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Omit Arlin

That was a nice article by Patrick Daugherty about some of the original Padres ("Present at the Creation," April 8). All but one expressed fond memories of his experience on an expansion team and made positive comments. Steve Arlin appears to be a big whiner, has many negative things to say, and blames everyone but himself for his lack of success. Don Zimmer messed up his chance for a no-hitter. Al Widmar caused him to lose his curveball. The Padres only gave him a butane lighter for signing autographs. He was too smart to socialize with a young Hispanic player. Roger Craig forced him to pitch with a shoulder injury. And Buzzie Bavasi would not trade him and is "the biggest fool in the world." Someone who was fortunate enough to play in the major leagues should be more appreciative of the opportunity. The section on Arlin should have been omitted.

Name Withheld
via e-mail

Disloyal Winner

The dominant issue in the sorry and uncalled-for firing of San Diego *Union-Tribune* columnist Neil Morgan is the lack of action of his editor, Karin Winner ("Mysterious End of an Era," "City Lights," April 8).

Why would an editor permit without serious reaction a management executive to reach down inside her newsroom and fire one of her principal subordinates?

That apparently is what occurred in the Morgan incident.

If that had happened when I was editor of a daily newspaper, I would have immediately resigned. And I would have done it publicly so that there would have been no misunderstanding about the reason for my

departure.

It appears, though, that Karin Winner doesn't have that kind of loyalty to the members of her staff.

What a shame she feels so little interest in protecting the interests of her subordinates.

The firing of Neil Morgan and the lack of action of his editor have further diminished the quality and integrity of the San Diego *Union-Tribune*.

Hal D. Steward
University City

Hate Cult

Re: "Mysterious End of an Era," by Matt Potter ("City Lights," April 8).

The *Union-Tribune* cult of hate, under the direction of editor in chief Karin Winner and editor of the editorial page Robert Kittle, is now most notoriously exemplified by the firing of San Diego's most famous and best journalist, Neil Morgan.

We will miss the truth at the *Union-Tribune*, which only has James Goldsborough as the strongest contemporary voice of the truth left. The firing of Morgan means that Goldsborough's days are numbered, unless he is the designated token liberal.

The firing of Neil Morgan is just the latest in a never-ending list of *Union-Tribune* insults to "We the People." The *Union-Tribune* has earned a reputation for using freedom of the press to suppress freedom of speech.

But the political purge of Neil Morgan is just the most conspicuous example of the political realities demanded by the ruling Washington autocracy. Washington politics today are all too similar to Berlin politics in the 1930s, crushing all humanitarian dreams that we had a right to expect to grow even stronger into the 21st Century. But the dream died throughout the world with the founding of the era of American autocracy that "We the People" allowed to overthrow American democracy, that the *Union-Tribune* now pledges allegiance to in every GOP ad-editorial that promotes destruction of the rights of every working American who can't afford to buy their own politicians.

Thank you, Neil Morgan. You did the best job of

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Sweet tickets In a memo dated April 2, the day after an item here disclosing the existence of the city council's private luxury box at Petco Park, stadium manager **Steve Shushan** outlined a new official policy for the care and feeding of the councilmembers while attending baseball games. "I have had discussions with the San Diego Padres and their concessionaire concerning the food and beverage service in the City suite at PETCO Park," according to the memo, obtained after a request to the city under the state's public records act. "It has been determined that the cost per person will be \$15 to cover the concessionaire's cost. The quantity of the food and beverage will be limited so that the cost does not exceed the \$15." A separate document, headed "Petco Park Information," outlines some other previously unrevealed city council perks. "The suite ticket will allow access onto all levels of the ballpark. There are four private lounges on the Toyota Terrace Level that can be accessed: Club 19; Baja Bistro; Coronado's; and Wind & Sea Lounge. There is additional cost for food and beverage in these lounges." The memo also says, "A security guard will be in the suite at all events. When entering the suite, the guard will check the tickets, and City Officials shall sign in under their name. Guests shall sign in under

the name of the City Official providing the tickets; therefore, guests should be made aware of who is providing the tickets. Seating in the suite is on a first-come basis."

A follow-up memo to "City Officials" from deputy city manager **Bruce Herring**, also

dated April 2, says that "the quantity of the food will be limited so that the \$15/person charged will cover the cost of the service, and therefore, not be considered a gift." The value of the free admissions to the clubs, or whether that represents a gift to the councilmembers, was not addressed. Until sports-subsidy critic **Bruce Henderson** reached a legal settlement with the council in 1998, the council received unlimited free food and booze at its box in Qualcomm Stadium. (On opening day, Henderson was barred by the Padres from making media appearances inside the new stadium.) Contacted recently, the city's ethics commission director said she had not been asked about the free tickets ... Since only San Diego city taxpayers are footing the bill for the new stadium, county supervisors can't count on free admission to the games the way the city council can. But that probably won't be a major inconvenience to supervisor and San Diego mayoral candidate **Ron Roberts**. His official financial-disclosure statement, filed last month, discloses that he accepted three \$40 tickets to

Padres games at the old Qualcomm stadium last fall from none other than JMI, the investment outfit belonging to Padres owner **John Moores**. Roberts also went to the MS Society Golf Classic courtesy of an \$85 gift from fellow Padres booster and semiretired *Union-Tribune* honcho **Herb Klein** ... Meanwhile, on opening day over at the new Omni Hotel adjacent to the stadium and connected to it via pedestrian bridge, many local bigwigs lined up at the elevator to visit the exclusive condo suite owned by Moores. Even Moores and his wife were required to wait a few moments for the crowd to clear before being escorted by beefy security guards. Others spotted lingering in the vicinity of the elevator just off the lobby bar: Moores's fellow University of California regent **John Davies** and his wife; ex-Padre and pater-nity-suit veteran **Steve Garvey**; and Moores's partner in downtown real estate doings, old-line financial mogul **Malin Burnham**.

School daze San Diego Unified School District sources report that Gompers Secondary School has been wracked by violence recently, enough to warrant dispatch of city police to the campus late last month ... The photo of county treasurer **Dan McAllister** was recently featured not once but twice in a quarter-page display advertisement in the *Union-Tribune*, which praised the San Diego County Office of Education. "The Office is ahead of the curve

when it comes to analyzing the financial needs of San Diego's school districts," it quotes McAllister as saying. In the ad (sponsored by the Chargers, Mission Federal



From Dan McAllister
Union-Tribune ad

Credit Union, stadium builder Barnhart, Inc., and NTD Stichler, a big architecture firm), McAllister holds a photo of himself taken when he was a 12th-grader at Mission Bay High. He swears the ad wasn't his idea and that it doesn't mean he will be running for higher office anytime soon. Some sources have linked his name to a possible congressional race in the event any prominent county Republican representatives die or retire. Newly released financial-disclosure statements show he's at least making the rounds of the rubber-chicken circuit, critical for any would-be rising politico. In September, he attended the Chicano Federation's Annual Gala, a freebie valued at \$70, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association dinner, a gift of \$75. Barrio Station treated him to a \$70 annual benefit dinner in March 2003, and the San Diego Association of Realtors took him to its annual dinner in January 2003, valued at \$75.

— Matt Potter

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Bruce Herring



Ron Roberts

They Were Lying to Me

By Don Bauder

"Take me out to the bawl game?" At the same time city officials and Padres majority owner John Moores grinningly

lapped up hurrahs at last week's Petco Park opening, they were getting a big Bronx cheer in official government

again, the city filed a report with an obscure federal body confessing past financial sins, just as it had done January

Perhaps most tellingly, the city admitted in the late-March filings that it has been letting large commercial and industrial sewer users get off easy on their bills, while residential customers get stiffed as a result. This defies state and federal laws, and hence the city could lose \$266 million in government grants and loans, the city confessed.

On game day last Thursday, Moody's Investor Service, a bond-rating agency,



John Moores and Dick Murphy, Petco Park opening, 4/8/04

filings.

According to those recent filings, both the city and Moores's former company, Peregrine Systems, were throwing wildly errant curveballs to investors.

The city's filing was its own. In late March, once

27. This time, the city admitted it has hired another outside auditor to audit the figures for its current outside auditor, as well as the city's own auditors, for the 2003 financial report. This recheck could cost half a million bucks.

put the city on its watch list for possible downgrading. Moody's cited "heightened

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Crime Eats

By Joe Deegan

Special religious diets in San Diego County's jails sometimes make prisoners who receive regular fare feel shortchanged.

How else can you explain why several men in the system, who said they were white supremacists, once requested kosher food? "Then the chaplain talked to them," says Louise Mathews, director of Sheriff's Food Services, "and we realized that they were not kosher. Amazing, isn't it?"

Kosher food is bland, not spicy. And if their food is kosher, the inmates are not going to get the pizza pockets and spaghetti and the enchiladas and burritos — all of the stuff these people love to eat."

Sheriff's Food Services does give kosher meals to those Jewish prisoners, usu-

ally no more than four or five at one time, who make genuine requests for them. Mathews buys frozen kosher entrées as well as separate items like cereal and crackers that have the kosher sign on them. The meals cost four times what it costs to prepare the food the majority of prisoners eat.

Mathews does not supply vegetarian meals to Hindus or Buddhists, though she has been asked to do so. "I tell them Buddha ate meat," she says. "Besides, there are a million vegetarian diets, and it's hard to get all the right nutrition into them."

But Muslim prisoners in the county's detention system can get replacements for pork. Mathews says she doesn't serve much pork to inmates anyway. *Haram*, the Muslim term for what is forbidden, also rules out gelatin made from animals' hooves. By showing them the label on the gelatin she buys, Mathews assures the Muslims she feeds that they have nothing to worry about.

If it sounds as if Math-



Packaged food at production facility in Otay Mesa

ews's primary business is to run a custom-order kitchen, think again. Sheriff's Food Services feeds as many as 6000 inmates a day at seven facilities in the county. From its production center in Otay Mesa, near the East Mesa and George F. Bailey

facilities, the operation also sends food to juvenile hall and a juvenile probation camp.

The Otay Mesa food-production facility accomplishes the monumental task with a "cook-chilling" system. Workers mix up

dishes like creamed chicken and chili beans in huge metal vats with gauges for measuring how long the food stays at various temperatures. State law requires that food in sauces reach 180 degrees Fahrenheit. After a dish is cooked, workers use a suction machine with a hose to siphon it into two-gallon plastic bags. Then they put the bags into other machines that wash cold water over them, cooling the food bags for several hours. Huge freezers that send blasts of cold air over meats achieve the same effect.

Finally, the meals are put into airtight containers, packed into trucks, and driven to all the facilities the production center serves for use that day or the next. In the kitchens at Vista Detention Center or the Central Jail downtown, additional food-service workers reheat the food and combine it with other items for distribution on personal trays for each inmate.

Shortly after coming to the San Diego County Sheriff's Department in 1988, Louise Mathews introduced food services to the cook-chill process for inmates. She also designed the Otay Mesa facility that produces the food.



Louise Mathews



Food-production workers, Otay Mesa

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uncertainty" about the city's financial condition. It flayed the city for not addressing the problems in the current

fiscal year and said there are "daunting challenges" in trying to patch up things next year.

Only three days before the Petco Park celebration, shareholders of Peregrine Systems filed an amended

complaint in federal court, showing that Peregrine's board knew full well that the company was in bad shape while it was telling the public and Wall Street otherwise. Moores was chairman of that board — and massively un-

loading his stock — for most of the period. This information came from written materials that the company provided to the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Department of Justice in their investigations of the

huge Peregrine fraud, which has already led to admissions of criminal complicity.

Also, the day before the Petco hoopla, a judge in a different Peregrine case in state court denied a motion by

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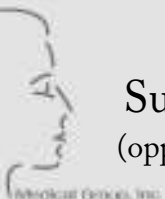
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Moore and other board members to dismiss a suit charging them with fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and

exercising control of the deceit-ridden company.

The city has been hurling both deliberate curveballs and knuckle(head)balls. After the city admitted that it had cooked its books since 1996 and not informed its

bond investors, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Securities and Exchange Commission seized documents, and they are probing the matter. The filing late last month revealed that the city has hired one of the major

accounting firms, KPMG, to audit its sloppy/slippery books for the year 2003. "The city currently expects to have these audited financial statements ready for publication in June 2004," said the filing to the Municipal Securities

Rulemaking Board, "although no assurance can be given" that the city will make the deadline.

Ironically, Peregrine hired KPMG two years ago to audit its books. KPMG smelled big trouble. Peregrine fired

KPMG, which then alerted federal authorities to phony deals and possible fraud — which subsequently proved true.

The city in its filing went on to correct some statements it had made in previous official filings — including the January 27 *mea culpa* — and then confessed details of a backroom ruckus that had been going on for a couple of years.

That ethically disquieting dispute regards sewer bills going to big businesses and to residences. The latter have been getting the shaft while the former have enjoyed big breaks, the city admitted, albeit in obfuscated legalese.

As the filing described, the city must have a sewer user charge system that conforms to the Clean Water Act. This is a requirement to receive federal and state clean water grants and loans. The State Water Resources Board has written the city two letters in the past six months demanding evidence that it is in compliance with state and federal laws.

But the city council has yet to approve a billing system that would put the city in compliance. If the city can't get its act together, "the Wastewater System could be required to repay at least \$266 million" in grants and loans, says the filing. Hey — \$266 million could fix a lot of fire trucks and police vehicles and help plug the monstrous pension gap. And city residents could sure use the average \$133 a year they are paying to subsidize big businesses in the current sewer-billing system.

In the punchline, the city admits that the argument can be made that sewer service charges are "disproportionately better for certain commercial and industrial customers of the Waste System that discharge large volumes of organic material and disproportionately worse for other customers that do not." Hmmm.

The city finally confessed to this practice after councilmember Donna Frye wrote a memo February 13 saying that the potential loss of \$266 million should be put in bond prospectuses.

The city did a cost-of-service study on the matter but for at least two years tried to

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keep it quiet, according to Frye. In November of 2002 she wrote a letter to city attorney Casey Gwinn, stating that the sewer matter should not be discussed in closed session. It had been dealt with in secret for almost a year before that. She finally had to get a copy of the study through a public records request.

"The decision to withhold it was deliberate, because they didn't want the public to find out about the disproportionality," says Frye. In one meeting, Murphy and a city bureaucrat "were lying to me, saying there was no sewer cost-of-service study. I knew the documents existed. When you are doing the right things, they make you feel as if you're being disloyal to the city bureaucracy."

As usual, the city did not return my request for comment.

"We're now receiving sequential disclosures from the city regarding its financial condition and previous errors," says Diann Shipione, the board member of the pension system who first told the public of the massive pension underfunding. "Hopefully at some point, the city can reenter the capital markets [sell bonds again], and the pension system can have a better understanding of the city's ability to pay its colossal obligations."

Another question is the potential financial obligations of John Moores. He is being sued by two different groups of Peregrine shareholders and by a liquidation trust, formed by the bankruptcy court, utilizing internal Peregrine documents. One suit is in federal court, and two are in superior court.

Last December, the judge in the federal suit dismissed most — but not all — the charges against Moores and other board members. But the judge said the plaintiffs could refile the suit. In doing so, the plaintiffs for the first time had access to the information that Peregrine had provided the Securities and Exchange Commission and Department of Justice in its

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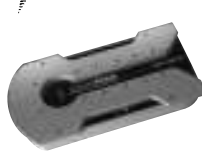
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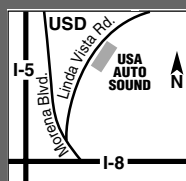


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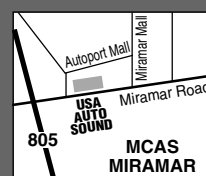
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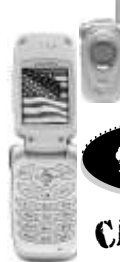
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Those written reports indicate that the board knew the company was in trouble, "and that contradicted the public stance" of a company moving forward swiftly and confidently, says Gwendolyn R. Giblin, attorney for a San Francisco firm handling the suit. "There were definite red flags of accounting irregularities. The only way the company could be making its numbers was through accounting shenanigans."

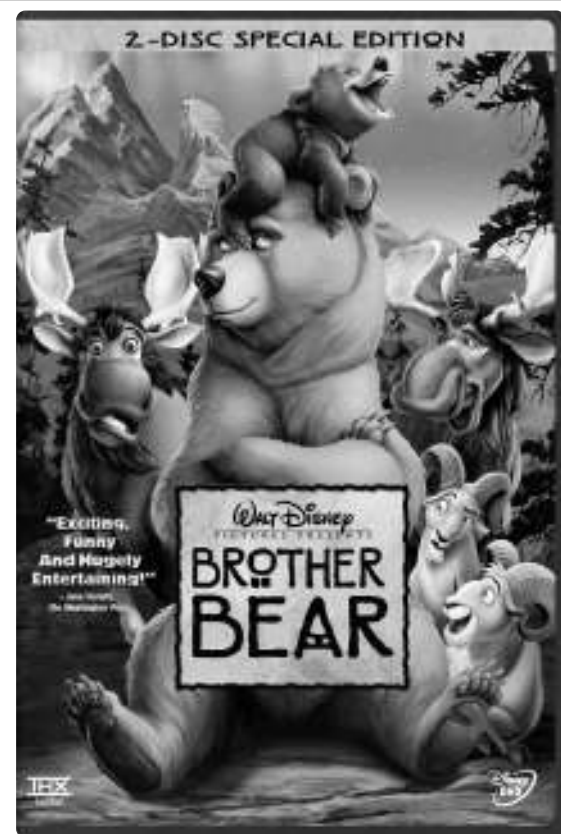
Moore's Los Angeles-based lawyer, John Quinn, insists there are "simply no facts to support" the charges in the revised filing. After the revelations of fraud surfaced in spring of 2002, Moores returned as chairman, and the company paid law firm Latham & Watkins to do an internal probe. That firm had earlier been used by the Padres in one of its lawsuits. The study exonerated the board, notes Quinn. At the time of the Latham &

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Watkins study, creditors in the bankruptcy hooted that the study was just a self-serving whitewash that was depleting scarce assets. "Latham & Watkins is not in the pocket of [former] directors," bristles Quinn.

The day before last week's big ballgame, a superior court judge tentatively ruled that the fraud case against Moores and other board members could go forward, although Quinn says, "We have a chance to discuss it with the court. We hope the court will change some of the things said there."

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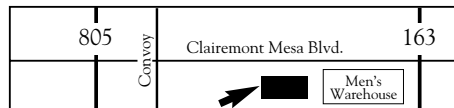
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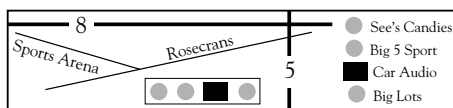
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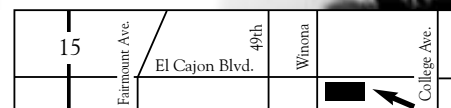
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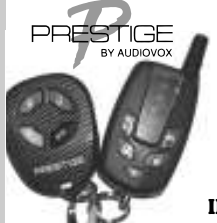


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Prisoners, of course, don't always appreciate the meals they receive. "Everybody has a preference," says Mathews. "A lot of the inmates that come into the system, their preference is meat and potatoes. They don't want vegetables, salads, what's nutritionally adequate. And we're under a lot of rules and regulations to make sure that we feed them appropriately. Title 15 of state law governs how we do corrections. In particular, Title 15 stipulates how we do food service. We have to give them a certain amount of protein a day, five servings a day of high vitamin A, high vitamin C vegetables and fruits, at least six servings of bread and starches, and at least one to three servings of milk, depending on what their age group is.

"People don't always choose appropriately. But this is like being in a spa somewhere," Mathews continues. "If you go to the Golden Door, you don't get to choose. They prepare what's nutritional for you and your body type."

Many of the inmates are not even familiar with items such as cooked cereals. Says Mathews, "We get children that aren't used to roast beef. They hardly know what it is unless it comes in an Arby bun.

"We have a diverse population. We feed people from 9 to 90 years old, and we have to meet all their needs. Then you throw in the preference people. 'I've been a vegetarian for ten years, and I don't eat meat.' I reply, 'Well, you're like the guy who doesn't eat salad,'" says Mathews.

Nevertheless, Sheriff's Food Services must handle the numerous special requests that result from medical conditions in the inmate population. These far outnumber religious requests and constitute as much as 10 percent of all the meals her workforce prepares, says Mathews. Although every situation is different, one large category of meals is devoted to the needs of diabetics. Since meals for diabetics are

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many, they are prepared en masse at Otay Mesa.

The various detention facilities' kitchens make other medical adjustments to meals onsite. The Central Jail processes most San Diego County prisoners after their apprehension by the police by screening them medically. At the first station, an intake worker determines whether those who might be high on drugs, for example, should be taken to a hospital emergency room rather than jail. After entering the system, prisoners go through a thorough medical evaluation; it is often during this process that special dietary needs surface. A doctor finally makes the call for the special diet, such as a low-potassium regimen for renal failure.

Consulting with the doctors is the dietician for the Sheriff's Department, Marlene Tutt, who characterizes herself as "a liaison between medical and food services." From her office at Las Colinas Women's Facility in Santee, Tutt travels to the county's detention sites, interviewing inmates with unique medical problems. She remembers trying to assess the nutritional needs of a man who had no arms. On the street he had been used to feeding himself with his feet. "But he didn't like people observing him or helping him," says Tutt. "He was independent. So we could only make sure that his meals were consumed after we gave them to him."

In addition to making sure that inmates' meals have good nutritional value, food service tries to make them appealing enough that they'll be eaten. "Especially our juveniles," says Mathews. "You can give them spinach and peas, and you're meeting all their nutritionals. But are they going to eat it?"

"We make an attempt to please as many people as we can. Inmates that are happy with their food are less apt to riot or beat up on their cellmates. And that helps prevent lawsuits and saves money for the taxpayer."

Mathews continues, "You and I have no right to three meals a day, nutritionally balanced, and free medical and dental care. We

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have to pay for all that. But when you commit a crime in this state, you have the right to all of this stuff as well as clean clothes and showers."

Among detention personnel, stories go around about inmates losing important services when they leave jail. There's the one about the prostitute who became irate at being released right before she was scheduled to receive a set of false teeth at taxpayer expense. "She seemed to think that we owed her," says Mathews, who also tells of a man who had been on the jail's kidney dialysis machine. "And when he left," she says, "after a couple of weeks, he was finding it difficult to get dialysis. So he committed a small crime, a misdemeanor. We only booked and released him. He said, 'I've got to have my dialysis. What do I have to do to get back in here?'"

The man decided to rob a liquor store with a toy gun, but employees in the store were able to force him outside. So the man climbed onto the roof and tried to enter the building through an airshaft. In the effort he fell and broke his leg. But, says Mathews, "he did get his wish, because he came to jail on an armed-robbery charge and got his dialysis.

"Some people treat this as part of their life," Mathews explains. "They come in and out all the time, and we get to know them well. As they age or go through drug problems, we get them when they're very debilitated. But after they've been with us for a while, we beef them up, they start feeling better, and then go back on the street."

Once a female inmate wrote a note paying food services a great compliment. According to Mathews, the note read, "I've been in and out of your establishment several times. Every time, I've had your cream of broccoli soup and I love it. I've been here now three weeks and I haven't had it yet. When can I expect it?" I wrote back, 'Right now we've got cream of asparagus. But if you stick around long enough, or on your next trip in, we should have it back.' And she thanked me." ■

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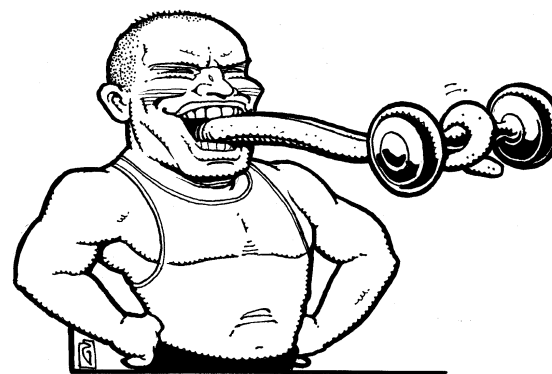
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

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Hello, Matt:

Me and a friend of mine were wondering, what is the strongest muscle in the body? I say the tongue, he says legs or arms??????

— Christine and Christine's friend, the net

Tongue? We're not even going to guess why you think it's the tongue, Christine. You're wrong, of course. But it sure is a weird guess. First place, the tongue is a bunch of muscles, not just one. More like eight. It can do lots of tricky stuff, since the muscles go in three different directions (lengthwise, crosswise, and lower side to upper side). So maybe you could get a speed bag going with your tongue if you practiced, but I wouldn't want to try a workout with a heavy bag. But speaking of Mike Tyson, a whole raft of physiologists think the masseter muscle is the strongest. That's the one that closes your jaw when you bite. It can generate hundreds of pounds of pressure, but it has the advantage of being attached to a lever (the jaw) that multiplies the amount of muscular force. I say that's cheating, so I say the masseter is disqualified. Some experts call the heart the strongest muscle because it pumps away for decades without having to take occasional Cancún vacations to recover. Ehhhh...I don't buy it, but maybe you do. So what's left? Well, how about your butt. The gluteus maximus is the largest and thickest muscle in the body; therefore, say most experts, it would be the strongest. There's also a contingent of soreheads who say the quadriceps (front of the thigh) would beat the glutes one on one. But since nobody agrees on exactly what "strongest" means anyway, I suppose the whole argument is pointless. Just my kind of question.

Matthew:

When I was learning how to drive many years ago, my dad gave me a tip to help me keep from getting lost: East-west freeways/highways are indicated by even numbers and north-south by odd numbers. I was listening to the traffic report this morning, and I realized that the 905 runs east-west. Tell me, has Dad led me astray?

— Jessica McCloskey, the net

Check the copyright date on that volume of *The Gospel According to Dad*. By now we should subtitle it *Wit and Wisdom That Used to Be Sort of True, but Is Becoming Less True as Things Change and Life Gets More Complicated and Annoying*. And this answer sure is complicated and annoying. Dad, of course, was trying to be his usual helpful self. Not likely he wanted you to tootle off for a day in Dulzura and accidentally end up in Eureka. As a general rule, route numbers do run the way he said. But there are enough exceptions to make it worthwhile to pack a map.

California highway numbers are assigned by a consensus of three groups: Caltrans, the California Transportation Commission, and the legislature (in coordination with the feds, of course). That alone could explain any confusing designations. They christened 905 back in 1987. At the moment, it's considered an expressway, since there is business access from the eastern section of the road. That will change when the no-access freeway is completed just to the south and Otay Mesa Road goes back to being just a plain old local road. It is also part of a larger scheme, a metro loop linking I-5, 56, and 125 that routes through traffic around the city.

But wait! There's more! According to Caltrans, 905 has been numbered as a spur route — an offshoot of I-5. According to DOT rules and regs, as a spur its designation should be three digits, ending with the number of the route that it is a spur of. (Fuzzy grammar, clear explanation, I hope.) E.g., 805 is a spur of 5. We could also make the argument that 905 does run north-south. North-south-ish, anyway. It's clearly north-south at the border crossing, and maybe north-south at its west end, with a vague sort of north-south trend in the middle. Anyway, that's how the committees saw it, since route numbering seems as much art as science. Why the number 9 was chosen as the first digit, well, could be that it was the only digit available. Or that 905 made a neat, easy-to-remember number since the road also links to 805. Caltrans swears the system is supposed to help drivers, not confuse them. And they also swear that the odd-even business is their ultimate goal. They just need to tweak the system occasionally. Route 905 is a big tweak. And a tweak by committee. Logic didn't stand a chance.

Heymatt:

How come I've never heard about the Southern Lights? I've heard of the Northern Lights.

— Jay, In the Dark

As usual, you haven't been paying attention. Northern Lights = Aurora Borealis. Southern Lights = Aurora Australis. When it comes to the other hemisphere, we're more interested in stuff like Kylie Minogue. Both sky-light phenomena come from the solar wind rubbing against our big ol' magnetic field. As wind particles are excited, then unexcited, they emit visible (and invisible) radiation that we see as huge, undulating curtains of colored light. Way, way more interesting than Kylie Minogue.

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Singles Scene: 2004

So, you're single, you're attractive and successful. Ok, so why is it so hard to meet that special someone?

Bar hopping isn't for you. Your friend's most recent fix-up was a disaster, and well, just forget your mother's idea of Mr. or Ms. Right.

Enter It's Just Lunch!, a dating service for busy professionals that hand selects couples for lunch dates. The company was born in 1991 in Chicago. Founder Andrea McGinty's fiancé jilted her weeks before the wedding, and she began the tedious search for a way to meet "normal," well-educated professionals. Her friends sent her out on blind dates, she tried personal ads and even thought about a dating service, but she just wasn't comfortable with any of the options.

The ideal date, she decided, was a lunch date. Ms. McGinty launched the company with the simple premise: a dating service based on a personalized screening and a painless meeting with her to determine whether she had the type of people the client would like to meet.

Cathy Loe loves matching her clients. "The typical person I meet every day is not just a busy and successful individual, but they have also done extraordinary things with their lives. My job never even feels like a job; it feels like fun and I am making people happy and that's why I'm doing it."

Michelle Mendez is very proud of her successes. "Many of my matches have resulted in second dates," she says. "But my biggest high is when they call and tell me that they would have never met otherwise."

"I believe there's absolutely somebody for everyone!"

-Cathy Loe

And, It's Just Lunch caught on quickly! The company currently has 28 offices with over 20,000 clients with plans for international expansion this year.

Lisa Purdum enjoys matching her clients. "People call me and say they are picky," she says. "And, that's exactly why I'm here: to be picky for them."

The dating service caters to an upscale audience, Ms. Miller explained. Nearly 100% have college degrees, 75% have a graduate degree; many are lawyers, doctors, bankers and business executives. Men who join are in age from 26 to 55, most women from 24 to 45. In fact, one of It's Just Lunch's recent success stories occurred in a matter of 6 hours. Elizabeth, a 33-year-old advertising executive came in at 10 a.m. and joined the service. Tim, a 37-year-old doctor, signed up at 4 p.m. "I was so excited during the interview with Tim because I knew I had exactly what he was looking for...Elizabeth. They were both passionate about the outdoors; he had just come back from mountain climbing in Denver and she had just finished biking in Italy," says the director. Her gut was right on the mark! They have been dating for 7 months now.

The majority come to It's Just Lunch because they are tired of the bar scene, have not been meeting the right people or they don't want to date co-workers.

The professional approach appealed to John, a 43-year-old, attorney. He saw an article about the company in Forbes magazine and liked the efficient, no-pressure approach. "I was meeting most people

through work or acquaintances, but I wasn't happy with whom I was meeting because I didn't feel anyone knew what I was looking for in a potential mate," John says. He decided to call It's Just Lunch because he liked the private and discreet process the company uses. "I just did not want friends or co-workers to know I was doing this," John says. He was also a bit concerned about the women he would meet. The firm does not use videos or picture books.

It wasn't until his fourth lunch date that John met Ann, a 40-year-old accountant. "Yes, I knew in the first 10 minutes. Our lunch date lasted nearly 3 hours and we've been dating exclusively for the past 5 months," claims John.

John still doesn't want most people to know how he met Ann, though he has discreetly mentioned the service to 2 colleagues.

More than 70% of her clients are referred by another client, Lisa Purdum observes. In general, a client calls the service for information. Then, a one-hour meeting is set up between the client and Director to discuss the type of person they'd like to meet. A wide array of topics are covered: age, education, background, hobbies, interests, people they have dated in the past and what their goals are.

Within 48 hours, the company will call to tell the client all about their first date. The service handles all of the information in a confidential manner—while both people will know a lot about each other, last names and phone numbers are not given. It's up to the clients to do so after they have met—and most of them do exchange phone numbers and make plans to get together again. Then, they each check in with the company and give feedback on the date.

Ms. Mendez and Ms. Miller claim it is their good "gut" instinct and the personal attention that makes It's Just Lunch so different from other services. And, the evidence is tangible: wedding photos, a baby photo and thank you notes decorate their bulletin boards.

Ms. Loe smiles and confesses to being a romantic at heart. "I believe there's absolutely somebody for everyone," she says.

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All We Get Is Baseballs

Continuing our conversation with Sammy Blalock, Rancho Bernardo High School baseball coach and winningest baseball coach in California Interscholastic Federation (CIF), San Diego Section, history. The Rancho Bernardo Broncos baseball team has been ranked number one in California by CalHiSports.com and Baseballresource.com and ranked in the top 20 nationally by Baseballamerica.com, SchoolSports.com, and USA Today.

Blalock has coached at Rancho Bernardo since 1992. His teams have appeared in the last five CIF San Diego Section Division I championship games, winning the title three times. Before hiring on at Rancho Bernardo he coached baseball at Mt. Carmel High School. His tenure lasted 16 years. During that time Sundevil baseball won seven CIF San Diego Section titles.

We've been talking about coaching techniques and players. "What's the difference between your best pitcher," I ask, "and a pitcher playing in a professional baseball rookie league?"

"Command and control."

I want a bit more. "Hitting his spots?"

"Not only that, but controlling his emotions, so he's the same pitcher all the time," Blalock says. "He has to blank out, pick his spot, then throw the ball at that spot. He doesn't try and place it there; he throws it there and believes it's going to get there. If the ball misses, he makes a minor adjustment and steps on the rubber and does it again and again and again. No matter if guys are hitting the ball or not hitting the ball or guys are stealing or whatever, he keeps his head, keeps control and command."

Blalock has won ten championships in 28 years, an extraordinary record. Which leads to the question, "You must have had a zillion offers from junior colleges and colleges."

Blalock replies, without rancor, "No. None."

"You're kidding. With your record?"

"I don't think it works that way," Blalock says. "I think you get labeled in a particular area. I've only applied once in my career. I looked at a junior-college job and was told I wasn't qualified."

I commiserate with a chortle. "That's funny."

"I've had a lot of pro scouts say, 'You should coach college.' " Silence. "But, sometimes those college jobs aren't as lucrative as you would think. Teaching high school is not a bad gig. Even though I have to teach all these classes, and I don't get paid much to

coach baseball, I do get paid to teach classes.

"Billy Beane [Oakland A's general manager and former Blalock player] called me a few years ago and said he was on the interviewing committee for the Cal Berkeley job. He said, 'I'm on the committee. You ought to apply. I think you've got a good shot at making it.'

"But, I didn't want to go to Berkeley." Blalock sighs, "I like Southern California. I like to surf in the summer. And I had a family of four. I was trying to make ends meet. I couldn't take a \$10,000-a-year pay cut and move my family to Berkeley. It's kind of passed me by now." Silence. "It's getting late in my career."

How late? "How much longer are you going to coach?"

"I don't know. There are times when I'll think, 'I feel like quitting today!' " Blalock laughs. "But you get through it and then the next day you think, 'Maybe I'll never quit. This is a lot of fun.' I enjoy being on the field with the kids. That's what keeps me going. It's all those other things that cause the problems and turmoil."

What other things? "Do school administrators leave you alone?"

"Yeah, they do. They leave me alone as far as finance goes, too. I do no fundraisers. Other schools raise a lot of funds and have parent support groups. I don't. My approach is, the school should provide, which they don't."

"And you win, year in and year out."

Blalock continues his thought, "I don't do fundraising, but we're going bankrupt this year. That becomes another thing. Do I change and do fundraisers and involve parents and go against my philosophy? My philosophy is, 'I coach 'em and you parent 'em. I respect your job and you should respect mine.' "

Follows is a rhetorical question. "Sports funding is drying up?"

"Yeah. For example, this year I have cut another coach. I've already lost a coach. So, now I have to pay for two coaches. I have to raise around \$5000 just to pay coaches. Also, when it comes time for uniforms — well, you wear out pants in a year, there's no money for uniforms. All we get is baseballs, and they provide us transportation to the game, and they'll take a little bit of care of the baseball field."

"I told my principal a couple of years ago, 'Don't give me any money for baseball. I'll go out and raise the money, but don't ask me where I get it, how I get it, and how I spend it,' " Blalock laughs, "because it's my program then." Principal says, 'You know we can't do that.' "

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PLACES OF WORSHIP REVIEWED

Denomination: The Wesleyan Church
Address: 510 South El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-942-9383
Year founded: 1974
Senior pastor: Reverend Larry Peltier
Congregation size: 200
Staff: 1 full-time, 4 part-time
Sunday school enrollment: 50
Annual budget: \$300,000
Weekly giving: \$5800
Singles program: yes
Diversity: white, Hispanic
Dress: casual
Services: Sunday worship, 10:00 a.m.

By 10:00 a.m., two female clowns were inflating helium balloons and handing them out to kids. Other church volunteers offered muffins and lemonade to passers-by. Some yards from the surf, on a stage decorated with Easter lilies, hydrangeas, and white and blue balloons, a bassist and drummer tested their instruments. Flinn, a young man sitting beside me, considered the scene.

"This is bitchin'," he said.

He asked me to use his cell phone to take pictures of him standing before the stage. Crouched in the shade of a lifeguard tower, several Hispanic workers watched us.

Last Sunday morning, El Camino Christian Fellowship held its eighth annual Easter Sunday service at Moonlight Beach in Encinitas. On the warm sand, church staff arranged 500 folding chairs. By 10:30 a.m., people had almost filled them all.

"Easter to me means a celebration of the risen Christ," El Camino's associate pastor, 26-year-old Rian Ford, told me before the service. "Without the Resurrection, Christianity would just be a set of moral teachings."

Behind Reverend Ford, out on the beach past the stage, I could see other folks celebrating the Resurrection by reading *Vanity Fair* and rubbing sunblock on their foreheads.

Reverend Ford explained that although his church was Wesleyan, it had adopted weekly Communion and for the 40 days of Lent advocated fasting, prayer, silence, and self-examination.

"I think people are searching for spiritual practices and disciplines that bring God into their lives. It's not so much an emphasis on tradition as it is an emphasis on developing a deeper and more personal relationship with God."

Because last week's service was an outreach effort to the community, El Camino eschewed Communion and opted for a very simple form of evangelical worship: a half hour of the usual contemporary hymns, ten minutes for greetings and announcements, and a half-hour sermon.

Reverend Larry Peltier, the senior pastor, dressed in slacks and a Hawaiian shirt, began

his sermon by voicing his support for Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*. He said that he and six other pastors from the San Diego area had made a videotape of themselves thanking Gibson for making the film. They sent the tape to Gibson.

"I know there's been some controversy over who it was who killed Jesus. Was it the Romans? The Jews? Let me tell you who really killed Jesus. It was nobody. Jesus willingly laid down his own life. Nobody took his life. He gave it freely so that mankind might live."

Reverend Peltier was pleased in particular with the way Gibson had presented the Crucifixion.

"It's very important to pay attention to the men who were dying beside Jesus. One of them says to him, 'If you are the Christ, save us.' It's a theme that continues today. Many ask, 'If there is a God, why doesn't he rid us of AIDS? Of hunger? Of death?' The other man beside Jesus says, 'This is a just man. He's innocent. He's done nothing wrong. But we are dying for what we've done wrong. We deserve this crucifixion.' And Jesus says to him, 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' Jesus says that because the man understood what many of us would choose to ignore, that the wages of sin is death."

"But Jesus has offered all of us a way to escape death, to free ourselves from sin. Jesus gladly gave his life to deliver us from all the misery we cause ourselves and others. He says to us, 'Come and live with me forever in Heaven.' He offers us eternal life. Faith is the means to acquire it."

After his sermon, Reverend Peltier gave an altar call. Several people from the audience made their way slowly to the front of the stage where church members waited to pray with them. Flinn, the young man with the

picture-taking cell phone, rose from his seat in a tentative, awkward way. Reverend Peltier, who'd stepped down from the stage, approached him and shook his hand.

"Why don't you just go up and pray with one of those people?" the reverend asked.

"Oh, I don't know," Flinn hesitated.

He didn't let go of Reverend Peltier's hand. His eyes searched the crowd. At random he chose a woman a few feet away.

"Her," he said. "I'll go pray with her."

I asked Reverend Peltier how he had found God.

"I was born and raised a Roman Catholic but had drifted away from the Church. I served in Vietnam and, as they say, there are no atheists in foxholes. When I came back to the States, I just kind of drifted. In 1976, I went to Horizon and heard Mike MacIntosh preach. He said, 'You Vietnam vets, I know what you promised God while you were over there. Now it's time to cash in the chips.' I did. I've been serving God ever since."

— Abe Opincar



REVEREND LARRY PELTIER

El Camino Christian Fellowship Encinitas ★★½

Sermon

content.....★★★★
delivery.....★★★★

Liturgy.....no liturgy

Music

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choir.....★★

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Dear Aunt Trudy,

I've taught college for years. Sometimes students ask me to write them recommendations for graduate school. Recently a student whose work was lackluster and a bit below average all semester asked me to write him a recommendation. He doesn't show aptitude in the area I teach in, and he didn't even come to class that often. When he did show up, he didn't contribute a whole lot. His written work was late and quite sloppy. I gave him a C. I'm not sure why he thinks he wants to go to graduate school in this field. On the one hand, I don't want to seem mean and refuse him — he's a nice enough kid in his way. On the other hand, I can't in good conscience write him a favorable recommendation based on his unimpressive performance. In the past, the only students who have asked me to write them recommendations have been talented and hardworking, so I've been glad to oblige. How should I handle this unwelcome request?

RELUCTANT UCSD PROFESSOR

Dear Reluctant,

Why not have a candid chat with this student about his hopes and ambitions for a future career and how they relate to his slack class performance? I think asking the student, in a caring way, about why he wants to go to graduate school in this field when he actually didn't show much interest in or dedication to studying it as an undergraduate could provide him with a useful reality check. That discussion could also help start him on the road of really thinking about what he wants to do with his life that he'd be suited to. You are well within your rights to tell him sorry, but you're not comfortable writing him a recommendation because you'd have to tell the truth, which would mean reporting that in your view he was an unimpressive student. Based on this information, he may want to rethink his plans or try to get a recommendation from another teacher into whose class he actually put some effort.

Dear Aunt Trudy,

My brother has three kids. The middle boy, who is six now, is having difficulty in first grade. He had a hard time in kindergarten too. Both his teacher and the school principal think the boy has some learning disabilities and needs to be evaluated. I have two kids myself, and this nephew of mine — we'll call him "Roy" — does seem to have some problems. I'm not an expert in this kind of thing, but Roy is very distractible, has lots of tantrums, seems very hyper, has trouble following directions, can be disruptive, is always getting hurt, seems real impulsive even for a six-year-old boy, doesn't sleep much, etc. My brother's wife wants to follow up on the school's suggestion and have Roy evaluated by a child psychologist the principal recommended. My

brother, however, has declared that there's absolutely nothing wrong with Roy. He says the teacher and the principal are just "uptight." One of our mutual friends is a speech therapist who works with kids. This speech therapist's daughter plays with my children and my brother's kids on occasion. "Hank," the therapist, has privately mentioned to me that he's worried that Roy might have some developmental problems. He says that the longer they wait to get Roy extra help, if he needs it, the harder his life is going to be later on. My brother is understandably touchy on the subject. Should I say something to my brother about this situation, or butt out since Roy is not my kid and the school authorities have already alerted his parents?

CONCERNED ENCINITAS BROTHER

Dear Concerned,

It can be very painful and depressing to learn that your beloved child has some kind of disability. News like that can be very hard to accept, and it's often confusing to make the rounds of specialists and therapists in an effort to figure out what's going on with your child and what is best for them. Though I don't envy you, and you will probably have to suit up in your protective emotional armor to have this conversation, I think that you owe it to your nephew to talk to your brother about getting Roy evaluated by someone compassionate and qualified — and soon. Experts in this area tend to preach early intervention, like your therapist friend did. In other words, when children need extra help due to learning disabilities, the sooner they get it the better off they are. I feel for your brother and his family, but Roy shouldn't be made to suffer (or allowed to fall farther and farther behind in school) because his dad has trouble coming to terms with the fact that his son may require some special attention.

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— EVE KELLY

Aunt Azelda has begun losing battles. Her fierce independence, guarded so well for so long, has been compromised in a very personal way. Age and a bout with bladder cancer have left her incontinent. My mother is going to come out and arrange for caretaking, but right now, she's stuck back East with Dad, who's recovering from knee surgery. When it rains, it pours. So she asked me to step in for Aunt Azelda until Dad's up and about.

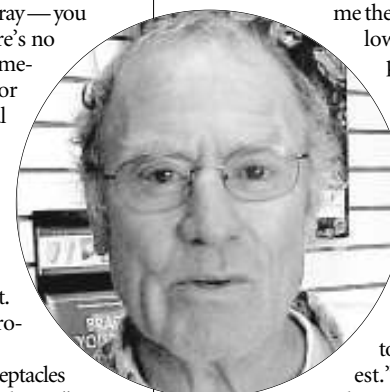
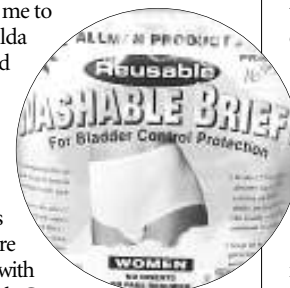
I knew Auntie wouldn't be thrilled to discuss her condition in detail, so I decided to learn as much as I could before going in. I first spoke with Aida at Shield Health Care (1-800-675-8845) in Kearny Mesa, a company that takes care of billing MediCal or Medicare — though she noted that "incontinence supplies are covered only by MediCal."

We started with skin. "We have a wash and a cream by Caress that help keep skin healthy. The wash [\$5.49 for 12 oz.] is a spray — you spray it on and wipe it off. There's no need to rinse. It's mostly for somebody who can't get in the tub or the shower. It keeps the perineal area clean and gets the urine and feces off the skin — the acid of urine and feces can really irritate it." The cream (\$7.86 for 9 oz.) is more of a protective agent. "It's thick; it acts as a skin barrier." It's not like a baby ointment. "If the skin is red, irritated, or broken, the cream is not for that."

From skin, we moved to receptacles for those irritating bodily byproducts. "We have diapers. They're basically the same as baby diapers [\$8.47 for 12], only they're sized for adults, in small, medium, and large. They absorb a large amount of urine; they're for someone who is bed-bound and has completely lost control. For people who are only moderately incontinent, and who are not bedridden but active, we have incontinence undergarments [Ultra Shield Undergarments, \$13.28 for 30]. They're similar to pull-ups, but they have little belts on the side. There's no padding on the side of the legs, so you can wear a pair of slacks and not have anything show. They can be worn without underwear." For light incontinence, said Aida, "we also have liners [\$11.26 for 48].

They hold less — they're meant for people who are leaking, or who can't make it to the bathroom and have an accident. They're basically shaped like a Kotex, but they're designed to hold urine. We sell some with tabs that stick onto your regular underwear. Or you can purchase underwear [\$6.20 a pair] made with a little basket to hold the liner. And we have thicker ones that are worn with their own panties. The panties are washable, and you insert the liner into them. When they become soiled, you replace the liner and throw the panties in the wash."

If Aunt Azelda had a penis, she would have more options. "We have the condom catheter. It's like a condom, but the difference is that it adheres to the penis to keep it in place. Then it's open on the end, and the end attaches to tubing, which leads to a big bag attached to the leg.



"Men, particularly those who have had prostate problems, sometimes have an annoying drip."

It's good for someone who is active, but also for someone confined to bed. If it's hard to move the pelvis, a diaper might be difficult. Removing the catheter from the penis doesn't require the patient to move much." Condom catheters, which must be changed daily, are \$2.17 apiece. Tubing runs \$7.60 for an 18-inch length, and a 32-oz. bag costs \$9.11. With regular washing, the tube and bag will last one or two months. "You can use soap and water," said Aida, "or we have a wash, also by Caress, that you can use [\$15.86 for 16 oz.]."

For protective bedding, Aida carried washable flannel sheets (\$48) and disposable underpads (\$45 for 90) that you throw away when soiled.

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I zipped over to Eric's Medical Supply (619-298-9640) in Linda Vista to get a look at the merchandise. Owner Eric Jones gave me the tour. Starting with the low-tech: disposable bed pads, known as chucks (economy, \$35 for 150; more absorbent deluxe, \$45 for 150). "You put these on the bed and throw them out through the day. Or we have washable pads [\$12.95], good for 200 washes. No need to cut down the rain forest." Beds could be fitted with vinyl zip-on mattress covers (\$12.95) or two-layer felt quilted covers (\$39.95). "It's waterproof and machine washable."

Jones sold diapers that ranged from overnights that would take away urine "in racehorse quantities" to basic three-to-four-hour models (\$49.95-\$79-\$95 per package). For those who don't want diapers, "these rubber pants [\$9.95-\$12.95], pull-on or snap-on, go on over the underwear. Some come with an absorbent pad that goes within, and you can change the pad [\$12.95 for 20]. We also have washable briefs [\$9.95 unisex, \$12.95-\$19.95 men, \$16.95-\$19.95 women], which aren't so rubbery. They're for lighter incontinence, and they're more pleasant to wear. They wick the urine away to prevent chafing and burning. For men, we have the dignity boxer short [\$16.95] with a replaceable pad — again, for light incontinence."

Jones then showed me the McGuire urinal (\$59.95). The concept was similar to the condom catheter, but it wasn't disposable. An adjustable waistband held a rubber sheath for the penis. "Men, particularly those who have had prostate problems, sometimes have an annoying drip," explained Jones. "For dripping problems, you could just wear the sheath. For higher-volume loss, a tube and leg bag can be attached [leg bags, \$4.95-\$5.95; leg bag with tube, \$10.95]. It saves you from changing out a male external catheter [\$1.95] every day. And you can attach a big collector [urinary drainage bag, \$12.95] that you hang on the bed. The urine runs into that. It's like a human plumbing system."

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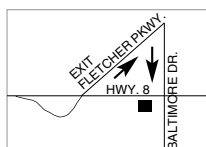
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In the Reader

Thirty Years Ago

Duncan Shepherd is to movie reviewing as Charlie the Tuna is to good taste. Shepherd really wants to be one of the cynical, sarcastic big guys working for *Time* magazine, but *Time* has turned him down as a shallow, insensitive observer of human nature who can see no artistry in a film unless it hangs on an obvious, organized plot.

Bitter at his rejection, Shepherd consumes his sour grapes by inverting *Time's* opinions and making them his own while simultaneously imitating *Time's* style. The resulting diatribes against such films as *The Last Detail*, *Cries and Whispers*, and *Don't Look Now* make Shepherd, like Charlie Tuna, pitiful and ridiculous.

— LETTERS: **"THE TRUTH ABOUT D. SHEPHERD,"**

J.E. Eggers, April 18, 1974

Twenty-Five Years Ago

In April of 1970 the Los Angeles DDT plant had begun depositing its liquid wastes in a sanitary landfill, and oceanic input of the pesticide started to decline rapidly. By the very next breeding season, egg shells found on Anacapa, Santa Cruz, and North Coronado islands seemed noticeably thicker.

— **"FUTURE FLOCK,"** Jeannette De Wyze,

April 19, 1979

Twenty Years Ago

"Ask him about his uncle, Lou Lipton, the big-time bookie for the Teamsters." Lipton, who died in 1980, was a vice president at U.S. National Bank in the 1960s.... Later on he went to work for the Teamsters as their PR man and he got the Teamsters to make U.S. National Bank their depositor for the pension fund money.... [Mike] Aguirre doesn't deny any of that. "I loved him as an uncle. He married my father's sister, but the first time I met him was when I was in college. Besides that, did my relationship affect what I did? I was back in Washington investigating his employer [Frank Fitzsimmons]."

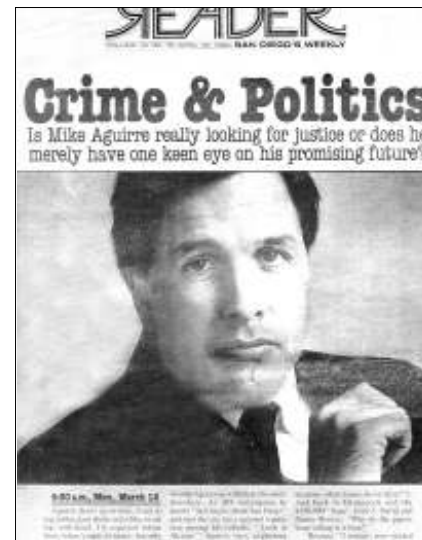
— **"CRIME & POLITICS,"** Bob Dorn, *April 19, 1984*

Fifteen Years Ago

Dear Matthew Alice:

Do convicts still make our license plates, or was that all a big story told to us by our mothers?

Here's your answer, courtesy of Ma Alice: Oh, they're stuck in Folsom Prison./ Three million plus a year./ Yes, they make them in the slammer./ Just like we always hear./ When I was just a baby./ My momma told me, "Son./ It costs the state authorities/ A buck for every one."/ And since they're made at Folsom./ Where time keeps draggin' on./ They get away with paying/ Criminal wages to each con./ The new men get a quarter/ For each



San Diego Reader, April 19, 1984

hour on the line./ Old timers all make 90 cents/ An hour for their time./ Oh, they're struck in Folsom Prison/ By crooks and scalawags./ Which means the guy who ripped your car off/ Most likely made your brand-new tags.

— **"STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP,"** Matthew Alice,

April 20, 1989

Ten Years Ago

Unable to sleep, with my early-morning flight back to San Diego fast approaching, I got an idea. Grabbing a cheap tape recorder, I decided to take a pre-dawn stroll and capture some audio mementos: some lively voices in a bar or at the nearby all-night eatery serving up *mofongo* and fried plantain *tostones*, maybe the smooth rolling of the Atlantic onto the isle's north shore, definitely the ubiquitous chirp of the onomatopoeically named *coqui*, the tiny tree frog found nowhere else in the world that is Puerto Rico's national mascot.

— **"AS SUBLIME AS ANY SOUND,"** David Stampone,

April 14, 1994

Five Years Ago

Racial divisions are strictly maintained in prison, but Elaine became close to a young Mexican woman whose husband was in Jerome's housing unit at George Bailey. The two used to talk while they waited for their husbands. The Mexican woman asked Elaine where she could pawn a necklace because she had no food for her children.

"I told her, 'Don't pawn your things. If you want, you can come and clean my house and I'll pay you. Don't give something away. Work for it.' So she did. And sometimes now she comes over and we talk, or if she needs something, she asks if she can help me somehow."

— **"IF HE'S SO SMART, WHAT'S HE DOING**

BEHIND BARS?" Jangchup Phelgyal, *April 15, 1999*

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TWO PARTY SYSTEM

by Josh Board

It's nice being invited to two parties on a Saturday when one is in the afternoon and the other is at night so I don't have to rush from one to the other.

The first one was right off the 101 in Leucadia. Three guys in their early 20s were throwing a going-away party for one of their roommates. They also decided to have a bunch of bands play, hoping to make this an annual event.

I pulled onto Grandview and could hear the music coming from the third house over. I couldn't find parking on that street, and when I got out of my car on the next street over I could hear the drums. As I walked over, a couple was coming out of their house in wetsuits, carrying surfboards, and they looked over toward the music. They shook their heads and headed for the surf. When I got to the house, I could hear the band was doing a great version of the Stooges song "I Wanna Be Your Dog."

There was a girl sitting right at the gate collecting donations from everyone entering the party. She commented on my SDSU shirt



and told me she was a psych major there. I told her that I've been there twice looking for parties but never found any. She said, "I know, the campus is considered this party school, but usually it's just groups of people walking around on Saturday night looking for something to do. It's so lame." Two days later, I read in the *Union-Tribune* about two parties at SDSU being



covering. I asked one of the owners of the house why the bands weren't set up on the top level, where everyone could see them better. He said, "We thought the noise would travel a lot farther.

raining. And we just found out a few houses down they're having a party tonight. They have bands also and an art show. We may turn this into a block party."

The band looked like a bunch of teenagers, and as they finished their set, the drummer kicked over his bass drum. It reminded me of Keith Moon of the Who. I realized that stunt wouldn't have worked if they were on the balcony. Talking with him later, I was surprised by how much he knew about older bands, since he looked

to be about 19. One of his favorites was Travis Barker of Poway's blink-182, who recently broke his foot, causing the cancellation of a Japan tour.

Before the next band went on, I walked over toward two couches set up in the grass. One of the guys on the couch was in the band Deafred. He said, "Hey, dude, I met you at a party you wrote about in Pacific Beach. We played, even though it was raining."

I looked over at a group of guys by a shed near the back fence. I walked over and saw that one had a bag of weed. The other said, "We're just smoking a bowl, man. You want a hit?"

When the next band started, I saw a guy who I thought was rolling joints. It looked like he had purple paper, and he was rolling it, licking it, and rolling it. He did this for a long time. I realized it wasn't a joint when he stuck one in each ear.

A guy came up and told me the band playing was from Oregon. He said, "They came all the way down here just to play this party." He also told me he worked in

When two guys showed up with dogs that wouldn't stop barking, I bailed.

investigated for rapes. Somebody is having parties there; I just haven't found them yet.

This place had a gigantic back yard. The band was set up directly below the patio

We already had to talk to all the neighbors and make sure it was cool with them. None of them complained."

Another resident here told me, "Yeah, it's so overcast, we were afraid it would start



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his dad's furniture shop, but that he wanted to get into voiceover work. I told him that I had read an article about a guy who does movie-trailer voiceovers. He makes over a million dollars a year working from his home.

Drew, the guy this going-away party was for, came over. I asked why he was leaving and he said "I'm going to Honduras. I'm becoming a dive master." I asked why he couldn't do that here, and he said, "I could. But I thought I'd try some warmer water." He had just turned 25 and looked to be the oldest person around.

There was lots of beer at this party, but no food. One girl was walking around offering people beef jerky. When I got hungry, I walked around the corner to a pizza parlor. I saw a cop outside the house talking to somebody. I asked if it was about the noise, and another resident said, "No, he's just telling us that the neighbors are complaining about the way everyone is parking their cars. Some can't get into their driveways."

Next to the pizza parlor was a trapeze school. It was bizarre watching people swinging so high up, with a teacher telling one to let go so the other could catch him. He never did let go, and I don't blame him. He was high up there (even if there were nets). I brought a pizza back to the two people working the door for donations.

By then, things had picked up. At one point, a mosh pit was going on in front of the bands. Others had gone on the balcony to watch or take pictures (although they'd only be getting shots of the tops of their heads).

One girl who looked like k.d. lang kept apologizing to a guy. He said, "It's cool, don't

worry about it." She said, "Maybe next time I'll drink water instead of alcohol." Later I saw her run and tackle somebody in the grass. Another girl said, "Being this drunk at 4:00...does that make me an alcoholic?"

People periodically made food runs, and one kid asked his friends if they wanted anything. Someone said, "Yes, I want Yoo-Hoos. Two of them."

Two other girls who were getting drunk kept saying lines from

movies. A few of the movie lines I didn't recognize. One said, "If I knew it was that kind of a party, I would've stuck my dick in the mashed potatoes." The other responded, "The real party is going on in my pants."

When two guys showed up with dogs that wouldn't stop barking, I bailed. They were louder than the bands.

The housewarming party I went to was in North Park, so I had a bit of a drive. It was a lot tamer. There were

only ten people there, and no bands.

I showed up at the same time as another person. He went on about how much he loved the hardwood floors as we walked in. He said, "The first thing I do is check out floors



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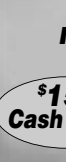
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in a new house." I went to talk to some people in the kitchen, and heard him ten minutes later still talking about the floors.

The two guys who bought this place are a couple. One of them was showing me the artwork on the walls, which looked nice. I especially liked the two small front windows, which I couldn't see out of because they were painted with all different colors. They also had a mannequin of a naked woman with a sunflower for a face.

Nathan, who was showing us around the house, opened one

secret compartment. He said, "The women that lived here before us kept pot in here. A realtor was showing us the place, and I opened this. It was filled with marijuana and pipes to smoke it. They were sitting right there on the couch and didn't seem to care that I saw it. I was just thinking about putting flowers in there. They had plants."

A girl in the kitchen was asking how this write-up would turn out with only ten people. She said, "Sometimes bigger parties can be lame. When MTV's *Real World* was here, we were

invited to a party at that place in Point Loma. It took so long to get in there, and when we finally did, it was really lame."

Most of the people were on the back patio talking and smoking. One gay guy was telling a story about going to a dentist to have fangs put into his mouth. He and a few others left early, because they were going to a concert at 4th & B.

I met three women who worked in the hotel business. When one said she worked at the Westin downtown, I asked about Carlos Santana. I remembered meeting a limo

driver who told me that's where he always stays. She said, "Yeah, one time he got off the elevator. I said, 'Oh, there's Santana...' as he walked by."

I only talked to one of the two other women who worked in hotels. One we kept forcing back into the kitchen because she was making this incredibly delicious drink. When I asked what was in it, she said "Just Country Time Lemonade, coconut rum — and I rub lime on the rim of the glass."

The other lady was from Kenya. She had just a bit of an accent. She

told me she'd worked in hotels for eight years. And she had some funny stories that kept being interrupted by me and a guy named Jessie. He was wearing a *Star Wars* shirt, and we kept talking about old movies. Even though we disagreed on almost every movie (he liked Jackie Chan and science fiction and hated Christopher Guest films), we had fun debating each other. His wife kept nagging him to leave. They were going to go to Sav-On and pick up medicine for Nathan. He was in his bedroom complaining of stomach pain. He said, "My stom-

ach feels so bloated. I feel like I have an Ethiopian stomach, those ones that stick way out." He later got into a debate with his boyfriend because he had invited an old lover to some previous party. All the remaining guests gave their two cents and told stories about running into old lovers when you were with somebody new.

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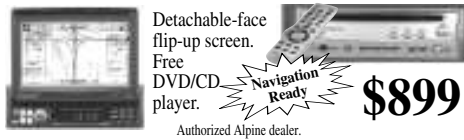
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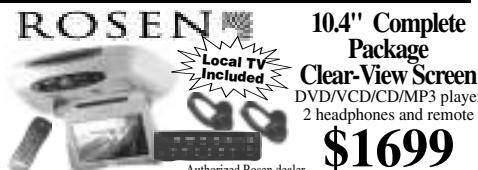
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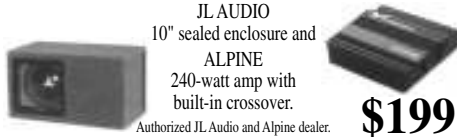
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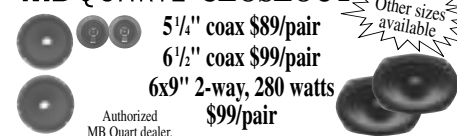
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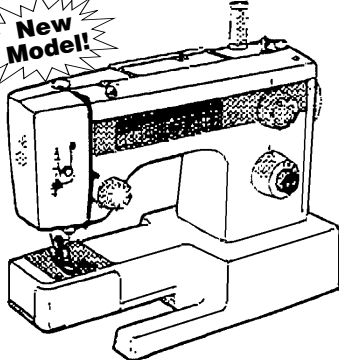
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One night in the late 1970s, Miguel Ruiz, a young Mexican physician, fell asleep at the wheel of his car and crashed it into a concrete retaining wall. He lay near death for some days and had that near-death experience of being out of his body. He saw his body from another vantage point.

But if he saw his body, where was he when he saw it? And if he was not his body, what was he?

The last of 13 children, Ruiz had grown up in rural Mexico and come from a line of *curanderos*, shaman healers. His mother, Sarita, was such a healer. She'd taught him as a child, but as he'd grown older he'd resisted the ancient tradition. He'd pursued the practice of Western medicine. Now after the accident, Ruiz began to study with Sarita again and he became an apprentice to a powerful *nagual* (pronounced nah-WAL), a sorcerer in the Toltec tradition.

Today Don Miguel Ruiz trains Toltec *naguals* in San Diego. He has owned a house here since 1985. His audience ranges from old hippies to academics and professionals who have never before deviated from the approved career path. There are hundreds of his followers in San Diego, but Don Miguel's work has also spread nationwide and worldwide through the popularity of his books *The Four Agreements* and *The Mastery of Love*.

I've long been a fan and student of the books of Carlos Castaneda. He popularized Toltec sorcery with a series of nine books, which he began writing in the late 1960s. Castaneda's teacher, an old Indian sorcerer named Don Juan Matus, made his home in a shack, rambled around the desert,

and lived a carefully, deliberately anonymous life. Castaneda also stayed out of the public eye. In contrast, Don Miguel has a website (miguelruiz.com) on which he advertises "power journeys" to Teotihuacán in Mexico, to Machu Picchu in Peru, to the Great Pyramid of Giza in Egypt, to a volcano on Maui. There are links for "wisdom groups" and for "mentors." There is a discussion of something called the University of Transformation. This is about as far as you can get from rambling in the desert. It seemed clear to me that without the popularity of the Castaneda books, Don Miguel would not have had entrée to the educated and affluent middle class and that his credentials as a medical doctor, a well-educated man in the Western sense, cemented his validity to that audience.

I wondered if Don Miguel was really a sorcerer. I decided to go to see him.

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When Don Miguel opened his front door, my feelings about him were immediate. Before me stood a slender Mexican Indian man in his early 50s, of average height, in gray slacks and a maroon velour pullover. Before he opened his mouth or moved a muscle, I liked him and trusted him. Looking into Don Miguel's eyes is like drowning in warm honey. He grabbed me in a hug, not something they do much where I come from.

We took seats in his comfortable living room. It was severely modern, with glass shelves and tabletops at varying heights and the back wall open to the sunlight. The effect was of being in a silver maze. I set up my tape recorder, then asked,

"How did you become a Toltec shaman?"

Don Miguel smiled. His voice was low and soft, accented, but with each word pronounced so carefully that understanding him was never a problem. "Well, it's a family tradition, really. My mother is a great healer. She's 93 years old now, and I started to learn from her when I was still a child. Her father, my grandfather, Don Leonardo, he was a powerful *nagual* too. Leonardo Macías. His father, Don Ezequiel, was also a great *nagual*. He lived to 117 years.

"I didn't meet my great-grandfather. I only heard all those great stories about him. I think he was the first *nagual* in the lineage, in the family. And from him you can trace all the way back to the Mexicas, whom you call the Aztecs."

"Who were the Toltecs?"

"Well, the Toltecs, the name Toltec means 'artist.' A Toltec is an artist, not really a nation. History and anthropology think they were a nation. They have a very strong influence in Mexico. They started more than 2000 years ago, built the pyramids of Teotihuacán 2500 years ago. Before that, there were already Toltecs. It's a way of living. It comes from what I call just common sense, available to everybody. But very few have the fortune to learn it."

"I liked your book *The Four Agreements*," I said. "I wonder if any of your students have told you ways the book helped them."

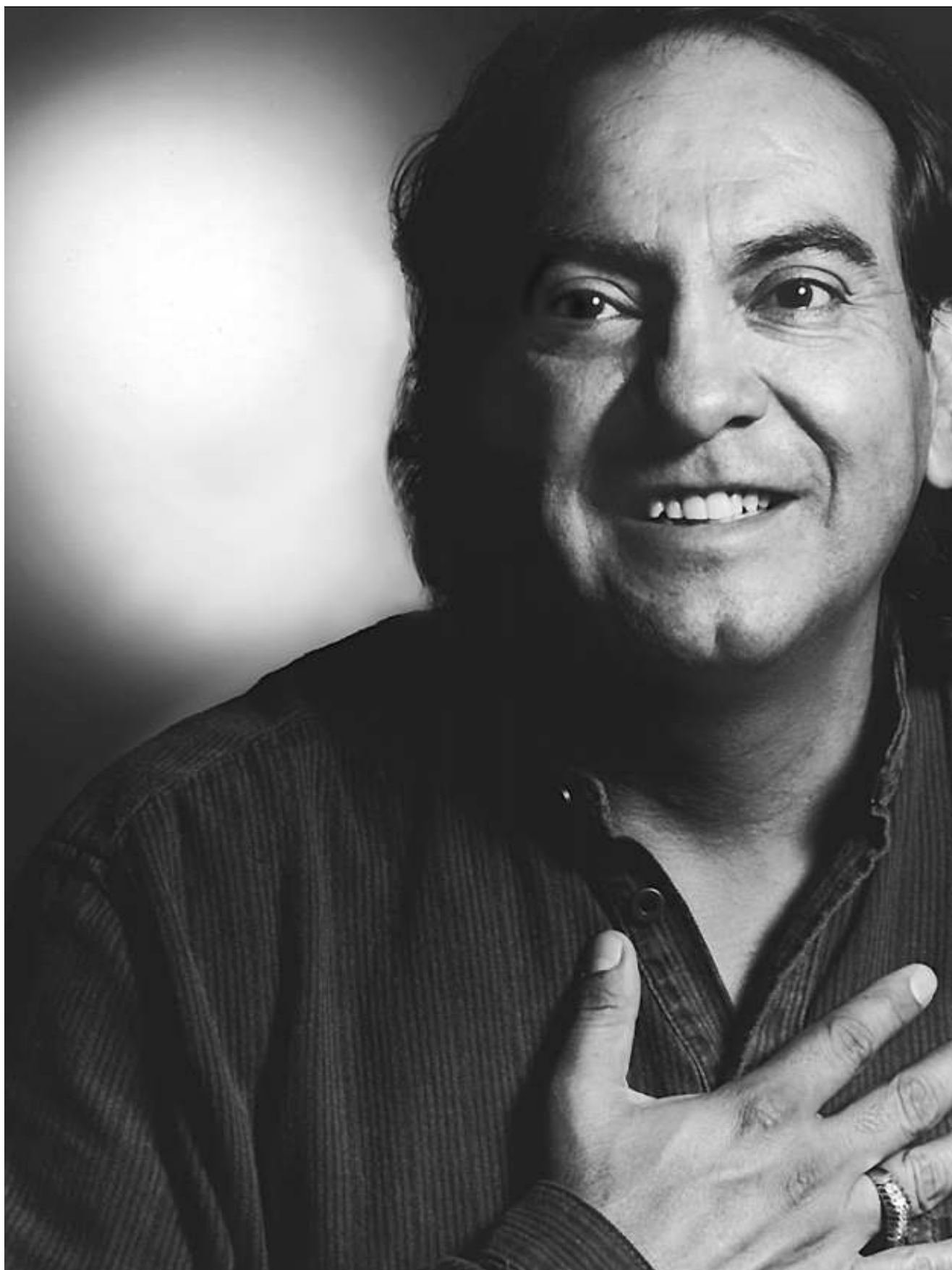
"All the time. I receive a lot of mail from Europe, a lot of mail from the United States, and also from Latin America, from everywhere, really. You know, to write this book, it was a big challenge, to make it very simple and easy and short enough that anyone can read it, can understand it and apply it. To put it in action, that is the key of the book. That everybody can put it in action and see the difference that makes in their lives.

"When they understand what the book says, they start taking action, and right away they start seeing changes in their lives, until they reach a certain point. They're stuck at that point, and that's the time to read the book again. Then, it's like they're reading another book, because all the limitations that they used to have, they have already dissolved, and they reach another point. They have another 'Aha!' And they start shifting again.

"You find out after you read it that you knew all that. It's something that you knew since you were a child. But for whatever reason, it all shifted, was distorted. When you read that book, little by little you discover that you are not really what you think you are. You are much, much better than that."

"Do you know how many copies of this book have been sold?"

"More than three million. And the beautiful



Don Miguel Ruiz

part is that mainly it's word of mouth. It's true that Oprah read it and gave it a big boost. But whoever reads it, right away they think of the people they love, so it keeps growing in that way."

"I get the impression that your more popular books — *The Four Agreements* and *The Mastery of Love* — are for just regular folks. But you seem to be on a double track here in that you're training people in Toltec *nagualism*, you're teaching apprentices."

"Yes, I teach what I call Dreaming. I have a whole Dream school, and there are teachers there who teach the others."

I was curious as to how what he called "Dreaming" related to other spiritual practices. I said, "My sister, she's a magical person. She used to do what she called 'astral traveling.' I couldn't do it. But I do write fiction. My feeling is that

when you write fiction, that you are Dreaming."

"Yes, you are Dreaming. Certainly, right now. Certainly, all the time."

"That part's true," I said. "This is a level of Dreaming. And that's another level of Dreams."

He shook his head. "The way your sister approaches it is a different way than you do. You just don't know that you are Dreaming, and you call it your imagination. That you write science fiction, or whatever you write, is in your imagination. And it's true that you are traveling into a virtual reality that is real. Because everything here is just a virtual reality that is happening in your brain. It's not exactly true."

"So this world is a screen, and we're just running our movies on it."

"Yes."

"And what you're teaching is how to put a

happy ending on it."

"That's exactly the direction that a Dream Master has. You know, like I told you before, the word Toltec means 'artist.' And the art that we practice, really, is the art of Dreams. As with every art, we enjoy the art. That's why we do it."

"You know, your whole life is really a story that you create. And that includes your parents, your brother. It's true that they exist. Yes, your father exists. But in the story that you create, you give them...they become characters in your story. It doesn't mean that they are what you believe." He smiled and cocked his head.

"In your story your father is a certain way. Your mother is a certain way. That's what you believe, but that doesn't mean it's true. It's only true in your story. If you compare notes, you will find out your father is not what you believe he is. Your mother is not what you believe she is. Your children are not what you believe they are."

"And even going a little deeper, you find out that you are not what you believe you are. This is a place in Dreams when your whole reality starts coming apart. What you believed you are is not what you are but what you pretended to be for so long."

"How many Toltec *naguals* have you trained, do you think?"

"I think there are a lot of them. The main two ones are my own children, but there are many others that are really masters."

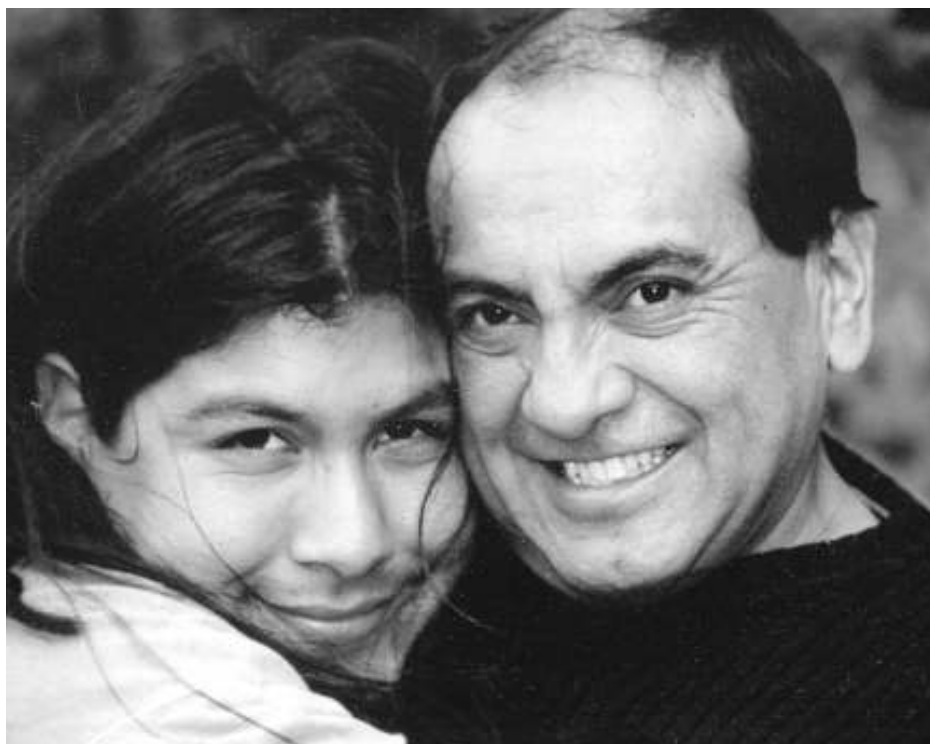
The bookends of Don Miguel's career are the traffic accident and a massive heart attack in 2002 that nearly killed him. Since then, he has — at least in theory — worked a reduced schedule, laboring to set up his sons, Miguel Jr., who lives in Santa Monica, and José Luis, who lives in San Diego — and in time, his youngest son, Leonardo — to follow in his footsteps.

"What are your students — the actual *naguals* that you've changed — what are they doing with this knowledge?"

"In Castaneda, I think he hooked his audience in the early '70s with tales of psychotropic plants."

"Well, they're doing so many different things. You know, when you teach them, what you really teach is about themselves. And everybody is completely different. Then, what they do is to have a way of life that makes them happy. Just a few of them try to be teachers. But many others, they are artists, they paint and they draw beautiful art.

"The other kind of artists are the actors. There are medical doctors, lawyers, engineers. They are all kinds of people, and what they are doing, they keep going with their life in their way but with awareness. Now they know what they are doing, and they do it with a purpose. And



José Luis and Don Miguel Ruiz

mainly the purpose that they have is about giving. It's no longer to receive. That becomes secondary. And by giv-

ing they are receiving much more than they give."

I wondered how this was accomplished.

"What is the University of Transformation?"

"It was created because of the need that we had to go to the

next level of Dreaming. To have a place specifically where they have a place to sit in a chair, to go into Dreaming, and see their confirmation. This is a very intense work that they do.

"All that started four years ago, on my last journey to Egypt. Then one of my apprentices, she insisted that I teach Dreaming. So I told her no. But she was insisting, and I said, 'Okay, let's make a deal. Get 40 people who would really want it so bad that they agree for a whole year not to fail one Dreaming. If you can do that, I will teach Dreaming.'

"When I told her that, I didn't think that she could get even 5 people who would

really commit themselves. And she came back to me with much more than 40 people. To my surprise, they did it. They did four years of Dreaming."

"Okay," I said, "University of Transformation. Transform from what to what?"

"From a victim to a warrior. From living without awareness to living fully aware. And that starts with yourself. In order to give, first you must have. And what you don't have is awareness."

"In Castaneda," I said, "I think he hooked his audience in the early '70s with tales of psychotropic plants and also with tales of miraculous events. Y'know, Don Juan disappeared Carlos's car

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under a hat, and..."

"Those were real stories."

"My question is, are they metaphorical or are they..."

"Okay, this is a great question for Don Carlos. But I can make an assumption that, yes, that was real. And, yes, they are metaphoric, but they are real at the same time. Like, in front of my apprentices, I perform so many miracles."

"Describe one, please."

"Well, for example, I took, like, 40 people to Peru. We were in

Machu Picchu, at the very top. It was during the night. We were outside, just relaxing. There were around 20 people with me at that time. The night was very clear. Crystal clear. You could see far away. I told them, 'What would you guys think if in less than one minute the whole environment becomes covered by fog, so that you cannot see anything?'

"They said, 'Well, that would be cool.' That's what they said."

"And when I said that, you could see from the mountains the fog coming. In less than

one minute it was so dense we could not see each other. And then, when we were like that,

"If you see in your brain, it's full of information, but it's information that doesn't exist in the material world."

I told them, 'And now, what would you guys think if in less than one minute the fog just dissipates?' And as soon as

I said that, the fog started going away. You saw it going away, and the night was as clear as

in the beginning. And if you ask me how I did that, the answer is, I have no idea."

"How does Toltec

Dreaming differ from normal dreaming?"

"Awareness, that is the difference. You know, we live in a world with six billion people. And those people are not aware that they're dreaming. They're born, they grow up, they get old, they die, and they didn't know that their whole life was just a dream. Once you are aware, you find out that it isn't exactly true that life has all the power over you."

I had read about a Toltec technique called "The Art of Stalking." I thought of it as using

the attitude of a hunter to analyze and master your own will. I asked Don Miguel to describe it.

"Well, once you have awareness, and once you master transformation, then you find out that you have control over every single belief that exists in your head. You can choose every action, and by choosing the action, you can see the possible reaction. Then you see that your whole life you were victimized by your beliefs. You find that you have an advantage over the rest of the people because



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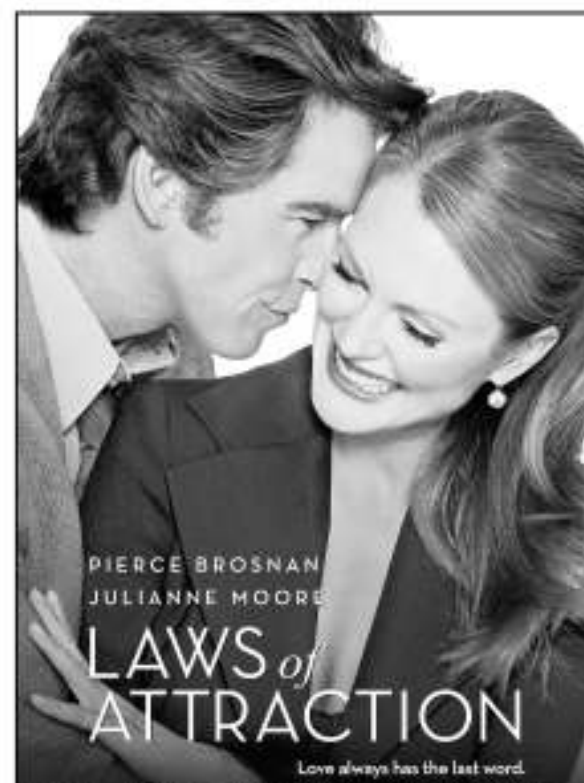
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you are no longer naïve."

"You mean you track down your misconceptions and change them?"

"Oh, definitely. Yes."

In the Castaneda books, one becomes a sorcerer by capturing an "ally spirit." The way it's described, it's like capturing a demon and taming it into an angel. But in reading other Toltec writings and about other disciplines, I'd come to believe it meant getting a handle on the lousy attitudes that ruin our lives: greed, lust, vanity, all that stuff. "I wanted to ask you about the ally spirits. I think they're a metaphor for what in our culture we call neuroses."

"Uh-huh."

"And also they're a metaphor for archetypes. I wanted to know if you think that surmise is correct."

"You know, there's a lot of what I call inorganic beings that exist. And they are in many ways available to us. All that comes from emotions, concepts, beliefs. If you see in your brain, it's full of information, but it's information that doesn't exist in the material world. It's a kind of energy that you can't touch, you can't measure, you can't weigh it. It will not survive the scientific method. But that doesn't mean that it doesn't exist. You hear so many voices in your head. Who are you talking to? Who is talking

to you? And all that is not matter but exists."

"Because it has effects?"

"Exactly. It exists and makes you act in certain ways. Okay, then, with imagination, we try to express the

me that the only way to experience what he was talking about was to go with him to Teotihuacán, an ancient ruin 33 miles northeast of Mexico City. He and José Luis were leading a group there in a week.

his wife, Judy Segal, have a house in an upscale neighborhood of Chula Vista. Plain in front, the house is roomy inside, with a two-story atrium living room.

I sat on a couch, and Segal, slender, big-eyed, dark, and intense, sat on another couch across a huge glass coffee table. To my left was a print of a Klimt painting, *The Kiss*, a stylized couple embracing under a blanket shot through with gold. On the far wall, across the living and dining rooms, next to glass doors to the back yard, was an enormous Buddha, lacquered deep maroon. Along the right wall of the dining room, a small table held a large statue of

the Chinese goddess Kwan Yin.

José Luis, a stocky young man of about 25, sat against the wall on a low stool that curved upward around his hips. His mahogany face is both innocent and strong, and his long, thick hair hangs to the middle of his back. He has his father's eyes. Segal and I looked as if we were San Diegans. José Luis looked like a holographic projection from another time and place.

"So, I wanted to ask you, José Luis, did you grow up in San Diego?"

"No, I grew up in Tijuana. My father staged back and forth, went to medical school." He speaks with a staccato Mexican accent, the same

"I always had an altar, wherever I lived. For my friends, it was kind of weird to see these things."

existence of this kind of life to everybody. We can draw them, or whatever, whatever our imagination says they look like. It's not exactly true, but those things exist."

Don Miguel told

The five-day trip was already full, but he would give his assistants directions to make a place for me.

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cadence as Tijuana Spanish.

"Here in the States?"

"In Mexico City, to be a doctor. I basically grew up in Tijuana, and about five years ago I completely moved to San Diego. So I was going, before that, back and forth. I'd spend the week with my mom and weekends with my dad, when he was available, because he was traveling all the time."

"I wanted to ask you how it was growing up as the son of a Toltec *nagual*."

"It was very magical. Magic happened all around us all the time. For example, coming from school, my grandma grabbed an egg and a glass of water. And when she breaks

that, she does an egg reading. She reads your life, so whatever you do, it appeared there. There was nothing I could hide. My grandmother always says, 'Come here!' I'm always hiding from the egg."

"When I Dreamed, first, I started experiencing, like, fear, 'cause I woke up in the dream and my body was paralyzed. I was very aware, because I knew I was Dreaming. Yet I didn't have control of the dream."

"Did your father explain what was happening to you, as you went along?"

"Yes. But many times he left it for me to figure out. He just smiled — looked at me and smiled. When I was, like, 11 years old

we went to Mata Grande. Mata Grande is some mountains, like an hour from here, near Tecate. He did the initiation with my brother and me, my older brother.

"Before we went up

unconscious, and I was so scared. So in the dream, I started to run, looking for safety. I went to my mother's home. I went, 'Mom, Mom! My father is dead. He fell down the mountain.' And in the

Mata Grande?' It was strange for him that I would ask to go to that place. I was so little. He saw it as a sign of power, a sign of power in the Toltec tradition. It's a sign from God. The doors are opening, and it gives you a signal to take action.

"So he took us to Mata Grande, my brother and I, and he gave the initiation. That initiation was very difficult. Very magic happened, and we took a walk in this place of male energy."

"Male energy?"

"Yes, we were with my stepsister, Kimberly, but it was an initiation for us boys. He left my sister and took us up by ourselves. I remember him saying at that time about male energy. It was all between the three of us. So in the mountains, he put us to

see the beauty around. And to see his shadow, because he was behind us. The sun was hitting so you could see his shadow, and all of a sudden, his shadow turned to, like, a serpent form. And all around the mountains you could see rattlesnakes. Lots of noise, high up, rattlesnakes, all round the mountains.

"It was a very powerful personal feeling of having the communication of nature. That was the initiation, which brought many Dreams. So that was a lot of discovery. And I'm learning from that discovery."

"How do you feel about stepping into your father's shoes?"

"Right now, I feel it's so normal, it's a way of life. I get excited. But before, it was a lie to

"I had a choice, in that moment. I could become the greatest victim, or I could become the greatest warrior in life."

there, I had a dream that I was coming up there with my father in the high mountains. Then all of a sudden, in the dream, he fell, in the mountains. I looked down, and I could see he was

dream, he came up from the back of the house, and he said, 'No, I was only playing with you.'

"In that moment I woke up. So from that, like a week later, I said, 'Would you take me to

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think...you know how a kid always resists what the parents want."

"Your father resisted it as well."

"Yes, he did. In the Dream, many times I can escape and resist. But it came to a point where there was noth-

ing to resist. And so it came to a completely joyful moment. It's about sharing love. When going into that feeling, we realize that we are children of God, so when I teach I don't see color, I just go into heightened love. I put

everything in the human form into unconditional love."

"Do you teach these seminars south of the border also?"

"Yes, yes. When I was little, when I was going to junior high school, and in high

school, I always had an altar, wherever I lived. For my friends, it was kind of weird to see these things, because in Mexico, normally you have just Catholic and Pentecostal. So they would say, 'What is your father?' I say, 'Oh,

he's a *nagual*.' We were at my grandma's, so they have to listen."

"So at one point, I'm at a party. They come to me and say, 'Okay, you want to show us what you can do, teach us something.' So — it was very

funny — when I start talking, the noise got lower, lower, and then all my friends, all the people from the party, were in front of me. So I started sharing what my father had been teaching, and my grandmother. To my

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father and grandmother, it was quite extraordinary. How everyone, with no practice at all on my part, received a message. I was inspired."

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There was a workshop coming up in two weeks, so I went and met Miguel and Mother Sarita.

"Very shortly after that, Miguel asked me to start working with him, to teach yoga at his workshop. So I'd been working with him for a year, and I became one of his students, one of his Dream students. I met everyone in José's family, and I was traveling around, pretty much everywhere Miguel went. A year later, on the way to New York, to catch a

flight to Egypt, I finally met José.

"When I met José, he was in that point of resistance he shared with you. And when I saw him at the airport in New York with his father, he intimidated me so much. He had these headphones on that were so loud with heavy metal, and on his head was, like, a gangster hat, and he wore bug-eyed glasses. And this huge shield that said, 'Don't mess with me.' In fact, his character was so good — if you could see the

face — he was like this mask. He was the type of fellow that if I saw him on the street, I would have crossed the street.

"And after I got over the shock that Miguel was with this character, it took my breath. I almost didn't want to, but I couldn't not go over and say hi to Miguel. And Miguel said to me, 'This is my son, José.' And I'd heard that name forever. So, I pushed up these little bug-eyed glasses, and the moment I saw the eyes, I went, 'Oh, my God! You're the same as your father. I love you. You are my family.'"

"I saw him, and I saw his mask and what he was doing, and I saw his beauty. We've been

together ever since."

I asked José, "Do you have anything that you would like to say, to add on your own, without answering questions?"

He said, "Yes, it was, like, two years ago, I went to the dentist, and I go home, and when I was coming back, I noticed that my eyes started hurting, hurting in the [contact] lens, and I removed them, because it was hurting in the lens, for hours, in the rain.

"I got to the house. I said, 'Oh, honey, I'm very tired. My eyes hurt very much. I'm going to go to sleep, and tomorrow will be better.' So I went to sleep, and the next day I saw everything blurry. My

eyesight was gone. I could just see a little light. It was very scary, because the pressure kept increasing. The pressure in my eyes, and I couldn't see.

"So I went to Tijuana. My family, all my uncles, are doctors. So they took me there. And in the beginning, when I see my aunt — she's an eye doctor — she was very scared. And she put light in my eyes and asked me if I could see this. I know there was bad trouble. She was accidentally showing her fear.

"So we went to another doctor, and he said, 'Well, if you're gonna see again, you're gonna see again. At first we thought you might have brain damage.' So, after a while, they put in an IV, and the pressure went away. But I was like that for a week. At first I was feeling bad, feeling scared. But then I see loved ones having more suffering and pain, crying, feeling these things. And I said to myself, 'Wow! I'm the one who's supposed to be like that. I'm here taking care of



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them, and I'm the blind one.'

"And right there I knew I had a choice, in that moment. I could become the greatest victim, or I could become the greatest warrior in life and accept what God had given me. And in that, I noticed that there's a whole world inside. But I loved to...I like to watch eyes. But when that was taken away, I knew I had to proceed. And I could perceive the whole...it was like the whole infinity

inside.

"So one day I wake up and finally start making peace. And accepting, this is the way I'm going to live now. And I go to the mirror, and I see for the first time. I wake up and I see my sideburns — the first thing I see was my sideburns. I was so happy.

"And I know the gift of God that was given to us, everything, life. So from that experience, it is so amazing, so amazing to see that we don't need a sign of

God to know that He is listening to us. The very moment that we wake up, every morning we open our eyes and take a deep breath, it's a sign of power to know that He is there.

"And from that we receive all gifts, a true love for the Creator and the creation that is one. And from that you fall in love more and more with this stuff, and you fall more and more in love with God. And everything starts making more sense, to listen to yourself and see

the whole Dream around you. And to see, wherever you put your attention, you will perceive.

"Whenever you go to church and see the altar, you know that's a house of God. You go to Buddhist temple and see the Buddha, you know that's a house of God. And also I know that when I opened my eyes and could see, I know the world is a house of God.

"So going beyond the language and going beyond the way of

being is a complete accepting of the way life is. And it's so beautiful, to surrender to that."

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In Teotihuacán I set out to write an objective account of how a *nagual* works, but then a miracle happened to me. Teotihuacán translates, The Place Where Man Becomes God.

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sciousness. One might even say an “altared” state of consciousness. It towers and sprawls and envelops. It overwhelms.

Our first morning there, we walked from the hotel, a Club Med, to the ancient city of pyramids, reconstructed stone walls twice as tall as a man, and plazas with

Garcia, a San Diego corporate exec; Brian and June Foy, from Australia, who were maybe in their late 50s or early 60s; James Golden, an American SNAG (sensitive new-age guy) and Leslie Gilbertie, his pretty blond wife, from Northern California; and Carol Brooks, a young Australian

form, or island, in the center. When we arrived, Haywood did most of the talking. She had the same gift as Don Miguel. In a low, soft, crooning voice, she led us into a heightened state of consciousness.

We were given 20 minutes to wander in the quadrangle, to drop our emotional baggage. I walked around the edges counterclockwise, to all four corners, marking each with Reiki symbols, enclosing the plaza in my consciousness, the better to discard my accumulated emotional detritus in the middle.

Rosalie Garcia returned to the island crying. Haywood held her from behind and pounded her back in a ritual way that I recognized from the Castaneda books. The couples were crying too. We all talked about our experiences. Talking seemed to make them more real. By the time we left, the two couples were arm in arm, like teenagers in love. Only Brooks and I seemed unmoved. But we weren't. I felt the load of grief and greed, lust and guilt lifted.

Garcia reminded me of her favorite Don Miguel quote. “You are given two choices in life: you can be happy or you can be stupid.”

immense stone platforms at their centers. The leaders were stunningly beautiful women: Nancy Coleman, from Los Angeles, a mom in her 30s; and Rebecca Haywood, from San Diego, probably in her late 20s.

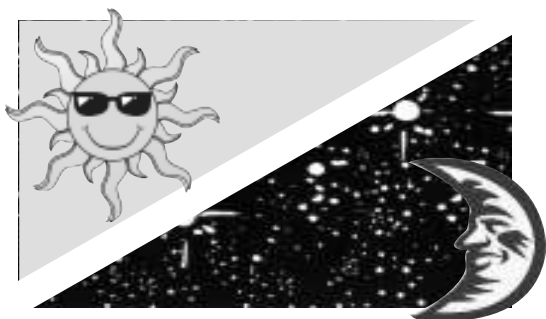
The 150 or so of us had been split into groups of 7 or 8. My group included Rosalie

woman who lived and worked in London. Brooks was in her early 30s, tall and easygoing, her dark pageboy haircut capped by a black Clint Eastwood hat with a silver-and-turquoise band.

We headed that morning for the Sea of Hell, a huge stone quadrangle with a grass floor and a stone plat-

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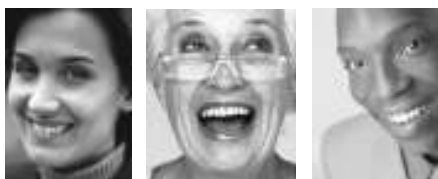
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Next Haywood and Coleman took us to a pyramid in the quadrangle, the Feathered Serpent Pyramid. Many stone heads of Quetzalcoatl were carved on it. The leaders told us to pick one and stare at it until we entered it. At Teotihuacán we would be symbolically digested by Quetzalcoatl, to emerge on the last day in the light of the sun, at the Pyramid of the Sun.

The Avenue of the Dead is the mile-and-a-half-long axis of the city. It was here that it hit Brooks. She started screaming. Whatever emotional load she was carrying, whatever demon, it was on the way out, and it did not go gentle. Coleman led her to stone steps, and Brooks lay in Coleman's arms sobbing. Then, just when you thought it had passed, it started again, gut-wrenching screams from the bottom of her soul. That night, in the hotel bar, Brooks was radiant.

The second day I hooked up with Rosalie Garcia. I wanted to talk to her about her experience the day before. She said her tears were cathartic tears of happiness, and she showed me an entry in her journal that explained how she felt: "What is so agonizing about this kind of work is that — despite one's willingness to grow and make changes in one's life, it's our own resistance to release, to let go of the familiar distortions (our domestication) of life — it's our fear of the new and unfamiliar that keeps us stuck in our own stuff."

As we stood atop a stone wall on the Avenue of the Dead, Garcia looked off to the Pyramid of the Moon straight ahead and the Pyramid of the Sun to the right and said, "If this is a dream, it's a

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keeper.”

Later, she reminded me of her favorite Don Miguel quote. “You are given two choices in life: you can be happy or you can be stupid.”

Rebecca Haywood led us, there on the steps of that wall, in a ceremony to rectify our relationship with our beloved. Then we were released to wander and ponder in the Place of

larger issues and a new fan base.

What stood in my way was that I had never come home from Vietnam. The young men who went to Vietnam thought that if we were willing to die for our country, put our very lives on the line, our countrymen would be grateful. And, oh, how wrong we were! We came home to a

is fear it.

I felt dazed, staggered. I walked to a low wall and sat leaning against it. I thought, Jimmy, you have to love them. Maybe some of them will never get it, but maybe some of them will, that you signed on to protect their lives with yours. My decision to sacrifice myself for America had been an act of love, and the only way to be true to it was to keep loving, whether it was recognized or rewarded or not. And I was crying. Brooks came striding across the courtyard, black flat-crowned cowboy hat on the back of her head. She sat beside me and held my hand, not saying a word. We sat there a long time. She reached in a pocket and took out a curiously shaped crystal, flat on one end, jagged peaks on the other. She placed it on my heart. In that moment, I came home.

Everybody there experienced something cataclysmic. I saw people so entranced that they cried or cried out or shook all over like jackhammers.

The next morning, in my just-before-waking dreams, I turned into a falcon, unfurled powerful wings, and pumped them into the sky, then soared to the top of the Pyramid of

I’ve seen that flinch behind the eyes when someone I liked but would never get to know thought, “How many babies has this guy killed?”

the Air. She said we were to proceed without judgment but with discernment.

Usually your beloved means your life partner. But a writer has another beloved, his audience. I’m a Vietnam veteran. The audience for my writing has been other Vietnam vets, soldiers, and a few civilians. But I’ve said everything I have to say about war and soldiering three times over. I had a practical need to graduate to

wall that separated us from the civilians. I’ve seen that flinch behind the eyes when someone I liked but would never get to know thought, “How many babies has this guy killed?” The answer is none, but there was no way for them to ask, so I never got to say. I was gunshy of that hurtful flinch behind the eyes, and to reach an audience, you have to love it, to sing to it in its own language. The worst thing you can do

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the Moon, flaring to alight. I stood on stalky bird legs, hopping, looking out at the first line of light as the sun rose and the sky turned pastel blues and lavenders. The east side of the bushes in the plain below became rough gray-green crescents. From the villages around, the smells of smoke and coffee rose from the first fires of the day.

It was a dream. But in memory it is clearer

and more vivid than driving over the bridge to Coronado. It has more meaning.

The closing ceremony was at the top of the Pyramid of the Sun. The climb itself was structured as a ceremony. All 150 of us walked around the pyramid at every level, men clockwise, women counterclockwise. We could see for miles in all directions. By the time we got to the top we were in an altered

space.

I felt like an astronaut in orbit around the sun. Then it occurred to me that I really was in orbit around the sun.

On top of the pyramid, we gathered in a group around José Luis, who was preaching. José Luis is a stem-winder of a preacher, with his baby face and his hair flowing from under a battered fedora to the middle of his back. He believes and

feels so deeply that the words just roll out of him.

The sun shone on us, and monarch butterflies fluttered around. One lit on a clip in a blond girl's hair. I couldn't see who she was through the crowd. I thought, that is so cool! It should happen to all of us.

Erika Kalter, a San Diego yoga instructor who had been teaching a free, optional class every morning, stood behind me. She cracked up. She started laughing so hard she bent over and slapped her thigh. I turned and said, "What?"

"There's a butterfly on your hat."

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I'm at the University of Transformation, which has its campus in a two-story suite in an office park in Sorrento Mesa. I've come to go over some questions I have about my inter-

view with José Luis.

There's a meeting tonight of the San Diego Dream group. Don Miguel, José Luis, and Barbara Emrys, another San Diego shaman, will speak, and then the group will spend the weekend Dreaming. We're upstairs in a large open room with a lot of folding chairs. Not wooden chairs. These are canvas chairs with steel-tube frames, chairs that one can sit on for hours without moving, feet flat on the floor, hands on knees, back straight.

It's an affluent crowd of well-dressed people, mostly but not exclusively Caucasian. I notice that there's no sign of attitude anywhere. There are no macho guys and no wimpy guys. The women are all attractive. Not movie star or model beautiful, necessarily, but beautiful in

the way that any woman who is nice and has a sense of self is beautiful.

Along the far wall is a couch with a wire and clip-on microphone on it. Erika Kalter is running the PA system. I go over to greet her and to tell her that I'm still doing most of the yoga she taught me and that Brian Foy took a picture of me and the butterfly on my cap.

Don Miguel, José Luis, and Emrys enter and sit on the couch. Don Miguel clips on the mike. He looks fondly around the room, with his warm smile and liquid eyes, and says, "I am in love, and there is no doubt."

Someone in the back of the room missed that last. He says, "What?"

Don Miguel smiles, "I said, 'There is no doubt.'"

— Jim Morris

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"I DON'T KNOW WHY STUDENTS ACCEPT ME AS ONE OF THEM, THEY JUST DO; I GUESS THEY DON'T PERCEIVE ME AS A TEACHER BUT MORE AS A FRIEND."

I sometimes find it difficult to relate to people significantly older than me; it seems like their actions and perception of the world are different than mine, which makes common ground rare. I do, however, relate to Michele, the advisor of one of the committees I am on at school. She is more than 20 years older than me, yet she seems able to understand my perspective and opinions.

Michele has characteristics of wisdom and maturity I hope to acquire. She is responsible and doesn't blame other people when things go wrong. When our teen-summit planning was running behind schedule, Michele assumed the responsibilities of two committee members and brought us back on track. Even more amazing to me is that, despite all her hard work, Michele is willing to give someone else the credit.

Michele has practical and optimistic views on life. When I talk to her about conflicts I have with my friends or about going away to college, Michele offers me advice from lessons she has learned. For instance, when I had a fight with a friend, Michele suggested apologizing only if I was truly sorry; she also suggested I approach the situation with my friend's perspective in mind.

At our last meeting, it was the hope of our committee to develop a monthly newspaper to distribute to San Diego teens; it would have cost over \$1000 per issue. Michele, who tends to be more conservative in her ideas and approaches, suggested we post the information on a link to the city's website and update it quarterly, which would cost very little.

— Erin Bala,
Helix H.S.

Last December I turned 18, so I'm now an adult...legally, anyway. I can now play the lottery, gamble in Indian casinos, vote, and buy cigarettes if

I want, but does that make me an adult? The new privileges are nice; however, I don't yet consider myself an adult.

Becoming an adult is more than an age, so I cannot predict when I will consider myself a "real" adult. I will know when I become one, though. Certain things will have to occur. Some of those things include the ability to take care of myself financially and getting a place of my own (or, at least, away from home). I have a regular job, and I pay for a lot of my own things, like clothes and school supplies, but my mom still pays the bills and I still live with her.

Besides not being financially independent, I do not think that my perceptions or attitudes are independent either; I haven't experienced enough things in life. I see the same people during the week and do the same things. I haven't left the things that I'm familiar with to explore the rest of the world. So, once I do explore more of what is out there, then I'll probably gain independence in the way that I think, and my view of things may change because of that.

Although I don't consider myself an adult yet, I'm getting closer to becoming one. Within the next year I'll go to college, which will bring new experiences for me, and I'll have to become more financially independent. I'll also move away from home for the first time.

— Brian Lawless,
Morse H.S.

When you are 9, you consider 13-year-olds "mature" or even "old." When you finally reach 13, it's nothing compared to what you thought it would be, and then the age of 17 seems to be the checkpoint of matu-

rity. Now that I am 17, I feel nothing different. So what now?

Well, first of all, I've pushed back the age that I consider "mature." I decided that in order to consider someone mature, that person must have certain experiences. These experiences are: falling in and out of love, learning to give and take advice, being able to find the learning experience in close to every mistake, acquiring most of one's material wants, and reaching a satisfactory, possibly even happy, point in one's life, but yet still continuing to set goals for the future. Considering these guidelines for maturity, I believe the youngest a fully mature person can be is 30. Don't get me wrong, though — I don't consider a 30-year-old person "old."

I know there are many opinions on what the term "maturity" means. We are often taught things like, "girls mature at a younger age than boys," and "only the elder can truly be mature." However, in all my inexperience (which, because of my age, may sometimes be confused for immaturity), I can conclude that maturity is not a trait obtained with age, such as a gray hair or a mole. The only time one can really be considered mature is after living the major experiences I listed; for only then will they be able to use their life and wisdom to educate and guide others.

— Melina Mena,
El Cajon Valley H.S.

There is a Spanish teacher at my school whom I look up to as "mature." While I don't consider her old (she just turned 27), she's got all the responsibilities of someone who is. Her positive outlook on life is an inspiration to me and others who don't look forward

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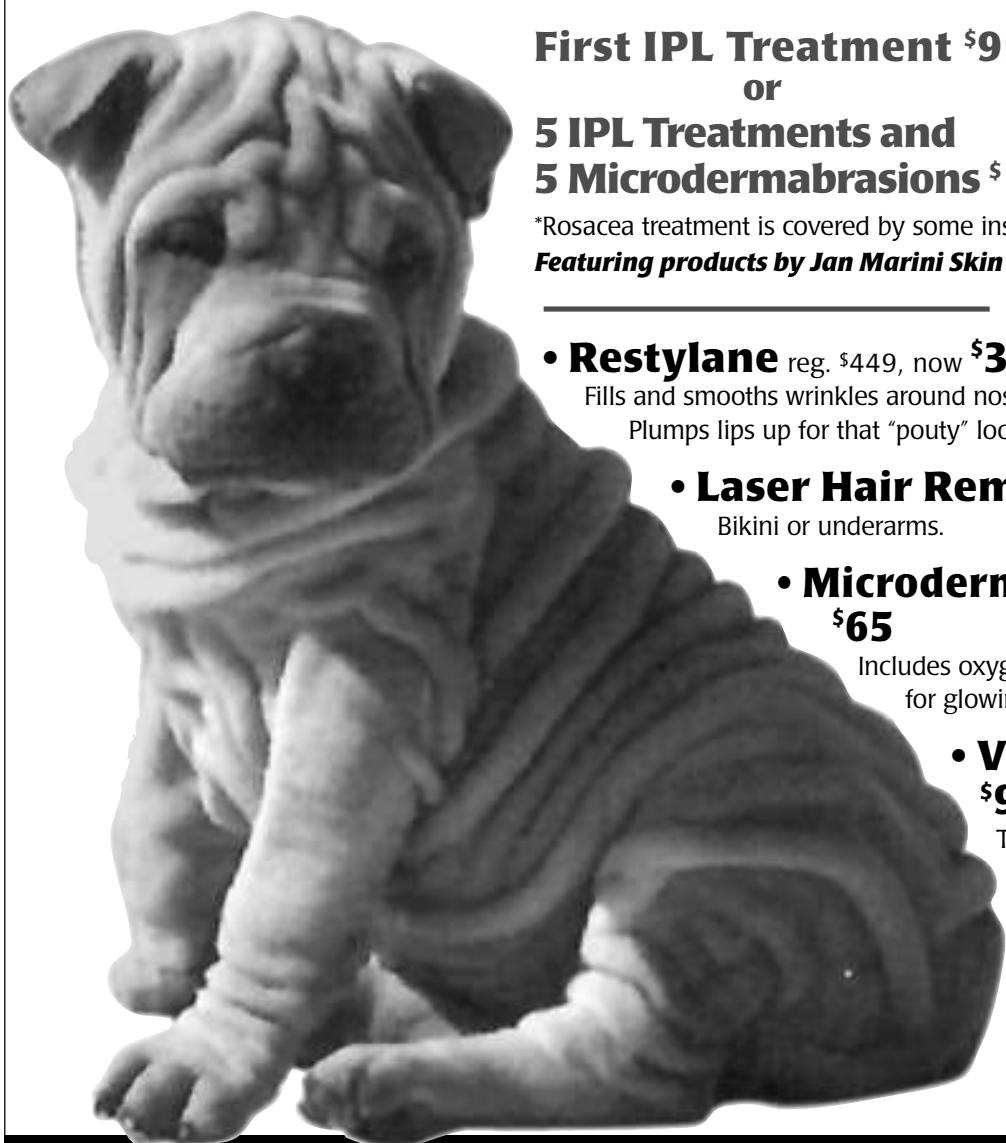
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Considering how she looks at life, I can only wonder if I will turn out as cool as her. While my goals in life aren't exactly the same as hers, I can use her success as a guide to go in the right direction. We both have the same perspective on life...that education is the key to success and that people always deserve a second chance.

— John Twilla,
Hilltop H.S.

Before people can consider themselves fully mature, some awful experiences must be endured: losing parents, parents divorcing, and being betrayed by "friends," to name a few.

I know a woman (whose name I'll withhold) who is 36 years of age. This woman is the wisest person that I know, and I admire her more than she knows, due to her ability to be mature yet still manage to act like a teenager. She dropped out of school when she was 15, married when she was 19, had a daughter when she was 20, a son when she was 25, and divorced her abusive husband when she was 26. Ten years later, she

plays taxi driver to her 16-year-old, escorts her son to doctor appointments, and still manages to clean house, do laundry, and cook dinner. All of this, and she manages to take her daughter to a Kiss/Aerosmith concert — on a school night.

This woman could not care less about what people think about her, mostly due to the years she spent worrying about what the world would say. She tries her hardest to create an obstacle-free path into the future for her children because she knows how difficult the world can be.

— Christina Chovan,
Mission Bay H.S.

I will consider myself fully mature when I have most, if not all, of the qualities of someone who is "old." I don't know exactly when this will be, but I can estimate that it will probably be after 28 or 30. I say this because I think it can only come after having children. Being a parent is something that brings with it a whole different set of responsibilities that are difficult or impossible to understand if you're not one.

I see maturity in my friend whom I'll call Kate. Kate has always been a hard worker, a habit formed out of necessity. Coming from a financially unstable family, Kate has had a job since she was 15. She worked her way through college. Kate is also mature in the way she deals with people; she's willing to work things out, even if it means admitting she is wrong.

I know that Kate's uncle passed away when she was younger, and she was very close to him. I believe this caused her to treat her close relationships with more respect because she realizes how valuable they are.

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CHAPTER 23

Night Fool

Often when men are talking of experiences they have had with wild animals while hunting in the mountains back of here, I am tempted to join the conversation by telling of the sea lion I once met while on the beach at night. But the experience, compared to their experiences, was so slight, so absurd, that fortunately I have retained my promise with the sea and with the sea lion and have said nothing out loud to anybody.

At night, of course, when the tide is out the sand of my shoreline becomes snow, ankle-deep. My boots sink into it making the crunch-crunch-crunch sound so familiar in Dakota or Montana during winters. I could be there,

Dogs must be turned into pampered dolls of sawdust. And coyotes, because they refuse to wear a collar and a license, must be shot.

and my desolate beach could be a January prairie. For even on the darkest nights, nights when there is no moon and when the stars are blurred, the shoreline maintains that certain radiance so common with snow. This radiance frightens the night away. Night may hover but may not land, and these are the hours to go walking, if walk one will.

I am a fool for these nights, such a fool that I dare tell nobody where I have been. I am too much the coward to

be considered by others as erratic, I am deadly afraid of being accused of assuming privileges reserved for geniuses only. During these walks I am treading on territory too sacred for a young man of my sort who in the daytime must earn his living gathering nonsense for my paper. I am walking through a sunken garden where only poets should walk, poets and other people who through necessity need not be up and going again at daybreak, dodging street cars and listening to stories and saying "Yes, sir," all for the sake of my weekend check.

But once I am on the night beach, once I do sneak through the barriers to where I do not belong, the beach refrains from driving me away. The beach permits me to stay providing I do not advertise the secrets of my visit, and providing I do not invite another mortal along too. For another, no matter how close a friend, is sure at some moment to exclaim: "What a perfectly glorious night!" And presto, at this blandishment the perfectness vanishes. There is no perfectness. It has been frightened into hiding, frightened by self-consciousness. For no night, regardless of how perfect, can endure being screeched at by a mortal.

So, as far as concerns these stolen walks, the best principle I find is to take them and forget about them, to take them again and to forget about them again, although this forgetting is not always easy. It is not easy in the case of the young sea lion which crawled up the sand from the surf and lay beside me.

I was resting near two boulders at the time. I was lying on my back, one hand under my head, the other hand holding a cigarette aloft. I did not hear the sea lion approach, as this sound would be as nothing compared to the sound of the surf. I did not



Sea lion

hear the surf either, as I have lived too long by the ocean to be aware of the surf-beat. I do not notice it except during storms or when somebody draws the sound to my attention. My first awareness, then, that something alive was alongside me was when I felt the wet body nosing into my side. I put my hand there quickly, also I jerked my head quickly to look.

The baby sea lion, I believe, was as astonished as I, for its round eyes stared at me for having made such a sudden movement. Obviously the little fellow had come to me for warmth, as I could see now that it had not long been abandoned by its mother. The youngster was probably an orphan, and now that the first surprise of our meeting was over we accepted a sort of working agreement. The seal would not get me all wet if I would not pet it or patronize it too much. "We'll just stay the way we are, eh?" This was our agreement.

An early impulse, naturally, was to make a captive of the seal, to take it back to the city as proof somewhat of my story. The impulse was the

same, perhaps, which drives men to lug home heads of deer to demonstrate a hidden valiance. Yet the more I studied my little companion the more I felt like laughing at the idiocy of the impulse. Canaries must be caged. Deer must be beheaded. Dogs must be turned into pampered dolls of sawdust. And coyotes, because they refuse to wear a collar and a license, must be shot.

The hair began to dry now. It became dry and soft between my fingers. We lay there for an hour or more, but because I would have to be at work in the morning I could not lie there forever. So, looking at the small creature, I all but said aloud: "You're a silly little beast to have come up here beside me. Don't you know there's a bounty of five dollars on your scalp? Your ma or your old man should have told you something about us. Listen, I'm going to let you go back into the water, and don't ever let me catch you doing this again."

As I arose, the youngster's tremendously round eyes watched me trudge away, yet he did not move from the

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warm spot we had created. I glanced back over my shoulder and could see the head silhouetted upwards watching me. Whether he accepted my advice I have no way of knowing. But I do know I have walked this same lonely stretch many times since then, and no young sea lion, nothing alive whatsoever on the snow-sand.

CHAPTER 24

Generation Shadow

The new fish-and-game investigator came up to the office and said that too many people along the shoreline were catching lobsters out of season and that he needed two more deputies to help put a stop to the lawbreaking.

He wanted the city editor's support to obtain these deputies, and said that almost any night people drive their cars to the coastline in deserted places, and there drop their lobster hoopnets at high tide off the rocks.

He could cruise the coastline in his own launch,

he said, but he needed more deputies to work from the shore-side. He said he would like to prove to the city editor how bad the situation really was, and he suggested that I go with him on a night's patrol duty.

"All right," the city editor nodded to me. "You go with him if he wants you to." I went with him, and he put me ashore on a peninsula about nine miles from the city.

"Here's where fishermen come almost every night, I'm told," he advised me. "And you'll see how many nets they have. I'll go on with the rest of the patrolling and call back for you."

He chugged his launch back out to sea. He was looking for rowboat-poachers who dropped their traps offshore by the kelp beds, and as soon as he left I made myself at home far out on the rocky point. I who poach more than most poachers did not like this new role of mine, and certainly had no notion to strain myself in trying to be conscientious.



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With a rock for a seat and another rock for a back I broke out my cigarettes to complete my comfort. Fishermen might see the red tips, but I did not care. I was not hiding. The moon was three-quarters, which is almost as bright as a full moon, and I could make out the country as plainly

as though the time was dawn instead of ten at night.

Within a half-hour the first headlights appeared on the little dirt road to the peninsula. A grove of gum trees is there, forming a natural three-sided wall around the place. The open side was towards the sea and towards me, and the

car drove within the shelter and stopped. The lights went out, first the headlights, then the parking lights, and the car had a sharper outline with the lights off than on.

The shadows in the car sat there awhile, between the moon and me. They had been cut out of pasteboard in a kindergarten, and finally the shadow behind the steering wheel bent towards the shadow on the right, making one shadow. And this one shadow gradually sank beneath the horizon of the car, and I knew by then that these shadows had brought no lobster traps. These shadows were eliminated, so I turned to sea watching for the return of the investigator.

In time the car's headlights were turned on again, filling this deserted world with a blinding yellow. The motor started, the car backed around and was gone over the same narrow road back to the main highway, the ancient surf retaining its ancient rhythm as though nothing at all

had happened. And surprisingly soon another pair of headlights felt their way along the curves of the dirt road. This second car drove to within the same clearing between the gum trees and the point, and again the lights were extinguished, and again the pasteboard shadow behind the steering wheel bent towards the shadow on the right, making one shadow, this one shadow again sinking below the car's horizon. No lobster fishermen this time, either, so I lit a new cigarette, hoping the shadows would know I was down on the rocks if they wanted to know I was down on the rocks.

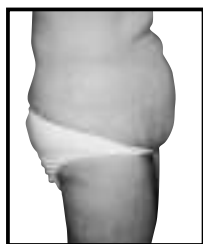
After the second car left a third car arrived, and it was as if there had not been three cars, but that the same car had arrived each time, so exact was the repetition of the shadow ritual, with such monotonous perfection did the new shadows imitate the shadows which had gone on before. As at the pull of the same string these new paste-

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boards performed with the same mechanical surety of the previous pasteboards, and I knew now that I had observed, not the shadows of individuals, but the shadows of generations. I was not a human now, but was detached from the animal kingdom. I was some idol without breath of my own or flesh of my own, but only with sight and eternity and with an odd sort of interest in the machinery of these things called the living. Generation had followed generation to this secluded peninsula, each generation had danced its dance, had implanted the kernel of itself, and had departed, had vanished with old age, back into the void of the main highway. Each car was 60 years or 70 years, and only I on the rocks was deathless, only I on the rocks was permitted to count by centuries where these three generations had counted by summers.

The investigator's launch drew alongside now and I sprang aboard directly from the rocks, so calm was the sea that night. I did not have to wade, the ocean was like a lake. And when he asked me if I had seen anything I had to answer him, of course, that I had seen nothing, as I had no way of conveying to him that what I had seen were 200 years.

"That's funny," he said. "That's damn funny. People say there's fishermen driving out here 'most every night."

CHAPTER 25 Isle of Women

Not far from here is San Nicolas island which some day I shall put into writing. We all have a place we are some day going to put into writing, and this is mine, and I have been preparing now for a number of years.

This is the reason when an author comes to town I try to manage to be assigned to interview him. If he arrives by liner I have no difficulty obtaining the assignment, but frequently he arrives by train. Then I have to obtain permission to leave the waterfront and interview him in his hotel.

I say to the author: "There's an interesting island around here I'm going to write up some day myself."

He replies: "So?"

I reply: "Yes."

He replies: "I understand you don't have much rain down in this section of the country."

I reply: "On certain days when there's a mirage you can almost see the island from this hotel." I step to the west window and look, but as usual the First National Bank building is there.

"No," I apologize. "You can't see it from here on account of a building."

"That certainly is too bad. It certainly is, now. How long about does it take to reach Tijuana from here? Or Agua Caliente?"

"Not very long if you're driving."

"Well, I hardly intended to walk exactly. How long by auto?"

"Not very long. But on this island was the Lost Woman. She lived on it alone for 18 years. They tried to find her and bring her off, but she always ran away and hid. She was an Indian. Don't you think it would make a story, all right?"

"Undoubtedly. Undoubtedly. It is as interesting as can be."

"She was an Indian. She lived on it alone for 18 years. She could have gotten off, but she always ran and hid. How would you handle it, do you think?"

"I really hardly know, I'm sure."

"But if you did know, how would you handle it, do you think? You see, this was a long time ago. Do you want to know the location of the island?"

"Yes. Why, yes, indeed."

"It's one of the Channel Islands group. Do you want me to show it to you on the map?"

"Yes. Why, yes, indeed."

"Have you a map?"

"No."

"Well, if you had a map it would be right over here. See. My finger is the mainland. And right over here by my thumb, this thumb that's moving, that's San Nicolas. Fishermen went over from here to get her a lot of times, but they could never find her. They think she ran into a cave. The island has lots of caves down along the shoreline."

"Caves are always interesting, to be sure."

"Yes, they are. Russian otter hunters one time lived

on the island for two years. They killed off the men Indians and kept the women. Would that be too risqué, do you think?"

"No, I guess not."

"No, I guess not, either. It would have been too risqué a few years ago maybe, though, don't you think?"

"If I started for Agua Caliente right now could I be back in time for my lecture at eight?"

"Perhaps. Yes, I believe

you could. You see, the Russians left after a while. The women were left on the island all alone. The Isle of Women. Missionaries heard about them and sent over a small vessel to get them. The women were rounded up and taken aboard. They could not speak English very well, and just as the anchor was being weighed one of the women made a scene. She saw she was being taken away, and she had left her baby ashore. She leaped

overboard and swam to the beach. A storm was coming up and the captain dare not fool around the breaker-line any longer. He had to clear out and leave her there. She lived on fish and mussels and she dressed herself in sealskins and sea-gull feathers. Just imagine."

"Just imagine."

"As years went by she grew frightened of people. Fishermen knew she was on there and frequently while fishing near by they

went ashore out of curiosity. But they could not find her. But 18 years later an expedition larger than the others landed on the island to make a thorough search for her. Although it searched the island from end to end, it could not find her either. Can you beat it?"

"No."

"The expedition returned three times without success, but on the fourth time —"

"It found her."

"Yes. One of the men saw her on an opposite hill. The sun was in her eyes and she was skinning a seal to make a —"

"Dress."

"Yes. She did not see the man because of the sun in her eyes, and he sneaked up to her. He was afraid she would bite or scratch. But when she saw she was captured she surrendered like a sport. She handed him a hunk of the raw seal to eat. Wouldn't that make a story?"

"A wonderful, wonderful story. What's the time?"

"About 1850 or '51. I'll look and make sure."

"Yes, look and make sure." ■

— Max Miller

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TANYA MCANEAR'S MOTHER collected costume parts: hats and wigs and funny glasses and clothing, all of which Tanya loved very much back in the mid-'70s, when she was seven or eight years old. She didn't just play with these items.

In the back yard of her Lemon Grove home, she staged shows for her friends and parents with music and dance numbers and as many wardrobe changes as she could think up. "I was coordinating fashion shows when I was a little girl," McAnear says, bemused.

Today, at 36, McAnear is still putting on fashion shows, one of the handful of San Diego residents who get paid to engage in this flamboyant activity. Of the hundreds of fashion shows staged in San Diego during an average year, she typically produces about 45 or 50. Her biggest event is the Golden Hanger fashion awards gala presented each July by the local Fashion Careers of California college. Although the 25-year-old educational institution has a reputation for being homier than its rivals, the Golden Hanger show has grown into an extravaganza, attracting close to 1000 people, the majority of whom pay \$75 for admission.

"You'll see everyone from drag queens to



Pat O'Connor (center)

socialites to political people in the audience," Jim Crawford predicted a month before last summer's event. "It's such a huge grab bag. That's what makes it so interesting." A onetime model himself, Crawford for close to 30 years has made a business out of training models and, like McAnear, putting on events that employ them. For the last nine Golden Hangers shows, the two have worked together.

What the Golden Hanger showcases are collections designed by the college's students. "Each designer creates four or five pieces that make a cohesive statement on the runway," McAnear explained. But the overall assortment of collections tends to be anything but cohesive; everything from classic wedding dresses to the skimpiest clubwear can show up among the students' offerings, with party dresses for preschoolers, plus-size loungewear, men's clothing, and more thrown into the mix. Each year McAnear and Crawford must choose the order in which all these garments will be paraded out on the runway. One afternoon last June, they were laying out sketches on the desks in a second-floor classroom at the college's Morena Boulevard facility. Outside, Mission Bay glowed azure on the other side of Interstate 5, but McAnear, Crawford, and two assistants didn't glance out the windows. They were studying the lineup, trying to match photos of the models Crawford would be supplying with the clothing each model would wear.

"A lot of the clothes are real small this year," McAnear murmured. "It's tiny. Real sexy. The audience likes that."

"Do you got any busty girls?" one of her assistants asked Crawford a moment later.

"Busty lusty!" McAnear crowed.

"Not really," Crawford answered, sounding sad. "We lost the buxom girls last year."

The group settled on an order, and Crawford began mulling over what he would have the mod-

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els do on the runway. "Last year, the show was very stark, with white sets and multiple entrances and a lot of lighting gimmicks," he recalled. This year he wanted to create a more straightforward and sophisticated look to complement the evening's theme of "All That Jazz" (in homage to 2003's best picture, *Chicago*). But with all the students involved in the production, there was a limit to what anyone could plan for, McAnear warned. Sometimes shoes came off, or props got dropped, or breasts or bottoms slipped out of their coverings. "But the audience loves it." She chortled. "Because it's scandal!"

Drama, gossip, scandal — that's McAnear's motto. She's a lean, pale-skinned woman, but her long hair is raven, and her eyes are piercing and dark. She looks like some stylish sorceress, almost always dressed in black, her lips and long fingernails painted

a glossy vermillion.

She searched for a while before discovering her path in life. She took a lot of business classes at Mt. Miguel High School, then worked at the Town and Country Hotel for a while, first as a receptionist and later as an administrative assistant, dabbling in school on the side. McAnear says it was while enrolled in an Introduction to Fashion class at Mesa College that she realized she ought to be toiling in the fields of fashion. When she investigated further educational choices in San Diego, she decided Fashion Careers of California was "more of a match for me."

A lot of the nurturing that's part of the school's culture flows from Pat O'Connor, the woman who founded it and oversees its operations today. Like McAnear, she traces her absorbing interest in clothes to early childhood. "I was kind of a bossy little girl,"



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Fashion Illustration class

O'Connor confesses. She remembers dictating complex instructions for what she wanted her mother to

sew. "I'd say, 'Mom, I want this color and I want these sequins,' and so on. I always had a real good eye for

fashion."

O'Connor never aspired to become a fashion designer. "I basically am an educator. My first job was teaching third grade for the San Diego City School District." By the late '60s, she had married Patrick O'Connor, the oldest son in the Irish-American clan that also produced former San Diego mayor Maureen O'Connor, and the couple had their first child in 1967. Pat quit her teaching job, but she grew bored with housework, and one day an ad for a part-time job caught her eye. The Patricia Stevens fashion school was looking for someone to teach fashion merchandising. Although O'Connor had no experience in that field, "I'll tell you how I sold myself. I said, 'I am a fabulous teacher. If you give me the curriculum on how to change oil in a car, I could teach a bunch of mechanics how to do that, even if I didn't know how.'" Armed with

a curriculum for fashion merchandising, she could make that subject come alive, she argued. She's a frank, warm, down-to-earth raconteur; it's easy to imagine why her interviewers yielded to the pitch.

O'Connor says she stayed in that job for nine years, during which she began to contemplate opening her own school. She remembers giving students a test that assessed entrepreneurial ability. "Like, if you can answer 15 out of these 20 questions 'Yes,' then you're the type who should start your own business. And I'd take it, and I'd have, like, a 20, and my students would have 3s. And I would go, 'Hmmm.'"

In late 1978, she and her husband took out a second mortgage on their home. Pat developed a business plan and rented space in a Mission Valley building. "In January of 1979, I opened the doors with zero students." Within two

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months, however, she'd attracted her first enrollees, and within two years, she'd lured away most of the fashion-school business once enjoyed by Patricia Stevens and the local branch of Barbizon. By the mid-1980s, "I was queen of the walk," O'Connor reminisces. She says it came as a blow when in 1985 the prestigious and well-established Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising opened a San Diego campus. "I really felt it," O'Connor says about the impact on her school.

Fashion Careers of California has nonetheless survived. O'Connor says between 125 and 150 students are usually enrolled at any time. "I'm the Switzerland of fashion," she asserts. "I'm not a threat to anybody, so everyone comes to me. I mean, I'm providing the whole industry with employees."

Her own involvement with fashion has evolved in ways she perhaps would never have predicted. On the one hand, she's become



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Fashion Merchandising class

a close friend of Zandra Rhodes, the world-famous British designer who maintains a studio in Solana Beach. Rhodes asked O'Connor to serve on the board of directors of her Fashion and Textile Museum, which opened in London last May, and this connection has taken O'Connor (among other places) into the home of the British prime minister, a development at which

she marvels. On the other hand, she whispers that she has lost much of her craving for additions to her own wardrobe. "It used to be when I was 30 or 40 years old, I'd go into a city, and the first thing I'd do was go shopping. Now I go to a bookstore. Or I go to an art gallery or to museums. I think it's, like — what is it? — Jung's archetypes. That kind of thing. When

you're young, you're into that 'look at me' and trying to get a man." Now 63, she sounds a little wistful about the loss of her one-time passion. "I don't like to shop anymore. I don't have time for that.

"I probably shouldn't say that," she interjects. "But I'm interested in educating these kids. Kids who come to this school are not here because somebody is telling

them they have to go to school. They love fashion. They love the process. They love what they're doing. They're following their bliss."

The direction that can take them startles O'Connor, she admits. She says the evolution away from formality has become so extreme it reminds her of the late '60s, "when you had that complete sloppy breakdown of fashion. Everybody just looked awful." She brightens when she recalls that the pendulum eventually swung the other way, "and people began putting on their gold chains, and they had these big shoulder pads."

When O'Connor established her school, she set up a dress code, and while it has become difficult to enforce over time, she still has her limits. "Every once in a while, somebody will come in with their pubic hair showing." She looks repulsed. "And I'll go, 'What's that?' And they'll go, 'Oh.' And I'll go, 'You know what? Either shave it, or pull it

out.' I'm real blunt! Because I'm thinking, 'That looks so disgusting!'"

At the same time, the extreme casualness and seminudity fascinates her "because I don't understand it," she says. It may not represent a repudiation of fashion, she muses, but rather a way of showing off the "embellishments" so common today. "These tattoos, these piercings. They're wearing them like accessories. Like we used to wear earrings and bracelets." San Diego's climate also makes it practical to flaunt embellished flesh. "They're really wearing nothing on the beaches anymore, and I think when they come to school, they think, 'I'm clothed because I have something on other than a thong bikini. At least my butt's not hanging out.' It's all relative."

More than a few of the collections in the most recent Golden Hanger show flirted with nakedness. Some outfits seemed to shock even the young models pressed into

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service by Crawford for the event. "Oh my God, that is some ass!" One teenage girl gasped at the sight of the most revealing collection in the show: a dominatrix-inspired assembly of towering black heels, fringe, black leather garter belts, and vestigial skirts that revealed several inches of the wearers' lower buttocks. "I thought *my* butt was hanging out," the observer whispered to the girl sitting next to her. She giggled. "I feel like my mother all of a sudden. I'm, like, 'Put some clothes on!'"

The morning had started early, with McAnear and Crawford and a host of sleepy models and students straggling into the cavernous ballroom at the Town and Country Convention Center before 8:00.

A red-carpeted runway — so long it was hard to comprehend it in a glance — had already been erected in front of a huge black-and-white backdrop covered with images of jazz performers. Crawford, in denim shorts, a black T-shirt, and white tennis shoes, was pacing. "This is nerve-racking," he explained. "Waiting for all the models to get here."

Enough of them had arrived by 8:30 for Crawford to launch into his annual pre-rehearsal spiel.

"What's my number-one commandment?" he queried the assembly.

"No sass," someone answered.

"Yeah. No attitude," Crawford affirmed. "This is such a big deal to me: that we all feel good about each

other." He didn't want anyone to "get into this jealous crap and one-upmanship. No one person is the star here. So I don't want to see any catfights or any of that bullshit." Crawford

"I want this very hippy, very raunchy," Crawford instructed the models assigned to wear the collection of the first designer, a short, demure young woman who looked as if

For another number, he wanted the girls to drape themselves seductively around five studly young men who would be wearing only tight jeans with the top button undone.

told the group he hoped to get through three complete run-throughs before the end of the afternoon. "The first run will be the hardest, because this is where I'm putting it together." This proved no understatement.

she ought to be a youth minister. But the girls' ability to convey sluttiness as they strutted along the elevated 88-foot walkway varied. Some were gawky and self-conscious, and this pained Crawford.

"Ladies!" he pleaded. "This show is about sex, tits and ass, to be blunt. Get dramatic! Work that butt!" They also had to think about the poses they would be striking each time they paused, he instructed them. "I do not want anybody to go down the runway doing the same thing every time."

From the team of girls wearing the buttocks-baring collection, Crawford requested a sassy, flirty attitude with "lots of eye stuff." Even more time-consuming than coaxing convincing sneers, eye rolls, and hip swivels from the fledgling models was the challenge of coming up with stage business to enliven their appearances. To Ray Charles's rendition of "Hit the Road, Jack," Crawford had his models snapping

their fingers and playing with fedoras adorned with brightly colored hatbands. He distributed flashlights to another group and instructed, "You should flash them at people in the audience." For another number, he wanted the girls to drape themselves seductively around five studly young men who would be wearing only tight jeans with the top button undone. But it was tricky getting all the young people to move swiftly onto the stage and into graceful postures; Crawford had them repeat the action again and again. By 11:00 a.m., he was barely halfway through the first run-through and muttering, "This is taking way too long" through clenched teeth.

Crawford did eventually prod the unruly

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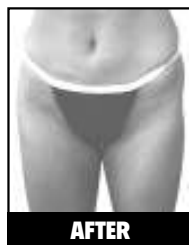
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entourage into two complete rehearsals, but by the end of the afternoon he had abandoned any hope of a third. He also had decided against using the dogs he'd earlier planned to include in one number; the threat of nervous canines running amok had loomed too large. "It's all about flexibility," he said with a sigh of resignation.

One more crisis materialized. As people began gathering in the ballroom's

vast foyer, Crawford realized that, once the show started, the backstage area would be too dark; dressers would have trouble finding the next outfit for each model they were assisting. So McAnear mobilized her army of student assistants to move all the clothing racks and props to a better-lighted dressing room outside the ballroom. This frantic exercise went unnoticed out in the lobby, where music was pumping and

guests were tossing back cocktails and providing an object lesson in San Diego's sartorial eclecticism.

One elderly woman whose face was covered by a full veil stood chatting with someone who had color-coordinated her turquoise evening gown and blood-red shoes with her large tattoo. Nearby a hefty black matron in a micro-miniskirt eyed the silent-auction items on display. A man in a white-sequined dinner jacket sidled by her, moving in the direction of the long line at the no-host bar and brushing past another fellow who was sporting a piratical bandanna. Pat O'Connor looked regal in a long maroon silk dress with a mandarin collar, while McAnear had changed into a jazzy black cocktail dress that barely covered her shapely breasts.

Several hours later, she and Crawford were mounting the stage to take the evening's final bows. Tumbulous applause had greeted all the youthful models as they raced up and down the runway. None of the electronic gear had mal-

she still sounded satisfied with almost every aspect of the evening.

Besides producing fashion shows, McAnear teaches a number of courses at O'Connor's fashion college, including one in fashion-show production. For that,

entertainment didn't appear until the 1920s, however, McAnear says, and then, from the outset, they became associated with charitable fundraising.

That association continues today; even the Golden Hanger gala raises money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Another function of fashion shows — as a tool for selling clothes — became more prominent over the course of the 20th Century. "It's one of the best ways to let people know what you have in your store," McAnear points out. "You see the clothing on a real body."

Sometimes all the roles of the fashion show — entertainment, fundraiser, marketing tool — mix. This was the case for another show McAnear staged last summer, for the Toby Wells Foundation. On the San

They knew how to slink and stalk and swagger and sneer and pout and produce winsome smiles upon command.

functioned; no one had tripped or gotten so drunk they threw up in public. If the evening had lacked a shocking moment, such as the one in 1992 when McAnear had hurled condoms at the audience while lip-synching to Annie Lennox's "I Need a Man,"

she likes to tell her students that the roots of fashion shows extend back to the late 1300s, when "dress-makers for the different courts would create little dolls to show the nobility what the members of the Royal Court were wearing." Fashion shows as a form of

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Diego philanthropic scene, the Wells Foundation is a newcomer. It came into being after the accidental death in 2000 of Toby Wells, a 28-year-old third-generation San Diegan whose family members made their fortune in construction-equipment rentals. Wells's relatives and friends wanted some good to come out of the tragedy; since then their fundraising efforts have benefited almost two dozen causes.

The fashion show, a first for the group, was to raise money for the Canine Companions for Independence organization, which provides helper dogs to disabled individuals. The event would take place on the Wells family's imposing estate in northern Poway, and it would feature outfits from the spring and fall collections of New York designer Nicole Miller. Miller herself would make an appearance, mingling with the 35- to 45-year-old audi-

ence members who constitute her prime customers. "They're the ladies that lunch," McAnear elaborated. "Women who have some money and can spend \$200 on a skirt. Who are willing to pay for the labels."

Five days before the event, the fashion-show producer was assembling her team in the building on the Wells property that would serve as the backstage area for the upcoming show. She'd already done a lot of advance work. From Miller's organization, she'd gotten a detailed description of the feeling the company wanted the show to communicate: light and summery. "Even though a lot of clothes are for fall and winter, they want that softness. They want a very clean and simple look." All the hairstyles and makeup on the models would reinforce this.

Sixty-five individual outfits would be presented against a musical backdrop

of 11 songs. These had already been selected by McAnear and Dennis Nothdruff, a fashion-college instructor known for his broad knowledge of music (Nothdruff has since moved to London and joined the staff at Zandra Rhodes's new Fashion and Textile Museum). McAnear hoped the music and the clothing

and airy. Later on, when we get to the more sophisticated tuxedos, they'll be a little more snooty on the runway, more elegant. It all tells a story."

A big chunk of McAnear's \$23,500 budget for the production had been earmarked for 15 models. Each would get \$700; her agent would receive an addi-

Waiting for the models, he joked about the challenges of being heterosexual in a field where so many men are gay.

selections and the models' demeanor would all add to the impression of a story unfolding in 11 separate scenes. "Like in the first one, we'll be starting off with 'Mambo Craze' by De Phazz. It's bright and sunny. We'll be releasing some butterflies, and the girls are going to smile — all very light

tional 20 percent. Models who command that kind of fee — about midrange for Southern California — live in Orange or Los Angeles Counties, according to McAnear. To win the job, they had to drive to San Diego to audition. The Nicole Miller organization wanted women from a wide

range of ethnic backgrounds who were not too far removed from the age group of the anticipated audience. "They don't want some 16-year-old girl walking down the runway in a size 2 outfit," McAnear said. Five days before the fashion show, all the models had to show up at the Poway estate to try on each outfit they would be wearing.

The pairing of models with outfits was decided by McAnear and her 22-year-old assistant, a recent Fashion Careers of California graduate named Tennille Shields.

Shields dresses like no one else. She's tiny, and she wears things like women's capris that hit her at the ankle, pairing them with turquoise patent-leather boots or red stilettos, and huge earrings and belts. According to McAnear, when it comes to knowing what garments will look cool together, Shields is a natural. So a week before

the Poway show, the two women met in the Nicole Miller store in La Jolla to unpack and "style" the clothing sent from New York. "We grouped all the outfits the way we wanted them; decided what tops should go with what bottoms, that sort of thing," Shields explained. All the clothing comes in a "sample size," according to McAnear, "like a 4 to a 6. And most of the girls are between a 2 and a 6." Still, the preshow gathering was necessary to make sure each model fit into "her" clothes.

A tall blonde named Raichel was the first to arrive, a little before 11:00 a.m. She lugged a large satchel. Models always supply their own shoes, according to McAnear. The business of deciding which shoes each woman would wear with each outfit was part of what needed to be done this morning. Raichel immediately stripped off her jeans and T-shirt and slipped into

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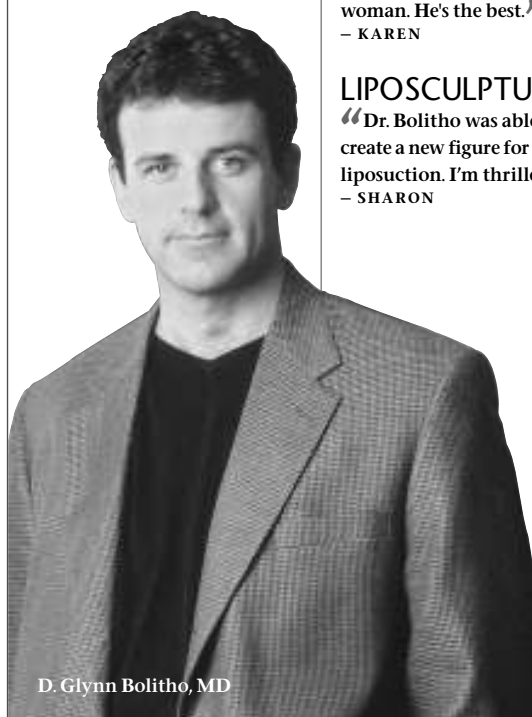
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her first ensemble: a flut-
tery silk georgette top with
a \$200 price tag. It was
printed with a pattern that
suggested palm fronds and
hibiscus flowers, and the
lime-green silk cargo pants
(also \$200) that matched
it featured a pant leg whose
height could be adjusted
with ties. But Nothdruff
frowned when someone
positioned these a few inches
above Raichle's ankle. "I
think that's a little too high,"
he judged. "I'm not feeling
that."

The back of the model's
top gaped open on her slim
frame, so the seamstress
that McAnear had brought
along stepped forward to
tack it into a tighter fit. "For
shoes, we'd like to keep this
one in a neutral tan shade,"
Schields directed, "maybe
with straps." Raichle dug
into her bag and extracted
a pair with three-inch heels
in the perfect color and
strap configuration.

Soon more women —
each an inch or two shy of
six feet tall — were cram-
ming into the tight quarters.
They gasped and cooed as
they greeted each other and
commiserated over the traf-
fic on I-5. Then each shed
her clothes, revealing her
membership in a sisterhood
of perfection. Not a hint of
subcutaneous fat was visi-
ble on any woman's body;
no blemish marred any of
the smooth tan flesh. Every
toenail looked pampered. No
breast sagged.

Most of the models
looked more at ease when
they had covered their
nakedness again. Garbed
in the designer's clingy span-
dex and charmeuses and
jerseys, they complimented
each other on their pretti-
ness. "Oh my gosh," a sleek
redhead murmured at the
sight of the beribboned
maroon evening gown on
one of her comrades. "That's
gorgeous! It's very goddess."

A moment later, the
redhead, gesturing to her
own chest, volunteered to
bring her strapless bra "if you
guys don't want this nip-
ple action." But shoes, rather
than underwear, seemed to
prompt most of the
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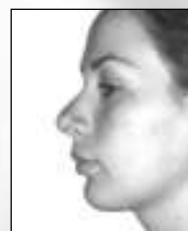
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McAneer swooned, as one of the brunettes donned a set of skimpy stilettos that laced up her calves. "Ooh, mommy. Those are great." McAneer also approved when a model who was assigned to wear a stretchy magenta track suit pulled on her pair of Dr. Scholl's san-

dals. "I'm fine with that," McAneer said. "It's sassy."

The redhead with the perky nipples looked sad about her failure to bring any boots with her. "I was so not thinking fall," she wailed. "I only brought my strap-pies." Later, eyeing another model in another dress,

Northdruff pronounced that "black boots would rock it out. Ankle boots would be my favorite. With fur." But when the model disclosed that she had no black boots of any sort, the group decided black tights would be an acceptable alternative.

To help keep track of everything, McAneer wanted the models to be photographed in each of the four or five ensembles she would be wearing in the show. She gave the job of taking the pictures to Kurt Hopke, a current student at the fashion college.

A decade ago, Hopke was a Marine, serving in Force Recon during Desert Storm. After leaving the Corps in 1994, he got involved with Olympic bobsledding and competed for more than four years on the U.S. team before yielding, at 36, to the siren song of clothing design. Waiting for the models, he joked about the challenges of being heterosexual in a field where so many men are gay. "But I have a lot of great ideas," he said. Hopke wanted to develop clothing for elite athletes, an area he thought was overlooked. "When I'm spending \$10,000 for a set of runner blades, and you're just giving me a lycra suit that maybe wicks away moisture, come on! Someone ought to be able to do better than that." He also dreamed of melding military dress with tuxedo design. So far, compared to bobsledding, "doing what I'm doing now has actually been a lot easier," he said.

As each model finished trying on her assigned garments, McAneer delivered an unwelcome reminder:

the group needed to reconvene no later than 8:15 on the Saturday morning of the show. "In this business, there's a lot of hurry up and wait," she confided when that moment arrived five days later. Sleepy-looking models were trickling in, sipping coffee, nibbling on muffins.

The pace picked up when McAneer conducted a rehearsal under the huge gauzy tent that would be the show's setting. Unlike Crawford's gawky students, the professional models required no browbeating. They knew how to slink and stalk and swagger and sneer and pout and produce winsome smiles upon command. Each one moved with the impudence of a woman who knows she looks great—even without makeup, even clad in slouchy Saturday-morning jeans and T-shirts.

What bothered McAneer instead was the shortness of the runway, only 30 or so feet. The models had to have enough time to leave the stage, get back to the dressing room, take off one set of clothes, and get securely zipped and buttoned into another. "They're not like Superman," McAneer said. "That's the trickiest part of fashion-show production. Most newbies make the mistake of not giving the model enough time to change." To

avoid that error, McAneer now directed the women to walk out to the end of the runway each time it was their turn, come halfway back up it, then return to the end again before exiting. "Always stop and say good-bye," she instructed.

After the rehearsal, the models lounged on folding chairs, sneaked outside for smokes, and gossiped as two plump makeup artists set up their paints and powders on a long table in a corridor off the dressing area, then labored over one after another of the models' faces. Once the formal cosmetic application was completed, the women continued to preen in front of hand-held mirrors: brushing and fluffing their hair, fussing with their lipstick. The influx of the dressers ratcheted up the decibel and energy levels. McAneer had hired about 20 students from the college to help the models with their clothing changes. For their efforts, the dressers would earn internship credits, along with \$20 and a black T-shirt bearing the name of McAneer's company (Bad Madge Productions).

"Okay, we're going to get started!" McAneer finally called at 1:15. "Models in their first outfits, please!" The women dressed and sidled out onto the catwalk in back of the stage. One of McAneer's assistants

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whispered to Nothdruff, "I'm ready for a nap." He rolled his eyes and replied, "I know. I'm, like, in a fashion coma."

For McAnear's entourage, this turned out to be the longest period of inaction. First the fashion-show guests, who had each paid between \$125 and \$225 to get in the door, had to meander from the luncheon area to their seats inside the tent. A member of the Wells family spoke for a while, then mistress of ceremonies Bree Walker oversaw the awarding of raffle prizes. ("You won the Botox! Give it away. You don't need it!") A woman in a wheelchair who lived with a companion dog told the audience how much the animal had enriched her life, then someone auctioned off a resort getaway, a tourmaline necklace, Nicole Miller shopping splurges. McAnear, sitting in a control booth near the audience, watched all this unfold, but the rest of her team, waiting behind a black curtain, could only listen. It was after 2:30 before the first model emerged.

McAnear's concerns about the runway's shortness proved unwarranted. As the models returned backstage after their turns before the audience, they dashed toward the dressing room like New York women hurrying to catch taxis, moving with surprising speed and determination in spite of their elegant clothes and the height of their heels. They changed and took their places in line again and had plenty of time to spare. But if one of them had failed to make her change, leaving "dead air" on the stage, "I would never have a job again — at this level of a show," McAnear said.

The miniature fashion shows that she produces at the Chula Vista Center couldn't be more different. For nine years, the mall has hired McAnear to coordinate some of its visual displays; mini fashion shows are one of the services she provides. Stores sign up in advance to be featured in the Saturday-afternoon pro-

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ductions. Every Friday, McAnear and one or two assistants swoop into the business they'll be spotlighting the next day. On one recent occasion, it was Wilson's Suede & Leather outlet.

"I love the smell of leather," Shields murmured as she, McAnear, and a student from the college moved through the store with turbo-charged efficiency. They plucked coats, jackets, pants, purses, satchels, hats, and other items, grouping them into outfits on a portable rack. In 20 minutes, they had assembled seven changes of clothing for each of the three models who would be in the show.

The next day dawned gray and drizzly, and it hadn't improved much by midafternoon, when McAnear arrived back at the shopping center to direct the production. Someone had set up a tiny stage and a public address system outside the leather store, and at 2:00, thumping background music began to issue forth from the speakers. McAnear customizes a soundtrack for each of these shows, but the bilingual announcer's insistent voice tends to overwhelm any melodies. "Jinnie has three very fashionable pieces that you can find here at Wilson's," the commentator began her spiel, as the first model climbed up on the platform.

For this show, McAnear was paying \$25 apiece to two young women and an African-American student named Charles. A former football player, Charles has worked at jobs ranging from welder to personal trainer while he takes fashion classes at night. His wife and infant daughter sat in one of the folding chairs set up in front of the little stage and waved to him each time he mounted the podium. But few people took seats beside them. Most shoppers strolled by, paying scant attention to the diversion, though some paused to gape for a few moments before moving on.

McAnear, elegant in a slim black sheath and suede

pumps the color of ripe cherries, moved among the passers-by, handing out flyers, smiling, and announcing, "It's 60 percent off today. Check it out!" A black man in a cowboy jacket entered the store and emerged a little later bearing a plastic Wilson's garment bag. A skinny Hispanic man followed suit; by 2:45 the store appeared to be full.

"A lot of times people are too lazy to try on the clothes," the store manager commented. "But when they see them and notice that they're cute, they'll come into the store." She was satisfied with the effects of McAnear's show, she declared, and McAnear was happy about that.

Unflappable professionalism is clearly a core value for McAnear. She says she's learned to subordinate her own ego to whatever her clients want. "I'm that rock that holds it all together," she likes to say about herself: creative but able to distance herself from her creative output. Putting on a fashion show is "just like making a dinner. It's separate from me." She says when she was a student at the fashion college, she interned with a local fashion-show producer named Leonard Simpson, who has "a totally different style.... Leonard is very dramatic in the way he works. And I'm not knocking that."

Simpson occupies a class all by himself, San Diego's fashion cognoscenti seem to agree. Breathless, effusive, he seems too boyish to be in his late 30s, too playful. His hair might be a dark brown one day, blonde another. On the day he talked about his spectacular career as a fashion-show producer, he wore a khaki long-sleeve shirt by Ralph Lauren, dark slacks, and a wild assortment of Tibetan jewelry: around his neck a prayer wheel set with Dead Sea turquoise and blood-pigeon coal; on one finger an 18th-century high-priestess ring made from pewter; around one wrist a bracelet encrusted with amber, blood-pigeon coral, lapis, tanzanite, onyx, and

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Creative genes "run way deep" in his family, Simpson says. There were theater people on his father's side, a "really famous interior designer" on his mother's. But Hollywood shaped him at least as much as biology. One defining moment came when he was 10 or 12 and he saw *Mahogany* starring Diana Ross. The singer/actress played a young African-American who eventually gains entrée to the rarefied levels of high fashion. The scenes of her sketching in Paris, the depictions of the couture creations and runway shows, filled Simpson with wonder. "I went to see that movie, like, ten times." *Hello, Dolly* had a similar effect. "Both of them totally influenced me in fashion. I loved the glamour and the way it was expressed."

If San Diego at that time didn't offer much to feed an appetite like his, Simpson says his parents did their best to nurture him. They hired an art tutor and bought their son fashion magazines, which he devoured. In turn, "I would help my mom style her clothes." Simpson explains that he would lay out the items she needed for trips or the social events she and her husband often attended.

It didn't take long for the boy to find jobs in the world of apparel. He sold shoes at Boondockers in Fashion Valley. "They carried all these amazing high-fashion shoes. And I loved it, because it was, like, right next to Barbizon modeling school, so I could see all the models going in and out." While taking college classes, he worked at Robinson's, "which at the time carried designers like Sonia Rykiel.... It was considered like the Nordstrom of its time. Not a Neiman's but a Nordstrom." Simpson worked under "a gentleman from Bloomingdale's, who was really tough. We worked 14-hour days. But we got it right. When we did a mannequin, everything had to be flawless, 'cause that's how he was trained in New York."

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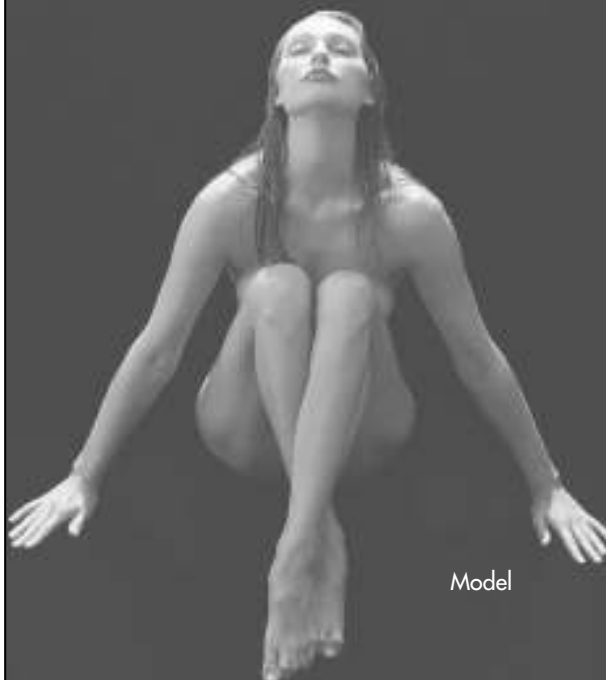
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It was around this time that the book *Color Me Beautiful* was published, touting the notion that one's skin and hair tones should be analyzed so that the most flattering wardrobe colors could be selected to complement them. Simpson saw a business opportunity, and he started working as a personal "fashion consultant" in some of the tonier parts of town. "I styled all kinds of different television executives... I'd go into their homes and do their wardrobes." He says the novelty of this work eventually got him some local news coverage. "Overnight, I was like the Boy Wonder of fashion." One day an invitation came from his mother's church auxiliary; the ladies wanted Simpson to stage a fashion show for them.

Although he'd never done this before, he'd been dazzled by some shows created by the fashion director for Robinson's. "She did one on the Santa Monica Pier for Calvin Klein's new collection," Simpson recalls. "She had set up three huge white tents, and inside, she had done everything in white: white runways, white sets. It took place around twilight, and when you arrived, all the models were lined along both sides of the pier, all in Calvin Klein T-shirts. It was really beautiful. I was so inspired by her ability to blend good fashion and theater." Another production used performers flying from the ceiling. "I mean, it was more like Cirque du Soleil/fashion." A Children's Hospital benefit included grizzly bears.

For the La Mesa church, Simpson pressed members of the congregation into service, making them over into more glamorous incarnations of themselves. He says he devised "amazing choreography," and he used dogs, lighting, and music, and the show that resulted dumbfounded the audience. "In the *La Mesa Times*, they wrote me up, and it got me another little show. And then Pat O'Connor asked me to do a show for her with all her top design-

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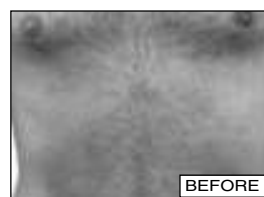
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This predated the Golden Hanger gala, Simpson says. "They shut the school down and turned it into a fashion theater, on the main level." Simpson recalls that he created "this outrageous fashion show" in the style of Thierry Mugler, with "giant albums and huge hats and amazing theatrical stuff." O'Connor was able to secure the services of professional models, "and she got me lighting that was really, really neat." Simpson says *San Diego Union* society columnist Burl Stiff afterward wrote a column that glowed with praise "for the new talent in town. He talked about a slice of New York or Paris being right here in San Diego."

A year or two later, Simpson helped O'Connor produce the first Golden Hanger production, and he says lots of other business followed, thanks in large part to his ardent promotional efforts. Much of the time, "I had to raise the money for the productions," he says. "No one was just going to hand me a check." He says he went to boutiques all over town and offered them a segment in a fashion show, in exchange for a fee. Then he'd go to charities and offer to create a big fashion show for them. "And they loved it! Because they obviously couldn't all get support from the department stores." No one else in town had been putting on "these big, big productions," Simpson says, "so I kind of carved out a niche and a need. I wanted them to need me, and a way to need me was to raise the money for them, then they'd like me, and I could give them something they could sell tickets to, to make money for the charity." He in turn got a chance "to work my art."

He says he ended up doing 20 or 30 shows a year, "killing myself. But it was great. It was really exciting!" Videotapes of some of these productions testify to the imagination and work Simpson poured into his productions. For the

National Charity League, he staged a show he called "The Puzzle of Fashion." It had sets that opened like a puzzle, and the models wore custom headgear shaped like puzzle pieces. When the Aventine Center opened in the Golden Triangle, Simpson used the grand ballroom of the Hyatt Hotel as the stage for a Children's Hospital benefit. Strobes ripped through the darkened stage to open the show, the bursts of light revealing gigantic white letters that spelled out the word "fashion." Every piece of clothing in both the opening number and the finale was black or white or some shade of gray.

For another production, held in the late 1980s, Simpson got permission to erect a runway down the middle of the ice rink at University Towne Centre. Skaters from the Ice Capades zoomed and pirouetted, "interpreting" what the

"I had their hair blow-dried and shined perfectly. It took, like, six hours."

models were wearing and doing. Models wearing elegant white suits and white gloves and white bowlers created a languid parade with fluffy white Alaskan malamutes at their sides. "I did that show four days in a row," Simpson recalls, adding, "I absolutely got bronchitis that lasted for three weeks afterward!"

While conceiving such spectacles, Simpson developed another important creative outlet. This began one day when he walked into a little button store in Newport Beach that was going out of business. On a whim, Simpson bought out the inventory, "for \$600. I put it on my charge card," he recalls, loading "cases and cases and cases of antique vintage buttons!" into his car. "Rhinestones! Oh my gosh, it was oh so amazing!" His first thought was to "create a lot of clothes and put them all over the clothes," but he soon shifted

his focus to jewelry.

He says he started with earrings, and when local boutique owners ordered a dozen pairs at a time, Simpson asked his best friend's mother to manufacture them for him. "She did crafts, and she got her girlfriends together, and I had a little cottage industry overnight," selling earrings at \$40 to \$60 a pair. He branched into necklaces; soon he was producing a line of jewelry every six months, spring and fall. Saks began carrying his creations, and the models in his shows gave the earrings and other pieces wider exposure.

Simpson says when Bob Mackie saw some of them, "He asked me to work in glass, which I'd never done before. But I did it, and it was a huge success. The designer Tony Chase asked me to do some to match his clothes. So I flew to New York. I also ended up going to Los Angeles."

Joan Rivers, Diana Ross, Patti LaBelle, and other entertainers wore his creations. "There was no door I couldn't go through. It was the jewelry that took me to the fashion cities — New York and L.A."

Simpson says the jewelry design eventually became tedious, and he stopped doing it to concentrate on his first love, the fashion shows. Over the past five or six years, he says more and more opportunities to work outside San Diego have beckoned. He's now producing less than a half-dozen shows in San Diego every year, donating his time to most of those. He says his income instead comes from the dozen or so productions he stages elsewhere in the United States — mostly huge, pricey spectacles for the American fashion stratosphere.

When the Kodak Hollywood & Highland complex opened in Los Ange-

les in 2001, for example, Simpson put on a show that he says required a full year to plan and execute. "That was big bucks," he says. "It was done for all the media. It was on *Entertainment Tonight*." Among other things, he had the twin male models Michael and Walter Moclien, who became famous modeling for Versace, stride down the runway accompanied by greyhounds. Because "sweaters were in" at that moment, Simpson had his team concoct outrageous headpieces out of balls of yarn and knitting needles for one of the numbers. For another, sultry models wore black capes and black patent-leather gloves and huge glittering necklaces created by Swarovski in Paris. "I had their hair blow-dried and shined perfectly. It took, like, six hours."

For the finale, he used the mall's tri-level bridge, "which reminded me of MGM's *Ziegfeld Follies*. So

I brought in models on every level of that bridge." At the very top "there was a tribute to Grauman's Chinese Theater using a big Chinese dragon costume. The wings on it had a span of at least 10 to 12 feet, and they were blowing in the wind toward the Hollywood sign."

Simpson has produced the World Swim Show held in New York every summer for the past five years. He says the most recent one "was a benefit held at Cipriani on 42nd — which is an old building, really beautiful. It's where Donna Karan had the after-Tony party. This was swimwear from every designer in the country — 192 swimsuits and 60 models." This year's theme was Disco Heaven. "So we used giant, ten-foot-wide mirrored balls and a luminous set. The whole thing was done in mirrors and glitter. It was really pretty. Very New Yorky. All the models had makeup done in alu-

minum foil colors, done by the Sephora makeup team. And 2SIS Cosmetics [a young San Diego company] did all the lipsticks and glosses!"

He produces a huge annual show for the International Swimwear/Active-wear Market, usually in Los Angeles. "It's been held at the Playboy mansion. One year we did it in a hangar at the Santa Monica Airport. Another time it was at the Natural History Museum. That had a 90-foot runway through the fountain, with people swimming in the fountain."

Simpson says the budgets for the top runway shows in L.A. and New York run from \$150,000 to close to half a million dollars. (In contrast, the range here in San Diego is more like \$20,000 to \$75,000, he estimates.) "In the last ten years, I have been offered wonderful positions...with big corporations and top designers and new shows — to

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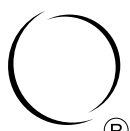
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come work with them in different avenues," he says. He admits he's been tempted to leave San Diego, but he has a daughter who's now a senior in high school. "She is my first priority," Simpson says; he wants to stay close to her. Once she graduates, he'll probably move, he says, perhaps to pursue new ventures in television or film, perhaps to continue trying to break new ground in the realm of fashion shows.

They're an art form, he insists. "Clothing without models does not come to life. You can put the clothes on all the mannequins you want. You can put it on hangers. But without that runway and those models and that energy, you can't breathe life into the clothing. It's almost like painting a beautiful painting and leaving it in the dark and asking someone what they think of it. Well—you have to *light* it!"

On three nights in the middle of December, Simp-

son was practicing this artistry once again. A friend had asked if he would help raise money for Diversionary Theater, the struggling forum for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender drama located on Park Boulevard in University Heights, and Simpson agreed.

He called the result Fashion Fabulous, and it was vintage Leonard Simpson. Against a driving musical backdrop, models with knowing smiles and vampish walks and ethereal bodies surged in complex patterns over the tiny stage. They disappeared, and more took their place, a total of 15 women and 8 men, about half of whom had driven down from L.A. for the shows. At times the audience members gaped at the beauty of the models and the clothes and props and accessories they flaunted: elbow-length gloves dripping with fringe, feathered fans, oversized sunglasses, glitter-dusted greyhounds,

Norwegian ski ring hats made of fur dyed orange and green and hot pink. Other headpieces resembled huge full-blown roses and swarms of butterflies and leather helmets. For the finale, an Adonis wearing only a silver-lamé bikini and gigantic white-feathered wings knelt down and presented a gift to a red-haired goddess, while a chorus of beautiful women in flaming red evening gowns surveyed the scene like some Greek chorus.

Afterward, Simpson talked about how much more gratifying it was to work in a theater than the banquet halls that more commonly house fashion shows. The audience members had no distractions. They couldn't eat. They couldn't ask for coffee. For 48 minutes, the models and the clothing commanded everyone's undivided attention, and Simpson was a happy man. ■

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We enjoyed your recent article entitled "Don't Puke in My Limo" ("City Lights," April 1). We have to ask, though, isn't it unlawful for the owners of these transportation companies to cheat their drivers out of earned wages? Why are these owners and their representatives not being arrested and tried as the criminals that they appear to be?

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Two Mistakes

Re "City Lights" column on April 1 by Joe Deegan, "Don't Puke in My Limo."

As I have been in the limousine business full-time in San Diego for the

last ten years, I found the said column very informative and accurate, except for two mistakes, which I will correct.

Mr. Deegan interviewed — and a great part of the information in the article came from — a veteran and very experienced San Diego chauffeur who is very dependable and trustworthy. I know this to be a fact because I have chauffeured alongside him on many charters, going back to the original Presidential Limo Service in the mid-'90s. Back then, I was full-time; he was part-time, as he was still serving this

country in the military, from which he has since retired with 20 years of service.

On reviewing the column, I found that all the statements by Greg Boss that Mr. Deegan used are 100 percent correct and accurate.

But I do want to point out — and I am sure Mr. Boss will agree with me — that the subjects that Mr. Deegan and Boss addressed are only the tip of the iceberg, as to the many problems in the limousine-service business in San Diego and California. The three main and big problems in the limo industry are (1)

the limo industry in California is governed by the State of California transportation branch of the State Public Utilities Commission, the PUC. This commission issues the permits and collects the fees for each and every transportation operation, be it large buses or limo and sedan services (but not taxi cabs). The commission has thick books of code rules and laws that the operators of each service are to follow and abide by. And, of course, any law enforcement officer in the state can at any time step in and enforce these laws and codes when a vehicle is on a

charter with passengers — and even if there aren't paying customers or clients in the vehicle; for example, if any type of documents, notes, or a pickup name and address are in the vehicle at any time, the operator of the chartered vehicle must hold a valid PUC permit.

A limo operator also falls under all city, state, and federal laws and codes and, of course, any and all labor laws. The operator must pay employees for any and all time they are on the job and must hold a valid workers' compensation insurance policy on each employee at all

times. Limo operators are also required to have valid limousine insurance on the vehicle at all times. Limo insurance policies are not obtained at your local State Farm or Allstate insurance offices. These policies are obtained from a very few insurance companies and underwriters who are licensed to write insurance policies on charter-vehicle operators. One thing that these special insurance companies do, along with the PUC, is to keep a close eye on the DMV driving record of each operator and his chauffeurs. Each operator is required to

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send the name and license number of each chauffeur to both before a chauffeur is sent out on a charter as the driver of the vehicle. Each operator has a direct fax line to the PUC and their insurance carrier. The chauffeurs have some responsibilities also, one of which is to not have or receive any type of serious traffic ticket or too many traffic tickets in a charter or personal vehicle. For example, if a chauffeur has had or gets a DUI in a personal vehicle, to get an okay to drive a limo from the PUC and the insurance carrier, that person would have to go to a great amount of DUI school and most likely be okayed by a judge. As far as getting a DUI while driving a chartered vehicle with passengers in the vehicle, that would make it impossible to drive a chartered vehicle again, or at least for the next five years.

Operators and their chauffeurs are also required to be enrolled in a random drug program, in which they are required to go and take a drug test within 24 hours of receiving a call from the private drug service that operates the drug program. The results are faxed to the PUC and the operator of each chauffeur. The one big problem is some operators do not think they have to operate by the laws, codes, and rules, be it labor laws or PUC codes. In the last ten years, several San Diego limo services have been closed down or taken over by the courts due to judgments received from a lawsuit filed by employees. Many of these operators do not think that a limo business is just like any other type of business. They think the laws and codes don't apply to them, but they have found out differently, in most cases in a very expensive way — by losing their service, in turn losing their livelihood, even their families. But still some of the other operators don't learn a thing by seeing this happen. They still go on not operating by the rules and mistreating their employees who are a large part of bringing in their livelihood.

The second problem of many of these operators is not having a qualified person maintain upkeep on the vehicles, and it seems these limos break down right in the middle of a charter, mak-

ing clients very unhappy and losing the service and chauffeur a good amount of money.

The third problem is that many of these operators show little to no respect towards their employees and clients. One big problem is they will quote a price of let's say \$65 an hour, plus 20 percent gratuity for the chauffeur, for a total of \$78 per hour. But you just would not believe all the extra charges they can dream up and add onto the price quoted, like a surcharge, a refueling charge, a fuel charge, a parking charge, and who knows what else. A lot of times, the client is in for a very big surprise when the limo arrives. And what are they to do in front of all their family guests or in cases of a wedding?

In one case in 1997-98, a limo operator and his married girlfriend who had several young children were adding zeros to the credit card charges of a client or running more than one charge on the client's credit card account. But thanks to the PUC and the San Diego city attorney's office, they put him in jail for over \$60,000 in credit card fraud. But to this date he has only paid back a very small amount of the money. This said operator and his still-married girlfriend in the last few months have been back in criminal court on many new charges. For one, operating a limo service without a valid PUC permit, without limo insurance, without a drug program, etc., and playing games with the courts and the city attorney's office and with the PUC.

In March of 2003, the married girlfriend of the very dishonest operator was arrested in the wee hours of the morning in the parking lot of the Sycuan Casino. The charge was using methamphetamine in the back of the limo with the clients. The police report states there was some meth in the front driver's area of this limo. The girlfriend pled guilty as charged.

Operators like this put the general public and especially young children who sometimes go in local limos without a parent or adult in great danger. Young children are helpless. They may not know what the chauffeur is doing.

That brings me to the

next problem, which is that the California PUC of the last few years in most cases has become a very lame duck, and getting the PUC to stop an illegal operator is nearly impossible. The San Diego office of the PUC is manned by two very good men, but for some reason they have had their hands tied by the main office in San Francisco. But as of the last few weeks, three San Diego attorneys are talking to the new governor's office. There is another San Diego law enforcement office that has an excellent person, but it appears that person's hands are also tied as far as the great amount of proof and evidence that an individual uncovers is not used in court. But it appears that changes are on the way, thanks in a great part to one person and attorneys that have not let up on the PUC and the one San Diego law enforcement office. This person, along with other limo operators who operate their service by the rules and codes, hopes that in the upcoming prom season, kids will be safe in the limos that the parents spend a good amount of money on so their children will be safe on their very special prom night.

The mistakes in Mr. Deegan's column are as follows: (1) Frank Mattarocci did not sell his limo service to Black Tie Limos. It was taken away from him and his two partners. The court sold his service at a public auction to the highest bidder, a John Thill, who in turn sold it to Black Tie, and about a year later it was sold or taken over again. (2) The profit margin that Mr. Deegan states — 62 percent — is not correct and is much lower. But he does not state if that figure is net profit.

Mario J. Mazzara
Point Loma

Joe Deegan responds: Thank you for the correction of how the sale of Presidential Limousine took place. In regard to the La Jolla Limousine bankruptcy, the reference to "profit margin" in the court documents I saw did not specify whether it was net or gross.

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Rosarito–Ensenada Bike Ride

There are quite a few of us, but it's mostly Americans, it's true," says 48-year-old Mario González Paniagua of Tijuana, who has completed the Rosarito–Ensenada 50-Mile Fun Bicycle Ride half a dozen times in the last ten years. "The people who live along the route figure that everybody's American," he says. "A lot of the cyclists bring candies and throw them, and the kids line up and yell in English, 'Candy! Candy!' I get a kick out of yelling back, 'Tell me in Spanish: Dulces! Dulces!'"

The official percentages are, in fact, 85 percent Americans, 15 percent local Baja residents, according to event statistics.

One wonders what the people who live in those ranchitas and tiny beach towns along the route think of 8000 or 10,000 cyclists wheeling past them, no matter what nationalities they are. "What I've noticed," says Paniagua, "is that the

people are more or less accustomed to it, because it's been going on for so many years. A few people bring out their chairs and sit by the roadside, just watching everybody, because they can't go anywhere anyway. The road is closed, and they're stuck wherever they are."

It's also true that some locals sell bananas and tacos to the crazy gringos each April and September.

Would Paniagua like to see more Mexicans participating, given, of course, that they, like himself, were able



to afford a mountain bike and black lycra? "The thing is," says Paniagua, "at least in Tijuana, it's not a very bike-friendly town. So the people that train? They cross the border and ride in San Diego. Drivers here treat you like you're just in the way. That's why I like to take advantage of the roads being cleared of cars for events like this. You know, it's beautiful country and I rarely get to see it on a bike."

The route is the old free road, Highway 1, which runs along the coast, then inland through rural countryside. After 22 miles, there is a steep approach to a mesa. Known as "The Hill," it's 2 miles long and a 7.5% grade. "It's funny how you can recognize first-time riders," Paniagua says, "because as soon as we hit a little upgrade, they'll start asking, 'Is this 'The Hill'?' They've never seen the big one. But when you're riding on the really steep one? Nobody's talking."

Because it's a ride and not a race, lots of people get off the bike and walk it, as Paniagua did the first time. Accomplished

cyclists can make it to the top without stopping. Paniagua usually rides with a group of friends of differing abilities. "So we separate," he says. "Mostly you're alone out there."

How long does the ride take? "I'm one of the bad ones," Paniagua says, because it takes him five hours. "I'm not thin," he adds to describe himself, since this conversation is by phone. "I'm a little heavy. I was going to say 'around the middle,' but I'm heavy around everywhere. The ones who do the ride in a couple of hours have great bikes and great bodies."

It's disappointing to learn that Paniagua won't be riding this time. "I'm out of shape. But the times that I haven't ridden I'm always at the finish line." He'll wait for his friends there and drive them back to Tijuana after the so-called Finish Line Fiesta. All he asks in return is the free beer ticket that comes with each adult ride registration.

San Diego-based Gary Foster has run the event since 1989, its ninth year, when he was a recent graduate from SDSU. Last summer he bought a half interest in the company that owns the rights to the ride. Foster says this when asked about the party, "We actually brand ourselves as 'a party on wheels.' We're best known for that Finish Line Fiesta. You finish a lot of other events and, I know from personal experience, it's anticlimactic. You go through the finish line; you're done. At our finish line, we have a live band playing from

noon until sunset. We rent the city fairgrounds, located on the waterfront next to the cruise ship terminal. Local restaurants set up booths. The beer companies are there. Massage tables. Chiropractors. It's a street-fair atmosphere instead of what it is after a grueling race, where everybody's dying and wants to go home to bed."

Foster is asked about the Americans-to-locals ratio and if its lopsided nature bothers him. "I have no preference where the riders come from," he says. Later on, he is asked about another lopsided statistic. The male-to-female split, which is 70 to 30 percent. Does he want to change that? "I would love to have it 50–50."

And Paniagua? What does he think about the event's overwhelmingly male nature? "I really couldn't say, since when I'm riding I'm usually just looking at the ladies. I don't notice a lot of guys."

— Jeanne Schinto

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BAJA

The Rosarito-Ensenada Bike Ride is Saturday, April 17. The 18th annual event starts at 10 a.m. in front of Rosarito Beach Hotel and continues south for 50 miles to Finish Line Fiesta in Ensenada.

GETAWAYS

Registration begins at 7 a.m.; \$30. For more information, call 619-424-6084 or 011-52-646-178-2411. (ENSENADA)

"Bach Festival" opens at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, April 17, with art show by Laura Castanedo. Music starts at 8 p.m. with music by the Orchestra of Baja California, and Sacri Cordis Jesu Choir, with soprano Mónica Abrego, tenor José Medina, and bass William Manos. The festival continues at 8 p.m. Monday, April 19, with Jimena Giménez Cacho on cello; Tuesday, April 20, features piano entertainment by Isaac Namme at 8 p.m.; and on Wednesday, April 21, Bostich will provide a concert and lecture at 7 p.m.

All events take place at Casa de la Cultura (Avenida Paris #5, Colonia Altamira). Tickets and information: 011-52-664-700-0732. (TIJUANA)

"Tijuana, the Third Nation?" Art show by Mónica Roibal opens with reception at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 21. Show continues through May 27 at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

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Storm Drain Awareness Day, April 17 (see Outdoors)

Baja California: Guillermo Diego, Norma Chagoy, Raúl Román, and Antonio Esparza. Wednesday, April 21, at Teatro del Estado (downtown Mexicali); and Thursday, April 22, Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street). Concerts begin at 8 p.m. each night. 011-52-664-684-0182. (MEXICALI, TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Monkey-Flowers of various species are putting on a good, de-

pendable display this month around San Diego. Look for these low, shrublike plants with tubular yellow, orange, or red flowers wherever native vegetation clothes the landscape — from the coastal bluffs to the lower slopes of the mountains. As you drive Interstates 8 or 805 near Mission Valley, look for the rust tint these flowers give to the steep hillsides. On the terraces just above San Onofre State Beach, you can usually see springtime monkey-flower blossoms of every intermediate shade from yellow to red.

Mustard, a nonnative plant more like a weed than a wildflower, is blooming on grassy slopes all along the coastal zone of San Diego County. An old story, probably apocryphal, tells of the padres scattering mustard seed along the El Camino Real so that the bright yellow mustard blossoms would help them find their way in future spring seasons. More likely, the plant was introduced to western North America in the form of seeds carried in the hay used to feed livestock brought in by the early settlers.

Snakes, encouraged by recent warm temperatures, have already emerged from burrows and rock crevices to hunt for prey throughout the county's lower-elevation hillsides and canyons. Gopher snakes, garter snakes, king snakes, rosy boas (all harmless), and three varieties of rattlesnakes — red diamond, speckled, and Southern Pacific rattlesnakes (all poisonous) — have been sighted. Close encounters with rattlesnakes are not uncommon wherever residential properties abut undeveloped land — a common situation throughout San Diego County.

Storm Drain Awareness Day works to prevent pollution in oceans, bays and waterways. Help mark storm drains with the message "No Dumping; We All Live Downstream" on Saturday,

April 17, from 9 a.m. to noon. Meet in Chula Vista at Voyager Park (1178 East J Street), or in Vista at Buena Vista Park (entrance at Shadowridge Drive and Antigua). Free. 800-237-2583. (CHULA VISTA, VISTA)

Migrant Bird Watching with the Audubon Society at Agua Caliente County Park, Saturday, April 17, 8 a.m. to noon. Bring water and lunch. Directions: take I-8 to Ocotillo; north on S-2 for 25 miles; watch for sign markers and turn left. Park at picnic area at entrance. Day-use fee: \$5 per vehicle. 619-682-7200. (ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK)

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Beachcombing and Dinner in Pacific Beach with the Natural History Museum starts with exploration of beachdrift and tidepools, ends at Joe's Crab Shack. \$69 includes dinner, transportation. Registration: 619-255-0203. (PACIFIC BEACH)

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multi-acre gardens, Sunday, April 18, 1 to 5 p.m. Meet at Fraternity House (20702 Elfin Forest Road); \$20 includes refreshments. 760-736-0292, x102. (RANCHO SANTA FE, OLIVENHAIN, ESCONDIDO)

Native Plant Tour is a guided walk to ten native plant gardens in the historic Seaside neighborhood. Tour begins at St. Mary's School (515 Wisconsin Street) at 2 p.m., Sunday, April 18. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Birding the Marsh, Chula Vista Nature Center hosts guided bird-watching hike around Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge, Sunday, April 18, 8:30 a.m. Reservations: 619-409-5903. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

Rescuing Wild Animals in Trouble is job of Wildlife Assist volunteers. Orientation on Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m. in room 119 at Encinitas Community Center (1040 Oakcrest Park Drive). 619-921-6044. Free. (ENCINITAS)

Better Known as Frogs and Toads, "anurans" are focus of hike on Sunday, April 18, 3 to 5 p.m., in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve.

Learn about life cycles, appearance, behavior, and importance in overall ecology of region. Meet at west end parking-staging area (4206 Sorrento Valley Road). Free. 858-484-3219. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Look for Edible and Medicinal Plants when naturalist Irene O'Neill leads easy two-mile hike in Daley Ranch on Wednesday, April 21. Walk starts at 9 a.m. in the main parking lot (on La Honda Drive). Bring water and hiking boots. 760-839-4680. Free. No pets. (ESCONDIDO)

The Lyrid Meteor Shower peaks this year on the morning of Thursday, April 22, with the best conditions occurring during the predawn hours. No bright moon will interfere with the Lyrids this year. Typically the Lyrids produce about 10 to 20 meteors per hour (as seen from areas far from city lights), but the rate for this shower reached an unexpected 80 per hour in 1982.

Support Your (Damaged) State Park, volunteers beckoned for Earth Day event in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, Saturday, April 24, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Help restore trails, replace fire-damaged split-rail fencing. Wear works clothes (no shorts), sturdy shoes; bring water, snacks, sunscreen,

gloves. Registration: 760-765-0623. Free. (CUYAMACA RANCHO STATE PARK)

Hollywood Was Here, go on location of films and commercials shot in Anza-Borrego as Fred Jee shares history, stories, and photos for program "Hollywood Revisits the Desert: From the War Years to the X-Files," Sunday, May 9, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wear sunscreen, hat, and comfortable walking shoes; bring water and lunch. Meet at conference room at District Headquarters (200 Palm Canyon Drive). Required reservations: 760-767-0446. (ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK)

DANCE

Jump Fingers play music for contradance with calling by Martha Wild, Friday, April 16, 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)

Argentine Tango Milonga Dance Party, all ages welcome, Friday, April 16, at Pattie Wells Dancetime Center (1255 West Morena Boulevard). Dancing begins at 9 p.m. Admission: \$6. 619-275-3533. (BAY PARK)



Tom Miller speaks about his book, *The Panama Hat Trail*, April 17, at Village Hat Shop (see Lectures)

Vintage Ballroom Dance, part of open dance for all ages, Friday, April 16, room 207 of Casa del Prado. Dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

Antonio Vargas, "Spain's foremost contemporary Flamenco dancer and choreographer" comes to Sevilla on Friday, April 16, 8:30 p.m. for dinner show. \$59.50

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FILM

"Luce Dei Mie Occhi," a film by Giuseppe Piccioni, screens for film night hosted by Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street), Friday, April 16, 7 p.m. 619-237-0601. In Italian with Italian subtitles. \$2. (LITTLE ITALY)

Whale Rider screens in Little Theater (5500 Campanile Drive) for SDSU Department of History film series, 7 p.m., Friday, April 16. Discussion follows film. Free. 619-594-2210. (SDSU)

Spike and Mike's Sick & Twisted Festival of Animation continues with various screening dates through April 24 at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego,

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La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Screenings begin at 7 and 9:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 16 and 17. \$9.75. 858-454-0267; 18 and older. (LA JOLLA)

Fleeing WWII Austria with her family, Gita Weinrauch-Kaufman returned years later with her husband Curt to document what happened there in *Shadows from My Past*, screening for Film Forum on Monday, April 19, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Gita and Curt will be present to discuss the film and answer questions. 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Scion Screening Series features two films on underground hip-hop and culture on Tuesday, April 20: *The Freshest Kids* at 5 p.m. and *Wild Style* at 7 p.m. Films show in Montezuma Hall of Aztec Center. Free. 760-612-7056. (SDSU)

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. The Young Black Stallion* opens Wednesday, April 21, continuing through June.

"Fleet Anniversary IMAX Film Festival" wraps up with *Everest* and *Wild California*, through April 18. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

BestFest San Diego Student Film Festival, showcasing area high school and college student filmmakers. Film screenings of all entries, cash awards, seminars, and workshops. Events: 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, April 24 and 25, at UltraStar Poway Theater (13475 Poway Road). \$10 general, \$5 students. 858-646-9423. (POWAY)

LECTURES

"Swashbuckling and Fist-a-Cuffs," Colleen Kelly presents discussion and demonstration of theatrical fights, Thursday, April 15, 1 p.m., in Studio Theatre, Sacred Heart Hall, at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free. Required reservations: 619-260-4815. (LINDA VISTA)

Walter Hood, landscape architect and professor, speaks for American Society of Landscape Architects at Museum of Contemporary Art (700 Prospect Street) for their lecture series, Thursday, April 15, at 7 p.m. with 6 p.m. catered reception preceding. \$10. Reservations: 619-283-8818. (LA JOLLA)

"Intoxicated Writing Workshop" by author, humorist, and creativity coach Jill Badonsky on Thursday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., at the Book Works (Flower Hill Mall, 2670 Via de la Valle). \$12. Registration: 760-434-3436. (DEL MAR)

"Beyond the Property Line: On the Urban Restructuring of Southern California" examined when UCLA regional planning professor Ed Soja speaks for ongoing "Dialogues in Art and Architecture" series, Thursday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Free. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"Towards an Islamic Reformation" discussed when Saad Eddin Ibrahim speaks for SDSU's Center for Islamic and Arabic Studies, Thursday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., in



Billy Crystal at La Jolla Playhouse, April 20 (see In Person)

Aztec Athletics Center Auditorium at San Diego State University. Ibrahim is considered "one of Egypt's leading public intellectuals and human rights activists." Free. 619-594-6598. (SDSU)

"Dealing With Islam" is topic when Cy Chadley speaks for North County chapter of World Affairs Council, Thursday, April 15, 10 a.m., at Remington Club phase 2 (16916 Hierba Place). Free. 858-487-1776. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

"Hidden Meaning in Renaissance Paintings" examined by Nigel McGilchrist for docent guest lecture series at San Diego Museum of Art, Friday, April 16, 10 a.m. \$10. 619-696-1953. (BALBOA PARK)

Laetitia Sonami will speak about her work in electronic music, including her unique instrument, Lady's Glove, which uses "pressure and motion sensors to control electronic sounds." Sonami leads discussion Friday, April 16, 10 a.m. in the Arts Building Performance Hall at Cal State San Marcos. Free. 760-750-4048. (SAN MARCOS)

"Male Crisis: Masculinity, Power, and Chicana/o Art" lectured by Guisela M. Latorre for Friday, April 16 installment of Chicana/o Visual Culture Art Exhibition and Seminar Series, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Building 407

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"Brazilian Magic" shared when Jim Cline presents slide-illustrated lecture for Sierra Club, Friday, April 16, 7:30 p.m., in auditorium of San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of the zoo's main entrance). Mannie Kugler: 619-585-3773. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

"Opera Previews" examines Janáček's *Káťa Kabanová*, discussed in multimedia presentation by Ron Shaheen, Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m., Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-434-2904. (LA COSTA)

Metal Clay will be the focus of Jonna Faulkner's talk for Bead Society of San Diego, Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m., Mingei Museum. Nonmember fee: \$8.50 (includes museum admission). 619-462-0007. (BALBOA PARK)

"Digital Imaging Processing" explained by Gene Powell for Computer Genealogy Society on Saturday, April 17. Powell will describe and demonstrate scanning, storing, enhancing, and publishing images from 9 a.m. to noon at Tierrasanta Christian Church (11445 Tierrasanta Boulevard). Free. 858-278-4519. (TIERRASANTA)



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Composting Workshop at Escondido Community Garden, Saturday, April 17, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Garden is located just north of Highway 78 on Centre City Parkway; park in Park and Ride lot. Free. 760-839-4818. (ESCONDIDO)

Learn to Make Inari-Zushi (sushi made of fried bean curd filled with rice) when Aria Niita leads class, Saturday, April 17, 10:30 a.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. Nonmember fee: \$25. Registration: 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Swell, Pacific Beach Historical Society meets for presentation of Mission Bay High School sports teams of the 1950s on Saturday, April 17, 1 p.m., Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (Pacific Beach Library; 4275 Cass Street). 858-272-6655. Free. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Adoption Information Session, hosted by Family Connections Adoptions, Saturday, April 17, 9 to 11 a.m. Find the office at 220 Escondido Avenue; 760-941-4240. Free. (VISTA)

"Salsa Comes Home to the World: How Latin Ideas Influence Design," Margit Whitlock-Espinosa presents for Friends of San Diego Architecture (New School of Architecture, 1249 F Street), Saturday, April 17, 9:30 a.m. 619-287-0050. Requested donation: \$3. (DOWNTOWN)

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Taste Tea, learn history and sample teas from all over the world when tea specialist Michael Figgins hosts tea tasting, Saturday, April 17, 11 a.m., at Caffè Calabria (3933 30th Street). Free. 619-291-1759. (NORTH PARK)

"Paris: A Century as Europe's Art Capital" is topic when Maxine Gaiber speaks for Insight

Gallery series at San Diego Museum of Art on Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

The Humanist Fellowship of San Diego presents a discussion led by Mary Blair-Loy of Barbara Ehrenreich's book *Nickel and Dimed*, Sunday, April 18, at 2 p.m. in the Wangenheim Room at the Central Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-670-4159. (DOWNTOWN)

"Ask the Agents," hear Full Circle agents Lily Ghahremani and Stephani Van Borstel speak at San Diego Writers and Editors Guild meeting Monday, April 19, 6:30 p.m. at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont). \$5. 619-291-2336. (UPTOWN)

Fallbrook Firesafe Council sponsors programs at Fallbrook Public Utilities District building (990 East Mission Road): "Fire-Safe Landscape Design" at 7 p.m.,

Monday, April 19; and "Home Insurance Issues in a High-Fire Area" at noon, Tuesday, April 20. Free. 760-728-1332. (FALLBROOK)

Meditation Handbook Talk coincides with release of the *New Meditation Handbook* by Geshe Kelsang Gyatso. Talk is presented by Gen Tubpa, resident teacher and nun at San Diego Center, at Borders (11160 Rancho Carmel Drive), Tuesday, April 20, 7 p.m. Free. 619-692-3676. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN RANCH)

New Method for Controlling Invasives to be discussed by Meghan Trainor Fitch in "An Approach to Help Prioritize Weed Management" on Tuesday, April 20, 7:30 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 101. Free. 619-685-7321. (BALBOA PARK)

"Gardening for Winged Wildlife — Hummingbirds, Songbirds and Butterflies" presented by Maureen Austin, Tuesday, April 20, for San Diego Floral Association. Meeting at 7: p.m. in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free. 619-232-5762. (BALBOA PARK)

"How to Write and Sell Your First Book Fast" covered in sessions taught by Judy Cullins, author of 30 books, at La Mesa Enrichment Center (8450 La Mesa Boulevard). Classes held on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 4 p.m. from April 20 until May 18. \$4 for all meetings. 619-466-0622. (LA MESA)

Design a Waterfall Mass Bouquet with Velma West on Tuesday, April 20, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., room 104, Casa del Prado. Bring containers, floral material, clippers, and lunch. \$25. 619-232-5762. (BALBOA PARK)

"Future Immigration Scenarios" is focus for panel discussion, Tuesday, April 20, 7 p.m., at Escondido Library (239 South Kalmia Street). 858-673-7398 or 619-325-8200. (ESCONDIDO)

Vitamin A? Vitamin C? Multivitamin? Presentation on most important vitamins to take, Wednesday, April 21, 12:45 p.m. at World of Wellness Chiropractic, 13727 Camino Canada, suite A-4. Free. Reservations: 619-938-1800. (EL CAJON)

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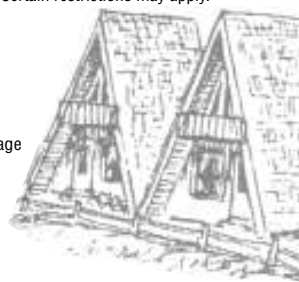
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Unsatisfying Job? Author Scott Hunter will discuss how to deal with it on Wednesday, April 21, at 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

"Evaluating Your Own Writing," presented by John Hamilton Lewis, author of *Basha*, *Opal Eye Devil*, and *Samsara*, at Barnes & Noble (810 West Valley Parkway). Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m. Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

"Cymbidiums Suave and Devonianum Hybrids" discussed by Grant Cole for San Diego County Cymbidium Society, Wednesday, April 21, 7 p.m., at Women's Club of Carlsbad (3320 Monroe Street). Free. 760-753-6952. (CARLSBAD)

"Medication Side Effects: Why They Occur and How They Can Be Avoided" is topic for San Diego Independent Scholars, Wednesday, April 21. Program begins in room 111A of the Chancellor's Complex at UCSD at 7:30 p.m. 760-431-6822. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Advertising Workshop, "Print Advertising That Gets Results," to be conducted by Chris Cavanagh Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m. on third floor of Central Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-238-6630. (DOWNTOWN)

"Naturalization and Citizenship," Mary Rigdon speaks for Irish Interest Class hosted by British Isles Genealogical Research Association, Wednesday, April 21, 10 a.m., at LDS Church Family History Center (4195

Camino del Rio South). Free. 858-453-9053. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Travel Light," efficient gear and cutting back among travel tips offered Wednesday, April 21, 7 p.m., at REI, 5556 Copley Drive. Free. Registration: 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

What Does "Going Bankrupt" Really Mean? Attorney Mark L. Miller conducts an educational seminar on many facets of bankruptcy, Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m., Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Storytelling with Patti Christensen" is presentation of Latin-American and Mexican stories on Thursday, April 22, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Books That Made the Difference" program with discussion and book-signing by

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IN PERSON

Contemporary Jazz Artist Keiko Matsui performs in concert, Thursday, April 15, 8 p.m., at Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way). \$40. 619-445-6002. (DEHESA)

Mark Erelli performs in concert hosted by AcousticMusic-SanDiego.com, Thursday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). Tickets: \$15, \$20. 619-303-8176. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Cultural Creatives Converge, Zevin X. Cruz leads "strategic

planning meeting for cultural change," Thursday, April 15, 7 p.m., at Springfield College (5348 University Avenue, suite 110). Free. Reservations: 619-397-7028. (CITY HEIGHTS)

"Life with a Teenager..." I'm Having a Hot Flashback" and *Life Before Sex* presented by Encinitas actress and playwright Moira Keefe, Friday, April 16, 8 p.m., at Carlsbad Village Theatre (2822 State Street). \$20. 760-943-9238. (CARLSBAD)

Nina's Books welcomes Teresa Carpenter on Friday, April 16, to sign her new novel *Daddy's Little Memento* at 5:30 p.m. 6165 El Cajon Boulevard. Free. 619-287-3000. (COLLEGE AREA)

Tibetan Bowl Sound Healing Concert, Himalayan bowls and other vibrational instruments in concert Friday, April 16, 7 p.m., at Well Within (555 2nd Street). \$15. 760-944-3441. (ENCINITAS)

Gay Men's Chorus presents "That '60s Show" with performances at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 16 and 17, at the David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre (4126 Executive Drive). \$15 to \$30. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

Poet and Translator Sam Hamill, author of 13 volumes of original poetry, leads poetry-writing workshop, Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at St. David's Episcopal Church (5050 Milton Street). \$50. Registration: 619-582-2466. (CLAIREMONT)

Hamill also appears at the Flying Bridge (1105 North Coast Highway) for lecture and reading on Sunday, April 18, at 3 p.m. Free. 760-758-2410. (OCEANSIDE)

Rollins Rocks, Henry Rollins brings his spoken-word tour to town, Saturday, April 17, 8:30 p.m., at 4th & B (345 B Street). Tickets: \$18 in advance, \$20 at door. 619-231-4343. (DOWNTOWN)

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Panama Hats and Literature, Tom Miller discusses his book *The Panama Hat Trail: A Journey from South America*, Saturday, April 17, 7 p.m., at Village Hat Shop (3821 Fourth Avenue). During event, shop introduces Panama hats for 2004 spring/summer season. Free. Requested reservations: 619-683-5533. (HILLCREST)

Columnist Jack Brandais shares favorites from his *Union-Tribune* column and book *Weekend Driver*, Saturday, April 17, at 12:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

Join Professor David Christian as he signs and discusses his book *Maps of Time* at Barnes & Noble Bookstore on Saturday, April 17, at 3 p.m. Find the event in Grossmont Center, 5500 Grossmont Center Drive; 619-667-2870. Free. (LA MESA)

Local Author Erica Miner will discuss and sign her novel *Travels with My Lovers*, Saturday, April 17, at 2 p.m. at Borders, 1905 Calle Barcelona. Free. 760-479-0242. (CARLSBAD)

"Weird Al Yankovic Meets Billy Graham" describes Apologetix, in concert with Everlife, Saturday, April 17, at 5 p.m. at El Cajon Wesleyan Church (1500 East Lexington). \$15. 619-440-4452. (EL CAJON)

North County Funnies welcomes Lord Carrett, a "master of misdirection," along with Pearl Street Players for performance Sat-

urday, April 17, 8 p.m., Carlsbad Village Theatre (2822 State Street). Tickets: \$15 at door. 760-729-0089. (CARLSBAD)

True-Life Stories (from the audience) inspire improvisational theater by San Diego Playback Theatre, Saturday, April 17, 8 p.m., at the Swedenborgian Theatre (1531 Tyler Street). \$10. 619-298-1207. HILLCREST)

Meet Author Maryanne Raphael (*Mother Teresa, Called to Love; Runaways: America's Lost Youth*) at Rendezvous Boutique and Salon (620 B Grand Avenue) at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 17. Free. 760-434-2285. (CARLSBAD)

Don't Miss a Word! The Storytellers of San Diego host "Old Indian Stories: Tales Beyond the Fringe" on Saturday, April 17, 7:30 p.m., Manchester Conference Center, University of San Diego

(5998 Alcalá Park). Suitable for adults and those over 12. \$7. Reservations: 619-298-6363 or 619-260-4585. (LINDA VISTA)

San Diego Cajun Playboys perform for Library Spring Concert Series hosted by Carlsbad City Library, Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m., Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). \$5 donation. 760-602-2026. (CARLSBAD)

Poet Linda Brown will sign and read selections from *Journey with Beast: Poems 1974-2004*, at Carmel Valley Branch Library (3919 Townsgate Drive), Sunday, April 18, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Free. 858-552-1668. (CARMEL VALLEY)

First in a Series celebrating California Poets in the Schools (CPITS), students and teachers from CPITS and Border Voices will read from their chapbooks on Monday, April 19, 7 p.m., at



Frog and Toad Hike at Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, April 18 (see Outdoors)

Barnes & Noble Bookstore (7610 Hazard Center Drive). Free. 619-220-0175. (MISSION VALLEY)

Craig Taubman and Alberto Mizrahi share their diverse music in the Celebrating Jewish Music Festival on Monday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. Concert held at David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive. \$24. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

"700 Sundays... Billy Crystal..." A Life In Progress," written and performed by Billy Crystal, comes to La Jolla Playhouse Tuesday, April 20, with performances at UCSD's Mandel Weiss Theatre through Sunday, May 2. Showtime

is 8 p.m. nightly except Sunday (7 p.m.). 858-550-1010. \$35 to \$500 (VIP). (LA JOLLA)

Chicano Poet/Activist Jimmy Santiago Baca speaks on "The Power of Dream," 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 20, in UCSD Mandeville Recital Hall. Santiago's appearance is part of month-long UCSD César Chávez Celebration. Free. 858-822-0510. (LA JOLLA)

Poetry Reading by Lorri Merrin, Tuesday, April 20, 7 p.m., Red's Espresso Gallery (1017 Rosecrans Street). Open reading follows. Free. 619-523-5540. (POINT LOMA)

MFA Students Present fiction and poetry reading Tuesday, April 20, at 7 p.m. Reading will take place in room 2203 of SDSU Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Free. 619-594-5307. (SDSU)

U.S.-Mexico Border is subject of *Writing on the Edge: A Borderlands Reader*, which editor Tom Miller will discuss and sign at Warwick's (7812 Girard Avenue) on Tuesday, April 20. 7:30 p.m. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

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All other items will be auctioned at 1190 Singer Lane in Spring Valley.

Proceeds will return into the state's general fund.

Canadian Artist Emily Carr's Story is told by Susan Vreeland in *The Forest Lover*. Vreeland visits the Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street) to sign her book and present a slide lecture on Wednesday, April 21, 7:30 p.m. Free. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Herman E. Rosen signs his book *Gallant Ship, Brave Men: The Heroic Story of a WWII Liberty Ship*, at Rancho Bernardo Library (17110 Bernardo Center Drive) promptly at noon, Wednesday, April 21. Free. 858-538-8163. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

Celebrate National Poetry Month by sharing poetry at open mike, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 21, Weingart Library (3795 Fairmount Avenue). Free. 619-641-6100. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Comic Dat Phan performs as part of "Cultures of Asia" week at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). Catch Phan's act Thursday, April 22, from noon to 1 p.m. at the fountain outside the Library and Information Hub. Free. 760-795-6897. (OCEANSIDE)

U.S. Poet Laureate 2001-2003 Billy Collins reads from his work, Friday, April 30, 7:30 p.m., in gymnasium at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). \$8 general. Reservations: 760-795-6677. (OCEANSIDE)

Beyond Chimpanzees, Jane Goodall is awarded the 2004 Nierenberg Prize for Science in the Public Interest on Friday, April 30, at Birch Aquarium-Museum (2300 Expedition Way). Ceremony followed by presentation by Goodall. Aquarium admission is not included with event. 858-534-3624. (LA JOLLA)

Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats present their art form at California Center for the Arts (340 North Escondido Boulevard) on Saturday, May 8, 7:30 p.m. \$24 to \$34. 800-988-4253; tickets also available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS).

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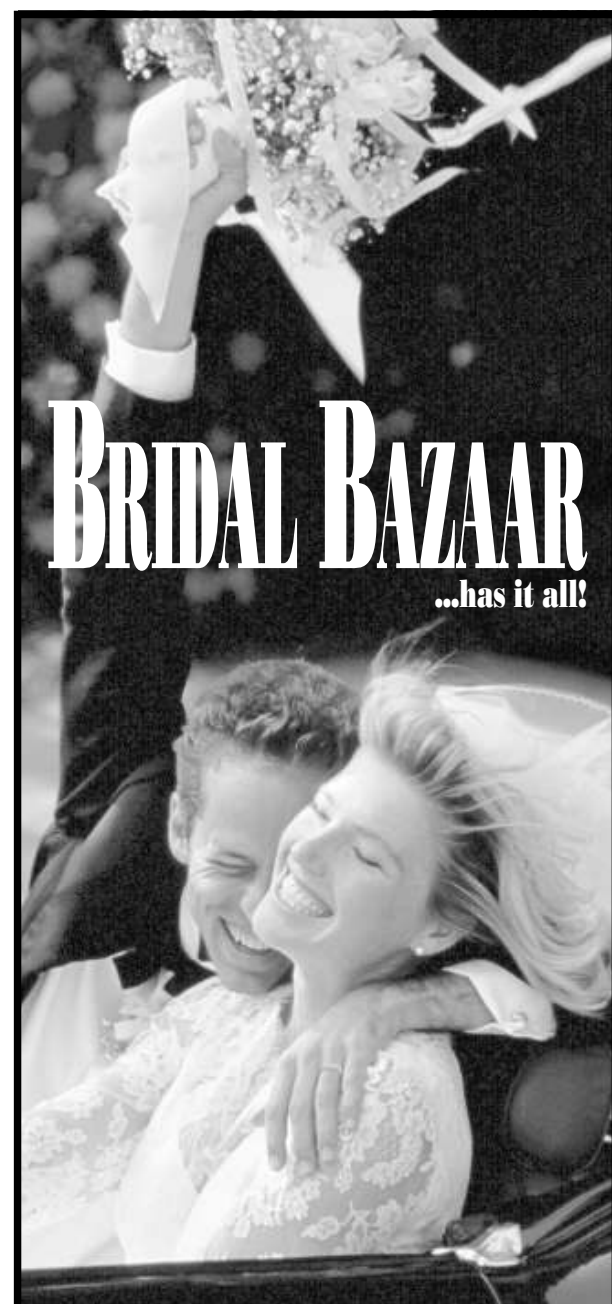
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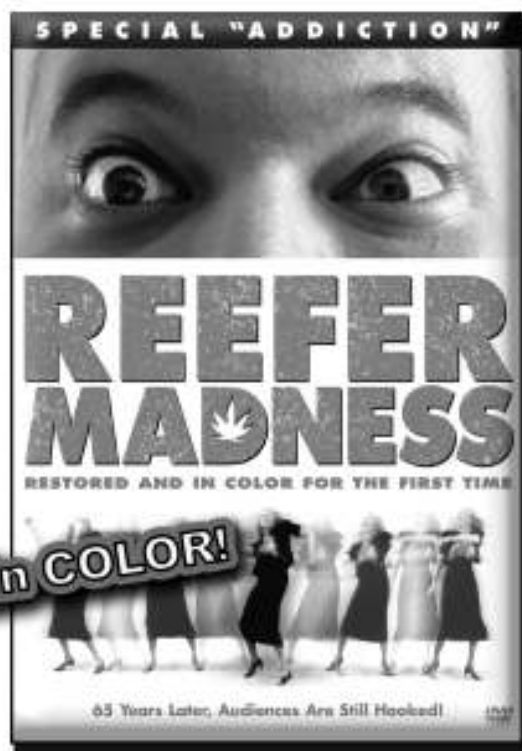


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Winery Loop Social Ride takes in 25 miles of wine country and tour of Mount Palomar Winery, Saturday, April 17. Meet Sierra Club bicyclists at 10 a.m. near Prestos Cafe (northwest corner of Rancho California and Margarita Road). Bring lunch money. 619-583-3261. (TEMECULA)

American Velodrome Challenge begins with warm-ups at 9 a.m., Saturday, April 17, at San Diego Velodrome, with racing beginning at 10 a.m. Races start at 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 18. Free for spectators. Find the velodrome at 2221 Morley Field Drive. 760-703-6280. (BALBOA PARK)

Golf Demo Day is Saturday, April 17, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Carlsbad Golf Center (2711 Haymar Drive). Free. 760-720-4653. (CARLSBAD)

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Spring Book Fair held by Friends of Coronado Public Library Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Find the fair at Spreckels Park, 6th Street and Orange Avenue. Free. 619-437-1628. (CORONADO)

Coronado Flower Show at Spreckels Park (7th Street and Orange Avenue) is the "largest flower show under a tent in the western United States." Hours are 1 to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 17, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 18. Free. 619-437-8788. (CORONADO)

Creative Outlet Can Be Found when the San Diego Creativity Club hosts gathering at the Grove (3010 Juniper Street), 6:30 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, April 17. Live band, workshops, and open mike for musicians, poets and actors. \$10. 858-792-5312 or 619-284-7684. (SOUTH PARK)

Cultural Crossroads, UCSD's annual celebration at Thurgood Marshall College, features traditional music, dance, games of the world, food, and a children's village. Celebration occurs Saturday, April 17 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free. 858-534-8105. (LA JOLLA)

Encinitas Street Fair celebrates its 21st year April 17 and 18 with over 400 arts and crafts vendors, food, and entertainment. Fair runs from D to J Street along South Coast Highway 101, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free. 760-945-9288. (ENCINITAS)

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Le Cercle Magique de la Reine Califa, sculpture garden by French-American artist Nike de Saint Phalle, at Kit Carson Park (3333 Bear Valley Parkway). Guided tours offered Saturday, April 17, 2 p.m. Bring folding chair. \$10. 858-824-6694. (ESCONDIDO)

The 33rd Annual Powwow gathers tribes together on Saturday, April 17. Find singing, dancing, arts, crafts, and food from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. in Montezuma Hall at Aztec Center. Free. 619-594-6991. (SDSU)

Taste of Uptown/Hillcrest, more than 30 restaurants offer their wares during the self-guided walking tour Saturday, April 17, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. \$20. 619-233-5008. (HILLCREST)

Psychic Fair and metaphysical conference at Alexandra's Book-Store, noon to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18. Tarot, palmistry, numerology, and other psychic arts featured; \$20 per reading. The shop is located at 3545 Midway Drive, suite G; 619-298-3422. (SPORTS ARENA)



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Bridal Bazaar at Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, April 18. Over 200 exhibitors will offer samples and services from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$10. 760-334-5500. (DEL MAR)

Jazz for All Ages to be heard in Crystal Ballroom of Handlery Hotel (950 Hotel Circle North) in concert presented by Jazz Association of Greater San Diego, Sunday, April 18. Doors open at 1 p.m. — the Holly Hoffman/Mike Wofford Quartet plays at 2 p.m. \$12. 619-561-1518. (MISSION VALLEY)

Sunday Night at Lamb's, series continues with Coronado's own Crown City Revue performing two nights in a row, Sunday and Monday, April 18 and 19, at 7 p.m. \$32. 619-437-0600. (CORONADO)

Taste of the Arts by the Bay, in Bayside Park, Sunday, April 18, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Live entertainment, fine art exhibits, children's activities, and food vendors. Admission is free. Reach the park from the J Street/Marina Parkway exit off I-5, proceed west past the marinas. 619-585-5627. (CHULA VISTA)

Psychic and Healing Arts Fair, Sunday, April 18, at the Windmill (890 Palomar Airport Road).



Keiko Matsui at Sycuan Showcase Theatre, April 15 (see In Person)

Readings, lectures, psychics and vendors from all over state. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: \$5, two for \$8, seniors and teens \$3, free for those under 12. 800-722-7330. (CARLSBAD)

San Diego Stamp Show, stamp and cover dealers offer wares, Sunday, April 18, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Free. 619-469-0337. (KEARNY MESA)

Songs and Dances promised when House of England hosts lawn program at International Cottages, Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m. English foods for sale. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Camaro and Chevelle Day planned at auto swap on Sunday, April 18, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Grossmont College (8800 Grossmont College Drive). View vehicles on display and for sale, along with

"acres of parts and accessories." Admission: \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342. (EL CAJON)

Decide a (Mock) Defendant's Fate! USD's School of Law seeks volunteer jurors for practice trials, Mondays and Wednesdays, April 19, 21, 26, 28, 5:15 to 10 p.m. each night, at University of San Diego School of Law (5998 Alcalá Park). Registration: 619-260-6843. (LINDA VISTA)

"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)

Go Behind the Opera during San Diego Opera backstage tours of *Kátya Kabanová* Tuesday, April 20, 5:30 p.m.; and Sunday, April 25, 12:30 p.m., at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). Participants see scenery, costumes, backstage crew at work. Free. Required reservations: 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

Japanese Spring Festival, Wednesday, April 21, in Aztlan B of the Student Center at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). Festival starts at 12:30 p.m., with taiko drums and performers from Vista Buddhist Temple Shoken-ji Taiko. At 1 p.m., koto performance by Tayama Koto Ensemble; 1:45 p.m., haiku readings and awards; 2:15 p.m., Japanese tea ceremony; and 3 p.m., *kendo* demonstration. Free. 760-795-6897. (OCEANSIDE)

Grand Avenue Writers' Collective gathers for fiction/prose critique every second and third Wednesday of the month, in-

cluding April 21, 7 p.m., in Fountain Estates Apartments Clubhouse (1315 East Grand Avenue). Free. 760-233-0848. (ESCONDIDO)

International Fair at Cal State San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road) filled with dance, music, free food from across the globe, and performances every 30 minutes. Thursday, April 22, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. 760-750-8821. (SAN MARCOS)

"America," created by sculptor/retired veterinarian Paul Weber, the seven letters of this piece stand nearly seven feet tall and weigh between 100 and 250 pounds. Each letter is engraved with quotes from famous Americans.

Exhibit continues through Friday, April 30, at Carlsbad Arts Office, 2955 Elmwood Avenue (next to Cole Library). 760-434-2920. Free. (CARLSBAD)

The Flower Fields boasting 50 acres of giant ranunculus flowers are blooming again, open for tours through Sunday, May 9. Flower Show on Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18, adds even more color as vendors display their own creations and offer advice. Show runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with flamenco music from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Visitors may stroll pathways through fields from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission: \$7 gen-

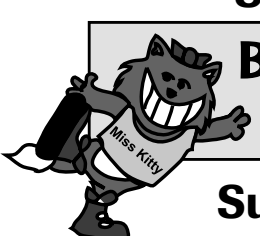
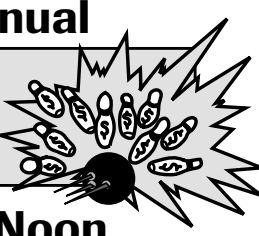
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"Dare to Reuse," local artists have turned trash into art for fourth annual display of paintings, sculpture, lighting fixtures created from found objects. Exhibition is on view through Friday, April 16, in lobby at City of San Diego Administration Building (202 C Street). Free. Viewing from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (DOWNTOWN)

Exhibition shifts to San Diego Natural History Museum for viewing from Monday, April 19, through Sunday, May 16. \$8 general. 858-492-5009. (BALBOA PARK)

The Vietnam Wall Experience is a three-quarter-size replica of Maya Ying Lin's original wall in Washington, D.C., featuring names of more than 58,000 dead and missing Americans. Memorial will be open 24 hours a day from noon on Friday, April 23, until midnight on Sunday, April 25, on two blocks near Oceanside Pier (at foot of Mission Boulevard). Free. 760-385-4921. (OCEANSIDE)

Bowling for the Animals, sixth annual fundraiser benefiting four animal organizations, Sunday, May 2, noon, at Sunset Bowl (3093 Clairemont Drive). Fee: \$7 per bowler covers shoes, three games, munchies. 760-942-3365 or 619-561-8653. (CLAIREMONT)

Eighth Showcase of Fine Art Quilts by Pacific Quilt Artists

continues through Thursday, June 3, at Carmel Valley Library (3919 Townsgate Drive). Artists include Bonny Tinling, Bob Leathers, Tanya Alpert, Susan Root Skywalker. Free. 858-756-4438. (CARMEL VALLEY)

"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)

"The Art of Guitar Making" illustrated in exhibit on view through Friday, June 11, in lower level of Geisel Library at UCSD. Exhibition details steps of acoustic guitar construction and "the choices that make guitar building an art rather than a science," with photographs, guitar parts. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

FOR KIDS

Parent and Tot featuring Shutta Crum's *Click!* starts at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, at Barnes & Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

See Giddy Up, Cowboys presented by comic-ventriloquist Lynn Trimble through April 18, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater.

Weaver's Tales takes stage for *Rumplestiltskin* April 21-25.

Showtimes: 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)

The Hills Are Alive with *The Sound of Music*, as San Diego Junior Theatre presents the play at Casa del Prado Theater through Sunday, May 2.

Curtain rises at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 16, and at 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. April 24 performance is American sign language interpreted. Tickets: \$9 to \$12 adults, \$7 to \$10 seniors and children 13 and under. Reservations: 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

Children's Day in the Park features storytelling, entertainment, arts and crafts, and appearances by Arthur, Caillou and Clifford the Big Red Dog. Festivities occur Saturday, April 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. 619-521-6747. (BALBOA PARK)

"Teddy Bear Tea and Etiquette at the White House," ages 5 to 7 join teddy bears for games and tea, Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m. to noon at Westgate Hotel (1055 Second Avenue). \$55 includes teddy bear. Required reservations: 619-437-8905. (DOWNTOWN)

Peter Rabbit in Escondido, the costume character from Beatrix Potter's *Peter Rabbit* at Barnes & Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway), Saturday, April 17, to meet children and be photographed at 11 a.m. Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

Morphing with the Frizz, learn about metamorphosis with Ms. Frizzle during program for kids four through six years old at San Diego Natural History Museum, Sunday, April 18, 11:45 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. Free with museum admission. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Animal Tales presented by San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (1072 Camino del Rio North; 619-295-2201). Crafts. Free. (MISSION VALLEY)

Wigglemania! Head to San Diego Sports Arena to see "The Wiggles in Concert," Tuesday, April 27, at 3 and 7 p.m., at San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets: \$15-\$30, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

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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

TWO POEMS BY THOMAS GUNN

The Butcher's Son
Mr Pierce the butcher
Got news his son was missing
About a month before
The closing of the war.
A bald man, tall and careful,
He stood in his shop and found
No bottom to his sadness,
Nowhere for it to stop.
When my aunt came through the door
Delivering the milk,
He spoke, with his quiet air
Of a considerate teacher,
But words weren't up to it,
He turned back to the meat.
The message was in error.
Later that humid summer
At a local high school fete,
I saw, returned, the son
Still in his uniform.
Mr Pierce was not there
But was as if implied
In the son who looked like him
Except he had red hair.
For I recall him well
Encircled by his friends,
Beaming a life charged now
Doubly because restored,
And recall also how
Within his hearty smile
His lips contained his father's
Like a light within the light
That he turned everywhere.

The Dump
He died, and I admired
the crisp vehemence
of a lifetime reduced to
half a foot of shelf space.
But others came to me saying,
we too loved him, let us take you
to the place of our love.
So they showed me
everything, everything—

a cliff of notebooks
with every draft and erasure
of every poem he
published or rejected,
thatched already
with webs of annotation.
I went in further and saw
a hill of matchcovers
from every bar or restaurant
he'd ever entered. Trucks
backed up constantly,
piled with papers, and awaited
by archivists with shovels;
forklifts bumped through
trough and valley
to adjust the spillage.
Here odors of rubbery sweat
intruded on the pervasive
smell of stale paper,
no doubt from the mound
of his collected sneakers.
I clambered up the highest
pile and found myself
looking across not history
but the vistas of a steaming
range of garbage
reaching to the coast itself. Then
I lost my footing! and was
carried down on a soft
avalanche of letters, paid bills,
sexual polaroids, and notes
refusing invitations,
thanking



fans, resisting scholars.
In nightmare I slid,
no ground to stop me,
until I woke at last
where I had napped
beside
the precious half foot.
Beyond that,
nothing, nothing at all.
— Thom Gunn
(1929—)

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

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

Gemological Institute of America Museum, unlike 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 mastadon tusk (carbon dated at around 30,000 years). "The Magical World of Ilya Schar," a collection of creations that resemble paintings but are composed solely of gem material, is also on display. Continues through April.

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

George White and Anna Gunn Marston House, historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his

family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, emphasizing simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue; 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

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

J.A. Cooley Museum, an eclectic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other

types of collections — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an "Industrial Product Collection," with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with "some classics and a concept car."

Find the museum at 4233 Park Boulevard. 619-296-3112. (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 planetary 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 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.

The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego's waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, including exhibits concerning the old San Diego-Coronado ferries, 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

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Down Here: A Burke Novel



Alfred A. Knopf, 2004; 304 pages; \$19.95

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Bone-crushing impact, set in a milieu that clogs your lungs and stings your eyes, *Down Here* is the penetrating and remarkable new thriller from the master of American noir. For many years, Burke has carried a torch for Wolfe, the beautiful, driven former sex crimes prosecutor who was fired for refusing to “go along to get along.” They share a marrow-deep hatred of predators but walk different sides of the

street when it comes to justice. So when Burke hears that Wolfe has been arrested for attempted murder, he knows something is double-wrong and deals himself in. Putting together a distrustful alliance between his “family of choice,” Wolfe’s outlaw network, and an informant inside the police department, Burke starts with the alleged victim, a brutal serial rapist Wolfe had personally prosecuted. He’s back on the street because his conviction was reversed, and any of his long list of victims has plenty of motive to kill him. The deeper Burke gets into the investigation, the more holes he finds in the case against Wolfe. Yet the DA’s office continues to press forward, and Burke has to find out what their game is. No stranger to devil’s bargains, Burke reopens the rape investigations — his way — and discovers an artist whose violent work in progress is a whole city’s nightmare.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Publishers Weekly: Burke is back with a vengeance, and with the

full complement of underground irregulars who’ve populated his dozen or so previous noir adventures. For starters, there’s Max the Silent and the Prof (short for both Professor and Prophet), Pepper, Mole and Michelle, street folks all, as well as the giant menacing Rottweiler known as Bruiser, who protects the beautiful crime fighter Wolfe. No series offers a richer world of night people, or one as dark and brutal. For the Burke fan, plot becomes almost secondary to the immersion into Vachss’s thrillingly seductive downtown Manhattan shadow land. But this installment has a terrific hook as well: Burke and company must come to the rescue when Wolfe, a righteous former prosecutor specializing in sex crimes, is framed for the attempted murder of one of the serial perps she once put away, a lowlife named John Anson Wycheck. Vachss’s prose is at its brittle best in his presentation of the case against the taciturn Wolfe, as well as Wycheck’s criminal past. At length, Burke learns that Wycheck inexplicably has federal protection, and conceives an elaborate scam to snare him. Posing as reporter pal J.P. Hauser, Burke works his way into the life of Wycheck’s yuppie sister, Laura. This extended cat-and-mouse game (or perhaps Burke is falling in love?) has quiet depth as well as tension. Burke’s an original, often imitated but never matched because Vachss keeps raising the bar.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR ABOUT THE BOOK: Mr. Vachss, when I set up the appointment to speak with him, had mentioned that he had insisted that his publisher sell this newest book, *Down Here*, for \$19 rather than the usual \$24 to \$27.95. (Vachss’s *Only Child*, published in 2002, had a list price of \$24.) I asked why Mr. Vachss made this decision.

“I’ve been told numerous times,” he said, “that you’re going to sell X number of books no matter what. And if you sell them for 30 bucks or you sell the books for 20 bucks, it’s not going to change the numbers, except that everyone is going to make less money.”

“Five dollars means a lot to a lot of people.”

“It’s not really five dollars; it’s actually more than that, because if you dial the book up on Amazon, it’s under 14 bucks. And if you think about the brand-new premium-house hardcover for under \$14, that’s pretty unusual. And you’re saying 5 bucks, but that’s assuming list price is \$25. And it’s not. It’s gone north of that for quite a while now. There’s all kinds of \$27, \$28 books; the theory typically in marketing is that if it’s still under \$30, it

won’t make any difference to the buyer: \$27.95 is not going to deter somebody who would have willingly spent \$26.95.”

Normally, with each new book, Mr. Vachss has made a nationwide tour. With *Down Here*, his publishers decided against a tour. “Why,” I asked, “was this decision made?”

“In effect, that was my decision because I was the one that wanted the lower price. Something has to give. Their opinion is that they’re going to lose money by doing this. They’re not going to throw money at it. In other words they’re saying to me, ‘If you’re so convinced that rewarding loyalty by reducing a price is going to increase sales, then live your rhetoric.’

“I felt like the only way I’m going to get the answer is to try this. I’ve been saying it at book appearances for a decade, that it’s impossible to be a working-class person and afford new books.”

“It is.”

“And that’s wrong. I’m trying to be consistent. I’m trying to live what I say. As you well know, because you’ve certainly been on both sides of this, if the price point is reduced, then the royalties drop. So I take a minimum of a 20 percent hit on every book. But I believe people want more books than they can afford to buy. That’s my thesis. It’s simple as that.”

“I do, too. I think they want more books and more music.”

“Yes. But, see, with music there seem to be alternatives popping up, and I don’t see that in books, and please don’t say e-books. Because you know they’re not an alternative. It’s not like having some iPod and downloading a tune.”

“You want to hold the book in your hand.”

“It’s not just that. It’s that a piece of music might play for what, three minutes, four minutes. You can walk around, you can listen to it 50 times, you can let your friends hear it. An e-book, firstly you need a fairly expensive piece of equipment just to get one. And secondly, even if you don’t get the tactile pleasure of holding the book in your hand, not everybody has got such perfect eyesight that they can read in ambient reflective light on a flat screen. I don’t think it’s that comfortable or nice an experience. I grant you that to some people it’s a great idea. But the big difference between e-books and music is price. An e-book is not radically cheaper than getting a hardcover book. Whereas downloading a tune — what is it, a buck?”

“I don’t know. I’ve never done it.”

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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.

“Efe: Archers of the Congo” examines one of the most enigmatic and little-known groups on the planet. The Efe are one of about 12 pygmy tribes living in African rainforest. The more

than 200 items include bows, arrows, quivers, wrist guards, hunting nets, musical instruments, utensils, and bark cloth paintings. Through summer.

Permanent anthropology exhibit “Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution” features “more than a hundred touchable replicas of early humans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine).” 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park commemorates

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

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

Villa Montezuma, built in 1887 for internationally celebrated author and musician Jesse Shepard, serves as both a historical house museum and cultural

center. Find the museum at 1925 K Street (at 20th Street). Call 619-239-2211 for more information. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

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



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READING

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"I've not done it either; it's not something that I would want to do. But I think it's 99 cents. It really is an inexpensive proposition. I think an e-book, maybe it costs 12 bucks." (List price for *The Da Vinci Code* as an e-book is \$14.95.)

"Do tours sell books?"

"The most logical analysis I've heard is this. That for some people, yes. It's not a generic answer. I think if you're a first-time writer, exposing your work to people makes it worthwhile to do. But in terms of selling enough books to pay for a tour, that's ludicrous. I don't know how you could do that. I'm pretty well known for getting excellent crowds at my events. But if every single human there bought a book, it would not pay for the hotel room."

"I never thought of it that way."

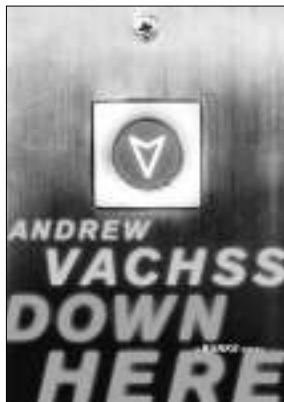
"Oh, sure. You have an event where 125 people show up. Say, that's 125 books, and everybody bought one."

"Right, and how much money would that be?"

"Well, it's not even a question of how much money, it's how much profit. If you figure five bucks a book, end-to-end profit..."

"That," I said, interrupting, "doesn't even pay the plane fare."

"Exactly, exactly. For book-



stores it's a good deal because it gives them activities and events that cost them nothing. But, then again, theoretically, they will then hand sell the author's book after he or she leaves. Certainly what they will do is be on good terms with the publisher. So everybody kind of likes that, but the truth is, you know, it's kind of dog and pony. If I don't go on a tour and I don't appear at, oh, A Clean, Well-Lighted Place for Books on Tuesday night, you don't think there's not going to be somebody else there? Would I draw more than the other person? Maybe.

"But what has been told to me is this: people have come to my events, and they've seen the crowds, and what they said is, 'How many of these people would not buy your book if you didn't come?' And that's a devastating question, because most of them are bringing up half a dozen different other books in the same series to get signed. If

the theory was that if I don't go to a particular city, my sales would fall off in that city? That's just been proven false. I couldn't think of a place I haven't gone in all the years I've been touring.

"But it doesn't change. If I go to Washington, D.C., let's say I sell 3000 books in the whole city. If I didn't go, the theory is I sell 2960 books. I like touring because I use it as a way to talk with everybody. But outside of that, in terms of cost effectiveness, I'm not sure."

"Doesn't touring wear you out?"

"I think it would if I did it the way people do it, which is to go and do readings. I think I would shoot myself. I can't believe these people go and read the same passage over and over and over again. But no, for me every stop is a new opportunity. Be it confrontational or supportive. So, no, it doesn't wear me out any more than speaking engagements wear me out or trying a case wears me out."

"Really, what you've done is that you've built a reading constituency."

Mr. Vachss agreed, adding, "The good news is I'm kind of recession proof. After 2001 when everything took a dive, the publisher called and said, 'It's amazing; sales are exactly the same.' Because I had a book that month. But the bad news is that there's probably a peak to that mountain. Whatever number of books I'm going to sell, it's not going

to vary, so goes the theory, by more than 10 percent per book. Each book *has* outsold the previous book. But not by a ton. There's never been any quantum leap. I've never had a book fall off.

"But as far as younger people are concerned, you see, I don't think that selling *Down Here* for \$19.95 will make that much of a difference. I think younger people, who tend to be more passionately committed to things, probably will find the money for something they desperately want to have. It's really the working-class guy who's got a couple of kids. One of the sweetest things anyone ever told me — although I'm sure it would not sound sweet to most people — was in Chicago once, a guy stood up and he said, 'I just want you to know something.' He said, 'I gave up smoking for a week so I could buy your book.'

"Don't get me started on why should a week's worth of cigarettes be enough to buy a book. I think that this [decision to sell *Down Here* for \$19] is aimed at those people who maybe now could buy two books instead of one. But I don't think it has anything to do with kids. Because kids have shown that they'll find a way. I can't believe the letters I get from high school kids. They find a way to get the books. Now, it may be that they get them from libraries."

"I wonder how readers find you, the first time."

"I know what that is. That

is exactly what this game is all about. They hear about something that connects with them. And virtually there's nobody they could confuse me with. I mean, if my name was, you know, Joe Anderson, it would be tough, right? But they seem to find what they're looking for.

"I think younger people, who tend to be more passionately committed to things, will find the money for something they desperately want to have."

And to tell their friends. Also the constituencies are very, very varied. You can't really do demographics on sales. You can sort of do it off Internet postings. You've got postings about my books on everything from dominatrix sites to mercenary sites to skinhead sites to — well, there's no way to really lock it down is what I'm saying."

"Do you get more mail from men or from women?"

"Women, but by a narrow margin. But not any overwhelming kind of margin. If I had to use numbers, I'd say something like 55–45, that close. And it doesn't seem to vary with age. I get letters from 14-year-olds of both genders and 80-

year-olds from both genders. I get a lot of letters from elderly people, but those letters seem to always be the same."

"What are they?"

"I wish you had been there when I was a child. I wish you were writing books when I was a child. So maybe people would have believed me.' And it's generally a 'God bless you,' kind of message. They don't seem angry, just sad. There are young people that are in a fulminating rage. And an astounding number of them are willing to listen to me. I get letters from their parents saying, 'I don't know what you did, but he stopped shooting dope, and he's going to school.' And they always want to attribute this to the fact that I must have special powers, or I have a personal relationship with Jesus. I mean, that's the only thing that could possibly account for this. Never mind, you know, straight talk or logical argument."

"Or encouragement?"

"I don't do that. I tell them to watch *Oprah* for that."

"You get a ton of mail."

"I can't answer most of the mail that comes in; it's just too much. If someone says, 'You know, I'm depressed, and I want to kill myself,' they're referred to places that specialize in this. They don't get a letter from me saying, 'Hang in there,' you know. 'Life will be better.'"

"It may not be better."

"It may indeed not be. I also get letters from young people who say, 'You don't know me, but you helped my friend Zeus.'"

"Do you think the Web page [www.vachss.com] has helped book sales?"

"No, but I think it's performed a stunning public service. The resources section, I know that it's used by so many people, it would shock you. What we're talking about now is about a million and a half visitors a year. Visitors, not hits. Hits, it would be 150 times that — because one visitor can give you a couple hundred hits. *These are visitors.*"

"That's amazing."

"It truly is amazing, and I don't think it helps sell books. There's a question that's asked in the form that they fill out when they write, 'How did you find this?' And they'll say they found the website in the back of a book. The website is in my books. Well, obviously if they read the book first and then came to the website, the website didn't sell them a book."

"People find a way to use the information that's available on the website in a huge variety of ways and also to connect with each other. But in terms of selling books, I'm not sure that it does that. Because it's not an author's website. In other words, when you dial it up, the first thing you don't see is a picture of me — God forbid. And you don't see, 'Here's his collected works.' There's a bunch of buttons you can push. You can push those buttons and never hear my name."

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you were searching ‘child abuse,’ you were searching ‘rape,’ you were searching ‘domestic violence,’ you’re going to end up at the site. And just type those into a search engine and watch what happens. You’re going to end up here. So, I think a lot of people come because they’re fans, and they just want to visit what they think is a fan site, but I think those are people already committed.”

“I go every once in a while to look at the dogs’ pictures and dog true stories that are on the site.”

“Sure. There you go. People whose passion is animal rescue, they love the site. There’s people who use the site to prove that there are nice pit bulls in the world.

“So we don’t really know why we get so many visitors, which are ever increasing. Those numbers have never dropped. And remember, I’ve had a website longer than most. This site actually was started as a fan site having nothing to do with me by a student in Hawaii. And we’re coming up on our tenth anniversary of the site. In web terms that’s ancient.”

“Indeed, that’s old.”

“Sure it is, but we don’t keep it old. Also, I could never afford this kind of website. If it wasn’t for all the people who volunteer, it would be impossible. They’re all volunteers. I couldn’t pay for the designer; he’s a world-famous designer in Norway. This is what he does. He puts together these extraordinarily complex things that don’t look complex, which is their beauty, in which you can navigate around the site without even drawing a breath.”

Before galleys for *Down Here* had gone out to reviewers, a galley appeared for sale on eBay. “How,” I asked Mr. Vachss, “do you suppose that those books get on eBay so soon?”

“I know. I understand crime a lot better than most people who write about it. And it’s clear that there’s only two possible sources. One is the promotions department, and one is the warehouse. There’s a guy who’s advertising, right now, signed copies of the new book.”

“I wonder who signed them?”

“Not me, because the books don’t even exist. Fans get enraged about this, so they write and say, ‘What’s going on?’ He says, ‘I have a special arrangement with Mr. Vachss. He comes by and signs books.’ ”

“I don’t even know this guy. And one online bookstore had the colossal fucking nerve to tell me that the way they’ve been able to get signed books of mine in the past is they had this special relationship with somebody at Knopf. And the book that had been shown to me, that was purchased from them, that wasn’t my signature. ‘So I tell you what,’ I said to them. ‘I think you’re a bunch of fucking frauds. All you have to do is tell me the name of the person at Knopf with whom you’ve got this special relationship, and I’ll apologize to you publicly.’ Never

heard from them.

“I don’t know if they were doing it themselves. I don’t know if they were simply buying books and then sending them to me to sign because what I used to do — we had a service available at the website — ‘Just mail your book in with round-trip postage, and I’ll sign it for you. Why should you pay these stupid prices?’ And naturally people start to really abuse that.”

“Why do you think people like their books signed?”

“I couldn’t even guess. If you know the person who wrote it — sure. You’d want that. That would be nice. But if you don’t, I have no idea. I know that there’s a huge traffic in this crap.”

“There’s one guy, on eBay, who buys every Andrew Vachss book he can find and then resells them. Now, this guy is not a collector or a fan — he’s just a merchant. So I think merchants go after products. But the truth is, not one of my books is worth crap. Why people spend this kind of money, I’ll never know. Because I’ve never had a small printing of a book. So how could any signed book be such a big deal? A typical book tour — there are thousands of them. If you go to ten cities, you’ll certainly sign 1000 books, 800 books. How could it be real? How could it be special?

“I think what happens is it’s one of these markets like comic books were a few years ago or baseball cards were a few years ago. Before that, there are a few genuine collectors. But most of them are just merchants, and they keep churning the market.

“So, some poor bastard sees a signed copy of *Strega* selling for 75 bucks, right? He thinks, ‘My God, I saw one unsigned on eBay for only \$22. I’ll buy that, I’ll attend an Andrew Vachss book signing, he’ll sign it, now I’ve made a \$50 profit.’ And that’s exactly what they did. It’s not hard to spot them because they come with boxes of stuff. Then they get mad because I won’t do it. It’s a question of *I don’t know how this person is in any way advancing anything I’m trying to do*. I don’t see how it’s my obligation to advance their financing.”

One of the many pleasures of reading each new Vachss novel as it emerges is seeing his characters develop. Michelle is a male-to-female transsexual, charming and hip and deep and smart. I said, “Michelle was extra good in this new book.”

Mr. Vachss did not disagree. “Michelle was a pretty wild person early on. Some women grow into themselves, and it’s as if they ripen and blossom, and they’re really at their very, very best. She has. Other people, they’re burned out. Absolutely. I think all of the people who have survived are different. That’s one thing that has distinguished this series.

“Fortunately, I have this wonderful rich tapestry of a life to draw on. I’ll never be stuck for information. I’ll never be stuck with a blank screen in front of me, wondering, ‘Oh my God, what can I write about?’

Because if you combine life experience with sense of mission, I have permanent material.”

We talked about the cars in Vachss’s novels. Mr. Vachss said, “I got people who are fans of these books for one reason and one reason only. The cars.”

“The Plymouth that Burke drives.”

“That car, you know, there’s an actual build sheet. You could, if you follow the instructions from the book, build that car. The guy that’s responsible for it is actually mentioned in the book, Al deKay. He was a legendary street racer in Brooklyn years ago. He’s a guy who wrote to me, quite a while back, and said this is the reason he’s a fan, because he loves the car. But he thought he could make a better one. So as it turned out, the way the plot worked, Burke did need another car, so there you go.”

“I have a sentimental fondness for good old *Bluebelle*.”

“It’s very interesting to me that that is the book that evokes the most emotion in women. I can’t say men are indifferent to it, but if you ask them, it’s never their favorite. There are all kinds of dogs named Bluebelle, and there are all kinds of Bluebelle screen names. Women relate to that book a lot more strongly.”

“No,” Mr. Vachss tells me, when I ask if he enjoys writing. “I never enjoyed writing a book or an article or an essay in my life. It’s just that it’s not fun to work hard. I’m a working-class boy, and my concept of work was, if they didn’t pay you to do it, you wouldn’t do it. It wasn’t until I got to college where I was even introduced to the concept that people liked their work. It seemed so alien to me. No. Writing, it’s just work. It’s really hard, hard work.

“When I started writing, my biggest problem was book reviewers saying I had a sick imagination, right?”

“Right.”

“No one is saying that now.

I wrote about safe houses for pedophile priests years and years ago. And you know, how could you make stuff up like that? Well, even modem trafficking and kiddie porn I wrote about, oh my God, 17, 18 years ago. I mean, the stuff now, you know, Belle’s feeling about being a child of incest, those are words that were spoken to me. I know those words to be true. They’re not writing in that sense. You see what I’m saying?

“If you wanted to see my best writing, you’d have to look at briefs or appeals. Because there you’re playing for high stakes. You can’t let yourself get into sloppy habits. You can’t be extraneous. I would be among the ranked novelists if there were the same rules that applied. In other words, the strict word limit. The time limit. Lock me and all Pulitzer Prize winners in a room and say, ‘You got 72 hours.’ I could do it. Sure I could do it. I’d just access memory bank four. I could type fast.”

— Judith Moore



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Harpsichord or Organ?

I know of only two performances of this Bach Toccata that never allow the listener's mind to wander.

In another of their series of house concerts, the San Diego Harpsichord Society offered a pleasing recital by Charles Sherman. The splendid instrument had been expertly constructed by one of the Society's members, on the basis of a partially built kit from the Paris workshop of Marc Ducornet. Modeled on the mid-18th-century double-manual harpsichords of Henri Hemsch, it even looked like a Hemsch, with its elegant red, black, and gold case. More importantly, it sounded wonderful, with a rich, spacious sonority, an unusual sustaining power, and a wonderful sweetness and pungency of timbre.

It revealed all these traits immediately in the first work on the program, Buxtehude's Toccata in G, BuxWV 165. This is a showpiece, and Sherman played it with dazzling exuberance, the instrument responding with particular brilliance to the cascading passage-work in the treble. It was everything a Baroque toccata should be.

I felt somewhat less enthusiasm for the other toccata on the program, J.S. Bach's BWV 912 (in D), which Sherman performed near the end of the program. This is an early Bach work, and the young composer was experimenting with the possibilities of the loosely coordinated toccata form, which he had inherited from his 17th-century predecessors (including Buxtehude). Of his seven harpsichord toccatas, this one seems the boldest in its explorations, but it is not easy to bring off successfully. The Buxtehude G Major Toccata is compact and coherent, for all its air of improvisation. The Bach D Major is more than twice as long; it is made up of a series of rather miscellaneous episodes, seven of them; and although each is marvelous (above all, the final fugue in gigue rhythm), it is often hard to discern what they have to do with each other, aside from their unity of key.

Sherman played the work with intelligence, flair, and a sure sense of its various styles; but he did not quite overcome its inherent structural problems. He is not alone in that. I know of only two performances of BWV 912 that never allow the listener's mind to wander. One is by Glenn Gould, who, in his usual way, begins

by making you think, "This is wrong! This is weird! And why doesn't he keep his mouth shut?" — and then ropes you in with his fascinating bizarreries, forcing you to follow his idiosyncratic interpretive arc to the very end, as if it all made sense. The other performance, less batty but similarly exciting, is that of Anthony Newman, whose penchant for exaggerating, magnifying, and

underlining everything, supported by his sensational keyboard technique, justifies Bach's eccentricities here by mowing down any possible doubts. Sherman played with a much greater sense of decorum, but decorum is probably not what BWV 912 needs.

Jacob Froberger does need it, along with deep feeling, suppleness of rhythm, variety of expression, and a profound elegance of mind — all of which Sherman supplied in generous measure in his performance of the Suite XX in D, which begins with a moving meditation on the composer's own death, and then goes on to three light-hearted dance movements affirming the joys of life. There is a similar message, in a more expressly pious framework, in the fourth of Johann Kuhnau's *Biblical Sonatas*. This is explicit program music, depicting the illness of King Hezekiah, his prayer to God, and his happy recovery (in which, however, he can still recall the suffering that has passed). Here, Sherman showed himself completely in sympathy with the Baroque interest in diverse emotional states and their dramatic contrasts. I do feel, however, that the vividness of his playing would have sufficed to convey the story's impact without his actually speaking the lines of the narrative program between the movements. Unfortunately, his way of reading "[Hezekiah's] joy at his recovery, in the course of which he at times thinks of his previous misery, but soon forgets it again" got a titter from some members of the audience, which was surely not what Kuhnau intended.

The longest work on Sherman's program was the Passacaglia in G Minor from Georg Muffat's *Apparatus Musico-Organisticus*. This monumental set of variations, with its compelling repeated theme, its powerfully dignified

momentum, its noble imagination, and its superb exploitation of the keyboard, is one of the Baroque's great passacaglias, and its thoroughly French style brought out the finest and most expansive qualities of the gifted harpsichordist and the beautiful "Hemsch" harpsichord. In response to a question (by me) about the suitability of the Muffat Passacaglia for the organ, Sherman mounted a spirited and learned defense of its being essentially a harpsichord work. He made a good case; but so does the impressive organ performance by Martin Haselböck, in his recording of the entire *Apparatus musico-organisticus*. There are close affinities between organ and harpsichord styles in the French Baroque, with the same kinds of embellishments, and the same characteristic relationship between treble and bass. In any case, the proof of the blancmange is in the eating, and you ought to hear what Haselböck does with this music. (Sophie Yates has a thrilling recording of the Muffat Passacaglia on harpsichord, quite similar to Sherman's.)

On this subject, I might also mention that the Kuhnau *Biblical Sonatas* are also frequently played on the organ, to good effect. In fact, it's true of much of the Baroque keyboard literature that it can flourish on virtually any keyboard instrument, including the clavichord, with the different sounds and techniques bringing out different but equally valuable aspects of the music. (We shouldn't carry this too far. No one thinks the Scarlatti sonatas would sound good on an organ, or that Bach's organ Toccata and Fugue in D Minor is suited for a clavichord, even a pedal clavichord.)

Charles Sherman ended his recital with another example of Baroque music's notorious tendency to shapeshifting. When Bach became an aficionado of Italian concertos, he proceeded to arrange a considerable number of them for other instruments, including no fewer than 16 for solo harpsichord. It was one of these that Sherman played, Bach's BWV 972 in D, after Vivaldi's Violin Concerto, Opus 3 (*L'Estro armonico*), No. 9. Bach was, of course, a master at this kind of exercise, and he did an excellent job of converting Vivaldi's score into an idiomatic — and virtuosic — harpsichord work.

But if you know the original, the most committed playing of an excellent harpsichordist like Sherman is still not quite enough to match the broader timbral palette and dynamic shadings of the orchestral version, or to capture the full pathos and fire of Vivaldi's violin solo. ■

REVIEW

JONATHAN SAVILLE



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Charles Sherman

Charles Sherman, harpsichord: "Bach and His Models"

San Diego Harpsichord Society

Buxtehude, Toccata in G, BuxWV 165; Froberger, Suite XX in D; Kuhnau, Biblical Sonata No. IV; Muffat, Passacaglia in G minor; J.S. Bach, Toccata in D, BWV 912, and Concerto in D, BWV 972

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Strings in the Galleries finishes the series with international guitarist Stephen Marchionda, Thursday, April 15, 7 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art. Selections by Walton, Ponce, Britten, and Nicholas Maw. 619-232-7931. \$20. (BALBOA PARK)

Student Composers' Recital, showcasing senior project composition by Jason Ruper, Thursday, April 15, 12:15 p.m., in Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)

Andrew Lloyd Webber is celebrated with a performance of his "Requiem" by Grossmont Symphony Orchestra Friday, April 16, 8 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Also featured: Holst's "Short Festival Te Deum." Tickets: \$13.50 general. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

San Diego County Recorder Society convenes for instruction and playing, Friday, April 16. Recorder basics at 6:30 p.m., guest conductor leads the group from 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)

It's Not Your Average Chamber Music when solo percussionist Aijun Huan performs a "Marriage of Percussion and Theatricality" at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 16, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito (1036 Solana Drive). \$10 donation. 858-755-9225. (SOLANA BEACH)

Pipe Organ Concert Series continues with organist James Hansen on Friday, April 16, 7:30 p.m., at First Church of Christ Scientist (8262 Allison Avenue). Free. 619-442-8201. (LA MESA)

"Concert Champêtre," promises "an evening of French Baroque and dance music," Friday, April 16, 8 p.m., in Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). \$15 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)

Carl Orff's 20th Century Masterpiece, "Carmina Burana," is final offering of the season for San Diego Chamber Orchestra. The orchestra is joined by San Diego Master Chorale, San Diego Children's Choir, along with baritone Philip Lima, coloratura soprano Teresa May, tenor Robert MacNeil.

Concert begins Friday, April 16, at 8 p.m., following pre-concert talk by conductor Donald Barra at St. Joseph's Cathedral (1535 Third Avenue). Tickets: \$15

to \$60. Tickets: 858-350-0290 x7. (DOWNTOWN)

Soprano Dawn Upshaw is joined by Australian Chamber Orchestra in concert for Celebrity Series hosted by La Jolla Music Society on Saturday, April 17. Preconcert talk at 7 p.m., concert at 8 p.m., in Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. Program boasts works by Corelli, Georges Lentz, Bach, Szymanowski, and traditional Hungarian folk songs. Tickets: \$35, \$60, \$85. Reservations: 858-459-3728. (DOWNTOWN)

Soprano Alla Markovich to sing arias by Gershwin, Ponchielli, Puccini, and Wagner and art songs by Geehl, Sieczynski, Volf, and Wolf, at Carmel Valley Library (3919 Townsgate Drive) as part of Saturday Night Chamber Music Concert Series, Saturday, April 17, at 8 p.m. \$12 adults, \$10 students. Tickets: 858-259-2503. (CARMEL VALLEY)

Virginia Hawk Scholarship Recital and reception Saturday, April 17, 2 p.m., at El Cajon Community Center (195 East Douglas). 619-466-6606. (EL CAJON)

From Moscow to Del Mar, mezzo-soprano Lydia Zakharchenko and tenor Nikolas Gutorovich perform at the Piano Studio (13680 Nob Avenue), Saturday, April 17, at 4 p.m. \$25. 858-674-1035 or 619-857-7359. (DEL MAR)

Janáček's Dramatic Opera *Káťa Kabanová* comes to the San Diego Opera, starring Patricia Racette as Káťa, and mezzo-soprano Dame Josephine Barstow as Káťa's spiteful mother-in-law. In Czech with English translations projected above the stage. Conducted by John Fiore, directed by Ian Campbell.

Performances at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 17, and Tuesday, April 20; 8 p.m. on Friday, April 23; 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 25. Tickets range from \$20 to \$140. See the opera at San Diego Civic Theatre, 202 C Street. Reservations: 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

Organ Music Set to Films when Theatre Organ Society welcomes Greg Breed to accompany silent films of Charlie Chaplin, Harold Lloyd, and Buster Keaton at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 17, at Trinity Presbyterian Church (3902 Kenwood Drive). \$10. 619-561-9136. (SPRING VALLEY)

St. Lawrence String Quartet, featuring Todd Palmer on clarinet for UCSD Chamber Orchestra, Saturday, April 17, 7:30 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Program includes works by Haydn, Ravel, and Golijov. \$25 general. 858-534-8497. (LA JOLLA)

"Opera Robusta" features soprano Carol Anne Brigitte, baritone and flute Stephen Chan, and pianist John Danke in a concert of arias and duets at the ARK (3554 Kettner Boulevard), Sunday, April 18, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15, kids \$10. 619-368-3577. (LITTLE ITALY)

Fauré's "Piano Quartet in C Minor," and Brahms's "Piano Quartet in G Minor" are selections to be played by the Thies Piano Quartet for Lake San Marcos Chamber Music Society, Sunday, April 18. 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)

An Afternoon of Guitar Music, both classical and flamenco, can be

enjoyed at Scripps Miramar Ranch Library Center as part of their "Pleasure of Your Company" chamber music series, Sunday, April 18. Concert starts at 2:30 p.m. Free. 858-538-8158. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Noise at the Library series concludes with guest artists Kathleen Gallagher and John Fonville, Sunday, April 18, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Program premieres works by Derek Keller, Rick Burkhardt, James Erber, and Chaya Czernowin. Preconcert lecture: 7 p.m., concert at 7:30 p.m. \$15 general. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

PianoFest has showcased three pianists, each at a different stage in their careers. Festival concludes with concert by Murray Perahia, Sunday, April 18, 4 p.m. Program includes pieces by Beethoven, Schumann, Brahms. Tickets: \$60, \$65, \$75. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard; 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

"Music of Palomar," recital by artist-in-residence Peter Gach at Palomar College on Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m., in Palomar College Performance Lab (D-10). Tickets: \$8 to \$12. Find the campus at 1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

Gala Concert brings San Diego Youth Symphony Orchestra and Symphonic Orchestra, guest guitarist Celino Romero, and guest conductor Edoardo Müller to Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street) on Sunday, April 18, 4 p.m. \$18. 619-233-3232. (DOWNTOWN)

"Best of Broadway" with Salvador Padilla, baritone, and DeDe Morse, soprano, at Seaside Church (1613 Lake Street) on Sunday, April 18, at 3 p.m. John Danke accompanies. \$15. 760-753-5786. (CARDIFF)

"Brass to the Fore," follows brass from "Renaissance Europe to its well-deserved prominence in contemporary music." Concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 18, at St. John of the Cross (8086 Broadway). (LEMON GROVE)

Catch another performance at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive) at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21. \$15 general. 619-237-7892. (LA JOLLA)

Pianist Scott Pratt presents classical program and show tunes with anecdotes in "George Gershwin: An American Original," at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 18, in third-floor auditorium at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5810. (DOWNTOWN)

Pratt repeats his performance Monday, April 19, 7:30 p.m. at All Souls' Episcopal Church (corner of Chatsworth at Catalina). Free. 619-223-6394. (POINT LOMA)

Civic Organist Carol Williams performs in Spreckels Organ Pavilion Sunday, April 18 at 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Competition Winners of the 45th Annual La Jolla Symphony and Chorus Young Artists' Competition perform for San Diego Mini-Concerts, Monday, April 19, noon, in Lyceum Theatre at Horton Plaza. Free. Bring your lunch. 619-236-1980. (DOWNTOWN)

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"Parallels and Counterpoints," mixed-media works by Mirto Golino and Sonya Devine are on view through April 30 in Bard Hall Gallery (First Unitarian Universalist Church, 4190 Front Street). Reception: Friday, April 16, 6 p.m. 619-298-9978. (HILLCREST)

"The Last Days of Pompeii," series of 13 large-scale photographs by Eleanor Antin on display through Saturday, June 12, at UCSD's University Art Gallery (9500 Gilman Drive). Show opens with reception Friday, April 16, from 6 to 7 p.m. 858-534-2107. (LA JOLLA)

"Gallery Artists 2004," exhibition of 20 artists includes paintings, sculpture, drawings, photography, and custom furniture. Reception Friday, April 16, 6 p.m., David Zapf Gallery (2400 Kettner Boulevard). Free. See the show through Saturday, May 15. 619-232-5004. (LITTLE ITALY)

"Looking Thru Muntins," an exhibit of large-format digital photography by Robert Ambler opens with reception Friday, April 16, 5 p.m. Open house: 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18, at Phantom Art Gallery (suite E in Artist's Alley, 212 East North Coast Highway). Free. 760-754-4512. (OCEANSIDE)

"Optic Nerve" showcases photography by seven artists, including Nestor Arenas, Todd Gray, and Catherine Chalmers, at Scott White Contemporary Art (2400 Kettner Boulevard, Loft 238). Opening reception: Friday, April 16, 6 to 8 p.m. Free. 619-501-5689. Show closes Saturday, June 5. (LITTLE ITALY)

"Poetry for the Eye" celebrates beauty of female form through sculpture by Richard Hager through Thursday, June 10, at San Diego Sculpture Guild. Show opens with reception Friday, April 16, from 5 to 8 p.m. Free. Find the guild in studio #36 of Spanish Village; 619-238-0522. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. (BALBOA PARK)

"Unraveling Truth," Nathan Betschart's MFA thesis exhibition

opens with reception Saturday, April 17, 7 p.m., in Everett Gee Jackson Gallery, San Diego State University. Show closes Wednesday, April 21. Find gallery in lobby of fifth floor of art department building. 619-594-4192. (SDSU)

Batiks and Silk Paintings by Mimi Levinson are on exhibit through May at Wesley Palms Gallery (2404 Loring Street). Reception: Saturday, April 17, 3 p.m. 858-274-4110. (PACIFIC BEACH)

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, woodblock prints, stencil work, kimono and other textiles, baskets, toys.

"Sueo Serisawa — Poetry in Painting" offers woodblock prints and paintings by Serisawa, who uses his work as the medium to express his philosophy inspired by Zen Buddhism and J. Krishnamurti's teachings.

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.

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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.

Biennial Benefit Art Auction, live and silent auction of "internationally recognized and emerging contemporary artists," begins at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21, with art preview and reception. Auction begins at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$75, MCASD members \$50; 858-454-3541 x117.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Photographic Arts, "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.

"Wanderers, Travelers, and Adventurers: Images of Exploration from the Permanent Collection," boasts more than 80 photographs of distant people and places, exemplifying "the many ways photographs were and still are used to present inspired visions from all over the earth." Continues through Sunday, August 1.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, "Brighton Press: The Art of the Book," features artist books from Brighton Press in San Diego. The books are made by hand, with intaglio, relief, and letterpress printing done on Brighton premises. Books are published in editions ranging from ten to one hundred copies. Show closes on Sunday, June 20. 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.

"Shahzia Sikander: Flip Flop," the next "Contemporary Links 2" exhibition, features drawings, a site-specific composition, and an installation composed of paintings on dense layers of tissue paper by the Pakistani-born artist. The show, closing Sunday, June 27, is based on a selection of paintings from museum's Binney Collection.

"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."

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THEATER LISTINGS

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Baldwin New Play Festival

UCSD presents world-premiere productions and workshops from its MFA playwrights: *The Weight of Paper*, by Rachel Axler; *The Hopper Collection*, by Mat Smart; *Two Hands, Very Tired*, by Barry Levey; *Better Homes and Homelands*, by Tim J. Lord; *Cargo*, by Ruth McKee; *Richard Aiken*, by Ken Weitzman
UCSD DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE, THROUGH APRIL 24; CALL UCSD FOR SPECIFIC PLAYS, DATES, AND TIMES. 858-534-4574.

Chalk It Up To Murder

In H.I.T. Productions' dinner-theater mystery, a terrible fire scorched the Cactus Gulch schoolhouse eight years ago. The culprit just broke out of jail.
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Dream Secrets and Broken Glass

Sudden Bang! Theatre presents a "groove opera," an original jazz musical by Robert Cureton, about "the reconstruction of the psyche through 1001 nights of lucid dreaming." Rebecca Braun directed.

NORTH PARK VAUDEVILLE THEATRE, 2031 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, NORTH PARK, THROUGH MAY 29; APRIL 17, MAY 1, MAY 15, AND MAY 29 AT 8:00 P.M. 619-316-9120.

The Fantasticks

North Coast Repertory Theatre presents Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt's durable musical about

innocence and experience. Rick Simas directed.
NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 9870 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.

Firestorm Flower and The Bandaged Soldier

6th @ Penn Theatre presents one-acts by Charlene Penner (a dance inspired by the firestorms of 2003) and David Michael Gallagher ("a play around a poetry reading").
6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH APRIL 21; SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MONDAY AND TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 619-688-9210.

The Gingerbread Lady

Neil Simon's first "serious comedy" was probably modeled after Judy Garland. Produced in 1970, it follows the rehab and off-the-wagon tumble of Evy Meara, popular singer-lush. Her friends — gay Jimmy, narcissistic Toby, and daughter Polly (as loyal as Lear's Cordelia) — help and hinder her recovery. The play's an odd hybrid: stark dramatic scenes laced with TV sitcom one-liners (some of them racist), as if Simon couldn't abandon his need to please. *Gingerbread* is both relevant and dated (the latter because it ends up enabling Evy's addiction). The three-act play, especially the second, offers excellent acting opportunities. And the Renaissance Theatre's cast, directed by George Flint, makes the most of them. Jill Drexler's Toby and Jim Strait's Jimmy ignite with moving performances (Strait's been too long from local stages). Newcomer Amanda Sitton does well with a tricky assignment; daughter Polly is Evy's mother figure. And as expected, Sandra Ellis-Troy rules the stage in a kaleidoscopic role that begins in sunshine and ends at the mouth of a dark tunnel. Marty Burnett's detailed set, Jeanne Reith's expressive costuming, and Karin Filijan's subtle lighting continue the Renaissance Theatre's tradition of excellent design work.

Worth a try.

CYGNET THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, 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 acquaint 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: *Heracles* by Euripides, April 26.

Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, OPEN-ENDED RUN: MONDAY, APRIL 26, AT 7:30 P.M. 619-688-9210.

The Great Divorce

C.S. Lewis separates Heaven and Hell by one's mental, not physical actions. And his 1946 book, *The Great Divorce*, is an intellectualized study of the two conditions. Lewis's intro. claims he doesn't want to "arouse factual curiosity about the details of the afterworld." In Robert Smyth's adaptation, and even with Lamb's Players hallmark inventiveness, *Divorce* is just people debating variations on a theme, disguised as dialogue (the play knocks down objections to Heaven, and damns the objectors). It doesn't develop, and conclusions are foregone. The ideas are interesting (the script might work better, without any detail, as a staged reading), but as Walter Kerr said about theater, "It's better to make a person than a point." The production's at its best in its details, like Robert Smyth's "seedy actor of the old school," who utters drawn-out phrases, as if not quite off book, and replies late, as if on a long distance trunk-call. He's unconnected to anything. This is Lamb's most memorable example of Lewis' self-absorbed ghosts, made vivid by the actor, not the text. The production includes a ballet-like opening sequence — graveler-Ghosts in a downpour; and Kerry Meads, adept in multiple roles, plays a slithering lizard-demon so menacing that — although Lewis never illustrates the "transmortal" locale — one might choose Heaven by default.
LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH MAY 2; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 619-437-0600.



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The House of Blue Leaves

Lynx Performance Theatre stages John Guare's seriocomic about the Shaughnessys, a dysfunctional family in an equally dysfunctional world. Al Germani directed. ADAMS AVENUE THEATRE, 2804 ADAMS AVENUE, NORMAL HEIGHTS, THROUGH APRIL 24; SUNDAY THROUGH TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-280-2641.

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. They have the smarts not to push for comedy or drama, letting the audience choose its reaction (romantics can sigh, scoffers can, well, scoff). Andrea Chamberlain, Mylinda Hull, David Engle,



The House of Blue Leaves

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.

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

The Welk Resort Theatre presents the popular musical revue that traces the evolution of male-female relationships. David Engel directed. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH JUNE 6; TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448.

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Joey and Maria's Comedy Italian Wedding

The Culy Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater," as Joey and Maria tie the knot. DAVE AND BUSTER'S, 2931 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH, MISSION VALLEY, AND 1355 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE, DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN. FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL 800-944-5639.

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, especially when sister brings out a hard ruler and taps her palm). The results, the two times I've seen the show: a. an almost nonstop evening of comedy; and b. a thought-provoking look at education, religion, and much 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 JUNE 21; MONDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 949-497-2787.

Life Before Sex and Life With A Teenager

Moirra Keefe performs her autobiographical shows, "a comedy about growing up in the '70s"; and "Life with a teenager" "I'm having a hot flashback."

CARLSBAD VILLAGE THEATRE, 2822 STATE STREET, CARLSBAD, FRIDAY, APRIL 16, AT 8:00 P.M. 760-943-9238.

M Butterfly

"It was dark, and she was very modest." David Henry Hwang's 1988 drama — and his lengthy explanations in the play and many interviews that followed — introduced cultural diversity to America. Based on the true story of a French diplomat's 20-year affair with a man he thought was a woman, *Butterfly* is an issue-rich look at gender, politics, colonialist stereotypes, and more. At Diversionary Theatre, in a co-production with the Asian-American Rep, the play's received a thoughtful, detailed, visually appealing staging by Doren Elias. Long one of San Diego's better actors, Elias could become one of our better directors! Though neither sparkles, Jessie MacKinnon and Diep Huynh are quite capable as Rene Gallimard ("the patron saint of the socially inept") and Song Liling (Chinese actor/informant). The production gets strong support from Jonathan Dunn-Rankin, Kim Miller, Melissa Fernandes, and especially Manuel J. Fernandes, Chaplinesque in several comic roles. Shulamit Nelson's expressive costumes and Amanda Stephens much-in-little set (a pond, a proscenium, a jail cell) are major plusses in concert with Elias's vision. Give him more work! **Worth a try.**

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, 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.

My Father, My Father

Deebone Productions presents an original drama about a father who saves his son "from the perils of his

own upbringing." The evening includes live jazz.

COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, 2957 54TH STREET (AT COLLEGE GROVE DRIVE), OAK PARK, SATURDAY, THROUGH MAY 2; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-978-2000.

National Comedy Theatre

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite 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.

Oedipus at Colonus

Strong performances overcame amateurish opening-night glitches, giving 6th @ Penn a decent rendition of Sophocles' classic. Old, anguished Oedipus has come to Colonus, a village near Athens to die. He won't budge, though Athenians and others do their best to move him. His unmarked grave will become a curse to Athens' enemies and a prayer for its people (the Greek word *ara*, meaning both). As Oedipus, Jack Banning

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shines as the ancient king, a shambles of rags and unthinkable torment. As Antigone and Ismene, Beth Bayless and Robin Christ not only serve the play but foreshadow the fates of their characters in the sequel (as does Joe Nesnow's Creon, one of dramatic literature's slimiest rulers). Von Schauer's Theseus and Jim Chovik's Polynices, both excellent, steer the eye away from some severely rigid acting in minor roles (why is there a tendency to play the Greeks as Greek statues?). Norman Maclean may have had *Oedipus at Colonos* in mind when he wrote in *Young Men and Fire*: "At times it seems as if tragedy tries at the end to take away some of its own tragedy, and if some tragedies never restore our stability, at least most of them allow us some success in struggling to attain some stability of our own."

Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, THROUGH APRIL 25; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

Resurrection Blues

A charismatic figure, able to illuminate himself, has been spotted in an unnamed South American country. The Second Coming? Could be. And in Arthur Miller's satire of today's world, when an antsy dictator wants to crucify the Christ figure (because he's the only person on earth who "still really feels everything"), a media frenzy ensues. *Resurrection Blues* is smart and funny. At the same time, it has the feel of a master craftsman's five-finger exercise. The puddle-deep characters are argumentative positions, not people, and the play devolves into various takes on its subject. But then again, it's got a moral urgency missing in Ameri-

can theater. Except for a few stray choices, Miller couldn't ask for a better ally than director Mark Lamos. More often than not Lamos blends the play's horrific, slapstick, and sacred elements. Where he doesn't — as in the goofy, house lights up, "Goodbye Charlie" ending — the fault's not his. John de Lancie makes General Felix a vulnerable, even funny thug, a narcissist reflected in a warped mirror. Though not all the cast is of a piece, Daniel Davis and Jennifer Regan have good moments (she also gets to wear the centerpiece of Lewis Brown's excellent costumes: long chartreuse slacks and the General's white trophy jacket). Although we see his effects (in a 24-hour period, people grow more benevolent), we never see the charismatic figure. He's just a light. Then vanishes. It's hard to think of a more timely play.

Worth a try.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH APRIL 25; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

Safe in Hell

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents the world premiere of Amy Freed's satire of "Colonial piety," drawn from the sermons of 17th-Century preachers Cotton and Increase Mather. David Emmes directed. SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, SEGERSTROM STAGE, 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH MAY 9; TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 714-708-5555.

San Diego Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (*Improv*) I've ever read about making theater. And they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art."

Worth a try.

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though, the opening night felt tentative, and a mite stiff. Creator-director Marion Caffey could tighten up his beginning, lighten up later (with more physicality, since even the Supremes get a formal treatment). This production could make huge strides during its run. Once the singers grow accustomed to each other's brilliance, and Caffey with the possibilities of such diverse genres, then look out, San Diego!

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Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffee-house 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight

from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

Worth a try.

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Varekai

Cirque du Soleil's latest includes dances, games, a fallen Icarus, color wheels of skintight costumes, and acrobats who, when not doing feats of astonishing skill, dance like mad. *Varekai* functions, says its creator Dominic Champagne, "to tell the old world that something else is possible." Instead of sun-scorched wings and instant death, Icarus enters a world where the familiar vanishes and he becomes reborn. Previous Cirque shows tried to out-spectacle themselves, to inundate you with excellence. *Varekai* (the word means "wherever" in

Gypsy-Romany) offers a more diverse palette. Among other things, this approach makes for a sharper appreciation of the truly difficult, as when a man, his feet in the air, balances another on his toes, then spins him like a human prayer wheel, or when a woman does unthinkable contortions on a hula hoop, 25 feet in the air. And the finale is unforgettable. Fourteen gymnasts catapult from two swings into the hands of others on a tower. Then they rise, in corkscrews, over the tower into huge, sail-like sheets, higher and higher. Then two at a time, each an Icarus, reaching for the sun. (Note: Cirque du Soleil extended its run of *Varekai*.)

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"My first gig [with the Offspring] was one song for some Swedish music award show," says Rocket from the Crypt alum Atom Willard,

was, 'Hey, we know you're not gonna mess up.' It was either that or 'If you mess up, we don't know you.' They talk to me now, so it's all good."

Willard spent ten years with Rocket from the Crypt, who became local legends on the strength of theatrical horror show performances

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who debuted as the Offspring's new drummer in November 2003. "It was in this big hockey arena with 20,000 people, and I forgot it was gonna be on TV!" Before going onstage to play "Hit That," the first single from the new Offspring album *Splinter* (released January 22), Willard says the band did little in the way of preparing him for his big-time inauguration. "They didn't say anything [to me], which you can take two ways. The way I decided to take it

and protopunk power chords. While he doesn't play on the new Offspring album (former Vandal Josh Freese of Huntington Beach does), his position as permanent replacement for the departing Ron Welty seems secure.

"I'm definitely the guy, for now. I mean, I haven't really brought it up; it's not broken, so I'm not trying to fix it." He reports a lot of partying and Jägermeister as the band toured Europe from November through March.

"In Amsterdam, we closed an Irish bar."

When I ask Willard about the wacky dice that Rocket from the Crypt has for sale on its website, he says, "We



THE OFFSPRING ROCKET FROM THE CRYPT

tried to come up with ideas for stuff we'd want to buy, and the dice was one thing we'd give out as part of these 'happy meals,' a bag of stuff we'd give out at gigs to anyone who showed up with a Rocket tattoo. Someone from outside the band ran most of that [merchandising]."

L.A. has been Willard's home for about six years, but he makes occasional trips to San Diego ("My dentist is still there"). When the Offspring hit SDSU's

Outdoor Amphitheatre on Sunday, April 18, Willard plans on taking his new bandmates to check out his all-time favorite San Diego locale. "El Cuervo, on Washington at First. Oh man, it's so good, carne asada burrito double-wrapped.... That's where we'll be before the gig, all lined up!" He and his fellow Offspring may also do some shopping at Lou's Records in Encinitas. "You can't beat Lou's family vibe, and they've got everything good."

— Jay Allen Sanford

"I was the one who screamed at a bonfire when they told a ghost story. I'm pretty much in every scene."

Rapper Shawn Skie (pronounced "ski") talks about his acting debut as one of the 24 boys in the 1990 film *Lord of the Flies*. The 13-year-old first-time actor didn't have many speaking parts — his one line was "It was a pig. Big but regular." Skie got the part from a national casting call that swung through Minneapolis.

"I saw an ad in the *St. Paul Pioneer-Press*. We didn't have a car. I took a bus to the auditions by myself. They

never said my character's name in the movie, but in the credits they called me 'Rapper.' I never rapped in the movie, but that's how I got the part. I rapped in the auditions. The director [Harry Hook] asked what I liked to do. I said I rapped. I did one for him. Three weeks after that I was in Jamaica. Because of Hurricane Gilbert we had to stay four and a half months.... We had tutors."



THE INFAMOUS RAPPER OF 'LORD OF THE FLIES'

Skie's acting continued with a major role in a 1989 NBC-TV pilot called *A Little Bit Strange* with Martin Lawrence that aired once but

was not picked up as a series. "I played a warlock." He did a few commercials and appeared in a 1993 HBO special called *Laurel Avenue*. "It was about the lifestyle in St. Paul. As soon as the movie starts you see me rapping on the corner. I got \$7000 for it. HBO still runs it once a year."

Skie moved to El Cajon in January. He's staying with his parents and works temp jobs while he tries to make it in hip-hop.

"I made \$13,000 [from *Flies*]. I probably saw about \$4000 of that. We [his family] were in poverty. I'd come back [from Jamaica], and there was all this new furniture in our apartment."

Shawn Skie (www.spstyle.com) appears 9 p.m. April 30 at Neimans in Carlsbad with Regg Henny.

— Ken Leighton

"People are disgruntled at bars over the distribution of profits," say Richard Aguirre, leader/founder of the Karl Marx surf-funk band. Longtime Ocean Beach local Aguirre said he has had it with playing at local bars. That's why he launched a series of live shows called the

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OB Underground.

"People have to stand up against oppressive businesses, not by protesting but with their money.... The owners of the clubs have several mortgages they have to pay, and they do it on backs of musicians."

The shows are the first and third Friday of every month at the Masonic Hall on Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, which Aguirre says they are calling the Sunset Hall. The second OB Underground show is tomorrow.

Aguirre said Ocean Beach has a history of saying no to big corporations.

"Gold's Gym just closed up a couple weeks ago. Pizza Hut cut out about a year and a half ago. A little Mexican café took its place. OB residents are into spending money on places that are more relevant and not supporting corporate or oppressive establishments."

The Karl Marx Band,

Spoken Gun, Zen, Joey Bowen, and the Gandhi Method appear 7 p.m. tomorrow at the Sunset Hall on Sunset Cliffs Boulevard. The show is all ages, free admission, donations accepted.

— Ken Leighton

"This isn't just about music, is it?"

Jason Stollsteimer, the Von Bondies vocalist, asks me after a sold-out show March 28 at the Casbah. Prepared to talk to the press, he has taken a seat at the front of the Casbah. I have just asked him about the infamous beating he received in December from White Stripes front man Jack White at the Detroit bar the Magic



STOLLSTEIMER WOULD RATHER TALK ABOUT THE MUSIC

Stick. He refers me to the band's label, Sire, for a comment. Instead, I check the band's website, which says that White was arrested and charged with aggravated assault and battery. "In *People vs. John A. White*, Mr.

White pled guilty to the charge of assault and battery on Mr. Stollsteimer.... As one of his penalties, Mr. White has been ordered to attend anger-management classes."

Von Bondies drummer Don Blum says, "There's a lot of people who are curious.... It's a total personal thing. It doesn't make me dislike the White Stripes as a band or anything."

At his side, Blum's friend Kelly Sanderson, who lives in San Diego, recalls playing bass in a band with Blum in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

She says the band was called the Patron Saints.

Of her friend's success, Sanderson says, "It couldn't happen to nicer people.... Don's the best drummer I've ever played with."

— Pat Sherman

Last week Steve West, the voice of 91X's oldies show for seven years, announced on air that fans could hear their favorite tunes all week long on www.resurrection.sunday.com rather than just the usual once a week on 91X.

West said a handful of website stations are doing quite well. "If you go to www.shoutcast.com you will find the most popular stations in any given musical genre to have 4000 to 5000 listeners."

As for his station, "We will have commercials, but

they will be 15 seconds instead of 60, which is what [radio] stations run. Besides, unlike terrestrial radio, we



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Clear Channel (operator of 91X and 1200 other stations nationwide) has allowed West to own and operate his site even though Clear Channel owns the trademarked name *Resurrection Sunday*.

West, who lives in Rancho Peñasquitos, said anyone can start his own home-based radio station with an initial investment of about \$1000 for a computer and software. He said there is also a monthly broadband access fee of \$1000.

"I'm talking to ASCAP right now. I think I'll have to pay them \$200 a month eventually."

He said he downloaded all the music from his own vinyl and CD collection, thereby avoiding any

Napster-type copyright infringement. "This is all above the radar."

Resurrection Sunday with Steve West airs 6 a.m. to noon on Sunday on 91X.

— Ken Leighton

"I can't say that I mind getting frisked

by a female security guard," I say jokingly outside SOMA before the Yeah Yeah Yeahs show Wednesday, March 10.

"Uh-huh," the security guard says. "I get to feel up a lot of man ass." She gives my right cheek a quick squeeze.

"Isn't this, uh, illegal?"

"Only if it's a man frisking a female, and then it's only questionable."

"Is this sexual harassment yet?" I ask.

"Ha-ha. You can go."

At the box office, I declare

that I'm on the band's guest list.

"Oh yeah?" a bored-looking blonde with heavy mascara says behind the glass partition. "Let's see some ID, dude."

I comply.

She glances over several sheets with handwritten names. "Don't see your name."

I ask, "Are you sure?"

She rolls her eyes and looks again. "Oh, this must be you," she sighs and points to a scrawled entry: Mik Henninson.

On the floor, I almost get in a fight. Two beefy guys, smelling like cocktail hour in a weight room, angrily push people aside in order to get closer to the stage.

Several teenage girls dressed up in Hello Kitty attire go, "Hey, asshole, watch it!"

The two men grunt. One pushes me and I push him back. He looks at me with bloodshot eyes.

"I haven't been in a concert fight since my punk days in the '80s," I say.

"Let's go then," he says.

A six-foot-five, 300-pound guy in a flannel shirt moves in between us and says, "Not cool. Don't ruin the show for everyone else."

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message on the answering machine says, "Only street clothing will be allowed. No gang colors, no racial slogans allowed, and security will be really tight."

I call Soma several times for their comment, but no one is willing to talk to me.

I ask around, "Is Soma safe?"

A tall guy standing in line for the Zebrahead "Punks vs. Psychos Tour" Monday, March 29 (he sports a Mohawk and spikes on his leather jacket), says, "Sometimes it gets like a war zone."

"So why do you go?"

"And miss all the action? Anyway, I love this band."

"One time last month, at the Flogging Molly show, close to the stage, these drunk guys kept groping me," a girl in another Hello Kitty outfit told me. "They kept saying to me, 'Wanna go have a good time in the bathroom?' and reaching under my skirt. I had to get out of there before I got raped or squished to death."

"I won't go to Soma anymore," a friend of mine told me on the phone. "Not after getting my nose broken at the Subhumanz show. Tight security, my ass."

— Michael Hemmingson

"It's hard to find a bar with a good jukebox," said Melissa "Melfie" Turner, a Thursday night regular at Pal Joey's.

The jukebox at the Waring Road waterhole, she acknowledged, was decent "but should probably rotate its selection — the same Dido, Springsteen, and Led Zeppelin songs have been



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O'CONNELL'S JUKE HAS JIMI WITH DISTORTION

there for years."

I started asking around, trying to reach some consensus.

OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: BRICK BY BRICK

JAY ALLEN SANFORD



"The jukebox at NuNu's is the best," an actor acquaintance told me. "They have a lot of old jazz, Tom Waits, and even A.J. Croce — maybe because A.J. used to hang out there a lot."

"Peter D's," a complete stranger offered while I was asking someone else at the bar, "and you'd be surprised, mostly old geezers drink there, but they have a lot of '80s stuff: Depeche Mode, the Smiths, Frankie Goes to Hollywood."

"Definitely the Turf Club," a musician friend (keyboards) voted. "They always got the latest shit like the White Stripes, the Strokes, and Beck."

"The Jewel Box," a downtown buddy said. I went with some friends

to a bar on Morena Boulevard, the Silver Spigot. The jukebox was falling apart (broken plastic, the side panels were torn, and the CDs in it were scratched). When I put a dollar in, the machine ate my buck and didn't give me the four songs I'd picked.

"Not a good one," I mumbled.

We went up the street to O'Connell's. The jukebox there had Marilyn Manson and Jimi Hendrix.

"Nice," I said. When I put my money in, I got the songs, but the speakers could have been better.

A local photographer told me that an excellent jukebox that plays a lot of local bands is at the Liars' Club in Mission Beach. Guess I'll

have to check it out.

— Michael Hemmingson

Mis-Heard Lyrics from Local Bands (from www.kissthisguy.com):

The title lyric to blink-182's "What's My Age Again" was mis-heard as "Where's my Asian friend?"

Iron Butterfly's title lyric from 1968's "In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida" was variously mis-heard as "In a garage in Toledo," "In the garden I peed in," and "I'm the god of Velveta."

Tom Waits, onetime waiter at Napoleon's Pizza in National City, wrote "Innocent When You Dream" with the bittersweet line, "I gave my love a locket, and then I broke her heart." This has been mis-heard as "I

gave my love a lockjaw, and then I broke her arm."

Jewel has several entries, but the best are:

Real lyric from "You Were Meant for Me," "I kinda like it in my brand-new place," was mis-heard as "I found a maggot in my bran-oat flakes."

Finally, the title lyric to "Who Will Save Your Soul?" was mis-heard by one listener as "Who will shave your mole?"

— Jay Allen Sanford

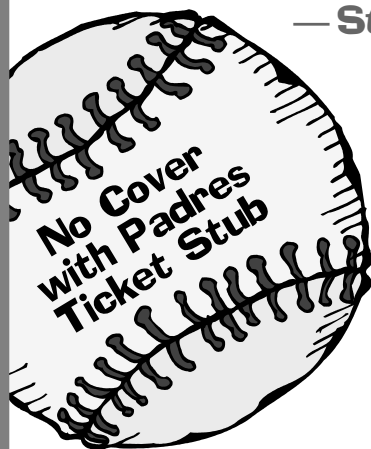
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Keiko Matsui [674]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, April 15,

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.

FRIDAY

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, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

hed(pe), Mower [239], **Droid**, and **Halfton:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday,

April 16, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Solas [827] and **Skelpin:** Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Friday, April 16, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

SATURDAY

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.

SUNDAY

Yes [541]: Cox Arena, Sunday, April 18, 7 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

The Offspring [270], **International Noise Conspiracy**, and the **Start:** Open Air Theatre, Sunday, April 18, 7:30 p.m., 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.

MONDAY

Blondie [431] and **Blow-Up:** 4th & B, Monday, April 19, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

TUESDAY

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.

WEDNESDAY

The Derek Trucks Band [931]: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, April 21, 8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

APRIL

Everlast [567]: 4th & B, Thursday, April 22, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Neal McCoy [777]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, April 22, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

Sophie B. Hawkins [438]: 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, Throw Rag, and **Bumblkatt:** Brick by Brick, Friday, April 23, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-275-5483.

Chayanne: San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, April 24, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Tommy Lee: 4th & B, Saturday, April 24, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 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, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Ronny Cox: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, April 24, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

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] and the **Paybacks:** The Casbah, Sunday, April 25, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Cui Jian: 4th & B, Tuesday, April 27, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Seal [613]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, April 28, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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, 7:30 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Lynyrd Skynyrd [564]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Friday, April 30, 7:30 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Boney James: Pechanga Theater Show Room, Friday, April 30, 8 p.m., Pechanga Resort & Casino, 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula. 888-732-4264 or 619-220-8497.

Stereolab [301] and **Mice Parade:** Belly Up Tavern, Friday, April 30, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Snatam Kaur and **Thomas Barquee:** Seaside Church, Friday, April 30, 7:30 p.m., 1613 Lake Drive, Encinitas. Information, 760-310-0879.

MAY

Black Rebel Motorcycle Club: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, May 1, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission

Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

"31st Annual Adams Avenue Roots Festival" featuring **Jon Adams, Lou & Peter Berryman** [811], **Ray Bierl, Curt Bouterse** [863], **Hank Bradley & the Balkan Cafe Orchestra** [864], **Budapest Brothers, Les Campagnards, Tomcat Courtney** [932], **Paul Geremia, Fred Gerlach** [865], **Kenny Hall, Patty Hall, Larry Hanks, Dick Holdstock, Kahuna Cowboys** [845], **Bob Labeau, Mary McCaslin** [879], **New Smokey Mountain Boys, Mark Spoelstra**, the **Siamsa Gael Ceili Band, John & Mimi Wright**, the **7th Day Buskers** [812], **Robin Henkel** [914], the **Hot Club of San Diego** [993], and more: Saturday, May 1, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, May 2, 10 p.m. to 6 p.m., Adams Avenue (between 34th and 35th Street), Normal Heights. 619-282-7329.

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.

Gwar, Bad Acid Trip, and **Watch Them Die:** 4th & B, Wednesday, May 5, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Los Tigres Del Norte [850]: 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.

"Athenaeum Jazz at the Neurosciences Institute" featuring the **Rene Marie Quartet:** Thursday, May 6, 8 p.m., 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

"The Music of Styx" with **Dennis DeYoung** and the **San Diego Symphony Orchestra:** Copley Symphony Hall, Friday, May 7, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-235-0804 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.

My Morning Jacket and **M Ward:** 4th & B, Friday, May 7, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The "29th Annual Pacific Beach Block Party" featuring **General Public** [175], **Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers** [770], **Common Sense** [736], **Agua Dulce** [711], **Rookie Card** [539], **Agave**, the **Young Dubliners, Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise**, and many more: Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 619-641-5823.

The Pat McGee Band [206] and **Michael Tolcher:** 4th & B, Saturday, May 8, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 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.

Cheryl Bentyne: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, May 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577.

Slipknot, Fear Factory [212], 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.



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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.

Sugar Ray [228]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, May 11, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Ben Kweller and the **French Kicks:** '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 and **Anne McCue** [818]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, May 13, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Davy Jones: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, May 13, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

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.

"Your Show 5" with **Hilary Duff**, **Jessica Simpson**, **Maroon5**, **Black Eyed Peas**, **Fountains of Wayne** [122], **Nick Cannon**, **Evan & Jaron**, **Kimberly Locke**, and **Ryan Durate:** Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, May 14, 5 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Greyboy Allstars [675]: 4th & B, Friday, May 14, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Open Road and **Virtual Strangers:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, May 14, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Pennywise [260]: 4th & B, Saturday, May 15, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Ike Turner & the Kings of Rhythm [949] and **Earl Thomas** [946]: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, May 15, 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

Thalia: The Theatre at the San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, May 15, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Kris Delmhurst: 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.

Sleater-Kinney and **Quasi:** SOMA, Sunday, May 16, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

Peaches and Dance Disaster Movement: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, May 17, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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.

Alejandro Sanz [610]: Cox Arena, Thursday, May 20, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

The Kingston Trio: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, May 20, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

The Blind Boys of Alabama [944] and **Charlie Musselwhite:** Belly Up Tavern, Friday, May 21, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

"Athenaeum Jazz at the Neurosciences Institute" featuring **Frank Wess**, **Ali Ryerson**, **Holly Hofmann**, **Mike Wofford**, **Peter Washington**, and **Ben Riley:** Friday, May 21, 8 p.m., 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

Christina Aguilera [600] and **Chingy:** Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, May 22, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Slightly Stoopid [352], **Pepper**, and the **Ziggens** [165]: 4th & B,

Saturday, May 22, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Creedence Clearwater Revisited: Palomar Starlight Theater, Sunday, May 23, 8 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

Hepcat: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, May 23, 7:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Clinic, **Midnight Movies**, and **Che Arthur:** The Casbah, Sunday, May

23, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Chuck Pyle: Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, May 23, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Jonny Lang [937]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, May 27, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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Dido [215]: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, May 29, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Blake Shelton: 4th & B, Saturday, May 29, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

"Athenaeum Jazz at the Studio" featuring **Mark Turner, Larry Grenadier**, and **Jeff Ballard**: Saturday, May 29, 8 p.m., 4441 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 858-454-5872.

Digital Underground [256]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, May 30, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

JUNE

Pato Banton [732]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, June 4, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Tortoise and **Beans**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, June 5, 7 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Geoff Muldaur: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, June 5, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

"The 12th Annual City Heights International Village Celebration" featuring the **Blazers**, **Javier Batiz**, **Danielle LoPresti** and the **Masses** [452], **Maiz**, **PraCh**, **Jeanette Harris**, **Fuga!**, **Los Alacranes** [568], the **Darvak Persian Music Ensemble**, **Mariachi Chula Vista**, the **Caballero Verde Jazz Quintet**, the **Lost Boys Band**, the **B-3 Four** featuring **Angel Higgs**, **Red Son**, **M.C. Funk**, **Omo Ache**, **Capoeira Brazil**, **An Cairrag**, the **Khmer Cultural Performers**, **Ballet Folklorico**, **Quetzal** [543], **Dunya Dance Theater**, the **Fairmount**

Youth Baptist Choir, Operation Education with **Willie G., Teens-n-Tune**, and more: Saturday, June 5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., University Avenue from Fairmount to Euclid, City Heights. Information, 619-584-1535, x114.

Dashboard Confessional, **Thrice** [491], the **Get Up Kids**, and the **Format**: Cox Arena, Sunday, June 6, 6:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

"Rock 'N' Roll Marathon" featuring **Live**: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, June 6, 6:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Beach Boys [459]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 6, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Shins and **Fiery Furnaces**: SOMA, Sunday, June 6, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

"70s Soul Jam" featuring the **Stylistics**, the **Emotions**, the **Chi-Lites**, **Harold Melvin's Blue Notes**, and **Cuba Gooding, Sr.**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 9, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Kenny Loggins [504]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 11, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252.

Randy Sparks and the **New Christy Minstrels**: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, June 11, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

The Limelighters: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, June 12, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Michael Bolton [440]: Palomar Starlight Theater, Sunday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

If Orange County was a hotbed of 1980s punk bands like T.S.O.L, Black Flag, and Bad Religion, then the **Offspring** represented the best of the lame '90s. By that time the punk revival had fired all of its guns. Then again, all of Southern California punk ought to be in a book. It belongs on coffee tables. To my ears, it was far and away from the real punk movement that began and ended long before the members of the Offspring had even begun to consider music as a career. But nowadays, true hardcore punk and the fans that live that lifestyle make me want to assume the fetal position and hope for the best.

Prior to 1985, the Offspring were Manic Subsidal. Their first record featured a weird hash of power rock and Middle Eastern guitar. They were part of an emerging wave of

kinder, gentler punk that found willing ears — even though Neil Young had written all the good songs decades earlier. Listen to "Cinnamon Girl": power chords, nascent vocals, and no guitar solo...unless you want to call that one note Young plays over and over at the end of the song a solo. The Offspring also expunged most guitar solos from their music and relied instead on broad, open tones and distortion to carry the show.

But by the mid-'90s, the intelligence of the band (all have college degrees; **Dexter Holland** a doctorate in molecular biology) became apparent when they began to write humor into the otherwise bleak punk soup of the day. They hit internationally with "Pretty Fly (For a White Guy)": "He needs some cool tunes, not just any will suffice / But they didn't have Ice Cube so he bought Vanilla Ice." You remember that dude, right? Well, you should. The painfully unhip nerd we all laughed at in "Pretty Fly" was — you



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guessed it — you and me. Last laugh goes to the Offspring.

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Journey [458]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 13, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252.

Kenny Chesney [774], **Rascal Flatts**, and **Uncle Cracker**: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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The Dave Matthews Band [259]:
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Jo Dee Messina [767]: Palomar
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Alfa Ray: Coaster Saloon

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Altaira: The Kensington Club

American Luxury: Coaster Saloon

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As I Lay Dying: Soma

Beehive & the Barracudas: The Casbah

Big Sandy & His Fly-Rite Boys [343]: The Casbah

Black Dahli Murder: Soma

Blue: 'Canes

Bridget Brigitte: Humphrey's

The Briefs: The Casbah

The Buzzkill Romantics: Coaster Saloon

Center of Five: Longshot Saloon

Choooper: Java Joe's

Control Machete: 4th & B

Copyright: Soma

Cue Dorian: Soma

The Darkness: Soma

The Deere Johns: Java Joe's

The Dilated Peoples: 4th & B

Dilex: Blind Melons

The Disciples King E: The Jumping Turtle

D'Kompose: Dream Street

Donkey Loud: The Jumping Turtle

DTB: Epicentre

The Enchanted [220]: Lestat's Coffeehouse

E-Race: Brick By Brick

Every Time I Die: Soma

The Ex-Pornstars: California Club

The Exfriends: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Falling for Alba: Soma

Filth Juggernaut: Brick By Brick

The Flying Putos: Tio Leo's Lounge

Fobia: Soma

FONO: 'Canes

G-Dud: Epicentre

G.D.B.: Blind Melons

The God Awfuls: The Casbah

The Guild: The Jumping Turtle

Hand in a Hurricane: Brick By Brick

Idle Train [112]: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

Indrid Cold: California Club

Just Like Yesterday: 'Canes

Lackluster Hero: Brick By Brick

Larger Than Leon: Blarney Stone Pub

Lodus: Brick By Brick

The Lovelords: Etta's Place

Main Flow: Epicentre

Me-vs-Mixxion: Blind Melons

Mindscape: Brick By Brick

Misled: Soma

Mowery: 'Canes

Mr. and Mrs.: California Club

Off Track: Soma

OK Go: The Casbah

One Track Mind: Brick By Brick

Outrageous Cherry: The Casbah

Gregory Page [186]: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Pensive: Soma

The Phantom Limbs: California Club

Planet Earth: 'Canes

Pointless: The Jumping Turtle

The Real MacKenzie's: The Casbah

Red Light District: Brick By Brick

Residence Lost: The Jumping Turtle

Sandjacket: Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)

Scarlet: Soma

Se7en4: Longshot Saloon

The Shrine: Coaster Saloon

Supa Fly Snuka: Brick By Brick

Sweet Tooth: Coaster Saloon

Sweetness: Brick By Brick

The Swords Project: The Casbah

Tea Leaf Green: Winstons

Thin Will: The Jumping Turtle

Tomorrow's Son: Coaster Saloon

Too Rude: Brick By Brick

Transfer: Coaster Saloon

A Tribute to Ugliness: California Club

Ungoverned State: Blind Melons

Vena Cava [160]: The Kensington Club

Visqueen: The Casbah

The Walking [142]: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Warsaw: Blind Melons

Kanye West: 4th & B

Wet Bar: 'Canes

Wheat: The Casbah

The Wildhearts: Soma

Wrong Fiasco: Blind Melons

The Young Guns: 4th & B

EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

The After Party: The Casbah

Cathryn Beeks [507]: Coaster Saloon

Bent Member: Winstons

Blind Date: Janie's Cocktails

Brain Bucket: Tiki House

BTO: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille

The Mitch Budd Band: Surf N'Saddle

Caustic Felon: The Metaphor Coffeehouse

The Coastal Beats: Blind Melons

Cold Fire: Cheers

Damaru: Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)

Trevor Davis: Java Joe's

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Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last Resort
The Hodads: The Calypso Cafe
Hot Lunch: Java Joe's
Hot Rod Lincoln [547]: Tio Leo's Lounge
The Husbands: The Casbah
The Inside: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
The J Band: 'Canes
The Jackson 3 [495]: Island Sports & Spirits
Junk!: Brick By Brick
Kitty Hip Kiss: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)
Red Lane: Coyote Bar and Grill, Patrick's II
The Late Edition: Dirk's Niteclub
The Little Efert Band: Fannie's
George Lynch: Brick By Brick
Married by Elvis: Surf N'Saddle
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The Shotgun Wedding Quintet: Winstons
Square One: Tiki House
Stett: El Cajon Grand Cocktail Lounge
The Stiffs: Fannie's
The Stiletto: Henry's Pub, McP's Irish Pub and Grill
Straight Six: Dick's Last Resort
The Sultans: The Casbah
The Tall Dudes: El Cajon Grand Cocktail Lounge

EXTENSION 4005

JAZZ / BIG BAND

Sandro Albert & His Quintet: Dizzy's
The Archtones: Croce's Jazz Bar
The B-Side Players [649]: Belly Up Tavern
The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy [650]: Viejas Casino
The Big Band Entertainers: Viejas Casino
Blue Largo [636]: Patrick's II
Blue Velvet: The Caliph
Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado
John Cain [703]: Hotel del Coronado
The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bar
Gilbert Castellanos & the Salsa Party Jam [667]: U.S. Grant Hotel
Cocktail Groove: The Calypso Cafe
The Credit Union: Neimans Bar and Grill
Jo Dark: The German-American Societies
The David Patrone Quartet [647]: Croce's Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

Carol Ames [619]: Humphrey's
B Natural: Bahia Belle Cruise
The Kathi Burg Band: Borders Books and Music (Mission Valley)
Jesse Davis: Buon Giorno Restaurant
Donell: The Caliph

Donnie Finnell & Co. East: Bistro 221
Larry Fogel: Moray's Lounge
Hollis Gentry [644]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, Coyote Bar and Grill
Janet Hammer: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza
The Cynthia Hammond Trio: La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge
Daniel Jackson: Hotel del Coronado
Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del Coronado
The Sam Johnson Jazz Trio: The Wyndham Emerald Plaza
Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado
Jacques Lesure: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille
Barry Levich: La Valencia Hotel
Tony Malaby: Dizzy's
Joe Marillo [645]: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge
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

Jose Molina Serrano: Humphrey's
Mystique: Jimmy Love's
The Orbitz: Carvers
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Sue Palmer [641]: Caffé Calabria
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Sergio Pessoa: Brazil by the Bay
Ben Powell: Tomiko Bar & Grill
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Tom Rainey: Dizzy's
Calvin Romance: U.S. Grant Hotel
Rick Ross: La Valencia Hotel, Moray's Lounge, Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge
Richard Samuels: Mille Fleurs
The San Diego Concert Jazz Band: The Inn Suites
Angelica Sanchez: Dizzy's
Brett Sanders: Borders Books & Music (El Cajon)
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REGGAE / SKA

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Elijah Emanuel: Belly Up Tavern

Ishmael the Peacemaker: Blind
Melons

The Jerry McCann Band: Coyote
Bar and Grill

The Mystic Roots: Blind Melons

NZ Rough: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

Vegetation: Hard Rock Cafe (La
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EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

BR5-49: The Casbah

The California Rangers: McCabe's
Beach Club

Coyote Moon: Renegade Inn

Hill Country: Mulvaney's

Nitro Express [762]: Don's Cocktail
Lounge

The Western Continentals: M3
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ACOUSTIC / FOLK

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Drew Danbury: M3 Espresso Cafe

Jim Earp: Borders Books & Music
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Tim Flannery [828]: Borders Books
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John Foltz: Miracles Cafe

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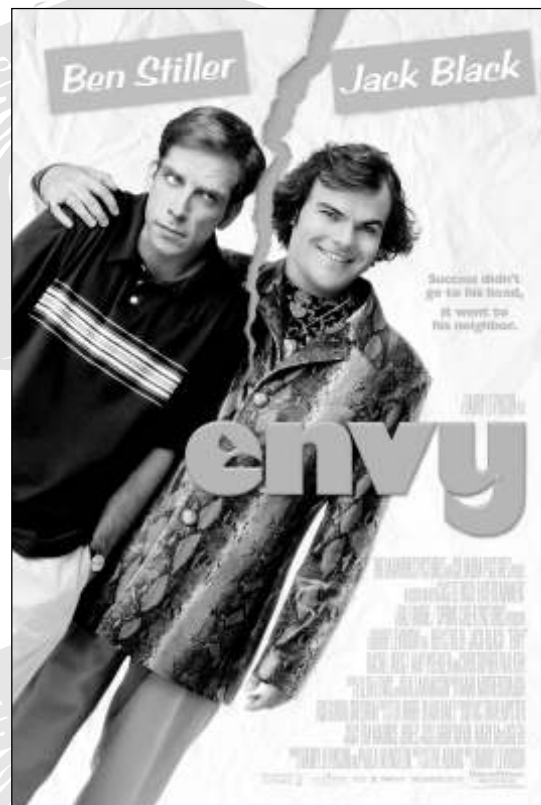
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- Allison Lonsdale: Lestat's Coffeehouse
- Ashley Matte: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
- Travis Metcalf: Dizzy's
- Kat Parsons: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
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NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Karl Marx said history repeats itself the first time as tragedy, the second time as farce. If the Darkness, the British band currently taking over the world with its retreat of late-'70s stadium-rock excess, is the farce, what was the tragedy — Guns 'N' Roses? Too bad that Axl Rose still hasn't figured out that farce goes with hard rock the way peanut butter goes with chocolate. In recent years, the quickest way to hipness has been to put on a faded old Ratt T-shirt and profess a love of old heavy metal. Part of the genius of the Darkness is that singer Justin Hawkins avoids that kind of irony. Rather than parodying pompous stars of the past, he steals from rockers who had a

sense of humor about themselves in the first place. Thus, he offers David Lee Roth's high kicks, Steven Tyler's ridiculous jumpsuits and, most notably, Freddie Mercury's campy, operatic falsetto. There was a time when any hard-rock singer had to sing like that, even Axl. Suddenly, sometime in the second half of the '80s, everyone stopped. Instead, hard rockers started grunting, rapping, roughing up their voices or even, in the case of death metal, affecting ludicrously low, Cookie Monsterish baritones. Even Andrew W.K., who signaled the return of party-time hard rock two years ago, avoided the falsetto. It's surprisingly fun to hear it again in the Darkness. There are few things sillier than a long-haired man wearing a leotard and trying to woo the ladies while singing



DARKNESS

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- The Bayou Brothers [948]: Patrick's II

- Blue Heat: The Kraken
- Coupe de Ville: Pal Joey's
- Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters [932]: Shooters Bar and Grill, O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, Chateau Orleans
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Kjell Holmes [994]: Edelweiss Restaurant
Gordon Kohl [983]: Edelweiss Restaurant
Los Reyes del Ritmo: Mr. Joey's Cantina
Fran Loskota: The Westgate Hotel
Dean Paul Ratzman: La Scala
Kristi Rickert [998]: Top of the Cove
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DJ EVENTS

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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.

Bossaexotica: Saturday, April 17, electronic music with a fusion of Brazilian sounds. Inside: DJ Cold Rob, tribal, techno, deep house. Outside: DJ Vick, bossa nova, electronic samba. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown. 619-296-6789.

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, 877-695-5827 (toll free).

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 Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-471-2150.

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. No cover. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500. Information, 877-695-5827 (toll free).

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. 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.

Groove Society: Third Friday of the month, DJs Jon Bishop, Jef Phillips, and guests. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.



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Album Name: *Nuevo Paraíso* (2003)

Artist: Calima

Label: self-released

Songs: 1) Calypso Coronado 2) El Tabaquero 3) Gates of Osiris 4) Isis 5) Eclipse 6) Ritmo Embrujado 7) Meet Me Halfway 8) Nuevo Paraíso 9) Vuelva a Dos Aguas

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Band Members: Jimmy Patton (Spanish guitar, synth-guitar, bass, percussion), Alejandro Guillen (Spanish guitar), Louisa Patton (flute)

Extra Info: The trio performs music from around the world, including South America, the Middle East, and Spain, with styles ranging from flamenco rumba to Brazilian bossa nova, and traditional Greek to Persian.

The most memorable tracks are marked by the trio's signature pop-oriented Flamenco style. The nimble Spanish guitar interspersed throughout "El Tabaquero" is enough to rival those

found in the Gipsy Kings' hit "Bamboleo." Three-piece world-music group Calima shines with a very upbeat instrumental set on their debut album.

The disc is strong, with styles ranging from Brazilian

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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 Stiffy 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.

bossa nova to traditional Greek melodies that are saturated with heavy Latin influences along with a Middle Eastern inscrutability. Guitar duo Alejandro Guillen and Jimmy Patton bolster each melody with fervent strumming as flautist Louisa Patton provides rakish solidarity with her brisk, euphoric sounds.

Zesty guitar arrangements paired with enchanting flute drifts make Calima's sound one that lingers in the brain. It is flashy yet subtle. Lively yet serene. The tracks are short, around four minutes each. Standouts include "Meet Me Halfway" and "Gates of Osiris." Even the slower, Spanish guitar-driven ballads like "Ritmo Embrujado" have a way of enticing the listener.

The group has range, once the deeper acoustic meanderings are perceived underneath the dominant uptempo jubilation. The aggressive nature



Calima

of their sound is possibly their main draw and should remain a part of their sound. It might take a few listens to hook the uninitiated, but the trio has more to offer than the superficial accessibility that often catches listeners instantly and insincerely.

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Unleashed/Unlabeled: Second Saturday of the month, DJ Joy spins alternative '80s inside; DJ Josh spins trance, lounge, and electronic outside. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown. 619-296-6789.

Verb: Sundays, house, breaks, and hip-hop. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844.

Vice/Versa: Second and fourth Friday of the month, DJs Barry Weaver and Dr. Indulgent play electro-disco, acid house, and no wave. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Recognize, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights. 619-521-4747.

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The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the Love Rangers, Top 40/pop.

Axis Martini Bar & Restaurant, 2010 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-5036. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., the Dave Warren Group, jazz/acoustic rock.

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Bistro 221, 221 Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-7398. Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Donnie Finnell & Co. East*, jazz.

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Joseph Angelastro*, solo guitar.

The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, *Cocktail Groove*. Friday, *Earl Thomas*, blues. Saturday, *Jeff Moore and Dean Smith*, blues. Sunday, *Torpedo Betty*, blues/jazz. Monday, *the Flounders*. Tuesday, *Jack Tempchin*, folk rock. Wednesday, *the Hodads*, rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Rhythm Method*, classic rock. Friday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *the Restless Natives*, rock/reggae. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., *Billy Watson*, blues. 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *the Jerry McCann Band*, reggae. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *Red Lane*, rock/blues. 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Hollis Gentry*, jazz. Wednesday, call club for information.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday,

Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors, blues. Friday, *Blue Heat*, blues. Saturday, *Salt Lickers*, rock.

La Costa Tournament of Champions Lounge, La Costa Resort and Spa, Costa Del Mar Road, Carlsbad. 760-438-9111. Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Cynthia Hammond Trio*, jazz.

The Metaphor Coffeehouse, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, Dixieland jazz. Friday, *the Quimbys*, rock. Saturday, *Caustic Felon*, rock.

Mille Fleurs, 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-3085. Music hours are 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Randy Beecher*, contemporary. Wednesday, *Richard Samuels*, jazz.

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *John Foltz*, acoustic folk/rock.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Thursday, *the Mitch Budd Band*, rock. Friday, *the Free Range Chickens*, rock.

Saturday, *Married by Elvis*, rock. Wednesday, 9 p.m., open mike.

Tomiko Bar & Grill, 87 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-633-3587. Saturday, 8 pm to 10 pm, *Ben Powell*, blues, jazz.

BEACHES

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Dialex*. Friday, *20 Year Fix*, *Warsaw*, and *G.D.B.*, alternative. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Center 5*, rock. 9:30 p.m., *Pink Floyd*, Pink Floyd tribute band. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Ishmael & the Peacemakers*, reggae. 9 p.m., *Coastal Beats*, rock. Monday, open mike. Tuesday, *Crucial* and *Mystic Roots*, reggae. Wednesday,

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Friday • 6/18Creedence Clearwater Revisited (rock & roll)
Saturday • 6/19Reggae Day: Eek-a-Mouse, Beres Hammond,
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Sunday • 6/20El Coyote y su Banda Tierra Santa (Latin)
Monday • 6/21CLOSED

Wednesday • 6/23 ..Maroon5 (rock)
Thursday • 6/24Ozomatli (various)
Friday • 6/25MXPX (alternative rock)
Sunday • 6/27Los Tucanes de Tijuana (Latin)
Monday • 6/28CLOSED
Tuesday • 6/29Travis Tritt (country - paid show)
Friday • 7/2Clint Black (country- paid show)
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'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Wet Bar*. Friday, *(hed) Planet Earth* and *Mower*. Saturday, call club for information. Wednesday, *Blue, FONO, Just Like Yesterday*, and *The J Band*.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, 9 p.m., *Pacific Brass & Electric*, pop. Friday, 9 p.m., *Rockola*, classic rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Masterpiece*, funk/jazz.

Chateau Orleans, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Coaster Saloon, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4437. Thursday, open mike featuring *Cathryn Beeks*. Friday, *Tomorrow's Son*, *American Luxury*, the *Buzzkill Romantics*, and *the Shrine*, alternative. Saturday, *Transfer*, *Sweet Tooth*, and *Alfa Ray*, alternative. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., *145th Street*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Saturday, *Tha', D'Compose*, and *the Graveyard*, alternative.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Friday, *Damaru* and *Remedy Motel*, rock. Saturday, *Qwiksand*, rock, and *Vegetation*, reggae.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *Kitty Hip Kiss*, rock. Saturday, *NZ Rough*, reggae.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Barry Levich*, jazz. Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Rich Ross*, jazz. Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., flamenco guitar.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Wednesday, *Tubby*, rock.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Rick Ross*, jazz, piano, saxophone, and vocals.

Friday through Wednesday, *Larry Fogel*, singer pianist.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Music hours are 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday, *Phil Lean*, guitar. Friday, *Tomcat Courtney & His Blues Dusters*, blues. Saturday and Wednesday, *Doug Stevens*. Tuesday, *Nathan Weldon*, guitar.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *Brain Bucket*, rock. Friday, *Todd Stedman & the Fat Tones*, blues/rock. Saturday, *Square One*, rock. Sunday, Chris Kelly's Open-Acoustic Night. Wednesday, *Mississippi Mud*, blues.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *The Shotgun Wedding Quintet*, rock. Friday, *Tea Leaf Green*, alternative. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Bent Member*, rock. 9:30 p.m., *Plump*, reggae/funk, and *Twenty Miles South*, rock. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Theo & the Zydeco Blues Patrol*, blues. Monday, *Electric Waste Band*, classic rock. Tuesday, *Nucleus*, rock. Wednesday, *The Addison Groove Project*, alternative.

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Albie's Beef Inn, 1201 Hotel Circle South, San Diego. 619-291-1103. Friday and Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m., *David Timothy Smith*.

The Bahia Belle Cruise, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 p.m. Friday, *B Natural*, pop. Saturday, *the Nude Blues*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Joe Byrnes*, Irish folk. Sunday, open mike. Monday, *Jenn Grinels*, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *Larger Than Leon*, alternative.

Borders Books and Music, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 p.m., *the Kathi Burg Band*, contemporary.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Live music nightly. Thursday, *Red Light District*. Friday, *Supa Fly*, *Sluka*, *Too Rude*, *One Track Mind*, and *Lackluster Hero*. Saturday, *Lodus*, *Filth Juggernaut*, *E-Race*, and *Mindscape*. Sunday, *George Lynch*, *R.D.G.*, *Junk*, and *Zone 4*. Wednesday, *Hand in a Hurricane*, *Buddahead*, and *Random Logic*.



MUSIC > rock, blues, acoustic, Top 40

SPECIAL NIGHTS > live music on Friday and Saturday nights only (8:00 p.m.–midnight)

CLIENTELE > 100% Caucasian (my friend said, “If you see a minority here, he’s probably working in the kitchen”); 50% female, mostly couples, but there were two large groups of ten people

COVER > none

HOURS > 11:30 a.m.–1:30 a.m.

(restaurant closes at 10:00 p.m.)

DRINKS > at happy hour: wells \$2.95, beers \$2.25, and house wines \$3.25; Wild Turkey \$4.75, Jack Daniel's \$5.25, margarita \$5.25, Chivas Regal \$6.25; they have five different martinis plus a Chocolatini; Italian hot chocolate and “Hot Chocolate Paradise,” which has

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FOOD > this is a steak house with good food, but the average price is \$25, appetizers around \$7.50; if you eat in the lounge instead of the restaurant, items are cheaper (burgers and sandwiches around \$7); kitchen closes at 10:00 p.m. on weekends (9:00 p.m. on weekdays)

ACCESS > a mile east of I-15 off of Bernardo Center Drive (Vons mall); it's hard to see behind Starbucks; large parking lot

DRESS > dressy casual; the only T-shirt I saw was a “Team Mobile West,” everyone else had polo shirts or dress shirts, and there were a few suits; a few guys in jeans, but most in slacks

DANCE FLOOR > lounge is all hardwood floor; there's a 30' by 30' area in front of the stage for dancing

FIRE EXITS > four – two from the lounge, one near the stage, plus the main entrance

BATHROOMS > men's had two urinals and one stall, plus an Ansel Adams waterfall picture; women's had two stalls and two sinks; both had mirrors, liquid soap, paper towels, a plant on the sink, dark tiles with no graffiti, and were very clean

CAPACITY > 85 in lounge

SPECIAL AREAS > you can eat in the restaurant and not be drowned out by the music

FURNISHINGS > the lounge had four booths, ten tables with four chairs, four TVs, ceiling fans, one pay phone, two bookshelves, and black-and-white photographs of musicians (Miles Davis, Paul Simon, Stevie Wonder, Jimi Hendrix, and many others)

DECIBEL LEVEL > 118 during Orbitz cover of “Satisfaction”; 103

last week at Café Europa

WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN

PAST MONTH > the Jackson 3

QUOTABLE > “The band is good, but those shirts they're wearing with the flames...did they just finish their bowling league?”

I remember seeing a Carvers in L.A. once, and I asked the manager here if it was a chain. He said, “It used to be, until they filed Chapter 11. Our owner bought this one though.”

My date and I were having dinner before checking out the band in the lounge. When we heard them playing “Margaritaville,” it wasn't looking hopeful. But after dinner we were surprised how great the band sounded. They went from playing “Twist and Shout” into a nice segue of the Isley Brothers song “Shout.” They did some old surf and rock tunes and a killer version of “California Sun.”

—Josh Board

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. Music is alternative. Friday, the *Exp-pornstars* and *Indrid Cold*. Saturday, *the Phantom Limbs*, *Anti-Quark*, *Mr. and Mrs.*, and *Tribute of Ugliness*.

Coffeehouse on Broadway, 2991 Broadway, San Diego. 619-557-0156. Friday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Tony Taravella*, jazz.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Friday, *G-Dud*, *Main Flow*, *the Alley Catz*, and *DTB*, alternative rock.

Etta's Place, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Wednesday, *the Lovelords*, alternative/'60s rock band.

Henry's Pub, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Thursday, *a Flock of '80s*, pop rock. Tuesday, *the Stiletto*s, rockabilly.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Carol Ames*, original rock. Friday, 7 p.m., *Solas* and *Skelpin*, Irish folk. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Theresa Thomas & Vibe*, jazz. 9:30 p.m., *Viva Santana*, Latin rock. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., *Jose Molina Serrano*, 8 p.m., *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Monday, 6:30 p.m., *Bridget Brigitte*, alternative. Tuesday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Skelpin*, Irish folk. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *the Soul Persuaders*.

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, *the Deere Johns*, alternative. Friday, *the Rock Trio*. Saturday, *Hot Lunch* and *Trevor Davis*, rock. Sunday, Miff's Jam Night. Tuesday, open mike. Wednesday, *Saba* and *Choooper*, alternative.

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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*.

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *Idle Train*, rock. Saturday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*.

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, *Nite Life*, blues/swing. Saturday, *Coupe de Ville*, blues.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, the *Rockholics*, classic rock.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Thursday, 7:30 p.m., *As I Lay Dying*, *Every Time I Die*, *Black Dahli Murder*, and *Scarlet*. Friday, *Darkness and Wildhearts*. Saturday, *Falling for Alba*, *Pensive*, *Copyright*, *Misled*, *Cue Dorian*, and *Off Track*. Wednesday, 730 p.m., *Fobia*, and guests.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *The Farrell Brothers* and *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, *Pop Rocks*. Saturday, *The Flying Putos*, alternative. Monday, swing. Tuesday, zydeco.

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Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Fiona Wong*, *Mick Overman*, AM, and *Shane Alexander*. Friday, 7:30 p.m., *Hugh Gaskins*, blues, with *Holiday & the Adventure Pop Collective*, *Ashley Matte*, and *Crhis Carpenter*. Saturday, 7:30 p.m., *Kat Parsons*, the *Coyote Problem*, the *Inside*, *Sara Bancroft*, and *Rebeca Randle*. Sunday, 4 p.m., the *Celtic Ensemble*, Irish folk.

Antonio's Showcase Club, 1041 Seventh Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-7824. Tuesday, 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., *Haile Maskel*, *Wadi Gad*, *Jah Bandis*, and more, reggae.

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Friday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

Borders Books & Music (Gaslamp), 668 Sixth Avenue, San Diego. 619-702-4200. Friday, 9 p.m., *Jim Earp*, Celtic/folk. Saturday, noon, *Tim Flannery*, folk.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Beehive & the Barracudas*, *The Sultans*, *The Husbands*, and *Dan Sartain*. Friday, *Dwarves*, *The God Awfuls*, and *Swindle*. Saturday, *Louis XIV*, *Electralene*, and *The Soft-Lighes*. Sunday, *OK Go*, *La Guardia* and *Wheat*. Monday, *Real MacKenzie's*, *The Briefs*, and *Visqueen*. Tuesday, *BR5-49*, country, and *Big Sandy & His Fly-Rite Boys*. Wednesday, *Outrageous Cherry*, *Britt Daniel of Spoon*, *Manta Ray*, and *Swords Project*.

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

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Patrick's II, 428 F Street, downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Billy Seward*. Friday, *The Swingin' Kings*. Saturday, *Aunt Kizzy's Boyz*. Sunday, *Blue Largo*. Monday, *Red Lane*, rock. Tuesday, *Bayou Brothers*. Wednesday, *Bill Magee Blues*.

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As I was bidding my farewells-for-now to the colorful East County, I found myself facing a pork cutlet the approximate size and shape of New Jersey. I held my breath. I closed my eyes. I took a bite. I chewed with increasing gusto. It was a moment of relief — yes, by golly, I *do* like German food, after all.

The difference between Old Country and the average West Coast German restaurant is that most of the latter are *bierstubes*, large taverns where beer flows freely and the fare is designed to go with it. At Old Country, the food comes first. It's comforting and homey — unfashionably heavy, *ja*, but also offering big flavors.

Old Country is deli by day, German restaurant by night, and *gemütlich* at any hour. At the inner edge of La Mesa, it's set in a strip mall two blocks east of Rolando's new Joan Kroc Center. Step inside, and the storefront turns into a cottage. Behind the counter are aisles stocked with canned, dried, bottled, and baked Mittel-European foodstuffs. The dining area sports kitschy German craft objects, wooden chairs, and dark wooden tables with glass tops. A thin cloth curtain separates the dining room from the kitchen, where you can glimpse owner and cook Lucie Zachav at the stove. The waitresses are both clad in traditional low-cut, high-waisted dirndl costumes.

Some nights, you'll hear German spoken, mainly by older diners. German families settled in La Mesa about 40 years ago, and the largest group of patrons here is drawn from their American-born offspring, still living in the neighborhood and nostalgic for food they were served when they were young.

The house bread is a German rye, and the appetizer list is short but salient. Sausage Salad is a bowl of lettuce strips, topped with chopped wurst (sausage), boiled eggs, and potato chunks, bound together in a creamy, mayo-based dressing. It sounds heavy but is surprisingly easy to handle, resembling the substantial salads of Russian cuisine. Potato Pancakes are thin and crisp, featuring flavorful spuds with shreds of scallion. They come with chilled commercial applesauce, the sole ready-made ingredient that the kitchen serves unaltered.

A taster plate of mixed sausages with sauerkraut lets you sample a trio of house wurst. The plate varies slightly night by night, both in the specific array of sausages and in the quality of the kraut. The latter starts off as a bland jarred product from a German food packager in Los Angeles. "A lot of people here



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serve sauerkraut straight out of the jar. But there's a lot to go into it before it's edible," Lucie later told me. "You need to put everything into it — the caraway seed, lots of onion, the raw potato to make it creamier, not so brown-looking, and then some smoked meat and a little white wine." One evening, a line cook amended the kraut so timidly that the cabbage was left flat, but another night the mixture was sharp and redolent of bacon.

All entrées come with soup or salad, and both are delightful. The salad combines cucumbers, red onion, and a thinned sour-cream dressing. The soup is cream of potato, dotted with smoked meat (it can be sausage, prosciutto, or salami). The liquid mingles puréed potato and onion with some sliced spuds and carrots to give it a little texture.

That huge, succulent pork cutlet mentioned earlier is called a *Jäger schnitzel*, or hunter-style cutlet. It's pounded to a tender sprawl, breaded, and pan-fried, topped with a simple mushroom cream gravy. "This tastes exactly like my German-Polish

grandma's cooking back on the farm in Minnesota," said my sweetie.

The same gravy decorates a slab of equally satisfying meat loaf. The lean, coarse-ground beef is mixed with onions, parsley, and a touch of milk-soaked bread. It emerges from the oven crispy-brown at the edges, charred but not bitter. Now it was my turn for nostalgia. "This is just like my mom's," I said rather mistily, "even though she was Russian, not German. I didn't realize 'til this minute that I missed it."

The most sophisticated dish here is the *rouladen*, which has a wry, complicated Marlene Dietrich air about it. Thin slices of beef are rolled around chopped white onion, bacon, and pickle, which permeates the meat with a weedy hint of dill. The accompanying parsleyed beef gravy has the unsullied flavor of real beef broth, cooked down a little and thickened with a roux.

The largest and most exotic entrée is surely the one called *schwein hax'n*, which is most frequently available on the weekend and is listed on

REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

Old Country Restaurant and Delicatessen

★★★ (very good)

7097 University Avenue (at 71st Street), La Mesa; 619-460-7942.

HOURS: Wednesday–Saturday, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.; 4:00–8:30 p.m.; Sunday brunch, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

PRICES: Appetizers, \$4–\$8; entrées (with soup or salad), \$10–\$19; desserts about \$4.50. Sunday brunch buffet, \$12.

CUISINE & BEVERAGES: Homestyle German cooking. German and American beers; several German wines (white and sweet or sweeter) at \$15/bottle, generic California restaurant wines in carafe.

NEED TO KNOW: Parking in front and in lot behind restaurant. No reservations; crowded for weekend dinners, so arrive early. Sunday brunch buffet includes most menu items plus dessert almond pancakes, free champagne.

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the menu as "market price" (about \$19). It consists of a huge knob of pork hock, cooked to smoky, fall-apart tenderness on its knobby bone. What keeps the flesh moist is a coating of smoky fat. This dish is indubitably unhealthy, and it tastes wonderful. Given the size of the portion, you'll probably be boxing a lot up into a useful doggie bag. (You can cut the leftovers, fat and all, into small pieces, wrap and freeze them to flavor your future beans or greens; dedicate the bone to your split-pea soup or red beans and rice.)

The one entrée I didn't care for was the Hungarian goulash. Instead of chunky meat and veggies in a soupy sauce, this version has shredded meat in

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a thick sauce weighted with visible paprika. It reminded me more of a Mexican *ropa vieja* than of the goulashes I sampled in my youth at Manhattan's Hungarian restaurants.

If sausage is the primary reason you enjoy German food, you'll encounter a fabulous variety here, made by German butchers in Southern California. They include hard-to-find fresh (uncured) white sausages like Nürnberger veal bratwurst and *weisswurst*. Lucie hides the meat case behind a sheet of brown paper after lunch so as not to visually distract patrons from their dinners — but the goodies — including cheeses, lunch meats, and all those wursts — are still there. Just ask. You can buy

them for lunch, for dinner, or to take home. There are at least a half dozen varieties on the dinner menu, in numerous combinations, including a *Bauernplatte* (farmer's plate) of a knackwurst and a bratwurst covered by a large pork chop cooked more than well-done.

All entrées come with side dishes. You get one vegetable — sauerkraut or soft, slightly sweet red cabbage amended with apples — and a starch. The *spaetzle* (fresh noodles) here are made from scratch and are soft, doughy, and a little larger than usual (like elbow macaroni). "They're dressed with butter, not grease," noticed my boyfriend. "My grandma ran a dairy farm, but she sold all her butter and used bacon grease instead."

Other starch choices include mashed potatoes (prepared with some butter) and sliced home-fried potatoes with onions. Some

nights there are flour dumplings and other nights potato dumplings. (I think you have to be German to appreciate the dumplings in either guise. To the uninitiated, they look and taste like soft tennis balls.) At lunchtime, potato salad is another option.

The only dessert made in-house is apple strudel, a simplified, farmhouse version with a thick pastry crust surrounding tart apple chunks, sweetened with raisins but minimal sugar, and topped with a great swash of whipped cream. Like everything else here, it does not taste as if it came from a professional sweetshop in old Vienna or old Berlin. It tastes like somebody's grandma made it.

ABOUT THE CHEF

Old Country Delicatessen and Restaurant has been in business for five years and cooking dinners for three. It was a delicatessen when Lucie Zachav

took it over and turned it into a restaurant serving the foods of her heritage.

"I'm from Germany, of course," she says, with faintly accented diction. "I was born and raised there. I was 14 years old when I came on the *Queen Mary* in 1966. It was her second-to-the-last trip. I was a teenager, and I blushed when those little sailor boys walked by. I grew up close to Alsace-Lorraine, right across the French border — you could walk across. That's where the best food and the best wines are, along the Mosel River."

She grew up with cooking in her blood. "We have cooks in the family," she says. "My father was a cook during the World War." (He's 94 now.) "I guess it's in the genes, *ja*. I've always loved to cook, and as far as I can remember, I've always wanted a restaurant. When I was lots younger, I worked as a

waitress, but I never cooked professionally before this. I had a bridal shop for a while, then I got married and was a *hausfrau* for a while, but I got tired of that. And then I had the idea for [this] restaurant.

"I had my eye on this place because it is ethnic; it is my heritage. It was only a deli before, never a restaurant. I saw the opportunity. I said, 'This is a good thing; there's no competition here,' so I had the walls knocked out. And it *has* been good; it's growing steadily. I started with a two-burner, my girlfriend and I, just making soups. Then we started doing fried potatoes and sausage. Little by little — when I got my beer and wine license three years ago, that's when I started staying open for dinner. I have no family helping me. My staff is just me and my helper. I finally found a good one; she's a jewel.

"Everything here is all homemade. Everything's from scratch. The only canned stuff is the applesauce for the potato pancakes. We peel and grate our potatoes every day. Our mashed potatoes are real. Everything is real. Nothing is frozen, except for the salmon — and that's not German. I make all the gravies from scratch, too. My 'base' is my bacon and my onions and my cream. We make the spaetzle with eggs and salt and flour and milk. It's the easiest thing we make. We can't use the packaged stuff; it's no good. I love my spaetzle; they're nice and fattening.

"This isn't the best place in San Diego to have a restaurant because the location is so hidden, but that's okay because I pay low rent, and there's no other German restaurant anywhere nearby. This is the right area for me now. ■

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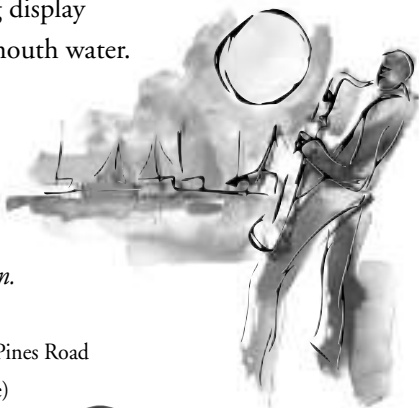
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Hank's at a rear table, singing not so softly to himself.

'Course, that's why we're meeting here. Sucked in by the beers. I mean, \$1.49 for a Bud? Sixteen ounces?

It's five o'clock somewhere, but it's two o'clock here. I'm late. Hank's working on a Newcastle Brown (that's \$2.49 for 16 ounces). Looks as if he's been here since four o'clock somewhere.

"So where the heck ya been?"

he says loudly. Luckily, loudly doesn't count for much against the music, sports TV, frat guys, and a counter guy yelling, "Dan? Phizzle Chizzle? Dan?" It's low-ceilinged, basically dark. Black exposed beams. Ducts flying around, beaucoup ceiling fans putting up a lazy fight against the heat, circle-ground stainless-steel tabletops with black-and-silver chairs, nice old faded brick wall in back, and frat T-shirts like Kappa Sigma making art on other walls.

Hank's easy to spot. A big blue skylight throws light down on him, as if he was the Chosen One.

"So?" he says.

"Fell asleep on the trolley," I say. "Snoozed through Euclid, Encanto, got off at Massachusetts. Had to catch the 916, transfer to the 936...took time, bro. I'm pooped. And you're stoked, right?"

"Hey, dude. Two-forty-nine, feeling fine. Just had a glass, waiting for your sorry ass."

Oh, no. He's at stage two. Poetic. He throws

out a Lincoln, flips me a menu. "Uh, you get it. I'll pay. But hold the beer. Room's startin' to sway."

So many sandwiches. "We're reinventing the sando!" the menu says. "Subs, salads and stuff." What the heck? Everyone's eating something. I'll just ask them.

"Chicken and chorizo, man," says a Kappa Sigma guy named Ben. I see he's talking about the Montezuma, a toasted sub with "grilled chicken cutlets," chorizo, Monterey Jack, lettuce, tomatoes, red onions, and sweet

peppers, and a "kick-butt Southwestern dressing," \$4.75 for regular, \$5.95 for the "bring an appetite" size.

Guy next to him, Ryan, is into the roast beef (\$4.19/\$5.25). At the next table, Sev chomps into a Pasta Salad Melange — pasta primavera and pasta pesto on a bed of lettuce, \$3.95. Turns out Sev's a poet too, only he's got a degree in it, teaches creative writing. "I'm a vegetarian. I have this every time."

"No! Go for the Grilled Rivas," says this buckaroo with a face like Brando meets Willis. "Number 19. I have it every day." Adam. Studies film aesthetics and TV video production. "Okay, maybe only five times a week."

"Rivas was this Colombian guy who worked for us," says Justin, the guy behind the counter. Runs the place with his parents. "Grilled turkey, Monterey Jack, grilled onions, grilled peppers, ranch dressing, lettuce, tomato, on a toasted sub, \$4.75/\$5.95. Popular."

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Adam's calculating. "So let's see, been coming five times a week for two years, that's — jeez! — I've downed more than 500 Rivases."

I check the "Generic Fare" section. Sandwiches like turkey ("All turkey is roasted, ours is roasted here"), roast beef ("roasted here"), and chicken salad with chives — all \$4.19 for regular, \$5.25 for "appetite." Best deal's vegetarian heaven (with avocado, mozzarella cheese, and a pesto dressing) for \$3.75 or \$4.75.

Then there are interesting "Gourmet Sandos" like the Aztec, a combo with ham, genoa salami, spicy *cappicola*, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, hot peppers, and marinated onions "all drenched in a seasoned oil and vinegar dressing, \$4.50/\$5.75."

"And check number 28," Justin says. "That's the all-time favorite."

It's the Godfather, "a sandwich you can't refuse." Heated turkey breast, roasted red peppers, melted provolone, "zesty pesto," mayonnaise, lettuce, and tomato, all on a toasted sub.

I like the toasted idea. Andrew, tall guy who's majoring in biz admin, says the pesto is what makes the Godfather so unrefusable. Then Josh starts talking about the Bronx Bomber, and someone else says ya gotta have number 22, that Phizzle Chizzle. Turkey, beef, onions, swiss, lettuce, tomato, honey mustard, \$4.75/\$5.95.

My head's spinning. Justin's dad Steve stands waiting at the counter. I spot a special on a blackboard. Something about Buffalo Bleu — "grilled roast beef, bacon, lettuce, tomato, red onions,"

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Good enough. "I'll have that. Large," I say. "And your friend?"

"D'agh, 13," I say. Heh-heh. It's the La Jolla. "Elite, effete...with Black Forest ham, melted imported Brie and our very own 'Eurotrash' dressing." Also \$4.75/\$5.95. Melted Brie sounds interesting. Plus, oh, man. "With two or more sandwiches," you can get a 60-ounce pitcher of beer for \$3.95. 'Cept, Hank ain't sinking any more. I ask about coffee. No coffee! Wow. So I just get a 16-ounce Bud for me and water for Hank.

We split the two sandwiches. Buffalo's basically beef, bacon, bleu, baguette. Beautiful. Tabasco gives it bite. Hank's La Jolla looks blander. It's a sandwich, not a sub, but — maybe it's that Eurotrash dressing, the touch of Brie — it does taste classy.

"We had a full-scale deli in New York," says Justin. "But then I came here. I told them, 'Mom, Dad, San Diego State, 30,000 students! Sunshine year-round! You can't go wrong.'"

Justin says his mom, Mae Cha (she's Korean-American), is the dynamo behind the operation. "She's here at 9:00 a.m., seven days. But it's a family affair. A mom-and-pop."

Huh. This must be the only mom-and-pop where somebody's mom and pop actually run the joint.

I'm definitely returning. Kick back, chow down, watch a game, guzzle that \$3.95 pitcher of beer. Except, next time it'll be five o'clock. Here. ■

The Place: 4.0 Deli, Aztec Shopping Center, 5844 Montezuma Road, College Area (619-281-4040)

Type of Food: American deli

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Homeland Habits

"We were dealing with these Europeans who would grind you for ten cents when wine was three or four bucks a gallon."

Turn-of-the-20th-century Los Angeles County was wine country. Some 38 wineries drew from nearly 7000 acres of vines and produced over 2.5 million gallons of table and fortified wine. But the big deal in town, says San Antonio Winery's Steve Riboli, was the railroad. "The new railroad system of Los Angeles began construction in 1906. The railroad called for immigrants from farm towns in Western Europe because these guys were big men who worked hard. They were donkeys; they worked from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., and they would exist on bread and cheese and red wine."

When they came, they brought their homeland habits. "This was Little Italy," says Steve, gesturing at the surrounding industrial development. "There was a cheesemaker right up the road. There was a pasta shop and a butcher across the street who made salamis." Steve Riboli's great-uncle Santo Cambianica heard the railroad's call and arrived in California in 1914 from his home in Bergamo, Italy. Once he arrived, he didn't look at the Los Angeles landscape — dotted with vineyards though it was — and decide that it was just like Italy's wine country. He looked at his neighborhood and saw a village without enough local wineries. In 1917, he

opened one, naming it San Antonio. One room was outfitted with "little upright redwood tanks — 800 to 1000 gallons. And he had some Slovenian oval barrels that he bought from a little winery that had closed its doors."

"We started off as a producer of jug wines because that's what the customer wanted. Our clientele was Western European — Italian, French, German, Slavic. What they wanted were Rhone-style varietals made into big, soft reds." So that's what San Antonio made. "We drew

from growers as close as Burbank all the way down to Sierra Madre. We made these Mourvedre/Grenache/Carignan field mixes," with a dollop of Zinfandel for good measure.

"The vineyards were dry-farmed and head-pruned, so the tonnages were low," and the vines were able to ripen the grapes they carried. Ripe grapes meant plenty of sugar for the yeast to convert into alcohol. "The wines themselves weren't complicated. When I was a boy, we had open-top redwood fermenters. We would do very simple pump-overs, and we would ferment until the wines were almost dry. Then we'd rack it off the yeast. Chances are the fermentation would stick a little bit and we'd have a tiny bit of residual sugar. That's what gave the wine what we called

the 'big European style' — jammy. That kind of made us who we are."

Santo was Catholic, and it was the church's need for sacramental wine that carried him through Prohibition. "We started off and created relationships with local parishes. There were a lot of guys who bottled altar wine — it wasn't like we were the only one." But where so many wineries failed, San Antonio survived. "Probably the difference was that we were small enough that we didn't need that many customers. A couple dozen parishes — that's it. That lasted a lot of years. We sold Coca-Cola and anything else we could — we were like a mini-mart because we had to stay alive." By the '30s, San Antonio was the wine of the Cathedral of Los Angeles. "That was a big thing." Today, the winery still serves some 1700 churches throughout California.

After Prohibition, Santo brought his nephew Stefano over from Italy and into the business. In 1946, Stefano married Maddalena Satragini, and the winery took its first steps out of the neighborhood. "My mother had tremendous foresight," says Riboli. "We were dealing with these Europeans who would grind you for ten cents when wine was three or four bucks a gallon. Mom said, 'There's got to be a different way to do this.' So she started marketing the wine to the doctors at USC's hospital, having wine-tasting parties. This was in 1956, before the wine thing really hit. In the '60s, we had the first wine shop in Southern California." That shop led to tasting rooms throughout the L.A. region — Redondo Beach, Pasadena, Long Beach, and beyond. And in 1975 Maddalena took over the winery's fermentation room and opened a restaurant.

By then the family's third generation was taking a hand in the winery's operation. "Prior to 1970 our winemaker was a wonderful Italian man



Santo Cambianica

from the university in Turin. He was schooled in Piedmont and he had worked in wineries in Piedmont. He had been with us for about 40 years, and he had this philosophy of big, soft reds, not a lot of wood — let the wine speak for itself." In 1970 Steve's brother Santo began overseeing wine production. In 1975 he hired Michael Weis, now winemaker at Groth Vineyards. "He had just gotten out of UC Davis's wine program and his wife was going to med school here at USC."

"That was the birth of Maddalena as a brand. We decided, 'Let's separate ourselves from the San Antonio franchise. The winery has a good reputation, but it's a house wine reputation.' The youngsters decided to source fruit from young regions — white grapes from Santa Bar-

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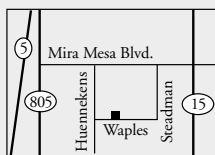
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bara and Santa Maria and reds from Paso Robles, which had already been supplying the winery with Zinfandel and Barbera for a decade. “The new vineyards in Santa Barbara had been planted in ’70 and ’71. A lot of them were speculative plantings, done by the big insurance companies; the Prudentials of the world, the Mutual of Omahas. They came out and bought land for next to nothing and planted 1000-acre blocks. We knew there was fruit available, and Santo called the vineyard managers and bought a couple trucks’ worth.

“We made a decision to go with coastal regions. We feel they’re best areas for whites in the state. We pull Sauvignon Blanc and Muscat Canelli from Paso Robles, and Chardonnay, Riesling, and Pinot Grigio from Monterey. We love the style of Paso Robles red wines, the grapiness that comes out of there.” Paso Robles gives Mad-dalena its Cabernet and Merlot. “The Chardonnay and the Cabernet are the workhorses,” says Riboli, the sturdy servants who helped carry the Ribolis all the way from Los Angeles into the heart of Napa Valley. In the mid-’80s, “a beautiful piece of property came up for sale on the Silverado trail.” By 1986 the family was farming 16 acres of Rutherford Cabernet Sauvi-

gnon. Such prescient moves are part of why Riboli enjoys being part of the family business. “I like talking about my family. We’re not just survivors — we’re very progressive.” ■

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

The Reader’s Guide to Restaurants are recommended listings written by our reviewers (Ed Bedford, Ambrose Martin, Shari McCullough, Max Nash, Eleanor Widmer, Naomi Wise). Each issue contains only a fraction of nearly 500 reviews. A complete searchable list is available online at SanDiegoReader.com. Price estimates are based on the latest information available for a mid-range entrée. Inexpensive: below \$10; moderate: \$10 to \$19; expensive: \$20 to \$24; very expensive: more than \$25. Please call restaurants in advance for reservations.

NORTH COASTAL

Bistro Soleil 641 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-9549. The fare here is French but not too “Frenchy,” in the sunny Provençal style that seems closer to Italy than Paris, with more olive oil than butter, more tomatoes than truffles. Owned by Claude Bar-rare, a surfing fanatic transplanted from the Atlantic beach town of Biarritz, the bistro recreates the laid-back atmosphere of its cousins overseas. Naturally, the Gallic comfort food here is more free-form and California-fied than you’d find in southern France. Highlights of the sea-

sonally changing menu include classic poached *foie gras*, an unconventional but tasty bouillabaise, and, when available, a luscious mushroom cream soup. Save room for the ethereal fruit desserts. Din-ner, Mondays through Saturdays; reserve on summer weekends. Upper moderate. — *N.W. (8/03)*

Bubby’s Gelato 937 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet), but does them exceedingly well. The “gourmet sandwiches” really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediter-ranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled eggplant, gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that’s your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Hägen-Dazs, and feature an ever-changing array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewa-ter and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (10/01)*

D.B. Hackers Seafood Cafe And Grill 101 North Coast Highway 101 (at Encinitas Blvd.), Encinitas, 760-436-3162. Parked next to the train tracks, this cute little café shakes, rattles, and really *rocks*. They’ve been serving su-perb British-style fish and chips here since the mid-1970s. The fish is New Zealand hoke, a cod-like species with fine flavor, carefully fried in an airy, grease-less batter. (Sprinkle on some malt vine-gar and sit back and think of England.) The “chips” are thin oval potato slices, a hybrid of French fries and potato chips. Classic New England clam chowder, fish tacos, seafood quesadillas, salads, pastas, and a handful of seafood platters are also worthy candidates. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (9/01)*

Fidel’s Carlsbad 3003 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-729-0903. It’s not upscale modern Mex — no cumin-

infused, mango-corn salsa on Fidel’s menu — but who gives a flyin’ fajita when you can order just about any tra-ditional SoCal-Mexican dish and know it’s gonna be good? Whether you try the chicken-and-rice soup with fresh cilantro and avocado chunks, fluffy *chile rellenos*, a crab enchilada, *carne asada* with all the trimmings, or a lonely à la carte chicken burrito, you’re going to be a happy camper. Add a reliable margarita or a beer and you’re set at this popular North County mainstay. Open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Inex-pensive. — *S.M. (12/03)*

Firenze 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road (at Manchester), West Village Cen-ter, Encinitas, 760-944-9000. This big, beautiful, gracious restaurant (located in the same mall as Harvest Ranch Market, just north of Rancho Santa Fe) offers both a handsome interior and a roman-tic fire-lit patio. The well-spaced tables are laden with huge portions of accom-plished, multiregional Italian cuisine and reasonably priced Italian and California wines (with bargain wine prices Mon-day nights). Vegetarians will rejoice in the two dozen meatless selections. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, dinner-only on Sundays. High moderate. — *N.W. (11/01)*

Hill Street Coffee House 524 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-966-0985. Organic in Oceanside? Really! Look for the sign: “Organic Restaurant and Espresso Bar” in front of a restored yellow-and-white Victorian house from O’side’s past. All their meats, poultry, fish, and veggies are organic and the menu is full of healthy dishes: tofu/spinach breakfast scramble, frittata *espinaca* (“Greek eggs”), and *pain perdu* (for us peasants that’s French toast) with fresh fruit and syrups. Some vegan items. After 11 a.m., try their Cajun chicken. Open daily, breakfast to dinner. Inex-pensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Johnny Manana’s 308 Mission Ave-nue, Oceanside, 760-721-9999. Local

teachers hang out at this green-, white-, and red-tiled place because it’s such good value. Most dishes are either Mexican or Costa Rican. There’s a Caribbean choco-late, black bean, paprika, curry-in-the-rice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted chicken is delicious. The Big Breakfast Burrito Special (eggs, onions, beans, cheese, and potatoes, wrapped in a large flour tortilla) is *my popular*, but then so is J.M.’s Great All-American Cheeseburger. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

Tomiko 87 Encinitas Boulevard (at Best Western, just west of I-5), Encinitas, 760-633-3587. In a lovely setting over-looking Moonlight Bay you can enjoy Japanese and Pacific Rim fusion cooking and sushi in a serene but lively dining room. When the sushi bar is free from the weekend rush, the quality can be amazing: stunningly fresh *uni*, world-beating silky *toro*. The sushi-master also keeps an eye on the restaurant’s seafood purchases, so they meet exacting stan-dards. Appetizers such as “salmon tower tartare” and “drunken black cod” are re-warding, as are the simple, excellent fu-sion-tinged seafood entrées. Reserve for weekends, especially for sushi bar. Lunch weekdays only, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (3/02)*

Tuscan Sun Italian Deli 1070 North El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-633-4546. A town abounding in Italian restaurants ought to have a great Italian deli, and it does. You’ll find do-mestic and imported deli meats and cheeses, fresh-baked breads and focaccia, marinated veggies, and a wealth of gourmet products from Italy. The spe-cialty is the “Caprese” (tomatoes-plus) sandwich on focaccia bread with a vari-ety of fillings, best served grilled and dressed with pesto. For breakfast, they carry *sfogliatelle*, light, moist, faintly lemony multilayered breakfast pastries. The eat-in/take-out menu includes

pizza, pasta, salads, and a host of sand-wiches. Open daily. — *N.W. (8/03)*

Via Italia Pizzeria Trattoria 565-569 South Pacific Coast Highway 101 (between E and D), Encinitas, 760-479-9757. Also at 4705-A Claire-mont Drive, Clairemont Square, Claire-mont, 858-274-9732. Don’t look for spaghetti and meatballs or Alfredo here — the menu features wonderful, authentic dishes from all over northern Italy (not Naples or Brooklyn). The nightly specials and well-priced Thurs-day night tasting menus are particularly inspired — they’re what Chef Alan Mar-tinelli really feels like cooking. The piz-zas (whole pies only) are a must — thin-crusts and dressed with perfect proportions of sauce, cheese, and lovely, simple toppings. The long, helpful Italian wine list includes bottles at every price range. The downside? At the original branch (in the “Food Court” near the Clairemont mall’s theaters), the room is noisy, service can be abrasive, and reser-vations, while recommended, are not al-ways honored timely. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (6/02)*

NORTH INLAND

Abbey’s Real Texas BBQ 6904 Mi-ramar Road (at Commerce Street, be-hind Denny’s), Miramar, 858-566-5235. Newer, smaller branch at 9353 Claire-mont Mesa Boulevard (at Ruffin Road), Kearny Mesa, 858-279-7427. Texas bar-becue consists of meat, chicken, turkey, and links that are repeatedly mopped with a marinade and cooked in a big cast-iron smoker (rather than grilled over a fire). Here they use mesquite to barbe-cue the poultry quickly and the brisket ve-r-r-ry slowly. In addition to the usual BBQ sides (potato salad, coleslaw, beans, etc.), they offer a Caesar salad. At the Mi-ramar branch the room is large and un-

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adorned but very clean. Wheelchair accessible. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily; continuous service for lunch and early dinner weekdays; normal dinner hours weekends. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

Ashoka The Great 9474 Black Mountain Road (off Miramar Road), Mira Mesa, 858-695-9749. Seek out this splendid Indian restaurant. The setting is lovely, the service excellent, and the food first-rate. Don't overlook the tandoori dishes. Numerous selections are available for vegetarians. An all-you-can-eat lunch buffet is served daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

Hernandez' Hide-Away 19320 Lake Drive (at Rancho and Lake), Lake Hodges, Escondido, 760-746-1444. The popular bargain-priced breakfast/brunch on Saturdays and Sundays offers steak and eggs, *chilaquiles*, sausage, beans, and omelets. At dinner, most tables sport pitchers of margaritas to wash down standard So-Cal gringo-Mex dishes. Reservations urged, especially for weekends (when non-reservers may have to wait over an hour for a table); ask for driving directions when you call. Weekend brunch; lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

La Tapatia 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather

detuned, but there's a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

The Wayside Cafe 507 South Main Avenue, Fallbrook, 760-723-9633. Locals love meeting and eating in this long low-porched building — partly because it all just feels small-town America. The place used to be Mahrs' Service Station. You can even sit in the old Lube Bay to eat. Count on generous servings, especially the mountain-piles of red-skinned home-fries as a side at breakfast. Open for breakfast and lunch six days a week; closed Mondays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

Tony's Giant Pizza 122 El Norte Parkway (at Broadway), Escondido, 760-738-9121. Tony's claims to serve "New York pizza" and they're not that far off — the crust is thin enough (if not quite crisp enough), but what's special here is the honest, gooey mozzarella — it doesn't get stringy when hot or rubbery when cool. You can get plain or pepperoni pizza by the humongous slice (it laps over the plate), and fancier (if still pretty basic) toppings on pies of up to 28 inches. There's also a mean meatball sandwich with small flavorful balls and an okay sauce swathed in that yummy cheese. There are video games for the kids and a neighborly atmosphere, although most orders are take-out or delivery. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (5/01)*

GOLD COAST

Arterra Marriott Del Mar Hotel, 11966 El Camino Real (off Carmel Mountain Road), Torrey Pines/Del Mar, 858-369-6032 or 858-523-1700. Bradley Ogden and his minions — including Arterra's Carl Shroeder — do the perfect cuisine for executive-oriented hotels like this Marriott, which is situated in an inhumanly corporate neighborhood. The fare is fine, classy, but not excessively demanding of attention. Ingredients are seasonal and top-quality, creations are pleasing but not radical. It's a great place to take your boss to dinner. Breakfasts, though, are spectacular, e.g., the airy, bittersweet tangerine soufflé pancakes may

just be the ideal way to jump-start the morning. Open daily, three meals. Expensive. — *N.W. (4/02)*

Barone's Trattoria Del Mare 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Del Mar, 858-259-9063. Nino Barone, owner and chef, has got the Italian restaurant business finessed to near perfection. The taste of his gnocchi or his *tortellini al gorgonzola* is worth ditching your diet for. Outdoor dining offers daytime ocean viewing, while indoor guests enjoy soft-hued decor with linens and fresh flowers. The welcoming staff allow the customer space and linger-time while remaining available. Nino prepares everything in-house: the crusty Italian bread, the pastas and their companion sauces, the veal, seafood, and chicken dishes, and the irresistible cannoli. The wine list is generous yet modestly priced and, surprise, it's purely Italian. This off-the-beaten-track Italian restaurant may be one of the most delectable secrets in North County and it won't put a crunch on your entertainment budget. Lunch is a real deal, with soup or salad and dessert included in the price. Open nightly for dinner; call for lunch schedule. Moderate. — *S.M. (4/04)*

Besta Wan Pizza House 148 Aberdeen Drive, Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/01)*

Pizza Port 135 North Highway 101 (at Lomas Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-481-7332. (Also in Carlsbad.) "Tasty Grub & Grog," says the sign, and that's just what it is. You come here for three things: the pizzas, the beer, and the scene. The place is cavernous, but the tables are communal, with long wooden benches. Rub shoulders with surfers, students, yuppies, and locals. Pizza Port brews their own beer (try Sharkbite Red) and flings their own pizzas, New York style. Filling combos can be great, like the pesto, mesquite-grilled chicken, sundried tomatoes, artichoke hearts, and feta ("Pizza Carlsbad"), or shrimp,

clams, onions, olives, bell peppers, and mushrooms ("Pizza Solana"). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (4/03)*

Red Tracton's 550 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-755-6600. Even though you know you're a half mile from the Pacific Ocean and across the street from the Del Mar Racetrack, one step inside Red Tracton's dining room sends you reeling back in time to an upscale, dimly lit, maroon-and-gilt restaurant of 1960s Chicago. The only thing missing is the scent of cigars. Food portions are enormous: The lobster sandwich (a touch heavy on the mayo) easily packs a half pound of lobster. The selection is generous: steaks, prime rib, seafood, chicken, and pork — all expertly prepared and served in record time. On days when you don't give a rip about the Surgeon General's latest warnings, run to Red Tracton's and indulge your All-American appetite. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly; 11 p.m. closing Friday and Saturday. Expensive. — *S.M. (3/04)*

Spices Thai Cafe 3810 Valley Centre Drive, Piazza Carmel Shopping Center, Del Mar (east of Carmel Valley turn-off), 858-259-0889. Superb Thai restaurant that's not only elegant but whose food contains no MSG and very little fat. The seafood dishes rate highly. Among other delicacies are duck and frog legs. Put Spices Thai Café at the top of your list. Also in La Jolla. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA JOLLA

Aesop's Tables 8650 Genesee Avenue #106, Costa Verde Shopping Center, La Jolla, 858-455-1535. The chief attributes of this Greek and Mediterranean restaurant are fresh food, tasty preparation, and low cost. The salads are a good buy. Entrées are large enough for two. All items available for takeout. Lunch, Monday through Saturday; Sunday, dinner only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Barbarella 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. This popular restaurant sits nestled in an English garden just blocks from the beach. You

can dine amidst the flora at street-side tables, in the enclosed patio, or in the small dining room. Once you're seated, the friendly staff provides fresh-out-of-the-oven sourdough wheat bread to nibble on. The menu changes daily, offering fresh fish, steak, chicken, pastas, soups, and pizzas, all cooked with a twist of imagination that delivers on the flavor. For instance: pizza topped with smoked salmon, crème fraîche, chives, and fried capers. Or delicate Alaskan halibut served over creamed spring onions with a watercress salad. If a fresh fruit crêpe happens to be on the dessert menu, leap on it! Open for lunch and dinner daily. — *S.M. (4/04)*

Beach House Brewery 7536 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-6279. Don't expect to see the beach. Do expect to taste some good beers made right here and good solid food, such as the prime rib sandwich (which goes great with their Irish Stout) or the roasted potato and Gorgonzola pizza with bacon. (Potato with pizza? It works.) Or maybe best of all, the buffalo burger — big, hefty, and low on cholesterol. You'd call this a family, multi-generational sports bar eatery. Nice mix. It's La Jolla, so it's not dirt cheap, but the guys here seem really interested in making interesting brews and good food to accompany them. Open for dinner seven days; lunch and dinner Saturday, three meals Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/04)*

Cafe Japengo 8960 University Center Lane, Aventine complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. This hopping "meet market" literally overflows with the area's beautiful go-getters on Thursday and Friday nights, and is almost as busy the rest of the week, too. What draws the crowd, besides the crowd itself, is the smashing decor, breezy patio, and beautiful-looking plates of Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best (if you can get to it through the mob). Keep an eye on the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Valet parking (or free vali-

dated parking in lower-level garage). Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

La Jolla Cantina 2161 Avenida de la Playa (at La Jolla Shores Drive), La Jolla, 858-459-5282. The surprise here is that this is one of those casual coast cantinas where you can relax, get a good meal, and not get gouged with La Jolla prices. *Huevos rancheros* (three eggs, corn tortillas, beans and rice) and *machaca* (*carne asada*, eggs, bell peppers, onions, rice, beans, tortillas) are great, but you can't beat their eggs Benedict (Black Forest ham and two poached eggs smothered in hollandaise sauce). The short-stack pancakes or French toast (made with egg bread, dipped in cinnamon-vanilla batter and dusted with powdered sugar) should give you your sugar fix too. Lunch is great out on the sidewalk (carnitas lunch torta, seared ahi with greens, or lamb in chili sauce are good bets), but the really cool time to come is early evening, when all La Jolla Shores is out on the prowl. Breakfast through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

The Marine Room 2000 Spindrift Drive (off Torrey Pines Road), La Jolla, 858-459-7222. High cuisine, high adventure, high seas — at only moderately high prices. With chef Bernard Guillas as top toque, the Marine Room has become the quintessential great San Diego restaurant. The exhilarating coastal view meets Cal-French-Pacific Rim cuisine that's as exuberantly out-front as the waves whacking the windows. Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with ultra-fresh, exotic ingredients makes every visit a voyage of discovery, and preparations are so elaborate that each listing on his precise menu reads like a whole tasting dinner. And the tasting dinners themselves (Monday through Wednesday evenings) are something of a bargain — a royal feast for the price of, say, a fill-up for your SUV. Reservations required; slightly dressy but not stuffy. Easiest route: Make a right from westbound Torrey Pines onto Roseland or Viking and go left on St. Louis, which runs into Spindrift. Wheelchair ramp to the left of front door. Noisy when crowded. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday, Sunday brunch, dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/02)*



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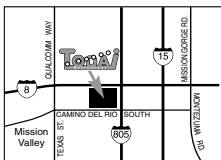
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Michele Coulon Pastries 7556-D Fay Avenue (across the street from Vons parking lot), La Jolla, 858-456-5098. The daughter of Don Coulon (retired chef/owner of The Belgian Lion restaurant) and her son preside in turn at this delightful little café/bakery. (Look for it behind the octagonal sandwich shop that fronts its mini-mall.) Every ingredient is fresh and of top quality. Cakes are light, moist, rich, and available as wholes, slices, and even "miniatures," plus you can choose tarts, chocolates, ice creams, and breakfast pastries. At lunch there are European-style salads, house-made paté, fresh vegetables, and two or three substantial entrées — often including the family's famed cassoulet and a seductive quiche Lorraine featuring a light, satiny cheese custard in a crumbly crust. Wine and Belgian ales available. Open daily, breakfast through late afternoon; during the summer, dinners available on Friday and Saturday nights until 11 p.m. Moderate. — N.W. (5/02)

P.F. Chang's China Bistro 4540 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-458-9007. The decor and ambiance carry the weight here. Chinese food is only average. This is a place to see and be seen. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Dinner menu available from opening to closing. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

King's Fish House 825 Camino de la Reina (west of Mission Center Drive), Mission Valley, 619-574-1230. To find King's in the megamall, go slightly west of Koo Koo Roo and follow the line of cars to the free valet parking. It's a chain, but it's a classy chain, offering fish and seafoods of a quality that's well above average, including crustaceans from a live-tank and a half-dozen varieties of pristine oysters. Generously-sized entrées come with soup or salad (including a Caesar that's above suspicion) and two hefty side dishes. The vast menu of American-style preparations changes daily to reflect the fresh catch, and includes some rotating regional specialties (e.g., New Orleans, Hawaii, New England). Don't miss the prawn potsticker appetizer, if available, and for dessert, the miraculously light bread pudding. The atmosphere is good-timey (with two patios and a barroom as well as a dining room), the service is enthusiastic, and the management will accommodate special requests if you call ahead. Kiddie menu available. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (5/02)

Pho Tau Bay Restaurant 7604 Linda Vista Road (near Mesa College), Linda Vista, 858-268-3161. Full name: La Cai Mi Gia, va Pho Tau Bay. The building looks like a converted McDonald's, but the interior is oriental and swanky with large fish tanks, blue carpet, gold metallic wainscoting, silk roses, a golden three-foot-tall laughing Buddha, and a red altar with three black-bearded gods. For lunch and dinner you can choose such exotics as quail, boar, alligator, and "Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut Milk and Curry." Breakfast is cheap, filling, and very Vietnamese. Try *mi ga*, a gentle rice noodle soup with shredded chicken, or order *banh mi thit*, eight inches of French bread with traditional South Vietnamese beef stew. Puzzled? Ask for Mr. Le. Three meals, daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (11/00)

Sam Woo Bar-B-Q Restaurant 7330 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard #A103, Clairemont Mesa, 858-505-9888. Sam Woo is one of a bunch of restaurants inside the "99 Ranch" Asian supermarket. Great idea — you're never supposed to grocery shop while hungry. Next to the checkout counter you can savor some primo Hong Kong delicacies — without busting the bank. BBQ pork and roast duck rice or the BBQ "Two Delicacy" Combination will fill you nicely. *Tung kong* salty chicken or soy-braised pork intestine are interesting. Honey-glazed walnut shrimp is easy to love. But the quickest, healthiest choice is probably *jook*, Chinese rice porridge. You can get it garnished with pork organs, beef, seafood, sliced pork, preserved egg with duck... this is not your mama's oatmeal. Then there's House Tea With Pearl — iced tea with *boba* (caramelized tapioca

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balls) floating in it. You suck the *boba* up with the tea through the triple-wide straw and chew. Isn't this the way shopping should be? Daily, 9 a.m. to midnight. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

San Tong Palace 4690 Convoy Street (between Engineer and Balboa), Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. This unassuming, strip-mall restaurant is easy to overlook, but once found, impossible to resist. San Tong's hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions' tastiest styles. The Rainbow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. The seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for westerners. At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Inexpensive. — *M.N.* (4/99)

Todai 2828 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-299-8996. You'll find no dish "to die" for at this So-Cal-based chain restaurant. It calls itself "The Mother of All Seafood Buffets" and has spawned branches in suburban malls all over the country. Our branch looks like a seafood Disneyland — multicolor floors and pastel neon lights in fanciful shapes (moon, stars, fish) adorn three separate buffets. There's a huge array of seafood, sushi, *teppanyaki*, and assorted Asian nibbles — some pretty good, some pretty awful (e.g., "Dungeon" crab cooked to mush). They do rotate the dishes regularly until a half hour before closing, keeping most items reasonably fresh. Two vast, drab dining rooms (seating 500) feature strong, dingy lighting

and utilitarian tables and chairs closely spaced to seat the crowded masses. Japanese beers, California jug wines, generic hot and cold sake available. Reservations for large groups only. Family atmosphere, very noisy. Arrive early to cover the territory. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate, with kiddie and senior discounts. — *N.W.* (10/02)

Tofu House 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-576-6433. This stylish little eatery is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes. Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the *soontofu* soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom) with raw egg drop you drop yourself and a side of tasty fresh kimchee. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food — Tofu House serves vivid ethnic food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *M.N.* (2/99)

THE BEACHES

Cafe Athena Pacific Mall, 1846 Garnet Avenue (at Lamont), Pacific Beach, 858-274-1140. With a more upscale, eye-catching decor and a longer and more serious menu than most Greek cafés, this is a popular destination, so be sure to reserve for dinner or you'll risk a long wait. The choices include good soups and appetizers (except for a sub-par *taramasalata*), outstanding moussaka, above-average gyros, and interesting, unusual desserts. There's plenty for vegetarians. Rather noisy when crowded. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (3/02)

Costa Brava 1653 Garnet Avenue (at Jewel), Pacific Beach, 858-273-1218. Cordial owner-host Javier Gonzalez

opened this charming restaurant so that local Spaniards would have a place to gather with an authentic atmosphere of home, and indeed, the "Euro" atmosphere and late hours give a truly Iberian feel. The lively garlic-rich dishes here include a wide array of tasty tapas and, among the entrées, a paella that's made to order (sized to serve two or four; call ahead for larger groups). Patio seating in good weather. Parking lot and wheelchair access via the alley behind the restaurant. Open daily 11 a.m. to midnight, with bargain prices at Sunday brunch. Reservations advised for weekend evenings. Moderate. — *N.W.* (2/02)

Go Greek Cafe and Grill 4501 Mission Bay Drive (mall with 7-Eleven and Sushi Ota), Pacific Beach, 858-270-4487. Located in the same easy-to-miss mini-mall as Sushi Ota, across the street from Rubio's (look for the 7-Eleven sign), this informal Greek café is better than it looks. The *taramasalata* (codfish roe salad) may not be house-made, but the delicious spread is straight from Greece. Excellent house salad, stuffed grape leaves, lentil soup, *saganaki* for additional starters; fine homey moussaka and grilled fish are among the entrées (but gyros are ordinary), and the exotic rice pudding makes a light dessert. Vegetarian-friendly menu. Belly dancing Friday nights. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch and dinner; sporadically on Sunday. Low moderate. — *N.W.* (3/02)

Harbor Island Fuel Dock 2040 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-291-6443. (If dock gate is closed, go to Harbor Island West Marina office by ramp, 619-291-6440, for pass.) You want to flash back to old waterfront San Diego? Come where the real salts eat, at this dinky, little timber shack floating out in the channel on a pontoon. Enter and look for the glass-fronted cooler. Your choice: bagel dogs, burritos, a

"Pierre Jumbo Flamebroiled Jalapeño Cheeseburger," or Pierre's "Jumbo Bar-B-Q Chicken Breast Patty Sandwich." That's it. Heat in the self-serve microwave, maybe grab a *cerveza*, go out, sit on a bench, and watch the waterworld go by. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Kabuki Sushi Restaurant 4475 Mission Boulevard (entrance on Garnet), Pacific Beach, 858-270-1986. This place has a unique system of delivering tempting dishes to you via boats floating along a mini-canal that surrounds the sushi bar. You take food off and pay according to the plate size. The sushi chefs — they can be a show in themselves — have the usual panoply of sushi, sashimi, nigiri. The dragon rolls (crab, shrimp tempura, eel, avocado) and spider roll (soft-shelled crab) are tasty too. It's young and crowded here — is that because you don't have to sweat the menu, just grab what you like off the boat and chew? Open for lunch and dinner Tuesday to Saturday; dinner only Sunday; closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (1/04)

Kaiserhof 2253 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-0606. Even on weeknights, crowds fill this restaurant and *biergarten*, chowing down on hefty, hearty German cooking in a festive atmosphere. Flavors are authentic, but can be monotonous due to kitchen's reliance on commercial products (especially a heavy-flavored beef base that makes all the sauces taste alike). Good schnitzels, potato pancakes. The excellent apple strudel is the only dessert made in-house. Reservations advised, especially for patio seating. Full bar. Lunch Friday through Sunday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — *N.W.* (6/02)

Lotsa Pasta 1762 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-581-6777. The menu of

this large, loud family restaurant offers a clever gimmick: You pick your noodles (from 9 flavors, 6 shapes, plus 7 stuffed pastas), then choose one of 17 sauces to dress them. For a little extra, you can add ingredients such as garlic shrimp, bread-heavy meatballs, or good spicy sausage, or create a pasta-combo. Entrées come with salad or soup (with 3 flavor choices either way) and garlic bread. But don't expect authentic Italian cooking, or even Italian-American; the fare is more small-town American-Italian, with uniformly thick pastas, mainly weighty sauces, and copious wafts of oregano. (The vodka sauce and Thai peanut sauce aren't too bad.) The biggest deal here is *timpano*, a bread-shell enclosing a cornucopia of pastas, sauces, cheeses, and meats (made famous by the movie *The Big Night*). A retail counter offers most items for take-home do-it-yourself. Wines are cheap, and taste like it. Open daily, lunch through dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/03)

The Third Corner 2265 Bacon Street (at West Point Loma), Ocean Beach, 619-223-2700. Chef Derek Ridgeway (collaborating with owner Ed Moore, also of The Bungalow across the street) focuses here on Mediterranean-style seasonal seafood, with some meat and poultry entrées for dedicated carnivores. The fare is highly creative but rational — try the ethereal (not an oxymoron) cabbage-wrapped seafood "chartreuse" with sauce Nantua, the wild mushroom strudel, the potato-crust salmon, or the lake whitefish in any preparation. A huge wine list offers food-friendly bottlings chosen to complement the cuisine at below-normal markups. To request a specific wine from The Bungalow's larger cellar, call ahead. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W.* (4/03)

Thee Bungalow 4996 West Point Loma Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-2884. The very soul of Ocean Beach resides in Ed Moore's charming, comfortable historic "cottage," where the menu covers classic French bistro fare from pâté to soufflé, including comfort-food entrées like *grandmaman* used to make. And like *mamhre's*, the cooking is a little inconsistent. Skip the over-rated duck and head for the seasonal specials, the rich stews, and — of course — the pâtés and soufflés. When the peppery corn soup is on the menu, leap for it. A huge wine list at very low markups is a special blessing. Slightly dressy; reservations strongly advised. Expensive, but with affordable early-bird weeknight dinners. — *N.W.* (11/00)

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El Morelense 317 Dewey Street, Logan Heights, 619-234-2750. Morelos-style cooking: more pungent than Cal-Mex or Tex-Mex. The Cecina (a kind of *carne asada*), served with rice, beans, and tortillas, is richly marinated and filling, as is the *carne de adobada* (pork dish), *caldo de res* (beef soup), *huevos rancheros*, and *menudo* or *pozole* soup (weekends only) are worth trying. Owner Santos, a true Morelense, makes all dishes from scratch, including salsas and tortillas. This used to be a tough area, but the new central police station next door has helped change all that. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (12/01)

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Mailo's Cafe 4095 30th Street, North Park, 619-528-1602. OK, so Mailo's is a Greek café and Mailo and Blanca aren't Greek, they're Mexican-American. On the other hand, Mailo cooked in an OB Greek restaurant for 14 years before he opened here. Plus, the two have made Greek extremely affordable. Prices are definitely down there for their breakfast gyros, with eggs, lamb, tomatoes, and onion wrapped in a hot pita. And they have this great street-corner outside deck to eat on. There's also plenty of American standard fare. Mailo's cheeseburger, with avocado and bacon, is the most popular, with the half-pound steak burger close behind. American breakfasts are the old fashioned kind with three eggs any style, hash browns, and toast, plus ham or bacon or sausage or even chicken fried steak, at bargain prices. Same for their roast beef dinner, or the quarter chicken, Greek style, served with rice, salad, and pita bread. Open Tuesday through Saturday breakfast through dinner, Sunday and Monday till 4 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

Phuong Trang Vietnamese Seafood Restaurant 5295 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-582-0603. Original branch at 4170 Convo Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750. Tired of putting up with the crowds at the popular Convo Street restaurant? Go east, where you'll find the same menu without the hassles. The fare centers on Vietnamese "people's food" emphasizing numerous genres of noodle soups, but there are a handful of more elegant house specialties — including the extraordinary "Special Sauce" Dungeness crab from the live tank. (The sauce is tangy tamarind.) Call ahead to order steamed or grilled live-tank catfish. Reservations and credit cards accepted, both branches. Vietnamese beers including "33"; just two generic wines, but you can bring your own. Also bring a pad and write down the numbers of your orders to give the waiter, as staffers speak little English. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate (higher for live-tank seafood). — N.W. (3/04)

Red Sea Restaurant 4717 University Avenue (at Euclid), City Heights, 619-285-9722. You'll find richly seasoned (and potentially very spicy) Ethiopian cuisine, served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which looks like an edible dish towel and serves as both an edible spoon and an edible tablecloth. (Use pieces of it to scoop up morsels in your right hand.) The meat combination platter here isn't nearly as exciting as several of the specialties. The *kitfo* (spicy beef tartare) is very good, the *gored-gored* (meat cubes in spicy butter) is excellent; both are cooked (or not cooked) to your order, and seasoned to your specifications (if you say "hot," expect fire). Vegetables are fine, too; the yellow split peas, especially, sing with flavor. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Vegetarian-friendly. Can be noisy on weekend evenings. Open daily. Very inexpensive. — N.W. (12/00)

Sister Pee Wee's Soul Food 2971-1/2 Imperial Avenue, Grant Hill, 619-236-0470. One of the oldest, best soul food cafés in the county, but get there early (it closes at 8 p.m.). Sister Pee Wee says her daily lunch and dinner menu depends on what she feels like cooking that day — you might find big pork ribs with mashed red-skin potatoes, black-eyed peas, collard greens and two-inch-thick corn bread, or Southern-fried chicken, or seafood gumbo, or catfish fillet with all the trimmings. Sister's special is chitlins and catfish. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, ham, sausages, and hominy grits. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

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Greek Town 345 West Main Street, El Cajon, 619-441-9708. Just another Greek buffet? Well, yes. Your choices are standard: gyros meat, *spanakopita*, mousaka, *dolmades*. And the décor is the usual blue and white with Greek island posters. But it's the customers who give it an exotic feel, speaking languages from Russian to Greek to Somali. And if you're hungry, this all-you-can-eat deal is great. Have gyros meat, but also try the chicken *souvlaki* (grilled lemon chicken), or start with the excellent *dolmades* (grape leaves wrapped around beef and rice). The leaves' tangy taste and the lemony sauce inside get your juices running. Don't for-

get salad... or the dessert table (how could you leave without baklava?). Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/04)

Izzy's Cafe 1252 Broadway, El Cajon, 619-447-5067. Good-ol'-boy eatery in the middle of Box Town. You're looking for quantity? You've come to the right spot. Izzy's — named after co-owner Lorrie Sellers's middle name, Isabel — is all cream walls, country-scene pictures, little wooden hanging milk bottles. They have great breakfasts, two guaranteed to test your belt buckle: chicken-fried chicken in country gravy, with two eggs, potatoes, and bread; or "Izzy's Frittata Bar," an open-faced omelet with spuds and biscuits and gravy. You can add anything from sausage to zucchini — up to four ingredients — without paying extra. Or, oatmeal or a short stack will fill you just fine and leave you with more walking-about money. Breakfast and lunch till 2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Mario's De La Mesa 8425 La Mesa Boulevard (at Grant), La Mesa, 619-461-9390. The man on the *burro* (seen on the restaurant's sign and menu) holds two flags, those of Mexico and the U.S.A. — very appropriate. Few dishes (except maybe the *menudo*) will push the paler palate too far in any direction, but gosh-all, everything is so darn tasty. Tamales are a house special: rich, pillowy clouds of cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins for a smidgeon of sweetness. Pork also gets loving treatment in the *carnitas rojas*, big chunks browned to the barest crisp, which falls away to melting tenderness. Great marinade (cumin?) on the *carne asada*; intense flavor and buttery richness on the "machaca sonora style" (dry-roasted shredded beef). Beans are so light as to seem whipped; rice is studded with peas and spicy carrots.

Service is fast and friendly. Breakfast and lunch Sundays and Mondays; three meals Tuesdays through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *A.M.* (7/01)

Orchid Thai and Vegetarian Cuisine 762 North Johnson Avenue #106, El Cajon, 619-447-2819. There's nothing fancy or pretentious about this Thai restaurant, but their food is really, really good. Menu is a mixture of Thai, Lao, and Chinese. Best deal: the fifteen permanent lunch specials, from pepper steak (given a Thai twist) to chicken yellow curry to Orchid Noodle ("Thai egg noodle, chicken, broccoli celery, carrot, egg and scallions"). *Larb*, the Laotian ground chicken salad, is delicious and filling, as is the *masaman*, curry with potatoes, onion, carrots, and roasted peanuts mixed in sweet coconut milk. Other tasty dishes include *prik pow* beef, *som tum* (papaya salad), *panang curry*, and *mee ped* (roast duck) noodle soup. Because he replaced a Chinese eatery, the owner, Montry Sengsouriya, keeps dishes like chicken chow mein and a Japanese-style beef teriyaki bowl on the menu. Finish up with a tiny bottle of *Kratin Daeng*, Red Bull. It's a vitamin elixir the Thais and Lao love to plug for energy. Open for lunch and dinner; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (6/02)

Sala Thai 6161 El Cajon Boulevard (College Plaza), College Area, 619-229-9050. With purple cloth napkins, white tablecloths, green banquettes, butter-colored walls, and a portrait of King Chulalongkorn, Sala Thai has all the trappings of a class joint — except you're only paying six or eight bucks for main dishes. The food? A bit gentle on the spice front. *Tom yum kung*, the famous shrimp soup, should make your neck hairs stick straight out, but if that's what you want you'll have to ask the cooks to make it spicier. Chicken *mus-*

saman, labeled "medium spicy," is pretty tame but still delicious with its authentic taste-boosters like kaffir lime leaves. Hottest curry: "chicken green." Health treat: *Som tum*, the famous papaya salad. Lunch, dinner daily; dinner only on Sundays. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (4/04)

Shmoozers Kasher Dairy Restaurant 6366 El Cajon Boulevard (at 63rd Street), College Area, 619-583-1636. Great for vegans! This Kasher eatery promises "all-rennetless cheese, vegetarian food, no meat, no animal fat, certified Kosher, 100% fresh ingredients." Everything is prepared under the supervision of the "Va'ad Harabbonim of San Diego" — meaning, the restaurant is inspected every few days by an Orthodox rabbi to make sure the food is prepared properly. The milk is also checked — Chalav Yisroel — from milking to bottling. Good eats include "Felaful, California Style," balls of seasoned ground chickpeas, tahini (sesame paste), and salad rolled in a flour tortilla; the 16-inch vegan pizza; and breaded whiting fillets with chips or salad. Closed Fridays. Open Saturdays from one hour after sunset until 11 p.m.; Sunday to Thursday, noon to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesdays are a take-out-only buffet after 5:30 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

Woodstock's Pizza 6548 El Cajon Boulevard (at Rolando), College Area, 619-265-0999. It's a college pizza joint, but the fare rates well above standard beer ballast. (For that matter, the beers — local Stone Pale Ale, Karl Strauss, Arrogant Bastard Ale, and Wyder's Pear Cider, along with the usual Coors Light and Bud — aren't exactly chug-suds.) Crusts — white or sweetly robust whole wheat — are pressed, tossed, and then folded over at the edge, producing a spongy, crunch-crust rim. The mozzarella is rich, gooey whole-milk; the marinara sauce is dark and

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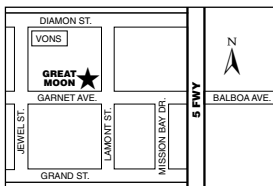
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Arrivederci 3845 Fourth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. The chef has cooked at major European hotels and the food is outstanding. You won't go wrong with any of the pastas, and you may order small portions in combination. The appetizers and salads are also excellent. Chicken and shrimp fare well here. Modest physical plant, but it delivers in flavor and light preparations. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

Gelato Vero Caffè 3753 India Street, Mission Hills, 619-295-9269. A fine spot for Italian sorbets and ice creams, pastries of all kinds, and coffees. Diners can read undisturbed indoors or, weather permitting, outside. Open daily. — E.W.

Jimmy Carter's Cafe 3172 Fifth Avenue (at Spruce Street), Hillcrest, 619-295-2070. This comfy, middle-class eatery has a surprise — great Indian breakfasts (until 11:30 a.m. weekdays, 3 p.m. weekends). Try their chicken curry or *pessaratu* (mung bean crepe with onions, peppers, ginger, *dhal*, and chutneys). Or vegetarian *vindaloo*. Jimmy (no, not the ex-pres) does Chinese too — like the Mongolian beef (Chinese vegetables and beef in a hot chili sauce over rice or noodles), or good Mexican dishes such as chili verde (pork or chicken simmered in spicy tomatillo sauce). But center-stage is his all-American Jimmy Burger (1/3-pound patty with potato or carrot salad). One bonus: a fine tangential view of Balboa Park's lawns and trees. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

Old Town Mexican Cafe 2489 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-297-4330. This boisterous café is noted for its excellent breakfasts, served from opening to closing. Try also the rotisserie-roasted chicken, the carnitas, or the fajitas. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

Prado House of Hospitality, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. The food brings few surprises, but is flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes, a refreshing eggplant “napoleon,” and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana *tres leches* cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum-crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Keep an eye out for special prix fixe dinners that include tickets to museum exhibitions. Dinner reservations vital. Vast interior can be noisy, but heated, umbrella-topped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — N.W. (12/00)

Saffron Noodles And Sate 3737 India Street, Little Italy, 619-574-7737. It's the smell of the spicy chicken grilling that will get you every time. Whatever the recipe is — and Su-Mei Yu, the owner and celebrated cookbook author, says it's from the Isaan, Thailand's ethnic Lao Northeast — it catches your nose. We're talking “boxing arena grilled chicken,” after the place where she smelled its spicy cooking aromas while growing up in Bangkok. You have a choice of five sauces to go with the chicken, from peanut to sweet pepper. Also try the noodle soups, like Tomm Yam with shrimp: sinus-clearing, delicious, and surprisingly filling. The food here is real, fresh, genuine Thai cuisine with Chinese echoes — like Su-Mei Yu herself. Middle-class San Diego seems to have adopted her eatery, despite the fact you're in a pretty stark gray-and-white

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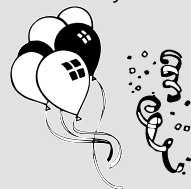
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room with views of I-5. Open for lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

Sassafras 3667 India Street, Mission Hills, 619-295-4745. This restaurant claims to serve “Continental Americaine” (whatever that is), but chef-owner Andre Bellard is a son of Lafayette, Louisiana, and knows his Cajun flavors inside out. He’s pioneering a “new” Cajun cooking: kinder, gentler, and more sophisticated. His Acadian seafood gumbo, which includes spicy house-smoked andouille sausage, is one of the best in any town; oysters Bienville feature barely warmed oysters with a lush spinach topping. Also superb: paper-wrapped shrimp, seafood Evangeline, and crab-corn soup. Among the entrées, the must-try is the signature Sassafras

Chicken, stuffed with jambalaya. On Wednesday nights during the season (January to June), there’s an exuberant crawfish feast on the enclosed patio with mudbugs shipped live from Louisiana cooked with andouille and corn in a tasty house-made “boil.” Dinner nightly; à la carte Sunday brunch. High moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

Speakers’ Corner British Pub & Grill 2664 Fifth Avenue (near Nutmeg Street), Banker’s Hill, 619-232-5456. Think British and most people will go straight to the Shakespeare or Princess Pub. But Speakers’ Corner boasts a loyal following of Brits and Colonials — and lots of locals — who come not only to drink, play darts, and exchange job tips, but also to eat. Yes, the food’s awfully British, but not that awful. The fish and chips are darned good, with the batter made daily. Curried chicken pizza is clearly a transfer from the Raj, Britain’s “Inja” adventure. And, de rigueur to any red-blooded Englishman, steak and kidney pie, steak and mushroom pie, shepherd’s pie, or bangers (sausages) and mash are always on the menu. Best deal:

fish and chips at lunchtime. Lunch to late dinner, six days; kitchen closed Sundays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

Taste Of Szechuan 670 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1668. The Mandarin Szechuan menu offers standards with few surprises. But the three best features are the lovely room, the astonishing friendliness of the management, and the late hours. The Peking duck is excellent and so is the chopped chicken in lettuce cups. If you have favorite dishes, they will be prepared upon request in advance. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

Zocalo Grill 2444 San Diego Avenue (a block north of Old Town Cemetery), Old Town. 619-298-9840. This casual, festive spinoff of the Brigantine chain features “Pacific coastal cuisine,” an eclectic international hodgepodge with a faint Mexican accent and “something for everyone.” And some of those some-things are delicious — a stacked salad of shrimp and avocados, or coconut-shrimp kebabs emerging from a pineapple, or a huge, beautifully grilled spiny

lobster with avocado salsa. Appetizers are half price at happy hour, and you can make a whole dinner out of substantial “tapas” sized for sharing. The heated, semi-roofed outdoor terrace encourages al fresco dining year-round. Full bar with creative margaritas, eight draft beers, and California wines including Brigantine’s own custom blends at good prices. Wheelchair lift in back, ramp at south side of terrace. Reservations strongly advised for weekends. Open daily, lunch through dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (10/02)

DOWNTOWN

A La Carte On Sixth Avenue 921 Sixth Avenue, downtown, 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

Broadway Pizza 1008 Broadway (at 10th Street), downtown, 619-232-6264. This restaurant, near the downtown Senior Center and City College, offers no-nonsense Italian-American food. And they’re not skimpy: from a pizza slice to barbecue beef sandwiches to a Louisiana-style sausage link sub, portions are generous. If you want a hearty dinner, try the whole slab of beef ribs, with veggies, garlic bread, and salad. Unfortunately, the quality has dropped; the formerly fine pizza, for instance, is now marred by oily, low-grade mozzarella and not-so-great optional deli-meat toppings. But the main thing is, while the rest of downtown snores, they’re still open, from 10 a.m. to 3 a.m., seven days. And they’ll even deliver to nearby neighborhoods. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/03)

Chowtown Chinese Buffet 1041 Fourth Avenue, downtown, 619-233-3389. Looking for Gaslamp swank? You’re on the wrong side of the tracks here — meaning you’re north, not south, of Broadway. On the other hand, you won’t leave hungry. Tai Thanh Le Le

has been into All-U-Can-Eats since 1982 and runs a tight ship. He and his wife Lien Hong are Chinese-Vietnamese and escaped Saigon in 1975. Mr. Le usually has around 30 items on display including BBQ pork in black bean sauce, vegetable chop suey, curried chicken, garlic fried shrimp, egg fried rice, salad, fruit, and ice cream. Lunch and dinner prices include soda or tea. Take the endless pots of Chinese tea. Open lunch through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (1/04)

Downtown Johnny Brown’s 1220 Third Avenue (in the Community Concourse at Third and B), downtown, 619-232-8414. Walk up through the Community Concourse past the ship fountain and bingo! — downtown’s answer to a European sidewalk café. Place has a generous patio of chairs and umbrellas. All green and white. You get two types here: sport-minded types (a dozen TV screens, Chargers, Padres, Aztecs banners inside), and city government workers. Burgers are good, but try the breast of chicken burger with soup of the day. Chicken’s grilled, edge-burnt, spicy. Soup’s bobbing with fresh-cut vegetables. Also, salads: taco or Southwest Chicken. What’s best: sitting outside and watching people — not traffic — bustle by. — E.B. (4/03)

Fleming’s Steak House & Wine Bar 380 K Street (at Fourth), Gaslamp, 619-237-1155. Original branch at 8970 University Center Lane, University City/Golden Triangle, 858-535-0078. A steakhouse for ladies who power lunch, an “old girl’s” club, or just a happy place where the term “a nice piece of meat” isn’t a bad thing? The mahogany of the “old boys” steakhouse genre gives way here to cheery cherry wood. When you get the fried cheese, it’s brie, rolled in panko bread crumbs and slivered almonds. And the wine list boasts far more than just burly Cabernets and Bordeaux — over 100 of the far-flung offerings are available by the glass and you can assemble your own three-glass tasting flights. Prime steaks are the main event, perfectly cooked and well-seasoned. Try the Key Lime pie for dessert — custardy and full of limey bite. Valet parking. Dinner nightly. Very expensive. — A.M. (3/04)

Greystone 658 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-232-0225. The Italian steakhouse fare here centers on dry-aged prime beef, game meats (including exceptionally tender bison), lobster, and pastas as the main draws, with indifferent starters and desserts. An impressive wine list offers rewarding California and Italian bottlings at \$35 to \$50, but roars up to the stratosphere of first-growth Bordeaux, super-Tuscans and scandalously overpriced Napa reds. Bossy, sometimes-abrasive waiters push higher-priced choices. Patrons are mainly “suits” with deep expense-account pockets, loudly talking business or enjoying raucous office parties in a testosterone-high atmosphere. Wheelchair access to the street patio and bar area only (dining rooms are up or downstairs). Reservations urged, but may not be honored promptly. Dinner nightly. Extremely expensive. — N.W. (12/01)

Max New York Steakhouse and Seafood 827 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-235-8500. As steakhouses go, Max is a good value, offering huge portions of fine, gently raised near-organic meat, cooked to order and offered at relatively gentle prices. You don’t even have to pay extra for your veggies. For beef, there’s full-flavored naturally raised Angus or butter-tender Kobe-style Wagyu beef from Idaho. Or you can choose a giant rack of lamb, so tender it should be called “Certified Agnus.” Sauces tend to be pedestrian; request them on the side. The classic steakhouse appetizers are done with some smart twists. Superb international wine list at below-average markups, including plenty by the glass. Full bar. Valet parking, or inexpensive lot via alley two doors north. Open nightly, until midnight on weekends. Upper moderate to very expensive. — N.W. (3/04)

Old World Restaurant 452 Eighth Avenue (at J Street), downtown, 619-238-0568. This is a delight for anyone who loves Northern European food. Their “Great Grilled Grueben” — homemade corned beef on rye with Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, Thousand Island dressing, and mustard is, as they say, “gemütlich.” Also, try the sausage platter: grilled bratwurst, kielbasa,

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RESTAURANTS

Mary J's Cafe 1930 Cleveland Avenue, National City, 619-477-6645. Mary J and her café have been around for 40 years and about the only thing to change is the prices. This is the real National City. The regulars start piling in at 5 a.m. Mary always has specials going, but check the big board menu above the stove too. One of their most popular items is the Trucker's Breakfast (three eggs, ham, bacon or sausage, home fries, and toast), or steak and eggs with hash browns and toast. Mary's son Vic, the morning cook, always gives you more than enough. For lunch or early dinner, try the meat loaf with mixed veggies, boiled potatoes covered with gravy, toast, and soup or salad. Or chicken-fried steak with all the fixings. Also hefty: cheeseburgers or tuna melts (with fries plus soda included in the price) and that old American favorite, a fried egg sandwich with chips. Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m., weekdays only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (6/02)*

Tin Fish Imperial Beach Pier, 910 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pigeons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by

the sea air. The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages. (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The oyster shooters, for instance, boast a sauce made from fresh diced tomatoes topped with horseradish. The spicy fish tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy. Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. Live music on weekends, good vibes all the time. "Tin Fish Shuttle" (50 cents) runs from parking lot to the restaurant. Open daily, breakfast (to 10:30 a.m.) through early dinner. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, open daily lunch and early dinner, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (7/01)*

BAJA

From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.

Chiki Jai 1388 Avenida Revolución (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're surrounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gard-

ner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and drank vino tinto — here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana's great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos' brands, and a matador's framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food's all Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, *salchicha* (pork sausages), *bacalao* (cod fish) *al la Vizcaina*, trout with olive oil and garlic, and Gallican octopus. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (5/02)*

El Nido 67 Boulevard Juarez (1-1/2 blocks north of Hotel Festival), Rosarito Beach, Baja, 661-612-1430. Head south if you're looking for a great dry-aged, mesquite-broiled steak at a bargain price — but don't stop there. Try the house specialty, quail with garlic sauce (*codorniz al mojo de ajo*), or venison, especially the savory *machaca de venado* (strips of meat with peppers, onions, and tomatoes). Both are locally raised on the restaurant's own ranches, and may be united in a brilliant breakfast of quail eggs with deer *machaca*. Seafood and surf-and-turf variations are tasty, too. The restaurant's name means "the nest" and the amusing indoor-outdoor decor is a sort of multiroom aviary with birds singing, chirping, and fluttering all over. Full bar. If sensitive to smoke, don't sit next to the mesquite-burning hearth on the roofed patio. Dressy-casual. Bilingual staff and menu. Open daily, early morning to late evening. Mostly moderate; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

La Diferencia Boulevard Sanchez Taboada, 10611-A, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-3346 or 634-7078. Mexican haute cuisine, with inventive combinations of traditional flavors. The creative menu reframes the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Secure, free valet parking next to exterior courtyard. Menu is in Spanish (in a hard-to-read font), but some staffers speak some English. The restaurant is often noisy, even louder when mariachis play. Smoking permitted. Wheelchair access marginal. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (1/02)*

La Escondida Santa Monica #1 (in Fraccionamiento Las Palmas), Tijuana, 681-4458. "The Hidden One," located in a converted mansion, boasts two gardens and patio dining, and is especially beautiful at night. The roasted baby goat, roasted quail, and the Châteaubriand

(for two) are all worthwhile. Very civilized experience, complete with live music on Fridays and Saturdays. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente. Proceed on Agua Caliente past the racetrack, approximately one-half mile. Turn right at Las Palmas. Two short blocks up, turn left at the "Pescadería Playas" sign. The entryway to La Escondida is straight ahead. Open Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

Lonchería Reyes 862 Callejón del Travieso (off 2nd Street), Tijuana, 685-3150. *Callejón del Travieso* translates as "Mischief Lane." It's packed with dentists, copy shops, a *granero* (granary), and a veterinary pharmacy alive with crowing roosters, cooing turtle-doves, rabbits, and yapping pups. You'll smell their wonderful *casera* (home-style) corn tortillas before you get there. Big pots bubble on stoves under an iron hood. You usually have a choice of three meals, involving beef, chicken, or pork, which come with a nutritious soup filled with meat-on-the-bone, corn cobs, potatoes, and vegetables. Corn tortillas and a glass of tamarind juice are included. Maria and her husband Juventino cook it up behind the counter where you sit, watching Tijuana television or chatting with the locals. Breakfast and lunch to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

Mercado Sobre Ruedas Behind Ejido Mazatlan strip mall (marked by large yellow sign), Juarez and Calle de Mayo, Rosarito. Don't miss this huge flea market that materializes every Sunday (from morning until mid-afternoon) a couple of miles north of the tourist part of town. Its dozens of food-booths offer a vast variety of local treats, ranging from barbecued mutton (*borrego*) to savory Jalisco-style goat stew (*birria de chivo*) to all manner of tacos, made-to-order hotcakes with syrup, "Mexican hamburgers," and Sno-Kones (don't worry about the ice; by law, it has to be made with purified water). The food is totally authentic, cooked to Mexican tastes, and it's a carnival for the mouth. Many vendors speak some English. Rock-bottom prices; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

Saverio's Restaurant Mediterraneo Escuadrón 201, Zona Río, Tijuana, 686-6442 or 686-6443. This "in" restaurant attracts a young crowd. Pastas and pizzas are available, but the best bets are the fish and chicken dinners that arrive with soup or salad. Top price is \$14. Crowded and noisy weekends. Open daily, same menu noon to 11 p.m., Sunday to 10 p.m. Low to moderate. Take

Revolución until it turns into Boulevard Agua Caliente. Continue until you see the Hotel Grand on your right. There, turn left onto the side street Avenida Carlos Robirosa. You'll see Blockbuster Video. Saverio's is across the street. — *E.W.*

Tacos Varios y Aguas Frescas Corner of Constitución and 3rd (*Calle Carrillo Puerto*), Tijuana. This is "just" a cart, but don't let that stop your making the effort. Students, local businesspeople, and workers agree: this is the real thing. It's always causing a people-bulge on the sidewalk. However, the cart is only here from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., so you have to time it right. But from tongue to chicken mole, to *milanesa*, steak ranchero, *carne asada*, *chile relleno*, and *pescado* (fish), they create really big taco meals right there. Bonus: standing around chomping in the street is a great way to meet people and practice your Spanish. Night-time only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

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Fish House Vera Cruz 360 Via Vera Cruz (in back of "Restaurant Row"), San Marcos, 760-744-7346. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Temecula. This affordable seafood eatery packs in diners like sardines. Fresh fish and lots of it is the happenin' thing. On a recent day, 23 different fresh fish selections were available as daily specials, on top of the regular menu of crab, lobster, oysters, shrimp, catfish, etc. All fish is mesquite-broiled with no sauces and no special preparations but a dab of tartar sauce. The seafood is so fresh you don't really mind. Each entrée includes a choice of two side dishes. The Manhattan chowder is especially tasty, as is their "krab" salad. This is an ideal place for families, but don't even think of it for a romantic meal out. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *S.M. (3/04)*

The Fish Market 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy, ever-multiplying restaurants — namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed, or panko-fried seafood, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consistent among locations. All the raw seafood is processed at the chain's Northern California facilities, so when the menu refers to a "local" species it merely means it's from somewhere in the Pacific. Small retail fish market in the downtown branch offers slightly fresher products than most supermarkets. Iden-

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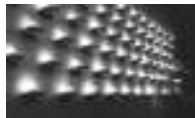
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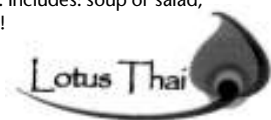
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Another Old Song

The genre presents no inherent barriers to profundity.

For eleven years I had lived under a cloud. For seven years I had lived under two clouds: two films by my favorite filmmaker, Alain Resnais, unreleased in American theaters or on video, and tormentingly unseen by me.

Four years ago, as I reported at the time, the Resnais retrospective at the American Cinematheque in Los

Angeles brought both of them within reach and blew away the clouds: *I Want to Go Home* from 1989 and *Smoking/No Smoking* from 1993, pre-dating his *Same Old Song*, which I had already managed to see at the San Francisco Film Festival in 1999 and which later would have a limited theatrical release if again none on video. I could breathe free until late last year, when the then eighty-one-year-old director came out with another one, *Not on the Lips*. America could scarcely be expected to start up a clamor for it; and a wait of one or two years, through normal channels, would have been the best I could hope for. But almost before a cloud could fully form, the film turned up in Los Angeles at the beginning of this month as part of the annual City of Lights/City of Angels

showcase of French cinema. Nothing but blue skies from now on.

That the film advances itself immediately as a serious contender for the Least Resnais is beside the point: his least is so much more than most people's most. Yet in a quite literal sense, this last film of Resnais's is the last one you ever ought to see: the more

you have seen of the earlier ones, the more interesting it stands to be. There were, to be frank, numerous walkouts in the middle of the show, though not for the same sorts of reasons that viewers used to walk out of *Marienbad*. The only difficulty of the film is in figuring out why this great innovator, this great adventurer, would have wanted to make it and who he could have imagined would be willing to sit still for it.

A straightforward screen transplant of a 1925 operetta by the unknown names of André Barde and Maurice Yvain — a frothy French bedroom farce with lots and lots of instantly forgettable tunes — it continues, combines, and preserves the balance between, two surprising developments in the later period of the filmmaker's career: his interest in musicals (*Life Is*

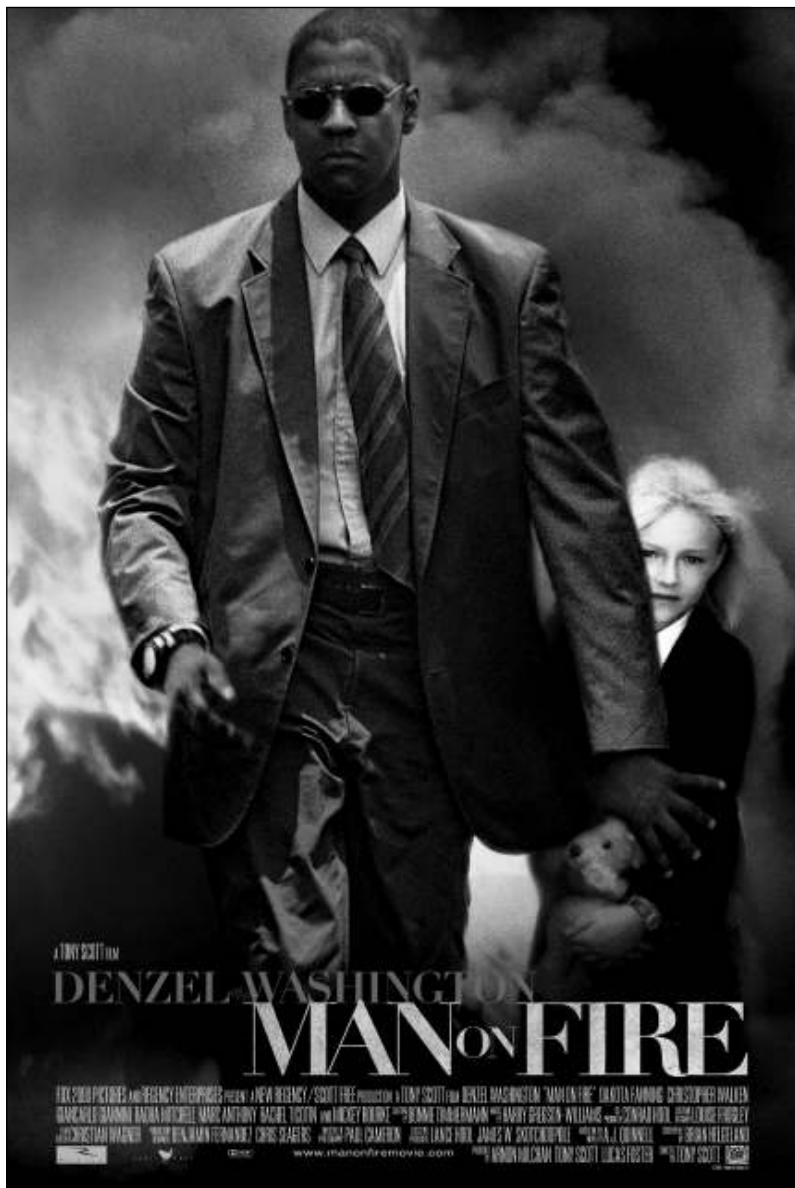


Not on the Lips

a Bed of Roses, *Same Old Song*) and his interest in theatrical adaptations (*Mélo*, *Smoking/No Smoking*). It also, to be sure, fits in with his primary vocation as an excavator, whether it be of memory, the mind in general, the human heart, the buried past, or in this instance, an actual relic of the French stage, a quaint cultural arti-

fact, whose distance from us is underscored by its playful jabs at the fads and crazes of the art world of that era: Spherist art, Lyrico-Symphonic art, Cubisto-Cuneiform art, or Coocooism for short. Blessedly free of trendy technology and razzle-dazzle, presented with uncompromising purity, a faithful reproduction of a vanished art

form, a fresh new document of a faded old custom, *Not on the Lips* could hardly be more out of fashion. It is of no small significance that on a couple of occasions — the one editorial liberty, the one damper on the merriment — an exiting character will evaporate like a phantom before he can leave the premises.



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To say that Resnais, with a mere three efforts, has become the foremost figure in movie musicals over the past quarter-century would say as much about the decline of the genre as about Resnais's contributions to it. His chief rival in the field, over that span, would perhaps be, of all people, Carlos Saura, whose greater number of efforts have been focussed on dance rather than on song. Resnais has so far left dance alone. In his two previous musicals, however, he had already done about as much as he could do to explore, and exploit, the reality-defying convention of human emotion bubbling up into melody and lyrics, and transporting the inner self, the invisible self, into the outward, the tangible, the extrovert, the exhibitionistic. (The fathers of surrealism, we are informed, had a fondness for operetta, and Resnais's line of descent therefrom is solid.) The new musical adds little in that regard, even in the way of agreeable music. We are not remotely in earshot of another Lehár or Herbert.

Then, too, as a theatrical revival it cannot qualify as a true "find" like *Mélo*,

a revelation whether or not the viewer had ever before heard of Resnais. Nor can it qualify as an ingenious makeover like *Smoking/No Smoking*. And while the theatricality is openly declared here in the actors' asides to the audience, the studio sets aim for the "realism" of backlot Hollywood circa 1935, shying away from the blatant staginess of the earlier transplants. Overlong for its ideas — or its one idea — the film ultimately seems limited by the original material, or by Resnais's fidelity to it. Length has often been a point of vulnerability in his work. *Last Year at Marienbad* is short, but could have been shorter. *Providence* is not much longer, but needn't have been. And although it's important that *Smoking* and *No Smoking* be two separate films, viewable in either order, it does not seem important that they each be two and a quarter hours in duration. No doubt *Not on the Lips*, like a Shirley Temple doll, like a Mickey Mouse wristwatch, gains some value as an antique; and the fidelity to the original allows us to make a fair appraisal of its initial worth. (Not a great deal.) But both of the director's other musicals demonstrate that the genre presents no inherent barriers to profundity.

Resnais does what he can to sustain, or resuscitate, the interest of this one. His indispensable repertoire play-

ers, Sabine Azéma and Pierre Arditi, singing for themselves instead of lip-synching as in *Same Old Song*, carry us through the first act. And the arrival of Lambert Wilson, a Frenchman playing an American and hilariously speaking and singing in American-accented French, perks up the second act. And in the last act the casting of Darry Cowl, a man playing a prune-faced old woman and singing in a falsetto, is a tremendous stunt, though not enough of a one to warrant his César award as last year's Best Supporting Actor. All throughout, there are countless felicities of color and light and costume and décor. By the final curtain, Resnais does exactly what he set out to do here, and does it to a fare-thee-well. And what he set out to do is something no one else has ever quite done. (An earlier screen version of the stage piece, dated 1931, is irrelevant.) But it is not something earth-shaking. Resnais's days of shaking the earth are long over, and this retreat into the past amounts to a tacit acknowledgment of the fact, a graceful, a gracious, a humble acknowledgment. The bittersweet irony of the situation is that the earth stopped taking notice well before he stopped shaking it. ■

MOVIE LISTINGS

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The Alamo

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The Alamo — Creditable retelling of an early chapter in Texas history ("As goes the Alamo, so goes Texas"), not as cumbersome as the John Wayne version of 1960, perhaps even a little cursory. Director and co-screenwriter John Lee Hancock humanizes the central figures — Crockett, Bowie, Travis, Houston, though not the ogre-ish Santa Anna — without demythicizing them, and without diminishing their heroism. Stage actor Patrick Wilson, with his Paul Newman puckered lips and baby-blue eyes,

makes an impressive screen debut as Travis, under better control than the veterans Billy Bob Thornton (Crockett), Jason Patric (Bowie), and Dennis Quaid (Houston). 2004.

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The American Astronaut — Sci-fi musical in black-and-white, written and directed by Cory McAbee, who also stars. (HAZARD CENTER 7, 4/16 THROUGH 22)

Bon Voyage — Rapid pileup of events and characters: an actress, a novelist, a corpse, an escaped convict, a capitulating politician, a Nazi spy, a Jewish nuclear scientist, among others. Personal concerns collide with global ones, in the best tradition of the wartime romance; and the plush production and photography (some lovely effects of rain) are worthy of the tradition, too. But there's an uncertainty of tone, or rather, a certain frivolity of tone — an air of artificiality and detachment. With Isabelle Adjani, Gerard Depardieu, Grégori Derangère, Virginie Ledoyen, Yvan Attal, and Peter Coyote; directed by Jean-Paul Rappeneau. 2003.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Connie and Carla — If you wrote and starred in *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, what do you do for an encore? (Well, after a spin-off TV series, anyway.) How about this? A sex-change operation on *Some Like It Hot*: two airport lounge singers (sisters of the one in *Anything but Love*) witness a mob hit and hide out in disguise as drag queens, milking the stereotype of gays and show tunes. Some like it not. With Nia Vardalos (who also scripted), Toni Collette, David Duchovny, Stephen Spinella, and an as-herself cameo by Debbie Reynolds; directed by Michael Lembeck. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; 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; FROM 4/16)

Dawn of the Dead — Shorter, straighter-faced, altogether squarer remake of the George Romero zombie bash. The "commentary" on American consumerism, or anyway the locality of a Middle American shopping mall, remains as pertinent today as in 1979, if scarcely as fresh. And the cannibalism now seems to pertain not so much to the society at large as to a depleted film industry overly dependent on blood-sucking remakes. The same could have been said, in fact did get said, of the 1990 remake of Romero's *Night of the Living Dead*. Little

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has changed in that respect. In another respect, the escalation of video-game violence on screen (whether or not this can be connected to things like Columbine off screen) makes the mowing-down of the zombies seem so far from fresh as to be downright rancid. The most boring revision

of the material is no doubt the juicing-up of the walking dead — the wobbling, staggering, stumbling dead, in Romero's version — with a new, athletic speed and strength. A more constructive new idea was to locate the gun shop across the street from the mall instead of inside it: the first step in

the eventual migration toward a nearby island sanctuary. Where the movie ends is where it should have begun. With Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames, Jake Weber, Mekhi Phifer; directed by Zack Snyder. 2004.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION

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Dogville — Danish director Lars von Trier follows up *Dancer in the Dark* with another unrecognizable portrait of America. A pedantic or facetious moral tale, it takes place in Depression-period costume on a sparse and stylized stage set, which from overhead looks like a near life-sized blueprint of a tiny town in the Rockies. Nicole Kidman bursts upon the scene, seeking refuge from a faceless mob boss doing a vocal impression of Orson Welles. There are antiquated title cards ("Chapter One, in Which Tom Hears Gunfire and Meets Grace"), a supercilious narrator (John Hurt), snatches of Baroque music, and the customary bad camerawork and unendurable duration. Harriet Andersson, Lauren Bacall, Paul Bettany, James Caan, Patricia Clarkson, Ben Gazzara, Chloë Sevigny, Stellan Skarsgard. 2004.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 4/16)

Ella Enchanted — A fairy-tale kingdom — elves, ogres, giants, fairy godmothers — sprinkled with modern anachronisms in the manner of a latter-day Disney cartoon. Anne Hathaway is game enough as a Cinderella blessed, or cursed, at birth by the "gift" of obedience, requiring her to acquiesce to any statement in the

imperative mood — a viable premise, far overextended. The story is adapted from the popular children's book by Gail Carson Levine, and played with a mincing preciousness designed to discourage everyone but devotees. With Hugh Dancy, Cary Elwes, Minnie Driver, Vivica A. Fox, and Jimi Mistry; directed by Tommy O'Haver. 2004.

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Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind — Charlie Kaufman, scriptwriter of *Being John Malkovich*, *Adaptation*, and *Confessions of a Dangerous Mind*, drills a new tunnel into his favorite fictional locale, the human brain, this time by way of the science-fictional device of an illicit memory-erasure service called Lacuna, Inc. ("Technically speaking, the procedure is brain damage, but it's on a par with a night of heavy drinking.") Both halves of a failed romance avail themselves of the service, first the female half, and then (in distress over his former lover's failure to recognize him)

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the male, who belatedly changes his mind and begins to struggle against the erasure in midstream. The old theme of cold-science-versus-warm-humanity emerges. And inasmuch as the protagonist is asleep for the operation, the flow of fragmentary memories, riddled with surrealistic dislocations and juxtapositions, takes on aspects of cognitive dreaming as well as psychoanalytic free association. 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



Ella Enchanted

fountainhead. Jim Carrey, Kate Winslet, Kirsten Dunst, Mark Ruffalo, Tom Wilkinson, Elijah Wood. 2004.

★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4;

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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

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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 important 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 assent 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. ★★ (LA PALOMA, FROM 4/16)

The Girl Next Door — The name's the same as the 1999 documentary on porn queen Stacy Valentine. Which is fitting because the girl who moves in next door to the teenage hero (Emile Hirsch), who plans someday to be President but who acts as if he wants to be Leo DiCaprio, is in truth a former "adult" film star. Elisha Cuthbert reasonably looks the part, if that's a compliment, and Timothy Olyphant warms to the role of a thoroughly degenerate producer, but the comic complications are clumpingly predictable. Directed by Luke Greenfield. 2004.

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Good Bye, Lenin — Wolfgang Becker's political comedy on the fall of Communism in East Germany. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Hellboy — Alias H.B., alias Red, alias Big Monkey — a horned demon unleashed by the Nazis and harnessed by the forces of good (namely the Bureau for Paranormal Research and Defense), his horns filed down to unmenacing stumps. A jokey comic-book adaptation (Dark Horse Comics) with delusions of grandeur. Guillermo Del Toro has demonstrated in the past an authentic directorial touch and a feeling for fantasy (*Cronos*, *Mimic*), but he is here a mere cog. Ron Perlman, John Hurt, Selma Blair, Rupert Evans, Jeffrey Tambor. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

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.

● (GASLAMP 15; MIRA MESA 18; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; VISTA VILLAGE)

Home on the Range — Going-through-the-motions Disney cartoon, a facetious, feminist (or cow-power) anti-Western wherein three heifers set out to capture Alameda Slim and save their dairy farm from foreclosure: “Huh! Bovine bounty hunters! Now I’ve seen everything.” Voices of Roseanne Barr, Judi Dench, Jennifer Tilly, and Cuba Gooding, Jr.; written and directed by Will Finn and John Sanford. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR
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PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16;
TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Jersey Girl — We've been through something like this before with Kevin Smith. It went by the name of *Chasing Amy*, and Ben Affleck was again Smith's on-screen stand-in as a Responsible Adult. Here those responsibilities extend to the filial and the parental, but only briefly the marital. (The sole time and place where Jennifer Lopez was destined to be wed to Ben Affleck, before her expedient — and symbolic — death in childbirth.) Smith, it

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goes without saying, has a perfect right to a sappy mood on occasion, but his right is not an excuse for the routineness, the staleness, the secondhandedness, the sitcomminess of the treatment. There are touches of tartness spaced throughout the goo (two kids showing one another their

privates), and the running gags to do with Will Smith (a bit of *Back to the Future* hindsight ca. 1994: "Like the Fresh Prince of Bel-Air is ever going to have a movie career!") yield a satisfying payoff in the actor's as-himself cameo appearance. But ultimately the best fun in the movie — a

straight-priorities movie, a heart-on-the-sleeve movie, a lose-the-cool movie — is in imagining how disappointed in him the filmmaker's hardcore loyalists are going to be. His nonloyalists and his active adversaries, on the other hand, are apt, even more, to be taken aback by his display of

taste in employing one of our very finest cinematographers, Vilmos Zsigmond. Not just taken aback, but torn in two between the outward beauty and the sludge underneath. With Liv Tyler, George Carlin, Rachel Castro, Jason Biggs. 2004.

★ (FASHION VILLAGE 18; GROSSMONT CENTER: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VILLAGE 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; VOGUE)

Johnson Family Vacation — Road comedy with Cedric the Entertainer, Vanessa L. Williams, and Bow Wow, directed by Christopher Erskin.
(CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLACE 14; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; VISTA VILLAGE)

Kill Bill, Vol. 2 — The rest of the story, with Uma Thurman, Michael Madsen, Daryl Hannah, and David Carradine, written and directed by Quentin Tarantino. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 4/16)

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with the Ealing Studios original — an interest in the unravelling criminal scheme and an interest in human stupidity — renders the Coens' appropriation of the material into an act of tribute rather than of plunder. With *The Big Lebowski* and *Fargo* in particular, they have earned their rights to *The Ladykillers*. Finally, they have effected so many changes — in milieu, in plot, in character, and in language — as to reclaim a measure of originality. They have much fun, as has Tom Hanks, with the high-flown diction (periodically brought low by the self-conscious adolescent snigger) of the criminal mastermind who styles himself an Old Southern gentleman and scholar: “portal,” “redoubtable,” “ignoble,” “derring-do,” “cogitation,” “contretemps,” etc., etc., not to mention his impromptu recitations from Poe’s poetry. And J.K. Simmons, the best thing in *Spider-Man*, made by Coen crony Sam Raimi, is the best thing here as well, a bald-pated, handlebar-mustached ordnance specialist, a former Freedom Rider, and a lifelong irritable-bowel sufferer, with a small grab-bag of blustery catch phrases: “Easiest thing in the world” and “Child’s play” when confidently on the offensive, or “Just a trial balloon” when in apologetic retreat. Still, there is no getting around our awareness

that this, however well done, is a job of renovation rather than invention. And no getting around our legitimate reasons for disappointment, however slight. With Irma P. Hall, Marlon Wayans, Tzi Ma, Ryan

Hurst. 2004.

★★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM

PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

The Lord of the Rings: The Return of



The Ladykillers

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)

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)

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

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yet a third offspring, Alexandra, by yet a third 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)

The Passion of the Christ — A work of devotion, and a big gamble, for Mel Gibson, financed out of his own pocket, boasting no big-name stars (Jim Caviezel and Monica Bellucci, the biggest), not to mention English subtitles for ancient languages, graphic gore, and a firestorm of pre-release publicity on its latent anti-Semitism. A version of this story that would bear down on the bodily punishment absorbed during Christ's last day on Earth was probably, in the fullness of time, inevitable. And it's a short step from saying that such a version was inevitable to saying that it's a particularly appropriate one for its time: a Passion, if you will, for the new millennium. More specifically, bereft of the spiritual and obsessed with the physical. In the end, there's really very little to it, apart from duration: the arrest in Gethsemane (with such excessive force as to leave Jesus at the outset looking like Rocky Balboa after a fifteen-rounder); the kangaroo court; the interminable public torture (Mel's martyrdom in *Braveheart* was but an appetizer); the marathon uphill climb to Calvary; the spikes in the hands and feet and the spear in the side; and scarcely more than ten seconds for the rolling-away of the stone and the restoration of the body for the ascent to Paradise. A major contributor to the aforesaid duration — two hours plus — is the willy-nilly use of slow-motion, always a handy access to dramatic emphasis for a filmmaker too lazy or inept to achieve it by

honest means such as pacing and camera placement. And please don't bother to voice any misgivings over the suitability of so voguish a device in so classical a setting: that just goes along with the ultra-violence to identify the film as *of its time*. 2004.

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The Prince and Me — A Wisconsin farm girl faces tough choices. Can she go on loving the heavenly exchange student after she finds out he's really the Crown Prince of Denmark? (No wonder he knows what *Hamlet's* about!) Must she give up her

dreams of attending Johns Hopkins and bringing medical relief to Latin America in order to fulfill the duties of Queen? Or then again, will the long, strong arm of feminism permit her to Have It All? Director Martha Coolidge applies her usual gentle touch, where a sharp rap on the knuckles with a yardstick was wanted. Julia Stiles, Luke Mably, Ben Miller, Miranda Richardson, James Fox. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Punisher — A Marvel Comics avenger little different from a Steven Seagal or Arnold Schwarzenegger avenger. In a long slow prologue, his entire family gets

wiped out by a Tampa ganglord, thus justifying the lonely-boy broodiness so common and so congenial to the comic fan. He has no superpowers, though he has a nifty collection of custom-tooled guns among other gizmos and gadgets, and a death's-head black T-shirt in which to wreak his revenge. The image has the darkness of a solar eclipse. With Thomas Jane, John Travolta, Will Patton, Laura Harring, and Rebecca Romijn-Stamos; directed by Jonathan Hensleigh. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION

VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; 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; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 4/16)

Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed — Freddie Prinze, Jr., Sarah Michelle Gellar, Matthew Lillard, et al., return for a sequel; directed by Raja Gosnell.

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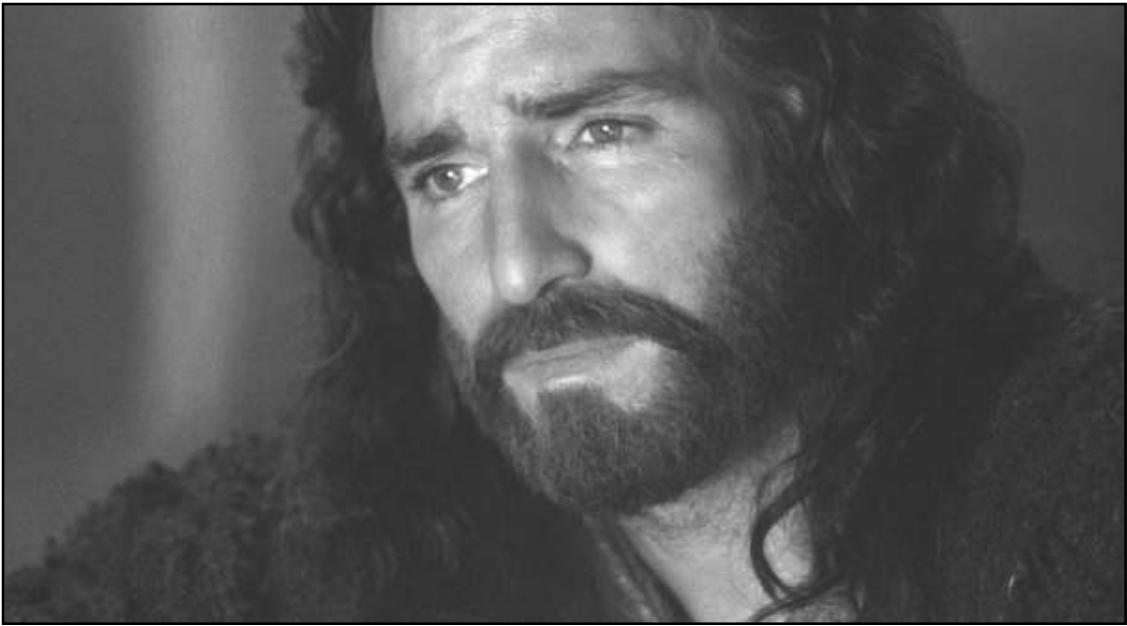
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Secret Window — Cheap-trick chiller from a Stephen King book. A Mississippi hick, an amusing John Turturro, shows up at the doorstep of a Stephen King-like popular author (Johnny Depp, playing a lot to the camera) to accuse him of plagiarism: “Ye-oo stow! mah stow-ry.” Plagiarism as a subject might have been as amusing as the 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.
★ (VOGUE)

Songs from the Second Floor — A stationary camera collects random samples of modern urban life, as long as they’re absurd, fantastic, grotesque, or nightmarish: “It’s not easy being human.” The language



The Passion of the Christ

is Swedish, but we could be anywhere or nowhere. The sickly green tinge to the image is tantamount to looking through a dirty window pane. Written, directed by Roy Andersson. 2000.
★ (HAZARD CENTER 7, THROUGH 4/15)

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.
★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

Taking Lives — Copycat serial-killer film. But let’s be clear: it’s not really the killer who’s a copycat — one of those diabolically clever, games-playing, wits-matching superfiends — but rather the film itself, with its strained performances, transparent tricks, jack-in-the-box jolts, and palpable, sliceable, spreadable sense of dread. The big influence is *Seven*, from the jumpy credits through the pockets of murk and gloom pierced by probing shafts of light. The series of killings, ranging across the breadth of Canada, goes back twenty years; but the first one in the bleached-out overlong prologue is no help in identifying the killer, since the actor will afterwards be replaced by a bigger name with an unmatching face. The FBI profiler on loan to the Montreal homicide cops is Angelina Jolie (a *Silence of the Lambs* influence), whose laser-eyed perceptiveness produces a lot of microscopic closeups but

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5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
Hellboy (PG-13) Fri. (1:10, 3:45) 7:10, 9:55; Sat. (12:45, 3:40) 7:10, 9:55; Sun. (12:45, 3:40)

7:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:55, 5:30) 8:10; **Johnson Family Vacation** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:35, 8:00, 10:15; Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:35, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:25) 7:35; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri. (1:05, 3:55) 7:30, 10:25; Sat. (12:30, 3:55) 7:30, 10:25; Sun. (12:30, 3:55) 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:15) 8:00; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri. (1:30) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sat. (12:00, 3:05) 7:00, 9:45; Sun. (12:00, 3:05) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:20) 7:55; **The Punisher** (R) Fri. (1:15, 3:50) 7:20, 10:05; Sat. (12:15, 3:50) 7:20, 10:05; Sun. (12:15, 3:50) 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 5:10) 7:45; **Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** (PG) Fri. (1:25, 3:30) 5:45, 7:50; Sat.-Sun. (1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:05) 7:30; **Walking Tall** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 9:50

Ken

4061 Adams Ave (619-819-0236)
The Mayor of Sunset Strip (R) Thu. 5:20, 7:35, 9:50; **The Animation Show** (Not Rated) Fri. 5:20, 7:35, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:35, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. 5:20, 7:35, 9:50

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)
Bon Voyage (PG-13) Dolby Stereo Digital First Show Bargain Sub-Titled 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; **Dogville** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:20) 4:55, 8:30
Good Bye, Lenin! (R) Dolby Stereo Digital First Show Bargain Sub-Titled Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; **Latter Days** (Not Rated) Fri. (4:40) 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 4:40, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (4:40) 9:50
Monsieur Ibrahim (R) Dolby Stereo Digital First Show Bargain Sub-Titled Fri. (2:10) 4:50, 7:25, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:25, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:50, 7:25, 9:55; **The United States of Leland** (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:00) 7:20

Museum of Photographic Arts

1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)
Underground, Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado (619-238-1233)
Adrenaline Rush: The Science of Risk Fri. 5:00, 8:30; Sat. 5:00; Sun. 12:00, 5:00; Mon.-Tue. 5:00; Wed.-Thu. 4:00; **Adventures in Wild California** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 7:00; **Australia: Land Beyond Time** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 3:00; Sat. 12:00, 2:00; Sun. 11:00, 2:00; Mon. 12:00, 2:00; Tue.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00; **Coral Reef Adventure** (Not Rated) Fri. 1:00, 4:00; Sat.-Mon. 1:00, 3:00; Tue. 1:00, 4:00; Wed.-Thu. 1:00; **Everest** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 6:00; **To Worlds Beyond A.M.** Sat. 10:00; **Top Speed** (Not Rated) Fri. 2:00, 9:30; Sat. 11:00, 4:00, 8:00; Sun. 10:00, 4:00; Mon. 11:00, 4:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:00; **The Young Black Stallion** (G) Wed.-Thu. 10:00

no real insights. With Ethan Hawke, Olivier Martinez, Tcheky Karyo, Kiefer Sutherland, and Gena Rowlands; directed by D.J. Caruso. 2004.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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; LA PALOMA)

Walking Tall — The title and the timber are taken from the 1973 biopic on Sheriff Buford Pusser, but this remake-slash-update-slash-relocation is so generic — cleaning up the gambling, drugs, and corruption in a Northwest mill town — that no attribution was really required. Perhaps it would have been better called *Walking Wide*, to fit the physique of The Rock,



The Whole Ten Yards

whose air of moral rectitude has a nice sincerity to it. Or even *Walking Short*, to fit the hour-and-a-quarter running time of a grade-B programmer of 1954. With Johnny Knoxville and Neal McDonough; directed

by Kevin Bray. 2004.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20;

OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

What Alice Found — The opening

Emmylou Harris song gives you the brief illusion that you’re in for a peak experience. But then down you go — down to the bottom drawer of digital video — down to the cesspool of truck-stop hooking. With Emily Grace, Judith Ivey, and Bill Raymond; written and directed by A. Dean Bell. 2003.

● (HAZARD CENTER 7, THROUGH 4/15)

The Whole Ten Yards — The team reassembles: Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry, Amanda Peet, Natasha Henstridge, and Kevin Pollak in old-age makeup as his own father (in a manner of speaking). Penalized five yards for a false start, another five for delay of game, and fifteen for unnecessary roughness: too deep a hole. Directed by Howard Deutch. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 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)

Wilbur Wants to Kill Himself — The Danish director of *Italian for Beginners*, Lone Scherfig, moves over to Scotland for a dark comedy.

(LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 4/16)

Grossmont Trolley

8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
Call theater for program information.

SANTEE

Santee Drive In
10990 Woodside Ave (619-448-7447)
Hellboy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:00, 11:45; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. 8:00, 12:00; **Walking Tall** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:10

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10
Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; **Johnson Family Vacation** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; **Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; **Walking Tall** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:15, 2:15, 4:15, 6:30, 8:30, 10:45; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30, 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennergy Road (858-558-2262)
Kill Bill, Vol. 2: The Punisher; Connie and Carla; The Alamo; Ella Enchanted; The Girl Next Door; The Whole Ten Yards; Johnson Family Vacation; Hellboy; Home on the Range; The Prince and Me; Walking Tall; The Ladykillers; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed; Jersey Girl; Taking Lives; Dawn of the Dead; Hidalgo; The Passion of the Christ

Rancho Del Rey 16
East H Street, at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4701)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 3:10) 7:10, 10:20; **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:40, 4:30) 7:05, 9:40; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 1:55, 4:20) 7:00, 9:30; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:50, 4:35) 7:40, 10:35; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 2:45) 7:00, 9:50; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:05; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:25, 4:25) 7:25; **Jersey Girl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (4:40); **Johnson Family Vacation** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:25, 5:00) 7:35, 10:15; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:00, 3:30, 4:05) 7:15, 7:45, 10:15, 10:45; **The Ladykillers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:00) 7:20, 10:00; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:10, 4:55) 7:50, 10:30; **The Prince and Me** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:35, 4:20) 7:10, 10:00; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 3:40) 7:30, 10:30; **Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:20, 3:50) 6:55, 9:35; **Walking Tall** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 1:30, 4:00) 7:20, 9:45; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13)

Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:45, 4:30) 7:35, 10:10

Vogue

226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436)
Dawn of the Dead (R) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 9:45; **Jersey Girl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:15, 6:00; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:15, 8:00

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In
2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)
Call theater for program information.

NORTH INLAND

FALLBROOK

Galaxy 6
5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)
Ella Enchanted (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Sun. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun. 11:00, 1:45, 4:30, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:30, 7:30; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sun. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Sun. 11:30, 2:15, 5:15, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:15, 5:15, 8:00; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:15; Sun. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 7:45

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain
11620 Carmel Mt. Road (858-674-9770)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:55) 5:00, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 5:00) 8:30; **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:20) 4:40, 7:05, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 1:20, 4:40) 7:05, 9:30; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:25, 1:40) 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sun. (11:25, 1:40) 4:15, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (11:25, 1:40, 4:15) 7:00, 9:35; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:35, 2:10) 4:45, 7:50, 10:20; Sun. (11:35, 2:10) 4:45, 7:25, 10:00; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:15, 2:00) 4:30, 7:35, 10:10; Sun. (11:15, 2:00) 4:30, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:30) 7:20, 9:55; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:40, 1:35, 3:30) 5:30, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:40, 1:35, 3:30, 5:30) 7:30; **Jersey Girl** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 9:50; Sun.-Thu. 9:20; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:10, 2:20) 5:15, 7:45, 10:20; Sun. (11:20, 2:25) 5:05, 8:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:20, 2:25, 5:05) 8:45; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 1:45) 4:35, 7:40, 10:15; Sun. (11:00, 1:45) 4:35, 7:10, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:35) 7:10, 9:55; **The Prince and Me** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 2:35) 4:50, 7:15, 9:55; Sun. (12:05, 2:30) 4:50, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:30, 4:50) 7:15, 9:30; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 2:15) 4:55, 7:30, 10:25; Sun.-Thu. (11:30, 2:15) 6:45, 9:45; **Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:10, 1:15, 3:25) 5:35, 7:40, 9:55; Sun. (11:10, 1:15, 3:25) 5:35, 7:35, 9:40;

Mon.-Thu. (11:10, 1:15, 3:25, 5:35) 7:35, 9:40; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 2:05) 4:25, 7:20, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (11:20, 2:05, 4:25) 7:20, 10:10

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16,
350 West Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)
Call theater for program information.

POWAY

Poway 10
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:15, 6:15, 8:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:15, 4:15, 6:15, 8:15; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **The Ladykillers** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **The Prince and Me** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:00, 1:15, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30

RAMONA

Ramona Twin
626 Main Street (760-789-3422)
Call theater for program information.

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18
West San Marcos Blvd. at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)
13 Going on 30 (PG-13) Sat. 7:00; **The Alamo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 4:15) 7:30, 10:30; **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:35, 4:40) 7:10, 9:45; **Dawn of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 5:10) 10:25; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:30, 5:00) 7:20, 9:40; **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:05) 7:15, 9:50; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:25, 5:15) 8:00, 10:35; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri. (11:10, 1:55, 4:40) 7:35, 10:20; Sat. (1:25, 4:10) 10:20; Sun.-Thu. (11:10, 1:55, 4:40) 7:35, 10:20; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:15; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00) 7:10; **Jersey Girl** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:55) 7:50; **Johnson Family Vacation** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:35) 7:25, 9:55; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 12:00, 3:20, 4:10) 7:00, 7:35, 10:15, 10:45; **The Ladykillers** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 3:50) 6:45, 9:10; **The Passion of the Christ** (R) Fri. (12:30, 3:45) 7:00, 10:00; Sat. (12:30, 3:45) 7:05, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. (12:30, 3:45) 7:00, 10:00; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:05,

4:00) 7:15, 10:45; **Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:15, 3:25) 5:45, 7:55, 10:10; **Secret Window** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 5:05) 7:40; **Starsky and Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:10; **Walking Tall** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 2:45, 4:50) 7:05, 9:15; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 2:05, 5:05) 7:45, 10:15

VISTA

Vista Village Metroplex 15
Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)
Kill Bill, Vol. 2: The Punisher; Connie and Carla; The Alamo; Ella Enchanted; The Girl Next Door; The Whole Ten Yards; Johnson Family Vacation; Hellboy; Home on the Range; Walking Tall; The Ladykillers; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed; Hidalgo; The Passion of the Christ

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real
2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147)
Call theater for program information.

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8
12905 El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)
13 Going on 30 (PG-13) Sat. 7:00; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00; Sat. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:15, 4:15, 7:00; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45; **The Prince and Me** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:15; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30; **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **The Ladykillers** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8
220 N El Camino Real (760-942-5544)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:45)

7:00, 10:15; Sun. (12:30, 3:45) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 5:25) 8:30

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)
The Fog of War (PG-13) Fri. 8:50; Sat.-Sun. 4:00, 8:50; Mon.-Wed. 8:50; **The Rocky Horror Picture Show** (R) Fri. 12:00; **Touching the Void** (Not Rated) Fri.-Wed. 6:30

LA COSTA

La Costa 6
6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)
The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:15; **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:30, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45; **The Girl Next Door** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; **The Ladykillers** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13
College Blvd. and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)
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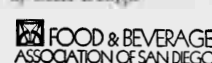
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Matt Miles
Teacher
San Francisco

I’ve never taken one for the team, by definition of making out with an ugly chick so a friend could hook up with her cute friend, but I’ve talked to hundreds of girls while my friends have chatted up their friends. I was once in Mexico and my friend thought he was taking one for the team by talking to this chick while I talked to her cute friend. When I was alone with the cute friend, she told me that the other chick was actually a man. By the time I got back to my friend, the guy — that we thought was a girl — was cursing at my buddy in Spanish because he had turned down [his] advances. I still owe my buddy for that.



Ted Hekman
Web Designer
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I can’t say that I’ve ever felt the urge to help out a friend by hooking up with an ugly girl. In high school, I had the reputation among my friends for doing the exact opposite. If I saw one of my friends talking to a girl that I didn’t think was a quality chick, I’d say something to the girl that would make her not want to hook up with my friends. My friends called me a “salt shaker” because I would say things that would ruin their chances. When you “throw salt” on another guy’s game, it makes his game bitter and not work. Now that I’m older, I don’t hate on the attempts of my friends to hook up with girls, no matter how big or ugly they might be.



Trevor
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Hell, yeah, I’ve taken one for the team; I always take one for the team. You got to do it so everybody else can have a good time. I’m pretty much the fall guy because I think I’m always the one who’ll jump on a grenade for the good of my friends. My friends are a bunch of losers, but they know that I’ll come through in a pinch. For the most part, I don’t really do that kind of thing anymore.



Vitaly Tsyrlin
Entrepreneur
La Jolla

I’ve taken one for the team. I think it happens because I don’t really go into attack mode when I go to a party, so I end up letting my more aggressive friends talk to the better-looking girls. I moved out here from Arizona, and partly it was because my friends back home were selfish and wouldn’t think because they smoke too much marijuana. I’ve never regretted taking one for the team because I never touch the girls; I just talk to them.



Tony
Professional Snowboarder
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No. I’m a good wing man. I try to hook my friends up with good-looking girls. There’s not too many ugly girls, and the majority of the time, they’re all cute and we’re all happy. We wouldn’t be happy if they weren’t good-looking. Usually there isn’t an ugly one.



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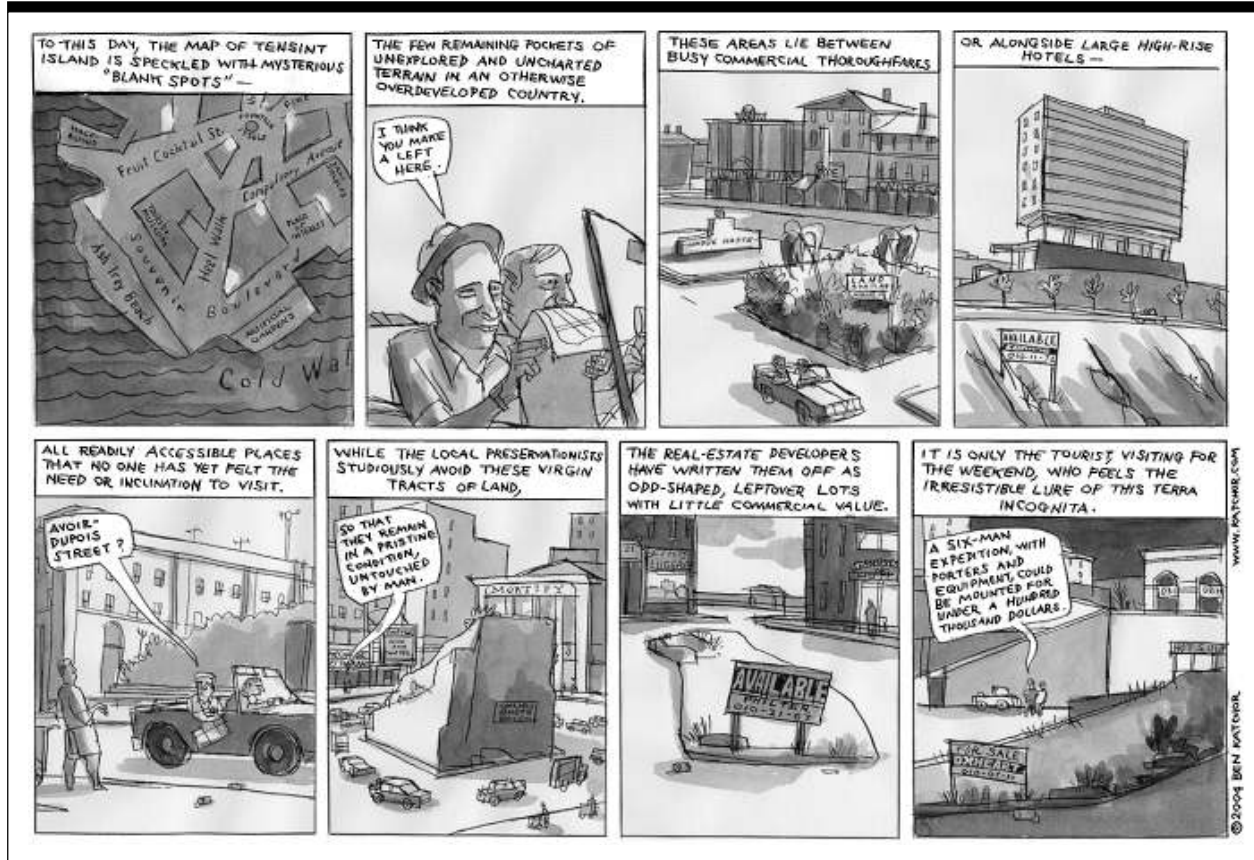
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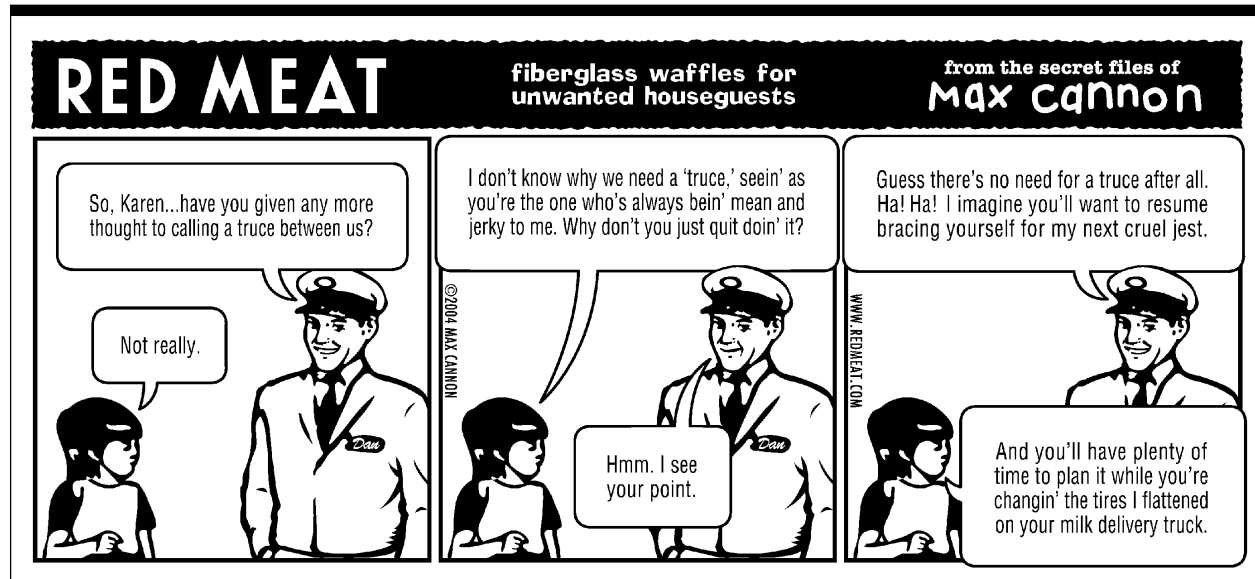
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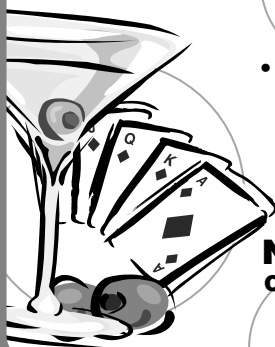


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NOTICES

Migala, and David Heiser at Avalon Gallery, 3803 Ray Street, North Park. Through April 30.

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, artwalkinfo.com, or 619-615-1090.

ATHEIST COALITION: "If we value the pursuit of knowledge, we must be free to follow wherever that search may lead us." Information, newsletter, and website at 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.

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CANTOR ALBERTO MIZRAHI performs with spiritual rocker Craig Taubman at the Garfield Theater (La Jolla) on April 19, 7:30pm. Jewish Community Center box office. 858-362-1348.

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THE READER PUZZLE

Across

- Shade of blue
- Delhi dress
- Baseballer known for bon mots
- Vindictive Greek goddess
- "Follow me!"
- The Stones' "Let It ____"
- Checked out
- Takes a course?
- Muppet with a large nose
- What's depicted in most chase scenes of "Goldfinger," "Octopussy," etc.? (or a witty clue for 64-Across)
- "Say, boss, how about ____?"
- Sawbuck
- Suffix with Manhattan
- Fix with a needle
- Beginning, in Hebrew
- Concerning
- Pizzazz
- Violates the rules
- Hope to steer clear of any antitrust legislation? (or a witty clue for 64-Across)
- Measles symptom
- 1997 Peter Fonda title role
- Father-and-daughter boxers
- Kachina doll makers
- Informal agreements
- L.A. clock setting
- Ooh and ____
- Try to persuade
- What Colin Powell does in getting on a plane to forge a last minute peace agreement? (or a witty clue for 64-Across)

- March
- Snack since 1912
- Jazzy James
- 1988 Olympics site
- Frigid add-on
- Remarked
- Waive one's rites? or Run for your wife? or Go with the beau?
- Pinot ____ (dry red wine)
- Recipe amts.

Down

- What an aspiring attorney has to pass
- Friend of Tigger and Roo
- Play stations?
- Sonny boy
- Part of an act
- Third in a Latin recital
- "The Human Stain" novelist
- Small maps within a larger one
- Sought-after gift in "A Christmas Story"
- North Carolina college

- Cartoon chihuahua
- Ian Frazier book "On the ____"
- Fuss
- New York river to Lake Ontario
- Bring back on staff
- Part of many airport names: Abbr.
- "Troilus and Cressida" setting
- "It's a mouse!"
- Dorm overseers, for short
- Get the better of
- Bank statement amt.
- Deadly
- "Bye!"
- Hollywood's Gibson and Brooks
- Blue-pencil
- Cartography lines: Abbr.
- 10% of MDX
- 50 Cent piece
- Orville or Wilbur Wright, e.g.
- Contemporary of Gertrude and F. Scott
- Japanese dogs
- Insider's tidbit
- Golf's Sam and J.C.
- Washington product
- One who courts
- Progresso product
- Peter, Paul and Mary, e.g.
- Garr of "Young Frankenstein"
- "The Waste Land" poet's monogram
- Meth. or Cath.
- Hockey shutout

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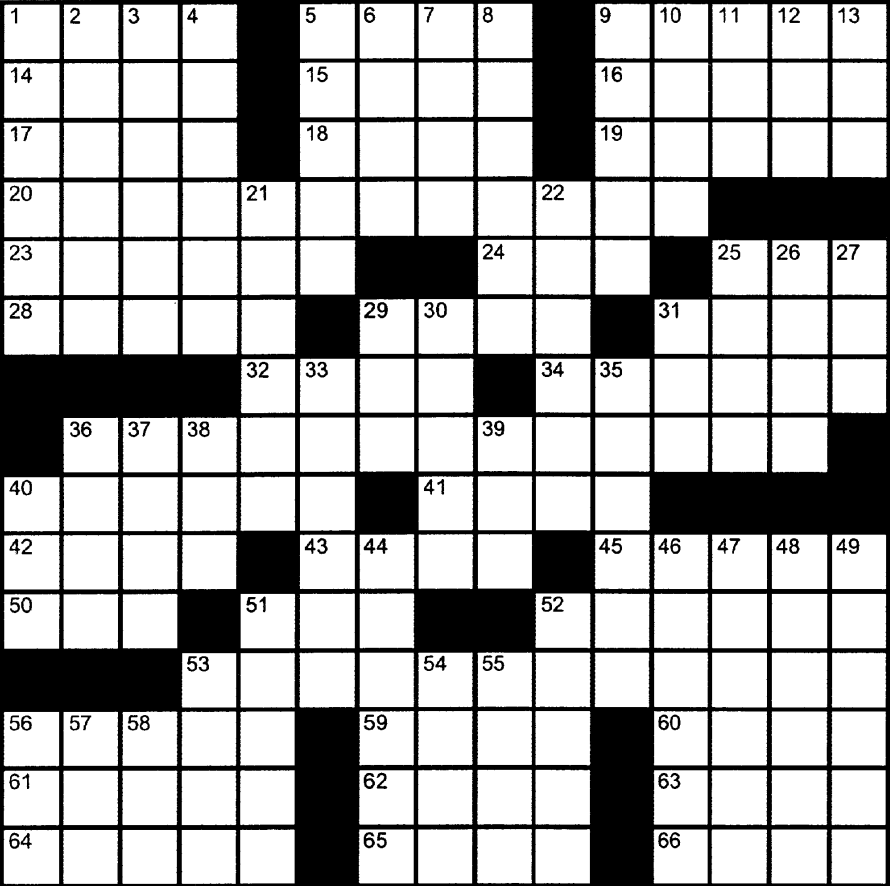
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Clue: When Julio is on a roll, conventional folk find him a sight to behold.

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HEY LISA WITH THE PRETTY smile. Did you forget my number? Or, don't you want to share those ravioli's? Meet me, same place, 4/19 at 7pm. Rick.

HEY, CHUCK. What's up? Stay put and stay strong. I'm going through the same battles daily. Call me. You make me smile.

LOOKING FOR OLD FRIENDS. Contact me through the Reader in this column. Carmela F.W. Punk rock rules.

MISSING THE GOOD and the bad times. Kenny kickrocks, Randy R., Chupa, more names, you know who you are. Remember? Maggie May.

NANCY B. and Beverly who lived in Imperial Beach in the 1950s and 1960s, write Jerry, PO Box 731, El Cajon 92022.

NICK K. NICK K. NICK K. Call home. Urgent! WI WI WI.

NIKLARZ. Met you at Patrick's. Would love to see you again. Please respond to this column in the Reader.

THANK YOU Saint Jude. You always help me when I'm desperate and I ask you. I'm blessed and relieved by your visible, speedy results.

UNDER THE STARS, walking in the pouring rain, prints in the sand, under the trees, rocking chair. Three more months? I still love you Daddy.

WOW! Absolute perfect paths and perfect people answer my prayers and all in the blink of an eye. Light candles for St. Jude, then relax!

MATCHES

SHARED INTERESTS

FRIEND WANTED. Seeking other single males/females for happy hours. Non-smoking/drugs. 30-45. Me; Single, Asian, female student. (4/28) ☎20965

SEX IN THE CITY, ANYONE? Professional ladies, 30-45 for friendship. Salsa lessons, plays, concerts, brunches. Would like to meet platonic friends. (4/21) ☎20905

MATCHES

WOMEN SEEKING MEN

CUTE, CUDDLY, PETITE, little brown-eyed blonde, warm, sensuous, bright, caring, full of mischief. You are charming, intelligent, witty, romantic, ready for me! Non-smoker. 55-68. (4/28) ☎23216

ATTRACTIVE, ENERGETIC, 63, loves desert, mountains, geology, ballroom, art, boating. Seeking European/Hispanic grandpa, handsome, creative, upscale, explorative, beyond American culture, hobby, farmer, fine craftsman. (4/21) ☎23171

BLONDE, ATTRACTIVE, ARTIST, 5'8", 125lbs., vivacious and 54. Seeking someone between 49-56, who's a tall, nice looking, educated professional, and a wonderful, terrific guy! (4/21) ☎23179

PRETTY, YOUNG-LOOKING blonde, 40, from Boston area, intelligent, medium height/weight, low maintenance, earnest. Seeking kindhearted, good looking, sincere gentleman, 35-45. Extraordinary Desserts. (4/28) ☎23214

PASSIONATE PRESENT, PERKY, positive, pretty, playful, petite, sensuous, shapely, spontaneous, smart, voluptuous, funny. Desires mature, humorous, romantic, intelligent, expressive, kind, easygoing, white, professional, nonsmoker, 57-67. (4/21) ☎23183

SENSITIVE, CARING, 52-year-old lady, enjoys music, walks, dining out, conversations. Interested in kindhearted gentleman, 50-59, for warm, close, cuddling relationship. (4/28) ☎23196

VERY EXOTIC, ATTRACTIVE, shapely and young looking brunette, 50s. Seeking attractive and kind gentleman, 45-60, with great sense of humor for friendship and possibly more. (4/28) ☎23213

PRETTY, SWEET, FILIPINA, 36, 5'7", Catholic, nurse, stable, commitment minded. Seeking 33-42, tall, white, professional, emotionally mature, financially stable, for possible long-term relationship. (4/21) ☎23164

Beautiful, Sweet Asian

Me: gorgeous face, sexy, athletic body, fun loving, intelligent. You: big, strong, muscular, handsome, gym rat, with sweet personality, 5'9"+, 26-40 years. Please be honest, not cocky. (4/28) ☎23192

PRETTY BRUNETTE/BLUE, young looking, sincere, and romantic seeks attractive, sincere, caucasian male between 55-68. I enjoy dining, movies, plays, sports, conversation, laughter. (4/21) ☎23191

INDEPENDENT, HONEST, CARING, giving, Christian, loves animals, kids, beach, movies, music, 4x4ing, barbecues, family gatherings, margaritas. Prefer younger man, age 30-39, with similar interests. (4/28) ☎23193

HONEST, INTELLIGENT, sensual, 55, 5'2", curvy, long blonde/blue, seeking sincere, confident, degreed, strong, successful, over 5'8", special man for our best relationship ever! (4/28) ☎23197

Attractive, Classy British Lady

53, educated, financially independent, La Jolla home, loves travel, tennis, golf, bridge, theater, movies, dining out. Seeking similar guy for long-term relationship. (4/28) ☎23215

DANCING, PRETTY, FASHIONABLE, radiant, fun, humor, 46, fit, professional, passionate, music, dinners, travel, tall, healthy, sexy, laughter, assertive, positive, country, city, chemistry. You: same. (4/21) ☎23155

POLISH-LITHUANIAN, girl next door, middle age, wants to meet gentleman. I am 5'3", 125lbs. My interests are sweets, creative writing, mental health, pets. (4/28) ☎23194

ARE YOU a 60+, classy gentleman? Can I wear your pajama top after getting to know you? Lost my soul mate two years ago. (4/21) ☎23156

TINA TURNER'S BODY/AGE, attractive, petite, blue/blonde, fun loving, desires "match", educated, financially secure,

nonsmoking, commitment-minded, gentleman, 60-75, dining, dancing, movies, walks, travel. (4/21) ☎23166

CUTE BLONDE, 5'7", DEGREED, fit, professional. Seeking partner, 5'10"+, 42-52, likes outdoors, hiking, biking, kayaking, travel, movies, concerts, rock, dancing, laughter, margaritas, sunsets, sunrises, dogs! (4/21) ☎23175

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE/OUT. Red/blue, professional, worldly, interesting, diverse, humorous, healthy, honest, fun. Seeking professional, secure emotionally, laughter, conversation, romantic, cultured, travel, positive. Take chance. (4/28) ☎23212

BLONDE, RADIANT, BLUE-EYED, European, striking, attractive, sexy, romantic, lady seeks tall, good looking, upbeat, accomplished, caring, soul mate to enjoy life to the fullest. 44-52. (4/21) ☎23185

COURAGE TO BE YOURSELF, share thoughts, feelings, 50+, active, adventurous, affectionate, altruistic, outdoors, travel, KPBS, Mozart, theater. Seeking clean shaven, symbiotic, generosity of self, trustworthy(4/21) ☎23190

SWEET, SENSUAL, PRETTY, playful, healthy lifestyle, cute, black female, 24. Seeking attractive, kind, sincere, classy, wealthy white male, 55+ for mutually happy, light, fun relationship. (4/21) ☎23172

ROMEO STANDS FOR retired old (60+) man eating out alone. Seeking just a cozy, safe, comfortable relationship to enjoy the finer things in life. Call. (4/21) ☎23168

I'M HERE. Affectionate, personable, black lady who believes in family, seeks over 6'2", to 220lbs., 60-65, physically/emotionally fit, and financially secure black male. (4/21) ☎23154

HOPEFUL ROMANTIC, 5'8", blonde, average build, 51 years, forever young. Seeking you, the last love of my life. Life is an adventure, let's live it. (4/21) ☎23165

CREATIVE, SLENDER, professional, white female, attractive, 44, 5'5", Libran. Enjoys the arts, hiking, yoga, travel, history, bookstores, films. Nonsmoker. Seeking

fun, honest, 37-48, similar interests. (4/28) ☎23219

PROFESSOR SEEKS PROFESSIONAL gentleman soul mate. We're fit, healthy, trustworthy, stable, loving, sexy, passionate, considerate, reliable, communicative, monogamous, 45", have character, values, love laughter, intimacy. (4/21) ☎23188

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? (4/21) ☎23169

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. (4/28) ☎23217

ARE YOU POSITIVE, and outgoing? Curvaceous, health conscious, 42 year old seeks companion, 35-50. If you have integrity, and a sense of humor, call! (4/28) ☎23221

LOVES JAZZ, BASEBALL, architecture, ocean, theater, politics, most of all, people, laughter, friends, cuddles. Plus size, 72-years young woman, will share with independent man. (4/21) ☎23174

BIRTHDAY GIRL! Brown-skinned Mona Lisa, beautiful eyes, smile seeks a tall, handsome, kind, man, generous, beautiful spirit, adventurous, spiritual, well educated, open minded, openhearted. (4/21) ☎23189

LOOKING FOR LOVE, romance, and a best buddy. I am 55, blonde/blue, attractive, 5'7", 117lbs. I am crazy, fun, loving, love romance, flowers, smiles. (4/21) ☎23159

FEMALE, 53, YOUNG in mind/body. Seeking Jewish gentleman, financially secure, enchanting, interesting, good conversationalist, fun, good sense of humor. Seeking unique bond with man willing to find love, happiness for eternity. (4/21) ☎23170

ACTIVE, ATTRACTIVE, ENERGETIC, healthy, white, 65, nonsmoker, enjoys music, dancing, movies, etc. Seeking same in white male. Possibility of a long-term relationship. (4/28) ☎23208

SENIOR WHITE FEMALE, tall, adventurous, enjoy outdoors, travel, movies. Would like to meet special male, white, healthy, tall, over 70, nonsmoker, for friendship and companionship. (4/28) ☎23210

A BLACK, EXTREMELY ROMANTIC, polished lady. Are you a gentleman who enjoys fine dining, sunsets, sunrises, weekend get-aways, ready financially/emotionally for friendship, more? (4/28) ☎23200

KIND, CARING, CONSIDERATE, intuitive, spiritual, honest, intelligent, educated, 47, strawberry/blue. Seeking gentleman for lasting love. I love animals, books, movies, music, baseball, coffee-houses. (4/21) ☎23163

VOLUPTUOUS WOMAN, considerable sex appeal, thriving intellect, passionate heart, open to adventure. Seeking multifaceted husky hunk, 32-42, capable of connecting on many levels. Ready? (4/21) ☎23187

TRUSTING, LASTING FRIEND wanted. Someone to count on, build relationship with, caring, thoughtful, authentic communication, patience. 5'7", attractive, 45, curvaceous, enthusiastic, fun, healthy, thoughtful, youthful. (4/21) ☎23176

JOYFUL, PRETTY, SHAPELY, thin blonde, early 30's, adventuresome, into self improvement, never wants kids, seeks growth relationship with same, but muscular, darker hair/skin, homeowner. (4/28) ☎23220

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. (4/28) ☎23206

OLDER WOMAN, BUT NOT in mind, body or spirit, number only. Seeking younger guy, 50s, fun, passionate, compassion-

ate, intelligent, enjoy life to its fullest. Non-smoker. (4/21) ☎23160

STOP RIGHT HERE. Look no more if you are looking for a sincere, affectionate person, here I am, a woman of color with class. (4/28) ☎23195

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH. European, 5'10", 40, nature lover, athletic, thinking outside the box. Seeking 35-45, tall, mature, fit, emotionally secure, monogamous, spiritual, romantic gentleman. (4/21) ☎23178

ASIAN EXOTIC, SEXY, great smile, nice legs, curvaceous, humorous, 5'3", 115lbs., healthcare professional, childless, homeowner. Seeking tall, fit, nonsmoker, caring, financially stable, 35+, Caucasian professional. (4/28) ☎23211

CAN YOU BARBECUE? Yummy! 33, sassy, green-eyed brunette seeking funny guy with lots of personality who can grill a girl up some meat. 34-38. (4/28) ☎23204

ARE YOU A GENEROUS, attentive, financially/emotionally, secure white male, 35-43, seeking an amazing, take charge woman to spoil? Lucky you, I allow spoiling. Call. (4/28) ☎23205

ROMANTIC, ADVENTUROUS, good looking lady seeks nonsmoking, passionate relationship with 55+ semi-tall gentleman. Share life to the fullest. Stick-in-the-muds need not apply. (4/21) ☎23158

SEXY, EUROPEAN EDUCATED, gorgeous, petite. Seeking successful, truthful, generous, educated, anti-war, stylish, monogamous (com)passionate, no baggage/previous kids, friendship, supportive, spiritual, non-religious man, 38-49, 5'9"+. (4/21) ☎23181

GOOD GUY WANTED! Blonde, plus-sized teacher, 34, enjoys beach, dance, movies, gym. Seeking kind, funny white male, 28-38. Put a spring in my step! (4/21) ☎23162

SENSATIONAL, SEXY, REAL, intuitive, vivacious, spirited woman seeking balanced, sensitive man to share laughter, excitement, commitment, dreams. Note: not skinny nor fat, in the middle. (4/28) ☎23209

BIG HEART, SMILE! Professional, 32, 5'4", curvy, sweet, happy, active, humorous, affectionate. Seeking nice guy, 29-40, educated, nonsmoker, caring, honest, fun, romantic, for sincere relationship. (4/28) ☎23218

EVERY WOMAN IS PERFECT for someone, are you that someone? 54, loving life lady, looking for prince charming. (4/28) ☎23207

I AM FUN, HUMOROUS, intelligent, pretty, creative. Enjoy theater, museums, movies. You should try my chicken soup. 5'8", seeks gentleman, with many fine qualities, 60-75. (4/21) ☎23184

NONMATERIALISTIC, EMPLOYED, African-American female, 34, 5'5", some extra pounds, yet fit and completely vice free. Seeking genuine, unpretentious Caucasian male, 35-45, for dating. (4/21) ☎23177

OLDER WOMAN, 40s, very attractive blonde, 5'6", 128lbs., fit, seeking handsome younger man, 28-38, for relationship. Please be fit, no baggage, like outdoors. Serious only. (4/21) ☎23180

LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus size brunette. Very loving and sincere. Nonsmoker seeking long-term relationship. Let's go for it, big boy! (4/21) ☎23157

IN SEARCH FOR MY TRUE LOVE. Looking for responsible, stable, kindhearted and family-oriented person. Nonsmoker, no drugs. Please be 37-45 years old. (4/21) ☎23173

CREATIVE, CLASSY, BRAINY, outside the box thinker, spiritual, not religious, former New York City resident female seeking long-term relationship with considerate, 50-73, male. (4/28) ☎23201

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WHITE FEMALE, 56, 5'5", 120lbs., smoker with disability, seeking gentleman for companionship. Looks unimportant, but sense of humor is, for dating, long-term relationship. Oceanside. (4/28) ☎23198

LOVING, CARING, old-fashioned, down to earth female, loves cooking, sports, outdoors. Seeking white male, 35-50. (4/21) ☎23161

STILL LONELY AND WONDERING. Plus-size white female, 30, loving heart, seeking 25-50, white male for romance and more. Must be serious minded, no games. (4/28) ☎23203

SEEKING FRIENDSHIP, not marriage. Prefer devout Catholic, conservative, childless, Caucasian, under age 57, tall, non-balding, nonsmoker, Theater, travel. Dutch treat OK. 52, 5'9", shapely, sincere. (4/21) ☎23182

ONE SPECIAL GENTLEMAN wanted. 70 years, young heart, attractive lady. Life is great. Dreams do come true if shared by two. Adventurous, exciting, awesome, sharp. (4/28) ☎23202

TALL, ATTRACTIVE, EDUCATED, blue-eyed artist seeks counterpart. Open minded, outdoors, film. Seeking a homeowner, prefer Native American, 45-55. Head for the hills, water, love. (4/21) ☎23167

MATCHES

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

LADY OF COLOR DESIRED. Must enjoy dining out, dancing, movies and walks on the beach or parks. Desire someone between 45 and 60. (4/28) ☎20974

LOCAL MAN LOVES EXERCISE, family, average, smart, predictable, beach, sports, reading, quiet nights, 50, 5'9", 165lbs, Riesling, music, pampering, sharing. You want honest friend, lover. (4/28) ☎20957

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County homeowner seeks friend/companion/life partner. (4/28) ☎20970

COUCH POTATOES NEED LOVE too. Honest, articulate, short, overweight, gallant, southern gentleman seeks sweet, sincere lady for walks, talks, movies, maybe more. Christian a plus. (4/21) ☎20944

LOOKING FOR LOVE. I'm 56, 5'3", 150lbs., good looking. I love music, nature, walking, home life. La Mesa area. (4/21) ☎20938

GREAT LOOKING ITALIAN, 50, looks 40, great shape, secured, easygoing, and very affectionate. Seeking fit, secure, easygoing lady who will be first in my life. (4/21) ☎20919

WANNABE HORSEMAN, have saddle, pipe coral and horse property. No horse. I'm 47, 6'1", 205lbs. You be nice, 30-50, fit female and interested. (4/28) ☎20962

HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 60, trim, 5'10", blonde, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic, seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (4/21) ☎20912

HUMOROUS, INTELLIGENT, Jewish professional, 57, 6', seeks tall, slender, at-

tractive, easygoing, emotionally/financially stable soul mate, best friend. Travel, laughter, companionship, cuddling, long-term relationship. (4/21) ☎20949

SEEKING ROMANTIC BLACK lady who enjoys dining out, home cooking, quiet evenings with white male, early 60s, hugs, kisses, cozy evenings leading to long relationship. (4/28) ☎20953

RETIRED MARINE, 65, educated, traveled, sophisticated but dangerous. Jungle survival to household relaxation. Financially secure, open to all options. Beach landings, couch naps. Call me. (4/21) ☎20924

HANDSOME, 53, BLACK MALE, seeks sexy, white female to share concerts, dining, dancing, and romantic time. A nonsmoker. (4/21) ☎20942

YOU ARE 5'-5'6", 50's, slender, medium build, nonsmoker/drinker, thoughtful, sensual, affectionate, cuddly. I'm 5'8", athletic, beaches, homeowner, humorous, lovable, educated, music, retired teacher, coach. (4/21) ☎20923

HANDSOME DOCTOR, 40, looks 34, published book author, tall, fit, blue eyes, loves playing electric guitar, writing chil-

dren's books, creative accomplishments. Seeking intelligent, sensitive female. (4/28) ☎20992

NORTH COUNTY, 5'10", handsome, white, businessman seeks younger woman to pamper, and love. Must be attractive, honest, monogamous. Kids OK. Don't miss this call. (4/21) ☎20915

LATIN MALE, 30, 5'7", 165lbs., new to San Diego. Seeking female, 18-45 for dinner, movies, dancing, friendship/relationship. No games. (4/21) ☎20926

DEL MAR. Handsome, charming, romantic, executive, 60, centered, spiritual, jeans to tux, 5'8", eclectic. Seeking classy, sophisticated, stylish, sensual, well educated, fit, professional lady, 35-60. (4/21) ☎20947

I WILL BE MOVING BACK to San Diego in 2 weeks. Looking to meet some new friends or special friends. 37 and good looking. (4/21) ☎20921

PEACEFUL, INTUITIVE MALE, seeks compassionate, intuitive female for relationship of mutual support, personal growth, emotional safety. Interested in holistic healing, metaphysics, releasing limitations, enjoying life. (4/21) ☎20917

LEGS, LEGS, LEGS. Successful, professional, secure, handsome, athletic gentleman, 30+, seeking adventurous, open minded, voluptuous, sexy, leggy, intelligent, playful lady for fun. Must like miniskirts. (4/28) ☎20972

CROSSROADS? Ready for the life's best part, tall unencumbered, sparkling! I'm 6'+, sensitive, witty, monogamous, spiritual, romantic, retired professional, world traveled, happy, searching for you. (4/21) ☎20853

TROPICAL FRUIT PARADISE. 10-acre ranch, Bonita. Artist, independent, exotic plant gardens, TLC, relaxing, peaceful, kind, tolerant, compassionate, thoughtful, giver, 40's, handsome, easygoing, happy. (4/21) ☎20910

A GREAT CATCH FOR a special lady. Athletic, Latin, 37, 5'11", 170lbs., easygoing, fit searching for a romantic lady to date. Age, race are unimportant. (4/21) ☎20907

CYCLING PARTNER WANTED. Me: 42, athletic, professional, 6'1", brown hair, blue eyes, healthy lifestyle. You: 34-48, athletic, and fun. Thick legs are a plus! (4/28) ☎20990

ATTRACTIVE GENTLEMAN, 37, financially secure, physically fit, black, enjoys dancing, movies, walks, music, sports. Seeking attractive, fit lady who's honest, professional, adventurous, joyful. Let's talk. (4/21) ☎20932

SEEKING A FRIEND. I am a single white male, 63, seeking friend to enjoy dining, travel, sports and Padres plus good and caring conversations. (4/28) ☎20979

65, RETIRED, EUROPEAN, professional, attractive, physically fit, likes to dance, cuddle, travel. Seeking nonsmoking lady, 58-67, for friendship, romance, long-term relationship. (4/21) ☎20916

SINGLE WHITE MALE, 43, lonely, very intelligent, very affectionate, critical thinker, low income, polite, respectful, loves cuddling, hugging, holding hands. Seeking intelligent, educated woman. (4/21) ☎20927

CHRISTIAN, RECOVERING alcoholic, 44, gentle, kindhearted, affectionate, open, trustworthy, reflective not shallow, like reading, personal growth, scripture, health, cooking, nature. Seeking Christian woman, similar interests. (4/21) ☎20911

COLORFUL GREEN-BLUE EYES, German-Irish Catholic, attractive, unencumbered, professional, 40, 6'1", 220lbs., clean-cut, conservative appearance seeks very attractive, intelligent, unencumbered, white female, 24-34, possessing inner and outer beauty. (4/21) ☎20914

28, 6'1", 185LBS, white-Asian, student, pilot, music lover, surfer, enjoys the outdoors, nonsmoker, romantic and down to earth. Seeking serious relationship. (4/21) ☎20939

SEEKING 21 TO 35. World traveler seeking happy, fun, travel companion. Pick a place you'd love to go: Hawaii, Greece, France, Italy, Vegas. Have fun. (4/28) ☎20952

SEEKING GYM TRIM professional desiring hiking, travel, family, friends, intimacy by 5'10" professional caucasian, 62, romantic, compassionate, humorous, common sense, with varied interests. (4/21) ☎20913

VERY YOUNG 60'S, tall, handsome, white male, divorced father, lonely, sexy, conservative, loving. Seeking stylish woman, very generous, sexy, passionate, intimate/quiet evenings, good kisser. (4/21) ☎20920

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BIG BLUE EYES, 47, 5'10", adventurous, friendly and ready. Trainable. Seeking outgoing, innovative princess for week-ends and fun. No games. (4/21) **☎**20928

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HAPPY, CONSIDERATE, sensitive, sensible, attractive, 49, enjoys outdoors, friendliness, sports, humor. Seeking endearing, compassionate, spirited younger lady. Values, playfulness, virtue, health lighthearted, companionship, meaningful partnership. (4/28) **☎**20991

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. (4/21) **☎**20941

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LONESOME WIDOWER needs Caucasian lady, 65-75, companion, dining, movies, trips, plays. Must take pride in dress/coiffure. I'm even tempered, read, humorous, many interesting stories. (4/21) **☎**20933

NORTH COUNTY, WHITE MALE, 43, humorous, attractive, easygoing, and fun to be with. Enjoy weekend getaways, beach, outdoors. Seeking women, 30-45, curious, don't be shy. (4/21) **☎**20909

HUMBLE, HONEST, WHITE, 48, healthy, fit, wants to show a woman good times. Compassionate listener looking for growth, passionate, romantic relationship. Prefer unencumbered white/Latina. (4/28) **☎**20977

ATTRACTIVE, AFFLUENT, independent bachelor wishes to share life and beautiful home with 30-something female counterpart. Me: Caucasian, trim, childless. You: the same! North County. (4/28) **☎**20975

INTROSPECTIVE? Unusual teacher, 57, seeks friend, 25-40, who values tenderness, authenticity and intelligence. Passion for holistic health, yoga, theatre, so-

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WANTED: IF YOU LOVE world traveling, backpacking, athletics, romance, family, adventure, business, best friend, I want to meet you. Please call! (4/28) **☎**20969

THE RIGHT ONE IS WAITING. Me: 40, attractive, 6', 175lbs., good company with good intent. You: emotionally available, caring, reasonably fit, over 35. (4/28) **☎**20988

NICE GUY LOOKING for a nice girl, 28-38. Fitness, cooking, gardening, art, church, Padre games, coffee shops, road trips, and holding hands? (4/28) **☎**20961

BIG, BEAUTIFUL, WHITE woman wanted. Attractive, black male, property owner, building mountain home. Seeking right woman to share it. Must love fishing, camping, passionate nights. (4/28) **☎**20982

FINE GENTLEMAN, good natured, outgoing, slim, 5'8", seeks mature senior woman, 69 plus, joyful in spirit, aging gracefully. (4/21) **☎**20943

ACTIVE, AMBITIOUS and self-assured black male looking for a sensitive, thoughtful, sometimes wacky and upbeat, for friendship, to venture around San Diego for fun. (4/28) **☎**20976

ATTRACTIVE, HISPANIC, 55 years, 5'8", 155lbs. I am sincere, dedicated, easygoing, and honest. I like camping, dune buggies, dining out, cooking, cuddling. Seeking petite lady. (4/21) **☎**20922

OLDER MAN, LOOKING for younger woman. I'm 55, but look younger. Nonsmoker. Call me. I have lots of TLC for you. (4/21) **☎**20906

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. (4/21) **☎**20918

HANDSOME, DEGREED, black gentleman seeks white or Latina woman for a long-term commitment relationship. Prefer attractive, shapely, nice smile! (4/28) **☎**20959

MASCULINE-TYPE MALE, courteous, well educated professional, 6'2", 200lbs, 5'4", offers TLC, attention, warmth, respect to

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SEXY IS FUN! You be very sexy, uninhibited, attractive, monogamous, nonsmoker, 28-48, fun loving, fashionably delicious, enjoys life, wants security with a tall, good looking, entrepreneur, 49, who's very sensual, sweet, honest, chivalrous, who likes dining, beach walks, movies, clothes shopping. Companionship to relationship. (4/21) **☎**20950

FUN TIMES AND ROMANCE. Handsome, smart, fit, youthful, single black male, 5'11", professional, secure, diverse. In search of adventurous, attractive, confident, classy, passionate woman, 35-55. (4/21) **☎**20936

HEY SUNSHINE, FOLLOW ME to the beach. Tall, blond/green, attractive, 42. You: fun-loving, cute, sensual, humorous, let's do Qs, champagne, sunsets. Fun awaits. (4/28) **☎**20956

WIDOWED, YOUNG 76, 6', 215lbs., enjoys RV traveling, camping, fishing. Seeking lady with same interests for lifetime caring, and sharing. (4/28) **☎**20983

ATTRACTIVE, FINANCIALLY/emotionally mature white male, 53, 6', 190lbs., seeking romantic gal for dinner, walks, travel. Bye for now. (4/21) **☎**20929

BALANCED, UNENCUMBERED, educated, professional, athletic, 53, participatory, solvent, attractive, romantic, spontaneous, homeowner, social, Midwest values. Seeks compatible/chemical relationship with proportioned, outgoing woman. (4/28) **☎**20955

ME: 5'10", 220lbs., handsome, black single father. You: honest, single mother, 130-185lbs., any race, casual or serious. No games, no players, let's go for it. (4/28) **☎**20954

SEXY, MATURE, OLDER WOMAN sought by loving, caring, affectionate white male, 52, 6', blue eyes, easygoing, romantic, financially secure, playful, educated. Enjoy intimacy, togetherness, love. (4/28) **☎**20967

AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monogamous, Puerto Rican male, 37, 5'7", 165lbs. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female, 25-45. Must be slim, non-

smoker. Enjoy film, videos, TV, music. (4/21) **☎**20925

CHIVALROUS GENTLEMAN, educated, writer, nonviolent, wants aloof, petite, one-man woman. No drugs, no mean spirited. I'm 57, kind, many interests, 6', thin, romantic. (4/28) **☎**20973

BLACK MALE, 42, 6'2", 239lbs. seeks tall, blonde, white female over 300lbs., 25-35 for relationship, nice, sweet, kind, very feminine. (4/21) **☎**20908

GREAT CATCH! DOWN TO EARTH, Jewish male, 34, enjoys movies, hiking, cats, 80s music. Seeking honest, sincere woman for friendship and possible relationship. (4/21) **☎**20930

PEACE OFFICER SEEKS female who likes beach walks, movies, music, travel. I'm 5'11", 210lbs., brown/blue, 55. Let's start as friends and see what happens? (4/28) **☎**20960

FALLEN ANGEL GETS UP. Sexy, 36, blue/brown, 5'11", fit. Why am I single? Herpes! If you're in same boat, I'm actively seeking my match. (4/21) **☎**20931

HILARIOUS, HUSKY, Cherokee Italian hunk, long hair, inventive, 40s, looking to share time, friendship, music, miniature golf, Wikiup, Amtraking, with voluptuous white female, 37ish. (4/28) **☎**20958

WHITE GENTLEMAN, good quality, 54, medium build, 5'9", well groomed, romantic, playful, creative, fun, loving, funny, wants relationship with playful, sexy, passionate, attractive, 42-57, monogamous. (4/28) **☎**20951

SAILOR, BUSINESSMAN, FRIEND. Live on boat, Mission Bay. Like kids, life, walking, talking, friends, family, hugging, you. Nonsmoking/drugs/alcohol. 64, 5'11", 180lbs. Happy, funny. (4/21) **☎**20937

TALL, DARK, HANDSOME, Christian, loves life, animals, good times. Positive, easygoing, reliable, funny, fun. Outdoors, travel, sports, movies, concerts, dancing. You: slender, attractive lady, nonsmoker. (4/21) **☎**20935

OLDER GUY SEEKS YOUNGER woman. Me: attractive, ex-model, 40ish, 6', 180lbs., blond/blue, coastal dweller, movies, dining, dancing, moonlight, travel, romance. Up for some fun? (4/21) **☎**20945

YOUNGER, ATHLETIC, SEXY man seeks older woman, 40+. You: passionate, sexy, voluptuous, uninhibited, adventurous. Looking for a mutual, beneficial relationship. Are you up for fun? (4/28) **☎**20978

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EAST SAN DIEGO. \$775. Deposit \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, new paint, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 4153 42nd Street #7. Move-in special. 619-804-3325.

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EL CAJON. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. New carpet. Washer/dryer. Community pool. 1-car garage. 1526 Granite Hills Drive. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

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ing inside gated area, play area, picnic area, pool, laundry. 346 South Mollison. 619-312-0606.

EL CAJON. Deluxe townhouse apartment. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, laundry hookups, central heat and air. New kitchen appliances and carpet. Quiet building. Very clean. \$1300/month plus deposit. Andy Anderson, manager, 619-447-1189.

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EL CAJON. \$695. Quiet 1 bedroom duplex. All new decor. With thermal windows. Small backyard, 1 off-street parking. Water/trash paid. Cat OK. 619-466-9605.

EL CAJON. Remodeled townhome. 2 master suites, 2-1/2 baths. Hardwood floors, central air, washer, dryer. Garage, additional parking. Pool, Jacuzzi, recreation room. \$1400. Furnished, \$1700. Email: myfinalword2002@yahoo.com. 619-993-0398.

EL CAJON. \$799 moves you in special! \$725. Very nice 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet. Jacuzzi, pool, barbecue area. Near everything. No pets. 619-440-5258.

EL CAJON. 5 days free, upstairs unit available now. \$950. Poolside unit, \$875, available 5/1. Luxury for less. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. In-unit washer/dryer, microwave, central air. Great location. Sherry, 619-726-7933.

EL CAJON. Great value. \$925. Townhome, shaded balcony, garden patio. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, secluded area, pool, parking. Small pet considered. Available 5/1. Sherry, 619-726-7933.

EL CAJON. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath Condo. Washer/dryer in unit. New carpet and paint. Air conditioning, car port. Pet negotiable. \$1,200. 619-507-4040.

EL CAJON. \$1200. 4 bedroom house. New paint, carpet, air conditioning. Pets OK. Fee. Rent Ready. 858-505-8484.

EL CAJON. \$725. Deposit \$650. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, gas stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, air conditioning, off-street parking, on-site laundry, garage available for additional \$50. 140 Wells Avenue #J. 619-444-1851.

EL CAJON/RANCHO SAN DIEGO. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, air, washer/dryer, dishwasher, deck, view, patio, RV parking, large yard. Pet OK. \$1950. 619-334-9493.

EL CERRITO/COLLEGE. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, \$1795, large fireplace, family room, patio and yard, gardener. Cat OK. Agent, 619-296-3189. www.willinproperties.com.

ENCINITAS. Large 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath duplex. 2 blocks to beach, yard, deck, fireplace, washer/dryer, refrigerator. Cat OK. \$1875. 760-918-0426.

ENCINITAS. Quaint 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Pool. Close to beach. Pets OK. Lease option. Upstairs, \$1595. Downstairs with small yard, \$1695. Available now. Ask about move-in special. 760-635-2688.

ENCINITAS. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Clean, quiet. Pet OK. 4 blocks to ocean. Parking, laundry. Credit check. Available now! 243 East Glaucus Street. 760-942-7330.

ENCINITAS. 1 bedroom, \$1045. Nonsmoking unit. Patio. Bright and airy. Garden setting. 1-1/2 blocks to beach. Close and easy access to shopping, freeway, Coaster. No pets. 760-929-1950.

ENCINITAS. \$750. Studio. 400 square feet. Off-street, 1148-1/2 Arcadia Road. Agent, 858-755-1139, www.scubarentals.com.

ENCINITAS. \$1300. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Clean, quiet. 1-car garage. Laundry. Just off of Saxony. Available now! 111 Mangano Circle. 760-443-0900.

ENCINITAS. 1 and 2 bedrooms \$995-up. Cozy fireplace, sparkling pool and spa, on-site laundry facilities. No pets. 117 Rosebay. Agent. 760-436-1806.

ENCINITAS. \$795. Unique studio, full bath, small kitchen, skylights, shared laundry, lovely yard. West of I-5. No dogs. 760-753-7719.

ENCINITAS. \$1750. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Steps to Moonlight Beach. Vaulted ceilings. Parking. Storage unit. Berber carpet. Includes washer/dryer. Yard. No pets/smoking. 760-634-2330.

ENCINITAS. \$1595. 3 bedroom house. 1-1/2 bath, family room, laundry, large yard, shop/storage. Cute and clean. No dogs/smoking. 1110 Arcadia Road. 760-436-6885.

ENCINITAS. \$2250/month. 3 bedroom, 2 bath unfurnished house. Yard, appliances, garage. Near beach. 760-753-6864.

ENCINITAS. \$1400. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Pool, jacuzzi, quiet, front and back patio, canyon views. No pets/smoking. Senior complex. Available now. 760-632-2629.

ENCINITAS. \$1300. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Pool, front/back patio, parking, coin laundry. Beach close, coaster, downtown, freeway. 806 Regal Road, K2. Available 4/11. 760-822-0328.

ENCINITAS. \$825+/month. Sick of room-mates? Cozy trailers in charming, small park near Moonlight Beach. Walk to Coaster, restaurants, shopping. No pets. 760-753-4101.

ENCINITAS. \$2595. New 4 bedroom, 4 bath, living room, gourmet kitchen, 1 block to beach, 2 story, vaulted ceilings, double garage, gardener included. Sorry, no pets. 760-753-4101.

ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, yard, washer/dryer, garage, hear ocean, new paint in/out. Pets negotiable. Available 5/6. \$1600. Open House Saturday, 11am-12noon. 1347 Hygeia. 760-632-2459.

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FALLBROOK. \$1595. 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse. 2000 square feet. Stove. Refrigerator. Fireplace. Garage. New paint/ carpet. Pool. 13th hole, Pala Mesa Golf Course. 760-723-1988.

FALLBROOK. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Living room plus extra living space. Kitchen with hardwood floors. 2 parking spaces. Pool, spa. Available 4/15. 858-663-8982.

FASHION VALLEY, WEST. \$1600. Presidio Place condos. Upscale resort living with pools, spas, tennis, air conditioning. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New carpet. New appliances. Fireplace. Elevator. Garage parking for 2 cars. 24-hour gate attendants. No pets. R.A. Properties. 858-438-3989.

FASHION VALLEY. \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse, 2 car garage. Back Yard. View. Very spacious. Remodeled. Laundry hookups. Pool. Tennis. 6912 Camino Degrazia. 858-492-1142.

FASHION VALLEY. \$2200. Spacious 4 bedroom condo. Very clean. All amenities. Garage, patio, washer/dryer included, extra storage, built-in surround sound system. Available 6/1. 619-917-9154.

FASHION VALLEY, WEST. Presidio Place Condos. Upscale resort living. Spacious, sunny 1 bedroom, 1 bath with fireplace and air conditioning, washer/dryer. Pools, spas, tennis, underground parking. \$1,075/month. Available 5/15/04. R.A. Properties. 619-298-5697.

FASHION VALLEY. 2 bedroom, 2 bath CityScene condo. 2 car garage, tile and new carpet, huge patio, all appliances including washer/dryer and amenities. No pets. \$1650. 858-442-7677.

FASHION VALLEY. Huge 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath condo in resort Presidio Place. New soundproof windows and stainless steel appliances. Small pet. \$1250. Cell, 248-890-5882.

FASHION VALLEY. \$775. Studio. Remodeled, courtyard view, resort-like complex: Pools, jacuzzi, tennis courts, fitness, clubhouse, security, laundry. Near trolley, shopping, freeways. Leave message, 858-752-7479.

FASHION VALLEY. \$1550. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in North Rim. 2-car garage, washer/dryer, dishwasher, fireplace, new carpet and paint. Tennis. Pool. Lease. 858-483-1665.

FASHION VALLEY, WEST. \$875. Large 1 bedroom. \$975 2 bedroom apartments, patio, parking, laundry, quiet, security. Cat OK. 5720 Gainsway Street. 619-299-3477.

FASHION VALLEY. \$900 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Underground parking. No pets. 5550 Mildred Street #7. 619-291-1755.

FASHION VALLEY. \$725 rent. \$500 deposit. Large studio apartment. Gas and electric included. No pets. At 5510 Mildred Street #A. 619-291-1755.

FASHION VALLEY. \$850 rent. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. No pets. At 1340 Eureka Street #23 or #30. 619-298-5820.

FASHION VALLEY. \$650 rent. \$500 deposit. Studio apartment. Gas, electric, water, trash removal included. No pets at 5510 Mildred Street #B. Agent, 619-291-1755.

FASHION VALLEY, WEST. Presidio Mirage Condos. Upscale, executive rental. Fully furnished, 10' ceilings. Lots of light. Fireplace. Washer/dryer. Elevator. Underground parking. No pets. Available 4/15. \$2200/month. Call for appointment. R.A. Properties. 619-298-5697.

FASHION VALLEY. Huge 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath condo in resort-like Presidio Place. Completely remodeled, brand-new appliances, washer/dryer in unit. \$1200. 858-457-5399.

FASHION VALLEY. \$1250. Cute 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo with fireplace, washer/dryer, dishwasher, and covered parking. Available 4/15. 5736 Lauretta Street #12. Agent. 858-560-1178.

FASHION VALLEY. Showcase 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo in Presidio Place. Dishwasher, fireplace, many amenities in complex. \$1395/month plus deposit. Parking. Available now. Cassidy, broker, 619-231-LIST.

FASHION VALLEY/USD. \$1025. Large upper 2 bedroom. Sunny and bright. Spacious living room and master, eat-in kitchen. Laundry. 5471 Lauretta Street. 619-997-8614.

FLETCHER HILLS. 208 Cottonpatch Way. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house, large family-, living-and California rooms. Spa with view. Freshly painted exterior. \$1975/month. View photo online: www.JeriHess.com. 619-668-4479.

FLETCHER HILLS. 208 Cottonpatch Way. 2 bathroom, stove, dishwasher, fireplace, family room, dining room, large lot, 2 car garage, pet negotiable. 1076 Garfield. 619-698-6911.

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GOLDEN HILL. Studio, pets OK, \$675. 1512B 33rd Street. 619-282-3441.

GOLDEN HILL/DOWNTOWN. \$1500. Charming 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Secure, views, private yard, off-street parking, hardwood floors. 619-235-0101.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1300. May 8. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. 2 reserved underground garage spaces. Complex completely remodeled 1 year ago. Unit has new carpet, kitchen, bathroom, paint. 2 miles to Downtown. Call Andrew, 619-723-4166.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1050. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath with view, 2-car garage, all new. Available immediately. 1040 29th Street. 909-600-9798 or 909-471-8936.

GOLDEN HILL. \$2000/month, \$2000/dep-sit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Sunroom view of downtown. Washer/dryer. 2400 square feet. 936 21st Street. Available now. Rick, 619-238-5171.

GOLDEN HILL. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Charming, spacious apartment home. Available now. 2633 C Street. Call 858-571-1970. Sunriseslving.com.

GOLDEN HILL. \$875. Lovely remodeled 1 bedroom house. Oak floors. Private yard. Quiet street east of park. 619-280-5177.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$825, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Move-in special: 1st month's rent moves you in! Subterranean parking. Controlled access. Newly remodeled. 2827 A Street. Call 619-238-4350. Sunriseslving.com.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1200. Awesome 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. One of the best! New paint and carpet, super clean-ready to be moved in! Washer/dryer in unit, microwave, dishwasher, exercise room, underground parking. Gated, quiet community. 619-231-7975.

GOLDEN HILL. \$650/month. \$500 deposit. Exceptionally nice 1 bedroom apartment, appliances, laundry, off-street parking. Excellent access to freeways, downtown, bus. No pets. Open for viewing 8am-7pm. at 2851 C Street #C. 619-501-6551.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$725. Quiet 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex in canyon setting. Hardwood floors, laundry, no smoke, no pets, off street parking. 1521 31st Street. agent, 619-685-3960.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. 1000 square feet. Easy access to freeway. Near Balboa Park. No dogs. 2913 A Street. James, 619-895-2357.

GOLDEN HILL. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$750. New carpet/floor, balcony, gated, parking, laundry. 3030 Broadway. 858-200-9408.

GOLDEN HILL. Restored Craftsman home with 2 bedrooms, both master suites with private bath, private deck, off-street parking, washer/dryer, fireplace, small pet OK. \$1395/month. 619-696-6989 or 858-688-3046.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$2300. Deposit \$2350. 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Charming house with lots of character, fireplace, fenced backyard, decks, exposed woodwork, laundry machines, basement area. 2 parking spaces. No pets. Available now. 856 23rd Street. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

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GOLDEN HILL. Charming Spanish courtyard. 2503 G St. Studios, \$675. 1 bedroom, \$750. Wood floors, new kitchens, laundry facilities. 619-805-7100.

GOLDEN HILL. \$995. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath garden courtyard apartment in quiet fourplex. Recently remodeled. Close to Downtown, freeways and shopping. Secure complex. 2856 Broadway. Agent, 619-233-3910.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$775. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, with covered garage. Laundry room in building, new appliances, large walk-in closet. Move-in ready! Karl, 619-990-9445.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$745-\$795. Studio. Close to Downtown, Interstate 5. On-site laundry, wood floors. 619-237-1838 or 619-217-2502.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1395. Gorgeous remodeled! Must see! Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Granite, tile, carpet, wood blinds, fireplace, secure parking, washer/dryer. Pet OK. 619-887-2301.

GOLDEN HILL. \$775. Charming 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom. Great neighborhood, laundry onsite. Hardwood floors. Close to downtown. Available now. No dogs. Off-street parking available. 619-857-3706.

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GOLDEN HILL. \$895. 2 bedroom in gated community. Underground parking, laundry, dishwasher. No pets. 3013 C Street. 619-595-7823.

GOLDEN HILL. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. All appliances, fireplace, patio, minutes to freeways and Downtown, on bus line, gated entry and parking. Pets considered. 2560 C. 619-823-6340.

GOLDEN HILL. \$675-\$700. Furnished studios. Lovely apartment with city view. Beautiful older building, controlled access entry. Wilshire Apartments. 2004 C Street. 619-232-0903.

GOLDEN HILL. Penthouse, \$1275, bay, skyline views from huge terrace and bedroom. 2 stories. Craftsman 1 bedroom, \$875, with gumwood built-ins, porch and private tile deck. www.greatsandiego.com. 619-640-7530.

GOLDEN HILL. \$995, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, remodeled, laundry facilities. 9 unit complex. No dogs. 2841 B Street. Call for appointment, 858-459-9170.

GOLDEN HILL. Early 1900s 3-story historical building. Secure, private entrance. Newly renovated. Studios and 1 bedrooms. Restored, double hung windows. Original tile in excellent condition. Claw-foot tub. Hardwood floors. Laundry on each floor. Decorative fireplaces. Views. Private patios. Off-street parking. Golden Hill Property Management, 619-234-9553.

GOLDEN HILL. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs. Designer Berber carpet, new bathroom, ceiling fan, wood blinds. Completely remodeled! Large closets with mirrored doors. Parking. On-site laundry. \$995. 811 26th Street #3. 619-559-5423.

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HILLCREST \$775. 1 bedroom, upstairs, in charming old-fashioned building near 163 and Uptown shops. Stove, refrigerator, laundry facility. No pets. 619-298-3229.

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HILLCREST. \$1750. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper apartment. Hardwood floors throughout. Harbor view. Laundry hookups. 1300 square feet. Garage. 2953 4th Avenue. 619-225-0725; 619-540-9617.

HILLCREST. \$825. 1 bedroom apartment, new hardwood floors, new paint, close to all, no pets. 4030 3rd Avenue. Agent, 619-295-6005.

HILLCREST. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1125-\$1350. Available now. Dishwasher, Jacuzzi, air conditioning, gym. Underground parking. Gated. Pets OK with approval. 619-295-2500.

HILLCREST. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 secure parking, washer/dryer, corner unit, 2nd floor, 2 balconies, no pets. \$1650/month. Available 5/1. 3620 3rd Avenue. 619-743-6025.

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HILLCREST. \$950. 2 bedroom 4-plex near Mercy Hospital. Fantastic location! Drive by 4185 4th Avenue (4-plex in rear), then call 619-447-6556.

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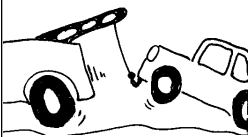
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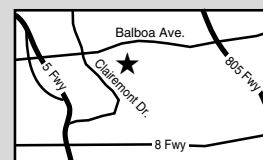
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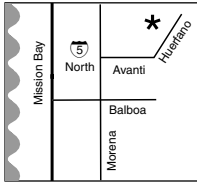
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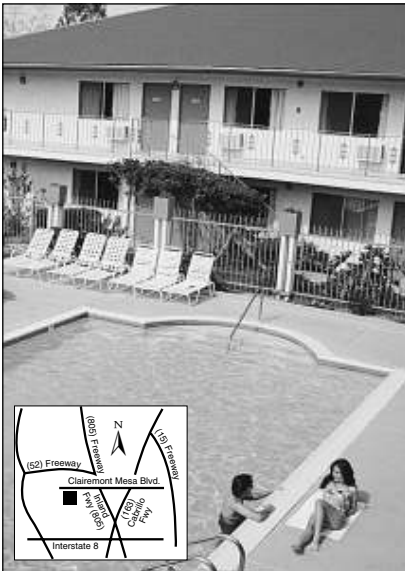
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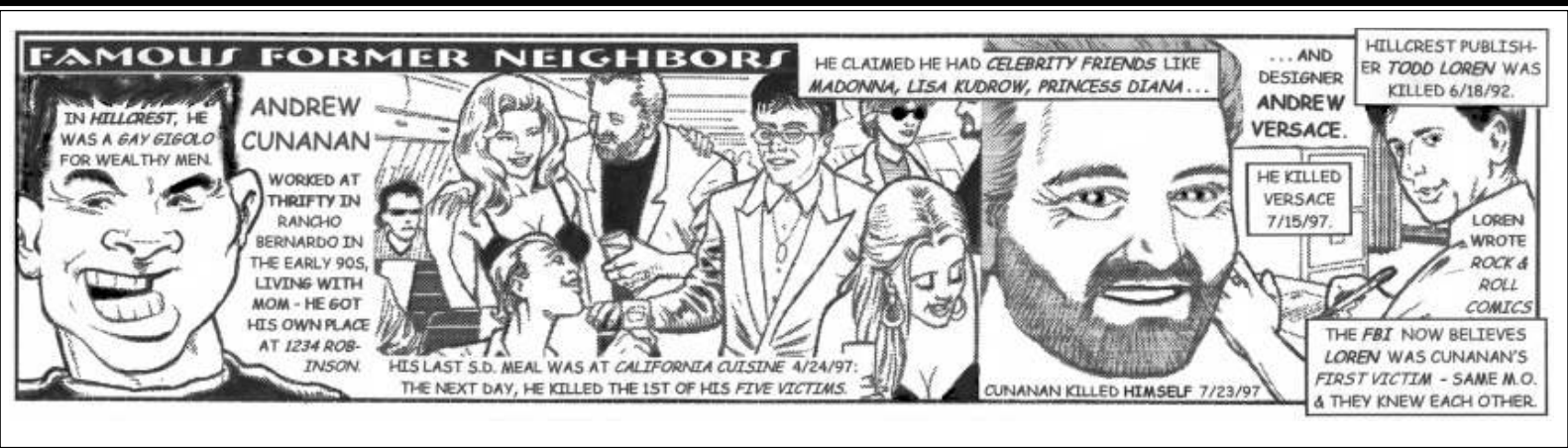
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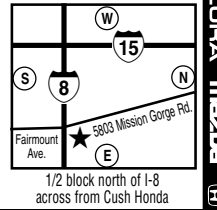
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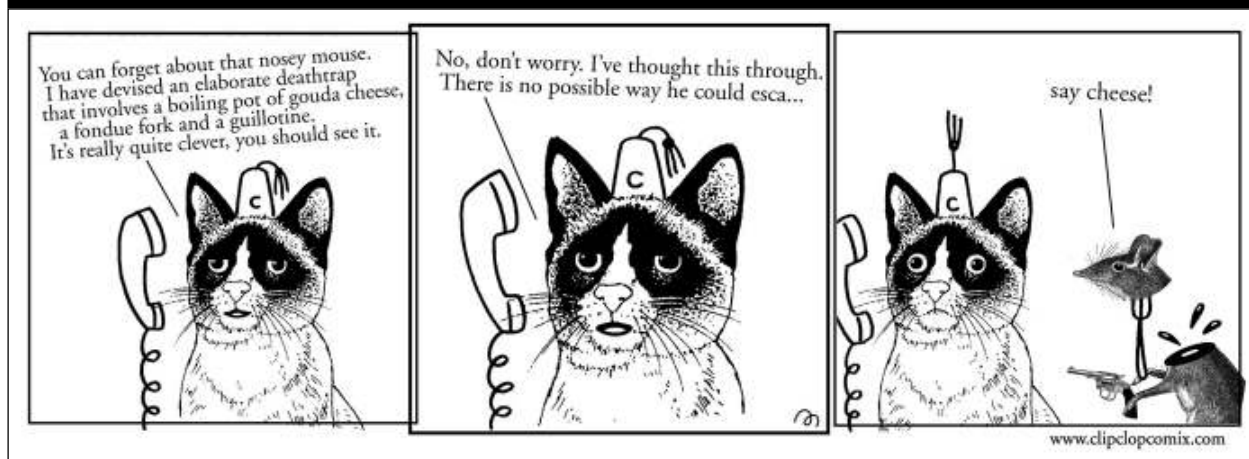
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DINING ROOM, antique country French formal table, 42x60, with four 9" leaves, 6 chairs, china hutch, \$750. Photos available. 760-436-7726.

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BANKER'S HILL. Yard sale. Early am until noon, Saturday, 4/17. Second Avenue (between Kalmia and Juniper).

BANKER'S HILL. Garage sale. 8am-noon, Saturday, 4/17. Household items, bed, dresser, light, etc. West Laurel Street, between Albatross and Front.

CLAIREMONT. Garage sale. 8am-1pm, Saturday, 4/17. Recliner love seat, bar stools, telescope, books, software, pots, pans, much more. 5090 Park Rim Drive.

DEL MAR. Estate sale. 8am-3pm, Saturday, 4/17. Entire household, house included. 13358 Mango Drive (92014).

EL CAJON. Multifamily garage sale. 8am-2pm, Saturday/Sunday, 4/17-4/18. Lots of miscellaneous. 1125 and 1138 Fernhill Way (off Chase Avenue).

ESCONDIDO. Moving sale. 10am-2pm, Saturday, 4/17. House, cars, furniture, electronics, photography, china, art, clothes, books, antiques, appliances, professional painting equipment. 1232 north Fig Street, 760-526-0145.

HILLCREST. Huge sale. 9am-4pm, Saturday. Tons of baby items, coffee table books, textiles, vintage furniture, pot-

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tery/glass, clothing, shoes, kitchen items. 4th and Brooks.

KEARNY MESA. multi-family rummage sale. Sunday 4/18, 8am-1pm. Corner of Genesee and Marlesta.

KENSINGTON. Multifamily garage sale. 8am-3pm, Saturday/Sunday, 4/17-4/18. Couches, furniture, clothes, sporting goods, and wide variety of general household items. 4461 42nd Street (rear service alley).

KENSINGTON, garage sale. Saturday 4/17, 7:30am-12pm. Couch, dresser, desk, standing bar, clothing, car carrier, books, bar exam study guides, table/chairs, miscellaneous. 4865 Vista Street.

LA JOLLA. Saturday, 4/17, 9am-2pm. Leather barcalounger, chairs, chests, tables, lamps, pictures, frames, collectibles, speakers, golf clubs, books, more good stuff. 8057 Caminito Gianna. 858-587-8144.

LA JOLLA. Rummage sale. 9am-noon, Saturday, 4/24. Lots of great bargains! La Jolla Elementary School Fundraiser (in the auditorium on Girard Street).

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. Big moving sale. 8am, Sunday, 4/18. Dining table, chairs, TV/stand, VCR, lamps, dresser,

desk, dishes, clothes, nice stuff. 419 Bonair St.

LA MESA. School rummage sale fundraiser. 8am-noon, Saturday, 4/17. Furniture, household items. Mt. Helix Academy, 5955 Severin Drive (La Mesa Village Station).

LAKESIDE, estate sale. 4/10-4/25. Collectibles, WW2 memorabilia, dolls, photo equipment, electronics, trailer, firewood, lawn mowers, records, DVD's, video's, more. 17244 Posthill Road. Please call first, 619-561-1646.

LAKESIDE. Garage sale. 8am, 4/17. Collectibles, old and like new stuff, CDs, movies, framed rodeo posters, records, lots of miscellaneous. Lakeshore and Maine Avenue.

NORTH PARK. Garage sale. 8am-noon, 4/17. Baby jogger, trike, household items, small kitchen table with chairs, pictures, and more. 33rd and Upas.

OCEAN BEACH, moving sale. Sunday 4/18, 10am-4pm. Everything goes! Queen-size bed, 19" TV, car bike rack, much more! Tami, 619-895-0751. 4630 West Point Loma.

OCEAN BEACH. Saturday-Sunday 4/17-4/18, 8am-1pm. Craft, floral, balloon stuff. 4652 Santa Cruz Avenue in alley.

OCEAN BEACH. Moving sale. 8am, Saturday, 4/17. Donations to those in need. Gym equipment, furniture, household

items, clothing, much more. 4052 Bernice Drive.

OCEAN BEACH. Moving sale. 8am, 4/17. Leaving country, all must go! Furniture, electronics, kitchenware, decorations, womens clothing and gadgets galore. Corner of Lotus and Ebers.

PACIFIC BEACH. Garage sale, furniture, miscellaneous, sports equipment, kitchen appliances. Saturday-Sunday, 4/17-4/18. 2128 Felspar, unit D. San Diego, 92109.

PACIFIC BEACH. Multifamily garage sale. 9am-1pm, Sunday, 4/18. Womens-childrens clothing (0-7 years), twin bed, stroller, books, toys, games, computer parts, childrens electric guitar. 2302 Amity Street.

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POINT LOMA. Yard sale. 8am, Saturday, 4/10. Washer/dryer, furniture, books, clocks, more. 1561 Evergreen Street.

POINT LOMA. Moving sale. 7-11am, Saturday, 4/17. Lots of household items,

books, clothes, tools, bird supplies. 1201 Fleetridge Drive.

POINT LOMA. Moving sale. 8am, Saturday, 4/17. Furniture, clothes, children's toys, electronics, bedding, etc. No early birds please! 1976 Locust Street.

POINT LOMA, WEST. Moving sale! 9am-4pm, Saturday, Sunday, 4/17, 4/18. Cool female/male clothes/shoes, motocross gear, bike, PC, CD burner. 5164 west Point Loma.

RANCHO BERNARDO. Estate sale. 7:30am-2pm, Saturday, 4/17. Dining room sets, office furniture, gas grill, electric trains, sewing machine, lots more. 17580 Cumana Terrace.

SAN DIEGO. Garage sale. Saturday/Sunday mornings. Genesee Highlands Condo between Regents Road and Genesee Avenue (enter at Arriba and Cargill).

SCRIPPS RANCH. Moving. 8am-1pm, Saturday, 4/17. Living room furniture, wall unit, computer table, kitchen table/chairs, refrigerator, lawn/exercise equipment. 11317 Red Cedar Way, 858-695-1657.

SOUTH EAST SAN DIEGO. Backyard sale. Saturday-Sunday, 4/17-4/18. From furniture to knick-knacks. Starts at 6am. 5027 Date Street (not Date Place) behind Union bank.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. Moving sale. 8am-1pm, Saturday, 4/17. All household items, framed Giger posters, electronics,

futon. 4631 Mississippi Street (between Madison and Adams Avenue).

VISTA. Garage sale. 8am, Saturday only, 4/17. Tools, furniture, lamps, clothes, kitchenware, washer, Ford truck wheels, gas grill, lots more. 1708 Lisa Avenue.

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BED \$108 A QUEEN PILLOWTOP mattress set. Brand new, in plastic with warranty. Must sell! Queen \$108. King \$199. Call right now! 858-271-9400.

BED \$139 A ORTHO-PILLOW Queen, new in plastic with warranty, mattress/box. Also King, \$219. Credit cards accepted. Can deliver. Call 800-464-6420.

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BED \$210 KING PILLOWTOP mattress set. Brand new, in plastic, with warranty. Must sell. \$210. Can deliver. San Diego: 858-688-2781. North County: 760-840-0516.

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BEDROOM SET, queen size, solid oak, dresser, mirror, nightstands, headboard, footboard, side rails, and armoire, perfect condition, cost \$2400, must sell, \$1100. 619-835-9478.

BEDROOM SET, quality walnut wood, Danish modern style, 9-drawer dresser, mirror, two 2-drawer nightstands, spindle headboard, \$150. Quality armoire, excellent condition, \$250. 858-451-7919.

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PICTURE STORY



The Naval Radiograph Service's little *Sirena* drifts along in San Diego Bay. Though this photo doesn't have a date, the Navy ships in the background seem to be WWII vintage. The *Sirena* had been commissioned on this day by the Spreckels Theatre to announce a show ("Lionel Hampton and His Cotton Club Revue") and movie ("Edmund Lowe in *Mr. Dynamite*).

Photograph from the San Diego Historical Society

Mr. Dynamite first hit the screen in 1935, so perhaps that's the year of this photo. On the topic of Navy shore leave, San Diego, filmmaking, and the mid '30s, James Cagney went to a dancehall in 1934's *Here Comes the Navy*, which was filmed at the Naval Training Center and aboard the U.S.S. *Arizona*.

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— As the Romanian government hurries to improve law-enforcement sophistication in its campaign for European Union membership, villagers in the Transylvania region are resisting police crackdowns on their traditional practice of vampire killings, according to a March Knight Ridder News Service report. Vampires (unlike Hollywood conventions using crosses and garlic) are just people who go bad upon death and cause continuing grief to family members unless they are re-killed. The body is dug up, the heart is removed with a curved sickle and burned (but it will likely squeak like a mouse and try to escape unless held down), and the ashes are mixed with water and drunk. Villagers are outraged that some may face criminal charges for disturbing the dead, which carries a three-year prison sentence.

Send in the Snakes

— Former judge Bob Sam Castleman and his son pleaded guilty to mailing a poisonous copperhead snake to a neighbor with whom they were feuding (Pocahontas, Ark., January). ... An Absa Bank Ltd. customer, upset about a car loan, was charged with setting five poisonous puff adder snakes free in the bank's lobby, resulting in one worker being bitten (Johannesburg, South Africa, January). ... In October, a small, nonpoisonous snake was found slithering around a courtroom in Danbury, Conn. It was believed unrelated to the dispute being heard, even though that was a divorce case.

No Longer Weird

— Adding to the list of stories that were formerly weird but which now occur with such frequency that they must be retired from circulation: (69) Drunk-driving arrests of people who were leading public campaigns against alcohol abuse (such as Dr. James Billow, who resigned as director of a county alcoholism prevention program after being charged with DUI in February in

Newark, Ohio); and (70) the jewel thief who swallows gems at the scene but who is then caught by police, who must wait patiently for nature to take its course so they can recover the evidence (such as Kevin Lynch's swallowing a two-carat diamond ring from a Salem, N.H., jewelry store in February).

Police Blotter

— Thinking Small: Mayor Herman Lee Edwards of China, Texas, was indicted in December for mowing the lawn outside city hall and then pocketing the fee that had been set aside for the yard-work contractor. ... Police in Tokyo announced in January that they had charged two men with illegally hooking up to stores' electricity at night in order to power their mobile phone and portable stereo, cheating the stores out of the equivalent of about 1 cent each.
— From *The Recorder*, Greenfield, Mass., Nov. 13, 2003: "A man reported buying a car and when he went to get into it with the intention of sleeping in it, there were three people, including the prior owner already sleeping inside the car."
— From *The Leaf-Chronicle*, Clarksville, Tenn., Nov. 6, 2003, reporting the aborted robbery of a convenience store by a man who pulled a knife and demanded money after he had already given the clerk his credit card to pay for a purchase: "The complainant [clerk] looked at the suspect like he was crazy.... The suspect quickly signed the sales receipt and left."

Scenes of the Surreal

— At a special Friday-evening session of the New Mexico House of Representatives in February (on health-insurance taxes), Democratic leaders needed Rep. Bengie Regensberg for a vote and sent state police to retrieve him at the motel where he was staying temporarily. Troopers reported having to subdue and handcuff Regensberg, who was naked, combative, and "likely intoxicated." Regensberg said the troopers were

too rough with him.

— The Japanese navy created a TV ad in February to encourage enlistments and public support for its mission of sending security troops to Iraq. In the spot, according to a Reuters reporter, seven actors dressed as sailors dance on the deck of a ship, singing (roughly translated), "Nippon Seaman Ship, Seaman Shipo, For Love...For Peace" and "I Love Japan, I Love Peace, the Maritime Self-Defense Force." The ad is needed, said a senior officer, because "there are a lot of young people and women who don't seem interested [in the navy]."
— In a December profile, the *Washington Post* examined the breezy American history curriculum being sold to schools by presidential brother Neil Bush (more in the news lately for his messy divorce). The course's premise is that future "hunter-gatherers" (i.e., rambunctious boys) don't have the patience to read and should be taught by music, graphics, and other techniques. For instance, the Constitutional Convention of 1787 is taught in a rap song, "It was 55 delegates from 12 states/ Took one hot Philadelphia summer to create/ A perfect document for their imperfect times/ Franklin, Madison, Washington, a lot of the cats/ Who used to be in the Continental Congress way back."

Least Competent Criminals

— A pickup-truck driver was arrested by an Indiana state trooper because its cargo was blocking sight of the license plate in the back window. On closer inspection, the cargo was revealed to be 900 pounds of marijuana (Indianapolis, March). ... In Lafayette, Ind., Joshua K. Kochell, 27, was charged with robbing two gas stations. His probation officer was able to track his whereabouts that evening because Kochell was wearing an electronic monitor from a 2001 sentence for theft (March).

More Things to Worry About

— More third-world visitors arrived at Western airports illegally carrying in their luggage indige-

nous meats destined for family festivals. A 48-year-old woman from Gambia was arrested at Gatwick airport in England with 13 pounds of goat and snail meat and 172 pounds of catfish (March). ... At Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson airport, a whole smoked monkey was confiscated from a woman arriving from Cameroon for a wedding reception. A U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service official said these airport seizures are "only the tip of the iceberg" of the illegal importing of traditional meats.
— The Trufresh company (Suffield, Conn.) said in March that its method of freezing lobsters for restaurants has resulted in a few lobsters — frozen stiff for hours at a time — reviving on their own. The company ships all frozen lobsters with claws banded, just in case.
— A photo technician at a CVS drugstore in Advance, N.C., notified police in March when someone dropped off film showing two male employees of a local Wendy's, in bathing suits, frolicking in the restaurant's pots-and-pans dishwashing sink.

In the Past Month...

— A 37-year-old man, angry that a car splashed mud on him, was charged with slashing the tires on 548 cars (Bournemouth, England). ... A jury assessed a girls' high school basketball coach \$1.5 million for aggressively hounding a player to lose ten pounds, which ultimately traumatized her into an eating disorder (West Windsor-Plainsboro, N.J.). ... The bad-boy artist who once put goldfish into blenders at a gallery, almost defying visitors to turn them on (and one did), used 780 gallons of red paint to cover a 1000-square-yard iceberg off the coast of Greenland.

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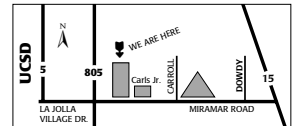
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CARJACKING

Location: 800 West San Ysidro Boulevard

Time/Date: 5:30 p.m. on 3/26/04

Officer's Investigation: Julian R. told me that, at approximately 5:30 p.m., he had purchased gas at the AM/PM for his 2000 Ford Focus, and was at a nearby pay phone attempting to call a friend, when an unidentified suspect(s) came up behind him and began strangling him. R. said he became uncon-

scious and the next thing he remembers is waking up in the Burger King parking lot at approximately 3:30 a.m. R. told me he did not see the suspect(s) who assaulted him and had no idea what happened to his vehicle.

Follow-up Investigation: [We] asked R. how his clothing appeared clean and pressed even though he had laid unconscious for almost 10 hours. We drove R. to the location he found himself...the grassy area he showed us did not show any evidence that he had laid there ... [and] was in clear view of persons walking in this high pedestrian traffic area.

We asked R. to show us the location where he was strangled and kidnapped...[he] showed us a pay phone where he said the incident occurred. The pay phone was in clear view of persons who would be pumping gas, persons at the nearby McDonald's, and even attendants at the AM/PM...it would be unusual that no report would be made if someone had assaulted him....

We asked R. if he had been to Mexico. R. said he had gone to Mexico yesterday at 12:30 p.m. to pick up a former co-worker. We drove to the border, to the Port of Entry, and discovered from U.S. Customs officers that R.'s vehicle had crossed into the U.S. from Mexico at 7:41

p.m. We told R. that it would be very unusual for a carjacker to reenter the U.S. in the car they had just stolen.

COMMERCIAL ROBBERY

Location: 5851 Balboa Avenue

Time/Date: 12:35 a.m. on 3/31/04



Officer's Investigation: I arrived on the scene at 12:45 a.m. I saw a white male dressed in a Domino's Pizza shirt, James B. He was pacing frantically in the parking lot of the Bank of America. I also saw a white female dressed in a similar shirt sitting on the sidewalk. She appeared upset. She was later identified as Jillian L., an employee of Domino's.

She and James B. arrived in front of the bank at 12:35 a.m. in separate vehicles. They were going to make the Domino's nightly deposit. L. took the deposit money to the depository machine in front of the bank. The money (\$1000) was sealed in a clear Bank of America deposit bag.

The suspect came around the northwest corner...dressed in a dark hooded sweatshirt. The hood was pulled down to his eyebrows...the collar was pulled up over his mouth and nose. The skin around his eyes was dark. The suspect demanded, "Drop the fuckin' bag! I have a gun!" The

suspect lunged toward L. She stepped back and dropped the bag. The suspect picked up the bag and ran toward the back of the bank. The suspect got into the passenger's side of a dark 2-door Mitsubishi Eclipse.

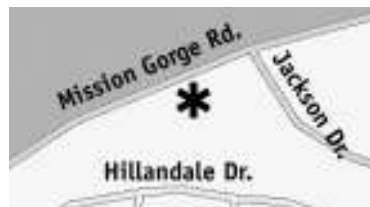
Although L. didn't know what a Hispanic accent was, she was adamant the suspect was Hispanic because of his dark skin. She never saw a gun.

The business has been robbed at least four times in the past month...occurring roughly during the same time.

CARRYING A LOADED FIREARM

Location: 8181 Mission Gorge Road

Time/Date: 1:10 p.m. on 3/29/04



Officer's Investigation:

Daniel H. and Tony G. went to [the place of business] to look for Ella B. She was not there but [H. and G.] contacted Lydia R. An argument ensued and Lydia's husband, Tim, came out to assist his wife. Tim told them to leave. H. got into his truck, then got out and pushed Tim. Tim detained the truck so they could not leave. A loaded Glock 28 semi-automatic pistol was found in the center console of the vehicle. H. stated the gun was his. H. was initially arrested for battery, and then

also charged with possession of a loaded weapon.

Victim's Statement: I was working at my desk. I saw the truck park in front of the shop; they were sitting there for 3-5 minutes. Two guys came in and asked my wife if she was Ella. They asked her aggressively. One of them said they were a private investigator. I asked him for his I.D. The guy said "fuck you" to me. I told him to get the fuck out of my shop. He said, "I don't have to go anywhere." I followed them outside and had the scissors in my pocket the whole time. The guy got in his truck, then got out and pushed me. That's when I placed him under citizen's arrest.

Suspect's Statement: We went into the store in hopes to find Ella B. We were gonna repossess her car. I saw the girl and...I said, "Are you Ella?" She said no. I asked if she was sure. That's when her husband came out and started cussing. He asked me for I.D. I told him I didn't have to show any and this was a private matter. I saw him follow us out and he was holding a pair of scissors. He said he should stab me now. I know that's terrorist threats. I didn't want a confrontation. He stood behind my truck. Then he came to my door. I slipped off the side of the truck and bumped him with my shoulder. He said, "See that? He hit me." Then I just sat in my truck waiting for you guys.

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"When she was in her 70s she got Alzheimer's, and she couldn't drive the truck. John, the guy she'd been with for 20 years, he said, 'Joe, take the truck.'

"So I took the truck. And it was getting rusty on the top. Normally I would've

just primed the top and forgotten it. There's no way I would pay for a vehicle to get painted. Unless it was beautiful. And my truck is beautiful, so I got it clear-coated.

"An artist friend of mine — Sandy, who does greeting cards that are really cute — I wanted her to paint a mural in my house. But we got the idea of painting the truck. Then Leslie and I — Leslie does glass artwork — we got to talking about it, and I said, 'Why don't we do this? It's my mom's truck. She's dying of Alzheimer's. She used to have this purple Buick with flames.'

"So Leslie and I went over to Frazee's and found some paint that adheres to metal. And I had to do a bunch of work, which I don't like to do. I sanded it down, and I got this stuff you put on with a sponge that etches the old paint so the new paint will stick. A friend of mine who used to be in the car business told

me to wash it good and let it dry for a couple days. We had a pizza party one Saturday — I was thinking we'd get it done in one day. I had run into artist friends over a period of time and given them each a different section of the vehicle. Well, it ended up taking six or eight different sittings over eight months. It was fun though.

"You apparently learn stuff when you do any artwork. I'm not an artist; I don't know when to stop. Like an Easter egg — I will keep dipping it, and it'll end up brown and streaky. But a real artist knows when to stop.

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smiled and looked so exuberant, I didn't know what to do, just wave or what. Finally I mouthed, 'You ought to see the other side.' When I pulled ahead, she came around back and looked at the other side. People have left notes that say, 'I like your truck.' Because the people who painted it were real artists, like my mother."

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My house seems so quiet. Ben started preschool. Years ago when I had five children aged seven and under, I dreamed about this day. When I spent my time doing nothing but pushing swings and refilling juice cups and changing diapers and nursing babies, I thought to myself, "Someday everyone will be in school. The house will be so quiet and peaceful. I might actually get the bathrooms cleaned before they're condemned as a public health hazard." I never imagined how odd the quiet might be.

I've been in denial about Ben starting preschool. My husband Jack and I signed him up last fall right after he turned three. "He'll start in January," I told Jack. "Right after the holidays."

"Do you think he'll be potty-trained by then?" Jack asked. At the time, Ben showed no interest in using the toilet.

"Of course he will," I assured Jack. "We'll work on it after Thanksgiving."

We never worked on Ben's potty-training. Thanksgiving and Christmas came and went. "He's not going to start in January, is he?" Jack asked me one late December night after the kids had gone to bed.

"Nope," I answered. "You don't seem too disappointed," Jack observed.

"I'm not." In January, I drove to the preschool and got a refund for Ben's tuition. "I didn't get him potty-trained in time," I told the clerk behind the counter. "Maybe we'll try for the spring session."

One day soon after, Johnny and Ben were playing upstairs while I made the beds in their room. "Do you want to wear underwear today, Ben?" Johnny asked. My five-year-old son opened Ben's drawer and pulled out a pair of Bob the Builder underwear I had bought months ago.

"Sure," Ben answered. As I unfastened Ben's diaper and pulled the briefs up over his little round bottom, I explained, "You'll have to use the toilet if you're not wearing your diaper."

"Okay," Ben said. During the next week, Ben had a few accidents. Not many. By the following week, he was staying dry at night.

"You can sign up for preschool now," Ben's sister Angela told him.

"And go to school and play with toys," Lucy chimed in.

"I wish I was still in preschool," Johnny com-

plained. "Kindergarten's too hard."

Jack signed Ben up for the spring session of the city-run preschool where we live in San Marcos. This past Monday, after I dropped Johnny off at his afternoon kindergarten, I drove Ben to the civic center for his first day.

"Where's my preschool?" Ben asked as we drove east along Mission Avenue.

"It's near the library," I answered. "You'll probably remember it when you see it." For the first two and a half years of his life, Ben went with me three days a week when I dropped Angela and then Lucy and then Johnny at preschool.

As we turned the corner onto San Marcos Boulevard, I glanced in the rear-view mirror at my redheaded boy. "Oh," Ben said as a smile broke across his face. "I recognize this place."

I parked the van and unfastened Ben's seat belt. "Let's go, buddy," I said. Ben hopped out. He reached up and took my hand as we walked across the parking lot. We went through the double doors and partway down a long, wide hallway. "Here we are," I said as we reached the classroom door.

Ben ran ahead of me into the room. He glanced up for a moment when his teacher said, "Hi. I'm teacher April. What's your name?"

"Benjamin," Ben answered. He sat down at a low table and started pushing round View-Master disks into the viewer. "I see space," he said. Ben set the View-Masters down for a moment and looked at teacher April again. "I'm going to preschool today," he told her.

"That's great," she answered with a laugh. Ben went back to the View-Masters.

"Look who's here," I told Ben. Jack walked

into the classroom. He had decided to leave work early so he could see Ben off on his first day of school.

Ben moved the View-Master away from his face. "Hi, Dad," he said. "I see space."

"That's cool, buddy," Jack told him. "Are you all ready for school?"

"Yeah."

Jack took a few pictures of Ben looking at View-Masters. "We should probably go," I said. "They say you shouldn't linger on the first day."

"I know," Jack answered. He put the camera away and leaned down by Ben. "Bye, Benjamin. Mommy will be back later to pick you up."

Ben kept looking at the View-Masters. He struggled to pull one disk out.

"Can I help you with that?" Jack asked. He pulled out one disk and helped Ben insert another.

"Bye, Ben," I said. "Bye, Mom."

Jack and I walked across the parking lot together. "I didn't cry this time," Jack told me as we reached the van.

"Neither did I." I thought about the way we had both wept the morning we dropped Rebecca, our oldest, at preschool for the first time.

"He's still struggling with that stupid View-Master," Jack said. "Some of the disks are bent."

We looked over at the classroom. We could see Ben's hair through the window.

"I'll see you at home," Jack said and kissed me.

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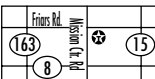
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