$7 ticket sold.

“We went out and got a tattoo shop, a fish taco place, and other places to sponsor us to help with promotion.... I think if you give a local band an opportunity to create its own atmosphere instead of artificially trying to create one for a has-been band, you can infuse life back into the music scene.”

Tall ([www.tallmusic.com](http://www.tallmusic.com)), Seventrain, Headtrip Superstar, and Jimmy Mitchell and Doubledown appear at Brick by Brick 9 p.m. Saturday; admission is \$7, must be 21 or over.

— Ken Leighton

### I went to see blues legend Buddy Guy

March 5. I had crappy seats way in the back at the top of the East County Performing Arts Center. The place was three-quarters full. A lady in the front yelled out, “Play some Junior Wells.” Guy replied, “I just played a damn Junior Wells song!” She replied, “Not the one I want to hear.” He said, “Now if I try to make everyone here happy playing their requests, I’ll be here until this day next year.” The crowd laughed and he said, “Okay, what song do you want to hear?”

She didn’t answer and he pretended he was a little angry, asking her again. She said, “Ah...” Somebody else yelled out for Hendrix. He said, “I can play Jimi. I can play Stevie [Ray Vaughan]. I can play anyone.” He went into a Hendrix tune, and the lady yelled out a song. He stopped playing in the middle of the intro and said, “It’s too fucking late now, God damn it! You had your chance.”

Buddy Guy talked a lot to the crowd. The most interesting thing he mentioned was that his daughter works for rapper Ludacris. He said, “I thought the blues never got played on the radio because of the lyrics. But they play rap, so I don’t know what to think. She tells me rap is like the blues, but they just take the words to the next level.”

Aside from covers of Muddy Waters, Eric Clapton, and Ray Charles, he did some interesting things. He left the stage, went into the audience and up the stairs of the theater. At each section, he stopped for a few minutes and played so even us folks

in the nosebleed seats got to sit ten feet from him as he jammed. He grabbed one old lady’s hand and sang to her as she blushed.

Countless times Guy said he had never been to El Cajon, but the 66-year-old (whom Clapton continues to say is his favorite guitarist) does come to San Diego fairly often. He played at Humphrey’s last summer. And he played 4th & B two



NICE GUY BUDDY SUFFERS FOOLS BLUNTLY

times in the past two years. One of those times at 4th & B, I tried to score an interview with him. When he got off his tour bus 15 minutes before he was to hit the stage, he had his arm around a younger woman. I was wearing a black shirt

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with white polka dots to match his famous guitar. He said, "Hi," and I asked for an interview. He said, "Not now, man. How about after the show?"

When Iggy Pop said that to me at 4th & B, he left immediately after the show. I didn't want that to happen again, so I lied and said, "I have to go to work in half an hour, I can't wait."

He yelled, "Man, I have to go to work now!" The security guards laughed.

I can't say he's not a nice guy, though. At the two concerts I've seen him play, he stands at the stage when the concert is over and signs hundreds of autographs.

— Josh Board

### "This will be our final show here at Winstons,"

said front man Karlos Paez of the San Diego Latin funk band Maiz.

The announcement, which was made on February 6, came as a surprise to many since Maiz is a regular band at Winstons, as are the B-Side Players, of which Paez is

also a member.

So why is Maiz (and B-Side) refusing to play at Winstons? Because, according to bass player Damian DeRobbio, club management refused to allow him to wear a certain T-shirt onstage that read, "Winstons Sucks."

The debacle began on January 23 after a B-Side Players show at Winstons. There was some friction between DeRobbio and Winstons door staff at the end of the show.

"It was almost 2 a.m.," said Lovell, one of three doormen on duty that night. "The band still had about 20 groupies in there. People still had drinks in their hands. It was out of control. Pete and Tom [the other door men] were getting into it with two guys at the back door who wouldn't leave. That's when Damian came over and said, 'Hey, hey, these are my buddies!'"

"I said, 'Listen, if they are not in the band, they have to go.' Then Damian started yelling, 'We've been playing here for ten years,' and going on and on about how 'We bring a lot of money into this place' and 'Who the hell are you?' and all that. Then he got on the stage and started shouting and pointing at me, yelling, 'Hey, Winstons, your bouncers suck!' like he was still doing a performance."

I called Damian

## OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: CAFFIENDS



JAY ALLEN SANFORD

DeRobbio, who is on tour with the B-Side Players, but the band was driving through the Idaho mountains and the phone kept cutting out.

"I tried not to make a big deal about it," he said as the phone crackled. "But the truth is, Yawo, our percussionist, is going through a spiritual trip with his Afro-Cuban traditions. He can't be around any negative energy. He wears white and is in a very special place. We can't even touch him...so when I saw the bouncers yelling at him to get out, it set me off. This guy is a beautiful person, and the guy that was with him was helping him load out his equipment. So all I did was walk into the middle of the

crowd and say, 'Hey, hey, hey. Why is everyone yelling?'"

I lost reception then. For more info, go to [www.bsidesplayers.com](http://www.bsidesplayers.com).

— Edwin Decker

**Dead Air**, a new Sunday night radio show, debuted February 29 on Indie 103.1 in Los Angeles. The show is co-hosted by local DJ Al Guerra and features music that hasn't yet made it onto the national charts.

"They called up and asked me [to cohost]," said Guerra. "Their program director [Michael Steele] knew me from when he worked down here at Star 100.7."

Guerra has hosted a San Diego local music show for

ten years, first on Rock 105.3, then FM-94.9, and currently at 91X.

"Both shows are done live," said Guerra about his back-to-back Sunday night schedule. So how can he be in San Diego for the 6-8 p.m. *Loudspeaker* show on 91X and then be live for *Dead Air* in L.A. from 8-10 p.m.?

"They let me do it from 91X," Guerra said his *Dead Air* cohost Mollie Maguire is in the 103.1 Santa Monica studios, while Guerra's voice arrives via telephone broadcast lines. He eventually would like to have those lines hooked up to his home in Alpine.

The newly formed Louis XIV (originally Convoy) got their first L.A. radio airplay

last week, thanks to Guerra, who said he will play other San Diego bands on his L.A. show. *Loudspeaker* is exclusively dedicated to San Diego artists. Guerra also books four to eight local music nights each month at the Belly Up Tavern in Solana Beach. He describes that job as "an experience I can't describe with words."

— Ken Leighton

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**Leon Russell** /956/ and **Tommy Castro**: 4th & B, Thursday, March 18, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**George Thorogood & the Destroyers** /458/: Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Thursday, March 18, 8 p.m., 5000 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Chicago** /600/: Pechanga Theater Show Room, Thursday, March 18, and Friday, March 19, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

#### FRIDAY

**Blonde Redhead** /253/, **Performance Six**, and the **Casual Dots**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, March 19, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

**The Dropkick Murphys** /481/, **Blood for Blood**, and the **Ducky Boys**: SOMA, Friday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

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**The Young Dubliners** /438/: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, March 20, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

#### SUNDAY

**Michael Feinstein** with the **San Diego Symphony**: California Center for the Arts, Sunday, March 21, 2 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

#### MONDAY

**Modest Mouse** /466/, the **Helio Sequence**, and **Triumph of Lethargy**: SOMA, Monday, March 22, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

### EXTENSION 4001

### UPCOMING CONCERTS

#### MARCH

**Gary Jules**, **Jim Bianco**, and **Tristan Prettyman**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, March 23, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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**Leftover Salmon** /816/ and **Ten Pound Brown**: 4th & B, Thursday, March 25, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Little Anthony & the Imperials**: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, March 25, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

**Rod Stewart** /604/: Cox Arena, Friday, March 26, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

**Lupillo Rivera**: Pechanga Theater Show Room, Friday, March 26, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264.

**Diane Schuur** /618/: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Friday, March 26, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

**The Get Up Kids** /307/, **Recover**, and **Rocky Votolato**: The Epicentre, Friday, March 26, 7:30 p.m., 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000 or 619-220-8497.

**Ruben Studdard**: Spreckels Theatre, Friday, March 26, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

**N.E.R.D.** and the **Black Eyed Peas** /459/: 4th & B, Saturday, March 27, 7:30 p.m. and midnight, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Eek-A-Mouse** /734/ and **Stranger** /730/: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, March 27, 9 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

**David Crosby** /854/: California Center for the Arts, Sunday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**The San Francisco Modern Jazz Collective** with **Joshua Redman**: Mandeville Auditorium, Sunday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

**Static X**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, March 29, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780.

**The Strokes** /175/ and the **Sounds**: SOMA, Tuesday, March 30, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

**Clay Aiken** and **Kelly Clarkson**: Cox Arena, Tuesday, March 30, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

**Tesla** /122/: 4th & B, Tuesday, March 30, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**The Church** /533/, **Campaign for Quiet**, and **Searay**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, March 30, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

**Dramarama**, **Caution Children**, and the **Kobbs**: The Casbah, Tuesday, March 30, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**The Breeders** /509/, **Lucero**, and **Go Betty Go**: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, March 31, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

#### APRIL

**Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons** /608/: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, April 1, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

**A Perfect Circle** and **Mars Volta**: Cox Arena, Friday, April 2, 7:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

**Barrington Levy** /746/: 4th & B, Friday, April 2, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Ozomatli**: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, April 2, and Saturday, April 3, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**The Starlight Mints** /206/, the **Killers**, and the **Evening**: The Casbah, Friday, April 2, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**John Wesley Harding**: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 2, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

**Patti Page**: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, April 3, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253.

**David Wilcox**: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, April 3, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

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**John Hiatt /830/:** Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, April 8, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

**Soulive /677/:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, April 8, 8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Nickel Creek /850/:** RIMAC Arena, Thursday, April 8, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

**The Yonder Mountain String Band:** 4th & B, Friday, April 9, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**"Tribute to Glenn Miller":** East County Performing Arts Center, Friday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277.

**The Proclaimers:** The Casbah, Friday, April 9, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**"Aussie Invasion Tour"** with the **Vines /144/**, **Jet**, the **Living End**, and **Neon:** SOMA, Saturday, April 10, 7:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

**Edie Brickell:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, April 10, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Control Machete:** 4th & B, Saturday, April 10, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Jonatha Brooke /862/:** Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, April 13, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Ralph Stanley:** East County Performing Arts Center, Tuesday, April 13, 7:30 p.m., 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277.

**The Bacon Brothers and Cindy Alexander:** Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, April 14, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Ketsana Vilaylack:** Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Wednesday, April 14, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

**James Brown /611/:** Pala Events Center, Thursday, April 15, 8 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

**Keiko Matsui /674/:** Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, April 15, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

**Marc Erelli:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Thursday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy /650/:** Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Friday, April 16, 8 p.m., 5000 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**The Darkness and the Wildhearts:** SOMA, Friday, April 16, 8 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

**Cristian Castro:** Open Air Theatre, Friday, April 16, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

**Solas:** Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Friday, April 16, 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

**Dennis Quaid & the Sharks:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, April 17, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Yes /541/:** Cox Arena, Sunday, April 18, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

**The Offspring, International Noise Conspiracy,** and the **Start:** Open Air Theatre, Sunday, April 18, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

**Gov't Mule:** 4th & B, Sunday, April 18, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Blondie /431/:** 4th & B, Monday, April 19, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**BR5-49 and Big Sandy & His Fly-Rite Boys /343/:** The Casbah, Tuesday, April 20, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**The Derek Trucks Band:** Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, April 21,

8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Neal McCoy:** Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, April 22, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

**Sophie B. Hawkins:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, April 22, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**The Circle Jerks and Throw Rag:** Brick by Brick, Friday, April 23, 1130

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**Chayanne:** San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, April 24, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

**Kathy Mattea /771/:** California Center for the Arts, Saturday, April 24, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Phil Vassar:** Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Saturday, April 24, 8 p.m., 5000 Willows Road,

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**Paul Anka /612/:** Pechanga Theater Show Room, Sunday, April 25, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264 or 619-220-8497.

**Southern Culture on the Skids /266/:** The Casbah, Sunday, April 25, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Pinback /398/ and Enon:** The Casbah, Wednesday, April 28,

8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Queensrÿche /532/:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, April 29, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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### MAY

**Dark Star Orchestra:** 4th & B, Sunday, May 2, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Damageplan, Hatebreed [446],** and **Drowning Pool:** SOMA, Sunday, May 2, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

**Belle & Sebastian** and **Juana Molina:** Spreckels Theatre, Monday, May 3, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

**Los Lonely Boys:** Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 5, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Los Tigres Del Norte:** Palomar Starlight Theater, Wednesday, May 5, 8 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

**The Kottonmouth Kings [129]:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, May 7, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

**Jamie Rivera, Anna Fegi, Lloyd Umali,** and **Mark Mejia:** Spreckels Theatre, Saturday, May 8, 7:30 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

**Slipknot, Fear Factory,** and **Chimaira:** SOMA, Sunday, May 9, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

**Steve Kimock:** Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, May 9, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Josh Groban:** San Diego Sports Arena, Monday, May 10, 8 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

## NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

In April, Epic Records will release **Modest Mouse's** *Good News for People Who Love Bad News*. It would not be exaggeration to say this is one of the most anticipated albums of the year: The Pacific Northwest trio hasn't released an album of all-new material since 2000, and *Good News* was originally scheduled for release last September. This will be the first album since the band members took time off to work on side projects and the first to feature new drummer **Ben Wiekell**. It also will feature guest appearances by the Dirty Dozen Brass Band and others, and one song will appear in a remixed version by much-sought-after producer Dave Fridmann and the much-loved Flaming Lips.

To further whet the public's appetite for

*Good News*, Epic/Sony Records is rereleasing Modest Mouse's 2000 album *The Moon and Antarctica* with new artwork, some new songs, and, supposedly, improved sound (in a quick sound test, I couldn't hear the difference). This is the sort of treatment a successful band might expect on the 10th or 25th anniversary of an epochal album. Oh, and Modest Mouse's song "Gravity Rides Everything" received a lot of attention recently when it appeared in a TV ad for Nissan. In addition to all this hypeworthy material, Modest Mouse's moody music, stream-of-consciousness lyrics, and enigmatic singer/guitarist **Isaac Brock** are just the sort of things that attract cultish fans who are desperate for anything new.

So what does *Good News* sound like? Judging from the single "Float On," it sounds a lot like old Modest Mouse, but more polished. And wonder of wonders, Brock is actually singing, not just rhythmically talking



**MODEST MOUSE**

in a nasal drawl.

**Helio Sequence** and **Triumph of Lethargy** also perform.

(To hear a sample of **Modest Mouse**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4466.)

**MODEST MOUSE, SOMA, Monday, March 22, 7 p.m. 619-226-7662. \$17.**

**Ben Kweller:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

**Graham Parker & the Twang Three:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, May 13, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Bryan Adams [561]:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, May 14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

**¡Cubanismo! [676]:** California Center for the Arts, Friday, May 14, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Kris Delmhorst:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, May 15, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

**The Fall:** The Casbah, Sunday, May 16, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Julio Iglesias [609]:** Palomar Starlight Theater, Tuesday, May 18, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

**Johnny Winter:** Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 19, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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## EXTENSION 4002

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**Blonde Redhead** /253/: 'Canes  
**Blood for Blood:** Soma  
**Brag Doll:** Java Joe's  
**Bridget Brigitte:** Caffeinds Lounge 634, Humphrey's  
**The Briggs:** Soma  
**Broken View:** Bub's Whiskey Dive  
**The Career Soldiers:** Soma  
**The Casual Dots:** 'Canes  
**The Casualties:** Soma  
**Cause Way:** 'Canes  
**Compass:** Sham Rocks Shack  
**Crashkillsfour:** The Kensington Club  
**Rob Crow:** The Casbah  
**Dig Jelly:** Cannibal Bar, Caffeinds Lounge 634  
**Dirge:** Dream Street  
**The Displaced** /104/: The Casbah  
**The Ducky Boys:** Soma  
**Faceless:** The Jumping Turtle  
**For the Moment:** Dream Street  
**Marcia Forman:** Humphrey's  
**G-13:** Dream Street  
**A Global Threat:** Soma  
**The Glossines** /134/: The Kensington Club  
**Goldfish** /262/: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)  
**Jeffrey Halford:** Tio Leo's Lounge  
**Dora Hall:** Humphrey's  
**Haste the Day:** Soma  
**Headtrip Superstar:** Brick By Brick

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Imagine a film about soul music in the 1970s: if you cast **Curtis Salgado** as Alex Chilton (or Al Green or even old Sam Cooke), you wouldn't be disappointed. Salgado can hold his own with the best of that generation. Of course, there isn't much call for that old style anymore, which is what keeps practitioners of the faith such as Salgado nearly unknown. He's an undiscovered gem, heard mostly by insiders and diehard fans.

Salgado's been the lead singer in some large bands, but he's also been overshadowed by the superstardom of his employers — Santana, Steve Miller, and Robert Cray. (Salgado also sang with Roomful of Blues.) The late John Belushi claimed to be a fan and was said to have created his Blues Brother character after having seen

Salgado while filming *Animal House* in Oregon.

A good vocalist understands that the human voice can open windows and doors to the soul, bypassing cynicism and getting right to the meat of the thing. The best soul singers often came straight from the church; some ultimately went back. Salgado, although secular, has gospel-style healing in his voice, and his live show radiates energy, although his records falter in places. For example, Salgado's cover of "I'll Be Back," the old Beatles chestnut, is about as graceful as a single-wide mobile home in tow. Where Salgado truly shines is in those old-school funky rumblers where he comes out of the depths of melancholy and rips the sky wide open with his burning tenor. Witness his take on Leon Russell's "I'd Rather Be Blind" or even the ancient blues standard "Money Must Think I'm Dead."

Salgado started his solo career in 1991 after a few years with Cray. He's released several albums, one of which got a W.C. Handy nomination for "Soul Blues Album of the Year." Soul never made him rich or



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famous, but when he's all dialed in, Salgado can keep it real.

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**Norma-Jean:** Soma

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**One Theory:** Dream Street  
**Pendulum:** 'Canes  
**The Peppermints:** The Kensington Club  
**Performance Six:** 'Canes

**Plastic Explosive:** The Casbah  
**Pocket:** Moondoggies  
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## ROCK

**Baywolf [460]:** JP's Pub, McP's Irish Pub and Grill

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**Big Blue Cat:** Humphrey's

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**Blind Luck:** Humphrey's

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**Boneyard:** Coyote Bar and Grill

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**Collage Menage [403]:** Dream Street

**Concord:** The Blvd.

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**Dorado Gold:** Brick By Brick

**Dr. Bombay:** The Kraken

**The Dropkick Murphys [481]:** Soma

**Eiderdown:** Pounder's

**The '80z All Stars:** Cannibal Bar

**The Electric Waste Band:** Winstons

**The Evil Twins:** Di-mond Jim's Nightclub

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**The Flat Out Liars:** The Kraken

**Jeffrey Foucault:** The Casbah

**The Fryday Band:** Pacific Beach Bar & Grill

**The Grateful Living:** The Metaphor Coffeehouse

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**Hera's Olive [461]:** Dick's Last Resort

**Hot Rod Lincoln [547]:** Tio Leo's Lounge

**The Jackson 3 [495]:** North Bar Sports & Spirits, Bub's Whiskey Dive

**Jefferson Jay [430]:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Jiggawatt:** Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

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**Junk!:** Brick By Brick

**Laguna:** Carvers

**The Late Edition:** Dirk's Niteclub

**Married by Elvis:** Surf N'Saddle

**Billy Midnight [414]:** Java Joe's

**Modest Mouse [466]:** Soma

**The Nicki Band:** Caffeinds Lounge 634

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**Joe Marillo** [645]: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge  
**Bryan McConnel:** Dizzy's  
**Sean McVicker:** Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge  
**Jerry Melnick:** The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn  
**The Shep Meyers Quartet** [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar  
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COUNTRY

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ACOUSTIC / FOLK

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**Billy Brown:** Cafféinds Lounge 634  
**Joe Byrnes:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**The Celtic Ensemble:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee Company  
**Lui Collins:** The Metaphor Coffeehouse  
**Dan Connor** [877]: Coyote Bar and Grill  
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**Dave's Son:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee Company  
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**Tucker Evans:** Dizzy's  
**John Foltz:** Miracles Café  
**4-Way Street:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill  
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**Jenn Grinels:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**Ed Harkins:** Dizzy's

**The Hatchet Brothers:** The Ould Sod  
**Robin Henkel** [914]: Lestat's Coffeehouse  
**Highland Way:** Tom Giblin's Irish Pub & Restaurant  
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**Phil Lean:** Shooters Bar and Grill  
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**Colleen Lovejoy:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee Company  
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**Blitzkrieg Bop:** First, third, and fifth Monday of the month, punk, indie, rock 'n' roll, and swing with DJ Mr. Hyde. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Bottoms Up:** Fridays, good vibes, house, breaks, drum 'n' bass, hip-hop. 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tivolis, corner of Sixth Avenue and Island Street, Gaslamp. 619-232-6754.

**Brown Sugar:** Fridays, urban sounds with DJ Myxzlplix; 21 and up. The Brass Rail, 3796 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-2233.

**Cask 'N' Cleaver:** Sundays, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., DJ Doctor Swing spins the best dance music from the '40s, '50s, and '60s. 3757 South Mission Road, Fallbrook. 760-451-8805.

**Church of Noise:** Second and fourth Monday of the month, new noise mixed with alternative rock classics with DJ Mr. Hyde. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Club Aero:** Thursdays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., "Downtown Phunk" lounge-style house, hip-hop, and reggae with resident DJ A.S. Hawkins and weekly guests. No cover. Aero Club, 3365 India Street, Midtown. 619-297-7211.

**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 or 877-695-5827.

**Club 911:** Fridays and Saturdays, Top 40, hip-hop, house, and trance featuring "Goliath," a monster sound system. 18 and up. Red Mill Entertainment Complex, 1340 Broadway, El Cajon. Information, 619-441-1800.

**Club X-treme:** Thursdays, modern Latin atmosphere with DJs G. and Israel, hip-hop, dancehall, reggaeton, salsa, merengue, and bachata. 10 p.m. Acapulco Restaurant, 1020 W. San

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**Cypher:** First Friday of the month, two-on-two MC battles; all ages. Hot Monkey Love Cafe, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area. 619-582-5908.

**Darkwave Garden:** Wednesdays, the best of ethereal-electro-gothic-darkwave. Free entry. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500. Information, 619-465-5827 or 877-695-5827.

**Dub Dynamite:** Mondays, reggae in a dub style — roots, stepper, and UK with Kid Natty and Lionel Judah. No cover. Bar Dynamite, 1808 Washington Street, Mission Hills. 619-295-8743.

**Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club:** Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop, booty bass, and reggae in the main room; DJs Fingaz, J-Storm, and Charlie Rock spin underground hip-hop on the freestyle session patio. High school and college students admitted. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-9393.

**Galileo 101:** Fridays, soulful funky deep house and urban grooves with DJ ALA and weekly guests. Saturdays, *G-Lounge* featuring Rage and Adam A\*Muse in the hip-hop room and Le Roux and ALA in the upstairs lounge. 100 Harbor Drive, Suite 101, downtown. 619-702-7101.

**Mass Appeal:** Wednesdays, hip-hop, funk, and breaks with DJs Hippoh and Still Life. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744.

**MixLab:** Sundays, DJ Dex's eclectic "listening session": jazz 'n' abstract, alt hip-hop, downtempo sonics, future soul, and ultraglobal vibes. Starts at 8 p.m.; 21 and up. No cover.

Candelas, 416 Third Avenue, downtown. 619-702-4455.

**The Pompeii Room:** Thursdays, DJ Stuffy spins dirty South, hip-hop, and reggae. Fridays, hip-hop, R&B, reggae, and old skool with Boy Toy Jesse. Saturdays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, R&B, old skool, and reggae. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos. 760-737-5040.

**Process:** Sundays, Calculon, Austin Speed, and guests, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Latin Room, 560 Fourth Avenue, downtown. Information, 858-405-5757.

**Remix:** Sundays, real hip-hop with DJs Mike Czech, Myxzlplix, and guests. No cover; 21 and up. Bar Dynamite, 1808 Washington Street, Mission Hills. 619-295-8743.

**Sabbat:** Saturdays, DJs Adam Atom, Dekay, Lance Boling, and weekly guest DJs. Dark electro, gothic, darkwave, industrial, and fetish. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744. Information, 619-743-1623.

**Therapy:** Fridays, industrial, EBM, electro, ethereal, gothic, and darkwave with DJs Bryan Pollard, DeKay, Creep, and guests; 21 and up; 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Flame, 3780 Park Boulevard, San Diego. 619-295-4163. Information, 619-465-5827 or 877-695-5827.

**Those Funkin' Fridays:** Fridays, house, breaks, and tech with DJ Busty St. Claire and guests. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; no cover. San Diego Sports Club, 1271 University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-299-7372.

**Transport:** First and third Saturdays of the month, the best in Brit rock, indie, and electroclash with DJ Gabe Vega and guests. Whistle Stop, 2236 Fern Street (corner of 30th and Juniper), Golden Hill. 619-284-6784.

**Underworld:** Sundays, pre-'99 gothic and industrial; 21 and up. Free entry. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500. Information, 619-465-5827 or 877-695-5827.

**Unleashed/Unlabeled:** Second Saturday of the month, DJ Joy spins



## >hometown CDs

BY MARY MONTGOMERY

**Album Name:** *Faux Music/Shy Music* (2003)

**Artist:** Mango

**Label:** Earthling Records

**Songs:** 1) <=> 2) Folk Fusion Blues 3) Moving Now 4) Lazy Goes My Heart 5) Orange 6) Pigfish 7) Itching in 1000 Places at Once 8) WomanHkz 9) Intermission 10) Prime Time Apocalypse 11) Uber Radio 12) She Wishes She Was a Hippo 13) Table Full of Empty Chairs 14) Trace 15) Cactus 16) Jump Around 17) Bald Onions

**Price/Where Available:** [cdbaby.com](http://cdbaby.com) for \$10

**Band Members:** George Flores (guitar, bass, voice, keyboards, and worldly noises), Mike Kamoo (guitar, bass, drums, keyboards, and other worldly noises)

**Extra Info:** On their website they call their microphone stand "rod of strength," which corresponds to a part of the body, (spine).

**Website:** [www.mangonoise.com](http://www.mangonoise.com)

"<=>" (yes, this is the title of the opening track) starts things out on the lifeless side, being one of the

slowest cuts on the disk, perhaps to make up for the excitement of a title made out of mathematical nota-

Recognize, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-521-4747.

## CLUBS BY AREA

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tion. However, tracks "Itching in 1000 Places at Once," "Prime Time Apocalypse," and "Trace" are among the most memorable. The hard-driving "Moving Now" and the deep grooves of "Folk Fusion Blues" sound as if they were made for the live stage. Other, more energetic tracks all seem to fall into the category of either midtempo rockers or vintage acoustic numbers bordering on all things Zeppelinesque.

Beyond the experimental rock aspect of Mango's music, the album's glitzy production quality hints at a repressed pop album lurking underneath. No cause for alarm, however, for the duo's mixing clearly surpasses anything done by the likes of Radiohead, Blur, or Oasis. A number of the songs have a sad sonority that is offset by a beat that is slightly faster than the vocals of frontman



George Flores and Mike Kamoo

George Flores. This added quirk might take some of the songs longer to get there, but overall, the debut is solid, with a diverse set.

(To hear a sample of Faux Music/Shy Music, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4496.)

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**Belly Up Tavern,** 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Marcia Ball and Candy Kane, blues. Friday, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Candy Kane, blues, 9:15 p.m., the Nortec Collective, alternative. Saturday, 9:15 p.m., the Young Dubliners with Kevin Max, rock. Sunday, 8 p.m.,

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**Boar Cross'n**, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Uptown Groove*, jazz/pop.

**The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe**, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *the Sue Palmer Trio*, jazz.

**Bub's Whiskey Dive**, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *Kaelin's Web and Broken View*, alternative. Saturday, *the Jackson 3*, rock.

**The Calypso Cafe**, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Sunday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Sambajazz*, jazz/blues. Live music nightly.

**Carvers**, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday, *Laguna*, classic rock. Saturday, *Steel Wave*, pop.

**Coyote Bar and Grill**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Carol Ames*, original rock. Friday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *GumboYaya*, New Orleans funk and blues. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., *Dan Connor*, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Billy Thompson*, jazz. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *Billy Watson*, blues, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Mark Lesaman*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Boneyard*, rock.

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**Bahia Hotel**, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach. 858-488-0551. Tangier Bar: Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Elliott Louis*, contemporary piano/vocals.

**Blind Melons**, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Live bands nightly.

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*Ups.* Saturday, *Headtrip Superstar*, *Tall*, *Seventrain*, *Jimmy Mitchell & Doubledown*. Wednesday, *The Start*, *The Art of Safecracking*. *W.N.P.*, and *Critical Me*.

**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 Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Saturday, *Strangers Six*, alternative.

**The Caliph**, 3100 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-9495. Friday, 9 p.m., *Kevin Cavanaugh*, lounge piano. Saturday, *Blue Velvet*, jazz. Monday, *Donell*, piano. Wednesday, *Del Crone*, contemporary.

**Etta's Place**, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Wednesday, *the Lovelords*, alternative/'60s rock band.

**The Gordon Biersch Brewery**, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Billy Watson*, blues.

**Henry's Pub**, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Thursday, *a Flock of '80s*, pop rock. Tuesday, *the Stiletto*s, rockabilly.

**Hot Monkey Love Cafe**, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-582-5908. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Tony Reed* and *Erika Thompson*.

**Humphrey's**, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, *Rising Star*, pop. Friday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Blind Luck*, classic rock; 9:30 p.m., *Curtis Salgado*, blues. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Little Chris & the Nightcrawlers*, blues; 9:30 p.m., *Makai*, pop. Sunday, *Reggie Smith*, jazz. Monday, call club for information. Monday, *Simon's Position*, *Marcia Forman*, *Gayle*, *Bridget Brigitte*, *Dora Hall*, *Proper Jive*, and *Big Blue Cat*, alternative/rock. Tuesday, *Cheetah con Sabor*, Latin rhythms. Wednesday, *The Soul Persuaders*, soul/dance.

**The Imperial House**, 505 Kalmia Street, San Diego. 619-234-3525. Friday and Saturday, *Rick Lyon*, contemporary keyboard.

**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 Inn at the Park**, 623 Spruce Street, San Diego. 619-291-0999. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Karen Giorgio*, piano, vocals, open mike.

**JP's Pub**, 10436 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Tierrasanta. 858-576-2509. Friday, 9 p.m., *Baywolf*, classic rock.

**Jamar's Restaurant and Lounge**, 7777 University Avenue, La Mesa. 619-469-7777. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, *the Bert Torres Band*. Wednesday, call club for information.

**Java Joe's**, 6344 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area. 619-286-0400. Thursday, *Billy Midnight*, rock. Friday, *the Rock Trio*. Saturday, *Brag Doll* and *the Return of Mr. Blackshirt*, alternative. Sunday, *Miff's Jam Night*.

**The Kensington Club**, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Friday, *Silver Sunshine*, *the Glossines*, and *the Peppermints*, alternative. Saturday, *the Kamala Five* and *Crashkillsfour*, alternative.

**Lestat's Coffeehouse**, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Thursday, *the Biddy Bums*. Friday, *Robin Henkel*, acoustic blues. Saturday, *Allison Lonsdale*, folk, and *Jose Sinatra & the Troy Dante Inferno*, comedy. Sunday, *Jefferson Jay*, acoustic. Monday, open mike.

**Marriott Hotel**, 333 West Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-230-8909. Molly's: Friday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Jazz Duo*.

**Marriott Hotel**, 8757 Rio San Diego Drive, Mission Valley. 619-692-3800. Club Kicks: Friday, 8 p.m., *Rising Star*, pop.

**O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub**, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *Bent Member*, rock. Saturday, *the CeeCee James Band*, blues.

**The Ould Sod**, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Gene Warren*, Irish folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *the Hatchet Brothers*, folk.

**Pal Joey's**, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Night Shift*, classic rock.

**Red Fox Steakhouse**, 2228 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-297-1313. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, *Shirley Allen*, piano.

**Rosie O'Grady's**, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-7666. Friday and Saturday, live rock and blues.



**MUSIC** > rock, acoustic, blues, rockabilly, alternative

**SPECIAL NIGHTS** > open mike/acoustic on Sunday, live bands Wednesday-Saturday

**CLIENTELE** > average age, mid-20s; 70% male ("But the 30% that are women are hot as hell," my friend wanted me to add); 85% Caucasian, 10% Latino, 5% African-American

**COVER** > usually \$3 ("Sometimes it's \$2, other times \$5," a bartender told me)

**HOURS** > 12:00 noon-2:00 a.m. every day

**DRINKS** > no happy hour; on Monday all micro brews and imports \$1 off; on Tuesday all pints are \$2; St. Pauli Girl and Rolling Rock \$2.50 every day; on tap includes Coors Light, Gordon Biersch, Guinness,

## NightSpotting

**THE TIKI HOUSE**  
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Harp, Heineken, MGD, Miller Lite, Newcastle, Sam Adams, Sierra Nevada, Widmer Hefeweizen, Woodpecker Apple Cider (perhaps this is what one woman was drinking when her boyfriend said, "Taste my girlfriend's beer, dude. It tastes like apple juice"), Wyder's Pear & Raspberry Cider; 26 bottled beers; some wine

**FOOD** > only snacks (chips, pretzels, peanuts, and M&Ms); a hot dog stand out front (chili dog \$3); lots of restaurants in the area

**ACCESS** > lot in back has only ten spots; parking in front is always difficult; pay lot on corner at Big O Tires

**DRESS** > casual; shorts, sweat pants, jeans, and T-shirts ("Brown University," "Clairemont Surf Shop," "Anti-Social")

**DANCE FLOOR** > none  
**FIRE EXITS** > two – the main entrance and at the opposite end of the bar  
**BATHROOMS** > men's had one urinal, one toilet (with no separating wall), and one sink; liquid soap, and paper towels; a condom machine (\$.75) with graffiti on it that read, "This candy sucks"; women's had one toilet and one sink, with a big mirror; both were clean  
**CAPACITY** > 125  
**SPECIAL AREAS** > pool table is in front of where band plays and is covered and not used when band is on but doubles as a table for them to sell their CDs and T-shirts  
**FURNISHINGS** > jukebox, video golf, nine tiny tables against wall, 20 seats at the bar, Tiki/African-style masks all over the walls, four TVs, neon beer signs, instruments on walls (a few electric guitars and cymbals), and one wall has a shelf with trophies  
**DECIBEL LEVEL** > 119 when Off White played; 116 with Across the

Room; 114 last week at Rosie O'Grady's.

**WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN PAST MONTH** > Brain Bucket  
**QUOTABLE** > "Is there anyone in here without a goatee?"

I asked an older guy I saw sitting at the bar how often he comes in.

"Oh, I'm a regular. I used to come here as far back as 1982. But for a few years in the late '80s, I moved back East. Now that I'm here, this is my dive bar of choice."

I enjoyed the bands I saw. Off White had some good original material and nice covers of "Eye in the Sky" and the Who's "Join Together." The singer looked like Slash. When Across the Room went on, I realized I had seen them play a show before at the Catamaran. Seeing two good bands for \$3 was a bargain. And with the money saved, I considered something else when I heard a guy say, "Let's go next door and get a tattoo."

—Josh Board

**Second Wind**, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, *Serious Guise*, classic rock.

**Sham Rocks Shack**, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Call club for information.

**Soma**, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is alternative/heavy rock. Thursday, *Norma Jean*, *Undaroath*, *Beloved*, and *Haste the Day*. Friday, *Dropkick*

*Murphys*, *Blood for Blood*, and *Ducky Boys*. Saturday, *The Casualties*, *A Global Threat*, *The Briggs*, and *Career Soldiers*. Monday, *Modest Mouse* and *Helio Sequence*.

**Tio Leo's Lounge**, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, *Pop Rocks*. Saturday, *Hellbound Hayride*, *Truly Lover Trio*, and *Jeffrey Halford*, alternative. Monday, swing. Tuesday, zydeco.

**Top of the Cove**, 1216 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla. 858-454-7779. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m., *Kristi Rickert*, piano.

**Triple Crown Pub**, 3221 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-281-0263. Saturday, 10 p.m., *High Tide*, reggae.

**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. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *the Gerard Nolan-Toby Ahrens Jazz Quartet*. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Cameron Ash*, *Autumn*, *Colleen Lovejoy*, *the County*, *LMH*, and *Dave's Son*, acoustic/folk. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, 4 p.m., *the Celtic Ensemble*, folk. Wednesday, open mike.

### DOWNTOWN

**The Kensington Club**

Friday, March 19  
**SILVER SUNSHINE  
THE GLOSSINES  
THE PEPPERMINTS**

Saturday, March 20  
**KAMALA FIVE  
CRASHKILLSFOUR**

Friday, March 26  
**WATCH IT BURN  
DIE SEPTEMBER**

Saturday, March 27  
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Sunday, April 4  
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**Blarney Stone Pub**, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Friday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

**Caffeinds Lounge 634**, 634 Broadway, downtown. 858-274-7605. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 2 a.m., *Willenollie*, *Billy Brown*, *Ronny North*, *Patrick McGrath*, *Bridget Brigitte*, *Dig Jelly*, *Blizzard*, and the *Niki Band*, acoustic/rock/alternative.

**The Casbah**, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Rob Crow*, *Porch*, and *Sleeping People*. Friday, *Jivewire*. Saturday, *The Displaced*, *Scarlet Symphony*, *Spare Change*, and *Lights and Sirens*. Sunday, *Kelly Joe Phelps* and *Jeffrey Foucault*. Monday, *Sweet & Tender Hooligans*. Tuesday, *PlastiQ Phantom* and *Parallel Mechanics*. Wednesday, *Plastic Explosive*, *Alaska!* and *Rookie Card*.

**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, *Fuzzy & the Bluesmen*. Saturday, *Sue Palmer*, jazz.

**Dakota Grill and Spirits**, 901 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5554. Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Peter Robberecht/Pianoman*, pop/Top 40.

**Dick's Last Resort**, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Thursday and Friday, *Private Domain*, rock and roll. Saturday, *the Siers Brothers*, pop rock. Sunday, *Hera's Olive*, rock. Tuesday, *Ron's Garage*, acoustic rock. Wednesday, *the New Breed Band*, pop.

**Dizzy's**, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Jacques Lesure*, *Hollis Gentry III*, *Richard Samuels*, and *Bryan McConnell*, jazz. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Peter Sprague & His Quintet*, jazz. Sunday, 7 p.m., *Bertram Turetzky*, *Jerome Rothenberg*, *Debbie Davis*, *Chuck Perrin*, *Alan Lechusa*, *Tucker Evans*, *Ed Harkins*, and guests. Monday, two shows, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., *Bill Frisell*, jazz quartet. Wednesday, 8 p., *Oasis*, jazz.

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The menu stretches to 248 items, running from *bánh* (rice noodles) to *pho* (beef noodle soup) to *xào* (stir-fry). Such mega-menus can be organized in several ways. The way that is trodden by Phuong Trang is not the everlasting way of Chinese restaurants. The latter usually list dishes by their leading protein (all the seafood preparations, then all the poultry, etc.). Here, most main dishes are arranged instead by the starring starch: rice, rice noodles, egg noodles, vermicelli noodles, etc. What this indicates is that, aside from some signature specialties, the kitchen relies on a dozen-odd basics to mix and match. A relatively few protein choices reappear through it all, and a few good broths (chicken, beef, seafood, or vegetable stock) are matched dish-by-dish to the chosen protein.

The emphasis on noodles is an instant clue that Phuong Trang focuses on the people's food of Vietnam, rather than the fussier restaurant fare of the long French colonial period. Many of the dishes — hearty, filling, straightforward — express the tastes of the chillier North rather than the tropical elegance and Gallic influences of Saigon.

There are still hints of French sway, of course, as in one of my favorite dishes, the charming Crabmeat and Asparagus Soup (#25). It boasts a pleasantly fishy broth thickened with "egg flower" and lent a satiny texture by just a touch of cornstarch. The asparagus pieces are white and soft, bearing the unfaded stamp of cultural imperialism. Even if fresh asparagus is in season right here and now, bottled white spears from Europe are still mandatory in this recipe.

Before diving into the menu's daunting depths, I'll mention some additional favorites to jump-start your appetite. Phuong Trang's most spectacular dish features crab in another guise —



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a whole Dungeness crab plucked from the live tank and cooked as the house specialty, *cua rang xào* sauce, a.k.a. special sauce crab (#31). I've never had a zestier crab. What makes the sauce special is tamarind, a complex, sweet-tangy fruit paste that glazes the stir-fried shells and meat. The top shell, perched over the chopped limbs, is stuffed with the coral, tomalley, and stray crab-meat bits, bound into a substantial omelet that's hard-glazed with the same exuberant sauce. The waiter brings a thick stack of napkins with this dish because the only way to do it justice is by tackling it hands-on.

Tamarind reappears as the subtle secret of *canh chua*, or sour soup, available garnished with chicken, fish, or shrimp (#214–#216). The exotic sweet-sour broth is loaded with bean sprouts, bits of tomato, and slices of loofa — yes, the rough stuff you scrub with in the shower. Before it hardens into a bath brush, the long, green gourd is a perfect soup veggie, the pores of its tender flesh swelling with the broth. We tried the fish version of this soup, which included rather

unwieldy filet slabs cut from the backbone of a catfish, including some bits of bone. The shrimp or chicken version would be easier to handle.

One evening, we enjoyed appetizers of fried salted shrimp and fried salted squid (#14 and #15) — even though we'd actually ordered lemon sauce shrimp (#16) instead of the fried version. (That's reason enough to write the numbers down for the waiter to read.) The medium-size shrimp were thinly battered right over the shells, including the heads (which were edible and downright tasty inside). The calamari were deeply scored cylinders with a firm texture and faintly fishy flavor — I'm guessing that they were rehydrated dried squid. Both came strewn with fried garlic slivers, fresh sautéed scallion chunks, and a touch of hot pepper.

A rich chicken broth is the secret to *bún riêu ốc* (#169), vermicelli soup with shrimp, tomatoes, and periwinkles (small sea snails). Curiosity about periwinkles drew us to this dish, but their meats ranged from slightly rubbery to

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Many Vietnamese dishes call for the diner to engage in some do-it-yourselfing. The idea is, if you have to fine-tune your dishes to your personal taste, you'll appreciate the food more and not take it for granted. At Phuong Trang, most appetizers and numerous soups and entrées arrive, as the menu says, "with vegetables." That is, they come with a dinner plate heaped six inches high with lettuce leaves, pineapple chunks, carrot and cucumber julienne, sweet-sour pickled shallots, and a jungle of mint and cilantro sprigs — plus, often a second plate of thin, transparent rice-paper rounds to turn the whole array into giant, see-through Asian salad burritos. Sometimes these additions complete an already excellent dish. Sometimes they rescue a substandard one.

The salad wrap lightens up the charbroiled pork or beef appetizers (#21), which have wonderful sweet-savory marinades. The moist, cool leaves are vital to the generous plateful of six slightly greasy pork-stuffed fried egg rolls (*cha giò*, #1), which arrive finger-burning hot. If you go for the live (and quite expensive) order-ahead catfish specialties, the herbage brightens up the clean-tasting but rather neutral fish flesh. (Apparently the cats in the tank are not our muddy

Southern variety.)

In the rescue department, the *chao tôm* (sugar-cane shrimp, #19) here would be a dead loss without a veil of greenery to disguise its texture. The shrimp emulsion is evidently a commercial product and arrives in rubbery wedges sprinkled with sugar, minus the typical stick of fresh cane in the center. If not for the salad wrap, you might imagine you were eating your pillow. The same holds for the aggressively bouncy, near-flavorless pork balls that pop up in quite a few dishes. The lettuce and herbs also perk up the dense, sausage-like cylinders of ground beef rolled in grape leaves (#40). This dish is more authentically made with a wrapping of fresh, minty *lôt* (jute) leaves rather than the somewhat acrid brined vines from a jar. Many Vietnamese restaurants in L.A. and San Francisco manage to serve the original version, but it's rare in San Diego — even though both fresh and frozen *lôt* leaves are sold at the supermarket right next door. (*Lôt* leaves are costly; grape is cheap.)

More do-it-yourself projects appear throughout the main dishes. For example, entrées listed under the term *kau* (hot pot, #70–#76) aren't Chinese-style claypots but resemble Japanese *shabu-shabu*. In Vietnam, these hot pots would be leisurely one-

dish family meals, and in rural areas the cauldron might well be fueled by *carabao* biscuits. Here, the waiter brings a tiny brazier to your table and sets alight some dazzling purple Sterno crystals. He places a potful of flavorful broth on the rack above them. The diners get a platter of whatever raw food they've ordered — we chose the spicy meat and seafood combination, a mixture of lean beef (sliced carpaccio thin), scored calamari, peeled shrimp, and bok choy leaves. You also get a set of wooden chopsticks to use as cooking implements (since the regular plastic chopsticks might melt). Another plate is heaped with cooked white rice vermicelli; there's a saucer of thick, tangy peanut sauce; and each diner gets a small soup bowl. Completing these deliveries, the waiter abandons you. My group looked at each other and realized that —whoops! — the cooking was up to us. My friend Sandy (whom we appointed Chef Pro Tem, since she was closest to the little cauldron) gradually warmed up to the process. "I love this," she said. "It seems so intimate to be in a restaurant cooking the food for your table." As she stewed a little of this and a little of that, the broth developed richer flavors, so with each successive helping, it tasted like a different soup.

Several other DIY options include fondue dishes (#32–#34), where the pot holds vinegar and water, and "marinated hot grill" dishes (#35–#38). In the latter, instead of the hibachi you might expect, you get your Sterno burner topped with a small skillet, along with several pats of butter and a plateful of your chosen protein to fry up. The famed feast called Seven Courses of Beef (*bò 7 món*, #26) starts with the vinegar fondue, continues with the "grill," and moves along to the beef sausages in grape leaves (same as in #40 mentioned above), plus Vietnamese "salami" wrapped around scallions. That evening, our seven courses stopped right there. Missing were the beef salad, the French beef stew, and the finale of beef-garnished rice porridge. All the absent courses are available as separate menu items here, but perhaps we'd already ordered too much food, or the cook was tired or hadn't fixed any stew or porridge that day. If you're really hot to try your luck with the celebrated beef parade, you might do better as a twosome, ordering nothing much else, and see whether they'll serve you the whole septet. Calling the order in ahead might work, too. (And let me know the result.)

Even after tasting a dozen diners' array of dishes, I've

barely scratched the surface of the endless menu. Buried beneath a litany of standard Chinese dishes under the heading *com dia* ("rice dishes") is a half-hidden array of classic Vietnamese sautés, including spicy chicken, beef or shrimp with lemongrass (#188 and #190), and chicken or beef curry (#189). Peeking shyly from under the list of *món măn* ("served with steamed rice," #235–#241) are various interesting items sautéed in fish sauce or cooked with ginger, plus several more spicy lemongrass dishes. Reviewing this restaurant thoroughly could turn into my life's work, if I let it. But continuing to explore its offerings on my own time is going to be one of my life's pleasures. As long as Phuong Trang is near Vien Dong Market, I'll never shop hungry again.

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from the stormy Atlantic there are matched with a local cuisine of powerhouse flavors, while the long wraparound coastline is home to a wealth of seafood, with about 150 species savored at the local tables. The inland areas add a variety of fruits, meats, and wines to the robust menu.

The dinner is perfect for couples, since two of the three courses offer paired choices — a hearty tomato soup or an array of steamed cockles and lean Spanish chorizo in a garlicky wine sauce. Then comes a short-rib and greenery salad in a sprightly sherry vinaigrette, followed by entrées of tender salmon in a delicate mandarin orange sauce or chestnut-breaded pork medallions accompanied by spectacular spinach with plum tomatoes, serrano ham, and (of course) a hefty helping of garlic. The price is \$18.95 (\$17.95 at the Carlsbad branch), with an optional matched flight of three wines for \$7.50. The regional dinners are served Sundays through Thursdays, 5:00 to 11:00 p.m. (giving you time to savor a good dinner after a day game at Petco Park) and change bimonthly. In April and May, the region will be Andalusia; July and August will feature Catalonia; in October and November, the dinners will be Basque. ■

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# Three Blue Eyes

*"I like it being on the alley. I wanted to create a Mediterranean feeling here, a place people discover."*

**H**ey, ever eaten in an alley?" Hank is on his cell phone. "Uh, no," I say. "Mission and Santa Clara. One hour." An hour later I jump off the 34 — and get lost in Little Cottage Land. Mission Beach. Love these cute alleys with whole communities crowded into them, but where the heck's Hank? Aha. Spot him across the road, locking his Camry by a funky-looking deli with a nice deck right on the corner. Voltero's. Has Philly subs.

"Not here," says Hank. He heads down the alley, under a vine-covered arch, and up onto the outside deck of the place next door. Huh. It's a li'l old wooden bungalow, white with blue high-lights. Geraniums crowd its deck. Purple bougainvillea spills off the roof. Arty coffee cups on wires sprout from box gardens.

"Olive Café," says the home-painted sign. There's something simpatico about the place. The O in "Olive" looks like an olive. "Breakfast, lunch and coffee served all day," says a banner. Inside's tempting too. Cream and white walls, varnished plank floor, with a cozy gas fireplace.

Three blue eyes look at us across the counter. Two belong to this gal named Robyn. The third's a really big blue glass eye stuck to an oven.

"Have you decided? Coffee?" "Coffee." I see all drinks are divided into "less" and "more." "Less" coffee is \$1.25, "more" is \$1.75.

We take two "more," haul the menus outside, and grab a couple of seats under a purple-um-

brella-shaded table. God, it's pleasant. What with trees and bougainvillea, the sunlight comes through dappled, just like in a Renoir painting. "Hey," says Hank. "Look at this. Turkish coffee. Two bucks."

"The lady who owns the place is Turkish," says this guy, Kent, at the next table. Comes in here on his way home from the gym. "Özlem. Neat lady."

I see he's eating a plate of eggs, bacon, pancakes, and hash browns. "South Swell," \$6.25. The most expensive item on the whole

menu is Chef's Choice breakfast — three eggs, 'shrooms, cheese, onion, tomato, bacon, and green pepper, served with beans and salsa, \$6.75. But Robyn says the most "Turkish" breakfast is probably the Mediterranean Breakfast, which is basically kasseri and feta cheeses, olives, tomatoes, cucumber, butter, French roll, and rose — yes, rose — jam, \$6.00.

Of course, they have all kinds of predictable lunch sandwiches, like Gardenburger (\$5.50), tuna melt (\$5.75), chicken burrito (\$5.25), sausage panini (with spicy sausage and kasseri cheese, \$4.75), or even a French *croque monsieur* (cheeses, ham, with creamy sauce on toasted white bread, \$5.25). And a bunch of salads priced between \$4.75 and \$5.75.

But Hank ends up going for a vegetable lasagna (with broccoli, zucchini, carrots, cheese, \$5.75). I stay with breakfast. Aegean Scramble (three eggs, feta cheese, tomato, green pepper, basil, \$5.75).

Here's the stupid thing. I go in, place the or-

der with Robyn at the counter, *then* see a whole bunch of chalkboard specials I coulda had. The vegetarian Sultan's Scramble, with three eggs, soy chorizo, tomatoes, onions, green pepper, and toast and home fries, for \$6.50. Or the real-deal Turkish *köfte*, three mini-burgers in a baguette "spiced Mediterranean-style," with tomato, onion, parsley, and grape leaves (\$5.75). Or *lahmajun*, very thin Turkish-style "pizzas" with chopped veggies on top (\$4.75). Or *börek*, a quichelike square of flaky pastry with ground beef or veggie filling (\$4.25).

But that's okay. Next time. Robyn brings out Hank's lasagna and my Aegean Scramble. I like the way the paper plates are disguised in woven underplates. The feta-and-basil eggs work well together. Plus, to make it more Mediterranean, we ask for a plate of olives (\$1.00) and they are, oh, man. Great. Salty, a little sweet, Turkish. We chomp in silence, drinking the (excellent) coffee, listening to what sounds like Turkish music, and watching the world go by. Like, strings of surfers dripping back from the beach. Must be a surfing school.

Özlem, turns out, came over to the States when she was 20, went and studied restaurant and hotel management at Mesa College, ran her own coffee cart, then came across this place three years ago. "I liked it being on the alley. I wanted to create a Mediterranean feeling here, a place people discover."

Turkish people certainly have. According to Özlem, they like to come in on the weekends, drink Turkish coffee, maybe smoke Turkish cigarettes, and eat Turkish food, like Özlem's uncle's recipe for *köfte*.

Özlem — whose name means "longing" — says those delicious olives come from the lands near the Sea of Marmara. *The Sea of Marmara!* I go into a swoon. "I met a maid, down in the shade, next to the Sea of Marmara...." And the rose jam comes from the rose fields of Isparta. Oh, Lord. Too much. "I met a maid / I lost my heart to her / In the rose fields of Ispartata..."

"And my coffee reader comes from Istanbul."

"Uh, coffee reader?"

"Her name is Basak. She reads your fortune in your coffee grounds. You drink your coffee, turn the cup upside down, and from the pattern of the rivulets, she interprets your fortune. Fridays, 11:00 to 2:00, \$12.00, including coffee. She has been accurate with me so far. Better call ahead, though."

Hmm. And the glass blue eye?

"Ah. That. It is the *nazar boncuk*," Özlem says. "It wards off the evil eye. It is very ancient. Every Turkish house has one to keep away the evil spirits."

"What I don't get," says Hank, as we leave, "is if that eye is so great at warding off evil spirits, how come it let you in, dude?" ■

**The Place:** Olive Café, 805 Santa Clara Place, Mission Beach (858-488-1224)

**Type of Food:** American, Turkish

**Prices:** South Swell breakfast (three eggs, three bacon, two pancakes, hash browns), \$6.25; Aegean Scramble (three eggs, feta cheese, tomato, green pepper, basil), \$5.75; Mediterranean Breakfast, kasseri and feta cheeses, olives, tomatoes, cucumber, butter, rose jam, and French roll, \$6.00; Gardenburger, \$5.50; tuna melt, \$5.75; chicken burrito, \$5.25; vegetable lasagna (with broccoli, zucchini, carrots, cheese), \$5.75; köfte, three mini-burgers in a baguette "spiced Mediterranean-style," with tomato, onion, parsley, grape leaves, \$5.75; lahmajun, thin Turkish-style "pizza," \$4.75

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# You're So Sad

*"I thought, 'Why throw good money after something that's going to die?' and I held off."*

On March 20, *Il Dottore* will resume his post as the principal wine guru of Friars Folly, the vinocentric restaurant tucked into the back corner of San Marcos's Restaurant Row. Dick Colangelo, whose nearly 40 years in the wine business have included over 30 years of teaching for local colleges and universities, will give an introductory class to open the spring "semester." (Later classes will cover Bordeaux, affordable wines of Napa, and a comparison of French Syrah with Australian Shiraz.) His students will listen, sip, and sample various *tapas*-sized dishes designed to match that evening's wines. "The classes" — \$30 plus tax and gratuity — "are set to run an hour and a half," says Friars Folly owner Tami Ridley, "but Dick talks a lot — it's usually more like three hours."

Colangelo is a rarity among teachers — he comes with his own fan base, people who follow him from venue to venue. "He's got his groupies here already," says Ridley. "They came to all his classes" last fall. "During the break, they've been taking his class at MiraCosta College, and they say, 'It isn't the same at all! We're in a biology room, there's no food, there's 40 people there.' Here, we've had anywhere from 6 people to 30. I like it better when it's around 15 or 20; it's more intimate." (And it fits more easily into the cozy restaurant's confines.)

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Ridley understands Colangelo's appeal. "I love his classes. I think I've taken every one he ever taught. He'll spend the first hour with flip charts and maps and videos and talk about the culture, the grape variety, the laws in the country where it's made, anything that's related to the topic. Then you taste." She admires his credibility, his range of experience, and his skill with anecdotes. And she admires Colangelo the man.

Her own interest in wine began when she was 15, with the sweet concoctions offered by Boone's Farm. "Then I got really sophisticated and moved on to Mateus and cute bottles from Portugal." A family friendship with Ross Rizzo, fifth-generation owner of the 115-year-old Bernardo Winery in Rancho Bernardo, led to a more academic interest. "I started compiling a history of wine in San Diego. The first wine grapes in California were planted here by the Franciscan friars. The wine industry grew up in Los Angeles — they shipped to Napa. But Northern California always gets all the credit. I collected a lot of old paper clippings for Bernardo, things that were interrelated with all the other wineries in Escondido. I like the story behind wine — it makes drinking it all the more enjoyable." Her customers share her outlook. Nobody bought Chateauf-neuf-du-Pape until she started translating the name for them (Pope's new castle,

referring to the 14th-century relocation of the papal court to Avignon and the subsequent planting of a papal vineyard) and explaining that this one bottle could legally contain wine made from up to 13 different grapes.

Wine was still very much a hobby for Ridley. A report she prepared for a class in finance taught her that investing in wine is like "investing in horses and dogs — only do it if you really like it." She had a sensible day job as an attorney. But the vicissitudes of life took her away from law and back to her childhood on her father's farm. "I moved up to the Santa Barbara area, and I decided I wanted some space and a little crop." She hit upon grapevines and began trading legal advice with local growers — "land use, environmental issues" — for counsel on grape growing.

Just before she was ready to harvest her first usable crop, life intervened again, and she ended up back in San Diego County. She bought nine acres in the San Pasqual Valley and was just about to begin planting when the local reports of Pierce's disease in the vineyards got too loud to ignore. "I thought, 'Why throw good money after something that's going to die?' and I held off." Now that efforts at control are showing signs of success, "I'm more comfortable. I'd like to plant now." But now, thanks to Jim Eubank, she has a restaurant to run.

Eubank, who passed away earlier this month at the age of 88, was the visionary behind Restaurant Row, the man who thought you could make a killing building a sort of deluxe food court in a rural pocket of '70s San Diego County. It turned out he was right. "Jim was the coolest guy in the world," says Ridley, "but he had a shopping center mentality: 'I'm anchoring this end with a brewery, and I want to anchor this end with a winery.' I saw an article in the paper about it, and



Tami Ridley

I thought, 'How is he going to do that?'"

"What he was really looking for was a tenant. At the time, the space was four little rooms, 480 square feet. I said, 'Jim, there's a reason wineries are in the country. It wouldn't be all that attractive. We'd need higher roofs so we could put steel tanks in. And it's not all self-contained like a brewery; where would we bring in the grapes?' I was going nowhere with this; it was just a conversation. I said, 'Maybe you could do a little wine bar, make it look like a winery tasting room. People could imagine that all the equipment was behind that wall and get the feeling they were in a winery.' He said, 'Yeah, that's a good idea. Why don't you do it?'"

Ridley didn't know restaurants, but she knew

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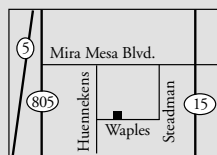
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she didn't want to go back to work in a law firm. So she bit. "I thought it would be fun to just have a little retail thing, but the only license I could get to serve wine was one where I also had food. And food without a hood is pretty unimaginative, so I thought, 'Let's put in a kitchen.'" The expense necessitated a proper menu and a chef, and *voila*: Friars Folly.

At first, she brought in consultants to help her with the list. "I wasn't quite sure enough of myself to follow my instincts. Now I am, and it's worked. I put Lambrusco on the list, and the experts that came to help me looked down on me and said, 'God, you're so sad.' But I'm kind of nostalgic, and that's one of the wines we used to drink when I wasn't old enough to be drinking. But you know, a lot of people come in here and say, 'I like White Zinfandel.' They're safe with White Zin; they know they like it. That's my fun challenge. I say, 'If you like that, let me try you on a Riesling or a Muscat Canelli.' Once you get them into another wine that's sweet

and maybe a little effervescent, they're thrilled to have something different. The Lambrusco is their introduction to red wine, and it's one of the favorites. The biggest fans are the younger people; they love it. It's like soda pop, and you've got to start somewhere." ■

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**Cafe 101** 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. This is the oldest li'l eating establishment in Oceanside. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. The café is named after Route 101, the Pacific Highway. Old-timers remember when everyone from truck drivers to movie stars would stop for a bite before heading on to San Diego and Tijuana. Try the ABC (avocado, bacon, and cheese) Omelet, the 101 Original Cheeseburger with its "secret sauce," chicken fried steaks with eggs and, of course, the Great Depression dish: biscuits with gravy and home fries. Open daily, three meals until midnight. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/01)

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phere 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. — E.W.

**The Encinitas Cafe** 531 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-0919. This American café serves breakfast from opening to closing, with egg dishes, biscuits, and gravy for breakfast, sandwiches and salads for lunch, and American entrées for dinner. Fast, excellent service. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — E.W.

**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 flavors have evi-

dently 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 irresistible lobster-crabmeat croquettes and lobster-shrimp bisque are pure Del Mar deluxe. But some simpler dishes cleverly complete themselves as you eat them — salmon served with peas and mushrooms on one side and a creamy sauce on the other creates a whole new sauce when you broach the fillet. A lemon-pistachio cake, too, changes as you cut it, the pieces crumbling into a berry coulis. It's a fun way to eat, engaging the mind along with the palate. The setting is family-friendly (only well-mannered kids come here) with a handsome, airy dining room and charming patio. Wide-ranging wine list, plenty by the glass and even some half-bottles. No corkage on Tuesdays; Mondays and Wednesdays most bottles half price. Reservations advisable. Lunch and dinner daily, bar menu ongoing. Moderate to slightly expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

**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.

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**Sakura Bana** 1031 South Coast Highway 101 (Suite A), 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

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### 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). Inexpensive to expensive. — E.W.

**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, especially the excellent crème brûlée. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — S.M. (11/03)

**Mille Fleurs** 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area's top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug's beautiful room with beautiful food draws "the beautiful people" — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will — everything's flawless. The menu's most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations a must. Very, very expensive. — N.W. (5/01)

**Ming Court** 12750 Carmel Country Road, Country Plaza Shopping Center, North City West (adjacent to Del Mar), 858-793-2933. "Elegance" describes the interior of this restaurant. Some unusual preparations are cilantro chicken, pungent shrimp, three-mushroom delight, tangerine beef, and items on the Ming Court specialty list. Service is first-rate. Open daily. Moderate. — 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.

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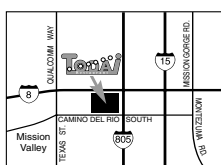
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### GOLD COAST

**Beach House** 2530 South Coast Highway 101, Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-1321. This beautiful restaurant with its breezy seafont patio is a branch of an upscale beach mini-chain (others are in Dana Point and Laguna Beach). Its main menu features steaks, seafood, and some “Continental” warhorses (lobster thermidor, et al) that are best avoided. The view is even more spectacular from the upstairs “Top of the House” which features pub grub and fish in a lighthouse-like setting. On Sundays, local families flock in for the moderately priced à la carte champagne brunch featuring the standard dishes of the genre plus some less-successful fancied-up ones, with endless Freixenet champagne. Whatever the meal, stay simple here — burgers, steak, unfussy eggs — and enjoy the atmosphere. Reserve for a view table or outdoor seating at Sunday brunch. Full bar but few wines. \$2 valet parking. Restrooms accessible by elevator, may be tight fit for wider wheelchairs. Daily brunch/lunch and dinner. “Top of the House” serves until 11 p.m. nightly; “early bird” cut-price dinners weeknights. Brunch moderate, dinner moderate to very expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

**Charlie's by the Sea** 2565 South Highway 101, Cardiff-by-the-Sea (a long block south of the stoplight), 760-942-1300. This seaside spot offers a blissful patio right on the breakwater and a terrific, authentic Boston-style clam chowder to match the view — it's light, creamy, and loaded with clams, unpeeled red potato chunks, and bits of honey-cured bacon. The kitchen's good with simple dishes, including fresh raw oysters and the lively “Bayou Burger” with Cajun seasonings and well-made spicy fries. The dinner menu includes more ambitious items, but the weekly main event here is Sunday brunch, with a menu of standard brunch dishes at affordable prices, featuring endless refills of champagne. (Hint: Veuve Clicquot it's not.) Huge wine list, full bar. Free valet parking. Brunch reservations advisable. Open daily, lunch or brunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (9/03)

**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.

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**Parioli Italian Bistro** 647 South Coast Highway 101 (at Via De La Valle), Solana Beach, 858-755-2525. Italian dishes from every section of Italy are prepared with loving care in time-honored tradition. Specialties are risotto, ravioli, leg of lamb, duck breast, fresh fish. Charming atmosphere with fireplace. Open daily. Moderate. — E.W.

### LA JOLLA

**808 Restaurant** The Aventine, 8980 University Center Lane, University City/Golden Triangle, 858-552-1048. Chef-owner Jean-Marie Josselin brings his Hawaiian-French fusion food from Kauai to The Aventine and it's a delight. The restaurant's ever-changing seasonal menu reads like a Frenchman's dream of happy tropics, and the decor looks the part — part glitz, part grass shack. The kitchen emphasizes superb fresh seafood, cooked up with tropical inspirations and rigorous Gallic technique. It's always an adventure. Try the lobster tempura, slow-roasted butterfish, or the scallop-crusted salmon when they're available. Full bar, heated patio. Dressy-casual; reservations strongly advised; reasonable valet parking. Dinner nightly. Expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

**Azul La Jolla** 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The unobstructed ocean view and opulent interior are glamorous. Cuisine is Mediterranean with California influence. Menus change daily. When available, try pan-seared scallops and the outstanding asparagus soup, not duplicated anywhere. Fresh fish and seafood. Moderate to expensive. — E.W. (7/99)

**Forever Fondue** 1295 Prospect Street #201, La Jolla, 858-551-4509. Also at 6110 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-295-7792. Once every thirty years, a person should experience the novelty of fondue. Forever Fondue offers patrons the opportunity to cook or dip a variety of food items in a shared pot at their own table, accompanying the morsels with six different but universally disappointing sauces. Ambiance is minimal, other than the harsh chemical spray that bussers use for cleaning vacated tables. Dessert, however, is yummy — you can't miss with anything dipped in chocolate. The restaurant is clean and the staff friendly, although service can be extremely slow. Mediocre wine choices. Seating space is limited so reservations are recommended. Open daily for dinner. Moderately priced. — S.M. (2/04)

**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-to-ceiling sculptures, street-patio scene, or the décolleté 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 restaurant, the fare is arranged into a nightly five-course prix fixe feast, with superb lentil soup (*harira*), a salad plate, *bastilla* (a chicken-filled filo pie), an entrée, and finally mint tea poured from on high to accompany almond baklava perfumed with orange-flower water. The setting and service are 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)

**Roy's** 8670 Genesee Avenue, Costa Verde Center (across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi's ever-expanding chain has elements of both “top chef” and “chain” about it. Decoding Roy's Rules of Ordering can make the difference between a mediocre dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters — the same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu ahi poke) by asking for it; 3. Don't waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks when the wine list is brilliant. The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are pot stickers, *lumpia*, “Kahana” *shutome* (swordfish), or chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the raucous bar. Open nightly. Very expensive. — N.W. (4/01)

**Sky Room** Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — E.W. (10/99)

**Zenbu** 7660 Fay Avenue (at Kline Street), La Jolla, 858-454-4540. It was a natural for fisherman-restaurateur Matt Rimel to open a sushi bar-fish house, featuring sparkling fresh catch, much of it from his own boats. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls, which can be

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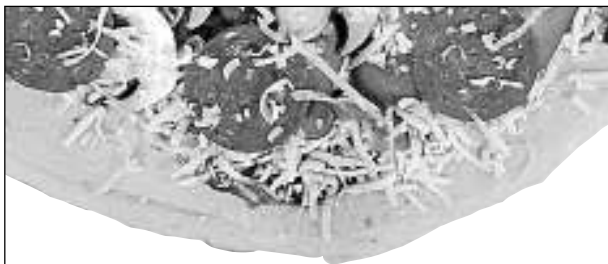
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**Nijiya Market** 3860 Convey Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you're not willing to sacrifice quality for convenience when eating fast food, try this Japanese market in Kearny Mesa. Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or *bento*, that are pretty to look at, appetizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, 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)

**Pampas Argentine Grill** 8690 Aero Drive (at Montgomery Field), Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. The Argentine specialties feature grilled grass-fed beef, including a somewhat Americanized version of the *gauchos'* great *parillada mixta* (mixed grill), with a great chorizo but minus any exotic organs. The naturally raised meats are lower fat and lower cholesterol than feed-lot beef but are salted heavily in the kitchen unless you request otherwise. Specify rare or medium-rare, unless you really like brown cardboard. Lighter fare includes free-range chicken and fresh, well-treated seafood. Beef empanadas are a tasty, authentic starter. Potatoes (fries and mashed) are splendid, salads are exuberant. The full bar features Chilean and Argentine beverages with many affordable South American wines by the glass. Park in lot at restaurant's front door, not the back-door lot. Lunch (mainly sandwiches) on weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (4/02)

**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 salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic 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 rotisserie meats and fish, but the nightly specials are where chef Josh McGinnis gets to

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**Seau's** Mission Valley Center mall, 1640 Camino del Rio North (next to Robinsons-May), Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Footballer Junior Seau contributes more to San Diego than just sacks. His extravagant multivenue sports pub is major league fun — a real-life reincarnation of some 1960s McLuhanite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-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. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.* (1/03)

**Sheila's Cafe & Bakery** 4577 Clairemont Drive (Wilson Plaza), Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A “Glatt Kosher,” a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant and bakery with a mission. Sheila was determined to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying — from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that everybody else wouldn't know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don't need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here, but it's comforting to know everything down to the least lettuce leaf has 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)

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## What the Chef Eats

### RASPBERRY SOUFFLÉ

BY GAVIN KAYSEN

*Chef, El Bizcocho, Rancho Bernardo Inn*

People are intrigued with soufflés, and we do soufflés here all the time. We sell them like mad. I would say 70 percent of our desserts are soufflés. What makes this soufflé recipe unique is that you can freeze it. If you're doing a dinner party for friends, you can make this a week ahead. Whether you make it and serve it immediately or keep it in the freezer or the fridge for later use, it will still rise the same.

I took this recipe from the chef I worked for in Switzerland. It's kind of his trademark. You never tweak Swiss recipes; they're too perfect. The Swiss have their own way to crack eggs and everything else. You just follow their recipe with precision and you'll get it right every time.

All of these ingredients are available locally. I saw all of them at Whole Foods, but they should be available at any high-end market. For a raspberry soufflé, you could drink coffee or you could have a raspberry eau-de-vie, a raspberry liqueur. The liqueur would complement it very well.

#### HOW TO DO IT

Begin by blooming — that is, soaking — the gelatin in a little cold water, just enough to moisten it. In a separate bowl, mix the egg yolks, sugar, and cornstarch. In a saucepot heat the cream and fruit purée. As it just begins to boil, add half of it to the egg mixture in the bowl. When blended,

add the remainder.

Transfer the mix back to the pot. Squeeze excess water from the gelatin sheets, discarding the water. Add gelatin to sauce pot and mix. Continue to cook for 3–5 minutes, whisking constantly, so the contents at the bottom of the pot don't burn.

In a clean dry bowl, using clean beaters, beat egg whites, adding sugar in small amounts until the mixture forms stiff peaks. Fold the egg white mixture very gently into the fruit purée.

Butter soufflé molds and dust with sugar. (The batter will fill 10–12 small ramekins or 4–6 larger molds.) Ladle batter into soufflé molds, filling them to the top. (You may bake



them immediately or freeze and use them later.)

Bake the soufflés in a preheated 375-degree oven for about ten minutes, depending on the size of the soufflé mold, until well risen. Serve immediately.

#### INGREDIENTS

2 sheets gelatin  
8 egg yolks (reserve whites)  
¼ cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar  
¼ cup cornstarch  
1 cup heavy cream  
10 ounces raspberry purée (you can substitute strawberry, passion fruit, etc.)  
14 egg whites  
1 cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar

bor 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 Francisco-born Chef Antonio Friscia proves he's capable of brilliance. His thin-skinned ravioli stuffed with marinated braised short ribs shouldn't be missed, and his goose foie gras on *ciabatta crostini* is divinely playful. Traditional dishes take on new life, too: The house “antipasta” (of marinated vegetables and top-quality Italian deli meats) is everything you'd hope for, while house-made pesto gnocchi float off the plate. Some dishes are invari-

ably less successful, but boredom will not be a problem — this is nothing like “hotel food.” The Italian/Californian wine list emphasizes lesser-known Italian reds. Daily, three meals. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (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 before you buy. The

menu features high-quality 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 generosity. 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 amphitheatre. 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; brunch buffet weekends. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (11/01)

**Kono's** 704 Garnet Avenue (on the boardwalk), Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It's cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono's is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB Burger (chicken breast, green chili, and pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/00)

**Mardi Gras Cafe** 3185 Midway Drive (near Rosecrans and East Street, in mini-mall with a 7-11, across the street from Godfather Pizza), Loma Portal, 619-223-5501. The Creole cooking at this café/grocery, to eat in, take out, or have catered for your next party, is sound and tasty, if deliberately underseasoned (just add salt and hot sauce to taste). You can also buy the real and rare ingredients from the freezer, deli case, and grocery shelves, including Cajun *tasso* (spiced ham), *boudin blanc* (rice sausage) and crawfish sausage. Daily brunch through early dinner. No alcohol, everything available for takeout. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (2/01)

**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 brass-rail 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 simple 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.

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**Huffman's Bar-B-Que** 5039 Imperial Avenue (at Euclid Avenue), Chollas View, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammad Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman's fabulous Southern soul food. Try their 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 delicatessen 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)

**South Park Bar and Grill** 1946 Fern Street, South Park/Golden Hill, 619-696-0096. A genuine American bistro, this loud, lively, very local watering hole started out serving savory comfort-food to an appreciative neighborhood patronage; now the whole city's flocking in. Chef Eric Wilburn learned his chops at Bradley Ogden's Lark Creek Inn; if he cooks "mom food," it's more than a cut above mom's. Appetizer/bar menu is mainly ordinary pub-grub (the fine crabcakes or red pepper hummus stand out from the pack); entrées get interesting, including indulgent "Stuffed Shrimp and Scallops Florentine," a juicy rib-eye steak, and a light-textured meat loaf with rather sweet BBQ sauce. Nightly specials are always worth a try. Considerate service, right down to the busses. Full bar, including international wines at easy prices. Park at edge of Gala lot. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday, bar menu weekends until midnight. Reservations only for parties of five or more,



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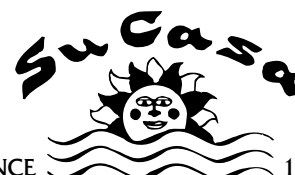
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**Barnes Bar-B-Que** 2625 Lemon Grove Avenue (at Cypress, tucked in the back of Liquor Mart Square), Lemon Grove, 619-462-9206. The sign on the window reads: "Soul Food: 99 cents"; inside is the homey solace of good cheer and excellent Memphis-style 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 molasses 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. Inexpensive. — A.M. (2/01)

**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-and-onion sandwich is scrumptious. Mostly take-out, but you can dine out at their picnic tables under bougainvillea. Open daily, three meals. — E.B. (12/01)

**D.Z. Akin's** 6930 Alvarado Road, Alvarado Plaza, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother's. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

**European Bistro** Lake Murray Square, 6062 Lake Murray Boulevard (at El Paso), La Mesa, 619-698-5555. Here at the center of a Russian new-immigrant community, in a strip-mall just south of Ross and Big Lots, you'll find an array of savory Eastern European dishes. They're nowhere as heavy as Nonna's — here they're done with the lightness of the Russian-French chef tradition, applied to specialties from Russia, Poland, and the Ukraine. Following classic Russian custom, there's a splendid choice of small, savory, and substantial salads (try the sensual Stolichny chicken-potato salad) and delightful appetizers, including airy crêpes with juicy (and affordable) red or black caviar. The outstanding main course is lamb shish kebab featuring tender marinated ribs cut from a rack. But don't look for borscht; it's not on the menu. Entrées come with a choice of starches; trust me, you want fries with that. Open daily, lunch and dinner (early dinner Sundays). Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (7/03)

**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 cus-

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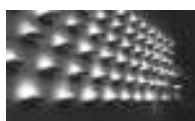
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**Cafe Caspian Persian Eatery & Tearoom** 4646 Park Boulevard (at Adams Avenue), University Heights, 619-298-2801. It’s colorful, small, and intimate. This two-room café pulsates with multicolored cloths, midnight blue cushions, Aladdin-shaped pitchers 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. *Ghormeh sabzi* is a lamb stew. *Koufteh-Berenji* 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 photos 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 angels — ethereal and not excessively sweet, vibrant with flavors of fresh ripe fruits — and some of the chocolate cakes (e.g., the “Caribe”) follow suit, while others are rich and dense. Not your piece of cake? There are also tarts, cookies, chocolates, ice cream dishes, puddings, breakfast pastries, and fine teas and coffees, along with Krasne’s own lines of honeys, jams, chutneys, syrups, and popcorn — plus a truly lovely assortment of international craft objects. Open for weekday breakfast, weekend brunch until late, closing at 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and at midnight on weekends. — *N.W. (5/02)*

**Fifth And Hawthorne** 515 Hawthorne Street (at Fifth Avenue), Banker’s Hill, 619-544-0940. This warm, cozy cottage near Balboa Park offers once-radical dishes that have long since turned into familiar California comfort cuisine. The menu changes only slightly and the kitchen has the dishes down so pat that execution is almost inhumanly flawless. It’s a little like an ideal airplane dinner — on the Concorde, say. Highlights include spicy duck soup, tender stuffed chicken breast, melting calamari steaks, and mustard-coated catfish. Most weeknights, couples can opt for a “wine dinner” that includes four courses and a decent bottle of wine — a great bargain. Full bar, reasonable California-dominated wine list. Good pre-theatre dinner spot (near the Old Globe); let server know your curtain time. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Dinner nightly. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (2/03)*

**Hamburger Mary’s** 308 University Avenue (at Third Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-491-0400. All the action is on the patio, under ficus trees, ferns, the *palapa* bar, and white umbrellas. Bougainvillea bursts out of tables. Hamburger Mary’s mural comes at you in a Stetson, wild red hair, big blue eyes, and a plump butt. Basically it’s a gay

rendezvous, but everybody’s welcome. The burgers are way-big with funky titles like the “I’m Sooo Bleu” burger with bacon and bleu cheese crumbles, or the “Two Tons Of Fun,” a six-inch-high double-burger with mushrooms, bacon, lettuce, cheese, and onions. The kicker is they’re all served between wickedly crisp, sweet slabs of golden Hawaiian bread. Open daily until 2 a.m., grill until 11 p.m. Moderate. — *E.B. (3/01)*

**Kazumi Sushi** 3975 Fifth Avenue (at Washington), 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 tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of *nabeyaki udon* (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. With just a small staff of family members in the kitchen and house, expect a wait for food at busy times. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (10/00)*

**The Mission North Park and City Bakery** 2801-2805 University Avenue, North Park, 619-220-8992. The two winners are breakfasts and the adjoining bakery, especially for its 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 (at Madison), University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (10/99)*

**Picasso Spanish Restaurant** 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren’t the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-

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**Whole Foods Market** 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods’ prepared food section will feed you better — and faster — than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their *faroja* salad, like American stuffing, but it’s couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods’ vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N. (4/99)*

## DOWNTOWN

**Acqua Al 2** 322 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-230-0382. Despite its monicker, this isn’t a seafood trattoria, but a near-fishless branch of a restaurant in Florence that won success by eschewing the standard Florentine menu while maintaining Tuscan purity of style. Chef-owner Martin Gonzales trained there and serves as 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 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 compensate for some of the spaciest service in town; a full bar offers a great beer list and decent umbrella drinks. To snag a patio table, reserve it and make sure they write it down. Three hours validated parking, kid-friendly, plenty for vegetarians. Open three meals daily. Prices cover the waterfront. — *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.*

**Deco’s** 731 Fifth Avenue (between G and F), Gaslamp, 619-696-DECO. When the disco is not in session here, there’s surprisingly fine food in this vast, multiroom glamorama, stunningly done up like a Fred-and-Ginger 1930s ballroom. The eats are in a lightly adventurous California-Asian-Mediterranean mode featuring quality seafood handled with care and creativity; don’t miss the ethereal bread pudding for dessert. (The requisite sushi “party rolls” are merely okay.) Service is hip, smart, and kind. Best dining nights: disco-less Tuesday and Wednesday. Call ahead if you want to book an off-menu meal. No cover charge on disco nights for patrons who order dinner before 9 p.m.; no sneaks, shorts, or Ts if you’re clubbing. Serious wine list runs high; full bar. Happy hour Friday; dinner 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 attempts serious Irish cooking — with some successes. Try the lovely herb-rich 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, carnivorous 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 preparations. Best dishes include “BBQ Shrimp, Manales’ Style,” a buttery, spicy New Orleans extravaganza (avail-

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**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 cre-

ated by corporate chefs far away, emphasizing appetizers and desserts over entrées, as 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. Vegetarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There's excellent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent, e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked

in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. — N.W. (12/00)

**Shiraz** 837 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-0203. Owned by the admirable Persian restaurant Bandar a couple of doors down, this restaurant offers nothing exotic — just steaks, chops, seafood, and roast chicken. Go for the steak — it's USDA Prime, juicy and flavorful and reasonably priced. Creamy mashed potatoes and veggies come at no extra charge. Fish quality isn't great; lobster tails (frozen from Australia) are safer. The nightly soup is where the Persian chef shines; don't let the clueless waiter's shrug dissuade you. An appetizer of creamed mushrooms makes a tasty side for meat, better than the "official" sauces. Other starters are mainly steakhouse standards, with airy fried calamari worth a try. California supermarket wines at ruthless markups; steep, skimpy beer list. Dinner nightly from 5 to 11 p.m. Moderate to expensive. — 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)

## SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

**Azzura Point** Loews Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road (Silver Strand Boulevard), Coronado, 619-424-4477. The quietly luxurious dining room with a serene bayfront view is romantic and a bit dressy, but far from stuffy. It's not just for tourists, but a lovely evening's getaway for locals. The California-French cuisine emphasizes seasonal ingredients in slightly unexpected combinations, with especial ingenuity in the appetizers. Along with the six-course "chef's menu," there's a reasonably priced five-course vegetarian menu showcasing fresh herbs grown in the resort's garden. A good wine list at reasonable markups is strong on half-bottles. Free valet parking at the porte cochere of the main lobby. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Very expensive. — N.W. (11/01)

**Bistro D'Asia** 1301 Orange Avenue (at B Avenue), Coronado, 619-437-6677. The relaxing restaurant attached to the hardy perennial "Lizard Lounge" serves gentled-down dishes from all over East Asia. Among the tastiest are delicate lemon shrimps, vegetarian "monk's curry," and ice creams from Mootown Creamery. Reserve for weekend dinners. Lunch/dinner daily. Moderate. — N.W. (12/01)

**Bob's on the Bay** 570 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista Harbor, 619-476-0400. Big, breezy Bob's, with its beautiful Bay view, seems to be the unofficial community center of Chula Vista. 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 inexpensive; Sunday and dinner buffets moderate; à la carte expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

**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. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs,

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**Galley at the Marina** 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. This is a great place to relax, take in the view and decide which yacht you're gonna buy when you win the lotto. It's run by Fran Muncey, widow of Bill Muncey, San Diego's greatest speedboat-racing champion. The tasty, bargain-priced Happy Hour specials (3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday) make a visit worth the trip west of I-5: try a 1/2-pound steerburger with French fries, chicken caesar salad with sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Next morning, catch the breakfast favorite: biscuits and sausage gravy with eggs. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Point-Point Joint** 916 East Eighth Street, National City, 619-474-2866. You're in Little Manila here, heartland of San Diego's Filipino community. So the food has to be authentic. Your problem's going to be choosing. Dozens of dishes with mysterious meats and veggies. You can play safe and choose, say, chicken barbecue on a bamboo spit, chicken *adobo*, or *longaniza* sausage. But you should seek out less familiar choices, too. *Kare-kare* (yam, peanut butter sauce with beef and tripe) is delicious, and so is *dinuguan*, pork in pork blood, also known as "chocolate meat." Want healthy? There's *monggo* (mung beans) with bitter melon leaves, or point to a pile of split, deep-fried fish — *daing na bangus*, vinegar-soaked milk fish, said to be popular with old men with high blood pressure. Lunch, dinner seven days; breakfast Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**VFW** 557 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6917. You may have to get over the feeling you're intruding on a private club here, but boy, is it worth it!

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**Zorbas Family Restaurant** 100 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-8853. We haven't got to plate-breaking yet, but Greek dancing is alive and well at Zorba's on Fridays and Saturdays. That includes the *zembekikos*, where the dancer picks a glass of ouzo off the floor with his mouth and drinks it. The rest of the week? Families fill this place. They're here for the buffet, spooning up the *spanakopita* (spinach in deliciously flaky pastry), *dolmathes*, (ground beef and rice rolled in green leaves), moussaka (eggplant, zucchini, and ground beef), and lamb. Try dividing your meal into three: first visit the salad section. Grab their real, strong-tasting olives, tabouli, hummus, onions, lettuce, and pita bread. Return for the heavies, the lamb and beef dishes. Then leave room for baklava and other desserts. It may not be the gourmet's method, but there's no better way to fill a belly. Lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (2/03)*

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**El Rincon Del Oso** Location 47, Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria, Rio 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)*

**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.*

**La Petite Cafe** Avenida Constitución #720-Q, in Foreign Club Passage off Revolución between 3rd and 4th (beside Maxim's), Tijuana, 688-2171. You're in a side eddy here from the storm of Revolución among Olmec sculptures, Aztec calendars, trees, and amazing quiet. It's standard *casera* (homestyle) food: Spanish chicken with rice and beans, pork chops in green sauce, red enchiladas, steak ranchero, liver-and-onion stew, *chicharrón* (crisp fried pork rind) in a red sauce, and of course *carne asada*, but cooked well and priced amazingly low. Check the generous five-item-plus-coffee breakfast special.

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**Mr. Fish** 6000 Blvd. Agua Caliente, Tijuana, 686-3603. It's fun to eat in this restaurant with its thatched roof and wide variety of fish and seafood. Don't overlook the whole fish, either steamed or fried, the filet in garlic butter, or, for those who'd like a smorgasbord, the "Combination Mr. Fish," which supplies fresh lobster, shrimp, squid, and a filet of fish. The half-dozen preparations of crêpes are wild — there's even a Mexican version of blintzes. Open Sunday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Follow Revolución until it bends to the left and becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin high-rise towers. Mr. Fish is on the right-hand side of the road, just before the country club. Moderate. — *E.W.*

**Salon Azteca** Rosarito Beach Hotel, south end of Boulevard Juarez, Rosarito, 661-612-1111. This faithful old hotel's all-you-can-eat Sunday brunch buffet offers a great excuse to check out the gorgeous architecture and meet other travelers in town. To reach the buffet, go to the left behind the registration desk to the Salon Azteca, walk in, grab a plate, and start dishing up your breakfast from the long line of cafeteria-like bins filled with *gringo*, *gringo-Mex*, real Mexican (*menudo*), and international specialties. Expect to tip if you want something from the omelet or carving station. Next, plunk down at a table where a waiter

will arrive to serve you juice and endless cups of decent coffee. Casual dress. Secure parking in hotel lot for a small extra charge. Sundays only, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Somewhat expensive for the area; Visa and MasterCard accepted. — *N.W. (4/03)*

**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)*

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# Suck It Up

*Whatever the film lacks in solidity of logic, it more than makes up in steadiness of pace.*

It is a rarity that I get to see a major-studio release without having first seen a theatrical or TV trailer for it, without having seen a still photo from it or an ad of it, without having seen a single image. As well as a rarity, it could be said to be a Bad Sign: an indicator of studio apathy or despair, the mark of a throwaway.

Critics, in turn, are prone to respond to such cues as their permission to dismiss a film, to swap the heavy artillery for a peashooter. Practically all I knew about *Spartan* beforehand was that it was written and directed by David Mamet, normally a Good Sign, an indicator of a high level of craftsmanship if never a high level of commercialism. It would be glib of me to say that *naturally*, in the absence of studio and critical support or prospects of mass appeal, it proved to be a superior piece of filmmaking, a film made for all the right reasons and with an *esprit de corps* comparable to a work by, say, an Akira Kurosawa or an Ingmar Bergman, a universe unto itself. (Mamet alumni William H. Macy and Ed O'Neill are on

board, but receive no special treatment.) That, all the same, is what it is, whether naturally or — as I tend to believe — preternaturally.

A connoisseur's thriller, distilled almost to a state of abstraction, it sweeps us up from a top-secret military training ground, a sort of special-ops tryout camp, and drops us down in the midst of an unfolding national crisis: the President's daughter, a wing-spreading college student in Boston, has had the bad fortune to get herself shanghaied as a sex slave, ticketed for the Middle East, on the same day she has had her hair cut short and dyed blond. Her abductors apparently do not know who they've got on their hands.

There are numerous points — this being one or two of them — at which the plotting might seem far-fetched, but there is no point at which we are allowed the leisure to measure precisely how far. Exposition is minimal (familiar appellations such as "First Daughter," "Delta Force," "FBI," "CIA," even "President," are never ut-

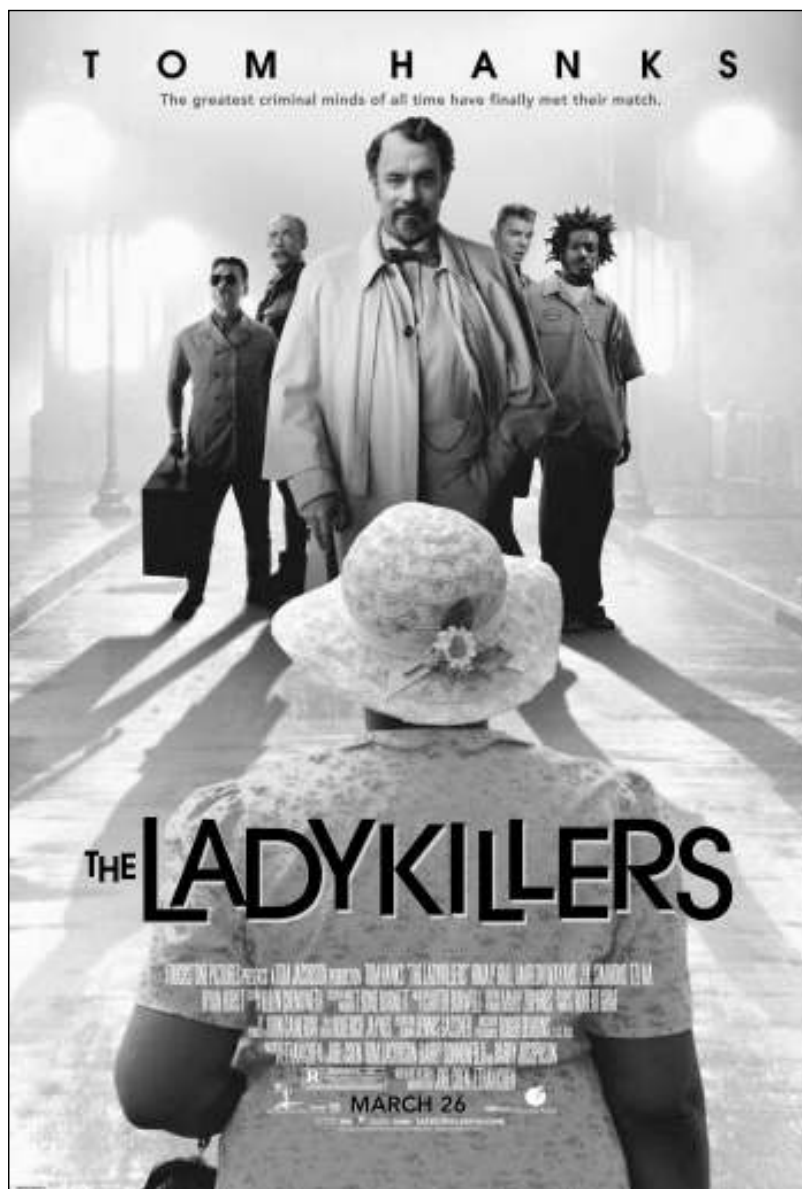


Spartan

tered), and we must strain to pick up our facts and our clues on the fly, from characters too deeply immersed and too pressed for time to be bothered to bring us up to speed. They often-times fail even to identify themselves. Links in the chain of events are not always securely fastened, and not all questions will be answered, nor all t's

crossed and i's dotted. (Eyes crossed, more likely, as in the Picasso-esque self-portrait with which the missing girl signs her missives.) Elliptical and cryptic in equal degree, the storytelling demands the strictest attention, and ideally a second viewing, not so much that we may find more answers as that we may raise more questions. The thrice-

posed question, for instance, of who frisked the Secret Serviceman, derelict in his duty, who remorsefully put a bullet into his head gives way instead to the implicit question of who *really* put the bullet in his head. And did the abductors, after all, *really* not know who they had on their hands? The effect is exhilarating, and frankly a little



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It isn't that Mamet, the all-knowing creator of this universe, would be unable to provide answers to our ques-

But there is more to Mamet than rhythm. He has here taken what we know, or what we think we know, about contemporary American politics and recent history — Pat Nixon's and Betty Ford's boozing, Clinton's philandering, the misdemeanor citation of the junior Bush's daughter, the disappearance of Chandra Levy (remember the floated hypothesis that she was in an Arabian harem?), any hostage crisis you care to recall — and has poured it into the mold of the fairy tale: "the one about the king who turned his daughter into gold." That allusion to the Midas myth comes from the mouth of the abducted daughter, but it is the hero himself who first explicitly opens the door to the magic kingdom, when, in summarizing the situation to a colleague, he discreetly replaces the word "President" with the word "King," in children's storybook style.

Other fairy-tale connections, much

The Midas myth, you will recollect, served also as the foundation for Mamet's *Heist*. And if the earlier film (less political, more universal) surrendered a little in integrity in return for a crowd-pleasing ending, the same weakness cannot be detected in this one. The toughness of the film fully lives up to its title, which derives from yet another Greek myth, or anyhow ancient-history lesson: the one about the king of Sparta who, when asked by a neighbor for military aid, dispatched in response exactly one man. That's pretty much the size of the climactic rescue operation here, and our one-man army is no Rambo, although he does have an ace in the hole — not exactly a man. (The worker bee grows a brain.) The title, patently, works two ways, as both a noun and an adjective. It categorizes the hero, and it characterizes the filmmaker's style. In neither way does it deceive.

In *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*, Charlie Kaufman, the scriptwriter of *Being John Malkovich*, *Adaptation*, and *Confessions of a Dangerous Mind*, drills a new tunnel into his favorite

The French origins of director Michel Gondry, who earlier collaborated with Kaufman on *Human Nature*, prompt us to draw a connection to Alain Resnais quicker than we otherwise might. The latter's explorations of the mind in general and memory in specific are, fittingly enough, far more cerebral (*Hiroshima Mon Amour*, *Last Year at Marienbad*, *Providence*), though he himself was not above making use of a science-fictional device: the haywire time machine in *Je T'Aime, Je T'Aime*, pinballing its human guinea pig through the lowlights of an unhappy love affair. (The theme of cold-science-versus-warm-humanity emerged there, too.) Gondry, a music-video and TV-advertising veteran, with a common weakness for the wacky and the tacky, has none of the refinement of Resnais, but that's no reason to condemn him out of hand. A popularized, a vulgarized version is preferable to none at all; it might even inspire the odd viewer or two to follow the trail back to the fountainhead. Prisoners of the popular and the vulgar, meanwhile, might be more immediately interested in the curious overlap with *50 First Dates*: an unpalatable Upbeat Ending crammed down the viewer's throat, in concert with the forgotten but well-documented past crammed down the heroine's. To its credit, the Upbeat Ending here feels more precarious.

Jim Carrey, whose casting in such a project can no longer be called off-beat (not after *The Truman Show* and *Man on the Moon* and *The Majestic*), does not bring a lot to the role, but in light of what he brings to his signature roles, the deficiency can be counted a blessing. Kate Winslet, on the other hand, brings plenty of the appropriate Warm Humanity. And a veritable rainbow of hair dyes.

Madstone Hazard Center, up to its old tricks, launches another Premier Pic Series this Friday: six new films in six weeks, all of them with low profiles and low name recognition and best approached (by adventurers, explorers, and prospectors) with low expectations. First up is *Made-Up*, starring Brooke Adams, directed by her actor-husband Tony Shallhoub (who also appears on screen), and scripted by her sister Lynne Adams (who also appears, also). Sort of a Henry Jaglom-y home movie, or home video rather, and sort of a Christopher Guest-y mockumentary, in which a team of student filmmakers film themselves making a documentary on issues of beauty and aging, mothers and daughters, older men and younger women, divorce and dating. In short, sort of formless and messy. It has some humor; and Brooke Adams, exposing

the ravages of time on her own person to close scrutiny, has some nerve; and Eva Amurri, real-life daughter of Susan Sarandon, represents *Insouciant Youth* with charm and modesty and a modicum of gloating.

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A guest appearance by Chloë Sevigny gave me sufficient excuse to watch, for the first time, the NBC sitcom *Will & Grace*. I can't say I got much out of it (Chloë Sevigny with a laugh track: "Shut up and French me!"), but I suspect that she herself got more out of it monetarily than out of most of her feature films. It would be interesting to know. ■

## MOVIE LISTINGS

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**Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London** — Frankie Muniz returns as the teen superspy, directed by Kevin Allen. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINDERAMA 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; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHOS DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**American Splendor** — A chewable bone thrown to the famished fans of *Ghost World*, with a protagonist closely related to the latter's Steve Buscemi in his marginal existence, his menial job, his obliviousness or out-and-out resistance to fashion, his patronage of yard sales, his esoteric record collection, his congenital negativity. One difference, of course, is that the present protagonist is an actual living person, one Harvey Pekar, a 365-days-a-year sourpuss, sorehead, and bellyacher ("I don't know how to be positive"), and a lifelong file clerk at a V.A. hospital in Cleveland, who eventually became the protagonist of a series of autobiographical underground comics also titled *American Splendor* (illustrated by various hands, starting with R. Crumb), and who by that avenue became the sometime foil of David Letterman and the full-time husband of one Joyce Brabner, a "self-diagnosed anemic" and all-around hypochondriac, who began as a fan of the comics and wound up as a character in them and a collaborator on them. Another difference from the Buscemi character is that this one, center-stage the entire time, must carry the whole load by himself. And even though Paul Giamatti, the very epitome of a supporting player, relishes his chance at a lead, he's a bit of a one-note, a bit of a stickler about always staying "in character." The danger of him thus seeming to be putting on an act is that he seems to be insinuating that Pekar too is putting on an act. Our respect for the man teeters in the balance. In covering the complete biographical arc at one sitting, the film inevitably deviates from the amorphous daily minutiae in which the comic books wallow. It comes to resemble instead a conventional American success story — however modest or ironic or parodistic a one — with a suspiciously rosy ending after a climactic battle against cancer. The infiltration of the action with other likenesses of the hero — the real Harvey Pekar behind the scenes and in voice-over, the real Pekar in archival clips from the Letterman show (major exception: his ill-tempered meltdown on the air must be re-enacted by Giamatti and a silhouetted stand-in for Letterman), along with assorted comic-book incarnations of Pekar — feels not so much artistically bold and daring and liberated as artistically casual, capricious, slovenly. Maybe, in smaller concentrations, there's something bold and daring and liberated inherent in those very

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qualities, and in any event they certainly suit the protagonist. With Hope Davis; written and directed by Shari Springer Berman and Robert Pulcini. 2003. ★★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3/22, 6:30 P.M.)

**The Barbarian Invasions** — Writer-director Denys Arcand's follow-up to his *Decline of the American Empire*, albeit following along at too far a distance — seventeen years — to have much meaning for those who never bothered, through follow-up viewings, to commit the predecessor to memory. It may be that this highbrow weepie — the accelerated sunset of a self-described “sensual socialist,” who bears a striking resemblance to Lon Chaney, Jr. — is as smart and sophisticated as advertised, but surely not cinematically. Even theatrically or literarily, the smartness and sophistication are apt to register as a bit precious, a bit unctuous, a bit ostentatious. And the plot mechanics of obtaining a private room on an unoccupied floor of a hospital, plus a sub-rosa supply of heroin in place of the prescribed morphine, are a shade too smart and sophisticated for their own good. A millionaire in the family can make things easier on everyone, especially on a wily,

weaselly scriptwriter. With Rémy Girard, Stéphane Rousseau, Marie-Josée Croze, Dorothee Berryman, Marina Hands. 2003. ★ (LA JOLLA 12)

**Barbershop 2: Back in Business** — Comedy yields to homily in the face of avaricious developers. A socially conscious snore. With Ice Cube and Cedric the Entertainer; directed by Kevin Rodney Sullivan. 2004. ● (MISSION VALLEY 20; VOGUE)

**The Battle of Algiers** — Gillo Pontecorvo's re-staging of the Algerian struggle for independence tries for a journalistic effect — an historical epic in a newsreel idiom. But this effect really owes less to the grainy black-and-white image than to the selectivity of information, the slanting of same, and the editorializing. The cast — well-chosen faces of frozen intensity — is nonprofessional with one notable exception. The exception is Jean Martin, as the mastermind of the French anti-terrorist clean-up operation, who makes a persuasive case for the use of professionals, through his firm, magisterial command of the screen. 1966. ★★ (KEN, 3/19 THROUGH 25)

**Big Fish** — Big bore. Tim Burton, to inhibit erosion of his “fan base,” needed to bounce back in a big way from the commercial conservatism of *Planet of the Apes*, and in Daniel Wallace's slender novel he

has found a fund of peculiarity: the sententious and sentimental memoirs of an Alabama fabulist, none of whose tall tales and fish stories — literally tall in the case of a twelve-foot giant, literally fishy in the case of a freshwater Moby Dick known as The Beast — explains how the moles on his cheek and forehead vanished between the time he was Ewan McGregor and the time he was Albert Finney. (Helena Bonham Carter remains roughly the same age opposite each of them.) The narration-heavy narrative is inescapably bookish, demoting the director to an enslaved illustrator, much the same, come to that, as in *Planet*. And inasmuch as his come-and-go visual gifts have on this occasion mostly deserted him, there is not a lot to recommend it. The perilous parachute mission into a Red Chinese encampment in the middle of a variety show (ventriloquist for warm-up, Siamese twins for headliners) is funny, but not notably Burton-y. With Billy Crudup, Jessica Lange, Alison Lohman, Danny DeVito, Steve Buscemi. 2003. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Bull Durham** — A baseball comedy about life in the lowly Carolina League. Some of the sidelong glances at ballpark ambience are perhaps (just about) enough to get on the good side of any fan of the sport. But scriptwriter and first-time director Ron Shelton doesn't do much to flesh out the various members of the team or its hangers-on, and the scope of the action quickly shrinks to just three: a young pitching phenom, a veteran catcher, and a self-styled quasi-religiose groupie. A romantic triangle, of sorts, develops. The phenom (Tim Robbins) is a highly successful portrait in the Ring Lardner vein, with appropriate updatings: surfer's patois, Iron Maiden and Mötley Crüe T-shirts, an oft-mentioned Porsche to convince himself and others of his own importance. But the cool, cynical, philosophical veteran, an axis of nobility around which the Lardneresque numbskull dizzily spins, is very much an intellectual's fantasy figure, achieving almost tragic (or at least existential) stature by the end. Although he (Kevin Costner) and the groupie (Susan Sarandon) seem right for each other — swapping opinions, but no supporting arguments, on Susan Sontag, for instance — they don't seem right for the movie. Or (same difference) right for baseball. 1988. ★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 3/20, 9:45 P.M.)

**City of God** — A slice of “kinetic” cinema (or what would be called “hyperactive” if it were a child) that grabs you by the shirt collar and shakes the living daylight out of you: an antsy camera, fast-motion, split-

screen, yellow flashbacks, a loop-the-loop storyline that keeps circling back on itself, a tangential digression, a yackety-yak-yak wiseguy narration, chapter headings, the kitchen sink. The subject of gun-crazy youth gangs in the slums of Rio de Janeiro is of course a real one, and indeed the budding photographer hero is based upon a real person, with a paraded portfolio of real photos to prove it. But while the violence is unglamorous, the voguish, flashy, anything-David-O.-Russell-or-Roger-Avary-can-do-I-can-do-better visual style tends to trivialize everything. And monotone it. With Alexandre Rodrigues, Matheus Nachtergaele, Seu Jorge; written and directed by Fernando Meirelles. 2002. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Cold Mountain** — The hardships and heartache of the American Civil War, cushioned in the plushness of the production: the crane-happy camera, the spendthrift special effects, the “painterly” washes of color and “dynamic” compositions, the visual poetry and bombast, the chiselled and sanded faces of the A-list romantic leads, Nicole Kidman (with her Orientalized eyes) and Jude Law (blue lagoons). Paying customers will likely feel they are getting a lot for their money, and no doubt they are getting a lot of money for their money. They will also be getting, by way of the prize-winning novel by Charles Frazier, spools and spools of storyline, strung out to a slight sag: back and forth in time, from the Siege of Petersburg in 1864 and its immediate aftermath, to the antebellum quietude of the North Carolina hills; and then, after the convergence of the two time lines, back and forth in space only, from the eventful homeward trek of a wounded Confederate deserter, to the struggle of the womenfolk to keep the home fires burning. On both fronts, it's the gentle sex who bear the heaviest burdens, particularly moral and philosophical ones: “[If] I had my way, they'd take metal altogether out of this world, every gun, every blade.” No doubt, too, the film gains interest as a companion piece to director Anthony Minghella's earlier *English Patient*, in once again promoting personal priority over general cause, and the lover over the fighter. The large cast has plenty of interest of its own. Renée Zellweger, as an Erskine Caldwell — or even Al Capp — poor white trashy Southerner (strike up the fiddle and banjo), runs rings around Kidman's well-bred belle once she is let loose almost an hour into the film; and there are strong contributions from Eileen Atkins (a backwoods goatherd meticulously realized down to the dirt beneath her fingernails), Kathy Baker, James Gammon, Ray Winstone, Brendan Gleeson, Donald Sutherland, and Natalie Portman.

But then again, the cast also has Philip Seymour Hoffman and Giovanni Ribisi in it. 2003. ★★ (PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

**Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen** — Her Highness is exiled from the island of Manhattan to the cultural wilderness of Dellwood, New Jersey, a new world to conquer. The adult perspective (i.e., sardonic condescension, campy ornamentation) doesn't broaden the appeal beyond girls only — little ones. With Lindsay Lohan, Adam Garcia, Glenn Headly, Alison Pill, and Carol Kane; directed by Sara Sugarman. 2004. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; VOGUE)

**The Cooler** — Las Vegas fairy tale, from first-time director Wayne Kramer, full of hand-me-down ideas about the old-school gangster who still believes in busting kneecaps to keep order, the failed showgirl and the tail-for-sale, the poor-man's Sinatra and “the next Harry Connick, Jr.,” the changing economic landscape: “There comes a time to decide whether you're running a museum or you're running a casino.” The title character, tailor-made for William H. Macy, is not so smudgily marked by fingerprints: such an accursed loser that he is employed by the Golden Shangri-La to contaminate its customers by his mere presence, like the passing vampire who withers the flowers in his path. After one good roll in the hay with a willing cocktail waitress (Maria Bello), he loses his “magic,” however. And suddenly the always empty creamer for his coffee is brimming over, and his flattened hair has acquired some fluff. Completely unacceptable, completely unswallowable from its opening premise to its final outcome (one hates to agree with the hero's ne'er-do-well son: “It don't compute”), the textbook script lays tracks for an emotional roller coaster, depressing in its regularity and predictability. Because the film is an “indie,” the sex is smellier than in the mainstream, but the sentiment no less flowery: “You put me up on a pedestal. It sure puts the gutter in perspective.” Alec Baldwin, Shawn Hatosy. 2003. ● (LA PALOMA, FROM 3/19)

**Dawn of the Dead** — Remake of the George Romero gorefest, with Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames, and Mekhi Phifer, directed by Zack Snyder. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 3/19)

**Dirty Dancing: Havana Nights** — Brought to Batista's Cuba by her well-heeled father in late '58, a blond blue-eyed Jane Austen reader (Romola Garai) gets a bit of a Lawrentian thing going with a swarthy young pool boy (Diego Luna, a true cutie). Patrick Swayze, from the original *Dirty Dancing*, trying desperately to look younger than he looked seventeen years ago, pops up in the same role to offer some pointers on the art of Latin Ballroom. The film is woefully inadequate on the politics, and barely adequate on the dancing, yet it attains a level of fluffy comfort. With Sela Ward, John Slattery, and Jonathan Jackson; directed by Guy Ferland. 2004. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**La Dolce Vita** — Federico Fellini's diagnosis of what ails the modern world. It is not a short list. It is, rather, a long-winded discourse that sooner or later touches on nearly everyone's favorite vice. At least one of the subjects covered — the Roman paparazzi — is pinned down definitively. For the rest, this vulgar, energetic, and often over-extended movie is a handy summation of the moral laxities of the Jet Set Age.

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**Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** — Reviewed this issue. With Jim

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**Eurotrip** — Horny American teenagers experience European stereotypes on summer vacation. Rated “R” for Raunch. With Scott Mechlowicz, Jacob Pitts, Michelle Trachtenberg, and Travis Wester; directed by Jeff Schaffer. 2004.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Field of Dreams** — The Twilight Zone, or something very like it, in Iowa. A disembodied voice, more precisely a stereophonic and cyclonic whisper, prevails on a transplanted city man (Kevin Costner) to carve a baseball field out of the cornstalks — and onto it come “the great Shoeless Joe Jackson” (batting from the wrong side of the plate) and assorted All-Stars of Baseball Heaven. But that isn’t the end of it. The voice next sends the man on puzzling missions to Massachusetts and Minnesota. The mystery element in all this gives the movie a certain momentum for a time. And, as the cornfield-turned-ballfield comes into focus as a device to turn back the clock and to revisit the past, it begins to emerge as a workable metaphor of Lost Innocence and Lost Hope. But the components of the mystery do not finally snap into place, and the metaphor becomes increasingly strained, and the tidal wave of treacle at the finish (“Is there a heaven?” “Oh yeah, it’s the place dreams come true”) could freeze even the mushiest of hearts. The name of the game, aptly enough, turns out not to be baseball but cornball. With Amy Madigan, James Earl Jones, and Burt Lancaster; written and directed by Phil Alden Robinson. 1989.

★ (MISSION VALLEY 20, 3/20, 5:10 P.M.)

**50 First Dates** — High-concept romantic comedy about a love-'em-and-leave-'em ladykiller, a marine-park veterinarian in Hawaii, who tumbles for a brain-damaged blonde who can retain no short-term memories since her year-ago car accident and who is doomed every day to relive the day of the accident with no knowledge of intervening days: a scoop of *Groundhog Day*, a dash of *Memento*. It showcases the unique comic gifts of Adam Sandler, namely the ability to be funny only when attempting to be tender, touching, heart-tugging, etc. (With that in view, don't leave your seat, if you insist on taking one in the first place, until the long-winded "dedication" to his late father in the closing credits.) He gets little help from Drew Barrymore's self-infantilization, Rob Schneider's two-toned eyes, Sean Astin's lisp, or running gags to do with walrus genitals and the androgyny of a braided German *fräulein*. Blake Clark, as the heroine's guilt-ridden father, doesn't even try to be funny and comes off, by comparison, looking like John Wayne. Directed by Peter Segal. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKET-PLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN: TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**The Fog of War** — Errol Morris documentary, subtitled “Eleven Lessons from the Life of Robert S. McNamara.” It amounts to a sort of anti-war seminar chaired, hosted, conducted by the eighty-five-year-old former Secretary of Defense (a/k/a “Mac the Knife”) throughout the first phase of the Vietnam War (a/k/a “McNamara’s War”). What you think of it will

be difficult to disentangle from what you think of *him* in specific, and war in general. The eleven lessons, taken straight from the horse's mouth, run along the lines of "Empathize with your enemy" and "Rationality will not save us" and "In order to do good you may have to engage in evil." Each of these and the eight others are neatly tied in to events from McNamara's life, illustrated with well-chosen archival footage to supplement Morris's nose-to-nose (or rather, nose-to-lens) interview material. Basic biographical information gets filled in along

the way: infancy in World War I, college during the Great Depression, marriage and military service in World War II (when he would first team up with that Vietnam ogre, Gen. Curtis LeMay, architect of the firebombing of Tokyo), postwar prosperity with the Ford Motor Company, and then an invitation to Camelot to sit at the Round Table with Kennedy and Kennedy and Company. The movie compels your interest. But it might be better to say that the man compels your interest: an imposing man, and in the eyes of history an impor-

tant man, by all accounts a brilliant man, seemingly, at this stage, self-assessing, self-transforming, and fearlessly self-revealing. But the movie can't, or anyway doesn't, supply sufficient information to sort out his motives or his truthfulness in here reshaping his legend and his legacy. It is no small thing for a man in his position to confess that his understanding of the essential nature of the conflict in Vietnam was incorrect — and no small “scoop” for a documentary. But although he, together with the handholding filmmaker, cultivates as-

sent on that and many other points — and although the ticking-bomb background music of the ever-monotonous Philip Glass insists on the urgency and the magnitude of the business at hand — these are social and political and historical rather than artistic issues. The artistry is little more than functional. 2003.

★★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 3/18)

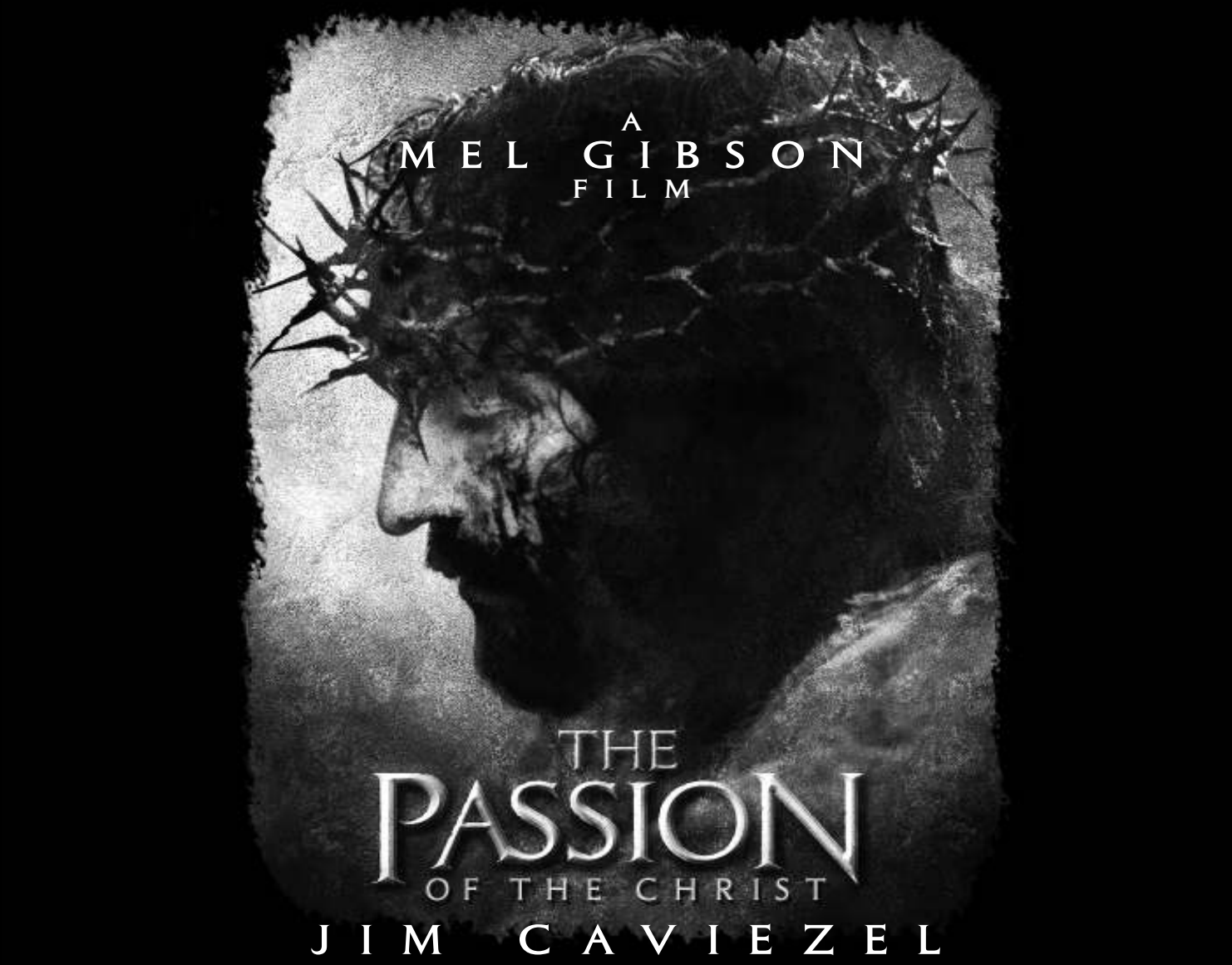
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mushier on one side of the scales than on the other. The attempt to accommodate two movies in one might account for the bloatedness of the project, though in fact the narrative structure seems designed for economy. Kevin Costner, whose mere presence can be taken as fair warning for bloat, is back again on the baseball diamond, this time on the pitcher's mound instead of behind the plate (see *Bull Durham*), as an old-school hurler nearing retirement after nineteen years with the Detroit Tigers, and taking the hill in Yankee Stadium on the last day of a dismal season, in a meaningless game to the Tigers but not to the Yankees. The progress of the game is interrupted for flashbacks to his long-running affair with a free-lance journalist and single mom, who has just broken off the relationship but cannot escape the big game on radio and TV as she awaits a flight to London at JFK. And wouldn't you know, as sure as Hollywood loves hyperbole, that the sore-armed old warrior would be working on a perfect game — it couldn't just be a shutout, couldn't just be a *tight* game — in what might well be his last one? The back-and-forth between past and present is tailor-made for compression — tailor-made for highlights — but the movement through both time zones is hip-deep in molasses. And director Sam Raimi does not seem disposed to crack the whip. Somewhat constrained by the gravity of his previous effort, *A Simple Plan*, Raimi is here virtually neutered: a slave to the stars, a pop-song deejay, a collector of clichés (the screen-filling shot of teammates walking shoulder to shoulder toward the camera in slo-mo), a company man. There is nary a trace of the frisky filmmaker of *Darkman* and *The Quick and the Dead*. Kelly Preston, Jena Malone, John C. Reilly. 1999. ★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 3/20, 7:30 P.M.)

**Girl with a Pearl Earring** — Envisioning a chain of events that might have led to the Vermeer painting of the same name: the coming to the Master's household of a chaste young maid, daughter of a blinded Delft tile painter, and her inch-by-inch entrée to the artist's atelier by virtue of her

demonstrated interest in and sensitivity to and appreciation of his work — a privilege withheld from his baby-machine wife — even to the extent of improving the composition of a work-in-progress by taking it upon herself to reposition a chair (yes, X-rays have shown that Vermeer indeed painted over a chair in *Woman with a Water Jug*, but they don't show that it wasn't his own idea), and finally becoming the inspiration and the model for the titular masterwork. The mutual attraction between master and maid, a matter of pregnant looks and the close proximity of fingertips, never approaches the sexual, unless you count the symbolism of the ear piercing and its hymenal (or hymenesque) spot of blood. It may just as well have been sexual, however, to judge by the way the maid's breath quickens and catches and the way the wife rages when she gets wind of the secret portrait and storms into the inner sanctum: "It's obscene!" The whole thing manifests itself as understatedly ludicrous, quietly overwrought, demurely melodramatic, blushingly novelettish, a would-be bodice ripper in impregnable Calvinist clothing. And it is hard to escape the essential impression of an envious and covetous outsider, trying, out of the most reverential motives, to horn in on the artistic process, to experience vicariously the power of genius, hopefully to get a particle of it to rub off somehow — in short, an impression of the art-studio equivalent to the locker-room jock-sniffer. (A smock-sniffer, maybe?) The foregoing is a profile that fits alike the original novelist Tracy Chevalier, the screenwriter Olivia Hetreed, the first-time director Peter Webber, and naturally the wish-fulfilling heroine who serves as their appointed deputy. There is undoubtedly some elementary educational value in the documentation of the clothes, the interiors, the daily tasks, the painting techniques of 17th-century Holland, although it might be questioned whether Scarlett Johansson's lips are suitable for casting in any period prior to the Age of Collagen. The air of scrupulous research is everywhere undeniable: a nice way of saying that the movie feels stuffy, lifeless, bone-dry. And the technically proficient photography of Eduardo Serra, in constant competition with the Dutch Master in quest of that sideways white light, has the inevitable effect (again out of the most reverential motives) of diminishing the precious few Vermeers that survive, first by suggesting that any old

someone could have noticed and reproduced the painter's visions, and second by flooding the market with facsimiles. Colin Firth, Judy Parfitt, Tom Wilkinson. 2003. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Good Bye, Lenin** — Wolfgang Becker's political comedy on the fall of Communism in East Germany. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Hidalgo** — One of the legion of Disney sports films — the allegedly factual story of a long-distance Bedouin horse race across the Ocean of Fire to Damascus — feeds the current hunger (to put it as crudely as it merits) to kick some Arab butt. The titular mustang, the lone American entry in the field, mirrors the components of his native land: horse of the Red Indian, descended from Spain, of mixed blood, and subjected to a bit of thoroughbred (or Old World) snobbery. His rider, the legendary Pony Express courier Frank T. Hopkins (a mumbly Viggo Mortensen), is himself a half-breed, who otherwise perfectly matches the profile of the American invader and conqueror of *The Last Samurai*: a drunken participant in Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, a tormented soul eaten by guilt over the massacred Sioux at Wounded Knee, and a rakish blade who effortlessly cuts through cultural barriers and in particular the facial veil of a sheik's daughter named Jazira ("Why do I feel that you truly see me when others do not?"). Spurred on by the blustery music of James Newton Howard, horse and rider outrun a computer-generated desert tsunami (curse of *The Mummy*), dodge a couple of cartoon leopards (sons of *Gladiator*), and tilt into a three-way photo finish after a race of three thousand miles. Fact-check, anyone? With Omar Sharif and Zuleikha Robinson; directed by Joe Johnston. 2004.

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**Latter Days** — Homosexual romance with Wesley Ramsey, Steve Sandvoss, Jacqueline Bisset, and Mary Kay Place, written and directed by C. Jay Cox. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Little Big League** — "Family" pablum about an eleven-year-old baseball fan (Luke Edwards) who inherits the Minnesota Twins from his granddad, installs himself as their manager ("It's the American League. They got the DH. How hard can it be?"), and learns that he wants still to be a kid. High on decency, low on everything else. Good advertisement for the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome, including the private boxes and clubhouse. With Timothy Busfield, John Ashton, Ashley Crow; directed by Andrew Scheinman. 1994. ● (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 3/20, 3 P.M.)

**The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King** — Peter Jackson grinds out the final 200 minutes: "Things are now in motion," intones Gandalf, "that cannot be undone." From this promontory, you can look back and see the immensity of the enterprise, indeed so immense — nine hours and two years — that you can barely remember whence you have come, or why. One measure of the immensity, over and above the increasing confusion, is the increasing dependence on the expeditious head shot, a time-saving mainstay of the made-for-TV quickie. Astoundingly enough, the filmmaker manages to crank up some excitement as the end approaches, or maybe it's only some eager anticipation of relief. Whatever it is, it gets discharged over the last hour and a half or so, when the movie seems to be forever on the verge of ending; and the twenty minutes or so after the conclusion of the hostilities amount to sheer torture. Even at that, there's no time set aside to get back to Saruman for a reaction from the losers' locker room. Or for that matter, no time for a pre-game pep talk or a halftime strategy adjustment, either: Christopher Lee is nowhere to be seen. Part Three certainly has its moments: the relay of the signal fires ("Hope is kindled") across the mountain peaks is really quite thrilling ("And Rohan will answer"); and the giant spider Shelob is a skin-crawling special effect, though not more tingling, in another way, than fat Sam to the rescue. (With this, Sean Astin has his meatiest screen role after *Rudy*.) But the decisive battle is even more interminable than the one in Part Two, and more ruinously cartoonized through computer-generated imagery. Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen, Viggo Mortensen, Orlando Bloom, Liv Tyler, Cate Blanchett. 2003. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA

MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VISTA VILLAGE)

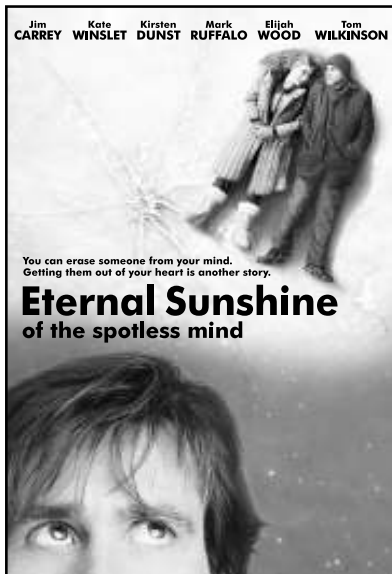
**The Lost Skeleton of Cadavra** — A well-informed, soft-hearted send-up (as opposed to a peremptory putdown) of the grade-Z science fiction of the Fifties, wherein an altruistic scientist, a megalomaniacal scientist, a pair of stranded space aliens, and a dormant mind-controlling skeleton squabble over a radioactive element called Atmospherium. Its blatant shortcomings — the uncharismatic cast, the inane dialogue, the clunky direction (Larry Blamire, who doubles as the good scientist: "Too *much* science? Is that possible?"), the threadbare production, the hand-crafted special effects, the canned music — come, of course, under the protections of parody. But the black-and-white DV image, or rather the dishwater-gray DV image or the cataract-cloudy DV image, falls outside those protections. Rather than looking like a grade-Z film of the Fifties, which at least would have been shot on 35mm celluloid, it looks more like a third-generation video dupe of a 16mm TV print of one. Amusing notions pop up throughout. One of the most amusing of them, an amalgam of four forest creatures transmuted into human form and christened Animala (slinkily interpreted by Jennifer Blaire in a black body stocking) pops up quite late. Still, parodies are notorious for wearing out their welcome, every bit as fast as, if not faster than, campy offerings of All-Time Worst Films. Only a person who can sit contentedly through an entire Ed Wood film could count this one a profitable investment (of time or ticket price). With Fay Masterson, Andrew Parks, Susan McConnell, Brian Howe. 2004. ● (KEN, THROUGH 3/18)

**Made-Up** — Reviewed this issue. With Brooke Adams, Lynne Adams, Eva Amurri, and Tony Shalhoub; directed by Shalhoub. ★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, 3/19 THROUGH 25)

**Major League** — Sentimentally democratic baseball comedy, which imagines that a group of "has-beens and never-will-be's," assembled for the express purpose of finishing last and enabling the disenchanted team owner to re-locate from Cleveland to Miami, could nevertheless, without any *Damn Yankees* supernatural intervention, vie for the pennant. A sitcom cast of characters, given material fully worthy of them, and even less sports action than normal in these circumstances. Tom Berenger, Charlie

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Sheen, Corbin Bernsen, James Gammon; written and directed by David S. Ward. 1989.  
● (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 3/20, 11:40 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 copper-skinned native on whom Lucky Jack 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 violin-and-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.  
★★★ (GASLAMP 15; VOGUE)

**Miracle** — On its face, this looks to be just another float in the never-ending parade of Disney sports films, otherwise known as triumph without sweat: the Inspirational True Story, as so many of them are, of the hockey game that was more than a hockey game, when Team USA met Team USSR in the medal round at the 1980 Winter Olympics in Lake Placid. In short, *Rocky* on skates — and indeed the best the movie can do to illustrate the superiority of the Soviets on ice is to depict them as huge, glowering, and robotic (see *Rocky 4*), and forget about their fluidity and finesse. What lifts the movie well above the norm, however, and rescues it from its abundant clichés (the telephoto shot of the teammates in uniform striding shoulder to shoulder toward the camera, the slow-motion-happy action highlights, the freeze-frame final image of raised index fingers), is Kurt Russell’s portrayal — and screenwriter Eric Guggenheim’s and director Gavin O’Connor’s portrayal — of the American coach, Herb Brooks, who would perish in a single-car accident not long after completion of the filming, and, as we are told in a printed coda, would never get to see it. Everything you could ask for, and more, is here: the benevolent despotism (“I’ll be your coach, I won’t be your friend”), the my-way-or-the-highway mentality (“I’m not looking for the *best* players.... I’m looking for the *right* players”), the angry locker-room tirade at intermission (“You guys are playing like this is some throwaway game up in Rochester!”), the grim undemonstrative ulcer-cultivating demeanor, the terrible checkered pants and sports jacket, the tunnel-visioned obliviousness to a pop-cultural phenomenon such as “the Coneheads,” the suffering but supportive wife (indie queen Patricia Clarkson), the arcane strategizing, the well-detailed practice sessions, the repeated refrain to each of his new recruits —



The Battle of Algiers

“Who do you play for?” — to which a satisfactory answer (after a lot of accurate but unsatisfactory answers: “University of Minnesota,” “Boston University,” etc.) finally and stirringly comes: “I play for the United States of America!” Russell enacts the part with a light Minnesota accent, nothing to touch off the giggles of *Fargo*, and always with sufficient reserve (that clipped, damped-down accent is a help) to ensure that the emotional payoff will be a jackpot: alone in the tunnel to the locker room after the game, he can at last let it all out, if only he knew how. 2004.  
★★★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; POWAY 10)

**Monsieur Ibrahim** — French coming-of-age trifle, set in the Sixties, with a rock-and-roll playlist to prove it, about a Muslim grocer (“I’m not an Arab. I’m from the Golden Crescent”) who helps a neighborhood Jewish boy to pinch pennies and save up for streetwalkers. Plenty of sightseeing interest, both in Paris and on a transcontinental car trip to the Middle East. With

Omar Sharif and Pierre Boulanger; directed by François Dupeyron. 2003.  
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Monster** — Dramatized legal brief on behalf of the bisexual streetwalker and serial killer and (outside the scope of the movie) death-penalty *cause célèbre*, Aileen Wuornos, who just wanted, like anyone else, to love and be loved and of course, as per the first-person voice-over at the outset, “be in the movies.” (Well, one out of three, at least.) The title, you will gather, is ironic. Already a sometime hooker but not a killer when she discovers her inner lesbian with a broken-winged college girl, she goes back on the streets only to fund her budding relationship, to buy a little privacy. As depicted, the first killing is unambiguously an act of kill-or-be-killed self-defense, to cap off a graphic bout of torture at the hands of a misogynistic john. In truth, the killing is far more understandable than the relationship. What’s the attraction, on either side, between this boisterous prole and this timorous slummer? A falling-in-love montage

to the accompaniment of the goopy old Tommy James & The Shondells tune, “Crimson and Clover,” will not help to clear this up; and it is particularly hard to swallow the notion that a novice lesbian would be quite so open, so confident, so defiant about it in public. Her concurrent murder spree has been carefully calibrated to distance her, a step at a time, from sympathy. She lets one john off the hook, early on, because he has never done this sort of thing before and she takes pity on him. She kills another who turns out, through a photo in his wallet, to have a wife in a wheelchair and thus a good excuse. And she

kills one who is not a john at all — the final straw — but a Good Samaritan who offers her money for nothing and a warm bed at home with his wife. With that, all bases are covered, as well as the ass of the writer and director Patty Jenkins: plenty of wiggle room whether accused of playing softball or hardball. Quite apart from any bestowal and withdrawal of sympathy, the protagonist emerges as nothing so much as a cat’s-paw for Charlize Theron, a stepping-stone to one of those total-transformation performances — one of those big bold bravura jobs — that maintain maximum separation between the player and the role, and are commonly mistaken for the farthest reaches of the art of acting. Perhaps in a sense they truly are, but in reaching so far they irretrievably throw off the balance. Porked up for the part, not nearly to the dimensions of De Niro in *Raging Bull* but easily to those of Zellweger in *Bridget Jones’s Diary*, wearing a denture as obtrusive as a prizefighter’s mouthpiece, sporting a galaxy of freckles suggestive of an accident under the sunlamp, shifting her weight in perpetual motion, compulsively smoking, swigging, gesticulating, and generally carrying on like a junkie overdue for a fix, Theron creates a problem of scale, such that her ostensible partner, poor little wasted-away Christina Ricci, has roughly the presence of a pet parrot. 2003.  
★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**My Architect** — About as “personal” as a documentary can get. Nathaniel Kahn, the unacknowledged bastard son of Philadelphia-based architect Louis Kahn (whose obituary in the *New York Times* mentioned only one offspring, a daughter, Sue Ann), sets out twenty-five years after his father’s death, when the filmmaker had been but a boy of eleven, to disentangle the strands of his father’s private life — there is yet a third offspring, Alexandra, by yet a third

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mother — and to visit all of his father’s major edifices, of which, owing to the man’s lifelong contentiousness, there are not a lot. (“Three or four masterpieces,” opines I.M. Pei, “[are] more important than fifty, sixty buildings.”) The film offers a good overview of the works themselves: the Salk

Institute in La Jolla comes off well on screen (or as well as anything can in the pallid and fuzzy DV image), with the son roller-skating around the courtyard to Neil Young’s “Long May You Run,” and the capitol of Bangladesh makes a fitting climax both emotionally and artistically. We might have hoped for more out of the arranged meeting between the three half-siblings, and many questions remain unanswered or unasked. But one way or another the filmmaker completes his mission and has something to show for it: a compelling film

to show for it. 2003.  
★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**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

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**50 First Dates** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15, 2:30, 3:30) 4:50, 5:50, 7:20, 8:10, 9:35, 10:25; Sun. (1:15, 2:30, 3:30) 4:50, 5:50, 7:20, 8:10, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:50, 5:50) 7:20, 8:10, 9:35; **The Butterfly Effect** (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:35, 10:30; Sun. 4:35, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (4:35) 10:00; **Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (2:05) 7:05; **Dawn of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:45, 2:15, 3:15) 4:45, 5:45, 7:30, 8:15, 9:50; Sun. (12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45, 5:45) 7:30, 8:15, 9:50; **Eurotrip** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:25, 3:45) 5:55, 8:05, 10:45; Sun. (1:25, 3:45) 5:55, 8:05, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 3:45, 5:55) 8:05, 10:05; **The Fog of War** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:20) 5:15, 7:50, 10:25; Sun. (2:20) 5:15, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 5:15) 7:50, 10:10; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Sat. 7:30; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 1:45, 3:50) 4:40, 7:00, 7:45, 9:55, 10:35; Sun. (12:55, 1:45, 3:50) 4:40, 7:00, 7:45, 9:55; **House of Sand and Fog** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:40) 7:25; **Lost in Translation** (R) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:35, 10:05; Sat. (1:20) 4:20, 10:05; Sun. (1:20) 4:20, 7:35, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:35, 9:45; **Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:55) 7:10, 10:10; Sun.-Thu. (1:00, 3:55) 7:10, 10:05; **Spartan** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:15, 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (1:30) 4:15, 7:40, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:15) 7:40, 9:55; **Starsky & Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:00, 3:00) 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:00, 9:40, 10:20; Sun. (12:30, 2:00, 3:00) 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 8:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 2:00, 3:20, 4:30, 5:30) 7:15, 8:00, 9:40; **Welcome to Mooseport** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 4:25, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (4:25) 9:20

#### Horton Plaza 14

457 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)

**Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:50) 6:35, 9:10; **Big Fish** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 3:05) 6:35, 9:45;

**City of God** (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:45) 9:20; **Dirty Dancing Havana Nights** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25) 6:50; **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:45) 7:05, 10:00; **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 4:40) 8:50; **Mystic River** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:20) 6:25, 9:30; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:40, 3:00, 3:35) 6:40, 7:15, 9:25, 10:00; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 1:00, 2:55, 3:40) 6:30, 7:10, 9:00, 9:40; **Something’s Gotta Give** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:55) 6:55, 9:50; **Taking Lives** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 12:55, 3:10, 3:50) 6:45, 7:20, 9:20, 9:55; **Twisted** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 3:30) 7:00, 9:30

### LA JOLLA

#### La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)

**Taking Lives**; **Dawn of the Dead**; **Spartan**; **Secret Window**; **Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London**; **Starsky and Hutch**; **Hidalgo**; **The Barbarian Invasions**; **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King**; **Twisted**; **50 First Dates**; **Monster**

#### La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)

**Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; **My Architect** (Not Rated) Fri. (1:40) 4:25, 7:10, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:25, 7:10, 9:50; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (10:45) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Touching the Void** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:00

### MIRA MESA

#### Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700)

**Taking Lives**; **Dawn of the Dead**; **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind**; **Spartan**; **Secret Window**; **Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London**; **Starsky and Hutch**; **Hidalgo**; **The Passion of the Christ**; **Twisted**; **50 First Dates**; **Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen**; **Mystic River**; **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King**

### MISSION VALLEY

#### Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)

**Taking Lives**; **Dawn of the Dead**; **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind**; **Spartan**; **Secret Window**; **Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London**; **Starsky and Hutch**; **Hidalgo**; **The Passion of the Christ**; **Twisted**; **Dirty Dancing**; **Havana Nights**; **Eurotrip**; **50 First Dates**; **Miracle**

#### Hazard Center 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-299-4500)

**Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:25, 4:25, 7:10, 9:40; **In America** (PG-13) Mon.-Thu. 1:15, 4:10, 7:20, 9:35; **Made-Up** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:20, 9:30; Sun. 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:25, 9:30; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45; **Spartan** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:30; Sun. 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 1:20, 4:20, 7:05, 9:40; **Taking Lives** (R) Fri.-Sun. 1:30, 4:30, 7:05, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 9:35; **The Triplets of Belleville** (PG-13) Mon.-Thu. 1:10, 3:00, 5:00, 7:30, 9:25

#### Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)

**Taking Lives**; **Dawn of the Dead**; **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind**; **The Girl Next Door**; **Spartan**; **Secret Window**; **Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London**; **Starsky and Hutch**; **Hidalgo**; **The Passion of the Christ**; **Twisted**; **Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen**; **Eurotrip**; **50 First Dates**; **Barbershop 2: Back in Business**; **Mystic River**; **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King**

### STATE UNIVERSITY

#### Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)

**Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London** (PG) Fri. (2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:40; Sat. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:40; Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:00) 7:20; **Dawn of the Dead** (R) Fri. (1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:05, 10:30; Sat. (11:15, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:05, 10:30; Sun. (11:15, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:05; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:10) 7:30; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri. (3:15) 7:15, 10:20; Sat. (11:45, 3:15) 7:15, 10:20; Sun. (11:45, 3:15) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:30) 8:30; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri. (1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:00, 10:10; Sat. (11:25, 1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:00, 10:10; Sun. (11:25, 1:40, 3:50) 5:55, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:20, 5:50) 7:55; **Starsky & Hutch** (PG-13) Fri. (2:40) 5:10, 7:40, 9:50; Sat. (12:10, 2:40) 5:10, 7:40, 9:50; Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:10, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (3:30, 5:55) 8:10; **Taking Lives** (R) Fri. (1:35, 3:45) 5:55, 8:10, 10:25; Sat. (11:20, 1:35, 3:45) 5:55, 8:10, 10:25; Sun. (11:20, 1:35, 3:45) 5:55, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:45) 8:00

#### Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)

**The Lost Skeleton of Cadavra** (PG) Thu. 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; **The Battle of Algiers** (Not Rated) Fri. 4:25, 7:00, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. 4:25, 7:00, 9:35

### UPTOWN

#### Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)

**Girl With A Pearl Earring** (PG-13) Fri. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:50, 7:30, 9:55; **Good bye, Lenin!** (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Wed. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Thu. (1:40) 4:20, 9:40; **Latter Days** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; **Monsieur Ibrahim** (R) Fri. (2:15) 4:55, 7:35, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:35) 2:15, 4:55, 7:35, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:15) 4:55, 7:35, 10:00; **The Reckoning** (R) Fri. (1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:30, 7:10, 9:45

#### Museum of Photographic Arts

1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)

**The Lineup**, Thursday, 7 p.m., and Friday, 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.; **Point Blank**, Thursday, 8:55 p.m., and Friday, 5 p.m. and 9 p.m.; **Little Big League**, Saturday, 3 p.m.; **Field of Dreams**, Saturday, 5:10 p.m.; **For the Love of the Game**, Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; **Bull Durham**, Saturday, 9:45 p.m.; **Major League**, Saturday, 11:40 p.m.

#### Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado (619-238-1233)

**Adrenaline Rush: The Science of Risk** Fri. 8:30; Sat.-Thu. 5:00; **Africa: The Serengeti** Wed.-Thu. 7:00; **Australia: Land Beyond Time**, Fri. 12:00, 3:00; Sat.-Mon. 12:00, 2:00; Tue.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00; **Coral Reef Adventure**, Fri. 2:00, 4:00; Sat.-Mon. 1:00, 3:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:00; **Journey Into Amazing Caves**, Fri.-Sun. 7:00; **The Living Sea**, Wed.-Thu. 6:00 To Worlds Beyond A.M. Sat. 10:00; **Top Speed**, Fri. 1:00, 5:00, 9:30; Sat. 11:00, 4:00, 8:00; Sun.-Mon. 11:00, 4:00; Tue.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00; **Yellowstone**, Fri.-Sun. 6:00

## EAST COUNTY

### EL CAJON

#### Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)

**50 First Dates** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:10, 4:40) 7:10, 9:40; **Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 11:40, 1:55, 2:15, 4:30, 4:50) 7:25, 10:00; **Cold Mountain** (R) Fri. (1:25) 7:30; Sat. (1:25); **Sun.-Thu. (1:25) 7:30**; **Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:05, 4:35) 7:00, 9:25; **Dawn of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00; **Eternal Sunshine of**

**the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:05, 4:45) 7:25, 10:05; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Sat. 7:30; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:50) 7:05, 7:25, 10:10, 10:30; **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 3:40) 8:00; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 12:45, 3:45, 4:00) 7:00, 7:15, 10:15, 10:30; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 11:50, 2:00, 2:20, 4:30, 4:50) 7:00, 7:20, 9:30, 9:50; **Spartan** (R) Fri.-Thu. (4:50) 10:45; **Starsky & Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 11:40, 2:15, 4:25, 4:50) 7:25, 9:35, 10:00; **Taking Lives** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 1:50, 2:10, 4:45) 7:00, 7:20, 9:55; **Twisted** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:05, 4:35) 7:05, 9:35

### LA MESA

#### Grossmont Center

Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)

**50 First Dates** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 2:40) 4:50, 7:05, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40, 4:50) 7:05, 9:25; **Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:55, 7:20, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:55) 7:20, 9:45; **Dawn of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:35) 5:00, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:35, 5:00) 7:30, 9:55; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:10) 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sun. (1:10) 4:15, 7:15, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:15) 7:15, 10:05; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 1:00, 2:45, 3:45) 5:45, 6:45, 8:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:00, 2:45, 3:45, 5:45, 5:45) 6:45, 8:30, 9:30; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:15) 5:40, 8:10, 10:25; Sun. (12:50, 3:15) 5:40, 7:55, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:15, 5:40) 7:55, 10:10; **Starsky & Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 2:55) 5:20, 7:45, 10:20; Sun. (12:30, 2:55) 5:20, 7:45, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:55, 5:20) 7:45, 9:55; **Taking Lives** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 3:05) 5:30, 8:00, 10:35; Sun. (12:40, 3:05) 5:30, 7:50, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 3:05, 5:30) 7:50, 10:00; **Twisted** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:05, 3:20) 5:55, 8:20, 10:30; Sun. (1:05, 3:20) 5:55, 8:00, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:20, 5:55) 8:00, 10:05

#### Grossmont Trolley

8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)

**Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:55) 4:15, 6:45, 9:10; Sun. (1:55) 4:15, 6:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 4:15) 6:45; **Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40); **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:20, 2:10) 5:00, 7:30, 10:05; Sun. (11:20, 2:10) 5:00, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:20, 2:10, 5:00) 7:30; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:40) 6:35, 9:20; Sun.-Thu. (12:30, 3:40) 6:35; **Monster** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:25) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50; Sun. (12:10, 2:25) 4:50, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:25, 4:50) 7:20; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 1:45) 4:25, 7:10, 10:00; Sun. (11:00, 1:45) 4:25, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:25) 7:10; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:45, 2:00) 4:10, 6:30, 9:00; Sun. (11:45, 2:00) 4:10, 6:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:00, 4:10) 6:30; **Spartan** (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:45, 7:05, 9:35; Sun. 4:45, 7:05; Mon.-Thu. (4:45) 7:05; **Starsky & Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:35, 2:20) 4:35, 7:00, 9:25; Sun. (11:35, 2:20) 4:35, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (11:35, 2:20, 4:35) 7:00

### SANTEE





# Calendar

## MOVIES

to identify the film as *of its time*. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Point Blank** — Lee Marvin's robot-like pushiness and impassivity tower above the whimperings, cringings, stammerings, and other symbolic castratings of a smug bunch of nattily tailored chieftains in the San Francisco underworld. The director, John Boorman, whips up mountains of hot color, frigid modern architecture, twisted sexuality, and modish *Marienbad* editing. With Angie Dickinson. 1967.

★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 3/18, 8:55 P.M., AND 3/19, 7 P.M.)

**The Reckoning** — Medieval detective yarn about an innovative troupe of traveling players, including an incognito fallen priest, who deviate from Bible stories and (pioneers of the modern docudrama) tackle a local serial-murder case: "We'll perform this afternoon, and use the morning to find out more of what happened." Excitable, not to say exciting, visual style: wide-angle lenses, overhead shots, rack focus, slow-motion, shakily hand-held camerawork, flashy flashbacks, shock cross-cuts. It's much more exciting just to see Willem Dafoe's contortionist limbering-up exercises. With Paul Bettany, Gina McKee, Brian Cox, Vincent Cassel; directed by Paul McGuigan. 2004.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 3/19)

**Secret Window** — Cheap-trick chiller from a Stephen King book. A Mississippi hick, an amusing John Turturro, shows up at the doorstep of a Stephen King-like popular author (Johnny Depp, playing a lot to the camera) to accuse him of plagiarism: "Ye-oo stow! mah stow-ry." Plagiarism as a subject might have been as amusing as the



*Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*

accuser, but in the end that's not really the subject. Handsome photography by the dependable Fred Murphy. With Maria Bello, Timothy Hutton, and Charles S. Dutton; written and directed by David Koepp. 2004.

★ (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; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Seven Samurai** — Kurosawa's inspiring action film — inspiring particularly to John Sturges's *The Magnificent Seven* — about a loose-knit team of free-spirited, unemployed samurai who are hired for pittance to defend a farming village against the local huns. The movie itself could be called loose-knit too; but because the action scenes, like the characters, are wonderfully varied and energetic, it is one of the least tedious three-and-a-half-hour movies in exis-

tence. Takashi Shimura, Toshiro Mifune. 1954.

★★★★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, 3/21, 12 NOON)

**Something's Gotta Give** — Wrinkly romance between Diane Keaton and Jack Nicholson, both of whom fudge a bit on their ages (she, when she estimates herself to be "almost" twenty years older than an explicit thirty-six-year-old; and he, when he holds up three fingers to indicate how far he is past sixty), but both of whom have resisted any surgical stretching of their skins to a trampoline tautness. The self-caricaturing stylization of the stars' mannerisms, the luxury of their lifestyles (hers as "the most successful female playwright since — who? Lillian Hellman?" and his as the head of the second largest hip-hop record label), and the creaminess of the cinematography (Michael Ballhaus), all conspire to eat away at the purported humanness of the characters. In addition to which, the movie appears, beneath the surface, to be as much about revenge as about romance: writer and director Nancy Meyers (*What Women Want*, a more telltale title than the all-purpose present one) opening up the whole older-man-younger-woman can of worms, giving the man a boudoir heart attack for starters (before he can consummate relations with his current companion, Amanda Peet, Keaton's daughter: consummation would have been altogether *too* wormy), giving the audience three separate shots of his heinie in a hospital dressing gown, giving the woman a tit-for-tat — or perhaps that ought to be tat-for-tit — younger suitor in the bargain (Nicholson's cardiologist, Keanu Reeves, fudging a bit himself as the aforementioned thirty-six-year-old), giving the man an earful to think about (a dinner-table diatribe by Keaton's sister, the anomalous Frances McDormand as a Columbia professor of Women's Studies), filling his eyes with nearly as many tears as the woman's. The sexual politicking and posturing do tend to get in the way of the comedy. But with that said, let it also be said that this is at all levels a polished and professional piece of work, and pleasant enough to sit through for the starry-eyed or the brown-nosed. 2003.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Spartan** — Reviewed this issue. With Val Kilmer, Derek Luke, Ed O'Neill, William H. Macy, Kristen Bell, and Tia Texada; written and directed by David Mamet.

★★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Starsky and Hutch** — Zero points for originality of concept or strategy of execution: another vintage TV show transferred to the big screen, and, after the fashion of *The Brady Bunch* of similar vintage, held up to ridicule for its datedness (its tight pants, its wide collars, its perms), among other things. The results are innocuous at worst and ingratiating at best, although maybe it helps if you have never seen the TV show and have no proprietary interest in it. Ben Stiller, always a willing horse's ass, comes off the better of the two stars as a by-the-book undercover cop who acknowledges no such thing as petty crime, while Owen Wilson, a too-cool-for-school detective unaverse to a bit of criminal activity of his own, makes no modifications to his normal persona such as might be construed as characterization. Vince Vaughn, Snoop Dogg, Fred Williamson; directed by Todd Phillips. 2004.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Taking Lives** — Serial-killer thriller with Angelina Jolie and Ethan Hawke, directed by D.J. Caruso.

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**Touching the Void** — Kevin Macdonald's documentary cliffhanger — in the most literal sense possible — on the amazing-but-true story of Joe Simpson (based on his memoir), a British mountaineer who breaks his leg on the descent from a Peruvian peak in 1985, slips over a precipice at the end of a rope a hundred feet above a bottomless crevasse, is cut loose by his climbing partner, Simon Yates, and left for dead, yet lives to tell the tale. We know the outcome from the outset, though not the ghastly details. Dramatic re-enactments and high-grade nature footage illustrate the talking-head and voice-over accounts, with only an occasional straining for effect. 2004.

★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**21 Grams** — The first English-language feature from Mexican filmmaker Alejandro González Iñárritu brings together disparate characters by the same matchmaking method of his *Amores Perros*: by car accident. Benicio Del Toro, a born-again ex-con, runs over the husband and two daughters of Naomi Watts, and the husband's heart is transplanted anonymously into Sean Penn, a teacher of mathematics and probability, and therefore a deep appreciator of his good fortune, who tracks down and begins to court the widow without, so to speak, baring his chest. (The widow's reaction, when finally told, will echo that of the crap-detecting spectator: "How dare you!") It takes a while for all of this to come clear, inasmuch as the information is doled out in nonsequential fragments that leave it to the audience to arrange in order: a participatory form of storytelling. You eventually get your bearings, and the jumps between lifelines and time zones seem to diminish in distance, closing in toward a climax. Out of the jumble, a unifying point can be perceived: a shattered narrative for shattered lives, a kind of cinematic cubism which enables us to see the before and the after, side by side. To put every puzzle-piece into its proper place is not the principal task. Simply to observe that they belong to the same picture will suffice. The total experience might have been more satisfying if the picture *per se* were better to look at. Great pains have been taken to achieve a feeling of reality in the people and the places, yet the bloodless, bleached-out color and the shaky, earthy camera are not but fashionable affectations. Charlotte Gainsbourg, Melissa Leo, Clea DuVall. 2003.

★★ (LA PALOMA, THROUGH 3/18)

**Twisted** — If Philip Kaufman has long been overrated (trace the blame to the identically initialed Pauline Kael), this cheesy feminist thriller, fully worthy of the Lifetime Channel, might remedy the problem all by itself. Though intriguing in its initial set-up and directed with care throughout, it takes a suicidal high dive from the lofty pomposities of *Quills*, Kaufman's preceding one. Our ballsy heroine (Ashley Judd, always sinking to the bottom of her vocal range, trawling for *gravitas*) has just been promoted to Homicide Inspector on the S.F.P.D., when the first case to fall in her lap proves to be the serial murder of her former bedmates, their bodies turning up with regularity whenever she blacks out on Cabernet. Could she be her own prime suspect? For all the perfunctory interest in psychology — her sessions with a police therapist, her passion for casual and rough sex, her violent temper, her childhood trauma over the deaths of her parents — the film knows only one motivation: to astonish the audience at all costs. The audience is liable to laugh in its face. Samuel L. Jackson, Andy Garcia, David Strathairn. 2004.

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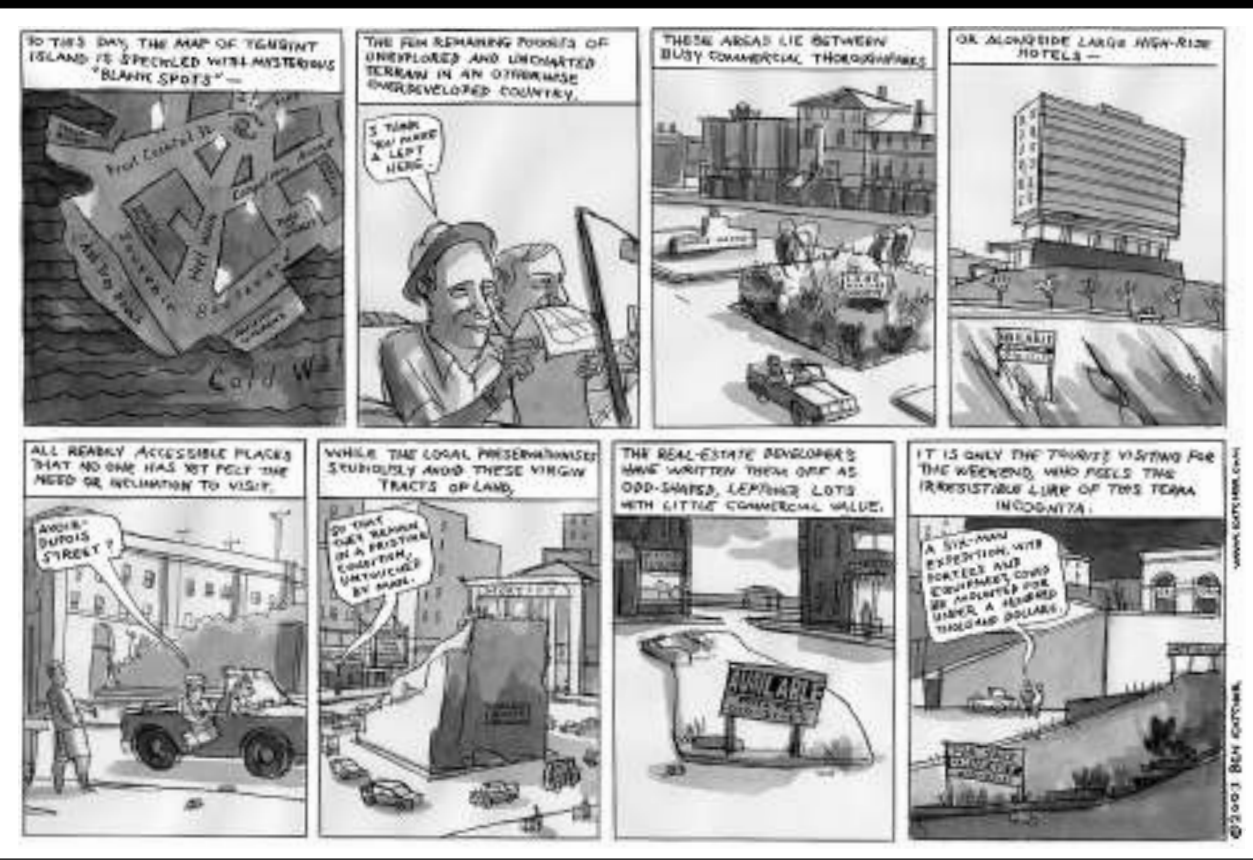
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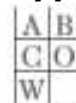
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The 805 freeway has to be my least favorite place because of all the traffic. I don't like to go to Sky-line down by National City because it's very urban. I try not to go down there; it's a dangerous place. I have friends that live down there and they're good people, but I still don't like going down there. I also don't like going to Escondido because it's a confusing place. There are too many one-way roads and too many cops. I've been pulled over there numerous times because the police profile my car as a street-racing car because it's lowered.



Jill Cornick  
Teacher  
Carmel Valley

The beaches during summer are my least-favorite places to be in San Diego. I like going when no one's there. It's the traffic and the crowds of way too many people that don't want to take care of the neighborhood that they're visiting. I haven't been downtown for a long time, so maybe that's a place in San Diego that I don't like to go because I haven't been there in a while. San Diego's downtown is still nothing like San Francisco. You can tell that San Diego is growing and trying to look like a bigger city, but it still needs a lot of help.



Ping Hahn  
Engineer  
San Diego

Santee. It's hot and it's hilly-billy. There's not much to do there. I've driven through and have been to some trails that are out there, but it's not my favorite place in San Diego by a long shot. I also don't like to go just east of downtown to Golden Hill. It's rundown and it looks dangerous. I pretty much try to drive through there as quickly as possible.



Ken Kennihea  
Sales  
UTC

I really don't have a least favorite part of San Diego. I guess the border would be my least favorite place, simply because there's a lot of traffic and a lot of people with riff-raff going on. Most people I think would die to live here, so it's hard to name a part of San Diego that I don't like. I like it all because it's all San Diego. Santee's a good place. Hillcrest has good food.... Downtown is amazing with the new ballpark. I think the ballpark will give the town almost a Chicago feel.



Jill Freedman  
Graphic Designer  
San Diego

I really don't like the Gaslamp [Quarter]. It's really overpriced, full of meatheads and military brats. It bothers me because it's vapid. It seems very vanilla. There's not a lot of diversity; everyone's a little too conservative. What I've seen makes me think that there's a lack of substance. Teenyboppers, cheesy clubs, and lines around the block are my least favorite things about San Diego.



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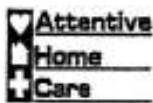
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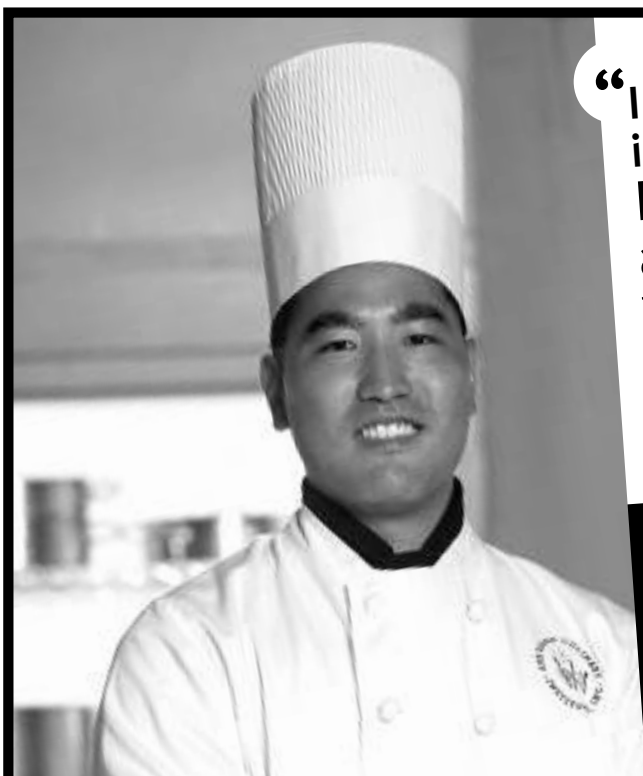
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**THE STUDIO ACADEMY** is enrolling students for film making, acting modeling, music recording, editing (Final Cut-Pro), Club DJ and more. From \$85/month. 858-793-0168. [www.thestudioacademy.com](http://www.thestudioacademy.com).

**VOCALIST WANTED,** male, for performing top a cappella group. Barbershop to doo-wop. Contact Steve for audition, [Ptoptenor@aol.com](mailto:Ptoptenor@aol.com) or 619-425-1909.

**VOICEOVER WORKSHOP.** Break into voiceover! Taught by voice actor/author James Alburger. Learn interpretation, character voices, microphone technique, more for radio/TV. [www.voiceacting.com](http://www.voiceacting.com); 858-484-0220.

## COUNSELING & SUPPORT GROUPS

**ABSOLUTELY ANY PROBLEM** can be discussed with a professional therapist in

complete confidence. Call for an office consultation at no charge. I can handle most issues. Banker's Hill location. Available nights/weekends. Patricia J. Snyder, MFT. (MFC-37588) 619-990-4717.

**ABSOLUTELY NO INCENSE,** no candles, no "kum ba yah." Just serious relationship counseling. Money, sex, friends, anger, communication, kids. Available weekends. Mitchell Zinn (MFT-35764). 619-851-5955.

**ARE YOU MAD?** Learn how to manage your anger constructively. Gain power, control, reduce conflict and improve your relationships. Classes begin soon. Mission Valley. Jay Schneider, LCSW. Lic. 9573. [www.manageangerdaily.com](http://www.manageangerdaily.com) 858-538-5587.

**ARE YOU READY FOR GROWTH?** Individual/Couples therapy with licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. Therapy with heart and compassion. Laura Carr, MFT (MFC-38400). 619-680-5608.

**CLINICAL HYPNOTHERAPY.** "What the mind can conceive, the body can achieve." All issues addressed. Free consultation. Patricia R. Parlin, Ed.D. CHT403-250. Call 619-442-3661 or 619-504-1935.

**COUNSELING/DREAM STUDY.** Curious, or unsettled by your dreams? Jungian dream study can help with life issues, transitions, relationships. \$35/session. Paul Hartsuyker, MFT-15896. 619-269-8939.

**COUNSELING/THERAPY.** Individuals, families, couples, children, adolescents. Highly skilled MFT Interns. Sliding scale as low as \$35 a session. Relationships, depression, anxiety, loss/bereavement, parent and child problems, drug and alcohol concerns. Ongoing men's group and women's groups meeting weekly. Individuals or couples are welcome. (MFC-12245.) Center for Inner Work, 619-584-1725.

**COUNSELING, PSYCHOTHERAPY.** All insurances accepted. Immediate appointments available. Experienced, licensed Psychologist (PSY3499). For information and appointments call 858-571-0533.

**DEPRESSED? ANXIOUS?** Relationship/career problems? There is help from someone you can really talk to. Clinical psychologist, Eva Lee, Ph.D. PSY-8261. 619-297-7377, day and evening.

**GAY/BISEXUAL MEN.** Supportive individual therapy. Depression, anxiety, confusion, addictions, spiritual/religious issues. Married, closeted welcome. Discretion, confidentiality assured. Mel Karmen, Ph.D. MFC-12709. 619-296-9442.

**INNER CHILD-INNER PARENT** Course: Healthy Adults Learning Wholesome Living Skills. Free preview evening, Monday, April 26. Shift "bad habits," learn new and better ones. Begin recovery from wounds of dysfunctional family. Includes Thought Field Therapy healing for past traumas. Counseling for individuals, couples and families. Sharon Goodlove, TFT Diagnostician, and Glenn Goodlove, LCSW-1450. Goodlove Counseling Center, 858-569-8975. [www.goodlove-online.com](http://www.goodlove-online.com).

**INTUITIVE COUNSELOR**/dealing with anger, fear, depression, sadness. Family, individual sessions. Alcohol, drugs, food addictions. Sliding scale. Dr. Grete Wyche, Ph.D. D.D. Lic-27608. 619-685-7738.

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## NOTICES

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**ADDITION PROBLEMS?** Women for Sobriety is a non-12 step self-help program meeting Monday, Wednesday, Saturday. [www.womenforsobriety.org](http://www.womenforsobriety.org) or 858-549-3533.

**AL-ANON:** Paz mental, vive usted con alguien que le afecta a usted su manera de beber? Sabados, 1-2-30pm; Lunes, 5:30pm. 260-1/2 3rd Avenue.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONIMOS.** Tiene problemas con la bebida? Llamenos 24 horas. Oficina Central Hispana, 3628 University Avenue, San Diego 92105. 619-280-7224.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS.** We need you! New meeting Tuesdays, 7pm. First Church of the Brethren, 3850 Westgate Place, San Diego. Education building. John, 619-295-2720.

**ALL ARE WELCOME.** Sunday, March 21 at 5pm. Join our special observation of Lent with Evensong and Benediction. All Saints', Sixth and Pennsylvania, Hillcrest. 619-298-7729.

**ALL YOU CAN EAT.** First time free. Sumptuous vegetarian feast served 6-8pm, Monday-Friday followed by Bhagavad-gita classes, Monday-Thursday. Hare Krishna Temple, 1030 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-2500.

**ARE YOU ON** a spiritual path through a healthful diet (vegan), simple living, nature related activities? Would like to network with like minded people. 619-296-2307.

**ARTWALK 2004.** San Diego's largest annual showcase of visual and performing arts needs volunteers for its 20th Anniversary Celebration on April 24-25. Contact Carmen DeBello, [cdebello@iem-usa.com](mailto:cdebello@iem-usa.com), [artwalkinfo.com](http://artwalkinfo.com), or 619-615-1030.

**ATHEIST COALITION:** "The radical invents the views. When he has worn them out the conservative adopts them." — Mark Twain. Information, [www.atheistcoalition.org](http://www.atheistcoalition.org) or 858-459-8273.

**AURA HEALINGS.** Tuesday healing night, 7-9pm, 2141 El Camino Real, Oceanside. Aura healings and chakra balancing. Earth and Sky Church, 760-631-7900.

**BIPOLAR I DISORDER.** Research volunteers needed. PrecisionMed needs volunteers with a psychiatric diagnosis of Bipolar I Disorder for a blood sample and psychometric testing. Participation involves no medication/treatment. You will be compensated \$100 for your participation. Two visits to our San Diego offices required. For further information or to check if you qualify for participation, please call Melissa Wise, 1-800-519-8810 or e-mail: [ronnielax@precisionmed.com](mailto:ronnielax@precisionmed.com).

**BISEXUAL FORUM SAN DIEGO.** Friendly group meets monthly, 2nd Tuesday, 7:30pm, for discussion, support. New location: The Center, 3909 Center Street, Hillcrest. 858-259-8019.

**CONCERNED UNITED Birthparents** welcomes birthparents, adoptees, and adoptive parents to our monthly support group meetings. Visit our website, [www.CUBirthparents.org](http://www.CUBirthparents.org) or call CUB, 619-685-7673.

**DEBTORS ANONYMOUS.** Do you have problems with debt, overspending, credit card use? There is a 12-step program that can help you! Call today, 619-525-3065.

**DESIGNER TORAH BOUTIQUE,** new program from the San Diego Torah Institute to create your own Torah text programs. For families and groups. Rabbi Zoli, 858-453-7203.

**DONATE** that automobile, boat, RV, etc. to Ronald McDonald House Charities-San Diego for tax deduction and possibly a partial cash payment. Call toll-free, 866-244-8464.

**DONATE YOUR CAR,** boat, RV, truck, heavy equipment, or property. We handle all DMV paperwork. Free towing. Tax-receipt provided. SilentTears.us. Call toll-free, 800-607-1968.

**EBAY.** I have eBay's customer service phone number and address. Send self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$5 to Randa Lake, PO Box 1678, Julian, CA 92036.

**FREE BIBLE STUDY** course by mail. Non-denominational. Increase your knowledge of God's word. Postage paid. PO Box 1473R, San Marcos 92089. 760-436-3730. San Diego. 619-299-6812.

**FREE BOOK** on past lives, dreams, soul travel, and Eckanar. "Ancient Wisdom for Today." Call for your free copy, 800-LOVE-GOD.

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**FREE PSYCHIC HEALING**/Lecture Clinic. Free readings for new visitors. Mondays, 7:30pm, 4/5, 5/3 6/7, 7/5 by Vessa's Clairvoyant Program students. 4305 Gesner 000. 858-509-7582.

**FREE SHARE THE WEALTH.** Symposium Preview. Learn to create multiple sources of income through Principals of Prosperity. March 19th, 20th 26th, 27th. Del Mar Doubletree. 858-442-1893. [www.increcent.com](http://www.increcent.com)

**GADODI USQUANIGODI** of San Diego. Asi Sweat Lodge and Prayer Pipe Circle Ceremonies monthly. All are welcome to pray in a good way. 760-458-4043.

**HEALTHCARE** for entire family, \$89.95 monthly. No age restrictions, includes dental, vision, preexisting conditions accepted, unlimited usage, 500,000 doctors. Limited time offer. 800-832-9542. (AAN CAN)

**HELP FOR YOUR LIFE.** Lonely? Dial hope, 858-277-8060. Scripture, new thought, prayer, request prayer. Recorded message changed daily. Helpful messages, 858-277-2389. Sunday service 10am. Linda Vista Presbyterian Church, 2130 Ulric Street, San Diego 92111. 858-277-0523.

**HERPES (HSV) OR HUMAN Papillomavirus (HPV).** San Diego City HELP is a self-help support group. We offer accurate medical information. [www.SanDiegoCityHELP.org](http://www.SanDiegoCityHELP.org). Call for recorded message, 619-491-1194.

**INFINITE WAY** tape group(?). 619-233-8709.

**LEARN TO MEDITATE.** A free, inspiring 1-hour class. Tuesday, March 23 at 7pm. Normal Heights. Pilgrimage of the Heart, 619-640-4438.

**LOST \$300 REWARD,** Mira Mesa area. Large black cover loose leave address book. 619-276-4978.

**MARIJUANA USERS.** Are you a frequent Marijuana user aged 16-18? You can earn up to \$250 for participating in a confidential research study on the effects of drugs. Parental permission required if under 18. 858-642-6367.

**MEDITATION HOUR.** Learn and practice spiritual techniques: grounding, centering, running energies, using clairvoyance, and chakras. Weekly, easy, fun. 619-991-0944.

**MEDITATION.** Learn from Roy Eugene Davis, direct disciple of Paramahansa Yogananda. Nonsectarian. Any religion or none. Saturday, March 20, 10am-1pm. [www.csa-davis.org](http://www.csa-davis.org) or 858-488-4304.

**MEDITATION.** Free classes Tuesdays, 7pm; Thursdays, 7pm; Wednesdays, 7:30am; Saturdays, 11:30am. Donations accepted, not required. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue, Suite 303, Ocean Beach. [www.dharmacenter.com](http://www.dharmacenter.com) or 858-616-6308.

**MENOPAUSE DEPRESSION STUDY.** UCSD seeks menopausal women, ages 50-75, nonsmoking, not currently using hormones and experiencing depression for research study using antidepressant and hormone replacement therapy. Must not be using either currently. 6 overnight hospital stays required. 619-543-5575.

**MOVIE BUFFS.** Interested in watching a movie every 2 weeks and discussing it afterwards (like book clubs)? Please call 858-272-8727 or 619-934-2602.

**NATIVE COUNCIL PROGRESS,** Incorporated. Nonprofit. Seeking assertive, constructive volunteers (all races, ages, creeds). Poor people here, Mexico need clothes, food, financial assistance. Please donate. 619-528-0907.

**OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS.** Do you have problems with overeating, bulimia, anorexia? There is a 12-step program for help. No dues/fees. [www.oasandiego.org](http://www.oasandiego.org) or 619-521-2538.

**PARTICIPATE** in research study. Looking for sexually active men and women who have used crystal meth recently. All confidential. Cash incentive \$230. 619-543-5088.

**PATHWORK PRESENTATION** and discussion in San Diego. "Feeling All Your Feelings" March 22, 7-9pm, 4716 32nd Street, San Diego, 92116. Open meeting, free. Information, 619-280-9075.

**PMS SUFFERERS.** Nonsmoking women, ages 20-45, not on medication or birth control pills, with regular menstrual cycles needed for UCSD study using Sleep and Light Treatment. 8 overnight hospital stays required. Payment up to \$500. 619-543-7393.

**PREGNANT OR POSTPARTUM** women, ages 18-45 (not using birth control pills) needed by UCSD Department of Psychiatry for sleep and light research study. 8 overnight hospital stays required. Payment \$475. 619-543-7393.

**RESEARCH SUBJECTS WANTED** for eye blink study. Healthy, ages 20-55, good hearing. Testing is at UCSD Medical Center, Hillcrest. Eligible participants paid \$10/hour. 619-543-7516.

**REWARD** for wood hand-carved rooster head taken from a San Diego thrift store. About 20" Hx13"W at base. No questions asked. 858-270-6867.

**SALK INSTITUTE** researchers looking for volunteers, ages 18-40, good health, English first language, to participate in ongoing studies on cognition. Compensation provided. Call Nasim, 800-434-1038.

**SCHIZOAFFECTIVE PEER** Support Group, Mondays, 3-4pm, 4034 Park Boulevard (The Meeting Place). Call David or Jeanette for more information, 619-294-9582.

**SEX** and/or relationship problems? Out of control? You're not alone. Call Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, a 12-step fellowship. PO Box 3791, San Diego 92163. 619-685-7211.

**SHAMAN KUNDALINI HEALING** for Women. No charge. Free living space available for female apprentice. Louie, 858-642-1946.

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**THE LEGEND OF VALDORADO** Valerie Stopski Memorial Exhibit art and collected ceramics. Saturday, 3/27, 1pm-6pm. Call for location, 619-226-0453.

**THEOSOPHY.** Wednesday, noon-1pm, Study of Bhagavad Gita. Sunday, 10:45-noon, Study of Astral Body. 3766 El Cajon Boulevard (between Interstate 15 and 805). [www.theosophysandiego.org](http://www.theosophysandiego.org) or 619-283-0142.

**THERE IS TRUE HOPE** in Jesus Christ. Free recorded message/prayer line, 24 hours. 619-501-4350.

**TRINITY FOSTER CARE.** Be a foster parent. Singles and couples. Financial support provided. All expenses paid. Social workers available 24 hours. 619-260-0812.

**TWELVE STEPS NOT** working for you? Try self-empowering, skill-building approach with S.M.A.R.T. Recovery, free support groups. 619-455-1159.

**USS BADOENG STRAIT** (CVE-116) Association, 9/12-9/15, Las Vegas, Nevada. Contact Henry Trotter, 210-658-3447, [htrotter@stsc.net](mailto:htrotter@stsc.net).

**VOLUNTEER** as a mentor. Change a life. Need responsible, caring adults to serve as volunteer mentors for youth at risk, age 10-17. Kristian/Partners Mentorship Program, 619-584-5797.

**VOLUNTEER IN AFRICA.** 14 month environmental programs with CTG. Volunteer at projects to better the environment. Water sanitation in rural communities in Zambia. Fundraise and educate. Study and research sciences of the planet. Team starts April 2nd. Program fee, grants available. Campus California TG. [www.ctcg.org](http://www.ctcg.org). [ruth@cctg.org](mailto:ruth@cctg.org). Phone 530-467-4082.

**VOLUNTEERS.** San Diego's abused/neglected children need you. Over 7500 children in foster care waiting for help. Become a child advocate today. You'll be glad you did! Next information sessions 3/24-4/14. Voices for Children, 858-569-2019 or visit [www.voices4children.com](http://www.voices4children.com).

**WRITER'S WORKSHOP.** No charge. Thursdays, 10am-1pm, Hillcrest area. Award-winning teacher. 619-828-8425.

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**ROSARITO.** On the beach, 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Next to Rosarito Hotel. Taking reservations for spring break/vacations. Sleeps 10. 2-night minimum. 760-427-7799.

**TIMESHARE,** Warner Springs Ranch, half ownership, great weekend getaways, hot springs, golf, \$2500. Richard, 619-563-4584.

**TIMESHARE.** Coronado Beach Resort, use here or trade through RCI. Gold Crown, Red Time, week 17. 1 bedroom, even years. \$7000/best. 619-895-4995.

**TRENDWEST RESORTS** credits available (5000) for sale to another Trendwest owner. Market price: \$1.60/credit. Make offer to take your dream vacation. 619-723-5099.

**WANTED:** Airline tickets and accommodations for Las Vegas, Nevada, Sydney, Australia, and Burlington, Vermont by senior citizen. Any advice welcome. Larry, 619-426-3635.

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**NICK K. NICK K. NICK K.** Call home. Urgent! WI WI WI.

**PEACE SELLS,** but who's buying? Pick your battles wisely. Freedom is a wonderful thing. Pray and work for peace!

**PITY,** abortionists weren't themselves aborted nor get aborted. Why these abortionists think their lives more important than the babies they seek to get killed, aborted.

**Q:** What does old school have that new school doesn't? A: Class and wow, taste for good Italian dining.

**THANK YOU** Our Lady for answering my prayer. Thank you St. Jude and the sacred heart for answering my prayer. Patricia M.

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SHARED INTERESTS

**EUROPEAN FEMALE,** 34 year old, new to area. Looking for females for friendship, walks, museums. Platonic. North Park, Downtown. (3/24) ☎20774

**FEMALE, 51, CARLSBAD,** looking for best friend, male/female, who needs a true friend. I'm easygoing, understanding, active, love life, likes traveling, outdoors, caring. (3/24) ☎20741

**FRIENDSHIP.** Married female, new to San Diego. Seeking fun 25+, single or not. Females. Interests include shopping art, dining, cocktails, clubbing, movies. Friends only. (3/31) ☎20784

**FRIENDSHIP.** Fun, silly, serious, very young attitude female seeks single gal pals. Let's talk, walk, exercise, shop, socialize, usual buddy stuff, 50s-mid-60s, nonsmoker. (3/31) ☎20811

**NORTH COUNTY SINGLE FEMALE** seeks other females for happy hours, dancing, shopping, movies, working out, beach. Nonsmokers, 38-48. (3/31) ☎20810

MATCHES

WOMEN SEEKING MEN

**WANTED.** One good hearted gentleman, 55+, tall, passionate, educated, and adventurous to share romantic times, enjoying life to the fullest with fun loving, pretty lady. (3/31) ☎20065

**ATHLETIC, PROFESSIONAL,** 36, 5'3", 109lbs., goal oriented, adventurous, honest, great attitude, Christian. Seeking fit, college graduate, nonsmoker, no kids, 30-37, 5'11"-6'3", with similar interests. (3/24) ☎20046

**SPRINGTIME IS COMING!** East County gal, 47, seeks active, fit guy who enjoys laughs, hugs, closeness and adventures, back country hikes, and horse rides. (3/24) ☎20056

**ROMEO, RETIRED,** over 60 man eating out alone. Why? Woman seeking like-minded soulful partner, living life to the fullest. Healthy mind and body. (3/24) ☎20042

**TAKE A CHANCE.** Lady, 52, 5'3", 125lbs., wants to meet for lunch or coffee. My in-

terests are sweets, movies, pets, mental health, music, photography. (3/31) ☎20082

**BIG, BEAUTIFUL WOMAN** looking for someone that loves to cuddle. I love to cook, and I am a great friend also. Are you the one? (3/31) ☎20094

**HAVING FUN YET?** Black female seeks white male who likes to have a great time. (3/24) ☎20058

**LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED** by plus size brunette. Nonsmoker seeking long-term relationship. Very loving and sincere. Let's go for it, big boy! (3/24) ☎20038

**SEASONED TO PERFECTION!** Pretty playful, passionate, positive, spunky, sensual, smart, curvaceous, humorous, volup-tuous, articulate, petite. Desires intelligent, sensitive, romantic, communicative, considerate, white nonsmoker, professional, 57-66. (3/24) ☎20048

**TRUSTING, LASTING FRIEND** wanted. Someone to count on, build relationship with, caring, thought, authentic communication, patience. 5'7" attractive, 45, curvaceous, enthusiastic, fun loving, healthy, youthful. (3/24) ☎20052

**ADVENUROUS, WORLDLY,** athletic, slim, tall, Jewish female, nonsmoker. Seeking tall, 39-50, fit, compassionate, humorous, Jewish man of integrity. Enjoy sports, culture, and travel. Let's talk. (3/31) ☎20075

**INTO PERSONAL GROWTH,** spirituality, Tony Robbins? Degreed, extroverted, never want kids? Me too! Pretty, 34, trim blonde. You: homeowner, muscular, 30-38, great Italian/Latino looking. (3/24) ☎20062

**FOOL ON THE HILL,** 33, tall, blonde, seeks intelligent, quick-witted man for laughter, conversation, date nights, air hockey, and fun, 30-43. (3/31) ☎20072

**COUNTRY GIRL WITH SOUL** seeking sweet music man, 45+, strong, earthy, passionate, gypsy vagabond to make me laugh, inspire my heart and rock my world. (3/31) ☎20084

**PLUS SIZE DR. LAURA FAN** seeks potential husband to properly care and feed. Me: 37, white, single, kidless, long hair, old fashion values. Picture online. (3/24) ☎20045

**HUSBAND WANTED BY** 50's professional woman into photography, architecture,

hiking, biking, cooking, museums, sun-sets, dancing, stargazing, snorkeling, 5'4", 112lbs., cute, sexy, full of life! (3/24) ☎20050

**LOOKING FOR "FELLOW SEEKER"** who enjoys personal growth, travel, belly laughter, peak health, vitality and joie de vivre. You: commitment-minded man, age 45-55. (3/31) ☎20071

**ASIAN EXOTIC, SEXY,** great smile, nice legs/figure, 5'3", 115lbs., healthcare professional, childless, homeowner. Seeking tall, fit, nonsmoker, caring, fun, financially stable, 35+, Caucasian gentleman. (3/31) ☎20081

**OFFICER AND GENTLEMAN,** well, educated, accomplished, sought by above-average female, mid-50's (looks 40), attractive, bright, for social activities, travel, etc. Possible long-term relationship. (3/31) ☎20095

**I'M FULL-FIGURED,** black. Interests: sports, movies, concerts, outdoors, quiet times and you tall, slim, financially secure white man. No smoke, drink. 50-65. (3/31) ☎20083

**I COULD BE YOUR HAPPY** ingredient. Attractive, European blonde, 58, glamorous, radiant, compassionate, intelligent, creative cook, music, concerts, picnics. You: 58-62, attractive, romantic, great values. (3/24) ☎20037

**VERY ATTRACTIVE,** sagittarius lady, loves to have fun. Seeking a nice gentleman, 55-60, who enjoys communicating, and appreciating that very special woman in his life. (3/31) ☎20777

**SLIM, 42, BLACK LADY,** dreadlocks, seeking friendship first. Conversation on the phone, networking. Friendly, down to earth, deeply spiritual, not religious, loving man, any color. (3/24) ☎20041

**PRETTY TEACHER,** blonde/blue, 41, 5'8", slender, bikini looks, two teens home part-time, oldest at college. Seeking fun loving, successful, Republican, nonsmoking, Christian, 32-50. (3/31) ☎20066

**ATTRACTIVE FILIPINA WIDOW,** 58, sexy, educated, secure, homeowner, enjoys dancing, travel, dining, cuddling. Affectionate, will kiss away your lonely nights. Seeking tall, white, handsome, financially secure gentleman. (3/31) ☎20063

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
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**BEAUTIFUL, PASSIONATE** doctor, 39, 5'5", 125lbs., loving, energetic, fun, fit, well traveled. Seeking a very successful, well educated, loving, supportive, monogamous man under 45. (3/31)  20085


**AUSTRALIAN/AMERICAN**, 5', grace, elegance, culture taste, blue/blonde, former swimming/skating professional, seeking tall, health conscious, spiritual match, 60+, fine dining, dancing, theatre, baseball. (3/31)  20043


**CHARISMATIC, ATTRACTIVE**, sensuous, spiritual, energetic, easygoing, passionate, romantic, fun loving, adventurous, classy, successful, positive, artistic, empathetic, European lady. Seeking accomplished, tall, dashing soul mate, 43-55. (3/24)  20059

**FEISTY, WISE, ATHLETIC**, 47, professional seeks 47-55, nonsmoking male, fun, kind, attractive, tall, educated, creative, ready and capable of a commitment. (3/31)  20074

**EBONY LADY**, full figured, exotic and sexy, need white male for passion, romance, hugs, and kisses, age 49-60, must be relationship minded. Let's do it. (3/24)  20049

**GOOD GUY WANTED!** Blonde, plus-sized teacher, 34, enjoys beach, dance, movies, and gym. Seeking kind, funny guy to put a spring in my step! (3/31)  20068

**MATURE GENTLEMAN SOUGHT** by cute, free spirit, with 30-something looks, intelligence, insight, sincerity, playfulness. Love books, ideas, conversation, dance, communication, relationships, honesty compassion, love. (3/31)  20096

**FRIENDS FIRST**, then all the good stuff will come, walking our dogs at the beach, sunsets, travel. (3/24)  20039

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
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**BEAUTIFUL BLACK FEMALE**, 34, looking for older, 65+, white male who is giving and financially secure, for fun times. Possible long-term relationship. (3/24)  20036


**SEXY, BLUE-EYED**, Italian, young 49, herpes (asymptomatic). Seeking attractive, successful gentleman to share romantic escapades. Long-term relationship goal. (3/24)  20047


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**A WONDERFUL BLACK LADY**, who is outgoing, centered, poised, extremely romantic, enjoys, sunsets, dining out, long walks. Seeking gentleman, honest, sincere, sweet, upbeat, 45-65. (3/31)  20092


**WIDOW, 59**, looking to meet John Goodman-type, his personality/looks/attitude. Smoker, non-drinker. I'm apartment manager, Chula Vista. For companionship and friends. Meet, coffee? (3/31)  20078

**SEEKING SOMEONE WHO IS** joyful, optimistic, artistic, witty, educated, well traveled, spiritually holistic, 50+, no chil-


dren at home, financially secure, active participant in life. (3/31)  20070


**CLASSY, CURVACEOUS**, petite, outgoing female seeking male to share conversation, caring, compatibility, chemistry passion and laughter. You: 58-70. No smokers, drinkers, couch potatoes. (3/31)  20079

**50, BLONDE/BLUE, NURSE**, funny, happy, caring, romantic, secure, nonsmoker, professional, active, attractive, grounded, family values. Seeking tall, white, educated male, honest, marriage minded, travel. (3/31)  20064

**SINGLE FEMALE, 33**, in San Diego area, 5', slender, nice body, loves casinos and giving a good massage and hanging with the right, kind man. (3/24)  20051

**ATTRACTIVE, WARM**, sensitive lady, 51, interested in kind gentleman, age open, enjoy dancing, dining out, movies, home life, leading to one-on-one relationship. (3/24)  20035

**PETITE BRUNETTE, 5'3"**, 51, looking for honest, warm, loving gentleman for barbecues, movies, beaches. You be 49+, educated. (3/31)  20090


**SEEKING FRIENDSHIP**. Prefer kind, Christian, unencumbered caucasian, 47-57, tall, proportionate, nonbalding, nonsmoker. Movies, theater, travel, Dutch treat OK. I'm 5'9", proportionate, fun loving, loyal companion. (3/24)  20060


**INTELLIGENT, CURVACEOUS, 5'2"**, lovely, long blonde/blue, 55, desires tall, honest, well-educated, traditional, confident, emotionally strong, sincere man of integrity, for a fantastic relationship! (3/31)  20076

**LONGHAIREN ENCHANTED BEAUTY** seeks a tall, handsome man with a kind, generous and beautiful spirit. Be adventurous, spiritual, well educated, open minded and open hearted. (3/24)  20040


**SEXY, EUROPEAN EDUCATED**, gorgeous, petite. Seeking successful, truthful, generous, educated, anti-war, stylish, monogamous (com)passionate, no baggage/previous kids, friendship, sportive, spiritual, non-religious man, 38-49, 5'9"+. (3/31)  20073


**SEEKING FRIENDSHIP**. Prefer Catholic, conservative, childless, caucasian, tall, proportionate, non-balding, nonsmoker, under 57. Travel, outings. Dutch treat OK. 52, 5'9", shapely, fun loving, loyal companion. (3/31)  20097


**SEXY, MODEL-SLIM**, very pretty, passionate, loving, enchanting brunette, seeking very affluent, handsome gentleman over 5'11", muscular, classy, sincere, for serious relationship, leading to marriage. (3/24)  20054


**HAWAIIAN BEAUTY QUEEN**. Integrity, model, artist, author, dancer, loves mountain cabins, animals. Never married. You: never married, handsome, integrity, quality, 40-59, military experience a plus. (3/24)  20061


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**ATTRACTIVE, ITALIAN**, petite, young 50, English major, typist, psychology, Democrat, union, activist, pacifist, Sierra ecologist, likes hike, snorkel, cross-ski, folk dance, jazz, nieces. Clairemont. (3/31)  20067

**QUEEN-SIZE BEAUTY** in search of quality king. I'm 26 with caramel brown skin, brown eyes. You intelligent, charming, willing to spoil and pamper me. (3/31)  20086

**TIRED OF THE GAME** and disappointment? Energetic, spirited, compassionate woman seeks sensitive, honest man to share commitment, laughter, excitement, dreams. Let's embrace the journey together. (3/31)  20069


**VIRGIN TO READER MATCHES**, seeking attractive black male, 40-55. I'm a sensuous, voluptuous, Italian/Puerto Rican, who enjoys laughter, dining, dancing and delicious, passionate nights. Are you my dream man? (3/24)  20034


**STILL A COOL CHICK**, at 60's. Definitely not over the hill. Youthful, energetic, fun loving, affectionate, romantic, intelligent, down to earth. Seeking the same. Nonsmoker. (3/31)  20088


**KIND, FUN LOVING**, 38, Christian, love outdoors, beach, animals, priorities, family, friends. Looking for honest, real, compassionate, fun, active. Not interested in games, egos. (3/31)  20087


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**DOCTOR, HANDSOME**, tall, slim, 40, fit, guitarist, pianist, writes children's books, sensitive, high achiever, quiet, good listener, seeks sensitive, loyal, honest, growth-oriented, intelligent female. (3/31)  20812


**I AM VERY ATTRACTIVE, 43**, tall, sleek, athletic build, intelligent, wealthy, with integrity, character and humor. Seeking pretty, financially stable, woman professional. Yoga, travel, workouts. (3/24)  20763


**HOT, HOT, HOT** and ready to trot! Into a lifelong relationship with Ms. Right. I'm very handsome, fit, well educated, traveled, and bred! 40's, wonderful. (3/31)  20816

**ATTRACTIVE, 5'8"**, ADVANCED degrees, world traveled, business professional, nonsmoker, affectionate. Like animals, children, outdoors, seeking serious relationship, attractive, loving sweetheart. (3/24)  20743

**HANDSOME, SUCCESSFUL**, white male, 39, 6', 215lbs., very fit, humorous, with passion for living. Seeking slim, attractive, best friend. Let's live, love, laugh. Race unimportant. (3/31)  20796

**HONESTY, TRADITIONAL VALUES**, lasting relationship, professional, 50's. Seeking nonsmoking, down-to-earth woman to enjoy Weekend adventures, casual entertainment, travel, good friends, my cooking/life. (3/24)  20778

**ADVENTUROUS?** Me too! 58, fit, sensual, dance, cook, softball, golf, poetry, get-aways. Serious, long term only. (3/24)  20771

**ATTRACTIVE, 28, 6'1"**, 185lbs., white, Asian, full-time student, healthy nonsmoker, romantic, adventurous, enjoys dancing and the outdoors. Seeking 18-33. No smoke or kids. (3/24)  20752

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San Diego Fast Dating would like to give special thanks to everyone at the Bitter End, especially Sin, the director of Special Events. We feel the Bitter End is the nicest place for going out in San Diego. We want to thank our Web designer, Pat, who made changes almost daily for a low fee. We recommend her to all businesses: www.drinternet.biz, msfixit.com, or call 619-264-3285.

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**CHARMING, HANDSOME, TALL**, personable, confident, fun loving, 45. Looking for that special lady for romantic and lasting relationship. Affectionate, passionate, responsible. Healthy, slender, pretty. Nonsmoker. (3/31) ☎20809

**TALL, GOOD LOOKING**, architect, 43, Jack Nicholson type, healthy, toned body, intelligent, humorous. Seeking slender, very curvy, caucasian woman, 21-38, for friendship, romance, and more. (3/24) ☎20815

**FOREIGN BORN? READY!** Life's best, other half, monogamous relationship, traveled, sensitive, spiritual, North County. You: tall, unencumbered, romantic doer, caring. Experience the right road. (3/31) ☎20786

**LET'S GOOD TOGETHER**. Tall, 6'4", 52, handsome, fun loving professional. Well educated, open minded, spiritual, romantic, skier, sailor. Seeking one special woman for growth partnership. (3/24) ☎20751

**WANTED**. Asian girl, 18-29, proportionate, intelligent, funny, affectionate. 24, male, slender, charming, baby face, romantic, handsome. (3/31) ☎20818

**GARDEN GIRL WANTED**. Share in fun and games at 10-acre ranch in Bonita. Exotic plant and animal preserve. 40's, cats, caring, weeding, mulching, eating. (3/24) ☎20744

**PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN**, teacher/performer, handsome, 6'1", 170lbs., 52, Red/blue, swing dancer, actor, bicycle racer, artist, nonsmoker/drinker/drugs, child-free. Seeking right chemistry/connection. (3/24) ☎20761

**SINGLE, WHITE MALE**, 34, tattoos and a love for punk. Looking for a like-minded girl, 18-40. Only sincere need apply. (3/24) ☎20766

**REALLY HANDY MAN**, technical mind, romantic heart, easygoing, like skiing, sailing, fixing, building, enjoying life, 43, 6'1", 190lbs., green eyes, enjoy life! Care to join me? (3/24) ☎20775

**SINGLE BLACK MALE**, 30-something, 6'3", handsome, degreed seeks white or Latina female, shapely, attractive, must love to dance, friends first. (3/24) ☎20753

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**HANDSOME, TALL, GOOD LOOKING**, affectionate, fun loving, humorous man. Seeking adventuresome, spontaneous, romantic, friendly, proportioned woman to share good times with me, Mister Enthusiasm. (3/24) ☎20749

**FUNNY, FUN LOVING**, told I'm good looking, 42, 6'3", 190lbs., hazel eyes, blond. Love sports, beach sunsets. Seeking attractive, sensual woman. Let's get crazy together! (3/24) ☎20745

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**TALL, CATHOLIC**, conservative single male seeks single female, 25-35 years old, no children, nonsmoker, no drugs, no alcohol. Yes! Padres, Chargers, Disney and SeaWorld. (3/24) ☎20746

**SEEKING RELATIONSHIP** with woman of like mind. Interested in personal growth, intimacy, holistic, healing, metaphysics, intuition, deep conversation, spirituality, manifesting goals, prosperity, love. 5'5", 50. (3/31) ☎20814

**HANDSOME, SEXY**, successful executive, 59, trim, 5'10", blonde, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeks pretty lady, 40s+ for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (3/24) ☎20750

**FRANTIC MALE FROG**, 73, yearning to be kissed by one special, kindly princess. Tired of surviving on mosquitoes and bugs. Save me, please. Ribit, ribit. (3/31) ☎20793

**SEEKING BEAUTIFUL**, photogenic latina companion, 25-50/El Cajon gentleman, 50, enjoys photographic portraiture, music, ballroom dance, travel, passion, romance. Unattached, handsome, honorable fun, friendship OK. (3/31) ☎20794

**I WOULD LIKE TO MEET** nice sports loving, football loving, soccer loving, beach loving, fun loving, kid loving Asian lady. To date a preschool teacher. (3/31) ☎20803

**FUN, ENTHUSIASTIC, HEALTHY**, honest, communicative, educated, fit, successful, humorous, nonsmoker/drinker. Seeking female companion under 40, commitment. Loves travel, biking, hiking, camping, tennis, beach walks. (3/24) ☎20772

**GOOD-LOOKING, SMART, STABLE**, successful, unencumbered, nice guy, approximately 6', 180lbs., 46. Seeking slender, single, highly educated, nurturing beauty, 35-43, for balanced, long-term relationship. (3/31) ☎20788

**LOOKING FOR QVC SHOPPER**, size XS to S, for friendship, companionship, disabled retired man, someone open-minded, sweet, kind, slim, trusting, nice. Downtown area. Call. (3/31) ☎20808

**ATTRACTIVE, ATHLETIC**, adventurous, fit, 40s gentleman, loves travel, sports, dancing. Seeking attractive, pretty female, physically and emotionally fit, good sense of humor, for relationship. (3/24) ☎20760

**ASIAN LADY REQUESTED** by gentleman, because you are honest, bright, slim, sensual, happy, jazz lover, a sense of humor. Please call me. Thank you. Ciao. (3/31) ☎20787

**PASSPORT READY?** Let's travel together. 57-year old, 5'9" nonsmoker, unencumbered, semi-retired professional, Pacific Beach view condo owner, likes sports and theater. (3/24) ☎20769

**GENT, 70, HEALTHY**, active, retired, good natured, enjoy travel, movies, walks. La Mesa area. Seeking a nice lady. (3/31) ☎20807

**ASIAN CHRISTIAN WOMAN** 28-38. I'm nice, caring, and cute. Looking for my soulmate. I love exercising, gardening, cooking, Padre games, and church. Please call me! (3/24) ☎20756

**TRAGICALLY HIP MALE** seeks a partner in crime. Interests: the arts, tennis, bikes, yoga, KPBS, classic rock, chemistry,

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**53, HANDSOME, BLACK MALE**. Looking for fit, sexy, fun, white female. Enjoy music, dancing, intimate evening for magic, passion, and romance. Nonsmoker, no games. (3/24) ☎20777

**LOOKING FOR LOVE**. I'm 56, 5'3", good looking. I love music, nature, home life. Please be near downtown San Diego. (3/24) ☎20762

**JEWISH MAN, 59**, seeks female 35-50, who is kind, considerate, cares for others. Interests: tennis, hiking, music, live theater. (3/31) ☎20798

**GORGEOUS LATINO MALE**, fit, slim, 5'8", educated, homeowner. Seeking woman with sweet personality, 23-43, 5'3"+. (3/24) ☎20773

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**BAY HO/STONEHAVEN**. \$875, 1/2 utilities, deposit. 2-car garage. Housemate to share 3 bedroom, 2 bath. furnished, fireplace, pool, etc. No smoking/alcohol. 858-581-6127.

**BAY PARK**. \$530. Near Clairemont Drive, Mission Bay, UCSD, busses, shopping. Big garden, cable Internet, washer/dryer. Prefer male nonsmoker. \$100 deposit, utilities \$45. 619-276-1966.

**BAY PARK**. \$650. All utilities, amenities and RoadRunner cable included. Room for rent in 4 bedroom home. 619-275-0077.

**BAY PARK/MISSION BAY**/\$600/\$750. 2 rooms available. Modern home, bay/ocean views. Sun deck. Own bath, laundry. Quiet, safe neighborhood. Freeway close. 858-581-3743.

**CARDIFF**. Large room/bath, \$625. Small, \$525. Plus utilities/deposits. Community living with privacy. Vegetarian kitchen, organic garden, jacuzzi, laundry, distilled water. Nonsmoker, no dogs. 760-753-0321.

**CARLSBAD**. \$900 plus 1/2 utilities. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, owner occupied condo. Private bedroom/bath, garage, jacuzzi, community pool. Seeking female nonsmoker. Brian, 858-945-5245.

**CARLSBAD**. \$575. 1 room with private bath in 2 bedroom condo, 2 blocks from Tamarack Beach. Washer/dryer, jacuzzi. Available now. Mark, 760-730-0541; 619-235-2415, x11895.

**CARLSBAD**. \$695/month, utilities included. Master bedroom. Gated community, pool, spa, cable, kitchen and home privileges. No smoking, pets or drugs. 760-802-1133; 619-235-2415, x28694.

**CARLSBAD**. \$700 plus 1/2 utilities, \$200 security. Queen bed, private bath. Spa, walk to beach. Kitchen privileges, laundry. Some storage. Carport parking. Heated pool. 760-931-1546.

**CARLSBAD**. \$450/month. Near Plaza Camino Real. Tennis courts, swimming

pools, jacuzzi, washer/dryer and monthly maid. No smoking or pets. Call Kris, 760-434-0241; 619-235-2415, x25965.

**CARLSBAD**. \$850. Near beach. Female to share condo. Large bedroom, private bath, washer/dryer, secure garage, pool, jacuzzi. No smoking or pets. Cherri, 619-885-1471; 619-235-2415, x16273.

**CARLSBAD**. Rancho Carrillo. \$625 plus deposit, includes all utilities except TV/phone. Share full bath. Nice neighborhood. Washer/dryer, community pool, spa, running trails. 760-613-0079.

**CARLSBAD/LA COSTA**. \$650 includes utilities. 1 bedroom plus bath. Washer/dryer in unit. Storage, fireplace, wood floors. No smoking. Available 4/1. 619-235-2415, x17527.

**CARLSBAD/LA COSTA**. \$600, 1/2 utilities. 2 bedroom condo. Master bedroom with bath. Washer/dryer, garage parking, pool, spa. No smoking/pets. Jason, 760-505-8195.

**CARLSBAD/LA COSTA**. \$630, 1/2 utilities. Master bedroom/bath, private balcony, walk-in closet. Washer/dryer, pool, spa. No smoking, drugs, pets. Female preferred. Available 4/1. Jennifer, 760-431-2446.

**CARMEL VALLEY/DEL MAR**. \$700, 1/2 utilities/cable. Archstone. Private bath, washer/dryer, computer room, pool, jacuzzi, storage. Female preferred. 858-229-1105.

**CARMEL VALLEY**. \$690, plus 1/2 utilities. Water/trash paid. Camino Villas, upper view. Master bedroom, own bath. Pool, tennis, gym, parking, laundry. Leave message, 858-847-0774.

**CARMEL VALLEY**. \$900 plus utilities. Share house with owner, 2 masters, 1 guest, 3 bath, game room with pool table, bar. Big screen, TiVo, DirecTV, laundry, patio, 20' ceilings. Block from Pacific Athletic Club. Available 5/1. Rob, 619-922-5799.

**CARMEL VALLEY**. \$750. Master bedroom in gorgeous, remodeled. 2 bedroom condo. Quiet, clean. Washer/dryer, gym, pool, garage. Available now. E-mail madams92130@hotmail.com; 858-922-1275.

**CARMEL VALLEY**. \$900. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Own bathroom, washer/dryer, pool, jacuzzi, gym, cardio workout. Nonsmoker, drugs, no pets. Available 4/1. 858-344-2079; 619-235-2415, x29877.

**CARMEL VALLEY**. Torrey Highlands. \$1100 for 2 large bedrooms, own bath, kitchen, dining room or \$600 each room, share bath. Nonsmoking/pets. Utilities included. 858-344-1719.

**CHULA VISTA**. \$575, 1/4 utilities. Cable available. Large 4 bedroom house. Off-street parking. Full house privileges. Smoking OK. No pets. 619-427-3787; 619-517-5233; 619-235-2415, x31039.

**CHULA VISTA, EAST**. \$650. Share new house, washer/dryer, cable provided. No smoking/drugs. Available now. Charlie, 619-813-1620.

**CHULA VISTA, EAST**. \$500 includes utilities. Near Southwestern College. Room for rent in new 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Own bathroom, washer/dryer. Nonsmoking/drugs. 619-235-2415, x22572.

**CLAIREMONT, NORTH**. \$460 including \$30 utilities. First/last. Large, quiet 4-bedroom house on canyon. Large yard, washer/dryer, filtered water throughout house. Full kitchen privileges. Near Mesa College/transportation. Nonsmoking female preferred. 858-279-3479.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$625/month or \$475/month. Two rooms available. Just remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, garage, ceiling fans, jacuzzi. Deposit, 1/3 utilities. No pets. 858-270-8909.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$650, 1/2 utilities. Share 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Spa, laundry. Great

neighborhood. Fireplace, gardener, dishwasher, parking. Nicely furnished, private. No pets/smoking. 858-560-1971; 858-531-7696; 619-235-2415, x31694.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$550. Room for rent in 3 bedroom house. Close to everything. Pool, washer/dryer, cable and all appliances included. Available now. Call 858-405-2607.

**CLAIREMONT**. One or two rooms available, rent negotiable. Female only. Nonsmoking/pets. Share with male. Quiet, safe neighborhood. Nice, furnished house/lighting/yard. 4/1. 619-851-7351.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$675 (or best). Great 3 bedroom, 2 bath house on cul-de-sac. Pool, garage, yard, washer/dryer. Share house with female. Own room/bath. 1/2 utilities. Short term OK. 858-614-0273.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$495/month, some utilities included. Large room with walk-in closet. Close to Mesa College and Mission Bay. Call 619-275-2856; 619-235-2415, x31533.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$495 for bedroom or \$250 for space in living room in duplex. Garage. No drugs. Near mall, bus. Available now. 858-483-4184.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$450 month. Share large 4 bedroom, 2 bath house with 3 females. Front and private backyard, 2-car garage. All pets negotiable upon meeting. 858-569-0477.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$595 and \$480. \$300 deposit plus utilities. Renting 2 rooms, 1 master bedroom. Quiet neighborhood. Washer/dryer, garage. Blocks from shopping. Available 4/1. 858-273-3880.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$450. Share 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath home. 2 fireplaces, large kitchen, covered patio, barbecue, garage, washer/dryer, Roadrunner available. Great location. Cul-de-sac. Comfortable. 858-874-8886.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$525. Remodeled house, canyon, quiet, calm, cable TV, washer/dryer, ample parking, storage. Quiet neighborhood. 858-271-1035; 619-235-2415, x30794.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$550, deposit, 1/2 utilities. Large bedroom, nice house, personal bath, 8' closet, garage storage, laundry, Tai Chi backyard, near Mesa. No smoking/pets. 858-874-7774.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$575, utilities included. Female. Remodeled 3 bedroom house. Furnished bedroom, private bath, fast Internet, DirecTV. Near Genesee/Balboa. No smokers or more pets. 858-576-2039.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$600 plus utilities/deposit. Mount area. Room in house. Safe quiet neighborhood. Share with female owner. New carpets, tile, paint. Nonsmoker, no drugs/pets. 858-277-2044.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$500, 1/4 utilities. First/last/deposit. Room in house on canyon, share bathroom, washer/dryer, DSL, satellite TV and kitchen. No pets. Nonsmoking male preferred. Available 3/22. Brian, 619-300-5234.

**CLAIREMONT, FOX RUN**. \$700. Large master bedroom/bath with vaulted ceilings. Pool, jacuzzi, washer/dryer, cable, Internet. Luxury townhouse. Garage space. 858-414-2947.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$550/month. Room in 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Share bath. 1/3 utilities, \$550 deposit. Cable, internet, assigned parking, fenced patio. Jim, 858-353-5045; 858-526-8565.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$420. Near Mesa College. Master bedroom in 3 bedroom apartment. Private bath and large closet. Pool, jacuzzi and laundry on premises. Call Rob, 858-278-4439.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$545, share utilities. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Own room/bath. Close to I-5, I-805, 163 freeways, shopping, Mesa College. Pool, jacuzzi, laundry. 619-206-6038.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$600/month. Fully furnished room, share 2 bedroom duplex. Rent includes gas, electric and cable. Private phone line available. Call 858-483-5344; 619-235-2415, x17705.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$550, deposit, utilities. Master bedroom/bath. Washer/dryer, fireplace, clean house, spa, private backyard, quiet cul-de-sac. Female only. Small pet. Available 4/1. 858-499-0264.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$400 plus deposit/utilities. Female preferred. Room with phone and cable available in 6 bedroom house. Washer/dryer. Big yard. No pets. Tanya, 858-581-6230.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$525, 1/3 utilities, deposit. Female. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, beautiful home. Great location. Laundry, TV room, storage. No smoking/pets. 4/1/04. Call 858-361-8665; 858-874-6635; 619-235-2415, x11314.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$370, 1/4 utilities, \$370 deposit. Furnished room in quiet house. Washer/dryer, microwave oven, cable. Nonsmoking. No pets. 858-278-0952.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$550. 1 bedroom available in large 5 bedroom 2.5 bath house. Close to Mesa. Cable included. Large living area. Plenty of storage, parking. No

smoking/pets. 858-945-6986, 858-268-3792.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$465 Room in clean remodeled home on quiet street. Ceiling fan, free laundry, cable, plenty of parking. Female preferred. No smoking/pets. 858-569-0105.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$550, utilities, deposit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Large closets, jacuzzi, washer/dryer, 2 refrigerators. Cable TV, Internet included. No smoking/drugs/pets. 858-279-9069.

**CLAIREMONT**. \$616 plus deposit. Bedroom plus 1/2 office in nice, big, clean 3 bedroom, 2 bath with 2 males. Male or female, nonsmoking. Near I-805. Great furnished house! 619-733-6904.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$450 with utilities. 4 bedroom house near SDSU. Large yard, washer, dryer. Share with 3 other roommates. Call Giovanni, 619-210-5724.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$600/month plus deposit. Female roommate wanted for 4 bedroom condo. Washer/dryer in unit, Internet, pool, jacuzzi, tennis courts. 619-742-9524.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$550. Nice room in clean and quiet house. Private bath! Utilities included! 610-229-9090.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$590, 1/3 utilities, \$300 deposit. Large, tranquil 3 bedroom home, private bedroom. Cable Internet, washer/dryer, housekeeping, freeway convenient, pool. Pets considered. 619-286-1421; 619-235-2415, x21838.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$490 with \$300 deposit for large 2 bedroom apartment. Willing to accept 2 roommates to share larger bedroom for \$325 and \$150 deposit each. Jake, 619-977-5018.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$325 plus 1/4 utilities. Share large master bedroom, with 2 closets, extra storage, private bathroom. Teresa, 619-667-5399.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$525. Room available with own private entrance. New paint/carpet. Washer/dryer, jacuzzi, huge yard. Clean, quiet. Female only. No pets, nonsmoking. 858-337-7417.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$525, 1/2 utilities. Bedroom with own/guest bathroom. Laundry on site. Water/trash paid. Nonsmoking/pets. 4610 51st Street. Available now. Cheryl, 858-245-9594; 619-235-2415, x13240.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$460. Room in condo. Washer/dryer, off-street parking. Walk to market. Jacuzzi, pool. No smoking/pets. 619-337-7657.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$500, 1/3 utilities. 1 bedroom plus bath. Female preferred. Available 4/1. Call evenings, 619-255-0651.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$600. Roommate wanted to share 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Laundry, pool, jacuzzi, balcony, furnished, across from The Living Room cafe. Chandra, 805-588-2874.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$499 includes utilities. Male. 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, hilltop home. Large, clean room with view. Laundry, parking, deck, dishwasher. No smoking/pets. 619-903-1746; 619-235-2415, x22162.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$525/month, 1/3 utilities, deposit. Share furnished 3 bedroom house with large living room and washer/dryer. Off Montezuma. 619-583-3375; 619-235-2415, x26398.

**COLLEGE AREA/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS**. \$450/month, share utilities, \$325 deposit. Newly remodeled, 2 bedroom house. Huge, fenced backyard. Close to all. Must see! 619-582-9430; 619-235-2415, x28337.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$475/\$550. Deposit \$200. Need 2 females. Share 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Available now. Private bedroom, living room, bath, entrance. 619-269-2812.

**COLLEGE AREA**. \$550, utilities included. Nice 4 bedroom house. Pool, laundry, large yard. Share double-sink bathroom with male. Nonsmoking/pets. Near mall/freeway. 619-472-1220; 619-235-2415, x20596.

**CORONADO**. \$600 plus 1/2 utilities. Nice and quiet, share 2 bedroom apartment. Available now. 619-437-0294.

**DEL MAR HEIGHTS**. 2 bedroom, dual master, tri-level townhouse, with garage. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, pool, jacuzzi, gym. Available immediately \$825 plus deposit. 949-887-5255.

**DEL MAR HEIGHTS**. \$600, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Room unattached, full bathroom. West of I-5. Street parking, laundry rooms. Near shopping, good surf. Available now. 619-855-0704; 858-259-6133.

**DEL MAR, EAST**. \$650/month plus 1/3 utilities. Nice room in modern house. Private bath, private phone line, cable in room, washer/dryer, dishwasher. 858-822-1327; 619-235-2415, x22311.

**DEL MAR**. \$550, 1/3 utilities, \$500 deposit. Furnished bedroom. 3 bedroom townhouse. Shared bathroom. Washer/dryer. Nonsmoking/pets. Near beach. Quiet area. Month to month. 619-23

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**DOWNTOWN/LITTLE ITALY.** Walk to Gaslamp, see bay from your window. Includes walk-in closet, private bath, granite countertops throughout, stainless appliances, large rooftop deck with fountain, 2 balconies, washer/dryer, security, concierge, gym, pool and hot tub. Byron, 619-501-0480, e-mail, byron@byronhunt.com.

**EL CAJON,** Bostonia. \$495. Large room in new 2-story home. Private bath, hardwood floors, washer/dryer, pool, air, gated community. Clean. No pets. 619-440-4557.

**EL CAJON.** \$500 plus deposit, utilities paid. Furnished, cable, phone jack, washer/dryer, pool, quiet, clean, secure. No pets, no smoking. Available 4/1/04. Matt, 619-588-0586.

**EL CAJON.** \$450/month, 1/3 utilities, \$300 security deposit. Room in remodeled 4 bedroom, 2 bath house on cul-de-sac street, nice neighborhood. Mark, Trish, 619-277-1096; 619-235-2415, x31431.

**EL CAJON.** \$95/week. Room in private home. Clean, quiet, near all. Nonsmoker/drinker/drugs. Prefer male. 619-444-5309.

**EL CAJON/RANCHO SAN DIEGO.** \$700. Big beautiful ranch home. Your own room, bath and office. Gym, fireplace storage, clean, relaxing, close to all. 619-549-5540.

**ENCINITAS.** \$650, 1/2 utilities. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath duplex. Yard, ocean view, garage, washer/dryer, tile. Large bedroom. Have dog and cats, will consider small dog. Nonsmoker. 858-344-7846.

**ENCINITAS.** \$625 plus 1/3 utilities, deposit. Share cool, sunny 3 bedroom, 2 blocks from beach, all amenities plus washer/dryer and parking. 760-944-8277.

**ENCINITAS.** Large room \$650. Master \$750. Plus utilities/deposit. Large quiet house, private phone line. Near all amenities/MiraCosta College. No smoking, pets, drugs. 760-634-1637; 619-235-2415, x28209.

**ENCINITAS.** \$600 plus 1/3 utilities. Share 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Village Park. Quiet, fireplace, community pool, spa, tennis. No pets. Deposit. Agent, 760-463-7273.

**ENCINITAS.** \$650 plus utilities. Beach access 2 blocks. Available immediately. Bedroom in 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Washer/dryer, kitchen privileges, cable Internet/TV. 760-632-1070.

**ENCINITAS.** \$500/month, 1/3 utilities, 2 miles to beach and shopping. \$500 deposit. Available 3/31. No pets. 760-944-7059.

**ENCINITAS.** \$625, 1/2 SDG&E. Bright duplex, 11x13 quiet room, large closet, shared bath, yard, washer/dryer, storage, balcony, view, cable, DSL available. Near beach. 619-235-2415, x27218.

**ENCINITAS.** \$575, 1/2 utilities. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath, spacious apartment. Easy parking, large pool and jacuzzi, re-

laxing. No smoking. 760-635-3600; 619-235-2415, x29147.

**ENCINITAS.** \$625 includes utilities. 1 bedroom, separate bathroom, cable, laundry, community pool, tennis. Near beach, MiraCosta College, shopping. Nonsmoking. Deposit. No pets, have cat. 760-944-0403; 619-235-2415, x15826.

**ENCINITAS.** \$550, 1/4 utilities. Room in clean, quiet, modern house, beautiful neighborhood. Washer/dryer, cable, kitchen privileges, phone line available. Deposit. Won't last long! 760-753-1686; 619-235-2415, x13505.

**ENCINITAS.** \$500, 1/3 utilities, \$500 deposit. Room for rent. 2 miles to beach and shopping. Available 3/31. No pets. 760-944-7059.

**ENCINITAS/LA COSTA.** \$575 includes utilities. Lovely, quiet home. Washer/dryer, cable, house privileges. Female only. No drugs, smoking or pets. Separate phone. 760-943-8136; 619-235-2415, x23819.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$516 plus deposit. Own bedroom/bath. 1/3 utilities. Pool, spa, fitness center, sauna, washer/dryer in unit. Near freeways. Available 4/1. Leave message, 760-489-4895; 619-235-2415, x13999.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$475/month. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Room available. Nice, quiet neighborhood. Pool, big backyard. Near North County mall and freeway. Available now. 619-459-2684.

**FASHION HILLS.** \$500, includes utilities. Female roommate wanted to share house. Ocean view. Washer/dryer. Private, quiet cul-de-sac. No pets. Star 82, 858-565-7294.

**FASHION VALLEY/MISSION VALLEY.** \$550. Share large 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Washer/dryer in unit, balcony, underground parking. Near malls, beach, all major freeways. 619-602-2875.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$525/month. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. All new, parking, gated, quiet. Nice! Female preferred. Call after 5pm, 858-337-3461.

**GOLDEN HILL/DOWNTOWN.** \$650, 1/2 utilities, \$300 deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, washer/dryer inside. Quiet complex. Newly remodeled. Gated parking, pool/spa. showard@anacomp.com; 619-857-9716.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Near City College. \$425 plus deposit. Furnished room/private bathroom. House. No pets/smoking. Includes utilities. Credit check. 619-239-6988.

**HILLCREST.** \$725, 1/2 utilities, 1/2 deposit. 38th and Albatross Street. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Balcony, fireplace, washer/dryer in unit, dishwasher. Cat OK. 619-871-4364.

**HILLCREST.** \$600/month, \$600 deposit, 1/2 utilities. Master bedroom, private bath, walk-in closet, parking spot. No pets. Available 4/1. 619-501-5832; 619-235-2415, x15591.

**HILLCREST.** \$330 monthly. Share master bedroom/bathroom. 1192 square feet apartment, pool, party lounge, great view. Near everything. No smoking, drugs,

# NAME This Place



Last week's place: Dulzura Post Office, 16985 Highway 94. With 199 boxes, 187 square feet, and no toilet, this postage-stamp-sized post office is the smallest in the county and reputedly the second-smallest in the nation. And the friendliest (free candy on the counter). (Last week's winners: Eileen Coyne, Jonathan Eckhardt, Howard A. Lovitt)

pets. Available now. 619-269-7989; 619-235-2415, x13310.

**HILLCREST.** \$625, 1/2 utilities, \$300 security deposit. Great location! 2 story condo. Own bathroom, garage, washer/dryer, great location. Nonsmoking/drugs. Male preferred. 619-300-7329.

**HILLCREST.** \$650/utilities. Female only. Office/bedroom suite/private bath. Share beautiful 6 bedroom home with 5 others. Huge pool, yard, trees. Nonsmoker/pets. 619-295-6864.

**HILLCREST.** \$700. Share 2 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath house. Cul-de-sac. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, fireplace, vaulted ceilings, sunroom, patio with view. 619-295-2856.

**HILLCREST.** \$525/month, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Great location with view. Close to zoo and stores. Laundry, hardwood floors. Plus deposit and utilities. 858-735-9989.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$450 plus utilities. Furnished room/bath, computer with desk, view, patio, gated, laundry. Near buses/freeways. Clean, quiet. Deposit. Nonsmoker/drugs. 619-296-1860; 619-235-2415, x28525.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$650. Master bedroom in large 3 bedroom house. Walk-in closet, full bath. Attached second floor deck. Available April 1. Call John, 918-408-3537; Bill, 619-708-2203.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** Provide assistance with household support for male with disability. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath home. \$450 month plus 1/2 utilities. Pay negotiable. 619-594-8924.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$450. Nice room in big custom home, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2-story. Backyard, covered patio, beach close, kitchen privileges. Female preferred. 619-429-8383.

**KENSINGTON.** \$500, 1/2 utilities. Share 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Big room, large closet, bright, clean, beautiful, great view. Quiet, laundry, gated parking. Own phone line, TV and cable modem in your room. No drugs/smoking. 619-252-0888.

**LA COSTA.** \$800. Share large townhome, view of La Costa golf course. All bills included. Cable, own bathroom, patio, washer/dryer, maid service, pool, security garage. 760-271-7216.

**LA COSTA.** \$675, utilities included. Male preferred. Spectacular view. Private bath/bedroom. Quiet, beautiful house, fireplace. Near everything, quiet neighborhood. Available immediately. Nonsmoking/pets. 760-943-0944.

**LA COSTA/CARLSBAD.** \$675 includes utilities. Female roommate wanted to share 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Room is large, sunny and has own balcony. Unit has washer/dryer, storage, fireplace, new floors, paint and pool/spa. Sorry, no smoking/pets. Available now. Melissa, 760-930-3911.

**LA JOLLA.** \$700. 1 bedroom in spacious condo. Hot tub and pool on site. Patio, dishwasher, washer/dryer, garage, own bath. near UCSD. Share with female. 619-954-4475.

**LA JOLLA.** \$810, including utilities. Luxury fully remodeled townhouse, furnished. Female seeking female roommate. Must see inside. Month to month, private room, shared bath. 619-200-7902.

**LA JOLLA/UCSD.** \$750, 1/3 utilities. Master bedroom/bath in lovely townhome near park. Garage, maid, laundry, pool, spa. Available immediately. Nonsmoker. 858-450-9539.

**LA JOLLA/MT. SOLEDAD.** \$750. View home, private bath. 1/3 utilities. Quiet. Nonsmoker, no pets. Washer/dryer, fireplace, maid. Near parks. Available 3/31. 858-272-0234.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$875, 1/2 utilities. Large master suite with vaulted ceilings in dramatic, oversized, 1700-square-foot, furnished townhome. Private bath/balcony. Garage space, washer/dryer, fireplace. Heart of Golden Triangle, UCSD, mall. Minutes to beaches, Downtown, airport. Pool, spa, tennis. Share with 1 female. Debbie, 619-200-6125.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$525 plus \$500/utilities. Female to share 3 bedroom house in quiet neighborhood. No smoking or pets. Available 4/1. Tiger, 858-455-8404.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$600, 1/3 utilities, deposit. 2 bedrooms available in 4 bedroom home. Laundry. Female OK. No pets/smoking/drugs. Secure neighborhood. 858-554-0018.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** La Regencia. \$650 plus utilities. 2 master bedroom, 2 full baths. Inside laundry, pool, jacuzzi, gym. Near UCSD. Available 4/1. Alan, 858-405-7924.

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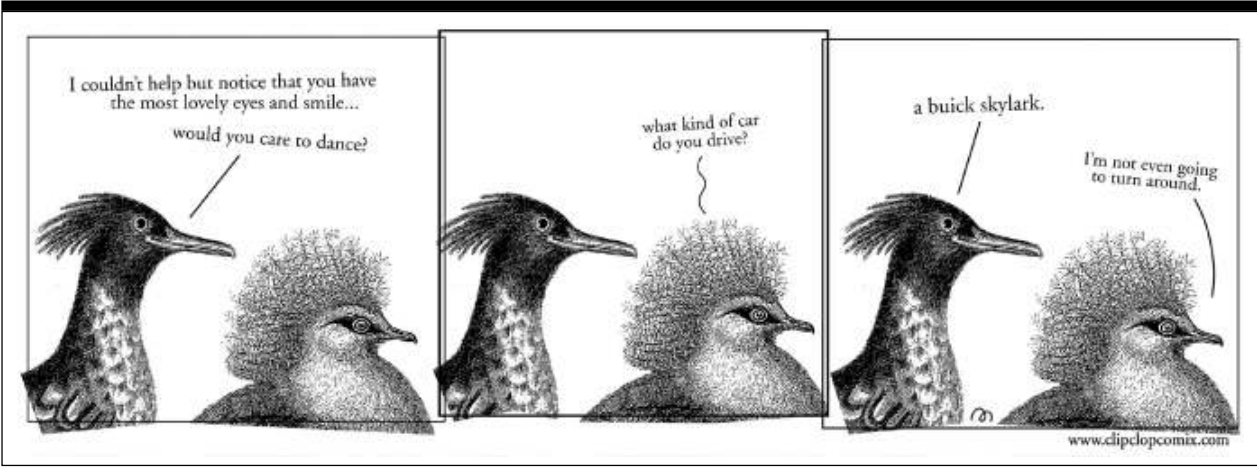
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Fair enough...but I have a standing rule to only surrender the award to an employee that can vanquish me in hand to hand combat.

Certainly, Sir. But you needn't congratulate me on winning the coveted "employee of the year" trophy again this year.

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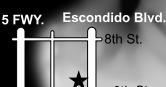
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**HILLCREST.** \$745. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in quiet complex. Bright, immaculate apartment. Near Henry's Marketplace. Barbecue patio. Coin laundry. No pets. 4225 Georgia Street. Resident manager, 619-299-1004.

**HILLCREST.** \$725. Lovely downstairs 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, laundry, street parking. No pets. 1829 University. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

**HILLCREST.** \$1350. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Downstairs, in gated building with

garage. Tiled kitchen and bath. Dining room. Large patio. Air conditioning/heat. Laundry. Off-street. Agent, 619-234-9553.

**HILLCREST.** \$1750. Charming, bright, 3 bedroom, 1 bath house, hardwood floors, tile, yard, great location. Walk to stores and shopping. Pets ok. 1265 Lincoln Avenue. 619-993-4672.

**HILLCREST.** \$895. 2 bedroom house. New paint and carpet. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

**HILLCREST.** \$875. Upstairs. Recently remodeled 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, coin laundry. Cat OK with additional deposit. Available 4/1. 3730 First. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker, [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com).

**HILLCREST.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Central air/heat. Built-in microwave. Full-size appliances. Gated building/parking. Quiet. Great location. No pets. 1756 Essex. 619-298-4256.

**HILLCREST.** \$1600. Recently remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath in Uptown District. 2 parking spaces, new flooring and paint, newer appliances, air conditioning. Community pool, spa, gym. Agent, 619-956-0900.

**HILLCREST.** Great move-in specials! Studio, \$825, 1 bedroom, \$975/up. 2 bedroom, \$1200. Quiet location! Elevator, clubhouse, gym, pool, sauna, air conditioning, dishwasher. Ceramic tile. Laundry. Microwave. Floor to ceiling windows. Covered parking. Locked bicycle storage. No pets. Park East Apartments, 111 West Pennsylvania. [www.sdreader.com/rent/1006](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/1006). 619-298-3225.

**HILLCREST.** \$850. Deposit \$500. 1 bedroom. Quiet complex. Close to all. 1402 Pennsylvania Avenue. 619-298-5918.

**HILLCREST.** \$695. Studio. \$895 junior 1 bedroom. Great area. Quiet complex. Walk to shopping. 3685 7th Avenue. 619-692-1004.

**HILLCREST.** \$850. Charming upstairs 1 bedroom located in courtyard setting. 1240 Lincoln Avenue. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**HILLCREST.** \$925. Deposit \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer/dryer, underground parking. 4155 Georgia Avenue #106. 619-297-7662.

**HILLCREST.** \$825. Includes all utilities. Deposit \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, underground parking. 4155 Georgia Avenue #110. 619-297-7662.

**HILLCREST.** \$1695. Newly remodeled 2 bedroom condo with hardwood floors. Pool, balcony, washer/dryer hookups. Parking and all appliances. Lease required. 858-598-1111 x191. [www.utiopiamanagement.com](http://www.utiopiamanagement.com).

**HILLCREST.** \$1895. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, completely remodeled, 1 block from Balboa Park. Hardwood floors, garage, patio, granite bathroom counters. Pets OK. 619-549-4959.

**HILLCREST/BANKER'S HILL.** \$1795. Stunning. Huge (approximately 1500 square feet!) vintage Craftsman, 2 bedroom. Nonsmoking duplex. Hardwood floors. Formal dining room. Courtyard. Laundry. Cat OK. 619-299-4769.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$845. \$250 off, first month's rent. Quiet, bright 1 bedroom. Courtyard setting, hardwood floors, centrally located, laundry. Cat OK. Nonsmoking. 4617-1/2 Campus Avenue. Must see! 619-741-7011.

**HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS.** \$900. 1 bedroom apartment, enclosed outdoor area, secured parking for small car, nonsmoking, pet OK. No barbecues. 3775 3rd Avenue. 619-297-7929. [tmgca@aol.com](mailto:tmgca@aol.com).

**HILLCREST/MORELY FIELD.** Condo. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 balconies, fireplace, washer/dryer, parking, cable, roof deck with spa. Cats OK. \$1600. 619-296-5304.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** Sunny, charming and peaceful two bedroom, one bath apartment with new carpet and paint, high ceilings and dining nook, on the second floor of our beautiful vintage building. A garage is included. \$1075. Please call 619-501-5109.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** Second floor, one bedroom, light end unit in quiet building, new paint, Berber carpet, parking, refrigerator, stove, \$790-\$850. Available now. 619-222-9463.

**HILLCREST/NORTH PARK.** \$700. Large clean 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo in small quiet complex/street. Parking, end unit, close to all. 619-299-1633.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$695/month. Studio house. Small yard. Quiet. Cat OK. Laundry. Nonsmoking. 4054 North Avenue. 619-296-4314.

**HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. \$1450. Fireplace, vaulted ceilings, dishwasher, balcony, washer/dryer, underground parking. 3939 Eagle. Available 4/15. Agent, 619-296-3189.

**HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS.** 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house in canyon setting, new carpets, large den, deck, bricked patio. 2-car carport. \$1650. 619-298-2367.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$850. Large 1 bedroom, 1-1/4 bath, nonsmoking, indoor cats OK, assigned off-street parking, laundry on-site, quiet, gated. 3548 Georgia Street. Call 619-981-9693.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$795. Charming 1 bedroom apartment, upstairs in well-maintained, 1940s court. Beautiful hardwood floors, decks, laundry. No dogs. Nonsmoking. 619-291-0147.

**HILLCREST/NORTH PARK.** \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Hardwood floors, fireplace, skylights, washer/dryer hookups, off-street parking, large storage area. No pets, no smoking. 3630 Florida Street. 619-922-4700.

**HILLCREST/BALBOA PARK.** \$1195. Picturesque, art deco, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Also includes great closet. Remodeled kitchen with new counters, stove, sink, track lighting, breakfast nook. New floor coverings throughout. Reserved parking. 619-298-2802.

**HILLCREST/UPTOWN.** 1 bedrooms, \$865/up. \$1075/up. Secluded location beside lush canyon, end of a "No Through Street." Controlled access, elevator, pool, covered off-street gated parking, poolside barbecue, recreation room with television/laundry room. No pets. Park View Apartments, 3700 Tenth Avenue. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2015](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2015). 619-298-6768. Email: [ParkViewApts@att.net](mailto:ParkViewApts@att.net).

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** Newly remodeled beachfront condo, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, secured parking, fireplace, indoor laundry. \$2495/month. 1220 Seacoast Drive. More info, 619-590-3024.

**IMPERIAL BEACH** Penthouse, \$1800. 2 bedrooms, 1-1/2 bath, 2 stories, fireplace, 4 balconies all with panoramic ocean views. 1 block from the beach. One-car garage, washer/dryer. Optional partially furnished. Military preferred. One-year lease. [thevog@cox.net](mailto:thevog@cox.net), 619-423-6048.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$1525. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Fenced yard, garage, family room, laundry hookups and fireplace. 614 Florence Street, 91935. 619-233-4182.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath. South Seacoast. Oceanfront, completely upgraded, 1575 square feet, 2 parking spaces. \$2500. Call 619-571-9977.

**IMPERIAL BEACH** condo. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, newer complex, washer/dryer hookups, security building, underground parking, \$974. Garage \$50 extra. 619-454-6534; 619-843-6805.

**JACUMBA.** \$750. 2 bedroom house, recently remodeled, approximately 35 minutes east of Alpine. 619-291-7017.

**KEARNY MESA.** \$775. Large 1 bedroom, great location, close to freeways. Pool, parking, laundry. 858-576-6396.

**KEARNY MESA.** \$750/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Near Mesa College. Available April. No pets. 858-277-3347.

**KENSINGTON.** \$1950. 2 bedroom, 1 bath Spanish house, 1920's charm. Fireplace, patio, deck, garage, hardwood floors, laundry, large yard, water and gardener paid. 4865 Vista. 619-282-0921.

**KENSINGTON.** \$850. Ask about Move-in Special! Renovated, quiet 1 bedroom, elevator, parking garage, air conditioning, appliances. 4471 44th Street. 619-252-0888.

**KENSINGTON.** \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment with new carpet, vinyl and paint. Parking and laundry. 4344 Van Dyke Street #7. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or [www.sunsetpacificrealty.com](http://www.sunsetpacificrealty.com).

**KENSINGTON.** \$825. Spacious 1 bedroom suite. All amenities. Security building, coin laundry. 2-car garage available. No pets. Quiet area. Please call 858-922-5044.

**KENSINGTON.** \$850. In the heart of Kensington with an awesome view overlooking the park! Next to Starbucks. Hardwood floors and parking. 4118 Adams Avenue #1 and #4. [www.cethron.com](http://www.cethron.com); 619-295-1100.

**KENSINGTON.** 1 bedroom and studio in heart of Kensington. Recently painted, yard, laundry, pet-friendly, 1 bedroom: new floors, full kitchen, bath, ample storage, \$875 plus utilities. Studio: storage, kitchen, bath, \$675 plus utilities. Call Ben or Cheryl, 619-527-7891.

**KENSINGTON.** Luxury 3 bedroom, 2 bath home plus detached office/den with bath. Hardwood floors, fireplace, 2-car garage, large yard with beautiful landscape, includes gardener. 5059 Canterbury Drive. \$2795. 619-683-9274.

**KENSINGTON.** \$1275. 2 master bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Garage, washer/dryer hookups. Quiet neighborhood. No dogs. Available April 5. 4064 Monroe Avenue. 619-286-3939.

**KENSINGTON.** \$700. 1 bedroom, very large, clean, quiet, laundry. No pets. \$400 deposit. 4598 39th. Call 619-283-3280.

**KENSINGTON.** \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Single-level unit in a fourplex. Allows for cat. Lease required. Garage available, \$100. 4209 Monroe Avenue. Call 858-598-1111, x191. [www.utiopiamanagement.com](http://www.utiopiamanagement.com).

**LA COSTA.** 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo, fireplace, kitchen Corian counters, 1-car garage, pools, Jacuzzi, tennis. Pet on approval. \$1650/month plus \$1650 security. 760-840-0527.

**LA COSTA.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. With two patios. Very nice neighborhood. No dogs. 858-481-3182.

**LA COSTA.** \$1175/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Light upper end unit. Near golf course. Amenities, fireplace, pool. Pets OK. Quiet neighborhood. 760-931-1194.

**LA COSTA.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Upstairs, vaulted ceilings, skylights, fireplace, washer/dryer, view, just remodeled. 1 car garage, pool, spa. \$1450. 760-295-2522.

**LA COSTA/HILLS.** \$1200. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit, fireplace washer/dryer, garage with storage, new carpet and paint, tiled floors. Cat ok. 858-922-3107.

**LA COSTA/CARLSBAD.** \$1395. 2 master bedroom, 2 bath condo. Air conditioning, fireplace. New carpet, walk-in closets, washer/dryer. Two patios, pool, jacuzzi. 858-699-5135.

**LA COSTA/CARLSBAD.** Beautiful 1308-square-foot townhome, 2 master bedroom suites, 2-1/2 baths. Fireplace, air conditioning, 2-car garage, patio, pool, Jacuzzi, tennis, gated. \$1675. 760-420-4204.

**LA JOLLA SHORES.** Studios, and a 1 bedroom, \$850, including utilities and cable, \$950 including utilities and cable. Quiet area, near beach, near UCSD. Available 4/15. 858-454-5414.

**LA JOLLA SHORES.** \$975. Studio apartment near beach. Balcony, 1 parking. 8051 Calle De La Plata, Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** Studio. Living room, bath, kitchen-appliances. Walk-in closet, dresser drawers/shelves, laundry. Walk to beach, bus, restaurants. \$1095-\$1375, includes utilities. 619-645-8082.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** 2 bedroom, \$2150 (add \$100 furnished). World class location. Near beach, tennis, pet walk, cafes. Truly "In Eden" 616 Prospect. 858-551-8893.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** \$1150. New garden studio. Steep roof and turret, stained glass, ivy entrance, near cove, furnished, cable TV, utilities. No pets. 858-459-8347.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** \$2100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in the heart of Village. 1230 square feet. Available now. 7925 Girard, rear. 858-274-6856. Boone Properties, [www.boonepropertymgmt.com](http://www.boonepropertymgmt.com).

**LA JOLLA.** \$1350. 1/2 off first month! Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Walk to UCSD, shops, park. Balcony. Garden window. Available now. No pets. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive #11. 858-457-4509.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1595/month. Unfurnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Lease. Balcony, fireplace. Parking. Laundry. Block to Windansea. No pets. 858-459-8943.

**LA JOLLA.** \$2400. Luxury 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath furnished townhouse. 1575 square feet. Art work, wood/carpeted floor. Patio. Fireplace, plants, 2 car, pools, park. [refinch@mccomic.com](mailto:refinch@mccomic.com). Owner, 619-666-7378.

**LA JOLLA.** Near Windansea Beach. 3 bedroom, 2 baths unfurnished house. Laundry, private yard, \$2200. 1-year lease. 551 Westbourne. 858-454-1018.

**LA JOLLA.** Big, nice 1 bedroom duplex apartment. 1 block to Windandsea. \$1200. Also, studio at same location, \$875. No pets. Agent, 619-291-7002.

**LA JOLLA.** \$2000/month. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Large yard. New carpet and paint. 3 blocks from Windansea Beach. 619-517-2273.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1025. Small 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. No pets. Fireplace. Quiet. Appliances. Carpet. Share patio. 8040 La Jolla Shores Drive #D. Agent, 619-275-3455.

**LA JOLLA.** \$2900. Large 4 bedroom, 2 bath house, plus den. No pets. Fenced

yard. Fireplace. Appliances. 8289 La Jolla Scenic Drive North. Agent, 619-275-3455.

**LA JOLLA.** 2 bedroom, 1 bath, Windansea Beach. New carpets, paint, fixtures. Available 4/9. No pets. \$1500/month plus deposit. Quiet, professional complex. 858-459-1065.

**LA JOLLA.** \$2500. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Ocean views, walk to village. Garage, garden, patio. Quiet cul-de-sac. Washer/dryer hookups. Pets OK. 619-297-6153 x105.

**LA JOLLA.** Sunsets that are breathtaking, just minutes from the beach. Spacious 1 bedrooms from \$1395, 2 bedroom/2 baths from \$1695. No pets. Call 619-405-4500. [www.thejohncollinscompany.com](http://www.thejohncollinscompany.com).

**LA JOLLA.** \$1600. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. 2 blocks to beach, washer/dryer. New paint, new carpet. Small yard. Available. 858-454-6597.

**LA JOLLA.** \$900. Large, lower, studio. Near Windansea Beach/bus, laundry room, parking. No pets, please! 396 Kolmar Street, Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

**LA JOLLA.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Close to beach. Swimming pool, jacuzzi. Excellent location. Laundry facilities, parking. No pets. Call Mark, agent, 858-204-4669.

**LA JOLLA.** 4 bedroom, 3 bath house. Backyard, double garage, laundry. Excellent location, close to shops and freeways. No pets. Call Mark, agent, 858-204-4669.

**LA JOLLA.** \$2000. La Jolla Shores. Fully furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Top floor. Pool/hills view. Quiet. Near all. No pets. Agent, Alice, 858-336-4478.

**LA JOLLA.** Awesome 1 bedrooms starting at \$1099. 1/2 block to surf. Tropical setting with laundry, pool. Cat OK. 858-536-1900.

**LA JOLLA.** \$975. Cozy 1 bedroom. 1st floor, 2 blocks to shopping. Laundry room. No pets. Available now. Manager, 858-459-1291 or 858-274-6856. Boone Properties. [www.boonepropertymgmt.com](http://www.boonepropertymgmt.com).

**LA JOLLA.** 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath sunny end townhouse, attached garage, wood floors, new wood blinds, paint. Low \$1500 lease for long term tenant. 858-456-6456.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1740. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage plus den in Village. Garden setting. 1-car garage. No pets. 7409 Eads. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

**LA JOLLA.** \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in heart of Village. Upper unit with hardwood floors. 7735 Fay Avenue. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

**LA JOLLA.** Garden apartments in the village. \$1395, \$300 off first month! 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 7575 Eads. 858-459-1102.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1750. Water paid. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, separate apartment, garage, enclosed yard, storage. Appliances, new carpet/paint. Quiet street, walk to beach. Nonsmoking/pets. 858-459-6839.

**LA JOLLA.** Charming, spacious beach cottage block from Windansea. Newly remodeled, marble floor, ocean-view deck, laundry, cable, garage available. Pets welcome. \$1750. 858-499-0611, 619-804-2072.

**LA JOLLA.** \$950. Studio with alcove, 3rd floor, ocean view, elevator, new carpeting. Near Windansea. New appliances. 415 Gravilla. Steve Richards Realty, 858-483-2844.

**LA JOLLA.** Quaint 2 bedroom, 1 bath plus 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage, 2 car garage, nice hardwood floors, fenced yard. Pet negotiable. In village close to beach, park. \$2450 and \$1450 includes gardener. 6663/6657 Tyrian. 619-279-2556.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1,550. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Private patio, near UCSD/ shopping, lots of parking, community park/pool. Washer/dryer included. [yasky24@hotmail.com](mailto:yasky24@hotmail.com)/760-809-5958.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$2200. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2 car garage, corner unit, patio and balcony. La Palmas 1500 square feet. New kitchen, great condition. 619-220-8317.

**LA JOLLA/BIRDROCK.** \$2500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Brand new kitchen, fireplace, washer/dryer, fenced yard, carport garage, oceanview, 2 blocks to beach. 760-415-7882, 760-747-1474.

**LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK.** \$1695. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, all appliances. Two tandem gated parking, large covered patio. 5726 La Jolla Blvd. 858-270-0310 evenings and weekends.

**LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK.** \$1050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in controlled access building. Coin laundry. 1 parking. No pets. 5530 La Jolla Boulevard. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Stylish townhome, 2 bedrooms plus den, 2 baths, attached 2-car garage, \$1800/month. 619-840-4142.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, parking, spa. \$1695. Call 619-885-9999.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1820. Valencia/Renaissance luxury apartment. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Spacious layout with high ceilings, fitness center, heated pool, racquetball, washer/dryer, garage. Owner moving, discount \$250 per month for the first 3 months! 858-457-5966.



**LA MESA.** \$750. 1 bedroom, parking, air conditioning, pool, laundry room. Near SDSU. Call 619-287-0626; 619-460-4685.

**LA MESA.** \$925 plus move-in special! Spacious 1 bedroom. Newly renovated community. Air conditioning. Patio/balcony. New appliances. Large closets. Berber carpet. Wood flooring. Fitness center. Pool. Spa. Saunas. Laundry. Near trolley, Grossmont Mall, SDSU, 32nd Street, Miramar. Cat friendly. Model open! Villas at La Mesa, 8515 Chloe Avenue. 619-460-7955. www.sdreader.com/rent/2054.

**LA MESA.** \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Outstanding value. First month moves you in! Hardwood floors, walk-in closet. Near SDSU. 4932 68th Street. Sunriseliving.com. 858-571-1970.

**LA MESA.** \$785. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Outstanding value. First month moves you in! Hardwood floors, walk-in closet. Near SDSU. 4932 68th Street. Sunriseliving.com. 858-571-1970.

**LA MESA.** \$200 move-in special! 2 bedroom, 2 bath available for \$1350. Beautiful award winning community. Pool, spa. On-site laundry. Close to Grossmont Center and freeways. 5525 Shasta Lane. 619-698-6766.

**LA MESA.** \$1850. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome. 2-car garage. 2 fireplaces. New paint, new carpet. Laundry room. Available 4/1. 619-851-6446.

**LA MESA.** \$750 and \$1000. 1 bedroom, 1 bath and 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Parking, laundry. Great location! 4763 Jessie Avenue #16. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**LA MESA.** \$760. Quiet 1 bedroom. New carpet/flooring, ceiling fan, on-site laundry, off street parking. Walk to village, shopping. 8276 Orchard Avenue. Manager, 619-697-7841.

**LA MESA.** \$1995. 9390 Loren Drive. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. 2000 square feet, single story house. 1/3 acre lot. 2-car garage. Available 5/1. 619-392-4054.

**LA MESA.** \$775. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Upstairs. Balcony. New carpet. Dishwasher. Blinds. Intercom entry. Laundry. Off-street parking. 4311 Parks Avenue. 619-460-5406.

**LA MESA.** \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1-12 bath, spacious. Pet negotiable. Yard, must see! 8615 Mellmanor. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**LA MESA.** \$1650. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Fenced yard, gardener paid, RV parking. Fee. Rent Ready, 858-505-4848.

**LA MESA.** \$795. 1 bedroom. Parking in the village. Laundry, new carpet. Quiet. AMI Property Management, 619-697-6314.

**LA MESA.** 1 bedrooms, \$890/up and 2 bedrooms, \$1200. 2 heated pools. Lap pool. Jacuzzi. Sauna. Tennis and putting green. Exercise room. Air conditioning. Playground. Lounge. Billiards. Patio or balcony. Sorry, no pets. 5333 Baltimore Drive. See: www.sdreader.com/rent/1004 or call 619-461-3541. Email: heatherwoodApt@att.net.

**LA MESA.** 2 bedroom, luxury apartments, fireplace, laundry hookups, patio/balcony, pool, spa, gated/covered parking. 5519 Lake Murray Boulevard. For pricing, 619-698-7600.

**LA MESA.** 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with garage and huge backyard. \$850/month, \$1000 security deposit. No pets please. 6109 Severin Drive. Call 619-387-1300.

**LA MESA.** Available now. \$795-\$825, 1 bedrooms. \$995-\$1095, 2 bedrooms. Very spacious. Air conditioning, dishwasher, walk-in closet, balcony, pool and deck. On-site laundry. Cul de sac. Near all. Gated and underground parking. No pets. Lease. 619-465-9849 or 619-303-4969.

**LA MESA.** Cute 2-bedroom, 1 bath house with garage, washer/dryer, fenced yard. \$1400/month. 4355 Rosebud Lane and 7109 Pearson Street. 619-980-7118 or 619-698-7520.

**LA MESA.** Funky 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage, \$795. Quiet, secure, clean, ready now. If you can find something better, rent it. 619-291-1044 x128.

**LA MESA.** Flower gardens everywhere and bird chirping welcome you home to these newly remodeled 1 bedroom apartments at \$995 and 2 bedroom apartments starting at \$1150. No pets please. 619-464-8985. www.thejohncollinscompany.com.

**LA MESA.** Junior, \$795. 1 bedroom, \$920. 2 bedroom, \$1150. Ask about move-in special! Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Gym. Patio or balcony. Parking. Clubhouse, pool, spa, sauna. Villa Sangria Apartments. 8633 La Mesa Boulevard. www.sdreader.com/rent/1002. 619-462-1633.

**LA MESA.** Meticulously remodeled apartments in a serene setting invite you into

this full service community. 1 bedrooms at \$895. 2 bedrooms at \$1195. No pets. Call 619-884-7900. www.thejohncollinscompany.com.

**LA MESA.** Right next to Lake Murray, 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo is available for \$1000/month. Truly the best you can get. 619-944-0648.

**LA MESA.** Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom, air-conditioned apartment homes. Close to lovely parks and shopping centers. Enjoy quality, comfort and convenience at a price you can afford at Vista Amaya. Call us now at 619-697-3285. For photo, floor plans, map and directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1035.

**LA MESA.** Starting at \$690. Studio plus den. Adorable gated community. Lush landscaping, sparkling pool and vaulted ceilings. Steps to bus lines, near SDSU. Call for an appointment! 858-571-1970 (days) or 619-337-1346 (evenings). 4465 Rosebud Lane. Sunriseliving.com.

**LA MESA.** Studio, \$715. 1 bedroom, \$850. 2 bedroom, \$1050. Includes carport space and storage. Laundry. Pool. Gated community. No pets. 5365 Marengo Avenue. 619-698-7926.

**LA MESA.** Spacious 1 bedrooms from \$775. Quiet courtyard setting. Air conditioning, patio or balcony, upgrades, on-site laundry. 4751 Jessie Avenue. 619-460-8011.

**LA MESA/CASA DE ORO.** Best value for your dollar! Elegant, sculptured flower gardens, fountains, gas lamps, park benches. Charming. New Orleans style community. From \$850. Spacious 1, 2 bedroom, 2 bath and 3 bedrooms/2 baths. Huge patios/balconies. Restricted access gates. Small pet OK. 3903 Conrad Drive. 619-462-1212. www.sdreader.com/rent/1017.

**LA MESA/ROLANDO.** \$750-\$950. 1 and 2 bedroom apartments, currently being renovated. Not just a drive-by. Must see interiors. Call about specials! 619-741-5621.

**LA MESA/SAN CARLOS.** Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. \$1075. New carpet/vinyl, gated complex, parking, laundry, air conditioning. 7594 Park Ridge. Jocelyn, 619-527-2217; 619-243-4000 x0.

**LAKESIDE.** \$800. Deposit \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Nice unit near Lindo Lake. Dog run. 1 parking space. Section 8 accepted. Available now. 12633 Lindo Lane. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

**LAKESIDE.** 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, just painted, new carpet and air conditioning, patio, refrigerator, stove, oven, two parking spaces. Monthly rent \$1275. Section 8 OK. 619-401-3033.

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**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1050. Large, newly renovated. 2 bedroom, gated apartment. Newly remodeled kitchen. On-site lau-ndry. New carpet. With 2 Off-street park-ing. 619-322-8388. Xilarent.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS/NORTH PARK.** Very private, detached studio with high ceil-ings, a Murphy bed, on-site laundry and off-street parking. Air conditioning and utilities are included. \$650. Please call 619-501-5109.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS/NORTH PARK.** Very large upstairs one bedroom apartment with dishwasher, disposal, large closet, on-site laundry room and off-street park-ing. \$675. Please call 619-501-5109.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS/KENSINGTON.** \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs apartment in quiet, gated building. New paint, re-served parking. 4319 Copeland. 619-582-3596.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$735. 1 bedroom apartment in intercom-access building. Dishwasher, ceiling fan and reserved parking. No pets. 4465 Cherokee. 619-265-8680.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$780. 1 bedroom house with small backyard. Newer car-pet, paint, and stove. No pets. 4322 39th Street. 619-229-9060.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$950. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry, gated, street parking, near schools, library and easy access to free-way. 4592-1/2 39th Street. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, gated entry, parking, laundry, close to freeways. 4783 35th Street #8. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, clean and quiet parking, gated and laundry. 4382 Utah Street #8. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$775. Newly remod-eled 1 bedroom. Gated courtyard with pool. Laundry. Off-street parking. Near Adams. 4637 34th Street. Sandra, 619-563-1310.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1050. Large 2 bed-room, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, huge kitchen, security complex. 3449 Adams Avenue. 619-243-4000 x0.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. \$995. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Water/trash paid. On-site laundry. 4566 Ohio Street. 858-200-9408.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$975. Half off first month's rent! 2 bedroom duplex, upstairs. Shared yard with 3 units. Calm oasis in convenient neighborhood. Fresh paint in and out; very clean. Laundry hookups. One parking space. 1-1/2 blocks south of Adams. 4569 Wilson Avenue. See by ap-pointment only. 619-307-1636.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 2 bedrooms, \$825-\$845, nice, upper and lower units. Quaint complex with off street parking. Great neighborhood. Close to shopping. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$775. Neat 1 bed-room, 1 bath apartment, gated courtyard, recessed lighting, small patio, laundry, no

pets, nonsmoking. 4443 Kansas Street. Agent, 619-685-3960.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$965. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. All new. Security gated. 1 year lease. Excellent credit required. No dogs. See by appointment. 858-481-1138.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$875 and up. 2 bed-room near Adams. 2 parking spaces. Laundry on site. Gated. Storage. No pets. 4678 Ohio Street. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1750. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Garage. Laundry hook-ups. No pets. 4444 30th Street. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1285. 2 bedroom, 2 bath back house. Yard, storage. Newly painted, hardwood floors. Open Sunday, 1-4pm, 3343 North Mountain View Drive. 760-753-7472.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1550/month. Span-ish charmer, pride of Normal Heights. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, garage, fresh paint. Convenient location. Pets OK. 4513 39th Street. Open house Sunday 10am-4pm. 619-283-4684.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$695. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, great location. Quiet. Must see! 4511 34th Street. 858-483-3534 www.cal-prop.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** From \$800, extra-large gated 1 bedroom. Near Adams and supermarket. Newer, nice remodel. Also, huge 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Convenient lo-cation, near public transportation. On-site manager. Laundry. No pets. 619-281-8869.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$820. 1 bedroom cottage with refrigerator, stove, courtyard entry. Garage extra \$100. 3233 Adams. Lease required. 858-598-1111 x191. www.utopiamanagement.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$775. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Extremely clean, new paint. Refrig-erator and stove in small, friendly build-ing. Off-street parking. Laundry room. 1 block above El Cajon Boulevard on Felton Street with easy access to bus line and I-805. 858-695-1663.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$650 and \$850. 1 bedroom 1 bath and 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Downstairs. Parking and laundry. 4669 34th Street #1 and 4665 34th Street #4. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** Charming 1 bedroom apartment. New kitchen, carpet and paint. Upper unit. 1 block to Adams. Covered parking. Laundry. No pets. \$750. 619-206-9075.

**NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD.** \$1150, plus utilities. Loft-style cottage, with kitchen and bathroom. 850 square feet. Courtyard entrance. Available March 17. www.fodors.org/cottage. 619-501-5035.

**NORTH PARK.** \$650. Studio in clean se-curity building with courtyard setting, pri-vate off-street parking, laundry room. Drive by 4567 Texas Street then call 619-447-6556.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1700. Move-in special! First month rent free with signed lease. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Fireplace. New flooring. Freshly painted. Remodeled bathroom. Fenced yard. Parking. Visit www.homes4rent.com. Call now. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

**NORTH PARK.** \$800. 1 bedroom, spanish cottage, quiet, private courtyard setting. New paint. Laundry. No pets. Nonsmok-ing. Garage available \$75 extra. 4363-1/2 30th Street. 888-606-0617.

**NORTH PARK.** \$850/month. Beautiful 1 bedroom, 1 bath with lots of windows for natural light. Good condition. Huge bal-cony. Garage with storage. Laundry hook-ups. Quiet 3 unit property with easy access to shopping, bus, 805 freeway. Available now. No pets. 3943 32nd Street in rear. See by appointment only. R.A. Properties. 858-483-3989.

**NORTH PARK.** \$795. Bright, downstairs 1 bedroom duplex. Berber carpet. Remod-eled kitchen and bath. Patio. Agent, 619-234-9553.

**NORTH PARK.** \$925. Classic 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage, completely renovated. If you can find one better than this, rent it! Garage available. Jeff, 619-291-1044 x128.

**NORTH PARK.** \$785. 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom, \$1050. Condo quality. New paint, carpet, stove. On-site laundry, parking. No pets. 4078 Louisiana Street #3 and 8. 858-483-5111 x10.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725. 1 bedroom cottage, quiet courtyard entry, all appliances, Berber carpet. 4450 Utah. Available 4/1/04. 858-488-3452.

**NORTH PARK.** \$975. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath, all new interior and appliances, tile floors with Berber carpet, many up-grades. Quiet. Laundry. Clean. Off-street parking. No pets. Nonsmoking. 4128 Al-abama Street. 619-222-0401.

**NORTH PARK.** \$775. One month free rent! 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Off-street park-ing, laundry, lush landscaping. Nonsmok-

ing unit. 4127 Florida Street. Call 858-571-1970. Sunriseliving.com.

**NORTH PARK.** \$795. 1 bedroom apart-ment. Off-street parking, laundry room. 4169 Alabama. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

**NORTH PARK.** \$950. Condo. 1 bedroom. New, upgraded, granite, stainless steel, washer/dryer. Upstairs unit. Available now. 619-948-4140.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. Deposit \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Remodeled cottage in quiet complex. Patio. 1-car garage. No pets. Available now. 4514 Idaho Street. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New carpet/appliances. Travertine. Gran-ite. Off-street parking. Laundry facilities. Gated. Small complex. Ready 4/1. 3987 Arizona Street. 619-851-6446.

**NORTH PARK.** \$895. Extremely clean 1 bedroom, 1 bath in small, modern build-ing. Condo quality with vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, carpet and ceramic tile flooring. Refrigerator, dishwasher, stove, microwave, central air/heating, private garage, laundry facilities. On Lincoln with easy access to I-805. 858-695-1663.

**NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD.** \$1750. House, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath plus de-tached office, living room, dining room, kitchen, hardwood floors. All appliances. Washer/dryer, stove, refrigerator. 2-car garage. Gardener/water included. Pet considered. Private yard. Immaculate. 619-281-4698.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1050. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Cat friendly, new carpet, dishwasher, fire-place, gated underground parking, pat-io/balcony, laundry on site. 619-546-9677.

**NORTH PARK.** \$720. Large 1 bedroom. Freshly painted. New appliances, floor-ing, blinds. Upper unit. Immaculate. Gated complex, parking, laundry. No pets. 4354 Utah Street. 760-721-1672.

**NORTH PARK.** \$695. 1 bedroom, 1 apart-ments. Gated. New decor. Free cable. Quiet. Laundry. Off-street parking. No pets. Available now. 4144 Kansas. 619-583-0210.

**NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD.** \$1600. Spacious 3 bedroom house. Walk to park. Hardwood floors, nicely equipped kitchen and laundry room. Large yard. Available 4/1/04. 619-269-3

**NORTH PARK.** \$850. 1 bedrooms. Cute clean cottage duplex in landscaped courtyard. New decor. Quiet complex. Garage available. No pets. 2975 Laurel Street. 619-284-1302.

**NORTH PARK.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath situated in a small complex. Street parking, no laundry. Available now. 4470 Illinois Street. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$895. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper unit in quiet complex. Laundry and parking. 4165 Mississippi Street #4167-1/2. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1450. Cute 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Move-in special! \$500 off first month's rent! Hardwood floors, gated backyard, garage, washer/dryer hookups, great neighborhood and easy access to freeways! 3425 Felton Street. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs, quiet, gated, laundry and parking. 4379-1/2 Oregon Street. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** Beautiful highrise! 1 bedroom with balcony, \$800/month. Security complex with upper and lower secure parking. Palisades Pointe, 619-297-3600.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upper. Laundry on site. Available now. 3642-1/2 Park Boulevard. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath upper unit. Laundry and parking. 4553 Texas Street #7. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$975. Good credit a must! Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Pet friendly! Pool, parking, controlled access, laundry. Clean, quiet. 4133 Kansas. www.jessellproperties.com. 619-640-0112.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1185. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo in quiet gated complex. Sunny with newer upgraded appliances. Garden window, fireplace, air conditioning, in unit laundry, off-street parking, extras. 619-449-6080.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs. Quiet, gated, laundry. 4361 Texas Street. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$950. Upper 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet. Bright. Laundry room, parking, near bus. 4342 Idaho. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

**NORTH PARK.** \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs, situated in gated complex, laundry room on site. Available 4/10/2004. 4058 Hamilton Street #4072-1/2. www.cethron.com; 619-295-1100.

**NORTH PARK/BURLINGAME.** \$1900. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1500 square foot canyon home. Laundry hookups, large, partially fenced yard, secluded area. Pets negotiable. 619-269-8107.

**NORTH PARK.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet, paint, flooring, remodeled bathroom and kitchen, new windows. Courtyard-style complex. Cats OK. Fantastic interior. Laundry on site. 4075 Arizona Street. 619-884-7500.

**NORTH PARK.** \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Dishwasher, parking, laundry, gated complex. 4503 Hamilton. 619-243-4000 x0; Linda. 619-295-5679.

**NORTH PARK.** \$775. Newly remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 4146 32nd Street. David. 619-584-4956.

**NORTH PARK.** 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. \$1400 includes dishwasher, washer/dryer, air conditioning, patio, carport, garage. Security, gated. Nonsmoking. Available April 1. 619-284-7446.

**NORTH PARK.** \$795-\$880. 1 or 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex in gated courtyard, berber carpet, ceramic tile, laundry, no pets, nonsmoking. Close to transportation. 3361 30th Street. 619-251-4355, Agent. 619-685-3960.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1350. Charming canyon duplex with views. 2 bedroom, 1 bath plus office. New washer/dryer, carpet, paint. Bright, French doors, storage,

deck. Quiet neighborhood. Water/trash paid. Available now. 2679 Montclair. 619-528-0250.

**NORTH PARK.** 4020 Kansas. 1/2 off the first month! Welcome home! Spacious 1 bedroom with large living room. Assigned parking and laundry facilities. Only \$750. Call Wendy, 858-270-5500 x25. www.msrowar.com.

**NORTH PARK.** 4611 Ohio. 1st month free! Spacious 1 bedroom. Enjoy living in a garden setting with controlled access. Assigned parking and laundry facilities. Call Debi at 619-285-1032. www.msrowar.com.

**NORTH PARK.** \$695. 1 bedroom, 1 bath charming bungalow, near all, cat ok, section 8 ok. 3874 35th. 619-698-6913.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1075. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Laundry facilities. Large extra storage area. Hardwood floors, nice neighborhood, no pets. 619-307-0386 or 619-987-6686.

**NORTH PARK.** \$875. 1 bedroom apartment. Air conditioning. Fireplace. Walking distance to Morley Field. Available now. 3675 Arnold Avenue. 858-484-2763.

**NORTH PARK.** \$975. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath apartment. New carpet. Air conditioning. Walk-in closet. Gated building. Broker, 619-286-4250.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1200. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, beautifully furnished condo. Gated community, garage, washer/dryer included. 4575 Ohio Street. 619-280-8681.

**NORTH PARK/SOUTH PARK.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit of duplex on quiet canyon. Remodeled, bright and clean. 2 parking spaces. 858-395-1359.

**NORTH PARK.** Gorgeous! A must see! 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Private front patio, granite countertops, custom lighting, wood floors, dishwasher, full-size washer/dryer. \$1350. No pets. 4561 Alabama Street. 858-571-1970, Sunriseliving.com.

**NORTH PARK.** Open House Sunday 3/21, 12noon-2pm. 4175 Swift Avenue #11. Upper 2 bedroom, 1 bath, newly remodeled, new appliances, fireplace, 1-car garage, washer/dryer. \$1195. 619-660-1798.

**NORTH PARK.** \$495. Very, very small studio. Utilities included! Laundry on site. 3206-3208 30th Street. Cogan Properties, 619-283-2144.

**NORTH PARK.** Move-in bonus! 2 bedrooms. Central location, new paint, laundry on site. \$1025. 3662 32nd Street. 619-683-9274.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom. New carpet/paint. Quiet, laundry facilities. Nice courtyard, near all. available now. 619-298-8383.

**NORTH PARK.** \$775. \$500 1st month's rent. \$500 Deposit. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 2nd Floor. Gated complex. Laundry on site. 4152 Alabama Street. 619-315-5938.

**NORTH PARK.** \$710. West Hollywood charm, North Park convenience! 1 bedroom. Spanish-style bungalows. Gated entrance. Serene courtyard. Mirrored closets. Laundry. Small pets considered. Cross street Adams Avenue. 4651 Iowa Street. 619-281-3243.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1450. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, plus 2 bonus bedrooms. Large, 1200-square-foot house. Hardwood floors. Washer/dryer. Beautiful garden. Garage. Pet upon approval. 4172 Cherokee. Manager, 619-296-8802.

**NORTH PARK.** \$995. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, large lower unit, fireplace, small back yard, laundry, gated, cat OK. 4065 Louisiana. 619-698-6911.

**NORTH PARK/HILLCREST.** \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, large charming spanish style, hardwood floors, washer/dryer, yard, cat OK. 2723 Wightman. 619-698-6913.

**NORTH PARK/HILLCREST.** \$865. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath in gated complex. Spacious kitchen/dining area. New carpet. Carport parking. Coin laundry. Phone entry system. Close to stores. No pets. 4030 Louisiana. Manager, 619-296-8802.

**NORTH PARK.** \$900. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Spacious, immaculate apartment. Walk-in closet. New carpet, flooring. Parking. Coin laundry. No pets. 4341 Utah. Manager, 619-296-8802.

**NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$765. New kitchen, bath, carpet and paint. On-site parking and laundry. Air conditioning. Nonsmoking. No pets. Must see! John, 858-454-6968.

**NORTH PARK.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with vanity. Downstairs, carpeted. Lovely facility. Assigned parking. Small complex. No pets. 4359 Alabama Street. 619-291-8666.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1100. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Bright unit with patio. Laundry. Off-street parking. Excellent location near bus lines. 4328 Louisiana. Manager, 619-296-8802.

**NORTH PARK/BURLINGAME.** \$1595. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath Spanish-style home with detached garage. Decorative fireplace. Separate storage room. Dining area. Yard. Gardner included. Agent, 619-234-9553.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1050. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Gated building. Fireplace. New carpet. Formal dining area. North of Morley Field. Off-street parking. Laundry. Agent, 619-234-9553.

**NORTH PARK.** \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, darling cottage. Garage. Quiet! 3310 31st. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725. 1 bedroom. Fresh paint. New blinds, carpet. Ceramic tile. Garden view apartment. Laundry on site. 4514 Illinois. 760-942-1187 x33, 619-857-1187.

**NORTH PARK.** \$900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint and carpet. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready. 858-505-4848.

**NORTH PARK.** \$895. Charming 1 bedroom cottage. Dining room. Near Morley Field. Hardwood floors. Fresh paint, like new blinds/appliances. 1930s-style fenced courtyard. Cat OK. 3364-1/2 Grim Avenue. 619-298-4256.

**NORTH PARK.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, recently remodeled. Tiled living room, kitchen, bathroom. Elevator, on-site laundry, security building. 619-280-2658.

**NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD.** \$1050. Immaculate upstairs, 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment, vaulted ceiling, skylights, fireplace, new appliances, air conditioning. Off street parking. Laundry on site. Cats OK. Available immediately. Pedro, 619-865-3992.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725. 1 bedroom. Large upper, gated building, close to all. Available now. No pets. 3975 Idaho Street. John A. Reis and Company, Inc. 858-272-1348.

**NORTH PARK.** \$200 off move-in bonus! 3818 Boundary Street. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$770. Available now. app@ajprop.com. A-J Property Management, 888-816-1739 x5.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1300/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. 3035 Thorn Street. Wood floors, upgraded kitchen and bath, 850 square feet, small fenced yard. Pet OK. 619-231-6960.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. Move-In Special—\$500 deposit! Spacious 1 bedroom units available now located in small gated community with on-site laundry and off-street parking. Garage additional \$60. 4429 Idaho Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Available now. Section 8 OK. 3919 Florida Street. app@ajprop.com. A-J Property Management, 888-815-1134 x5.

**NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD.** \$925. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, downstairs, totally remodeled, on-site parking, laundry. Cat considered. 3811 Arnold. 858-554-1214.

**NORTH PARK.** \$875. Clean downstairs 2 bedroom, 1 bath located in gated community with parking and on-site laundry. 4379 Swift Avenue #1. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**NORTH PARK.** \$150 first month! \$725. 1 bedroom. Upper unit. Close to all. Easy

freeway access. Cat OK. 3747 32nd Street. Agent, 619-297-1483, x100.

**NORTH PARK.** \$795. Charming 1-bedroom cottage with off-street parking and small fenced patio. Small pet considered. 4635-1/2 33rd Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**NORTH PARK.** \$775. 1 bedroom. Lower. Parking, on-site laundry, cat OK! 4170 Alabama. 619-297-1483 x114.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725-\$850. Clean 1-and 2-bedroom units located in small, gated community with on-site laundry, off-street parking and cable included. 4556 Bancroft Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1200, \$300 off move in! Spacious 2-bedroom, 1 bath unit located in gated community with on-site laundry and parking. 4370 Hamilton Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**NORTH PARK.** \$925. Deposit \$800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry, off-street parking. New carpet and paint. 3805 Boundary #H. 619-804-3325.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. Deposit \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs, stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry, off-street parking. No pets. 4360 Hamilton #6. 619-804-3325.

**NORTH PARK.** \$825. Deposit \$700. Two 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry. New paint and carpet. 4036 Oregon #8 and #17. Move-in special. 619-298-4036.

**NORTH PARK.** \$1400. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Small patio. Washer/dryer. Garage. Cat OK. 4371 Arizona Street #2. 619-640-7530.

**NORTH PARK.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment upstairs, hardwood floors. 2610 University Avenue. 619-640-7530.

**NORTH PARK.** \$725. Deposit \$600. 1 bedroom 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, new paint, off-street parking. 4325 Texas #8. 619-804-3325.

**NORTH PARK.** \$775. 1 bedroom. Private patio. On-site laundry. Parking. Cat OK. 4155 Alabama. Agent, 619-297-1483 x114.

**NORTH PARK.** \$950. Newly renovated, bright upper front 2 bedroom unit. Near freeway with gated entry, on-site laundry and shared garage. No pets. 858-483-5111 x10. www.melroyproperties.com.

**OK PARK.** Federal/Euclid. \$850/\$850. Spacious, very clean, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet/paint, patio; small yard, storage. Quiet complex. Available. 5061 Mar- iou. 619-987-5025.

**OCEAN BEACH.** Beautiful beachfront ocean view! Spacious 1 bedrooms, \$875-\$1100 and 2 bedrooms, \$1200-\$1500. Serene security garden buildings. Near restaurants, shopping. Hardwood floors, ceramic tile, laundry. Garages available. 619-224-1748, 619-501-5553.

**OCEAN BEACH/SUNSET CLIFFS.** \$1350 plus utilities. 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Excellent neighborhood, luxury remodel, ocean view, 2 blocks to beach. Laundry, parking. No pets/smoking. 4815 Santa Cruz. 619-223-5092.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Balcony. Fireplace. Upper. Small quiet building. 2 blocks to Sunset Cliffs. No pets/smoking. Lease. 619-733-4743.

**OCEAN BEACH.** From \$1090, 2 bedroom. Enjoy comfortable year-round living at Ocean Breeze. Spacious apartments now available. This small, friendly complex is an ideal place to call home. Only 2 blocks from the beach. Sorry, no pets. 619-223-8186.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1950. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath duplex, steps to ocean. Garage, hardwood floors, laundry, fenced yard, pets welcome. Basic utilities paid. 619-295-2433.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1575. 2 bedroom, 1 bath townhouse. Panoramic ocean views, deck, laundry, garage, hardwood floors. Clean, quiet. No smoking. 619-222-1916.

**OCEAN BEACH/Sports Arena.** Live/work. \$795. New refrigerator, stove. Upstairs,

private balcony, eclectic building. 3945 Western Street #R. 619-338-8138.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1650. 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house, new carpet/paint, 3 blocks to beach. Washer/dryer hookups. Porch, cat OK. Water paid. Available 4/1. 4875 Long Branch. 619-284-1979.

**OCEAN BEACH.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment only 1/2 block to beach. New paint, carpet, appliances. No pets. Available now, 6-month lease. \$800-\$900. Gail, 619-994-4245.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house near pier. Den, fireplace, hardwood floors, covered parking, sunlit kitchen with all new appliances. Available April. Will consider pets on approval. 858-569-6140.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 blocks to beach. Cat OK. Refrigerator, stove. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrntals.com. 858-272-7368.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Will consider pet. Dishwasher, refrigerator, stove. Low fee. Free guest search at: www.sdrntals.com. 858-272-7368.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1300. Deposit \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Nice downstairs unit. 3 blocks to beach. Patio. 2 off-street parking spaces. Available 4/1-5? Separate search at: www.sdrntals.com. 858-539-7433.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$995. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, near beach. Small building, roomy, clean, quiet. No pets. 5050 Santa Monica Avenue. Manager #14. Call 9am-5pm. 619-222-3897.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$975-\$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry, parking. 2 blocks to beach. 1 block to shopping, market, gym and Starbucks. 619-920-1935.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath small apartment. 1 block to beach. 5100 block of Muir Avenue. Street parking, no pets. 619-222-2112.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$795. 1 bedroom apartment, very, very large. Parking, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher and garbage disposal. Coin laundry. No pets. Agent, 619-223-2524.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1875. 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. 2 blocks to beach. Bayview. Off-street parking. Laundry. No pets. 5072 West Point Loma. 858-273-4820, 619-203-6433.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1750. 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse. Parking, laundry in unit, fireplace, deck, dishwasher, new carpet. No pets! 2231 Mendocino #D. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacifcrealty.com.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs and upstairs apartment. 3 blocks to beach with laundry facility! No pets! 4867, 4867-1/2 Del Mar Avenue. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacifcrealty.com.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath attached cottage. South Ocean Beach with laundry! 4843 Coronado. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacifcrealty.com.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment. South Ocean Beach with laundry! 4911 Del Mar Avenue. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacifcrealty.com.

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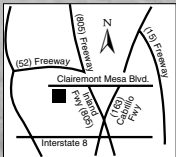
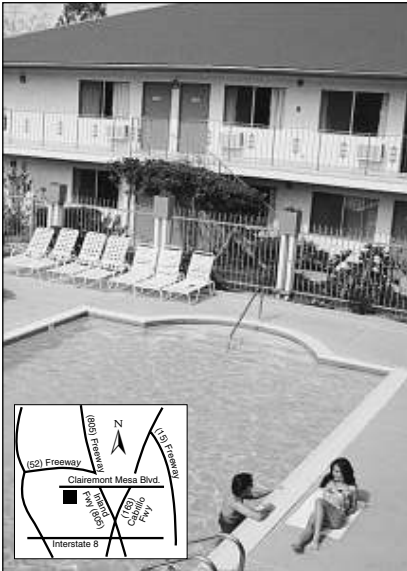
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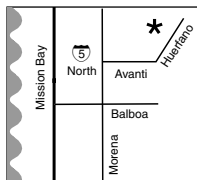
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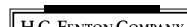
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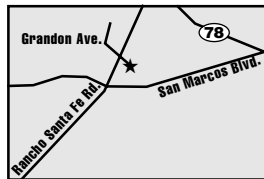
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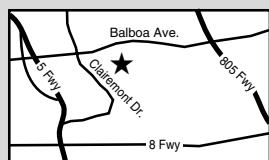
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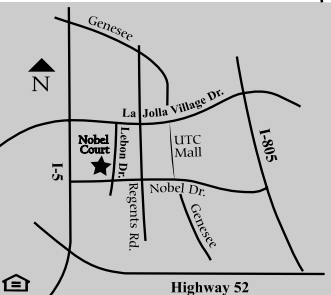


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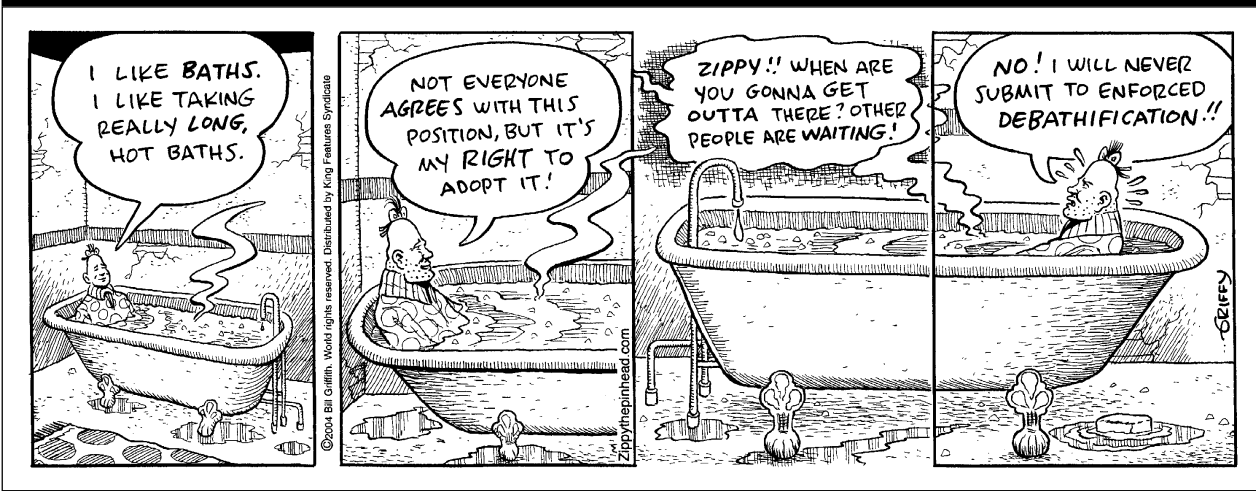
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**COMPUTER DESK**, large, with hutch and file cabinet, \$100. Bill, 858-342-8798.

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**COMPUTER**, excellent condition, suitable for student, \$125. 619-427-0583.

**COMPUTER**, Dell, 17" monitor, \$50. HP Office jet printer, \$50. 619-235-3000, x205.

**GATEWAY PENTIUM III**, 733MHz, 6GB, 64 RAM, floppy, CD-burner included, Windows98, sound, network, modem, \$330/best. 619-804-1305.

**HP 5MP LASER JET** printer, 1200 dpi, parallel and serial ports, PC/Macintosh compatible, excellent condition, \$85/best. NEC laser printer, SilentWriter 90, Postscript, \$45. 619-235-4672.

**IPAQ H3955 POCKET PC**, expansion slot, wireless adapter, cradle, keyboard, valued at \$900, now \$750. HP Jornada 690 hand-held PC, \$200. More. 619-590-0183.

**LAPTOP**, Dell Inspiron 5100 notebook, new, boxed, warranty, P4 2.8GHz (fast! Not Celeron), 384MB RAM, 30GB HD, 14.1" screen, 56K, DVD/CDRW combo, carry case, WindowsXP. \$1045. 858-663-8915.

**LAPTOP**, Dell Latitude c800 P3 850, fast, not Celeron, 512MB, 30GB, DVD/CDRW, 15" screen, floppy, WindowsXP, OfficeXP, carry case. \$775. 858-663-8915.

**LAPTOPS**. HP/Compac 2.66GHz P4, 512MB, 60/80GB HD, DVD/CD-RW, built-in WIFI, in box with year warranty. Retail \$1450+, asking \$1100/best. [aprilaua@yahoo.com](mailto:aprilaua@yahoo.com) or 619-316-7257.

**MONITOR**, 20" Mitsubishi, \$85/best. Leave message, 619-510-1125.

**PENTIUM 4**, 2.8GHz, Dell Dimension 4600, new super fast desktop, 256MB, 40GB drive, DVD recorder, CD recorder, only \$695. 17" LCD, \$349. 858-405-3989.

**PENTIUM 4**, new Dell 2.66GHz, 80GB, CD-RW, 10/100, keyboard, mouse, 17" flat panel LCD, warranty, XP Home, only \$830. 858-453-1970.

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**POWERMAC G4**, mirror door, dual 867MHz processors, 768MB RAM, 60GB DVD/CD-RW, mint condition, 22" Mitsubishi monitor, Photoshop7, Free-handMX, OfficeX, lots more. \$1500/best. Howard, 858-272-0359.

**PRINTER**, A920 Dell Personal All in One with 10" USB cable, never used, still in box, \$120. Vista, 760-941-0541.

**PRINTER**, Epson Stylus Photo 820, nice, fast, color printer, about 1 year old, \$35. 760-726-4797.

**PRINTER**, Hewlett Packard Deskjet 895 CXI color Inkjet printer in perfect condition, \$45. 619-583-0134.

**TOSHIBA PENTIUM 3**, 600MHz, 10GB, 128 RAM, floppy, sound, CD-ROM, Windows98, Network, keyboard, mouse, only \$245. 619-846-8723.

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**BEACH CRUISER**, brand new. Moving, must sell. Grey with pink iridescent. Perfect for any girl. \$200, originally \$375. 858-232-5411.

**BMX DYNO "BLAZE 20."** Candy apple red, used condition with new tires and a Haro seat. Front brakes are missing. Perfect for children 7-12. \$45. Encinitas. 619-890-9600.

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**CANNONDALE JEKYLL**, 2000 model, 2002, lefty fork, Hayes disc brakes, Shimano XTR, large frame, custom paint, like new, rarely used, stored in garage. Paid \$2500 new, first \$1175/best. Call Bill, 858-560-6583.

**FUJI ECHO** road bike, 64cm, 105/Ultegra stuff, great big bike, first \$150 rides it home. 23" Fuji Saratoga touring/hybrid, \$125. 619-200-8959.

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**MOUNTAIN BIKES**. Trek 18" frame, grip shifters, quick release, nifty, \$185. Dia-mondback 19" frame, rides perfectly,

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**MOUNTAIN BIKE**, Ellsworth, Chris King, Marzocchi Bomber forks, race face cranks, Shimano XTR, too much to list, over \$6000 invested, first \$3000 takes it. 760-602-0206.

**NISHIKI ROADMASTER**, 12-speed, Shimano Araya 14x622, \$75. Schwinn Le-Tour III 10-speed, \$55. Huffly Strider girls' bike, \$25. 619-606-0338.

**RACK**, 2 bike, fits trailer hitch receiver, Draw-Tite, heavy duty, never used, \$110. Point Loma, 619-226-2979 or 619-226-0073.

**RACKS**, Hollywood folding bike rack, holds 3 bikes (road or mountain), fits on the back of any car or van, new condition, \$30. 619-280-1642.

**ROAD BIKE**, 14-speed, 23" frame, \$110. 858-481-0444.

**ROAD BIKE**, vintage Italian Pogliaghi, 59-1/2cm, 14-speed, quality Campy components and Mavic wheels, excellent condition, \$475. 619-224-2361.

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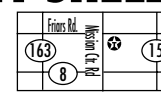
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• Inspect clutch  
• Adjust clutch  
• Inspect brakes

• Adjust brakes  
• Adjust emergency brake  
• Inspect & replenish all fluids  
• Inspect all exposed belts  
• Check electrical fuses  
• Lube front end  
• Check & recharge battery (if necessary)  
• Rotate tires (if needed)

• Check air pressure  
• Lube door hinges  
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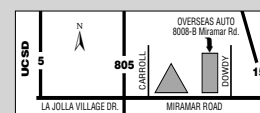
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**SIDI ROAD SHOES**. Genius 4, size 47, ridden 8-10 times, too small. Still in new condition. \$100. 858-722-6682.

**SPECIALIZED STUMPJUMPER**, FSR-XC, 2002, size XL-XTR components, Fox Float 80mm Fork, Fox float rear shock, Easton EA-50 Stem, handle bar, Mavic wheels, \$975/best. 760-603-1282.

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**TREK FUEL 80**, 2001, full suspension, light weight, red/pearl. Ready to ride, great condition. Cruise the boardwalk or hit the trails. \$950/best. Work, 619-220-8081.

**TREK**, 56cm road bike (early 1990s), aluminum/carbon frame, Shimano components, Mavic wheels, \$485. Rich, 858-270-8957.

**TREK**, Mountain 800, 18-speed, Trek 700 multi train, 21-speed, 18" frame. Each \$80. Univega, 50cm, Bridgeston, 52cm frame, each \$55. 858-549-0182.

**TRIKKE 8**, full size adult, brand new in box. \$119. Just like the triscooters on the boardwalk. 858-488-5558, oscar@pogopal.com.

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**WOMEN'S MOUNTAIN BIKE**, Crestwood/Free Spirit, red, 18-speed, gel seat, handlebars, have bar ends, great condition, \$50 cash. 858-695-9598.

**WWW.CUSTOMBIKEPROS.COM** is having a Kona Blowout Sale! Every bike must go! "Stuff" dirt jumpers, regular \$899, now only \$799! Dawg Matic, retail \$1299, now \$1150! Dawg, retail \$1649, now \$1499! Kikapu Deluxe, retail \$1599, now \$1450!

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**COOKTOP**, 36" downdraft, gas. Realtree camouflage clothing/rain gear. Trash compactor. Large animal carvings. Porch swings. Three 8'W French or sliding doors. Antique/rustic furniture. 760-747-5896.

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**INDIAN ARROWHEADS/ARTIFACTS**. Must be authentic. Call Steve at 619-222-8562.

**MILITARY MEDALS**. Many old military medals are worth hundreds of dollars. I have \$3000 cash to spend. Other old military items also wanted, especially USMC. 619-280-8089.

**MOVIE SOUNDTRACK** music needed. Independent film organization at UCSD looking for music submissions for soundtrack. All genres needed. E-mail: j6lee@ucsd.edu.

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**AVON BOTTLES**, more than 200, empty, no boxes, but very good condition. Selling all for \$250. E-mail for pictures and list.

**BACKGAMMON**, antique Check-O-Kit, collector's, \$39. 619-296-5132.

**BARBIE DOLL**, 1972, with pretty growing hair, fashion doll case, original pink dress, 3 additional outfits, shoes, more accessories, fan club books, \$450/best. 619-230-0886.

**BINNACLE**, sailing ship circa 1870, made in Glasgow, 19" diameter brass hood on 16" oak column base 56"H, a nautical

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**CHAMBER'S** 1940 stove, 1 owner. Good running condition. \$900. 619-223-5534.

**CHINA CABINET**, mahogany, \$650. Mahogany table and 4 chairs, \$400. Both \$1000. 619-220-7440 or 619-507-9225.

**CLAWFOOT TUB**, 1920s, 7", oversized, all hardware original and refurbished. \$1000. 619-223-5534.

**DESK**, antique oak rollout desk with swivel chair, circa 1900. 40"Wx30"Dx44"H. \$325. 858-273-0918.

**DESK**, rollout, oak, not a reproduction, 50"Hx50"Lx32"W, excellent condition, asking \$2000. Can e-mail photos. 619-464-8833.

**DINING ROOM**, antique country French formal dining table, 42x60 with four 9" leaves, 6 chairs, china hutch, \$800. Pictures available. 760-436-7726.

**DINING ROOM TABLE**, Danish modern, 6 chairs, great shape, oval, \$500. 760-809-8858.

**DOLL**, German antique, 1007 as is, good condition, Heinrich, Handwerch, Simon & Halbig, shows, \$8000, selling \$2000. 858-494-9353.

**FURNITURE**, country oak dresser, \$225. Mahogany desk, \$125. Dark English walnut coffee table with glass inlay, \$180. Pictures available. 760-942-5806.

**MIRROR**, large antique, regular glass (not beveled), gold wood fancy frame, 37-1/2"Lx29"H, \$200. Can e-mail photos. 619-463-2007.

**OAK DINING TABLE**, 6 chairs, antique oak armoire, other oak pieces. North County. 619-708-3744.

**PHONOGRAPH**, antique Edison disc, wind up, mahogany, 1903, plays, \$350. 858-272-4812.

**PLAYER PIANO**, 1909 Decker Brothers, \$400. 858-558-7997.

**POCKET WATCH**, Roskoff, ornate, \$550. Watch fob, 14K, \$110. Nixon wrist watch,

Dirty Tyme, \$125. 14K shamrock tie tack with diamond, \$135. 858-450-1888.

**ROCKER**, antique, for child, as is, \$100. Marty, 619-460-8849.

**STOVE**, antique, O'Keefe & Merritt, bright white with chrome handles, excellent condition, add vintage charm to your home, \$500. 619-300-6801.

**TABLE**, antique gate leg, walnut, 34"x46.5" with both leaves open, small underneath drawer, good condition, \$395. Carlsbad, after 5pm, 760-438-3232.

**WALL HANGINGS**. Matisse's "Dancer in Repose," hand woven Peruvian wool. Zebras on burlap. Color harmony concentric circles. Must see. \$50 each. 619-582-1155.

**WANTED:** 1940s-1990s rock and roll concert posters, flyers, handbills, tickets/stubs, programs. Private party. Please call 619-476-9190.

**WANTED:** Big game fishing reels by Vom Hofe, Meek, Milam, Kovalosky, Seamaster, Fin Nor, Zwarg, Bogdan, Hardy, Cox, Also, pre-1960 shotgun shell boxes. Private collector. 858-496-0033.

**WRITING DESK**, antique, beautifully hand carved, brass hardware, gold filigree, high patina, perfect condition, \$300. 619-696-7076.

## GARAGE SALES

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**BANKER'S HILL**. Sale. 7am, Saturday, 3/20. Lots of cute household items, lawn furniture, architectural salvage, bricks, hardwood floors, clothes. 2440 Albatross Street, cross street Laurel.

**BAY PARK**. Multifamily yard sale. 8am, Saturday, 3/20. Odds and ends, new couch, household items, some clothes.

2536 Erie Street (south of Clairemont Drive).

**BAY PARK**. Moving sale. 8am-1pm, Saturday only, 3/20. Jewelry, books, dishes, antiques, miscellaneous. 4919 Whitehaven Way (off Milton between Dunhaven and Penrose).

**CHULA VISTA**. Multifamily neighborhood yard sale. Saturday, 3/20. 857-889 Verin Lane.

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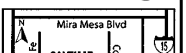
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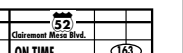
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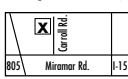
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— New York City high school chemistry teacher Elihu McMahon, 69, reports daily to a do-nothing job, at \$77,000 a year, as the result of being ordered out of the classroom based on various complaints and administrative findings. In fact, according to a February *New York Post* story, he has spent about three-fourths of his time in the past 15 years in such jobs (since New York teachers have generous job protections), costing the schools an estimated \$600,000 in salary. Among the complaints against him: racist remarks to students (McMahon is black), insubordination, incompetent teaching, improper grading, and sexual harassment. McMahon blames the problems on bad administrators.

**Finer Points of the Law**  
— An 18-year-old man was transferred to youth court after he was arrested and charged with stabbing to death a man at a New Year’s Eve party in Edmonton, Alberta. He will not be tried as an adult because the victim was stabbed before midnight, and the alleged killer did not turn 18 until Jan. 1.  
— In December, Australia’s TV Channel 7 reported that many schools across the country, at the behest of the Australasian Performing Rights Association, were discouraging parents from making keepsake movies of their kids’ appearances in Christmas musicals because recording the holiday songs might violate copyright law.

**Magnificent Obsessions**  
— The *New York Times* reported in February on a Washington, D.C., man whose love of music led him, in the 1960s, to hand-make and hand-paint facsimile record album covers of his fantasized music, complete with imagined lyric sheets and liner notes (with some “albums” even

shrink-wrapped), and, even more incredibly, to hand-make cardboard facsimiles of actual grooved discs to put inside them. “Mingering Mike,” whom a reporter and two hobbyists tracked down (but who declined to be identified in print) also made real music, on tapes, using his and friends’ voices to simulate instruments. His 38 imagined “albums” were discovered at a flea market after Mike defaulted on storage-locker fees, and the hobbyists who found them said they were so exactly done that a major museum would soon feature them.  
— Tom Musser, 81, and brother Jack, 84, are ex-cowboys who for the past 12 years have made and sold their own one-of-a-kind crooked furniture through independent dealers from their home base in Delta, Colo. Their awkward-looking pieces are best-sellers (1600 sales so far) even though each one is almost unavoidably primitive, owing to the fact that the proud Mussers aren’t (in the words of a satisfied customer) “burdened with any knowledge of woodworking.” Said Tom, “We just do what the sticks [the wood] want.”  
**Latest Important Animal Research**  
— Case Western Reserve University researchers revealed in a December journal article that cockroaches do not age gracefully, that after about 60 weeks of adulthood, they get stiff joints (which inhibits climbing) and hardened foot pads (which prevents sticking to vertical surfaces). One of the researchers, noticing that aged roaches seem to have lost their ability to escape from predators, hypothesized that the loss was brain-based; he tested the hypothesis by removing the roach’s head (and, thus, brain), and sure enough, the roach once again was able to flee like a youngster.  
— A team of researchers that included Ben Wilson of the University of British Columbia (Vancouver) reported in November that herring com-

municate with each other via a high-pitched “raspberry”-like sound emitted from their anuses. Because the sounds were frequent whether the herring had eaten or not, the researchers concluded that the noise was not produced by digestive gases.  
**The Entrepreneurial Spirit**  
— Among recent U.S. patents (according to a January story in the *East Bay Express*, Emeryville, Calif.): (1) a penile prosthesis with a magnet, from Deborah Knoll-Ewers, Hercules, Calif. (to overcome erectile dysfunction with New Age magnet therapy); (2) a plastic liner for men to use beneath their underwear, from Wesley Johnson, Burbank, Calif. (to keep the clothing clean while engaged in fully dressed sex, such as lap dances); and (3) an electrically safe device that attaches to the tongue, to make it vibrate, from Eric A. Klein, Mountain View, Calif. (to enhance a partner’s sexual pleasure).  
**Least Competent Criminals**  
— A 16-year-old boy was arrested in January in Dania Beach, Fla., after a 7-Eleven clerk subdued him mid-robbery. The boy had pointed a .22-caliber rifle at the clerk then suddenly remembered that he hadn’t loaded it. He had shells in his pocket but they were .40-caliber, too large for the rifle (that didn’t stop the boy from trying to cram them in). The clerk took advantage of the boy’s confusion and disarmed him.  
**Recurring Themes**  
— “News of the Weird” has remarked several times on the late composer John Cage’s “4’33,” a 273-second “musical” number containing nothing but utter silence. In February 2004, according to a *New York Times* report, cuts from *White Album* by the band Sonic Youth were being listed for downloading on Apple’s iTunes online store,

and included was “Silence,” a 63-second cut consisting of no sound at all, for which fans were expected to pay the regular iTunes price of 99 cents. (In a subsequent clarification, a Sonic Youth spokesman said “Silence” would only be sold to purchasers who bought all of the album’s cuts.)  
**Undignified Deaths**  
— A 41-year-old model airplane hobbyist was killed when his radio-controlled helicopter went haywire and crashed into his neck (Houston, November). ... A 27-year-old woman was killed when, during calm weather on a suburban street, a 40-foot magnolia tree fell on top of her while she was jogging (Titusville, Fla., December). ... A 38-year-old man was killed when his pickup truck hit a ditch at 60 mph, with the cause of death later determined to be that the truck’s radio had been jarred loose during the crash and hit him on the head (Timberlake, N.C., January).  
**In the Past Month...**  
— National Hockey League goalie Byron Dafoe (Atlanta Thrashers) made the injured list after he slipped on the icy sidewalk outside his team’s hotel in Ottawa, Ontario, and hurt his back. ... Insurance companies in Thailand complained that politicians were using their generous health-care policies to stay overnight in hospitals while traveling on business, thus pocketing their per diem money. ... Several dozen (maybe many more) automobile keyless-entry systems failed in the Las Vegas area on Feb. 20, allowing conspiracists to remind everyone that the city is only 150 miles from “Area 51,” supposedly the government’s extraterrestrial research center.

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## RESISTING ARREST

**Location:** 2600 54th Street

**Time/Date:** 2:35 a.m. on 3/7/04

**Officer's Investigation:** Officer Lehan and I received a radio call to investigate a report of a vehicle collision at Biloxi and 54th. When we arrived there was a badly damaged car, facing north, straddling the median. There were several people standing around the vehicle. The vehicle horn was stuck and the entire front end was smashed. Neither of the people who had been in the car was hurt. The vehicle had struck a parked car.

While we were trying to collect the driver's information, a female identified as Alisha F. walked out into the number one lane of northbound 54th St. F. had been a passenger in the wrecked car. F. had the odor of an alcoholic beverage on her breath and was staggering. Officer Lehan told her three times to get out of the street.

F. then told Lehan: "I am not going anywhere. I am going to stand by my sister's side." F. was almost struck by oncoming traffic. F. obviously could not care for herself and Officer Lehan started to take her into custody for being drunk in public. Lehan grabbed F. by her elbow and escorted her towards the median. F. jerked her arm away. Lehan grabbed F. by the wrist and attempted to gain compliance with a wristlock. F. continued to pull away. Lehan pinned F. against the side of one of the cars at the scene. I grabbed F.'s left arm and put it behind her back. F. was yelling...and would not cooperate.

We escorted F. to our vehicle...instructed F. to sit in the backseat. F. refused and locked her knees. Lehan pushed on F.'s shoulders and assisted her into a seated position [and] told F. to slide further into the vehicle. F. replied, "Make me."

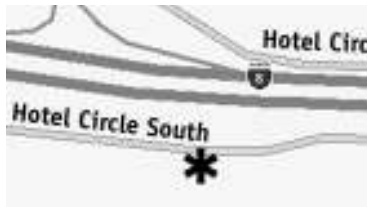
F. lifted her left foot into the car and bent her knee pulling her foot towards her chest. F. rapidly thrust her boot forward, violently kicking Lehan in the chest two times. F.'s boot had a three-inch heel.

## GRAND THEFT - FIREARM

**Location:** 2151 Hotel Circle South,

Mission Valley

**Time/Date:** 12:20 a.m. on 3/7/04



**Officer's Investigation:** An unknown suspect gained access to room #109 at The Ramada Inn and stole a firearm, badge, and concealed weapons permit. We spoke to the reporting party [Roderick O.]. We obtained his statement regarding the details. The victim is a bail enforcement agent. [He] is on vacation in San Diego and brought one of his registered firearms with him.

Roderick O. stated that he placed his Keltec .32 caliber pistol into his suitcase prior to leaving his room. O. left his room at approx. 11:00 p.m. on 3/06/04. O. returned to his room at approx. 12:20 a.m. on 3/07/04 and found his firearm was missing. O. added that when he was leaving his room, he noticed that a maid was outside his door working on the room next to his. He said that his room was made up while he was out. He did not have the serial number to his gun with him.

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**Location:** [6300] Avenida de Las Vistas, Otay Mesa

**Time/Date:** 10:44 p.m. on 3/5/04



**Officer's Investigation:** A. H. and April H. had a verbal dispute over their upcoming divorce. She and A. have been married for five years and have been together for seven...she recently ended their marriage by filing for divorce on 2-25-04. April said A. had not taken her decision for divorce well. [He] has repeatedly threatened to kill her and has pushed and shoved her several times...April told me every time she has tried to leave the house, A. has threatened to shoot her. April said A. has pulled out a gun in the past.

**Victim's Statement:** A. and her were in their bedroom lying in bed...A. began talking about the divorce. A. became very upset and started shouting, "I got friends, I know people, don't think it's simple to divorce me." "It don't have to be messy, it won't be messy!" "Why do you keep telling me to get rid of my gun?" April then told me A. reached over and grabbed her by the neck with both hands and began squeezing her throat while he said, "I can just kill you right now!" April never lost consciousness but experienced great

pain while she tried to breathe. April said after A. threatened to shoot her, he released her and they both fell asleep.

## AIR GUN - POINTED

**Location:** 1700 Logan Avenue,

Logan Heights

**Time/Date:** 8:00 p.m. on 3/6/04



**Officer's Investigation:** A male known as Oscar negligently discharged a BB gun, hitting Christopher R. in his right eye. Christopher went to the [UCSD] hospital the next day where this report was taken. Christopher told me that his vision is blurry in his right eye and hurts when he tries to focus it on objects.

**Victim's Statement:** Christian and I were on the walkway between his house and Alex and Adam's house. Oscar pulled up in his car. He started to show Alex and Adam his BB gun. Then he pointed the gun at Christian. He shot at Christian. It was kind of like a joke or to scare him. The BB bounced off a metal pole and hit me in the right eye. I yelled "oww" and started cussing. Oscar asked me a couple of times if I was okay. I told him I was fine. He went back to his car. I stayed at Christian's house. I didn't want to tell my parents because I thought I would get in trouble.

— Michael Hemmingson

posters. Alaskan totem poles, hand carved. Stuffed animals. Various balls. 858-560-9992.

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**MISCELLANEOUS.** Vintage dresser and highboy, \$275. Couch and love seat, \$100. 2'x4' wall mirror, \$35. Ceramic floor tile, about 200 squares, \$125. Serving cart, \$25. Dinette, \$225. 619-424-6647.

**MISCELLANEOUS.** Desk/chair, old, white, adorably distressed, drawers, padded seat, \$125. 3 large vintage suitcases, \$145 all. Healthrider, \$95. Old picnic basket set, \$45. 760-753-6996.

**MISCELLANEOUS.** Small colorful cuckoo clock, \$375. Beautiful rug, aqua, \$208. 86x142" sofa bed, spotless, mirrors, dark wood, \$25 each. 619-433-4067.

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# DRIVEN

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## Tahnee's First Car

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"My dad bought the car from an old woman that didn't use it much. Then it broke down, and my dad didn't want to have it fixed, so it sat in his driveway in Yonkers for three or four years.

"Learning to drive wasn't as scary as my mother built it up to be. She gets so worried. My parents didn't let me drive a lot, which didn't make sense to me, because I knew that I was going to be in San Diego driving on the free-ways. Sometimes I chant while I'm driving. I became a Buddhist in New York.

"Once I got my license, my dad put a thousand dollars into the Buick.

Nothing major needed fixing. My friend Chris from San Diego was going to fly out and ride back with me. But my dad had never seen the country, and he's always wanted to see things; and when I've been out here and seen all the beautiful mountains and such, I always think of my dad, and I wish he could see these things with me. And every time I mentioned the trip his eyes lit up like a kid in a candy store. So I invited him. And from then on, every day he was planning with maps and talking about it. He was the captain, and he planned the route.

"We left at 11 p.m. and drove straight from New York through New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Tennessee. Our first stop was Newport, Tennessee. We ate in a greasy spoon called the Loretta Lynn Diner and soaked up the weirdness. Our goal was to stop at motels under \$30. I happen to love cheap motels. They're funky and fun, and they add

color to your trip.

"Wilcox, Arizona, was by far the strangest, most frightening town...isolated and dead like a ghost town. We went to the cheapest of the cheap, 20 bucks a night. We each got a room, and I was sitting there flipping through the channels when my dad came in and said we had to go. He had discovered a roach lying belly-up on his bedspread, which got him curious enough to look in the drawers, and sure enough there were roaches crawling out. I said, 'Nobody likes roaches, Dad,' but he said, 'No, I have a phobia about roaches, we have to go.'

"At the next motel, my dad called me into his room and showed me a splatter of blood about four inches square on the lower wall of his shower and on the shower curtain as well. But he decided we should stay; and I kept waking up in the middle of the night, scared and wondering what goes on in this little town, and particularly in this



--- OWNER: TAHNEE SALKEY  
--- CAR: 1993 BUICK CENTURY  
--- BOUGHT: YONKERS, NEW YORK  
(GIFT FROM PARENTS)  
--- MILEAGE: 47,000

very motel.

"So here I am, and the car's still running. Because 'the captain' took good care of it. He kept checking the fluids and even got it an oil change on the way. I was riding with the captain. How could anything go wrong? Before he flew back, he bought me a captain's hat. Now I'm the captain."

To suggest future "Driven" stories, e-mail [ken@kenkuhlen.net](mailto:ken@kenkuhlen.net)

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**TV**, 19" color Panasonic with remote, cable ready, \$100. Inside doors, 5, standard size, \$5 each. Pentax camera K1000, almost new, \$75/best. Dan, 619-540-3536.

**TV**, 20" Sanyo color, \$60. 13" Panasonic, used 2 months, \$50. Lawn mower, 21", 5hp, mulcher, like new, very little use. 858-279-7487.

**TV**, black and white, 5" portable, AC/DC car and battery operated, Bently brand, \$20. VCR, VHS Panasonic, good, \$20. 619-277-4222.

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**WASHER/DRYER**, GE, used, both \$125. Glass table, 40" square, top with bevel edge, \$80. 858-488-3428.

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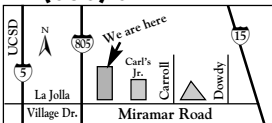
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# T.G.I.F.

“It’s just people dancing with each other.”

By John Brizzolara

I assumed it was gay ballroom dancing. Therefore, I’d be writing about same-sex partners engaged in rubber-wristed moves to gaudy — at least campy—grooves. But I “assumed.” Shame on me. I was relieved as well as shamed at the knee-jerk response exposed, ironically enough because of another character fault of mine. I had assumed it was my most important of scribbling on the Arthur Murray Dance Studio at Fourth and University (remember upstairs? The neon dancing couple sign, a landmark of Hillcrest emblazoned on the subconscious of San Diego as thoroughly as Jimmy Wong’s dragon?) that had finally killed the business, one of Hillcrest’s most longstanding. This was during a time when every single small business I wrote about seemed to bite the dust shortly after publication. All coincidence, of course, but a pathetic ego fodder of a kind nonetheless. I was every bit as relieved to hear from Philip Gott, owner of the 13-year-old Champion Dance Academy at 3580 Fifth Avenue that the Arthur Murray studio had survived and simply changed its location (8303 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., suite #205, 858-499-0180) after my searing exposé.

My associate, learned colleague, photographer, and spiritual advisor “The Specialist: Free Estimates” (that’s all it says on her card) is an aficionado of the arts and in no field more enthusiastically than that of dance. Dance of every stripe, or step. (Her own interpretation of certain passages in the *oeuvre* of Donna

Summer using only a hairbrush and bath towel for props is an image that burns itself forever into the retinas of the occasional fortunate audience.) Dance, she understands, is an area of vast ignorance for me, and my persistent resistance to the embracing of Isadora Duncan, Ginger Rogers, or Baryshnikov is a clear indicator of issues I need to address more squarely.

I’m down with this logic, and I believe the files will indicate a fair smattering of cursory but widely sampled observations on dance-related this or that. I remain no closer to harboring anything like passion involving the gyration of the human form in any particular sequence, unlikely as that moving contortion might be vis-à-vis the laws of physics.

And so it is with thoughts much like these that I meet Vi Aguilar (job description “iron fist,” which I take to mean office administration) and Champion dancer/instructor Philip Gott, husband of owner Mary Murphy, on the second floor of the building that Champion occupies on Fifth. It is a bit after eight, and 50 to 60 people, couples — at least for dance purposes — are trying out moves they may have learned at Champion or elsewhere around the county (SwingDiego, Gotta Dance San Diego, El Mundo del Tango, Center for the Moving Arts, to name just a few). Everyone looks good, not to say “dressy,” though some might qualify and others not at all; but everyone looks “nice” is how my Aunt Ruth would have described the group. Attractive but accessible, you might say, or my Aunt Louise, agreeing with her sister, would put it, “Yes, everyone looks fine. Fancy, but not movie-star fancy.” And Ruth would know what she meant, and so would I, and I bet you would, too.

In the background is salsa or swing, waltz, etc., all in quick succession, as if the smiling, young DJ were putting the dancers through gearshifting paces at a deliberately demanding pace. For a moment, the girl at the turntable reminded me of a wanton child playing with one of those electronic hockey toys.

“I see it isn’t necessarily a gay clientele,” I say, sounding like some kind of inspector.

“No, no. It’s everyone.” Gott looks around the room.

“In fact, it looks predominantly straight.” I say this as if it were itself cause for suspicion.

“Mostly, yeah. But we don’t...it’s not...it’s just people dancing with each other.” I resist the urge to say, “Carry on,” or “Very well, at ease.”

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newsletter, and I quickly note headlines: “San Diego Smooth Dancers formal party is coming up again this year, this time on Saturday, March 6. The Annual Queen’s Coronation ceremony, honoring the chapter’s new queen, Shirley Moody, will be featured, \$36, and advance reservations are required.” Another item: “CHINESE CLUB CHANGES VENUES. The Chinese Club of San Diego is moving from Allegro to Champion.” I pretended to study the long listings of recreation centers and clubs around town where hoofers might cha-cha, samba, fox-trot, quickstep, paso doble, hustle, or Vietnamese waltz. I say “pretended” because a six-foot-plus woman in heels with a hemline a good six inches above her sun-tanned knees had just walked in. Though she may have been 35 years old, here was still an occasion to check myself: *was I staring a fraction of a second too long?*

The Specialist stepped up and lifted my lower jaw a foot or so upward toward its usual position near the rest of my head. “Having fun?”

A stabbing pain shot from my stockinged toe pointing from my left Birkenstock, all the way up to, I think, my teeth. The Specialist had set down one of the spiked legs of a camera tripod, inadvertently claiming my left foot for Sephardia, or wherever swarthy Sephardic women like her come from. (“Sephardic.” That’s what she told me the first day on the job when I asked her, “So what’s the deal with you? Puerto Rican or what?”) At any rate, I highlighted some of the brochure information while waiting in the emergency room at Mercy that night. But you can find out for yourself by calling 619-291-7722 or fingering [www.championballroom.com](http://www.championballroom.com).



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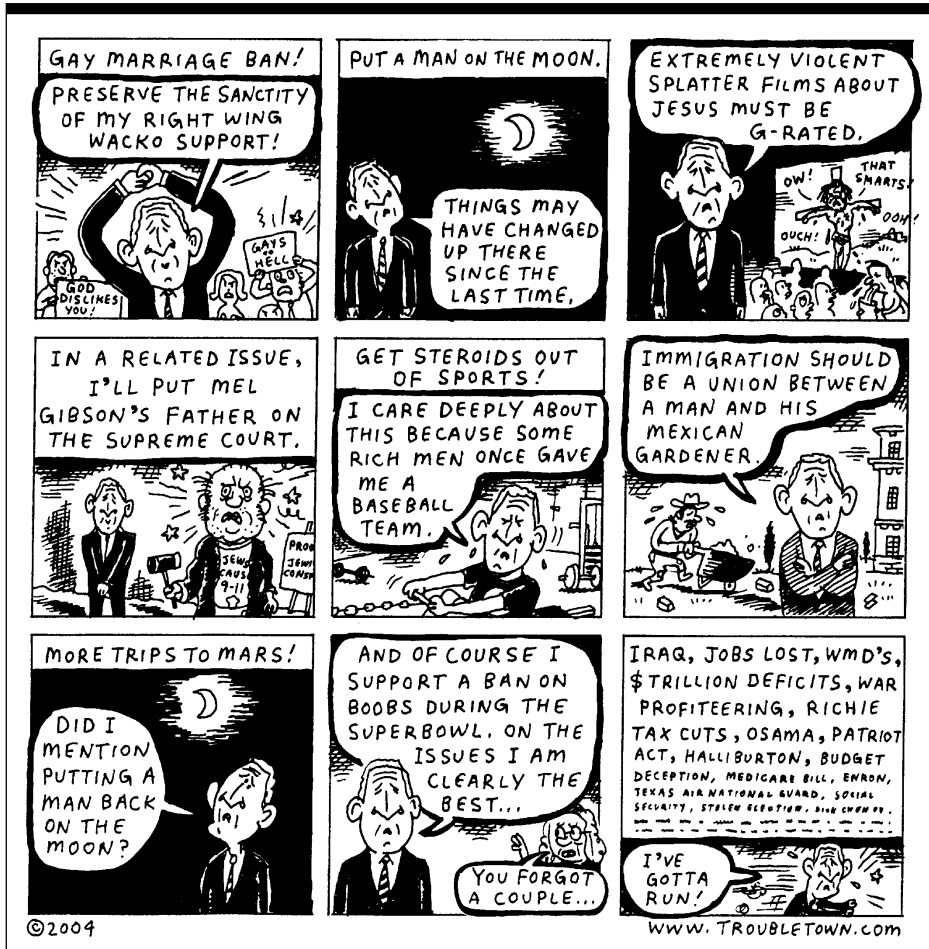
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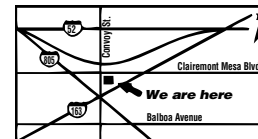
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Yesterday was a typical day. Jack left the house before the rest of us got up. I got everyone ready for school and out the door by 8:30. Johnny and Ben and I spent the morning shopping at Vons, putting away groceries, building Bionicles, and playing a few rounds of Candyland and Connect Four. At noon, I took Johnny to kindergarten. Ben and I read some books together, then I cleaned the upstairs bathrooms. I picked up Johnny and the girls around 3:30. When we got home, everyone had a snack. Rebecca practiced piano. Lucy and Angela went out front

to play with the neighbors. Johnny and Ben reenacted scenes from the Rescue Heroes movie in the back yard.

When Jack came home around 5:30, the kids came inside and swarmed him. Everyone spoke at once. "Daddy," Johnny said, "I get to go to Johnny de la Torre's house tomorrow."

"I sprained Sabrina's arm at school," Lucy confessed.

"Can we go to pitching clinic?" Angela asked.

"Hello, Zurg," Ben growled. "I'm Buzz Lightyear. I'm gonna fight you."

"Please," Rebecca complained. "I'm trying to practice." She turned up the volume on the electronic piano.

"That sounds great, but it's a little loud," Jack hollered above the din.

Rebecca switched off the piano and huffed away.

After Jack had untangled himself from the kids and kissed me, he asked, "What's for dinner?"

"Pot roast and potatoes and carrots," I answered.

"That's what smells so good."

"Yes."

"How long till we eat?"

"About a half hour."

"Daddy," Johnny asked, "Can you play with me?"

"I'm gonna get you, Zurg," Ben announced as he ran through the kitchen and launched himself at Jack's leg.

"Buzz Lightyear," Jack answered in his low make-believe galactic bad-guy voice. "You can never defeat me." He chased after the boys. Ben and Johnny squealed with delight then disappeared out of the kitchen.

While Jack played with the boys, I set the table, lifted the plates down from the cupboard,

arrayed them on the counter, and filled each with pot roast, potatoes, and carrots. Angela wandered through. "I'm starving," she moaned. She glanced at the plates. "Do I have to eat carrots?"

"Yes. I only gave you three little ones."

"Okay," she sighed. "Can I help you serve the table?"

"Sure." I stuck my head around the corner and called out into the living room, "Time to wash hands and come to the table."

Angela carried the plates one at a time to the dining room table while I poured five glasses of milk. "They're not coming, Mom," she told me.

"TIME TO WASH HANDS AND COME TO THE TABLE," I shouted.

I could hear Jack hustling the boys into the downstairs bathroom. "Wash up, guys," he said.

Rebecca thundered down the stairs. Lucy followed her. "What are we having?" Lucy asked.

"Pot roast with potatoes and carrots," I replied.

"Mashed mashed mashed mashed potatoes?" Lucy asked.

"No. Little red potatoes that I cooked with the roast."

"Oh," she replied.

"We'll have mashed mashed mashed mashed next time."

"Okay."

The girls sat at their places on one side of our long dining room table. Johnny and Ben climbed up into their chairs on the other side. Jack sat at the table's head while I lingered in the doorway between the dining room and the kitchen. Rebecca lifted a stray morsel of pot roast into her mouth when she thought I wasn't looking. Johnny drank half his glass of milk.

"Stop eating, please," I warned. "We haven't said our blessing."

Rebecca shot me her "I'm sorry, but not really" look.

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," Jack began. We all made the sign of the cross. Ben waved his arms around his head like a crazy man swatting at imaginary flies. The girls giggled.

"Bless us, oh Lord, and these Thy gifts which we are about to receive, from Thy bounty, through Christ, our Lord, amen."

The girls dug into their food. Johnny shoved a giant, dripping spoonful of Cheerios into his mouth. Because Johnny doesn't like most of the food I fix, he eats Cheerios for dinner four or five nights a week.

Over the next 20 minutes, the conversation centered on *The Lord of the Rings*, the state of Orlando Bloom's love life, and whether Johnny or Ben was the real Bionicles expert. "No, I'm the Bionicles expert," Ben insisted. "BRAAAP," he burped like a longshoreman sucking down a beer.

The girls and Johnny choked with laughter. "That's not polite, Ben," Jack said. "What do you say?"

"I quit," Ben answered and got down from the table.

The kids laughed harder. I covered my face. Jack tried to look stern. "Go sit on the step, Ben."

Ben shuffled to the stairs and sat on the bottom step. Johnny stopped laughing and let loose with his own burp.

"You can join Ben," Jack said.

The girls finished their dinners. Jack and I looked across the table at each other and shook our heads. We'll have to see about Harvard.

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